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3RD MODEL FOUND DEAD
WITHIN WEEK IN KOLKATA

Kolkata: A third model was on Friday found dead in mysterious conditions in a matter of little more than a week. Model-cum-small time television actress Manjushri Nayegi was found hanging from the ceiling fan of her room at Patuli area in the southern fringes of Kolkata just a couple of days after her friend and co-model Bidisha De Majumdar was found dead in her Dum-Dum flat.

UCC COMMITTEE
ANNOUNCED IN U'KHAND

Dehradun: Uttarakhand Govt announces a drafting committee to implement Uniform Civil Code. The State Committee is headed by retired SC judge Ranjana Desai and comprises retired Delhi HC judge Pramod Kohli, ex-State chief secretaries Shatrughan Singh, Manu Gaud & Surekha Dangwal as members.

ED SUMMONS FAROOQ IN
MONEY LAUNDERING CASE

New Delhi: The Enforcement Directorate has summoned Lok Sabha member Farooq Abdullah on May 31 at its Srinagar office in connection with a money laundering case linked to alleged financial irregularities in the Jammu & Kashmir Cricket Association, officials said on Friday.

BJP GAINS MAJORITY IN
KARNATAKA COUNCIL

Bengaluru: All the seven candidates in the fray for the biennial election to Karnataka Legislative Council, slated to be elected by the MLAs, were on Friday declared as elected "unopposed".

NCB's clean chit to
Aryan in drug case

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan heaved a huge sigh of relief on Friday as the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) gave him a "clean chit" in the much-discussed mid-sea drug bust case, citing "lack of sufficient evidence" against him.

Apart from Aryan, the NCB also spared five others — Avin Sahu, Gopal Anand, Samir Saighan, Bhaskar Aroda and Manav Singhal — of prosecution in the October 3, 2021 drug bust.

In effect, the NCB did not name Aryan and five others in the charge-sheet before a special court in the drug bust case on Friday.

However, the NCB filed a 6,000-page charge-sheet in the special court against 14 others, including Arbaaz Merchant and Munmun Dhamecha, in the case, before the expiry of the extended deadline for filing of the charge-sheet in the case.

The Special Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act court had on March 31 granted 60 days' extension to the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) to file a charge-sheet in the much-discussed drug-bust case in which Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan and others are accused.



Hours after the charge-sheet against 14 persons, NCB Director General SN Pradhan said his organisation had applied "the touchstone of the principle of proof beyond reasonable doubt" while filing the charge-sheet in the case.

"All accused were found in possession of narcotics except Aryan (Khan) and Mohak (Jaiswal). The touchstone of the principle of proof beyond reasonable doubt has been applied. Based on which a complaint has been filed against 14 accused and a complaint against six (including Aryan Khan) is not filed due to lack of sufficient evidence," Pradhan said in a statement released to media.

Govt orders action
against Sameer
Wankhede for
'shoddy' probe

New Delhi: The Union Government has ordered action against former NCB officer Sameer Wankhede for his alleged "shoddy" work while probing a "drugs-on-cruise" case in which Aryan was arrested last year.

Appropriate action is also being initiated against Wankhede for allegedly providing a fake caste certificate, officials added.

I inspect dev work with
drones, reveals ModiPIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■
NEW DELHI

Painting a very promising future for drone technology in India, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday revealed he even "conducts surprise inspections of development work across the country with the help of drones".

And maintaining that they would also help in ensuring last-mile delivery of services across the country, Modi attacked previous regimes when "technology was considered part of the problem and efforts were made to portray it as anti-poor." Inaugurating the two-day Bharat Drone Mahotsav 2022, Modi said the use of drones will rise in agriculture, sports, defence and disaster management sectors.

"Every month I organise a pragati meeting with Government officials and review the development works in various parts of the country with the help of drones. I conduct surprise inspections of development work across the country with the help of drones," Modi pointed out giving an interesting insight into his drone-linked governance style. "Exactly eight years ago we started implementing new mantras of good governance in India following the path of minimum Government - maximum governance. Today we are making technology avail-



Prime Minister Narendra Modi flies a drone at the inauguration of the Bharat Drone Mahotsav, at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi. Union Minister for Civil Aviation Jyotiraditya M Scindia and MoS for Civil Aviation General VK Singh are also seen

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able to the masses first," said Modi at India's biggest drone festival here at Pragati Maidan.

Due to misplaced aversion, he said there was an atmosphere of indifference regarding the use of technology in governance before 2014. "The poor, the deprived,

and the middle class suffered the most due to this," he said. He also recalled the complicated procedures for availing of basic facilities leading to a sense of deprivation and fear.

"In earlier Governments technology was considered

part of the problem and efforts were made to portray it as anti-poor," he further said.

Modi said progress is possible only when we change with time adding "We have made technology a key tool to impart new strength, speed and scale to the country".

Chautala gets
4-yr jail in DA
case, slapped
with ₹50L fine

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A Rouse Avenue court on Friday awarded a four-year jail term to former Haryana Chief Minister Om Prakash Chautala in a disproportionate assets (DA) case. The court also imposed a fine of ₹50 lakh on 87-year-old Chautala and ordered the seizure of four of his properties.

In his judgment convicting Chautala, Special Judge Vikas Dhull noted that the accused had acquired disproportionate assets to the tune of 103 per cent of the known sources of income.

According to the order passed by the court, out of the ₹50 lakh fine amount of ₹ 5 lakh would be given to the CBI from that.

Sheikh Zafar of Mandsaur embraces
Hinduism at Pashupatinath temple

PNS ■ MANDSAUR

On Friday morning, he was converted by all rituals at Pashupatinath temple in M a n d s a u r . M a h a m a n d a l e s h w a r Chidambaranand Saraswati came to Mandsaur especially from Mumbai for the conversion of religion and he also gave a new name to Sheikh Zafar according to the horoscope.

After adopting Hinduism, now Sheikh Zafar will be known by his new name Chaitanya Singh Rajput. Chaitanya Singh Rajput told that I was influenced by Hinduism since childhood. Chaitanya Singh believes that he did not convert, but returned to his religion. Actually Chaitanya Singh Rajput already had a lot of interest in Hinduism. He has also built a temple at his home. He told that Ghat Establishment is also done at his house during Navratri days. In this, the Akhand Jyoti also

burns for nine days. The person who converted to religion says that he was following Sanatan Dharma from the very beginning. Only had to get the name changed, which has been done today by law.

BJP MLA from Mandsaur Yashpal Singh Sisodia also participated in Sheikh Zafar's religious conversion program. He said that Sheikh Zafar had expressed his wish in front of me. Being a public representative, I fulfilled his wish in the temple of Lord Pashupatinath. The MLA also congratulated and congratulated Chaitanya Singh Rajput.

At the same time, M a h a m a n d a l e s h w a r Chidambaranand Ji Saraswati, who got the religion changed, said that all the Muslims in India, all were Hindus in the past, were associated with Sanatan Dharma but Sheikh Zafar has understood this and now he has adopted Hinduism through all rituals.

3 botch up Fast
& Furious, land
in prison after
stealing 40 cars

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police has arrested three men, who were inspired by the Hollywood blockbuster "The Fast and the Furious", for allegedly stealing over 40 cars using hi-tech tools, including scanners and GPS jammers.

The accused — identified as Manish Rao (42) and Jagdeep Sharma (43), both residents of Uttam Nagar and Aas Mohammad (40), a native of Meerut — had stolen the cars from Uttam Nagar, Tilak Nagar, Subash Nagar, Pashim Vihar, Munirka and Dwarka among other places in Delhi.

The Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Southwest district, Manoj C, said police teams worked relentlessly and gathered information about people involved in stealing cars and ultimately arrested them.

Inverted Rifle,
Helmet shifted
from India Gate
to War MemorialPIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■
NEW DELHI

The iconic Inverted Rifle and Helmet at Amar Jawan Jyoti, India Gate, was on Friday shifted by the Armed forces in a ceremony to the National War Memorial. Symbol of Fallen Soldiers of 1971 war, the Rifle and Helmet are now installed in the midst of busts of Param Vir Chakra awardees.

With this process, integration of Memorial of Fallen Soldiers of 1971 war with the National War Memorial is complete, the Defence Ministry said here on Friday.

The ceremony was led by Chief of Integrated Defence Staff to Chairman, Chiefs of Staff Committee (CISC) Air Marshal BR Krishna and attended by Adjutant General (AG) equivalents from three Services. As part of the ceremony, a final salute was given and the CISC offered a wreath at India Gate.

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Shree's Tomb of Sand first
Hindi novel to bag BookerPIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■
KOCHI

Tomb of Sand, a Hindi novel authored by New Delhi-based Geetanjali Shree, the unassuming literary figure, and translated into English by Daisy Rockwell based in the USA, won the International Booker Prize 2022 on Friday.

Tomb of Sand, originally titled *Ret Ki Samadhi* and published in 2018, is the first Hindi work translated to English to have received the coveted recognition. Penguin India released its English translation in March 2022. The book has also been the winner of the English Pen Award. Within hours of hitting book shelves across the nation, *Tomb of Sand* became a hotly debated and discussed literary work among readers.

The story revolves around an octogenarian woman slipping into a deep depression after the death of her husband and then resurfaces to gain a new lease of life. The change



Author Geetanjali Shree, right, and translator Daisy Rockwell pose with the 2022 International Booker Prize author and translator awards for Shree's novel 'Tomb of Sand' in London on Thursday

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in Ma's way of thinking and her new found interest in life confuses even her daughter who considers herself as ultra-modern. The author takes the reader from the present day to the days of Partition, a time

which saw the protagonist undergoing traumas and shock. Ma, through her eyes and words, re-evaluates what it means to be a mother, daughter, a woman and a feminist.



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Prez to perform bhoomi-pujan of 8 urban health buildings

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

President Ram Nath Kovind will perform bhoomi-pujan of 10 urban health institution buildings costing Rs 154 crore 78 lakh 8 thousand and will dedicate newly constructed buildings of 4 health institutions costing Rs 72 crore 3 lakh 94 thousand on May 28 at Motilal Nehru Stadium.

President Kovind will also perform bhoomi-pujan of Regional Institute of Respiratory Diseases with 182 bed capacity costing Rs 55.63 crore, Center of Excellence for Orthopedics with 133 bed capacity costing Rs 84.94 crore and Superintendent's Office and Central Drug Store building construction costing Rs 32.34 crore.

President Kovind will perform bhoomi-pujan of upgradation and construction work of Dewas District Hospital's 400 to 500 bedded building costing Rs 20 crores, upgradation and construction work of 275 to 500 beds of Jabalpur District Hospital

President to visit Lord Mahakaleshwar

Bhopal: President Ram Nath Kovind will visit Lord Mahakaleshwar in Ujjain on May 29 for darshan and to offer prayers. The development work of Mahakaleshwar temple complex is also going on at a fast pace. As per the instructions of Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, the expansion of this temple complex of religious and cultural importance is being completed by the last week of May.

The expansion plan of Lord Mahakaleshwar temple complex of the state government is taking shape at a fast pace. The area of the temple complex has now increased to 20 hectares. The facilities for the visitors are being further expanded at a cost of Rs 310 crore in the first phase of the scheme. A stone wall has been built in a 900 m- long open corridor from the Nandi gate, on which many religious incidents of Shiva Purana have been engraved. In the corridor 108 pillars have been made in the form of Shivaanand Tandava. Rudra Sagar pond has been free from sewerage completely. Also, a total of 128 shops of handicrafts and snacks have been built. The temple premises will be monitored by the modern technology of Command and Control Centre.

Solar systems of 400 kW power generation capacity are also being installed in the campus along with capacity of parking of 400 cars. After Kashi, the Mahakal complex at Ujjain is the second such complex, with modern facilities and underlining of mythological events.

costing Rs 44 crore 78 lakh 8 thousand and upgradation and construction work of 200 to 300 bed building of Sehore District Hospital and

Shajapur District Hospital costing Rs 20 crores each. He will also perform bhoomi-pujan for the construction work of 100 bedded new Civil Hospital at Civil Hospital Govindpura, District Bhopal at a cost of Rs 20 crores, upgradation and construction work of Civil Hospital buildings with 50 beds each at Nanda Nagar and Kanadia district Indore costing Rs 10 crores each and upgradation and construction work of 34 bedded civil hospital of Mahidpur in Ujjain district to 50 bedded Civil Hospital building at a cost of Rs 10 crores.

President Kovind will dedicate 300 to 600 bedded hospital building upgradation and construction work of Morena District Hospital costing Rs 60 crore 54 lakh and 10 KLD ETP plant costing Rs 34 lakh 70 thousand in Guna District Hospital.

He will dedicate upgradation work and Awasth Griha construction in 50 bedded Civil Hospital building of Bamor District Morena at a cost of Rs 10 crore 65 lakh 12 thousand and installation of 10 bedded HDU/ICU at Civil Hospital Ambah in Morena



President Ram Nath Kovind being welcomed by Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel and Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan upon his arrival at Raja Bhoj Airport in Bhopal on Friday. Pioneer photo

Seminar on scientific nursing care concludes at Radharaman college

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Seminar on Scientific Nursing Care was organized at Radharaman College that concluded on Friday.

A three-day seminar on Scientific Nursing Care was organized at Radharaman Institute of Nursing. The seminar was addressed by Professor Heriyat Kumar, Professor Rajesh and Associate Professor Alby Paul. Various things related to the care of patients were explained in detail in the seminar.

The major topics discussed during this were hospital infections, environmental hygiene and cough etiquette, physical examination, patient linen

and its care, patient bed side, nursing procedures etc.

Experts said that nurses play an important role in today's society, from health promotion to prevention of diseases by caring and assisting in important work like educating the general public and patients and their rehabilitation.

