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New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday directed the authorities to commence within two weeks the demolition of really major Supertech Ltd's twin 40-storey towers of its Emerald Court project in Noida.

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Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Monday left for Lucknow to campaign for the Samajwadi Party in the forthcoming Uttar Pradesh Assembly polls and gave the call to defeat the BJP in the State.

'HIJAB' ROW HOTS UP, CM APPEALS PEACE

Bengaluru: The 'hijab' (scarf) row in Karnataka intensified on Monday with some students seeking to defy the Government order mandating uniform style of clothes as Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai issued an appeal to maintain peace.

DARUL ULOOM'S PORTAL BANNED

Saharanpur: The official website of the Islamic seminary Darul Uloom at Deoband in the Saharanpur district was banned on Monday.

BOY DIES TRYING TO RECREATE ANIME

Kolkata: A 12-year-old boy, in a bid to recreate a scene from an anime series, allegedly jumped off the terrace of a high-rise building in the city's Phoolbagan area and died, a police officer said on Monday.

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Modi slams Opp for instigating migrants' exodus during lockdown

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In a sharp attack on the Congress, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday accused it of believing in the policy of sowing seeds of division and alleged that it has become the "leader of the Tukde Tukde gang".

He said the Opposition party has lost "the appetite for power" and it seems it is planning to be out of power for the "next 100 years".

In his reply to the debate to the Motion of thanks on the President's address in the Lok Sabha, Modi quoted the first Prime Minister of India Jawaharlal Nehru and Tamil poet Subramaniam Bharati to say that "India's heritage is one" and it is a living entity. But he said the Congress has a habit to divide and rule.

"The British rule ended in India long back, but the



Congress adopted their policy of divide and rule and has now become the leader of the "Tukde Tukde gang", he said.

In a speech interspersed with the Urdu couplets, Modi blamed the Congress and the Opposition for instigating migrant labourers to travel during the lockdown.

"Maharashtra Government allowed migrants to go to UP, Bihar during a pandemic and spread Covid there," he said.

Modi's address was singularly focused on the Congress which, he said, has been away from power in several States like West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh Bihar, Tamil Nadu and Tripura

for decades. "But even after so many defeats your ego still does not go away nor your ecosystem allows you that," he said.

Citing an Urdu couplet he said: "Vo jab din ko raat Kahen to turant maan jao, nahin manoge to wo din main nakaab oaud lenge, inhen aina maat dikhao, wo aina bhi tod denge..."

Modi accused the Congress regimes of reneging on their promises and being double-faced. "The Congress was winning elections since 1971 on the slogan 'eradicate poverty'. Poverty didn't end and people ousted the Congress," he said.

Modi again quoted Nehru

to say external factors do affect price rise, but he said, "the Congress is unmindful of the effects of the Covid-19 which is the biggest pandemic of the last 100 years."

"Had the Congress been in power today, it would have blamed Covid for rising inflation and moved ahead," said the Prime Minister in his address which was many a time interrupted by Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury.

"Despite Covid, we ensured inflation did not go out of control, food inflation remained below 5 per cent", said Modi. He said India had to face double-digit inflation during UPA years but the Government had then admitted it can't rein in inflation and quoted then Finance Minister P Chidambaram deriding people for complaining about the price rise in wheat and rice when they don't hesitate to "eat ice cream".

He blamed the Congress for spreading negativity and making disparaging remarks against wealth creators in the country. The PM said, "Dubbing industrialists as Covid variants will hurt interests of Congress".

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Owaisi rejects Z security, HM requests him to accept offer

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday told the Rajya Sabha that the Government's request to Asaduddin Owaisi, president of the All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen, to accept Z category security after a recent attack on his car in Uttar Pradesh has been turned down by the Hyderabad Parliamentarian.

Shah repeated his offer to Owaisi and urged him to accept the security.

The Union Home Minister informed the Upper House that the Government has received verbal intimation about Owaisi's rejection of the offer.

Later Owaisi tweeted, "Today in Parliament, HM Amit Shah asked me to accept Z category security. I want to say to him that value of my life is not more than 22 people who died during CAA protest. I don't like people with arms around me, I'm a free bird, want to live freely."

Making a statement in the Rajya Sabha, Shah said that a Government assessment has found that Owaisi still faces security threat, but the Home Ministry has been informed that the Hyderabad MP has refused to take the CRPF protection.

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Op on to trace 7 soldiers missing after avalanche

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Army has launched a big operation to search and rescue seven soldiers missing after an avalanche struck them in the Kameng sector of Arunachal Pradesh on Sunday.

The Army said here on Monday seven personnel "part of a patrol is reported to have been struck by an avalanche in the high-altitude area of the Kameng sector".

"Search and rescue operations are currently underway. Specialised teams have been airlifted to assist in rescue operations," it said.

The Army said the area was witnessing inclement weather with heavy snowfall for the past few days.

Given the security environment at the Line of Actual Control (LAC) facing China, and Line of Control (LOC) with Pakistan in Jammu & Kashmir, the Army has to constantly patrol the higher reaches even during the harsh winter season.

These patrols are fraught with danger due to weather conditions, including avalanches in high altitude. In May 2020, two Army soldiers who were part of a patrol-cum-snow-clearing party died after



they were caught in an avalanche in Sikkim.

In February 2020, the Government informed Parliament that six Army personnel had died due to avalanches and snow-slides in the Siachen Glacier in 2019, while 11 others were killed in similar incidents elsewhere.

All troops inducted into high-altitude regions are provided adequate training in mountain craft, ice craft to survive in glaciated terrain in mountains and in coping with any eventuality like avalanches. They are also trained to handle medical emergencies.

They are also suitably equipped to undertake the operational challenges and use modern equipment like helicopters, unmanned aerial vehicles, snow scooters, avalanche detectors, and mountain clothing.

Channi's nephew confessed to taking ₹10 cr to facilitate illegal mining: ED

New Delhi: Bhupinder Singh, alias Honey, the arrested nephew of Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi, has "accepted" that he received ₹10 crore cash in lieu of facilitating sand mining operations and transfer or posting of officials in the border State, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) claimed in a statement on Monday.

He was taken into custody by the federal probe agency in Jalandhar on February 3 as part of its money laundering investigation into alleged sand mining operations in Punjab.

Honey is the son of Channi's sister-in-law and he is in ED custody till Tuesday.

The agency had conducted raids against Honey and others on January 18 and seized about ₹7.9 crore cash from his



premises and another about ₹2 crore cash from a linked person identified as Sandeep Kumar.

The agency said in a statement that it has recorded the statements of Kudratdeep Singh, Bhupinder Singh (Honey), Honey's father Santokh Singh and Sandeep Kumar during the searches and it was "established" that the seized ₹10 crore "belonged to Bhupinder Singh s/o Santokh Singh."

"Further, Bhupinder Singh accepted that he received the seized cash in lieu of facilitation in sand mining operations and transfer/postings of officials," the ED claimed.

It said Honey was issued summons for his personal appearance before the agency on February 3 along with some documents.

"In response, he appeared and tendered his statement, wherein he, inter-alia, stated that he is involved in the mining related activities, but took an evasive approach when confronted with incriminating data," it said.

Honey, Kudratdeep Singh and Sandeep Kumar are stated to be the directors of a company called Providers Overseas Consultants Pvt Ltd that was raided by the ED last month in

poll-bound Punjab.

Single phase assembly polls will be held in the state on February 20 and Channi has been declared as the Congress chief ministerial candidate by party leader Rahul Gandhi on Sunday.

The counting of votes is slated to be held on March 10 along with four other States.

The money laundering case was filed by the ED in November last year after taking cognisance of a Punjab Police (Rahon police station, Shaheed Bhagat Singh (SBS) Nagar) FIR of 2018 that pressed charges under various sections of the IPC and that under the Mines and Minerals (Regulation of Development) Act, 1957 to probe allegations of illegal sand mining.

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'Aadhaar not must for vax registration on CoWIN'

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Centre on Monday told the Supreme Court that Aadhaar card is not mandatory for registration of Covid-19 vaccination on the CoWIN portal.

A bench of Justices DY Chandrachud and Surya Kant was informed by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare that any one of the nine identity documents, including passport, driving licence, PAN card, voter's Id card and ration card, can be produced for vaccination.

The apex court took note of the submission and disposed of a plea filed by Siddharthshankar Sharma, who claimed that the Aadhaar card was being mandatorily insisted upon for administering Covid-19 vaccination on the CoWIN portal.

The SC had on October 1, 2021, issued notice to the Centre on the PIL.

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Decision to field Galwan soldier in Olympic torch relay 'objective': China

PTI ■ BEIJING

Amid widespread criticism over its move to field a PLA soldier involved in the border clash with Indian soldiers at the Galwan Valley in 2020 as a torchbearer for the Winter Olympics, China said on Monday that his selection met the "standards" to pick up participants for the event and it should be viewed in an "objective and rational light".

China in a provocative move fielded Qi Fabao, the regimental commander of the People's Liberation Army (PLA), who was injured during the June 2020 clash in the Galwan Valley in eastern Ladakh, as a torchbearer for the Olympics Games Torch Relay, which led India to diplomatically boycott the opening ceremony of the games on Friday.

In New Delhi, External Affairs Ministry Spokesperson Arindam Bagchi had described the Chinese action of honouring the commander as "regrettable".

Top US lawmakers have also described the Chinese move as "shameful" and "deliberately provocative". Republican Senator Jim Risch, a Ranking Member of the powerful US Senate Foreign Relations Committee, also said that the US will continue to support the sovereignty of India.



Asked at a media briefing here on Monday whether fielding Qi in the torch relay went against China's view that Olympics should build bridges, Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said, "I want to stress that the torchbearers of the Beijing Winter Olympics are broadly representative and they meet relevant standards".

"We hope relevant sides can view it in an objective and rational light," he said. To a follow-up question whether the move ignored India's sensitivities, Zhao said, "What I want to say is the relevant sides can view the choice of the torchbearers in objective

and rational light and don't read too much into it from a political perspective".

On Thursday, MEA Spokesperson Bagchi said that China has chosen to "politicise" an event like the Olympics and that the Charge d'Affaires of the Indian embassy in Beijing will not be attending the opening and the closing ceremonies of the Beijing Winter Games.

Twenty Indian Army personnel laid down their lives in the Galwan clashes that marked the most serious military conflicts between India and China in decades.

In February last year, China officially acknowledged that five Chinese military officers and soldiers were killed in the Galwan clashes with the Indian Army though it is widely believed that the death toll was higher.

The diplomats of the US, European Union and several western countries boycotted the opening ceremony to highlight their allegations of human rights violations against Uyghur Muslims in China's restive region of Xinjiang.

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Assam to lift all Covid curbs from Feb 15

Guwahati: Assam will withdraw all COVID-related restrictions from February 15 as the pandemic situation has improved with the number of cases declining, Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said on Monday.

School board examinations, municipal elections, by-elections to the Majuli assembly constituency, and Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council (KAAC) polls will be held over the next two months, Sarma announced at a press conference here.

Students appearing for the board examinations must get both doses of vaccine, he said.

There will be no night curfew, malls and cinema halls will open with full capacity, and weddings can be held through the night but guests must be double vaccinated, Sarma said.

Wearing masks will be mandatory at all places, he added.

Sarma also announced that his government has decided to provide Bihu committees a financial aid of Rs 1.5 lakh to organise the functions for seven days so that they do not collect donations from traders and businessmen who have suffered huge losses due to the pandemic.

Rongali Bihu will be celebrated in the state without any restrictions, he said.

"We have decided to provide financial aid to the Bihu committees who are organising functions for more than ten years to reduce the financial burden on traders and businessmen," the chief minister said.

The deputy commissioners have prepared a list of such committees and the aid will be provided accordingly, he said.

"We want all to celebrate Bihu in a manner that artists, organisers and people enjoy together," Sarma said. **PTI**

Court to give verdict on 2008 Ahmedabad serial blasts case today

Ahmedabad: A special court is likely to pronounce its judgement on Tuesday in the case related to the 2008 Ahmedabad serial bomb blasts that claimed 56 lives and for which nearly 80 accused were put on trial, a senior public prosecutor said on Monday.

The court had concluded the trial in the more than 13-year-old case in September last year. Senior public prosecutor Sudhir Brahmabhatt said the verdict is likely to be pronounced on Tuesday as special judge AR Patel, who presided over the trial court, has resumed work after recovering from COVID-19.

The trial court had set February 1 as the date for the judgement, but the matter was deferred to February 8 after the judge contracted coronavirus and went into home isolation. At least 56 people were killed and over 200 injured in 21 bomb blasts that rocked Ahmedabad city within a span of 70 minutes on July 26, 2008.

The police had claimed people associated with the terror

outfit Indian Mujahideen (IM), a faction of radicals of the banned Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI), were involved in the blasts.

It was alleged Indian Mujahideen (IM) terrorists had planned and executed these explosions as a revenge for the 2002 post-Godhra riots in Gujarat, in which several persons from the minority community had died. Days after the serial blasts in Ahmedabad, the police recovered bombs from different parts of Surat.

Following the recovery, 20 FIRs were registered in Ahmedabad and 15 in Surat. The trial in the case began in December 2009 against 78 persons connected to the Indian Mujahideen after the court merged all 35 FIRs.

The number of accused came down to 77 after one of them turned approver. Four more accused were arrested later, but their trial has not yet commenced, a senior government lawyer said. Over 1,100 witnesses were examined by the prosecution. **PTI**

Pallavi Patel SP pick from Sirathu in UP against Dy CM

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Apna Dal (Kamerawadi) leader Pallavi Patel will contest against Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Prasad Maurya from Sirathu Assembly seat in Kaushambi.

She will, however, contest the elections on the symbol of Samajwadi Party. Pallavi is the younger sister of Union minister of state and Apna Dal (Sonelal) leader Anupriya Patel.

Leading a faction opposed to her sister, Pallavi is supported by her mother Krishna Patel.

On Monday, Pallavi reached the SP state office in Lucknow and took Form B. She will file her nomination on Tuesday, the last day of filing of papers.

Former chief minister Akhilesh Yadav's wife and former MP Dimple Yadav is likely to accompany Pallavi Patel when she files her papers.

Earlier, Pallavi Patel had refused to contest from this seat. Her candidature was announced by the SP on February 2 but she did not agree on the seat. However, after talking to the SP leadership, she agreed to contest from Sirathu.

BJP candidate and Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Prasad Maurya has already filed his nomination papers for this seat. Election to Sirathu assembly seat will be held in the fifth phase on February 27.

Yogi trying to divide country by raking up communally sensitive issues: Digvijay

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Senior Congress leader and former chief minister of Madhya Pradesh, Digvijay Singh, said that Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath had been trying to divide the country by raking up communally sensitive matters, Pakistan and other such sensational issues.

He also accused the chief minister of having no respect for women.

Addressing media persons at the UP Congress headquarters in Lucknow on Monday, Singh said "My family has links with the Nath sect. Whenever I have gone to Gorakhpur, I have gone to the Gorakhnath Math (shrine). Guru Gorakhnath had spread his teachings regarding social harmony. Yogi Adityanath forgot about them and started talking about 80 per cent versus 20 per cent, cremation ground versus graveyard, chacha jaan, Hindustan versus Pakistan etc. The Rashtriya Swamsevaks Sangh people wanted to operate the Indian Constitution from Manusmriti, hence opposed Dr Ambedkar. I condemn this."

The Congress veteran further said, "What Bharatiya Janata Party leaders say about women is very concerning. Yogi ji once said that if women acquire the qualities of men, they become demons."

Singh said that he was happy to see the

Congress contesting on all 403 seats as the state had seen practically no developmental work in the last 32 years.

"In the last 32 years, successive governments in Uttar Pradesh were formed in the name of only caste and religion. No party spoke about education, health and employment. The Congress has been fighting for these issues. Maximum malnutrition is found in Uttar Pradesh. Most unemployed people are in Uttar Pradesh. All vacant posts are lying vacant. You have seen how students seeking jobs were beaten up in Prayagraj. Be it Hathras or Unnao, violence against women is increasing continuously. Only the Congress has been fighting against atrocities on women," he said.

Highlighting the selection of Congress candidates, Singh said that the party had decided to give 40 per cent seats to women under Priyanka Gandhi Vadra. "Till now candidates for 373 assembly seats have been declared and out of them, 155 are women. Priyanka's slogan for women, 'Ladki Hoon Lad Sakti Hoon', has created a new atmosphere in the entire country," he said.

The former MP chief minister also released a Congress party's White Paper on unemployment and said that the country's economy suffered the most due to the BJP's decision of demonetisation.



Youngsters play in the Arabian Sea at Grove Beach in Thiruvananthapuram on Monday

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Hijab-saffron shawl row rages in K'taka colleges

Mangaluru: The hijab-saffron shawl row in the junior colleges at Kundapur in Karnataka's Udupi district continued on Monday, with students in two junior colleges trying to defy the Government order mandating uniforms stipulated by the State Government or respective managements of the institutions.

The State education department had issued the order on Saturday.

A group of students studying at Venkataramana College in Kundapur came in a procession to the college on Monday wearing saffron shawls. They were prevented from entering the premises by the college principal and the police personnel present there. The students said they will



Students wearing saffron shawls stage a protest against entry of hijab-wearing students to classrooms, outside IDS Government College in Chikmagalur on Monday

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Kerala HC extends interim stay on Centre's order barring MediaOne telecast

Kochi: The Kerala High Court on Monday extended for one more day its interim order putting on hold the implementation of the Centre's bar on Malayalam news channel MediaOne's telecast.

Justice N Nagesh while extending the interim order also reserved judgment on the pleas moved by Madhyamam Broadcasting Ltd -- which operates MediaOne -- its employees and a journalists union challenging the Centre's decision to

bar telecast of the news channel.

The court said it will pronounce the verdict on Tuesday, February 8. The Centre, during the arguments on Monday, contended that a security clearance once issued cannot continue forever. Assistant Solicitor General V Manu also opposed in the court the pleas moved by the trade union and the employees, saying that the issue was between the central government and the company.

He contended that the pleas

by the employees and the trade union were not maintainable.

The central government had previously told the court that the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) denied security clearance to MediaOne over national security concerns based on intelligence inputs. The channel, on the other hand, contended that MHA clearance was only required at the time for fresh permission/license and not at the time of renewal.

It had also contended that,

according to the uplinking and downlinking guidelines, security clearance was only required at the time of application for fresh permission and not at the time of renewal of licence. The Kerala Union of Working Journalists (KUWJ), Pramod Raman -- editor of MediaOne -- and some employees of the channel, represented by senior advocate Jaju Babu, contended before the high court that hundreds of employees of the channel will be deprived of a livelihood. **PTI**

2 Tripura BJP MLAs quit party

Agartala: BJP MLAs Sudip Roy Barman and Asish Saha on Monday resigned from the Tripura Assembly, and also gave up the membership of their party. Roy Barman and Saha met Speaker Ratan Chakraborty and handed over their resignation letters in the morning.

"Roy Barman and Saha called on me and submitted their resignation letters. I have asked the Secretary of Tripura Legislative Assembly to exam-

ine the resignation letters. I will accept their resignations only if their letters are as per the parameters laid down in the Business of Conduct of the assembly," Chakraborty said.

Roy Barman told reporters at the assembly that they will travel to New Delhi and finalise the future course of action amid speculation that they might join the Congress on Tuesday.

"I am relieved after resign-

ing because the BJP-led government has miserably failed to live up to the expectations. Democracy has been throttled in Tripura and no one is allowed to speak," said Roy Barman, the former health minister and a known critic of Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb.

"A mukhia' (headman) and some officers are running an autocratic government in Tripura where no one is there to hear the voice of the people. **PTI**

Owaisi rejects Z security, HM requests him to accept...

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Reading out a statement, Shah said, "The MHA has received a report from the State Government.

In the past also, based on threat assessment by the Central agencies, the Centre had issued directions to provide security to Owaisi. But due to his reluctance, the Delhi Police and the Telangana Police have not been able to provide security to him.

The threat to him has been assessed and based on that, it has been decided to grant Z

category security to him with a bulletproof car in Delhi. But, as per communication from him received verbally, he has refused to accept it. I request him to accept the security given to him by the Centre," Shah said.

Shots were fired at Owaisi's car on February 3, 2022, in Uttar Pradesh following which two persons were arrested and arms were recovered.

A detailed investigation is being carried out in the case and the Home Ministry had sought a report from the State

Government, Shah said.

"Through the House, I would like to request Owaisi ji to accept the security to address our concerns about his safety," the Minister said.

He also added that the authorities of the Hapur district, where the incident took place on February 3, had no prior information about Owaisi's movement through the area.

"Owaisi had no pre-scheduled event in Hapur district, nor was any information about his movement shared with the District Control Room beforehand," Shah said.

Shah said the incident happened when Owaisi's convoy was crossing the Chhijarsi toll

plaza near Pilkhuwa in Hapur district around 5.20 pm. At the time, Owaisi was returning to Delhi after attending a public outreach event at Meerut. Shah said the UP Police, taking quick action, have arrested two accused and seized two unauthorised pistols and a car.

Forensic teams are carrying out a detailed examination of the car, the lower portion of which had three bullet marks, and the site where the incident took place, Shah said.

He added that an investigation is underway based on an FIR lodged under IPC Section 307 and Section 7 of the Criminal Law Amendment Act.

‘Aadhaar not must for...

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"Pursuant to this court's order dated October 1, 2021, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has filed an affidavit which records that Aadhaar card is not mandatory for registration on CoWIN portal and one of the nine identity documents can be produced... It is also recorded in the affidavit that a provision has been made for another category of persons who may not have identity cards in their possession like prison inmates, inmates at mental health insti-

tutions, etc," the bench said.

"Counsel for Union submits that about 87 lakh people without ID cards have been vaccinated. The grievance of the petitioner that he was denied vaccination for non-production of Aadhaar card has also been dealt with in the affidavit. The Health ministry addressed a letter to Principal Secretary, Health in Maharashtra to take action against the concerned private vaccination centre which denied vaccination to the petitioner despite production of a valid passport ID. The grievance of the petitioner is duly met. All concerned authorities to act in accordance with the policy of the government," it said.

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Congress has become "a subject of ridicule" as they tried to mock "our efforts to promote Make in India and self-reliance" and reducing defence imports and deciding to encourage Indian companies in this sector which is key to national security.

"These people have been disconnected from grassroots, they're lost in files; we are working to change lives of 130 cr Indians," he said adding that the country in its 75th year of Independence is globally

marching ahead with strength towards 'amrit kal'.

Taking a swipe at the Opposition, the Prime Minister said it is obsessed with his name and "can't live for a moment without uttering 'Modi'; the Opposition starts targeting Modi since morning". He expressed surprise as to how could the Opposition, instead of encouraging and offering suggestions, say that "Make it India would fail".

"For India's progress, it's important to empower small farmers; they will strengthen the country's progress," he said.

Focusing on small farmers, Modi said, "Those who ruled the nation for so many years and used to living in palatial houses have forgotten to speak for the small farmer."

He said despite pandemic conditions, the Government ensured the importance and supply of fertilizers to the farmers in the country.

He said post-Covid pandemic, the world is moving fast towards a new world order and India should not miss this opportunity.

"Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" is perfect time to think about how India can play a global leadership role in coming years," he said.

Ahead of his address, the Prime Minister paid tributes to singing legend Lata Mangeshkar saying she captivated the entire country with her melodious voice and sang in 36 languages and thus symbolised unity of the country.

Channi's nephew...

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In this police FIR, the ED said, it was mentioned that a team comprising officials of mining department, civil administration and police made a surprise check on in March 2018 based on a complaint received at the Rahon police station regarding illegal sand mining.

"Consequently, it was found that several mines were being excavated by various machines and mining was being carried out beyond the designated area," he said.

"Accordingly, several tipper/trucks, porcelain machines, JCB machines, etc. Were captured and seized by the investigating team. The seized tipper or trucks were also found to be overloaded with sand," the ED quoted the police FIR.

