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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

PNS NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday targetted 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 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

"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 interspeech delivered in Findi inter-spersed 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 ideolo-

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

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 lifetime 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.

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

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

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



Pakistan has misused plat-forms provided by the UN to propagate false and malicious propaganda against my coun-try, and seeking in vain to divert the world's attention

from the sad state of his coun-

try where terrorists enjoy free

pass while the lives of ordinary

people, especially those belong-

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

The entire world has suffered because Pakistan nurtures terrorists in its backyard, she ing to the minority communities, are turned upside down," she added.

This strong retort came fol-lowing 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 evenhandedness, and even is selective. Geopolitical considerations, or corporate interests, commercial interests often compel major powers to overlook the transgressions of their affiliated countries."

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CAPSULE

VAX: UP BREACHES 10 CRORE-MARK

Lucknow: Breaching the landmark of administering 10 crore Covid vaccine doses on Saturday, Uttar Pradesh is well on its way to vaccinate the entire adult population soon. Revealing the latest feat, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath attributed its success to the health workers and citizens o the state. Taking to Twitter, Yogi posted, "It is the result of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's guidance and the tireless efforts of UP government."

CM YOGI LAUNCHES GARIB KALYAN MELA

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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.

PM to bring home 157 antiquities from US

Includes 12th CE Natraja 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).

divine figures. 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

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Quad vows to save Indo-Pacific region from China's coercion

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

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m aced}$ with growing assertiveness by China in the Indoc 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 fur-ther 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

ing any logistical, financial or military support to terrorist groups which could be used to launch or plan terror attacks, including cross-border 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 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.

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Biden reiterates support for India's permanent UNSC berth, NSG entry

PTI ■ WASHINGTON

Us President Joe Biden has reiterated America's support for India's permanent membership on a reformed United Nations Security Council and its entry into the Nuclear Suppliers Group during his first in-person bilater-al meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

President Biden, in his talks with Prime Minister Modi, applauded India's "strong leadership" during its UN Security Council Presidency in August 2021.

"In this context, President Biden also reiterated US support for India's permanent membership on a reformed UN Security Council and for other countries who are important champions of multilateral cooperation and aspire to permanent seats on the UN Security Council," it said.

President Biden's support provides a big boost to India's push for the reform of the powerful UN organ as India has been at the forefront of efforts at the United Nations to push for an urgent long-pending reform of the Security Council, emphasising that it rightly deserves a place at the UN high

table as a permanent member.

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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



invited to attend a world peace conference being held in Rome the Italian Government had given special permission to me for attending the pro-gramme ... 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 pro-gramme for a Chief Minister to

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

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 meth-

ods 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 firefight with police or after their arrest.

There was no immediate Continued on Page 11 | comment from the Taliban.



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

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

law when they last ruled executions and amputations Afghanistan, told *The AP* this of hands, though perhaps not week that the hard-line moveharsh interpretation of Islamic ment will once again carry out

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Channi to retain some, drop some of Capt loyalists

Punjab Cabinet induction today PNS CHANDIGARH

A fter 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.

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CM launches Garib Kalyan Mela

Reiterating his government's commitment to the welfare of the poor and underprivileged, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath launched Garib Kalyan Mela in all 826 development blocks of the state on the occasion of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya's birth anniversary.

While the chief minister inaugurated the Garib Kalyan Mela from Bharohia block of Gorakhpur, his cabinet colleagues and other people's representatives launched it in other districts and blocks on Saturday.

Pledging to work for the welfare of the poor and marginalised sections, Yogi said, "Every poor and needy should get enrolled under Ayushman Bharat so that they can avail the benefits of the scheme during time of illness. There should be no lack of treatment to any needy in the state. Our government is standing by each victim's family and every poor through its welfare schemes in the state. The Central and state governments are working with full commitment for the uplift

Garib Kalyan Melas are being organised simultaneously in all 826 development blocks of the state which is an indicator of this commitment."

Highlighting the government schemes, the chief minister said under Jan Arogya scheme brought by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2019, over six crore eligible people in Uttar Pradesh were covered with free medical service up to Rs 5 lakh through Ayushman Golden Card.

"These cardholders can get free treatment in government or empanelled hospitals. Those who could not get the benefit of this scheme are being covered under Chief Minister Jan Arogya Yojana," he said.

The chief minister further said that more than 29,460 girls had been linked to Kanya Sumangala Yojana in Gorakhpur, adding that in Bharohia block itself, 1,061 girls had got the benefit of the scheme. He said 68,341 destitute women had been linked to destitute women's pension scheme

of the last rung of society. The in Gorakhpur and in Bharohia block, 1,661 women were availing the benefit of this scheme.

He said that no destitute woman should feel helpless in the state and instructions had been given to link them to the scheme by setting up camps. Similarly, 26,525 divyang-

jans (physically-challenged) were being benefited by the pension scheme in Gorakhpur, including 606 of Bharohia and along with pension, artificial limbs and assistive devices were also provided to the specially-abled, he said. Mentioning Ujjwala Yojana,

the chief minister said that the first phase of the scheme was launched by the prime minister from Ballia and 2,44,519 women were given free LPG connections in Gorakhpur. Under Ujjwala 2.0, 19,000 new beneficiaries had been linked, he added. Highlighting the Poshahar scheme for women and children, Yogi said that around 1,33,926 children between six months to three years and about 74,626 children between three years and six

years had been given nutritious food through Anganwadi centres in Gorakhpur.

"As many as 54,417 pregnant and lactating women have also benefited from the Pushtahaar scheme. In Bharohia block, 4,278 children of six months to three years, 2,208 children of 3-6 years, and 1,656 lactating-pregnant women have benefited from this scheme," he said. The chief minister also mentioned the achievements of many other welfare schemes and said that 5.19 lakh farmers in Gorakhpur were given the benefit of PM Kisan Samman Nidhi. Besides, he said, 1.49 lakh people received the benefit of Old Age Pension scheme, including 4,201 of Bharohia

"Also construction of 37,451 houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana has been completed in the district including 751 of Bharohia. Also, 9,228 new beneficiaries have been selected under the PM Awas Yojana in the district. People are also being given houses under CM Awas Yojana," he said.

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Yogi thanks PM

Lucknow (PNS): Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath expressed gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for sanctioning a Medical Device Park for Uttar Pradesh and said that the park would rapidly expand investment opportunities besides making significant contribution in realising the prime minister's resolve of 'Self-reliant India. A top government official said that the Medical Device Park would be set up across 350 acres of land in Yamuna Expressway İndustrial Development Authority of Gautam Buddha Nagar (Noida).



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Vanshraj Sachan

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Milind Yaday

95.8%

AISSCE (CLASS XII) RESULTS 2020-21 ★

TOPPERS

by Education World India School Rankings 2020-21.



Subhangi Kesarwani Humanities 99.2%



Ipshita Dixit Commerce





Shruti Gupta Commerce 98.2%



Harsukh Singh Sagri Science

STUDENTS SECURING 95% AND ABOVE

COMMERCE STREAM









HUMANITIES STREAM



Kanha Agarwal

Ishika Gupta







Vishwarup De 97.6%

Varchasva Singh



Yashika Pathak





Divyansh Singh

★ 184 students secured distinction 130 students secured 90% and above

STUDENTS SECURING 95% AND ABOVE

Rishpreet S Manchanda Chirag Chandak

99%

97.6%

Ditya Lamba



Saurabh Katiyar

269 Students Appeared in Class XII School Average Marks: 88.8%

Harshita Agarwal



Mohammad Maroof

98.5%

97.2%

Naitik Gupta

Akshita Jain

98.4%

97.2%

Vidhi Baraik

Himangi Sharma



Paritosh Mishra

98.2%

Anshika Nigam

Devansh Thapar

Parth Nigam

Ayush Sachan

★ 13 students scored perfect 100 in one or more subjects Amrapali Gautam Apoorv Ranjan Baraik Devansh Singh

Hariom Srivastava

★ 51 Students secured 95% and above

95.8%

TOPPERS

NATIONAL TOPPERS



99.8%



Navya Agarwal 99.8%



99.8%



Sanchi Arora 99.6%





Siddharth Singh Yashovardhan Mukerji 99.6% 99.6%

228 Students Appeared in Class X School Average Marks: 86%

- 228 students secured distinction
- 128 students secured 90% and above
- 45 students scored perfect 100 in one or more subjects
- ★ 54 Students secured 95% and above

★ AISSE (CLASS X) RESULTS 2020-21 ★



Anandita Vishnoi 99.2%

97.8%

Anshumaan Mishra

Megha Chandra

95.8%

97.8%

Tanishka Dixit

Arnay Kumar

95.8%









99.2%







Umar Shahid



Harshit Awasthi

95.2%



Sahil Bagga

95%





Shriyansh Mishra

97.6%

97.4%

Ramya Rohra

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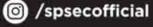
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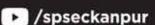
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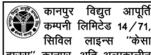
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कार्यालय अधिशासी अभियन्ता,उ०प्र० **पि** पावर ट्रान्समिशन कारपोरेशन लि0 पारेषण भवन, कक्ष संख्या 212 रस0एल0डी0सी0 परिसर, निकट मंत्री आवास, विभूति खण्ड—2, गोमती नगर, लखनऊ **ई-टेन्डरिंग निविदा सूचना** अनुभवी फर्मो / ठेकेदारों / अधिकृत[ै] विक्रेताओं , निर्माताओं से निम्नलिखित कार्य के सम्पादन हेतू सीलबन्द ई–निविदायें दो भागों िटेण्डरिंग वेबसाइट www.etende up.nic.in पर आमन्त्रित की जाती है। **अरि** . अल्पकालीन ई—निविदा संख्या—05—विपाखद्वि (ल)/2021-22 वि0 पारे0 खण्ड-। . नखनऊ के अधीन 220 केवी उपकेन्द्र गोमत नगर पर स्थापित मल्सीफायर सिस्टम नरं प्रेशर स्विच आदि लाने, लगाने, कमिशनिंग एवं टेस्टिंग आदि व संपूर्ण कार्य का विभिन्न ग्राल्व की सर्विसिंग एवं ओवरहालिंग क कार्य–धरोहर राशि रू० 2000.00 ई–निविद भाग—1 खुलने की तिथि 30.09.2021, समर 13:00 बजे, ई-निविदा भाग-2 (प्राइज पार्ट खुलने की तिथि हेतु तदोनुसार बेवसाइट प सूचित किया जायेगा। ई–निविदा प्रपत्र मूल रू० २३६.०० (१८ प्रतिशत जी०एस०टी० सहित)। ई–निविदा का भाग प्रथम द्वितीय-प्राइज बिड (दरें एंव शर्तें www.etender.up.nic.in पर भरी जायेगी भाग–1 में धरोहर धनराशि व निविदा प्रपत्र मल्य जोकि अधिशासी अभियन्ता, विद्यत पारेषण खण्ड–द्वितीय. लखनऊ के खाता सँख्या-0758002100009361. IFSC code PUNB0691100 पंजाब नेशनल बैंक. शाख वेजयन्त खण्ड, लखनऊ में RTGS/NEF1 के माध्यम से स्थानान्तरण कर य0टी0आर(सँख्या तथा पे—स्लिप की प्रति www.etender.up.nic.in web site पर नेविदा प्रपत्रों के साथ स्व प्रमाणित पैन एवर जी०एस०टी० में पंजीकरण प्रमाण–पत्र कार अनुभव प्रमाण—पत्र व अर्हकारी शर्ते एवम अन्य सम्बन्धी प्रपत्र तथा निविदा के द्वितीय भा ं मूल्य / दरें www.etender.up.nic.in पर दिनॉक 30.09.2021 सायं 11.00 बजे तक र्ह Up-Load की जानी है। ई-निविदा के प्रथम मांग के प्रपत्र निर्धारित तिथि पर 12.00 बजे अथवा उसके उपरान्त ही Down-Load किरं जायेगें। निविदाओं के प्रथम भाग के मूल्यॉकन के उपरान्त उपयुक्त पायी गयी निविदाओं के ही द्वितीय भाग Down-Load / खोल जायेगा। निविदा सम्बन्धी समस्त जानकारी नियम व अर्हकारी शर्तें निविदा प्रपत्र में अंकित है जो www.etender.up.nic.in द्वार Down-Load या अवलोकित की जा सकर्त है। ई-निविदा खुलने की तिथि पर अवकाश होने की रिथति में ई–निविदा अगले कार्य दिवस पर निर्धारित समय तक स्वीकार की जायेगी एवं निर्धारित समय पर खोली जायेगी। ई—निविदाओं को बिना कोई कारण बताये ई—निविदा / ई—निविदाओं को अस्वीकार / विभाजित करने का अधिकार अधोहस्ताक्षरकत के पास सरक्षित रहेगा। **अधिशासी अभियन्त** विद्यत पारेषण खण्ड-द्वितीय पत्रांक-1773 देनांक—25—9—2021 "राष्ट हित में बिजली



हाउस" कानपुर, <u>अति अल्पकालीन</u> **ई—निविदा सूचना** अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता ई-निविदा वेबसाईट www.kesco.co.in/https:// <u>etender.up.nic.in</u>पर आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। ई-निविदायें प्रपत्र पूर्ण कर निविदादाताओं द्वारा वेबसाईट पर (खुलने की तिथि के अपरान्ह 12:00 बजे तक अपलोड की जा सकती हैं। उक्त ई-निविदा उसी दिन 15:00 बजे से 17:00 बजे तक वेबसाईट पर सार्वजनिक रूप से खोली जायेंगी। उक्त तिथि को अवकाश घोषित हो पर निविदायें अगले कार्यदिवस में नियत समय पर खोली जायेंगी ई–निविदा धनराशि का भुगतान ऑन एन०ई०एफ०टी० / आर0टी0जी0एस0 (खाता सं0 628805018266 आई0एफ0एस0 सी0कोड- ICIC0006288) के रूप में, केस्को कानपुर के पक्ष में देय होगी। ई-निविदा प्रपत्र निविदा खुलने की तिथि पर दिये गये समय से दो घण्टे पूर्व तक वेबसाईट से डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है। वेबसाईट पर निविदा प्रपत्रों के साथ यू०टी०आर० की स्कैण्ड प्रति अपलोड करना अनिवार्य है। ई–निविदा के प्रथम भाग में धरोहर धनराशि क भुगतान ऑन लाईन एन०ई०एफ०टी० / आर0टी0जी0एस0 / बी0जी0 / एफ0डी0आर0 (खाता संव 628805018266 आई.एफ.एस.सी. कोड–ICIC0006288) के द्वार स्वीकार किया जायेगा एवं निविदा प्रपत्र के प्रथम भाग में निर्धारित पी0 क्यू0 आर0 एवं तकनीकी अभिलेख होंगे तथा निविदा के द्वितीय भाग में दरें एवं व्यवसायिक शर्ते होगी. बिना धरोहर धनराशि के तथा सशर्त निविदायें खोली / स्वीकार नहीं की जायेंगी। **ई-निविदा सं0** 12/21-22 **पात्र फर्में** मूल निर्माता / अनुभवी छपायी कार्य में दक्ष एवं अधिकृत विक्रेता / आपूर्तिकर्ता विवरण विभिन्न प्रकार की स्टेशनरी की आपूर्ति हेतु धरोहर धनराशि (रू0) 18000 / -निविदा धनराशि रू० में (जी०एस०टी० के साथ) 3540/- ई-निविदा अपलोड करने एवं खोलने की तिथि 11.10.2021 उपरोक्त ई-निविदा की पूर्ण प्रक्रिया केस्को की ई-टेन्डरिंग वेबसाइट <u>www.kesco.co.in/https://</u> etender.up.nic.in के माध्यम से की जायेगी। तकनीकी योग्यता पूरा न करने वाले निविदादाता की निविदा पर विचार नहीं किया जायेगा। सामग्री क्रय की मात्रा घट बढ़ सकती है। अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता के पास बिन कोई कारण बताये किसी एक अथवा समस्त निविदाओं को स्वीकृत / अस्वीकृत करने का पूर्ण अधिकार सुरक्षित होगा। **(ललित कृष्ण)**

अधिशासी अभियन्ता (भण्डार क्रय)

पत्रांक— 392 दिनांक— 25.9.202

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CM to interact with farmers at Kisan Sammelan today

Lucknow (PNS): Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath will address farmers and distribute agricultural equipment and Kisan credit cards at a programme that aims at reach out to farmers, and address

around 25,000 farmers of the state at a Kisan Sammelan in Lucknow on Sunday.

The Kisan Sammelan is a part of the ambitious Mission Kisan Kalyan of Uttar Pradesh

OFFICE OF THE PROJECT MANAGER, CONSTRUCTION UNIT, UTTARAKHAND PEYJAL NIGAM COLLECTORATE COMPOUND, RUDRAPUR, DISTT. UDHAM SINGH NAGAR

Ref no. 1296/Nivida/184 E-Tender Notice Name of the work:- CONSTRUCTION OF REMAINING WORKS OF GOVT BAL SAMPREKSHAN GRIHAT RUDRAPUR (UDHAM SINGH NAGAR). Estimated Cost: - Rs. 74.68 Lakh

- Period of Completion: 04 Month
- Date and Time of availability of Bid documents in the portal:- 25.09.202 (17.00 hrs) Last date/Time of receipt of bids in the portal:- 16.10.2021 (17.00 hrs)
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 Date & Time of Technical bid Opening: 19.10.2021 (11.00 hrs)
 Name and Address of the Officer inviting bid: Er. A.K. Tyagi, Project Manager, Collectorate Compound, Rudrapur (Udham Singh Nagar).
 Pre-bid meeting details (if required) Date & Place: 04.10.2021 (11.00 hrs)
- documentation etc. may be obtained from the e-Procurement porta www.uktenders.gov.in Project Manager

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Director JBSL & Commissioner Municipal Corporation Jodhpur North Raj./Samwad/C/6521/2021-22

कार्यालय : अधिशासी अभियन्ता, जोन–8, जलकल विभाग, नगर निगम, लखनऊ

ात्रांक : 435/EE-8/21-22

(अति–अल्पकालीन निविदा–सूचना)

जलकल विभाग में पंजीकृत ठेकेदारों से निम्नलिखित कार्य हेत् भल्पकालिक निविदायें आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदा प्रपत्र किसी भी कार्यदिवस में दिनांक 30.9.2021 को अपराहन 03:00 बजे तक अधिशार्स अभियन्ता, जोन-8 के कार्यालय के कैश काउन्टर से प्राप्त किये जा सकते हैं। सील्ड निविदाएं दिनांक 30.9.2021 को अधिशासी अभियन्ता, जोन–१ के कार्यालय में अपराहन 3:30 बजे तक सील्ड टेन्डर बॉक्स में प्राप्त की जायेंगी। प्राप्त सभी निविदाएं दिनांक 30.9.2021 को उपस्थित निविदादाताओं के समक्ष 4:00 बजे जोन–8 के कार्यालय में खोली जायेंगी।

1. मानसरोवर योजना कानपुर रोड के सेक्टर-पी में म0नं0-2/40 से 2/51 तक 106 मीटर 110एमएम डाया की पी0वी0सी0 गैप पाइप लाइन डालने व स्लूस वाल्व की आपूर्ति व अधिष्ठापन कार्य, धरोहर राशि रु० 3000 / - एवं निविदा मूल्य रु० 100 / -

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12:00	- 4	Faizabad Jn.	_	17:45

Days of Run: 04381 Ex Prayagraj Sangam and 04382 Ex Faizabad Jn. from 01.10.2021 till further advice.

Stoppages: Prayag Jn., Phaphamau Jn., Siwaith, Mau Aimma, Dhirganj, Bishnath Ganj, Bhupia Mau, Partapgarh Jn., Chilbila Jn., Khundaur, Ramganj, Piparpur, Sultanpur Jn., Dwarkaganj, Kurebhar, Chaure Bazar, Khajurhat, Malethu Kanak, Bharatkund and Masodha stations.

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Stoppages: Prayag Jn., Phaphamau Jn., Tharwai, Sarai Chandi, Phulpur, Ugrasenpur, Barya Ram, Janghai Jn., Jarauna, Barsathi, Bhanaur, Warigaon Newada, Mariahu, Shudnipur, Salkhapur, Kajgaon Terhwan and Zafarabad Jn. stations

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22:10	- 1	Jaunpur Jn.	-	06:45

further advice and 04246 Ex Jaunpur Jn. from 02.10.2021 to till

Stoppages: Prayag Jn., Phaphamau Jn., Tharwai, Sarai Chandi, Phulpur, Ugrasenpur, Barya Ram, Janghai Jn., Jarauna, Barsathi, Bhanaur, Warigaon Newada, Mariahu, Shudnipur, Salkhapur, Kajgaon Terhwan and Zafarabad Jn. stations.

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Expo Ground, the chief minister will interact with farmers in the Kisan Sammelan and an exhibition will also be organised. The distribution of agricultural tools, Kisan credit card and soil health cards will also be done at the event.

Along with the chief minister, Bharatiya Janata Party state president Swatantra Dev Singh, Agriculture Minister Surya Pratap Shahi and Sugarcane Minister Suresh Rana will also participate in the programme. Official sources claimed

that the Yogi government has transformed the agriculture sector in Uttar Pradesh with its commitment to double their

A record payment to over Rs 1.44 lakh crore has been

To be held at the Defence made to more than 45.74 lakh cane farmers in the state in the last four-and-a-half years. The government has also waived loans of 86 lakh small and marginal farmers to the tune of Rs 36,000 crore.

More than 433.86 lakh metric tons of food grains have been procured by the government and over Rs 79,000 crore have been paid to about 78.23 lakh farmers. Under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana of the Central government, around 18 lakh farmers have been given Rs 32,521 crore.

Similarly, more than two crore farmers are associated with Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana and a compensation of Rs 2,376 crore has been given to more than 25.60 lakh farmers under this

Covid vaccination: UP breaches 10-cr mark

PNS LUCKNOW

Breaching the landmark of administering 10 crore Covid vaccine doses on Saturday, Uttar Pradesh is well on its way to vaccinate the entire adult population soon. Revealing the latest feat, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath attributed its success to the health workers and citizens of the state.

Taking to Twitter, Yogi posted, "It is the result of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's guidance and the tireless efforts of UP government that the state has delivered more than 10 crore vaccine doses against COVID-19. This achievement is dedicated to the committed health workers and disciplined citizens. You should also get a 'Teeka Jeet

Despite being the most populous state in the country, UP achieved this significant milestone in less time and has been administering vaccines faster than not only other leading states of the country but also some nations of the

As per official estimates based on census and electoral data, around 15 crore people are to be vaccinated in Uttar Pradesh.

Of these, over 8.15 crore have received at least one dose of the Covid vaccine which is about 54.33 per cent of the eligible population, are fully vaccinated in the

Uttar Pradesh took almost 100 days to touch the figure of one crore vaccination and then took 45 more days to cross the two-crore mark. For touching the 5-crore mark, the state took another 59 days and then took only 14 days to reach

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the 6-crore mark. The 7-crore mark was reached in the next 11 days on August 28.

The 8-crore mark was achieved in the next nine days on September 7 and crossed the landmark of administering nine crore vaccine doses on September 15. The state achieved the major landmark of 10-crore by 2 pm on September 25.