On this occasion, RR Saxena, Chairman, Radharaman Group said that it was an important seminar in which experts from the field of nursing provided very useful information and guidance to the students pursuing nursing education. Students will get the benefit of this not only in getting good marks but also in their job after completing their studies.

17-year-old girl sexually exploited in Shyamla Hills for past two years on the pretext of marriage

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A 17-year old girl was sexually exploited for the past two years on the promise of marriage at Shymala Hills area; a complaint was lodged by victim on Thursday.

According to the police, the victim was sexually assaulted by the accused Fazal in the name of marrying her and later refused to marry her.

Based on the complaint police have registered a case under section 376(2) of the IPC and started investigation.

The victim came into contact with the accused when she used to live at Ahata Rustam Khan, they became friends and later developed a relationship.

In the complaint the victim claimed that the



accused never revealed that he is married and continued to exploit her. Later she came to know that the accused was married.

Few months back when the victim started to pressure for marrying the accused refused to marry her after which the victim

lodged a complaint with the police.

Meanwhile, Baghsewania police have nabbed a Bihar based man for sexually exploiting a 31-year old woman for the past five years; accused assured to marry after divorce and later refused.

CM plants neem, peepal saplings

Bhopal: Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan planted Neem, Peepal and Banyan saplings in the Smart City Garden. Along with Chief Minister Chouhan, the team of Radio My FM planted saplings on the completion of 15 years of My FM in Bhopal. My FM's RJ Tina, Mansi, Ved along with Nitesh Bhatia, Adarsh and Deependra planted saplings. Rashmi, Shubhshree, Abhishek Mishra, Shubhankar Tiwari, Alpna Sharma and Rudresh Mishra of Shubh Shree Seva Samiti also planted saplings. Chouhan congratulated and extended greetings to Radio My FM on completion of 15 successful years.



Speaker of the State Assembly Girish Gautam along with people of Deotalab state assembly constituency meets Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan at his residence in Bhopal on Thursday. Pioneer photo

Haier launches AI enabled washing mahcines

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Haier, the global leader in home appliances & consumer electronics and World's Number 1 brand in major appliances for 13 consecutive years, is aiming for 10 to 12 percent of the market share in the washing machine segment in 2022 as it expands its product lines with two new AI enabled revolutionary washing machine series. There are Haier 959 Front Load Washing Machines with its advanced super silent Direct Motion Motor and 525 mm super drum, and the new Top Load Washing Machines with in-built Heater technology that removes 106 kinds of toughest stains while eliminating almost 99.9% germs, ensuring hygiene requirements in the present day scenario.

The Indian washing machine market size is estimated to be around 9 million units per annum. It is almost equally split between semi-automatic and automatic categories with 4.5 million units each. Haier with an overall market share of around 7-8 percent in the segment, the company sell its products through 18,000 to 20,000 stores.

31-year-old railway employee killed in road accident

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A 31-year old Railway employee died after his bike was hit by a speeding vehicle near Win Win motors under Misrod police station area on Thursday.

The deceased identified as Ashish Kushwaha was hit by a speeding unidentified vehicle while he was on his way back home after work. The locals rushed the injured to hospital where he was declared dead.

The incident took place in the evening when Ashish was moving towards his house in Vidya Nagar after work at around 7 in the evening.

The deceased sustained multiple injuries and leg was broken in the accident. He was taken to JP hospital where he was referred to Hamidia but he was taken to a private hospital where he died during treatment within a few hours.

After the preliminary investigation the body was sent for the post mortem. The police have registered a case under section 304

Ashish Kushwaha was hit by a speeding unidentified vehicle while he was on his way back home after work. The locals rushed the injured to hospital where he was declared dead

(A) of the IPC.

The deceased used to work with Railways and was posted at Rani Kamlapati Railway Station.

On the day of the incident he was on his way home after work and when he reached near Win Win motors a speeding vehicle hit his bike.

In the accident his leg got broken and sustained critical injuries. The errant driver escaped with the vehicle.

The police have started an investigation using CCTV footage to identify the errant driver of the vehicle which hit the bike.

Union bank gives Rs 10 lakh cheque to kin of late customer



STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Union Bank Dudhichua branch handed over a cheque Rs 10 lakh to nominee Harsh Sharma of customer Late Ajay Kumar Sharma resident NCL Colony Singrauli.

Ajay Kumar Sharma availed a personal loan on October 31, 2021 of Rs 5.50 lakhs from Union Bank branch Dudhichua and at the same time Rs 10 lakh was insured by the bank's tie-up company "Care Health Insurance" for 5 years only for Rs 9999 which would be provided to nominee in case of accidental death of the customer. Due to this, a check of Rs 10 lakh was

given to his nominee who was his son, in which Rs 5.28 lakh including personal loan interest was deposited and 4.72 lakh has been received to help the family.

While taking the cheque, son Harsh Sharma said this insurance amount cannot compensate any member of the family, but in that difficult situation, it can definitely help the family by making them debt free.

Union Bank's Area Head Markandey Yadav, Lead District Manager Amar Singh, Branch Head Dudhichua Deepak Kumar Singh and Kailash Mallah of Company Care Health Insurance and other dignitaries of the area were present in the program.

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31 मई अभय (1994/ 90 मिनट) निर्देशक : अन्नू कपूर

2 जून ब्लू अम्ब्रेला (2005/ 90 मिनट) निर्देशक : विशाल भारद्वाज

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I don’t allow wastage of electricity in CM House

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

With the words, ‘Gather the power of public participation Shivraj, then Bhopal will do wonders,’ Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan called upon the people of Bhopal to work unitedly to bring Bhopal to the first place in cleanliness.

Chouhan said that the residents of Indore have included cleanliness in their nature. The people there are aware and active about the cleanliness of their city. In Bhopal too, we all have to take up cleanliness activities with responsibility. By working with the spirit of ‘Bhopal Family’, we can establish Bhopal at the highest position in cleanliness. It is clear from the cooperation of the public that has come to the

fore, after the call for public participation in the operation of Anganwadis, that the people of Bhopal will definitely set a record in the field of cleanliness in collaboration with the government.

The Chief Minister was addressing the Swachhata Samman Samaroha organized by the Municipal Corporation at Ravindra Bhawan. Chouhan inaugurated this dignified programme with kanya-pujan. Urban Development and Housing Minister and Bhopal district in-charge Minister Bhupendra Singh, Medical Education Minister Vishwas Sarang, MLA Krishna Gaur, former Mayor Alok Sharma were present.

Chouhan honoured the residents’ unions, trade unions and Hawkers’ Corners for

doing remarkable work in the field of cleanliness. Chief Minister Chouhan interacted with the sanitation workers and volunteers making special contribution in cleanliness and motivated the residents associations to bring Bhopal to the first place in the cleanliness survey by being active in cleanliness activities.

Chouhan asked the people present not to throw the garbage of houses on the road, to separate wet and dry garbage, to put the household garbage in the Municipal Corporation vehicle, not to use plastic bags and resolve to use only cloth bags. Chouhan said that by doing this we can start a new tradition for cleanliness.

The Chief Minister said that this programme is a tribute to the people who are

working in the field of cleanliness in Bhopal. Such programmes inspire such people. Along with this, other people are also inspired to unite for social work. Chief Minister Chouhan called upon people to visit the Anganwadi of their areas once a week. He said that people should spend time with children of Anganwadi on birthdays, marriage anniversaries, remembrance of family members and on such occasions offer material and food grains to them. This public participation will also improve the nutritional level of the children.

Chouhan said that it is necessary to make power conservation a subject for debate. A subsidy of Rs 22,800 crore is being given

to provide electricity at low price in the state. If we are sensitive towards saving electricity, then about Rs 4 thousand crore of electricity can be saved. This amount can be used in other development works and public welfare schemes of the state. This amount can be used in other development works and public welfare schemes of the state. Presenting his own example, Chouhan said, “I don’t allow wastage of electricity even in CM House - I check this myself.” Every person has to take a vow not to allow wastage of power in his home, workplace and office. Chouhan said that Urja Saksharta Abhiyan would be effectively launched from Bhopal.



Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan with BJP State President VD Sharma performs puja during the inauguration of BJP Election Management office, ahead of the local bodies election, at BJP State headquarters in Bhopal on Friday. Pioneer photo



Congress State President Kamal Nath with senior party leader and Rajya Sabha MP Digvijay Singh pays tribute to first Prime Minister Pt Jawaharlal Nehru on his 58th death anniversary in Bhopal on Friday. Pioneer photo

CM praises arrangements of Shujalpur Hospital

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that the work of the people should be done within the time limit without taking anything from them, this is good governance. CM Helpline, Governance One-Day, CM Online are efforts towards ensuring this.

CM Helpline has to be made an effective tool of good governance. In this age of information technology, why should people have to visit government offices for their work? Such a system has to be established so that people's work is done through phone or online and people feel relieved.

Chief Minister Chouhan was reviewing the development activities, implementation of public welfare schemes and law and order situation in Shajapur district. School Education Minister Inder Singh Parmar virtually participated in the review from the residence

office at 6:30 am. All the administrative and police officers of the district including Shajapur Collector Dinesh Jain were virtually connected. Chief Minister Chouhan also gave necessary instructions to Principal Secretary Energy Sanjay Dubey and Director General of Police Sudhir Saxena by virtually connecting them.

Chouhan appreciated Shajapur district for being included in the top five districts in resolving the cases registered in the CM Helpline. Chouhan said that Shajapur district should try to become a role model in good governance. An information system should be developed at the district level to get immediate information about development works, public welfare schemes and those who commit corruption at the police station level. Strict action should be taken against the officers and employees against whom there are complaints of corruption or

delay in work. Establish a system of providing protection and encouragement by the state government to those who work honestly and diligently.

The Chief Minister reviewed the innovation, drinking water supply status, ration distribution, works of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, health system, operation of Anganwadis, Amrit Sarovar Yojana and law and order situation in the district. Chouhan also received information about the ongoing activities in one district-one product, works carried out to encourage women self-help groups. He said that Anganwadis have to be developed as centres of education, health, sports and culture. Shajapur district should take it as task. Chouhan praised the arrangements made in Shujalpur Hospital.

The Chief Minister said that energy literacy campaign was started from Shajapur district itself. Therefore, to save electricity, Shajapur district

should establish a model in the entire state. Collector Shajapur informed that students’ clubs have been formed in all the schools and colleges of the district for saving electricity. Special instructions have been given to the officers and employees to not use unnecessary electricity in government offices. Chouhan said that continuity is necessary in efforts to save electricity, care should be taken that there is no laxity in the campaign.

Chouhan directed to review the reasons for early burning of transformers at the state level after receiving complaints of early burning of transformers due to overload. Chouhan said that the complaints of corruption in changing transformers are serious, for this a transparent system should be established. Principal Secretary Energy Sanjay Dubey informed that the Energy Department has arranged for transformer testing in its own NABL Lab.

ISKCON organising Youth Festival ‘Uphaar’ on May 28 and 29

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

ISKCON BHEL Bhopal is going to organize youth festival ‘Uphaar’ on May 28 and 29 for the youth. The country’s famous motivational speaker Amogh Leela Das will address the Youth Fest. Youth Fest will be held at LNCT College Auditorium on Saturday 28 May at 3 pm.

On the second day, on Sunday, 29th May, Uphaar Youth Fest will be held at BHEL Cultural Hall, Gate No. 4, Near Insurance Hospital, Indrapuri. ISKCON BHEL President Rasanand Das said that both the programs are free, but registration is necessary. He told that Amogh Leela Prabhu will tell in the Youth Festival how success can be achieved while studying in his student life. How to manage your spiritual life and professional life.

Will participate in a seminar organized under

The country’s famous motivational speaker Amogh Leela Das will address the Youth Fest

Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), at Arera Club at 7:30 pm on Sunday itself. In this seminar, he will tell the eminent industrialists and business study students of Bhopal how to overcome the stress and difficulties in their business.

The country’s famous motivational speaker Amogh Leela Das is also the Vice President of ISKCON, Dwarka Delhi and Guest Faculty of IIM Ahmedabad.

Amogh Lil Prabhu was a software engineer before joining Spiritual Life. He has worked with many international companies.

Panchayat polls in three phases in MP

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

The dates for the Panchayat elections in Madhya Pradesh have been announced. The State Election Commission has announced the election of panchayats in three stages in a press conference on Friday.

Panchayat elections will be held in three phases. Polling will be held in the first phase on June 25, in the second phase on July 1 and in the third phase on July 8. The voting time will be from 7 am to 3 pm. Panchayat elections will not be held by EVM. The election will be held through ballot papers. The tabulation of counting of votes for the posts of Panch, Sarpanch, Janpad Panchayat member and election results will be held on July 14.

The block level tabulation of votes for the post of Zilla

Panchayat member will be held on July 14. At the same time, the votes for the post of Zilla Panchayat member and election result will be declared on July 15 at the district headquarters.

With the announcement of the election schedule of the commission, the model code of conduct has become effective in rural areas from Friday. However, it will not have any effect in the urban body.

The elections will be held for 4 lakh posts. Nominations can be filed from May 30. The last date for withdrawal of nominations is June 10 till 3 pm. The tenure of 91 panchayats will end in November, after which their elections will be held. In a press conference, the State Election Commissioner said that the state government has done the reservation of the panchayats and given it to us.