The seized weightment slips having office stamps had not been issued by the office concerned and were forged. Subsequently, the mining operation at Malikpur mining site (belonging to Kudratdeep Singh) and the approval of weightment slips were stopped by the team, it said. As per the FIR, the ED said, apart from Malikpur, illegal mining activities were also carried out at Burjahl Das, Barsal, Lalewal, Mandala and Khosa. **PTI**

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Notice is hereby given on behalf of Mr. Kamal Ahuja who is purchasing Built up Entire Second Floor, without roof rights of Freehold Property No.3/9, area measuring 200 Sq. Yds, situated at East Patel Nagar New Delhi from Mr. S.K Kapoor, Mr. R.C Kapoor, Mrs. Sucha Kapoor and Mr. Vikas Kapoor & M/s V.K Wadhwa Constructions Private Limited, who were the owners of the property vide Conveyance Deed dated 28.09.2002, Relinquishment Deed dated 01.05.2019, Collaboration Agreement dated 02.05.2019 & Regd. G.P.A dated 10.12.2020 and intend to mortgage against the financial assistance from Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited That the Surviving Member Certificate of Late Mr. S.K Kapoor is not available. To comply the requirements of BANK / NBFC, we give this public notice that if any person(s) having any objection regarding ownership and/or creating mortgage of the said property (is/are hereby requested to intimate in writing to the undersigned:-
Lucem Legal LLP
269, Rama House, Ground Floor, Masjid Moh, Opp. Uday Park, South Extn.II, New Delhi-110049
Contact # 011-40046316

PUBLIC NOTICE
It is to inform to the public at large that Mr. Anil Jain S/o Mr. Sampat Raj Jain who is purchasing Residential Portion of Plot No. C-23, Area Measuring 50 Sq. Yards i.e. 41.80 sq. Meter out of Khasha no. 1109ml, Situated at Chaman Vihar Colony, Village Loni (out of Chakrandi), Tehsil Loni, Distt. Ghaziabad, U.P. from Mr. Sachin Jain S/o Mr. Satish Chand who is the owner through Regd. G.P.A executed by Mrs. Maya Devi W/o Mr. Surendra Kumar vide G.P.A dated 01/07/2021, Vide Doc. No.5684, and same to be finance & mortgage by Roha Housing Finance Pvt. Ltd. However, Original Sale deed dated 29.01.2010 executed by Mr. Vishnu Padkar S/o Mr. Manojranjan Kar in favour of Mr. Babban Tiwari S/o Mr. Jamuna Prasad, Vide Doc. No. 2198 has been lost and not available and an FIR has lodged on dated 05.02.2022 with LAR No.2022000054632 for loss of document. If any person having any type of claim / right / title/ interest over the said property, may inform in writing, at the address mentioned below, about his objections, within 7 days from today, failing which it shall be presumed that the said property is free from all type of Encumbrances, lien, disputes etc.

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Office No. G-03, at Ground Floor, on Plot No. D-61, Sector-2, Noida, UP-201301
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CHANGE OF NAME
I, Ramita Devi W/o Munish Kumar R/o H.No-C-1/7, 3rd C Floor Galaxy Apartment. Near Metro Pillar No 744, Mohan Garden west Delhi 110059, have changed my name from Ramita Devi to Ramita Sharma.
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City schools reopen after a month

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi schools in the national Capital reopened on Monday, welcoming students after a gap of more than a month. Delhi Government has ordered reopening the schools for classes 9-12 after DDMA's order following a dip in the daily cases of coronavirus.

"Happy to see children back in school again. They were also unhappy. I pray that the need to close schools does not arise again," Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal tweeted.

"Government is on a high alert mode regarding the health of children; schools will have to strictly follow Covid protocols and norms of social distancing," Education Minister, Manish Sisodia said while interacting with students.

While students were very excited to meet their friends after a long time many activities are being organised at schools, so that students are



Students attend classes after schools reopened following ease in Covid-induced restrictions, in New Delhi on Monday
Ranjan Dimri | Pioneer

able to move from online mode of learning to offline mode of learning without any problems.

Sisodia met with students and visited schools to ensure Covid appropriate behavior is being followed. "There has been a lot of damage to the education of children; we are

concerned about the health of our children as well as their education. If schools are not opened now, a whole generation will move forward with a knowledge gap; Of course, online classes helped us continue the education of our children during the pandemic, but online mode of learning

can never be a replacement for offline mode of learning. He said that we are in alert mode. It will be ensured that all schools follow Covid protocols and social distancing norms strictly," Sisodia said.

"It is expected that after reopening of the schools, our

teachers and parents will work together to reduce the learning gap. There has been a very good response on the first day, which shows that parents are confident about sending their children to school. For the convenience of students we have decided to continue the classes in a hybrid model for now," he added. From February 14, schools will also reopen for classes Nursery to 8.

Meanwhile, in another week, schools will prepare for the opening of schools for junior classes as well.

According to the Delhi Government, all teachers of Government schools have been jabbed and more than 95 % of the children of 15-18 years have also been vaccinated.

Meanwhile Sisodia added that during Covid induced school closure, 'Happiness Curriculum' did the work of vaccines to de-stress and keep children happy. Children kept themselves and their family members free from stress through mindfulness.

Jailed Dera chief reaches G'gram on 21-day furlough under tight security

Gurugram: Self-styled jailed godman and Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh, who is undergoing a 20-year sentence for raping his two disciples, was brought to Aashram located in the South City of Gurugram amidst tight security. For security purposes Joint Commissioner of the Gurugram Police, DCP East, ACP Sadar have inspected the Aashram.

Gurmeet Ram Rahim, who has been lodged in Rohtak Sunaria Jail since August 2017, has been granted 21 days furlough by the government. Ram Rahim will be under police supervision at Gurugram Aashram. Ram Rahim was taken from Rohtak Sunaria jail to Gurugram Dera under heavy police protection.

Only after the information of Ram Rahim's arrival in Gurugram, more than 300 policemen were deployed outside the ashram located in



South City-2 and around 100 jawans will be on duty in 8-hour shifts.

A senior police official said the Quick Response Team (QRT) will be stationed outside

the camp throughout as security of Ram Rahim.

However, Ram Rahim had come to Gurugram on parole 12 hours earlier to meet his mother.

Smart toilets: EDMC to outsource 50 public conveniences

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

To strengthen and upgrade the civic services, East Delhi Municipal Corporation (EDMC) has planned to outsource 50 public conveniences at specified locations in its area for conversion into smart toilets with advertisement rights and commercial space in limited areas at the toilets on "design, built, operate and transfer" (DBOT) basis.

A senior EDMC official said that the public toilets will be operated, managed and maintained on "Free User Charge Basis" only for a period of 10 years.

EDMC Commissioner Vasim Anand said that the East Corporation has invited the proposal based on "Public Private

Partnership' (PPP) mode to convert 50 toilets into smart toilets in the area.

"The agency will be given 35 square feet of space with each toilet for commercial use, along with the right to display advertisements on that toilet," he said. Anand also informed that earlier the corporation had called for tenders by fixing at least license fee of Rs 10 lakh per month, but no agency had applied.

"Subsequently, the license fee was reduced from ₹10 lakh to ₹8 lakh. Yet neither party showed any interest in the proposal. Therefore, it has now been decided that the decision of payment of minimum license fee should now be left to the interested party and tenders are being called again," he added.

PICTALK



Flowers blooming at Parliament House complex during the ongoing Budget Session 2022 in New Delhi on Monday

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Fire breaks out on 4th floor of building in Punjabi Basti

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A fire broke out at the house on the fourth floor of a building in Punjabi Basti area of north Delhi on Monday morning. Officials suspect short-circuit as a reason behind the incident.

According to Atul Garg, the Director, Delhi Fire Service (DFS), the fire department said they received a call about the fire at 10.32 am after which three fire tenders were rushed to the spot.

"The fire was brought under control by 11.35 am. Fire was in domestic articles on fourth floor and rooftop of a house and also rooftop of adjacent house," said Garg.

"A PCR call at 10.36 was received at Subzi Mandi police station. Our staff reached at the spot where there was fire on fourth floor of the house near

Mother Dairy, Punjabi Basti.

The fire brigade also reached at the spot. Nobody was there on the fourth floor during the fire. The fire has been extinguished. No loss of life. Three fire brigades, electricity department, traffic police, ambulance reached the spot to control the fire. Further investigation is going on," said Sagar Singh Kalsi, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), North district.

According to fire department, a fire had also broken out in the courtroom of additional sessions judge at the Karkardooma court here in the early hours of Sunday.

No one was injured in the fire. The firefighting system of the court was not working at the time of the incident and short-circuit was suspected to be the reason.

AAP unveils 10-point agenda for Uttarakhand Navnirman

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI/UTTARAKHAND

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) National Convenor Arvind Kejriwal announced AAP's 10 point agenda while calling for Uttarakhand Navnirman on Monday.

The AAP leader said that corruption is the biggest woe of Uttarakhand. "The BJP and Congress Governments have together ransacked the state. Only the AAP can put an end to corruption. We have proved our potential with AAP's 'Delhi Model'; no other party in this country can boast of such a progressive development model," he added.

"Uttarakhand owes sixty thousand crores in debt. The politicians have looted every penny this state had. BJP-Congress have done nothing but to protect each other so they could fill their vaults. Uttarakhand today needs an honest party to lead the state

and only the AAP is an honest option in India today," he added.

The AAP Government will provide employment and equal opportunities to every youth without any bribery or corruption, he said, adding that it will also provide 5,000 as unemployment allowance every month as well as 1,000 rupees to every woman per month.

"Uttarakhand will get free electricity supply 24x7 just like Delhi does. We will provide free education and healthcare to all. AAP will develop Uttarakhand as the spiritual capital of Hindus across the world and will offer a free third yatra to everyone. We will directly employ retired army personnel in the Uttarakhand Government and bolster the Uttarakhand Navnirman with them. If any police or armed forces personnel martyrs while protecting the country, AAP will pro-

vide ₹1 Crore to their family as a Samman Rashi," he added.

AAP National Convenor said, "It has been 21 years since the conception of the state of Uttarakhand – where the Congress ruled for some 10 years, and the BJP for 11 years. Today the state of distress that Uttarakhand faces is due to the flagrant misgovernance and incompetence of these two parties. Over the past 21 years, the people of Uttarakhand have witnessed nothing but corruption – plaguing every department in their respective governments."

Talking about Delhi, he said "We built a large number of Mohalla Clinics. Previously, there were frequent power outages in Delhi, but now power is available 24x7 and the electricity bills amount to zero. This way the Aam Aadmi Party has brought prosperity to the state of Delhi on all fronts."

Snake rescued from fire station

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A 5-foot-long Black-headed Royal Snake, sighted in the Mandawali Police Station premises was rescued by the Wildlife SOS Rapid Response Unit. In another incident, the NGO rescued a four-foot-long Checkered keelback snake from a house in Gandhi Vihar. Both snakes are currently under observation and will soon be released back into the wild.

Officials at the Mandawali Fire Station had a 'hiss-terical' start to their day after a snake was sighted in the premises. Taking quick action, the authorities immediately contacted the Wildlife SOS team. The NGO deployed a team of two trained snake rescuers to carry out the rescue operation.

Identified as a Black-headed Royal snake, the reptile was carefully transferred into a snake bag and is currently under observation. Wasim Akram, Deputy Director-Special Projects for Wildlife SOS, said, "The Black-headed royal snake is a non-venomous species and they can be easily identified by the distinct black colouring on

their head, and the dark speckles on their bodies. We are thankful to the officers at the Mandawali Fire Station for acting out of compassion for the snake and immediately alerting the Wildlife SOS helpline."

In another incident, a family residing in Gandhi Vihar were shocked to find a snake nestled inside their water pump motor. A closer look at the snake confirmed that it was a Checkered keelback (Fowlea piscator), also known as the Asiatic water snake.

The Wildlife SOS team worked meticulously and carefully to ensure that the snake experienced minimum stress while being extricated.

Kartick Satyanarayan, CEO and Co-founder of Wildlife SOS, said, "Though non-venomous, keelbacks turn aggressive when threatened, and may bite in retaliation or self-defence. Caution needs to be maintained while carrying out such rescue operations. Owing to their offensive nature, they are also often mistaken to be cobras and are met with hostility. Our rescue team holds great expertise in carrying out such rescues."

Gurugram: 34-year-old woman lawyer commits suicide

Gurugram: A lawyer has allegedly committed suicide at her rented accommodation in the Sector 108 area of Gurugram.

In a suicide note, the 34-year-old Preeti Jaiswal a resident of Kota, Rajasthan has blamed her partner Vijay Rana for mental and physical harassment which forced her to take the extreme step, the police said.

The police have recovered a suicide note from the woman's room wherein she has accused the man of physical and mental harassment.

The victims family told the police that she was married and was residing with the accused of 6-7 months in a society located in Gurugram's sector-108.

The complainant Karuna Bhaskar told the police that the accused used to harassed her physically and mentally but on Saturday she took the extreme step.

Police said the accused was known to the victim for 6-7 months. A team of policemen rushed to the victim's house on Sunday morning after receiving information that a woman had allegedly committed suicide.

The woman was immediately rushed to the hospital where she was declared brought dead.

The suspect has been booked under section 306 (abetment to suicide) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) on a complaint from the woman's sister-in-law.

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Newly-built arrivals terminal at Delhi's T1 to be operational soon: DIAL

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Domestic passengers landing at the Delhi airport may soon exit from the new state-of-the-art arrivals terminal at Terminal 1 (T1), which is now ready and likely to become operational soon, the airport operator, Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) said on Monday.

Earlier, domestic departures operations were taking place from T1 (D).

According to the DIAL spokesperson, the work has been carried out as part of expansion plans and once the entire expansion work is complete, the total terminal capacity of the airport and airside capacity will increase to 100 million and 140 million, respectively.

Presently, the terminal capacity of IGI Airport is 60 million and the airside capacity is 100 million.

According to GMR Group Dy Managing Director I Prabhakara Rao, now the current domestic arrival operations will move to the newly constructed arrival terminal, which would enable the airport operator to take up the demolition of the existing terminal of arrival, T1C.

He said, the building was the need of the hour and it will help in enhancing the

operational efficiency of the airport. Currently, IndiGo and SpiceJet airlines have their domestic operations from Terminal 1.

Once completed, the new Terminal 1 would have integrated arrival and departure terminals, a pier building comprising 22 contact stands, and a new node building housing retail as well as F&B outlets.

T1's new arrival terminal has a huge space between baggage belts for ease of movement as well as a state-of-the-art meet and greet gallery, among other facilities.

The terminal is expected to offer a distinctive experience to flyers.

Phase 3A will help IGI airport to become future-ready, as the terminal capacity of Delhi Airport will increase to 100 MPPA while airside capacity will rise to 140 MPPA.

As part of the overall development plan under Phase 3A, DIAL will develop the IGI airport's fourth runway, dual elevated Eastern Cross Taxiways to link the northern and southern airfields, landside developments for connectivity and circulation improvements as well as modification works of T 3, among others.

Man held, juvenile apprehended for killing auto mechanic

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Police has arrested an 18-year-old youth while a juvenile has been apprehended for allegedly stabbing an auto mechanic to death in Northwest Delhi's Mahendra Park area. The victim has been identified as Dharmender Verma, a permanent resident of Dehradun was residing in RU Nagar, Mahendra Park.

Police claimed that the accused were inspired by gangsters' movies and wanted to earn easy money by robbing people, as their families were under debt.

According to Usha Rangnani, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Northwest district, with the apprehension of an accused along with a juvenile, a team of Mahendra Park police station have solved a blind murder case within 24 hours of it being registered and recovered the weapon - a dagger used in committing the crime which was purchased online.

"During patrolling on Saturday around 9 pm, our team noticed a person with a stab injury in the abdomen near Red Light Jahangirpuri Metro Station. He was rushed

to the hospital immediately where he died during the treatment," she said.

He told the police that two unknown persons intervened him near RU Nagar Gate, service road Jahangirpuri when he was returning home and they quarrelled as there was a slight collision with him, she added. As the quarrel got intense, one of them caught him, from behind and other one stabbed him in the upper abdomen and fled away from the spot, the DCP said.

"The case was registered and an investigation was taken up. Several teams were constituted and during the course of the investigation, several CCTV cameras of all possible entries and exits towards the spot of the incident were thoroughly analyzed," she said.

After analyzing numerous CCTV cameras, the incident was found captured in one of the CCTV footage wherein two persons were seen scuffling with the deceased and their entry and exit routes were established, police said.

Based on the inputs, technical surveillance and collected local intelligence, the team raided several locations as they

were frequently changing their locations and hiding from police to evade their apprehension, police said.

After several attempts, the police apprehended two persons. The accused was identified as Deendayal and other another was later found out to be a juvenile, she said.

During interrogation, they confessed that they colluded with the victim and during quarrel, victim slapped one of them and asked to walk properly, which annoyed them so much that they wanted to teach a lesson to him and therefore, stabbed the victim with a 'dagger' and thereafter they fled away from the spot, the officer said.

The weapon of offence - a dagger was recovered, police said.

"The accused revealed that they were very much influenced by the lifestyle of big gangsters as shown in gangster movies and web series. Their families were under debt and in order to earn easy money, they planned to rob people, for which they also ordered a dagger online and started roaming in the area to commit robberies," the DCP said.

Max temp settles at 26.1 deg C in city

New Delhi: The maximum temperature in the national Capital on Monday settled at 26.1 degrees Celsius, three notches above the season's average, the India Meteorological Department said.

Delhiites woke up to a pleasant Monday morning with the minimum temperature settling at 8.8 degrees Celsius.

According to the Safdarjung observatory, which provides representative data for the city, the relative humidity was 59 per cent at 5:30 pm.

The weather office has predicted partly cloudy sky with mist and shallow fog on Tuesday morning with a possibility of very light rain and drizzle towards the night. Also, the maximum and minimum temperatures are expected to be around 27 and 11 degrees Celsius, respectively.

It has also predicted rain or thundershowers with strong gusty winds on Wednesday.

On Sunday, the maximum temperature in the city was recorded at 24.2 degrees Celsius, one notch above the season's average and the minimum tem-



perature settled at 5.4 degrees Celsius, four notches below normal.

Delhi's air quality was recorded in the 'poor' category. The air quality index (AQI) at around 6 pm read 251, according to the Central Pollution Control Board data.

The AQI in Faridabad stood at 302, Ghaziabad 301, Greater Noida 198, Gurgaon 253 and Noida 220.

An AQI between zero and 50 is considered good, 51 and 100 satisfactory, 101 and 200 moderate, 201 and 300 poor, 301 and 400 very poor, and 401 and 500 severe.

On Thursday, Delhi saw its maximum temperature go down by eight notches to 14.4 degrees Celsius, the coldest for the month of February in 19 years.

On February 1, 2003, the national capital had recorded a high of 14.3 degrees Celsius.

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Centre accords sanction CBI to prosecute ex-envoy to Sudan

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Centre has accorded sanction to the CBI to proceed with the prosecution of former Ambassador to Sudan Deepak Vohra and Under Secretary Ajoy Ganguly in a case related to alleged financial bungling in Indian diplomatic missions there.

The agency had sought sanction from the government following directions of a special court here which has rejected two closure reports filed by the agency against Ganguly, who was accused of corruption during his tenure as the Consul General of India at Juba, South Sudan from October, 2007 to May 6, 2009.

"There is sufficient material on record which discloses the commission of aforesaid offence by the above-named two officials (Vohra and Ganguly) in conspiracy with Ravindra Prakash," the court had said in March last year while rejecting the second closure report filed by the CBI.

The court had directed the CBI to get sanction to prosecute Ganguly for criminal conspiracy (120-B IPC) and fraud-



ulently using forged documents as genuine (471 IPC) and provisions of the Prevention of Corruption (PC) Act.

It had directed to seek sanction for Vohra to be prosecuted under Section 108 IPC (Abettor) and relevant provisions of the Prevention of Corruption Act.

"The government had accorded sanction to the CBI to prosecute the former officials," an agency official said.

The CBI had initiated the probe against Ganguly and Indian national Prakash based in Juba in 2011 on the complaint of the Vigilance Department of the External

Affairs Ministry.

Ganguly was accused of misappropriating \$10,033.79 (over Rs 7 lakh as per present exchange rates) and Sudanese Pound SDG 235, submitting false Tour Allowance (TA) bills, purchasing diesel at a higher rate than market; payment of agency charges for hiring office of the Indian Consulate to a fictitious person/agent, hiring of Consulate premises at a higher rate, hiring of private car despite availability of official car among others.

Prakash had allegedly connived and conspired with Ganguly to embezzle the funds of the Indian Government.

Both Houses pay tributes to India's 'melody queen'

Prime Minister Narendra Modi also paid tribute to Lata Mangeshkar, saying that "she unified the nation through her music."

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Both the Houses of Parliament on Monday paid rich tributes to Bollywood singing legend and 'Bharat Ratna' Lata Mangeshkar with Rajya Sabha Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu describing the country's "Nightingale and melody queen" as one who captured "every mood, moment and journey" of India during several decades of her illustrious career.

In the Lok Sabha, Prime Minister Narendra Modi also paid tribute to Lata Mangeshkar, saying that "she unified the nation through her music."

Soon after the Upper House assembled at 10 AM, Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu expressed sorrow at the passing away of Lata Mangeshkar. Her singing prowess has been as diverse as our country, he said.

In the Lok Sabha too, soon after the House met at 4 PM, Speaker Om Birla read out the

obituary message for Lata Mangeshkar and then adjourned the proceedings for an hour. Birla also recalled her singing 'Sare Jahan Se Acha' in Central Hall during the golden jubilee celebrations of Indian independence in 1997.

"Lata ji knitted our nation by representing us collectively and each one of us in our singularity. Besides defining the golden standard of playback singing through thousands of her melodious songs in many languages, she captured every mood, moment and journey of our nation for over seven decades," the Rajya Sabha chairman said.

"Her distinguished and long career ran parallel to that of free India over the last 75 years, capturing the trials and tribulations of the times. India is struck silent with her passing away in the 75th year of Independence," the RS Chairman said.

Naidu also said that she was a great philanthropist and founded the Lata Mangeshkar Medical Foundation, a public charitable trust which contributes towards the medical expenses of needy patients irrespective of caste, creed and religion.

She also started Master Deenanath Mangeshkar Smruti

Pratishthan, which provides assistance to students and contributes to the welfare of senior citizens, he added. Lataji also served as a Nominated Member of this House from November 1999 to November 2005, he said.

Describing her contribution to the field of music, Naidu said that she recorded over 25,000 songs and she captured every mood and journey of our country for over seven decades.

She was bestowed with several awards like Padma Bhushan in 1999, Rajiv Gandhi Award in 1997, Bharat Ratna in 2001 apart from many other awards for her songs. She was also awarded the Dada Saheb Phalke award in 1989.

The Members of the House, of which she was a nominated member, stood in silence for a while in respect to the departed soul and the proceedings of the House were adjourned by the Chairman.

The Central government announced two days of state mourning during which the National Flag will be flown at half-mast throughout India. Prime Minister Narendra Modi was among those who paid their last respects to the music icon at Shivaji Park Sunday evening.

Russia distances from Kashmir remark, says it's India-Pak bilateral issue



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Distancing itself from a news report in Russia describing the Kashmir issue as another Palestine in the making, the Russian government has rubbished it and said the issue is a bilateral matter between India and Pakistan.

The official reaction came after Redfish digital media outlet some days back tweeted a trailer of a new documentary on Kashmir and carried a line mentioning the allegation. The Redfish media has been categorised on Twitter as a "Russia state-affiliated media".

"The Russian official position on the issue of Kashmir and Russia's principled stance on non-interference in bilateral disputes remain unchanged," the Russian embassy said in a statement.

"The solution should be found between India and Pakistan only, and it should be based on the achieved agreements, including the Simla Agreement of 1972 and the Lahore Declaration of 1999," it said. The embassy also said the "misleading label of the channel" on Twitter as 'Russia state-affiliated media' does not make it automatically related to any state support.

"The channel functions independently with regard to its editorial policy. However, it is hoped that the complexity and historical background of this and other regional issues will be given due understanding and balanced approach, which is expected from any professional media," the embassy said. Redfish described itself as a multi-award-winning digital content creator on its website.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas M/s. Vatika Limited is in the process of development of a Group Housing Colony in Sector 89A over an area measuring 11.125 acres in Gurugram Manesar Urban Complex, Haryana in accordance with the provision of License No.87 of 2013 dt. 11.10.2013 granted by the Director General, Town & Country Planning (Haryana), Chandigarh.