Officials attributed the mega achievement in vaccination to ASHA activists, Anganwadi workers and women's self-help-groups (SHGs).

Indicating that the deadly second wave of COVID-19 outbreak was almost harnessed, only 14 persons tested positive out of a total of 2.15 lakh samples tested in the last 24 hours and another 26 COVID-19 patients recovered from the infection.

The active caseload in the state has reduced to just 177 from a high of 3.10 lakh in April, pushing the recovery rate up to a remarkable 98.8 per cent. As many as 30 districts

have no active COVID-19 case and they include Amethi, Amroha, Auraiya, Ayodhya, Azamgarh, Baghpat, Ballia, Banda, Bahraich, Bijnor, Farrukhabad, Gonda. Hamirpur, Hapur, Hardoi, Hathras, Kanpur Dehat, Kasganj, Mahoba, Mirzapur, Moradabad, Muzaffarnagar, Pilibhit, Rampur, Sant Kabir Nagar, Shahjahanpur, Shamli, Shravasti, Sitapur and Sonbhadra

Top 5 states with most

- vaccinations: 1. Uttar Pradesh: 10 crore
- 2. Maharashtra: 7.78 crore
- 3. Madhya Pradesh: 6.05 crore
- 4. Gujarat: 5.92 crore 5. West Bengal: 5.52 crore.

Lucknow leads in

vaccination figures

Lucknow (PNS): Lucknow is leading other districts of the state in terms of the total number of Covid vaccine doses administered so far. The state capital has vaccinated 35,29,901 people till September 24. The districts behind Lucknow are Varanasi with 294605 doses, Ghaziabad (25,92,364), Prayagraj (25,25,675), Gorakhpur (24,87,489), Gautam Buddh Nagar (23,69,836), Kanpur (23,50,311), Agra (23,39,363), Bareilly (22,56,736) and Azamgarh (21,79,067).

Besides, Gautam Buddh Nagar has fully vaccinated 36.4 percent of its population in the age group of 18-45 years, followed by Lucknow (16.6%) and Ghaziabad (16.4%).

In the age group of above 45 years too, Gautam Buddh Nagar is leading after fully vaccinating 54% of the population, followed by Meerut (40%), Lucknow (39%), Mahoba (28%) and Bhadohi (24%). District Immunisation Officer Dr MK Singh said Lucknow is leading in the state in terms of the number of vaccine doses administered so far. In the mega vaccination camp which will be held on Monday (September 27), efforts will be made to ensure a good turnout in rural areas, he said. Dr Singh said they have increased the number of data entry operators so that the session sites can be increased.

"The data entry operators have been sent to Mohanlalganj, Mall, Malihabad, BKT, Gosainganj, Aliganj, Indiranagar and Tudiaganj CHCs apart from other blocks for on-spot training," he said. Meanwhile, Deputy CM Dinesh Sharma, Union minister Kaushal Kishore, Urban Development Minister Ashutosh Tandon, Law Minister Brajesh Pathak and Mayor Sanyukta Bhatia felicitated Covid warriors on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay. Besides, the district administration organ-

ised 'Garib Kalyan Diwas' in all the blocks of Lucknow. DM Abhishek Prakash said people could get regular immunisation as well as Covid vaccination at these fairs.

Meanwhile, on World Pharmacists Day, experts stressed om the key role of pharmacists during the Covid pandemic.

Shopping complex of Mukhtar aide razed in Mau

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Continuing the drive against mafia and criminals who amassed ill-gotten wealth, the Uttar Pradesh government authorities razed a four-storey shopping complex owned by a contractor and close aide of jailed don-turned-politico Mukhtar Ansari in Mau on Saturday.

The demolished shopping complex was reportedly owned by Ansari's crony of Umesh Singh and was built at a cost of about Rs 10 crore and it was operating for the last several years in Bhiti locality of Kotwali area in Mau

Identified as a close confidant of Ansari, Umesh Singh too has several criminal cases against his name in Mau and he also 'dealt' in coal trade in eastern UP.

Circle Officer (City) Dhananjay Mishra said that the illegal construction was demolished on the order of the city magistrate.

A case of illegal construction in Mau city magistrate's court was going on against Umesh Singh, Ajay Singh, Vijay Singh and Vinay Singh. On Friday the court issued an order for demolition of the shopping complex.

Well-placed sources said, "At the instance of the state government, a crackdown to weaken the empire of mafia was launched so that they did not raise their heads again and show their muscle power and commit crime.

The crackdown on the fiscal empires, estimated to be to the tune of crores of rupees, of Mukhtar's gang started from Mau district after May 31 and later action was taken in districts like Ghazipur, Jaunpur, Azamgarh and

As of now, over Rs 60 crore worth movable and immovable properties of Mukhtar's henchmen have been seized/freed by the government.

The properties were allegedly earned by crime activities like extortion from businessmen and others.

BJP denying OBC their due share in power: Akhilesh

A false sympathy, retorts UP govt

PNS LUCKNOW

Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav accused the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party of denying the Other Backward Classes their due share in the power structure by declining a caste-based census.

The Uttar Pradesh government, however, dismissed the criticism, saying that Akhilesh Yadav was extending false sympathy towards the OBCs as the party did nothing for the community's welfare and development when in power in Uttar Pradesh.

On Saturday, Akhilesh lashed out, "The outright refusal by the Centre to carry out an OBC census is extremely serious and very worrying. It exposes the BJP's electoral interests in the OBC politics and shows the difference between what they are claiming and what they are doing. The demand for a separate census for OBCs had been gathering steam in the country but

their hopes? The SP chief further said, "By declining to accept the long-standing demand of the OBCs for caste-based census, the BJP has proved that the ruling party is against the concept of social justice. The BJP is against the inclusion of the caste category in census as the party wants to deny the OBCs their due share in power as per their share in population."

the Centre's stand has dashed

The political war over a census for the Other Backward Classes (OBCs) has heated up after the Centre submitted in the Supreme Court that inclusion of the category in the ongoing census at this stage was cumbersome and hence not possible. The Centre submitted an affidavit in the Supreme Court calling the OBC census at this point "administratively extremely complex" and stating that it will "not yield accurate information". The affidavit also said that the "raw data of 2011 socio economic caste census is also flawed".

The BIP-led UP govern ment, however, contradicted the claims of the SP chief and government spokesman Sidharth Nath Singh said, "Akhilesh Yadav is only dishing out false sympathy towards the OBCs as his party has always patronised a particular 'caste'. Akhilesh Yadav has never been concerned about the people of Uttar Pradesh and instead his party has always been biased towards the people of a particular caste. The Samajwadi Party stood thoroughly exposed when it came to serve the underprivileged

and poor."
"Did Akhilesh do anything else apart from posting tweets on different issues only to malign the image of the Yogi Adityanath government, that too without any substantive evidence?.He should come out with concrete facts as to what SP did for underprivileged when it was in the power," Singh sought to know and added that the former chief minister of UP had always practised politics of appeasement and hence he was now scared of simple word 'abba-

Earlier on Friday, Bahujan Samaj Party chief Mayawati had hit out at the BJP, a day after the Centre declined in the Supreme Court to include caste as a category in census, saying that the BJP continued to remain against the OBCs.

The long-pending demand of the OBCs has been gathering steam in the recent months with several states, including BJP allies and opposition parties in UP, bidding to outdo each other for the OBC vote bank ahead of the 2022 UP assembly elections.

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tion to the people of India and a true patriot."

Dr Dinesh Sharma while speaking at a function

organised on the occasion of 105th birth

anniversary of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay at

Atal Bihari Vajpayee Scientific Convention

Centre of King George's Medical University in

Lucknow on Saturday. On this occasion, Union

Minister Kaushal Kishore said that special

emphasis was laid on taking the objectives of

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Bharativa Janata Party-led governments both in UP and the Centre were working to achieve this. Uttar Pradesh Law Minister Brajesh Pathak,

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 $E^{\text{xpressing confidence in the}}_{\text{leadership of Chief}}$ Minister Yogi Adityanath, High Commissioner of Singapore Simon Wong Wie Kuen expressed hope that Singapore companies would invest more in Uttar Pradesh.

"I told the chief minister that we are impressed with better connectivity and ease of doing business in UP after 2017," the Singapore envoy tweeted in Hindi following a meeting with Yogi in the state

capital on Saturday. "We have much confidence in the leadership of the CM and hope to make more investments in Uttar Pradesh," he added. Kuen, accompanied Deputy Commissioner Alice Cheng,

met Yogi here on Saturday and

Notice

A Proposal for the mortgage residential Plot part of Khasara No. 52-S admeasuring 12.5 Sq. Meter situated at Mauza-Pirnagar, Pargana, Tehail & District-Chazipur is pending before L.I.C. Housing Finance Ltd. The Original Sale Deed is registered at the office of Sub-Registrar, Sadar, Distt-Chazipur vide Book No. 1, Zild No. 5251, at Serial No. 519, dated 26.08.2019 executed by Mr. Muhammad Kalim S/o Late Shekh Muhammad Shakur S/o Moh-Gorabarar, City-Ghazipur, at Present Narsinghbagh Purani Hat Bampur, District-Vardhman, Kolkata in favour of Mrs. Kiran Singh W/o Mr. Hukumchand Singh R/o Savitri Niketan, New Basti Khagirya, Post-Firmagar, City & District-Ghazipur. It is informed to us that the above noted original sale-deed lost. if this original sale-deed is mortgage with any person(s), Financial institution(s) Bank (s) or any other one, may inform immediately to LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Area Office Mau Sr65536069, otherwise the above noted proposal shall be finalize immediately after the expiry of 15 day of this publication.

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Singapore envoy says | Woman duped of ₹17 lakh | Mask up to keep lungs

Awoman was deprived of Rs 17 lakh by fraudsters impersonating staff of a private insurance company in Alambagh. Meena Sarkar of Pawanpur locality in the area had purchased a policy long time ago. On September 22, she got a call from a woman who introduced herself as Alka Soni and told Meeta that she would get Rs 91.42 lakh for the insurance policy. The caller asked Meeta to deposit Rs 17 lakh to avail of the money. Meeta got several phone calls from HR Mehta and Vikram Chauhan and both repeated the same story. Meeta deposited the money in different bank accounts, as told by the callers. However, she did not get a single penny. Later, the callers switched off their mobile

In another case, a builder and his daughter were accused of duping a businessman of over Rs 1 crore in the name of investment in plots. Police registered a case against Vishnu Agrawal and his daughter Akanksha Agrawal, both of Rajendra Nagar in Naka.

In his complaint, Chandra Bhan Kesarwani of Husainganj

formed a company and made him and his friends invest in the plots. "Vishnu and his associates presented a fake map showing 40 bigha land in a village in Lucknow which later came out to be only 7 bigha," he alleged. He further said that Vishnu and his associates collected money for plots worth Rs 70.88 lakh.

Vishnu took over Rs 44 lakh and Rs 25 lakh for two lands on Mohan road and later reneged from his promise of registration. Both Vishnu and Akanksha got us to invest Rs 1.92 crore and promised to refund Rs 3.28 crore in the time to come. Now they are threatening to kill us," he alleged.

Meanwhile, two fraudsters

posing as policemen duped a

woman grocer in Thakurganj on Saturday afternoon. Samunder Mishra of Maheshpuri Colony in the area was at her shop when the accused reached there around 2 pm. They introduced themselves as policemen and asked why she was wearing ornaments while sitting at the shop. They forced the woman to put off her gold ornaments which they snatched from her and sped off the scene. Victim's son

said Vishnu and Akanksha Pradeep Kumar Mishra lodged a case in this connection.

In a tragic incident, a 60year-old man, identified as John . Charan of Barha Railway Colony, was killed in a road mishap under Mawaiya metro station in Alambagh on Saturday evening. Reports said the elderly man was fatally knocked down by a speeding bus of Unnao Depot ferrying passengers from Kanpur to Gorakhpur. He died on the spot. Commuters nabbed the bus driver, who was identified as Raees of Asiwan locality in Unnao. The police impounded the bus and informed the family of the deceased.

Meanwhile, a man was thrashed outside the district collectorate when he was going to appear for the hearing of a case in Wazirganj police station area on Friday afternoon. Kamaljeet Singh of Daliganj was attacked when he was entering the collectorate premises through gate number 8. As per reports, Singh was intercepted by three men and was thrashed. "My rival Diwakar Bajpai of Hasanganj was with the attackers. Bajpai also thrashed and and abused

BJP, Congress supporters clash

Lucknow (PNS): BJP and Congress workers clashed at Pratapgarh on Saturday where BJP MP Sangam Lal Gupta was assaulted and his vehicle was damaged. The area had a large number of Congress members, who chased and assaulted BJP workers. After the initial ruckus, several vehicles of BJP MP Sangam Lal Gupta were damaged by the party workers. Former Rajya Sabha MP Pramod Tiwari, MLA Rampur Khas and leader of Vidhan Mandal Dal, UP, Aradhana Mishra, were made the chief guests at a health fair from 2pm in Pratapgrah's Sangipur on Saturday. After

their session, Gupta was made the chief guest from 3pm. BJP MP Sangam Lal Gupta has accused Congress workers of misbehavior. He said the Congress workers had launched a deadly attack on him and his party workers. Referring to the incident, Deputy CM Keshav Prasad Maurya said strict action will be taken against the accused.

Late Saturday evening, the police booked Pramod Tiwari and his daughter Aradhana Mishra on the charges of of attempt to murder, rioting, etc along with 28 others. The case was

Maths teacher killed in Jalaun

PNS LUCKNOW

A mathematics teacher was beaten to death by some unidentified persons in Rajendra Nagar locality of Jalaun district late Friday night. The assailants, who used iron rods

to kill the teacher, are said to be students of the deceased. The police said the assailants arrived on a motorcycle at the teacher's house and knocked on the door. As soon as the teacher came outside, the assailants hit him on the head with an iron rod. Excessive bleeding led to the teacher's death.

After getting information about the incident, cops from the Kotwali along with forensic experts reached the spot. Later, senior police officials, including Jalaun district police chief also investigated the snot Po year-old teacher, Narvada of Rajendra Nagar Hanuman temple locality, used to run maths coaching classes.

Initial investigation revealed that at



the youths followed him. In the hall the youths attacked him repeatedly with the iron rod and Narvada collapsed on the floor. Hearing commotion, the family members rushed to the hall, but by then the assailants had escaped. Narvada was rushed to a nearby hospital where doctors pro-

around 12 O'clock

on Friday night,

two youths came to his house on a

motorcycle.

Narvada opened

the door and went

inside the hall and

nounced him dead. Preliminary investigation suggested that some coaching students had lled their teacher Th ing to trace the killers with the help of the footage of CCTV installed in the locality. Four teams have been formed to nab the assailants.

healthy: Dr Surya Kant

Lucknow (PNS): World Lung Day was observed at the department of Respiratory Medicine, King George's Medical University, on Saturday. This year's theme was 'Care for your lungs', and masking up was advised for prevention from Covid as well as air pollution and other diseases. The department of Respiratory Medicine was established in the year 1946 and it has completed 75 years.

Head of the department Dr Surya Kant said they are holding a series of platinum Jubilee celebrations to mark the occasion. Patients and attendants who visited the OPD were informed about lung diseases and advised against smoking.

Talking about the current scenario, he said air pollution and smoking have given rise to many diseases. "Statistics say that in our country, about 17 lakh people die every year due to air pollution. There has been a significant increase in the number and intensity of lung diseases. Be it pneumonia, TB, asthma, COPD or Covid-19, all are associated with lungs," he pointed out.

Notice Notice

A Proposal for the mortgage residential Plot part of Khasara No. 255 admeasuring 113.4 Sq. Meter situated at Mauza-Imiliya, Pargana & Theshil Sadar District-Mau, is pending before L.I.C. Housing Finance Ltd. the Original Sale Deed is registered at the office of Sub-Registrar, Sadar, Distrt-Mau vide Book No. 1, Zild No. 1573, at Serial No. 1383, dated 29.08.2008 executed by Smt Kaushilya Devi Wo Rajnath Upadhyay R/o Moh-Khaisa Uttar Dakshin Tola, Pargana & Tehsil-Sadar District-Mau in favour of Smt Premlata Devi Wo Gulabchand R/o Moh-Nizamuddinpura, Pargana & Tehsil-Sadar, District-Mau. It is informed to us that the above noted original sale-deed lost. If this original sale-deed is mortgage with any person(s), Financial institution(s) Bank (s) or any other one, may inform immediately to LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Area Office Mau Branch Contact No. 9695640872 or Sanjay Kumar Singh Advocate Mob No. 9919972269 & R765360669, otherwise the above noted proposal shall be finalize immediately after the expiry of 15 day of this publication.

OSBI STATE BANK OF INDIA

POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property under Rule 8(1))

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized officer of the State Bank Of India under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a demand notice. The Bank issued demand notice on the date mentioned against account and stated hereinafter calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of said notice. The Borrowers/Guarantors/Legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower's/Guarantors/Legal heirs 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 Rule on the dates mentioned against each account.

The Borrower's/Guarantors/Legal heirs in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to be deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of State Bank of India for the amounts and interest thereon.

The Borrower's/Guarantors/Legal heirs attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Detail of Property where possession had been taken are as follows:
SI. Name & Address of the No. Borrowers/ Guarantor/ Properties Mortgaged

Total Amt. o/s Date of [as per Notice u/s 13(2)] Date of Possession

Branch-Nawabganj Branch, Distt. Gonda

Borrower: M/s Radhe All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Situated Radhe Vastralaya, Prop. at R/o Chai Tola, Nawabganj Gonda, Distt. Gonda House 10,75,500.33 Mr. Anmol Kumar S/o Mr. Area 364sqft. East to West 8ft., North to South 45.5 ft., Mr. Anmol Kumar S/o Mr. Area 364sqft. East to West 8ft., North to South 45.5 ft., Raj Kumar Gupta, Chail Distt. - Gonda, Sale deed (1) Dated- 30.11.2015 Bahi No. 1, Jild No. 3849, Page No. 247 to 270 Sl. No. 8214
Guarantor/Mortgagor-: (2) Dated-03.12.2015 Book No. 1 Jild No. 3853 Page No. Smt. Geeta Devi W/o Mr. 149-158 Serial 8319. Within the registration sub-district Raj Kumar Gupta, Chail Tarabganj and district Gonda, Boundaries (As per title Tola, Nawabganj, Gonda A/c No. 35893689741

Mr. Area 364sqft. East to West 8ft., North to South 45.5 ft., Raj Kumar Gupta, Lagrand Chail District Gonda, Boundaries (As per title Tola, Nawabganj, Gonda A/c No. 35893689741

Borrower: M/s Bhagwati All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Situated

Borrower: M/s Bhagwati |All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Situated Prasad Radheshyam, at R/o Padao Nawabanj Distt Gonda Plot No. 2558/97, Area 4,04,618.00 as On Prop. Mr. Radheshyam S/o 456 sqft. East to West 38ft., North to South 12ft. Distt. OBlagawati Prasad, Padav Gonda, Sale deed Dated 05.01.2000 Registration 03.08.2000, Book No. 1, Jild No. 498, Page No. 51-60, Serial Prop. / M ortgagor-is433, Titimmanama: - Dated-29.12.2006 Book No. 1, Jild Radheshyam S/o Bhagawati No. 1717 Page 215-218, Serial 8337, Within the registration Prasad, Padav Nawabganj, sub-district Tarabganj and district Gonda, Boundaries (Asper title deed)-:North-Shop Radhey Shyam Gupta, South-Shop Jagdamba Sharan Gupta, East-Nali & Patri Road, West-House of Brij Kishor

Interest & Other

Rs. 04.01.2021 ,04,618.00 22.09.2021

Branch-Datauli Branch, Distt. Gonda

Borrower/Mortgagor: Mr. All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Situated Gangaram Yadav S/o Ram at Vill-Kudasan Post - Deoriya, Tehsil- Mankapur, Distt-Surat Yadav, Village Gonda, Gata No. 113 Min, Khata No. 311, Area-0.081 Hec. Kudasan, Post-Deoriya, Isale deed Dated 08.08 1988, Book No. 1, Jild No. 193, Page 17:5.06.2021 + Future Interest & Other Sixth House Natrendra, Sixth Fast, Bago Suril Kumar Sixth House Natrendra, Sixth Fast, Bago Suril Cother Expenses uated Rs. 13.07.2021 Distt- 4,97,644.31 22.09.2021

Singh, **South-** House Narendra Singh, **East-** Baag Sunil Kumar Singh, **West-** Rasta and House Ram Tirath Etc.

Borrower/Mortgagor: Mr. All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Situated Chediram S/o Mr. at Vill-Kudasan Pargana and Tehsil-Mankapur, Distt-Gonda, Mahadev, Village-Gata No. 546 Min, Khata No. 389, Area-0.009 Hec. Sale MeChuka, Post-Adhiyari, Tehsil-Mankapur, Distt.-Gonda-271302 Gonda-271302 Tehsil-Mankapur, Distt.-Gonda-271302 Tehsil-Mankapur, Distr.-Gonda-271302 Gonda-271302

Guarantor-: Mr. Ram Mankapurdistrict Gonda

Niwas S/o Mr. Chediram, Boundaries (As per title deed):-North- Kudasan to Village-Mechuka, Post-Machali Gaon Road, South-Dukan and Makan Kishan Lal Adhiyari, Tehsil-Mankapur, Etc., East-Kishan Lal Etc, West-Utraula to Mankapur Road Diett-Gonda-271302

Readymade Store, Prop Mr. at Vill- Adheen Pur Rehra Bazar, Tehsil-Utraula, Distt. Ramakant Tiwari S/o Mr. Balrampur House Area-360 Sqft. East to West 45 ft., North Jag Prasad Tiwari, Vill. 8 bouth 8ft., Distt.- Balrampur, Sale deed Dated-Singh, Teh. & Distt.-Gonda Guarantor/Mortgagor-distinct Balrampur House Area-360 Sqft. East to West 45 ft., North Jag Prasad Tiwari, Vill. 8 bouth 8ft., Distt.- Balrampur, Sale deed Dated-Future Interest & Other Mr. Rajkumar S/o Mr. Serial 260 Within the registration sub-district Utraula and Mr. Rajkumar S/o Mr. Mr. Rajkumar S/o Mr. Ramakant Tiwari, Vill. 8 Boundaries (As per title deed):- North-House of Shiv Post-Bankasiya Shiv Ratan Singh, Teh. & Distt-Gonda A/c No. 31069927446

Date: 22.09.2021 Place: Gonda

Authorised Officer, State Bank of India

Girl raped by youth on promise of marriage

raped a girl after promising to shape her career as an actress in Indiranagar area. The accused also extorted Rs 20 lakh from the victim, who later lodged a case in this connection. As per reports, the complainant came in contact with Divyansh Tiwari aka Rajendra Pandit of Manas City in Indiranagar through TikTok. The girl is a native of Varanasi and staying in Kandiwali in Mumbai where she would make videos and upload them on YouTube and TikTok.

Earnest

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Both came in touch during the lockdown in Lucknow in 2019 and Divyansh praised the girl for her talent which, he said, would take her places.

