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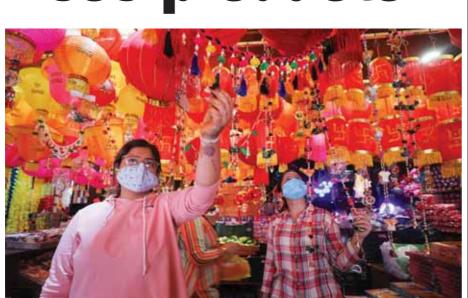
## LAC face-off hits sale Modi talks with Biden, of Chinese products

₹50,000 cr loss to Chinese exporters as Indians say no to their items this festive season also

Keeping in view of ongoing tensions with China after Doklam and Galvan valley incidents, a sizeable number of Indians said "no" to Chinese products while shopping during this festive season also.

According to the Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT), they are expecting estimated losses to the tune of ₹50,000 crore on part of Chinese exporters this vear due to Indians boycotting products from China in the domestic markets. This is the second consecutive year when consumers in India are boycotting Chinese goods.

"Like previous year, this year too CAIT has given a call to boycott Chinese goods and it is certain that China is going to suffer a business loss of about ₹50,000 crore in terms of stoppage of import of Chinese goods by Indian traders," CAIT stated in the statement.



Women wearing face masks as a precautionary measure against coronavirus shop for decorative items at a market ahead of the Diwali festival in Jammu on Saturday

Anti-China rhetoric has reduced the attractiveness of made-in-China products among Indian customers. Earlier, Chinese products were in great demand during the festive season in India, with China-made firecrackers, decorative LED lights and Chinese lamps and lanterns selling like hot cakes ahead of Diwali due to their cheaper prices.

Another important change,

observed recently, is that consumers across major cities in the country do not really seem interested in buying Chinese products, which is likely to increase the demand for Indian goods instead. CAIT secretary general Praveen Khandelwal said a recent survey conducted by the body's research arm in 20 "distribution cities' showed that so far no orders for Diwali goods, firecrackers, or

other items have been placed with Chinese exporters by Indian traders or importers. These 20 cities are — New

Delhi, Ahmedabad, Mumbai, Nagpur Jaipur, Lucknow, Chandigarh, Raipur Bhubaneswar, Kolkata, Ranchi, Guwahati, Patna, Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad Madurai, Pondicherry, Bhopal, and Jammu.

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# world leaders at G20

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday interacted with world leaders, including US President Joe Biden, on the sidelines of the G20 Summit, exchanging pleasantries and showcasing a spirit of camaraderie.

In a series of photos tweeted by the PMO India, Prime Minister Modi is seen meeting Biden, French President Emmanuel Macron, UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

"On the sidelines of the @g20org Rome Summit, PM @narendramodi interacts with various leaders," the PMO said in the tweet.

In the pictures, Modi is seen walking with Biden in a half embrace, apparently sharing a light chitchat. The two leaders are seen happy to be in each other's company.

Biden hosted Modi at

the White House on September 24 for their first in-person meeting.

In other photos, Modi is seen embracing Macron and engaged in an animated discussion with Trudeau and Johnson.

Prime Minister Modi also interacted with other leaders, including German Chancellor Angela Merkel, South Korean

President Moon Jae-in, UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres and Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong.

Earlier, all the world leaders participating in the G20Summit, including Modi, gathered for a "family photo".

"World leaders meet in

Rome for the @g20org Summit, an important multilateral forum for global good," the PMO said in another tweet.

Ahead of Prime Minister Modi's visit to Rome, Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla said that the G20 remains a valuable forum for India's engagement with major economies in the world and for setting the trends and norms for global economic development and recovery.

The Prime Minister will be participating in the G20 Summit in Rome from October 20 21 at the control of the con 30-31 at the invitation of Italian Prime Minister Mario Draghi. Italy has been holding the

presidency of the G20 since December last year. The G20 is a leading glob-

al forum that brings together the world's major economies. Its members account for more than 80 per cent of the global GDP, 75 per cent of global trade and 60 per cent of the population of the planet.

The forum has met every vear since 1999. Continued on Page 4



## PM invites Pope Francis to India

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday said he had a "very warm meeting" with Pope Francis and discussed a wide range of issues, including the Covid-19 pandemic and the challenges posed by climate change, and also invited him to visit India at an early date Modi, who is the first

Indian Prime Minister to meet Francis since he became Pope

in 2013, also tweeted pictures of him embracing the head of the Roman Catholic church.

"Had a very warm meeting with Pope Francis. I had the opportunity to discuss a wide range of issues with him and also invited him to visit India, Modi tweeted after the historic meeting with the 84-year-old Pontiff. Pope Francis received Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a private audience at the

Apostolic Palace in the Vatican. Continued on Page 4

**Diwali in Mannat** 

as Aryan back

home after 29

days in prison

#### **CAPSULE**

#### 2 JAWANS MARTYRED IN LANDMINE BLAST

Jammu: Two Army personne were martyred and another was injured in a landmine explosion near a forward post along the Line of Control (LoC) in Rajouri district of Jammu & Kashmir on Saturday, officials said Officials said the blast took place in Kalal area of Nowshera when the Army team was on natrol duty as part of measures to check infiltration of terrorists rom across the border said the area is dotted with landmines planted by the Army as part of the counter-infiltration arrangement. According to Lt-Col Devender Anand, "The soldiers who made supreme sacrifice have been identified as Lt Rishi Kumar and Sepoy Manjit"

#### **DECISION TO LEAVE CONG IS FINAL: CAPT**

Chandigarh: Former Puniab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh on Saturday dismissed reports of backend talks with the Congress, saying the time for rapprochement is over and his decision to leave the party

#### **ACTOR YUSUF HUSSAIN**

**DIES OF COVID AT 73** Mumbai: Veteran actor Yusut Hussain, known for featuring in films like "Dhoom 2", "Raees and "Road to Sangam", passed away on Saturday due to Covid-19. He was 73.

## Cong's timidity to make Modi more powerful: Mamata

SAUGAR SENGUPTA KOLKATA

Tn a calculated move to grab in Goa — presently occupied by the Congress — Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Saturday launched an attack on the Congress for its "indecisiveness," towards the BJP and said Janpath's tentativeness against the saffron would outfit further strengthen Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Employing a narrative tact-

fully built up all these years by the BJP in an alleged bid to trivialise Rahul Gandhi, the TMC supremo asked "why should the country suffer if one cannot make a decision," alleging how the Congress leadership (read Rahul) "did not take politics seriously"

"Modi is going to be more powerful because of the Congress' (indecision). They got an opportunity in the past (but) instead of fighting against the BJP, they contested against

me in my State," she said. When asked as to why she



West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee during her visit to Mapsa Market in Goa

was attacking the Congress (instead of the BJP) she said, They fought against us in Bengal a few months ago and if they attack me there, should they expect sweets from me here.

Blaming the Congress for BJP's increasing strength, Mamata said, "The Congress and the BJP complement each other which is why they (saffron party) are becoming more and more powerful."

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## **Raut retorts: No Govt** possible without Cong

On a day TMC leader Mamata Banerjee held the Congress responsible for the BJP's continuous rise, Shiv Sena MP Sanjay Raut said a coalition Government with the

come to power in 2024. After addressing the JS Karandikar memorial lecture organised by the Pune Press Club, Raut said, Government can be formed without the Congress, which is a major and deeply-rooted party in the country. The Congress is the main Opposition party too. Others

are regional parties." On political strategist Prashant Kishor's reported statement that the BJP will remain in power for many decades, Raut said the BJP will stay in Indian politics but as an

Opposition party.
"The BJP claims that it is the world's biggest party. If the world's biggest party loses elec-tions they will become an Opposition party. For example, in Maharashtra, the BIP is the main Opposition party with 105 MLAs," he said.

On the upcoming Assembly elections in BJP-



ruled Uttar Pradesh, Raut said, "Presently we are focusing on Dadra, Nagar Haveli, and Goa. There is still time for UP elections. We are a smaller player in UP but we will contest."

Earlier, addressing the lecture, Raut underlined various challenges being faced by the media. "Since the last two years, media persons are not allowed in the central hall of Parliament by the ruling party citing the reason of coron avirus pandemic. But the real reason behind the ban is fear that many things might come out if reporters are allowed to speak to Ministers who are being asked to maintain distance from journalists. They (the Central Government) asked Ministers to keep their distance from reporters, even they are under the scanner. Media was not stopped even during Emergency like it is he claimed.

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## BJP MLA, 6 BSP legislators join SP

A head of the Assembly polls in Uttar Pradesh, seven MLAs — one from the BJP and six rebel MLAs of the BSP — Party in the presence of its leader Akhilesh Yadav at the party headquarters here on Saturday.

The include BSP's Muitaba Siddiqui, Hakim Lal Bind, Sushma Patel, Aslam Chaudhary, Hargovind Bhargava and Aslam Raini and Ĥargovind BJP MLA from Sitapur con-

stituency, Rakesh Rathore. The BSP MLAs were suspended for anti-party activities in October last year.

Before formally joining the SP, all the MLAs met Akhilesh on Friday. This was the second meeting of the BSP MLAs with the SP leader after they were suspended from their party.

Rebel BJP MLA Rakesh Rathore had met Akhilesh in September and had criticised his party's Government in the State several times. In May this vear, Rathore said lawmakers like him "do not have any stature" and if he made too many statements to the media "it may lead to a sedition case"



Samajwadi Party president Akhikesh Yadav addresses a Press conference in Lucknow on Saturday

against him.

Rakesh Rathore was critical of the Uttar Pradesh Government's handling of the Covid-19 pandemic and medical services in Sitapur district.

Addressing the media on Saturday, Akhilesh said, "Many people want to join the SP. When the time comes, you will see it. People are so unhappy with the BJP that they will be wiped out in the next polls. After MLA Rakesh Rathore's joining, the chief minister might change his slogan from "mera parivar BJP parivar to mera parivar bhagta parivar".

TN RAGHUNATHA MUMBAI Diwali arrived early at Shah Rukh Khan's six-storey res-idence "Mannat" at Bandra in north-west Mumbai, as the returned home on Saturday to a burst of crackers, the beating of drums, a spontaneous rip-

> dreds of fans and a welcome banner that read "Stay strong Prince Aryan", after 29 days of incarceration. He was arrested in the mid-sea drug bust case. It was an emotional moment for SRK as he waited in his car near the Arthur Road Central Jail for the release of his eldest son who walked out of the high-security prison at 11.03 am. Sporting a blue jer-

roaring jig by the actor's hun-

sey with his mane visible and face covered by a dark mask, Aryan quietly made his way to the white SUV where his anxious father received with him a hug. The reunion over, the

father-son duo headed straight from the jail located at Chinchpokli in south Mumbai to their home, 15 km away at Bandra (west) via the Bandra-Worli Sea Link.

## Vax less effective against Virat slams 'spineless trolls', defends Shami new Covid variants: Study

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ntibodies developed after a ACovid-19 infection stay about 10 months in the body and produce a strong response to future infection from their own variant, but they were found to be less effective when fighting against different variants, according to a study published in the journal Nature Microbiology.

This means that vaccines designed around one of these new variants may be less effective against other variants.

The study holds importance given that new variants have been spreading and some of them are considered to be more transmissible. These include a sub-variant of the Covid Delta strain — AY.4.2 —



more transmissible than the original Delta, scientists esti-

AY.4.2 made up almost 10 per cent of all infections in England in the fortnight ending October 9, the Daily Mail

The study on antibodies looked at the antibodies of 38 patients and healthcare workin London who were infected during the first wave

of Covid-19, before they were vaccinated. Despite an initial decline in antibody levels just after infection, results showed that most people (18/19 patients) maintained detectable antibody levels 10 months after they were infected. Antibodies help to fight

Covid-19 by binding to the SARS-CoV-2 virus, preventing the virus from infecting cells. These results show how long antibodies remain in the body to fight future infections. While antibodies from a

specific SARS-CoV-2 variant were able to generate a strong esponse to an infection from their own variant, results showed that antibodies were less effective when fighting against different variants. Continued on Page 4

A livid India captain Virat Kohli on Saturday hit back at "spineless trolls" who attacked Mohammed Shami's religion after the team lost to Pakistan in its inaugural T20 World Cup game and said targetting people for their faith is the most pathetic thing" to do. Shami, who endured an off

dav in India's 10-wicket defeat, was trolled on instagram for his Muslim identity. "Attacking someone over their religion is the most, I would say, pathetic thing that a human being can do," skipper

the eve of his team's crucial

match against New Zealand

when asked about the trolling that his senior pacer faced.

Attacking someone over religion is most

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For Kohli, social media trolls are nothing but a bunch of "spineless" people, who don't have the courage to face real people in real life.

There is a good reason why we are playing on the field and not some bunch of spineless people on social media that have no courage to actually speak to any individual in person," he said. A lot of star players, includ-

ing Sachin Tendulkar, had posted messages in support of Shami during the furore. Kohli didn't mince words on

"Everyone has the right to voice their opinion and what they feel about a certain situation, but I personally have



criminating (against) anyone over their religion.

"That is a very sacred and a personal thing and that should be left there," Kohli said.

waste time on losers, who overlook the fact that Shami had made some great contribution for the country.

.Mohammad Shami has won India number of matches

been our primary bowler with Jasprit Bumrah when it comes to making an impact in games in Test cricket. "If people can overlook that...I honestly don't even

in the last few years and has

want to waste one minute of my life to give any attention to those people and neither does Shami and neither does anyone else in the team," the Indian skipper said. Kohli reminded the naysayers that the bond among

the team members is so strong that this kind of chatter doesn't infiltrate the protective shield they have created for themselves. 'We stand by him fully. We are backing him 200 per cent.

And all those who have attacked can come in more force if they want to.. Continued on Page 4

## 'I feel that you should never stop and just keep working hard'

PARAMVIR SINGH CHEEMA, who plays Lucky, a cop in SonyLIV's Tabbar, speaks with SUPRIYA RAMESH about his role, his journey as a model and how acting happened

■What is your role??

Lucky is very frustrated by the errands that his seniors in the police keep giving him and he just wants to grow out of it and change the system. He wants to end corruption in his department. He is always ready to do anything and is a very sharp cop who just wants to do his job loyally. For him, everything is either black or white, there is no grey shade in

■ How was shooting besides your co stars? Tell us something about

The whole experience was fun and shooting with Pavan sir was like my dream come true. I have been a great fan of him and his work. The way he plays and performs with his eyes and his intense body language, I am a fan of that. I was very nervous when I got to know that I'd be working with him and Supriya Pathak. But when I met them, Pavan sir made all of us youngsters feel so comfortable that we felt we could even cry on his shoulders. That's the bond he made at the very first day and the same was with Supriya ji.

There is a scene where I go to a person for the investigation but we weren't getting the desired reaction from the actor. Even Ajit sir wasn't happy with it, so he came to me and told me to slap him. I asked him if I should tell the actor beforehand, but he told me to just do it while performing, and it is visible in the show that the reaction that came after that was so well, he recalls, adding that donning the uniform had its perks. People used to treat me like a real cop at times, so much so that they would pull out chairs for me if I was standing and even pull up their masks. I really did get the experience of being an actual cop.

■Tell us about your journey as a



model?

I did model for a year in Delhi and won Mister India 2016 there. Post that my journey started in the modelling world. We always heard that modelling is a stepping stone towards Bollywood, so I did that too but I didn't get that kick from modelling. At the back of my head, I always knew I wanted to act. I was also doing LLB from Punjab so I couldn't move to Mumbai permanently at that time, so moving

to Delhi was easier and even my father agreed to that, which was a big

■You have also been a part of punjabi music videos. Tell us about your experience?

This happened even before Mister Punjab. People approached me since I had a good face and height. I did one music video before the pageant, and after Mister Punjab I got a lot of offers as my fan following had

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increased not just in Punjab but also overseas in Canada and UK. From that experience, I got a little more camera friendly but after a point of time I consciously decided to stop doing the music videos as I felt it was time for me to take the next step.

IT ALWAYS BEARS FRUIT

You were a lead actor in Zee TVs show Kaleerein. What would you like to tell about the show?

Kaleerein just happened to me. I feel that you should never stop and just keep working hard. It always bears fruit. I never settled and when Kaleerein came to me, it was a big deal as I was the main antagonist in the series and these renowned faces like Arjit Taneja and Aditi Sharma were my co-stars. It was a very different experience and the fan following I got from it was much more. Even my character's journey clicked with the audience and when it turned negative people even abused me and I found it fascinating. After that, I got work

at irregular intervals but when I actually felt that I was ready for the industry, that's when Tabbar happened to me.

■ How did acting happen?
Acting just happened. It was never a set plan but circumstances became so and opportunities kept coming. I didn't leave them and just grabbed them all. In college, there was a fashion show taking place. I was 6'2 so one of my designer friends asked me to walk for him on the ramp. I did that and surprisingly even won a title. Post that, I participated in Mister Punjab 2015, shifted to Delhi and did some fashion assignments. In Delhi, I also got that push and validation that helped me make a transition to acting. People there told me that that I have more of a commercial face than a model one, so I should go to Mumbai as I would have a better scope there. So, I did,

■Your instagram bio says 'Law Graduate'. Are you practicing? If yes, how do you manage to juggle between work??

I am a law graduate but I don't practise it. My father is a lawyer himself and he told me that the line that I was choosing isn't secure, so I should have a back-up plan and he suggested LLB for that.

I had planned to go abroad to study after my BBA but my father's mind changed and he didn't want to send me away and wanted me to pursue LLB here, so I put this condition in front of him that I want to go to Mumbai after LLB. I told him that if it wouldn't work out, I would come back, but I needed to give it a shot. While doing LLB my interest grew in that. Above that, by doing LLB I gave joy to my father and that makes me happy too. I am very connected to my family and our

#### **Plan Your Sunday**



#### ACE IT WITH THE MASTERS

'The Swara Tour' will focus on various aspect of the Sapta Swaras in Carnatic Music. The masterclass will cover the introduction to the notes, recognizing them and eventually how to put them together to form a Raga. Varijashree will also explain the

their rules, compositions and also how to make improvisations in them. Over the 4 sessions. Varijashree will go into detail about the

different Ragas in detail with respect to

theory as well as practical applications. The 1st and 3rd Sessions are mostly theory based where Varijashree will also sing for the attendees along with explanation of the concepts.

The 2nd and 4th Sessions will be application based sessions. A Q&A segment shall conclude each session. What: Workshops

Where: Online

When: October 31, 2021

#### **KOMMUNE PRESENTS KATHAKAR**



Prem vo ehsaas hai, jise hum sab ne kabhie na kabhie mehsoos kiya hai. Prem vo bhaav hai, jo kal bhi tha, aaj bhi hai, aur kal bhi rahega. Shayad yahi wajah hai ki log kehte hain - "Jin kahaaniyon mein hoti hai mohabbat ki baat, amar hoti hain vo sah kahaaniyan. "Kathakar: Fk manch premi

kahaaniyon ka." is an evening of Love Stories of all kinds. We have brought Time: 7 pm

to you some of the most amazing Hindi and Marathi storytellers from across India with their beautifully written unconventional love stories

Kya aap tayyar hain Prem ke darive mein doob iaane ke live? What: Theatre and Arts Where: Online When: November 13, 2021

#### 'WORKING WITH RAJAN SHAHI SIR IS A LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Rajan Shahi's *Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai* is all set to take a leap. This time, Pranali Rathore will portray the role of Akshara. The actor sounds excited to be a part of such an iconic show that has been running high on popularity since its inception in 2009. "It's an honour and privilege to take the

legacy of one of the most successful shows forward. The show that I grew up with is one that I am a part of. From loving Hina Khan to understanding the crux of the show this is a feeling I won't be able to define in simple words," she says

Pranali's Akshara is fun-loving and filled with positivity that reflects in her thoughts and feelings. She loves her family and could take a bullet if required.

"I relate to the character so much that I instantly fell in love with the way it has been written. Also, in real life, I'm free-spirited just like Akshara. I love my family. They are the ones who have supported me through and through," she adds.



Sharing her experience of working with Rajan Shahi and the team of Directors Kut Production, she says, "Working with Rajan sir is a pleasure as we all get to learn from his experience. The way he supports us. explains things is absolutely brilliant. Content is king and he understands that as well as the pulse of the audience so well. These days it's very important to be a part of the change that viewers are also ready to accept and expect intelligent narratives from where they take

The show symbolizes human values and relationships. And Rajan Shahi is known for his crisp storytelling.

Relationship and human values are the two most valuable things on this planet and I believe we are in an industry that is best through our stories. Raian sir is a master in what he does as he gets into every detail of the story and refines each detail himself. I think all these make him one of the best showrunners in our industry today," she

Elaborating her views on love triangles and the title of Yeh, Pranali says, "I do feel that love triangles make the story really interesting. But I also believe that love towards anything should be pure and he who feels this comes out victorious.

#### CELEBRATING DIWALI WITH COLORS

Vansh Sayani, who essays the character role of Jigar in COLORS' 'Balika Vadhu' said,"I am really excited for Diwali, just like every other year! The first thing that I do during Diwali is help my parents by cleaning my own room, and during the celebrations. I am always the one who takes everyone's picture in

I am also ensuring clicking pictures of our festivities with my co-actors on the 'Balika Vadhu' sets. Everyone is celebrating the festival on sets with special Diwali delicacies exchanging gifts and sweets.

I never celebrate this festival by bursting firecrackers because of its harmful impact on the environment. I request my young friends to avoid it as well. May all of you have a wonderful Diwali

"Radhika Muthukar, who plays the role of Simar in COLORS' Sasural Simar Ka 2 "I have many amazing Diwali memories from my childhood. Although people avoid doing so now, we celebrated Diwali by bursting firecrackers when I was a

I remember how I burned my hand while lighting a fuljhari; while we experienced many such incidents, we used to have loads of fun! This year, I plan to celebrate this festival with my family in our new home in Mumbai and my onset family of 'Sasural Simar Ka 2'. I wish everyone a very happy Diwali! May this year bring you lots of joy and health!

e of Kaiol in COLORS' Sa Baadal, Thoda Sa Paani "Back in Jamshedpur, we used to have Lakshmi Pooja every year on My sister and Lused to help

"Ishita Dutta who plays the

our parents make sweets and decorate the house the previous night. On Diwali evening, we used to burst crackers and go for Kali Pooja. This year, Diwali celebrations came in early as we started celebrating it on the 'Thodasa Baadal Thodasa Paani' sets by exchanging sweets with one another and bringing Diwali special food on the sets.

I'll celebrate the main Diwali with my family, just like every year. I'm looking forward to spending more time with them, as I have been away because of the shoot! I wish everyone a very happy Diwali and a prosperous new year!

"Surabhi Das, who plays the titular character in COLORS'

'Nima Denzongpa' mentioned, "We used to celebrate Diwali with complete splendour in my childhood. While I never like bursting firecrackers, I love celebrating this festival with my family and friends.

This year, I'll decorate my home and plan to make rangolis for the first time as I live by myself. I also intend to cele this occasion on the sets of Nima Denzongpa with my team! I hope this year brings love and light in everyone's life; wishing you all a happy Diwali!

"Karan V. Grover who plays the role of Angad Maan in COLORS' *Udaariyaan* "I have a major sweet tooth, and I always get my hands on every sweet

I can find, but only after

doubling my workout sessions! Well, I was making plans with my friends and family of playing cards this Diwali. But there is a sudden change in plans as I am now in Chandigarh shooting for Udaarivaan. I am verv excited because this is the first time I am getting back to working after the lockdown and tht too away on Diwali, and beautiful Chandigarh is just the much needed cherry on top.

We have already entered the festive vibe as the whole cast and crew, along with shooting the Diwali segment on camera, is also enjoying the festivities equally off camera. I haven't burst firecrackers for over a decade now, and I urge everyone to avoid doing that as well. I wish everyone lots of love

and happiness this Diwali! "Anita Raaj who plays the racter role of Kulwant

Dhillon in COLORS' Choti Sarrdaarni mentioned "Diwali is a festival that is very close to my heart!

As a child, I used to be so excited for Diwali that I had trouble sleeping the night before. We would burst many crackers during my childhood before I understood how it's harmful to our environment.

Diwali is a festival of joy, light and happiness. Everyone looks forward to celebrating this occasion with their family and friends, as it has an amazing vibe I plan to spend time with my loved ones this Diwali, go to my son's office for a pooja, and celebrate this festival just like every year.

I wish all my viewers a very happy Diwali! Please be safe, wear a mask and have lots of fun! Best wishes to all of you from my end!"

#### TERA YAAR HOON MAIN HITS 300



ony SAB's Tera Yaar Hoon Main has completed magnificent 300 episodes as they continue to keep the viewers hooked with a delightful storyline focusing on relatable family tales. Featuring Ssudeep Sahir and Sayantani Ghosh in lead roles, the fans have been praising and loving the duo for their outstanding performances and chemistry. With an amazing star cast

and storyline, the show has gained its popularity amongst the audience. The cast and crew will be celebrating this glorious milestone by cutting a cake on the sets. congratulating every single

member behind this success. The show also stars Priyal Gor, Rajendra Chawla, Jaya Ojha, Neeharika Roy, Ansh Sinha, Viraj Kapoor and Ekagra Dwivedi in pivotal roles.

Sudeep Sahir said, "There

is always a feeling of immense pride to see your show doing well and your character being loved. For us, completing 300 episodes is a proud and wholesome moment, though I would love to see our show reach the 500-episode milestone so that we could all have a bigger celebration. We have put in a lot of hard work and will continue to entertain our viewers '

Sayantani Ghosh said, "I feel extremely happy and proud of the fact that the show continues to be loved by our viewers. At this moment, I am immensely excited and somewhat at loss of words to describe my happiness because it still feels like yesterday when I just started shooting for 'Tera Yaar Hoon Main' and now the show has completed 300 successful episodes. Every actor dreams of having a successful running show and living that dream feels all the more fascinating.

#### **JODAA GARNERS 20M VIEWS**

t's just been a week since Aly Goni and Mouni Roy's new music video Jodaa released on YouTube and the song has already received 20 million views. Crooned by Afsana Khan, the lyrics has been written by Maninder Kailey with music by

Jatinder Shah. This is Aly and Mouni's first video together and their chemistry is something to watch out for. Set in a royal palace, the song revolves around a queen's unconditional love for her king and how she struggles to win him back.

The audience has praised

and emotions that the actors showed in the song. Jodaa is a special song. It was a very different experience shooting in the palace wearing a royal attire. Mouni is a fabulous dancer and an amazing co-actor. Afsana's soulful voice has done the magic and the 20 million views is a proof of that. "Thanks to the audience and my fans for giving so much love to Jodaa." Aly said. This is the actor's fourth music video this year after Tera suit, Tu bhi sataya jayega and 2

the song for its larger-than-life

picturisation and the chemistry

#### CATCH TOOFAAN ON ZEE

hey say, 'It's not about how They say, it's not about now you rise after you fall that marks a champion's spirit'. Witness an incredible journey of perseverance, junoon and undying fervour as Zee Cinema is ready to light up your Diwali with the World Television Premiere of *Toofaan* on 31st October at 12 noon. Think of Farhan Akhtar and the one word that probably comes to our mind is – unstoppable. Rakyesh Omprakash Mehra's gift for storytelling coupled with Farhan's efforts to transform

himself for his character makes Toofaan more than just a sports drama - it makes it an emotion, a source of inspiration. Like Paresh Rawal says in the film, "Yeh tera boxing ka ring nahi hai, yeh tera ghar ha. Khoon pasina ek karke tune apna ghar banaya hai. Sambhaal usko", one should never get knocked down by a few setbacks, rather bounce back and fight. Toofaan revolves around an

orphaned extortionist based out

of Donari.

#### WARM DIWALI WISHES FROM &TV ARTISTS

Rohitashv Gour (Manmohan Tiwari, *Bhabiji* Ghar Par Hai) shares, "This year I am very much excited about Diwali as I will be celebrating in Kalka (Himachal Pradesh) with my mother. She lives there and I will be seeing her after a long time. So, I already know how lovely my Diwali celebration is going to be. As we all know the past two years have not been that great in terms of celebration, but this year keeping all COVID precautions in place we are going to have a blast. From decorating house to enjoying our favorite delicacies, me and my family are Diwali-ready. I wish everyone a Happy and prosperous Diwali".

Himani Shivpuri (Katori Amma, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan) shares, "I will be celebrating Diwali at my home with my son like every year. Diwali is one of my favourite festivals that I eagerly wait for as I love decorating my house. I make sure to light up every corner of the house and make it my own little paradise. I will be also organizing Laxmi Poojan in my

house's mandir. Diwali safai has already started. I usually clean one place at a time over a week so that it does not burden us on a single day. My late uncle used to say that Diwali pe patte zarur khelne chahiye, so keeping that ritual alive we do play cards on the Diwali eve.