Teacurry combines Ayurvedic wisdom and modern-day technology

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

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Principal Secretary of School Education department Rashmi Arun Shami addresses a CM rise school leader training programme in Bhopal on Sunday. Pioneer photo

Yashodhara Raje Scindia calls on Union Sports Minister Anurag Thakur

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Sports and Youth Welfare Minister Yashodhara Raje Scindia met Union Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Anurag Thakur in New Delhi on Friday and apprised him of the sports activities of Madhya Pradesh. Union Minister Anurag Thakur also unveiled the calendar based on the infrastructure created by the Madhya Pradesh Sports Department.

Sports Minister Scindia told Union Minister Thakur that an international level sports complex is being built at Barkheda Nathu near Bhopal. Madhya Pradesh has made a special identity in sports at the international

Scindia told Union Minister Thakur that an international level sports complex is being built at Barkheda Nathu near Bhopal

level. Under the leadership of Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan international level facilities, infrastructure and coaches are available to the players of Madhya Pradesh. Scindia said that it is our goal to develop Madhya Pradesh as a sports hub. Barkheda

Nathu Sports Complex will be the first of its kind in the country to be built as per the standards of the World Championship. The stadium being built for each game will have its own distinct international identity.

Appreciating the sports activities and infrastructure development works of Madhya Pradesh, Union Sports Minister Thakur assured all cooperation.

Union Minister Thakur also saw the PPT presentation of International Sports Complex to be constructed at Barkheda Nathu. Principal Secretary, Sports and Youth Welfare Deepti Gaud Mukherjee and Director Sports Ravi Kumar Gupta were present.

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Sr. No.	Customer ID / No.	Customer Name	Location / Place	Sr. No.	Customer ID / No.	Customer Name	Location / Place
1	101394879	Devendra Raghunwanshi	Ashok Nagar	37	102735441	Jaswant Singh	Dhokheda
2	101992746	Rahul	Badnagar	38	102801774	Manoj Chouhan	Dhokheda
3	102829297	Sanchay Jaiswal	Balwadi	39	102842489	Prankur	Dhokheda
4	102881141	Pranjal Mahajan	Balwadi	40	100949380	Amrit Verma	Gadarwara
5	101067483	Yashpal Raghunwanshi	Basoda	41	102198792	Rupali Kaurav	Gadarwara
6	101243346	Amit Kushwaha	Basoda	42	102277407	Rajesh Kumar Vishwakarma	Gadarwara
7	101319414	Meharavan Singh	Basoda	43	102306290	Atul Patel	Gadarwara
8	101346038	Ramnarain	Basoda	44	101136366	Suresh Kumar Rajoriya	Gurupiparia
9	102787747	Arjun	Basoda	45	101919889	Akash Tiwari	Gurupiparia
10	102805365	Aman Yadav	Basoda	46	102873414	Sandeep Mehre	Gurupiparia
11	102831098	Pramod	Basoda	47	100862085	Rajkumar	Itarsi
12	102840945	Udhram Singh Yadav	Basoda	48	101045903	Sunny Kumar Chelani	Itarsi
13	102870114	Deepak Malviya	Basoda	49	101627467	Devendra Mehra	Itarsi
14	102883234	Rajendra Malviya	Basoda	50	101795994	Manish Malaviya	Itarsi
15	102857035	Jitendra Singh	Bheel Khedi	51	102840449	Ketan Shinde	Itarsi
16	102881977	Mahendra Parmar	Bheel Khedi	52	102905729	Mohammad Shahid	Itarsi
17	102901217	Raja Shaikh	Dewas	53	101927185	Shashank Naidu	Jabalpur
18	102063059	Gopal Kaiam	Dhar	54	101952436	Gambhir Singh Dikhit	Jabalpur
19	102829951	Mahesh Jat	Dhar	55	102838115	Digvijay Singh	Jabalpur
20	102839457	Narayan Singh Sisodiya	Dhar	56	102374005	Yuvraj	Kaji Khedi
21	102871734	Vinod Baniya	Dhar	57	102615727	Rahul Rathod	Khedi
22	102917230	Jitendra	Dhar			Mahmudabad	
23	102921387	Dashrath	Dhar	58	101692345	Manoj Kumar	Khurai
24	101219808	Laxmi Narayan Maheshwari	Dhokheda	59	102931402	Bhupendra Vaidya	Khurai
25	101241991	Madho Singh Garwal	Dhokheda	60	101069731	Pushpraj Soni	Mandideep
26	101255561	Vinay Kumar Thakur	Dhokheda	61	101070413	Thanasingh	Mandideep
27	101419685	Rakesh Kumar	Dhokheda	62	101123310	Manoj Malviya	Mandideep
28	101424500	Girdhar Singh Dhakad	Dhokheda	63	102840475	Ram Babu Jatav	Narela Bazyaft
29	101629861	Sitaram Dhakar	Dhokheda	64	102844638	Hari Singh	Narela Bazyaft
30	101657919	Premshankar Dhakad	Dhokheda	65	101423225	Pramod Patel	Nayakheda
31	102213978	Rajendra Thakur	Dhokheda	66	101434795	Ajamer Singh Badkrur	Nayakheda
32	102464115	Mamteswar Choudhari	Dhokheda	67	102141118	Pankaj Kumar	Nayakheda
33	102382776	Rajendra Rai	Dhokheda	68	102018092	Mangilal Gurjar	Pachore
34	102466254	Bablu Dhakad	Dhokheda	69	102464619	Ajab Singh Sisodiya	Pachore
35	102586059	Rajendra Patel	Dhokheda	70	102477946	Sureka Sisodiya	Pachore
36	102719196	Anurag Kumar Dhakad	Dhokheda	71	102589568	Sakshi Bhaneriya	Pachore

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Need to help Af combat terror groups, says Doval



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE/AGENCIES ■ NEW DELHI/DUSHANBE

India is an important stakeholder in Afghanistan and favours strengthening its capability to fight terrorism and terrorist groups posing a threat to peace and security in the region, National Security Advisor (NSA) Ajit Doval said on Friday.

Underlining these points, he also said India has always stood by the people of Afghanistan while speaking at the 4th Regional Security Dialogue on Afghanistan in Dushanbe, Tajikistan. His counterparts from Tajikistan, Russia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Iran, Kyrgyzstan and China also took part in the high-profile conclave.

His assertions came in the backdrop of India providing humanitarian assistance to the war-torn Afghanistan after the Taliban took control last August. India has committed to provide more than 50,000 metric tons of food grains including wheat to Afghanistan.

India has already provided 17,000 metric tons of wheat to

Afghanistan through the land route via Pakistan, 5,00,000 doses of Covaxin, 13 tonnes of essential life saving medicines and winter clothing as well as 60 million doses of polio vaccine.

In his address, Doval said India was and is an important stakeholder in Afghanistan and called for enhancing the capability of the war-torn country to counter terrorism and terrorist groups which pose a threat to regional peace and security.

Tracing the ties between the two countries, he said India has historical and civilisational relations with Afghanistan and New Delhi has always stood by the people of Afghanistan and it will continue to guide India's approach. "The special relationship with the people of Afghanistan over centuries will guide India's approach. Nothing can change

this," Doval said.

The top security officials, who discussed the situation in Afghanistan and the region, highlighted the need to find constructive ways to ensure peace and stability in Afghanistan and combating risks from terrorism emanating from the region, sources said. "There is a need for all present at the dialogue to enhance capability of Afghanistan to counter terrorism and terrorist groups which pose a threat to regional peace and security," Doval said.

He said the foremost priority should be the right to life and a dignified living as well as protection of human rights of all the people in Afghanistan. "Assistance should be accessible to all, respect for all obligations under international humanitarian law should be ensured," he added. India has focused on infrastructure, connectivity and humanitarian assistance in Afghanistan over the decades.

Doval also highlighted the need for representation of all sections of Afghan society including women and minorities so that the collective energies of the largest possible pro-

portion of the Afghan population feel motivated to contribute to nation building.

"Women and youth are critical for the future of any society. Provision of education to girls and employment to women and youth will ensure productivity and spur growth. It will also have a positive social impact including discouraging radical ideologies among youth," he said.

"With collective efforts of Regional Dialogue members, we can help proud people of Afghanistan to build a prosperous and vibrant nation once again," he said.

Doval also met his counterparts from Iran, Tajikistan, Russia and other partners in the Dialogue on the sidelines of the meeting.

The dialogue is aimed at firming up a common approach for practical cooperation in confronting increasing threats of terrorism, radicalisation and drug trafficking following the Taliban's takeover of Kabul in August last.

New Delhi had hosted the third dialogue in November 2021 which was attended by eight nations including Iran and Russia.

ED summons Farooq for money laundering



PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has summoned former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Farooq Abdullah on May 31 at its Srinagar office in connection with a money laundering case linked to alleged financial irregularities in the Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association.

The ED had questioned Abdullah in connection with the multi-crore Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) scam case earlier as well.

Abdullah (84), a three-time Chief Minister of the erstwhile Jammu and Kashmir State and is the President of the National Conference besides being a Lok Sabha MP. His statement was recorded in the same case in 2019.

Political parties in the valley said the summons were

"common to all opposition" leaders in the country.

Reacting to the development, National Conference (NC), said the veteran leader would continue to cooperate with the authorities like he has done in the past.

"ED summons to JKNC President Dr Farooq Abdullah is nothing new; this is common for all opposition parties in India. He has continued to maintain his innocence in the matter and has cooperated with the investigative agencies and will do so in this case as well," the NC posted on Twitter.

Between 2011 and 2012, the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) had given Rs 112 crore to the state cricket association for the promotion of the game in Jammu and Kashmir. It was alleged that Rs 46.30 crore from the grant was misappropriated.

ED attaches ₹62.70 cr immovable properties of Maha-based firm



PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has attached immovable properties of Maharashtra-based Nipko Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd. worth Rs 62.70 crore in a money laundering case linked to a bank fraud.

The ED had initiated money laundering investigation in 2020 on the basis of an FIR registered by the Anti-Corruption Branch, CBI, Pune, wherein a complaint was filed against Nipko Engineering, its director Narendra Achyut Rao Korde and unknown officials of Andhra Bank and other persons for a bank fraud of about Rs 72.99 crore.

"The modus operandi used for laundering the funds was that the accused obtained false/fake purchase orders from different companies/ firms and

thereafter prepared forged supporting documents like invoices, delivery challans, goods receipts notes etc. to show the genuine transactions of goods between the companies," the ED said in a statement.

Thereafter, these documents along with application for bill discounting were submitted to Andhra Bank. Then other associates like directors/proprietors/authorized signatories of fictitious buyer companies used to give acceptance of the said bills to their respective banks wherein no physical transactions of goods were done, it said.

The said fake bills were discounted and amounts were credited in the companies' account of Korde. The funds generated were further laundered in the guise of payment to third parties / fictitious firms and cash withdrawal.

CBI grills Karti for 8 hrs in visa-for-bribe scam

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The CBI on Friday questioned Lok Sabha MP Karti Chidambaram for nearly eight hours on the second consecutive day in connection with alleged bribery of Rs 50 lakh in the issuance of visas for 263 Chinese workers in 2011 when his father P Chidambaram was the Union Home Minister.

The Congress MP who arrived at the CBI headquarters in the morning was confronted with documents related to

the case, officials said.

The CBI had registered a fresh FIR on May 14 against him and others on allegations of a bribe of Rs 50 lakh being paid to him and his close associate and Chartered Accountant S Bhaskararaman by a top executive of Vedanta Group company Talwandi Sabo Power Ltd. (TSPL), which was setting up a power plant in Punjab for re-issuance of project visas for 263 Chinese workers employed there, the CBI FIR said.

ED books WB coal scamster

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate has arrested an accused in a money laundering case linked to illegal coal mining in West Bengal, Gurupada Majhi.

Majhi was arrested on Thursday and produced before Rouse Avenue court here that granted his seven-day custody.



Gurupada Majhi is one of the partners of Anup Majee alias Lala (kingpin of illegal coal mining business activities in West Bengal) and has received more than Rs. 66 crore from the Proceed of Crime (PoC) generated through illegal coal mining business.

Further, Gurupada Majhi had provided Rs 26 crore in cash to a Kolkata based chartered accountant for arranging shell companies for the purpose of taking accommodation e n t r i e s . In this process, Gurupada Majhi had acquired 13 shell companies with the help of the said Kolkata-based CA.

Rajnath lauds Navy for high state of readiness to meet any threat

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI /KARWAR(KARNATAKA)

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday undertook a sea sortie on submarine INS Khanderi and lauded the Navy for maintaining high state of readiness and offensive capability to meet any threat.

After spending hours under the sea, witnessing the combat capabilities and offensive strength of the submarine, he termed the experience as "wonderful and thrilling", and said, he is more assured of India's security.

He also said operational readiness and preparations are not a provocation to any aggression but a guarantee of peace and security in Indian Ocean region. The Defence Minister made these observations during his two-day visit to Karwar starting Thursday.

The Karwar naval base is spread over 11,000 acres and is home to lone aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya. The base is being developed under Project Seabird and plans are to base more than 30 warships and

submarines there by the end of 2025. The indigenously designed and built INS Vikrant, likely to be inducted into the Navy this August, will also be based at Karwar.

INS Khanderi was built at the Mazagon Docks Limited(MDL), Mumbai in collaboration with France.

He was given a first-hand insight into the combat capabilities and offensive strength of the state-of-the-art Kalvari class submarine. For over four hours, the full spectrum of capabilities of underwater operations of the stealth submarine was demonstrated to him, officials said here later.

The day-at-sea also provided him a glimpse of the submarine's capability to effectively counter anti-submarine operations by an adversary. Navy chief Admiral R Hari Kumar and other senior officials of Indian Navy and Ministry of Defence were also present.

Interacting with media persons after the sortie, Rajnath said, "Today, Indian Navy is counted among the frontline navies of the world. Today, the



world's largest maritime forces are ready to work and cooperate with India."