And whereas several individuals have made bookings/entered into purchase agreements for allotment of plots / property in the said colony (hereinafter referred to as allottees).

And whereas the Change of Developer for the said project / colony is proposed to M/s ATS Real Estate Builders Pvt. Ltd. And whereas the o/o Director General, Town & Country Planning (Haryana), Chandigarh, while granting in principle approval of the proposed Change of Developer vide Memo No. LC-2805-Asstt.(MS)/2021/2518 dated 31.01.2022, has required seeking of any objections from the general public for the proposed change of developer as a pre condition for allowing the same.

Accordingly, vide this public notice; objections are hereby invited from any of the general public / allottees in the said colony on the proposed Change of Developer.

Objections, if any, may be filed in the o/o Senior Town Planner, Sector 14, Gurugram, Haryana, or may be filed in our Corporate Office within 30 days of this notice, failing which it shall be assumed that there are no objections to the proposed Change of Developer to M/s ATS Real Estate Builders Pvt. Ltd. in this license.

Place: Gurugram
Dated: 08.02.2022

For VATIKA LIMITED
Authorised Signatory

SALE NOTICE

The under mentioned Assets will be sold through auction on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** for recovery of dues as per court orders, in the following cases:-

Case Details	Asset Details
ICICI BANK LTD VS SUBODH KUMAR, CM(M) 602/2020 & CM APPL-30659/2020	Vehicle No- UP14FT6208, Make & Model- RENAULT LODGY RXE, Manu Year-2016, Reserve Price: Rs 125000, EMD Amount: Rs 12,500, DD/PO is to be made in favour of ICICI BANK LIMITED Payable at Delhi and bidder has to bring original DD/PO at site with KYC
ICICI Bank Ltd. Vs. Rajesh Kumar Tiwari, CS (COMM) No. 945/20	Vehicle No- UP16AS1600, Make & Model - AUDI A6 2.0 TDI, Manu. Year- 2013, Reserve Price: Rs. 8,00,000/- EMD Amount: Rs. 80,000, DD/PO is to be made in favour of ICICI BANK LIMITED Payable at Delhi and bidder has to bring original DD/PO at site with KYC
ICICI Bank Ltd. Vs. MOHD. GULSITAB, CS SCJ 2314/18	Vehicle No- DL10ST6474, Make & Model- Yamaha Motors Pvt. Ltd SZ -RR, Manu Year-2017
ICICI Bank Ltd. Vs. BHARAT BAKSHI, CS COMM.) 201/20	Vehicle No- DL3CCM4524, Make & Model- TOYOTA KIRLOSKAR INDIA LTD ALTIS 1.8 VL, Manu. Year- 2017
ICICI Bank Ltd. Vs. KAILASH CHAND, Ex. No. 703/21	Vehicle No- HR38T0435, Make & Model- TATAACE, Manu. Year- 2013

Auction Date : 16-February-2022 From 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.
Place of Auction: Godara Yard, Khewat No. 166/1, Near Atul Kataria Chowk, Behind Gyan Devi, School, Sec - 17, Sukhrali, Gurugram - 122022
Contact Person - Rajeev Ranjan (8584874809)/Jitendra Kumar (7304914763)
And

Case Details	Asset Details
ICICI Bank Ltd. Vs. MASHKOOOR AHMAD, Suit No. 620743/2016	Vehicle No- DL3CCC4496, Make & Model - Chevrolet Beat 1.0 LS, Manu. Year-2014, Reserve Price: Rs. 40,000/- EMD Amount: Rs. 4,000/- DD/PO is to be made in favour of ICICI BANK LIMITED Payable at Delhi and bidder has to bring original DD/PO at site with KYC
ICICI BANK LTD VS RAVISH KUMAR, Suit No. 2044/2018	Vehicle No-DL5CP2023, Make & Model- HYUNDAI I10 MAGNA, Manu Year-2017, Reserve Price: Rs 2,20,000/- EMD Amount: Rs.22,000/- DD/PO is to be made in favour of ICICI BANK LIMITED Payable at Delhi and bidder has to bring original DD/PO at site with KYC
ICICI Bank Ltd. Vs. VINOD KUMAR, CS (COMM.) 111/19	Vehicle No- DL11CB1066, Make & Model - Hyundai I10 Magna, Manu. Year- 2017

Auction Date : 23-February-2022 From 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.
Place of Auction: Godara Yard, Khewat No. 166/1, Near Atul Kataria Chowk, Behind Gyan Devi, School, Sec- 17, Sukhrali, Gurugram- 122022
Contact Person- Rajeev Ranjan (8584874809)/ Jitendra Kumar (7304914763)

Terms of Sale
The particulars of the said asset specified herein above have been stated to the best of the information and knowledge of the undersigned, who shall however not be responsible for any error, misstatement or omission in the said particulars. The interested participant/s are therefore requested, in their own interest, to satisfy himself / themselves/ itself with regard to the said asset and other relevant details pertaining to it before submitting the bids. All bidders are required to come at auction site with original KYC documents and DD/PO of EMD amount in favour of ICICI bank Limited, payable at Delhi (Wherein applicable) to participate in the auction.
Successfully bidder shall have to deposit sale amount (Excluding EMD amount wherein applicable) within 5 days from the auction date by the way of pay order/demand draft/RTGS/NEFT. In case if you fail to make the remaining sale amount within 5 days, your EMD amount will be forfeited.
The intending bidders may visit at ICICI Bank Ltd, 1st Floor, SD Tower, Community Center, Plot No-7, Rohini Sector-8 New Delhi - 110085 for details and inspection of the said hypothecated vehicles.

ED secures police custody of Channi's nephew in money laundering case

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The ED on Monday said it has secured police custody of Bhopinder Singh alias Honey, nephew of Punjab CM Charanjit Singh Channi, till Tuesday in a money laundering case connected to illegal sand mining.

"ED has arrested Bhopinder Singh S/o Santokh Singh under PMLA,2002 in a case connected with illegal sand mining. Court has granted ED custody of accused till 08.02.2022," the agency said in a tweet.

Honey was arrested under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) late on Thursday night after several hours of questioning at the agency's office in Jalandhar.

During the questioning, he was evasive in his replies, leading to his arrest. The ED then produced him before the relevant PMLA court on Friday that granted him to ED custody

till Tuesday.

Honey is the son of Channi's sister-in-law.

On January 18, the agency had searched his premises and claimed to have seized about Rs 8 crore in cash and "incriminating" documents. Properties of a few others linked to the case were also searched, they said.

Following the searches in January, the agency had recovered over Rs 10 crore in cash and several documents, of which Rs 8 crore and most of the papers were seized from premises linked to Honey alone.

About Rs 2 crore cash was seized from the premises linked to a person identified as Sandeep Kumar.

The ED filed a criminal case under PMLA in this case in November.

The case is based on a 2018 FIR at the Shaheed Bhagat Singh (SBS) Nagar police station that pressed charges under the Indian Penal Code and

Chennai-based comany's property worth ₹21.11 lakh attached by ED

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has provisionally attached movable property valued at Rs 21.11 lakh of Chennai-based Cranio Facial Clinic Pvt. Ltd. under Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) in a bribery scam relating to grant of permission accorded by the Dental Council of India to start various dental colleges. The ED had initiated money laundering investigation on the basis of an FIR registered by ACB, CBI, Chennai against Dr S Murukesan, a leading Dentist and others.

Mines and Minerals (Regulation of Development) Act, 1957.

SHORT e-PROCUREMENT NOTICE:
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER PHE (WATER), ASSAM
CUM
ADDITIONAL MISSION DIRECTOR, JAL JEEVAN MISSION, ASSAM
HENGGRABARI, GUWAHATI - 781036

SHORT NOTICE INVITING REQUEST FOR QUOTATION NO. 34 of 2021-22

On behalf of the Governor of Assam, the Chief Engineer, PHE (Water), Public Health Engineering Department cum Additional Mission Director, Jal Jeevan Mission, Assam invites bids on line through e-Procurement system against RFQ No. 34 of 2021-22 from the interested and eligible bidders in two envelop system for **"EMPANELMENT OF OUTREACH ACTIVITY AND EVENT MANAGEMENT AGENCIES UNDER JAL JEEVAN MISSION, ASSAM."** The detailed RFQ Document will be available in the web portal www.assamtenders.gov.in and can be viewed from 09.02.2022 up to 16.00 Hr. of 02.03.2022. Bids will be opened at 15:00 hrs. of 03.03.2022. Bid is to be submitted through online and in no case manual bid shall be entertained.

Chief Engineer (PHE), Water, Assam,
Cum
Addl. Mission Director, JJM Assam
Hengrabari, Guwahati - 36.

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SHORT NOTICE INVITING REQUEST FOR QUOTATION NO. 35 of 2021-22

On behalf of the Governor of Assam, the Chief Engineer, PHE (Water), Public Health Engineering Department cum Additional Mission Director, Jal Jeevan Mission, Assam invites bids on line through e-Procurement system against RFQ No. 35 of 2021-22 from the interested and eligible bidders in two envelop system for **"SELECTION OF SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGEMENT AGENCIES UNDER JAL JEEVAN MISSION, ASSAM."** The detailed RFQ Document will be available in the web portal www.assamtenders.gov.in and can be viewed from 09.02.2022 up to 16.00 Hr. of 02.03.2022. Bids will be opened at 15:00 hrs. of 03.03.2022. Bid is to be submitted through online and in no case Annual bid shall be entertained.

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Row over old social media posts of JNU's new V-C

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The appointment of Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit as the first lady vice-chancellor of the prestigious Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) by the Ministry of Education on Monday drew controversy over her old social media posts with certain opposition leaders and other stakeholders criticising the move.

"President Ram Nath Kovind, who is Visitor to the University, has approved the appointment of Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit as JNU Vice-Chancellor. Her appointment is for a period of five years," a senior MoE official said.

M Jagadesh Kumar, who was holding the charge of acting VC at JNU after his five-year term ended last year, was last week appointed as the chairman of the UGC.

Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit is an alumna of JNU where she pursued her MPhil as well as PhD in International Relations. Pandit began her teaching career at Goa University in 1988 and moved to Pune University in 1993. She

has held administrative positions in various academic bodies. She has also been a member of the University Grants Commission (UGC), the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), and the Visitor's nominee to central universities.

Social media surfaced with Pandit's old twitter posts which includes her criticism on the protesting farmers, Christianity, Nathuram Godse,

Posts at the account under the name 'Dr. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit ' call protesting farmers "parasites"; retweeted a tweet claiming that MK Gandhi's last words being "He Ram!" is a "myth"; and describe anti-BJP students and teachers, at the university Pandit has been picked to lead, as "losers at JNU," said the twitter from various handles.

Santishree Pandit allegedly also called for a ban on the funding towards the universities of Jamia Millia Islamia and St Stephens as the students protested against the unconstitutional Citizenship (Amendment) Act and

National Register of Citizens (NRC).

Saket Gokhale, National Spokesperson-All India Trinamool Congress, reshared a tweet by the vice-chancellor from last year, in which she had referred to Indian Christians as 'rice bag converts'.

"The new Vice-Chancellor of JNU refers to Christians as 'rice bag converts'. She will now head one of India's elite liberal arts universities Education Min should clarify if that's how Christian students at JNU are going to be treated & if this is Indian govt policy," Gokhale wrote on Twitter.

CPI leader Kavita Krishnan also reshared tweets in which Pandit had called student bodies 'extremist Naxal groups' and 'losers from JNU'.

"The Modi regime's new JNU VC has a twitter feed full of unhinged Hindu-supremacist bile against educational institutions founded by Muslims or Christians, & against India's farmers, plus it's full of #Covidconspiracy theories. She actively hates JNU," Krishnan tweeted.

Opposition lashes out at Govt over 'social devide' in country

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

The Opposition on Monday lashed out at the Government for "fomenting social divide in the country, failing to provide jobs and unable to secure the border with China". The treasury, however, said the nation was on the "path of rapid progress".

Participating in the debate of motion of thanks to the President's Address, Congress leader Anand Sharma said the document did not mention anything about national security. Sharma said more than one lakh troops from India and China were facing each other in Ladakh but the government was yet to apprise Parliament about the situation there.

He said during the height of the 1962 conflict with China, Parliament discussed the situation there with then MP Atal Bihari Vajpayee taking part in it. Sharma also criticised the move to subsume the flame at Amar Jawan Jyoti into the eternal flame at National War Memorial.

The senior Congress leader also urged the ruling combine to stop deriding the previous governments and said they had set up institutions like the Indian Institute of Technology and Bhakra Nangal dam.

Sharma also expressed concern over the rising trend of hate speeches and urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to take note of them. Modi will



reply to the President's Address on Tuesday in the Rajya Sabha. Former prime minister and JDS leader H D Deve Gowda raised concerns over the "decline" in the overall allocation for agriculture in the Budget and said it has disappointed those expecting an increase in the outlay for the sector.

Deve Gowda claimed an appeal to remove GST from all farm inputs was left unheard. The subsidy on food and petroleum products was decreased which would impact the cost of cultivation and cost inputs, he said, adding the budget allocation for agriculture and allied sectors has disappointed all those who were expecting an increased outlay.

Prakash Javadeka (BJP)said it was "strange" that those who allegedly issued orders of firing on devotees of Lord Ram were today claiming that they will build the Ram Temple faster.

It was in an apparent reference to the firing on kar sewaks in Ayodhya during the Mulayam Singh Yadav gov-

ernment.

Referring to Ram Setu, Javadekar claimed that (those part of) the party whose government gave an affidavit in court that Lord Ram was a fictional character is now saying they will build the Ram Temple quickly.

On Covaxin, Javadekar said some people called the COVID-19 vaccine the "BJP's vaccine" and refused to take it but when Prime Minister Narendra Modi took Covaxin it silenced all the critics globally. Referring to Congress leader Digvijaya Singh's speech, Javadekar said he claimed that subsidies have been reduced in the present regime when in fact the theft of subsidy has been plugged by the government.

Participating in the debate, while Minister for State for Social Justice and Empowerment Ramdas Athawale said that the country has progressed under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi, Rakesh Sinha (BJP Nominated) accused the Congress of being soft towards China.

Rift between TN Govt, Guv over NEET deepens

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

The stand-off between Governor RN Ravi and THE Tamil Nadu Government has deteriorated to almost a point of no return with the former sending back to the Legislative Assembly the Bill enacted by the DMK Government scrapping the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) for admission to undergraduate medical courses in the State, according to seasoned political observers.

The DMK's mouthpiece Murasoli has been waging a war against the Governor lampooning and ridiculing him and this has played a significant role in the worsening of the ties between Raj Bhavan and Fort Saint George (Tamil Nadu's seat of power).

"Though the NEET was introduced by the UPA Government during the tenure of Manmohan Singh as Prime Minister, the DMK and its leaders kept quiet at that time", pointed out Kolahala Srenivasan, political commentator and writer based in Chennai. He said that it was a Constitution bench of the Supreme Court which ordered NEET should be the screening test for admission to all undergraduate medical courses in the country. "Is it possible for the

Governor or the President to negate the apex court verdict," asked Srenivasan.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister M K Stalin while addressing rallies across the State on Monday claimed that it was BJP which imposed the NEET across the country. "Education has been denied to people for centuries. They have had access to education in the last few decades as a result of many struggles. NEET is a new version of the conspiracy to deny education to people because of their status. We will resend the Bill back to the Governor," said Stalin on the eve of the special session of the Assembly which has been convened to send the Bill again to the Governor.

Constitutional experts are of the view that Tamil Nadu Government would not get any breakthrough when it sends the Bill back to the Governor. "The Governor has no pocket veto (power to approve or disapprove) the Bill. He can reserve the Bill for the consideration of the President or sit over it further for a long period," Dr Sonia K Das, constitutional expert who heads the Department of Constitutional Studies in Government Law College, Thrissur, told The Pioneer.

According to Dr Das, the Governor can also reserve the

Bill if it is of following nature: 1) If the Bill is against the provisions of the Constitution. 2) If the Bill is opposed to the Directive Principles of State Policy. 3) If the Bill is against the larger interest of the country. 4) If the Bill is of grave national importance and 5) if it deals with compulsory acquisition of property. "Unlike the President, the Governor of a State does not enjoy pocket veto. The Governor neither ratifies nor rejects or returns the Bill, but simply keeps the Bill pending for an indefinite period," said Prof Das.

Governor Ravi had said in the Republic Day Message to the people of the State that before the introduction of NEET, the share of students from Government run schools in the seats at Government Medical Colleges was hardly one percent. "Thanks to the affirmative action of 7.5 per cent reservation for NEET qualified Government school students, the number has improved significantly", he had said. The Governor had further opined that there was an urgent need to improve the quality of education at the Government schools in Tamil Nadu.

Tamil Nadu is the only State which has been demanding the scrapping of NEET while the remaining States have welcomed the move.

762 personal security officers withdrawn: Assam CM '2,000 PSOs likely to be withdrawn in days to come'

Guwahati: Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma

MISSION INDRADHANUSH 4.0 Guj to cover over 41K children, 9k pregnant women

Ahmedabad: Nearly 40,800 children up to the age of two and 9,000 pregnant women will be covered under the Intensified Mission Indradhanush 4.0 that was launched by Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya from New Delhi, the Gujarat government said on Monday.

Under the Union government's Mission Indradhanush, eligible children and pregnant women will be administered vaccines for diseases like jaundice, TB, diphtheria, polio, pneumonia, measles and rubella and other serious ailments, said a state government release.

Gujarat Health Minister Rushikesh Patel and MoS Health Nimishaben Suthar had joined the launching ceremony for 12 states through video conference from Gandhinagar, said the release. **PTI**

J&K integrated with national single window system

The launch to ease global investors' efforts in the border State

PNS ■ JAMMU

To facilitate investments in Jammu and Kashmir, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha Monday launched the J & K Single Window Clearance System integrated with the National Single Window system. With this J&K has become the first UT to be integrated with the National Single Window System. Now global investors can apply for all their business approvals in J&K through the National Single Window system. As many as 130 industrial services have been made online on a single window system & more than 160 services would be integrated this year.

The Lt Governor reiterated Government's commitment to strengthen the industrial ecosystem in a manner that the benefits percolate to all sections of our society in Jammu & Kashmir. J&K Single Window Clearance System is a historic move by the UT Government to facilitate investments in J&K. We are ensuring 'Ease of Doing Business' & 'Ease of Living' through mini-

mum regulatory compliance burden, the Lt Governor said during the launch ceremony at Raj Bhavan.

Referring to the industrial reforms in J&K, the Lt Governor said that in the last one year, since the launch of the new Industrial development scheme, our policies have evolved to make Jammu & Kashmir more competitive and lucrative for industries and service enterprises.

"These reforms have helped us receive investment proposals worth Rs.70,000 Crore in different sectors within a year", he added.

After years of poor performance in industrialization, Jammu & Kashmir is at a new stage in its development trajectory. Focused attention is being given to the growth of dynamic sectors including real estate, horticulture and tourism so as to create increased employment opportunities, said the Lt Governor. The Lt Governor observed that the J&K Government is taking reformative measures for linking Jammu & Kashmir into a web of partnership with the

domestic and foreign companies and ensuring global best practices in our regulatory institutions and systems.

We are strengthening J&K's power & road infrastructure, improving connectivity and law & order situation. We have launched a massive program costing about Rs. One Lakh Crore to upgrade our infrastructure," the Lt Governor said. There is an air of optimism and I am fully convinced of positive outcomes, he added. Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary said that the administration is making constant efforts to be among top performers in Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living, and bring fundamental change in the socio-economic ecosystem. He emphasized on monthly progress review meetings with all stakeholder departments involved, ensuring successful implementation of G2B & G2C services on ground. Further, he added that all services shall be covered under the ambit of J&K Public Service Guarantee Act, 2011. Ranjan Prakash Thakur, Principal Secretary to J&K

Government, Industries & Commerce Department briefed the chair about the key features of the J&K Single Window System has emerged as a "One Stop Solution" for investors/applicants ensuring hassle free services, he added. It was informed that the Integrated Single Window System will facilitate new investments locally & globally either through National Single Window System or through J&K Single Window System (www.singlewindow.jk.gov.in) with user friendly interfaces and timely approvals.

It was informed that 130+ services are hosted online through Single Window Portal and more than 2600 burdensome regulatory compliances have been identified and uploaded on RCB portal, GoI before the deadline (31st January 2022).

Short films on "New Jammu & Kashmir vision & development", "J&K Single Window (JK-SW) System" & "Integrated National Single Window System (NSWS)" were showcased on the occasion.

Didi calls all parties to back SP in UP polls

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Monday called upon all to support Samajwadi Party in the upcoming Uttar Pradesh elections.

Banerjee who on Monday left for Lucknow to campaign for SP said that she was going to that State because she was invited by SP chief Akhilesh Yadav.

"Akhilesh Yadav has invited me to go there and to campaign for SP... We want BJP to be defeated and Akhilesh to win in Uttar Pradesh," Banerjee said calling upon all to back the SP.

"It would have been good for us to contest in UP ... But then we thought that would lead to division of votes ... So we decided to support Akhilesh ji in his fight against the BJP," the Bengal Chief Minister said before leaving for Lucknow.

She will be holding a joint press conference with the SP chief and a virtual rally at UP capital on February 8, TMC sources said.

Banerjee was also likely to visit Varanasi later in February but the date is yet to be fixed, party sources said.

"It would have been good for us to contest in UP ... But then we thought that would lead to division of votes ... So we decided to support Akhilesh in his fight against the BJP."

Suvendu Adhikari said her Lucknow trip would yield no result as "the people will vote for Yogi Baba (UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath) because he has brought back Ram ji to Ayodhya ... He has revived Kashi Vishwanath and will revive Mathura too."

Meanwhile in an unrelated development the Bengal Chief Minister set all controversies regarding distribution of tickets --- among Trinamool Congress supporters --- for coming civic elections.

"The party endorses the list published and signed by our designated leaders ... That should clear all confusions," Banerjee said.

A large section of TMC rank and file had revolted after the publication of candidates' list with hundreds of supporters staging dharnas and blockading streets in almost districts from Nort Bengal to South Bengal.

Maha Covid cases drop to 6K; Mumbai reports just 356 cases in 24 hrs

T N RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

In a sign of vast improvement in the Covid-19 situation in Maharashtra, the daily infections dropped further to 6,436 on Monday, even as the daily cases in Mumbai came down to 356.

The daily infections remained below the 10,000 mark for the second day, even as the positive cases dropped from 9,666 on Sunday to 6,436 on Monday. With the fresh infections, the total number of Covid-19 cases in the state rose from 78,03,700 to 78,10,136 With 24 fresh deaths, the total number of deaths registered in the state since the outbreak of Covid-19 in the state in March 2020 went up from 1,43,074 to 1,43,098.

Mumbai, where the daily infections have been dropping steadily for more than two weeks now, witnessed a drop in the number of cases from 536 to 356. With the latest cases, the total number of cases in Mumbai mounted to 10,51,729

As 18,423 Covid-19 patients were discharged from the hospitals across the state after full recovery, the total number of people discharged from the hospitals since the second week of March 2020 increased from 75,38,611 to 75,57,034. The recovery rate in

the state rose from 96.26 per cent to 96.4 per cent.

The number of "active cases" in the state dropped from 1,18,076 to 1,06,059. The fatality rate in the state stood static at 1.83 per cent.

The active cases in Pune dropped from 32881 on Sunday to 28078.

The active cases in Mumbai dropped from 5743 on Sunday to 5139 on Monday, while the active cases in the neighbouring Thane rose from 8432 on Sunday to 7901 on Monday.

Nagpur accounted for 14604 active cases, followed by Ahmednagar (7687), Nashik (4801), Aurangabad (3768) and Satara (2864)

Of the 7,56,55,012 samples sent to various laboratories across the state so far, 78,10,136 have tested positive (10.32 per cent) for COVID-19 until Monday.

Currently, 6,73,875 people are in home quarantine while 2383 people are in institutional quarantine.

Meanwhile, no fresh Omicron case was recorded in Maharashtra on Monday, resulting in the total number of the new Covid-19 variant cases remaining static at 3,334.

Of the total infected people, 2023 have been discharged from the hospitals after they tested negative in the RT PCR tests.