He promised to shape her career as an actress and said he has a production house which

Lucknow (PNS): A youth makes films. The girl shifted to Lucknow and started living with Divyansh. The accused later inveigled her into a love affair and both entered into a live-in relationship. The girl got pregnant but was forced to go for abortion. However, she got pregnant again gave birth to a girl child. The girl alleged that the accused extorted Rs 20 lakh from her in installments on the pretext of filmmaking, treatment of her sister etc.

> "He reneged from his marriage promise and drove me out of the house. I was also threatened with dire consequences," she alleged. A case was registered for forgery and rape in this connection. Inspector Dr Ramphal Prajapati said the girl and the accused would make videos for YouTube and TikTok.

CITYBRIEFS

CMS FOUNDER CONFERRED HONORARY DOCTORATE

Founder of City Montessori School Dr Jagdish Gandhi was conferred Doctorate in Social Science (honoris causa) by Queen's University Belfast, UK. The citation read, "Dr Gandhi is a world-renowned educationist and a true visionary in his field He co-founded (with his wife Dr Bharti Gandhi) the City Montessori School (CMS) in Lucknow, India, in 1959. Sixty years later, the school has grown from 5 pupils to 55,000 and is recognised as the world's largest school." Hillary Rodham Clinton, Chancellor of Queen's University Belfast, conferred the degree on Dr Gandhi for his distinguished services to education. Dr Gandhi's daughter Nita Gandhi Forouhi received the award on his behalf as he could not attend the ceremony in person.

AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV

Fit India Freedom Run 2.0 is being organised at RDSO since August 13 to commemorate 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsay'. During this campaign, daily run, yoga exercises and many other fitness activities are being organised by RDSO employees and their family members. The theme of Fit India Freedom Run is 'Jan Bhagidari se Jan Andolan', aimed at encouraging more and more participation. In addition to this, a Freedom Run was organised in RDSO stadium. DG, RDSO, Sanjiv Bhutani participated in the campaign along with many other officials.

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ALLAHABAD

Mahoba Branch: Near Roadways Bus Stand, Gandhi Nagar, Mahoba U.P. - 210427 Appendix-IV Under [RULE - 8 (1)] of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1) for Immovable Properties)

Notice is hereby given under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement (Security) Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under 13 (12) read with rule 3 of Security Interest [Enforcement], Rules , 2002, the Authorised Officer issued a demand notice on the date against the corrower as mentioned hereinafter, calling them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the under noted borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property/ies described nerein 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 dates mentioned against each Account. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property / ies and any dealing with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of the Indian Bank (e-ALLAHABAD BANK) for the amounts and interests thereon mentioned herein below The attention of the borrowers detailed hereunder is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to

SI.	Name and address of the Borrowers/Mortgagores/Guarantors	Description of the Immovable Property	Date of Demand Notice outstanding Amt. Dt. of Possession Notice outstanding Am	
		Property is situated at Gata No. 1624 Kabrai, Mahoba Deed No. 14, Bahi No. 1, Jild No. 2758, Page No. 39-68 Dated 01.01.2016 Area: 1.914 Hectare Boundaries: East: Khet Shiv Hare West: Gata No. 1623 North: Gata No. 1618 South: Kachha Rasta Gata No. 1625	29.06.2021 Rs. 18,56,833 + intt. & Charges 21.09.2021 Rs. 18 56 833 + intt. & Charges	
2.	M/s Jai Mahakaleshwar Stone Mill Partner.: 1. Mr. Prakash Chandra	Property is situated at Gata No. 510 Bhagwa Kabrai, Mahoba Deed No. 822, Bahi No. 1, Jild No. 3112, Page No. 293-334 Dated 23.03.2017 Area: 2.281 Hectare Boundaries: East: Bandha	Rs. 72,76,636 + intt. & Charges	

Property is situated at Indra Nagar Ward No. 11

Mahoba Deed No. 2001, Bahi No. 1, Jild No.

3183, Page No. 253-286 Dated 01.06.2017

Area: 76.25 Sq. mtr. Boundaries: East: Plot

Sanu & Others West: Kanpur National Rajmarg

North: Plot Daya Shankar Diwedi South: Plot

Property is situated at Gata No. 507, Ward No.

5 Kathkulwa, Mahoba Deed No. 830, Bahi No.

2. Mr. Mukesh Kumar West: Gata No. 511 North: Gata No. 510 South: 3. Mr. Praveen Kumar Gata No. 510

Guarantors/Mortgagor: . Mr. Prakash Chandra S/o Mr. Bal Krishna Add. Rajendra Nagar Kabrai Mahoba 2. Mr. Mukesh Kumar S/o Mr. Sheeta Add. Azad Nagar Kabrai Mahoba J. Mr. Praveen Kumar S/o Mr. Narendra Ki

Add, Vivek Nagar Kabrai Mahoba 4. Mrs. Kiran W/o Mr. Mukesh Kumar Add. Azad Nagar Kabrai Mahoba

Mrs. Shushila Saini & Mr. Vikrant Saini Borrower/Mortgagor: . Mrs. Shushila Saini W/o Mr. Jaqdish

2. Mr. Vikrant Saini S/o Mr. Jagdish Sain Address: Kattipura, Mahoba Guarantors: I. Mr. Jagdish Saini S/o Mr. Laxmi Prasad

, Jild No. 1503, Page No. 139-160 Dated 03.03.2011 Area: 2100 Sq. ft. Boundaries: East: House of Pushpa West: Rasta North: Plot Vikreta South: Plot Vikreta

01.07.2021 Rs. 6,59,239 + intt. & Charges 20.09.2021

Rs. 6,59,239 + intt. & Charges

Authorised Officer, Indian Bank

Address: Kattipura, Mahoba

Mr. Siddh Gopal S/o Mr. Param Lal Address: Subash Nagar, Mahoba Date: 24.09.2021 Place: Mahoba

Chetram Sahu

About any passenger amenity complaint SMS on Mob. No.: 09794845955 Do Not Smoke Bidi/Cigarette in train

Pt Deendayal Upadhyay Jayanti celebrated

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE VARANASI

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) workers celebrated the birth anniversary of Pt Deen Dayal Upadhyay at Smriti Sthal near Parao here on Saturday which was attended by senior party leaders, ministers, MLAs and others. Besides, on the occasion, various other programmes were also organised in the city. The function at Parao was attended by state co-incharge of the party Suni Ojha, regional president Mahesh Chandra Srivastava, UP Minister Anil Rajbhar and many others. They highlighted the contributions of Pt Upadhyay in creating the ways of nationalism among the peo-

On the occasion, at Smriti Sangrahalaya there a programme was also held in which the key speaker was chief editor of Kamal Sandesh Patrika Shakti Bakshi. He said that Pt Upadhyay advocated for the growth and upliftment of all the sections of the society in view to help the nation become Vishwa Guru. He also elaborated the principles of Antodhyay and Ekatmvad. During the function, a good number of women workers including former MLC Dr Veena Pandey and others were also present. They also paid tributes to Pt Upadhyay.

In Banaras Hindu University (BHU), a quiz con-

test was organised under the auspices of Pt Deendayal



BJP workers celebrating Pt Deen Dayal Upadhyay Jayanti at Parao in Varanasi on Saturday.

Pioneer

Social Sciences (FSS) in which the Dean of Students Prof MK Singh, FSS Dean Prof KK Mishra, students' advisor Dr Anuradha Singh, head of History department Prof Keshav Mishra, Prof Parvesh Bhardwaj and Vivek Kumar Upadhyay were also present. They also expressed their views. The function was conducted by Sumit Singh, while coordinated by Shubham

Meanwhile, in Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth, chief mentor of Youth Rural Upadhyay Peeth in Faculty of Entrepreneur Foundation

Sanjay Rai Sherpuria, while participating in a programme on New Education Policy (NEP), threw light on various aspects of the NEP. Speaking on the need to implement the NEP, he said that till now in India, several commissions on education policy had been constituted but, the basic structure of education remained the same as in the colonial period. In such a situation, the need to bring a NEP was bound to be

Sherpuria also emphasised that if the report of the Kothari Committee on education policy had been implemented honestly, then the condition of Indian languages and especially Sanskrit would not have become so bad.

By implementing NEP, emphasis will be given on vocational education from class 6 onwards. He also raised the issue of privatisation of education seriously. He said that instead of jumping to any hasty conclusions regarding the issue of privatisation of education and especially higher education, its purpose, policy and regulation will have to be understood in detail.

Fit India Freedom Run organised

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE VARANASI

As a part of Azad Ka Amrit Mahotsav being celebrated by the government to commemorate the 75th years of the independence of the country, the Nehru Yuva Kendra on Saturday organised Fit India Freedom Run from Bharat Mata Mandir in Sigra.

Flagging off the Run, the vice chairman of Nehru Yuva Sanghtan Dinesh Pratap Singh, said that we could build a strong nation only with healthy will all depend on all of us that direction in coming 25 years dence. when the country will celebrate



mind and body and added, it Fit India Freedom Run being taken out in Varanasi on Saturday.

The volunteers and cadets

Nagrik Suraksha Sanghtan, National Service Scheme and

National Cadet Corp participated in the run which began from Bharat Mata Mandir in the morning and reached Gandhi Adhyayan Pith in Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidiyapith (MGKV). Thereafter, it culminated at the starting venue at Bharat Mata Mandir. The Deputy Controller of

Nagarik Suraksha Sanghtan Neeraj Mishra, District Yuva Welfare Officer Nikhil Gupta, divisional warden of collectorate division of Sanghtan Sanjay Kumar Rai, post warden na and oth ers were present on the occa-

Narendra Giri named Balbeer Giri as his successor in will: Lawyer

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ ALLAHABAD

The lawyer of Akhil Bharatiya Akhara Parishad (ABAP) chief Mahant Narendra Giri said that the Mahant got his will prepared in 2010 but changed it twice in 2011 and 2020, finally naming Balbeer Giri as his successor.

Mahant Narendra Giri (62) was found dead at Shri Math Baghambari Gaddi in Prayagraj on September 20. Advocate Rishi Shankar Dwivedi said the Mahant had got his will pre-pared for the first time on fanuary 7, 2010.

"I became his lawyer in 2011 and at that time, he had already got a will prepared, wherein he had named Balbeer Giri as his successor. However, he asked me to change the will on August 29, 2011 and name Anand Giri as his successor. He got his will changed again in 2020, replacing Anand Giri with Balbeer Giri, saying the latter would look after the Math and the temple in a better manner," Dwivedi said.

On why the Mahant made a will so early, Dwivedi said the practice has been common among the seers as they believe death could occur any-

The advocate said he doubted that the signature and handwriting in the alleged suicide note was that of Mahant Narendra Giri. "Although it is for the police to decide, I have seen his handwriting. He never wrote such long letters, and to

the best of my knowledge, it is not his handwriting," Dwivedi claimed.

He said that on September 20, Narendra Giri had called him around 12:45 pm from a new number and said he wanted to discuss something very important, but did not disclose the matter.

'There were differences between Mahant Narendra Giri and Anand Giri over a portion of land on the premises of Baghambari Math. Narendra Giri had earlier given a piece of land measuring about 400 square feet (on the right side of the entrance of the Math) on lease to Anand Giri. He wanted to cancel the lease and open a petrol pump so that the money could be used to meet However, Anand Giri opposed the move which led to differences between the two," he

Dwivedi, a resident of Allahapur locality of Prayagraj, said irrespective of what was written in the alleged suicide note, Balbeer Giri should be the Mahant's successor as per his last will.

On a question about the allegations made by Anand Giri that his guru made a lot of property in the name of his relatives and disciples, Dwivedi said: "These are false claims. The fame and prosperity earned by the Math under Narendra Giri is matchless. Whatever he did, it was only for

Cong, BJP supporters scuffle

A scuffle broke out between the Congress's and BJP's supporters in Uttar Pradesh's Pratapgarh district on Saturday. Congress leader Pramod Tiwari, along with the regional MLA, visited the Garib Kalyan Mela held in Sangipur block on Saturday. BJP MP Sangam Lal Gupta also reached there. A scuffle broke out between the supporters of both over sloganeering. On Saturday afternoon, regional MLÁ Aradhana Mishra Mona reached the mela venue along with senior Congress leader Pramod Tiwari. After some time, MP Sangam Lal Gupta also reached the auditorium and sat on the stage beside the Congress leader. Meanwhile, BJP supporters Omprakash Guddu, Nagesh Nagesh Pratap Singh and many others reached the stage and started raising slogans against the Congress.

The Congress supporters got angry and soon, a scuffle



Congress leader Pramod Tiwari talking to police personnel.

broke out among the supporters of both the parties. Pramod

fy the people even as Gupta left the premises. SDM Rahul

Covid vax jabs cross 25 lakh-mark

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ ALLAHABAD

The number of Covid vac-cine jabs administered in the district crossed the 25 lakhmark on Saturday. The Health department data revealed that 25 20 lakh jabs have 14 lakh men and 11 lakh women in the district so far.

Besides, over 7 lakh jabs have already been administered this month. On September 23, 46,651 people were vaccinated, including 39,267 with the first dose and 73,267 with the sec-

already been administered to cer (DIO) and ACMO Dr Teerath Lal told newspersons that incere efforts were under-

way to vaccinate as many people in villages, blocks and urban areas as possible. "Special

He pointed out that five special camps have already been conducted, including two

in August and three this month. The department has increased the number of vaccamps are also being held at cination sites with each passing several places in the city to month, and September witcover maximum number of nessed the highest number of people under the vaccination sites (400). Roughly, 52 percent of the targeted populbeen vaccinated and around 11 percent of the people have

World Pharmacy Day observed in BLW

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On the occasion of World Pharmacy Day, a function was inaugurated at the Central Hospital in Banaras Locomotive Works (BLW) here on Saturday by Principal Chief Medical Officer (PCMO) Dr Sujit Mallick following the Covid guidelines. Then the PCMO, along with Chief Pharmacist Hembram Singh and others lit the lamp and cut a cake. Addressing the func-tion, Dr Mallick and Additional Chief Medical Superintendent Dr Sunil Kumar appreciated the work of pharmacists.

Hembrem Singh, while mentioning his responsibili- Ahmed, Dr Amit Gupta, Dr

ties, informed about the Vishal, Dr Anand, Public incomparable work and devotion of all the pharmacists. During the programme a song was sung by senior pharmacist Lokpati Shukla.

Recently, under the guidance of General Manager (GM) Anjali Goyal and Dr Sujit Mallick, commendable work was done by the pharmacist team in BLW during the Covid period. Anurag Jaiswal conducted the pro-gramme, while Chief Pharmacist Antony Singh proposed the vote of thanks.

The function was also attended by Dr SK Sharma, Dr SK Maurya, Dr Minhaj Relations Officer (PRO) Rajesh Kumar, Staff Council members VD Dubey, Naveen Sinha and Sushil Kumar Singh, Chief Pharmacist Somnath Hembram, Rajendra Prasad Kushwaha and many others. Pharmacists of North Eastern Railway (NER) and Banaras Hindu University (BHU) were also present.

Earlier, a seminar was organised at Technical Training Centre (TTC) auditorium in BLW to commemorate the establishment day of Railway Protection Force (RPF) in which Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, NER (Varanasi) Ashish

Kumar Rai, while speaking as the chief guest, threw light on the rights and duties of the authorised officers and members of the force, highlighting the errors in the legal proceedings. He also tried to make the doubts and problems raised by the RPF personnel clear.

Security Commissioner Ajit Kumar Shahi welcomed the guests. BLW's Assistant Security Commissioner Deepak Singh Chouhan was also present. The seminar was conducted by Inspector incharge (RPF) KK Singh, while the vote of thanks was proposed by Ajit Kumar Shahi. **Library of NCZCC inaugurated** PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ALLAHABAD

The library of North Central Zone Cultural Centre in Prayagraj was opened for public on Friday. Member of Parliament from Phulpur constituency Keshari Devi Patel and director of NCZCC Prof Suresh Sharma dedicated this cultural library to public. A portrait of SR Ranganathan, who had conceptualised the library, was garlanded as a mark of respect.

A kavi sammelan was organised after the inauguration of the library under the ongoing Hindi Pakhwara, which was also inaugurated by Patel, who stressed on the need for the uplift of theatre activists

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and folk & classical artistes.

Welcoming the chief guest, the NCZCC director said he would make efforts for the uplift of local artistes, writers and poets. The kavi sammelan was conducted by Yash Malviya and presided over by Lalji Dehati. The participating poets included Vandana Shukla, Preeta Bajpai, Jirendra Jalaj, Yogendra Mishra, Makdoom Phulpuri, Shailendra Madhur, Shailendrs Jay, Ashok Besharam, Nazar Allahabadi and Dr Shlesh Gautam.

4-YEAR-OLD GIRL GETS KELOID AT RID OF CENTRAL HOSPITAL: The Central Hospital, North Central Railway (Prayagraj), conducted a complicated keloid

directions of Medical Director Dr Rupa Kapil.

As a result of burns two years back, a 4-year-old girl had developed a keloid (a large piece of flesh) near her elbow due to which she was unable to fold her hand. This piece was close to the arteries and nerves, thus leading to gradual nar-rowing of the hand as a result of compromised blood supply. In addition, there was an apprehension of loss of sensations as nerve supply of the region was also getting affected. If the lesion was left untreated, it could have led to serious ramifications, even requiring

amputation. The keloid was removed in tered on Saturday.

September 10 by Senior Divisional Medical Officer, North Central Railway, Dr Sanjay Kumar, who was accompanied by Dr Mohd Usaid and Dr SS Ýadav. Matron Ruth Singh, Nursing Superintendent Manju Devi Sonkar, OTA Ghanshyam Shukla and Rajiv Kumar Patel also contributed

during this complex surgery. Vaishnavi Kushwaha, daughter of Vivek Kumar Kushwaha, who is currently employed at the NCR Headquarters, was a happy child with a big smile on her face as stitches were finally removed on September 17 and the last dressing was adminis-

Hindustani Academy chairman honoured

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE VARANASI

The Varanasi Zonal Office of 1 the UCO Bank organised a function 'UCO Acharya Ramchandra Shukla Bhasha-Setu Samman' under Hindi Fortnight. In the function held at Katra Branch in Prayagraj, the chief guest Pt Ramnaresh Tiwari 'Pindiwasa' of the Central Secretariat, Hindi Parishad, Prayagraj honoured the Chairman, Hindustani Academy, Prayagraj Dr Udai Pratap Singh with 'UCO Acharya Ramchandra Shukla Bhasha- Setu Samman'.

Speaking on the occasion. Pt Ramnaresh Tiwari discussed the significance of the use of Hindi in the office and lauded the bank for its works to give various honours in order to their duty with sincerity. promote the national language. Presiding over the function, the DGM and Zonal Head of Varanasi Zone of the bank tion of Acharya Ramchandra Zone Punam Kumari Prasad



Zonal Manager of UCO Bank Ghanshyam Parmar at a felicitation function in Prayagraj.

Ghanshyam Parmar congratulated the bank staff to bag the Rajbhasha Kirti Award and exhorted them to discharge

Receiving the honour, Dr Udai Pratap Šingh threw light on the outstanding contribuShukla in the field of Hindi literature and encouraged the young generation to read Hindi literature. He emphasised on the maximum use of Hindi in daily life to promote the national language. The Senior Manager, Rajbhasha, Varanasi

outlined the function and also conducted the proceedings jointly with the Senior Manager, Pratapgarh Lalit Narayan Pandey, while many graced the occasion including the Chief Manager Priyanka Yadav, Neeraj Kumar and heads

Muslims will be given their rights: Owaisi

India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) national president and MP Asaduddin Owaisi, who was in Prayagraj on Saturday, said that Muslims of Uttar Pradesh would be given their their rights. Apart from the BJP and SP, Owaisi also spoke against the BSP. Owaisi reached Prayagraj by road from the Varanasi airport. He addressed the workers' conference at Majidiya Islamia Inter College. He said that the BJP government at the Centre and in the state has cheated people. "The backward class has also been cheated. If there are atrocities against anyone, I will be the first to raise my voice," Owaisi said. He said people would have to unite against the BJP government in

Uttar Pradesh. He said that

Muslims would have to cast

"Owaisi said that along with gas cylinders, the prices of petrol and diesel are going north. Apart from party spokesperson Officer Mahmood, other workers were also present. Meanwhile, police detained two activists of the Rashtriya Hindu Sangathan for protesting against Owaisi on Shastri bridge.

HINDI WORKSHOP HELD: Under the ongoing Rajbhasha Pakhwara organised by North Central Railway, a Hindi workshop was held in the Aravali meeting room of the General Manager's office on September 24. Principal Financial Advisor and Chief Rajbhasha Officer Ajai Mathur, while addressing the employees, said that according to the Rajbhasha Policy of the Government of India, it is their constitutional and legal obligtheir votes to right candidates. ation to perform all official

work in Hindi. Mathur instructed the employees to use Hindi as per the rules of Section 3(3) of the Official Language Act. He laid special emphasis on Hindi's use on computers, proper knowledge of Hindi typing & tools like Unicode font and various keyboards available bases on it. We should adopt simple and popular words in our work so that passengers, customers and general public, including railway personnel, can also get information about the policies and programmes and get benefited from them," he said.

Deputy Chief Rajbhasha Officer and Dy FA & CAO (Finance and Budget) Shailendra Kumar Singh said that the work of railways is very technical, so technical words used in railway operations and management should be written in Devnagri as far as possible.

In the workshop, detailed information was given about the Rajbhasha policy. The participating employees were given detailed information about Hindi vocabulary, spellings etc through a power-point presentation by Senior Rajbhasha Officer Chandra Bhushan Pandey. Various types of popular letter formats were discussed by Rajbhasha Officer Yatharth Pandey. Rajbhasha Officer (Construction) Kripashankar Mishra guided the employees about the necessary constitutional-legal provisions and rules related to the use and propagation of Rajbhsha. Senior translator Nanhe Lal Yadav spoke about the use of Unicode and related fonts on the computer. Earlier, the Rajbhasha Prashn Manch competition for the employees was organised in the Aravali

Union minister highlights UP govt achievements

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ KANPUR

I Jnion Minister Sadhvi Niranjan Jyoti, while inaugurating the export conclave and exhibition at the Indian Industries Association auditorium on Saturday, said the 75th anniversary of this Amrit Mahotsav engendered the need for a qualitative comparison between the pre- and post-Independence era.

She said the fact was that India had been the guru in areas of politics, religion and economics, and India had been performing a role of "giver" to the entire world. "Had we aped the West then we would not have had pushpak viman and thus this period was the right and effective method to motivate us to remember history,"

The minister highlighted the achievements of Uttar Pradesh government and said the state deserved a big pat on the back. She said today that Uttar Pradesh was heading towards becoming an industrial state with over 70 countries making investment in UP.

She later appreciated the technical session where the DGFT and MSME, UP government and Centre along with FIEO and banks took up the prominent issue of export to

Union Minister Bhanu Pratap Verma said the Yogi Adityanath government was committed to ensuring that the state Uttar Pradesh emerged as the industrial hub of the state and thus



Union Minister, Sadhvi Niranjan Jyoti addressing the Export Conclave and Exhibition of the Indian Industries Association.

it was making every effort in the direction.