I am also travelling to Dehradun to meet my brother and celebrate Bhaidooj with him. In short, I am all planned for an epic Diwali this year! On this auspicious festival I wish everyone happiness, positivity and success."

Vishal Nayak (Manish Agarwal, &TV's Ghar Ek Mandir-Kripa Agrasen Maharaja Ki) shares, "I have been shooting in Jaipur since past four months and finally I will be travelling back to Mumbai to celebrate Diwali with my family. Every year I make sure that I am with my mom- dad, wife, and my daughter on this day, because any festival or celebration is incomplete without them.

This year we will decorate the house, do Laxmi Poojan and then go out for dinner or a movie together. This is my little special way of celebrating the festival of lights with the light of my life- my family. Unlike last year, I wish everyone gets to celebrate Diwali with full zeal and zest with their family and have an amazing time"

Ambrish Bobby (Ramesh Prasad Mishra, &TV's Aur Bhai Kya Chal Raha Hai?), "As I am busy shooting for Aur Bhai Kya Chal Raha Hai, my wife and my daughters have already started preparation for Diwali. Diwali Mahol has already set in our house with regular cleaning and shopping, it feels great to come back home to such excitement. I am really looking forward to this Diwali as last year many of us could not celebrate it like we wished to. But this year with all safety measures, we are not going to leave a single stone unturned to celebrate this day. From decorations to patakas to meethai, we are all set to welcome Diwali with our open arms. I wish this Diwali gets good fortune and light to evervone's life".

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## **DENGUE CASES IN SURGE Hosps told to use Covid beds for** dengue patients



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Government has ■ said hospitals may use onethird of the beds reserved for coronavirus patients for those suffering from vector-borne diseases, if the need arises.

The order came in the wake of surge in cases of dengue in the Capital.

Delhi has reported over 1,000 cases of dengue this year, with more than 280 cases logged in the last week, according to a civic report released on Of the total number of

dengue cases this season, 665 were recorded in the first 23 days of this month alone. The city recorded its first death due to the vector-borne

disease this season on October

"It is observed that the

#### **FARMERS' PROTEST**

## Carriageway on road connecting Delhi to Haryana opened

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

One carriageway of the road from Delhi to Haryana was open on Saturday after barricades were removed at the Tikri border where thousands of farmers have been agitating against the three agri laws.

The carriageway was opened after 11 months by the authorities following meetings between farm union leaders and the police.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (outer) Parwinder Singh said, "We had a meeting with the farmer leaders in the morning and later around 1 pm, the stretch going towards Haryana from Delhi has been opened and the traffic movement has

"The leaders were saying that the traffic be allowed for a particular timing, however, we have opened the road for 24 hours. The commuterswith small vehicles can pass through

Singh said the farm union leaders have expressed apprehension that since their tents

are on the road, in case heavy vehicles drive through and hit any of the protesters, a lawand-order issue would be cre-

"There is no space for heavy vehicles to ply there and that is why, we have decided to now allow such vehicles including truck and busses on stretch,"

The police had also removed similar blockades on one of the carriageways of the Delhi-Meerut Expressway at Ghazipur border on Friday However, traffic on the stretch has not yet started.

A farmer leader said traffic movement were allowed on the stretch on Saturday for the light vehicles, including bikes, auto-rickshaws and cars and ambulances.

The opening of the road stretch at the Tikri border would help thousands of commuters of Bahadurgarh and Delhi as well as those travelling between the national capital and going to Rajasthan from



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reserved for Covid cases are

lying vacant due to the decline

in number of Covid cases," the

order issued on Friday

required.

Further many of the beds

Girls hold posters and raise slogans during a sit-in protest by Afghan Refugee Women Association against the violence against women in Afghanistan, at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on Saturday

#### Delhi's electoral roll revision exercise to be held as 'Voter Utsav'

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

 $P^{\text{osters will be put up on city}}_{\text{buses and social media}}$  campaign will be intensified to disseminate awareness messages for voters' enrolment during the special summary revision of Delhi's electoral roll starting November 1, which poll authorities have planned to carry out as a val for the electorate.

During this exercise, any person who would be 18 years or more on or before January 1, 2022 will be eligible to enrol

The final roll will be published on January 5.

## City records 37 new Covid cases, zero death

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

s many as 37 new Covid-As many as 37 new 22 new 219 cases reported in the national Capital with zero death on Saturday, while the positivity rate was 0.06 per cent, according to data shared by the health department of the Delhi Government.

As per the bulletin, the infection tally rose to 14,39,825

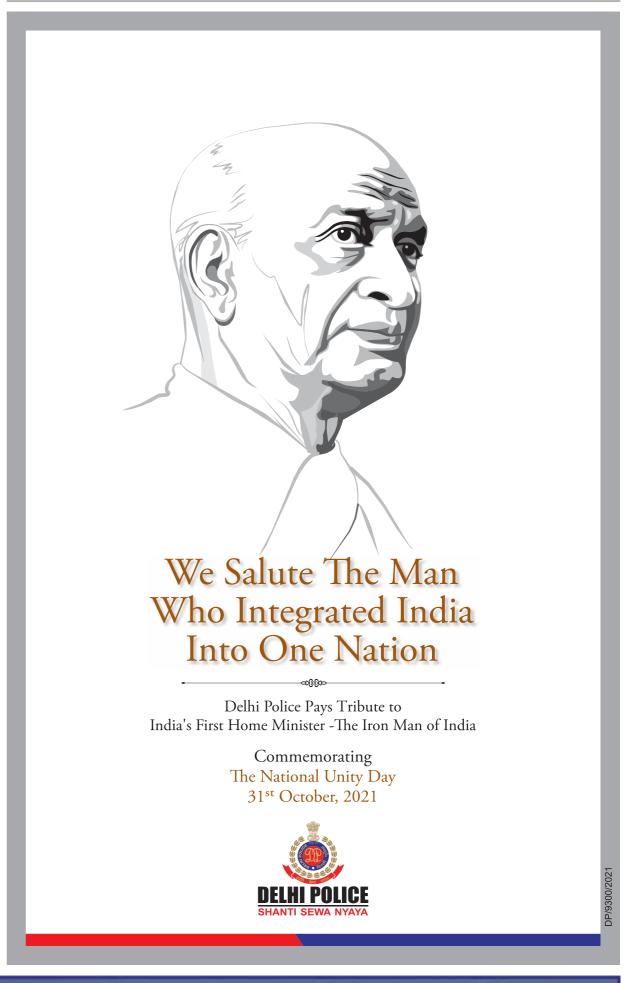
and the death toll remained unchanged at 25,091. "Twenty two patients were discharged in the last 24 hours. A total of 59,293 tests conducted a day ago including 45021 RTPCR tests," it said. According to bulletin, the number of active cases increased to 349 while the number of patients in home isolation is 128 and the num-

ber of containment zones

The national Capital reported 41 Covid cases on Tuesday, 27 cases on Monday, 37 cases on Sunday, and 40 cases on Saturday. According to govt vaccine doses have been administered in Delhi since the inoculation exercise started on January 16. Over 72.5 lakh people have received both doses.

The Delhi Government

has taken steps to increase the number of hospital beds to accommodate up to 37,000 patients a day and to become self-reliant in terms of oxygen supply. On April 20, Delhi had reported 28,395 cases, the highest in the city since the beginning of the pandemic last year. On April 22, the case positivity rate was 36.2 per cent, the highest so far.





**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

Aam Aadmi Party on Saturday accused the BJP of "conspiring" to break the spirits of the Valmiki community and the sanitation workers by weakening them financially and mentally. The sanitation workers working with municipal Corporations have not been regularized despite several promises made by the ruling BJP, party MLA from Kondli (east) Kuldeep Kumar said on

Saturday "The BJP-led MCD has left no stone unturned in troubling the Safai Karamcharis. In the recent house proceedings, our council members and leader of opposition have consistently raised the issue pushing for the regularisation of these Karamcharis. We raised the issue in the recent meeting of the Standing Committee and found out that the proposal mentioned only 500 employees. This number is extremely reprehensible given the 6,646 Karamcharis working in the MCD," he said.

Senior AAP Leader and Deputy Speaker of Delhi Vidhan Sabha Rakhi Birla said the AAP repeatedly advocated for the financial, mental and physical health of the

#### DMRC awarded 'Metro Rail with Best Passenger Services and Satisfaction'

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The Delhi Metro has bagged I the award for 'Metro Rail with the Best Passenger Services and Satisfaction' at the Urban Mobility India Conference hosted by the Union Housing and Urban

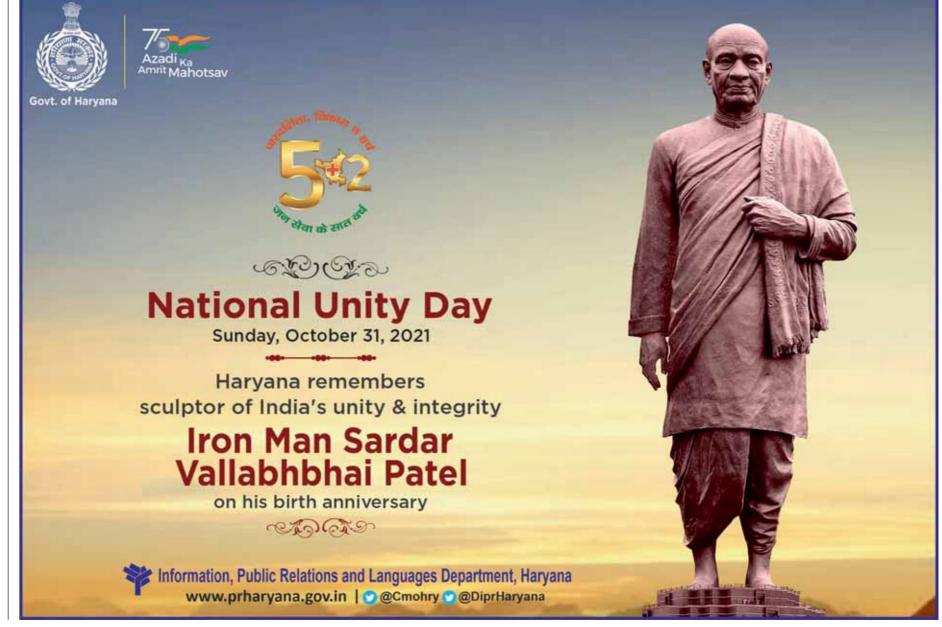
Affairs Ministry Surat has been awarded for the best public transport system while Kochi got an award for the most sustainable

transport system. According to the Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry, Delhi was awarded

the best non-motorised transport system for the redevelopment project of Shahjahanabad Redevelopment Corporation.

The awards were given away by Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Singh Puri.

"We are delighted to inform you that Delhi Metro is conferred with the 'Award for Excellence in Urban Transport by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under the category 'Metro Rail Passenger Services and



## Mehbooba writes to Modi over action against Kashmiri students

**Srinagar:** Expressing shock at the punitive action against some Kashmiri students for allegedly celebrating Pakistan's victory over India in a cricket match, PDP president Mehbooba Mufti wrote to Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday and sought his intervention so that their future is not destroyed.

She noted that such punitive actions will only further the sense of mistrust and alienation between the younger generation in Kashmir and the rest of the country, and added patriotism and a sense of loyalty have to be cultivated with compassion.

Her letter to Modi came after medical students living in hostels of the Government Medical College Srinagar and the SKIMS Hospital here were booked under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act and three students from Kashmir studying in Agra were arrested for alleged provocative slogans and social media posts celebrating Pakistan's victory over India in the T20 World Cup match played in Dubai on October 24.

"I write to you with a deep sense of disappointment and concern about the alarming situation in Jammu and Kashmir. Not too long ago when you presided over an all-party meeting in Delhi you expressed your intention to remove 'dil ki doori' between

Delhi and J&K. In my capacity as the President of PDP, I suggested a few confidence building measures that would have provided a sense of relief and breathing space to the people of J&K," Mehbooba wrote.

We had been waiting for the roll-out of a policy to address the hearts and minds of people, especially youth," she said. The PDP president said there were also expectations that Union Home Minister Amit Shah's recent visit to J&K would have led to a meaningful reach-out, especially after his statement about engaging with the youth here. "Instead, what followed was shocking and worrying. A friendly cricket match between India and Pakistan that was solely a source of entertainment for people here...Led to booking (of) youngsters under the draconian UAPA for simply choosing to cheer the winning side," she

Mehbooba said the brightest young people pursuing professional courses like MBBS have been targeted and slapped with anti-terror laws.

..Three students in Agra too have been arrested and charged with sedition for the same reasons. This, despite the college's own admission that they didn't engage in any activity that might be construed as anti-national," she said.

The former chief minister said patriotism and a sense of loyalty have to be cultivated with compassion and cannot be "forced by wielding the baton or by the barrel of a gun".

"Such punitive actions laced with contempt will only further the sense of mistrust and alienation between the younger generation and rest of the country.... Wisdom deems it prudent for this government to engage with them, understand their aspirations and goals. I fervently request you to intervene so that the future of these young bright minds is not destroyed," she wrote to Modi.

Mehbooba said political parties and their fortunes will wax and wane over the course of time, but what matters the most is the future generation that will have to carry the burdens of the past yet strive to fulfil the expectations of a better tomor-Meanwhile, speaking to reporters in Anantnag, Mehbooba

said she has written to the prime minister that he needs to win the hearts of the people of Kashmir. states and the country do not run on force. This way, the future of our youngsters will be destroyed and the youth will be further alienated and will cause problems for J&K and the country," she said.

## Shah seeks another term for BJP in Uttarakhand

#### Claims that the Union Govt has sanctioned projects worth ₹85,000 crore for the State in the last 5 years

PNS DEHRADUN

The Union Home Minister Amit Shah set the campaign of the Bharatiya Janata Party rolling for the upcoming Assembly elections in Uttarakhand on Saturday by addressing a well attended rally in Dehradun.

After inaugurating the Mukhyamantri Ghasyari Kalyan Yojana (MGKY) and computerisation of cooperative committees, Shah lashed out at the leaders of Congress party for coming out only at the time of elections. He said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi the BJP is committed to the development of Uttarakhand and in the last five years, the Union Government has sanctioned projects worth ₹85,000 crore to a small state like Uttarakhand. Shah challenged that the Congress party that ruled the country for ten years prior to the NDA government should come out with a report card on what it has done for Uttarakhand. Terming Congress a corrupt and opportunist party which is only interested in grabbing power by any means, the Union Home minister said that the BJP has fulfilled 85 per cent of its promises made in its election man-

He said that since former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee had created the separate state of Uttarakhand, he and other BJP leaders



op the state. Shah praised the chief minister of İttarakhand Pushkar Singh Dhami for efficient handling of the recent disaster triggered by heavy

In his address chief minister Dhami said that the state received a warning of heavy rain on October 16 and the entire machinery was immediately activated to take up the challenge. "The rainfall which occurred on October 18 and 19 was more than which occurred during the Kedarnath disaster.

We immediately halted the Char Dham Yatra and requested people not to come to the state. There were more than 1.5 lakh pilgrims in the State and not even a single casualty was

#### Blood CBC test must for every fever patient, Mathura health officials told

Mathura: As a measure to control the raging fever, health department officers here have been instructed to conduct a CBC test of every fever patient, a senior state government officer said on Saturday.

"Get Complete Blood Count (CBC) done of every fever patient as a precautionary measure to counter Dengue", Mayur Maheshwari, Mukhya Karyapalak Adhikari Industries, Kanpur, was said to have instructed local offi-

cials in a meeting on Friday.

He directed the Mathura Chief Medical
Officer (CMO) to get sampling done for
dengue in each such case where patient shows any symptoms of the fever.

Sampling of at least 100 persons should be done daily at every community health center, said Maheshwari, who is also the nodal officer for Covid-19 for Mathura.

The official also directed the CMO to take maximum samples from dengue-affected villages. The district Inspector of schools was directed to ensure there is no stagnant water in or around schools and the inter college. Emphasis was given to cleanliness around schools with regular spray of anti-larva chemical or DDT at vulnerable areas.

Agriculture and revenue officials posted in Mathura were also told to ascertain actual loss caused to paddy crop owing to recent "Overcome the problem heavy rains. of farmers related to the sowing of their paddy, potato, and wheat crop, and availability of fertilizers", the official said.

The meeting was concluded with stress on advance arrangements to counter



Pedestrians during heavy rain in Kanyakumari on Saturday

## leopardess recovered from | polls, says Owaisi open wells in Gir

Ahmedabad: Forest officials recovered carcasses of a lioness and a leopardess from open wells in Shetrunjay wildlife division of Gir forest region in Gujarat's Amreli district on Saturday.

An Asiatic lioness was found dead in an open well in Nageshree village in Jafrabad range forest, while the carcass of a leopardess was recovered from another well in Juni Barpatoli village of Rajula range forest, an official said.

The lioness was around five to nine years old, while the leopardess was one to two years old, the official said, adding their carcasses were sent for post mortem. According to the state forest

department, Gujarat has lost 313 lions in two years, of 23 had died of unnatural caus-Former state Forest Minister Ganpat Vasava had said that the government has built parapet walls for 43,000 open wells in Gir forest to prevent falling from animals

## Guj: Carcasses of lioness, | Will contest all Maha

PTI AURANGABAD

The All India Majlis-e-Itthehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) will contest all elections in Maharashtra from here on and the option of entering into alliances is also open, party president Asaduddin Owaisi said here on Saturday.

On a two-day tour of Aurangabad, Owaisi also criticised the Narendra Modi government on what he claimed was the inept handling of the China and Kashmir issues.

"China is on your ground but the government refuses (to acknowledge it). If nobody is holding onto your land, then why have these rounds of talks (between the two nations). The BJP should take a team of MP's to Ladakh and show the ground reality then. But the BJP and RSS are quiet on this issue," he alleged.

He also said moves like doing away with the provisions of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir had done nothing to change the ground situation in the restive region, as jawans and civilians were being killed in terror attacks. Queried on the possibility of a national alliance against the BJP, Owaisi said he was not an astrologer to say anything now about the 2024 Lok Sabha polls.

#### **Vax less effective** against new...

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Antibodies bind to the spike protein on the SARS-CoV-2 virus, and vaccines mimic this protein to create the immune response against SARS-CoV-2. "This study provides unique insight into the cross-neutralising antibody responses induced by different SARS-CoV-2 variants," said Dr. Liane Dupont, from the Department of Infectious Diseases, School of Immunology and Microbial Sciences, King's College

However, these results suggest that there were differences in the spike protein of alpha, beta, and delta variants. This means that vaccines designed around one of these new variants may be less effective against other variants. These results also show that our current vaccines designed around the original SARS-CoV-2 variant provide the best protection against all variants and should be used for vaccination programmes, Dupont said.

#### Modi talks with Biden...

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The forum includes, since 2008, a yearly summit, with the participation of the respective heads of state and government. The Rome summit will be attended by heads of state and government of G20 member countries, the European Union, and other invited countries and several international

The summit will be centred around the theme 'People, Planet, Prosperity, focussing on the areas of recovery from the pandemic and strengthening of global health gover-nance. From Rome, Modi will travel to Glasgow on Sunday to attend the World Leader's summit of the 26th Conference of Parties (COP-26) to the United Framework Nations Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

### LAC face-off hits sale of Chinese...

Cong's timidity to make Modi...

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Mamata's comments in Goa,

Congress Lok Sabha Leader

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"It is the same Mamata

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Reacting forcefully to

not going away in a hurry."

For context, during the five-month festive sea-Indian traders and exporters usually import goods worth about ₹70,000 crore from China. However, during the Rakhi festival this time, the Dragon was reported to have suffered losses to the tune of ₹5,000 crore and then again to the tune of ₹500 crores in Ganush Chathurthi.

If the same trend continues for Diwali, it would clearly indicate that not only are Indian traders boycotting Chinese goods, but consumers, too, are losing the will to buy products made in

Last year, a survey by LocalCircles, revealed that 71 per cent said they consciously chose not

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want votes in Goa to be divid-

ed, she said, "Let all the parties

unite to fight against the BJP

â⊠¦ let the regional parties come together â⊠¦ I want the

regional parties to be strong,

and we want that the federal

structure of India to be strong.

We should make the states

strong. If states are strong,

only then shall the Centre be

echoing her election strategist

Prashant Kishor who earlier

said, "The BJP is going to be the

centre of Indian politics,

whether they win, whether

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Besides, ahead of the festive season, especially imposed restrictions on firecrackers and also announced Covid-19 measures for checking virus spread. While some States have banned firecrackers, others have imposed a partial ban on green crackers. China is the biggest source of cheaper firecrackers and lights.

Delhi has ordered a complete ban on the sale and bursting of firecrackers in the national Capital till January 1, 2022. Maharashtra Government has urged people not to burst crackers this Diwali and issued directives keeping the air pollution and Covid-19 in mind. Punjab has given only two hours to burst crackers on Diwali

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## Virat slams 'spineless trolls', defends... Our brotherhood, our friendship within the team and nothing can be without the team and nothing can be without the team and nothing can be who represent the country at the highest applies show of how and in what way they

within the team and nothing can be who represent the country at the highest a public show of how and in what way they the captain of the team that we have built a culture where these things will not even infiltrate into this environment -- .0001 per cent. That is a absolute guarantee for myself."Talk about his take on social media abuse, Kohli termed it as the "lowest level of operative human potential".

"They hide behind identities to go after people on social media, making fun of people and that has become a social entertainment in today's world which is so unfortunate and sad to see.

"Because this is the lowest level of

lic won't have an idea about the kind of sacrifices they make to reach that level," he

Lack of compassion has become a norm, agreed the star batter.

"They don't have courage or spine to do something like that. So that's how I see things. All this drama created on the outside is purely due to people's frustration and lack of compassion so they find it so amusing to go after people," he said.

As Kohli has time and again reiterated that the chatter on the outside doesn't

"How people react on the outside has no value in our group and never focused on it and we will never focus on it.

"People don't understand what it takes to do the job on the field at the international level and we are not going to go around just announcing to everyone what we do and how we do it," he said.

"We just carry on with our business that we are supposed to do. We take the learnings and move forward and not one game is more important than others," he

for an hour.

Climate Climb: India's strategy,

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ing their meeting which lasted

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ments, his message for World Day of Peace and the document

on Human Fraternity, signed

on February 4 of 2019 in Abu Dhabi by the Pope and the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, it

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#### Raut retorts: No **Govt possible** without Cong

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He underlined various challenges before the print and electronic media.

Raut alleged the (Central) Government only wants favourable reporting. "After a newspaper reported about corpses floating in the Ganga river (during the worst phase of the Covid-19 pandemic) the Income Tax department raided the offices of that newspaper," he said.

He alleged that industries that wanted licenses to operate were made to invest in media organisations so that they (the Government) can control the

"Top ten industries have bought media houses. The Government is behind this," he

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## PM invites...

Briefing reporters, Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla described the meeting as a "unique occasion" as the last interaction between the Prime Minister of India and the Pope was in June 2000 when the late Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee met Pope John Paul II at the Vatican.

"This was a private audience the Prime Minister had with the Pope; the two leaders discussed many topical issues, including the COVID-19 pandemic, the economic and health recovery from the pandemic, the issue of climate change and the environment.

"You can judge the warmth of the conversation by the fact that the meeting was to have been for 20 minutesscheduled but lasted for around an hour," Shringla said. The Prime Minister

invited Pope Francis to visit India at an early date, he said, adding that the Pope has "graciously accepted the Prime Minister's invitation and in his own word, I am paraphrasing, he says 'you have given me the greatest gift, I am looking forward to visiting India."

Asked whether the issue of religious freedom in India was discussed between the Pope and the Prime Minister, Shringla said it was a discussion that was devoid of any "extraneous issues". Noting that the Pope took a lot

of time to explain to Modi

about the Vatican, about their work, he said, "It's a very unique, I would say, a place which has housed centuries of religious and spiritual objects of reverence for people all over the world. So it (meeting) has to be seen in that context."

"I can assure you that no issue that you (reporter) have said was discussed. It was not a discussion of that nature. it was a discussion that was devoid of any extraneous issues, confined to very warm and convivial conversations between two leaders," he added.

India and The Holy See have friendly relations dating back to the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1948.

India is home to nearly 18 million Catholics, the second largest Catholic population in Asia. During the meeting, the two leaders discussed the Covid-19 pandemic and its consequences for people across the world. They also discussed the challenge posed by climate change, the release said.

The Prime Minister, who is in Italy to attend the G20 Summit, briefed the Pope about the ambitious initiatives taken by India in combating climate change as well as India's success in administering one billion Covid-19 vaccination doses. Prime Minister Modi will also attend the Climate Summit to be held in Glasgow from

His Holiness appreciated India's assistance to countries in need during the

pandemic, the release said. Prime Minster extended an invitation to Pope Francis to visit India at an early date, which was accepted with plea-The last sure, it said. Papal Visit happened in 1999 when Atal Bihari Vajpayee was the Prime Minister and Pope John Paul II came. Now it is during Modi's prime ministe-

rial term that the Pope has been invited to visit India, sources The meeting between Prime Minister Modi and Pope Francis that was scheduled only for 20 minutes went on for an hour, they said.

They discussed a wide range of issues aimed at making the planet better by fighting climate change and removing poverty, sources said."During a brief conversation, the cordial relations between the Holy See and India were discussed," the Vatican Press Office said in a brief statement on the meeting between the Pope and Prime Minister Modi.

Subsequently, in the Secretariat of State, Prime Minister Modi greeted Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin and Archbishop Paul Richard Gallagher, Security of Relations with States, it added.

At the Vatican, Modi was accompanied by National Jaishankar.

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Catholic Bishops in the state, on Saturday welcomed the meeting between Prime Minister Modi and Pope Francis, saying the decision to invite the Pontiff to India was a historic one. Pope Francis to India was a historic decision and this will raise the stature of the country among the nations of the world. His visit will help to strengthen the diplomatic relation

Kerala

Security Advisor Ajit Doval and External Affairs Minister S According to the Vatican News, Prime Minister Modi gifted the

brotherhood and co-operation Pope a specially-made silver in a pluralistic India," Alenchery said. PTI

between both the countries. It will also help to nurture the relationship between various sects of Christianity and other religions," KCBC said in a press release in Kochi Cardinal Mar George Alenchery, the president of the KCBC, said all Indians, especially Christians, are glad to learn about the invitation extended by Modi. "We hope the Pope will visit India soon. The Pope's visit will pave the way for fostering

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#### अधिशासी अभियन्ता

## Modi, Draghi hold talks to boost India-Italy ties



**PTI** ■ ROME

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday held the first in-person meeting with his Italian counterpart Mario Draghi on the sidelines of the G20 Summit here during which the two leaders had extensive talks on diversifying the bilateral ties and to work together towards a more environment-friendly planet.

Prime Minister Modi, who arrived here earlier in the day at the invitation of his Italian counterpart, was received by Draghi upon his arrival at Palazzo Chigi, the seat of the Council of Ministers and the official residence of the Prime Minister of Italy, for the meet-

"Glad to have met PM

talked about ways to strengthen the friendship between India and Italy. There is great potential to further scale up economic linkages, cultural cooperation and for us to work together towards a more environment friendly planet," Prime Minister Modi tweeted

after the meeting.
Earlier, the Prime Minister's Office tweeted that the two leaders held extensive talks on diversifying India-

Modi was also accorded a

guard of honour. Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla told reporters at a briefing that the two leaders discussed the challenges posed by climate change and the COP26 Climate

But as we speak, discussions on an outcome document are still on. So I think most countries are quite happy with the idea of facilitating smoother international travel," he said

But the fact of the matter is that a number of countries feel that easier access and easier travel is something that we need to collectively work on. "And that point that the Prime Minister made, I think has been received and noted," Shringla said.

During the meeting, the two prime ministers looked at other areas of cooperation between India and Italy. To provide fresh impetus to the

bilateral cooperation in renewable and clean energy, India and Italy issued a joint statement announcing a strategic partnership on energy transition, and agreed to explore partnerships in areas such as large size green corridor project smart grids, energy storage solutions, gas transportation, integrated waste management, development and deployment of green hydrogen and promotion of

India and Italy also signed an agreement statement of intent on textiles cooperation during the meeting. There was a very good discussion on twoway investments, particularly in the clean energy and renewable sector were Italy has a lot of expertise. "I think this is something that both prime ministers agreed to see how we can take forward, the foreign secretary

Earlier, the spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs Arindam Bagchi tweeted that the two prime ministers reviewed the 2020-2025 Action Plan of India-Italy bilateral partnership, and reiterated the commitment to further expanding trade and investment linkages.