PUBLIC NOTICE				
Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd, 3rd Floor, Plot No- 23, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, Delhi- 110005				
The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.				
Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Nagur Saheb Sheikh, Arpita Ray, Arpita Ray, Unit 50/59-61 Good, Street Investmead, Nsw, Australia, New South Wales, New South Wales A/c No:- LBDEL00002146651	Flat No-4C, 113, 13th Floor Tower-1, Golf View Apartment Khasra No-33, 35, 36, 44, 45, 46, 47, 65 66 22 40 Sushant Golf City Sector-I, Pocket D Village Devama Pargana Bijnor Tehsil And Dist Lucknow Uttar Pradesh	27/12/2021 Rs. 1,15,38,116/-	04-10-2021
2.	Parvinder Singh, Sarika,, 9447-C-9, Vasant Kunj Delhi, Vasant Kunj, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00002380806	Flat No- B-122, 12th Floor Tower-B Indiabulls Enigma Village Pawala, Khusrupur Sector-110, Gurgaon Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs.1,45,29,595/-	04-10-2021
3.	Reman Sharma, Jitender Sharma,, 1396 Gate No 10 Near Nhpcc Chowk, Green Field Amar Nagar Faridabad, Faridabad, Haryana A/c No:- LBDEL00003046700	Plot No- 2921, Sector- 65 Urban Estate Faridabad Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 50,92,189/-	04-10-2021
4.	Reena Khairari, Vikas Kumar Khairari, KDK Enterprises Pvt Ltd, 1358 Pkt- 4 Sector- C, Vasant Kunj, Delhi, A/c No:- LBDEL00003396323	Flat No 142, 4th Floor With Roof Right Block-D Sec 8, Dwarka, Delhi 110075	27/12/2021 Rs. 86,65,837/-	31-01-2021
5.	Reena Khairari, Vikas Kumar Khairari, KDK Enterprises Pvt Ltd, 1358 Pkt- 4 Sector- C, Vasant Kunj, Delhi, A/c No:- LBDEL00003450432	Flat No 142, 4th Floor With Roof Right Block-D Sec 8, Dwarka, Delhi 110075	27/12/2021 Rs. 18,00,529/-	31-01-2021
6.	Shantanu Bhattacharya, Koyeli Bhattacharya, D 2 /2117, Vasant Kunj, South West Delhi, Delhi, A/c No:- LBDEL00003623333	Flat No-2117, DAD SFS, Cat-II, PKT D2 2nd Floor, Vasant Kunj, Delhi 110070	27/12/2021 Rs. 33,61,948/-	31-12-2020
7.	Shantanu Bhattacharya, Koyeli Bhattacharya, D 2 /2117, Vasant Kunj, South West Delhi, Delhi, A/c No:- LBDEL00003637512	Flat No-2117, DAD SFS, Cat-II, PKT D2 2nd Floor, Vasant Kunj, Delhi 110070	27/12/2021 Rs. 76,71,048/-	31-12-2020
8.	Shantanu Bhattacharya, Koyeli Bhattacharya, D 2 /2117, Vasant Kunj, South West Delhi, Delhi, A/c No:- LBDEL00003637514	Flat No-2117, DAD SFS, Cat-II, PKT D2 2nd Floor, Vasant Kunj, Delhi 110070	27/12/2021 Rs. 26,40,559/-	31-12-2020
9.	Sharad Chaudhary, House No D 30 BIK D Greater Kailash, Enclave Part 2, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00004047162	Appartment No-106, T-09, 18/01, Tower-1, Golf Avenue Sector-106, Gurgaon Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 1,90,71,853/-	31-07-2020
10.	Ashish Gupta, Sanjay Gupta, 504, Block-18, Heritage City, Gurgaon, Haryana, A/c No:- LBDEL00004098909	Appartment No-3, 15th Floor Tower-C, or Alias CTC 153, and It's Parking The Crest Village Wazirabad Sector-42, Gurgaon Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 3,21,66,664/-	04-10-2021
11.	Ashish Gupta, Sanjay Gupta, 504, Block-18, Heritage City, Gurgaon, Haryana, A/c No:- LBDEL00004660551	Appartment No-3, 15th Floor Tower-C, Or Alias CTC153, and It's Parking The Crest Village Wazirabad Sector-42, Gurgaon Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 31,32,485/-	04-10-2021
12.	Rohan Sahani, Meenakshi, Ved Prakash, Lata, Plot No-149, 4th Floor Block-A, Sector-8 Dwarka Bagdola South West Delhi, Delhi, A/c No:- LBDEL00004961412	Plot No -149, 4th Floor, With Roof Rights, Block-A, Sector-8, Dwarka, Delhi 110075	27/12/2021 Rs. 63,40,306/-	31-01-2021
13.	Rohan Sahani, Meenakshi, Ved Prakash, Lata, Plot No-149, 4th Floor Block-A, Sector-8 Dwarka Bagdola South West Delhi, Delhi, A/c No:- LBDEL00004965262	Plot No-149, 4th Floor, With Roof Rights, Block - A, Sector-8, Dwarka, Delhi 110075	27/12/2021 Rs. 10,15,139/-	31-01-2021
14.	Pankul Rathore, M/s Spaak Super Infra India Pvt Ltd, Khairoun Rathore, Gf 50, Eros Garden Block-V, Charmwood Village, Haryana, Faridabad A/c No:- LBFDB00002022053	Flat No-01 and 02, 2nd Floor, Royal Retreat 3rd Charmwood, Faridabad, Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 1,25,82,377/-	31-01-2021
15.	Pankul Rathore, Khairoun Rathore, Spaak Super Infra India Pvt Ltd, Khairoun Rathore, Gf 50, Eros Gardenblock V, Charmwood Village, Haryana, Faridabad A/c No:- LBFDB00002022054	Flat No-01 And 02, 2nd Floor, Royal Retreat 3rd Charmwood, Faridabad, Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 1,96,99,850/-	31-01-2021
16.	Pushpa Bhatia, Vikas Bhatia, H. No-114 3rd FLR Lok Vihar Appt, Chikus Puri, Delhi A/c No:- LBFDB00002155166	Flat No 4c 100, 1st Floor Golf View Apartment Sushant Golf City Sector-1 Pocket-D Lucknow Uttar Pradesh	27/12/2021 Rs. 78,07,633/-	04-10-2021
17.	Akhilesh, Arvind Kumar, A-10 Sf Amicron-1 Greater Noida, Rampur Jagir Gautham Budha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh, Rampur Jagir 201306, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, A/c No:- LBGHZ00004871303	Flat No-1-0403 Migsun Vilaasa- Sun-1, 4th Floor, Plot No-Gh 1B(2), Sector Eta-2, Greater Noida Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	27/12/2021 Rs. 9,59,102/-	04-10-2021
18.	Akhilesh, Arvind Kumar, A-10 Sf Amicron-1 Greater Noida, Rampur Jagir Gautham Budha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh, Rampur Jagir 201306, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, A/c No:- LBGHZ00004935428	Flat No-1-0403 Migsun Vilaasa- Sun-1, 4th Floor, Plot No- Gh 1B(2), Sector Eta-2, Greater Noida Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	27/12/2021 Rs. 1,21,934/-	04-10-2021
19.	Akash Deep Lohia, Charan Dass Lohia & Vandana Lohia, D-5/3 Ground Floor, Exclusive Floors, DLF City, Haryana, Gurgaon A/c No:- LBGUR00002091618	Unit No- D-05/03, Dlf Exclusive Floors Dlf City Gurgaon Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 66,57,542/-	27-10-2021
20.	Akash Deep Lohia, Vandana Lohia, D-5/3 Ground Floor, Exclusive Floors,dff City, Haryana, Gurgaon A/c No:- LBGUR00002091619	4 A 302, 2nd Floor, Tower 3, Pocket-D, Tulsaini Construction, Big Sky, Golf View Apartment Sushant Golf City Sector-I, Lucknow Uttar Pradesh	27/12/2021 Rs. 78,66,014/-	27-10-2021
21.	Anil Yadav, Phool Chand Yadav, House No-230 Sector-23, Haryana, Gurgaon, A/c No:- LBGUR00004782966	Plot No- H/574C, Block-H, Palam, Vihar, Gurgaon Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 98,82,982/-	31-01-2021
22.	Anil Yadav, Phool Chand Yadav, House No-230 Sector-23, Haryana, Gurgaon, A/c No:- LBGUR00004860986	Plot No- H/574C, Block-H, Palam, Vihar, Gurgaon Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 5,02,893/-	31-01-2021
23.	Rajinder Kumar, Priyanka,, C-41 1st Floor Vishwakarma, New Delhi, Colony, Delhi 110044, (4801), , Na, Delhi A/c No:- LBGUR00005251424	Unit No-1, 1st Floor Plot No-83 Block-3, Eros Garden Colony, Surajkund Road, Faridabad Haryana	27/12/2021 Rs. 93,91,635/-	04-10-2021
24.	Rajeev Ranjan, Sarb Narayan Malik, 768 Saratoga Ave 202 San Jose Ca, Sancarlos, Ca A/c No:- LBNOD00002078874	Flat No 3B-117 Tower-B, Floor-17 Golf View Apartments, Sushant Golf City Sulatanpur Road Lucknow Uttar Pradesh	27/12/2021 Rs. 2,09,00,526/-	11-10-2021
25.	Rajnish Kumar, Suman Kumari, A-102 Krishna Garden Apartment, Plot No-10, Sector 19B, Dwarka, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00004709716	Flat No-032, 3rd Floor, Tower-N, Centrum Park Sector-103, Daulatabad, Gurgaon Haryana	08/01/2022 Rs. 50,29,922/-	30-05-2021
26.	Ambika Sharma, Vikas Kumar, C 1053 Tower 14 River Height Raj Nagar Extn, Uttar Pradesh, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBGHZ00002357988	Flat No 1632, 15th Floor Tower Sharon Gaur Saundaryam, Plot No Gh 05c Sector Techzone Iv, Greater Noida, Noida 201307	08/01/2022 Rs. 64,38,608/-	07-06-2021
27.	Ashish Nashine, Neha Ashish Nashine, Flat No 602, Tower No B7, Srs Royal Hills, Sector-87 Khari Kalan, Haryana, Faridabad A/c No:- LBNOD00005213708	Flat No-G-14, Ground Floor Paras Pearls II, Property No 19/6 Mauja Khatena, Lohamandi Ward, Agra 282002	08/01/2022 Rs. 69,40,115/-	31-12-2020
28.	Salim Khan, Zubidha Khan, 309 Gi Tower 06 Ganga Apartment, Vasant Kunj, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00004895878	Flat No-1702, 17th Floor, Sethi Venice, Tower A, Plot No. Sc-01/A-4, Sector-150, Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar Uttar Pradesh	08/01/2022 Rs. 63,09,773/-	06-03-2021
29.	Bhavish Kumar Rana, Monika Rajput, C-11-601 Sentup Vihar Awho White Field Hosakote Road, Kanna Mangala, Karnataka, Bangalore A/c No:- LBNOD00004900538	Flat No 1403, 14th Floor Tower A Sethi Venice Tower, Plot No Sc-01/A-4, Sector-150 Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar 201301	08/01/2022 Rs. 59,85,009/-	11-01-2021
30.	Nihar Ranjan Sahu, Shilisha Sahu, Flat- H-1204, Cloud-9, Ahinsa Khand-2, Uttar Pradesh, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBDEL00005130169	Flat No 501, Block-A Exotica Elegance Village Mohiudd, Icici Bank Ltd, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh	08/01/2022 Rs. 51,94,801/-	31-12-2020
31.	Nazia Jalal, Intakhab Alam, Nazia Jalal, Block 1 Flat 132, Muhaisanah Fourth, P O Box 7262, Dubai, Dubai A/c No:- LBDEL00003951148	Flat No 218, Second Floor Pocket B Cat II, Sukhdh Vihar Delhi	08/01/2022 Rs. 93,78,707/-	04-10-2021
32.	Sunita Singh, Vandana Lohia, D-5/3 Ground Floor, Exclusive Floors,dff City, Haryana, Gurgaon A/c No:- LBDEL00003450545	Plot No-165, Block-1 Delta-2 Greater Noida Gautam Budh Nagar Uttar Pradesh	08/01/2022 Rs. 27,38,665/-	31-10-2021
33.	Sunita Singh, Pankaj Kumar Singh, H. No. I-165 Delta-2 Greater, Noida Gautam Budh Nagar, Noida,uttar Pradesh A/c No:- LBDEL00003447268	Plot No-165, Block-1 Delta-2 Greater Noida Gautam Budh Nagar Uttar Pradesh	08/01/2022 Rs. 29,08,134/-	31-10-2021
34.	Tahir Hussain, Danish Hussain, H No- C-7/381 Shri Ram Colony, Rajeev Nagar North East Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00004897513	Flat No 2634, 25th Floor Tower D Gaur Siddhartham Plot No 8/Bs-01, Sector 8 Siddharth Vihar Yojna, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh	08/01/2022 Rs. 29,16,818/-	06-10-2021
35.	Tahir Hussain, Danish Hussain, H No- C-7/381 Shri Ram Colony, Rajeev Nagar North East Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00004913330	Flat No 2634, 25th Floor Tower D Gaur Siddhartham Plot No 8/ Bs-01, Sector 8 Siddharth Vihar Yojna, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh	08/01/2022 Rs. 2,44,499/-	06-10-2021
36.	Tahir Hussain, Danish Hussain, H No- C-7/381 Shri Ram Colony, Rajeev Nagar North East Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBNOD00005108741	Flat No 2634, 25th Floor Tower D Gaur Siddhartham Plot No 8/ Bs-01, Sector 8 Siddharth Vihar Yojna, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh	08/01/2022 Rs. 24,25,138/-	06-10-2021
37.	Navdeep Batra, Barkha Batra, 96 Flora Road, 04-52, Edelweiss Park Condominium, Singapore A/c No:- LBDEL00001912570	Unit No- LDI-02-1502, The Kove Jaypee, Greens Sports City, Noida	31/12/2021 Rs. 18,07,306/-	01/07/2021
38.	Kapil Mehta, Girish Kumar Mehta, Asha Mehta, Flat No- S/4 Second Floor, Suryasheesh Apartment, Near To Thesis Compound, New Gandhi Nagar, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBNOD00001230040	Flat No- S-4, Plot No-5, Suryadresh Appt, Gandhi Nagar, Ghaziabad	31/12/2021 Rs. 4,76,306.03/-	30/09/2016
39.	Ashok Kapoor, Mamta Kapoor, A- 123, Block-a, Vivek Vihar, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00001513474	Flat No- 008, Gf, Mig Type Block E, Excel Apartment, Loni Sahibabad, Ghaziabad	31/12/2021 Rs.2,97,828.18/-	10/06/2021
40.	Manoj,, Jyoti Katoriya, 354 B L K J Dakshin Puri, Dr Ambedkar Nagar, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00002420612	Flat No- 5006, 5th Floor, Tower- E3, Village Raisika, Sec-14, Krishma Housing Scheme, Sohna, Dftrict Mewat, Gurgaon	31/12/2021 Rs. 11,06,581/-	04/09/2021
41.	Mukesh Kumar Sharma, Lalita Sharma, B-356, Loni Road, MIG Flats, PKT-B, Delhi A/c No:- LBNOD00001916900	635, DDA MIG Flats, 1st Floor, Pocket- B, East of Loni Road, Shahadra, Delhi	31/12/2021 Rs. 23,83,403.5/-	14/06/2021
42.	Pramod Kumar Singh, Sunita Singh, F 315 A Nandgram, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBGHZ000005136799	Flat No 315A, Floor 1, Block F, Nandani Kunj, Near Nandgram Market, Ghaziabad	31/12/2021 Rs.9,32,980.41/-	04/09/2021
43.	Umesh Kumar, Ashu,, H-No-185 Sector-1, Second Floor Vasundhara, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBNOD00002885329	Flat No 408, 4th Floor Tower C, Star Rameshwaram, Nh 58, Raj Nagar Extension, Ghaziabad	31/12/2021 Rs. 20,38,440/-	04/09/2021

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

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KEN-BETWA PROJECT: WATER AT ANY COST?

The project impacts the tiger's habitat and food security



KOTA SRIRAJ

The 14 districts of Bundelkhand region spanning over Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh have always had a perennial problem of water scarcity. The population has to buy water to manage the most difficult summer months. This is exacerbated by the gradual disappearance of 10,000 ponds that were once a reassuring source of water supply. Government solutions were never long-lasting. The water woes have teamed up with erratic electricity supply issues to create a double whammy for the delicate agri-economy. Crops die premature deaths for want of irrigation. The recent Union cabinet nod to the Ken-Betwa River Interlinking Project has brought a fresh wave of optimism in this situation. The euphoria comes with skepticism about the full impact of the initiative and the collateral damages it can cause. The project with ₹44,605 crore funding is a new year's gift for Bundelkhand. It is slated



to be completed in 8 years, benefitting the districts of Panna, Tikamgarh, Chhatarpur, Sagar, Damoh, Datia, Vidisha, Shivpuri and Raisen of Madhya Pradesh, and Banda, Mahoba, Jhansi and Lalitpur of Uttar Pradesh. But going by the study published in "The Current Science" titled "The inter-linking of rivers and wildlife clearances for the project are still not properly in place. As per the study report, the implementation of the project will submerge nearly 58 sq. km of the core area of the Panna Tiger Reserve. The Panna Tiger Reserve is included in the global network of biosphere reserves by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) in 2020. For the tiger which is a protected species that is already fighting extinction the project could not have come at a worse time as it not only translates to loss of habitat but also loss of food security as the project threatens the habitat of Chital and Sambar, the natural prey of the tiger. These wildlife setbacks are in addition to the environmental impact of losing over 2 million trees which would either be felled or get submerged. Unfortunately, as pointed in the report, the soon to be submerged area shows rich tree density and diversity as compared to other areas of the Reserve. Moreover, by observing the regeneration pattern it is apparent that the seedling diversity, richness and sapling density are high in the submerged area. Clearly, such widespread ecological and wildlife devastation could not have been missed by the experts who cleared the project, but yet the project has received a go ahead.

The project to interlink Ken and Betwa rivers surely has people's welfare as its core objective and that is appreciable, but the fact that the initiative turns a blind eye to environmental and wildlife collateral damage is disconcerting. The project architects could have done well to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) exercise for the project and made the EIA report public in order to assess accurately the perceived damage to the flora and fauna of the region on account of the project implementation. Local population and Bundelkhand environmental experts could also have been consulted before green flagging the project, this in turn would have provided ownership of the project to the local indigenous people. Bundelkhand needs a break from water scarcity, but not at the cost of the wildlife and environment. There is still time to consider this before the project takes off.

(The writer is an environmental journalist. The views expressed are personal.)

Budget 2022-23: Avoid a debt trap



UTTAM GUPTA

'Demand recession' is inevitable if Government does not reform taxation, subsidy administration, unshackle farmers and ruthlessly tackle corruption

The Union Budget for 2022-23 provides for capital expenditure of ₹750,000 crore which is a jump of over 35 percent from the budget estimate (BE) of ₹554,000 crore for 2021-22 (revised estimate (RE) for the current year is ₹604,000 crore which is more or less close to the BE when we exclude ₹50,000 crore given to Air India Asset Holding Company Limited AIAHCL where the debt of now divested Air India resides).

Considering that the BE for current year was 26 percent higher than the RE of ₹439,000 crore during 2020-21, this sounds impressive. However, when seen in juxtaposition with over ₹100,00,000 crore investment needed to build infrastructure over five years for catapulting the Indian economy to \$5 trillion by 2024-25 - (this roadmap was laid by Nirmala Sitharaman in her maiden budget for 2019-20), these numbers are still inadequate.

As per the roadmap, 39 percent each of this amount was to come from the Centre and States and the balance from the private sector. This works out to Centre's contribution of around ₹40,00,000 crore over five years or ₹800,000 crore per annum. For three years (2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23) put together, this comes to ₹1700,000 crore (this is subject to all of the ₹750,000 crore allocation for 2022-23 materializing) which is ₹700,000 crore short of the proportionate amount required for this period or ₹2400,000 crore. The capital spend by states too has been far lower than the amount expected of them.

The Modi government expects private sector to partner with it in giving the required boost to economic growth; in fact, of the ₹100,00,000 crore, ₹22,00,000 crore was to come from the latter.

To make it happen, the Government had also given a plethora of incentives - the mother of all being steep reduction in corporate tax rate to 15 percent for new enterprises (22 percent for existing enterprises down from 30 percent) given in September 2019. It has also unveiled the much-trumpeted PLI (production linked incentive) scheme.

These allurements have so far failed to yield the desired results. The crucial point is investment by private sector is governed primarily by the fundamentals of demand and supply.

For several years, industries have been operating at low-capacity utilization due to proliferation of capacity on the one hand and demand limitation on the other thereby impacting investment and growth. During 2019-20, GDP growth plummeted to a decade low of 3.7 percent. During 2020-21, it contracted by 6.6 percent, courtesy, COVID. Things are looking up during 2021-22 with the budget estimating growth at 9.2 percent, but surplus capacity remains.

During 2022-23, even as the government is hoping to consolidate with GDP growth estimated at 8 - 8.5 percent, it



THE VISION AND ACTION PLAN OF TEAM MODI WITH OVERARCHING FOCUS ON BUILDING INFRA; INTER-LINKING RIVERS; BOOST TO TECHNOLOGY-DRIVEN AGRICULTURE WITH FOCUS ON SMALL FARMERS; NURTURING MSMEs AND SO ON IS LAUDABLE. BUT THERE IS NO CLEAR VISION ON FUNDING THESE INITIATIVES IN A 'SUSTAINABLE' MANNER. FOUR AREAS NEED ATTENTION

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would be naïve to expect private firms add to fresh capacity as they will be focused mostly on enhanced utilization of the existing capacity. Yet, unmindful of the ground realities and bolstered by a so far untested notion that massive sustained push by public sector investment will result in so called 'crowding in' of private investment, it continues to ride on the incentive spree.

In the 2022-23 budget, the eligibility of 15 percent corporate tax has been extended to new entities which get incorporated before March 31, 2024 - against the existing threshold of March 31, 2023. The start-ups get one more year (those set up before March 31, 2023) to avail of tax holiday. The FM has also reduced surcharge on profits of cooperatives from 12 to 7 percent.

These incentives result in loss of revenue but there is no certainty regarding the outcome in terms of investment. Yet, they have a strong destabilizing effect on Centre's finances.

The RE of fiscal deficit (FD) during 2021-22 is about ₹15,90,000 crore or 6.9 percent of GDP (against BE: ₹15,07,000 crore). Slippages in welfare schemes aggravate the stress. On fertilizer subsidy, against BE of ₹80,000 crore, the RE is ₹40,000 crore. We cannot also be oblivious of the escalating burden of interest payments - courtesy high FD/borrowings year after year - which takes away nearly 50 percent of Centre's net tax revenue.

The FM has kept FD for 2022-23 at around ₹16,60,000 crore which works out to 6.4 percent of GDP. She has described this as 'advancing on the road to fiscal

consolidation' citing the target of 4.5 percent to be achieved by 2025-26. This is amusing.

A committee on Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act under Dr NK Singh set up by the Modi government (2016) had asked it to aim at FD of 2.5 percent during 2022-23. While, presenting the budget for 2021-22, the finance minister brushed aside this recommendation; instead, she dished out a revised trajectory of FD aiming at 4.5 percent and that too in 2025-26. Having changed the goal post then to argue that we are on track to fiscal consolidation is anomalous.

The vision and the action plan of Team Modi with its overarching focus on building infrastructure; inter-linking rivers; boost to technology driven agriculture with focus on small farmers; nurturing MSMEs and so on is laudable. But there is no clear vision on funding these initiatives in a 'sustainable' manner. Four areas need attention. First, Centre's gross tax to GDP ratio has been stagnating around 10-11 percent for years (10.8 percent during 2021-22). This is despite unconscionably high tax incidence on petroleum products (about 50 percent of retail price on petrol and diesel). The government's efforts to curb evasion especially in GST are commendable. However, there is a lot of untapped potential in direct taxation.

Secondly, at present, direct and indirect taxes contribute almost equally to Centre's tax kitty. This implies disproportionately high

burden on millions of those who earn little. If, only the indirect tax share is lowered to say 1/3rd, imagine the extra money it will leave with them and resultant boost to aggregate demand and growth.

