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UN must ensure nations don't exploit Af: Modi

Ocean laws should not be abused, shun terror as state policy, says PM

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday targeted Pakistan and China in his address to the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) by saying that Afghanistan should not be used by some countries for terrorism and that Ocean laws be used and not abused as he sought the world body to increase its relevance and effectiveness on issues like terrorism and proxy-war.

The Prime Minister addressed the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly at New York as the first speaker among the world leaders gathered there.

While attacking Pakistan without naming it, the Prime Minister sought to contrast the neighbouring country's "regressive thinking" of using "terrorism as a political tool" with India's scientific and progressive advancement that is not only helping it but also the world at large.

He said when Indian students in the 75th year of country's independence are readying up to send 75 satellites in space, the other side is going backwards and resorting to terrorism.

"Countries with regressive thinking that are using terrorism as a political tool need to understand that terrorism is an equally big threat for them. It has to be ensured that Afghanistan isn't used to spread terrorism or launch terror attacks..." said Modi, in a warning to Pakistan.

The Prime Minister who virtually took the UN body to task for not being pro-active said, "This needs to be ensured that the land of Afghanistan is not to be used for terrorism and the delicate situation of Afghanistan is not used as a tool by some country".

The Prime Minister in his speech delivered in Hindi interspersed with a "Sanskrit slok" of "Chanakya", the ancient Indian political scientist, and a quote of nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore in Bengali to convey to the UN that it needs to take timely and effective steps to counter threats emanating from terrorism and regressive ideologies.

Focussing on Afghanistan, the Prime Minister referred to "Afghan women, children and minorities" saying "they need help" and "we will have to share responsibility".



Prime Minister Narendra Modi addresses the 76th Session of the UN General Assembly at United Nations headquarters in New York on Saturday

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Modi said the entire world should use science-based rationale and progressive thinking as a medium of development.

Without mentioning Chinese attempt to monopolise the South China Sea and use its muscle to regulate it in its favour, the PM said ocean resources be used and not abused" and that they are life-time and belong to one and all.

"Our oceans are also our shared heritage. That is why we

have to keep in mind that we use our ocean resources, not abuse them. Our seas are a lifeline to international trading. We need to protect them from expansion and exclusion. World communities must unitedly raise their voice to strengthen rule-based world order," said Modi.

He spoke about "rule-based navigation" and urged the members of the UN body "to speak in one voice" about maritime security.

'Arsonist' in 'firefighter' guise, India retorts to Pakistan's slur

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Pakistan and India sparred at the United Nations General Assembly in New York with terror, Jammu & Kashmir, and human rights figuring in the centre of an acerbic blame game.

While Pakistan called the Modi Government a "fascist" and responsible for unleashing Islamophobia in the region, India said its neighbour is an "arsonist" disguising itself as a "firefighter," and nurtures terrorists in its backyard.

Exercising its right of reply to Khan's statements at the United Nations session, India said Pakistan has an established history and policy of harbouring, aiding and actively supporting terrorists.

"Pakistan holds the ignoble record of hosting the largest



First Secretary Sneha Dubey

number of terrorists proscribed by the UNSC (United Nations Security Council). Osama Bin Laden got shelter in Pakistan. Even today, Pakistan leadership glorify him as 'martyr', First Secretary Sneha Dubey said on Friday.

The entire world has suffered because Pakistan nurtures terrorists in its backyard, she said.

"Regrettably, this is not the first time the leader of Pakistan has misused platforms provided by the UN to propagate false and malicious propaganda against my country, and seeking in vain to divert the world's attention from the sad state of his country where terrorists enjoy free pass while the lives of ordinary people, especially

those belonging to the minority communities, are turned upside down," she added.

This strong retort came following Prime Minister Imran Khan's "virtual" address, where he had raised the issue of abrogation of Article 370 in 2019 giving special status to Jammu & Kashmir as well as the death of separatist leader Syed Ali Shah Geelani.

Labelling the Modi Government as fascist, Khan also said, "It is unfortunate, very unfortunate, that the world's approach to violations of human rights lacks even-handedness, and even is selective. Geopolitical considerations, or corporate interests, commercial interests often compel major powers to overlook the transgressions of their affiliated countries."

CAPSULE

RIGHTS ACTIVIST KAMLA BHASIN PASSES AWAY

New Delhi: Eminent women's rights activist, poet and author Kamla Bhasin passed away on Saturday after a battle with cancer. She was 75.

MAJOR RESHUFFLE IN DELHI POLICE

New Delhi: In a major reshuffle in the Delhi Police, Lieutenant Governor Anil Baijal on Saturday transferred 40 senior officers, including 11 Special Commissioners and 28 DCPs and additional DCPs, an official order said. The development came a day after a shootout took place inside a courtroom in Rohini court which left three people, including gangster Jitender Gogi, dead, triggering criticism over the security lapse.

DELHI REGISTERS 27 NEW CASES IN A DAY

New Delhi: The national Capital registered zero death due to Covid-19 and 27 infections in a day with a case positivity rate of 0.04 per cent, according to data shared by the city health department on Saturday. Three fatalities due to coronavirus have been reported this month so far — one each on Sept 7, Sept 16 and Sept 17.

PM to bring home 157 antiquities from US

Includes 12th CE
Nataraja to 10th
CE sandstone
panel of Revanta

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The USA has handed 157 artefacts and antiquities to Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his ongoing visit to attend the United Nation's General Assembly.

The PM conveyed his deep appreciation for the repatriation of antiquities to India by the United States.

The list of 157 artefacts includes a diverse set of items, ranging from the one and a half metre bas-relief panel of Revanta in sandstone of the 10th CE to the 8.5 cm tall, exquisite bronze Nataraja from the 12th CE. The items largely belong to the period of 11th CE to 14th CE as well as his-



toric antiquities such as the copper anthropomorphic object of 2000 BC or the terracotta vase from the 2nd CE. Some 45 antiquities belong to Before Common Era.

While half of the artifacts (71) are cultural, the other half consists of figurines which relate to Hinduism (60), Buddhism (16) and Jainism (9).

Their make spreads across metal, stone and terracotta. The bronze collection primarily contains ornate figurines of the well-known postures of Lakshmi Narayana, Buddha, Vishnu, Siva Parvathi and the 24 Jain Tirthankaras and the less common Kankalamurti, Brahmi and Nandikesa besides other unnamed deities and divine figures.

India, US, Japan, Oz talk about combating terrorism in Af

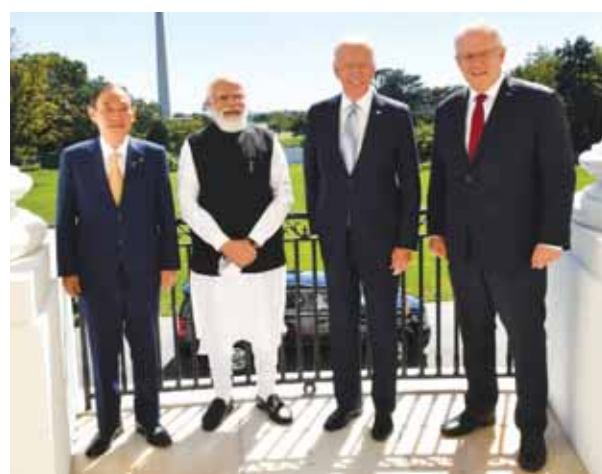
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Faced with growing assertiveness by China in the Indo-Pacific region, India, US, Japan and Australia resolved to resist any "coercion" and work together for ensuring peace and prosperity in the region and the world as a whole.

The four nations forming the Quad grouping also agreed to coordinate their policies towards Afghanistan and further deepen counter-terrorism and humanitarian co-operation in the months ahead in accordance with a UN Security Council resolution.

"We reaffirm that Afghan territory should not be used to threaten or attack any country or to shelter or train terrorists, or to plan or to finance terrorist acts, and reiterate the importance of combating terrorism in Afghanistan.

"We denounce the use of terrorist proxies and emphasised the importance of deny-



This handout photograph released by Press Information Bureau shows, from left, Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, US President Joe Biden and Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison at the White House in Washington

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ing any logistical, financial or military support to terrorist groups which could be used to launch or plan terror attacks, including cross-border attacks. We stand together in support of Afghan nationals, and call on the Taliban to provide safe passage to any person wishing to leave Afghanistan, and to ensure that the human rights of all Afghans, including women, children, and minorities are respected," the joint statement released after the summit said.

This was major outcome of first in person summit between the Quad countries comprising India, US, Japan and Australia in Washington on Friday. The heads of state of these countries including Prime Minister Narendra Modi, President Joe Biden, Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison and Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga held talks for more than two hours. The summit was hosted by Biden.

Modi jealous of my Hindu identity, alleges Didi after MEA blocks her Italy visit

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

Hours after the Ministry of External Affairs denied Mamata Banerjee permission to visit Rome to attend a world conference on peace, the Bengal Chief Minister on Saturday launched a scathing attack on Prime Minister Narendra Modi saying he is "jealous" about the recognition she is getting the world over as a "Hindu" woman.

Denying the permission to the Chief Minister the MEA said the "event is not commensurate in status for participation by the Chief Minister of a State." The Chief Minister had requested the Centre to allow her to take an industry delegation to Italy.

Attacking the Prime Minister from a Bhawanipore Assembly by-election rally, Chief Minister Mamata



Banerjee said, "I had been invited to attend a world peace conference being held in Rome ... the Italian Government had given special permission to me for attending the programme ... which was likely to be attended by the likes of German Chancellor and Pope Francis... but this Government denied me the clearance saying that it was not a right programme for a Chief Minister to attend."

Taliban hang body at square in back-to-old-ways display

AP ■ KABUL

The Taliban hanged a dead body from a crane in the main square of Herat city in western Afghanistan, a witness said on Saturday, in a gruesome display that signalled a return to some of the Taliban's methods of the past.

Wazir Ahmad Seddiqi, who runs a pharmacy on the side of the square, told *The Associated Press* that four bodies were brought to the square and three bodies were moved to other squares in the city to be displayed.

Seddiqi said the Taliban announced in the square that the four were caught taking part in a kidnapping and were killed by police. It was not immediately clear if the four were killed in a fire-fight with police or after their arrest.

There was no immediate



A dead body hangs from a crane in the main square of Herat city in western Afghanistan on Saturday

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comment from the Taliban. Mullah Nooruddin Turabi, one of the founders of the Taliban and the chief enforcer of its

harsh interpretation of Islamic law when they last ruled Afghanistan, told *The AP* this week that the hard-line move-

ment will once again carry out executions and amputations of hands, though perhaps not in public.

Chaani to retain some, drop some of Capt loyalists

Punjab Cabinet induction today

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

After several rounds of discussion with the high command, a couple of them extending till the wee hours, Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi on Saturday met Governor Banwarilal Purohit here to submit the names of Ministers likely to be inducted into the new Cabinet and take oath on Sunday.

Party sources indicated that those likely to be dropped from the previous Captain Amarinder Singh Cabinet include Balbir Singh Sidhu, Gurpreet Singh Kangar, Rana Gurmeet Sodhi, Sadhu Singh Dharamsot and Sundar Shyam Arora. The new faces in the Cabinet are likely to be Pargat Singh, Kuljit Singh Nagra,



Sangat Singh Gilzian, Raj Kumar Verka, Amarinder Raja Warring and Gurpreet Kotli.

Sources indicated that the party has decided to retain Vijay Inder Singla, Manpreet Singh Badal, Brahm Mohindra, Sukhbinder Singh Sarkaria, Tript Rajinder Singh Bajwa, Arunu Chaudhary, Razia Sultana and Bharat Bhushan Ashu from the Capt Amarinder Singh Government.

'People asking me if I am from Haryana is a compliment'

ASHI SINGH who plays a lead role in the show Meet, speaks with SHALINI SAKSENA about the challenges of the character and how she got the Haryanvi accent correct

■ How did you come on board for this show?
I auditioned two months before I got selected. I really liked the character when I auditioned but I had no expectations that I would be selected.

■ What is the best part about playing Meet?
The best thing is that I get to do so much and I get to do so many new things which I haven't done before as Ashi. I still don't do those things as Ashi but Meet is quite different in that way. I get to do a lot of new experiments and get to learn a lot.

■ Despite negativity around her— from her grandmother— what keeps her motivated?
Here I relate to Meet a little bit because in my real life also I try to focus on positive aspects and ignore negativity. So, when I am playing Meet, it is like let grandma say whatever she wants to, I will be happy. I practice that a lot in my real life too. My friends, my whole street loves me so much and the memories I have with my parents, I spend my time cherishing them rather than Dadi. Of course I get hurt by what Dadi does but there are other things which Meet can focus on and move on.

■ What were the challenges to play Meet and get the Haryanvi accent correct?
I can give you a list of challenges. There were a lot! First of all, practicing riding a bike and body language were tough. Each and every scene that I am doing like climbing on a window or anything which involves some kind of stunt has been very challenging for me because I am not that adventurous in my real life nor have I done anything of that sort before. If I am scared of doing something, I cannot express that because my character is not that. I have never played cricket in my life, never ever held a cricket bat because I used to hate it. And if I talk about getting the Haryanvi accent, I am still not sure about my ability to speak it properly. Whenever I listen to my voice talking in Haryanvi, I never like it. But few people from Haryana asked me if I am from Haryana and that was like a huge compliment, which means I have achieved it. I have worked hard though.

The glamour industry has always attracted me even as a child. I always wanted to be an actor and destiny worked in my favour. My parents asked me to stop pursuing it but I didn't quit

■ I believe the track will lead to you— Meet marrying Meet. What happens next. Can you give us a sneak peek?
Yes that was the story. After that, it is like the guy doesn't love the girl. There are a lot of responsibilities on the girl after she gets married. Before she had only one family to take care of but now she has so much on her plate. You will for sure get to see some family drama but it would be in Meet's style. It would be different. Meet is not an innocent girl who would keep quiet if someone says something to her. She speaks back too and she has her own way to do things. You will see all that drama in Meet's way and it is a great story ahead.

■ How did you end up in acting?
I don't remember really liking anything else apart from acting and dancing. The glamour industry has always attracted me since I was very small. I always wanted to be an actress and stars

worked in my favour. I came to Mumbai for schooling, later my parents pushed me to do an acting course. But they also asked me to stop and I could not stop because they triggered my childhood wish and it was quite tough to lose all that. So, I just started giving auditions and stars worked in my favour.