He described 'INS Khanderi' as a shining example of the 'Make in India' capabilities of the country and appreciated the fact that 39 of the 41 ships and submarines ordered by the Indian Navy are being built in Indian shipyards.

He, however, assured that the preparations being made by the Indian Navy are not a provocation to any aggression, but a guarantee of peace and security in the Indian Ocean region. The operational sortie was accompanied by the

deployment of ships of the Western Fleet, an anti-submarine mission sortie by a P-8I MPA and Sea King helicopter, a fly past by MiG 29-K fighters and a search and rescue capability demonstration.

With this, the defence minister has now witnessed first-hand the three-dimensional combat capability of Indian Navy, after having embarked INS Vikramaditya in September 2019 and conducting a sortie on the P-8I Long Range Maritime Reconnaissance Anti-Submarine Warfare aircraft earlier this month.

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Statement of Audited Financial Results for the year ended 31 March 2022					
Particulars	Quarter ended 31 March 2022	Quarter ended 31 March 2021	Quarter ended 31 December 2021	Year ended 31 March 2022	Year ended 31 March 2021
	(Unaudited) (refer note 5)	(Unaudited) (refer note 5)	(Unaudited) (refer note 5)	Audited	Audited
	INR in millions				
Total Income from Operations	407	409	334	1,447	1,461
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	142	139	86	423	312
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	142	139	86	423	312
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	122	169	68	346	365
Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	122	169	68	346	365
Paid up Equity Share Capital	133	133	133	133	133
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	2,682	2,336	2,559	2,682	2,336
Equity component of compulsory convertible debentures	1,144	1,144	1,144	1,144	1,144
Net worth**	3,959	3,613	3,836	3,959	3,613
Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt*	6,079	6,448	6,270	6,079	6,448
Debt Equity Ratio *	2.35	2.61	2.51	2.31	2.55
Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)					
1. Basic :	5.35	7.41	2.98	15.17	15.97
2. Diluted :	5.35	7.41	2.98	15.17	15.97
Debt Redemption Reserve *	270	304	286	270	304
Debt Service Coverage Ratio *	(1.35)	2.41	0.20	0.53	1.73
Interest Service Coverage Ratio	2.31	2.24	1.92	2.05	2.21
Disclosures pursuant to Regulations 52(4) and 52(7) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.					
Credit Rating : IND AA+ (CE)					
Change in credit rating : No					
Asset Coverage Ratio : 167% (31 March, 2021 : 164%)					
Debt Equity ratio : mentioned above					
Debt Service Coverage Ratio : mentioned above					
Interest Service Coverage Ratio : mentioned above					
Previous due date for the payment of interest/ repayment of principal of non convertible debt securities and whether the same has been paid or not (as on 31 March, 2022)					
Previous due date for the payment of interest : 31 March, 2022 and the same was paid					
Previous due date for the payment of principal : 31 March, 2022 and the same was paid					
Next due date for the payment of interest/ repayment of principal of non convertible debt securities (as on 30 September, 2022)					
Next due date for the payment of interest : 30 June, 2022					
Next due date for the payment of principal : 30 September, 2022					
Outstanding redeemable preference shares (Quantity and Value) : Not Applicable					
Net Worth ** (31 March, 2022) : INR 3,959 (31 March, 2021 : INR 3,613)					
Net profit after tax : mentioned above					
Earning per share : mentioned above					
Debt Redemption Reserve (31 March, 2022) : INR 270 (31 March, 2021 : INR 304)					
There are no material deviation in the use of proceeds of issue of Non Convertible Debentures from the objects stated in the offer document (Regulations 52(7))					
Notes :					
1. Ratios have been computed as follows:					
- Earning per share (Basic & Diluted) = Profit after Tax / Weighted average number of equity shares					
- Debt Equity Ratio* = Debt (Amount due to Debenture Holders) / Equity (Equity share capital + share premium + quasi equity i.e. Short term borrowing but excluding unamortize fees)					
- Interest Service Coverage Ratio = Profit before interest, prior period items, tax, extraordinary items and depreciation / (Total Interest Expense).					
- Debt Service Coverage Ratio* = ((PAT based on Project Revenues realised (excluding non-cash adjustment, if any) + Depreciation + Interest (Interest, Guarantee Fees, other financing costs payable under Debenture and Project Documents)) / (Interest + Principal Repayment+Guarantee fee).					
- Asset Coverage Ratio = (Total Assets) / Debt (Amount due to Debenture Holders)					
*As per Debenture Trust Deed dated 20 September, 2017.					
** Networth represents issued subscribed and paid up capital plus reserves and surplus. Reserves and Surplus includes Capital reserve, General reserve, Debenture redemption reserve, Securities premium account and Profit and loss account balance.					
2. The company is in the business of development and operation of solar power. There is only one segment (business and/or geographical) in accordance with the requirements of IND AS - 108 "Operating Segments".					
3. The above financial results of the Company for the quarter and for the period ended March 31, 2022 have been approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at the meeting held on 27-May-2022. The statutory auditors of the company have carried out the limited review of the above unaudited financial results of the Company for the quarter and audited financial results of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2022.					
4. The figures of the last quarter are balancing figures between audited figures in respect of the full financial year upto March 31, 2022 and the unaudited published year-to-date figures upto December 31, 2021, being the date of the end of the third quarter of the financial year which were subject to limited review.					
5. The figures of the quarter ended March 31, 2021 are the unaudited and unreviewed management internal reporting figures . However, management has exercised necessary due diligence to ensure that the financial results for the periods provide a true and fair view of the Company's affairs.					
For and on behalf of ReNew Akshay Urja Limited (Sd./) Rahul Jain Managing Director, DIN : 07641891					
Place : Gurugram Date : 27 May, 2022					

Rifle and helmet at Amar Jawan Jyoti shifted to War Memorial

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The iconic Inverted Rifle and Helmet at Amar Jawan Jyoti, India Gate, was on Friday shifted by the armed forces in a ceremony to the National War Memorial. Symbol of Fallen Soldiers of 1971 war, the Rifle and Helmet are now installed in the midst of busts of Param Vir Chakra awardees.

With this process, integration of Memorial of Fallen Soldiers of 1971 war with the National War Memorial is complete, the defence ministry said here on Friday. The ceremony was led by Chief of Integrated

Defence Staff to Chairman, Chiefs of Staff Committee(CISC) Air Marshal BR Krishna and attended by Adjutant General(AG) equivalents from three Services.

As part of the ceremony, a final salute was given and the CISC offered a wreath at India Gate. Thereafter, the Inverted Rifle and Helmet was removed and carried in a ceremonial vehicle to the Param Yodha Sthal and installed at a newly created monument. The CISC accompanied by the AGs equivalents from three Services presented a salute to the new monument.

Southwest monsoon expected to reach Kerala in 3 days: IMD

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) on Friday said the southwest monsoon is expected to reach Kerala during the next two to three days.

Earlier, the IMD had forecast the onset over Kerala on Friday (May 27) with help from the remnants of Cyclone Asani, that struck the Bay of Bengal a fortnight ago. The forecast had a model error of four days. However, the influence of the remnant weather systems, that lingered over the

southern peninsula, petered out, dashing the forecast of early onset over Kerala and a swift progress towards the north, the IMD said.

"As per the latest meteorological indications, westerly winds have strengthened in the lower levels over the south Arabian Sea and deepened.

As per satellite imagery, there is an increase in cloudiness over Kerala coast and adjoining southeast Arabian Sea. Hence, conditions are becoming favourable for monsoon onset over Kerala during the next 2-3 days," the IMD said.

India, Hungary review entire spectrum of bilateral ties

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

India and Hungary on Friday reviewed the entire spectrum of their bilateral ties and global affairs including Ukraine during the bilateral meeting here between External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and his counterpart Peter Szijarto. The two sides also inked a pact on international solar alliance. Jaishankar thanked him for Hungarian support for Operation Ganga and its offer to admit evacuated Indian medical students in Hungarian universities.

Hungary facilitated airlift of Indian nationals including medical students from Ukraine soon after the Russian military action started in late February. Many Indians crossed over to Hungary from Ukraine when the offensive commenced. The evacuation was named Operation Ganga in which more than 20,000 Indian nationals were brought out from Ukraine including 6,000 from Hungary. Meanwhile, Jaishankar in a tweet message regarding his talks with Szijar also "recalled Hungary's early recognition of Covaxin and openness to travel arrangements."

On his part, the visiting Foreign Minister said Hungary on Friday joined the international alliance of solar energy launched by India and France.



"We hope that with your corporation we can further accelerate our investment in solar energy," he said.

The two sides signed two contracts including development of trade and on attracting investment. Szijar said there is going to be an energy supply cri-

sis in Europe and globally may be as well. "And those countries will be safe who can produce the most of energy they consumed," he said. The Hungarian minister noted that economic corporation between India and Hungary has been hitting records.

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Anti-terrorist operations intensify ahead of June 30 Amarnath Yatra

In the last 24 hours the security forces have gunned down four LeT terrorists in two operations

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

In order to check the targeted killing of innocent civilians the security forces have intensified anti terrorist operations to flush out fresh crop of local terrorists and their 'hybrid' associates in Kashmir valley to ensure peaceful conduct of the Amarnath yatra starting June 30.

In the last 24 hours the security forces have gunned down four Lashkar-e-Toiba terrorists in two back to back operations including those behind the cold blooded murder of famous Kashmiri TV artist Amreen Bhat in Chadoora area of Budgam. Besides, 01 hybrid terrorist has been arrested along with arms/ammunition in Bemina area of Srinagar.

In the coming days the security grid is also going to finalise the comprehensive deployment plan of additional

companies of the para military forces along the entire yatra route to plug any gaps.

According to official sources the Union Home Ministry has given its nod to deploy more than 300 additional companies across transit camps, base camps, and security checkpoints along the yatra route. IGP Kashmir Shri Vijay Kumar Friday congratulated the joint teams of security forces for their valour and determination to neutralize and avenge the killing of artist Amreen Bhat within 24hrs. He also termed these operations as a big success and said that during past three days 10 terrorists including 3 from JeM and 7 from LeT proscribed terror outfits have been neutralized in the Kashmir valley.

According to a spokesman of the Jammu and Kashmir police, at around 9.33 p.m on a specific input generated by Awantipora Police regarding presence of terrorists in village Aghanzipora area of Awantipora, a joint cordon & search operation was launched by Police, Army (55RR) and CRPF (130Bn) in the said area. During the operation, as the joint search party was laying

cordon around a cluster of houses, the hiding terrorists fired indiscriminately upon search party which was retaliated leading to an encounter. In the ensuing encounter, two local terrorists identified as Shahid Mushtaq Bhat resident of Hafroo Chadoora, Budgam and Farhan Habib resident of Hakripora, Pulwama linked with proscribed terror outfit LeT were killed and their bodies were retrieved from the site of encounter.

While interacting with media, IGP Kashmir Vijay Kumar said that both the killed terrorists had joined terror ranks recently and were involved in killing of artist Amreen Bhat in Chadoora area of Budgam on the directions of LeT Commander Lateef.

Meanwhile, in Soura area of Srinagar, a special & small team of Srinagar Police also launched a cordon and search operation in the said area. During the search, as the presence of terrorists was ascertained and search party proceeded towards suspected spot the hiding terrorists fired indiscriminately upon search party which was retaliated leading to an encounter.

In the ensuing encounter, two terrorists of proscribed terror outfit LeT were killed and their bodies were retrieved from the site of encounter. They have been identified as Shakir Ahmad Waza and Afreen Aftab Malik both residents of Trenz Shopian.

As per police records both the killed terrorist were categorized terrorists and were part of groups involved in several terror crime cases including attacks on Police and security forces. Incriminating materials, huge cache of arms & ammunition was recovered from both the sites of encounter. All the recovered materials have been taken into case records for further investigation.

According to a police spokesman, "Srinagar Police along with security forces also arrested one hybrid terrorist of proscribed terror outfit LeT from Bemina area along with arms and ammunition.

Preliminary investigation revealed that, the arrested accused was working as a hybrid terrorist of proscribed terror outfit LeT outfit and was involved in delivering pistols in Srinagar City to carry out targeted killings.

Gujarat has become gateway of drugs to country: Congress

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's home state of Gujarat has become the "gateway of drugs" to the country under his watch, the Congress alleged on Friday, questioning the "silence" of the PM and Home Minister Amit Shah.

Congress spokesperson Pawan Khara said there has been a series of recoveries of drug consignments starting from July, 2017 right up to this week from several ports including Mundra and Pupavav in the state. Just on Thursday, 52 kilograms of cocaine, worth Rs 500 crore, was recovered from Mundra Port that had come from Iran, he alleged at the AICC Press conference.

When under "pressure from the Congress", the Mundra port had announced they will not handle cargos from Iran, Pakistan and Afghanistan, then how the latest consignment of cocaine was recovered from there, he asked.

Khara said the Congress had to question the govern-



ment on the post of Narcotics Control Bureau head lying vacant for 18 months, before the appointment was made under "pressure" from the opposition party.

He alleged Gujarat has become a 'gateway of drugs' to the country under the watch of PM Modi and Home Minister Shah.

"This is a prime minister who talks more and does less. On this particular issue, (he has said) not a word. Why this silence?" Congress leader said drugs cannot be traded just at a retail level and this trade is always a part of larger global syndicates which enjoy active political patronage in whichever country they operate.

Under this government, Khara alleged, the NCB, Enforcement Directorate, CBI and other agencies have been reduced to dealing with "retail politics" and are being "mis-used" by the ruling dispensation against political opponents.