Third, the existing subsidy regimes for fertilizers and food are prone to misuse. Curbing leakage of urea (possible only when subsidy is given directly to farmers) alone can save up to ₹35,000 crore annually. Mammoth sums can be saved by curbing pilferage in administration of food subsidy. The budget has mooted ideas such as 'organic farming corridor' along the banks of River Ganga, use of drones in agriculture etc. But these can't provide a substitute for 'overhaul of the flawed systems'.

Fourth, the government should ensure that the benefits of state support systems viz. subsidized credit, sovereign guarantees actually reach the MSMEs. As for farmers, mere offer of guaranteed purchase of their produce at MSP won't suffice. The way forward is to give them more choices to sell their produce by freeing up agri-markets.

To conclude, the budget has all the ingredients for building on the good growth seen during 2021-22 and laying the foundation for sustained growth in the medium to long-term. However, the government needs to guard against falling into a 'debt trap' and 'demand recession' - inevitable if it doesn't play hard ball by reforming taxation, reforming subsidy administration, unshackling farmers and ruthlessly tackling corruption.

POINT COUNTERPOINT

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THEY WORSHIP JINNAH. WE ARE WORSHIPERS OF SARDAR PATEL... WE WILL SACRIFICE OUR LIFE FOR MAA BHARATI. —UP CHIEF MINISTER YOGI ADITYANATH

Budget figures contradictory, growth off the mark

The 8-9 per cent growth presumption is far from reality. The FM could not count on savings for boosting consumption as people are not spending

A high-expectation ambitious Union Budget has many contradictions. It pines too high but may not create 60 lakh jobs and boost consumption.

It is a time of crisis. Farmers and youth are showing their displeasure. The micro and MSME sectors are in distress. People in the public sector are worried about job losses due to possible privatisation. The economy hit by the pandemic has to come back to health and business must be on track to boost jobs and growth. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman appropriately bites the bullet of increased public expenditure but curiously cuts down on welfare and slashes key subsidy by 27 percent. The 8-9 percent growth presumption is far from reality. Total expenses are calculated at



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11.1 percent nominal growth. It is on assumption that retail or CPI inflation would be at 2.6 percent instead of actual 5.6 percent. Inflation is global. It means the total expenditure is inappropriately calculated. Two years back there was seven percent contraction; means actual growth is far less.

Her arithmetic is conflicting. The government being short on revenue earning is dependent on debt. It proposes to borrow ₹14.95 lakh crore and of this ₹11.6 lakh crore will be raised from the shaky market. If the government picks up all the money, the credit will be more expensive. As RBI rate rise is likely the cost of borrowings will increase. For creating jobs public sector is needed but it is being edged out. The market is choppy. The disinvestment target is



being reduced as there are fewer buyers. It has come down to ₹65,000 crore for fiscal 2023, from ₹78,000 crore in 2022 and ₹1.75 lc in 2020-21. But transferring even profit-earning 171 public assets, as per Manmohanomics, to the private sector seems fashionable. The Air India deal cost a fortune.

During 2021-22, the Centre infused equity of Rs 62,057 crore to clear AI dues before disinvest-

ment. Now another Rs 9259 crore has been allocated to AI Assets Holding Ltd (AIAHL), a new PSU, to handle AI's unsettled debt and non-core assets. So, Government spends over Rs 71316 crore (and plus Rs 51970 crore losses!) to "sell" the mammoth AI. The UPA minister, who drove profit-making AI and Indian Airlines to losses during 2005-07, escapes unscathed.

The first PSU steel plant

NINL, with ₹6600 crore liabilities, is sold for ₹12,100 crore to Tatas on budget day. The buyer profits from a one-million-tonnes-a-year plant in Odisha, 2500 acres of land and a mine with 102 million tonnes of prime iron ore. The LIC and four banks are on the same sale block. Such 'privatisation' is too costly.

It has tax revenue of ₹27.58 lakh crore and wants to have capital expenses of ₹7.5 lakh crore, 35.4 percent more from the present ₹5.5 lakh crore but this year it spent 48 percent less. This cannot create more jobs. It reduces allocation on rural development, health and other programmes. The ₹50,000 crore for MSMEs is bank credit. The FM could not count on huge savings for boosting consumption as people are not spending. Pre-

budget data reveals ₹7 lakh crore household savings and Jan Dhan deposits swelling to ₹39,000 crore. But the households with ₹18000 crore debts are not spending.

The kisan expects more. The farm sector alone has sustained growth of around 4 percent but 86 crore lost their land. Possibly 52 percent of them were in the informal self-employed economy till demonetization, according to an SBI study. Except about 15-20 percent, including a chunk of farmers who lost their lands, are now labourers. Should we not revive that low-cost people-initiated informalisation? It is cheaper than unicorns and employs more. The nation needs to rethink. Even MGNREGA allocations have been reduced to Rs 73000 crore from Rs 98000 crore

of 2021-22. The rural development, health and labourers need more support. So does lowering of income tax rates to match corporate tax. People need more cash for consumption boost else manufacturing industry would be suffering.

The nation needs more people-oriented approach than mere 25000 km roads, airports and digital connectivity that help the corporate builders, toll collectors and fee extractors. Irrationally high tolls and cesses ideally be scrapped to keep prices in check. Taxes are not "hiked" but devious cess robs more and hike prices.

The budget cannot have contradictory projections and has to be more imaginative to overcome the difficult days and help the country sustainably grow.

Leaders meet around globe hoping to calm Ukraine crisis

AP ■ MOSCOW

International efforts to defuse the standoff over Ukraine intensified Monday, with French President Emmanuel Macron set to hold talks in Moscow and German Chancellor Olaf Scholz in Washington to coordinate policies as fears of a Russian invasion mount. The concentration of an estimated 100,000 Russian troops near Ukraine has fuelled Western worries that it heralds a possible offensive. White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan warned Sunday that Russia could invade Ukraine “any day,” triggering a conflict that would come at an “enormous human cost.” Russia has denied any plans to attack its neighbour, but is urging the US and

its allies to bar Ukraine and other ex-Soviet nations from joining NATO, halt weapons deployments there and roll back NATO forces from Eastern Europe. Washington and NATO have rejected the demands. Macron, who is set to meet in the Kremlin with Russian President Vladimir Putin before visiting Ukraine Tuesday, said last week that his priority is “dialogue with Russia and de-escalation.” Before heading to Moscow, Macron had a call Sunday with US President Joe Biden. They discussed “ongoing diplomatic and deterrence efforts in response to Russia’s continued military build-up on Ukraine’s borders, and affirmed their support for Ukraine’s sovereignty and ter-

ritorial integrity,” the White House said in a statement. The French presidency said Macron sought to ensure “good coordination” with Biden in the call. “The security and sovereignty of Ukraine or any other European state cannot be a subject for compromise, while it is also legitimate for Russia to pose question of its own security,” Macron said in an interview with French newspaper Journal du Dimanche published on Sunday. Putin’s spokesman, Dmitry Peskov, described Macron’s visit as “very important,” but sought to temper expectations, telling reporters that “the situation is too complex to expect a decisive breakthrough after just one meeting.” He noted that “the atmosphere has remained

tense,” adding that US. And its allies have continued to ignore Moscow’s security demands. Continuing high-level diplomacy, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz is set to meet with Biden in Washington Monday for talks also expected to focus on Ukrainian standoff. Scholz is set to travel to Kyiv and Moscow on February 14-15. National Security Adviser Sullivan, who spoke in a round of appearances on Sunday talk shows reiterated that Russian Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline to Germany “will not move forward” if Russia attacks Ukraine. Biden and Scholz are expected to address pipeline during their White House talk, which will mark their first face-to-face since Scholz became head of German government nearly two months ago.

Top Biden aide says Ukraine invasion could come ‘any day’

AP ■ WILMINGTON (US)

White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan said Sunday that Russia could invade Ukraine “any day,” launching a conflict that would come at an “enormous human cost.” The senior adviser to President Joe Biden offered another stark warning the day after US officials confirmed that Russia has assembled at least 70% of the military firepower it likely intends to have in place by mid-month to give President Vladimir Putin the option of launching a full-scale invasion of Ukraine. “If war breaks out, it will come at an enormous human cost to Ukraine, but we believe that based on our preparations and our response, it will come at a strategic cost to Russia as well,” Sullivan said. Sullivan did not directly address reports that

the White House has briefed lawmakers that a full Russian invasion could lead to the quick capture of Kyiv and potentially result in as many as 50,000 casualties as he made appearances on a trio of Sunday talk shows. US officials, who discussed internal assessments of the Russian buildup on the condition that they not be identified, sketched out a series of indicators suggesting that Putin intends to start an invasion in the coming weeks, although the size and scale are unclear. They stressed that a diplomatic solution appears to remain possible. Among those military indicators: An exercise of Russia’s strategic nuclear forces that usually is held each fall was rescheduled for mid-February to March. That coincides with what US officials see as the most likely window for invasion.

Across Asia, spike in virus cases follows Lunar New Year

AP ■ SINGAPORE

Many Asian countries are facing a spike in COVID-19 infections after the widely-celebrated Lunar New Year holidays, as health officials grapple with highly-transmissible omicron variant and expectations that numbers will continue to rise in coming weeks. The Lunar New Year, which is China’s biggest holiday, was celebrated across Asia on Feb. 1 even as pandemic restrictions in many countries kept crowds and family outings to a minimum. Hong Kong’s authorities are confronting record cases that are straining its so-called “zero-COVID” policy. On Monday, the city reported a new high of 614 local infections. “We expect there will be

more cases coming in a few days. We consider this as some effects after holiday events and clusters,” told reporters on Monday Edwin Tsui, an official with Centre for Health Protection. “With our current containment measures, we hope we can still contain disease.” Hong Kong currently requires all cases to be hospitalized. On Monday, authorities announced that close contacts of infected persons will be allowed to isolate at home, starting from Tuesday. Those who test positive while in home isolation will be transferred to a hospital. Hong Kong has aligned itself with China’s “zero-COVID” policy that aims to totally stamp out outbreaks, even as many other countries change their approach to living with virus.

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EXTRACT OF STATEMENT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31.12.2021								(Rs. in Lacs)	
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended		Year Ended		
		31.12.2021	30.09.2021	31.12.2020	31.12.2021	31.12.2020	31.12.2020	31.03.2021	
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited	
1	Total Income from Operations	-0.45	-	0.23	-0.45	33.43	33.82		
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#)	-3.48	-2.97	-2.13	-11.48	22.79	17.65		
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#)	-3.48	-2.97	-2.13	-11.48	22.79	17.65		
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#)	-4.31	-3.74	-4.23	-14.4	-1.6	-2.65		
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive income (after tax))	-0.52	5.63	9.92	5.96	34.13	31.89		
6	Equity Share capital	300.89	300.89	300.89	300.89	300.89	300.89	300.89	
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	455.87	456.4	452.14	455.87	452.14	449.91		
8	Earning per Share (face Value of Rs. 10/- each)(not annualised)								
	1. Basic	-0.14	-0.13	-0.14	-0.48	-0.05	-0.09		
	2. Diluted	-0.14	-0.13	-0.14	-0.48	-0.05	-0.09		
NOTE :									
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly/Annual financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/Annual financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange website www.bseindia.com. The same is also available on the Company's website www.jltd.co.in									
2. The above results duly reviewed by the Audit Committee, were approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on 07.02.2022.									
For Jindal Leasefin Limited Sd/- (SURENDER KUMAR JINDAL) Managing Director									
Date : 07.02.2022 Place : New Delhi									

Hard-hit Iran reports more than 100 new deaths from Corona

TEHRAN, Iran: Hard-hit Iran on Monday registered more than 100 new deaths from COVID-19 over a 24-hour period as the aggressive omicron variant spreads in the country, state TV reported. The report said 104 patients died from the disease since Sunday, when the Islamic Republic announced 85 new deaths over a day’s time. Monday’s new tally more than doubled that of Feb. 1, when the death toll was 50. With 132,934 total deaths by Iran’s official count, the country has the highest national toll in the Middle East. Iran says it has vaccinated some 80% of its population above age 18 with two vaccine shots. It has only vaccinated 27% of that group with three shots. Authorities say aggressive omicron variant is now dominant in country and have urged hospitals to prepare for a new wave of hospitalizations. “Every day we see a 10 to 15 percent increase in cases,” said Nader Tavakkoli a health official in Tehran province, the semiofficial ISNA news agency reported on Monday. The Monday report said 2,615 patients were in critical condition—220 more than Sunday. AP

Nearly 50 Ahmadi graves desecrated by police in Pakistan's Punjab province:

PTI ■ LAHORE

Nearly 50 graves belonging to the Ahmadis have been allegedly desecrated by police and Muslim clerics for using Islamic symbols on gravestones at a cemetery in Pakistan’s Punjab province, a member of an organisation representing the minority community said on Monday. Jamaat Ahmadiya Punjab spokesperson Aamir Mahmood said that a group of people in Premkot, district Hafizabad, some 110 kms from Lahore, approached police complaining that Islamic verses are inscribed on the tombstones of a number of graves in the Ahmadis graveyard. The group threatened that Ahmadis cannot display Islamic verses/symbols on their homes or graves, he said. “On Sunday, police along with local clerics and lawyers reached Ahmadi graveyard and demolished tombstones of 45 graves inscribed with Islamic verses,” Mahmood told PTI. The enraged extremists also warned Ahmadis living in area to remove Islamic verses displayed on their houses otherwise they will demolish them too, he added. On other hand, police said tombstones from Ahmadi graves have been removed on application of a group of lawyers and warned Ahmadis not to use same in future.

Boris Johnson reboots office in bid to move past ‘partygate’

AP ■ LONDON

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson has brought in new senior staffers as he tries to restore his flagging authority — including a communications chief who has called lockdown-breaching government parties “unforgivable.” The prime minister hired Guto Harri, an aide from his days as London mayor who has recently been critical of Johnson, to try to regain control of the government’s messaging after weeks of turmoil that have led some in the ruling Conservatives to call for his removal. He also appointed a senior Cabinet minister, Steve Barclay, as his new chief of staff. Visiting a hospital cancer center Monday outside London, Johnson said he was “focused completely” on clearing a backlog of millions of medical procedures built up during the pandemic. It’s one of a pile of critical issues, including a squeeze on household finances from inflation and a looming tax hike, that are being overshadowed by Johnson’s personal woes. “I think what people want is for the government to focus, not on stuff going on at (the government district of) Westminster.

Iraqi lawmakers fail to elect new president amid boycott

AP ■ BAGHDAD

Iraqi lawmakers failed to elect a new head of state Monday, as key factions foiled the attempt by boycotting the parliament session. A two-thirds quorum of the legislature’s 329 members is required for an electoral session. Monday’s vote could not be held as lawmakers, many of them allied with powerful Iraqi cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, stayed away. Only 58 lawmakers showed up. The failure to elect a president reflects the deep divisions among Iraq’s political factions that have only grown since the Oct. 10 parliament elections, whose results have been rejected by political groups supported by neighboring Iran. Iraqi politicians have so far failed to agree on a compromise candidate for the country’s top post, and the delay Monday raised concerns of a presidential vacuum that would also prevent the appointment of a prime minister. Political analyst Ihsan al-Shammari said the failure to elect a president is a prelude to political crises that will continue to rage in Iraq until a consensus can be reached. “Continuing to violate constitution is an indication of depth of political differences between the political blocs and political forces in Iraq,” he said.

Iran nuclear talks to resume in Vienna on Tuesday

AP ■ BERLIN

Talks to revive Iran’s tattered 2015 nuclear deal with world powers are resuming on Tuesday after breaking off for a bit over a week for diplomats to return home for consultations. The European Union, which chairs the talks in Vienna, announced the resumption on Monday. The United States pulled out of the Vienna accord in 2018 under then President Donald Trump and reimposed heavy sanctions on Iran. Tehran has responded by increasing the purity and amounts of uranium it enriches and stockpiles, in breach of the accord. U.S. President Joe Biden has signaled that he wants to rejoin the deal. Britain, France, Germany, Russia and China are still parties to the accord with Iran and have been trying to salvage it. “Negotiations seem to be at the final stage which requires determination and energetic efforts from all participants to get to the destination point,” Russia’s delegate to the talks, Mikhail Ulyanov, said on Twitter. Diplomats from the three European countries said when talks paused after a month on Jan. 28 that negotiations were reaching final stage, and that required political decisions.

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The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Dinesh Kapoor, K & K Health Care Pvt Ltd, Saru Kapoor, Second Floor Plot No-C-10, Preet Vihar Delhi. A/c No:-LBNOD00001685505	Plot-No-C-10, Second Floor (Back Side), Third Floor (Front Side) Preet Vihar, Delhi	17-Dec-2021 Rs. 53,41,281/-	30/09/2021
2.	Rishabh Tirpathi, Saroj Tripathi, 18 Daryabad Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh. A/c No:- LBNOD00004155904	Flat No-604, 6th Floor Tower-H, Prateek Wisteria Plot, Sector-77, Noida Uttar Pradesh	17-Dec-2021 Rs.85,14,343/-	31/01/2021
3.	Anand Parkash, Jagwati, C-3/264, C3 Block, Yamuna Vihar North East Delhi. A/c No:-LBDEL00002370036	Plot No C 3/264, Yamuna Vihar, Delhi	08-Sep-2021 Rs.18,30,634/-	07/06/2021
4.	Sameer Chawla, Shilpa Chawla, Ria Chawla, Sagar Chawla, 351 Bhera Enclave, Paschim Vihar, Delhi. A/c No:-LBDEL00001814414	493, Block-B, 2nd Floor, Meera Bagh, Delhi	08-Sep-2021 Rs. 25,18,557.2/-	11/06/2021
5.	Devendra Kumar Singh, Ragini Singh, Digital Force Online India Pvt Ltd, H. No- C-26/305 Surya, Nagar Block-C, P S Link, Road The Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad A/c No:-LBNOD00002081017	Flat No H 1702 16 Th Floor, Tower H Logix Blossom Greens Plot Bearing No GH 01 Sector 143 Noida Noida	31/12/2021, Rs. 38,00,725/-	11/05/2021
6.	Neha Singh, Ranjan Singh, Flat No D/303, Tulip Iyori Sec 70, Badshahpur Gurgaon, Haryana Sec 70 Badshahpur, Gurgaon A/c No:-LBGUR00004221845	Flat No 302, 3rd Floor Tower B21 Tulip Violet Sector-69 Gurgaon	31/12/2021, Rs. 26,60,711/-	04/08/2021
7.	Sunita Singh, Devendra Singh, Rohit Singh, Geetika Singh, C 155 Mayfield Garden, Near Manav Rachna School, Sec 50 Gurgaon, A/c No:-LBGUR00002430448	Plot No C 155, Mayfield Garden Sector 50 Gurgaon	31/12/2021, Rs. 9,16,020/-	31/03/2021
8.	Yashpal Singh, Rashmi Singh, A-166 Vaishali Nagar, Jaipur A/c No:-LBGUR00002006881	Plot No Y68, Sec 63 Brahma City, Sector 63, Gurgaon	31/12/2021, Rs.22,41,893/-	09/09/2021
9.	Anu Ghosh, Prabhat Lakhera, D-118 D Block Ganesh, Nagar Pandav Nagar, Delhi A/c No:-LBGHZ00005289172	Flat No 1902, 19th Floor VVIP Homes Tower J, Plot No-GC-03K Sector 16C, Greater Noida	31/12/2021, Rs.34,51,860.99/-	06/07/2021
10.	Rekha Vij, Ravi Kumar, A 88 Bunkar, Colony Ashok Vihar, PH IV Delhi, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL00004882988	Plot No- 239-240, 11th Floor With Roof Sector-23, Pocket- 1B, Rohini, Delhi	31/12/2021, Rs.31,95,413.5/-	30/05/2021
11.	ITE Engineers Pvt Ltd, Sunil Kumar Arora, Ashwani Kumar Arora, Asha Rani Arora, Plot No.20 Sec 59, HSIDC Faridabad, Faridabad A/c No:-LBFD00003398878	Plot No-1678, Sector-9 Faridabad Pin Code 121002 Faridabad	31/12/2021, Rs. 40,77,835/-	31/01/2021
12.	Yashpal Singh, Manju, Village Ghamraj (179), Ward No 2, Ward No- 2, Gurgaon, Gurgaon 122001, Gurgaon A/c No:-LBDEL00004566630	Flat No L 1707 17th Floor Tower L, Mahira Homes, Sec 68 Gurgaon	31/12/2021, Rs. 16,70,488/-	04/10/2021
13.	Amit Papney, Sangya Pandey, 3a/271, Rachna, Vaishali, Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad A/c No:-LBNOD00001920531	Pyvb000159, Yamuna Vihar Plot, Jaypee Greens Sports City East, Sector-22B, Yeida, Noida	31/12/2021, Rs. 46,28,072.1/-	11/10/2021
14.	Ashish Kumar Sethi, Mamta Sethi, C-52 Om Vihar Gulaab Bagh, Gandhi Nagar, Uttam Nagar, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL00005144228	Prop No 23/79 A & B, Second Floor Block 23 Tilak Nagar New Delhi Delhi	31/12/2021, Rs.26,76,158.48/-	30/04/2021
15.	Parveen Kumar, Shikhar Dixit, Flat No-605 T-1, Rps Sawana City, Sector-88 Faridabad, Faridabad A/c No:-LBNOD00004927412	Flat No 2711, 27th Floor Panorama Block G Tower G Flat No GH-04 Sector 22 Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Area Greater Noida	31/12/2021, Rs. 39,40,609/-	04/10/2021
16.	Ramesh Kumar Roy, Babita Roy, H No 76 Gali No 5, Laxmi Vihar Jain Road, Uttam Nagar West Delhi, 110059, Delhi A/c No:-LBGHZ00005159753	Flat No D 2 902, 9th Floor,sector 10 Shree Vardhman Gardenia, Sector 10 Sonapat	31/12/2021, Rs. 37,11,721.01/-	04/10/2021
17.	Reetesh Kumar Vishwakarma, Bharti Vishwakarma, Prop No D 44, Adarsh Nagar, Prithvi Raj Road, Delhi, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL00005164714	Plot No-179, Second Floor Abhay Khand 1 Indrapuram Ghaziabad	31/12/2021, Rs. 71,95,531/-	04/10/2021
18.	Rohan Sharma, H No F 50 Radhey Puri, Krishna Nagar H O, Delhi A/c No:-LBNOD00004949198	Flat No AM-A 103, 1st Floor Tower-A Ajnara Ambrosia Plot No GH-01 Sector-118 Gautam Buddha Nagar Noida	31/12/2021, Rs. 46,87,073/-	31/10/2021
19.	Roshan Lal Semwal, Luxmi Devi Semwal, A 170 Block A, Devli Extension, Devli Extension, Delhi, Delhi A/c No:-LBGUR00003444986	Plot No 1901, Sethi Venice Tower B 19th Floor Sec-150 Noida Gautam Buddha Nagar	31/12/2021, Rs. 51,61,306/-	30/06/2021
20.	Sandeep Sharma, Seema Sharma, H No F 100 B Gali No 05, Mangal Bazar Laxmi Nagar, Shakarpur East Delhi, Delhi A/c No:-LBNOD00004978071	Flat No-2604, Floor-26 Tower-B Ajnara Panorama Plot No-GH-04 Sector-22 Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Area Greater Noida	31/12/2021, Rs. 40,80,710/-	31/10/2021
21.	Sangeeta Mullick, Manmohan Mullick, A-64 Gyandeepp Apartments, Mayur Vihar Phase I Delhi, Delhi A/c No:-LBNOD00002480392	Flat No AM-H 1706, 17th Floor Tower-H Ajnara Ambrosia Plot No GH-01 Sec-118 Noida Gautam Buddha Nagar	31/12/2021, Rs. 42,86,430/-	31/10/2021
22.	Shri Krishan Datt, Prabhu Datt Sharma, Flat No D0504 5th Floor, Tower D Spring View Heights, Village Shahpur Bhmeta, Ghaziabad A/c No:-LBDEL00002078769	Unit D0504, D01 Tower D, Fifth Floor Maxima, Sare Homes Gurgaon	31/12/2021, Rs. 32,61,054/-	31/07/2021
23.	Simmil Vij, Rajesh Kumar Vij, JG-1/8 A, Vikasपुरी Delhi, Vikasपुरी Delhi, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL00004913388	Plot No 64, third Floor With Roof Rights Block F Vikasपुरी Delhi	31/12/2021, Rs.43,85,036/-	04/10/2021
24.	Sunil Kumar, Kamala Prasad Singh, F-201, Green Valley, Green Valley CGHS, Dwarka, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL00000471135	Flat No 59, Sandel Street Retail Plot No 22 Sector 135 Gautam Buddha Nagar	31/12/2021, Rs.64,93,916/-	31/10/2021
25.	Nidhi Bhat, Renu Batra, Rudraksh Batra, Hno-177, Sector-17, Near Hari Mandir, Faridabad A/c No:-LBDEL00002000522	Plot No-SCF 7, Sector-17, Urban Estate Faridabad	31/12/2021, Rs.32,40,872/-	31/03/2021
26.	Sumit Cowshik, Vakul Cowshik, 1/9, Lantana Street, Vatika City, Sonar Road, Gurgaon A/c No:-LBDEL00001726646	Aptt No-B-4/ G F, Tower No-iris-B-4, Ground Floor, Vatika City, Sohna Road, Gurgaon,	31/12/2021, Rs. 31,05,245/-	31/01/2021
27.	Ajay Goel, Isha Goel, WZ 28 Nimri Village, Shastri Nagar, Shastri Nagar Delhi, Delhi A/c No:-LBGUR00003250881	Flat No 2405, 24th Floor Supertech Azalia Tower 5 Sector 68 Gurgaon	27/12/2021, Rs.36,47,224/-	03/05/2021

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : February 08, 2022
Place: Delhi/ NCR

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Directorate of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs
Department, Kashmir

Tel: 0194-2455019
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OPEN e- TENDER NOTICE
TENDER NOTICE No: - 01 -DFCS&CA-K of 2022
D A T E :- 03.02.2022

Abbreviated Tender Notice for SUDDIV of Sugar

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir e-tenders on two bid system are invited through Director, FCS&CA Department, Kashmir-from Registered General Order Suppliers/reputed Manufacturers/Private or Co-operative Sugar Mills/Government undertakings within and outside the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir for supply of Sugar S-30/31 ISS Grade manufactured from not earlier than 2019/2020 crop for One year from the date of award of the contract F.O.R the Central Store, Gulabgarh Shaheed Gurm of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir as per the details given below:
S. No :- 1. Name of work/Women datura :- Sugar S-30/31 ISS For year 2022-23, Quantity in metric tons :- 1782.00MTs (-+10% of 1782.00 MTs). Earnest Money (Rs.in Crores) :- 16.04 lakhs, Class of contractor :- Registered General Order Suppliers/reputed Manufacturers/Private or Cooperative Sugar Mills/Government undertakings, Cost of Tender documents :- Rs. 5,000/-, Tender Inviting Authority :- Directorate of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department, Kashmir.