## India lags behind most BRICS nations: Report

A report 'BRICS joint statis-Atical publication' by the ministry of statistics and pro-gramme implementation showed India lags behind most of the BRICS Countries (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa) on many social and economic parameters including health, education, infant mortality, electricity consumption and other indicators.

The report showed that India is at the bottom in the group of five countries including Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa when the public expenditure on health and education is concerned. India spends 3.5 % of its GDP on education and 1.8% on health, the lowest among the five Countries. While South Africa was at the top with regard to expenditure on education spending 6.9 % of its GDP, China led the pack in health expenditure spending 7.1 % of its GDP on health-related needs.

Data regarding hospital beds per 1,000 persons in the country has reflected a grim picture of the Country. While India has 0.61 beds per 1000 persons, Russia is at the top with 8 beds per 1,000 persons. India's poor status of public health infrastructure was quite evident during first and second wave of Covid-19. According to report, share of public expenditure on health

is 4.8 in Brazil, 4.6 in Russia, 7.1 in China and 4.2 in South Africa.

Similarly, the report showed a higher infant mor-tality rate in India as it was at the second position with the rate 23 after South Africa with the rate 23.6.

So far as per capita con-sumption of electricity is con-cerned India is far behind other counterparts. Russia led the group with 7563-kilowatt hours while India was at the bottom with 1208 kilowatthours. The economic growth of a country depends a lot upon the ability to provide affordable, reliable and sustainable energy to citizens. Lower consumption also points towards the shortage of affordable electricity.

Similarly, India lags behind its other counterparts on the availability of road infrastructure. While India is at the bottom with 313,000 km of highways, China tops with 5158,000 Kms of highways. A wide network of highways is an important indicator of the economic development of a

India scored lower even in the per capita GDP of 1945 US dollar. On the other side, China was at the top with the per capita GDP of 10438 US dollars showing the wide gap between the two countries so far as the prime economic indicator is concerned.



## Modi's meeting with Pope has enhanced nation's prestige: RSS

**PTI** ■ BENGALURU

 $P_{\text{Modi's meeting with Pope}}^{\text{rime Minister Narendra}}$ Francis in the Vatican has enhanced the prestige of the nation, BJP's ideological mentor Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) said on Saturday.

"What is wrong if the head of the government meets anyone in the existing civil system in the world? We welcome it because we believe in 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" (the world is one family). We respect all religions," the RSS general secretary Dattatreya

reporters on the last day of the three-day Akhil Bharatiya Karyakari Mandal (ABKM) meeting.

"It is a matter of pleasure that the Prime Minister is meeting the heads of other nations and is increasing the prestige of our nation," Mr Hosabale said.

He also maintained that it was for the head of the government to meet another head of the Government and it is upto the government to decide whom they want to meet.

## ED attaches ₹74 cr land of former BSP MLC in PMLA case

PNS NEW DELHI

Directorate (ED) on Saturday said it has attached land worth ₹74 crore situated at Dehradun owned by former Uttar Pradesh BSP MLC Mohammad. Iqbal and his family members under the provisions of the Prevention of

Money Laundering Act,.
The ED had initiated money laundering investiga-tion on the basis of investigation conducted by Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO), Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Delhi relating to acquisition of assets through illegitimate means in 2010-2011 by Iqbal, former MLC

"Namrata Marketing P Ltd and Giriasho Company P Ltd., shell companies under the control of Mohd. Iqbal and family members participated in the bidding process of disinvestment of sugar mills of

the UP government during 2010-11 and acquired seven sugar mills across UP through laundering of illegitimate money through various shell companies having dummy directors and sham transac-

These seven sugar mills were attached under PMLA earlier in March, 2021. ED has taken possession of all these seven sugar mills for further proceedings under PMLA," the agency said in a statement. In continuation of inves-

tigations, earlier the ED had also conducted search operations in premises relating to Iqbal in Saharanpur and Delhi. Further, under PMLA investigations, it has been ily members acquired land at Saharanpur in the name of the company BSS Associates in 2015 through staged transactions and commission of offence of fraud under Companies Act, it said.

#### Centre receives DU proposal to open new colleges in name of Savarkar, Vivekanand others

The Centre has received a I proposal from the Delhi University for the setting up new colleges, study centres and chairs, in the name of freedom fighter Veer Savarkar, Swami Vivekanand, former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, former Union Minister and BJP stalwart late Sushma Swaraj, Savitri Bai Phule, Arun Jaitley, Choudhary Brahm Prakash and CD Deshmukh.

Sources in the Ministry of Education on Saturday said to begin with, the DU Executive up of new colleges in the Delhi dehat area as no new colleges fully funded by the Central Government has come up in the last 25 years in the NCT

"The academic council of the university, in its meeting decided that few colleges/centre may be named after Sushma Swaraj, Swami Vivekananda, Veer Savarkar

Anil Kumar alias Anil

Kumar Singh, being the MD of Patliputra Builder Limited and

other companies, was involved

in the commission of offences like cheating, fraud, dishonesty

and grabbing of public money, the ED said in a statement.

Kumar embezzled the amount of ₹5.82 crore payable to the

employees of "The Newspapers

& Publications Ltd" and uti-

lized the money for the acqui-

sition of properties in the name

As per the FIR, Anil

to judicial custody.

in order to conceal the actual

origin of tainted money

Brahm Prakash and CD Deshmukh," sources in the MoE said.

The further decision on this subject was held at the executive council meeting of the university where it was also informed that the MoE has no objection sources said. The council has now authorised the vice-chancellor to finalise the

Sources in the DU said that it has decided to set up the first two colleges in Delhi outer in name of Savarkar and

"It will be a good decision to name or construct new colcal luminaries, unsung heroes. I welcome the proposal of the DU and when it finally comes up it will be a great contribution towards the enhancement of the new education policy which comes after 1986. A women college in the name of a greatly respected leader Sushma Swaraj will keep motivating country to realise the goal of Beti Bachao, Beti Bachao," said Prof A K Bhagi, dormer DU EC Member and presently President, NDTF

### 'Kids exposed to certain type of air pollution more likely to contract community pneumonia

PNS NEW DELHI

hildren who are exposed to a certain type of environmental air pollution are more likely to contract communityacquired pneumonia or CAP, and to be hospitalised for longer periods of time, said a new study led by researchers in the Louisiana State University Superfund Research Program.

uation in Afghanistan after

the Taliban seized power in

Kabul as well as the develop-

ments in the Indo-Pacific

mutual vaccination certifica-

travel with normalisation that is

increasingly seen as countries

recover from the Covid pan-

demic was certainly discussed.

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cines. "I think there is a sense

that this is one very, I would say,

doable mechanism through

which we can facilitate easier

international travel," the foriegn secretary said. "We have pro-

posed a mutual recognition of

vaccination certification even at

tion was discussed.

Shringla said the issue of

The issue of easier access

There was a conversation

Social factors, including race and socioeconomic status were also found to be associated with living in high-risk areas for CAP, said the study published in the scientific journal Experimental Biology & Medicine.

to the body of evidence linking poor respiratory health to exposure to environmental air pollution, especially combustion-derived particulate matter," said study co-author Stephania Cormier, who leads



the LSU Superfund Research Program. Research conducted by LSU Superfund Research Program scientists has shown similar patterns for other respiratory diseases including gest implications for COVID-

Using data from a Centers for Disease Control surveillance study of pediatric pneumonia and geographic information systems, the investigators identified high- and low-risk areas for CAP in the metropolitan area of Memphis,

They collected information including the cause of the bacterial or viral infection, public versus private health insurance, age, race and exposure to particulate matter pollution less than 2.5 micrometers in diameter, or PM2.5. These tiny particles in the air

six air pollutants regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency, or EPA, and is linked to higher rates of respiratory tract infections and a plethora of other health problems, including cardiovascular dis-When analysed indepen-

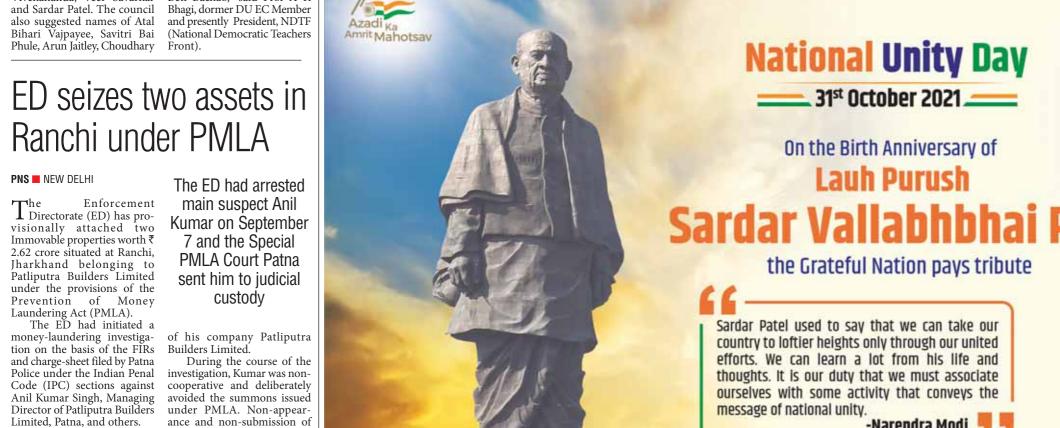
are released by industrial com-

bustion, car exhaust and forest fires. PM2.5 is one of the

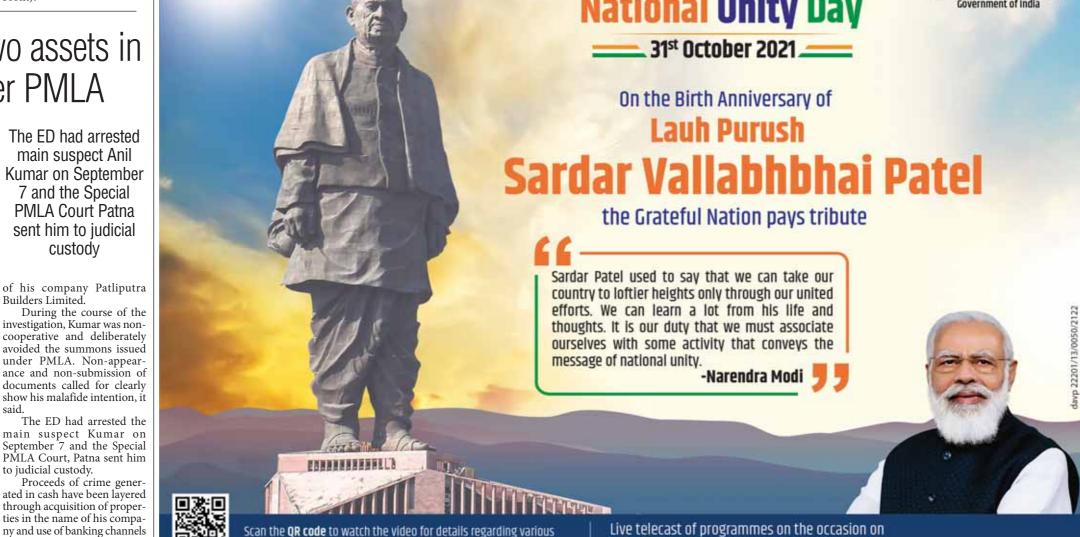
dently, race, type of insurance and exposure to PM2.5 were all identified as significant risk factors associated with residence in areas with high-er-than-expected CAP. However, race was the most significant factor associated with living in a high-risk area. In the Memphis metropolitan area, Hispanic and non-Hispanic Black children were hospitalized for pneumonia at significantly higher rates compared with white chil-

Another important finding from this study is that the health risk associated with high PM2.5 occurred at levels below the current regulatory maximum standard set by the

Doordarshan network from 7:15 AM onwards



competitions on Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav



# 2 jawans martyred, 3 hurt in Rajouri blast

**MOHIT KANDHARI** JAMMU

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m T}$ wo Indian Army personnel, including one officer, succumbed to their fatal injuries in a mysterious blast along the line of control in Kalal area of Nowshera in frontier Rajouri district of Jammu division on Saturday. Three other injured soldiers have been evacuated to a nearby hospital and were undergoing treatment till the time of filing the report.

According to Lt-Col Devender Anand, "during an area domination patrol in Nowshera sector, a mine blast occurred, wherein, two Indian Army soldiers suffered critical injuries and later succumbed to



their injuries. Another soldier who received injuries was evacuated and is under treatment".

Lt Col Anand said, "the soldiers who made supreme sacrifice have been identified as Lt Rishi Kumar and Sepoy Manjit". They were brave and extremely committed to the



profession of soldiering and have made the supreme sacrifice for the nation in the line of active duty

Lt Col Anand said, Lt Rishi Kumar is a resident of Begusarai, Bihar and Sepoy Manjit Singh is resident of Sirvewala, Bhatinda, Punjab.

## 49.60% turnout in 2 Assembly bypolls in Bihar

An estimated 49.60 per cent of 5,84,395 voters exercised their franchise in the byelections to two assembly constituencies in Bihar till the end of polling at 4 pm on Saturday, the Election Commission

Kusheshwar Asthan witnessed a voter turnout of 49 per cent, while Tarapur registered 50.05 per cent polling, according to provisional figures released by the EC.

"The entire polling process was peaceful and no untoward incident was reported from any part," a senior official of the poll panel said.

Altogether 17 candidates are in the fray for the two seats - eight in Tarapur and nine in Kusheshwar Asthan.

The by-elections were necessitated due to the deaths of sitting MLAs, both belonging to Chief Minister Nitish Kumar's JD(U). T h e counting of votes will take place on November 2. **PTI** 

Assam bypolls 69.60% voter

#### turnout for 5 constituencies

Guwahati: An estimated 69.60 per cent of 7.96 lakh voters exercised their franchise in by-elections to five Assembly constituencies in Assam till 5 pm on Saturday when polling ended, an official said.

Voting has been peaceful in the five seats - Gossaigaon, Bhabanipur, Tamulpur, Mariani and Thowra.

Polling was conducted with strict adherence to COVID-19 protocols.The highest voter turnout of 76.71 per cent was recorded in Gossaigaon, followed by Thowra (75.07 per cent), Bhabanipur (74 per cent), Tamulpur (62 per cent) and Mariani (61.62 per cent), the official of the state Chief Electoral Officer's office Brisk polling in Bengal

Kolkata: Though stray violence marked the by-elections to four Assembly seats of Bengal the State witnessed a brisk polling on Saturday.
While Dinhata the home

turf of Union Home Minister for State Nisith Pramanik witnessed 70 percent voters' trunout till 5 in the evening, down south Shantipur in Nadia district saw about 76 percent voters cast their votes.

While 64 percent voters exercised their franchise in Khardaha in the North 24 Parganas in South 24 Parganas Gosaba constituency about 76 percent voters took part in voting. The poll percentage was likely to go up by a few percentage points sources said centage points sources said.

Elect ions where necessitated in Dinhata and Shantipur because local BJP MLAs --who are also the MPs from that regions --- resigned their membership from the State Assembly soon after the State candidates from Khardaha and Gosaba had died after the elecbe conducted.

tions requiring the elections to The by-elections are seen as a litmus test for new Bengal BJP president Sukanto Mondal and Cooch Behar MP Pramanik who had won the MLA elec-

tions defeating TMC leader Udayan Guha by 53 votes.

Bengal Opposition Leader Suvendu Adhikari however had earlier said that the Bangladesh riots could help the BJP in the by-elections for obvious reasons. Meanwhile stray violence and reports of false voting came from Khardaha and Dinhata the two keenly contested constituencies though the Election Commission sources said that the polls were by far peaceful. Two persons were injured in poll related clashes and had to be hospitalized Bengal police sources

## Cong, CPM took BJP's support to win polls: Kerala journalist

A new book on the life and times of K G Marar, former Kerala president of the Jana Sangh and the BJP, replete with interesting and hitherto unsaid political manipulations in the State's history is sure to create a new political narrative.

Authored by K

Kunhikkannan, veteran journalist and a close associate of Marar for decades, the book has made startling disclosures about how the Congress and the CPI(M) had forged alliance with the Hindutwa parties in the past to capture power.

The author says Marar, a "hardcore pracharak" of the RSS who was deputed by the latter to work in the Jan Sangh and its successor the BJP, never considered the Congress or Communists or other political parties as enemies. "For him

enemies. Throughout his life he held them all as rivals who were not untouchables," writes Kunhikannan.

The author attributes the victories made by the CPI(M)led LDF and the Congress-led UDF in the 1980, 1982, 1987 and 1991 elections to the strategic agreements these fronts had formed with the JS/BJP.
"The CPI(M) and the Congress
had sought the help of Jan
Sangh and its successor BJP to
win elections. The 1977 elections can the CPI(M) leaders tions saw the CPI(M) leaders including E M S Namboodirippadu campaign

ing for K G Marar and O Rajagopal. In 1980, the CPI(M) had cobbled an alliance with political outfits sponsored by the Church and Islamists. The Congress had entered into an agreement with the Jan Sangh in this election. Senior

Muslim League leader E Ahmed were the prominent UDF leaders who had campaigned for Marar. Though the IS transferred its vote share to the UDF, the front failed to reciprocate," writes Kunhikannan who had unsuccessfully contested two assem-

Sangh/BJP flags.
The 1991 election to the assembly as well as Lok Sabha saw the Congress-led UDF making tacit alliance with the Hindu fundamentalist BJP. The latter fielded Dr K Madhavankutty, a widely respected physician from Beypore assembly constituency while senior advocate Rathna Singh was fielded by the BJP from Vatakara Lok Sabha constituency. This understanding was termed as

bly elections under the Jan

In addition to this, Marar (Manjeswar in Kasaragod ) K (Thiruvananthapuram East)

Rajagopal (Thiruvananthapuram Lok Sabha) were fielded as BJP candidates on the assurance from Congress leader K Karunakaran that his party would vote for the BJP in these constituencies. B Vijayakumar, an acolyte of Karunakaran, was fielded from Trivandrum East on the condition that he would withdraw from the race two days before the polling to facilitate the BJP's candidate. But Vijayakumar switched over to the Antony camp midway

through and won the poll. "Though the BJP remained true to the pre-poll agreement and voted for the Congress candidates, the latter violated Co-Bi-Lee alliance in local the agreement and thus the make the breakthrough it was hoping for," Kunhikannan who played a role in the deal formation.

He further states that the CPI(M) won the 1987 and 1996 assembly election by playing the Hindu card. "The CPI(M) swept the first ever district council election in 1991 by winning 13 out of the 14 districts on the plank of Saddam Hussain. Namboodirippadu declared that the CPI(M) sup-ported Saddam Hussain and Muslims in Iraq's war against USA and this led to the consolidation of the Muslim votes. But the minority community saw through the danger of supporting the Marxists and regrouped under the Congress which led to the UDF victory in the assembly polls", writes Kunjikannan about the 1991



A man rows a boat in the Yamuna river in the backdrop of Taj Mahal during sunset, in Agra on Saturday

#### MID-SEA DRUG BUST CASE

## Aryan returns home from prison

T N RAGHUNATHA MUMBA

 $T^{\text{he Diwali arrived early at Shah}}_{\text{Rukh Khan's six-storey residence "Mannat" at Bandra in}$ north-west Mumbai, as the superstar's son Aryan returned to his home on Saturday to a burst of crackers, the beating of drums, a spontaneous rip-roaring jig by the actor's hundreds of fans and a welcome banner that read "Stay strong Prince Aryan", after 29 days of incarceration triggered by his arrest

It was an emotional moment for SRK as he waited in his car near the Arthur Road Central Jail for the release of his eldest son who walked out of the high-security prison at 11.03 am. Sporting a blue jersey with his mane visible and face covered by a dark mask, Aryan accompanied by personal bodyguards and bouncers - quietly made his way to the white SUV where his anxious father received with him a hug.

The reunion over, the fatherson duo headed straight from the jail located at Chinchpokli in south Mumbai to their home that is 15 km away at Bandra (west) via the Bandra-Worli Sea Link.

A stone throw away from the once-heritage bungalow "Mannat" which SRK bought from Bai Khorshed Bhanu Sanjana Trust in 2001and converted it into a sixstorey building, scores of Shah Rukh's fans greeted Aryan with drum beats, a burst of crackers, spontaneous jig and waving of banners of the father-son duo. Near the "Mannat" gate, fans displayed a huge banner with photographs of Aryan that read: "WELCOME HOME ARYAN KHAN... STAY STRONG PRINCE

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time for home-cooked lunch, 29 days after he left 'Mannat' on the morning of October 2 for what he thought would be a fun-filled Mumbai-Goa luxury cruise, which eventually turned out to be an unforgettable ordeal for him -which must have taught him lessons of life.

Waiting for Aryan at "Mannat" were his mother Gauri, sister Suhana and AbRam. Twenty-oneyear-old Suhana, who is two years ed the Bombay High Court's order granting bail to her brother delivered on Thursday by posting on Instagram a collage of black-andwhite photographs showing father SRK indulging her and elder brother when they were children. Earlier in the morning, father

SRK-- with anxiety having got the better of him - had left his home a tad bit early to receive Aryan after his release from the Arthur Road Central Jail. En route, he got to know about an announcement made to the media by Jail Superintendent Nitin Waychal that it would take some more time for Aryan to step out of the prison. Realising that there was no point in reaching the prison earlier, he diverted his way to a five-star hotel where he waited in his car and had light refreshment. Later, he headed near the prison to receive

While out on bail, Aryan will have to comply with 14 conditions that the Bombay High Court has imposed on him and two others Arbaaz Merchant and Munmun

Aryan, Arbaaz, Munmun and five others were initially detained on the night of October 2 and later arrested on October 3, after the

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With Aryan having already complied with first of the demands i.e execution of personal bond with one or sureties for the like include: he shall not indulge in any activity similar to the activities on the basis of which the said CR stands registered against them for offences under the NDPS Act; he shall not try to establish communication with co-accused or any other person involved directly or indirectly in similar activities or make any call to any person indulging in similar activities as alleged against them, through any mode of communication.

In other conditions, the court has restrained Aryan from making any attempt to neither influence the witnesses nor tamper with the evidence, which is prejudicial to the proceedings before the Special NDPS court and mandated him to surrender his passport before the Special Court immediately and not leave the country without prior permission from the Special court.

The court has asked him to join the investigations as and when he is called to do so by the NCB, to mark his presence before the NCB office between 11 am and 2 pm on every Friday, to remain present in the court on all the hearing days unless prevented by a reasonable cause, that he will not do anything to delay the trial and that will violate any bail conditions.

Dated: 29/10/2021

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or any Govt.

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Road works.

#### Consensual sex with woman not offence, but unethical, says Allahabad HC

**Allahabad:** Rejecting the bail plea of an accused in a case of gang rape, the Allahabad High Court has said while consensual sex with a woman is not an offence, it is "unethical", "immoral" and against the "established social norms of the Indian

Dismissing the bail application of Raju, one of the four accused in the case, Justice Rahul ing to be the boyfriend of the victim to protect his girlfriend when she was being sexually harassed by the other co-accused.

The moment the applicant submits that the victim is his beloved, it was his binding duty to protect the dignity, honour and reputation of his girlfriend. If a girl is a major one, then to have sex with her consent is not an offence, but certainly it is unethical and immoral and also not in consonance with the established social norms of the Indian society, the judge said.

He said the applicant's act was highly deplorable and unbecoming of a boyfriend, adding that "he remained a silent spectator when the co-accused persons were brutally sexually assassinating his beloved in front of him" and "no effort to put a stiff resistance was made by him so that the soul and body of the victim could be saved from further butchering by these flesh vultures".

An FIR was lodged against the four accused at the Akil Sarai police station of Kaushambi district in Uttar Pradesh on February 20 under sections 376D (gangrape), 392, 323, 504 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code and sections 5 and 6 of the Protection of Children of Sexual Offences (POCSO)

According to the FIR, at around 8 am on February 19, the victim went to attend a stitching class. She had spoken to her boyfriend, Raju, over the phone and had planned to meet

Later, they met at a secluded place near a river. After some time, three other men reached there, abused and beat up Raju, snatched his mobile phone and allegedly raped the victim.

#### Tripura issues fresh Covid guidelines for travellers from other States

**Agartala:** Taking note of the spike in coronavirus cases in some parts of the country, the Biplab Deb Government has issued fresh guidelines, making Covid-19 tests mandatory for people wanting to enter Tripura from any State that has more than one district with over

five per cent positivity rate. In an official order, the government said that people Pradesh, Sikkim, Manipur, West Bengal, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland would have to undergo sample test at Tripura's entry point, if they fail

Centre allotted

TN for Nov: Min

Chennai: Tamil Nadu Minister

Ma Subramanian on Saturday

said the Centre allotted 140

crore Covid-19 vaccines to the

State for November and

appealed to members of the

public to take part in the vac-

cination camps being con-

ducted by the Health

ly allotment by the Centre fol-

lows the performance of the

department in vaccination over

the last few months, the

Minister for Medical and

Family Welfare said here.

Stating that the Centre has

been sending sufficient vac-

cines to the State, Subramanian

based on the request by Chief

Minister (M K Stalin), the

Union government enhanced

the allotment of vaccines for

September, October and

above the monthly allotment of

104 crore doses, an additional

43 lakh vaccines were released

by the Union government and

the doses were increased by

allotted 122 lakh for October,

the request by the Chief

Minister, 140 crore doses have

been allotted," he told

"For November, based on

lakh

three

he said.

In September, over and

to

the

November," he said.

The increase in the month-

Department.

140 crore

vaccines to

to produce COVID-negative report not older than 48 hours.

"Negative test report for Covid-19 done by RTPCR or True NAT or CBNAAT, 48 hours prior to the journey, is required for entry into the state through airport, railway stations from those states of the country where more than one district have positivity rate of 5% or more, as on 26.10.2021," by Directorate of Family Welfare and Preventive Medicines said.

The state has recorded as many as 84,449 Covid-19 cases and 813 deaths thus far. PTI

Kerala records

Covid-19 cases,

**PTI** ■ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

r∕erala on Saturday logged

7,427 new Covid-19 cases

and 62 deaths, taking the infection count to 49,61,490

and the death toll to

Veena George said 7,166 per-

sons recuperated from the dis-

ease today, pushing the total

cured in the state to 48,50,742,

while 70,709 samples were test-

ed in the last 24 hours and there

are 115 wards across 77 local

self government bodies which

have a weekly infection popu-

lation ratio above ten

State Health Minister

7,427 new

62 deaths

31,514.

per cent.

#### Coimbatore: Apprehensive over the outcome of the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET), a 20-year old medical aspirant allegedly died by suicide in the district. K Keerthivasan of

Medical aspirant

kills self over

**NEET in TN** 

Sangarayapuram near here had appeared for the entrance exam held in September for the third time, results of which are expected in a couple of days.

According to police, the 2019 and 2020, but could not

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

It is to inform to the public at large that Mr. Dimpal Kumar who has purchased the Residential Freehold Vacant Plot of land area measuring 100 Sq. Yards, out of Khasra No. 339, Situated in the Old Abadi of Village Barola, Tehsil Dadri Distt. Gautam Budh Nagar U.P from Mr. Ramesh Chand S/o Mr. Nagar U.P from Mr. Ramesh Chand S/o Mr. Umrao Prasad Gautam and Mrs. Vijeta Wio Mr. Ramesh Chand and same to be financed by Ummeed Housing Finance Pvt. Ltd. That, Original Sale Deed dated 0.50.5.2005 executed by Mr. Dhaeam Singh S/o Late Mr. Layak Ram in favour of Mrs. Beena Rani Wio Mr. Daulat Ram, Vide Doc. No.2791 has been lost/or not available, If any Person having any type of claim/right/ title/ interest over the said property, may inform in writing, at the address mentioned below, about his objections, within 7 days from today, failing which it shall be presumed that the said property is free from all type of Encumbrances, lienetc.