■ You have done a fre music videos. How has this experience been? How much fun has it been?
It has been a good experience. In fact the shooting for music videos is a one day or two days shoot. I really like to meet people, I like to go out.

When I do music videos, I meet a lot of new people. It is not like shooting for daily soap where you meet the same set of people everyday, which is also a blessing in itself because they become your family. Only drawback is that you don't get to meet new people. While doing music videos, you go out, you explore more and you get to learn new things. So, it is like a life experience. Moreover, working for a music video you can experiment on yourself which you cannot always do in terms of your looks and character.

■ How much do you relate to Meet?
There are things where I do not relate to Meet at all. Meet is very different from me, whatever she does I never did or do that in real life. But yes, we think alike and I relate to her in that aspect a lot. I have realised that it is Ashi's character which I have given to Meet in terms of thinking positively.



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TELLY TALE

'LOVE FREELY, SPREAD PEACE AND DREAM CRAZY'

I am Khan says her character, Nalini Batra, in the show Ziddi Dil Maane Na is tailor-made. "I like my character. I am a very friendly person by nature. I love feeding

people and I like people around me. Also, I truly and strongly believe in love, so this character is tailor-made for me or I was chosen for this character. Whatever you say,

the universe has worked its magic," she said. She is getting positive response for the show as well as for her character. "After a long time, I'm doing a show that involves youngsters and matters of the heart. Hence, it is a heartfelt warmth I feel," said the Laado 2

actress. Ziddi is Sudhir and Seema Sharma's brainchild. "Sudhir and Seema of Sunshine are wonderful human beings. They are good producers no doubt, they are very creative no doubt but above all, they are gems.

KUMKUM BHAGYA'S POOJA BANERJEE ON SUCCESSFUL MARRIAGE

Zee TV's popular fiction show, Kumkum Bhagya has been an audience favourite courtesy its intriguing plot and the authentic portrayal of relatable characters like Abhi (Shabbir Ahluwalia), Pragya (Sriti Jha), Rhea (Pooja Banerjee), Aaliya (Reyhna Pandit), Tanu (Leena Jumanji), Ranbir (Krishna Kaul) and Prachi (Mugdha Chapekar). Abhi – Pragya's contract marriage drama had kept everyone hooked over the last few weeks and now, the competition and drama between Rhea and Prachi has kept viewers at the edge of their seats. All the actors have been working round the clock to keep their audience entertained during this festive season. In fact, at times actors don't get to spend time with their family even during special occasions and how understanding parents and partners truly help them balance their work and personal life balance.

Pooja Banerjee aka Rhea also opened up about her personal life and mentioned how she and her husband, Sandeep Sejwal understand and respect each other and their respective careers, which helps them maintain a strong and healthy marriage, without any issues. The actress also reveals the key to a



successful marriage between two working individuals, while speaking about Sandeep and her relationship.

As Pooja Banerjee reveals, "Trust, love and attraction - all of these things come secondary, but if there is friendship between a couple, then they tend to share and understand everything about each other. I know Sandeep since I was in fourth standard. In fact,

we were friends for the longest period of time, after which we realised we can be life partners. Ever since I know him and we started dating, my mantra was very simple - honesty and sincerity. We don't put each other down and he never puts me in any embarrassing situation. It is same from my side too. He does not judge me too, and vice versa. The best part is that we give

ample of space to each other to grow and learn by ourselves in our careers. He never forces his views onto me and neither do I. Having said all this, I feel it is very important to give each other time as well because nowadays couples don't give each other time. So, Sandeep and I plan our schedules such that we have time for each other. Due to my tedious shooting hours, we are on different sleep cycles, but he understands me so well and does the smallest of things to help me live my life to the fullest and I help him with his. As I have been a swimmer for 14 years, I understand the fatigue he might be going through as an athlete due to his daily routine and I try to help him feel better and do my bit wherever I can. We respect each other's careers, and we support each other in our own way every day and I feel that is the key to a successful marriage."

While Pooja Banerjee is aching her off-screen relationship with her husband, her on-screen character - Rhea is planning some evil tactic to come between Prachi and Ranbir. What is she planning next? Will she be able to create a rift between Prachi and Ranbir? Or is Prachi and Ranbir's connection stronger?

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Borrower Mr. Gaurav Singh S/o Localite Cabs and Mrs. Reshu Chaudhary R/o 4, Saharanpur Road, Transport Nagar, Majra, Dehradun	All that part & parcel of the residential property and construction thereon dated 10.12.2018 bearing Khata no 476 (Fasli Year 1416 to 1421), Khasra no 108 Ka mi admeasuring 83.64 Sq Mtrs situated at Mouza Kanswali Kothri, Pargana Pachwadon, Tehsil Vikasnagar, District Dehradun, standing in the name of Mr. Gaurav Singh S/o Mr. Omveer Singh. Boundaries of property: On the North by: Plot of Haripur Gupta, South by: Property of Baljeet, East by: Property of Mrs. Anju Kaur, West by: Rasta 20 feet wide.	Rs. 21,29,716/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Twenty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Sixteen only) further with interest +cost & other charges	Date of Demand 11.06.2021 Date of Possession 23/09/2021
Borrower Mrs. Anju Kaur W/o Mr. Gurudev Singh and Mr. Gurudev Singh S/o Shri Balveer Singh R/o 2/6, Nadi Rispana, Dehradun	All that part & parcel of the residential plot and construction thereon bearing Khata no 476 (fasli no 1416 to 1421) Khasra no 108 Ka admeasuring 100.00 Sq. Mtr. (plot no 5) situated at Mouza Kanswali Kothri, Majra Dunga, Pargana Pachwadon, Tehsil Vikasnagar, District Dehradun standing in the name of Mrs. Anju Kaur W/o Mr. Gurudev Singh. Boundaries of property: On the North by: Property of Mr. Harihar Gupta, South by: Property of Poonam, East by: Rasta 30 Foot Wide Road, West by: Property of Shri Baljeet	Rs. 22,52,660.70 (Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and Paise Seventy Only) further with interest +cost & other charges	Date of Demand 17.06.2021 Date of Possession 23/09/2021
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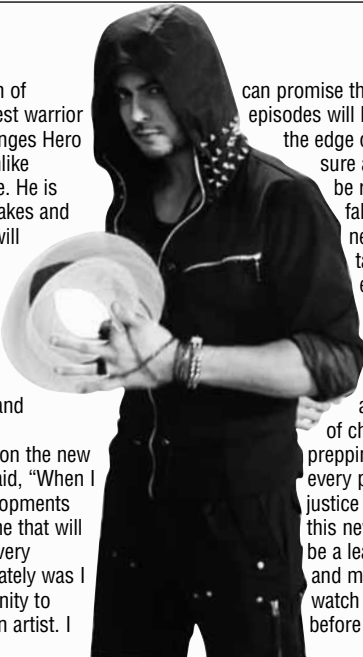
VEER'S FATE LIES ON THE THREE SINS

Sony SAB's beloved Hero is set to take a new avatar. Our very own Hero aka Veer is faced with the biggest challenge in the show so far. This involves not just saving the world but saving himself from turning to his darker side and becoming evil. The upcoming episodes will shock the viewers with Veer (Abhishek Nigam) slowly falling prey to Shukracharya's (Ajay Gehi) biggest scheme against Veer. It will be interesting for the viewers to watch how Hero will withstand the effects of halahal, the mystical negative energy which is slowly taking him over while pushing him towards committing the three ultimate sins. This time the battle is fiercer as Veer is losing control over all his actions and is on a crossroad struggling to stand by his morals and conduct.

Abhishek Nigam, talking about this new development in the show, said, "I think this new phase in Veer's life will take the viewers on an adventurous and edgy ride as Hero is slowly unravelling his darker side. With

Shukracharya's ultimate plan of turning Veer into his strongest warrior is coming to play, the challenges Hero will be now facing will be unlike anything he has faced before. He is unaware of these three mistakes and while the effects of halahal will force him to commit these sins, it will be exciting for our viewers to watch if Hero is able to combat this effect or not. Once these sins are committed, Hero will fall into his darker side and turn evil."

Sharing his excitement on the new phase of his character, he said, "When I learned about the new developments on the show and the storyline that will follow, I was surprised and very excited. My thought immediately was I had found a perfect opportunity to show a new side of me as an artist. I



can promise that the upcoming episodes will keep the audience on the edge of their seats, and I am sure all Hero supporters will be rooting for Hero to not fall into darkness, and this new exciting storyline will take the fun and excitement quotient of the show up a notch".

Abhishek Nigam, talking about his preparations, said, "I am undergoing a series of changes and have been prepping as I want to explore every possible route to do justice to the character and this new journey of him. It will be a learning curve for me, and my fans will be able to watch me in a never seen before avatar."

Dhami's breakfast with Arya triggers speculation

THE CM ARRIVED AT ARYA'S HOUSE AT AROUND 9 AM AND THE DUO HAD BREAKFAST TOGETHER. IT IS LEARNT THAT BOTH LEADERS HELD A CLOSED DOOR DISCUSSION FOR ABOUT AN HOUR

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

An unscheduled visit by the Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami to the residence of senior Cabinet Minister Yashpal Arya on Saturday morning triggered political speculation in Uttarakhand. The CM arrived at Arya's house at around 9 am and the duo had breakfast together. It is learnt that both leaders held a closed-door discussion for about an hour. The meeting



generated speculations that the CM Dhami wanted to preempt any possible defection of Arya to the Congress party. After the meeting, Arya denied



that he is defecting back to the Congress party. The head of the campaign committee of the Congress party and former Chief

Minister Harish Rawat had recently stated that he wants that someone from the Dalit community becomes the Chief Minister of the State.

Since Yashpal Arya is a dalit leader with stature, the political circles are agog that Arya could switch sides before the Assembly elections. It is pertinent to mention here that Arya was in Congress party before moving to the BJP in the year 2016.

He held important positions such as PCC president, Vidhan Sabha Speaker and Cabinet Minister when he was in the Congress party. Arya, along with his son Sanjeev Arya, was offered a ticket by the BJP and both the father son duo were elected to the Vidhan Sabha.

Corruption only achievement of BJP Government: Godiyal

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

Launching a scathing attack on the Puskhar Singh Dhami Government, the Pradesh Congress Committee (PCC) president Ganesh Godiyal has said that corruption is the only achievement of the BJP Government. Talking to the media persons at Congress Bhawan here on Saturday, Godiyal said that when Dhami took oath as Chief Minister of the State, he claimed that he will talk less and work more and also promised to put a rein on corruption but his promises have evaporated in thin air. He said that questions were raised by the then Governor on the 56 appointments in Uttarakhand Open University but the issue has been put under the carpet. Similarly, he said a private company was hired for recruitment in the cooperative department



and this company conducted examinations outside Uttarakhand. "We demand that a committee headed by the Leader of Opposition in the State Assembly should be constituted to inquire into the issue," he said.

The PCC president said that no action has been taken in the scholarship scam, Kumbh testing scam and Building and other construction workers welfare Board which clearly shows that the state government is protecting the culprits.

Warning about what he

claimed another scam in making, the PCC president said that the State Government is planning to give the contract to supply the tablets to the students of the Government colleges of the state to a Public Sector company. He said that the government should keep transparency in the purchase of tablets and invite tenders for it. Godiyal said that in case the PSU is asked to provide the tablets then it should adhere to the required process and guidelines.

The PCC president said that the contractors and the vehicle suppliers of Uttarakhand are not given work in the ongoing Rishikesh- Karnprayag Rail project.

On the question of the state government's recent order to the police and district magistrates (DMs) on the change in demography and resultant migration, the PCC president said that the government should disclose the facts.

Covid-19: 15 new cases, 20 recoveries in U'khand

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The state health department reported only 15 new cases of the novel Coronavirus (Covid-19) and 20 recoveries from the disease in Uttarakhand on Saturday.

The cumulative count of Covid-19 patients in the state is now at 3,43,474 while a total of 3,29,758 patients have recovered from the disease so far. In the state, 7393 people have lost their lives to Covid-19 till date. The recovery percentage from the disease is at 96.01 while the sample positivity rate on Friday was 0.09 per cent.

The state health department reported four new patients of Covid -19 from Tehri, three each from Dehradun and Pithoragarh and one each from Champawat, Haridwar, Nainital, Rudrapur and Uttarakashi on Saturday. No new cases were reported from remaining districts on the day.

The state now has 228 active cases of Covid-19. Dehradun with 115 cases is at the top of the table of active cases while Pauri has 27 active cases. Tehri has only one active case of the disease now.

In the ongoing vaccination drive 49,525 people were vaccinated in 890 sessions in the state held on Saturday. As per the data of the state health department 73,17,805 people in the state have received the first dose of vaccine while 29,95,368 have received both doses of the vaccine.

Authorities tweak condition for Char Dham pilgrims

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

Online registrations for the Char Dham Yatra have reached the permissible limit till October 15 after its start on September 18. Considering this and in observance of the Uttarakhand high court orders, the State Government has decided that instead of those who have secured e-passes but are unable to visit the shrines the other pilgrims with valid registration and documentation will be allowed to visit the shrines.

In an order issued on Saturday, secretary Harichandra Semwal states that in accordance with high court orders, the authorities have decided that the daily limit of pilgrims allowed to visit the Char Dham shrines will be 1,000 in Badrinath, 800 in Kedarnath, 600 in Gangotri and 400 in Yamunotri. The pilgrims are required to register on the Char Dham Devasthanam Management



Board website. Considering the number of people allowed to visit the shrines, registrations have been done to the permissible limit till October 15. However, considering the trends visible since start of the Char Dham Yatra, the authorities have decided that instead of registered pilgrims unable to undertake the pilgrimage, other registered pilgrims will be allowed to visit the shrines by the district magistrate concerned on the condition that the total number remains within the permissible limit.

According to the Devasthanam Board, till 4 PM on Saturday a total of 14,670 pilgrims had visited the Char Dham shrines. On Saturday, 460 people visited Badrinath, 636 visited Kedarnath while Gangotri had 430 visitors and Yamunotri had 400. It is pertinent to mention here that day after the start of the Char Dham Yatra on September 18, more than 42,000 e-passes had been issued to pilgrims from the official website of the Char Dham Devasthanam Management Board.