1. The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility Criteria ,specification, Bill of Quantities (B.O.Q), set of terms and conditions of Supply/contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the Government Website www.iktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below:-

1 Date of issue of Tender Notice	04.02.2022
2 Henud of downloading of bidding Documents	04.02.2022 from 10:00 AM to 21.02.2022 upto 04:00 PM
3 Bid Submission Start Date	04.02.2022 from 10:00 AM
4 Bid submission End Date	21.02.2022 Upto 4:00 PM
5 Last date for submission of samples sealed in pet bottles along with	21.02.2022 upto to 03:00 PM in the office of Directorate of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department Kashmir certificate.
6. Date & time of opening of Technical Bid (online)	Technical Bid will be Opened on 23.02.2022 at 11:00 AM in the Office Of Directorate of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department. Kashmir
7 Date & time of opening of Financial Bid (online)	The Financial Bid shall be opened on 28.02.2022 at 11.00 AM in the Office Of Directorate of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department, Kashmir

2. Tender document must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in the form of e-Challan/Treasury Receipt in favour of Chief Accounts Officer, FCS&CA Department Kashmir and the Earnest Money in the form of CDR/FDR/Bank Guarantee etc drawn from any Schedule/Nationalized Bank pledged to Chief Accounts Officer, FCS&CA Department, and Kashmir.

3. In case of change of date/time of opening of technical & financial bids, the same shall be notified on Web Site www.iktenders.gov.in.The Financial Bids of responsive Bidders shall be opened online in the office of Director, FCS&CA Department, and Kashmir.

4. Instructions for bidders regarding e-tendering process :-
i. Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "downloads" option as well as from "bidder Manual Kit" on website www.iktenders.gov.in to acquaint bid submission process.
ii. To participate in bidding process, Bidder has to get digital signature Certificate (DSC). As per information Technology Act-2000, Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved vendor.
iii. The bidder has to submit their bids online in electronic form. However no bid will be accepted in physical form.
iv. Bids will be opened online as per the time schedule mentioned above.

Note:- Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option.

1. The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reason whatsoever.
2. Scanned copy of cost of tender documents in the shape of e- Challan/Treasury Receipt in favour of Chief Accounts Officer, FCS&CA Department Kashmir and Earnest money in shape of CDR/FDR/Bank Guarantee drawn on Nationalized Bank /Scheduled Bank pledged to Chief Accounts Officer, FCS&CA Department Kashmir must be uploaded with the technical documents of the bid.
3. Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (bill of quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually. e-BOQ downloaded should be used for filling the item rate inclusive of all taxes and it should be saved with the same name as it contains.
4. Price escalation and Taxes:- The unit rates and prices shall be quoted by the bidder entirely in Indian Rupees and the rates quoted shall be deemed to include Price escalation and all taxes upto completion of contract, unless otherwise specified. Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of payment.
5. Bidders are advised to use "My Documents" area in their user on FCS&CA e-tendering portal to store such documents as are required.

Technical Bids shall be opened in the office of Director, CS&CA Department, , Kashmir on 23.02.2022 at 11.00 AM and Financial Bid shall be opened on 28.02.2022 at 11.00 AM at same venue or any other date convenient to the TENDER EVALUATION COMMITTEE in presence of tenderers or their authorized representative, who may like to participate in the tender opening process. However, in case, these dates are declared as Public Holidays, the tenders will be opened on the next working day(s).

Sd/-
Director
FOSRCA Deptt.
Kashmir

No:- DIPK-17628/21
Dated:- 05.02.2022

Public Notice

Be it known to all that I, K.B. Dayani son of Shri Bhograj is the owner of BA-4F, Munirka DDA Flats, New Delhi-110067 vide DDA file no: F37(480)/4M/GLAB. Two original Conveyance Deed executed by DDA without Registered and Possession slip have been misplaced/lost on 8.6.2016. An FIR/NCR to this effect has been lodged with PS Crime Branch, Delhi vide LR No:101846/2022 dated 5.2.2022.
Any person(s) claiming any right, interest or having any objection or found in possession of the aforesaid original Conveyance Deed may write or contact the above named person or on his mobile no:9868413323 within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice or can also write to

‘India GDP estimated at ₹147.5L cr in FY22’

New Delhi: India's gross domestic product (GDP) is projected to grow at 9.2 per cent to Rs 147.5 lakh crore in 2021-22, Minister of State for Finance Pankaj Chaudhary said on Monday.

In a written reply to a query in the Lok Sabha, Chaudhary said the government has implemented several major reforms in recent years to boost investment and GDP growth.

"As per the first advance and first revised estimates of GDP released by the National Statistical Office (NSO), the size of real GDP has been increased from Rs 105.3 lakh crore in 2014-15 to Rs 135.6 lakh crore in 2020-21 and estimated to be Rs 147.5 lakh crore in 2021-22," he said.

In FY 2020-21, he said that as a major part of its policy response to the pandemic, the government while providing a safety net to the vulnerable sections of the society implemented several structural reforms to strengthen private

sector investment.

These include the change in the definition of MSMEs, new PSU policy, commercialisation of coal mining, higher FDI limits in defence and space sector, development of the Land Bank and Industrial Information System.

It also includes the revamp of the viability gap funding scheme for social infrastructure, new power tariff policy and incentivising states to undertake sector reforms, among others, he said.

The Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) was launched to provide collateral-free guaranteed loans for business enterprises in various sectors affected by COVID-19, he said.

Continuing with the growth supportive measures, he said the Union Budget 2022-23 has announced a 35.4 per cent increase in the outlay of capital expenditure, PM GatiShakti National Master Plan for seamless multimodal connectivity and logistics effi-

ciency, and expansion of guarantee cover for MSME, among others.

Ease of Doing Business 2.0 reforms, human capital formation through universalisation of quality education and the establishment of a digital university, urban development, export promotion, clean and sustainable mobility, extension of ECLGS by Rs 50,000 crore to Rs 5 lakh crore were also announced in the Budget, he said. Replying to another question, Chaudhary said the number of persons living below the poverty line in India has been estimated at 27 crore in 2011-12. This estimation was based on erstwhile Planning Commission estimated poverty lines and poverty ratio in 2011-12, following the extant Tendulkar Committee methodology and released through a Press Note issued on July 22, 2013.

No estimates of poverty have been released by the government thereafter, he said.

PTI

Sensex nosedives 1,024 pts on rate hike fears; HDFC twins top drags

Mumbai: Equity benchmark Sensex crashed 1,024 points to end below the 58,000-level on Monday as investors fretted over policy tightening by central banks amid elevated inflation. Unabated foreign fund outflows added to the gloom, traders said. Declining for the third straight session, the 30-share BSE Sensex plummeted 1,023.63 points or 1.75 per cent to finish at 57,621.19.

Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty slumped 302.70 points or 1.73 per cent to 17,213.60.

The Sensex has now shed 1,937.14 points in three sessions, with the market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms plunging by over Rs 5.82 lakh crore during the period.

HDFC Bank was the top loser in the Sensex pack in Monday's session, tumbling 3.65 per cent, followed by L&T, Bajaj Finance, Bajaj Finserv, HDFC, Kotak Bank and Wipro.

Only five counters managed to close in the green --

PowerGrid,

NTPC, Tata Steel, SBI and Ultratech Cement, climbing up to 1.88 per cent.

"Domestic markets are volatile ahead of the state elections, witnessing a steep fall led by FII selling and weak global cues. US bourses were under pressure as strong US jobs data gave rise to fears of sharper than expected Fed rate hikes, resulting in a spike in the bond yields. "The volatility in the market is likely to continue due to high chances of interest rate lift-off by the RBI given domestic inflation and policy tightening by global central banks," said Vinod Nair,

Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Sunday announced postponing the meeting of the rate-setting MPC by a day in view of Maharashtra declaring a public holiday on February 7 to mourn the death of legendary singer Lata Mangeshkar.

Gold jumps ₹146; silver zooms ₹ 635 on global trends

New Delhi: Gold price in the national capital on Monday jumped Rs 146 to Rs 47,997 per 10 grams in line with rally in international precious metal prices, according to HDFC Securities.

In the previous trade, the precious metal settled at Rs 47,851 per 10 grams.

Silver also gained Rs 635 to Rs 61,391 per kg from Rs 60,756 per kg in the previous trade.

In the international market, gold was trading in the green at USD 1,812 per ounce and silver was flat at USD 22.75 per ounce.

"Gold prices traded higher with spot gold prices at COMEX trading at USD 1,812 per ounce on Monday. Gold prices extended gains supported by weaker dollar despite of rise in US bond yields," Tapan Patel, Senior Analyst (commodities) at HDFC Securities, said.

PTI

Govt yet to decide on banks to be privatised, says MoS Finance Karad

New Delhi: The Government has not yet decided on public sector banks that are to be privatised, Minister of State for Finance Bhagwat Karad informed Parliament on Monday.

The Government had in Budget 2021-22 announced its intent to privatise two public sector banks (PSBs) during the year. "As per inputs received from Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM), the government has not yet decided on the banks that are to be privatised. The amendments to the relevant Acts are required to be done before initiating the process of privatisation," Karad said in a written reply to the Lok Sabha.

The government has received representations from bank unions wherein they have expressed their views and con-

cerns on the matter of privatisation of banks, the Minister of State for Finance said.

Further, he said, "DIPAM has informed that the representations with regard to strategic divestment of CPSEs and banks received from various stakeholders including the employee's unions from time to time are duly examined as per the extant divestment policy of the government."

Replying to another question, he said, as many as 73,552 cases of frauds involving Rs 2.51 crore were received by banks during 2019-20.

He said, this number declined to 69,818 cases involving Rs 2.07 crore in 2020-21, as per the RBI data on frauds reported by Scheduled Commercial Banks in the category of fraud 'Card/Internet - Debit Cards, Credit Cards and Internet Banking'.

PTI

India wants responsible, reasonable oil prices: Min

New Delhi: As international oil prices near USD 93 per barrel for the first time in 7 years, India on Monday said it strongly prefers responsible and reasonable pricing and has conveyed serious concerns over crude oil price volatility.

"There have been major fluctuations in international prices of crude oil and petroleum products in recent few months," Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Gas Rameswar Teli said in a written reply to a question in the Rajya Sabha.

India is 85 per cent dependent on imports to meet its oil needs and domestic petrol and diesel prices are linked to international oil rates.

PTI

Nalco registers net profit of Rs 831 cr in Q3 of FY 2021-22

Bhubaneswar: National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), one of India's largest integrated manufacturer and exporter of alumina and aluminium, has surpassed several milestones in its journey of business excellence in Q3 of financial year 2021-22. The Company registered nearly 3.5-fold increase in Net profit to clock ₹831 cr in Q3 of FY22, a jump of 246% compared to Rs. 240 crore in Q3 of FY21.

The Company has also broken the highest profit figure clocked since inception for the first nine month period, with Net profit of Rs. 1,926 crore for the period ending Dec 2021, a 5-fold increase and a substantial jump of 429% over 364 Cr posted in corresponding period of previous fiscal.

PNS

Passenger vehicle retail sales drop 10 pc in Jan as chip shortage continues: FADA

New Delhi: Passenger vehicle retail sales declined 10 per cent year-on-year in January 2022, as the companies continued to suffer production loss amid semiconductor shortage, automobile dealers' body FADA said on Monday.

The passenger vehicle (PV) sales dropped to 2,58,329 units last month, down 10.12 per cent from 2,87,424 units in January 2021.

Best Agrolife starts production

New Delhi: Best Agrolife Ltd starts production in its subsidiary unit Seedling India Pvt Ltd. Set up with an investment of Rs 50 crore, Seedling aims to redefine conventional agriculture models. Best Agrolife Limited, one of the leading agrochemicals in India, announced the commencement of production at its fully automated formulation facility Seedling India Pvt Ltd.

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PUBLIC NOTICE			
This is to inform the General Public that, following Share Certificate(s) of Cipla Limited having its registered office at Cipla House, Peninsula Business Park, Ganpatrao Kadam Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai - 400013, registered in the name (s) of the following shareholder(s) has/have been lost by the registered holder(s):			
Folio No.	Name of the Holder(s)	Certificate No.	Distinguive No. or Shares
CIP0022190	Nitesh Kumar Jakhotia	502094	75809716-40 75809755 (F.V.-2)
The public are hereby cautioned against purchasing or dealing in any way with the above referred share certificate(s). Any person (s) who have claim in respect of the said share certificate(s) should lodge such claim with the company or its registrar and transfer agents with technologies Pvt. Ltd., unit capital limited, selenium tower b, plot 31-37, gachibowli, financial district, Hyderabad -500032. Within 15 days of publication of this notice. After which no claim will be entertained and the company may proceed to issue duplicate share certificate(s) to the registered holder(s).			
Place: Mumbai		Date: 08.02.2022	

Form C-1
(For candidate to publish in Newspapers. TV)

Declaration about criminal cases
(As per the judgement dated 25th September, 2018, of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP(Civil) No.536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Others Vs Union of India Anr)
Name and Address of candidate: Harish Rawat, Resident of 147, Shakti Vihar Majra, Dehradun
Name of the Political Party : Indian National Congress
Name of Election : General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Uttarakhand, 2022
Name of Constituency : 56-Lalkuwa
I Harish Rawat, a candidate for the abovementioned election, declare for public information the following details about my criminal antecedents:

Sl.No.	Name of Court	Case No. and dates	Status of Case(s)	Section(s) of Acts concerned and brief description of offence(s)
(A) Pending Criminal				
1.	As per my knowledge, in pursuance of the RC, no case is registered in any competent court of law.	RCACI 2019 A0005 dated 23.10.2019.	The RC has been challenged before the Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand in WPCRL No. 638 of 2016. Shri Harish Chandra Singh Rawat Vs Central Bureau of Investigation and others, which is still pending.	U/s 120-B of IPC and Sections 7,8,9 and 12 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.
(A) Details about cases of conviction for criminal offences				
Sl.No.	Name of Court & Date of Order.	Description of offence(s) & Punishment imposed.	Maximum Punishment imposed.	
		NIL		
				Sd/- (Harish Rawat)

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Registered & Corporate Office :- 502, Tower-A, Peninsula Business Park, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai-400013 Circle Office Capri Global Capital Limited 2nd Floor, 3B Pusa Road Rajendra Place, New Delhi-110005				
APPENDIX IV POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property)				
Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Capri Global Capital Limited (CGCL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, Demand Notice(s) issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of the Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules, 2002. The borrower's 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. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of CGCL for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.				
S. N.	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Date of Possession
1.	(Loan Account No. LNMMEY000055968 of our Mayurvihar Branch) Balvir B (Borrower) Kusum K, Ganga Ram (Co-Borrower)	All Piece and Parcel of Commercial Plot area admeasuring 25 Sq Yds., Part of Khet no. 339, Situated in the area of Village Surajpur, Pargana Dadri, Tehsil and District Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh Alongwith Construction Thereon present and future Both. Boundaries as under- East :- Other's Property, West :- Other's Property, North :- Main Road, South :- Other's Property	19-11-2021 Rs. 24,32,484/-	05-02-2022
2.	(Loan Account No. LNMNEIO00012435 of our Mayurvihar Branch) M R Realtech (Borrower) Nirajan Kumar, Chandar Pal, Lacchmi (Co-Borrower)	All Piece and Parcel of House No. 1224, Gali No. 2, KH No./Khevat no. 444/628, Mustafali No. 45, Killa No. 14 (7-4), Adarsh Nagar, Ballabgharh, Faridabad, Haryana Alongwith Construction Thereon present and future Both.	19-11-2021 Rs. 23,18,255/-	05-02-2022
3.	(Loan Account No. LNMGEZB000021682 of our Ghaziabad Branch) And LNMNEIO000681757 of our Noida Branch) Rahul Sharma (Borrower) Rajbala Sharma, Prashant Sharma, M/s. Jai Durgay Builders (Co-Borrower)	All Piece and Parcel of House Built up on Land admeasuring 380 Sq Mtrs, Khet/Khasra No. 262 & 262-B of Khata No. 00252 and Khet/Khasra No. 263-A, Khata No. 00253 situated at Village Shehdara, Pargana Dadri, Tehsil & District Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh Alongwith Construction Thereon present and future Both.	19-11-2021 Rs. 83,10,728/-	05-02-2022
4.	(Loan Account No. LNCGCKD0000004342 of our Karkardooma Branch) And Raj Agencies (Borrower) Kuldeep Tyagi, Gopal Chauhan, Kunti Devi, Upendra Kumar, Ram Singh Yadav, Sandeep Kumar (Co-Borrower)	Property No. 1. All Piece and Parcel of Flat no. 254, Block-F, Nandini Kunj, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh Alongwith Construction Thereon present and future Both. Property No. 2. All Piece and Parcel of House No. 648, area admeasuring 150 Sq Yds., out of Kharsa No. 492, Village Saddik Nagar, Sihani Loni, Gazababad, Uttar Pradesh Alongwith Construction Thereon present and future Both.	19-11-2021 Rs. 70,65,082/-	05-02-2022
Place : DELHI / NCR		Date : 08-02-2022		Sd/- (Authorised Officer) For Capri Global Capital Limited (CGCL)



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NOTICE
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Regulation 29 read with Regulation 47 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, that the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company will be held on Monday, the 14th Day of February, 2022, at 04.00 P.M., inter alia, to consider and approve the Un-Audited Financial Results of the Company for the Quarter ended 31st December, 2021. This notice is available on the Company's website at www.rathibars.com and also on the website of the stock exchange at www.bseindia.com.

For RATHI BARS LIMITED

Anurag Rathi
(Managing Director)

Place : New Delhi
Date : 07.02.2022

SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is here by informed that this person (depicted in the photo) namely: **Ram Kishan S/o Vinod Kumar R/o H.No. G-43, Ph-1st, Mangal Bazar Road, Vijay Vihar, Delhi** has been missing/kidnapped from his house since **26.12.2021**. In this regard DD No. **83A** dated **01.01.2022** has been registered at **PS. Vijay Vihar, Delhi**. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the person but no clue has come to light so far.