Lucem Legal LLP

Lucem Legal LLP
Office No. G-03, at Ground Floor, on
Plot No. D-61, Sector-2, Noida, UP-201301

#### Contact # 0120-4130438 PUBLIC NOTICE

at Mrs. Aruna Devi is owner of Plot Are intal mis. Afulia Devi is owner of Piola Review Measuring 40 sq. yards. Out of Khewat / Khata No. 40/46 Mu. No. 17, Killa No. 24(7-9), part of 2/149, (2 Marle) Situated in Village-Sehatpur, Tehsil and Distt. Faridabad, Haryana, vide Transfer Deed In Blood Relation dated 18.01.2018 registration No. 7935. All persons are bereby informed Mr. 7935. 7935. All persons are hereby informed Mi Sunil Kumar Rai to take a Loan from ART Housing Finance (India) Ltd. if anybody has any objection/s upon the ownership of Mrs runa Devi in respect of the said property sale /Mortgage, and any kind of dispute kindl nform the undersigned in writing on the below nentioned address within 07 days of the present. For Mrs Prasoon Lata, Advocate

"Of the 78,624 active SG Associates (Law Firm)
Unit No 7, Basement, Plot No C 78, Sector 2, Covid-19 cases in the state only 8.2 per cent of the patients are admitted to hospitals," the

minister said in a release. Among the districts, Thiruvananthapuram recorded the highest number of cases in the state today--1,001, followed by Kozhikode with 997 cases and Ernakulam with 862 cases. The Minister said of those found infected today, 55 reached the state from outside while 7,069 contracted the disease from their contact. The source of infection of 250 is yet to be traced and 53 health workers are also among the

infected. Currently, there are 2,75,185 persons under observation of which 7,350 are in isolation wards of various hosPUBLIC NOTICE

Noida, UP 201301

EMAIL: sgassociatespl@gmail.com Ph: 7011172764, 813020083

Be it known that my client Smt. Sushila Jajodia W/o Late Sh. N. Jajodia R/o F-137, Phase-1, Ashok Vihar, Delhi-110052, sowned and severe all relationship with ner daughter-in-law namely Smt. Neena Jajodia W/o Late Sh. Sunil Jajodia & her Grand Daughter Ritika Jajodia & her Grand son Aditya Jajodia, Debarred them properties acquired or to be acquired pecause of their misbehavior & conduct and their nature is being disobedient and they are abusing and quarreling with my client so my client have broken all relations from them. Any person dealing and having relation with them in any manner shall be at their own risk, cost & consequences and my lient shall not be responsible for any act ind deed or the aforesaid.

SURENDER KUMAR (ADVOCATE)



Built: Thin, Face: Oval, Wearing: Dark Brown T-shirt, Blue Jeans, was found dead by Accident in area of P.S. Civil Lines, Delhi

In this regard a FIR No. 414/21, dated 14.10.2021 U/s 279/304A IPC has been registered at P.S. Civil Lines, North District, Delhi. The Dead Body has been preserved in Sabzi Mandi Hospital Mortuary, Delhi for 72 hours for identification.

information about this person but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this person may kindly inform the following.

#### General public is hereby informed that this person Name: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: About 45 Years, Sex: Male, Height: 5'8", Complexion: Wheatish,

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out

#### said there was demand for APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION vaccines in May, June and "Following the Tamil Nadu government's performance and

on 13.10.2021

P.S. Civil Lines, Delhi DP/1647/N/2021(UIDB) Ph.: 011-23810633, 23815444

## **Biden, trio of European allies** discuss Iran nuke programme

 $P^{\text{resident Joe Biden and a}}_{\text{trio of European allies}}$  strategised on Saturday over ways to achieve a diplomatic solution as Iran continues to make troubling advances with its nuclear programme.

Biden's meeting with the leaders of Germany, France and Britain, a group known as the E3, comes at a pivotal time as Iran continues to enrich uranium to near-weaponsgrade levels.

The president is trying to revive the 2015 nuclear deal and bring Iran back into compliance with the pact that would have kept the Islamic republic at least one year away from the potential to field a

As Biden and Germany's Angela Merkel, France's Emmanuel Macron and Britain's Boris Johnson posed for a group photo before their



US President Joe Biden, right, and British Prime Minister Boris Johnson attend the opening session of the G20 summit at the La Nuvola conference centre, in Rome on Saturday. The two-day Group of 20 summit is the first in-person gathering of leaders of the world's biggest economies since the Covid-19 pandemic started AP

closed-door talks, Biden was asked when he would like stalled negotiations with Iran to

"They're scheduled to resume," he said.

a date to return to nuclear talks being held in Vienna but has signalled it will do so next week with a target of late November for resuming the negotiations.

The US and others have Iran has yet to commit to expressed scepticism about

Iranian intentions. US national security adviser Jake Sullivan said earlier in the week that Saturday's meeting would feature the leaders "all singing from the same song sheet on

He called it a "study in contrast with the previous administration" since Iran was one of the areas of most profound divergence between the Trump administration and the Europeans. The UN's atomic watchdog has said Iran is increasingly in violation of the deal, known as the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action.

President Donald Trump withdrew the US from the 2015 nuclear deal and the US has participated indirectly in talks aimed at bringing both Washington and Tehran back into compliance. Those talks in Vienna have

been on hiatus since June, when Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi took power.

## Prevent mass starving in Af, UN aid chief urges G20

**AP** ■ UNITED NATIONS

The UN humanitatian chief had a dire message for he UN humanitarian chief leaders of the world's 20 largest economies meeting this week-end: Worry about Afghanistan because its economy is collapsing and half the population risks not having enough food to eat as the snows have already started to fall.

Martin Griffiths said in an interview on Friday with The Associated Press that "the needs in Afghanistan are skyrocketing."

Half the Afghan children under age five are at risk of acute malnutrition and there is an outbreak of measles in every single province which is "a red light" and "the canary in the mine" for what's happening in society, he said.

Griffiths warned that food insecurity leads to malnutrition, then disease and death, and "absent corrective action" the world will be seeing deaths in Afghanistan.

He said the World Food Program is feeding 4 million

people in Afghanistan now, but the UN predicts that because of the dire winter conditions and the economic collapse it is going to have to provide food to triple that number - 12 million Âfghans — "and that's massive.'

WFP appealed this week for \$200 million to finance its operations until the end of the year, and Griffiths urged countries that suspended developassistance Afghanistan after the Taliban takeover on Aug. 15, including the United States and European countries, to transfer that money for desperately needed humanitarian aid. He noted that the European Union already shifted about 100 million euros to humanitarian work, and the US announced more than \$144 million in humanitarian aid on Thursday, raising its total aid to Afghans in the country and refugees in the region to nearly \$474

SHELLING KILLS 3 KIDS Sanaa (Yemen): Yemen's Houthi rebels shelled a residential neighbourhood on Saturday, killing at least three children from the same family, a

Government official said. It was

the latest attack by the Iranian-

**AFGHAN JOURNALIST SURVIVES ATTACK** 

backed Houthis to leave

Kabul: Gunmen on a motorcycle brandished small arms and fired on a broadcast journalist in his car in the Afghan capital of Kabul, lightly wounding him.Ali Reza Sharifi, a journalist for Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting, survived the late Friday night attack, Taliban deputy spokesman Bilal Karimi told The Associated Press.

UK CUTS GAP BETWEEN 2ND DOSE, BOOSTER JABS London: Cobid-19 booster shots can now be administered sooner than six months after the second dose to certain vulnerable groups for operational reasons the UK Government has

#### AIDE'S NOTES FROM PANEL

announced

Washington: Former President Donald Trump is trying to block documents including call logs, drafts of remarks and speeches and handwritten notes from his chief of staff relating to the Jan. 6 Capitol insurrection from being released to the committee investigating the riot, the National Archives revealed in a court filing early on Saturday.

**MYANMAR: ARMY BLAMED** FOR SETTING HOMES ABLAZE **Bangkok:** More than 160

buildings in a town in northwestern Myanmar including at least two churches, have been destroyed by fires caused by shelling by government troops, local media and activists reported Saturday The destruction of parts of the town of Thantlang in Chin state appeared to be another escalation in the ongoing struggle between Myanmar's military-installed government and forces opposed to it. The

army seized power in February

#### EU, African leaders to meet on sidelines of G20

The French presidency says European Union leaders will meet with African leaders in efforts to further support the continent's poorest economies in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The informal meeting later Saturday will be hosted by French President Emmanuel Macron at France's embassy in Rome on the sidelines of the G-20 summit.

Macron told reporters on Friday he expects the G-20 to confirm an additional \$100 billion to support Africa's economies.

The money would be provided via the reallocation to African nations of some special drawing rights, a foreign exchange tool used to finance imports issued by the International Monetary Fund and initially meant to go to

#### **UK and France urged to cool** down escalating fishing spat

 $B_{\text{calls on Saturday to sort out}}^{\text{ritain}} \text{ and France faced} \\ \text{bein post-Brexit spat over fish-}$ ing rights in the English Channel, which threatens to escalate within days into a damaging French blockade of British boats and trucks.

French President Emmanuel Macron warned that the dispute is testing the UK's international credibility, while each countries accused

the other of being in breach of the post-Brexit trade agreement that Britain's government signed with the European Union before it left the bloc.

sified, Britain said it was "actively considering" launching legal action if France goes through with threats to bar UK fishing boats from its ports and slap strict checks on British catches.

"If there is a breach of the (Brexit) treaty or we think there is a breach of the treaty then we will do what is necessary to protect British interests," Prime Minister Boris Johnson told British broadcasters in Rome, where he and Macron are both attending a Group of 20 summit.

At stake is fishing — a tiny industry economically that looms large symbolically for maritime nations like Britain and France. Britain's exit from the economic rules of the 27nation bloc at the start of this year means the UK now con-

#### China military still in dark over what damaged US nuclear submarine in SCS: Report

**PTI** ■ BEIJING

The Chinese military is still in the dark over what damaged the US nuclear submarine when it was on the prowl in the disputed South China Sea early this month, while satellite photos of the moored vessel showed that the sub may have had a head-on collision, rendering it "deaf and blind", according to a media report on Saturday.

A recent satellite image suggests that the damage to the American submarine, the USS Connecticut may have been caused by a head-on collision with a pint-sized submerged object in the South China Sea (SĆS), according to Chinese military experts.

waters near the disputed Paracel Islands in the SCS controlled by China, indicating the Chinese Navy could have detected the American sub on its way to Guam but was not aware of its damaged condition, the Hong Kong-based South China Morning Post reported. Earlier this month, media

The incident four weeks

ago may have occurred in

reports said that the US nuclear-powered submarine was damaged after it struck an object underwater in the SCS.

Eleven sailors on board the USS Connecticut were injured in the accident. None of the injuries were life-threatening, an announcement by the US Pacific Fleet said.

#### **Pakistan Police** shocked after **TLP workers** fired from SMGs

Lahore: Security officials in Pakistan are shocked after it emerged that members of the banned Tehreek-i-Labbaik Pakistan party reportedly used sub-machine guns (SMGs) against policemen during antigovernment protests, prompting the authorities to conclude that the hardline Islamists had been turned into a "militant group", a media report said on Saturday

A mobile phone footage, party firing 80 rounds of SMGs at policemen in Kamoke, in Pakistan's Punjab province, on Thursday, was presented during a high-level security meeting, the Dawn newspaper reported.

were also recorded, which showed two policemen succumbing to bullet wounds, while 16 others sustaining injuries from the shots fired by TLP members, the report said. PTI

#### Saudi, Bahrain expel Lebanese envoys

Beirut: Saudi Arabia on Friday ordered the Lebanese ambassador to the kingdom to leave the country within 48 hours and stopped all imports from Lebanon, a response to comments by a Lebanese minister who described the war in Yemen as Saudi "aggression."

Hours later, the Kingdom of Bahrain ordered the Lebanese ambassador to leave the country within two days for the same reason, Bahrain's foreign ministry said.

Lebanon's Prime Minister and president discussed the Saudi decision and asked the country's information minister to take the "appropriate decision," an apparent call for him to resign in hopes it will ease the tension.

#### Kuwait evicts Lebanese envoy over Min's comments on Yemen

**AP** ■ BEIRUT

▼uwait followed Saudi Arabia and Bahrain by Kuwait followed Saudi Arabia and Sandra Cordering the Lebanese charge d'affaires on comments made by a Lebanese minister regarding the war in Yemen. Kuwait also recalled its ambassador from Beirut.

Later Saturday, the United Arab Emirates' state-run WAM news agency said on Twitter that it would withdraw its diplomats from Lebanon in solidarity with Saudi Arabia.

#### **Sudan security forces shoot** dead 2 protesters, doctors say

Judanese security forces shot dead Otwo people on Saturday during mass protests against the country's recent military coup, a doctors' union said. The shootings came despite repeated appeals by the West to Sudan's new military rulers to show restraint and allow peaceful protests.

During the protests, thousands of Sudanese marched into the streets, chanting "revolution, revolution" to the sound of whistles and drums, to protest against the coup that is threatening to derail the country's fitful transition

Pro-democracy groups had called deposed transitional government. AP

for protests across the country to press demands for re-instating a deposed transitional government and releasing senior political figures from detention.

## restraint during protests

Cairo: The United Nations and the United States urged Sudan's top generals to allow pro-democracy protests and avoid confrontations in the wake of a military coup earlier this week. Prodemocracy groups have called for mass marches across the country on Saturday

#### JAIPUR DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY Indira Circle, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur-302004 No.: JDA/EE&TA to Dir.Engg.-I/2021-22/D-92 Date: 29.10.2021

NOTICE INVITING BID

NIB No.: EE & TA to Dir. Engg.-I/42/2021-22

Bids are invited for works given below in various zones as per details given : Cost of Work **UBN No** Last Date EE-ROB/RUB-1. Construction UBN: JDA2122WLOB00374 of Road Drain and Boundary Wall

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Executive Engineer & TA to Dir. Engg.-I

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#### Regd. Off: OSE Commercial Block, Asset 5B, Aerocity, Hospitality, District, IGI Airport, New Delhi-110037, Tel: 91-11-46044604 Saturday to leave the emirate within two days over Email: spv.osel@gmail.com CIN: U45400DL2010PLC203649 Other incidents of attacks

(UN-AUDITED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021)

ORIENTAL NAGPUR BETUL HIGHWAY LIMITED

SI. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended 30.9.2021 (Unaudited)	Quarter Ended 30.9.2020 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 31.03.2021 (Audited)
1	Total income from operations (net)	13,232.59	13,948.55	55,600.53
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax and Exceptional items)	6,112.99	6,261.23	24,860.21
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional items)	6,112.99	6,261.23	24,860.21
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional items)	5,940.03	6,148.68	21,608.65
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	5,940.03	6,148.68	21,608.65
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	1,813.45	1,813.45	1,813.45
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	1,22,478.13	1,14,890.07	1,21,266.58
8	Securities Premium	34,436.55	34,436.55	34,436.55
9	Net Worth	1,24,291.58	1,16,703.52	1,23,080.03
10	Paid up Debt Capital/Outstanding Debt	2,42,368.59	2,61,995.79	2,51,872.64
11	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	Debt Equity Ratio	1.95 : 1	2.30 : 1	2.05:1
13	Earnings Per Share (of Rs 10/- each)			
	1. Basic:	32.76	33.91	119.16
	2. Diluted:	32.76	33.91	119.16
14	Capital Redemption Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00
15	Debenture Redemption Reserve	20,235.10	0.00	0.00
16	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	1.12:1	1.32:1	1.32:1
17	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	2.01:1	1.99:1	1.98:1
18	Asset Coverage Ratio:	1.84:1	1.75:1	1.79:1
19	Current Ratio	5.29:1	4.60:1	5.47:1
20	Debtor Turnover Ratio	0.04:1	0.04:1	0.17:1
21	Inventory Turnover Ratio	NA	NA	NA
22	Long Term Debt to Working Capital	2.11:1	2.21:1	2.17:1
23	Bad Debts to Accounts Receivable	NA	NA	NA
24	Current Liabilities Ratio	NA	NA	NA
25	Total Debts to Total Assets	0.65:1	0.68:1	0.66:1
26	Operating Margin	1.08:1	1.07:1	1.06:1
27	Net Profit Margin	0.55:1	0.51:1	0.45:1

Notes:

- The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly un-audited financial results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulations 52 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015. The full format of the quarterly un-audited financial results are available on the websites of the National Stock Exchange (NSE) and the listed entity (http://www.nagpurbetulhighway.in).
- For the other line items referred to in Regulation 52(4) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015, pertinent disclosures have been made to the Stock Exchange and are available on the websites of the National Stock Exchange (NSE) and the listed entity (http://www.nagpurbetulhighway.in).
- These quarterly un-audited financial results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held on October 30, 2021. The Statutory Auditors have carried out limited review of the aforesaid results.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors of Oriental Nagpur Betul Highway Limited Nikhil Dhingra Director DIN - 07835556

#### SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd, 3rd Floor, Plot No- 23, New Rohtak Road,

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

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

	Account Number	Symbolic Possession	Notice (Rs.)	Branch	
1.	Neeraj Vats/ Varsha Vats/ LBDEL00002055445 / LBDEL00002060881	Unit NOKM00161705, Flat No. 1705, 17th Floor, Tower KM-16 , Kosmos Wishtown Noida At Jaypee Greens Noida, Sector 128, Noida, Uttar Pradesh/ October 25, 2021  March 24, 2021, Rs. 56,05,147/-		Delhi/ NCR	
2.	Dinesh Chand/ Savita/ LBGUR00002008664	Golf Village B 1/0626, 6th Floor Golf Country, Sector-22D Yamuna Expressway G.B Nagar, Noida, Uttar Pradesh/ October 25, 2021	March 25, 2021 Rs. 19,48,698/-	Delhi/ NCR	
3.	Rajiv Trehan/ Anjali Trehan/ LBDEL00002301533	Rajiv Trehan/ Anjali Trehan/ BDEL00002301533 Flat No 01, Ground Floor, Tower D-1, Victory Ace, Plot No-GH-02, Sector 143, Noida, Uttar Pradesh/ October 25, 2021		Delhi/ NCR	
4.	Shiv Shankar/ Priyanka Kumari/ LBDEL00005125997/ LBDEL00005197615	Dda Lig Flat No 184 C, 2nd Floor, PKT 12, Jasola, Delhi/ October 25, 2021	June 19,2021/ Rs. 40,98,312/-	Delhi/ NCR	
5.			May 29, 2021/ Rs. 22,47,060/-	Delhi/ NCR	
6.			June 23, 2021/ Rs. 57,74,384/-	Delhi/ NCR	
7.	Vibhor Khurana/ Sonia Khurana/ Kunj Lata Khurana/ LBDEL00002414410 B95, 548,549,551,553,557 And 888, Raj Nagar, Ghaziabad, Up/ October 27, 2021		June 23, 2021/ Rs. 10,73,638/-	Delhi/ NCR	
8.	Vishal Ranjan/ Rupali Shristi/ LBGUR00003474719 Flat No 1005, Tower- B, 10th Floor, Officer City 2 Village Noor Nagar Dist, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh/ October 27, 2021		June 23, 2021/ Rs. 34,88,220/-	Delhi/ NCR	
	Rita Lohani/ Suraj Pathak/ LBGHZ00004495760	Rita Lohani/ Suraj Pathak/ Flat No- 8097, Floor No- 8 Block- L, Plot		Delhi/ NCR	
	Bimaleswar Prasad Panda/ Sanjukta Panda/ LBGHZ00004271828	Flat No-17/5, 1st Floor, Windsor Ashoka Road Shipra Sun City Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh/ October 27, 2021	June 23, 2021/ Rs. 26,54,866/-	Delhi/ NCR	
	Davinder Kumar/ Rinku Choudhary/ LBDEL00002389750/ LBDEL00002379793		June 19, 2021/ Rs. 1,28,60,799/-	Delhi/ NCR	
	Gaurav Srivastava/ Kaushal Chandra Srivastav/ LBGHZ00002592473	Flat No- 603, 6th Floor, Tower- F, Fusion Homes, Plot No GH- 05A, Sector- Techzone- IV Greater Noida/ October 27, 2021	June 25, 2021/ Rs. 29,58,862/-	Delhi/ NCR	
13.	Hayat Karim Khan / Farha Naim / LBGHZ00002527375	Flat No C 1403, 14th Floor Tower-C, Casa Grande Plot No-7A, Sector- CHI-V Greater Noida, Noida/ October 27, 2021	June 23, 2021/ Rs. 31,52,041/-	Delhi/ NCR	

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

Date: October 30, 2021 Place: Delhi/ NCR Authorized Officer ICICI Bank Limited

6 months from 01-04-2021 to 30-09-2021. declaration is mentioned in the Bid Document

Jal Shakti PHE Ground Water Division, Srinagar No. DIPK-11574/21 Dated: 30-10-2021

Gist of e-Tender.

**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR** 

Office of the Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti PHE, **Ground Water Division, Sgr.** 

NIT No: -PHE/GWDS 53 of 10/2021, Dated: -10-2021 For and on behalf of lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, e-tenders are invited in two cover system from registered Water Well Drillers, Contractors as per the details given in tender document.

S.No 1. Name of work :- Construction of (01 No) 125mm Dia Machine Drilled Bore Well at Lumng Nawabagh of District Ganderbal.

No. of Hand Pump Wells:- 01 No, Est. Cost Rs. in Lacs:- Rs. 6.00 Lacs

Cost of Tender Document :- Rs. 500/- Time of completion :- 07 Days, Class of Contract:-Registered for Drilling 125 mm dia Machine Drilled Hand Pump Wells, Programme:-DDC Grants

S.No 2. Name of work: - Construction of (1 No) 125mm Dia Machine Drilled Bore Well at Near L/O Hilal Ahmad Kuchay S/O Lt. M. Abdullah Kuchay/Fayaz Ahmad Kuchay etc of District Ganderbal. No. of Hand Pump Wells :- 01 No, Est. Cost Rs. in Lacs :- Rs. 3.16 Lacs, Cost of Tender Document :- Rs. 200/- Time of completion :- 05 Days, Class of

Contract: - Registered for Drilling 125 mm dia Machine Drilled Hand Pump Wells Programme:-BDC Grants S.No. 02: AAA Accorded vide Order No. 216/DDCG of 2021, Dated:

#### 01-09-2021. <u> Critical Dates / Information.</u>

1. Publishing Date: - 28-10-2021 (03.00PM)

2. Period of Downloading of Bids :- 28-10-2021 (03:00 P.M) to 05-11-2021 3. Period of Submission of bids: -28-10-2021 (03:00 P.M) to 05-11-2021 (3:00 P.M)

4. Date of opening of Tender.: - 06-11-2021 at (03:00 P.M) 5. Tender Receiving Authority: Executive Engineer, (Jal Shakti) PHE Ground Water Srinagar Kashmir-190011

6. Document Cost: Non-Refundable in the shape of Treasury Challan/receipt deposited to Account Head 0215 in favour of Executive Engineer (Jal Shakti) PHE Ground Water Division Srinagar (at Saddar Treasury Srinagar) (The firm shall specify

the name of work for which apply) 7. Bid Validity Period: 180 Days

8. The bids can be downloaded or uploaded on www.Jktenders.gov.in 9. The bids of only those agencies shall be accepted who posses valid registration

certificate of construction of 125mm dia machine drilled Hand pump wells. However due to Pandemic the renewal Registration for 2021-22 is waived off for a period of 10. Instead of EMD the firm has to furnish "Bid Security Declaration", format of the

Sd/- Executive Engineer

As the war of words inten-

## UN, US to Sudan Army: Show

## **G-20** opens with call for more jabs for poor nations

Ţtaly's Premier Mario Draghi Lopened a conference of the world's powerhouse economies with a sharp call to pick up the pace in getting vaccines to poor countries, calling the gaping global Covid-19 vaccine gap "morally unacceptable." Draghi, the host for the two-day Group of 20 summit in

Rome, said Saturday that only 3% of people in the world's poorest countries are vaccinated, while 70% in rich countries have had at least one The call for more collective

help for low-income countries sounded a theme running through the summit, which faces a global economy recovering at different speeds. Climate change, vaccines, the recovery, international taxation are all themes occupying leaders holding their first inperson summit since the pandemic took hold.

Draghi welcomed the Group of 20 heads of state to Rome's Nuvola cloud-like convention center in the Fascist-era



EUR neighborhood, which was sealed off from the rest of the capital. Saturday's opening session was focused on global health and the economy.

Rich countries have used vaccines and stimulus spending to restart economic activity, leaving the risk that developing countries that account for much of global growth will remain behind due to low vaccinations and financing diffi-

European Union leaders will meet off-site with African leaders in efforts to further support the continent's poorest economies in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic.

French President Emmanuel Macron told reporters on Friday he expects the G-20 to confirm an additional \$100 billion to support Africa's economies.

The money would be provided via the reallocation of part of \$650 billion worth of special drawing rights, a foreign exchange tool used to help finance imports issued by the International Monetary

## India Inc's business confidence recovered in Q3CY21: GECs

IANS NEW DELHI

Healthy demand has restored India Inc's business confidence in Q3 of 2021, according to the Global Economic Conditions Survey (GECS) report.

This is the largest regular economic survey of accountants and finance professionals around the world jointly carried out quarterly by the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and the Institute of Management Accountants (IMA). According to the survey report, outlook for the South Asian region has risen mainly due to better prospects in

In contrast, the global confidence fell by nine points in Q3, with the largest fall in North America followed by Western Europe.

However, both the regions showed "relatively" high levels of confidence, as is the case globally.

Furthermore, the survey cited that global economic

growth connected to pandem ic recovery weakened in Q3 2021.It found that when looking at new orders, there was a split between advanced regions and emerging markets."There were falls in orders affecting North America and Western Europe contrasted with modest improvements in emerging markets," the report said.

"However, the wider economic prospects in developed economies remain brighter than in emerging markets, where low vaccination rates continue to drag on economic recovery."Apart from Africa, the survey pointed out that all major regions reported order levels above their pre-pandemic level, indicating a continued global recovery.

"Another positive indication from the survey are the two 'fear indices' which measure concern that customers and suppliers may go out of business. Both declined again in Q3 and are now back in line with their long-run average levels after spiking around Q2

#### Joshi compliments coal cos for record supply of 22 lakh tonnes of dry fuel to thermal power plants

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

oal Minister Pralhad Joshi on Saturday complimented coal companies, including state-owned CIL, for record supply of 22 lakh tonnes of the dry fuel to thermal power plants.

This comes amid thermal power plants facing coal short-

Joshi has expressed happiness over coal ministry's remarkable achievement of attaining 22 lakh tonnes coal dispatch to thermal power plants on Thursday (October 28), the Ministry said in a state-

In a tweet, the Minister said out the above quantity, 18 lakh tonnes have been supplied by Coal India Ltd (CIL)

Congratulating all coal companies for this feat, Joshi urged them to keep increasing coal production and offtake. Joshi had on Thursday

said CIL has stepped up fuel supply to meet the increased demand of the power sector and arrest shortages at thermal power plants caused due to rising cost of imported coal.

The government had on Thursday said supply of coal to thermal power plants (TPPs) has been rising consistently, which is evident from the rise in stock at power plants.

Average rise during the last one week is more than 2 lakh tonnes per day.

"Coal supply to power plants has indicated steady increase for the last many days," the coal ministry had

said in a statement.
Supplies to TPPs have been increasing consistently "which is evident from the rise in stock at the power plant end which has started rising and average increase during last one week is more than two lakh tonnes per day," it had

As per a Central Electricity Authority (CEA) report, the coal stock with power plants stood at 9.028 million tonnes (MT) as on October 26, 2021.

With daily increase in coal stock for the last nine days, five days' stock is available at thermal power plants. In around a week's time, it is likely to reach six days' buffer

CAI estimates cotton production at 360.13 L bales for 2021-22 crop year

**PTI** ■ MUMBAI

The Cotton Association of India (CAI) on Saturday estimated cotton output at 360.13 lakh bales for the crop year (October-September) 2021-22, due to expectation of better yield.

The total cotton production in the last season is estimated at 353 lakh bales, which is 7.13 lakh bales less than the current season, the CAI said in a statement. "The cotton yield is estimated to be excellent and the farmers are expected to go for the third and fourth pickings due to good availability of water following a good monsoon," CAI president Atul Ganatra told PTI. The total estimated cotton supply till end of the 2021-22 season, that is up to September 30, 2022, was at 445.13 lakh bales, which consists of the opening stock of 75 lakh bales at the beginning of the season, crop for the season estimated at 360.13 lakh bales and imports for estimated at the same level as in the last year at 10 lakh

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER-II DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, DELHI 4th Floor, Jeevan Tara Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001.

PROCLAMATION OF SALE

NOTICE UNDER RULE 38 OF THE SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH SECTION 25(A) THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS DUE TO BANKS & FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1993.