He said the Yogi government was highly flexible towards providing easy loans to the entrepreneurs so that more and more industries could be established in the state and give momentum to industrialisa-

benefit the entrepreneurs.

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Being organised with the support of MSME and export done keeping an eye on the export prospects. He said on this occasion the benefits and schemes for promotions would

be discussed in the technical sessions.

He said this platform would provide artisans a big opportunity to not only promote their products but also get orders for exports. He said trade shows had been conceived of as vehicles of com-munication with company exhibits fulfilling an advertising and display function in the technical sessions.

He said in some instances, product or service offerings and buying processes were regarded as too complex to permitment to be made on-site. He said in such situations, trade shows, at best, were likely to generate sales leads to be followed up afterwards. He said this would certainly give a boost to the sagging export sector, especially from the MSME, which had immense talent.

Prominent among those present were UP Minister of State for Higher Education Neelima Katiyar, MLC Arun Pathak, IIA national president Ashok Agarwal, Commissioner of Police Asim Arun, CDO Dr Mahendra Kumar and many

Banks asked to allot IDs to KDA allottees

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During a marathon meeting with banks' representatives held on Friday, Kanpur Development Authority Vice Chairman Arvind Singh directed them to allot IDs to all KDA allottees as this would facilitate the retrieval of all details of the money deposited by them at one place.

This ID is to be linked to the KDA server to avoid delay in verification of money receipts submitted by the allottees along with their applications for registry of their prop-

Representatives of HDFC Bank, SBI, ICICI Bank, Bank of Baroda and Axis Bank were present in the meeting.

This decision came in the wake of problems being faced by the KDA finance controller in quick verification of money deposited by the allottees in different banks. With the introduction of the ID system, the details of all the monies will also be available on KDA server when an allottee deposits the amount in his/her property account with the bank.

Banks are also required to introduce identical proforma of their deposit challan for use by allottees to deposit money. At the same time, the allottee will also be informed about the credit of the amount in his/her account or the failed transaction through SMS.



KDA Vice Chairman Arvind Singh held a meeting with banks' representatives.

A link to facilitate the allottees to deposit amounts against their respective property would be available on the authentic websites of KDA and the banks

An allottee can also deposit the amount online with duly filled challan or offline after taking out its print copy. Additional secretary, finance controller, chartered accountant and technical staff of the KDA were present in the meeting. On this occasion, the chief officers of the banks posted in

Mumbai and other metropolitan cities and their technical associates gave a slide presentation of the proposed project.

The entire exercise propounded by the KDA vice chairman aims at facilitating the allottees on the pattern of services being provided to them by the development authorities of Mumbai, Delhi and Visakhapatnam.

He said after some time, facilities like 'real time posting' would also be made available for the allottees. He asked the banks to install their kiosk machine (cash deposit machine) in KDA.

The banks also described the different modes of depositing money available to the allottees, including cash deposit machine, easy-pay online prod-uct, NEFT, RTGS, debit card, credit card, net banking, Paytm, etc. The banks were asked to create customer ID and a QR code of each property to facilitate linking of all correspondence exchanged between the allottees and the KDA.

Call to promote use of Hindi in every possible way

distribution function of Rajbhasha Diwas organised by Union Bank of India emphasised upon the need to promote Hindi so that it could be used in office and as a language of India. The use of Hindi in the work of the Union Bank of India will reduce the dependency on translation and also promote the use of Hindi in every possible way and the implementation of the official language policy. Hindi is one of the world's "Big Five" lan-guages alongside English, Spanish, Chinese and Arabic and more than half a billion people speak it.

This was stated by area head of the Union Bank of India, Sanjeev Kumar, while addressing the gathering to felicitate the winners of various Hindi contests held during the Rajbhasha Week. He said Hindi



Area Head of the Union Bank of India, Sanjeev Kumar felicitating the winners of Rajbhasha Diwas competitions.

ancient language in terms of historical and cultural impact. He said many of the modern languages of India came from Sanskrit and it was still used as one of the official languages of

He said Hindi, especially in the Hindi belt, was facing apathy and thus there was a need for banks to adopt Hindi as their official language. He said the objective of holding various literary contests was to promote descended from Sanskrit, an Hindi. He said common peo-

ple were unable to read or understand English thus the bank officials must ensure that their work should be in Hindi so that the common man was not only able to understand but also handle the bank activities on his own. He then administered the Rajbhasha oath and felicitated the outstanding staff members for their performance in Hindi. He appealed to the staff to join hands and ensure that they would work in Hindi and promote it as well. He said

the Union Bank of India was committed to the uplift of Hindi and it was continuing to

do so honestly.

Prominent among those who took part in the function were deputy area head Piyush Pandey, Saral head AK Sinha, mid corporate branch K Janardhan Rao, operations chief Ramesh, AIBOC president Pravin Mishra and Saumya Upadhyaya.

A cultural programme was organised later.

Govt committed to uplift of divyangjans: Sanga

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MLA from Bithoor assembly constituency and prominent leader of Bharatiya Janata Party, Abhijit Sanga, while distributing prostheses and tricycles to physically challenged persons at 'Garib Kalyan Mela' in Bidhnu on Saturday, said the Uttar Pradesh govern-ment was committed to the uplift of the physically chal-

lenged people of the state.

He said with the effort made by the Yogi Adityanath government, the role of people with disabilities was undergoing a change. He said disabled people must acquire greater awareness of the rights of people belonging to other impairment groups in order to recognise discriminatory practices toward other members of the

disabled in-group. He said the UP government was focusing on the relevant issues related to physically challenged people. He said even to this day the society thinks that the disabled people may not be the productive members of society. He said the UP government was making every effort to retain self-esteem among the physically challenged people. He said the objective was to make the physically challenged people independent and so that they were not considered as a liability. He said the government had provided artificial limbs and other prostheses and in addition to this it hand

He later distributed tricycles, prostheses and other aids to the physically challenged people. He also distributed Divyangjan pension to the beneficiaries, He said the pension was an effort of the government to retain the selfesteem of the physically challenged people and ensure they had means of survival.

provided them the UDID

He then took part in the Kharif goshti (seminar) held at the development block level. A large number of officials were present on the occasion.

The physically challenged people were highly pleased with getting tricycles which will make them mobile without being dependent on anybody.

NSS Foundation Day celebrated

KANPUR (PNS): Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University celebrated the National Service Scheme (NSS) Foundation Day. The celebration function was presided over by CSJMU Vice Chancellor Prof Vinay Kumar Pathak on Friday and had social activist Dr Vandana Pathak as the chief guest. The event was attended by NSS coordinator Dr KN Mishra, CSJMU Registrar Dr Anil Kumar Yadav, Finance Controller PS Chaudhary, Dean of Student Welfare Dr Sudhir Kumar Awasthi, Dean (Administration) Dr Sudhansu Pandey, along with renowned eye surgeon, social activist and motivational speaker Dr Awadh Dubey, and 60 units of NSS from various affiliated institutes of the university.

The event was organised for the first time with the initiative of Prof Vinay Kumar Pathak to commemorate the effort of volunteers of NSS who have been tirelessly working for the betterment of society. He awarded the volunteers with the newly established Ganesh Shanker Vidyarthi Award. The award was distributed in three categories: Volunteer Award, Programme Worker Award and NSS Unit Award. The recipients of the award in each category were: Volunteer Award-- Adarsh Dwivedi from BND College, Kanpur (gold medal); Soumya Singh from Rajkiya Degree College, Banger, Kannauj (silver medal) and Jalaj from CSJM University (bronze medal). The winners of Programme Worker Award were Dr Subhash Chandra from YB College, Lakhimpur Kheri (gold medal), Dr Neeraj Singh from Chaudhary Charan Singh PG College, Heonra (silver medal) and Dr Sashi Kala from Sacred Heart Degree College, Sitapur (bronze medal). The NSS Unit Award winners were AND College, Kanpur (gold medal); DG College, Kanpur (silver medal) and KVM Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Kanpur

(bronze medal).

NCL CMD visits Jayant

CORRESPONDENT SONBHADRA

Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL)'s top management, including CMD and functional directors, are continuously visiting the field to monitor the ground operation of the company in order to boost coal production and despatch of the company amid growing energy demand. In this context Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of NCL, PK Sinha visited the Central Workshop, Jayant and chaired a review meeting. CWS is central facility of NCL which is responsible to cater to the spare and sub assembly need for more than 1,200 Heavy Earth Moving Machineries (HEMMs) running 24x7 in the coal mining field. Director (Technical/ Operations) Dr Anindya Sinha visited Nigahi Area, one of the mega projects of NCL, while Director (Finance and Personnel) RN Dubey reached Bina Project of NCL located in Uttar Pradesh, which also sends coal to upcountry coal consumers. Another mega project Dudhichua was visited by Director (Technical/Project and Planning) SS Sinha. In order to ramp up coal supplies to dependent coal consumers due to sudden upsurge in power demand of the nation, the top man-



agement of NCL is going the extra mile to meet the national coal requirement removing any bottleneck at the ground level. NCL is a pioneering miniratna company of Government of India, ensuring energy security of the nation with more than 115 MT coal output annually through its 10 highly mechanised and advanced opencast coal mines located in Singrauli and Sonbhadra districts of MP and UP state respectively. The company has been continuously achieving its annual production target for more than five years.

Missing boy recovered

CORRESPONDENT ■ MIRZAPUR

The Padari police recovered a missing boy and handed him over to his parents on Friday. Shanti Devi, wife of Babu Lal Bind, a resident of Bhilango village under Padari police station, had informed the police that her son, Ansh Kumar (5), as missing following which they launched a search for him under the direction of SHO Manoj Kumar Pandey. After the day long search police succeeded in recovering the missing boy from Bharpua market and after completing the legal formalities the police handed him over to his parents.

BODY FOUND: The body of a woman was found hanging the help of a saree by a tree at Belahi jungle under Halia police station on Friday. On being informed about it the police reached the spot and tried to ascertain the identity of the deceased. Owing to the efforts of the police, Ramakant, brother of the deceased, identified her as Seema Devi (32), wife of Devi Das, a resident of Belahi village. On getting the information SP, ASP (Operation), CO Lalganj, SOG team, forensic science and surveillance teams reached the spot. According to the SP, as per preliminary inquiry it seems to be a case of suicide. An FIR had been registered against the deceased under sections of kidnapping and others in connection with the recovery of skeletons three days ago. The police took the body for completing

MEETING: DM Praveen Kumar Laxkar while presiding over the district level committee meeting directed to cancel those caste certificates which had been issued illegally or on the basis of doctored documents. The meeting was attended by ADM (Land Revenue) Hari Shankar Yadav, social welfare officer and tehsil-

TELE MEDICINE: A renowned expert in the field of critical care Dr Sandeep Dewan at a programme on Friday highlighted the impor-

tance of

scenario.



He said he ported by a team of 22 doctors of various streams of medicine. He interacted with more than two dozen doctors of the district. CMO Dr PD Gupta was the chief guest at the event which was conducted by Sumit Agrawal while the vote of thanks was proposed by CP Gupta. Among those esent were Vinod Goenka, Rajendra Agrawal and Samit Jain. Prior to his address to the doctors, Dr Dewan inaugurated the four bed tele-ICU unit at

Skill development training programme starts

CORRESPONDENT SONBHADRA

 $N^{
m orthern}$ Coalfields Limited (NCL), a Miniratna company of the Government of India, with the help of the Central Petrochemicals Engineering and Technical Institute (CIPET), has started the first phase of the campaign for giving training to the youth of the neighbourhood in

Machine Operator -Plastic Processing (MO-PP). At CIPET's Bhopalmonth residential skill development training programme sponsored by NCL started recently

During it CIPET's manager (Technical Services) Dr Sanjeev Kumar Jain said 40 trainees selected from Singrauli district of Madhya Pradesh have participated in this training programme. These trainees are taking training in plastic processing and various techniques so that they will be able to manufacture different types of plastic items. Earlier at CIPET's centre located in Lucknow training has also started in which about 40 local youth are taking it. This training programme is designed as per the parameters set by National Skills

Qualification Framework (NSQF) and also approved by National Skills Qualifications Committee (NSQC). The company has set a target to provide employment opportunities to maximum candidates trained under this programme. The total cost of this residential training programme will be ₹70,000 per candidate whose payment will be done by NCL under Corporate Social

Ramkrishna Sevashram Hospital in the city.

Responsibility (CSR). For selecting the candidates for this traincamp was organised in August. The candidates selected during this camp will be given training in var-

ious cadres like plastic processing, injection moulding, blow moulding, plastic recycling under plastic engineering trade at CIPET centres located at Bhopal, Gwalior and Lucknow. Under this skill development training programme a target has been set to provide training to 500 unemployed rural youth around NCL. For the second phase of the programme new candidates will be selected soon the information of which can be obtained from the CSR

10 NER stations get ISO certificate

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 $E_{\text{facilities North Eastern}}^{\text{quipped with world class}}$ Railway (NER), Varanasi division's 10 stations received ISO 14001:2015 certificate for 'Environmental Management System' by LMS Certification Limited, England on Friday. Earlier, Banaras station received this certificate after which 11 stations of Varanasi division have now become ISO certified, Public Relations Officer Ashok Kumar said. It is a matter of pride for Varanasi division of NER that the ISO 14001:2015 certificate was received for providing clean environmnet in waiting rooms, retiring rooms and refreshment area in the station premises, for providing potable clean drinking water to passenger boarding trains besides cleanliness, proper disposal of solid waste and use of LED lights for energy conservation in its Varanasi City, Ghazipur City, Ballia, Belthara Road, Mau, Azamgarh, Deoria Sadar, Bhatni, Siwan and Chhapra sta-

ANTI LITTERING DAY

Along with the entire Indian Railways in Varanasi division of NER from September 16 to October 2 special cleanliness drive is being run. Many programmes are being organised on all dates during this period. In this sequence under the special cleanliness campaign fortnight, Friday was observed as Anti Littering Day. In this campaign the supervisors and employees participated with full enthusiasm, PRO Ashok Kumar said. On the occasion on Friday under Plastic Free India Campaign and Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, at NER Varanasi's Banaras railway station (Manduadih railway station) general secretary of the

the railway passengers were educated to keep the stations and trains clean in order as to check the spread of infectious diseases. 'Shramdaan' (voluntary contribution of labour) and targeted cleaning were also done by the railway employees during this period. Along with it in order to avoid the spread of Covid-19 pandemic emphasis was laid on maintaining social distancing



Social Development Society, and social worker Sachin Mishra and his team distributed bags to make the country and railway station plastic free in which NER officials Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer (SDME)/Carriage and Wagon Satya Prakash Srivastava, Divisional Srivastava, Divisional Mechanical Engineer/ENHM Dushyant Singh and others were present. During the cleanliness drive the supervisors themselves explained the importance of cleanliness and

clean environment. Besides the

and awareness about use of masks. Earlier under the special cleanliness campaign fortnight Thursday was observed as Clean Toilet Day. In this campaign supervisors and employees participated with full enthusiasm. Intensive cleaning of toilets and lavatories in the premises of Azamgarh, Ballia, Banaras, Deoria Sadar, Ghazipur City, Mau, Chhapra and Siwan sta tions of the division besides coaching depot, train surrounding area and completion of necessary repair work was ensured by the nominated officials.

Assembly polls in J&K likely early next year: BJP leader

Jammu: Jammu & Kashmir BJP president Ravinder Raina on Saturday said the Assembly elections in the Union Territory would likely be held early next year after the completion of the delimitation exercise.

He said the supporters of ter-rorism are the enemies of the peo-ple of the Union Territory and would be treated in accordance with the law of the land which is equal for everyone -- whether a government employee, politician or an ordinary citizen.

Talking to reporters on the sidelines of a function organised by the BJP at its headquarters to pay homage to Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) ideologue and leader of the Bharatiya Jan Sangh Pandit Deendayal Deendayal Upadhyaya here, Raina said the delimitation exercise is in progress and was expected to be completed by the

"On August 15, Prime Minister Narendra Modi from the ramparts



delimitation exercise will be followed by the assembly elections in J&K. The delimitation is likely to be completed by the year-end and so the elections to the J&K Assembly will be held early next year," he said when asked about the upcoming polls in the union ter-

In March 2020, the BJP-led Government had constituted a delimitation commission to redraw Lok Sabha and Assembly constituencies in Jammu &Kashmir. The commission is yet to submit

However, the BJP leader said his party is fully prepared for the tions with 50-plus seats to form the next government in Jammu &

"The BJP-led Government at the Centre has benefited the people of Jammu & Kashmir by its schemes and developmental programmes. The people are satisfied and will bless the party during the elections. The next chief minister will be from our party," Raina

Earlier, he was joined by National General Secretary, incharge J&K, Tarun Chugh and other senior leaders to pay tributes to Upadhyay Asked about the criticism of

the National Conference and the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) on the sacking of Government employees having terror links, he said, "The law is equal for everyone. If action is taken against an ordinary person found working as an overground worker of terrorists, there is no justification to spare a government employee having links

2 new airport terminals to be established soon in J&K: Min

I Jnion Minister for Civil Aviation Jyotiraditya M Scindia on Saturday said that two new airport terminals shall be established in Jammu & Kashmir soon.

In another important announcement the Lt Governor Manoj Sinha said the Union Minister and J&K Government agreed to start the first international flight between Srinagar – Sharjah soon, ending the long pending demand of the UT to have direct international connectivity.

"Similarly runway at the Jammu Airport has been enhanced and the 30% load penalty at Jammu airport will be removed from 1st October. It will bring huge relief to the airlines and passengers. We have also decided to build a new airport terminal adjacent to the existing airport at Jammu. The land measuring 122 acres has already been identified. It will soon be handed over to the Airports Authority of India to build a state-of-the-art 25,000 Sqm new terminal building," Lt Governor said.

As a major development, the Minister said that an airport 'terminal worth ₹1,500 crore shall be established on 25 thousand square metres in Kashmir, while another airport terminal worth Rs. 650 crore shall be established in Jammu on 22 thousand square metres land size.

He said that since a special focus is being given on development of both air and road connectivity in Jammu and Kashmir, a major road network including highways, ring road, tunnels and other



projects are being constructed across Jammu, ashmir and Ladakh

The Minister said that the development of connectivity shall bring more tourists to J&K and promote local craft. He said that the promotion of tourism and crafts shall boost economic activity and prosperity of people of J&K

Scindia said that under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi, an era of peace, progress and development has already started in Jammu and Kashmir and all the three regions including Ladakh have come on track to become number one in construction and development in the country.

He said that among other major projects, work was going on in full swing on the ring road worth Rs 3000 crore, while as 100 percent households are being supplied electricity now, made possible by current dispensation.

The Minister said currently 82 percent of the population is connected and being supplied tap water, however, the Government is committed to cover all households in near future.

Political merchants of votes deceived minorities for 75 years, says Naqvi

Mumbai: In a veiled swipe at Congress, Union Minister and BJP leader Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi on Saturday cautioned minorities against the "political merchants" of their votes who he said are wearing the veil of secularism.

Addressing the State executive meeting and the training camp of BJP's Minority Morcha for Maharashtra here, Naqvi said during the last 75 vears post Independence, "the political merchants of minority votes played 75 tricks on their political chessboard to deceit minorities".

"Creating the atmosphere of fear, raising a bogey of intolerance, spinning a web of religion, and spreading rumours is their expired formula to politically exploit minority communities," the Deputy Leader in the Rajya Sabha said.

Naqvi said minorities must remain cautious about such "political merchants who are wearing the veil of secularism while roaming around with a cart of conspiracies to hijack minority votes". In his speech, the senior BJP leader slammed "pseudo-secularists" for their double standards.

The height of hypocrisy of pseudo secularists is that the Shiv Sena gets a communal stamp when it remains with the BJP and gets a certificate of secularism when it goes with the Congress. This pseudo-secular syndicate is running a cersomeone communal within minutes," he PTI tificate centre which makes someone secular and

Celebrity Chhabria's son arrested in cheating case

TN RAGHUNATHA MUMBAI

The Mumbai police on Saturday arrested Bonito Chhabria, the son of ace car designer and founder of DC design Dilip Chhabria, for allegedly cheating them and comedian Kapil Sharma to the tune of more than ₹5 crore in a vanity van deal.

Acting on a complaint lodged by Sharma with the Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of the Mumbai police in September 2020, the police summoned him to their officials for questioning. He was taken into custody after this was subjected to intense grilling by the police. Bonito's arrest came nearly

10 months after his shooting incident, Dilip Chhabria --who runs a car modification studio --was arrested late night for his alleged involvement in the dubious car finance and fake registration racket involving high-end luxury cars.

In his complaint, Sharma had told the police that he had paid more than ₹5.20 crore to Junior Chhabria between March and May 2017 to design a vanity van for him. But as there was

no progress made till 2019, Mr. Colaba, intercepted the vehicle Sharma had approached the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT).

Subsequently in December 2020 Bonito had raised a bill of ₹1.20 crore to Kapil Sharma as parking charges for the vanity van, a development that prompted Kapil Sharma to approach the police and register his complaint.

Having conducted a pre-liminary enquiry (PE) vanity van case, the crime branch arrested Chhabria in another case pertaining to fraud last year. The PE was then converted

Bonito's involvement in the Kapil Sharma cheating case came to light during the EOW investigations. On Saturday, he was called for questioning and he was arrested immediately after the CBI completed its investigations

It may be recalled that October 29 last year, the Mumbai police crime branch sleuths had arrested Bonito, while the Crime Intelligence Unit (CIU) intercepted the vehicle, laid a trap near the Hotel Taj Mahal at and seized it.

However, during the investigations, the police found that there was another car with the same engine and chassis number registered with Haryana RTO. The investigations have revealed Chabaria's alleged involvement in the car finance and fake registration racket involving high-end luxury

Sr Chhabria -- whose brand

DC Design involved in modifying cars into luxury lounges launched India's first sports car "the DC Avanti" and also showcased its second product - the TCA at the Auto Expo ---has been booked under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120(B) and 34 of the Indian Penal

IPC. The investigations have also revealed that Chhabria's firm Dilip Chhabria Designs Pvt. Ltd. (DCDPL) produced 127 DC-Avantis and sold them to customers in India and

The Crime branch sleuths suspect that many of these vehicles might have been involved in the car finance and fake registration racket.

The police said that multiple loans, averaging to ₹42 lakh per vehicle, had been taken with respect to 90-odd cars by DCDPL, allegedly posing as customers for their own manufactured vehicles. The modus operandi was to

take loans, sometimes even multiple loans from financial institutions on cars and sell these hypothecated cars to other customers before or after availing the finance through the fraudulent means. The investigators estimated that the loss to the state exchequer could be around

The investigators suspect that the DCDPL, which was set up in 1993 but went bankrupt in 2018, might have cheated many automobile finance companies

Apart from designing the lounge for the Mahindra Marazzo, DC Designalso released the lounge conversion of a slew of new car and it had several high-profile clients like Madhuri Dixit and Hrithik Roshan who reportedly had their vehicles customised from this brand. Some popular designs from DC Design include the lounge design kits of the Mahindra XUV500, Duster, Toyota Fortuner and Innova. Chhabria has also modified cars in the international market like Rolls Royce and Land Cruisers. His new brand DC2 has plans for launching electric cars in

Sr Chhabria -- who came into limelight in the nineties after he produced some fancy modified private cars for celebrities and vanity vans of Bollywood personalities - went onto design concept cars, luxury passenger buses, and even air-

DCDPL rolled out its first indigenously-made sportscar"the DC Avanti" in 2016, a year after securing approvals from the Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI).