AAP's Rozgar Guarantee Yatra commences

We will fulfil all the promises when elected to power: Kothiyal

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The Rozgar Guarantee Yatra of Aam Adami Party (AAP) started from Nainital on Saturday. The Yatra was flagged off by the unemployed youths. Before embarking on the Yatra, the chief ministerial candidate of AAP, Colonel (Retd) Ajay Kothiyal paid obeisance at the Naina Devi temple. Speaking on the occasion Kothiyal said that the AAP has a history of fulfilling promises and claimed that whatever promises the party is making in Uttarakhand would be fulfilled when it comes to power.

He said when the free electricity guarantee scheme was launched by the party; thousands of the party workers visited villages and explained to people how 300 units of electricity per month



would be given free. He said that during the Rozgar Guarantee Yatra, the six promises made by national convener of AAP Arvind

Kejriwal would be explained to the people in all 70 assembly constituencies.

The Yatra meandering through the Mall road reached Gandhi Maidan. Addressing people here, Kothiyal said that instead of developing the state the political parties have dragged down the state in the last 20 years. Taking a dig at the political defections in the state, he said that both BJP and Congress have lost faith in their leaders. Kothiyal said that AAP is the party which has its genesis in a public movement and assured people that like Delhi all the promises being made by the party would be fulfilled in Uttarakhand when the AAP's government is fulfilled.

The AAP leader said that

the party's vision for Rozgar Guarantee Scheme is clear and one lakh government jobs would be given within six months of coming to the power and an unemployment allowance of Rs 5000 per month would be given to the unemployed.

He added that 80 per cent jobs in Uttarakhand would be reserved for the youth of the state. The AAP leader said that since both BJP and Congress are targeting AAP, it is clear that the party is moving ahead on its mission. At Bahawali Col Kothiyal visited Kainchi Dham.

The AAP in charge Dinesh Mohania, deputy in charge Rajiv Chaudhary, officiating Bhupesh Upadhyaya and others were present on the occasion.

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Forest Dept finalises Wildlife Week events in 60 schools

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The Forest Department has decided to organise activities in 60 eco clubs in Dehradun and Mussoorie during the Wildlife Week 2021 next month. This decision was taken in a workshop held to plan activities in schools as part of the Wildlife Week celebrations. School teachers from about 50 public and private schools in Dehradun and Mussoorie forest divisions that have been selected for these activities participated in the workshop.

The department is organising multiple events during Wildlife Week from October 1 to 7 throughout the State. Activities in the eco-clubs in these schools are going to be one of the highlights of the Wildlife Week 2021 celebrations. Educational material and books prepared by the Forest department in association with environmental



NGOs, with interesting information regarding the state's forests and wildlife will be distributed to the various eco clubs. This would include

nature related books for the libraries, attractive posters for display, audio-visual films for teaching and souvenirs for distribution to the students.

The principal chief conservator of forests (PCCF) and head of forest force, Rajiv Bhartari expressed hope that this will help increase knowl-

edge of the students and inspire them towards conservation.

He emphasised that the eco-clubs in various schools

can help in spreading awareness about forests, wildlife and environment amongst the students and thus help inculcate a positive attitude towards the environment and the right values.

Bhartari assured teachers present in the workshop that the Forest department will continue to provide materials and resources for tree planting, nursery development and environmental activities by the eco-clubs as well as provide help to the schools in organizing visits to nearby forest and wildlife areas for outdoor activities.

Additional PCCF (Wildlife) RK Mishra, chief conservator (CF) of Yamuna Circle, Amit Verma, CF of Shivalik Circle, Akhilesh Tiwari, Dehradun divisional forest officer (DFO) Rajiv Dhiman, Mussoorie DFO Kakhshan Naseem and others were also present in the meeting.

Goyal hails Govt's initiatives to make Himachal investor's paradise

PNS ■ SHIMLA

Union Commerce and Industries Minister Piyush Goyal on Saturday appreciated the steps taken by the State Government to make Himachal Pradesh as an investor's paradise.

Addressing an interaction session with the stakeholders/investors/captains of industry on Economic Development of Himachal Pradesh here, he said that this week was being celebrated as Vaniya Saptah from 20 to 26 September to celebrate India's rising economic force across the country.

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur said that Himachal Pradesh offers investor friendly ecosystem and healthy industrial relations with the investors, adding that the state was amongst the leading States of the country in Ease of Doing Business and the State Government was poised to make it as an Investment Hub of the country.

Thakur said the State Government organized Global Investors Meet on 7 and 8 November, 2019 at



Dharamshala in which as many as 703 MoUs worth Rs. 96000 crore were signed. He said that going a step forward, the State Government performed the first ground breaking ceremony within two months of the Meet of projects worth about Rs. 13,500 crore.

The Chief Minister said that the State Government has succeeded in sanctioning a Medical Devices Park which would give a boost to industrial development in the State. The role of industrialists in development of the State was immense and the State Government was also striving hard to come upto the expec-

tations of these entrepreneurs. He urged the entrepreneurs to come forward to invest in the State and be the partner in development of the State.

Industries Minister Bikram Singh Thakur said that the State Government had maintained cordial relations with the industrial houses and entrepreneurs in the State. He said that the State offers a congenial environment to the industrialists to invest in the State.

Additional Chief Secretary, Industries R.D. Dhiman gave details of various initiatives taken by the State Government to attract investments in the State.

Haryana CM launches samarpan portal

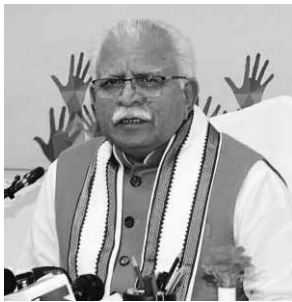
PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

On the 105th birth anniversary of Deendayal Upadhyay on Saturday, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar launched a web portal wherein people can register themselves to offer voluntary service in the fields of education, skill development, sports and agriculture.

The "Samarpan Portal" will provide a platform to people wishing to do something good for society, the chief minister said.

Voluntary services provided through the portal are linked with various programmes and initiatives of the government in the fields of education, women and child development, farmer welfare and skill development, he said.

"For instance, if someone wants to help children then by registering on this portal they can educate them or can give sports or skill training to them. Similarly, if someone wants to work for the welfare of women, then they can make them aware



about nutrition, empowerment or security," he said.

Through their voluntary service people can help the government and the local community in fulfilling the goal of good governance, Khattar said.

The birth anniversary of Upadhyaya is being celebrated as "Samarpan Divas" across the country.

Addressing a press conference, Khattar hoped that the borders which are presently closed will be reopened soon. He said that after the order of the Supreme Court regarding the closed border roads, Haryana had formed a committee for holding talks. The

farmers were even called for talks, but they did not turn up. "Now all the information will be given during the next hearing in the Supreme Court and the court will decide about the further situation," he said.

He said that everyone has the right to express their views peacefully, hoping that the 'Bandh' call in the coming days remains peaceful. Society also suffers due to the closure of roads.

Due to this people have to travel long distances to reach their destinations, business is getting affected. It is in the interest of the society that the roads should be reopened soon, he added.

Responding to a question regarding the prosecution of the accused involved in the paper leak case, the Chief Minister said that the State Government's effort is to completely eliminate the gang involved in such wrongdoings. In this regard, orders have been given to the police department to form a special team and work seriously.

Possible third wave hits wedding venues' bookings

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

In view of the possible third wave of Covid-19, the locals are still reluctant to book wedding venues in advance in Dehradun. The wedding season starts from the next month but unlike in the past years, people are not taking the risk of inviting guests and booking the venues in advance.

"My wedding is in the first week of November but I still have not booked any venue for my wedding ceremonies due to the probable third wave. Booking the venues is quite expensive and I cannot risk spending my savings on something which might get canceled at the time of my wedding. No businessman refunds the full amount of the money deposited for booking," said 28-year old Mayank Rawat.

A Dharmpur resident Priyanka Semwal stated that people have learned to conduct wedding ceremonies in smaller and closed spaces with limited people which is the need of the hour too. "Due to the sudden surge in Covid cases in April, only 12 people attended my brother's wedding.

We had booked venues with advance payments of about Rs one lakh but we were not refunded even half of the amount after cancellation. Due to this experience, we have not booked any wedding point for my wedding next month and have decided to conduct all the ceremonies at our home with a limited number of guests," stated Semwal.

Such disinclination is taking a toll on the wedding business in the district. According to the member of Dehradun Mandap Keeper Association and owner of Mittal Wedding Point, Alok Mittal, the wedding business has gone down with time in the past two years. "Considering the possibility of the third Covid wave, many are hesitant to book the venues beforehand. The numbers of bookings are 25 per cent less than the last year when the business was already down. Even those who are booking the venues are keeping the numbers of guests restricted to between 150 and 200 on their own despite the state government's permission that guests can be invited upto 50 per cent occupancy of the venue," informed Mittal.

Haryana Guv visits house of martyr Anuj Rajpur

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya on Saturday visited the residence of Major Anuj Rajput in Panchkula near here and paid tributes to the departed soul of the Army officer. Rajput was killed after an Army helicopter crash-landed in Udhampur district of Jammu and Kashmir in September 21 that also left co-pilot Major Rohit Kumar dead. The Governor also consoled the family members of the fallen officer at his residence in Sector-20 and assured them all support and cooperation of the state Government, an official statement said. Dattatreya expressed his heartfelt condolences to members of the bereaved family and said the government stands with them in this hour of need. While describing Rajput as



a promising officer, he said that the whole country is feeling proud of his valour.

The Governor said Rajput has made the supreme sacrifice for the country. The sacrifice made by him would not go in vain as it will inspire the young generation, he said. He added that the brave soldiers of Haryana have always been in the forefront in sacrificing their lives for the unity and integrity of the country and Rajput is also one of them.

He was a successful pilot and his martyrdom will always be remembered with reverence, Dattatreya added.

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1.	Sh. Ravi Lal S/o Sh. Prem Lal, 48, Gram Lalpur, Patti Sukhrao Kotdwara, Dist- Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand 246149 Sh. Prakash Singh (Guarantor) S/o Late Surjeet Singh , Village Jhandi Chaur PO Jhandi Chaur North Tehsil-Kotdwara, Dist- Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand 246149.	Freehold residential land and building situated at Kharsa No. 48, Khet No. 132/135, Area 0.010 Hectare, Gift Deed dated 10.04.2015 in the name of Sh. Ravi Lal at Gram Lalpur, Patti Sukhrao, Tehsil – Kotdwara, Distt – Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand 246149. Boundaries: EAST- Land of the Dangrahtia, WEST- Land of Sh. Vijay Lal, NORTH- Land of Sh Devender Singh, SOUTH-12 feet wide Roads	Rs. 2,49,096.00 + interest w.e.f. 08.05.2017 + expense – recoveries (if any)	Rs. 5.40 lakhs Rs. 0.54 lakhs Rs. 10000/- Symbolic Possession	Canara Bank Chamoli 9411113688
2.	Mrs Afroz Begam W/o Mr. Liyakat Ali R/o Neelkhudana (Paondhoi), Pargana- Jawalpur, Teh & Distt. Haridwar Mr. Liyakat Ali S/o Mr. Rashid Ahmad R/o Add1: Neelkhudana (Paondhoi), Pargana- Jawalpur, Teh & Distt. Haridwar Add2: Badsah Fruit Co., New Sabji Mandi, Jawalapur, Haridwar, Mr. Naushad Mohammad S/o Mr. Akhtar R/o House No.60, Harilok Colony, Haridwar (UK)	EMT of all that of Constructed Shop/House, situated at Moh- Moh- Neelkhudana (Paondhoi) Pargana- Jawalpur, Teh & Distt. Haridwar (within Municipal Limit) Total area 442 Sq. ft., Regd. Sale Deed No.1146 Dt. 18.01.2007 registered in the name of Mrs. Afroz Begam W/o Mr. Liyakat Ali Boundaries: EAST- Road 13 feet, WEST- House Basir NORTH- House Musli, SOUTH- Others	Rs. 3,70,955.52 as on 31.03.2021 + Interest w.e.f. 01.04.2021 + Expenses - Recoveries after 31.03.2021	Rs. 7.25 lakhs Rs. 0.73 lakhs Rs. 10000/- Symbolic Possession	Canara Bank, Haridwar Main II PH- 9411113682
3.	1. Mr. Dharamveer Singh S/o Mr. Jayveer Singh R/o Add1: 32 Ahmadpur Grant, Bahadrabad, Haridwar, UK 247664 Add2: H.No. 568 Awas Vikas Colony, Near Ranipur Mod, Jwalapur, Haridwar UK 249407, 2. Mr. Sonu S/o Mr. Jayveer Singh R/o Add1: 32 Ahmadpur Grant, Bahadrabad, Haridwar, UK 247664 Add2: H.No. 568 Awas Vikas Colony, Near Ranipur Mod, Jwalapur, Haridwar UK 249407, Mr. Lalit Kumar S/o Mr. Birbal (Guarantor), R/o T-103, Shivalik Nagar, Haridwar	EMT of all that of Constructed Shop/House, House Tax No.568 having total area 38.33 Sq Meter and Total covered are 64 sq meter. Situated at Delhi Road Yozna Awas Vikash Colony, Jwalapur, Haridwar (with in municipal limits Haridwar) Regd. Sale Deed No.5934 dt.31.07.2014 registered in the name of Mr. Dharamveer and Sonu Boundaries: EAST- House No.567, WEST- House No.569, NORTH- Open Road, SOUTH- House No.586	Rs. 61,25,600.60 as on 31.01.2021 + Interest w.e.f. 01.02.2021 + Expenses - Recoveries after 31.01.2021	Rs. 56.21 lakhs Rs. 5.62 lakhs Rs. 10000/- Symbolic Possession	Canara Bank, Haridwar Main II PH- 9411113682
4.	Mr. Manish Kumar S/o Mr. Trilok Chand R/o Ram Ghat, Kaithal Wali Dharmshala, Haridwar U.K. 249401 (Guarantor) Mr. Ashish Verma S/o Sh. Trilok Chand R/o Ram Ghat, Kaithal Wali Dharmshala Haridwar U.K. 249401	All that of property in the name of Mr. Manish Kumar S/o Mr. Trilok Chand, Kharsa No. 340 situated at Gram Haripur Kalan Haridwar UK. Total Land Area 700 Sq. Ft., Boundaries: East-Rast 10 ft., West- Kishan Kumar, North-Arjun Puri, South-Seller	Rs. 7,65,641.39 as on 30.06.2015 along with interest from 01.07.2015 and costs etc	Rs. 14.31 lakhs Rs. 1.43 lakhs Rs. 10000/- Physical Possession	Canara Bank, Haridwar Main II PH- 9411113682
5.	Sh. Sandeep Kumar S/o Sh. Inder Singh R/o A-607/472, Mohalla – Chaklan, Jwalapur, Haridwar, Uttarakhand. Sh. Sattar Ahmad (Guarantor) S/o Late Sh. Mussara Ali, 1- Subhash Nagar, Jwalapur, Haridwar UK Sh. Mansur Ali (Guarantor) S/o Mohd. Haneef, 166, Paundhoi, Idgah Road, Jwalapur, Haridwar UK	All that of property consisting of residential house in the name of Sh. Sandeep Kumar S/o Sh. Inder Singh, situated at Pandeywala Chor Gali, Jwalapur, Uttarakhand, Area 61.39 Sq. Mtr. Within the registration sub-district Haridwar and District Haridwar sale deed no. 6300 dated 12.09.2011. Boundaries: East-10 ft. road, West-Property of Mehboob, North-Property of Sh. Krishan Kumar, South-Seller Property	Rs. 11,40,743.29 as on 05.02.2020 and interest thereon	Rs. 26.24 lakhs Rs. 2.63 lakhs Rs. 10000/- Symbolic Possession	Canara Bank, Haridwar Main II PH- 9411113682
6.	Mr. Rao Shamshad S/o Mr. Dilshad, R/o House No.179, Salempur Mehdoon, Ranipur, Distt. Haridwar (U.K.) Guarantor: Mr. Rajneesh Mallik S/o Mr. Krishan Mallik R/o H.No.36, New Loha Mandi, Jawalapur, Hraidwar (U.K.)	EMT of All that of residential house in the name of Mr. Rao Shamshad S/o Mr. Dilshad situated at Kharsa No.2000, Plot No.02, SJS Nagar, Village Salempur Mehdoon Pargana Roorki Distt. Haridwar (U.K.), Total area 960 Square feet. with boundaries as under: East : Way 18 feet, West : Land of other person, North : Plot No.03, South : Plot No.01	Rs. 10,28,879.56 which include interest up to 31.10.2015 plus further interest at applicable rate from 01.11.2015 along with expenses, other charges, etc	Rs. 17.08 lakhs Rs. 1.71 lakhs Rs. 10000/- Physical Possession	Canara Bank, Haridwar Main II PH- 9411113682
7.	Smt. Suman W/o Sh. Manoj Giri, 33 Tugapur Hardwar, Hardwar 249407. Sh. Mansoor S/o Mr. Maksoor, H.No. 273, Street Karch, Jawalapur, Haridwar	All that part and parcel of part of Kharsa No.151, Village Dayalpur, Laksar, Pargana Gordhanpur, Tehsil Laksar, Distt Haridwar in the name of Smt. Suman W/o Sh. Manoj Giri. Total Area 587.17 Sq. Mtr. Boundaries: East – Vilmia Devi, West – Khanpur Purkaji Road, North – Vilmia Devi, South – Vilmia Devi	Rs. 23,72,796.00 as on 31.12.2018 along with interest from 01.01.2019 and costs etc.	Rs. 22.14 lakhs Rs. 2.21 lakhs Rs. 10000/- Symbolic Possession	Canara Bank, Haridwar Main II PH- 9411113682