Instead of "forcing" these agencies to deal into "retail politics", the government should allow them to focus more on recovering the wholesale drug consignments that are coming, he said. He also referred to a major smuggling of drugs that allegedly happened in June, 2021 and "did not get caught". He said it involved consignments of 25 tonnes and costing around Rs 1,75,000 crore.

CM Yogi rebuts Opp charges on crime, jobs

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Friday rebutted the charges of Opposition on zero tolerance towards crime, employment, and free food grains. The Chief Minister also accused the opposition of double standards by questioning the EVM (electronic voting machines).

"Leader of the Opposition is insulting the people's mandate. The people have returned the Bharatiya Janata Party to power due to its hard work and welfare works done for the people by the government.

"The people know who has laid the foundation of development works and which government actually completed the work. After 37 years a government has been voted back to power in Uttar Pradesh", the chief minister said in UP Vidhan Sabha on Friday while replying to the debate on the motion of thanks to Governor Anandiben Patel's address to the joint sitting of the UP legislature.



Jeweller's wife, son stabbed to death in broad daylight

PRADEEP SAXENA ■ ALIGARH

A 37-year-old mother and her 8-year-old son were stabbed to death with knives in broad daylight in the densely populated Surendra Nagar of Qwarsi police station area of the city. Both were alone in the house at the time of the incident and the miscreants left after killing them. When the news of the incident that took place in the afternoon spread in the area, the entire staff, including the SSP, reached the spot. The police was engaged in the investigation and are probing all angles including robbery and enmity. On behalf of the jewelers, a complaint has been given expressing the suspicion of murder in the ongoing dispute with the sister-in-law.

Lalit Saraf, originally a resident of Bijauli village of Palimukimpur, has been living here for more than a decade in a house on the street opposite Singhal Sadan and has a shop in the name of Radhika Jewelers at Phool Chowk. The

house is survived by 37-year-old wife Shikha Verma, eight-year-old son Digwanshu alias Govinda, besides two elder daughters. At the time of incident, the daughters had gone to Mathura at aunt's house. Lalit was at the shop. During this, two masked people entered the house and killed both of them and left.

The news of this incident spread after neighbors peeped into the house. Lalit himself reached here on information. Police officers including SSP Kalandihi Naithani also reached. Two masked men entering and exiting the house have been found imprisoned in CCTV. Several cupboards in the house were open and items were found scattered in them.

Lalit has expressed suspicion of murder in the ongoing dispute with sister-in-law during interrogation. A complaint has been



lodged against the sister-in-law and her future husband on suspicion of murder. The police is investigating both the rivalry murder and the robbery aspects. There is also a possibility that the goods were spread to show the incident as loot or to find something.

Kalandihi Naithani, SSP told that the murder of jeweller's wife and son in Saraf's house has been taken seriously. In the investigation and interrogation so far, the matter of murder has come to the fore. Five teams have been formed. All the teams have been instructed to investigate on every aspect. Soon this matter will be revealed.

Now, ED begins probe in SSC recruitment scam

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

After the Central Bureau of Investigation it is the turn of the Enforcement Directorate to take a look into the high-profile Bengal School Services Commission recruitment scam that has already sucked into its vortex two TMC ministers and a bevy of retired bureaucrats, Vice Chancellors etal.

After perusing the Justice RK Bag Commission report and conducting a preliminary inquiry the ED is known to have registered a case and sought all the details including the copy of the FIR from the CBI which is currently investigating the case following a Calcutta High Court order.

The ED was drawn into the case following reports that hundreds of crores were invested in flats, international schools and other real estates including separate ken-

nels for a minister's pets both within and outside Bengal. According to sources a whopping Rs 15,000 crore or more might have changed hands in the job-for-money scam.

Justice Bag Committee created by the High Court had earlier submitted a damaging 1,500 page report in which it not only showed how fake candidates were given appointments by-passing the merit-listed aspirants at various levels of the recruitment — including Groups C, D, secondary and higher secondary teachers — but it declared appointment of a designated 5-member screening committee created by then Education Minister Partho Chatterjee as totally illegal.

The judicial Panel also recommended criminal proceedings against those guilty leading both the single and the division bench of the High Court to order CBI investigation into the recruitment

scam. Subsequently the Court also ordered the dismissal of Ankita Adhikari the daughter of Minister of State for Education Paresw Adhikari who allegedly topped the merit list of aspiring teachers for Class XI-XII despite securing lesser numbers from her fellow aspirants.

Referring to the new development, senior Trinamool Congress parliamentarian Saugata Roy said that ED's entry into the case was a sheer example of vindictive politics of the Centre. "I do not know whether the High Court order cannot be misinterpreted as the Court had ordered the CBI to probe the matter whereas the ED has not entered the scene ... this indicates vindictive politics of the Centre," he said.

Meanwhile, Congress Lok Sabha Leader Adhir Chhodhury hit out at Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee for harbouring a whole galaxy of corrupt ministers.

3rd model commits 'suicide' in Kolkata

PNS ■ KOLKATA

A third model was on Friday found dead in mysterious conditions in a matter of little more than a week.

Model-cum-small time television actress Manjushri Neyogi was found hanging from the ceiling fan of her room at Patuli area in the southern fringes of Kolkata just a couple of days after her friend and co-model Bidisha De Majumdar was found dead in similar circumstances at her Dum Dum flat in northern Kolkata.

Though the reason of the death was not clear family sources did not rule out suicide as she had been suffering from depression for quite some time. The mother of Neyogi who had

married a few months ago told reporters that she had was suffering from depression and had attempted suicide earlier too.

"She looked depressed following her friend Bidisha's death and was constantly talking about her since then," the mother of the deceased said.

Little more than a week ago another actor-cum model Pallabi Dey had died in similar circumstances at her Garfa residence in South Kolkata.

"All these models had sufficient work in their hand which meant that they were not depressed due to professional reasons," a colleague of De Majumdar said, adding that she could be in depression on account of her break-up with her boyfriend.



Defence Minister Rajnath Singh had a surprise interaction with the crew of INS Ghazial in Sri Lanka over video conferencing. The ship is in Colombo to deliver critical relief material
Photo | The Pioneer

3 women who consumed poison during police raid in Baghpat die, cops booked

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

A case of culpable homicide was finally registered against the cops of Baghpat police after all the three women — a mother and her two daughters — who consumed poison during a police raid on their house died. The beat sub-inspector has been placed under suspension and a special investigation team (SIT) has been formed to probe the incident.

The police allegedly misbehaved with them following which they tried to commit suicide. The local superintendent of police, however, gave a clean chit to the officials claiming that the local villagers were also accompanying the police party during the raid. He also said

that if any complaint was filed in this regard, he would get the incident probed afresh.

Reports confirmed that the woman and her two daughters consumed poison last Tuesday in the presence of police personnel in their house in Baghpat after the cops allegedly misbehaved with them.

While Geeta, the mother, and one of her daughters Preeti, died while being treated in a hospital in Meerut on Thursday, the other daughter, Swati, died on Wednesday.

Geeta's husband, Mahak Singh, has lodged an FIR under Section 306 (abetment to suicide) of the Indian Penal Code against Chhaprauli police station incharge Naresh Pal. Also named in the FIR are a man

called Kantilal and his two sons, who had formerly filed a complaint against Singh's son Prince and are alleged to have accompanied the police team to Singh's residence when the said incident took place.

On May 3, an FIR was lodged against 24-year-old Prince under Section 366 (kidnapping, abduction and inducing woman to compel her marriage) of the Indian Penal Code, after Prince and Kantilal's 22-year-old daughter reportedly went missing together.

Kantilal's family is Dalit and Singh is an OBC of blacksmith caste. Last Tuesday night, the Chhaprauli police raided Prince's home and during the course of the raid the three women consumed poison.

Karti writes to LS Speaker over CBI interrogation in Chinese visa case

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Congress MP Karti Chidambaram has written to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla regarding his questioning by the CBI in the Chinese visa scam case, saying "gross breach of Parliamentary Privilege by the central probe agency." Karti has alleged that during a raid CBI officers seized "highly confidential" personal notes and papers pertaining to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information and Technology of which he is a member, and sought redressal for what he said was a "breach of his parliamentary privilege".

"I've written to Lok Sabha Speaker that there has been a gross breach of Parliamentary

Privilege by the CBI. My parliamentary committee papers that pertain to IT Committee have been taken during search and seizure. No one has the right to take these confidential papers," Karti told a news agency.

"I am writing to you now because I have become the victim of a grossly illegal and patently unconstitutional action," Karti Chidambaram said in his letter to Birla.

"The Central Bureau of Investigation in the garb of conducting an investigation into an 11-year-old decision of the Government in which I have absolutely no involvement raided my residence in Delhi," he said. In the course of this so-called raid, certain officers of the CBI seized my "highly confidential and sensi-

tive personal notes and papers" pertaining to the Parliamentary Standing Committee for Information and Technology, Karti Chidambaram alleged.

"Shockingly, even my draft notes and questions which I had intended to ask witnesses summoned to the Committee, were also seized," he alleged. He claimed that his handwritten notes pertaining to the depositions made to the Committee by witnesses were also seized for reasons best known to the Agency.

Karti Chidambaram alleged that these actions by the CBI, in so far as they relate to "interference with my duties as a Parliamentarian, amount to a direct assault upon democratic principles on which our Parliament is founded".

LS Secretariat summons Maha DGP, Mumbai CP after Navneet Rana's harassment complaint

PNS ■ NEW DELHI/MUMBAI

Acting on the complaint of Aillegal arrest and harassment by Lok Sabha MP Navneet Rana, the Privilege & Ethics Branch of the Lok Sabha Secretariat on Friday issued a notification directing Maharashtra DGP Rajnish Seth along with Mumbai's Police Commissioner Sanjay Pandey to appear before the Committee of Oral Evidence on June 15.

Yashwant Bhanudas, Superintendent of Women District Prison Class-2, Byculla has also been issued with the same directives. "It may kindly be ensured that the officials of the Government of Maharashtra mentioned above

appear before the Committee of Evidence on the date, time and venue indicated above," the order read.

The development comes days after Navneet Rana appeared before the Parliamentary Privilege Committee over her allegation of "patently illegal arrest and the consequent inhuman treatment meted out to her at Khar Police Station, Mumbai". Stating that she had placed everything in front of the committee, the Independent MP said that those responsible for alleged atrocities should be punished.

"I have kept everything in front of the committee right from the time they arrested me from my place till 14 days that

I was in the custody. Sanjay Raut (Rajya Sabha MP and Shiv Sena leader) is also a part of it. Now, it is on the committee to decide. They should be punished and they will be punished," Navneet Rana said.

Earlier, the Amravati MP had written a letter to the Lok Sabha Speaker, and informed how she along with her MLA husband Ravi Rana was 'illegally arrested' on April 23 from their Mumbai residence after they declared to recite the Hanuman Chalisa outside Shiv Sena supreme and Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray's residence. She also alleged being denied access to drinking water and washroom after the arrest.

SP's Lal Bihari may be Leader of Opp in Council

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Samajwadi Party MLC Lal Bihari Yadav is likely to be leader of opposition in the UP Legislative Council as his party has sent a proposal in this regard to the chairman of the Upper House.

The tenure of Samajwadi Party MLC Sanjay Lather, who was hitherto leader of opposition, ended on Thursday. The SP had entrusted the assignment to Lather after the demise of MLC Ahmed Hassan, who was the then leader of opposition in the legislative council.

On Thursday, a proposal recommending MLC Lal Bihari Yadav from Varanasi block teachers' constituency for the post was sent to the legislative council chairperson on behalf

of the SP.

A resident of Azamgarh, Lal Bihari Yadav was elected MLC in 2020 and his term will expire in 2026. He was the principal of Lal Bihari Inter College founded by Uttar Pradesh Secondary Teachers Association (Financeless Group).

Yadav shot into the limelight by undertaking a 1200 km Teacher Sandesh Padyatra in 49 days from Ballia to Mathura and has been continuously fighting for the interests of teachers. Also, the upcoming Azamgarh Lok Sabha byelection is also believed to be the reason behind making him the leader of the opposition in the legislative council as SP chief Akhilesh Yadav's wife Dimple Yadav is set to be fielded by the party from that seat.



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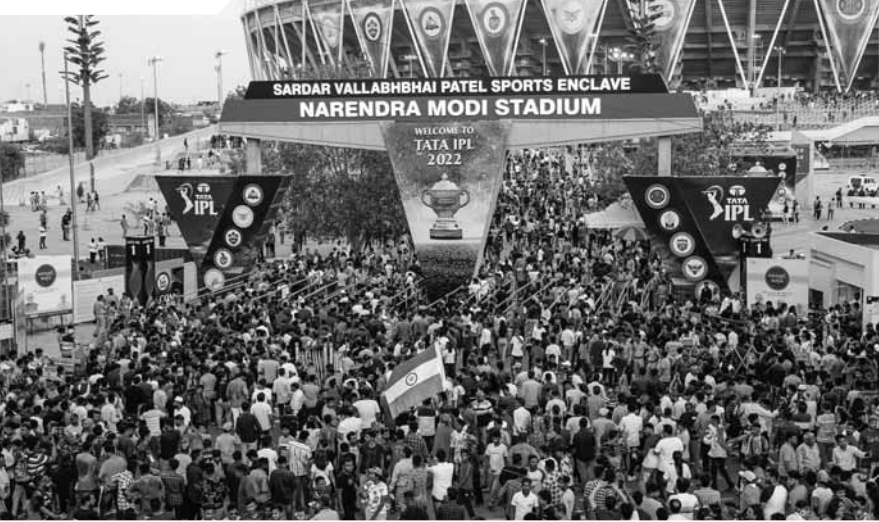
The SC has finally validated prostitution as truly a ‘profession’, not just ‘*dhandaa*’

Patriarchy is the last bastion women have to fell to feel truly empowered and liberated. Before that, however, the second-last bastion — prostitution — needs to be vanquished. The Supreme Court helped women do just that by declaring this Thursday that the “oldest profession in the world” is legally a profession. Not many countries, not even the United States, have done that. The apex court said the practitioners are entitled to dignity and equal protection under the law. It protected the women’s natural right to liberty and choice by declaring that where sex workers are adults and participating with consent, the police cannot take criminal action against them. The order also addressed the ambiguity of Indian legislation that deals with the business of sex. Prostitution is not illegal in India, but soliciting and public prostitution are. It is also illegal to own a brothel. Brothels are the best-kept open secret of a hypocritic India where the business of sex is freely practised with the laws enforced rarely or the enforcers bribed to look the other way. The court’s decision addresses the moot question: Prostitution is legal, but how can the sex workers practice if it is illegal to have an office to conduct sex work? The court decision settles the issue. Parliament should now bring the existing legislation in line with the new ruling. There is a lot left for the Government to accomplish.