However, DCDPL ran into rough weather before the first sports car was launched, as cricketer Dinesh Karthik moved a Chennai-based Consumer Courts over the car dealer's failure to refund the booking amount of ₹5 lakh for a car costing nearly ₹35 lakh.



People perform 'Tarpan' ritual for the remembrance of their ancestors on the banks of the Falgu river during 'Pitra Paksha' at

Bus stands in all 33 districts of Rajasthan see heavy rush of REET candidates

Jaipur: A day ahead of the scheduled Rajasthan Eligibility Examination for Teachers-2021 for the recruitment of third-grade teachers, a heavy crowd of candidates was seen at bus stands in all 33 districts of the state on Saturday

The candidates were seen catching buses for the district where their exam centres are located.

The state government has announced free travel for REET candidates in both state roadways and private buses while the North Western Railway is also operating 26 special trains covering almost all important stations from September 25 to 26 to help candidates reach their exam destinations and back home. The exam is being held on a large scale on Sunday as around

16.51 lakh candidates have enrolled for it. This is the biggest exam in the state in terms of the number

Bhavani Devi: Sword fighting girl from TN



New Delhi: Bhavani Devi did wonders that day. She became the first Indian fencer to qualify for the Tokyo Olympics. And then made history by winning her first match at the Tokyo Ölympics. Before her, no Indian female swordsman had shown this charisma in the Olympics. Although she crashed out of the medal race in the next match, it was enough to lift India's mind as far as she reached.

The full name of Bhavani Devi, who hails from Tamil Nadu, is Chadalavada Ananda Sundararaman Bhavani Devi. She started her sports career in 2003 but she had no distant relation with fencing. In fact India.

when she came to take part in school games, the names of six children from all the classes were being taken for the games. When Bhavani came to write her name, the children had already been selected in all the games. Only in sword fighting, no child had got his name written. Bhavani enrolled in this new game and started training. Later she focused her attention on this game.

She was an eight-time national champion in fencing. Bhavani, who created history by winning her first match in the Olympics, was welcomed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on her return to

All women-driven e-rickshaws for tourists at Statue of Unity

Ahemdabad: In a boost to women empowerment, the Gujarat Government has allowed the deployment of all women-driven electric threewheelers in Kevadia for easy mobility of the tourists visiting the Statue of Unity. The move in this regard has been taken after the Prime Minister had on World Environment Day declared Kevadia as the first true electric vehicle (EV) zone in the country. The PM is scheduled to inaugurate the electronic rickshaws of ETO Motors on October 31. Around 100 local young unemployed women have been trained to drive the e-rickshaws. PNS

TN CIVIC POLLS AIADMK objects to 'high-handed' manner of election officials

Chennai: The Opposition AIADMK in Tamil Nadu on Saturday objected to the "highhanded" manner of election officials concerned and questioned the rejection of nomination papers of the party candidates for the civic polls in Kallakurichi district, while urging the State Election Commission (SEC) to take immediate "remedial steps.

Kallakurichi is among the nine districts in the state where rural local body polls are slated on October 6 and 9. R M babu Murugavel, AIADMK Advocates Wing Joint Secretary, told the SEC that his party was 'shocked in the manner in which the Returning Officers and the scrutinising officers are behaving in a high-handed manner." In Kallakurichi, the nomination papers of four candidates have been rejected with-

Bars, hotels to open in Kerala

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ KOCHI

 K^{erala} has thrown open its bars and hotels which were in lockdown mode due to the unabated Covid-19 situation in the State. This was announced by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan while briefing the media late Saturday evening after the review meeting convened by him to discuss the modalities.

"All hotels and bars are being reopened for dining out and consumption of spirits. Those who have taken both the jabs would be allowed in the bars and hotels," said Vijayan. He said 16,671 persons were tested positive for Covid-19 on Saturday out of the 1.14 lakh samples tested during the last 24 hours.

The State also logged 120 deaths on Saturday which took the total fatalities in Kerala to 24,248. More than 91 per cent of the State's population have received the first dose of vaccine and efforts were on to provide the jabs to the entire population of Kerala.

Vijayan disclosed that there has been an 8 per cent reduction in the number of persons afflicted with Covid this week compared to that of last week. "The observation that the youth in the State are more vulnerable to the pandemic is a matter of concern," said Vijayan. The Chief Minister also disclosed that the administration is making elaborate arrangements for the reopening of educational institutions. "The Station House Officer in each police station in the State would convene meetings with headmasters and principals of schools and colleges to discuss the modalities to be followed while reopening the institutions. We are opening the educational institutions after 21 months," said Vijayan.

1 death due to dengue, 16 from viral fever recorded in Agra this month, says CMO

Agra: One death due to dengue and 16 fatalities caused by viral fever have been far, the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) said

The district has recorded 118 dengue cases in this season till now, of which 51 are still active, he said.

"In Agra district, one death is due to dengue and 16 because of viral fever have been registered. The deaths were reported across age groups, including children and senior citizens," Arun Kumar Srivastav, the CMO of Agra district, told

The maximum number of deaths have been reported from Pinahat in Agra rural, Tedi Bagia under Itmad-ud-daulah police station, Fatehpur Sikri, and other areas of the district, he added.

A 70-year-old woman from Barhan in Etmadpur Tehsil of Agra rural died due to dengue, a District Surveillance Officer

Srivastav said all active cases of dengue are being treated at Government

Cases of viral fever are increasing every day in rural areas here, mainly in Pinahat, Bah, Fatehabad, and Barhan, along with many places in the city. The health department has been organising

health camps and spraying anti-larvae and fogging gases in the affected areas. The fever has been raging for more than a month now in several parts of Uttar Pradesh, especially Faizabad district, which has seen 63 deaths so far this season due to dengue.

Country needs at least 600 medical colleges, 50 AIIMS-like institutions: Gadkari

Pune: The country needs at least 600 medical colleges, 50 AIIMS-like institutions and 200 super-specialty hospitals, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari said on Saturday as he called for the need to replicate the infrastructure development sector's public-private partnership model in the health care and education

The Road Transport and Highways Minister was speaking at the felicitation of Covid-19 warriors in Karad city of Maharashtra's Satara district.

He said the cooperative sector should also come forward to set up medical facilities.

"Once during a discussion with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, I told him about the scarcity of ventilators. He asked me how many ventilators were there in the country, to which I replied there must be around 2.5 lakh. But he told me that there were only 13,000 ventilators when the coronavirus pandemic broke out in the country," Gadkari said.

There was lack of oxygen, beds, and other medical facilities at that time. But doctors, paramedical, nurses helped a lot in those times, he said, adding, "I appreciate their work." Apart from the Government-run hospitals, the contribution of medical facilities set up by the cooperative and private sectors was commendable, the minister said.

"The public-private investment model in the road and infrastructure development sector can be replicated in health care and education sectors. The country needs a minimum of 600 medical colleges, 50 AIIMS-like institutions and 200 super-specialty hospitals. The Government is also thinking of providing help to those social organisations that work in medical and education sectors," Gadkari said. He also stressed the need to have at least one veterinary hospital in every tehsil.



out any preliminary enquiry, he told the SEC in a letter. **PTI** HR College youth wing students clean plastic waste during the beach clean up drive at Chowpaty in Mumbai on Saturday PTI

Dalit made to spend ₹11,000 on feast for entering temple in K'taka

PTI ■ KOPPAL (K'TKA)

Close on the heels of a Dalit family being penalised ₹25,000 over their two-year-old son entering a temple in Kustagi, a Dalit man was forced to arrange a feast spending ₹ 11,000 for entering a Lakshmi Devi temple in a village at Karatagi about 11 days ago, a police officer said.

"Yes, it is true that the man spent ₹11,000 to arrange feast for entering the temple. Our officers are investigating the matter," superintendent of Police T Sreedhara told PTI on Saturday.
According to him, the incident came to light only on Friday and since then the temple management led by the priest raised an alarm and forced the man to organise the

Sreedhara said a few months ago, a theft had taken place in the village and it was decided that no one should enter the temple except the However, the Dalit man,

whose identity has been withheld, entered as he had taken a vow to conduct some rituals.

Rajnath calls for united fight against terrorism



PNS NEW DELHI

Cautioning against terror-ism and citing the precedence of violent radical forces trying to gain legitimacy, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday said the need of the hour for responsible nations is to jointly fight the scourge of terrorism.

In this backdrop, Singh called for proactive synergy among the Armed forces in future military strategies and responses to safeguard the interests of the nation.

The defence minister said the bold approach of the Government on issues like border disputes and crossborder terrorism has made India stronger in the recent past and it has now assumed a greater global role and respon-

Making these observations in his address at the National Defence College(NDC) here, Rajnath said the world is witness the destabilising effects of terror and the especially dangerous precedence of violent radical forces attempting to gain legitimacy by creating new normal.

He said, now there is widespread realisation amongst responsible nations to come tures together against the menace of



from reality. And human his-Sharing his views on the tory is a great teacher in this situation in Afghanistan, regard. Injustice, however powerful, cannot and will not Rajnath said the developments have highlighted the reality of defeat the collective power of our times. "The only certainthe goodness that is inherent to human existence. This sentity about evolving geopolitics is its uncertainty. Changes in ment is evident from an state boundaries may not be as increasing number of world frequent today. However, the capitals which have lent their fast-transforming structure of voice in favour of liberalism, states and the influence that inclusivity and respect for international norms of goverexternal powers can have on it is clearly evident," he said. nance and behaviour," said The minister emphasised

on the need to draw lessons He reiterated that India is from the situation in a peace-loving nation, but will Afghanistan, far beyond the give a befitting reply to anyone immediate reverberations who threatens its integrity and being felt in the region and sovereignty. "Threats to internal and external security will "When these events are no longer be tolerated. Our viewed, it is tempting to believe that terrorism, fear, medieval actions in Balakot and Galwan are clear signals to all aggres-

sors," he said.

The NDC is the highest seat of strategic learning of the country. The prestigious and much sought-after interna-tional course at this college provides a trans-disciplinary and comprehensive approach Nothing can be farther to all aspects of national secu-

HM to hold meet with CMs of 10 naxal-hit States

PNS NEW DELHI

Union Home Minister Amit Shah will review the security situation in Naxal affected areas with Chief Ministers of 10 States on Sunday. Those who have been invited for the day-long physical meeting are the chief ministers of Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Jharkhand, Odisha, Bihar, West Bengal, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Kerala.

Majority of the Chief Ministers are attending the review meeting while some States are represented by their Home Ministers, said MHA Union Home

Minister will review with the CMs the security situation and ongoing operations against the Maoists in the 10 Naxal-hit States.

Another agenda of the meeting is a review of the development works like construction of roads, bridges, schools and health centres being carried out in the Naxalaffected areas.

The top officials from Union Transport and Highways Ministry and

Each course comprises of

experienced one star rank and

equivalent officers from the

Armed Forces, Civil Services

and also officers from friend-

support to 'Bharat

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rity and strategy.

Telecom Ministry will also

appraise on the development works in these areas. According to the Union Home Ministry data, Maoist violence has reduced considerably in the country and the menace is prevalent now in just about 45 districts.

However, a total of 90 districts in the country are considered Maoist-affected and are covered under the Security Related Expenditure Scheme of the ministry. Naxal violence, also called Left Wing Extremism (LWE), was reported in 61 districts in 2019 and only about 45 districts in 2020.

About 380 security perpend. 1,000 civilians and 900 Naxals have been killed in different instances of violence in LWEaffected areas from 2015 till

A total of about 4,200 Naxals have also surrendered during the same period, according to the data.

ly foreign countries. The oneyear course enables the officers to qualify for an M Phil degree in Defence and Strategic Studies from the University of

Govt committed to strengthening cooperative system: Shah

PNS NEW DELHI

Days after creating the Union Ministry of Cooperation, its 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 to ensure that they play a crucial role in making India a USD 5 trillion econo-

Addressing the 'National Cooperative Conference', Shah said, "This is the 75th year of India's independence, therefore, as a part of the Amrut Mahotsava, we will begin drafting the new cooperative poli-

The existing National Policy on Cooperatives was introduced by the then NDA Government in March 2002.

The National Cooperative Conference is the biggest event since the formation of the Ministry of Cooperation on July 6 2021. It was organised by various cooperative organisations, including the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO), National Cooperative Federation of India, Amul, Sahakar Bharti, NAFED and KRIBHCO.

Sharing plans of his Ministry, Shah also announced that the Centre will soon amend the Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 2002 to facilitate the functioning of the multi-state cooperative

Observing that 63,000



Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) are not sufficient to cater the needs of six lakh villages, Shah said, "We will set a target to establish a PACS in every second village in the coming five years. To increase the number of PACS from 65,000 to 3 lakh, the Ministry of Cooperation will prepare a proper legal framework that will be advisory in nature. We will send it to the State Governments. States can

make changes in their laws." Shah also sought to dispel apprehensions about the creation of the Ministry of Cooperation.

He said, "Many people say that this is a state subject. I don't want to get into the Centrestate fight, a legal answer can be given easily. I only want to say that the Ministry of Cooperation, formed under the leadership of Modi ji, is not to fight with anyone but to cooperate with all the states.

"Therefore, there is no need to think whether it is a state subject or a central subject. We can help everyone; we will also help the states. we will

dispel apprehensions about the creation of the Ministry of Cooperation take everyone along and will

take the movement forward," he said. 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. Shah said that today there is a need to set up a Cooperative National University.

He also said that cooperatives make an important contribution to the country's development and the cooperative movement has to be taken forward by imbibing the spirit of cooperation in work

The path of development of crores of farmers, the deprived, the Backward, Dalits, the poor, the neglected and women can only take place through cooperation, said the

ED freezes ₹700 crore shares of KSBL

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 $\begin{array}{cccc} T^{he} & {\rm Enforcement} \\ {\rm Directorate} & ({\rm ED}) & {\rm on} \\ {\rm Saturday} & {\rm said} & {\rm it} & {\rm has} & {\rm frozen} \end{array}$ shares worth ₹700 crore of Karvy Stock Broking Limited (KSBL) CMD C Parthasarathy and others as part of a money laundering investigation against the firm and its pro-

jail of Hyderabad after being has been arrived at ₹700 crore crore," it said. Police last month.

On September 22, the ED had conducted searches at six locations in Hyderabad and on various premises of Karvy group of companies, connected entities and the residential premises of C Parthasarathy, the agency said in a statement.

"Several incriminating evidences in the form of property documents, personal diaries, electronic devices, email dumps, etc have been seized and are being analysed," it said.

"It is reliably learnt that C Parthasarathy is trying to off- registered by central crime load his shares in the group companies through private deals and thus, in order to preserve the proceeds of crime till tune of ₹137 crore and one further investigation, ED has more FIR has been registered



year 2019-20," it said.

These shares of the Karvy group are being held "directly and indirectly" by CMD Comandur Parthasarathy, his sons Rajat Parthasarathy and Adhiraj Parthasarathy, and their entities.

The ED case, filed under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), is based on a Telangana Police FIR alleging KSBL had "illegally pledged the securities of its clients and taken a loan of Rs 329 crore and diverted the same."

"Another FIR has been station Hyderabad Police for defrauding IndusInd Bank to the

moters.

Parthasarathy is current-ly lodged in the Chanchalguda

issued a freezing order on September 24 and the estilities for defrauding ICICI Bank to the tune of ₹562.5

these FIRs as part of its probe and has also recorded the statement of C Parthasarathy KSBL under the leader-ship of C Parthasarathy had

committed "gross irregularities" and all the illegally taken loans have become NPA, the agency said. The total loan proceeds taken from multiple banks using the same modus

operandi is around ₹2,873 crore, it said, adding that the NSE and SEBI are also investigating the affairs of KSBL. Prima facie, the ED said, a net amount of ₹1,096 crore was transferred by KSBL to its

2019, it added.

Bandh' call by farmers' unions PNS NEW DELHI

The Congress on Saturday L extended support to the "Bharat Bandh" call given by farmer unions against the Centre's three agri laws and demanded that discussions be initiated with the protest-

Congress spokesperson Gourav Vallabh said the Congress and all its workers will support the "peaceful 27, called by farmer unions and farmers'

"We demand that the due process of discussion with the farmers should be initiated because they are sitting on borders

Delhi for last more than nine months. We demand that these three black laws, which were imposed without any consultation, should be taken back," he said at AICC Press The Congress leader also

demanded that the MSP should be given as a legal right to every farmer "as they do not want only 'jumlas' (rhetoric)" group company—Karvy Realty (India) Ltd— between referred to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's promise to double the farmers' income by April 1, 2016 and October 19,

Min bats for mandatory screening

Extension of limitation period to file cases ends on Oct 2: SC

IANS NEW DELHI

Madras.

The Supreme Court has ordered the extension granted in connection with the limitation period to file cases in courts, in the backdrop of Covid pandemic situation, to end on October 2, 2021.

A bench headed by Chief Justice N.V. Ramana and comprising justices L. Nageswara Rao and Surva Kant said: "In computing the period of limitation for any suit, appeal, application or proceeding, the October 2, 2021, shall stand excluded. Consequently, the balance period of limitation remaining as on March 15, 2021, if any, shall become available with effect from October 3, 2021".

The bench added that in cases where the limitation would have expired during the period from March 15, 2020 to October 2, 2021, notwithstanding the actual balance period of limitation remaining, all persons shall have a limitation period of 90 days from October 3, 2021. It further added that in the the actual balance period of limitation remaining, with effect from October 3, 2021, is greater than 90 days, that longer period shall apply.



BJP president JP Nadda and other party leaders offer tribute to Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay on his birth anniversary

IMD warns of low-pressure systems in Bay of Bengal

PNS NEW DELHI

After what has been an unusually active period of activity in the Bay of Bengal- which saw the formation of as many as six lowpressure systems since the end of August 2021 — the India Meteorological Department (IMD) on Saturday warned that a low-pressure system in the Bay of Bengal, which intensified as a deep depression, will turn into Cyclone Gulab (named by Pakistan) by

Sunday evening.

This will be the third cyclone of 2021 after Tauktae and Yaas that had formed in May this year. Odisha, West Bengal and coastal Andhra Pradesh have been put on high alert. The intensification of this system into a cyclonic storm is a highly unusual phenomenon, considering the temperature across the Bay of Bengal remains too low between the monsoon months of June to September to support cyclone forma-Under the influence of

Gulab and its remnant systems, In the wake of the approaching storm, the IMD has forecast light to moderate intensity (2.4mm to 644mm in 24-hours) over West Bengal, Odisha and coastal Andhra Pradesh on Saturday. On Sunday, the Met Office has warned of very heavy to extremely heavy rain (115.6mm to over 204.4mm in 24-hours) over south Odisha, north coastal Andhra Pradesh.Heavy rain is likely over Telangana, north interior Odisha, and Chhattisgarh. Due to rough sea conditions and intense winds, fishermen have been advised against venturing into the sea till Monday.

The National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC) headed by Cabinet



Secretary Rajiv Gauba reviewed the preparedness to deal with a cyclonic storm developing in the Bay of Bengal and directed authorities to take all necessary measures. It is likely to affect districts of Srikakulam, Vizianagaram

Vishakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh, and Ganjam and Gajapati in Odisha.

Gauba stressed that all preventive and precautionary measures should be taken by the concerned authorities of the State Governments and concerned agencies of the Centre, before the cyclonic storm makes landfall, as the aim should be to keep loss of lives to near zero and minimize damage to property and infrastructure.

The Cabinet Secretary assured Governments that all Central agencies are ready and will be available for assistance. The chief secretaries of Odisha and Andhra Pradesh apprised the NCMC of the preparatory measures being undertaken to protect the population in the expected path of the cyclonic storm as also measures being taken to ensure that there is minimal damage to infrastructure such as telecom and power in the aftermath of the storm.

director general S N Pradhan tweeted that the teams — 13 in Odisha and five in Andhra Pradesh — will be in place by Saturday night. The NDRF teams in Odisha will be deployed in Balasore, Ganjam, Gajapati, Rayagada, Koraput, Nayagarh and Malkangiri districts. In Andhra Pradesh, the teams will be deployed in Vishakhapatnam, Srikakulam, Yanam and Vizianagaram. An NDRF team usually has a strength of 47 personnel who are equipped with tree and pole cutters, communication gadgets, inflatable boats and basic medical aid to rescue affected people and to launch relief operations.

So far, two storms have formed in the season, first one being Cyclone Taute which had formed in the Arabian Sea, between May 14 and 19, making a landfall at Diu. The other one was Cyclone Yaas that formed in the Bay of Bengal, around May 23 and 28, which had crossed the Odisha coast.

Like most recent storms that have crossed Indian coasts, this system, too, is rapidly intensifying. In less than 48 hours, it intensified from a low pressure (wind speed less than 34kms/hr) to The National Disaster a deep depression (v Response Force (NDRF) speed 51 to 61kms/hr). a deep depression (wind

Children less severely impacted by Covid, recover fast, says WHO scientist

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m (WHO)\ chief\ scientist}$ Soumya Swaminathan on Saturday said children have been less severely impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic and their chances of recovery are very good, even as she asserted that the Coronavirus is going to become the next respiratory virus.

She, however, said SARS-CoV2 virus may not disappear, but it is not going to cause the kind of impact and panic it caused over the last two years.

Participating in a virtual session on 'Priorities after Pandemic; What Young India wants?'- Indian Student Parliament, Swaminathan said the reason why people talk about children being susceptible is because vaccination programmes today in most countries are targeting people above the age of 18 and elderly as they are the most vul-

"When you do that, you are left with younger, and younger people who are unvaccinated. And, therefore, when you have the virus circulating in the community, those people are basically the susceptible population," she said in response to a question.

In many countries, it is seen that by vaccinating older people, the infection pattern shifts to younger people. "I want to assure you that children on the whole have been less severely impacted by this pandemic. Not that they don't get infected. Yes, they do get infected as adults but they don't get severely ill. Clearly, it is an age-related correlation with the severity," she said.

"Even if they get infected, the chances are that they recover very well," the WHO scientist said. Swaminathan added that many countries have third, fourth and fifth waves and hoped that India will not have a third wave.

of infants for various ailments PNS NEW DELHI Concerned at the health status of nine crore Indians

who are suffering from various hearing disabilities, Union Minister of State for Health Dr Bharati Pravin Pawar has bat-

ted for mandatory screening of

infants for various ailments

and disabilities. "While we are celebrating 'Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav', we should visit our villages and see if we can help children in screening them for various ailments," she said, adding that early diagnosis and prevention of disability have huge benefits and prevention is better than

Addressing the International Week of Deaf People 2021 at the Central Health Education Bureau recently, Pawar noted that India has proved to the world that it is a country which can produce its own medicine and can administer 1-2 crore vaccines

on a daily basis. The Directorate General of



Union Health Ministry is commemorating the International Week of the Deaf People (IWDP) 2021 with the theme of "Celebrating Thriving Deaf Communities" through various activities including the involvement of stakeholders.