GLOBE TROTTING

8 DEAD IN SOMALIA AS AL-SHABAB CLAIMS BLAST

Mogadishu: A vehicle laden with explosives rammed into cars and trucks at a checkpoint leading to the entrance of the Presidential Palace in Somalia, killing at least eight people, police said on Saturday. The checkpoint is the one used by Somalia's president and Prime Minister on their way to and from the airport in Somalia's capital, Mogadishu.

US TO CELEBRATE OCT AS HINDU HERITAGE MONTH

Houston: Several US states, including Texas, Florida, New Jersey, Ohio and Massachusetts, have proclaimed October as the Hindu Heritage Month, noting that Hinduism has "contributed greatly" to America through its unique history and heritage.

ICELANDERS VOTE IN VOLATILE ELECTION

Reykjavik (Iceland): Icelanders were voting Saturday in a general election dominated by climate change, with an unprecedented number of political parties likely to win parliamentary seats. Polls suggest there won't be an outright winner, triggering complex negotiations.

EU WARNS RUSSIA OVER CYBERATTACKS

Brussels: The European Union on Friday warned Russia against allowing hackers to attack data bases or spread disinformation in some of the 27 member countries just as Germans were preparing to go the polls for weekend parliamentary elections.

Haiti's leader: Migration won't end unless inequality does

AP ■ UNITED NATIONS

Amid an outcry over the US treatment of Haitian asylum-seekers, the beleaguered island country's embattled Prime Minister pointedly said that inequalities and conflict drive migration, but he stopped short of directly criticising Washington over the issue.

"We do not wish to challenge the right of a sovereign state to control the entry borders into its territory, or to send back to the country of origin those who enter a country illegally," Prime Minister Ariel Henry said in a video speech to the UN General Assembly's annual meeting of world leaders.

But "human beings, fathers and mothers who have children, are always going to flee poverty and conflict," he added. "Migration will continue as long as the planet has both wealthy areas, whilst most of the world's population lives in poverty, even extreme poverty, without any prospects of a better life."

Under Taliban, thriving Afghan music scene heads to silence

AP ■ KABUL

A seized power in Afghanistan, the music is going quiet. The last time the militant group ruled the country, in the late 1990s, it outright banned music.

So far this time, the government set up by the Taliban hasn't taken that step officially. But already, musicians are afraid a ban will come, and some Taliban fighters on the ground have started enforcing rules on their own, harassing musicians and music venues.

Many wedding halls are limiting music at their gatherings. Musicians are afraid to perform. At least one reported that Taliban fighters at one of the many checkpoints around the capital smashed his instrument. Drivers silence their radios whenever they see a Taliban checkpoint.

In the alleys of Kharabat, a neighbourhood in Kabul's Old City, families where music is a profession passed through generations are looking for ways to leave the country.

The profession was already hit hard by Afghanistan's foundering economy, along with the coronavirus pandemic, and some families now too fearful to work are selling off furniture to get by.



"The current situation is oppressive," said Muzafar Bakhsh, a 21-year-old who played in a wedding band. His family had just sold off part of its belongings at Kabul's new flea market, Chaman-e-Hozari.

"We keep selling them ... so we don't die of starvation," said Bakhsh, whose late grandfather was Ustad Rahim Bakhsh, a famous ustad — or maestro — of Afghan classical music.

Afghanistan has a strong musical tradition, influenced by Iranian and Indian classical music. It also has a thriving pop

music scene, adding electronic instruments and dance beats to more traditional rhythms.

Both have flourished in the past 20 years.

Asked whether the Taliban government will ban music again, spokesman Bilal Karimi told *The Associated Press*, "Right now, it is under review and when a final decision is made, the Islamic Emirate will announce it."

But music venues are already feeling the pressure since the Taliban swept into Kabul on August 15.

Wedding halls are usually scene to large gatherings with

music and dancing, most often segregated between men's and women's sections.

At three halls visited by the AP, staff said the same thing. Taliban fighters often show up, and although so far they haven't objected to music, their presence is intimidating.

Musicians refuse to show up. In the male sections of weddings, the halls no longer have live music or DJs. In the women's section — where the Taliban fighters have less access — female DJs sometimes still play.

Some karaoke parlors have closed. Others still open face harassment. One parlour visited by the AP stopped karaoke but stayed open, serving water-pipes and playing recorded music.

Last week, Taliban fighters showed up, broke an accordion and tore down signs and stickers referring to music or karaoke. A few days later, they returned and told the customers to leave immediately.

Many musicians are applying for visas abroad.

In the family home of another ustad in Kharabat, everyone's go-bag is packed, ready to leave when they can. In one room, a group of musicians was gathered on a recent day, drinking tea and discussing the situation.

Roadside bomb hits Taliban car At least one person injured

AP ■ KABUL

A Taliban official says a roadside bomb has hit a Taliban car in the capital of eastern Nangarhar province wounding at least one person.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the bombing Saturday. The Islamic State group affiliate, which is headquartered in eastern Afghanistan, has said it was behind similar attacks in Jalalabad last week that killed 12 people.

Taliban spokesperson Mohammad Hanif said the person wounded in the attack is a municipal worker.

An official at Nangarhar provincial hospital said the bomb killed a Taliban militant and wounded seven others, including four civilians. He spoke on condition of anonymity as he was not allowed to speak to media.

The Taliban have battled with IS since its emergence in Afghanistan in 2014. The burgeoning IS affiliate has claimed responsibility for most recent attacks, including the horrific bombing outside the Kabul airport that killed 13 US service personnel and 169 Afghans during last month's chaotic evacuations.

Minister: Iran will return to nuclear talks 'very soon'



In this photo provided by the United Nations, United Nations General Assembly President Abdulla Shahid of Maldives, right, meets with Iran's Foreign Minister Hossein Amir Abdollahian, during 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly, Thursday at UN headquarters

AP ■ UNITED NATIONS

Iran's new Foreign Minister said on Friday the country will return to nuclear negotiations "very soon," but accused the Biden administration of sending contradictory messages — saying it wants to rejoin the 2015 nuclear deal while slapping new sanctions on Tehran and not taking "an iota of positive action."

Hossain Amir Abdollah said the Government, which took power last month, believes that President Joe Biden "keeps carrying close to his heart the thick file of the Trump sanctions against Iran, even while seemingly pursuing negotiations."

Former President Donald Trump routinely denounced the nuclear accord as the "worst deal ever negotiated" and withdrew from the agreement in 2018 after an ill-fated attempt to bring the other parties — Britain, France, Russia, China, Germany and Iran — on board with additional restrictions. After withdrawing, Trump embarked on what he called a "maximum pressure campaign" against Iran, re-imposing all the US sanctions that had been eased under the deal and adding penalties.

In a media briefing on Iran's new foreign policy, Amir Abdollah was very skeptical about the Biden administration's real intentions, stressing that actions are more important than "empty but beautiful words" and so is "the commitment" and "behavior" of the United States toward Iran.

Iran's top diplomat sharply criticised additional sanctions imposed by the Biden administration, as well as its refusal to give a green light for Iran to access millions of dollars of its money frozen in South Korea and Japanese banks to buy Covid-19 vaccines and medicine, and suddenly asking Britain to stop payment of 42-year-old debts.

While "standing up new sanctions against Iran," he said, the United States can't keep speaking of returning to the nuclear deal, even holding bilateral talks with Iran, and criticizing Trump policies. This includes telling Iran — through diplomatic channels — that Biden wouldn't have ordered the US airstrike that Trump did in January 2020 which killed Iran's top general, Qassem Soleimani.

Recalling that Iranians have a long, rich history and ancient civilization behind them, Amir Abdollah said "the United States of America must speak with a civilised tone and tongue with the people of Iran, not the language of threats, of pressure and sanctions." The past 42 years, since the Iranian revolution, have "made clear the language of threats will not work against the great people of Iran."

Biden and his team have made a US return to the deal one of their top foreign policy priorities. The deal was one of President Barack Obama's signature achievements, one that aides now serving in the Biden administration had helped negotiate and that Trump tried to dismantle.

Bodies of 9 suspected migrants found in Panama

AP ■ PANAMA CITY

Nine bodies of suspected migrants have been found near a remote community in the Panamanian jungle close to the border with Colombia, local prosecutors said on Friday.

The bodies, including one child, were found near the Tuqueza and Canaaná Membrillo rivers in the Emberá Wounaan indigenous region, according to the Darien province prosecutor's office.

Chief prosecutor Julio Vergara said he believes they may be immigrants because a Haitian woman told authorities that on the Tuqueza river heavy rains had produced high waters that had swept away about nine people, who had remained missing. The recovered bodies did not have identification documents, the office said in a statement. It added that so far this year, the bodies of 41 migrants had been found along rivers in the jungle spanning the dangerous Darien Gap that connects Colombia and Panama.

Huawei executive returns as China releases 2 Canadians

Shenzhen: An executive of Chinese global communications giant Huawei Technologies returned from Canada on Saturday night following a legal settlement that also saw the release of two Canadians held by China, potentially bringing closure to a nearly 3-year-long feud embroiling Ottawa, Beijing and Washington.

Meng Wanzhou, Huawei's chief financial officer and the daughter of the company's founder, arrived on Saturday evening aboard a chartered jet provided by flag carrier Air China in the southern technology hub of Shenzhen.

Her return, met with a flag-waving group of airline employees, was carried live on state TV, underscoring the degree to which Beijing has linked her case with Chinese nationalism and its rise as a global economic and political power. Wearing a red dress matching the color of China's flag, Meng thanked the ruling Communist Party and its leader Xi Jinping for supporting her through more than 1,000 days in house arrest in Vancouver, where she owns two multimillion dollar mansions. **AP**

Under China pressure, Taiwan Opposition choses new leader

AP ■ TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Taiwan's main Opposition Nationalist Party chose former leader Eric Chu as its new chairperson on Saturday in an election overshadowed by increasing pressure from neighbor China.

Four candidates, including incumbent chair Johnny Chiang, had competed for the leadership of the party that has advocated closer relations with Beijing. That means agreeing to Beijing's demand that it regard Taiwan as a part of China, something Taiwan's ruling Democratic Progressive Party has refused to do.

China has threatened to use force to bring Taiwan under its control and has increasingly mobilized military, diplomatic and economic pressure in an attempt to undermine the administration of President Tsai Ing-wen and sway opinion among the Taiwanese people, who strongly favor the status quo of de-facto independence. Mindful of public senti-

ments, the Nationalists have advocated a less acrimonious relationship with China, rather than direct moves toward unification between the sides, which are bound by close economic, linguistic and cultural ties.

Chu ran and lost in a landslide against Tsai in 2016, prior to which he had served as party chair and head of the region just outside the capital Taipei.

He may emerge as the party's candidate in the next presidential election in 2024, although that selection process has yet to begin. Tsai is constitutionally barred from running for a third term.

Under Chiang Kai-shek, the Nationalists rose to power in China during the 1920s and led the struggle against Japanese invaders until the end of World War II. Chiang relocated the government, still officially known as the Republic of China, to Taiwan in 1949 as Mao Zedong's Communists swept to power on mainland China.