His physical description is as under:-
Sex: Male, **Age:** 26 years, **Height:** 5'3" ft., **Complexion:** Shallow, **Face:** Long, **Built:** Thin, **Wearing:** Black colour Jacket & Blue colour Jeans and Black colour Shoes in feet.
Any person is having information or clue about this missing/ kidnapped person may kindly inform to the following:-

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ज्ञापन क्र. 462 / व.ले.लि./ रायपुर 01/02/2022

निविदा निरस्तीकरण आदेश
इस कार्यालय के निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना क्रमांक 04 / व.ले.लि. / 2021-22 दिनांक 11.01.2022 सिस्टम निविदा क्र. 90376 द्वारा मांदर शाखा नहर के कि.मी. 22.00 से कि.मी. 33.00 तक टार रोड का रेनोवेशन का कार्य (प्रथम आमंत्रण) राशि रु. 295.19 लाख की निविदा आमंत्रित की गयी थी, को छत्तीसगढ़ शासन जल संसाधन विभाग, मंत्रालय महानदी बवन, नवा रायपुर अटल नगर के आदेश क्र. 318/ एफ-07-07/31 / एस-2 / 2021 दिनांक 29.01.2022 द्वारा जारी किए गए निदेश के अनुसार मे आमंत्रित निविदा सिस्टम क्रमांक 90376 निविदा सूचना क्रमांक 04 / व.ले.लि. / 2021-22 दिनांक 11.01.2022 (G-NO 66747 Dated 12-01-2022) को एवद द्वारा निरस्त की जाती है।

R.O. No. 67542/5
R.O. Date 07/02/2022
सहप्रत :- शून्य

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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS (REVIEWED) FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2021

Sl. No.	PARTICULARS	Quarter Ended (Un-audited)			Nine Months Ended (Un-audited)		Year Ended (Audited)
		31.12.2021 Reviewed	30.09.2021 Reviewed	31.12.2020 Reviewed	31.12.2021 Reviewed	31.12.2020 Reviewed	31.03.2021 (Audited)
1.	Total Income from operations	206.60	178.09	155.74	508.46	324.10	514.23
2.	Net Profit for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and for Extraordinary items)	15.12	18.45	24.91	56.04	18.15	58.53
3.	Net Profit for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	15.12	18.45	24.91	56.04	18.15	58.53
4.	Net Profit for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	10.93	13.78	16.67	41.35	11.74	43.05
5.	Total comprehensive income for the period (Comprising Profit for the period (after tax) and other comprehensive income (after tax)	10.94	13.89	16.64	41.58	11.65	43.52
6.	Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs 10/-)	89.14	89.14	89.14	89.14	89.14	89.14
7.	Other Equity (excluding Revaluation Reserve)						144.32
8.	Earnings Per Share (Rs./10/- each)						
	Basic	1.23	1.55	1.87	4.64	1.32	4.83
	Diluted	1.23	1.55	1.87	4.64	1.32	4.83

NOTE : The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly Financial Results are available on the Company's Website (www.pasupatiacrylon.com) and website of stock exchanges www.bseindia.com & www.nsdcindia.com

for Pasupati Acrylon Ltd.
(Sd/-)
Vineet Jain
Managing Director

Place : New Delhi
Date : 07th February, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE				
		Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd, 3rd Floor, Plot No- 23, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, Delhi- 110005		
The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.				
Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Ajay Goel, Isha Goel, Wz 28 Nimri Village, Shastri Nagar, Shastri Nagar Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBGUR00003278064	Flat No.2405, 24th Floor Supertech Azalia Tower 5 Sector 68 Gurgaon	27/12/2021, Rs. 1,44,037.4/-	03/05/2021
2.	Gaytri Khanna, Kushal Bhatia, Flat No H-6 Plot No-38, Cd Pitampura 3rd Floor, Dupler Flat G S Appt Blk 11 Gujrat, Sargoda Ghs Sec-13 Rohini City Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBNOD00002973716	Flat No.28205, 28th Floor Tower Laurel Mahagun Mywoods Phase-III Plot No Gh- 04 Sec-16c Noida	27/12/2021, Rs. 33,72,454/-	02/07/2021
3.	Gaytri Khanna, Kushal Bhatia, Flat No H-6 Plot No-38, Cd Pitampura 3rd Floor, Dupler Flat G S Appt Blk 11 Gujrat, Sargoda Ghs Sec-13 Rohini City Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBNOD00003058147	Flat No.28205, 28th Floor Tower Laurel Mahagun Mywoods Phase-III Plot No Gh-04 Sec-16c Noida	27/12/2021, Rs. 49,809/-	02/07/2021
4.	Rajeev Kaushik, Ruchi Sharma, 16 A Mooncity, Ahinsha Khand-II, Indrapuram Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBNOD00004921906	Flat No I/ 1078, 10th Floor Tower- I Gaur Siddhartham Block I Plot No 8/ Bs-01 Sector 8 Siddharth Vihar Yojna Ghaziabad	27/12/2021, Rs. 27,84,908/-	04/08/2021
5.	Rajeev Kaushik, Ruchi Sharma, 16 A Mooncity, Ahinsha Khand-II, Indrapuram Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBNOD00004929742	Flat No I/ 1078, 10th Floor Tower- I Gaur Siddhartham Block I Plot No 8/ Bs-01 Sector 8 Siddharth Vihar Yojna Ghaziabad	27/12/2021, Rs. 3,21,550/-	04/08/2021
6.	Rana Rajinder Pal Singh, Ankita Sharma, A-103/2, Saket Close, to, Pur Saket, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00005188868	B 41, 3rd Floor, Shivalik Colony, Near Malviya Nagar, Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 27,05,638/-	31/07/2021
7.	Rana Rajinder Pal Singh, Ankita Sharma, A-103/2, Saket Close, to, Pur Saket, Delhi A/c No:- LBGUR00002072294	B 41, 3rd Floor, Shivalik Colony, Near Malviya Nagar, Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 5,41,550/-	31/07/2021
8.	Rana Rajinder Pal Singh, Ankita Sharma, A-103/2, Saket Close, to, Pur Saket, Delhi A/c No:- LBGUR00002071862	B 41, 3rd Floor, Shivalik Colony, Near Malviya Nagar, Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 11,75,657/-	31/07/2021
9.	Rana Rajinder Pal Singh, Ankita Sharma, A-103/2, Saket Close, to, Pur Saket, Delhi A/c No:- LBGUR00004934883	B 41, 3rd Floor, Shivalik Colony, Near Malviya Nagar, Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 2,30,290/-	31/07/2021
10.	Sunil Kumar, Pratibha Beaban, Plot No-h-2/117, Block- H Pkt- 2, Sec-16 Rohini, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00003588145	Plot No- 117, Block- H, Pocket- 2, Sector- 16, Rohini, Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 26,15,900.2/-	04/08/2021
11.	Sunil Kumar, Pratibha Beaban, Plot No-h-2/117, Block- H Pkt-2, Sec-16 Rohini, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00003590881	Plot No- 117, Block- H, Pocket- 2, Sector- 16, Rohini, Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 5,58,173.1/-	04/08/2021
12.	Ashutosh Yadav, Narendar Kumar Yadav, House No. 553 Sec 14, Gurgaon A/c No:- LBGUR00004858678	Plot No-304, Sector-1 Part-1 Narnaul Complex Rewari	27/12/2021, Rs. 18,06,167/-	06/07/2021
13.	Ashutosh Yadav, Narendar Kumar Yadav, House No. 553 Sec 14, Gurgaon A/c No:- LBGUR00004863716	Plot No-304, Sector-1 Part-1 Narnaul Complex Rewari	27/12/2021, Rs. 33,52,920/-	06/07/2021
14.	Gaurav Rajput, Nishant Rajput, Shikha, 28 S F Gali No.16, Viswas Nagar, Shahdra Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBNOD00002376745	Flat No.1208, 1st Floor Tower Laurel Plot No Gh 04 Mahagun Mywoods Phase III Sector 16 C Greater Noida Noida	27/12/2021, Rs. 31,07,929/-	01/07/2021
15.	Gaurav Rajput, Nishant Rajput, Shikha, 28 S F Gali No.16, Viswas Nagar, Shahdra Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBNOD00002384932	Flat No.1208, 1st Floor Tower Laurel Plot No Gh 04 Mahagun Mywoods Phase III Sector 16 C Greater Noida Noida	27/12/2021, Rs. 35,748/-	01/07/2021
16.	Rajeev Mahajan, Kamini Mahajan, Gourmets Eatable Pvt Ltd, A 1 /141 1st Floor, Janakpuri, New Delhi, Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00002356390	Flat No A 12A 05 12A Floors, Tower A Ajnara Le Garden Plot No Gh 02 Sector 16 Greater Noida West Noida Noida	27/12/2021, Rs. 30,87,987/-	04/10/2021
17.	Rajeev Mahajan, Kamini Mahajan, Gourmets Eatable Pvt Ltd, A 1 /141 1st Floor, Janakpuri, New Delhi, Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00002362213	Flat No A 12A 05 12A Floors, Tower A Ajnara Le Garden Plot No Gh 02 Sector 16 Greater Noida West Noida Noida	27/12/2021, Rs. 44,402.2/-	04/10/2021
18.	Suman Singhal, Mohit Singhal, R 2/123 , Raj Nagar Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBGH2000202865036	Plot No III- F/1- 21, Ground Floor Nehru Nagar Ghaziabad	27/12/2021, Rs. 29,22,824/-	04/10/2021
19.	Suman Singhal, Mohit Singhal, R 2/123 , Raj Nagar Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad A/c No:- LBGH2000202891317	Plot No III- F/1- 21, Ground Floor Nehru Nagar Ghaziabad	27/12/2021, Rs. 1,18,635.35/-	04/10/2021
20.	Varun Prakash, Uma Sharma, Hs-19 1st Floor, Kailash Colony, Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00004371313	Flat No A-602, 6th Floor Appu Enclave Cghs Ltd Apartments Plot No-3B Sec-11 Dwarka Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 82,48,931/-	13/07/2021
21.	Varun Prakash, Uma Sharma, Hs-19 1st Floor, Kailash Colony, Delhi, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL00004373483	Flat No A-602, 6th Floor Appu Enclave Cghs Ltd Apartments Plot No-3B Sec-11 Dwarka Delhi	27/12/2021, Rs. 19,45,999/-	13/07/2021
22.	Deepti Pradhan, Anil Kumar Pradhan, Bh-1004 Amrapali Village, Indrapuram , Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh. A/c No:- LBGH200001977982	Flat No 11102, Tower-E1 Up Country Ts-1, Sec-17 Development Authority, Yamuna Expressway Noida, Noida	Rs. 27,93,100/-	03/05/2021
The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.				
Date : February 08, 2022 Place: Delhi/ NCR		Authorized Officer ICICI Bank Limited		

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Sr Consultant Orthopedic and Joint Replacement Surgeon

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It was supposed to be a condition affecting the elderly. Till a few years back it was common knowledge that joint problems spared the young but not anymore.

According to a study done at the University of London over 15 million people worldwide suffer knee joint failure each year due to the breakdown of surrounding cartilage in the joint.

The fact that 15 per cent of the Indian population suffers from cartilage decay every year and by 2030, an estimated 67 million Indians ages 18 years or older are projected to have doctor-diagnosed arthritis according to the data from the India Arthritic foundation.

Cartilage is a flexible connective tissue found in many areas in the bodies of humans especially in the joints between bones thereby preventing the bones from rubbing against each other. Thus Cartilage acts as a cushion between joints. It prevents the bones from rubbing against each other (such as the cartilage in the knees and elbows) and also reduces friction in the joint with movement. It also holds some bones together, such as rib cartilage.

For every 1-unit increase in body mass index (BMI), the risk of rapid cartilage loss increased by 11 per cent excess weight was a significant factor as well. The cartilage between our bones gets compressed by standing, sitting and other daily activities as the day goes on. Degeneration of cartilage starts after the age of 40 years and above and sometimes earlier in case of injuries to the joint.

Cartilage also forms bone when you are growing - the ends of your long bones (arm and leg bones) are formed of cartilage when you are young, and this gradually changes into bone and grows longer.

Obesity is also the factor that causes the cartilage to wear out early as those having a sedentary lifestyle have weak muscles resulting in the pressure of the body centering on the joints. This causes early depletion of cartilage.

These changes most likely are the result of an age related decrease in the ability of chondrocytes (main cells responsible for maintaining the cartilage) to maintain and repair the cartilage tissue.

Age-related changes in articular cartilage can contribute to the development and progression of osteoarthritis. As the cushioning cartilage begins to break down from a lifetime of use, joints become inflamed and arthritic.

Any factor (repeated trauma, advanced age, obesity etc.) that causes the breakdown of the joint eventually results in loss of joint shape and alignment. Also, the ends of the bones thicken and form bony growths called spurs.

The cartilage covering bones in the joint region (called articular cartilage) undergoes thinning with age and activity, resulting in bone rubbing against bone, reduced movements, and pain.

Osteoarthritis affects the joints exposed to high stress (like the knee and hip) and is considered the result of daily wear and tear affecting the cartilage in the joints.

Symptoms

- ♦ It usually happens after the age of 40 and develops slowly over a period of years
- ♦ It mainly affects the weight-bearing joints like the knees and hips. However, it may also involve small joints of the finger (e.g. in typists and computer operators due to overuse of finger joints) and the spine (e.g. in old people)
- ♦ Pain in the affected joint. The pain in the knees may become worse after suddenly rising from a prolonged sitting posture and sometimes in damp or rainy seasons (possibly due to a change in joint pressure with a change in atmospheric pressure)
- ♦ Early morning stiffness for not more than 30 minutes
- ♦ Creaking in the affected joint and a grinding sensation with joint motion
- ♦ Joints are usually cold as there is no inflammation
- ♦ Does not affect the overall health of the person

See a doctor

Those above the age of 40 with the mentioned symptoms should consult a doctor immediately. Pain in the joint on stairs climbing or on normal walking, stiffness in the joints, swelling in the joint, loss of movement and functional activities and deformity in the joints. Many of the changes in our cartilage result in more from disuse than from simple aging. Regular exercises, stretching, maintaining healthy exercise habits, maintaining weight helps improve our cartilage strength.


WARMFOOD

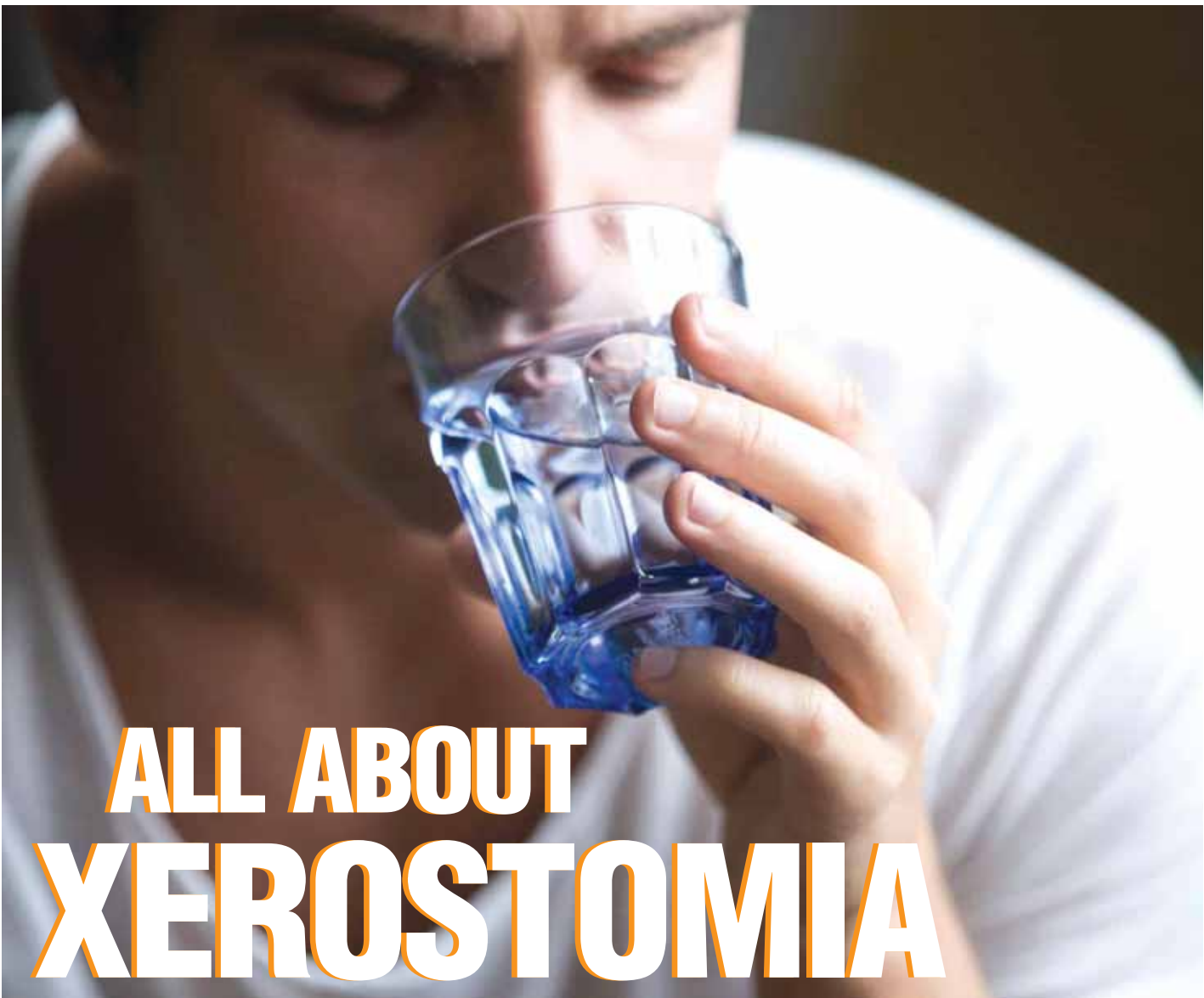
CHICKEN SOUP: According to the studies, the proteins present in chicken, particularly its limbs, aid to lower blood pressure.

Including chicken soup in your diet is one option. Calcium, magnesium, potassium, phosphorus, and other trace minerals are abundant in animal bones, which are the same nutrients required to form and strengthen your own bones.

The chicken broth, which is high in most of these minerals, will certainly keep arthritis at bay.

Chicken is well-known for being a good source of protein and amino acids, which are essential for the building of muscles and other tissues. As a result, a bowl of chicken soup can be a delicious addition to your daily menu.





ALL ABOUT XEROSTOMIA

People who undergo cancer treatment more prone to oral complications and side effects because the radiation and chemotherapy hinders the growth of new and fast growing cells, says DR RISHI AJAY KHANNA

Xerostomia or dry mouth can result from treatments that are used to fight cancer. For those undergoing radiation therapy or chemotherapy for cancer, symptoms of dry mouth are common.

During cancer treatment, saliva production actually increases because of irritation caused by radiation or chemotherapy. During treatment, the saliva tends to get thicker and is often described by patients as difficult to control. Once the treatment concludes, the excessive saliva goes away and the mouth becomes dry. This can be a temporary side effect or lead to a permanent loss of saliva production. Xerostomia is also a common complaint among older adults. However, Xerostomia is not related to age but to the medications that cause Xerostomia as a side effect.

♦ Difficulty in chewing or swallowing

♦ Difficulty in talking

♦ Taste disorders

♦ Tooth decay

♦ Skin Rash

♦ Dry skin and eyes

♦ Oral candidiasis

♦ Parotid gland enlargement

CAUSE

People who undergo cancer treatment are more prone to oral complications and side effects for various reasons. A common reason is that radiation therapy and chemotherapy hinders the growth of new and fast growing cells. Both normal and cancer cells in the lining of the mouth are fast-growing, and treatment may impede their growth.


In addition to that, radiation therapy and chemotherapy may alter the balance of healthy, normal bacteria present in the mouth. Such therapies may also damage the salivary glands and in turn, reduce the production of saliva.

TREATMENT

Patients experiencing dry mouth while receiving cancer treatment should follow some simple steps that may help alleviate this side effect. If dry mouth is affecting your ability to eat and swallow, be sure to:

- ♦ Stay away from foods that are hot, acidic or spicy
- ♦ Eat foods that are wet, soft
- ♦ Chew the food well if one is having trouble swallowing foods and only

♦ A dry tongue



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Saliva has several important functions including mechanical cleansing action, antimicrobial activity, and removal of food debris from oral cavities, control of pH, oral cavity lubrication, and remineralisation and maintaining the integrity of the oral mucosa

take small bites

- ♦ Season or marinate the food if it tastes bland
- ♦ Cut down on the consumption of sugar to avoid tooth decay
- ♦ Combine liquid and solid foods to make it easier to swallow

Here are some other guidelines to follow to prevent oral complications and alleviate dry mouth:

- ♦ Drink lots of fluids (3-4 litres each day), especially if the mouth feels dry
- ♦ Abstain from alcohol and tobacco
- ♦ Use a soft toothbrush to brush your teeth and gums 2 to 3 times a day for two to three minutes every time
- ♦ Use a humidifier in the bedroom while sleeping
- ♦ Use a moisturiser daily on the lips


Before using any medication, it is important to consult a physician. The physician will likely review any medications one is taking to see if any may be causing dry mouth. The physician may change one or more of the prescriptions, or even recommend changing the dosage.

The doctor may also prescribe artificial saliva or medications like E-Saliva Plus to increase saliva production in the mouth.

For dry mouth resulting from the treatment of cancer, keeping up with the oral hygiene routine is essential, including regular dental visits. Dry mouth can be a challenging side effect to deal with on a daily basis. It is best to get in touch with a physician to help manage this side effect.

Early diagnosis is important


Cancer requires immediate attention as it has the potential of getting metastatic and spreading to other parts of the body, says DR PRAVEEN GARG



Dr Praveen Garg
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In a rare case, a 61-year-old lady was successfully operated on for double tumors at Indraprastha Apollo Hospitals, New Delhi. With underlying conditions like hypertension, obesity and diabetes mellitus, the lady presented with two lumps in her neck and chest. The lump inside her chest was causing discomfort while breathing and was progressively growing. Although these lumps were not painful, the swelling in chest and the prominent bulge in the neck, prompted her to undergo an immediate diagnosis to identify the same. On diagnosis, she was detected with thyroid swelling and a tumor inside chest.

The cancer required immediate attention as it had the potential of getting metastatic and spreading to other parts of the body, hence doctors recommended an immediate sequential cancer tumour removal surgery,



which was performed successfully under the supervision of Dr Praveen Garg, Senior Consultant, Surgical Oncology, in a five-hour-long procedure.

"While thyroid disorders are common in women, this patient's complication was challenging since she was diagnosed with a rare combination of tumors in the thyroid and the chest respectively. In a few cases due to abnormal thyroid growth, a nodular swelling can be seen projecting in the chest; these types of cases are rare (2-3

annually). But to our surprise in this patient, thyroid swelling and swelling inside the chest were separate and had no connection," says Dr Garg.

The patient was detected with a large goitre causing enlargement of both lobes of thyroid and a lump in the chest. On physical examination, she complained of persistent difficulty in breathing. Generally, in such cases two separate surgeries are performed. First is for the removal of the thyroid gland and another one by opening

the chest like a heart bypass surgery from where the chest tumor is removed. In this case, keeping in view her comorbidities like blood pressure and diabetes which was kept under control through medicines, both the tumors were removed in a single surgery through the neck without opening the chest. Her postoperative period was uneventful and as chest was not opened she was discharged in 48 hours.

The ongoing pandemic has caused a delay in preventive health check-ups of many diseases in healthcare institutions. Cancer is one of those diseases that need early detection and treatment. Though the fear of contracting COVID is prevalent in the minds of people still by following COVID-appropriate behaviour, people should voluntarily come for early diagnosis of cancer-like diseases. By this action, the lives of many can be saved.

Clear the brain fog



How often does it happen that you forget what you wanted to pick from another room?

MUGDHA PRADHAN tells us why it happens and more

Have you ever had a time where you frantically look for something, only to find that you were holding it in your hand all along, or maybe you wear glasses on the top of your head and yet search for them all over the place? Sometimes you might go from one room to another to do something, and when you actually reach that other room, you completely forget why you entered the other room.

These are not just random occurrences, and there is actually a term for it. It's called brain fog, a symptom that clouds your judgment and affects your short-term memory. People often think that this is a sign of aging; however, it doesn't necessarily have anything to do with your age.

Symptoms

Trouble remembering information or inability to focus or concentrate are some of the symptoms of brain fog. You might feel disoriented or confused. Sometimes you might forget a particular word that is utterly common in your language, but you're seemingly unable to recollect.

Deficiencies: These symptoms can be attributed to something as basic as B complex, magnesium, Vitamin D, or omega-3 deficiencies. Hypothyroidism, under-functioning of thyroid, or underactive thyroid can also cause brain fog. Of course, it can also be triggered due to something as common as lack of sleep on a particular day or if you're someone who has been chronically under sleeping and not getting essential seven to eight hours of good quality sleep.

Infections: We've seen this with long COVID or other kinds of infection like H Pylori infections. Residence of any type of infection in your body can cause your brain to not function, as all your body's optimal level of energy and all the crucial resources are going into fighting the persistent infection. Thinking and Phonetic Skills are put on the back burner at that time.

Stress & Medications: Long term stress like chronic, mental or emotional stress can trigger brain fog. Some medications, especially anti-allergy meds, antihistamines, antidepressants, and a lot of over-the-counter medicines taken to cure fever and flu, can cause brain fog. Even prescription medicines given for treating blood pressure can initiate brain fog symptoms. A lot of people already know this; heavy alcohol consumption, even on a single day, can trigger brain fog, known as a hangover.

Reversing it

Well, first, of course, find the root cause. Based on what you find, start countering that root cause which will ultimately help to get rid of Brain Fog.

You can also overcome this by making a lot of changes to your diet like eliminating seed oil, sugar, processed food, and junk food. Just stick to good quality proteins like eggs, meat products, and foods like oats and honey. Anything that would help bring down the inflammation incurred by the food you generally consume would be beneficial and help in removing brain fog.

The writer is Functional Nutritionist, CEO and Founder of iThrive

INBRIEF

Physical, psychological well-being is essential in cancer treatment

Breast cancer treatments can be quite physically and emotionally tasking for the patients. It becomes pivotal for them to have a positive attitude towards the whole procedure besides adhering to the guidelines suggested by the healthcare experts. Dr Manish Singhal, Senior Consultant, Medical Oncology, Indraprastha Apollo Hospital New Delhi, said if the patient develops a trust on his/her doctor and the treatment then half of the battle is automatically won.

He further added that in order to have a positive outlook towards life and the disease one is battling with, practicing a light form of exercise regularly is important to generate happy hormones that will strengthen your endurance towards the treatment.

"Every female should be breast conscious and breast healthy. They should be able to examine their own breast and do mammography or ultrasound of the breast in case they detect any problem. They should not shy away from getting treatment for breast cancer. Sometimes we see that females have been suffering from breast cancer for many years and they know it too. But they are hiding their problem. This actually aggravates the issue and minimises the chances of survival too," he said.

If you are at stage 1 cancer, it is possible that you may require only surgery.



Ninety works of India's greatest modern and contemporary masters come together in a blue-chip suite of rare works, in remembrance of Kumar Gallery's founder Virendra Kumar at the Kumar Gallery online exhibition. Virendra was close to the Progressives and a special friend of F N Souza. Kumar Gallery had historic exhibitions of Souza at Sunder Nagar Gallery as well as Sainik Farms. Virendra passed away last year.

Amongst the 17 works of Souza five works are ultimate masterpieces in composition. Begin with Untitled girl with a mirror, a 1962 tempera on canvas, of a romantic nuanced nude created in graceful curves and appreciation of the feminine form unlike Souza's later nudes that were more puerile in facets.