In the matter of: ICICI BANK VS MR. JASWANT KASHIWAL To, CD# 1 Mr. JASWANT KASHIWAL S/o Mr. Ramesh Chand

Temple Road, Bhogal, Jagpura, Delhi- 110014

Mr. Ramesh Chand S/o Mr. Channu Lal

R/o 2, Temple Road Bhogal, Jagpura, Delhi- 110014 Whereas in execution of ibid RC No.213/2018 dated 07.07.2018 in OA No.115/2017 drawn up by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Delhi, the CD is to pay to the applicant Rs.13,65,835.48/-(Rupees Thirteen Lacs Sixty Five Thousand Eight Hundred - Thirty Five & Paisa Forty Eight Only) has become due from you as per the ibid Recovery Certificate drawn in OA No. 115/2017 by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal- II, Delhi. The applicant is entitled to recover a sum of Rs. Rs.13,48,835.48/- (Rupees Thirteen Lacs One Forty Fight Thousand Fight Hundred Thirty Five & Paisa Forty Fight Forty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Five & Paisa Forty Eight Only) alongwith pendente-lite and future interest @10.10% per annum simple from 07.01.2017 till realization with cost of Rs.17,000/- and costs from the Certificate Debtor (CDs), failing which the amount shall be recovered by sale of the hypothecated vehicles. In case of any shortfall, the same shall be recovered from the personal movable and in

assets of the CDs And whereas the undersigned has ordered the sale of the hypothecated vehicle mentioned in scheduled property for satisfaction of the hypothecated vehicle mentioned in scheduled property. the said Recovery Certificate.

3. Notice is hereby given that in the absence of any order of postponement, the said hypothecated vehicle (mentioned under the schedule of property below) shall be sold through e auction through https://auctions.cardekho.com/ auctions@cardekho.com, by e-auction at 11:00 AM on 17.11.2021.

4. The CH bank shall ensure that prospective bidders are allowed inspection of the said hypothecated vehicle (mentioned under the schedule of property below) before day of auction for which interested individuals may contact the concerned officer of CH Sh.Rajeev Ranjan (MOB: 8584874809).

5. The sale shall be of the movable property of the above named to the said hypothecated vehicle, if any.

6. The sale shall be stopped if, before lot is knocked down, the arrears mentioned in the said certificate, interest costs (including cost of sale) are tendered to the officer conducting the sale or proof is given to his satisfaction that the amount of such certificate alongwith the interest and costs has been paid to the undersigned.

7. At the sale the public generally are invited to bid either personally or by duly authorized agent. No officer or other person, having any duty to perform in connection with this sale shall, however, either directly or indirectly bid for, acquire or attempt to acquire any interest in the property sold.

8. The property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS" BASIS and "AS IS WHAT IS" BASIS. The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in the Second Scheduled to the Income Tax Act, 1961 and the rules made thereunder and to the following further conditions.

9. The particulars specified in the Schedule have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned, but the undersigned shall not be answerable for any error, mis-statement or omission in this proclamation. 10. The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) be fixed as

S. No.	Details of property	Reserve Price (In Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (In Rs.)
1.	Hypothecated vehicle i.e. Cruze/ 2.0 LTZ at bearing registration No. DL-3CCC-7094	1,60,000/-	16,000/-

11. The amount by which the biddings are to be increased shall be determined by the Officer conducting the sale. In the event of any dispute arising as to the amount of bid, or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once be again put to auction.

12. Intending bidders shall be required to pay Earnest Money **Deposit (EMD) by way** of pay order/demand draft payable at New Delhi and in favour of Recovery Officer-I, DRT-II, Delhi before the start of biding and identity proofs, address proofs etc. The said deposit shall be adjusted in the case of successful bidders; and in the case of unsuccessful bidders the same shall be refunded without interest, on the

13. Successful highest bidder shall have to deposit 25% of the sale proceeds by way of pay order/demand draft favoring the Recovery Officer-I, DRT-II, Delhi, within 24 hours (next working day) by way of bank draft, after adjusting the EMD stated above, failing which the EMD shall

14. The purchaser shall deposit the balance 75% of the sale proceeds alongwith poundage fee @ 2% upto Rupees 1,000/- @ 1% of the sale price exceeding Rupees 1,000/ within 15 days from the date of auction. The Poundage fees shall be deposited through a demand draft payable in favor of the Registrar, DRT-II, Delhi.

15. In case of default, the amount earlier deposited by the bidder, if the undersigned considers fit, after defraying the expenses of the sale shall be forfeited and the property shall be resold, and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claims to the property or to any part thereof or of any part of the sum for which it may subsequently be sold.

16. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if found unreasonable or postpone the auction at any time without assigning any reason.

	Schedule of Property							
S. No.	Description of property to be sold with names co-owners where the property belongs to the defaulter and any other persons is co-owners	Revenue assessed upon the property or any part thereof	Details of any encumbrances to which the property is liable	Claims, if any which have been put forward to the property and other known particulars bearing on its nature and value.				
1.	Cruze/2.0 LTZ at bearing registration		No Information	No Information				

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal at New Delhi on this 27.09.2021.

(Uttam Negi Recovery Officer-

#### SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd, 3rd Floor, Plot No- 23, New Rohtak Road,

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from

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

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	
1.	M/s Hora Tourism and Hospitality Consulting Services/ Ashish Chander Sehgal/ Seema Sehgal/ A/c No. 629805023563	Shop No- 3363, 3rd Floor Angel Mega Mall Commercial Plot No CK-1 Kaushambi Ghaziabad 201001/ October 28, 2021	June 03, 2021 Rs. 16,56,661/-	Delhi

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

Date: October 30, 2021 Place: Delhi/ NCR

Authorized Officer ICICI Bank Limited

#### **ITC** posts strong quarter on all fronts

IANS:ITC's 2Q FY22 was ahead of estimates with EBITDA and PBT growing 13 per cent yearon-year (YoY), Credit Suisse said in a report. Net cigarette revenue grew 10.3 per cent YoY as the recovery post the second Covid-19 wave has been rapid. Cigarette volumes were back to near pre-Covid levels towards the end of the quarter. Cigarette EBIT also grew 10.4 per cent YoY as margins were stable. FMCG business had a very high base due the surge in packaged foods in 2Q FY21, and thus revenue growth was muted at 3 per cent YoY.

#### Gold prices expected to reach ₹52-53k mark in next 12 months: MOFS

IANS NEW DELHI

**T**n 2021, prices of the precious Imetal have been trading between ₹47,000 and 49,000 mark per 10 grams. However, gold prices had

seen a surge during 2019 52 per cent and 25 per cent in 2020. According to Motilal Oswal Financial Services note, bullion have been in a consol-

idation mode from last Diwali to this Diwali, and in the past few months have witnessed some choppiness amidst

Climate, Covid and

corporate tax on the

G-20 agenda in Rome

The leaders of the world's sion was focused on global health and the economy, with gathered Saturday for the first a meeting on the sidelines for

volatility in US Dollar and bond yields.

Nevertheless, during the first half of the year, better than expected economic data and hawkish outlook from the US Federal Reserve have kept most market participants on the

On the other hand, the second half has witnessed weaker data set and change in US Fed's approach "which could get the gold bulls excited once again".

sealed off from the rest of the

capital. Saturday's opening ses-

steps on Iran's nuclear pro-

gram.Italy is hoping the G-20

will secure key commitments

from countries representing

and responsible for around the

80% of the global economy

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STATEMENT OF STANDALONE UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 2021

		(Amount in Rs. Lakhs)						
Sr. No.	PARTICULARS	QUA	ARTER END	DED	HALF YEA	R ENDED	YEAR ENDED	
NO.		30.09.2021	30.06.2021	30.09.2020	30.09.2021	30.09.2020	31.03.2021	
ı		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited	
1	Total Income from Operations	3054.45	2286.41	2043.26	5340.86	2485.48	8101.51	
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax, Exceptional	(188.43)	99.91	4.32	(88.52)	(36.17)	75.65	
	and/or Extraordinary items)							
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or	(188.43)	99.91	4.32	(88.52)	(36.17)	75.65	
	extraordinary items)							
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or	(172.84)	84.32	3.52	(88.52)	(36.17)	49.48	
	Extraordinary items)							
5	Total comprehensive income for the period(Comprising Profit/(Loss)	(172.84)	84.32	3.52	(88.52)	(36.17)	49.48	
	for the period (after tax) & Other Comprehensive Income(after tax))							
6	Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs. 10)	329	329	329	329	329	329	
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the	520.52	693.36	562.88	520.52	523.17	609.04	
	Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year							
8	Earnings per share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and	(5.25)	2.56	0.11	(2.69)	1.10	1.50	
	discontinued operations)							
	(a) Basic (b) Diluted							

#### NOTES:-

The above results were reviewed by an Audit Committee and thereafter taken on record by the Board of Directors in their meeting or 30.10.2021 after review by an Audit Committee

The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly & year to date financial results filed with the stock exchange under Regulation 33 of SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly & year to date financial results are available on the Stock Exchange website (www.msei.in) and the Company's website (www.parijatpapermills.com)

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CIN No.: L72100DL1972PLC005971, Phone No. 011-26441015-18

EXTRACT OF UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS

FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

30.09.2021

**UN-AUDITED** 

2245.81

77.17

77.17

55.60

55.60

133.26

Quarter Ended

UN-AUDITED

(12.13)

(12.13)

(6.92)

133.26

(0.52)

. The above unaudited financial results were, subjected to limited review by the Statutory Auditors of the Company, reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved and taken on record by

The above is an extract of the detailed format of Un-audited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2021, filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulatio

33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Un-audited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended September 30,

2021 along with review report of the Statutory Auditors is available under the investor section of our website at <a href="https://www.perfectpac.com">www.perfectpac.com</a> and on the website of the stock exchanges i.e.

30.06.2021 30.09.2020

UN-AUDITED

1802.84

50.07

50.07

31.68

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2.38

2.38

For Parijat Paper Mills Limited **Amit Mittal** 

Date: 30.10.2021 Place: Muzaffarnagai

Total Revenue from operations

arnings Per Share of Rs. 10/- each

Place: New Delhi

Date: 30.10.2021

**Equity Share Capital** 

1. Basic (Rs.)

NOTES:

2. Diluted (Rs.

**PARTICULAR** 

Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax and Exceptional items)

Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional items)

Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/(Loss)

the Board of Directors at its Meeting held on October 30, 2021.

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or the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)

Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax and Exceptional items

**Whole Time Director** DIN: 00754471

Half Year Ended

30.09.2021 30.09.2020

**UN-AUDITED** 

(15.22)

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(15.22)

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**UN-AUDITED** 

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#### same amount of global carbon Group of 20 heads of state to emissions — ahead of the U.N. Rome's Nuvola cloud-like con-Climate conference that begins vention center in the Fascist-era EUR neighborhood, which was Sunday in Glasgow, Scotland.

coronavirus pandemic, with

climate change, Covid-19 eco-

nomic recovery and the glob-

al minimum corporate tax rate

on the agenda.Italian Premier

Mario Draghi welcomed the

#### Business by is is SCHOLARSHIP FOR B.SC IN HOSPITALITY & HOTEL ADMIN

New Delhi: Federation of Hotel & Restaurant Associations of India in association with Hotel and Restaurant Association of North India has announced the launch of a scholarship programme for students interested in pursuing a 3-year B.Sc in hospitality and hotel administration from the FHRAI Institute of Hospitality Management

INNOVATION IN CHARCOAL-FREE INCENSE STICK **New Delhi:** Innovation is more than just a buzzword for the Indian incense industry. With this in mind, Mysore Deep Perfumery House's Zed Black has launched charcoal-free agarbatti Aromix - 'Fusion Incense

Sticks. "This is a next level of innovation," said Anshul Agrawal, Director,

उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल संसाधन विकास एवं निर्माण निगम नयः अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, निर्माण मण्डल, देहरादून शाखा, स्ट्रीट नं0 11, राजेन्द्र नगर देहरादून–248001 फोन नं. : 0135–2751879 ईमेलः se9circle10@yahoo.com

पत्रांक-5468 / निविदा / 489 "ई-निविदा सूचना" अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, निर्माण मण्डल, उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल निगम, देहरादून के पत्रांक 5464 / निविदा / 488, दिनांक 29.10.2021 द्वारा जल जीवन मिशन कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत जनपद देहरादून के विकासखण्ड डोईवाला की बड़ासी ग्रान्ट पेयजल योजना के निर्माण एवं तत्सम्बन्धी कार्यों हेत् राज्य सरकार की वेबसाईट http://www.uktenders.gov.in के माध्यम से दिनांक 01.11.2021 से 18.11.2021 तक ई-निविदा (e-tender) आमंत्रित की जा रही है। निविदा की से 18.11.2021 तक इ—ानावदा (e-tenuer) आ गाना है । नियम व शर्ते उपरोक्त वेबसाइट से प्राप्त की जा सकती है । **अधीक्षण अभियन्ता** 



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#### **UJVN Limited** (An Uttarakhand Govt. Enter H.O. "UJJWAL" Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Ro Telephone-0135-2763808, Fax: 01

RO. No. 813 e-Tender Notice Date: 30.10.2021 Office of Executive Engineer (Maint.), Khodri Power Station, Dakpathar (Dehradun), invites online tenders for following work: Tender No: 12/EE(Maint.)/Khodri/2021-22 for Procurement of Various pumps

for Water supply system of Tons Colony Estimated Cost: Rs.26,00,000/-Date of availability of tender on website: 01.11.2021 from 18:00 hrs. Last date for submission of bid on website: 22.11.2021 up to 16.00 hrs.

For downloading tender documents and other details, please visit

e-procurement portal "https:/uktenders.gov.in" Executive Engineer(Maint), Khodri

"Avoid wasteful use of Electricity"

**SANJAY RAJGARHIA** MANAGING DIRECTOR DIN: 00154167

For PERFECTPAC LIMITED

(Rs. In Lakhs Except EPS)

Year Ended

31.03.2021

AUDITED

6590.14

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With the onset of winters, poor air quality will make the matter worse with the cases of lung cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and asthma increasing and the air pollution resulting from Diwali would be the final nail in the coffin. Keeping looming virus, Dengue, skin health and nutrition in mind, SUPRIYA RAMESH speaks with experts on how to be safe this season

ith Diwali around the corner, Delhi's Air Quality Index (AQI) has deteriorated to 353. Currently, Delhi has 13 pollution hot spots including Rohini, Okhla Phase-2, Punjabi Bagh, Vivek Vihar, Wazirpur, Jahangirpuri, RK Puram, and Narela; these were identified by the Central Pollution Control Board in 2018.

The other locations which feature regularly on the top five most polluted hot spots include Nehru Nagar, Mundka, Shadipur and Dilshad Garden.

With the existing poor air quality, the onset of winters have started making the matter worse with the cases of lung cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and asthma on rise

Dr Shuchin Bajaj, Founder and Director, the air pollution resulting from Diwali would be the final nail in the coffin because the festival of light marks the last day of harvest, thereby paving the way for highly-polluted stubble burning in the Northern states.

On top of that the bursting of unregulated firecrackers release huge quantities of toxic chemicals into the air. Dr Bajaj syas, "Health experts have warned people against the bad air quality and said exposure to every slight increase in air pollutants is associated with a substantial increase in the risk of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) like lung cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and asthma.

In the past too, we have seen how the harmful particulate matter present in the air exacerbates outcomes for those who do have COPD, lung cancer and asthma. They also increase one's risk of developing these diseases if exposed to such bad air quality for a longer period of time.

"Last year, doctors had witnessed many fresh cases of respiratory disorders and NCDs in their OPDs. When there is also a pandemic, we need to act on multiple fronts to get hold of the situation. This is the high time that we should look for sustainable solutions for controlling air pollution as it has been causing considerable deterioration of the vital organs,"

He shares some of the pertinent health issues due to air pollution during Diwali:

#### Asthma and Pulmonological Problems:

Pollutants can cause eye irritation, headaches, pulmonary emphysema, chest and throat blockages, coughs, colds and respiratory allergies are more likely to cause problems in people suffering from asthma. Other problems include bronchial asthma, eye infections, allergic bronchitis, chronic bronchitis, COPD

(chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), allergic rhinitis, laryngitis, sinusitis, pneumo-nia and the common cold. If you are a patient of asthma, do not light firecrackers. Use a mask or cover your nose and mouth with a wet towel to avoid toxic air.

#### Cardiovascular issues:

High decibel noise and polluted air during Diwali can bother people with existing heart conditions and high blood pressure. This can further lead to sleep disturbances, and other complications. A sudden loud noise can cause temporary or permanent deafness or even a heart attack. Üse earbuds, cotton, or noisecancelling headphones to reduce cracker

#### Mental health problems

loud Diwali celebrations and polluted air can affect the normal functioning of the brain and result in restlessness, impulsive behaviour, anger, extravagance and overreacting to any situation. It especially occurs in young children, pregnant women, heart patients and people suffering from respiratory problems. In severe cases, people may experience nausea and a temporary state of mind.

#### Air pollution can lead to DNA mutation:

Air pollution does not only cause considerable deterioration of the vital organs but also damage on the cellular level. Breathing in highly polluted air on a regular basis, or long term exposure can compromise cellular composition, which in turn leads to DNA mutations. Any level of cellular damage can cause organ damage and compromise the body's immune response leading to viral multiplication. Those with organ damage and compromised response are at a higher risk for COVID severity. Various studies have suggested that air pollution can lead to endothelial damage, inflammation, which in turn can lead to clogged arteries and heightened cardiovascular risk. Hypertension, which is one factor which poses risk to cardio health, is bad for COVID. Hypertensive patients tend to be low on some form of receptors in the body, known as ACE2, which coronavirus spike proteins interact with and attack the body.

Keeping one's skin healthy and hydrated is as important. With the festival season upon us, outings are frequent. With so much on our plates, from cleaning our house to moving out for shopping, it is obvious that our skin will come in contact with a lot of dust and pollution but at the same time it is important to keep a check on your skin and take care of it.



AIR POLLUTION RESULTING FROM DIWALI WOULD BE THE FINAL NAIL IN THE COFFIN BECAUSE THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHT MARKS THE LAST DAY OF HARVEST, THEREBY PAVING THE WAY FOR HIGHLY-POLLUTED STUBBLE BURNING IN THE NORTH

— DR SHUCHIN BAJAJ, FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR, UJALA CYGNUS GROUP OF HOSPITALS

By including Vitamin C, an antioxidant, in your diet, applying it on your skin directly or consuming it in the form of a capsule can help keep

your skin healthy and blooming.
"Vitamin C is an antioxidant that can help us fight the devastating effects of pollution. It can rid our bodies of free radicals that cause our cells to age more rapidly. It can also help us breathe easier," says Dr Karuna Malhotra, Cosmetologist and Homeopath Physician, Cosmetic Skin and Homeo Clinic, Rajouri Garden.

Natural sources for Vitamin C are available in plenty, especially in a diet full of fresh foods and nutrient rich fruits and vegetables. If you're looking for the best sources of Vitamin C,



oranges, pineapples, guavas, papayas, strawberries, amla (gooseberry) are all ideal choices.

"I highly recommend that you make a paste Sip on this throughout the day." Dr Malhotra adds. of amla and add it to a litre of drinking water.

Vitamin C is also found in vegetables, stock up on capsicum, kale (a kind of spinach), broccoli, chilli peppers, cauliflower, and brussel sprouts. For a steadier, more measured dose, chewable tablets of 1000 mg Vitamin C are also an option. For more protection inside and out, try a Vitamin C serum (a lotion with at least 15-20 % Vitamin C), applying it to the face at night, she suggests.

Dengue spread
Delhi-NCR among other states has witnessed rapid increase in the number of dengue in both government and private hospitals has worsened the situation even more, such grim circumstances that only those seen bleeding and with platelets fallen till 30,000 are being prioritised and given admissions. With the COVID-19 virus still around and new variants emerging every now and then, Dengue just aggravates

It is important that with the utmost joy during the celebrations in this festive season, we take care of ourselves and the surroundings. Storing or leaving the water stagnated outside or inside the house can be a breeding ground for Aedes mosquitoes. High time that we stop ourselves and others from doing things that

would only give space to such happenings.
"Unlike bacterial infections, we do not have effective antiviral drugs for most viral infections and hence prevention is the best bet," says Dr Hari Kishan Boorugu, Consultant Physician and Diabetologist, Yashoda Hospitals, Hyderabad.

He tells us that Dengue and Chikungunya viruses are transmitted by the Aedes mosquito. Unlike the Anopheles mosquito which transmits malaria, the Aedes mosquito is predominantly a daytime feeder.

"Aedes mosquitoes can grow in small water collections also. Because of its ability to grow in small water collections and daytime feeding habits, it is difficult to prevent its bites

and hence Dengue infection" he says. To prevent Dengue infection, we need to act both at the public health level and individual level. Dr Boorugu tells us how, "At the public health level, regular spraying of anti-mosquito insecticides, ensuring good drainage, and prevention of waterlogging would be helpful.

At an individual level, simple measures like wearing full-sleeved clothes, trousers instead of shorts, and shoes when we venture out will help prevent mosquito bites to some extent."

## 'Along with festivities, comes fear of gaining fat'

Festivities, positive vibes, social gatherings, sweets and what not. But along with these comes, the fear of gaining fat. "To enjoy the season and ensure that we don't gain a lot of fat, first of all, we should not deem that we would gain fat/weight during this period, which leads to us not taking any action to mitigate the gain," says Yash Vardhan calories than what we burn, overtime.

estive season is around the corner! Swami, Health and Fitness Coach and Nutritionist.

So, the first thing which needs to change is our mindset and understanding that we can easily mitigate the festive weight gain by using these simple strategies. First we need to understand the main reason and science behind weight gain. When we consume more

We gain weight/fat.

To mitigate this, Swami shares ways: 1. Control the amount of calories being consumed.

2. Control the amount of calories being burnt...

Talking about the caloric intake, we can simply skip one of the meals for the day we are indulging in our favorite foods. We can have another meal with just veg-

etables/fruit and protein source and bles/salad) before the indulgence, which three times a week to keep up the calotowards the end of the day, we can have a meal of choice, in moderation (and guilt free as we have already pre compensated). Apart from that, we can pre plan what we would eat during the indulgence, so that we don't 'over eat' food which we don't generally crave for. We can also have a small low calorie meal (with a protein source and vegeta-

would again help with caloric control. We can also choose low calorie variants of our favourite sweets. We can also stick to our nutrition plan, if craving levels for the indulgences are not high and keep

them to a minimum. On the calorie burning spectrum, we can simply continue our regular workouts or ensure that we are working out at least

rie burning. Along with that, my favourite calorie burning hack is walking! Aiming to walk at least 8000-10000 steps everyday would ensure that we are burning enough calories to attenuate some of the fat gain. And all of this walking can be done at home too! Just track them and get going!

## KOHLI'S HOUR OF RECKONING

## ...as India face Kiwis in 'virtual quarter-final'

Tirat Kohli will be facing the most defining test of his captaincy career as he expects his men to be the proverbial "phoenix rising from the ashes" when India take on a street-smart New Zealand in a 'do-or-die' ICC T20 World Cup Super 12 game here on

Having endured a nightmare last Sunday against Pakistan, a match that they would like to forget in a hurry, India have a lot of course correction to do against the Kiwis, more so in getting the roles assigned for the players right.

It wont be easy against a quality New Zealand, which will come hard at India having also lost to Pakistan in their opening game. Tim Southee and Trent Boult, especially have been a nemesis for the Indians in big games.

And herein lies India's chance but for that, their bowlers need to implement the game plans perfectly, something they couldn't against Pakistan.

Even more important will be execution from two players on whom the team management has heavily invested — a half-fit Hardik Pandya and an out-of-form Bhuvneshwar Kumar, who have been the weak-links of this Indian team.

That he hasn't exactly been truthful about the status of his bowling capabilities has been



exposed and trying to roll his arm over at the nets speaks volumes of his desperation. His franchise Mumbai Indians are putting him back in the auction pool and time, indeed, is running out for him.

Bhuvneshwar could well be playing his last international tournament. His pace has dropped remarkably in the past two seasons and somewhere he has not been a patch of what his younger competitor Deepak Chahar has been in recent years.

Yet, India have punted on his experience and it's high-time that he delivers before being shunned into oblivion.

India have shown in recent times, at least, in Test arena that they can come back from brink thinking about such a situation

with unforgettable performances but Kohli in his last assignment as T20 captain would like to change the script that always seemed to go awry at global events.

More so, because another failure at a mega event could well mean that there will be aspersions cast on his abilities as a white ball skipper and the 50over leadership will also come under the scanner.

Kohli is a man, who loves it the tough way. He loves a good scrap and a situation where he envisages that the entire world (even if they are not) is out there to get him, conspiring against him and wants to see him fail.

He gets an adrenaline rush

from where he is bailing out the team. But of late, Kohli, the skip-

the past. Now there is a world class performer, who is ready to play the waiting game, anchor the innings and happy to bat at a strike-rate of '120-ish', letting others hog the limelight. It's an act of self preservation which he is keeping his and Indian cricket's best interests in mind as he is 33 and at least good six years of top-flight game still left in him. India's presence till the business end is not just an emotional necessity for its billion fans but also a commercial

requirement for the tourna-

ment to retain its vigour.

per and Kohli, the batter haven't

been in sync like it had been in

the easier group where three matches, including Afghanistan should be literally walk-in-the-park for these stars who rake in mega moolah per IPL season but are now facing the fear of an early exit from the tournament.

Even after being clubbed in

With Pakistan already on six points having played all their tough games (India, New Zealand and Afghanistan) in the first week of Super 12s, they are expected to steamroll Namibia and Scotland en route their expected top place finish in group 2.

This leaves both India and New Zealand in a virtual shootout position as whoever wins has a chance to finish on maximum eight points and grab the second place in the group.

However with the dew

playing a major role in the evenings, toss is indeed playing a very crucial role in the outcome of night matches. Kohli will be hoping to at least win the toss and may be ensure that KL Rahul and Co don't have to face Trent Boult's 'break back' swingers first up when some moisture would be on offer. Suryakumar Yadav would

like to put up a better performance and Rishabh Pant would certainly like to finish off in style after the kind of start he got against Pakistan.

In a nutshell, Kohli faces an acid test of his leadership career, which is reaching business end.



Teams:

Venue

India: Virat Kohli (c), Rohit Sharma, KL Rahul, Suryakumar Yadav, Rishabh Pant (wk), Hardik Pandya, Ravindra Jadeja, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Mohammed Shami, Jasprit Bumrah, Varun Chakravarthy, Shardul Thakur, Ravichandran Ashwin, Ishan Kishan, Rahul Chahar

New Zealand: Kane Williamson (c), Martin Guptill, Daryl Mitchell, Devon Conway. Tim Seifert (wk), James Neesham, Glenn Phillips Mitchell Santner, Ish Sodhi, Trent Boult, Tim Southee, Mark Chapman, Adam Milne, Kyle Jamieson, Todd Astle.

#### NEW ZEALAND'S PERFECT RECORD AGAINST INDIA IN T20 WORLD CUP

After losing to arch rivals Pakistan in the first match, India take on New Zealand in the second match in a Super-12 Group 2 stage clash at Dubai on Sunday (October 31). Kiwis also lost to Pakistan in their opening match

- A win on Sunday might not guarantee either team a place in the semi-final but a defeat might severely hamper their chances of making it to the last 4
- India have won six, lost eight and tied two in 16 Twenty-20 Internationals played against New Zealand. They have won both tied matches against Kiwis in Super over, at Hamilton, on January, 29 2020 and at Wellington, two days later
- New Zealand has never lost to India in a Twenty-20 World Cup. After the 2003 World

Played

Cup, the Indian team has not been able to beat New Zealand in any ICC tournament so far. In the year 2007, India had to face defeat against New Zealand in the Twenty-20 World Cup. After this, the Indian team was also defeated in the 2016 Twenty-20 World Cup. Apart from this, in the year 2019, a match between the two teams in the 50 overs World Cup was inconclusive, while India was defeated by 18 runs in the semifinals of the same 50 overs World Cup.

The men in blue have won three and tied two in last five matches played against Kiwis. The last meeting between these two sides happened in the final match of the five-match seres at Mount Maunganui on February 2, 2020 and India cruised to seven runs in the game.

Tied

## Both India and NZ eager to open account: Southee

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 $F_{\text{coming off losses in their}}^{\text{ast bowler Tim Southee feels}}$ respective tournament openers, both India and New Zealand would be desperate to outwit each other in what promises to be an exciting T20 World Cup Super 12 game between the two "very good sides."