Biden risks losing support from Democrats amid DC gridlock

AP ■ NEW YORK

President Joe Biden is losing support among critical groups in his political base as some of his core campaign promises falter, raising concerns among Democrats that the voters who put him in office may feel less enthusiastic about returning to the polls in next year's midterm elections.

In just the past week, the push to change the nation's immigration laws and create a path to citizenship for young

immigrants brought illegally to the country as children faced a serious setback on Capitol Hill. Bipartisan negotiations to overhaul policing collapsed and searing images of Haitian refugees being mistreated at the U.S.-Mexico border undermined Biden's pledge of humane treatment for those seeking to enter the United States.

Taken together, the developments threaten to disillusion African Americans, Latinos, young people and independents, all of whom played a

vital role in building a coalition that gave Democrats control of Congress and the White House last year. That's creating a sense of urgency to broker some type of agreement between the party's progressive and moderate wings to move forward with a \$3.5 trillion package that would fundamentally reshape the nation's social programs.

Failure to do so, party strategists warn, could devastate Democrats in the 2022 vote and raise questions about Biden's path to reelection if he decides to seek a second term.

Volcanic ash cloud closes La Palma airport

Madrid: The airport on the Spanish island of La Palma shut down on Saturday because of an ash cloud spewing out of a volcano that has been erupting for a week, and scientists said another volcanic vent opened up, exposing islanders to possible new dangers.

The intensity of the eruption that began Sept. 19 has increased in recent days, prompting the evacuation of three additional villages on the island, part of Spain's Canary Islands archipelago in the Atlantic Ocean off north-west Africa. Almost 7,000 people have been forced to aban-



don their homes. The recent volcanic eruption is the first since 1971 on La Palma, which has a population of 85,000. **AP**

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NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (E-Tendering)
Short Term E-TENDER NOTICE

The superintending Engineer, 1st Circle, Public Works Department, Almora invites tender through E-Tendering (Two Bid System) in anticipation of Sanction on behalf of Honourable Governor of Uttarakhand for following works. All other information will be available from dated 05/10/2021 & onwards on website <http://www.uktenders.gov.in>

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Cost of Tender Form	Earnest Money (Rupee in lakh)	Validity of Tender	Time of Completion	Contractor's Category of Registration for tendering
1	Development of Existing Helipad to Heliport at Falsima - Tattrick Near District Head Quarter Almora Under RCS (Udan-2) Scheme.	5000.00 + 18% GST	4.25 Lakh	120 Days	6 Months	Category "A" & above in Building works

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Letter No. : 4377/ 41M 2/2020-21 Dated : 25/09/2021

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (E-Tendering)

Superintending Engineer, 2nd Circle, Public Works Department Nainital on behalf of Governor of Uttarakhand invites item rate e-tender (two bid system). For the following work in the anticipation for sanction of work. For further details please log on to <https://www.uktenders.gov.in> from 07.10.2021

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Earnest Money (in Lakh Rs)	Cost of Tender	Validity of Tender	Time of Completion	Contractor's Category of Registration
1	Construction of Heliport work near Khurpatal in Vikaskhand Bhimtal, District Nainital under RCS (Udaan-2) Scheme. (Civil Work)	8.20	5000.00 + 18% GST	120 Days	8 Month	Category A/A+ for Building work in any state/ Govt. of India/ or Govt. undertaking.

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

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

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Mugis Uddin Ahmad/ Shamim Fatima/ LBAL100001535664	Plot Pertaining To Khasra No. 172/1/2, 172/1/3/1 & 174/2/1/1, Dodhpur Mafi, Pargana & Tehsil Koil, Aligarh Uttar Pradesh/ September 21, 2021	June 19, 2021 Rs. 9,45,730/-	Aligarh/ Gurgaon/ Delhi
2.	Mugis Uddin Ahmad/ Fija Khan/ LBAL100002422767	Plot Pertaining To Khasra No. 172/1/2, 172/1/3/1 & 174/2/1/1, Dodhpur Mafi, Pargana & Tehsil Koil, Aligarh Uttar Pradesh/ September 21, 2021	June 19, 2021 Rs. 31,44,476/-	Aligarh/ Gurgaon/ 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 : September 24, 2021
Place: Delhi/NCR

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GST REFUND

Aadhaar authentication mandatory for taxpayers



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government has made Aadhaar authentication of taxpayers mandatory for claiming GST refund. The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has amended GST rules bringing in various anti-evasion measures, including disbursement of GST refunds only in the bank account, which is linked with same PAN on which Goods and Services Tax (GST) registration has been

obtained.

The notification also states that from January 1, 2022, businesses who have defaulted in filing summary return and paying monthly GST will not be able to file GSTR-1 sales return of the succeeding month. The notification follows the decisions taken at the meeting of the GST Council in Lucknow on September 17. AMRG & Associates Senior Partner Rajat Mohan said, "To arrest tax evasion, the

government has made Aadhaar authentication for proprietor, partner, karta, Managing Director, whole time Director, and authorised signatory compulsory before filing an application for revocation of cancellation registration and refund application." EY Tax Partner Abhishek Jain said with the objective of preventing revenue leakage, the government has made Aadhaar authentication mandatory for a taxpayer to be able to claim refunds. "The move will help in reducing cases of fraudulent refunds as only the verified taxpayers will obtain the refunds now," Jain added. With regard to taxpayers not bringing able to file their GSTR-1 if they have not filed their GSTR-3B of the previous month, Jain said this is a well thought restriction and a necessary control check to eliminate the cases

where taxpayers although report their supply invoices in GSTR-1 (due to constant follow ups from recipients' side) but they do not submit their corresponding GSTR-3B return through which tax is actually paid to the government. "Compliant taxpayers would appreciate this move as till now their input tax credit was also at risk in case vendors do not file their GSTR-3B even though such invoice is appearing in GSTR-2A," Jain added. Currently, the law restricts filing of return for outward supplies or GSTR-1 in case a business fails to file GSTR-3B of preceding two months. While businesses file GSTR-1 of a particular month by the 11th day of the subsequent month, GSTR-3B, through which businesses pay taxes, is filed in a staggered manner between 20th-24th day of the succeeding month.

CBIC extends re-export timeline for imported containers by 3 months

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

To address the problem of shortage of containers for exports, the tax department has decided to give three more months for the re-export of imported vessels lying at domestic ports, according to an official circular. Currently, duty-free imports of containers are allowed with the condition of re-export in the next six months. However, keeping containers beyond six months is considered as deemed import and thus import duty is levied,

a policy aimed at ensuring faster turnaround of containers. To avoid such import duties, shipping lines export empty containers to evade duty payment on containers which are lying empty. However, such practices are aggravating the problem of shortage of containers for exports. The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) on Saturday asked its field officers to give three months more time for the re-export of imported containers lying at domestic ports.

Govt to focus on digitisation of 98,000 agri cooperatives for digital lending

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government will focus on digitisation and modernisation of about 98,000 primary agriculture cooperatives (PACs) to ensure digital lending, said Devendra Kumar Singh, Secretary, Ministry of Cooperation, on Saturday. He was speaking at the first 'Sehkarita Sammelan' or National Cooperative Conference here. In the Union Budget 2021, the government had announced setting up of Ministry of Cooperation. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has been given the additional charge of the ministry. Kumar said the government will also take steps to popularise the cooperative movement and quality products manufactured by cooperatives in the international market. The priority will be on "ease of doing business" in



cooperatives, the secretary said and added the cooperative manpower will be trained to bring professionalism. He applauded the contribution of cooperative bodies like IFFCO, KRIBHCO, Amul in strengthening the cooperative movement and achieving milestones. The conference at the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium is being organised by cooperative bodies like, IFFCO, National Cooperative Federation of India, Amul, Sahakar Bharti, NAFED, and KRIBHCO.

Tourism sector heading for a comeback riding on large-scale vaccinations, new norms: Industry body

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

With the help of large-scale vaccination programmes and new norms rolling out, the tourism sector is inching its way back to recovery, and restart of tourism will help kick-start recovery and growth, the Confederation of Hospitality, Technology and Tourism Industry said on Saturday. It is also essential that the benefits this will bring are enjoyed widely and fairly, the industry body said in a statement. "The travel sector, especially domestic travel, appears to be heading for a comeback. Indian travellers are looking for quick getaways through road trips, weekend breaks and staycations that offer local stay experiences," Airbnb India, Southeast Asia, Hong Kong and Taiwan General Manager, Amanpreet Bajaj said.

Travellers are also becoming increasingly aware of sustainable travel and are making environment-friendly choices when travelling, he added. "The pandemic has helped promote environmental awareness amongst travellers and today, it's encouraging to see people actively seeking sustainable travel choices," MakeMyTrip Co-Founder & Group CEO Rajesh Magow said. In a similar vein, EaseMyTrip CEO and Co-Founder Nishant Pitti said, "We have noticed that Indian travellers have started making more sustainable travel decisions as the pandemic has made everyone think about the kind of impact they are creating while travelling." They are now more aware of their choices as they reevaluate their plans keeping sustainability in mind, he added.



SEARCH FOR MISSING



General Public is hereby informed that a lady namely **Nazreen W/o Kadir R/o H.No. E-1/476, Nand Nagri, Delhi** has been missing from her house since 25.08.2021. In this regard a **DD No. 58-A**, dated **26.08.2021** has been lodged at PS, Nand Nagri, Delhi. The description of missing lady is as under:

Name : Nazreen, **Husband's Name :** Kadir, **Age :** 22 years, **Height :** 5', **Face :** Round, **Complexion :** Shallow, **Built :** Medium, **Wearing :** Grey Colour Sarara and Chappal in feet.

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Centre to soon announce new cooperative policy: Amit Shah

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Asserting that cooperatives will also play a crucial role in making India a USD 5 trillion economy, Union Cooperation Minister Amit Shah on Saturday said the Centre will soon come out with a new cooperative policy and work in tandem with states to strengthen the cooperative movement. Shah, who is also the Union Home Minister, also announced that the number of primary agriculture cooperative societies (PACs) will be increased to 3 lakh in the next five years. At present, there are about active 65,000 PACs. Further, the Government is working on setting up cooperative common service centres,



national database besides a national cooperative university, he added. Shah was speaking at the first Sehkarita Sammelan or National Cooperative Conference. The Ministry of Cooperation was formed in July this year. Addressing the gathering comprising over 2,100 representatives of different cooperatives and nearly 6 crore online participants, Shah said some people wonder why the Centre created this new ministry as the cooperative is a state subject. Shah said there could be a legal response to it, but he does not want to "get into this argument" to make it centre versus states.

Semiconductor shortage to further impact PV sales in Sep

FIANS ■ NEW DELHI

Semiconductor supply shortage is expected to further impact passenger vehicles (PVs) sale volumes in September. Lately, a global supply chain shortage of semiconductors have badly impacted automobile production. The electronic component is used in variety of functions which play a critical part in the production of internal combustion engines. Besides, they are an integral part of all kinds of sensors and controls in any vehicle. At present, these shortages have forced several OEMs to slow down production, thus, further extending the waiting periods of popular, feature-rich and high-end models. According to India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) report, the semiconductor shortage will further impact PV volumes in September. Furthermore, it said that '2W' volumes may remain tepid in September, although sequential recovery is expected to continue in 2HFY22, aided by demand coming from the reopening of educational institutes and offices.

INDIAN RAILWAYS

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)
E-TENDER NO. 2021RSI8741TC

Director, Railways Stores (W), Ministry of Railways, Railway Board, Government of India invites e-tender for procurement of 1,45,532 Nos. Low Torque Grease Seal to RDSO Specification No. WD-63-Misc-2020 of Oct 2020 or latest amendments, if any for AAR Standard Upgraded Class 'E' (6" x 11") Cartridge Tapered Roller bearings used in freight stock.

2.0 The interested tenderers are advised to visit the website <http://lreps.gov.in> for details of the tender and submission of their e-bids.

3.0 No manual offers will be accepted against e-tender.

4.0 Tender will be closed at 15:00 hours on 28.10.2021.

Director, Railway Stores (W), Ministry of Railways, Railway Board, New Delhi, for and on behalf of the President of India.

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Reliance Infra to raise ₹750 crore

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Reliance Infrastructure on Saturday said its board has approved raising up to ₹750 crore by issuing foreign currency convertible bonds (FCCBs) on a private placement basis. Reliance Infrastructure in a BSE filing also said that Sandeep Khosla has been appointed as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the company. "We hereby inform you that the Board of Directors of the Company has authorised the issue of up to USD 100,000,000 unsecured foreign currency convertible bonds maturing in 2031 (FCCBs) with a coupon rate of 4.5 per cent on private placement basis. "The FCCBs shall be convertible into equity shares of ₹10.00 each of the Company in accordance with the terms of the FCCBs, at a price of ₹111 (including a premium of ₹101) per equity share," it said. The company will issue bonds within 30 days from the Issue closing date and the decision was taken by the board in a meeting on Saturday.

₹300cr undisclosed income detected by I-T at financing syndicates

FIANS ■ CHENNAI

The Income Tax (IT) Department has detected ₹300 crore of undisclosed income and seized ₹9 crore unaccounted cash during its search and seizure operation on two private syndicate financing groups here. The IT officials carried out their search and seizure operation at 35 premises on 23.9.2021. According to IT Department, the searches, so far, have resulted in the detection of undisclosed income of more than ₹300 crore. Unaccounted cash of ₹9 crore has been seized so far. The evidence found in the premises of the financiers and their associates revealed that these groups have lent to various big corporate houses and businesses in Tamil Nadu, a substantial portion of which is in cash, the IT Department said on Saturday. During the search, it was detected that they are charging high rate of interest, a part of which is not offered to tax.

Seaweed farming will help boost economy, reduce climate impact

FIANS ■ KOCHI

The Central Government is looking forward to developing a sustainable economy through highly prospective seaweed cultivation, said a top Central Government official, on Saturday. Fisheries Union Secretary Jatindra Nath Swain said that at a time when climate change is increasingly posing a major threat to human life across the globe, cultivating seaweed, which is one of the natural methods to mitigate the global crisis, would help boost the economy and reduce the impact of climate crisis. He said this while speaking at an interactive meeting with scientists of the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI), here. "The CMFRI should set up a seed bank of seaweeds to popularise the practice among the coastal region as it would be an additional livelihood option as seaweed farming will play a major role in the socio-economic upliftment of traditional fishermen during this difficult time," said Swain. He further pointed out



that the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) has a special thrust for promotion of the seaweed farming. And on the ambitious plan in the marine fisheries sector, he said that India is eyeing doubling the seafood export in the next five years. "We are hopeful of achieving this target by exploring innovative ways to increase the production that will certainly upscale the country's per capita income. Technological development is crucial in this regard especially for areas such as seed production and other hatchery infrastructure for diversified mariculture activities," said Swain.