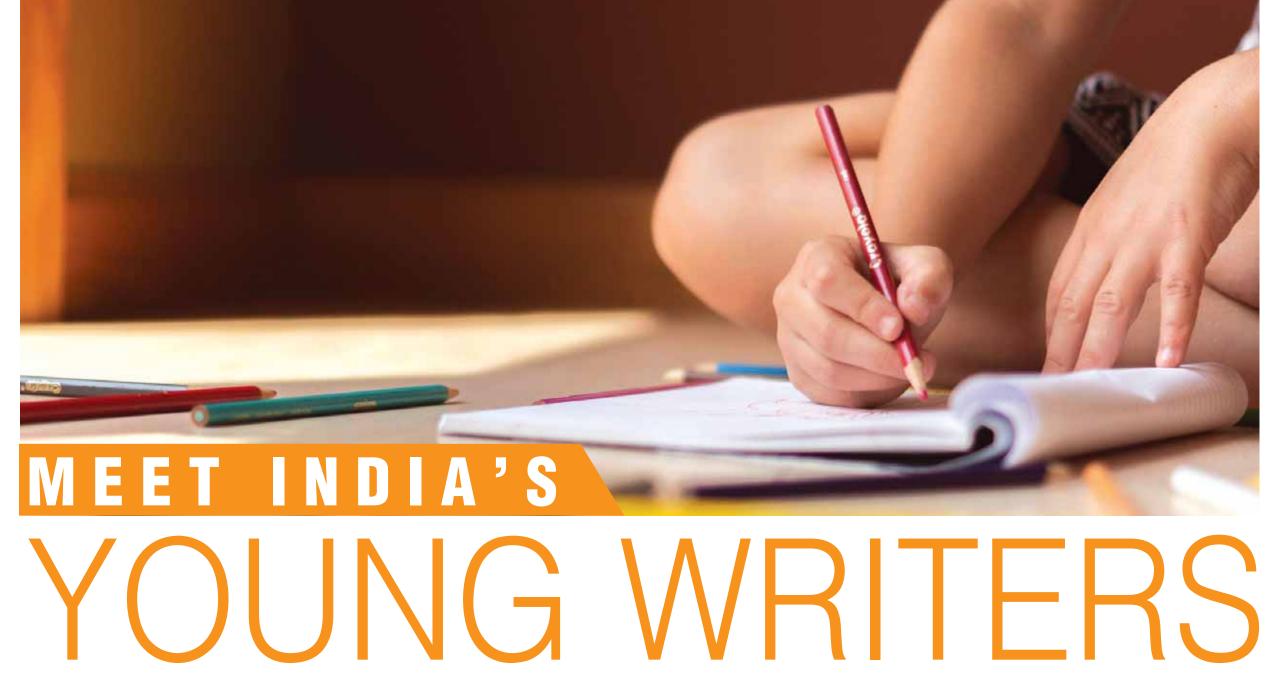
Underlining the need to revive the old fashion of infant care, Pawar suggested preparing a pocket-book with QR codes having information about early screening and diagnosis of children as well as var-

"This pocket book can be shared with ASHAs, Aanganwadi workers, and other hospital staff. She also emphasised on the need to create awareness about various government schemes like Ayushman Bharat so that people can get maximum benefits,"

The International Week of the Deaf People (IWDP) is celebrated annually by the global Deaf Community during the last full week of September.

she said





Today young children are just not interested in excelling in academics. Pursuing their passion and dream gets them going — be it to become entrepreneurs or authors. SHALINI SAKSENA chats up a few such children who talk about their novels

Artistically inclined

Ishanvi Jain 11 years old **Author of:** Throne of the Sea

ou expect 11-yearolds enjoying with friends and doing kid stuff. What you don't expect is that they will have a day cramped with school classes and then Art of Communication course that teaches with how to perfect their English grammar. Not only this, the classes at Camp K-12 also teach the kids how to write - write novels.

One such student is Ishanvi Jain, an 11-year-old studying in Delhi Public School, Durgapur. She is in Class VI and loves reading books, listening to music, doodling and travel-

Her novel, *The Throne of* the Sea that is available on Amazon and Kindle is about underwater creatures and the story is how true love finds its way and true friends help each other in every phase of life through thick and thin.

When I was planning on what to write my six-year-old sister told me that I should write on her favourite topic, the mermaids and the underwater world. She is so fascinated by both. So I gave this theme a shot and the novel was born, Jain

It was during one of the daily booster sessions, her men-



tor talked about English. "The way she explained things and the way she taught was very fascinating. She explained how to write as well. All this was very inspiring. So I decided to take the class full-time. Once we had taken a certain number of classes, we were invited to write a story. I was one of the lucky ones to be chosen. And here I am today, an author," Jain tells

Her friends who have read her book are inspired and want to join the class and become writers. Her favourite subjects are English and history. "I love to read and know about facts. History is all about facts, about people and how they lived back then. It is fascinating to read that despite not being very educated they were able to achieve so much," Jain says.

She tells you that she loves to read novels that have fantasy as a theme. She loves Sudha Murthy novels. She was introduced to these by her mentor. How I taught my Grandmother to Read is her favourite.

"I love the way she writes. Also, her life inspires me. She and I love it," Jain says.

had lived a very humble life. I am told that she is a very down to earth person. Of course, there are other authors I read as well: Ruskin Bond is one of them. My tutor also tells me what books I should read to increase my vocabulary She tells me that these will help me improve my language skills. She also tells me that reading more and more books will give me an insight about how authors take a subject and weave their stories. This helps me to have a perspective as well," Jain says.

It has been over a year since she joined these classes and plans to continue to take them since she loves the classes. Also the personal attention that she and other kids get, keeps her going. There are many changes that she has seen in her writing since she started.

To begin with I didn't know how to be descriptive. Now, I can. I have learnt how to be a better writer. I have a better grasp of the language. This helps me to weave the stories," Jain explains who also loves listening to music.

'I love all kinds of music. I also listen to Tamil and Telugu songs as well. I do have a few favourite English songs like Yummy by Justin Bieber and Jalebi Baby by Tesher," Jain

She also does a lot of mindless doodling. Once again she took a class for this and even made a Unicorn using mandala art. "It was my mother who introduced me to this art form

Fantasy world beckons her

Nevaeha Palkar 10 years old **Author of: Adventure** on the Other Side

he was born in the US Wh she was three years old, her parents decided to come back to India and settle in Pune. A Class V student of PICT Model School, Pune, this 10-year-old decided to join the Art of Communication course with Camp K-12 because she loves English. Meet Nevaeha Palkar.

She tells you that a few months back, her mother came across an ad in the newspaper. There was an announcement for a competition in English. Palkar enrolled and she ranked No 3. It was a competition that tested us on grammar and vocabulary. It was after I participated in this competitive exam that we came to know about Camp K-12. It was my mother's decision to enroll me for these classes since she knows that I love English," Palkar says.

While she loves reading books and novels, she doesn't have a single book that is her favourite. However, she tells vou that she does have a favourite author, Sudha Murthy who has written

many kids novels. "I absolutely love her novels; they are truly amazing. I love the way she writes. I read her first book when I was much younger. I don't really remember how old I was. But my mother gave it to me and I instantly fell in love with them. I also love to read Enid Blyton and Roald Dahl books as well," Palkar says.

She tells you that her debut novel, Adventures of the Other Side, is about three friends who embark on a journey that takes them on the other side of the world and now they have to figure a way out to get back home.



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"I love to read adventure, fantasy and mythological stories. My passion to write has also encouraged me to write poems as well. These however have not been published but my mother shares these on her Facebook page. So when I had to submit a story for the Art of Communication course I decided write it on this topic. Once I submitted it, the mentors really loved it and that's when I developed it into a novel," Palkar

It was the workshop that helped her shape her novel. "In the workshop we are taught how to write and how to develop a story. I loved the course and decided to continue to take the classes. For now, I have not written anything else. But I plan to write another novel or write a sequel to my debut novel," Palkar says whose novel is available on Amazon and

But this is not all. Palkar is a girl of many talents. When she was six, she found that a kids clothing company was looking for kid models around her age. I decided to participate. I had so much fun doing it," Palkar tells you. She is also into singing, and is learning western vocals.

She is also an animal lover, especially cats. While her parents have not allowed her to keep one as a pet, she hopes that she will be allowed to keep one in the near future. She tells you that while she is an author at heart, she wants to pursue medicine when she grows up. However, she will not give up her passion for writing and will continue to write. "I don't know what I will write about in the future. Maybe it will be a book about medicine or it can be on mythology. It is difficult to say what I will do in the future," Palkar says. Her friends have loved her novel which has

84 pages. "My parents have encouraged me all through my journey," Palkar says.

'I want to base all my stories on animals'

Parvathy Ramnarayan 11 years old **Author of: The Great Escapade of Vegla The Polar Bear**

his student of Class VI is not your average school-goer. From horse riding to playing basketball to drawing to even writing a novel is what keeps her occupied. Though her day calendar is filled with extracurricular activities and competitions, she does manage to take time out for her pet — a mongrel, Brownie, that she has adopted. If this was not enough on her plate, this 11-year-old has also joined

writing classes at Camp K-12 and loves participating in the spelling bee and other

competitions organised by them. This student of Kendriya Vidyalaya from Kanhangad, Kerala tells you that she loves to read and write. She tells you that taking online classes has been a tad difficult because she is unable to meet her friends. "I miss meeting them and seeing them online and talking with them is not the same. Also, where I stay, sometimes there are Internet problems. There are many interruptions," she

Looking at her interest in reading and writing, her mother told her about a workshop where she could enroll. "The best part of this class is that they teach us something new



every time. This keeps me interested. Also the teacher ensures that the one-hour session is never boring. I have been taking these classes for the last four months and I plan to keep taking them. Even though my day is full since I enjoy these classes it is never a chore to

attend them," Ramnarayan says. Her novel, The Great Escapades of Vegla The Polar Bear, is about a female polar bear who decides to explore the world. "She is bored of her pristine white world and wants to add colour to her life and to roam the world that see what it has to offer. She is not aware of the dangers that the outside world poses. All her friends try to dissuade her from embarking on this journey but Vegla is determined. She doesn't listen to them and

goes on this journey," Ramnarayan says. Her

novel is available on Amazon and Kindle. She decided to write a story on polar bears after extensive research on these wonderful animals that live in the ice cold regions of the world. "I read so much about polar bears. There was so much information on them. When I looked at their pictures, I found that they were cute looking, especially the cubs. Also, not many people know about their world. Not many people have explored their world. These animals shun human presence. This was another reason why I chose to make Vegla the hero of my novel,"

Ramnarayan tells you. Interestingly, nobody told her to choose this subject. She decided on her own.

"My teacher taught me about speeches and how to improve my vocabulary. I was taught so many things that I didn't know about," Ramnarayan says.

This also includes horse riding. At that time the family lived near a horse riding academy. Her father encouraged her to take the classes. "It was fun," she tells you.

For now, she is in the process of deciding what to write next. One thing she is sure of is that it will be related to animals only. She plans to continue with the classes since her dream is to be a writer. Not only this, she wants to pursue archaeology. "I love history and to know all about our past. There are so many things about it that we don't know and would love to explore it," Ramnarayan says.

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

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.

Somalia's capital, Mogadishu.

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

EU WARNS RUSSIA OVER CYBERATTACKS

complex negotiations.

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.

Under Taliban, thriving Afghan music scene heads to silence

Amonth after the Taliban power in Aseized power in Afghanistan, the music is going quiet. The last time the militant group ruled the country, in the late 1990s, it outright banned

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-

"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

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

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

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 cus-

tomers 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 road-side 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 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'

ran'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 comportment" 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 42year-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.

Aadhaar authentication mandatory for taxpayers



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government has made Aadhaar authentication of ing GST refund.

Indirect Taxes and Customs return of the succeeding bringing in various anti-evasion measures, including disbursal of GST refunds only in the bank account, which is linked with same PAN on which Goods and Services Tax (GST) registration has been

The notification also states that from January 1, 2022, businesses who have defaulted taxpayers mandatory for claim- in filing summary return and GST refund. paying monthly GST will not The Central Board of be able to file GSTR-1 sales

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

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

payers will obtain the refunds now," Jain added. With regard not bring able to file their GSTR- 1 if they have not filed their GSTR-3B of the previous month, Jain said this is a well

refunds as only the verified tax-

thought restriction and a necessary control check to eliminate the cases 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 govern-"Compliant taxpayers

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.

would appreciate this move as

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.

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 I 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.

allowed with the condition of re-export in the next six

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 contain-

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 Currently, duty-free shortage of containers for

> The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) on Saturday asked its field officers to give three months more time for the reexport 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 Cooperative 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 governpopularise the cooperative movement and quality products manufactured by cooperatives in the international mar-

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 Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium is being organised by cooperative bodies like, IFFCO, National Cooperative Federation of India, Amul, Sahakar Bharti, NAFED, and KRIBHCO.

UN MUST ENSURE... "We have to protect our oceans are lifeline of international trade. We have to protect them from race for expansionism and exclusion. The world will have to raise collective voice against such moves for a rulebased world order," he said. China claims nearly all of the disputed South China Sea, although Taiwan, the Philippines, Brunei, Malaysia, and Vietnam all claim parts of it. It has built artificial islands and military installations in the South China Sea and also has territorial disputes with Japan in the East China Sea.

Modi said that it is essential to strengthen the United Nations to protect the global order, global laws and global values.

In mid-way his address, the Prime Minister quoted "Chanakya" of the book "Arthshastra" fame, saying if one does not act in time on an issue, the time itself finishes it's relevance and asked UN to "increase its effectiveness and reliability" as he said many questions are being raised against it. Modi said UN's dealing with issues like "Climate change, terrorism, proxy-war .." have seen "deepening of these questions".

Prime Minister quoted Tagore to direct the world-body to act "fearlessly" which would remove all doubts about its actions. Alluding to the regressive thinking around, Prime Minister said his country is promoting scientific and progressive thinking among its citizens. Modi said that the dangers of regressive thinking and extremism are increasing in the world. "To strengthen sciencebased approach, India is promoting experience-based learning. We have opened thousands of Atal Tinkering Labs across schools," Prime Minister said.

"In these circumstances, the whole world has to make science-based, rational and progressive thinking, the base of their development pro-

QUAD VOWS TO...

Besides pledging to ensure peace and security in the Indo-Pacific, the four nations announced a slew of new initiatives to take on common challenges, amidst muscle flexing by an assertive China in the strategic region. In a way, Quad would play the role as "Force for Global good," Modi said in his short address and exuded confidence that this cooperation by the four democracies will ensure peace and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific region and the world. Modi was the first leader invited by host President Joe Biden to address the first in-person Quad gathering in the East Room of the White House.

Opening the summit, Biden said the four democracies have come together to take on common challenges from Covid to climate. "This group has democratic partners who share world views and have common vision for the future," he said. "When we met six months ago, we made a concrete commitment to advance our shared positive agenda for free and open up the session. Today, we are proud to say that we're making progress," Biden said. Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison and his Japanese counterpart were the two other leaders in the historic East Room. The vaccine initiative is on track, Biden said, adding that the Quad is taking action on climate change with a new partnership for zero emission shipping. "Today, we're also launching a new quad fellowship for students from each of our five countries to pursue advanced

degrees in leading science, tech-

nology engineering, and mathematics (STEM) programmes through the United States," Biden said. The four countries have a long history of cooperation. "We

know how to get things done. And we are up to the challenge," he added. Thanking Biden for his initiative to organise this historic first ever in-person Quad Summit, Modi said the four countries came together for the first time in 2004 to extend support to the Indo-Pacific Region. Today, when the world is grappling with the Covid-19 pandemic, we are meeting once again as Quad and working in the interest of humanity," he said. The Quad vaccine initiative is going to provide a great help to the nations in the Indo-Pacific region," he said. "Based on our common democratic values, Quad has decided to move forward with positive thinking," he said. Be it supply chain or security, be it climate action or Covid response, or cooperation in the field of technology, Modi said he would be very happy to talk to the leaders at the meeting. Morrison said the Indo-Pacific region should be free from coercion and disputes should be solved in accordance with international law, in a veiled reference to China. "We believe in a free and open Indo Pacific, because we know that the limits are strong, stable, and prosperous freedom…to realise their hopes and dreams to live in a liberal free society," he said. Observing that there is no part of the world that is more dynamic than the Indo-Pacific at this time, a region that has extraordinary opportunity, Morrison said there are many challenges that must be overcome. Suga also stressed the importance of the first ever inperson Quad Summit, saying 'this event demonstrates strong

solidarity between our four

nations and an unwavering com-

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mitment to a free and open

"It gives me great pleasure to discuss with my friends wide ranging topics from supply chains to global security, from climate action to Covid response, to cooperation in the field of technology. A Quad, in a sense, will play the role of a force for global good. I'm confident that our cooperation, under Quad, will ensure prosperity and peace in the Indo Pacific and in the world," Modi said. The joint statement released after the summit said it is an opportunity to refocus "ourselves and the world on the Indo-Pacific and on our vision for what we hope to achieve. Together, we recommit to promoting the free, open, rules-based order, rooted in international law and undaunted by coercion, to bolster security and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific and beyond."

On the new initiatives, the statement said, "We begin new cooperation in cyber space and pledge to work together to combat cyber threats, promote resilience, and secure our critical infrastructure. In space we will identify new collaboration opportunities and share satellite data for peaceful purposes such as monitoring climate change, disaster response and preparedness, sustainable uses of oceans and marine resources, and on responding to challenges in shared domains. We will also consult on rules, norms, guidelines and principles for ensuring the sustainable use of outer The four nations also reaf-

firmed their commitment to the complete denuclearisation of North Korea in accordance with United Nations Security Council

resolutions, and also confirm the necessity of immediate resolution of the issue of Japanese abductees. The Quad urged North Korea to abide by its UN obligations, refrain from provocations and engage in substantive dialogue.

PM TO BRING... The motifs include religious sculptures from Hinduism Three-headed Brahma, Chariot Driving Surya, Vishnu and his Consorts, Siva Dakshinamurti, Dancing Ganesha, etc), Buddhism (Standing Buddha, Boddhisattva Majushri, Tara) and Jainism (Jain Tirthankara, Padmasana Tirthankara, Jaina Choubisi) as well as secular motifs (Amorphous couple in Samabhanga, Chowri Bearer, Female playing drum, etc). There are 56 terracotta pieces (Vase 2nd CE, Pair of Deer 12th CE, Bust of Female 14th CE) and an 18th CE sword with sheath with inscription mentioning Guru Hargovind Singh in

As regards Kashmir, the Pakistani Prime Minister said, "New Delhi has also embarked on what it ominously calls the 'final solution' for the Jammu and Kashmir dispute." He also alleged "gross and systematic violations of human rights" by Indian forces. He specifically mentioned the "forcible snatching of the mortal remains of the great Kashmiri leader," Syed Ali Geelani, who died earlier this month at 91. Khan called upon the General Assembly to demand Geelani's proper burial and rites. He also said Pakistan desires peace, but it is India's

responsibility to meaningfully engage. Imran said that post 9-11 there has been a design by some right-wing fascist forces to unleash hate campaign against Muslim all over the world. He especially named the RSS and the BJP among such forces.
The Pakistan PM urged the

UN Secretary-General to convene a global dialogue on countering the "rise of Islamophobia" to save the world from another kind of terrorism in the name of the rising phenomenon.

Accusing the BJP-led Indian Government of toeing the 'worst and most pervasive" form of Islamophobia by unleashing a reign of fear and violence against India's 200 million-strong Muslim community, Imran called for a "free and fair" plebiscite in disputed Jammu and Kashmir in accordance with the UN Security Council resolutions to resolve the long-running dispute.

CHANNI TO RETAIN... After meeting the Governor

on Saturday afternoon, Channi told reporters the oath-taking ceremony for the new Ministers will take place at 4:30 pm on Sunday. His meeting with the Governor came barely hours after he returned from Delhi having held a final round of discussion with the party high command on the Cabinet formation. However, five legislators -- Rana Gurmit Singh Sodhi, Sadhu Singh Dharamsot, Balbir Singh Sidhu, Gurpreet Singh Kangar and Sunder Sham Arora -- who were Ministers in the Amarinder Singh-led Cabinet are likely to be dropped, sources said. A consensus on the names for the Channi-led Cabinet was reached during his meeting with Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and other senior party

members in the national Capital

Channi was summoned to Delhi

by the Congress high command on Friday to discuss the Cabinet formation. The visit came within hours of him returning from the national capital. Sources informed The Pioneer that the party high command was cautious to select the names for the Cabinet to avoid any further revolt or dissatisfaction among the party leaders, while maintaining balance among all sections, categories, regions, and castes. While deciding on the Cabinet expansion, the Congress party is working on three parameters - strengthening its social base, taking on board MLAs from former Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh's camp, and countering the anti-incumbency factor.

BIDEN REITERATES...

India in June asserted that the Inter-Governmental Negotiations (IGN) on UN Security Council reforms can no longer be used as a smokescreen, as the General Assembly decided to roll over the IGN work to the next UNGA session and agreed to include an amendment proposed by the G4 nations of Brazil, Germany,

India and Japan. At present, the UNSC comprises five permanent members and 10 non-permanent member countries which are elected for a two-year term by the General Assembly of the United Nations. The five permanent members are Russia, the UK, China, France and the United States and these countries can veto any substantive resolution. There has been growing demand to increase the number of permanent members to reflect the contemporary global reality. During his meeting with Prime Minister Modi, President Biden also reaffirmed US support for India's entry to the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG), the joint statement said.

MODI JEALOUS...

German Chancellor Angela Merkel, Pope Francis and Italian Prime Minister Mario Draghi were likely to attend the programme centred on Mother Teresa who lived and died in Kolkata. Attacking the Prime Minister for denying a "Hindu woman" the chance to attend the programme, Banerjee said the Prime Minister always spoke about Hinduism but when it came to practice he would not allow a Hindu woman to do her job. "You (read Modi) always talk about Hindus and Hinduism but here you did not practice what you speak I am also a Hindu woman who you stopped from visiting a world programme … this is because you are totally jealous (about me)," Banerjee said adding, "You (Prime Minister) will not be able to stop me like this, I will continue to do my work without fear." A visibly angry Chief Minister said she was not going to Italy for tourism but for a specific purpose. "I was not going there as a touris. My visit to that country only would have enhanced India's respect as a nation," she said adding unlike many other Chief Ministers she always would make it a point to seek central clearance for a foreign visit but "today the MEA denied the permission."

TALIBAN HANG...

Since the Taliban overran Kabul on August 15 and seized control of the country, Afghans and the world have been watching to see whether they will recreate their harsh rule of the late 1990s. The group's leaders remain entrenched in a deeply conservative, hard-line worldview, even if they are embracing technological changes, like video and mobile phones.

Ostrava Open: Sania in doubles final

IANS OSTRAVA

ania 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.

Šania-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 Pola'd's Magda Linette and Bernarda Pera of the USA, the top seeds, and the American-Kiwi team of Kaitlyn Christian and Erin 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.



New-look Indian team ready for Sudirman Cup challenge

PTI VANTAA

n Indian team which is a nice A 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

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 Championship. With double 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

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 Ongbamrungphan 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 Kititharakul 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, Wang 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).