The priority is to extend labour rights to sex workers and recognise their associations. That will help in two ways. It will call for a gradual end to the exploitation of sex workers by brothel owners and pimps and unsafe and unhygienic working conditions. Two, it can pave the way for sex workers to organise themselves into a registered body to fight for their rights and rightful wages. Just because their ‘work’ has become a profession does not mean they will no longer be stigmatised or oppressed and exploited. Social acceptability campaigns should become an integral form of the affirmation process. Deeper reforms are necessary to give them access to health, social, economic and cultural benefits. However, changes cannot come about till the lawmakers lose their patriarchal hangover. A sex worker, it must be understood, is not a victim who needs to be rescued and rehabilitated. Except where a person is not forced into the profession through trafficking or exploitation, the sex worker is on a par with any other service professional. The Supreme Court order is a call for the United Nations to reframe its sex worker narrative. For the UN, paying for sex is a form of “sexual abuse”. It prohibits the purchase of sexual acts. It calls for abolishing prostitution. It believes the profession is an obstacle to the dignity of the human person. Such a patronising attitude cannot sell any longer. Look at Germany where prostitution jobs are freely advertised and processed through HR companies with no eyebrows raised.

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Fans at the Narendra Modi Stadium for the quarter-final match between RR and RCB, in Ahmedabad

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Throes of despair

The Congress has badly fallen from its position of strength in Tamil Nadu

The Congress, which ruled Tamil Nadu continuously for almost two decades after Independence, is now virtually on its last breath in the State. The party, once led by titans like C Rajagopalachari, K Kamaraj, S Satyamurti and C Subramaniam, is now run by minnows who would not be able to win even a civic body election without the DMK’s support. The Dravidian major has literally sucked out the blood from the ‘grand old party’ that once had a commanding presence in the State. The Congress has been made to eat humble pie by the DMK, which has thrown its way just a single Rajya Sabha seat from the State in the upcoming biennial election. And it’s not new; just another episode in the series of humiliations heaped upon the Congress by the DMK since the parties forged an alliance in the State in 2004. Since the DMK was launched in 1949 as an offshoot of the Dravida Kazhagam led by EV Ramasami Naiker, a self-proclaimed backward community leader from then Mysore Province, the DMK had only one mission and that was to annihilate the Congress.



The first time the DMK joined hands with the Congress in modern times was during the 2004 Lok Sabha election which saw the Front consisting of other fringe parties like the MDMK and PMK, obliterating the AIADMK by winning all the 38 seats. The DMK, sulking from an unexpected defeat in the 2001 Assembly election, was striving to register a win in 2004 and had allotted nine seats to the Congress, which won all of those. But the DMK, which had won 16 seats, used the opportunity to extract the maximum benefit from the Congress by demanding the most “healthy” Ministries (which were known by the acronym ‘ATM Ministries’). The DMK had even threatened to walk out of the UPA if its demands were not met. The rest is history. The infamous 2G scam was DMK’s major contribution in the UPA Government’s downfall. The party also played a major role in vitiating the ties between India and Sri Lanka, putting Tamil chauvinism to good use. The Congress leadership in the State comprises political migratory birds who return to Sathyamurthy Bhavan, the TNCC headquarters, for nesting. The party needs a thorough overhaul and freedom from the colonial rule of the Dravidian major.

Justice delayed is justice denied

It’s time that the Supreme Court put a strict end to the vicious practice of lawyers striking work on the flimsiest of excuses in their own interest

Over the years, the disruption of work in trial courts due to strikes by lawyers in western Uttar Pradesh has put thousands of litigants to financial hardship and untold inconvenience. The gravity of the matter can be gauged from the fact that in Uttar Pradesh, more than 51 lakh cases are pending in trial courts which is over 25 per cent of total pendency in all States taken together. A report prepared by a panel of experts and submitted to the Allahabad High Court listing 10 districts where lawyers disrupted work for more than 100 days on an average every year for five years (March 1, 2010, to March 31, 2016) is an eye opener.

During these five years, in Muzaffarnagar district, 753 days were lost due to lawyers’ strike, at an average of 150 days a year. In Aligarh, the figure was 697 days (140 days a year), followed by Agra 690 days (140 days a year), Faizabad 693 days, Sultanpur 603 days, Moradabad 596 days, Mathura 591 days, Ghaziabad 573 days, Balrampur 560 days and Chandauli 524 days. Although the latest data is not available, the situation has gone from bad to worse in the last five years. Taking into consideration the weekly and religious holidays, trial courts generally work for an average of 250 days a year. If over 100 days are lost due to strikes, one can well understand the reasons for higher pendency of cases.

Now, the pertinent question is who benefits from these strikes? Certainly not the litigants. As it is, it is difficult to get your case heard, and then there are frequent adjournments. So it is deeply frustrating to find the courts shut on the appointed day of hearing. There are a large number of petitions that require immediate hearing every day. The foremost examples are bail applications. If the courts don’t work, thousands of citizens are deprived of their right to resume their freedom. Urgent interim orders are sought to protect persons and properties; cause lists show



hundreds of cases where parties seek interim orders. Even a day’s delay is crucial for individuals and causes them irreparable loss. After all, courts are the institutions where complaints and grievances are taken for resolution and lawyers are the experts who provide services to resolve disputes. So, it is a reflection on the honesty and integrity of lawyers if they hold courts to ransom and cause inconvenience to their clients by boycotting courts over petty demands.

The report, prepared by the Allahabad High Court and submitted to the Law Commission of India, states that the strikes based on resolutions passed by Bar associations were called on “unacceptable and flimsy grounds”. In addition, the report says: “Some of the common causes for strike in all UP districts were non-declaration of holidays like Agrasen Jayanti, Basant Panchami, etc.” It adds: “In most districts, the strike is virtually institutionalised. Often these strikes are called for specific actions, where a group of lawyers either do not want a particular case to be taken up or they



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desire a particular matter to be adjourned.”

However, it is observed that most lawyers are opposed to boycotts and do not approve or support stoppage of work in courts, except in extreme cases of threat to the legal profession or the independence of judiciary. They prefer to keep silent in the face of a vociferous minority that commands proceedings at the meetings of Bar associations and takes arbitrary decisions on behalf of all advocates. Judges are forced to adjourn cases when lawyers do not appear in the courtroom. The lawyers who wish to appear fear obstructive and violent behaviour from those on strike. The vicious circle goes on and the situation has exacerbated over the years.

The Supreme Court of India took the initiative of stemming the rot by instructing the Bar Council of India to suggest ways and means of putting a stop to these incidents of strikes in courts. The issue of whether lawyers can go on strike was dealt with by the Supreme Court in Common Cause vs Union of India (AIR 2005 SC 4442).



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The court held that it is unprofessional for a lawyer to strike and boycott the court. The Bar associations should not permit meetings calling for such strikes. It is the duty of the State and National Bar Councils to take action against striking Bar associations and sponsors of boycotts. The courts must hear matters posted before them undeterred by boycotts and it is only in the rarest of rare cases that abstention from court is justified, such as dignity, integrity and independence of the Bar and Bench, which must be decided by the judge. Even this must be allowed for only one day, the apex court said.

As the saying “Justice delayed is justice denied” goes, the legal professionals should be aware that with each boycott, they erode their image in the eyes of the public and the institution that protects the rule of law. The Supreme Court should take steps to seriously enforce its ruling.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SENSELESS KILLING OF SCHOOLCHILDREN

Sir — The senseless killing of 19 children in a classful of innocent kids needs to be condemned in the strongest terms and the US flag should be flown at half mast round the year. Now is the time for the US to realise its own folly rather than giving lessons to other countries. We feel sadness and pity for the young children. But we have come to the conclusion that shooting in schools there is a regular feature and there is no Government control over such killings. It was pathetic to know that the children were made to die in this fashion.

But in the name of God, the brewing up of vengeance made the matter worse and needs to be condemned at all levels. School security must be beefed up in and around sensitive places to avoid recurrence of such merciless killings. It was pathetic to know that the children killed were aged between seven and 10. It was notable that the slain children and teachers were barricaded in a single classroom by the gunman. It is a regular feature in the US and the gun culture has spoiled the future of schoolgoing children rather abruptly.

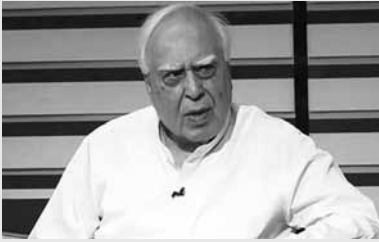
Krishnan S Maniam | Calicut

PM SHOULD DELIVER ON HIS PROMISES

Sir — It is appreciable that Prime Minister Narendra Modi who visited Tamil Nadu to launch multiple infra structure projects said to be worth over ₹31,500 crore has been accorded a deserving welcome by the Tamil Nadu Government and its people. In his address, Chief Minister MK Stalin spoke in detail the expectations of his Government in the Centre-State relationship and reiterated emphatically that his Government will extend all support to the Centre and, at the same time, will never fail to raise its voice for the rights of the State.

He also explained what is meant by the Dravidian model his Government is pursuing. The Prime Minister touched upon various infra structure projects in

Sibal’s exit will hit G-23 camp



The move by renowned lawyer and former Union Minister Kapil Sibal to resign from the Congress is not surprising at all, particularly when he openly admitted to his intentions earlier: “Everyone has to think about themselves.” For Sibal, Congress was in power for 65 years. Now when it is not in power, many who don’t want to struggle and just want power, like him, are leaving for greener pastures. Sibal is not a mass leader and, without the help of any party, he cannot fight any

election. For him, the chances of getting a Rajya Sabha (RS) seat from the Congress were bleak after criticising the Gandhi family.

Hence, after Mamata and Abhishek Banerjee’s refusal, Sibal refused to join the Trinamool Congress (TMC) and, therefore, the only plausible option left for him was to join the camp of SP chief Akhilesh Yadav. Though, for Sibal, politics is a part-time job to enjoy perks and to be relevant in the contemporary political scenario. Not only was his exit “amicable”, but the Congress has stayed soft on Sibal after his exit. Congress spokesperson Pawan Khara rightly commented: “We admired Kapil Sibal for his commitment to the ideology (of the party) and I hate to believe that he took this decision just for a Rajya Sabha seat.” Whatsoever, Sibal’s exit will also have a huge impact on the G-23 camp, rather than the Congress.

Bidyut Kumar Chatterjee | Faridabad

the State and other developments that have taken place under his leadership. It is, however, a great disappointment that he failed to touch on any of the requests made by the Chief Minister and went to continue to recite his prepared speech! While it is laudable that the PM has announced schemes worth ₹31,500 crore for TN, one only hopes that all of them will be implemented soon.

Tharcus S Fernando | Chennai

GOVT MUST ATTEND TO INFLATION

Sir — As the disruption in global supply chains on account of the Russian invasion of Ukraine is driving inflation across the globe, pragmatic protectionism appears to be a safe bet for India in the short run. The decision to put a cap on sugar exports reflects the lessons learnt to avoid the problems faced by wheat traders. With India recording highest global sales for the first time in six years, forcing the Government to restrict exports to the tune of 10 million tonnes

till October 2022, it is a pragmatic step to ensure that the Government does not end up buying expensive sugar in future to meet domestic demand, considering the current geopolitical uncertainties.

As food inflation is showing an upward trajectory jumping from 7.68 per cent in March to 8.38 per cent in April 2022, duty-free import of crude soyabean and sunflower oil until 2024 follows similar relief on crude palm oil and lentils to ease retail prices. Given the fact that this grim geopolitical scenario is unlikely to subside soon, increased prices, aggravated by high energy costs and supply side bottlenecks are here to stay. Easing the pain by whatever means should drive the Government’s policies. Fiscal policy can be used to top up support prices and enhance procurement by the Government.

Vijay Singh Adhikari | Nainital

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SOUNDBITE

The Tamil language is eternal and the Tamil culture is global.



Prime Minister — Narendra Modi



As a nation, we have to ask when in God’s name we’re going to stand up to the gun lobby.

US President — Joe Biden

Like our Mumbai industry, the South industries also try to make different kinds of films.



Actor — Raveena Tandon



All the 23 players are different characters, they bring different things to the table.

Indian cricketer — Hardik Pandya

Our country is unique... Unlike America, we are different. We speak different languages but are united.