Souza was known for the heads he created as a subject of themes ranging from kings to priests to individuals with monstrous faces and surreal dynamics of design. This head of a king 1964, has about it a robust rendering of domination, damnation and an expression of evil acts of suppression and obsession with power.

The next head is a 1950 masterpiece of a girl's profile created with deft details and cross-hatched magnificence. *Violet Head* has a strong Picassoic flavour though the nose stud and large earrings give it the village belle insignia.

The fourth is a radiant *Red Moon* (1966) that is reminiscent of his Spanish series. Here, Souza captures a simultaneously bright and austere scene, using strong warm colours to

STELLAR SOUZAS

India's greatest modern and contemporary masters come together in a blue-chip suite of rare works, in remembrance of Kumar Gallery's founder Virendra Kumar, says **UMA NAIR**



depict what is most likely the view from his studio on a dreamy sunset evening. With a combination of meticulous lines and crosshatches, Souza foregrounds the few trees in this scene, and a few bare branches just visible and sprinkled.



Behind them, a majestic moon illuminates the stylised sky recalling the Catholic architecture that informed so many of Souza's landscapes in the 1950s.

A gorgeous drawing of a landscape is *Churches and Houses* (1958). It is a landscape

done with Christian symbolism and a veritable personification of London. Writing about Souza's urban landscapes, fellow artist Jagdish Swaminathan noted, "Souza's cityscapes are the congealed visions of a mysterious world. Whether standing

solidly in enamelled petrification or delineated in thin colour with calligraphic intonations, the cityscapes of Souza are purely plastic entities with no reference to memories or mirrors." (J. Swaminathan, 'Souza's Exhibition', Lalit Kala Contemporary 40, New Delhi, March 1995, p. 31)

Showing online for the next five months, this exhibition is a treat for tired eyes. It reaffirms Virendra Kumar's place as an astute and philatelic collector with an eye for rarity. In tribute to Virendra Kumar on his 89th birth anniversary, director Sunit Kumar says, "There was a time when the evolution of style was the result of a hard-won struggle against the prevailing commercial trends. It was precisely at those crossroads in the history of India that Virendra acted as the principal tastemaker and visionary patron for serious, avant-garde artistic expression." The early years between the 1950s and 70s tell a tale of vintage vitality.

(Picture courtesy: Kumar Gallery, Delhi)

British Council, the United Kingdom's international organisation for educational opportunities and cultural relations announced another set of grant winners for its coveted global programme — Crafting Futures: India-UK Collaboration Scheme 2022. Under the programme, the grants are jointly awarded to a partnership of two organisations — an organisation in India and a compatible UK organisation. Jaipur Rugs Foundation & University of Arts London, IICD and West Dean College of Arts and Conservation, University of Liverpool & INTACH Hooghly Chapter have been shortlisted.

Crafting Futures supports collaboration to strengthen the crafts sector in India through exciting and innovative projects which addresses inclusion across communities, explore solutions for global environmental challenges and generate new propositions for the relationship between craft and technology.

Jonathan Kennedy, Director Arts India, British Council, said: "Our recent research with Fashion Revolution confirms the Covid-19 pandemic has been particularly tough and remains challenging for livelihoods of crafts organisations, women artists and artisans. The British Council has continued its commitment to strengthening the Indian crafts sector, for improving livelihoods, and developing contemporary craft skills and traditions with a series of UK partnerships."

The first round of Crafting Futures India-UK scheme saw projects from vocational training of Pinguli puppetry artisans in Maharashtra; business skills training and empowerment of women artisans through sustainable processes in crafts working at Swami Sivananda

Collaborate, create and celebrate

The second round of awardees — for British Council's Crafting Futures India/UK Collaboration Scheme 2022 to develop and strengthen crafts sector in India — have been announced. By **TEAM VIVA**



Memorial Institute (SSMI); reviving the urban 'living' crafts and develop opportunities for collaborations by urban craftspeople in Kolkata, Goa and Bangalore presenting their crafts work at the Unbox Festival; improving the livelihoods of skilled craftswomen in Gujarat through new product designs and use of modern marketing methods for the Indian and European market; collaboration to develop an international artists'



residency with 72 Muslim potter families of Gundiya in Gujarat; and a collaboration to revive and strengthen the local economy around wool in the Kutch reaching out to 100 women weavers.

As part of second round of Crafting Futures: India-UK Collaboration Scheme, applications were invited for project proposals from India and the UK organisations, out of which three more projects have been chosen which will benefit from monetary and technical support to collaborate with craft communities in India to co-develop and co-deliver projects that support the crafts sector.

All three awardees aim to impact the craft sector whilst uplifting the artisans across various cities. The collaboration between Jaipur Rugs Foundation and University of Arts London will help rural women to learn new skills to earn dignified incomes and gain financial independence. The programme will address the skill gaps in Indian artisan communities and help them expand their economic opportunities through design and entrepreneurship.

The partnership between IICD and West Dean College of Arts and Conservation focusses on the potters of Baswa district in Jaipur through exchange of knowledge between India and UK ceramic practices whilst focussing on design and technology.

Last, the partnership between University of Liverpool and INTACH Hooghly Chapter will work with women artisans in Kolkata who work in the silk industry. With Patch-WORK, West Bengal and an app-enabled e-commerce network, the partners aim to train the artisans with new business skills and create products for the global market.

Finding Inspiration For Artwork

Hitting a creative block happens to even the most talented of artists. **ZAHABIYA GABAIJWALA** has some tricks to overcome it



Sometimes you might find ideas for your next art project while being engrossed in odd chores such as cooking or picking up things from the grocery store. But, on the other hand, when you finally get down to work with your brushes, ready to make your next masterpiece, suddenly every idea you have might not seem appealing enough. This is what we know as the infamous creative block.

For a design professional, creative blocks can be very frustrating. When you rely on your creativity as your daily motivation, apart from paying the bills and building your reputation, you cannot afford to be short of ideas or the energy to put them into action. At this juncture, the first thing to remember is that every artist goes through creative blocks. You need to constantly practise, observe, try a new method, do something that helps you remain inspired, and repeat this process until you succeed; this might seem to be cumbersome, but here are a few tips to help you get started when your creative well seems to run dry -

Make Art Every Single Day

Pablo Picasso once rightly said, "Inspiration exists, but it has to find you working." Whatever your craft might be — whether it's writing, painting, or podcasting — you must find the drive and discipline within yourself to sit down and do it every single day because eureka moments arise from consistent efforts. If you want to be inspired, you have to seek it actively.

Use The Power Of The Internet

The Internet has made everything convenient and accessible. Finding inspiration is at your fingers. You can scroll through your screen, port yourself to a place, research the new findings or some ancient culture. Through blogs and forums, you can even connect with people from around the world. You can see videos and hear podcasts from artists who inspire you to ensure that your learning curve keeps moving upwards. Visit your favourite art page on social media or watch that comedian who tickles your funny bones to keep the endorphins in check. The only drawback is that this information overload might sometimes make you feel overwhelmed. So it's always good to spend some time off-screen after your regular internet surfing to help your ideas take shape.

Talk About Your Ideas

It's always good to share your thoughts and ideas with people around you or those who have similar interests as you. The inputs you receive at the initial stage of your art project might help you streamline your work better and make the necessary changes. However, do not rely entirely on the opinions of others. Trust your instincts and believe in ideas.

Soak In Nature

Nature is all around us and deep within us; we are inseparable from it. If you look close enough, every leaf, blooming flower, or birds perching on a tree branch has a story to tell. When I walk into a garden, I can't help but get a sense of wonder that triggers my imagination. As someone who frequently switches mediums and techniques, I rely on nature as a constant source of inspiration.

Sit Back, And Make Time For Some Fun

Don't stress yourself out waiting for inspiration to strike at the right time and place. It doesn't always work like that; instead, play, have fun and enjoy life. The



most extraordinary ideas surface when your mind is at peace and when you are in your happy zone. Just like spending time on actual projects is essential, so having some fun; this takes away restrictions, eliminates deadlines, and stretches your muscles like nothing else.

Read Art Quotes Daily

Nothing beats reading the words of your fellow artists for motivation. A constant supply of inspirational quotations about art is a great way to stay inspired. Look for a daily newsletter with inspiring artwork and quotes, or try using a beautiful daily calendar with your favourite artist's work. These small, regular reminders can be effective, especially when you need an extra push to get to work. So put these little sources of inspiration on your home office desk and think about them, when you're struggling to stay motivated.

Challenge Yourself

If you are feeling low on inspiration, challenge yourself, do things that you wouldn't normally. Try being an illustrator, a photographer or even a baker. There is always something you haven't tried or are scared to... so, now is the moment to try it. The most disastrous failures are always the most significant sources of learning and inspiration. Failing or succeeding is just an outcome; it is the creative journey that matters. Perhaps you're working on projects that aren't all that different from what you've done before. Challenging yourself might be a great way to get motivated, as it helps you come face-to-face with your abilities and opens the door to new opportunities.

Make Art Like No One Is Watching

The fear of making mistakes, even small ones, often prevents us from finding inspiration. We don't want to risk our progress by doing something that might not work out. Make art just because you enjoy the process, experiment, try new things, or go with the flow without worrying about the outcome; this can be very liberating.

(The author is the founder & principal artist, ZA Works Design)

EXHIBITION BY SHOVIN BHATTACHARJEE

This solo exhibition, at Dhoomimal Art Gallery, featuring artist Shovin Bhattacharjee's art work done over a period of the last four years, is an amalgamation of the artist's thematic concerns. Having planned to host a solo in 2019, the artist had to postpone his show due to lockdown. The artist however emerges from the shadows to celebrate humankind's ability to overcome adversary and survive despite the challenges.

He often organises cuboid structures in a spherical shape that then becomes a metaphor for the world, since he plays with the dark prophecy that the world would soon be covered by buildings and much of nature would disappear. He does however hope, like the family of birds that built a nest at the top of one of his large outdoor sculptures, that 'nature finds a way to co-exist', with this metallic and concrete world.

When: Till March 10

Where: Dhoomimal Art Gallery



UNDERSTANDING THE INTRICACIES OF THE NADSADHANA

A free online workshop for vocalists is being organised by Uday Bhawalkar is being organised by NCPA, Mumbai . Possessing a healthy voice seems to be a prerequisite for a good singer. In India, since ancient times, attention has been given to the aspect of *nadsadhana* or grooming of the voice. Several practises and remedies were recommended to nurture the desired voice quality. The session will specially focus on techniques and exercises used to develop breath control, and the range, resonance and strength of voice. The speaker will also concentrate on demonstrating the important aspects of enunciation of *svara* (musical note) in various contexts, and how to develop the required concentration to remain focused on the creative aspect of music.

When: February 19 at 11.30 am
For registration visit: www.ncpamumbai.com



VISIONARY COLLECTION OF MAHINDER AND SHARAD TAK

During New York's annual Asian Art Week in March 2022, Christie's is presenting over 40 works as a part of the live auction, South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art Including Works from the Collection of Mahinder and Sharad Tak.

Where and when: Preview at Christie's London between February 1 and 6. Private viewings in Mumbai between February 20 and 25. Preview in New York from March 18 to 22 . Live auction on March 23



FOCUS ON WESTERN CLASSICAL MUSIC COMPOSERS: VIVALDI

It was Antonio Vivaldi who developed the classic symphony orchestra, added colouration to the strings and wind instruments to the ensemble, originated the concerto for solo instruments, and was considered to be one of the greatest violinists of the 18th century. This biographical programme chronicles the life and musical styles of Vivaldi, with on-location footage and lush studio re-creations of original settings showcasing the astonishing variety of Vivaldi's works. Included are extracts from operas, oratorios, masses and sonatas, and concertos for flute, oboe, and trumpets, as well as such violin concertos as *The Four Seasons*. Fifteen-year-old prodigy Corey Cerovsek portrays the young Vivaldi, and world-renowned violinist Steven Staryk plays Vivaldi as a grown man.

Where: <https://youtu.be/7o3m7Pv6ZPc>



No Benzema, No Problem

Marco Asensio steps up in Karim Benzema and Vinicius Jr's absence and scores a stunner as Real Madrid go six points clear at the top of La Liga table with narrow 1-0 win over relegation threatend Granada in Sunday night fixture

IAN S ■ MADRID

Marco Asensio's excellent 74th-minute goal gave Real Madrid a 1-0 win at home to Granada. The forward's powerful shot into the corner of the Granada goal gave Madrid a win they deserved for an improved second-half display after an even first 45 minutes, and moves them six points clear at the top of La Liga. Real Madrid were without Vinicius Jr and Karim Benzema on Sunday night and in the first half they struggled without the Frenchman. FC Barcelona moved into fourth place in La Liga after a thrilling 4-2 win over Atletico Madrid in the Camp Nou Stadium. Atletico opened the scoring after a neat combination between Luis Suarez and Yannick Carrasco saw the Belgian beat Marc Andre Ter Stegen after just eight

minutes, but Barca were quickly level after Jordi Alba's volley just two minutes later. Adama Traore was enjoying a happy return to Camp Nou and his pace was vital as he beat Mario Hermoso in the 22nd minute to cross from Gavi to head in Barca's second and just before halftime Barca breached Atletico's defence a third time, Xinhua reports. Gerard Pique headed against the bar and after Ferran Torres was unable to turn the ball in, Ronald Araujo provided the finish to make it 3-1. Dani Alves rifled a loose ball home from outside of the penalty area to make it 4-1 in the 49th minute after Atletico again failed to clear a ball into their area. Luis Suarez then nodded Atletico back into the game and Atletico's chances of getting a point increased when Alves was then sent off for putting his studs into the back of Carrasco's calf.

The game got increasingly bad-tempered with several bad challenges but Barca held on while Atletico will be worried about new signing Daniel Wass who looked to suffer a knee injury in a bad challenge from Torres. Villarreal continue their climb up the table with a 2-0 win away to third-placed Betis thanks to a Pau Torres header just before halftime with Etienne Capoue sealing the win with seven minutes left to play. Valencia rested several first-team regulars ahead of their forthcoming Copa del Rey semifinal in Bilbao on February 11 for their 0-0 draw at home to Real Sociedad in a match that had more chances than the final score suggests. Osasuna goalkeeper Sergio Herrera saved Ivan Rakitic's 92nd-minute penalty to hold second place Sevilla to a 0-0 draw in the El Sadar Stadium.

A draw was a fair result as Sevilla looked flat against a well-organised home side and the result sees them lose ground on Real Madrid. Two goals from Brais Mendez gave Celta a 2-0 home win against Rayo Vallecano, who made had several changes to their team ahead of next week's Copa del Rey semifinal. Two controversial penalties helped Mallorca to a win in their relegation duel against Cadiz, with the spot-kicks taken by Silva Sevilla and new signing Vedat Muriqi overturning Ruben Alcaraz's seventh-minute goal for Cadiz. Elche made it five games without defeat as they came back from conceding a goal to Joselu to beat Alaves 3-1. Pere Milla netted twice after the break and Fidel added a third with five minutes left to play as Elche extended Alaves winless run to 11 matches.



Chahal reveals Rohit Sharma told him to focus more on googly ahead of first ODI India leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal revealed that captain Rohit Sharma had told him to focus more on bowling googly ahead of the first ODI against the West Indies

IAN S ■ AHMEDABAD

India leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal revealed that captain Rohit Sharma had told him to focus more on bowling googly ahead of the first ODI against the West Indies. In the match on Sunday, Chahal took 4/49 in 9.5 overs as West Indies were bowled out for just 176, which was chased down by India with six wickets in hand. In a post-match video uploaded by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), Chahal, awarded 'Player of the Match' revealed to Sharma that how his pre-match insight helped him plan to bamboozle the West Indies batters, especially captain Kieron Pollard. "You had told me before the match and even I thought I missed that during the South Africa tour, I was not bowling a lot of googlies. It was in my mind that when a hard-hitter sees the ball in the slot and decides that he will hit it, I have a weapon, the googly, which is very important for a leg-spinner," said Chahal. "You had told me that the more googlies I bowl, my leg-spin will become more effective. I keep bowling them to you at the nets and then I realised that maybe I should try a bit more of these in the matches. I wanted to mix up the deliveries I bowl and like we planned when Pollard came in, you told me to bowl

it a bit fuller. I knew that if the length was not right, there were 80 per cent chances of him hitting me for a six," added Chahal, who had rattled Pollard's off-stump on his very first ball to him. Responding to Sharma's question on the changes he witnessed while fielding at slip, Chahal disclosed that he had brought changes to his angle while releasing the ball. "I have changed my angle a bit, especially when here it is a slow wicket. When I was not a part of the team, I was thinking about the improvement I can make. I used to see that other bowlers used to get a bit side arm while bowling. I also noticed while bowling in the nets that the release is much quicker and there is more effort from the wrist as well." Sunday's match was India's 1000th ODI and Chahal made it more memorable by picking 100 wickets in the format, the second-fastest Indian spinner to reach the three-figure mark. "It feels great. My career has seen lots of ups and downs in the last five years. But it's a very good feeling when you take 100 wickets in any format. It's a big thing. I had never imagined I will achieve it this early. I will continue to do bowling with the same approach," stated Chahal. Sharma signed off by telling Chahal to maintain his right mindset and joked about IPL auctions coming on February 12 and 13.

Scotland in joint bid to host Euro 2028 with UK and Ireland

IAN S ■ EDINBURGH

Scotland have joined forces with England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Ireland in a bid to land hosting duties for Euro 2028. "The football associations of England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and the Republic of Ireland have agreed to focus on a bid to host UEFA EURO 2028, the third-largest sports event in the world," a joint statement read. A statement from the five association boards insists a "similar return on investment" will be brought in with a "far lower delivery cost", thenational.scot, reported on Monday. While the bid to host Euro 2028 has been launched, the nations have agreed not to submit a bid for the 2030 World Cup. "The feasibility study included an analysis of the

economic impact, the political football landscape, and likely costs of hosting major international tournaments. On balance, the five associations have decided to focus solely on an official bid to host UEFA EURO 2028, and have agreed not to bid for the 2030 FIFA World Cup," said the statement. "It would be an honour and a privilege to collectively host UEFA EURO 2028 and to welcome all of Europe. It would also be a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate the true impact of hosting a world-class football tournament by driving positive change and leaving a lasting legacy across our communities. "We believe the UK and the Republic of Ireland can offer UEFA and European football something special in 2028 — a compact and unique five-way hosting collaboration that will provide a great experience for the teams and the fans," it added.



SENEGAL WINS FIRST-EVER AFRICA CUP OF NATIONS TITLE

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IAN S ■ YAOUNDE

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winning spot-kick as Senegal beat Egypt 4-2 on penalties to win their first-ever AFCON trophy. After reaching the AFCON final in 2002 and 2019 and losing, Senegal restored their reputation on the African football scene with the victory at the Olembe Stadium in Cameroon's capital city of Yaounde. Egypt will soon have a chance for revenge when the two sides meet again next month in a two-legged play-off for a spot at the 2022 World Cup in Qatar.

Mohun Bagan aim to stop Hyderabad FC juggernaut

IAN S ■ BAMBOLIM (GOA)

ATK Mohun Bagan will have to be at their best when they take on league leaders Hyderabad FC in the 2021-22 Hero Indian Super League at the Athletic Stadium in Bambolim on Tuesday. Hyderabad FC are on a three-match winning streak, sitting three points clear of second-placed Kerala Blasters FC on 26 points from 14 games. Bartholomew Ogbeche has been in the form of his life, scoring a brace in their 5-0 rout of NorthEast United FC to take his tally to 14 goals this season and overall tally to 49 in the competition. Ogbeche will be aiming for his 50th goal and also helping Hyderabad in the process. Ogbeche has scored five goals in his last three matches. A hat-trick in a 4-0 win over SC East Bengal and a brace in the last game. "ATK Mohun Bagan have good players in practically every position. They play well in the buildup and are strong in set-pieces. We know they are a very strong team in the ISL. Will be very difficult news," Marquez said. Hyderabad have scored 33 goals this season, the most they have managed in any of their Hero ISL seasons. If they win against ATK Mohun Bagan, they will extend their record of most wins in a row. For Juan Ferrando's ATKMB, they have games in hand but will need to win them to stay in touch with the top-four pack. The Mariners are now in sixth place with 20 points from 12 games and the fact that they drew three out of their last four matches could come back to haunt them.



Athletes complain inedible meals in Beijing leaves their 'bones sticking out'

IAN S ■ NEW DELHI

Dozens of athletes thrown into virus isolation at China's zero-Covid Winter Olympics have laid bare their misery -- describing 'crying like crazy' after being hauled out of bed at 3 a.m. before being fed miserable food in rooms too small for exercise, Daily Mail reported. Beijing is attempting to hold a virus-free event in the midst of a pandemic, cutting off competitors and their teams in a bubble where tests must be taken every day, with anyone who tests positive dragged off to isolation. But conditions in isolation are reportedly dire. Valeria Vasnetsova, a Russian biathlete, claims she was served the same inedible meal three times a day for five days in a row - and that it left her so emaciated that her 'bones (were) sticking out', the report said. Head of German team Dirk Schimmelpennig also blasted 'unacceptable' conditions for his athletes, saying isolation rooms are too small, not hygienic enough, the food is poor and PCR tests that athletes must take to free themselves are not being given, Daily Mail reported. Natalia Maliszewska, a Polish speed skater, described being repeatedly moved into and out of quarantine over successive days due to conflicting Covid test results, an experience she described as a 'trauma' that left her 'crying and crying'. During one 'night of horror' she said officials dragged her out of bed at 3 a.m. in order to take her back to the athlete's village after ruling she was Covid-free -- only to later say they made a mistake before taking her back into solitary. There are currently 387 people from the athletes' bubble in Covid isolation in China, though this also includes members of their teams and press. The exact number of competitors in solitary is not clear, but is thought to be in the dozens. Vincent Zhou, an American figure skater and medal hopeful, was among athletes to test positive on Monday and was taken to isolation. Austrian snowboarder Sabine Schöffmann also tested positive. Jukka Jalonen, head of Finland's ice hockey team, said on Sunday that China is violating the human rights of one of his star players by keeping him in isolation despite team doctors clearing him to play, Daily Mail reported.

Focus on gaining momentum as India take on France

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IAN S ■ POTCHEFSTROOM (SA)

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first assignment of 2022. We begin our season against two quality sides, so it's a great thing. Our focus is to gain momentum, and make a positive start as we approach this year step-by-step. These FIH Hockey Pro League matches will help us prepare for the forthcoming major events," said Harmanpreet. The last time India met France was during the 2015 Fintro Hockey World League Semi-Final Antwerp, with the former winning the match 3-2. Harmanpreet said the match will be challenging for his team. "We haven't played against France in a long time. They are a really good side, and, no doubt, it will be a challenging match for us," he said. "Our focus will remain on playing good hockey, executing our skills, and making the best out of the

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opportunities. We are looking forward to tomorrow's match. We will definitely give our 100 per cent, and hopefully, start the campaign with a

win," the vice-captain added. The Manpreet Singh-led India will then square off against South Africa on February 9. The last time

both teams faced each other was during the final of FIH Men's Series Finals Bhubaneswar Odisha 2019, which India won 5-1 to seal a spot for the FIH Hockey Olympic Qualifiers Odisha 2019. The overall head-to-head record since 2013 belongs to the visitors, with India winning all three matches. On facing the world No. 10 side, the 26-year-old Harmanpreet said, "South Africa are a quality team. They are currently ranked 10th in the world, and are capable of beating any team on a given day, so you just can't underestimate them. It will certainly be a good challenge for us, and we are really excited to face a good team like South Africa." Harmanpreet added that these matches will not only help the team gain experience but also give them the understanding about where they

stand with regards to their game as well as training. "We have a busy 2022 year, with a lot of important tournaments lined up in the next 12 months, so we need to ensure that we are fully prepared. I think the FIH Hockey Pro League 2021/22 matches will not only help us gain the experience but will also give us the understanding about where we stand with regards to our game as well as training. "You see, there's always room for improvement, so apart from executing our skills and plans, our focus will also remain on improving our game, and that's where I think Pro League matches will play a vital role." Harmanpreet added. After a two-day break, India will play France on February 12 and South Africa on February 13.