Both India and New Zealand were handed defeats by Pakistan in their tournament openers. While Virat Kohli's men were drubbed by 10 wick-

Scoreboard SRI LANKA (BATTING)

Pathum Nissanka (72)

Charith Asalanka (21)

Dasun Shanaka (11)

Temba Bavuma (46) David Miller (23)

Aiden Markram (19)

**SOUTH AFRICA (BATTING)** 

Scoreboard

**AUSTRALIA (BATTING)** 

**ENGLAND (BATTING)** 

Jonny Bairstow (16)

pointstable

Jos Buttler (71)

Jason Roy (22)

A Finch (44)

A Agar (20)

M Wade (18)

ets in their first Group 2 match, the Black Caps lost by five wickets. And the Kiwi pacer said come Sunday, both the wounded sides would be eager to open

side. They have shown that for many years and for them as well coming off a loss, they will be eager to win as well. So, it should be a great contest against two very good sides," Southee said after a practice session on Friday. "It's always tight in the first game. We went far off

**SOUTH AFRICA (BOWLING)** 

Dwaine Pretorius 3 (17, 3wkt)

Tabraiz Shamsi 4 (17, 3wkt)

Anrich Nortje 4 (27, 2wkt)

SRI LANKA (BOWLING)

D Chameera 4 (27,2wkt)

**ENGLAND (BOWLING)** 

C Jordan 4 (17, 3wkt)

C Woakes 4 (23, 2wkt)

vickets, 20 overs)

**AUSTRALIA (BOWLING)** 

Ashton Agar 2.4 (15, 1wkt)

Adam Zampa 3 (37,1wkt)

Pat Cummins 1 (14, 0wkt)

T Mills 4 (45, 2wkt)

Dasun Shanaka 4 (7, 0wkt)

Wanindu Hasaranga 4 (20,3wkt)

Total 142 (0 wickets, 20 overs)

Total 146 (6 wickets, 19.5 overs)

against a quality Pakistan side but we need to look forward in such a short tournament. There are no easy games so it's now about focus shifting towards India." Southee, who claimed his their tally in the showpiece. They (India) are a quality 100th T20 wicket in the loss against Pakistan, said adapting to the conditions and wickets is

> New Zealand will be playing at the Dubai International

the need of the hour.

Stadium for the first time during the competition, while

India lost at the same ground in

their opener. "We knew coming here is different to how we play in New Zealand. So, you have to adapt to those conditions, you also have to adapt to all three grounds as well.

"They offer different assistance for the seamers. We saw in Sharjah slower balls and back of the length worked. In Dubai, the wicket has little more pace in it and seems to be a better wicket," he observed.

Asked about his 100 T20 wicket milestone, Southee said: "It's nice when you play for a

while and get a milestone. Not many people have done it so far with T20 not being around for too long.

"Not only T20, but all three formats. It's a challenge to juggle all three formats and to be able to do that for a long period of time is pretty satisfying," he said. "Looking at ways to keep improving your game, adapt to different conditions, different formats is something I have looked to do over the years. Hopefully there is many more years to come," he added

INDIA DEFEATED	NEW ZEALA	ND BOTH T	IMES IN SUPE	R OVER IN TIED MATCHES
Last five matches	5	3	2	
In World Cup	2	2	-	
Total	16	6	8	2
In South Africa	1	1	-	
In New Zealand	10	4	4	2
In India	5	2	3	

INDIA-NEW ZEALAND IN TWENTY-20 INTERNATIONALS SUMMARY OF RESULTS

NZ won

HIGHEST INNINGS TOTALS: India: New Zealand: LOWEST INNINGS TOTALS: India:	208-6 in 20 at Hamilton 219-6 in 20 overs at Wellington 79 in 18.1 overs at Nagpur	10-02-2019 06-02-2019 15-03-2016
New Zealand:	126-7 in 20 overs atNagpur	15-03-2016
HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SCORES: India: 80 Shikhar Dhawan at Delhi New Zealand:	80 Rohit Sharma at Delhi 01-11- 2017 109* Colin Munro at Rajkot	01-11- 2017 04-11-2017
BEST BOWLING PERFORMANCES: India: New Zealand:	3-12 Jasprit Bumrah at Mount Maunganui 4-11 Mitchell Santner at Nagpur	02-02-2020 15-03-2016

## England crush Aus by 8 wickets

Tos Buttler hammered a bru-tal 32-ball 71 not out to complement a superlative performance from the bowlers as England crushed Australia by eight wickets in their Super 12 match to inch closer to a semifinal spot at the T20 World Cup here on Saturday.

It was a thoroughly professional display by the ODI world champions as they bundled out Australia for 125 and then returned to overhaul the target of 126 in 11.4 overs to consolidate their top position in the Group 1 points table.

Buttler and Jason Roy (22) hammered the Australian bowlers all around the park to amass 66 runs for no loss in the powerplay, the highest by any team so far in the tournament.

Buttler was the most dangerous of the England batters as he slammed five fours and as many sixes during his unbeaten knock, which is the fastest fifty in the tournament till now.

Australia managed to get rid of Roy and Dawid Malan (8) but it made no difference as Jonny Bairstow joined Buttler in sending their opponents on a leather hunt.

Bairstow smashed two sixes off Adam Zampa during his unbeaten 10-ball 16 run innings as England reached 126 for 2 to win the match with 50

England thus completed a hat-trick of wins, while Australia suffered their first loss

slumped to 15 for 3 in 4 overs.

Leg-spinner Adil Rashid (1/19), who had opened the bowling for England, then returned to trap Marcus Stoinis LBW with a googly as Australia

removing opener David Warner (1), Steve Smith (1) and

Glenn Maxwell (6) in the first

four overs before skipper Aaron

Finch (44 off 49 balls) resur-

Woakes was in action early

on as he induced a nick from

Warner to deal the first blow and

then pulled off a sensational

catch at mid-on to remove Steve

Smith off Jordan's bowling.

Woakes then trapped Maxwell

in front of wicket as Australia

rected the innings.

Australian total.

were tottering at 21 for 4 in 6.1 overs. Matthew Wade (18) then joined skipper Finch, taking Australia to 41 for four in 10 overs. Wade, however, perished in the 12th over after holing out at long-on to Jason Roy off Liam Livingstone.

**FAISEL FEATURES** 

Ashton Agar (20), Pat Cummins (12) and Mitchell Finch smashed back-toback boundaries to cream 10 Starc (13) then hit some lusty runs off Tymal Mills, before blows at the death to give picking up another boundary some respectability to the off Jordan in the next over.

Agar then exploded in the 17th over as he pulled one from Woakes over deep backward square leg before walloping him for another six over deep midwicket to score 20 runs of the over. He was back to the

pavilion after being caught by Livingstone (1/15). Cummins then clobbered momentum.But

the first two balls he faced for maximums to give Australia Jordan returned to remove Finch and Cummins in successive balls.

## Miller blitzkrieg powers South Africa to four-wicket win

 $D_{\text{sixes powered South Africa}}^{\text{avid Miller's two last-over}}$ to a four-wicket victory over Sri Lanka despite a hat-trick by Wanindu Hasaranga in a thrilling Super 12 match of the ICC T20 World Cup here on

Miller's 23-run unbeaten cameo off just 13 balls ensured South Africa knock off the required 25 runs in the last two overs, including 15 in the final six deliveries. The Proteas did so with a ball to spare.

In a match where the pendulum swung till the very end, Kasigo Rabada (13 not out off 7 balls) took a single in the first ball of the last over. Then Miller smashed two back-to back sixes off pacer Lahiri Kumura to seal the game in his team's favour.

Rabada completed the chase by hitting the winning runs -- a boundary to the third man fence -- as the Proteas continued their fine run to stay afloat in the tournament. First left-arm spinner

Tabraiz Shamsi (3/17) ran

through the Sri Lankan batters

as South Africa bundled them

out for 142 despite opener Pathum Nissanka's whirlwind 72 and then chased the tricky tar-

Thus, the efforts of young leg-spinner Hasaranga (3/20), who scalped two wickets in the 18th over, went in vain. Skipper Temba Bavuma

(46) played his part to perfection as he took the game deep and then Miller justified his finish-Chasing 143, South African lost Reeza Hendricks (11),

Quinton de Kock (12) and Rassie van der Dussen (16) cheaply Bavuma and Aiden Markram (19) took the game deep with their crucial 47-run

stand, which played a role in the side's win. Earlier, left-arm wrist spinner Shamsi spun his web around

the Sri Lankan batters as South Africa bowled their opponents On a track that aided spinners, Shamsi rattled the Sri

Lankan middle-order to return

with fine figures of 3/17 and his

scalps included Bhanuka

Rajapaksa (0), Avishka

Fernando (3) and Hasaranga

was the lone Sri Lankan to shine with the bat, hitting 72 off just

second T20 fifty, started cautiously. Pacer Kagiso Rabada conceded two boundaries in the second over as the Islanders amassed nine runs. Pacer Anrich Nortje

the board.

Asalanka (21) joined Nissanka and the duo tried to rally the innings with a 41-run stand.

Nortje, including a straight drive, as Sri Lanka fetched 13 runs from it and cantered to 39/1 after power-play.
After a couple of slow overs, both Asalanka and Nissanka

freed their arms, hammering a six each in the 9th over bowled by Keshav Maharaj (0/24). But South African pegged

back the host by scalping four quick wickets.

The 23-year-old Nissanka 58 balls, with six fours and three

Put into bat, Kusal Perera (7) and Nissanka, who hit his

cleaned up Perera as Sri Lanka lost their first wicket with 20 on Then in-form Charith

Asalanka struck two successive fours in the sixth over off

> balls to spare. of the tournament after beating South Africa and Sri Lanka in

their previous two games. Earlier, Chris Woakes

## (2/23) and Chris Jordan (3/17) rattled Australia's top-order by

#### Group A Team NRR Matches **Points England** 3 +3.948 South Africa 3 +0.2104 3 Australia -0.6274 3 2 Sri Lanka -0.350West Indies 3 2 -1.598Bangladesh 3 0 -1.069

**Total 126 ( 2 wickets , 11.4 overs** 

Group B NRR Team Matches **Points** Pakistan +0.638 Afghanistan 2 +3.092 2 2 +0.550Namibia -0.532 0 New Zealand -0.973 0 India Scotland 2 -3.562 0

## SUMIT ENTERS PRE-QUARTERS, Di Maria leads PSG to 2-1 **SACHIN GOES DOWN**



**PTI** ■ BELGRADE

ndian boxer Sumit (75kg) sailed into the pre-quarterfinals of the AIBA Men's World Championships here on Saturday after notching up a comprehensive victory over Tajikistan's Abdumalik Boltaev

Sumit prevailed 5-0 in the bout against Boltaev, who wasn't lacking in intent but was definitely nowhere close to the Indian when it came to punching cleanly.

Sumit also copped a warning in the second round for hitting Boltaev on the back of his head repeatedly despite being cautioned by the referee but the docking of one point had no impact on his control over the proceedings as he emerged a unanimous victor.

Sumit will face Cuba's Yoenlis Hernandez in the pre-quarterfinals on Monday.

However, Sachin (80kg), who got a first-round bye, lost 1-4 to American Robby Gonzales in another last-32 contest

The Indian seemed up for an intense showdown in the opening round but ran out of steam against Gonzales, who put his long range to good use by poking through the Indian's defences.

In a late night bout on Friday, Nishant Dev (71kg) rallied to

Mauritian Merven Clair 4-1 to also secure a pre-quarterfinal berth. He will be up against Mexico's Alvarez Verde in the Last-16 round on Sunday.

Later this evening, five-time Asian medallist Shiva Thapa (63.5kg) will fight Sierra Leone's John Brown in the round of 32.

Govind Sahani (48kg) will compete in the pre-quarterfi-nals against Georgia's Sakhil Alakhverdovi.

Apart from Nishant, three more Indian boxers will compete in the pre-quarterfinals stage on Sunday. Asian champion Sanjeet (92kg) will take on a walkover in the last round, and

## Sindhu loses in French Open semifinals

India's double Olympic medallist P V Sindhu failed to reach the women's singles summit clash after going down fighting to Japan's Sayaka Takahashi in three games at the French Open badminton tournament here on

The 26-year-old from Hyderabad squandered a onegame advantage to lose 21-18 16-21 12-21 against the world number 15 Takahashi, a bronze medallist at the 2013 and 2014 Asian Championships.

It was her fourth defeat to the

29-year-old Japanese in eight meetings.

Sindhu, the reigning world champion, had lost in the quarterfinals at the Denmark Open last week in Odense. The world number 7 Indian

started the match on a positive note as there was little to separate the two. The duo played short rallies, trying to outwit each other with their attacking shots.

After going neck-and-neck from 5-5 to 9-9 in the opening game, Takahashi unleashed a powerful smash which hit

Georgia's Giorgi Tchigladze while Akash Kumar (54kg), who received Sindhu's cheeks, to lead 10-9, but the Indian recovered to level the scores with a cross court smash.

The Japanese had a slender one-point advantage at the break. After the interval, Sindhu quickly erased a two-point deficit with a diagonal return before

grabbing a one-point lead after winning a 27-shot rally. Takahashi exploited Sindhu's weak backhand to regain the lead.

She added another point with a lucky net chord but the Indian unleashed three back-to-back smashes to make it 17-16.

A misjudgement at the forecourt and two net errors by Takahashi gave Sindhu four game points. The Indian wasted two of them before slamming down a winner to pocket the first game.

After the change of ends, Sindhu continued her momentum, leading 5-2 early on. However, Takahashi again clawed her way back at 6-6, with Sindhu going wide.

The Indian showed great

defence as she sent one ballooning over Takahashi at the backline and then unleashed a stiff smash to lead 9-6, and had her nose ahead at the interval.

Narender (+92kg) will face Puerto Rico's Caleb Tirado and Tajikistan's Jakhon Qurbonov respectively.

ngel Di Maria set up the equal-A ngel Di Maria set up the equilibrium and then netted the winning goal himself as Paris Saint-Germain rallied past defending champion Lille 2-1 to stretch its lead at the top of the French league to 10 points.

Canada striker Jonathan David gave Lille the lead with a first-time effort in the 31st minute, but Di Maria made the difference in the sec-

The Argentina forward provided a clipped pass for Marquinhos, who volleyed home from six yards in the 74th. Di Maria then played a onetwo with Neymar before burying the ball into the bottom corner in the

Lille dominated the first half, creating three big chances to just one for the short-handed PSG, which was without a handful of players.

The visitors threatened in the opening minute by hitting PSG on the fast break.

Jonathan Ikone outpaced Presnel Kimpembe to make a low cross for Burak Yilmaz, whose effort was saved by Gianluigi Donnarumma. Then Yilmaz found Ikone in the 14th, but the Lille winger missed the target from 12 yards as he was put off by Thilo Kehrer.

Lionel Messi had been doubtful because of a small muscle problem but still started the game for PSG. However, Messi struggled in the role of a false nine, volleying wide after a cross from Di Maria in the 30th, and was replaced by Mauro Icardi at halftime.

"That was a precaution," PSG coach Mauricio Pochettino said about the substitution.

"He couldn't keep playing. I hope it's not a big issue and he can be available for the next game."

Lille opened the scoring by playing out from the back in the 31st.

hristian Eriksen will not

be permitted to play in

Italy this season as a result of

the cardiac arrest he suf-

fered at Euro 2020, his club

Inter Milan said in a state-

Eriksen had an on-field

The visitors moved the ball from the right wing to the left, where Yilmaz rounded Kehrer to cut the ball back for David, who guided a firsttime effort into the top corner.

Already the top scorer in the French league this season, David raised his tally to eight goals.

The Parisians' only good chance in the first half resulted from intricate passing. Georginio Wijnaldum fed Di Maria, who curled a shot wide from a tight angle in the 40th.

Lille had opportunities to double the lead after the break. Ikone slipped a throughball to David, who was denied by Donnarumma in the 47th. Then Lille hit PSG on the fast break in the 56th when David fed Yilmaz, whose lob was palmed away by Donnarumma.

With Lille exploiting the space behind the PSG fullbacks, coach Mauricio Pochettino made a tactical switch and replaced Kehrer and Juan Bernat with Colin Dagba and Nuno Mendes in the 65th.

"I think it's good to be flexible. Sometimes the plan doesn't work," Pochettino said. "I think, little by little, maybe it's an option that we

Christian Eriksen banned from playing for Inter Milan

cardiac arrest during

Denmark's opening game of

the tournament in June

against Finland and received

life-saving treatment on the

dioverter defibrillator device

(ICD) implanted, but the

Italian Football Federation

The Dane later had a car-

need to think about and try to maybe adapt the team."
Di Maria was PSG's biggest

threat throughout, and forced goalkeeper Ivo Grbic to parry his longrange strike in the 59th. The Argentine then crossed for Icardi, who headed over the bar in the 73rd, before setting up Marquinhos for the equalizer a minute later.

PSG finished stronger and Neymar played Icardi clean through on goal in the 85th, but Grbic saved with his leg. Neymar again showed his deft touch when collecting Di Maria's pass in the area and controlling it with one foot before playing it back in the path of the Argentine, who scored with a low shot to preserve PSG's perfect record at home.

The Parisians have won all their home games at Parc des Princes in all competitions this season.

PSG missed the suspended Achraf Hakimi and Marco Verratti, the injured Sergio Ramos and Leandro Paredes and an infected Kylian Mbappe.

On Saturday, second-place Lens visits Lyon while Metz hosts bottom side Saint-Etienne.

has insisted that he will not

be allowed to play in Italy

unless the ICD is removed.

therefore seems likely, and it

is unclear whether other

countries would allow

Eriksen to participate in their

respective leagues with the

ICD device fitted.

An early exit from Inter

## India face Kyrgyz Republic in crucial match

India will lock horns with Kyrgyz Republic in a do-or-die last league match of the AFC U-23 Asia Cup qualifiers on Sunday, hoping to qualify for the tournament proper of the continental youth championship.

India will not only have to win their match but also hope that result of the other game in Group E too goes in their favour. The Indians beat Oman 2-1

but lost to the hosts UAE in their previous matches. "We are treating the match

against Kyrgyz Republic as any other game," head coach Igor Stimac said prior to the crucial India have three points from

two matches, and a win against Kyrgyz Republic will brighten



AFC U-23 Asian Cup, scheduled to be held next year in

"The boys need to try staying concentrated and disciplined, nent, but without any fear," the focused. head coach added.

"Moving the ball quickly, and switching sides is crucial against aggressive teams like Kyrgyz. So er than what our boys are used

We have seen in our last match against UAE that the pace of the game is much quicktouches on the ball doesn't help,' he maintained. India had beaten Oman in

their first game and suffered a 0-1 loss against UAE. In contrast, Kyrgyz Republic beat UAE 2-1 in their first match and lost to Oman 0-1 in the second. "Kyrgyz Republic defeated

UAE deservedly and were unlucky to lose to Oman in the dying minutes after missing some great chances. They are an aggressive side, and are physically very strong, well prepared and quick in transition," Stimac explained.

"They have 4-5 players with great technical abilities so we shouldn't leave time or space for them to operate. Off the ball, they move well and we need to find a way to move the ball before they get to us. It will be a very interesting game," Stimac

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## Ramsdale heroics preserve Arsenal

**AP** LEICESTER

aron Ramsdale produced Aa stunning goalkeeping performance to help Arsenal secure a 2-0 win at Leicester that extended the team's unbeaten run in the Premier League to seven games on Saturday.

Goals in the opening 18 minutes by center back Gabriel and midfielder Emile Smith Rowe put Arsenal in command before Ramsdale took center stage at the King Power Stadium.

If his save to tip wide Kelechi Iheanacho's curling shot was impressive, it paled in comparison to a flying leap across his line to palm a free early-season pressure, but has kick by James Maddison onto the crossbar just before half

Leicester manager Brendan Rodgers was already celebrating a goal in his technical area.

the summer transfer window, denied Ademola Lookman and Harvey Barnes with sprawling saves in the second half as Arsenal was forced to defend stoutly to preserve its clean sheet.

league games, putting manag-

early-season pressure, but has responded by winning five of its next seven to soar into the

Ramsdale, signed from relegated Sheffield United in

Arsenal lost its first three

top half of the standings.

Smith Rowe has been a big part of that and the 21year-old midfielder made it three goals in his last five league games with the second against Leicester, slotting home from inside the area after the ball broke free when

> Alexandre Lacazette. Gabriel put Arsenal ahead by glancing home a header from Bukayo Saka's rightwing corner in the fifth

Luke Thomas tackled

#### G Sathiyan and Harmeet Desai win men's double

PTI ■ TUNIS (TUNISIA)

**T**ndian table tennis duo of G Sathiyan and Harmeet Desai notched up a dominating 3-1 win over Emmanual Lebesson and Alexandre Cassin in the summit clash to claim the men's doubles title at the WTT Contender Tunis here on Saturday.

Sathiyan and Desai beat the French duo 11-9 4-11 11-9 11-

The Indian duo pocketed the first game but they lost momentum and allowed the French pair to level the match. tweeted.

Sathiyan and Desai, however, clawed their was back by taking the lead once again and then hardly broke a sweat in winning the fourth game and the title.

"Doubles victory for Sathiyan Gnanasekaran and Harmeet Desai! #Congratulations for clinching the #WTTTunis Men's Doubles title! #WTT #tabletennis #pingpong," World Table Tennis (WTT), the commercial and events company of International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF),

## Aditi top Indian at T-13

Indian golfer Aditi Ashok finished a highly creditable tied 13th after carding a final round 69 at the Dubai Moonlight Classic here.

Aditi, who had finished fourth at the Tokyo Olympics, had shot rounds of 69-71 on the first two days on the Ladies European Tour event. Tvesa Malik, who has been hav-

ing a great season, mirrored her second round 71 for rounds of 70-71-71 and also squeezed into Top-20 at the T-19th place. Diksha Dagar, one of the only two Indians to have won a LET title, had

her best round of the week with a 70 after 72-71 on the first two days. She was T-24th. Aditi and Diksha had five birdies against two bogeys each, while Tvesa

managed five birdies and four bogeys. A sensational final round of 8under 64 sealed a one-shot victory for

England's Bronte Law. It was a superb day in Dubai with 19 players were within six shots of the lead at the Faldo Course at Emirates Golf Club at the end of the second



But it was Law who produced one of the rounds of the day to climb up the leaderboard, and her eagle on the 16th saw her post a winning total of 15-under-par.

The 2019 Solheim Cup winner began her round on the 18th on the final day of the shotgun start, but didn't make her first birdie until the fifth

However, after rolling in back-to-

back birdies the English star got into the groove and rolled in four birdies in five holes before sinking her eagle putt on 16 to seal the victory - her first

Her first LET win was made even

sweeter by the fact that Law was surrounded by friends that she has grown up playing with. It was overnight leader Maria Fassi who claimed second place with a total

of 14-under-par after carding a final

round of 4-under 68. The Tokyo 2020 Olympian got off to a slow star but Law went ahead. Germany's Esther Henseleit ended the tournament in third place - three shots off the lead after rounds of 72,

Two LET winners from the 2021 season finished tied for fourth on 11under-par as Pajaree Anannarukarn and Lee-Anne Pace carded final rounds of 69 and 70, respectively. Thailand's Moriya Jutanugarn

was sixth on 10-under-par with Olivia Cowan, Ariya Jutanugarn, Magdalena Simmermacher and Alice Hewson rounding out the top ten on nine-

#### Sports Ministry to hand over trophies to winners of 2020 NSA

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

he Sports Ministry is set to physical-The Sports Millistry is see to page 11 ly hand over trophies to all the winners of last year's National Sports Awards during a function at the Ashoka Hotel here on November 1. According to an official of the Sports

Ministry, all the winners of 2020 have already received the cash awards but now they will be presented with their trophies and citation during the event. Last year, the National Sports

Awards ceremony was held virtually

owing to the COVID-19 pandemic. The National Sports Awards are given away on August 29 every year on the occasion of National Sports Day, celebrated on the birth anniversary of hockey wizard Major Dhyan Chand.

The National Sports Awards include the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna award (earlier Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna), Arjuna award, Dronacharya award, Dhyan Chand award among



■ We hadn't seen you on the screen for a couple of years. What kept you busy?

I was busy doing Choti Sardarni, which began in 2019. Then I did a movie which is going to be released soon. Sadly, it still remains untitled. The project is by Pahlaj Nihalani.

So I have been busy. I would also take up every good role that comes my way. You have a strict fitness regimen. Can you tell us what you do?

It's not so much about fitness as it is about weight training and high intensity workout. It has been a part of my life for years now. I believe that if you don't make fitness a part of vour life, you can't achieve anything in life. I have been disciplined when it comes to my workout and eating habits. It is very important now to be fit.

During COVID, people too have started realising that to be healthy is necessary.

You have been in the industry for so long. What are the changes that you have seen?

Portrayal of every character is getting better and better with every movie. Pick up any film today, even the smallest of roles is well-fleshed out. Every generation has its pros and cons. I make it a point that we all sit and eat together.

Today, you have vanity vans. In our times, we would change wherever we could find privacy. Every change is good and acceptable.

What will we see in Choti Sarrdaarni this time?

The show is taking a leap, so yes, in that sense viewers will get to see something different. Having said that, the track is not different. The characters are the same. I am sure people would like to see

WHEN I HEARD ABOUT MY CHARACTER, I FELL IN LOVE WITH HER. I LOVED THAT SHE HAS SUCH A STRONG PERSONALITY. SHE IS A WOMAN OF SUBSTANCE THAT I KNEW I WOULD HAVE FUN ESSAYING HER. SHE IS A **WOMAN OF** DETERMINATION; SHE IS A WOMAN OF CHALLENGES; SHE IS AMBITIOUS



for themselves what is in store this time round. There should be some suspense. Let's see what are the twists and turns in store. Tell us about Kulwant Kaur Dhillon.

My character, as a personality, doesn't undergo any drastic changes; she can't change. But circumstances and situations do change a person.

Her determination is not going to change. Her characterisation is going to be the same strong person that she is. What is going to change is her look. I am loving getting back into her shoes.

The shoot has just begun and I have yet to work with the boys, but whatever I have done so far, its fun-filled.

Were there challenges to play this character initially?

When I heard about my character, I fell in love with her. I loved that she has such a strong personality. She is a woman of substance that I knew I would have fun essaying her. She is a woman of determination; she is a

woman of challenges; she is ambitious.

To play this role has been amazing.

Kulwant Kaur is not a character that I have played before.

I have never played a Punjabi role. I learnt from the two boys. I owe them a lot of gratitude. To begin with, there was a bit of a challenge, but then I settled down fast.

Would you agree that the way women are being portrayed, it has changed from what it was before? Absolutely. Today, there are more women-

oriented subjects in every genre. The role of the quintessential heroine has

a lot more substance unlike what it was before.

I am open to roles and waiting for the right kind projects to come my way. But for now, I am busy with Choti Sarrdaarni.



## Festive flavours SUNDAY PIONEER brings you a few delights to make this Diwali smooth and flavoursome



Healthy mango smoothie which is perfect for a quick breakfast or snack. It's perfectly creamy, fruity, tropical, and ohso refreshing!

- Non-fat yogurt
- Greek yogurt Ice cubes
- Banana
- LQI Mango Mojo Unsweetened coconut
- Vanilla extract Chia seeds (optional)

#### **HOW TO MAKE:**

To make the mango smoothie, simply add all the ingredients into a blender and pulse until it's reached your desired consistency. For a thicker smoothie, add more ice or frozen banana. For a thinner smoothie, add more milk.

Top it off with a little extra coconut, some chunked up mango, or sprinkle on whole-grain chia seeds for a protein

Singer-actor MILLIND GABA, who

OTT, speaks with SHALINI SAKSENA

about how he ended up doing Bigg Boss

recently got evicted from Bigg Boss

OTT and his musical journey



ily add in protein powder to this) or the perfect afterdinner treat to curb that sweet tooth - this smoothie is deliciously filling and super easy to make.

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- Unsweetened plain almond milk • LQI Banana Dates
- Peanut butter
- Vanilla/Chocolate protein powder (optional)

Place all ingredients into a power blender and blend until smooth. If you like it thinner, add more



**Mixed Fruit Smoothie** 

boosting antidote.

**INGREDIENTS:** 

Orange Juice

Mint leaves

• Lemon Juice

• Ice cubes

Salt

LQI Mixed Fixed

**HOW TO MAKE:** 

This uplifting smoothie is a refreshing

Empty LQI Mixed Fixed into a blender

Add in orange juice, a pinch of salt, torn mint leaves and lemon juice. Blend

Add some ice cubes and blend again till

the ice gets crushed. Pour the smoothie into

glass, use a strawberry to garnish and serve

blend of apple, guava, mango and strawberry Vitamin- A & C, it's the perfect immunity

#### **Strawberry Smoothie Bowl**

This Strawberry Smoothie Bowl is loaded with healthy fruits and customizable toppings. It's a fun take on the traditional smoothie and an easy breakfast idea for the whole family!