Makkal Needhi Maiam leader — Kamala Haasan

FIRST COLUMN

PUTIN SACKS TOP GENs FOR KHARKIV FAILURE

Agreeing to a ceasefire is the only way out for Russia



PK VASUDEVA

President of Russia Vladimir Putin has sacked a top General who failed to capture Ukraine's key city of Kharkiv, blaming him for botching his war. Lieutenant General Serhiy Kisel was the head of the elite 1st Guards Tank Army, charged with taking Ukraine's second biggest city. But he has now been suspended for his failure to capture Kharkiv. Vice Admiral Igor Osipov, the commander of Russia's Black Sea Fleet, has also been suspended following the sinking of the flagship Moskva last month. This was one of the greatest successful events of the Ukraine's Navy. It seems that Putin is very upset in losing battles but still not agreeing for a ceasefire, which may salvage his prestige. Putin may have also lost the confidence in General Valery Gerasimov, his senior-most general in Ukraine, as his campaign faltered. As a matter of fact Putin has fired a number of senior commanders who have performed poorly and failed to capture of Ukraine's important strategic military establishments. A culture of cover-ups and scapegoating is prevalent within the Russian military system. Many officials involved in the invasion of Ukraine are likely to be distracted by efforts to avoid personal culpability for Russia's setbacks. This is likely to place further strain on Russia's centralised model of command and control, as officers are increasingly seeking to defer key decisions of their superiors resulting in unrest among the officers and soldiers. However, Russian forces have been forced to withdraw from around Kharkiv after months of heavy bombardment failed to break stiff resistance, leading to Moscow's second major defeat during the war. It has been reported that a number units have revolted the higher command orders. Chances of a military Coup cannot be denied if the present defeats of Russian troops persist. At the end of March 2022, Russian forces carried out a tactical retreat from the capital city of Kyiv, after a sustained bombardment. Kyiv was considered to be the main objective of the Russian Army. Intelligence sources indicate that Russia might have pulled back its forces from Kharkiv to relocate them to the eastern Donbas region now a priority target.

The poor performance of the mighty Russian Army has shocked the Western strategic analysts who feel that the Russian troops had lacked direction, motivation, intelligence failure, poor strategic vision and the proper equipment to achieve its objective of capturing Ukraine. A lack of experience and empowerment among Russian army's cadre of noncommissioned, and junior commissioned officers so important in world armies and battlefield tactical tinkering by Putin, has also hampered the performance of the Russian troops. Despite their reinforcements, there is widespread scepticism that Russian forces will achieve any breakthrough fast. Russian forces have already sustained high losses after nearly three months of conflict and morale is thought to be low. Their units are made up of men enlisted from the local separatist areas, many under duress, as well as the broader Russian army. The US Senate on May 19 approved a \$40 billion emergency and humanitarian aid package for Ukraine, as the US deepens its support for an increasingly costly and protracted fight against Russian invasion. The measure would bring the total investment in the war roughly \$54 billion in just nearly three months. The Senate approved it overwhelmingly on a vote 86-11, in the latest reflection of the remarkable bipartisan support on Capitol Hill for a massive investment in Ukraine's war effort, which propelled the spending package through the House. The US and EU military aid to Ukraine has shown good results of repelling attacks in Ukraine and Russia is now feeling the heat even as Putin continues his belligerence against the Ukrainians.

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Nature: The Bharatiya Biocentric Discourse



RAGHAVENDRA P TIWARI

In the Vedic culture, plants are believed to have consciousness like humans and can feel pain as well as happiness

The United Nations proclaimed May 22 as 'The International Day for Biological Diversity' (IDB) to increase understanding and awareness of biodiversity issues. The focal theme of IDB 2022 is 'Building a shared future for all life'. For actualizing this noble mission of the United Nations, it is of paramount significance that we revisit the past civilizational discourses that we have had in protecting nature in its totality.

The Civilization heritage of ancient Bharat is well documented in the Vedas, the Upanishads, the Puran as and several other scriptures. The preaching in these scriptures are the set of norms governing our cultural and social lives. One of the greatest and unique strengths of the Sanatan Dharmahas been its adoration for nature in its entirety for preserving all possible and probable habitats for all forms of life to flourish on the 'Mother Earth'. Perhaps, no other civilizational discourse, attached so much significance and interconnectedness to various facets of nature as the Sanatan way of lifestyle, values and virtues.

In Vedic culture, natural resources have never been considered commodities to be consumed for enjoyment and worldly pleasure as are viewed now. Contrarily, people were outlawed from the over exploitation of natural resources. They were mentored to worship the divinity that exists in the animate and the inanimate world including plants, animals, water, air, soil, fire, stones, hills, mountains and planets etc, necessary components for sustaining biodiversity. Hindus recognised, appreciated and preserved the purity of varied facets of nature in all their life activities. In essence, they practised nature-centric civilisational and development discourse that ensured the longevity of all forms of life. The degree of respect and interconnectedness that Sanatan is had with nature is amply demonstrated by the Yajurveda sloka necessarily recited on rituals 'Om dyauh shanti rantariksham shantih, Prithvi shanti rapah shantih Oshadhayah shantih; Vanaspatayah shantih, vishvedeva shanti Brahma shantih; Sarvam shantih, Shantireva shantih, Saamaa shantiredih; Om shaantih, shaantih, shaantih' meaning that 'May peace radiate there in the whole sky as well as in the vast ethereal space everywhere; May peace reign all over this earth, in water and in all herbs, trees and creepers; May peace flow over the whole universe; May peace be in the Supreme Being Brahman; And may there always exist in all peace and peace alone'. All sphere of human activities centred on the purity of nature and were zero-emission and zero-waste based.

Vedic people had a co-existential frame of mind with the lithosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere and atmosphere. They knew that life originated in water and cannot be sustained without ensuring its purity. Hence they worshipped various forms of water bodies including clouds, rivers, lakes and oceans for securing their purity. Vedic people appreciated that mountains, hills, grasslands and riverine regions are repositories of biodiversity and there was utmost necessity for preserving and sustaining life-supporting ecosystems; hence they worshipped these land-forms as well. We have been worshipping trees, herbs and creepers since Vedic time in recognition of the fact that all animal forms depended on these for food, fodder, fuel and medicine besides their utility in maintaining carbon neutrality and enriching biodiversity.

This belief ensured that the plants and their products became an integral part of our rituals and ceremonies. Plants like peepal, banyan and neem (Triveni), kadamb, bael, tulsi, aonwla, mango, banana, coconut, lotus, paan, sandalwood, rudraksha, camphor, parijat, asoka, etc., were revered on various occasions. Vedic people were conscious of their nutritious, environmental, medicinal and ornamental values. Even several forms of animals and birds were worshipped to showcase their usefulness to the ecosystem. Vedas accorded the status of GOD to all forms of natural energy including Agni and Vayu. Yagnas were performed for the purification of air. All of these created a conducive environment for all forms of life to flourish resulting into great biodiversity all around.

'Less is More' and ethical use of natural resources were two among the several civilization traits that governed our lives. The first sloka of Ishopnishad taught us 'Isavasyam Idam Sarvam, yat kinca jagatyam jagat: tena tyaktena bhunjitha, magadha? kasyasvidhanam' implying that every animate and inanimate entity in the universe is controlled and owned by the Almighty. One should therefore accept only those things necessary for himself, which are set aside as his share, and one must not accept other things, knowing fully well to whom it belongs.

For the previous few centuries, especially during the foreign rule, Vedic culture, traditions and value system underwent stark departure and erosion. Our holistic world view became fragmented. 'Less is More' became 'More is Less', 'Sarve Bhawantu Sukhinah' became 'I Bhawantu Sukhinah', 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' became 'Live in Relationship' 'Not Me but You' became 'Not You But Me', 'Nature Centric' became 'Self Centric' and 'Environmental-friendly' became 'Environmental-enmity'. Vedic philosophy that 'Objects around are the extension of the Self' is vanishing now from our thought and action process and as a consequence, we do not stay connected with the outside world. We have embraced an individualistic and consumerist mind set and lifestyle resulting into the over exploitation of natural resources.

Every facet of nature has now become fragile and vulnerable. Water bodies are silting-up and becoming dry, hills are being destroyed, trees are being cut for paper and napkins, soils are under stress to produce more, and environmentally friendly dwellings and things of daily use are replaced by concrete structures and plastic made materials, respectively. The health of soil, water and air has become extremely vulnerable owing to pollution and excessive use of fertilizers and pesticides. As a result, the great biodiversity that Jammu Dweep, Bharat Khand supported is dwindling fast. The plants, invertebrate and vertebrate species inhabiting the land, water and soil, so essential for building a shared future for all life-forms, are under ever-increasing threat as their habitats are fast becoming unsuitable for survival and proliferation of biodiversity. Several thousands of such species have already become extinct and several thousands are on the verge of extinction. The emission of greenhouse gases, temperature rise and climate change have crossed all limits.

Under the circumstances, should we wish to build and secure a shared future for all forms of life on the planet Earth including Homo sapiens, we need to restore our Vedic culture, traditions and ways of interaction with nature in all spheres of the human domain. Everyone's commitment is a must for saving mother earth and nature. Let us accept the fact that we have become cruel to mother Earth and are inflicting irreparable damage to its life support system for actualizing our limitless greed.

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(The writer is Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Punjab, Bathinda. The views expressed are personal.)

POINT COUNTERPOINT

I HAVE FILED NOMINATION (TO THE RAJYA SABHA) AS AN INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE. I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE AN INDEPENDENT VOICE. — CONGRESS EX-LEADER KAPIL SIBAL



HE HAD ALREADY WRITTEN TO PARTY PRESIDENT (SONIA GANDHI). PEOPLE COME AND GO FROM OUR PARTY. THIS IS A BIG PARTY. — CONGRESS GENERAL SECRETARY KC VENUGOPAL

Taiwan: The Codger Misspeaks Again - or Does He?

Joe Biden did not actually promise to commit American forces to defend Taiwan against a Chinese invasion

Well, my dear, we didn't know where to look. The old codger was getting away with it again, fielding the questions like a man only nine-tenths of his age, and then somebody asked him about Taiwan. He must have rehearsed that one, but still he blew it - big time. We'll be picking up the pieces for weeks.

President Joe Biden was speaking at a Tokyo press conference, looking not a year older than 79, and somebody asked him if he were "willing to get involved militarily to defend Taiwan if it comes to that?" Since the official US position on that question for many years has been 'constructive ambiguity', he was supposed to avoid both 'yes' and 'no'.

Biden has been playing the international game at the highest level for longer than most people have been alive, and he should know the drill. Say how much he loves Taiwan and how devoted he is to its democracy. He can even mention that he'd be really disappointed and quite cross if China invaded it. But he mustn't say what the United States would actually do.

Instead, with a loud clatter, the president of the United States jumped the tracks. "Yes," he said, "that's a commitment we made. The idea that (Taiwan) could be taken by force, just taken by force, is not...it would dislocate the entire region and be another action similar to what happened in Ukraine."

Compounding his crime, Biden went on to express the hope that China was paying attention to how the US and its allies have responded to the Russian invasion of Ukraine. "This is not just about Ukraine," he said. China is watching to see if the Western response to the invasion stays strong, or if it loses focus as the war drags on. It must stay strong, because otherwise "what signal does that send to China about the cost of...attempting to take Taiwan by force?"

Quite a performance, and the headlines said things like 'US would defend Taiwan militarily if China attacked'. But being an old codger has its advantages, and one is that people panic less when you make some apparently radical remark or commitment. They're in doubt as to whether you just misspoke, or whether you really meant it. Was Biden really sending a serious warning to China, but doing it in a way that did not compel China to respond directly? I suspect the answer is yes, because if you listen closely to what he said, he did NOT actually promise to commit American forces to defend Taiwan against a Chinese invasion.

He meant it to sound as if he had said that - warning that China would be "flirting with danger" if it invaded Taiwan - but there was no such definitive statement.

Maybe Joe Biden has just lost his marbles, but instilling a bit more doubt in the Chinese regime about his likely reaction in the event of a Chinese attack on Taiwan is not necessarily a blunder. 'Constructive ambiguity' requires both the 'yes' and the 'no' to be plausible, and the 'yes' has been losing credibility recently.


In the much more fraught case of the US response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, Biden has been notably cautious in his actions. Before the invasion had even begun, he made it publicly clear that American or NATO forces would not intervene directly to defend Ukraine.

As the strength of the Ukrainian forces and the sheer incompetence of the Russian army became clear, his willingness to give Ukraine more advanced weapons in larger quantities grew. But his seemingly accidental asides about how Putin cannot remain in power never become actual policy. Every option remains open.

This is a man who has been around the block a few times, and he knows how the game is played. So, if I were an adviser to Taiwan's president, I would tell her the most important thing in the event of a Chinese invasion attempt is to make a good show of resistance in the first few weeks.

There is no more difficult military operation than an opposed amphibious landing, and China has no real-world experience of carrying out that kind of attack across 200 km. of open ocean. So, if you can hold the invaders on the beaches for a week or two, American arms and supplies will start to flow in abundance.

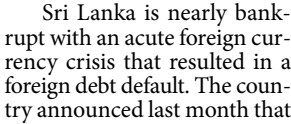
But don't expect US troops to help you directly. Biden is not willing to fight a war against China either. Consider Ukraine.



GWYNNE DYER

(Gwynne Dyer's new book is 'The Shortest History of War'. The views expressed are personal.)

Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe said that officials have reached agreement on basic reforms concepts with the IMF and that he plans to have the economic reform program ready within two weeks. After it is finalised, an IMF del-



The statement added that discussions focused on restoring fiscal sustainability while protecting the vulnerable and

existing reserves to maintain the US dollar at a fixed rate against the local currency - and that those factors triggered the

Protesters have occupied the entrance to President Gotabaya Rajapaksa's office for nearly 50 days, demanding

Two of the president's other siblings and nephew resigned from their Cabinet posts. Wickremesinghe has promised to propose constitutional changes to curtail presidential powers, strengthen Parliament and resolve Sri Lanka's economic difficulties.