E-TENDERING PRESS NOTICE


The Executive Engineer, CD-I, Irrigation & Flood Control Department; GNCTD Opp. ESI Hospital, Basai Darapur Office Complex New Delhi- 110027 invites on behalf of the President of India, online percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractors for the following works:-

- NIT No. EE/CD-I/DB/NIT/2021-22/40 (ID No. 2021_IFC_208623_1) H.O.A:- 4217- Plan (MLALAD), **Name of Work:- Providing and fixing S.S. Dust bin and Blue & Green Plastic Dust bin at various locations in Bijwasan Constituency AC-36. E.C. Rs. 39,99,582/-** period of Completion 45 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 01.10.2021 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:05 P.M respectively.)
- NIT No. EE/CD-I/DB/NIT/2021-22/41 (ID No. 2021_IFC_208824_1)H.O.A:- 4217-Plan (MLALAD), **Name of Work:- Providing and installation of 40 Nos. Automatic Boom Barrier at various locations in Vikas Puri Assembly Constituency.(AC-31).** E.C. Rs. 57,27,200/- period of Completion 60 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 01.10.2021 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:05 P.M respectively.)
- NIT No. EE/CD-I/DB/NIT/2021-22/42 (ID No. 2021_IFC_208625_1) H.O.A:- 4217-Plan (MLALAD), **Name of Work:- Providing and installing of 50 Nos. electromechanical swing type barricade/Automatic boom barriers at various locations in Bijwasan Constituency AC-36. E.C. Rs. 71,59,000/-** period of Completion 45 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 01.10.2021 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:05 P.M respectively.)
- NIT No. EE/CD-I/DB/NIT/2021-22/43 (ID No. 2021_IFC_208628_1) H.O.A:- 2217-Plan (MLALAD), **Name of Work:- Installation of Swings with Play Staion in the C5A, C2, A2 , A-1 and C-4 Block Janak Puri Assembly Constituency AC-30. E.C. Rs. 69,27,130/-** period of Completion 90 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 01.10.2021 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:05 P.M respectively.)

Note :- 1) Details of above mentioned works & eligibility criteria can be seen and downloaded from the web site <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>
2. Amendment(s)/ alteration(s) / corrigendum if any, will be available at website only.

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National Competitive Bidding (E-tendering)

Short Term E-Tender Notice

The Superintending Engineer, 3rd Circle, Public Works Department Pithoragarh invites tender through E-Tendering (**Two Bid System**) on behalf of Hon'ble Governor of Uttarakhand for following works. All other information will be available from date 27/09/2021 & onwards on website <http://www.uktenders.gov.in>

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Earnest Money (in Lac)	Cost of Tender (in Rs.)	Validity of Tender	Period of Completion	Contractor's Category of Registration
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Renewal work with SBDC of pithoragarh Jhulaghat motor road in km 6,7,8,13 to 16 and 19 to 22 under Annual Maintenance (Length 11.00 km)	4.00	5000.00 + 18% GST	45 Days	6 Month	Category 'A' and above for Road works in any State Govt./ Govt. of India/Govt. Undertaking

Wildlife Board clears PMGSY road projects in border areas

FIANS ■ NEW DELHI

The National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) has given clearance for the completion of a road construction project under the Pradhan Mantri Grameen Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) from Kirchi to Seoj Dhar in Udhampur district of the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir. This development project will benefit 661 people living here. A small cluster amid the hills surrounded by forests, including a wildlife sanctuary, Seoj Dhar has had no all-weather road and was included in the latest phase of the PMGSY. The only problem was that some stretches of the 31.05-km road, taking off at Kirchi village, were to pass through forest/wildlife areas. "Forest/wildlife cannot be avoided as the alignment proposed is the only feasible vital connectivity to the villages," said the 'Justification letter for forest/wildlife and diversion' when the proposal was sent for clearance from the NBWL as nearly 7 hectare of Ramnagar Wildlife Sanctuary was needed for the road.

OSTRAVA OPEN: SANIA MIRZA IN DOUBLES FINAL

■ OSTRAVA

Sania Mirza and her Chinese partner Zhang Shuai stormed into the women's doubles final at the Ostrava Open WTA tennis championship, beating Japan's Eri Hozumi and Makoto Ninomiya in straight sets on Saturday.

Sania-Zhang, seeded second here, defeated the Japanese pair 6-2, 7-5 in an hour and 20 minutes and await the winner of the other semi-final between Polad's Magda Linette and Bernarda Pera of the USA, the top seeds, and the American-Kiwi team of Kaitlyn Christian and Rina Routliffe.

Sania and Zhang had reached the semi-finals by beating Anna Danilina of Kazakhstan and Lidziya Marozava of Belarus 6-3, 2-6 10-6.

In the semi-final clash, Sania and Zhang opened up a 4-0 lead and though they were broken in the fifth game, the Indo-Chinese pair maintained their serve after that as they won the set 6-2. The

Indo-Chinese pair converted all three break points while saving two of the three on their serve. They managed to put in 72.7 per cent of their serves while their rivals could only manage 58.3 per cent.

The Japanese pair put up a better fight in the second set as they surged ahead by breaking the service of the Indo-Chinese pair in the fifth game.

However, Eri Hozumi and Makoto Ninomiya surrendered their lead in the 10th game. Sania Mirza and Zhang Shuai took off from there to wrap up the match in straight sets.

Sania will be playing her second final of the season. Earlier, she had lost in the title match at Cleveland Championships last month with American Christina Mchale of the USA.

Sania and Zhang converted two of the six break points they earned while their rivals could convert only one of the two they had. They put in 73.5 percent first serve and had an ace while their rivals served two double faults,



India claim two silver medals in Archery World Championships

■ YANKTON

India suffered another setback as its Archers had to settle for silver medals in Women's Compound Team and Compound Mixed Team competitions at the World Archery Championships here in South Dakota.

The Indian Women's Compound Team and the Mixed Team had reached the gold medal match and were up against Colombia in both finals. But both fell short in difficult windy conditions against opponents that were too strong and mastered the conditions better.

India had reached the final six times at the World Championships earlier but had failed to win the gold every time. They were aiming to claim their first World Championship title on Friday but their hopes were dashed by a strong performance by Colombia, who captured the gold medal for the first time after 2017.

In the Women's Compound Team, India comprising Jyoti Surekha Vennam, Muskan Kirar and Priya Gurjar lost to the Colombia team of Sara Lopez Alejandra Usquiano and Nora Valdez 229-224 and had to settle for the silver medal.

In the Compound Mixed Team final, the Indian team of Jyothi and Abhishek Verma lost to Colombia's Sara Lopez and Daniel Munoz 150-154. The Compound Women's Team final started as a close affair with both India and Colombia shooting 58 out of a possible 60 in the first end (set), the Indians shooting three 10s, one X,

and two 9s in six arrows while the Colombians came up with three 10sm two Xs and an 8.

A couple of 8s with two 9s and two Xs meant India could manage only 54 in the second end (set) and Colombia shot 55 to lead 113-112.

The Indians continued to struggle with the conditions and lost the third end 56-58, the gap widening to three points now (171-168). Their hopes of recovering ground in the fourth and final end (set) were thwarted by an 8 on the first arrow in this series. They shot two Xs, a 10, and two 9s in the remaining five arrows for 56 but the Colombians did not falter and shot 58 with three 10s, one X, and one 9 to win the gold medal, 229-224.

In the Compound Mixed Team final, Jyoti Surekha Vennam and Abhishek Verma got off to a good start as they took a one-point lead (39-38) after the first end, shooting three 10s and a 9 as compared to three 9s and a 10 by the Colombian pair of Sara Lopez and Daniel Munoz.

The Indians fell behind in the second end as they could manage only 36 (10, 8, 9, 9) as compared by a near-perfect 39 (10, 10, 10, 9) by the Colombians and trailed 75-77.

The Colombians managed a perfect 40 in the third end while the Indians could score only 36 (10, 9, 8, 9), the gap widening to six (111-117).

Jyothi and Abhishek tried their best in the fourth and final end and won it 39-27 but the gap was too wide to be bridged in one end and they had to settle for silver behind Colombia.

New-look Indian team ready for Sudirman Cup challenge

■ VANTAA

An Indian team which is a nice little blend of youth and experience, will have to punch above its weight in what's going to be an arduous challenge in the Sudirman Cup mixed team championships here on Sunday.

India have been drawn in Group A alongside defending champions China, three-time semi-finalists Thailand and hosts Finland in the BWF tournament, which comprises two singles and three doubles matches in a tie.

With many of its star shuttlers missing, India team will have task cut out when it starts campaign against Thailand in the prestigious World Mixed Team Championship. With double

Olympic medallist and reigning world champion P V Sindhu excusing herself following a hectic Olympic campaign and former world no 1 Saina Nehwal also giving it a miss, the onus will be on the young shoulders of Malvika Bansod and Aditi Bhatt in women's singles.

In men's doubles, world no 10 Chirag Shetty and Satwiksairaj Rankireddy too withdrew at the last moment after the former suffered from muscle pull (Abs) and was advised a week's rest. In their absence, young Dhruv Kapila and MR Arjun will have to deliver the goods in men's doubles.

India, however, do have plenty of experience in men's singles and women's doubles with B Sai Praneeth, Kidambi Srikanth and



the pair of Ashwini Ponnappa and N Sikki Reddy in the team.

First up for India will be

Thailand, who have reached the semifinals thrice — 2013, 2017 and 2019.

With 2013 World Champion Ratchanok Intanon withdrawing, the 17-member Thailand squad will be led by Asian Games (women's team) bronze medallist and world no 10 Pornpawee Chochuwong and world no 13 Busanan Ongbamrunphan in women's singles, while world no 18 Kantaphon Wangcharoen will be the top player in men's singles.

India will also have to get the better of World no 8 women's pair of Jongkolphan Kittharakul and Rawinda Prajongjai, world no 3 Dechapol Puavaranukroh and Sapsiree Taerattana Chai in mixed doubles among others.

After Thailand, India will

face China on September 27 and Finland on September 29.

China have won the title 11 times in the past, and has named a formidable team, including Olympic champion Chen Yufei and former All England champion Shi Yu Qi, for the event.

World no 21 men's doubles pair of He Ji Ting and Tan Qiang has also been named in the squad, which also comprises Lu Guang Zu, Li Shi Feng, He Bing Jiao, Guang Zhi Yi, Liu Cheng and Feng Yan Zhe. The third and final team in the group stage will be hosts Finland who have never never qualified for the knockout stage at the mixed team championships. The top two teams from each group progress to the knockout round (quarterfinals).

Young US team puts Europe in its biggest hole at Ryder Cup



Team USA's Xander Schauffele and Dustin Johnson fist bump during the opening session of the Ryder Cup, at Whistling Straits, in Sheboygan

■ SHEBOGAYN

The Americans haven't opened with a lead this large in the Ryder Cup since Jack Nicklaus and Lee Trevino were playing, and before Tiger Woods was even born.

That didn't seem to be big enough to satisfy US captain Steve Stricker.

Dustin Johnson and Xander Schauffele each won two matches, Bryson DeChambeau smashed a drive that had everyone talking and the Americans were relentless Friday at Whistling Straits in losing only one match to build a 6-2 lead.

"It's a great start. We are happy with the start," Stricker said.

"But my message to the guys is tomorrow is a new day. Pretend today never happened, and let's keep our foot down and continue to play the golf that we know we can play."

Oh, how Europe would like to forget this day ever happened. Rory McIlroy never made it to the 16th hole in losing both his matches on the opening day for the first time. The lone bright spot was Jon Rahm, living up his No. 1 ranking by winning in foursomes with Sergio Garcia and keeping Europe in a tight fourballs match long enough for Tyrrell Hatton to birdie the last hole to at least salvage a half-point.

Europe has never trailed by four points after the first day since the Ryder Cup was expanded to include the continent in 1979, the modern era of these matches that Europe now dominates.

Go back to 1975 to find the last time the U.S. Had a four-point lead in the Ryder Cup. "No doubt, it was a tough day," European skipper Padraig Harrington said, attributing the difference to a putt here, there and pretty much everywhere.

"There's obviously still 20 points to

play for." Suddenly, though, there seems to be a sense of urgency. The Americans were delivering big moments and the big smiles, waving up hands to get the one-sided gallery to cheer even louder, cupping hands to their ears to urge them along.

They are looking for a fresh start after a quarter-century of losing, and its youngest team in history took a big step to creating their own memories.

"They fought hard every single shot out there, from what I saw," DeChambeau said after he and Scottie Scheffler earned a halve in fourballs.

"This is a great start, but the job's not over. We have two more days. A lot more golf. And we cannot lose our mindset to win."

The first point of the 43rd Ryder Cup, postponed one year by the pandemic, went to Europe and its new "Spanish Armada" of Rahm and Garcia.

The final match ended in a halve when Justin Thomas delivered a late eagle putt that allowed him and Patrick Cantlay to come all the way back from a 3-down deficit.

Through the morning chill, the mid-day warmth, a ferocious wind in the afternoon and even a little rain, the one constant was American red scores filling the boards across Whistling Straits.

"We can come back from 6-2," said McIlroy, trying to summon calm and confidence after losing both matches.

Europe will have to do it without him. McIlroy is not part of the foursomes lineup Saturday morning, the first time he has sat in a Ryder Cup.

Both captains stuck to their plans, and it only worked out for one of them.

Even with a 3-1 start in foursomes, Stricker broke up all his American teams as planned and still won the afternoon fourballs session with two wins and two draws.

Tiger Woods' text helps inspire US team

■ SHEBOGAYN

Tiger Woods isn't at Whistling Straits, but several US players say he helped inspire them to a big lead in the first day of the Ryder Cup.

Woods sent a group text through captain Steve Stricker to American players, saying he was behind them in their battle to regain the cup.

"The gist of basically what he said was I'm cheering you guys on, I'm right there with you and go fight and make us proud," Tony Finau said.