India claim two silver medals in Archery World Championships

Tndia suffered another setback as its Larchers 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.

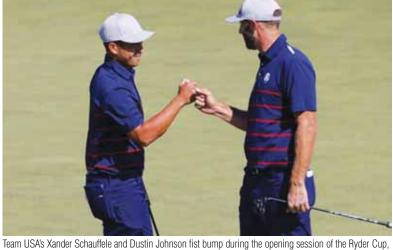
In the Compound Mixed Team final, Jyoti Surekha Vennam and Abhishek Verma got off to a good start as they took a one-point lead (39-38) after the first end, shooting three 10s and a 9 as compared to three 9s and a 10 by the Colombian pair of Sara Lopez and Daniel Munoz.

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.

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



at Whistling Straits, in Sheboygan

AP ■ SHEBOGYAN

The Americans haven't opened witha 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 leastsalvage 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

"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,

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

DeChambeau said after he and Scottie

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 midday 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.

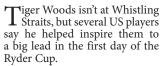
"We can come back from 6-2," said McIlroy, trying to summon calm and confidence after losing both matches.

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

Tiger Woods' text helps inspire US team **AP** ■ SHEBOGYAN



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.

said was I'm cheering you guys on, I'm right there with you and go fight and make us proud," Tony



"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

son but I know he's watching and 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 pump-

ing 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 "Tiger's not with us in per- the text on Thursday and sent it out to the team on Friday. He said and shared a few personal obser-

> "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 cap

tain 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.

Weather could force Russian GP qualifying session to be moved today

IANS 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 lim-

its, 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 redo a programme and hold qualifying on Sunday morning."

▼ndian women's hockey team Imid-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.

Lewandowski's scoring streak for Bayern ends after 19 games

 $F^{or\ once,\ Robert\ Lewandowski}_{\text{didn't\ score.}}$ 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 Fürth 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.

Fürth, which hadn't won any of its opening five Bundesliga games lenge on American midfielder

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 counterattack 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 chal-

Julian Green, who would have been through on goal.

But Bayern still had enough offensive power to extend its lead in the 68th, when Sebastian Griesbeck scored an own-goal under pressure from Lewandowski, who looked disappointed not to have scored himself.

Cedric Itten got a late consolation for Fürth in the 87th.

Bayern consolidated top spot after taking the league lead with a 7-0 rout of another promoted team, Bochum, last weekend.

"We're happy with how it's going but we mustn't lose touch – 's about always taking the next step. That's the most fun, keep improving," Müller said after scoring his second league goal of the

Durand Cup: Bengaluru FC overcome gritty Army Green to enter semis minute to give them the lead.

Bengaluru FC (BFC) came from behind to beat Army Green 3-2 in the final quarterfinal encounter of the 130th Durand Cup at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan (VYBK) on Saturday and set up a lastfour clash with FC Goa on Wednesday. Wugngayam Muirang, Leon Augustine, and Namgyal Bhutia struck for BFC while Lallawmkima and Vibin 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

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

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

failed to convert any of them in

PUNJAB BEAT SRH Bowlers script Delhi Capitals' 33-run win over Rajasthan

PTI SHARJAH

oung leg-spinner Ravi Bishnoi snared three wickets as Punjab Kings dished out a clinical bowling display to beat struggling Sunrisers Hyderabad by five runs in a lowscoring but entertaining Indian Premier League match here on Saturday.

The 21-year-old Bishnoi (3/24) ran through the SRH middle order after veteran India pacer Mohammed Shami rocked the run chase early on by dismissing both David Warner (2) and captain Kane Williamson (1) cheaply in the first and third overs respectively. Chasing 126 for a win on a slow Sharjah Cricket Stadium track, SRH ended at 120 for 7 in 20 overs to end their hopes of making it to the play-offs.

Punjab, however, kept their hopes alive as they grabbed the fifth place with 8 points from 10

West Indian Jason Holder raised hopes of a dramatic win for SRH with a late onslaught of

47 off just 29 balls with the help of five sixes but in the end SRH were short by five runs.

SRH needed 21 from the final two overs and Arshdeep Singh conceded just four runs from the penultimate over. Needing 17 runs from the final over bowled by Nathan Ellis, Holder hit a six in the second ball but SRH needed a six to tie the score and take the match to Super Over.

But Holder, who had taken three wickets for 19 runs in the Punjab Kings innings, could score just one run from the final

SRH were 20 for 2 after Power Play and Bishnoi took the centre stage from then onwards as he removed the next three batsmen to stifle the SRH run

First, he had Manish Pandey (13) in the eighth over before dismissing Kedar Jadhav (12) and Abdul Samad (1).

From 43 for 3 at the halfway mark, SRH were 60 for 5 in the 13th over. The arrival of Jason Holder at the crease gave some

hopes to SRH as the West Indian hit two sixes to take 16 runs from the 16th over bowled by Nathan Ellis.

SRH needed 35 from the final four overs and Wriddhiman Shah (31) was set at the other end but he got run out in the 17th over in a horrible mix-up. Earlier, Holder's impressive

spell of three wickets for 19 runs helped SRH restrict Punjab Kings to 125 for 7 after being sent in to bat. Punjab Kings batsmen struggled to get going on a slow wicket and failed to stitch any big partnership, the highest being the 30-run stand between Chris Gayle and Aiden Markram, who top-scored with a 32-ball 27, for the third wick-

Captain KL Rahul had scored 49 in the previous match but got dismissed early this time as he fell to Holder's first ball for a run-a-ball 21 in the

The other opener Mayank Agarwal (5), who had scored 67 against Rajasthan Royals on Tuesday, was out four balls later as he sliced a Holder delivery to Kane Williamson at mid off.

Punjab Kings were 29 for 2 after Power Play and could have been three wickets down the next over but David Warner dropped Markram off Khaleel Ahmed. The Mohali-based side were 55 for 2 at halfway mark.

Chris Gayle shunned playing his trademark big-hitting shots but got dimissed for 14 off 17 balls off the bowling of Rashid Khan.

Nicholas Pooran (8) followed his senior West Indian colleague to the dressing room the next over, while Markram's promising innings ended in the 15th over while looking for big shots to accelerate the

Deepak Hooda (13) hit some lusty blows before substitute fielder J Suchith plucked the ball out of thin air in an outstanding fielding effort to dismiss the batsman. Punjab Kings took 14 runs from the final over bowled by Bhuvneshwar Kumar to end their innings at 125 for 7.



Delhi Capitals players greet each other after winning the match against Raiasthan Royals

PTI ABU DHABI

Delhi Capitals bowlers made up for the team's underwhelming display with the bat to hand Rajasthan Royals a 33-run defeat in their Indian Premier League match, here on Saturday.

The Capitals bowling unit restricted the Royals to 121 for six after the team put on board 154 for six on the back of Shreyas Iyer's 43 and a late flourish provided by Shimron Hetmyer, who scored 28 runs off

Rajasthan skipper Sanju Samson looked in sublime touch, scoring an unbeaten 70, but with wickets tumbling at regular intervals from the other end, the Royals innings failed to get the momentum it needed.

South African pacer Anrich Nortje (2/18) led the Delhi bowlers who performed as a cohesive unit. Avesh Khan (1/29), Kagiso Rabada (1/26), Axar Patel (1/27), Ravichandran Ashwin (1/20) snapped a wick-

With the win the Capitals returned to the top of the table while the Royals moved down to

Defending a modest total pacers Khan and Nortje provided the electric start that the Capitals needed, sending back both openers — Liam Livingstone (1) and Yashasvi Jaiswal (5) in the first two overs.

Skipper Rishabh Pant made a bowling change by bringing in Ashwin and the senior Indian spinner got rid of the dangerous David Miller (7) to leave the Royals tottering at 17 for 3.

With the required run rate increasing, Rajasthan needed 107 runs in the last 10 over.

Samson and young Mahipal Lomror (19) seemed to be reviving the innings but the everreliant Rabada nipped the partnership in the bud.

Riyan Parag (2) and Rahul Tewatia (9) couldn't provide a valuable contribution either.

Samson was going strong, hitting boundaries at will but the Delhi bowlers came back strongly. Earlier, the Royals pacers – led by Mustafizur Rahman (2/22), Chetan Sakariya (2/33) and Kartik Tyagi (1/40) shared five wickets while spin all-rounder Rahul Tewatia

(1/17) dismissed one batsman. Tyagi, the star of the match



shot during match between Delhi Capitals

against Punjab Kings, drew first blood with his very first delivery in the fourth over, cleaning up Orange Cap holder Shikhar

The Delhi opener looked to play a good length delivery but the ball rolled back to hit the timber. Prithvi Shaw (10) soon followed his opening partner back to the dugout, slicing the ball off Sakariya to Liam

Livingstone at mid-off. At the end of the powerplay, the Capitals were precariously placed at 36 runs for the loss of two wickets.

With spin introduced in the seventh over Shreyas Iyer (43 off 32 balls) and skipper Rishabh Pant (24 off 24 balls) started to repair the damage caused by the loss of the openers.

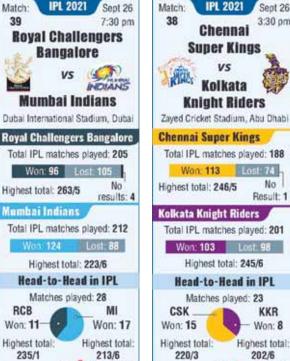
The duo, who stitched a 62run partnership, kept the score-board ticking, while also hitting the occasional boundaries at the huge Sheikh Zayed Stadium. The stylish İyer then hit the

first maximum of the match over long off in the 10th over off left-arm wrist spinner Tabraiz Shamsi (0/34).

As the two Delhi batters found their footing, Rahman was brought back into the attack and the move immediately paid dividends as Pant, looking to hook the ball away, ended up getting an under edge.

Samson then showed his skills with gloves to stump Iyer, who failed to stretch his back foot inside the crease as wicket continued to tumble at regular

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MI hopeful of Hardik's return against RCB on Sunday, says Zaheer

Mumbai Indians Director of Cricket Operations, Zaheer Khan on Saturday exuded confidence that star all-rounder Hardik Pandya would be fit to play in their game against Royal Challengers Bangalore after missing the title holder's first two games in the second leg of the ongoing Indian Premier League.

MI did not have the best of starts in the second phase of the tournament, losing their first two games against Chennai Super Kings and Kolkata Knight Riders. But Zaheer is optimistic about Hardik's return in the playing eleven in their next game on Sunday.

"Well, we have a practice session today lined up, so after we finish the press conference we are going to go there and will take an informed call on that. He (Hardik) has started practicing, that's what I can share with you guys right now. So, we are hopeful that he

(Hardik) will be fit and available. mer India pacer said at the prematch conference.

MI head coach Mahela Jayawardane had said that the Baroda all-rounder missed the game against CSK due a little niggle. He also the missed the next game against KKR. "As you know, IPL is a very

highly competitive tournament, so teams are always trying to have a one up on each other and they are getting smart in their preparation and these days every team is analysing every other team. So we have to stay on the top.

"The focus has always been on us, this team has been so successful because we have been focusing on our processes, our strengths and our players who are taking the field. And these are the players who have got us the championship, so we have that kind of approach and we have had quite a lot of good conversations around those things," he

Bowlers gear up to prevent clean sweep vs 'Southern Stars' better part doesn't speak highly of Mithali Raj's outfit. There is a trend in cricket, the sides Lanning. India's bowling attack barring Goswami, who is in a league of her own,

India's under-fire bowlers will need to Lput up a much-improved show as they face the ignominy of a clean sweep against an Australian team, which is looking for its 27th win on the trot, during the third and final women's ODI here on A marginal no-ball call off the final delivery bowled by Jhulan Goswami found India won the wrong side of the result in the second WODI. The match indeed was a humdinger but not being able to defend a total as big as 274 after having the home team on the mat for the

that snatch defeat from the jaws of victory in close games like India did on Friday, end up losing both momentum and confidence in their next few games.

The manner in which Beth Mooney, opened in absence of Rachel Havne along with Tahlia McGrath and Nicola Carey, snatched the game away would hurt for a long time. And they could do it with ease without any contribution from one of their best batters Alussa Healy and the iconic captain Meg

hasn't delivered throughout 2021. A lot of it is due to the fact that the Indian cricket establishment failed to find a worthy new ball partner for Goswami once Amita Sharma left the scene a

Shikha Pandey is very hardworking cricketer but could never measure up to the level of being a regular partner for Goswami and neither the likes of Mansi Joshi, Puja Vastrakar, Monica Patel could instil any confidence.

Dhoni should play at No.4 once CSK qualify for playoffs: Gambhir

IANS NEW DELHI

Former Kolkata Knight Riders captain Gautam Gambhir has said that Chennai Super Kings (CSK) skipper MS Dhoni should move himself to No.4 position when the team qualify for the playoffs in the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2021.

He further added that Dhoni should be playing at that position regardless of whether CSK are chasing or

defending a total.
"MS Dhoni should bat at No.4 once CSK qualifies for the playoffs, irrespective of whether you are chasing or batting first so that you are able to spend time in the middle. I will want to see that, hopefully it happens. The best thing about a captain is that it

is his own wish, he can bat

anywhere he wants," Gambhir

said on Star Sports.

Ashwin bags 250th T20 wicket ABU DHABI: Delhi Capitals spinner Ravichandran Ashwin added

another feather to his illustrious cap when he dismissed Rajasthan Royals batsman David Miller to grab his 250th wicket in T20 cricket. Ashwin became only the third Indian after Amit Mishra and Piyush Chawla to do so.

The 34-year-old spinner has 140 wickets to his name in the IPL while he bagged 52 wickets for India in 46 T20Is. The rest of his wickets came in the domestic circuit. He is the sixthhighest wicket-taker in the IPL. Veteran pacer Lasith Malinga leads the chart in IPL with 170 scalps followed by Amit Mishra (160), Piyush Chawla (156), Dwayne Bravo (154), and Harbhajan Singh (150). Apart from Malinga, all the top five wicket-takers are currently playing in the IPL. Malinga announced his retirement ahead of the start of the 14th edition of the tournament while in the last season he made himself unavailable due to personal reasons.

Our players have understood their roles and responsibilities: Dhoni

PTI ■ SHARJAH

hennai Super Kings skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni on Friday attributed his team's remarkable turnaround this IPL season to the players' hard work and understanding their roles and responsibilities.

Three-time winners CSK endured their worst outing last season when they finished seventh in the eight-team league, a far cry from the manner in which they are dominating in this edition, including their latest six-wicket win over Royal

Challengers Bangalore. "Our players have worked hard, they have understood their roles and responsibilities. Over here, the three grounds are different. This is slowest (so far) of all. Dubai and Abu Dhabi are different. So the players have been adapting," Dhoni said after the comfortable six-wicket win over

RCB skipper Virat Kohli (53) and young Devdutt Padikkal (70) struck

brisk half-centuries in an impressive 111-run stand but CSK pulled the strings to restrict them to 156 for six after electing to bowl.

The in-form Ruturaj Gaikwad, then, came good again with a quick 38 while Faf du Plessis made 31 at the top to lay a strong foundation for CSK to chase the modest target in 18.1

CSK's decision to bowl first was prompted by the dew

We were worried about the dew, so whenever there's chances of dew we want to bat second.

They got off to a good start but after ninth over wicket slowed down. You still had to bowl tight, and Jadeja's spell was important with Padikkal batting from one

"After that Bravo, Josh (Hazlewood), Shardul (Thakur), Deepak (Chahar) were brilliant. It's always on the back of your mind on which bowler can be effective over here," the former India skipper said. Even as RCB got off to a great start, Dhoni brought into play his years of experience to effect a turnaround.

Didn't show much courage: Kohli

IANS SHARJAH

 $R^{\rm oyal\,Challengers\,Bangalore}_{\rm skipper\,Virat\,Kohli\,was\,left}$ dejected after a second loss in as many matches here and said that another 15-20 runs on the board would have given the side a winning total.

RCB came up with a much improved performance the Mahendra Dhoni-led Singh Chennai Super Kings on Friday, notching up 156/6 thanks to half centuries from Devdutt Padikkal (70) and Kohli (53), but still lost by six wickets after some incisive bowling by Dwayne Bravo and Shardul Thakur.

RCB, who have never won an IPL title, had earlier lost to Kolkata Knight Riders by nine wickets in the opening match of the second leg of

they could only score a dismal 92 runs.

'The wicket did slow down a bit. But I feel we left out 15-20 runs out there. 175 would've been a winning total. Didn't bowl consistently. Didn't show that much courage I guess

with the ball. They (CSK) bowled well in the back end of the innings, executed the slower balls and yorkers nicely," Kohli said after the

The

32-year-old stated that they "have to show more courage crunch moments" and also, asserts

the tournament here where that they have to get back on that winning form again.

The two losses have seen RCB's fortunes dip sharply and they are currently third on the table with 10 points from nine games behind CSK and Delhi Capitals who hold the first and second place respectively with 14 points apiece.

Rajasthan Royal, who have played a game less, could push RCB further down if they win the next game.

"We spoke of areas we didn't want them to hit and we didn't do that. That little bit of X factor was missing in the first 5-6 overs. Got to get on that winning run again. This one is a bit more disappointing. The first one we just weren't in the game. Have to show more courage in crunch moments. This tournament goes by quickly," he added. Up next, RCB take on the defending champions Mumbai Indians on September 26 at the Dubai International





■ What's your role in Nakaab?

It is an investigative thriller. An actor has died and there is an enquiry how she died whether it is a sucide or a murder; what is happening around this death. I play Zohra Mehra, an entertainment producer. She is a very ruthless and ambitious kind of a person who doesn't care for anything. All she wants to do is make her empire. If you see, in real life also, the kind of things that are happening, — so many actors dying — Nakaab is extremely relevant today.

What was the attraction of playing this

It was because of the relevance that this film has — the relevance of all these unnatural deaths that have taken place. The script is very strong; it talks about the pressures that one feels when you are in the entertainment industry. This industry is so different from the person who has a 9 am to 5 pm job; he would not be able to relate to the lifestyle that the entertainment has nor the pressure — pressure to look good, pressure to be perfect, to look perfect; pressure to be a certain way. But how do you deal with it. Some people take to drugs, some become alcoholics, some commit suicide. What I read, the effect and role of social media and how the media sensationalises everything. I knew that we had to do this film.

■ You were away for a couple of years. What was keeping you busy?

I was travelling the world. It was the best time to travel. The airports were empty, air planes were empty. Roads were almost empty. There were no long queues at immigration. I went to all the countries which were allowing

How tough was it?

It was not so tough. Sanitising is good for us — it keeps us protected, doing COVID tests is for our safety. It is about conditioning yourself and becoming used to the protocols that one has to follow. It is good in fact. Everything is so much cleaner now.



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How tough was it to shoot?

The challenge was that we had to take the COVID test every two days. We also followed very strict protocols. While shooting you become involved in the scene that you forget the protocols, it is challenging to keep them in mind and follow them. The staff is wearing PPE kits and doing their work. This is tough.

How was the experience of working on an investigative thriller?

I loved the role I was given in *Nakaab* because there is nothing fake here. The director, Soumik Sen, wanted to keep thngs real. My character is a chain smoker. I have never smoked in my life. I had to practice a lot on how to hold a cigarette. Such roles are tough to write.

Is it possible for commercial and realistic cinema to meet at a point?

It is impossible to have a meeting point for the two. Commercial Bollywood films have a set formula. Realistic films take big risks. Zohra in Nakkab is sans make-up; she doesn't

need it.

What kind of camaraderie did you share with Esha Gupta and Gautam Rode given the present pandemic and social distancing?

There was a lot of camaraderie. We didn't go crazy; we maintained social distance. Since we took tests every other day, we knew we were safe. How has the journey been?

It has been amazing. Imagine, I came from Haryana. Bollywood gave me everything name, fame and even failures. It has given me super hits and flops as well. It is part of a great

How has the OTT worked for you?

It has been wonderful. For an actor, it is important to reinvent. The kind of roles that are being written on the OTT platform, the writers are also coming up with challenges roles for

■ What next?

I am working on a project with Rajat Kapoor, RKRKAY. I play the lead — an actor of the 1950s.

Bolly World

Sushmita's 'Aarya' for **Emmy**

The Sushmita Sen-starrer 'Aarya' has been nominated at the 49th International Emmy Awards in the 'Drama Series' category.
Sushmita said: "It is surreal to know that 'Aarya' has been recognised globally amongst

the Best Drama series in the world and to be nominated at a platform as prestigious as the International Emmy Awards is phenomenal.

She added: "I am overwhelmed with the love and faith viewers across the world have put into our labour of love and want to thank each one from the bottom of my heart for the encouragement."

Helmed by director Ram Madhvani, the Hotstar Specials show succeeded in weaving a narrative around a dynamic woman who gives her all to save her kids and family. It marked the debut of the former beauty queen in the digital

'I am here to act'

ctor Amit Jairath, who Aconsiders director Nikkhil Advani his mentor, says that it's his passion and love for the craft of acting which is the prime

factor that attracts him to be a part of Indian cinema. Talking about his experience and role in 'Mumbai Diaries 26/11 he says: "It was an interesting experience. I had only heard and seen the horrific act on television. But now I was enacting it and the surroundings and the atmosphere around was made so real that this time it felt that it was actually happening all over again - the real horror that Mumbai felt that night, I could feel it in my spine while shooting." The actor known for his works in 'Batla House', 'Jagga Jasoos' and few short films like 'Moksha', 'Nayi Ammi' says: "Being a good actor is my focus, I am here to

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Active Parenting can help parents significantly in reducing stress, both for their children and



he pandemic has delivered a triplewhammy 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 stresses. 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 reestablished, 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 firefighting 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
- Provide high support, while empowering children to take ownership and responsibility

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

First let us list out the challenges to be

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 anxi-

ety 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, shorttemper, 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.

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 intent 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 manging 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 storytelling. 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 storytelling 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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ATTACHED TO NONE

Renunciation is a critical part of the journey towards enlightenment. The way to look at it is what makes it different, writes HINGORI



iragya, in Sanskrit, roughly translates as dispassion, detachment, or renunciation. The big question on renunciation is what is it that we are

Is tyaag (sacrifice) of all our worldly possessions the same as renunciation? To understand this, I would like to draw from Yog Vashistha. There is a wonderful story of a king and queen who eventually realised the truth. While the queen realised it very early, the king decided that the way to enlightenment was austerity and penance. He left his kingdom in the care of his wife, gave up all his worldly possessions and moved to the forest where he performed severe penance for many years — so was this the right path to enlightenment? Not really, it just resulted in him being extremely frustrated and unhappy. This is a common confusion with initiates on the path to spiritual growth.

True renunciation does not lie in becoming a swami, going to the mountains, living in a 'dharamshala' and sleeping on the floor. Further, it can be attained by anyone — whether a multi-millionaire, yogi, student, farmer, doctor, prisoner or anyone else. it's your state of consciousness. This, of course, sounds very profound but let's discuss what it really means. The renunciate is someone who rests in the joy of the spirit rather than that provided by the senses. A true renunciate enjoys what comes to them unsought, and does not chase desires in this illusionary world. In fact seeking enlightenment and forcibly renouncing worldly pleasures as the king also translates into intense desire as does the setting of milestones to measure spiritual progress.