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- Milk of choice Chia seeds
- LQI Strawberry
- Banana
- Greek yogurt

#### **HOW TO MAKE:**

Blend the oats in a blender, until they make a finely ground powder. Add in the milk and the chia seeds. Purée the mixture for about 20 seconds.

Add in the LQI Strawberry, banana and yogurt . Carefully blend everything together and make a smooth mixture, scraping down the sides as needed.

Pour the mixture into a bowl and top with your favorite toppings (berries, kiwi, chopped nuts, granola - or anything you want!)

he once-in-a-year experience can be overwhelming and

indulgent at the same time. It is the time for introducing an

staged in the living. Share the cheer with your plants that love the

overdose of moisture, bring them closer to your seats and give a

houseplants. Snake plants, Boston Ferns, jade, palm and other

hydrophilic greens soak up the excess moisture, leaving ambient

indoors. More of interior indulgence comes from a dose of nostalgia

reflecting along the souvenirs lining the shelves, lore hidden in the

and go with a free flow of choices that rewrite all the thumb rules in

artistic centrepieces and everything bespoke. Listen to the mood

design. The sensorial connection with the outdoors tops the list.

books along the window bays and a close-knit furniture setup

whiff of rejuvenating scent from the flowering, aromatic

artisanal coffee table along with the balconies, relaxing reading

he Shield Blazer: Give your formalwear extra refinement with this double-breasted lnk blue couture suit-set. It's cut in our comfortable slim fit. from Italian terry rayon that ensures a luxurious air. The nylon lining and bespoke button details are exclusive to the brand. you can style it with a sleek belt around your waist to get an enviable contoured look. Pockets at the front add a smart finishing detail. The versatile look is made for all the modern men who believe in comfortable wear with a bespoke feel



- Kumari Jyoti AKA The Dragon Lady, Founder, Diermeiss

he smell alone is what attracts people to plant Downy Jasmine. It is a low maintenance plant but it does have some special care

The plant needs a lot of water, especially when in bloom Keep the soil slightly moist. Pot should have drainage hole. Water the plant when top soil (1-2 inches) is dry to touch

Add composted cow manure to enrich soil. The vine-like growth requires regular trimming to keep the plant the height you need and the shape you want. Give it a hard pruning in spring — late March to early April. Do not prune after late summer



The makers and I had been in talks for the last few years about my being in the show. After

**Boss OTT?** 

ed to go for it.

❖ What made you agree in the first place?

much deliberation I finally decid-

♦ How did you end up on Bigg

I wanted to discover myself, apart from all the incentives and perks we get from this instant stardom. I just wanted to see how I as an individual would react to situations if Im put in a corner. It was a sort of self discovery exercise that I wanted to put myself through and that was the primary reason for me to agree to be part of it. In the end, it was for the experience of it that tipped the

#### **♦** How was your experience?

Experience was very refreshing, very real actually. I discovered that the kind of upbringing, the kind of humbleness I had in my

initial days, I am the same grounded, dignified, gentle, humble guy, so it was it was good. It was great experience overall.

#### **♦** Tell us about your musical

It's been 13-14 years since I started my musical journey. To begin with, I worked for Ashok Musty. He is a very popular singer in Punjab. I have worked as a musician for Diljit Dusanj as well. I started my music production much later, after I worked with others. This was followed by me writing music, next came singing, then rapping. Things just fell into place after this.

#### ♦ You don so many hats singer/composer/actor. What do you prefer the most?

Yes, I sing, write, compose, produce and act too. I enjoy singing the most. I enjoy my stage. The stage life is amazing. It is the only area where I am a

## 'I am a devil when on the stage'



complete devil, a totally crazy person. Otherwise in life I am very silent, I am very shy, I hesitate while expressing myself, but the stage is one area where I become someone else.

#### ❖ You are associated with Punjabi and Bollywood music. How different are they?

Bollywood music and Punjabi music are almost the same today. This is because every Bollywood film has a Punjabi singer or has a Punjabi song in it. So there is no difference actually.

A few years back, Bollywood movies has situational tracks. The plot decided the song and lyrics but now that isn't the case. Punjabi music made a huge splash and it got worldwide recognition. Songs are incorporated not as per situation but for foot tapping and crowd engaging purpose. So now there really is no difference.

## Sound of MUSIC



Music is the best medicine. Here are the top 10 songs of the week that will lift up your weekend mood

#### Bollywood vibes

Qaafirana (Arijit Singh, Nikhita Gandhi) Tere Sang Yara (Atif Aslam) Nazm Nazm (Arko) Ve Maahi (Arijit Singh, Asees Kaur)

#### **English Vinglish**

Royals (Lorde)

Kaun Mera (Papon)

Rolling In The Deep (Adele) Sunflower (Post Malone, Swae Lee) Without Me (Halsey) Call Me Maybe (Carly Rae Jepsen)

# the pioneer

confident enough to pick yourself up and go to 30 meetings and be told no every time and not take that to heart

The fact that She the Creatress, also the

Devourest, withdraws Kala unto Herself,

is thus named Kali

You have to be

**Beauty of Indian symbolism** 

Over 25 years in the industry, Sanjeev Kumar & Rajesh Khanna never visited each other at their homes. However, in November 1985, when Sanjeev Kumar breathed his last. Rajesh Khanna visited to pay his respects, his eyes brimming with tears, write authors HANIF ZAVERI & **SUMANT BATRA** in



(From left) Sanjeev Kumar provided a strong supporting act in the Rajesh Khanna-starrer Aap Ki Kasam, A still from Hamare Tumhare, Sanjeev Kumar and Rakhee starred in quite a few family melodramas in the 1970s

## LEGENDARY RIVAL

ating out is a part of life, be it for leisure or due to travel. However, the more frequently you eat out, the more calories you ingest, getting heavier in the bargain. You don't need me to tell you that, you know it already While both Sanjeev and Rajesh hailed from the INT, it was the language that had

Kumar. An edited

excerpt:

separated them. Sanjeev mainly performed in Gujarati plays, while Kaka performed in Hindi. Due to the paucity of Gujarati theatre artists of Sanjeev's calibre in Bombay, directors were eager to work with him. Rajesh Khanna, on the other hand, was one of many Hindispeaking actors desperate for a break. At one time, while Sanjeev was acting in five different plays simultaneously, Rajesh barely had one. Reduced to playing small roles, like that of a doorman in V.K. Sharma's Mere Desh Ke Gaon, Kaka had watched from the sidelines as Sanjeev walked away with meatier roles and awards. It took numerous attempts for Rajesh Khanna to finally lay his hands on a college festival award for his role in Aur Diya Bujh *laye.* When he won this award, he organized a party to celebrate, and invited Sanjeev Kumar. The latter did not bother to even respond to the invitation, let alone show up.

Notably, although Sanjeev received offers for film roles before Rajesh Khanna did, he had also been struggling for longer. It had taken Sanjeev five years to make the move from theatre to cinema, while Kaka was on stage for barely two years before shifting to the silver screen, according to the director Ramesh

Perhaps the two came from worlds so far apart that they could never reconcile their differences. A dishevelled Hari in his ragged kurta pyjamas might have seemed to Rajesh Khanna the very antithesis to the glamorous world of cinema they both were aspiring to enter. Rajesh Khanna, meanwhile, flitting between auditions in his expensive car, would have presented the picture of privilege to the struggling Sanjeev Kumar.

While still a stage actor, Rajesh Khanna was a reticent man, only interacting with his fellow actor Anju Mahendru. He would come to meet her while she was working in B.S. Thapa's Mehenga Sauda, but remained aloof from all the other actors present on set, including Sanjeev Kumar. Many assumed that his attitude implied an arrogant belief that he was made for bigger, better things than the

Anju Mahendru, meanwhile, was good friends with Sanjeev Kumar as well. Rajesh Khanna was often suspicious of their friendship, their easy camaraderie making him believe that they shared a romantic relationship. Although Anju tried to convince him of the contrary, he continued to harbour his suspicions. Sanjeev Kumar had often warned Anju to steer clear of Rajesh Khanna, clearly a

man given to jealous fits of passion. He did not believe it would be possible for her to find a stable life with such a fickle man.

Paean for an unsung hero

account of a daughter's view of her late father. Commodore Garnet Milton Shea

Escape From Pakistan is a first-hand

In 1969, setting personal differences aside, Rajesh Khanna and Sanjeev Kumar came together to work with G.P. Sippy for Bandhan. Anju Mahendru also acted in the film. Despite the friction, however, they behaved professionally and the movie was completed without any untoward incidents. As time passed, Rajesh Khanna delivered hit after hit, and soon came to be known as the first superstar of Hindi cinema. Sanjeev had made considerable strides as well and was offered roles in numerous critically acclaimed movies. Known for his sensitive, visceral portrayals, he came to play a variety of roles, while Rajesh Khanna carved a niche for himself in the romantic genre.

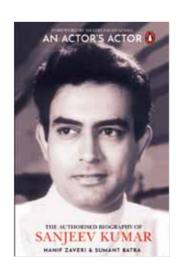
Towards the end of the 1960s, Hrishikesh Mukherjee had started planning his ambitious project Anand (1970) with N.C. Sippy. Based on Raj Kapoor and Hrishikesh Mukherjee's friendship, the film was initially slated to star Kishore Kumar and Mehmood. The title role would go to Kishore Kumar, while Mehmood would play Babu Moshai. Unfortunately, Hrishikesh Mukherjee and Kishore Kumar had a tiff and fell out. Consequently, Kishore left the film and Mehmood followed his friend, although he was unaware of what had transpired. In his biography Mehmood: A Man of Many Moods, Mehmood says:

If I had known what had happened with Hrishi-da at that time, I would have spoken to Kishore and sorted the matter.

When Rajesh Khanna heard of Anand, he approached the director for the titular role. Delighted at the opportunity to cast the superstar, N.C. Sippy and Hrishikesh Mukherjee

The role of Babu Moshai was still available and Mukherjee decided to approach Sanjeev Kumar, who had already worked with him in Satyakam (1969) and Aashirwad (1968) Sanjeev, as always, spotted the potential of the script and agreed to do the film. Unfortunately, when Rajesh Khanna was informed of Sanjeev's casting, he grew insecure about his role. Although he had the titular role, the development of Babu Moshai's character was crucial to the plotline. Khanna did not want to share the limelight with Sanjeev. Ultimately, Amitabh Bachchan was cast in the role that Mukherjee had reserved for Sanjeev. This was the first of the two times that Sanjeev Kumar lost a role to Bachchan; the second being for Rajshri Productions' acclaimed project Saudagar (1973).

As Anju Mahendru remembers, Rajesh Khanna always remained insecure about his acting prowess in comparison to Sanjeev's. Every time she went to meet Sanjeev, Rajesh would get upset. Sagar Sarhadi remembers this as well. Almost everyone knew the two actors could not stand each other.



PERHAPS THE TWO CAME FROM WORLDS SO FAR APART THAT THEY COULD NEVER RECONCILE THEIR DIFFERENCES. A DISHEVELLED HARI IN HIS RAGGED KURTA PYJAMAS MIGHT HAVE SEEMED TO RAJESH KHANNA THE VERY ANTITHESIS TO THE GLAMOROUS WORLD OF CINEMA THEY BOTH WERE ASPIRING TO **ENTER** 



The writer duo Salim-Javed was very close to Rajesh Khanna, having written a screenplay for his film Haathi Mere Saathi (1971). Salim Khan and Rajesh Khanna would meet every day at Aashirwad, Khanna's Carter Road residence. On one occasion, when Salim met Rajesh, he was sitting on the bonnet of his car, holding a film magazine. He asked Khan if he had indeed hailed Sanjeev Kumar as one of the best actors of his time in an interview featured therein. A straightforward man, Salim replied that he had. Visibly upset, Rajesh Khanna asked him if he thought Sanjeev was the better actor. Taken aback, Salim Khan explained that his praise for Sanjeev Kumar had been in the context of a specific role, and if he was interviewed about Rajesh Khanna's role, he would have appropriate praise for him as well. Rajesh Khanna was not to be comforted. Brooding, he took off for another shoot, leaving Khan dumbfounded. The incident stayed with Salim Khan for a long time. Chintamani quotes him, saying that Kaka was extremely insecure and possessive. Later, when Salim-Javed started working with other actors, he took it as a betrayal of sorts. As Chintamani writes: "By now, Khanna's insecurity had started taking a toll on him. As a person who by nature was highly insecure and continually sought positive reinforcement, he had surrounded himself yes-men . . ."

Since a palpable tension existed between Sanjeev and Rajesh, very few film-makers were keen on taking on the task of working with them together. However, J. Om Prakash made the surprising choice to cast them both in his directorial debut, Aap Ki Kasam (1974), a remake of the Malayalam film Vazhve Mayam

For the lead role, Rajesh Khanna was his first choice. He was a star who could pull huge crowds to the theatre, and following the success of Anand, audiences knew him as a capable actor as well. Having decided to cast him, Om Prakash made a small change to the script-an ending similar to that in Anand. Armed with his script, Om Prakash met Khanna and narrated the film to him. Aware of Om Prakash's impressive track record, Rajesh Khanna accepted the role eagerly. He was then informed that Sanjeev Kumar would be cast as the second lead. He seemed acquiescent, and Om Prakash went to meet Sanjeev Kumar.

By this time, Sanjeev had started playing lead roles in acclaimed films like Khilona (1970), and Om Prakash was worried he would not accept the role. Upon meeting Sanjeev Kumar, however, Om Prakash was impressed with his humility. Before he narrated the script to him, he warned him that he wanted to cast him in the second lead. Sanjeev agreed to the role. Om Prakash signed him on for two other films as well, Aakraman (1975) and Aandhi (1975). According to one of

Kumar's friends, Sanjeev supposedly signed the film seeing it as an opportunity to sort out his differences with Khanna. Om Prakash was

determined to complete his film on time. He went through every detail with his technicians to ensure that the shoots ran smoothly and with minimal interruptions. The first shoot was held at Mehboob Studios. Prakash decided to begin shooting with the most crucial and tricky scene-where Rajesh Khanna was to slap Sanjeev Kumar. Om Prakash wanted to see whether the actors would be able to work together. Before he started the shoot, he warned the cast and crew that while he was open to suggestions, he would not tolerate interference or indiscipline on his sets. He explained the scene in detail to both actors together, then ordered the cameras to roll. The scene was shot without a hitch, and the actors shared the stage effortlessly. Although a first-time director, Om Prakash handled the shoot so well that Sanjeev Kumar later congratulated him for it.

Om Prakash remembered Sanjeev Kumar as a flawless actor — fluent in Hindi despite being Gujarati, with proper diction and dialogue delivery. The only problem with Kumar was his perpetual tardiness. Prakash got so used to Sanjeev being late that, to save time, he would complete scenes with other actors before Sanjeev arrived.

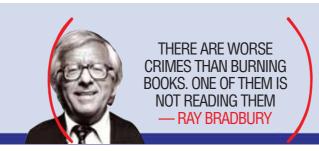
The climax of the film was shot with Rajesh Khanna's character dying in Sanjeev Kumar's lap. Khanna was sure he would walk away with the laurels for the scene as the dying hero, but Sanjeev's dialogues were so powerful that they stole the show. His screen presence, coupled with the haunting song 'Zindagi Ke Safar Mein' enchanted the audi-

Aap Ki Kasam was completed in ten months and released within a year. It was a superhit at the box office, and Prakash worked with Khanna and Kumar again in Aakraman. Unfortunately, Aakraman did not do very well. Although Sanjeev claimed that he had no problem working with Khanna, putting his craft before petty rivalries, this was the last film in which they would work together. Long after this, Prakash worked with Sanjeev Kumar again for Apnapan (1977). His memories of the actor were summed up best, according to the film-maker himself, by the song 'Aadmi Musafir Hai'.

Over twenty-five years in the industry, Sanjeev Kumar and Rajesh Khanna never visited each other at their homes. However, in November 1985, when Sanjeev Kumar breathed his last, Rajesh Khanna visited to pay his respects, his eyes brimming with tears.

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## PAEAN FOR AN UNSUNG HERO

The book is a first-hand account of a daughter's view of her late father, Commodore Garnet Milton Shea & the dangers he faced while deputed in Pakistan as Naval Attaché in the Indian High Commission in his youth, writes REENA AMOS DYES

amous British writer CS Lewis said this of literature. "Literature adds to reality, it does not simply describe it. It enriches the necessary competencies that daily life requires and provides; and in this respect, it irrigates the deserts that our lives have already become." He famously goes on to say, "We read to know that we are not alone." Reading, as they say, is a dying art. And given our hectic lifestyles and the increasing love for "instant gratification" where the world is at our "fingertips", it is indeed a challenge to find the time to pick up a book. Hence, in today's world, where more and more people are veering away from the printed word and preferring to opt for pod-casts and videos instead, it is books like 'Escape from Pakistan' that remind us of the pleasures of reading and the treasures that the printed word hides within itself.

I am not equating the first-time author Deborah Ann Shea, to the greats of contemporary non-fiction literature. Far from it! But the fact that she, in her first-effort ever, has churned out a book that is gripping as well as unputdownable, is a feat that few can

What makes this book so compelling is the fact that it is a labour of love. In the eyes of the author, it is the story of an unsung hero that needed to be told to the world. It is the first-hand account of a loving daughter's view of her late father, whom she sees as a hero and the dangers her father Commodore Garnet Milton Shea or 'Jack Shea' as he was more popularly known as, faced while deputed in Karachi, Pakistan as Naval Attaché in the Indian High Commission in his youth.

It is a fact that India has retained its independent state and our military has gotten the image of being one of the best in the world, owing to the hard work, intelligence, diligence, discipline and sacrifices of many officers over the decades. Sadly, save for a few like Sam 'Bahadur' Manekshaw, General Cariappa, 2nd Lieutenant Arun Khetrapal, Captain Vijayant Thapar and Captain Vikram Batra, our military history has been an endless saga of one unknown hero after another, just fading into oblivion, despite sterling service to the nation. So, it comes as a breath of fresh air that through the efforts of a loving daughter who refused to let the feat performed by an intre-pid mariner die out, a legendary figure has

emerged. His is a tale that just had to be told. Author Debora Ann Shea has made a remarkable effort to right the wrongs of the past and ensure that the hitherto unpublicized exploits of Commodore Shea are brought to life through her book 'Escape from Pakistan'.

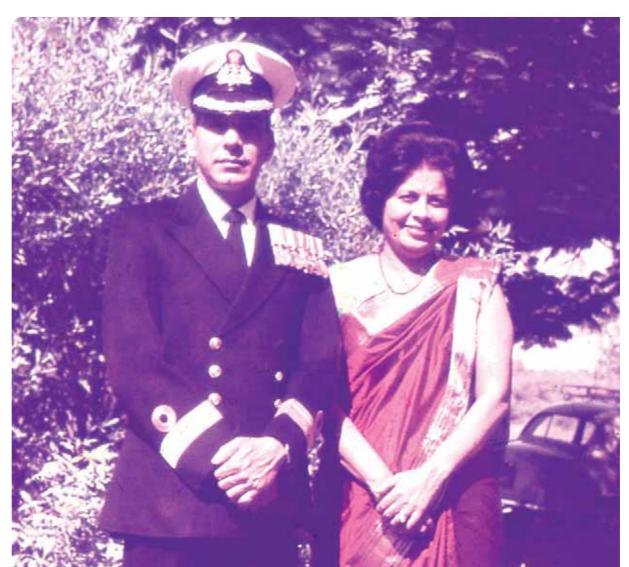
"My inspiration for the book came from my early life. One that was filled with moments of pure terror! I first thought of writing the book as a tribute to my father. Over the years, the book evolved in my mind. When I finally put pen to paper, I knew that I wanted the book to serve as a reminder for all Indians to know and acknowledge the price of freedom that is paid by our men in uniform, then and now," Debora told The Pioneer.

The book begins with the personal price that Captain Shea has to pay for serving his country, when, in infringement of all diplomatic conventions and treaties, Pakistani hit-men enter the Indian High Commission in Karachi to jump the mariner at a party and leave him for dead. The writer then begins the narrative of why the attack took place. As the name of the book suggests, the main plot of the story revolves around the daring escape of Frank Dewars, the First Secretary in the Indian Link Commission in Vernalis the actual High Commission in Karachi who actually belonged to the Indian Police Service. He was crucial in collecting information that kept the Indian security forces a step ahead of Pakistan throughout the 1965 war. Naturally, the Pakistanis wised up to the fact that someone had helped the Indian military trounce them by passing sensitive information.

They zeroed in on Frank Dewars and an arrest warrant was issued in his name. However, the Indians got wind of that and they would have none of it. They decided to "repatriate" Frank and his family back to India before the Pakistanis laid hands on

Everyone knew that the job was fraught with risk and the whole operation would have to be meticulously planned else precious lives would be lost or Dewars and his family would be incarcerated in Pakistan. It would also result in a major diplomatic spat between the two neighbours, whose relations can at best be termed as tenuous.

The Indian High Commissioner ordered the mariner to execute the daring 'Escape from Pakistan'.



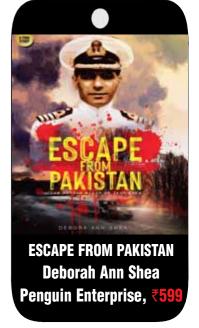
Shea, who was a Captain back then, outlined an extremely complex and daring operation and set it in motion with preci-

Consequently, Pakistani security guards failed to notice Dewars when he left the Indian Mission in Karachi crouched between the back and front seats of a car covered with a blanket. Relying on Pakistanis who worked for the Indian intelligence, Dewars got into a jeep driven by an Indian, who could pass for a Pathan and spoke Urdu and Punjabi well enough to reach a village close to the Indian border, a distance of 200 km, without arousing suspicion. If nothing went wrong, the journey

would consume about six hours. The rest of the book details the daring

attempt at escape and how Dewars ultimately reached India and how Captain Shea then executes the second part of the plan to send the entire Dewars family home.

Though it is a well-written and wellresearched book, one cannot help but wonder how the writer has revealed it all without ruffling many feathers in the Pakistani Intelligence, Defence and diplomatic com-



munity. Because, make no mistake, this is one chapter in their history that the Pakistanis would not like to be made

Deborah recounts: "The difficulty of writing the book was to talk about and reveal sensitive information about a neighbouring country with whom we do not have good relations. It comes with a lot of challenges. There is a very uneasy peace between our two countries, and both the Governments are trying to walk a tightrope. So sometimes, silence is the best solution. But on the other hand, the attack and trauma that my father underwent in Pakistan should not go unheard and unrecognised. The people of India must know about the sacrifice made by my father to protect and save a diplomat and his family. In the final analysis, I believe that the truth will always prevail. And I should do the rightful thing by my father. This book is a tribute to him, and for his bravery and courage in the face of great danger to his life."

In the final analysis, 'Escape from Pakistan' is not just a great story filled with thrill and romance, it is a golden chapter in India's military history.

#### **DELHI, IN THY NAME: THE** MANY LEGENDS THAT MAKE A CITY

Adrija Roychowdhury Rupa, ₹295

To tell us the story of Delhi journalist Adrija Roychowdhury takes a deep dive into the legends behind the names of its many streets. Delhi, in Thy Name is a compelling account of the many

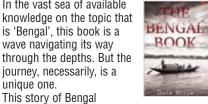


emotions, aspirations, desires, identities, histories and memories that went behind the naming of places in the national capital of India. From the crevices of Chandni Chowk to the arcades of Connaught Place and the quarters of CR Park, the book delves into the little secrets that went behind naming Delhi, as recounted by the people of the city.

#### THE BENGAL BOOK

Dola Mitra Rupa, ₹395

In the vast sea of available knowledge on the topic that is 'Bengal', this book is a wave navigating its way through the depths. But the journey, necessarily, is a unique one.



glimpses into aspects of the charted routes of known history—political, social, economic, cultural—but is narrated through the prism of the author's own experiences. Familiar grounds are covered but conveyed through fresh perspectives, interpreted with original insights and infused with new views and voices—those of a gamut of experts including academics and actors, economists and environmentalists, sociologists and scholars, politicians and even psychologists. In telling and retelling bits and pieces of the life of Bengal, a plethora of gaps are plugged—chinks created by time and space — in the story. The author flashes the torchlight into these shadowy nooks and crannies and ferrets out what occurred and where it was difficult to assess what did actually go on.

## The truth about the money trap

Shshank Saurav's book, Anatomy of Black Money, is a good read for all those who want to get a sense of how cheats are defrauding India of its limited resources without getting lost in financial jargon, writes UTTAM GUPTA

→here is an inherent tendency among criminals and other dubious operators to conceal income generated from illegal activities such as smuggling, drug trafficking, proceeds of corruption in public offices etc from the eyes of the Government and its agencies whom they have reason to fear. However, people tend to hide even income earned from legitimate sources with the sole intent of avoiding payment of tax or any other levies such as stamp duty, registration charges, market fee etc. The income concealed from the public eye is black income.

Black income has the effect of denying the Government access to resources, be it by way of taxes foregone or funds siphoned off from the welfare schemes or inflated payments made to private contractors in lieu of bribe received by corrupt officials and their political bosses etc. This in turn, affects the pace of building infrastructure, funding other development activities and provides income support to the weaker sections of the soci-

It impacts economic growth and stability in a variety of other ways. The colour of currency note — irrespective of whether it is under regulatory oversight or not - being the same and accumulated in plenty by the dubious operators, these holders can cause prices to rise and may even use the money to hoard essential commodities, in the process create miseries for majority of the low income earners. They siphon off money to safe havens thereby seriously impacting India's balance of payments (BoP) and foreign exchange reserves.

The reverse flow of this money – after doing several rounds in trade circuits also termed as 'round tripping' back to India in the guise of foreign direct investment (FDI) or foreign portfolio investment (FPI) or even infused into 'Start - ups' can have a destabilising effect on the economy.

The author lucidly deals with the

nuances of black income; how it is generated; how it is moved within national boundaries and globally across jurisdictions; how it gets integrated with the 'legitimate' economy to camouflage its true character; how it gets converted into 'white money' and the modus operandi used to achieve their (read: offenders) nefarious goal and how it impacts the macro-economy.

For decades, successive regimes -



prior to the incumbent Government led by Narendra Modi — had remained cool to the dire need for taking measures to check the proliferation of black money. This is amply demonstrated by absence of any action on the Benami Law for years despite the recommendation of Law Commission in 1973 and even after the law was enacted in 1988, the rules were not framed (sans these, the law has no meaning) until 2016 when Modi did it.

Also, look at the Double Tax Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) signed by India with Mauritius in 1982. Despite its persistent misuse and evidence of Indian residents moving money to that jurisdiction only to come back as FDI — solely with the aim of avoiding payment of tax in either jurisdiction — the Government of the day never bothered to take a relook at agreement. It was only in 2017 that Modi-regime has made necessary

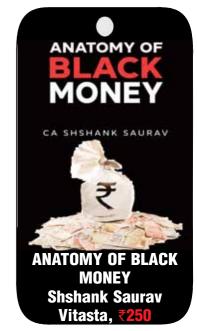
Far from making an assault on the

black money, the ruling dispensation in those times did things to legitimise it. For instance, the Voluntary Disclosure of Income Scheme (VDIS) brought out by the then Finance Minister, P Chidambaram (1997) enticed hoarders to declare their undisclosed income, pay tax @30% with an assurance that they won't face any penalty or prosecution. It literally gave them a clean chit for all their wrongs done in the past.
Shshank has touched upon all such

lackluster actions of the past regimes. He has also recognized the moves by Modi government to tackle black money and related malpractices. Apart from the Benami Law (2016) and revision in DTAA (2017), other reform measures implemented by it include Demonetization (November 8, 2016); the Goods and Services Tax (GST) (July 1, 2017); Black Money law (2015); Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)

While, the above measures were pretty tough on hoarders, at the same time, Modi treated them with a kid glove by coming out with a flurry of amnesty schemes such as 'Sabka Vishwas' Scheme (SVS) (Sept 1, 2019); Income Declaration Scheme (ÎDS - I) (June 1-Sept 30, 2016); IDS - II (Dec 16, 2016 to March 31, 2017); and 'Vivad se Vishwas' (VSV) (Feb 1 June 30, 2020). To a great extent, these offers took the sting out of the far reaching reforms such as demonetisation and undermined their effectiveness.