RYDER CUP



Weather could force Russian GP qualifying session to be moved today

■ SOCHI

Heavy rain at the Sochi Autodrom on Saturday has led to the cancellation of Free Practice 3 for the Russian Grand Prix — with doubts remaining over the possibility of holding qualifying on later on Saturday.

"Free Practice 3 had been due to start at 1200 local time. But with heavy rain, along with thunder and lightning, having hit Sochi on Saturday morning, the decision was made to cancel the third practice session," a statement on formula1.com said. "In the interest of safety [the decision has been taken] to modify the Official Programme by cancelling Free Practice Session 3 due to Force Majeure," ran the decision from the race stewards.

"For the purposes of the regulations and associated time limits, Free Practice Session 3 will be considered as having taken place, except where otherwise advised by the Race Director."

The Russian Grand Prix weekend has already been subject to alterations, with the first Formula 3 race moved to Friday evening -- where Norway's Dennis Hauger was crowned champion -- before bad weather led to an indefinite delay of Saturday morning's F2 race.

F1 qualifying is currently set to take place 1500 local time (5:30 IST) — but FIA Race Director Michael Masi touted the possibility of moving the session to Sunday morning if the weather persists, telling the media at the start of Saturday, "If qualifying isn't able to happen today, as we've seen a few times before in the past, then we will re-do a programme and hold qualifying on Sunday morning."

Lewandowski's scoring streak for Bayern ends after 19 games

■ BERLIN

For once, Robert Lewandowski didn't score. The Poland star's club-record scoring streak for Bayern Munich ended at 19 consecutive games on Friday when he failed to get a goal in his team's 3-1 win at last-placed Greuther Furth in the Bundesliga.

Lewandowski, who hit the crossbar in the 40th minute, also missed out on equaling Gerd Müller's record of scoring in 16 Bundesliga games in a row. Lewandowski's 19-game run includes matches in the league, cup and Champions League going back to a 3-3 draw with Arminia Bielefeld on Feb. 15.

Furth, which hadn't won any of its opening five Bundesliga games

since promotion, made a reasonable start but was caught cold when Thomas Müller opened the scoring in the 10th minute.

Canadian international Alphonso Davies set off on a counter-attack down the left wing and his cross took a kind deflection for Müller to dispatch the ball in off the right post from outside the penalty area.

Joshua Kimmich's second goal for Bayern in the 31st was similar, this time Leroy Sané providing the cross. Fürth's defenders allowed the Bayern players too much space — though not enough for Lewandowski.

The home team was given a lifeline in the 48th when Benjamin Pavard was sent off for a bad challenge on American midfielder

"We were able to do that and if TW's watching, thanks for that text, brother, I think it helps us a lot." Several players talked about the text from Woods, who is recovering from serious injuries in a February car accident. The US went 6-2 on the opening day for its biggest first day margin since 1975.

"Tiger's not with us in person but I know he's watching and talking to Stricker a lot," Harris English said.

"We know he's got our backs, so that's really cool and we kind of used that energy today."

Xander Schauffele said the players were excited to hear that Woods was cheering hard for them from his home in Florida.

"We knew he was fist pumping from the couch," Schauffele said. "Whether he was on crutches or not he's as fired up as any back at home. So it's nice to have his support." Stricker said he got the text on Thursday and sent it out to the team on Friday. He said Woods wished players good luck and shared a few personal observations.

"He's a friend of a lot of these guys and these guys look up to

him and I lean on him a lot throughout this whole process," Stricker said.

"So it was great to hear from him and provide some words of encouragement to these guys."

Woods was an assistant captain in 2016, when the US last won the cup. He returned as a player in 2018, but did not win a point in his matches. In eight Ryder Cups, Woods earned 14.5 points but had an overall losing record and only played on one winning team — the 1999 team that won in a huge final day comeback at Brookline.

'Tokyo show changed our mentality, instilled self-belief'

■ NEW DELHI

Indian women's hockey team mid-fielder Neha Goyal says their inspirational performance at the Tokyo Olympics has changed the mentality of the side and instilled self-belief in players.

The team missed out on its first-ever Olympic medal but produced its best-ever show in the history of the quadrennial with a fourth place finish. "Our performance at the Tokyo Olympics has changed our mentality and given us the self-belief to compete with any team in the world. Our win over Australia in the quarterfinal brought about a shift in our mentality," the 24-year-old player said.

"Coming into that match, Australia had topped their pool by winning all their matches. Defeating them gave us a lot of confidence, which we will carry



with us going forward as we prepare to play more important tournaments in the future."

For Goyal, who made her Olympics debut in Tokyo, competing at the Games was a landmark moment of her career. "I was nervous before the occasion, but very excited. It has always been my dream to play in the

Olympics since I started playing hockey. This was my first time, so I did not take too much pressure upon myself and tried to enjoy the moment. "I also gained some confidence in our tours of Argentina and Germany before the Olympics, where I felt that we were able to compete well with some really good teams," she said.

Durand Cup: Bengaluru FC overcome gritty Army Green to enter semis

■ KOLKATA

Bengaluru FC (BFC) came from behind to beat Army Green 3-2 in the final quarter-final encounter of the 130th Durand Cup at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan (VYBK) on Saturday and set up a last-four clash with FC Goa on Wednesday. Wungngayam Muirang, Leon Augustine, and Nangyal Bhutia struck for BFC while Lallawmkima and Vebin T. V. struck for the Greens, both incidentally via penalties.

Army Green created pressure early on and were rewarded for that as Lallawmkima scored from the spot in the 9th

minute to give them the lead.

However, the Naushad Moosa-coached BFC did not take long to bounce back as Muirang scored the equalizer in the 20th minute, courtesy of a magical free-kick that curled into the back of the net, giving Green's keeper Sarath no chance whatsoever. Bengaluru played an attacking game post that and created quite a few chances but failed to convert any of them in the first half.

However, they did not take long to go ahead in the second session as Leon Augustine scored the second goal for his team just minutes after the restart.

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I think everybody has the right to a private life
—Keira Knightley



Active Parenting can help parents significantly in reducing stress, both for their children and for themselves, writes RAMG VALLATH, as he suggests strategies & age-appropriate techniques to tackle the challenges being faced by most

PANDEMIC: A TRIPLE-WHAMMY FOR PARENTS



The pandemic has delivered a triple-whammy to parents. First and foremost, the pandemic itself is an unprecedented, once-in-a-lifetime event. Even the best of scientists cannot predict where it is headed; who are safe, who are vulnerable; or what precautions — including vaccines — afford what level of protection. Secondly, children have been uprooted from their routines, confined inside the house, kept away from socialising and have even been forced by circumstances to become screen addicts. Parenting, which is a discovery process, even in normal circumstances, has become far tougher due to these added stressors. Thirdly, parents themselves have been uprooted from their routines and forced to reduce social interactions. Many have lost their jobs and many have work hours that have eaten up into personal time in an unprecedented blending of work and personal life.

And now, their world is going to be shaken up yet again, with schools reopening. Routines being practiced over the last 18 months will need to be unlearned and new routines re-established, with the sword of Damocles of a possible new wave always hanging on their heads. This is when the principles of Active Parenting can come to the rescue of parents.

WHAT IS ACTIVE PARENTING?

While every child is unique and every family and circumstances unique, the underlying principles, framework and strategies of Active Parenting can substantially help in every situation, for every child and every parent. Active Parenting can help parents significantly in reducing stress — both for their children and for themselves. In fact, it can even help in converting these uncertainties into learning opportunities for children and bonding opportunities for the family. The three key principles of Active Parenting are as below.

- Inculcate the right attributes and qualities systematically and proactively instead of fire-fighting when issues pop up
- Be mindful that every opportunity can be utilised to build these attributes and qualities and proactively use every opportunity to do that
- Provide high support, while empowering children to take ownership and responsibility for their own lives

Based on the above principles, there are several strategies and age-appropriate techniques that a practitioner of Active Parenting can use to tackle each of the challenges that school reopening presents.

CHALLENGES POSED BY REOPENING OF SCHOOLS

- First let us list out the challenges to be tackled.
- Both parents and children may have fear of

Covid. Even though most schools are taking utmost care in putting in place strict guidelines for ensuring there is no Covid outbreak, in a school with many children, implementation is unlikely to be perfect. This could lead to anxiety and stress for both parents and children.

- For both children and parents, reopening means changing routines drastically. For children, it means having to get up earlier by sometimes as much as 60 to 90 minutes, getting ready, giving up on snacking any time they want, coming back from school feeling tired etc. For parents, it again means having to get up earlier to get children ready, ensuring breakfast/snack is ready on time, sometimes having to drop and pick up children from the school or bus stop etc. These can induce stress and also create conflict between parents and children.

- For children, school reopening will create academic stress. After perhaps 18 months, they are going back into a formal classroom. While most schools had organised for online classes, in is a less-than-perfect mode of learning and it is likely that the topics covered in the last eighteen months haven't been absorbed well enough. Even worse, surveys have shown that there is even some slippage of concepts learned before the pandemic. Many children will feel overwhelmed by the workload in the first few months as schools try to cover lost ground.
- Social stress is another problem that some children will need to deal with, especially the more introverted children. Children who have been subjected to bullying in the past and who have had a safe cocoon at home in these eighteen months will be suddenly confronted with the prospect of facing their tormentors again. There could also be children who are apprehensive of certain teachers who would dread the prospect of facing them face to face again.

In children, these signs of stress could manifest in many ways. Reluctance to go to school, tantrums, unusual levels of obstinacy, subdued look, emotional meltdowns, headache, upset stomach etc. are few of the signs that parents can watch out for. On the other hand, stress can cause irritation, short-temper, frustration, and even anger in parents.

APPLYING ACTIVE PARENTING PRINCIPLES

With so much stress on themselves and on the children on various counts, the principles of Active Parenting can come to the rescue. First and foremost, parents need to extend unconditional support to their children by demonstrating deep love, compassion and trust. While it is understandable that parents, who are themselves under stress, might feel irritated, impatient and short-tempered when children show reluctance to go to school or otherwise act difficult, parents need to be understanding and empathetic.

In fact, they need to be proactive in bring-



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ing up the possibility of the above stress points and assure the children that they understand that there may be stress on them and that the parents are there to help them. What the child needs in a parent in a situation like this is a friend who they can share their apprehensions or worries with and not a pushy and aggressive master. To quote the famous model of the clinical psychologist, Diana Baumrind, parents need to be high on warmth and responsiveness during this turmoil.

BEFRIENDING

But the question remains — how can parents ensure that children share their apprehensions openly? This would depend a lot on the nature of the child. But one of the key strategies of Active Parenting — befriending — can help in unlocking some of the reluctance of children to share deeply personal stuff. The underlying principle is that children, like adults, feel more comfortable in sharing inner feelings when there is empathy and trust instead of judgment. For this, parents need to spend quality time with children. It will help if parents can share instances from their own childhood, when they faced stressful situations. This may give the confidence for children to open up their own fears.

Another technique would be to have a family team discussion: with each member sharing their own challenges and fears relating to the current situation. Then each member can share an action plan on what they intend to do to overcome the challenges. Finally, each member can request specific support from other members of the team. It can start with each of the parents sharing how the new routines could affect them and asking specific support from each other to help them cope with this. Then they could also ask for specific support from the children, such as 'taking responsibility for managing their own routine' or 'being patient when they come back home hungry, if their favourite food isn't available'. This could prompt the children to also share their challenges and expected support.

One of the aspects that can get addressed through the above 'team approach' is Covid appropriate behaviour. As someone who has been deeply involved with the pandemic response of a large philanthropic organisation, I would like to reassure the parents that there is very little chance of children catching a severe attack of Covid.

However, it is important to take all precaution and ensuring both children and parents follow Covid appropriate behaviour is critical. Parents need to impress upon children the importance of following the protocols such as masking, regular handwashing, and physical distancing. They need to spell these out and ensure children understand the reason behind these guidelines.

The children should know that their deviation from the protocols could affect the parents and other elders at home — if any — far worse than it would affect themselves. This is a great way to build a sense of responsibility. Let the children know that you trust them to adhere to the guidelines. Parents also need to role model Covid-appropriate behaviour when they themselves venture out.

RESPECT, TRUST AND EMPATHY

During this challenging transition period, the two traits that parents need to role-model are patience and empathy. With each other, as well as with kids. If the parents are biting each other's heads off at the drop of a hat, it would be unreasonable and impractical for them to expect a patient behaviour from their children. When children observe their parents facing stressful situations in a candid and humorous fashion, they are also likely to adopt the same behaviour. This includes unabashed apology from parents to each other and to the children when they lose their cool and making fun of their own such 'ridiculous' behaviour.

STORY-TELLING

Another key Active Parenting strategy that can come in handy in such situations is story-telling. There is no better way to inculcate the desired qualities (values and traits) in children than by telling them stories — of real life heroes and fictitious heroes who manifested the same qualities and succeeded because of them. Similarly, parents telling the children of times when they themselves demonstrated these qualities to their own advantage will also help in driving home the benefit of these qualities. Of course, it is important that these story-telling sessions do not appear to be sessions for the sake of building these qualities.

The primary purpose of stories should be entertainment as far as the child is concerned. The secondary and invisible purpose is inculcating the traits and values. The child should subconsciously absorb these deeper messages. In a stressful situation like this, the most desirable qualities to instil are self-discipline, sense of responsibility, ownership, sense of humour, respect, gratitude etc. remember that stories plant seeds in the mind and at the appropriate time, these seeds sprout.

Every crisis is an opportunity. If the above suggestions are embraced by parents wholeheartedly, they might find that this stressful situation was the best learning period for themselves and their children and that it offered a truly life-altering situation with family bonds becoming stronger than ever.

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Another excuse is that we will do what God says in old age. Noble idea, but it does not work. By that time our habits become rigid and bodies weak. The reality is that any effort required to approach God and please Him becomes increasingly difficult with age. The third excuse is that mind does not agree. Of course it won't because we have embraced a child's mindset, who refuses to eat a fruit because he does not like it. Has he tasted the fruit? No, he

to admit that the present life is not that great and something should be done about it. God is very merciful. As the saying goes, you take one step. He takes 99 towards you. This one baby step will also please God and He will reward adequately much more than our expectations. It is no wonder that devotees of God write such praise for God, because they are overwhelmed by what God does for them.