If I were to put it in a single statement — someone who has overcome the attraction of the senses and is detached in terms of possessions, relationships and desires is a true renunciate.

Renunciation is a critical part of the journey towards enlightenment, however the way to look at it is not that you don't 'own anything' rather it is to not let anything 'own you'. Not your senses, not your mind, not your possessions, not your relationships and most of all not your 'identity'. Remain established in the 'self'. So how does one renounce all these 'thinks' and

A simple way to look at it is equanimity. When we remain unaffected by joy and sorrow, pain and pleasure, likes and dislikes, we achieve equanimity. this article we will examine one of the ways to get there, and that is the way of 'acceptance'. When we see things just

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'as they are' and not as they 'should or should not be' we develop acceptance. Apart from situations and scenarios that may occur externally, this also pertains to accepting ourselves. This does not mean inaction or making no effort towards correction and change. But once acceptance has permeated within, it lacks the emotion and you learn to accept yourself on an 'as-iswhere-is' basis. I am not recommending a sense of futility or fatalism, which are both negative in connotation. Rather, saints often talk about 'contentment', the root of which lies in 'acceptance' which stems from a positive

mindset. Rabia of Basra, was a well-known Sufi mystic. Her approach to spiritual life won respect from many contemporaries. When people asked her, "When are servants of god content?" She replied, "They are content when they are as grateful for pain, as they are

for pleasure."

It's a long journey, a journey which we have traversed across many lifetimes, and as we continue the path. Let me share a great tool to build acceptance of oneself and others. It is known as pratipaksh bhavana. This is one of the yogic mind practices that thought every time a negative one enters the mind. In other words, it is a device to create an opposite attitude

towards thoughts or feelings that cause a disturbance in your mind.

In simpler words, it reflects an opposite viewpoint. When you receive thoughts about something your intellect does not like, you select an opposite thought to superimpose the disliked original one. For example, if someone is rude to you, instead of naturally developing animosity towards them, pratipaksh bhavana teaches you to look at them in the opposite manner. You can convince yourself that maybe the person was going through stress and did not realise how they were speaking, or that perhaps it was your destiny to face a crude reaction from someone, or you can ask yourself if something you said initiated this reaction. These are just a few illustrations of how you can stop the other person's behaviour from hurting you.

As a golden rule instead of looking at the rate of success, look at the

rate of decreasing failure.

Maharishi Patanjali remarked, "Expose the mind to constant thoughts of anger and resentment, and you will find these anger-waves build up anger-samskars, which will predispose you to find occasions for anger permeating your daily life. A man with welldeveloped anger-samskars is said to have a bad temper."

Once a guru was questioned , "What should I do if I get sensual thoughts while treating women?" He smiled as if he had been asked that question a hundred times before. He said, "While treating women visualise her as an infant and then an old lady." This was a unique example of a kind of pratipaksh bhavana, where you superimpose not an opposite emotion but a variation of visualisations to avoid a negative one.

I urge you to think about a game of cricket. Technically, it is almost impossible to see a ball at 100 miles an hour and then decide how to play it. Few batsmen can do that. So how do they hit a ball that moves faster than one can think? It is called practice. It

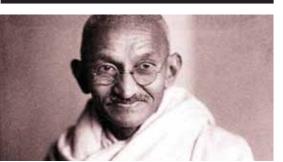
Also leads to muscle memory.
You have to go to the nets and keep practicing till you know what to do. You need to understand that you will improve, but only a little at a time. And so it is with spiritual practices.

Even when struggling to accept yourself, you can look at the flip side and say, "These days, I dislike myself less" and then say, "I hardly dislike myself", which will eventually lead to a feeling wherein you will not dislike yourself at all. From here on, I pray that unquestioningly

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Gandhi as I see him

fashion for some. But there is another class that has emerged on the scene, the Gandhi baiters. Though still insignificant in numbers, the group is aggressive, vocal and kind of social media activist who believe that a storm can be created in a tea cup. For such activists attempts to demean Gandhi is a pastime they enjoy. Whether it is a perception or a propaganda, misinformation or disinformation, the campaign is more impulsive than objective. But there is need to let the right knowledge reach the vast young popneed to let the right knowledge reach the vast young population who get carried away by social media. Maybe, the recent research publication by an authentic source like the Sage throw some light on the nature of social media misinformation and serve as an eye opener. The study has rightly found that India is one of the most misinformation affected country and also produces the largest amount of misin-formation. Obviously, because social media is a full time pastime for a large number of people. Against this backdrop, and even at risk of coming in the firing range of the troll brigade let's talk about Gandhi on his yet another birthday. More so, because we are celebrating 75 years of Indian independence in a big way. Though it must be acknowledged that there were many who fought for and contributed towards India's freedom, yet it was Gandhi who played the stellar role. Many before his advent on the scene tried to make the British Government listen, but it was Gandhi who succeeded. It was Gandhi who proved that the British were not invincible. It was Gandhi who converted the Congress into an organ of mass movement from a motley group of passionate people dominated by lawyers. And it was Gandhi who influenced the world's opinion against the British that ultimately paved way for their retreat. From Champaran to Dandi it was Gandhi who involved the common Indian in the fight against the British. The greatest misstatement on Gandhi is about his Hindu credentials. The fact is that he was a more devout Hindu than the many who are championing the cause today. Gandhi not only understood Hinduism in its real sense, but he also practiced it religiously. He followed the principles of Geeta and believed in the philosophy of the religion so lucidly advocated by Swami Vivekananda. His understanding of Ram was much better than many of the claimants of Ram's legacy today. A perfect blend of tradition and modernity, Gandhi was an example of ethical leadership, so popular in Management classrooms today. In fact, no course on ethics can be complete without a mention of Gandhi. He not only preached ethical conduct, but he epitomised it. Ethics for him was not about right behaviour when you are in temple, but also when you are alone and no one is watching. He believed in truth and nonviolence, he believed in upliftment of the poorest, he believed in cleanliness as Godliness. For him simple living and high thinking was the credo and he practiced what he preached. For him means and ends were interchangeable. His economic ideas were endorsed by the World Bank time and again. Little wonder, he still is one of our most popular global brands. Rightly was he adjudged man of the milhim: forgive them O'lord, for they know not what they do.

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Turn to art for progress

Creativity in any form helps to relieves stress, enhances mental health, and strengthens the immune system, says AARRTI ZAVERI



nyone can be an artist, regardless of their talent. Using art, creativity, and imagination in your daily life may lead to bravery, breakthroughs, and uniqueness, all of which can pave the path for genuine success. Understanding how art makes you more creative and capable of thinking outside the box will push you out of your comfort zone and make you willing to face any challenges that come your way Here are ways that incorporating art and imagination into your regular work will result in

productivity and accomplish-

ment in the long run. It's simple to assume that looking at art makes us happy. Whether one prefers modern subjects, classic styles, sculptures, still life, or ceramics, the love for art is universal, even among people who do not consider themselves artists. This reciprocal emotion, though, isn't just for show. Exposure to art influences our health, success, and our life. Let's take a deeper look at some of the ways art may improve your life.

ART AFFECTS OUR LIFE Did you realise that gazing

at art has a direct impact on the brain? The University of London reported in 2011 that when individuals saw attractive artwork, blood flow to the brain increased by up to 10%. Perhaps the word 'art' is hidden within the term 'smart' for a reason! Art can heal both the mind and the physical. This fact has garnered attention, as physicians have discovered that looking at and producing art has many health advantages. It relieves stress, enhances mental health, and strengthens the immune system. Art reduces patient recovery time and increases

hospital staff productivity. There is so much proof that art improves health that we now have trained art therapists.

ART FACILITATES COMMUNICA-

When words fail to express something, the visual arts are a method to communicate it. It's a method for us to express ourselves and think about the human predicament. We make an image with a message based on what we think or feel and share it with others to see how they perceive it. In this sense, art might be the ticket that allows us to build a more peaceful environment in which to

ART IS A FUEL THAT IMPROVES ONE'S QUALITY OF LIFE

Art not only improves our physical and mental wellbeing, but it also gives us a feeling of direction. The creativity that comes with creating and viewing art may transform our perspective on life and assure us that there are brighter days ahead. Do you get a sense of impending doom? Take a look at some art, or pick up a brush or pen and try your hand at it. Art provides a respite from the daily grind and an opportunity to tackle difficulties in a healthy way. Do you want to see more art in your life? Take advantage of those little perks by stopping by an art gallery on your way home or while doing errands.

The writer is visual artist

God is easily pleased

If we wish to lead a quality life, we must be prepared to listen to God and try to please Him, writes AJIT KUMAR BISHNOI

od is always on a lookout for ways to help us, reward us. That is why He is always watching us, listening to us and He even knows what we are thinking. The purpose is to respond to us as necessary. Such is the cosmic design. He pleased when someone is dutiful, i.e. one performs one's duties. Of course, God is much more pleased if someone acts according to dharma' for which reason He incarnates. He appreciates those engaged in welfare activities to an extent that He has assured no 'durgati' (bad end) for such persons. Lord Krishna has specifically commended Janakaji for his selfless working with public welfare.

God has commended even those who approach Him due to distress; Lord Krishna has called such persons noble. (7.18) Same view He holds about seekers of wealth. There is nothing wrong in seeking wealth; God's only requirement is that it should be according to 'dharma'. If seeking wealth was not desirable, the entire world will be disqualified. Can you expect God to have such a mindset? Then, where is our problem in pleasing God? What we want must be bona fide and God will be pleased if we approach Him. And spiritual acts, even a little, are highly pleasing to God; He promises protection from great fear. (3.40) It is impossible to imagine if anyone of us is pleased so easily and readily.

But we have plenty of excuses both not to approach God and also not to try to please Him by our acts. The most common excuse is that others are not doing it. Yes, they are not, because they won't as Lord Krishna has pointed out when he stated, "Due to the illusion



caused by hate and duality of wish, all living entities get illusioned." (7.27) If we wish to be one of the masses and go through the cycle of birth and death and spend an ordinary life and return for another ordinary life, that is our decision. But if we wish to lead a quality life in this one and the next, we must be prepared to listen to God's instructions and try to please Him. Is he not the one who holds all the cards?

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

hasn't. This explains the fourth excuse, which is: who has seen God? Surely, you haven't because you didn't make the requisite effort. But how can you be sure that others have also not seen God? Have you checked with everyone before making such a statement? The list of excuses is endless. So where does it get us? The Lord has answered: in illusion. I am sure some of us are smart enough 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 that 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



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 castebased 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 jus-

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 iustice 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 I 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

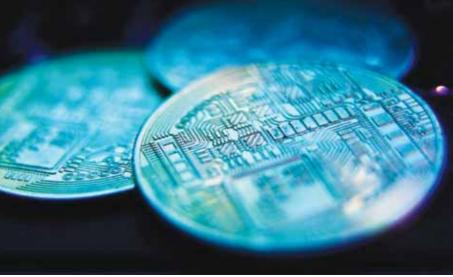
A recent survey by the Bank for International Settlements indicates that 86 per cent of the central banks are actively researching digital currencies. And almost 60 per cent of banks are in the testing phase.

According to some esti-mates, 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

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 payments' system from rentiers, guaranteeing unprece-

dented 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 wellfunctioning 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 predominant 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 conthree objectives: liberating the cerns 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 illusionary 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 CBDCs based on transparency-enhancing blockchain are a promising way to achieve three objectives: liberating the payment system from rentiers, guaranteeing unprecedented transparency regarding how much money is plucked from the money tree, and democratising access to the tree's fruit



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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 **I** 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

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 USbased 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 con-

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 per-

manent 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 neverending legal tussles. The step will also promote cross-border merger and acquisition. Last but not least, the scrapping of such draconic 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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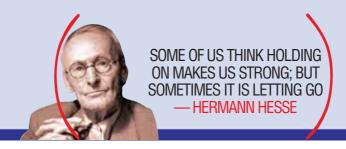
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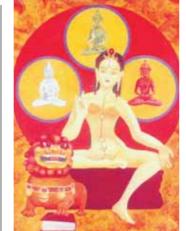




ARIES March 21-April 19

You are a carefree and enthusiastic person who wants to enjoy every moment of your life. The abundance of energy will not allow you to sit idle, no matter how busy you are. This is the right time to utilise this energy in creative pursuits for your benefit. Careerwise, not everything is smooth in your professional and financial prospects in life. Disappointment with the job is likely. You may plan to change your job. It is advised not to take a hasty decision. Personal life is peaceful. You constructively use your authority and power. In a love relationship, your partner may likely experience boredom in your company or vice versa. Find ways to smooth your relationship by bringing moderate change in your style.

Lucky number 11 Lucky colour Pastel Blue Lucky day Thursday



LEO July 23-Aug 22

To be fit, ensure you are eating at regular intervals and doing physical exercises. Money, career is important to you now. However, in the fast pace of life, health is ignored. Do not forget that all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. If you are not serious, you could invite many health issues and make a big hole in the pocket. Professionally, sudden reversals can happen now. The energy of this time will take you towards arguments. You may feel humiliated, undervalued in the hands of your colleagues and superiors. If you feel your job is unrewarding, give serious thought to make a change. You deserve to be happy. Those in a relationship will have greater moments of life in the company of each other.

Lucky number 20 Lucky colour Off-White Lucky day Sunday



SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21

There is a need to bring change in your diet and exercise routine. You are bound to join some sort of group or institution. Take the advice of a nutritionist and exercise under the guidance of a gym trainer. On the career front, work with your mind rather than your heart. You are likely to get sentimental on small issues and this won't be for your benefit. You are flexible and casual in professional matters, there is a need for a firm stand. You are likely to be more inclined to pursue creative projects that act as a form of self-expression like art, music, drama and poetry. Those in the literary world will achieve excellence. On the relationship front, you need to work together to get through any rough spots and to work on the bonding.

Lucky number 9 Lucky colour Red Lucky day Tuesday



TAURUS April 20-May 20

Your health & creativity is good. It is a period of great insight. You may feel a breakthrough moment where suddenly conscious understanding reaches its peak. This is a perfect time to clear away the haze that has kept you from seeing the inner truth. Avoid anger, aggression, and rush as these can affect your health. Money inflow will be good. Investments done in past will pay rich dividends now. You appreciate what is now available to you, knowing that the difficulties are over. You also know that with confidence, selfdiscipline, and patience, you can complete any task. On the personal front, your intuitive sense is providing you with useful and helpful information and is helping you to get in touch with your subconscious mind.

Lucky number 1 Lucky colour Indigo **Lucky day** Friday



VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

This week tension over small issues is on the cards. You are in an unusual mood. Worldly pleasures and activities are no more your agenda. You want isolation and relaxation. You need privacy to deal with your current situation. However, facing the challenges with enthusiasm and creativity is indicated. On the work front, work seems to be somewhat complicated. But, you are determined to achieve the set targets. You may have to make a tough choice with regard to money or love. Don't sacrifice your integrity for money. Money can't buy you self-esteem & spiritual well-being. Your dreams and the desire to manifest those dreams in the material world will come true this week. You are full of hope and enthusiasm

Lucky number 12 Lucky colour Yellow Lucky day Wednesday



CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19

This week you will be happy and full of enthusiasm. You will feel as if you are suddenly in the spotlight and people are waiting to hear your views. Your overall health remains good. You may plan to step out for a long drive to experience some change. It is also possible that you contact people from different places. On the career front, you will get the opportunity to kick start your career. Students need to prepare well in advance to stay in tune with their curriculum. You have the skills, intelligence but need the correct guidance to improve them and prepare for a brighter future. Research related work is on the card. You will have the ability to influence your near and dear ones. Relationships may suffer if you don't have control over your verbal communication

Lucky number 17 Lucky colour Silver **Lucky day** Saturday



GEMINI May 21-June 20

Re-inventing old traditions will work for you well. You may connect with a childhood friend and share experiences accumulated over time. You will be inspired to go ahead in life with creative ideas. On the career front, with your determination and will power. you can now achieve what seemed to be unattainable earlier. An outburst of creative spark comes to you unexpectedly and it will commence the journey of a new creative vision. However, it could be premature to discuss the details of your plans today. On your relationship front, you are high-spirited and chirpy and could win the heart of your loved one. If you're currently in a romantic relationship you may need to be refocused toward the future

Lucky number 16 Lucky colour White **Lucky day** Sunday



LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

This week your health needs immediate attention. You feel low in energy. Physical and mental blocks could make the pace of life slow. Due to health issues, you may miss important and enjoyable events. Prevention is better than cure. This week your career will shine. Promotion, recognition, and acknowledgement are on the cards. For those in business, goodwill will increase in the market as they come out with some brilliant ideas. On the personal front, your irritation and frustration are reflected in the relationships as well. The week will bring mixed emotions in relationships. You are not in the mood of compromising and live on your conditions. Initially, your loved ones may be offensive but gradually they will realise the depth of your ideas.

 ${\bf Lucky\ number\ 7}$ Lucky colour Brown Lucky day Thursday



AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18

Take care as this week as water-borne diseases could trouble you. Moderate changes in your lifestyle are required. Be mindful of the food you eat as digestion, acidity, gastric problems are likely to arise. Avoid excess tea, coffee, and spicy food. Professionally, you will be a little impulsive at work which is not good. Push yourself to the limit. Mix your theoretical thinking with a practical approach. If things do not work, do not criticize others and find faults in them. You must work sincerely and intelligently. On the personal front, domestic issues will draw your attention. Reschedule your timings so that you can pay attention to the people who matter. Do not mix your personal life with your professional life. Avoid any emotional trauma in your relationships.

Lucky number 13 Lucky colour Rose Gold Lucky day Tuesday



CANCER June 21-July 22

This week you will enjoy good health. You will be more involved in your community. You have a strong desire to contribute to give back or to use a special talent to help others and to make the world a better place. On the career front, you have energy and want to show the world your talents. Written communication needs attention. Be gentle and soft in your approach and expression. This week you will reflect sharpness in your mental abilities. You participate in various activities. On the personal front, action and discussion are necessary to elevate your love life. The company of innovative people will fill you with positive thoughts. Go ahead and connect with the person you have been thinking about.

Lucky number 19 Lucky colour Golden Lucky day Sunday



SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

This week you must take action to improve your health. Even if you are unwell, focus on healing. Every action makes a difference. Read more spiritual books and interact with those who come from belief systems other than your own. You will benefit a lot from it. On the career front, you are likely to get in a situation to choose work. Before taking any decision, analyse all the available information. It's possible that what you initially considered as a bad thing will turn out to work in your favour. Be cautious about mixing business with personal life. A committed relationship will get strengthened and balanced. Give some space to your partner and at the same time, make sure that you are doing your fair share of giving to the relationship.

Lucky number 8 Lucky colour Camel Brown Lucky day Friday



PISCES Feb 19-March 20

You are playful and full of energy this week. Use your creativity and imagination to envision a new future for yourself, and then make it a reality. Your health will be good. Take all precautions for own benefit. Spend time and money to maintain your health and lead a quality life. On the career front, you work with a belief in yourself, and this confidence will win you favour of your superiors. Luckily, you are in tune with your values and traditions. Positive results may be delayed. Be patient. Your calm and positive approach will fetch you stability and help you make a mark for yourself in the future. Relationship-wise, you are outspoken & straightforward in expression. Give space to your partner and avoid any kind of conflicting perspective in a close relationship.

Lucky number 3 Lucky colour Peach **Lucky day** Saturday

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Living in demanding mode

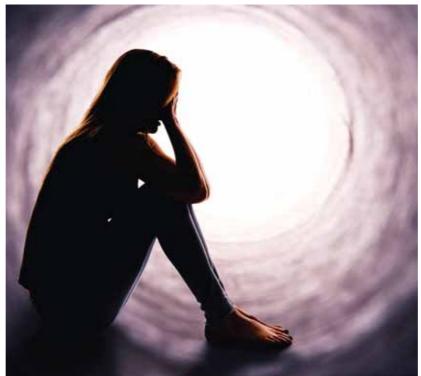
e, invariably try to live in a demanding mode. We expect from others to behave. Very few would be living exclusively in a giving mode. Some of course, though wish to live in a demanding mode but turn out to be accommodative to other's concerns and sensibilities also. Majority, seldom cares to figure out if there is something wrong in their own approach. This tendency is in evidence at all levels of societal existence and so chaos prevails all across. No wonder, marital, familial, societal discord has been growing beyond proportion. Many develop a 'sense of victimhood' particularly the weaklings, who habitually blame others for all that would be going wrong with them.

I came across one such case, the other day, while counselling a girl, whose family atmosphere is, if not turbulent, at least discomforting. I was trying to make her aware that to unfold the best in oneself, one needs to first explore, identify, and then acknowledge one's habitual weaknesses. If you try to resolve them, the indwelling potential will play out unhindered, and evidently to your advantage. If, however, you

remain in a denial mode, the problem will persist, and you will suffer. She then asked me to list out her weaknesses.

Your anger level seems to be quite high. You seem to be erratic and temperamental. Your ego level is very high. That limits your vision, which makes you bound by your self-defined beliefs and perceptions. With such a restricted vision, you don't seem to be open to listening or counsel of elders. You will rather habitually distrust their intent, and more often for no valid reasons. You may not be keen to look beyond for a reality check or better options if any available either. If something happens beyond your expected lines, it would be difficult for you to digest, when you may lose your sense of control and go wild to force your point of view. While admitting her fault lines, she also tried to justify her actions in recent past. She then asked me to explain how I could figure out so aptly?

Before I could explain, her mother quipped: "Her daughter doesn't behave well with parents." That was enough to trigger the girl's long drawn pent up feelings. She started uncontrollably sobbing. Began shouting on her mother: "How



can you undress and insult me before a stranger? Why would you share domestic issues with an outsider? You have been torturing me for long. I have penned down all that you have done to me so far." It took time for her to calm down. I was just taken aback at her conduct, but I was happy that she exhausted, otherwise her stress level would have continued to swell further.

Once, she was calm, I intervened and said, I don't want to sit on judgment, as to who amongst you is to be blamed more. I will suggest all of you to behave sensibly. You have a long way to go. Very soon, you will be married and leave your parent's house. But your habit tendencies will keep chasing you in the next course of life, and even on your career front. So, better address your attitudes before it is too late, following the method I suggest.

Let us now look at the astrological pointers to her habits and attitudes. Lagna lord Sun is debilitated, which implies that her health profile as well as confidence level is low. Given a difficult situation, instead of combating it in stride, she may begin self-pitying, and try to blame external factors for what would be happening. The Sun is placed

adverse to Uranus and Neptune. This in the first place, makes her stuck to her fanciful dream perception, often distanced from ground realities. She may not acknowledge truth on its first appearance, and would rather passionately pursue her beliefs till pushed to the

Second, she would be temperamental and erratic, who would be habitually tempted to defy elders. Saturn conjunct Ketu and Moon makes her an escapist, who may never be satisfied with what she has in hand, and start looking for a change. Also, she would be suspicious by nature, carrying grudging and grumbling tendency. Mercury placed ill-disposed off to Neptune accounts for her insensible reasoning and judgment. If that would not be enough, Mars placed adverse to Jupiter gives her an inflated ego. The result is there to see.

The positives in her are no less. That, however, will play out unhindered, only when she addresses her inherent weaknesses.

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