Another area wherein Modi government has taken innovative steps relates to use of information technology (IT), data analytics and coordination between its various wings such as the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) etc and financial institutions and banks to identify mis-matches between the income as per IT return filed by the



assesses and his actual income thereby preventing tax evasion and short payments. It has also extensively used direct benefit transfer (DBT) for transferring money to the beneficiaries under welfare schemes thus reining in leakage.

The author has also touched upon the efforts being made at the international level especially under the aegis of OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) and G-20 to rein in MNCs — including digital giants which are depriving 'source' countries billions of dollars in tax revenue as also those involved in financial crimes and fugitive offenders. At the same time, he candidly recognizes as to how these efforts are undermined by abetment of 'tax havens' even by the very countries (say, USA) who claim to be victims.

The book is a good read for all those who want to get a sense of how cheats are defrauding India of its limited resources without getting lost in financial jargons (illustrating complex modus operandi with simple examples will keep even a layman engrossed). The policy makers and regulators can also benefit a lot from the suggestions in the Chapter "Way forward" to handle the increasingly tech-savvy eco-

nomic offenders and tax evaders. The reviewer is a policy analyst



## Need to boost impact investing in India

Impact investing has been of \$3.9 trillion annually by developing nations and \$1.4 mate logic based on a combination of various goals apart from the financial ones. These are social and environmental challenges coupled with personal values. Needless to say, the problems of depleting resources and a plethora of social issues form strong underpinnings for growing concentration in responsible investing. The impact investing ecosystem is a novel innovation across the financial world. It has always been contemplated if there is the willingness of accepting lower returns in exchange for the larger interest of society, and the investment decisions oscillate between negative and positive selections based on environmental, social, and governance criteria on one side and financial returns on the other. This binary view on the tradeoff between profit and purpose, however, is misleading as impact investing adds both intrinsic and instrumental value. One key tenet is the introduction of newer actors, most notably private equity funds/VC funds to invest in responsible business.

As an expected starting point, it may be pointed that nearly 80% of global investors accept their increased focus on sustainability in the last five years. Beyond the buzz of impact investing in the recent vears, a look at data also verifies the statement. Private equity investors have shown a special interest in the impact investing area in India. Private equity companies have successfully built the buy-to-sell model. The investors contribute money to provide strategic as well as financial input and exit after making a return of 20-25% in a period of 5-7 years.

With the Government announcing a target of 450 GW of non-fossil energy, there has been the infusion of investors focusing on impact investing in India. Conventionally investors worked on a model of risk and return which has been replaced by a model of risk, return and impact. Impact investments differ from pure philanthropy, which implied creating impact without expectation of any

The focus is now on susto achieve the Goals (SDGs) by 2030. The UN

developing nations and \$1.4 trillion by public and private sectors. The gap of \$2.5 trillion is expected to be filled by the impact investments.

The sector has been in India since 2000, but it picked up after 2005 on the success of financial inclusion. With the microfinance crisis in 2010, the sector suffered a setback but since then it has grown by 8 times annually.

Agriculture, education, and healthcare have seen the highest number of investments by impact investors and return followed by financial services, housing, and skilling sectors. Agriculture employs 70% of India's rural households out of which around 80% are small farmers and impact investment has helped to create sustainable business models for farmers helping them to increase their yields, reduce costs, and having better market linkages. The agri supply chain has become a prominent area for entrepreneurship and innovation. In 2019, the sector saw a 110% increase in deal amount to \$10 mn. The healthcare sector has witnessed investments of \$1.1 bn with a 173% increase in 2020 due to the pandemic and entry of online pharmacy and specialty clinics as well. The majority of invest-

ments in the case of the Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance sector (BFSI) have been in microfinance, payment services, and NBFCs working in the areas of clean energy, financial services, rickshaw loans, and SME loans. The education industry has seen large investments in skill development, vocational training in the English language, financial services offered by companies such as Imarticus Learning, etc. Additionally, tutoring, coaching, and equipment, which include educational kits for maths and sciences, are also popular destinations for impact investments. In education, 43 mn youths are getting affordable and highquality education from 93 startups. With online mode of education that offers a rapid increase in technology with the ability to move to more students at a low cost, the ed-tech sector saw a 225% increase in 2018 and 80% in 2019. There

TABLE 1: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL IMPACT INVESTMENTS IN INDIA							
Sector	% of impact investment	ROR expected by impact investors (%)					
Agriculture	67	>20					
Education	67	5-20					
Healthcare	58	15-20					
Financial Services	58	10-15					
Housing	33	5-10					
Skilling	25	5-10					
Source: Brooking Institutions Report							

after avenues in engineering and construction sector. With the plethora of IT-enabled services coming to the forefront, online services such as motel, B2B marketing portals specifically related to HR training, CSR management, logistics and online marketplace related to agri commodities, insurance, handicrafts consumer and educational loans have become popular with investors.

Venture capital has contributed to 75% of capital in the healthcare sector. Impact investors have focused on creating quality products in the above sectors to bring a sustainable impact to society. Though the investments have been small but high level of business and technological innovation has started and scaled by the impact investors to help the development challenges of India.

The above Table 1 shows the total contribution from the impact investors. In education, impact investors focus on filling the learning level gaps and improving the learning levels. Due to the change in the online mode of education in 2020, there have been 102 deals amounting to \$ 515.99 million by impact investors.

The average deal size has increased from \$ 5 million in 2010 to \$ 17 million in 2019 and there have been follow-up rounds of financing for sectors that were initially funded by impact investors. Out of the complete \$10.8 billion investment in this area, \$3.5 billion of private equity and venture capital investment has been done, implying the success of impact investors in attracting commercial capital.

Impact investment has attracted venture capital which differs region-wise in India. In the southern region of India, there are a large number of deals but with less enterprise value. High enterprise value has been an equal contribution—deals are less as the plot tapes—impact and usage of language Sustainable Development from the impact and the com- at the top. Companies having emphasising impact should be mercial investors in educa- high enterprise value are more estimates that for the same, tion. Waste management and in the west and the north com- uments. Instilling positive poli-

Investments made particularly in the core impact areas such as agribusiness and BFSI happen primarily at the early stage and are a popular haven for investment even for foreign investors as well. Maximum India dedicated investments happen in the education sector at all stages -- early, growth and late. Another popular impact area for foreign investors is energy where the majority of financing happens at a later

stage rather than early. Several private equity funds have started purchasing impact investment platforms or have started their own impact investment arms. From 2011-2021, there have been private equity investments of \$8700.67 million across 526 companies in India. Microfinance and NBFCs have been popular with investors for extending micro-credit to service a large chunk of rural communities and people in lowerincome groups without collaterals. It sweeps the highest investment of nearly ₹29,187 crore among all the industries. In the decade of mushrooming E-commerce websites and an ever-increasing pool of digital talent, the country's core competencies have strengthened resulting in higher investment in the ITES industry.

Successful exits are an important component of a private equity deal. For impact investors, it is important to safeguard the company post the exit. When a private equity company exits, there are several risks associated like drifting from the mission and business failure. To mitigate these risks, the investors must exit responsibly. Impact investors incorporate various methods throughout the lifecycle to continue their impact even after they exit the investment. At the time of investment, aligning with the co-investors on the growth strategy of incorporated in the legal docthere has to be an investment water treatment are sought- pared to the south and the east. cies and practices like those of

IMPACT INVESTMENTS AND SDG'S							
Sectors	Financial Services	Agriculture	Healthcare	Education			
Amount of impact	\$96 million	\$18 million	\$34 million	\$43 million			
Impact Created	Financial Inclusion	Increased income for farmers	Affordable healthcare	Affordable education			
SDG impacted	Gender equality	Responsible, consumption and production	Gender equality	Gender equality			
	Increase in jobs and economic growth	Zero Hunger	Zero Hunger	Innovation, Infrastructure, and Industry			
	No poverty		Good health and well being	Sustainable cities and communities			
	Innovation, Infrastructure, and Industry						
Source: Author's cor	mpilation						

sourcing raw materials, customer service and governing employment should be taken care of. At the time of exit, it is important to select the right buyer so that the company can have continued access to the network, knowledge, and the right resources and keep growing along with a sustained impact. Every exit made by an impact investor is a step towards improving the impact investor model. In the last decade, microfinance saw the maximum exits demonstrating that it is possible to have attractive exits outside the financial services sector. Post-Covid era, technology-led impact investing has provided healthy financial returns. Though the sector has seen promising newer investments, the global Covid help India in exporting its 19 pandemic saw a slump in social enterprise models to the number of exits in 2020. Impact investors contribute the "patience capital" which can have an exit period more than the traditional Private Equity and Venture Capital

investment. Exits saw a pause as valuations, projections, and assumptions during this period were questionable as companies had to exit at lesser multiples. Though the pandemic has given considerable value to core areas of impact investments like technology enablement, digital health, online education but the benefits would be seen in the form of revenue multiples in the next 4-5 years. Post-Covid, impact investing is expected to become mainstream, and more technology-led. Private Equity help women look for more opportunities to differentiate and Venture Capital investors have \$5trillion of dry powder themselves by getting a good which would be deployed in amount of finance. Impact impact investments as well. investing not only helps in the As a promising tool for reduction of poverty, impact and Kunjana Malik is Assistant philanthropists and investors, investing model helps in train-

returns. Impact investing has become an important component towards the area of research in management,

finance, human resources, etc. The sustainable development goals launched in 2015 were a successor to the Millennium development goals to determine the social and environmental impact of an investment. The United Nations invited companies and financial institutions to contribute to achieving these goals. Impact investments support the SDG in providing social outcomes (reduction of environmental degradation, employee engagement, etc) and helping in the reduction of poverty and climate change. Impact investing would

countries that are developing as well help in poverty reduction and provide inclusive growth in an environmentally sustainable manner. An organisation can measure its impact investing status based on the output impact on the planet (environmental sustainability), impact on people (suppliers and customers), and if the purpose has been fulfilled. Further, one of the components of impact investing can be investing and empowering women. Studies have found out that women-led companies find difficulty in having access to a traditional form of finances as well as gathering funds from venture capitalists. Impact investing can and live life with more confidence. This outlines the benefit of impact investing in reducing gender diversity and helping women to live a better life.

There are ethical dimensions to impact inveting as well. Impact investing has also given rise to a new concept "impact washing" where the investors doubt the integrity of the claims that are being made. Transparency, measurement, and impact are important concepts to establish the growth of impact investing. As many investment managers are making impact investing and ESG as an acronym to make potential financial returns than social returns. Another side is the importance of impact investing to fill the fund requirement gap created during the Covid 19 pandemic.

In the last ten years, India has raised \$10.8 bn impacting 586 enterprises and 490 million people. There has been a jump of 26% CAGR from \$32 million. to \$2.7 bn. The average deal size for the impact investing area tripled from \$5million to \$17 million. India needs \$2.64 trillion by 2030 to meet the targets of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The pool of assets globally having impact investing funding is \$35 trillion. Government, philanthropic capital is not enough to meet the need for funds so private equity and venture capital investors have to become an integral part to provide the requisite capital to such firms.

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Conventionally investors work on a model of risk and return which is being replaced by a model of risk, return and impact. The impact investing ecosystem is a novel innovation which oscillates between negative and positive selections based on environmental, social, and governance criteria on one side and financial returns



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#### PERSPECTIVE -

The military in Sudan has orchestrated a quiet coup. It took control of the country from the transitional Government of Prime Minister Abdalla Hamdok and arrested him on the early hours of October 25, dissolving the Cabinet by announcing a state

of emergency Meanwhile, the militarycivilian Sovereignty Council, a temporary government, has become dysfunctional. Frankly speaking, the coup is the latest to have struck the povertystricken country that has experienced only rare democratic interludes since Independence in 1956.

Sudan is no stranger to such military coups. Its former military ruler Omar Hassan al-Bashir led a quiet coup in 1989 and ruled the country since then till 2019 for almost three decades when he was ousted by a similar coup.

After the exit of Bashir and his party called National Congress Party (NCP) in 2019, since then Sudan has been ruled by the Sovereignty Council until the very recent coup orchestrated by current Army Chief Abdel Fattah al-Burhan.

The transitional government had been sluggish in enacting reforms and showed little concern about basic rights and freedoms. The security agents and cronies of the Bashir era have always remained influential in the last two years. Violence involving the armed forces, gangs and rival ethnic groups persist in many parts of

Sudan slipping into abyss the country. In 2020, the counlarly the use of live ammunitry suffered serious chaos and tions in many areas. But it has

emerged from the Covid-19. By October last year, the Transitional Government headed by the Transitional Sovereign Council (TSC) signed the historic Juba Peace Agreement with an alliance of rival groups. The deal included provisions for the integration of rebel fighters into the security forces, power sharing allocations and commitments to address economic marginalisation.

It also postponed national elections till 2024. It could be a great opportunity for the current military dispensation to deepen its influence and rule even beyond 2024.

What surprised the international community was that in February 2020, the TSC made it clear that former President Bashir should face charges of genocide and war crimes. Afterwards, in July that year the transitional government replaced several military governors with civilian ling civilian military governemployees. Further, it replaced many repressive laws that had particularly affected the rights of women and members of religious minority groups.

Citizens across Sudan have continued their protests over a range of issues, including slow pace of reforms, and brutality of the security forces particu-

to be noted that the rate of violence had been much lower than it used to be in the immediate aftermath of the removal of dictator Bashir in 2019.

And the year 2021 has not been peaceful and the civilian groups have continued their struggle so as to revive the demand for a democratic government in the country. Ironically, Burhan - who

was the head of the Sovereignty Council - is justifying the military takeover of Sudan.

To him, the country in Northeast Africa - the third largest country in the African continent only after Algeria and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the sixteenth largest nation in the world was headed for a civil war and hence the army intervention was needed to save it from falling into chaos and

Sudan's just deposed fledgment was the last hope both for Africa and the Arab world since the ouster of Bashir. Indeed, last month saw an unsuccessful coup attempt by the supporters of Bashir. Even the first sign of the coup came to public when Prime Minister Hamdok suddenly disappeared. The military first asked him to endorse the coup and when he refused, he was taken to an undisclosed destination.

The coup came just weeks before the military was supposed to hand over power to the civilian government. According to the original agreement signed with the Forces of Freedom and Change in August 2019, Burhan was named the TSC's chair for a 21month period, after which a civilian head would lead the Council for 18-months.

Interestingly, when the time of civilian takeover came, the military swung into action. The saddest part of the deal is that the army has always had an edge over the civilian functionaries of the TSC. And finally, the army has taken over by citing the security reasons and impending civil war in the country. Washington tried to avert the chaos in Khartoum by sending a special envoy Jeffrey Feltman.

Today, the popular demand is that the military should transfer power back to the democratic government. Meanwhile, Sudan's main opposition coalition, the Forces Freedom Change pressed for civil disobedience and protests across

the country. The current military coup has invited criticism from different quarters of the world. UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres called for immediate release of Hamdok and other officials deposed by the army. He said, "I condemn the military coup in Sudan. Prime Minister Hamdok and all other officials must be released immediately. There must be full respect for the constitutional charter to protect the hard-won political transition. The UN will continue to stand with the people of Sudan."

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It shows his concern but there is hardly any possibility that the military will listen to his appeal. Again the US State Department spokesperson Ned Price urged the Sudanese army to restore the civilian government.

But the worst what the people of Sudan will face in a pandemic hit economy is the cancellation of USD 700 million meant for economic support to the country. In fact, this fund was made available to support the democratic transition of Sudan in the post-Bashir removal.

The UN Security Council (UNSC) has called on the military to restore the civilian government. After the UNSC statement, US President Biden said his nation stood with the demonstrators. He said, 'Together, our message to mil-

itary authorities is overwhelming and clear: the Sudanese people must be allowed to protest peacefully and the civilian-led transitional government must be restored.

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At this moment, America's solidarity with the street protesters have made it clear that it would be really difficult for the military to continue its unabated rule for a longer period of time.

EU foreign policy chief Joseph Borrell said in a statement that violence and bloodshed should be avoided at all costs in Sudan. The United Kingdom said the military coup in Sudan was an unacceptable betrayal of the Sudanese people and called on security forces there to release Hamdok. The Secretary General of the Arab League urged all parties to fully abide by the constitutional declaration signed in August 2019 that had aimed to pave the way for a transition to civilian rule and

democratic elections. The African Union has finally suspended Sudan's membership from the elite body over what the organisation termed it as unconstitutional takeover.

Sudan's future is bleak. Only constant in the country's recent history is internecine violence. The common

Sudanese feel that the grimmest days are ahead. The protesters in the capital city Khartoum are demanding the restoration of the civilian government of Hamdok though it was not very effective. But with him about to take over as the head of the TSC, people were expecting a permanent relief from the military rule that continued in the country since 1989

The role of the civilian leaders in the TSC has long receded much before the coup. This is how the generals have maintained their long-held grip over administration in the country.

The bottom-line is that Sudan's challenge to authoritarianism should continue. The global governance institutions should do more than just issuing statements. Else, General Burhan may turn out to be another Bashir.

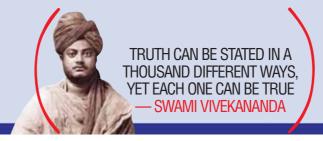
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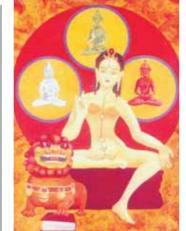




#### ARIES March 21-April 19

This week you will feel exceptionally well. Express your gratitude, as you get back what you give out. You will feel upbeat about your future. Give thought to how you may support and continue this good health. Professionally, you will be happy that you have reached the point of accomplishing the goals at the workplace or completing a certain project. However, on the downside, you might get weighed down by the responsibilities and commitments that come with it. Take time out for rest. On the relationship front, you are likely to question the existence of your relationship. The decision is sure to have consequences that will affect your present and your

Lucky number 8 Lucky colour Pastel colours Lucky day Wednesday



#### **LEO** July 23-Aug 22

This week your health will be good. You have been through challenges and now are feeling much stronger. With positive health will come happiness in other aspects of life as well. You will feel that you have come a full circle whether it is a career or relationship. Professionally, this period will be marked by the end of any problems that you have been experiencing. A compromise will be found which will create a harmonious environment. On the personal front, it will be a time of a breakthrough moment in which you feel very inspired and motivated about your relationship with your partner. Ensure you express yourself and know how to use this creative

Lucky number 19 Lucky colour Black Lucky day Saturday



#### **SAGITTARIUS** Nov 22-Dec 21

This week discipline and logic will be the mantra for your health. You will display self-control in managing your health. If you have still not started, then this is the right time to do. If you are suffering from an ailment then, layout a diet plan or an exercise regime that suits your body well. Through your attitude, you are likely to bring comfort to those around you. Professionally, this is an excellent time. You will learn to trust yourself and your abilities. You have a strong desire to make the necessary changes that will put you on the path to success. On the relationship front, you are likely to feel disconnected. It is important to let your partner know about this feeling. It may be helpful if you simply spend some time apart.

Lucky number 21 Lucky colour White Lucky day Monday



#### **TAURUS** April 20-May 20

This week being in control of your emotions will serve you well on the health front. Treat your body with care. Any news related to health will be good. If at all you face illness you should take the doctor's advice. Professionally, you may be presented with a dilemma at work which demands action or decision. Analyse all the available information before you choose the right path. Your value system may be challenged, in that case, stay true to you and be as genuine and authentic as possible. There may be an easy choice available; you need to ask yourself whether it is the right choice for you in the long run. On the relationship front, you are likely to make a positive start. Do not hesitate to speak your mind to your partner.

Lucky number 22 Lucky colour Blue Lucky day Sunday



#### VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

Anxiety and stress are likely to affect your life his week. You might feel let down by a minor illness or test results. More than your external situation, it is the troubled psychological state that is bothering you. Stop worrying about what will happen in the future and think objectively about what needs to be done. On the career front, you are on the verge of completing a project but face a setback at the last minute. Know that you have the inner resources to overcome any challenge. Be resilient as you will be opposed by hidden enemies. On the relationship front, you may be confused in deciding whether to stay with your beloved or move on. The decision will affect both your present and future.

Lucky number 12 Lucky colour Yellow Lucky day Thursday



#### CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19

This week you are neglecting all areas of health from physical to emotional. This is the time to change that pattern and look for more healthful lifestyle choices. You need to take out some quality time for yourself to rest and rebuild your physical, mental and spiritual energies. Career-wise, this period is crucial. You will be offered a new project or venture. You will feel very enthusiastic about pursuing it. Just go for it and get it started. This is the time to use the creative force and inspire in a channelized way to get the desired results. On the personal front, it is time for you to keep your balance in every way you can. Stay mindful of the 'give-and-take' required for all successful relationships. Pay attention to both your and your partner's ideas and share them.

Lucky number 15 Lucky colour Grey Lucky day Friday



#### **GEMINI** May 21-June 20

On the health front, your biggest success will be based on how you carry out your everyday affairs. You need to start with the basics. Ensure you are eating right, getting enough sleep and adequate exercise. Make gradual progress. On the career front, things will go well for you. You are filled with inspiration and the universe is by your side. But to get actual results, you need to act as well. You may have been through setbacks and failures in the past but now there is a promise for a bright future. You have it in you to make positive career changes, so go for it. Relationship wise, this is a very good time for you. Those who are committed will move to the next level. You are likely to have a peaceful and happy love life.

Lucky number 12 Lucky colour Red Lucky day Thursday



#### LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

This week you have all the positive energy to take good care of yourself and upgrade your health. However, it depends on how well you channelise this energy for your good. This is a period of self-transformation. On the work front, things are not very clear. It is a time when something is not what it appears to be. Practice active listening to make sure that you and your co-workers understand each other perfectly. Some of you may feel lost as you are unsure of your destination. Be calm and let your intuition guide you to success. On the personal front, this is a time to renew your love life. Express yourself to your partner and see how it works in deepening your relationship. You are ready to explore different aspects of your relationship.

Lucky number 13 Lucky colour Peach Lucky day Tuesday



#### **AQUARIUS** Jan 20-Feb 18

This week your vitality will be quite strong. Increasing the magnitude of a fitness plan is sure to bring excellent results. Any health challenges that you face at this time will be tackled well by you. Your mental energies are also well-directed and controlled. You must use this time for your best. On the professional front, things are not looking that great. Do not panic and take some time off to re-evaluate what your situation is and what you want out of your job. You must seek answers from within and should be open to taking help from a career counsellor. This will help you to see a fresh perspective on your current situation. Your romantic relationship is likely to go well. You must embrace change and take a long-term view of your future.

Lucky number 10 Lucky colour Golden **Lucky day** Sunday



#### CANCER June 21-July 22

This week you need not compromise on your health as you tend to become inflexible in your approach. Analyse how you are dealing with health issues. You have established your way of living and are following the tried and tested ways. Don't be rigid in getting things done your way. This week on the career front it is crucial that you have focus and determination to achieve your goals. Chances are that you will be faced with difficulties and others may try to limit you. Be confident and hard-working to overcome any opposition. On the personal front, the potential for new beginnings in relationships or renewal is on the cards. If you are already committed, then you will find a deeper spiritual meaning with your partner.

Lucky number 11 Lucky colour Brown Lucky day Monday



#### SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

This week your health is likely to be good. If you are facing health challenges, then be supportive of yourself and love your body. Listen to the voice of your body. Turn to women with strong feminine energy that will help you heal at this time. Think positively and trust in the universe's healing energy. On the career front, things are looking good. You will be able to achieve quite a lot in a short time. You will be busy, active and sustain your creative vision even in the time of adversity. The best part is that you will be focused on your goals while being friendly and optimistic to those around you. On the personal front, this is an excellent time for you. Unpleasant times are over and there is great potential for happiness in the future.

Lucky number 14 Lucky colour Green Lucky day Friday



#### PISCES Feb 19-March 20

This week you need to pay very close attention to your emotions. You may have to plan for the health that you are currently avoiding. It may be taking a test or getting that surgery or following a fitness plan. Whatever it is, seek opinions, feedback, and get to know the key information. Also, positive thinking and balanced behaviour are crucial now. On the front, things will go well. If you are already employed, then there are chances for upward mobility. It all depends on whether you utilize your thoughts and conquer your fears to use them for your and everyone else's highest good. On the relationship front, you are aware of any issues that are present in your relationship at this point. The good part is that you are not letting it affect you.

Lucky number 17 Lucky colour Sky Blue Lucky day Wednesday

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#### **ASTRO**TURF BHARAT BHUSHAN PADMADEO

## Beauty of Indian symbolism

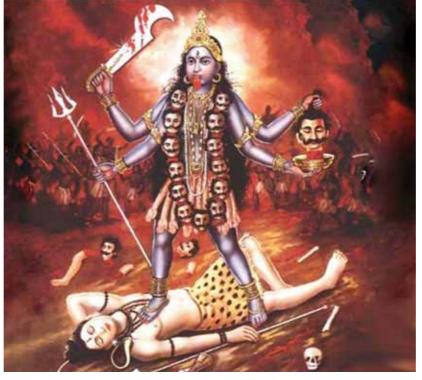
wish the readers a very happy Diwali and a prosperous year ahead. On this solemn occasion, people in most parts of India offer prayers to Mother Goddess Lakshmi, the one personified of wealth and prosperity. The purpose is to be well geared up to rekindle the creative spirit to not simply meet one's existential needs but also for fulfilment of aspirational urges. Bear in mind, nothing comes without intelligently and spiritedly putting in efforts, nor would it happen without meeting challenges in the way. Accordingly, one needs to be alert enough to grab opportunities coming our way well in time. Also, visualise and negotiate challenges faced and with ease and comfort.

As the legend runs, Lord Shri Ram defeated Ravana and his demonic forces on Vijaya Dashami day. Following which, he reached Ayodhya on Diwali day after completion of his 14 years of exile. To greet Shri Rama and his entourage, the citizens of Ayodhya lighted the darkest night of the year with earthen lamps. Apart from commemorating that event, this solemn occasion has a symbolic significance. We need to transgress the ignorance of mind and get enlightened

through conscious endeavour.

In Bengal, and the adjoining parts of Eastern India, however, people worship Goddess Kali on this occasion. She is perceived in a cremation ground in a running mode, having one leg set on Lord Shiva's body lying in a corpse pose, and the other behind. She is shown naked and dark like a threatening rain cloud, which means she is beyond our comprehension, with the space as Her apparel. She is presented sporting a garland made of 50 chopped human heads, with lower parts covered by human hands stringed together. Lord Shiva here symbolises the primordial source carrying the seeds of creation, originally in a state of rest. It is as if Kali gets going picking up the essence of life from Lord Siva, to manifest into the phenomenal world with all its enormity and diversity.

In Fact, Shiva and Kali are nothing but the twin aspects of one and the same (a Singularity) — He as the Radical Potential and She as His projection, the kinetic side. She, as the carrier of the transcendental consciousness (yet not in active play) — the seed, the cause and source of all creation — is the "Immanent" aspect of Consciousness,



who transforms the seeds into fruits.

It is something like the Sea, which by itself is still and changeless, out of which emerge self-caused tidal waves with all its fury. Once the tidal waves revert back to the primary source, the sea surface once again becomes calm and clearly visible. The waves though seemingly looking separated from the sea, have actually no identity of their own, differentiated from the ocean. Similarly, Kali's identity is not to be seen differentiated from Shiva. Nor do the manifest live existences have identity, independent of the two modes of

consciousness either. The whole scene set in a cremation ground means closure of all Karmic duties and obligations, as would the chopped hands symbolise. There then remains no scope for the sense of desires and ego to exist, as is symbolised by the chopped heads forming Her garland. Similarly, the Universe in motion is supposed to close up one day bringing to end the world play of names and forms, when Kali withdraws the life forces unto Herself. With that obviously Kala (the run of time) too comes to the end of its cycle. The fact that She the Creatress, also the Devourest, withdraws Kala unto

Herself, is thus named Kali. Again, out of the seeds of creation left behind, a new universe emerges. Life cycle, thus, keeps

running in succession. It is interesting to note here that when the primordial source, originally in an equilibrated state gets stirred up because of the causal stress, the corresponding sound arising thereto is O? That is followed by secondary waves of energy trinity — Sata, Rajasa and Tamasa. Further as a sequel to random mutation of the three, multiple energystreams emerge. Out of them, supposedly 50 sound notes corresponding to the varied energy streams, are audible to human ears, that are symbolised by the garland made of 50 chopped heads that Kali sports. These sound notes which in spoken and written terms, are symbolised by 50 alphabets of Sanskrit language. So, even the language in use, in terms of Indian philosophic perception, owes its genesis to that very Singularity, which remains the source and effective cause of the manifest plural world.

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