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OUTLOOK

Politics of caste census: From historical lenses

The current debate on the caste census gives an opportunity to the Indian state to be reminded about the core value of social justice enshrined in the Indian Constitution and its framework in order to assess the demands of caste census and its policies



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The census is not merely a head count. This gives an identity to one and all in the modern nation state. Not only this, the census broadly gives an opportunity to all communities as well as castes to assess the extent to which they have received their participation and share in the constitutional government institutions at the Central and State levels and in the development schemes and programmes in the present and past. This group identity also creates a measure for assessing the participation and share of the community vis-a-vis other groups, communities and castes through their enumeration in the census. This description of the salient features of the census in the Government documents and textbooks is rather value neutral.

At a deeper level, if we evaluate the census critically in history, this had been one of the factors for the identity politics, especially the caste-based representational politics since the inception of the enumeration of population of India in which political parties, social groups and the government remained the key players. The first all-India decennial census in the year of 1871 was based on the *varna* consisting of *jati* as the major indicator for classification of the enumerated data by the colonial administrators like Risley, Nesfield, Baines, etc. Subsequently, *jati* instead of *varna* remained one of the key indicators in the census of the years of 1881, 1891, 1901 till 1931 even while the nature and form of the classification of the enumerated data underwent change in multiple ways.

On the basis of the data and the impact of the enumeration, the colonial administrators deeply realised that reference to *jati* in the Indian society is central, and it is the root of the identity among different social groups. It is notable that Nicholas B Dirks, a Dutch scholar and the author of “*Castes of Mind: Colonialism and the Making of Modern India*”, beautifully articulated the impact and implications of the caste census during late 19th century. He showed that the emphasis of caste in the decennial census had given rise to increasing agitation over caste denomination and the assignment of social status among the caste groups. The colonial census might have reinscribed a Brahminical idea of caste but, ironically, in doing so it gave rise to competitive politics that began to make caste the basis of political mobilisation on a new scale.

The caste census eventually turned out to be the foundation for the architecture of governance and administration of the colonial state during late 19th and the beginning of the 20th century as well. The colonial state presented itself in a neutral role among the people but it manipulated the competitive politics of castes cleverly for consolidating its hold on the administration and governance.

Against this background, Dr BR Ambedkar, a great icon of social reform in the 20th century, presented the caste census in a new perspective in colonial India. He made it a base for social mobilisation and politics. But soon, he identified the limitations of the representational politics and framed the issues and questions in the broader framework of social justice. Subsequently, the social justice became the core

value of the Indian Constitution which was manifested in the enactment of the provision of reservation for SCs and STs in proportion to their share in population as per the caste census.

Enactment of the provision of reservation for SCs and STs gave rise to the new kind of politics of social justice for the other backward castes led by Ram Manohar Lohia in post-independence India. In the 60s and 70s, the slogan of SANSOPA firmly exhorting that the Backwards must attain Sixty out of Hundred (*sansopa ne baandhi ganth pichda pawe sau mein saath*) became the major slogan of the mobilisation of OBC politics. Though this slogan emerged from the commonsensical statistics, its grounding was provided directly or indirectly by the census data. Not only this, this remained a central factor in the confrontation and negotiation between the governments and the political parties, especially the socialist parties. As a result, provision of reservation for the OBCs in the Central Government jobs became a milestone as an outcome of the politics of social justice.

The contradictory role and purpose of the caste census in colonial and post-colonial India that comes to fore gives an insight that the headcount of *jati* in itself does not have a special meaning. Indeed, on one hand, the underlying objectives and politics of the caste census had been crucial in shaping the caste-based identity politics in a narrow sense. In contrast, on the other hand, this shaped the idea of social justice and the constitutional provisions of modern India as well.

In this context, it is worth reiterating that caste is a hierarchical social institution which is based on heredity and its ideology and values get reproduced from generation to generation in the society. Not only this, mere invocation of caste identity has remained a barrier in development and governance of post-independence India. As a fallout of this, most who first and foremost became victims are those who are situated at the margins of the horizontal base of all caste groups.

The current debate on the caste census gives an opportunity to the Indian state to be reminded about the core value of social justice enshrined in the Indian constitution and its framework, in order to assess the demands of caste census and its policies.

Simultaneously, all political parties have an opportunity to take forward the legacy of social justice in their voices and opinions for the caste census if they are truly committed to the cause of empowering all situated at the margins. Otherwise, its implication would be for raising of voices and opinions which would generate confrontation and competition within and across the castes. In this sense, the future of the politics of the caste census is likely to be entrapped in the past legacy which was constructed by the colonial state in the late 19th century.

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Promising future of Central Bank Digital Currencies

The digital currency has so far managed to emerge as one of the strongest flavours within the current financial market. What makes digital currencies different from all their predecessors are the tremendous new functionalities they promise to offer. It's the financial equivalent of the leap from postal service to email.

Money basically performs three functions. As a medium of exchange, it enables transactions that otherwise would require difficult bartering (as in trading chickens for a car).

As a unit of account, it allows one to know whether one has saved or not over the past year. And as a store of value, money enables current income to finance future purchases.

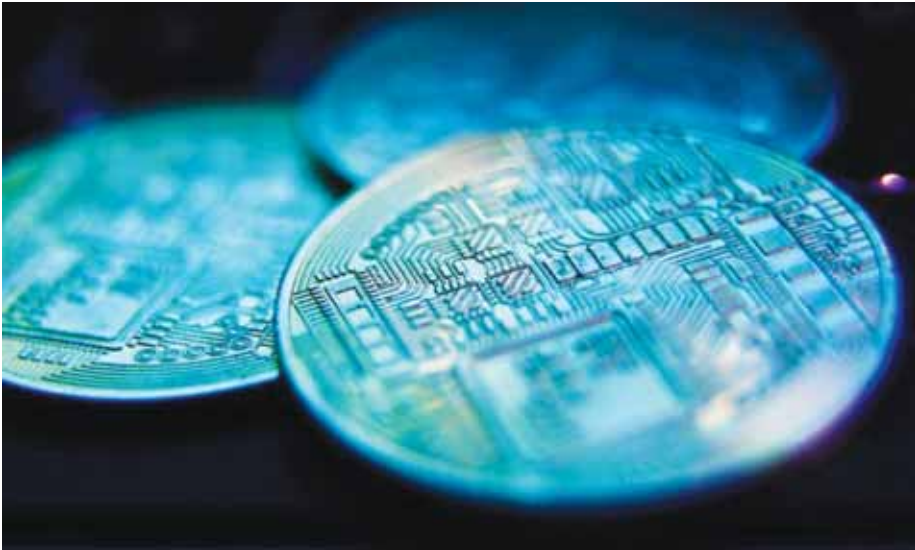
According to the IMF, the opportunity for Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDC) depends solely on its ability to improve upon these three core functions of money.

Interestingly, the idea of CBDC is gaining support from the financial establishments such as the Bank for International Settlements, known as the central bank of central banks. These financial gatekeepers are embracing CBDC because they can see that if they do not someone else will.

A recent survey by the Bank for International Settlements indicates that 86 per cent of the central banks are actively researching digital currencies. And almost 60 per cent of banks are in the testing phase.

According to some estimates, a fifth of the global population will be exposed to a central-bank digital currency within three years. By 2027, some \$24 trillion of assets around the world is expected to be in digital form.

Dollar & Changing Financial Landscape
Though the US dollar remains the world's dominant reserve currency, the downward trend in the global reserves of the US dollar to a 25-year record low of 59 per cent has managed to stump many. Some cite a combination of



nations shifting away from the USD and the rising status of competing currencies like the euro, the Japanese yen, and the Chinese yuan as factors in the USD's slump. But others are of the opinion that the hegemony of the US dollar doesn't seem to be under any threat in the near future.

Russia and China have both stepped away from an uncertain and politically entangled US dollar in recent years, with the Central Bank of Russia (CBR) ditching over US\$101 billion in dollar-denominated reserves in early 2019. China on its part has loosened its grip on US government securities, with a reported 20 per cent decrease in these holdings over roughly seven years, according to US Treasury Department data.

Digital currency based on blockchain looks promising
Controversy about the benefits and drawbacks of CBDCs notwithstanding, governments around the world are increasingly exploring, researching, or testing the implementation of digital, programmable fiat. All eight central banks of the top currencies from the IMF report are either considering, researching, or actively developing a CBDC. CBDCs based on transparency-enhancing blockchain are a promising way to achieve three objectives: liberating the payments' system from rentiers, guaranteeing unprece-

ded transparency regarding how much money is plucked from the money tree, and democratising access to the tree's fruit.

At the retail level, a CBDC would offer some obvious advantages. It would help the poor and others who are currently underserved by the banking system. It would also make it much easier for governments to administer social transfers like the household cash disbursements made during the pandemic. And a well-functioning international system of digital currencies would sharply reduce cross-border transaction costs.

However, in addition to various privacy concerns, CBDCs have complications of their own. One crucial question is where CBDC accounts would be held. If it is in the central bank, how will privacy for transactions be preserved? Equally unclear is what role would be left for private banks, which are currently the pre-dominant source of credit in most market economies. If banks no longer receive deposits, how will they issue loans?

For such an arrangement to function well, the CBDC would need to strike a difficult balance between anonymity (privacy) and control of the system. Otherwise, all the concerns regarding the government's unrestricted access to account holders' information

will start looking legitimate. The viable alternative for the central bank is to allocate deposits to member banks, which would then continue to function as sources of credit. In this case, there would need to be strong fractional reserve requirements.

Regarding concerns about privacy, it is possible to anonymize central-bank accounts with digital tags that only an independent regulatory institution can trace to physical persons. After all, lest we forget, our current payments system (with the strict “KYC” rules) is managing well with illusory privacy.

There are also complications at the international level. Would central banks be willing to accept payments in other central banks' CBDCs? Could countries retain control of their money supply once it has taken a digital form?

At present, it is very difficult to imagine a future scenario where the major central banks would be willing to underwrite the international financial system without a high degree of cooperation, coordination, and control.

The Road Ahead
These international questions are of particular importance for the United States because the dollar has served as an international reserve currency, a unit of account, and a means of payment for the past

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75 years. For better or worse, the dollar's key role in the system has enabled the US to impose reasonably effective financial sanctions on countries such as Russia and Iran, and the US is in no mood to surrender this tool willingly.

No monetary system has ever functioned perfectly. But it is generally agreed that the current one has performed well over the past so many years, especially when compared to earlier systems such as the gold standard.

Although a CBDC could improve financial inclusion, most experts caution that it should not be inaugurated until there are assurances that credit allocation, payments systems, financial-stability safeguards, and other aspects of the new system would function at least as smoothly as they do under the current one. There is no doubt that the central bank digital currency will happen sooner rather than later. The question, then, is whether all the issues (both the identified and emerging ones) will be resolved before the transition is made.

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PERSPECTIVE

Abolishing retrospective tax law to boost economy

The Government had on August 5 scrapped the retrospective tax law by amending Finance Act 2012 and the IT Act 1961 which got presidential assent on August 13, 2021. It was amendment in Finance Act 2012 brought by the then Finance Minister which allowed the taxman to levy taxes claimed retrospectively on deals that were executed after 1962 that involved the transfer of shares in a foreign entity that has its assets in India. This archaic practice had pushed back India's taxation regime for corporates by 50 years and allowed authorities to slap capital gains levies wherever a company, with business assets in India, changed hands overseas.

Certainly, the new amendment by the Government of India will bridge the gap in international trade by providing a framework for resolving international arbitration cases that the Government has lost, namely Vodafone group plc and Cairn energy and 15 others. Needless to say that this amendment was a need of hour as focus point of India at the present time is to portray itself as an investment destination to investors across the world, which will eventually help India being depicted as country committed to abide by international treaties and laws.

The two big advantages of abolishing the retrospective tax are: boosting India's image among global investors (translating into increased FDI) and giving foreign firms a level-playing field vis-à-vis Indian corporate giants. In recent times, India's image took a big hit when energy explorer giant Cairn went ahead with seizing the Government of India's assets abroad and telecom giant Vodafone-Idea giving strong signals of winding up its India operation.

The Indian Government had slapped a tax demand of crores of rupees on Cairn and Vodafone. But both refused to pay taxes and chal-



lenged the decision of tax department and ultimately won the battle in the Permanent Court of Arbitration in Hague, Netherlands. The claim of Cairns was that the Government is violating the India-UK bilateral investment treaty. Considering all the facts, the international court ruled in favour of Cairns and awarded \$1.4 billion as damages, the Cairn then moved a French court which gave the order to freeze Indian assets in Paris to recover ₹8,897 crores. Definitely this stain on Indian taxing could be hazardous for development of long-term Indian economy. This sour episode tainted India's image like never before as it placed the country in the league of some disturbed economies whose assets are taken away for non-payment of arbitration award.

The Government's decision to discard the retrospective taxation law not only gave breather for Vodafone and Cairns, but also transformed India's image in global world. Along with repealing this tax and Supreme Court's recent verdict on honouring Singapore arbitrator decision that upheld US-based e-commerce company Amazon's plea against the ₹24,731-crore merger of Future Retail Ltd (FRL) with Reliance Retail might change things favourably for global companies.

Many in the corporate world have been silently claiming the Government is favouring handful homegrown com-

glomerates by tweaking laws that gave them undue benefits. India would very much want to shed this image, especially at a time when big businesses are looking beyond China to have a permanent base.

Overall, phasing out retrospective tax means restoring India's reputation as a fair and easy to predict regime which believe in putting an end to unnecessary and expensive litigation without spending crores in these never-ending legal tussles. The step will also promote cross-border merger and acquisition. Last but not least, the scrapping of such draconian law will be helpful in enhancing India's national ranking in World Bank Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) index under 50 (it is presently 63).

In total, 17 entities would be benefited from this change to whom tax demand of ₹1.10 lakh crores was made. The Government has proposed to refund the amount paid in litigation by companies without any interest thereon. The total amount involved for all cases is about ₹8,100 crore, of which about ₹7,900 crore is related to the Cairn dispute. The effectiveness of axing this tax law now depends on whether the entities who have obtained an award that comprises interest component will take up the offer.

The Government stand, prima facie, appears to cost huge loss to the State exchequer, but in the long run it will benefit in terms of attracting foreign investment and achieving the target of USD 5 trillion economy by 2025. Definitely it has enhanced credibility of India in international domain and depicted India's commitment to follow international law and conventions governing international behaviour. The Government move also conforms to and promotes international harmony provided in Directive Principle of State Policy of the Constitution of India.

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