AP ■ UNITED NATIONS

munity."

Asia" reflecting rise of China as an economic and military power and America's most significant competitor, Zhang said, "We do not want to see anyone make use of DPRK situation or Korean Peninsula situation as a card for their strategic or geopolitical agenda."

AP ■ WASHINGTON

He said it could become basis for negotiation. But Thursday vote failed along party lines, raising fresh doubts about possibility of robust debate, let alone eventual compromise, on gun safety measures. The final vote was 47-47, short of 60 needed to take up bill. All Republicans voted against it. "We're disappointed,"

It also underscored prevalence of mass shootings in the U.S. As Congress struggled to react to earlier shootings but was confronted by yet another massacre, Schumer said he will give bipartisan negotiations in the Senate about two weeks, while Congress is away for a break, to try to forge a compromise bill that could pass 50-50 Senate, where 60 votes will be needed to overcome a filibuster.

AP ■ WELLINGTON
(NEW ZEALAND)

David Panuelo, the presi-

China also wants to jointly develop a marine plan for fisheries, and raises the possibility of a free trade area with the Pacific nations.

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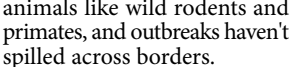
Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Wang Wenbin responded that US was "essentially spreading disinformation" and "smearing China's domestic and foreign policy."

Notes :

1. For the other line items referred in Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, the pertinent disclosures have been made to the National Stock Exchange of India Limited and can be accessed on the URL (<https://www.nseindia.com>).
2. The statement has been prepared in accordance with recognition and measurement principles laid down in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" (Ind AS 34) as prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") read with Rule 3 of the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 and relevant rules issued thereunder and other recognized accounting practices and policies.
3. The company is in the business of development and operation of wind power. There is only one segment (business and/or geographical) in accordance with the requirements of IND AS - 108 "Operating Segments".
4. The financial results for the quarter and for the period ended March 31, 2022 have been approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on May 27, 2022.
5. India Ratings and Care Ratings has assigned long term issuer rating and rating for the outstanding non-convertible debentures of the Company to "IND AA (CE)" with negative outlook and "CARE AA (CE)" with stable outlook, respectively.
6. Previous period figures have been re-grouped / re-classified wherever necessary, to conform to current period's classification in order to comply with the requirements of the amended Schedule III to the Companies Act, 2013 effective from 1 April 2021.

AP ■ LONDON


"The first sequencing of the virus shows that the strain is not different from the strains we can find in endemic countries and (this outbreak) is probably due more to a change in human behaviour," said Dr



Still, she said WHO expected to see more cases reported in the future, noting "we don't know if we are just seeing the peak of the iceberg (or) if there are many more cases that are undetected in communities," she said.

AP ■ ISTANBUL

Cavusoglu said that "an approach of we'll convince Turkey in time anyway, we are friends and allies' would not be correct."

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Sl. No.	Particulars	STANDALONE				CONSOLIDATED			
		QUARTER ENDED		YEAR ENDED		QUARTER ENDED		YEAR ENDED	
		31-Mar-22	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-22	31-03-2021	31-03-2022	31-03-2021	31-03-2022	31-03-2021
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1	Total Income from Operations	7136.79	5709.40	10742.97	7212.09	356364.81	262310.10	1250241.17	846755.24
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4	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	7027.15	5807.35	10493.80	6986.05	63449.69	40185.90	197235.02	138274.91
5	Paid up Equity Share Capital	645.26	645.26	645.26	645.26	645.26	645.26	645.26	645.26
6	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -								
	(a) Basic :	108.90	90.00	162.63	108.27	471.10	298.38	1,483.68	939.10
	(b) Diluted:	108.90	90.00	162.63	108.27	471.10	298.38	1,483.68	939.10

Note: 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 Financials Results are available on the Stock Exchange websites (www.bseindia.com) and the Company's website (www.kamaholdings.com).

For and on behalf of the Board

Kartik Bharat Ram
Chairman

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Date : 27th May 2022

Structural reforms must for inclusive growth: RBI

Mumbai: Making a strong case for structural reforms, the Reserve Bank on Friday said they are essential for sustained, balanced and inclusive growth, and also to deal with the after-effects of the pandemic.

In its annual report, the Reserve Bank of India also stressed that the future path of growth would be conditioned by addressing supply-side bottlenecks, calibrating monetary policy to bring down inflation and boosting capital spending.

“Undertaking structural reforms to improve India’s medium-term growth potential holds the key to secure sustained, balanced and inclusive growth, especially by helping workers adapt to the after-effects of the pandemic by reskilling and enabling them to adopt new technologies for raising productivity,” it said in the chapter on ‘Assessment and Prospects’.

The escalation of geopolitical tensions into war from late February 2022 has delivered a brutal blow to the world economy, battered as it has been through 2021 by multiple waves of the pandemic, supply chain and logistics disruptions, elevated inflation and bouts of financial market turbulence, triggered by diverging paths of



monetary policy normalisation, it added.

“... The immediate impact of geopolitical aftershocks is on inflation, with close to three-fourths of the consumer price index at risk. The elevation in international prices of crude, metals and fertilisers has translated into a term of trade shock that has widened trade and current account deficits,” the report said. High-frequency indicators already point to some loss of momentum in the recovery that has been gaining traction from the second quarter of 2021-22, with 86.8 per cent of the adult population fully vaccinated and 3.5 per cent having received booster doses.

“The inflation trajectory going forward is subject to considerable uncertainty and

would primarily depend on the evolving geopolitical situation,” the report said.

The RBI further said supply-side policy interventions such as removing customs duty on import of raw cotton, prohibiting wheat exports, reducing road and infrastructure cess (RIC) on petrol by ₹8 per litre and diesel by ₹6 per litre, increasing exports duty on certain steel products, reducing imports duty on certain raw materials for steel and plastic manufacturing, restricting sugar exports, removing customs duty and agriculture infrastructure and development cess (AIDC) on import of 20 lakh tonnes of crude sunflower oil and crude soybean oil and other measures as may be taken could, however, provide some offset. **PTI**

No wheat shortage, ban slapped to check rampant export: Min

Gwalior: There was no shortage of wheat in India, but the Centre has imposed a ban on its export to check “rampant” overseas sales of the grain, Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar has said.

Speaking to reporters after attending a function here on Thursday, Tomar said it was the government’s duty to maintain a balance in the market.

“For us, the nation’s interest comes first. And that is why there was no shortage of wheat in the country. It is the government’s duty to maintain a balance in the market. Hence, we have imposed a ban to check rampant export of the food grain. We have to meet the country’s demand,” the minister said.

On May 14, India, the world’s second biggest producer of the cereal, announced a ban on wheat exports as a part of measures to control rising domestic prices amid concerns of output being hit by scorching heatwave.

India’s wheat exports stood at an all-time high of 7 million tonnes, valuing USD 2.05 billion, in 2021-22 on better demand of Indian wheat from overseas. Of the total wheat



exports, around 50 per cent went to Bangladesh.

Tomar said India has to also look after the foodgrain needs of its neighbours.

“Our neighbouring countries depend on us. Many countries in the world need foodgrains, and they are looking at India. We have a responsibility to our neighbouring countries,” he said.

“To discharge all these responsibilities, we have taken the decision (to ban export) by checking our account (stock),” the minister said, responding to a query on the Congress’s allegation that overseas shipment of wheat was stopped without any planning. **PTI**

Markets dart up for 2nd day amid firm global trends; log weekly gains

Mumbai: Equity indices extended their winning run to a second straight session on Friday, buoyed by robust demand for IT, bank and auto stocks amid a supportive trend overseas.

The two-day rally also helped the benchmarks post their second straight weekly advance, in lockstep with a global rebound despite lingering concerns over high inflation and coordinated policy tightening by central banks.

Continuing with the previous session’s momentum, the 30-share BSE Sensex rallied 632.13 points or 1.17 per cent to settle at 54,884.66.

Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty jumped 182.30 points or 1.13 per cent to 16,352.45.

Tech Mahindra was the top performer in the Sensex pack, spurring 4.10 per cent, followed by IndusInd Bank, Wipro, Bajaj Finance, M&M, Infosys, L&T and Bajaj Finserv.

On the other hand, NTPC, Bharti Airtel, PowerGrid, Tata Steel, Reliance Industries, Asian Paints and Nestle were the laggards, slumping as much as 2.43 per cent.

“Joining the global rally, the investors were in a buying mood following favourable retail earnings in the US. Receding FII selling also pro-



vided comfort to the domestic market in bringing down volatility.

“The RBI’s upcoming policy meeting will be a key factor in the market, where they are expected to announce an additional policy rate hike of 25-35 bps,” said Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services.

On a weekly basis, the Sensex climbed 558.27 points or 1.02 per cent, while the Nifty gained 86.30 points or 0.53 per cent.

“The recent rebound shows that we’re just mirroring the global markets, especially the US and it may continue ahead

as well. Besides, upcoming macroeconomic data and auto sales numbers will also be in focus... Meanwhile, we recommend maintaining a positive yet cautious approach and focusing more on stock selection,” said Ajit Mishra, VP - Research, Religare Broking Ltd. In the broader markets, the BSE midcap gauge jumped 1.69 per cent and the smallcap index gained 1.20 per cent in Friday’s session. Among BSE sectoral indices, IT jumped 2.38 per cent, followed by tech (1.84 per cent), capital goods (1.69 per cent), industrials (1.58 per cent), auto (1.50 per cent) and bank (1.35 per cent). **PTI**

Gold jumps ₹303; silver rallies ₹1,023 amid firm global trends

New Delhi: Gold in the national capital on Friday jumped

₹303 to ₹50,939 per 10 grams in line with rally in international precious metal prices, according to HDFC Securities.

The precious metal settled at ₹50,636 per 10 grams in the previous trade.

Silver also rallied by ₹1,023 to ₹62,365 per kg from ₹61,342 per kg in the previous trade.

In the international market, gold was trading higher at USD 1,859 per ounce and silver gained marginally to USD 22.22 per ounce. “Gold prices traded higher with spot gold prices at COMEX trading around half a per cent up at USD 1,859 per ounce on Friday,” said Tapan Patel, Senior Analyst (Commodities) at HDFC Securities. **PTI**

Sebi tweaks SOP in case of defaults by trading, clearing members

New Delhi: Capital markets regulator Sebi on Friday tweaked the standard operating procedure specifying steps to be taken by stock exchanges, clearing corporations and depositories for dealing with possible defaults by trading or clearing members.

The measures are aimed at protecting the interest of non-defaulting clients of trading members (TMs) or clearing members (CMs) in the likely event of default.

The regulator, in consultation with the Market Infrastructure Institutions, has decided to modify the framework in order to provide equitable distribution of funds amongst investors, according to a circular.

Under the new framework, within 30 trading days from crystallization of balances, stock exchanges (SEs) or clearing corporations (CCs) will

have to endeavour to settle the claims of maximum number of clients by way of interim measures under their supervision, prior to issuing show cause notice (SCN) for declaring the TM a defaulter.

The TM is required to be instructed to pay small investors out of available funds and own resources (movable and immovable) under the supervision of the SEs.

Further, the unencumbered deposits available with the SEs or CCs, after adjusting their dues and maintaining the minimum base capital requirement, will also be utilised for settling the credit balance of investors starting from the smallest amount.

“Such amount shall be paid in full to all such investors having credit balance up to the amount of ₹25 lakh, subject to availability of funds. **PTI**

Ola scouts for land to set up cell, electric car factories

New Delhi: Mobility giant Ola Electric is scouting for land to set up its cell and electric car factories and is in talks with multiple states, sources said.

Ola Electric needs 1,000 acres of land to set up its cell gigafactory and electric car factory which is expected to attract an investment of ₹10,000 crore.

Some states are already vying, sources aware of the matter said.

Ola Electric’s four-wheeler ambitions are taking a serious shape with some concept designs almost ready.

It is in talks with governments of Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana for land acquisition, they said adding the company is likely to finalize it as early as next month.

The firm already has 500 acre in Krishnagiri in Tamil Nadu where it has built its Futurefactory, the world’s



largest two-wheeler factory.

A company spokesperson declined to comment on the developments.

Ola’s current plans for additional 1,000 acre of land are for a separate four-wheeler factory for its much-anticipated car factory and for its proposed cell gigafactory that will supply cells for its 2-wheeler and 4-wheeler product range.

Number of ₹2000 currency notes continue to decline

Mumbai: The number of bank notes of ₹2000 denomination has steadily declined over the years to touch 214 crore or 1.6 per cent of the total currency notes in circulation at the end of March this year, according to RBI annual report.

The total number of currency notes of all denominations in circulation stood at 13,053 crore as of March this year, up from 12,437 crore from the year-ago period.

At the end of March 2020, the number of ₹2000 denomination notes in circulation stood at 274 crore, accounting for 2.4 per cent of the total number of currency notes in circulation. The count declined to 245 crore or 2 per cent of the total bank notes in circulation as of March 2021 and further fell to 214 crore or 1.6 per cent



at the end of last fiscal year.

In value terms also, the ₹2000 denomination notes dipped from 22.6 per cent of the total value of currency notes in circulation to 17.3 per cent at the end of March 2021 and further to 13.8 per cent at the end of March 2022.

According to the report, the number of ₹500 denomination notes in circulation rose to 4,554.68 crore at the end of March this year as against 3,867.90 crore in the year-ago

period. “In volume terms, ₹500 denomination constituted the highest share at 34.9 per cent, followed by ₹10 denomination bank notes, which constituted 21.3 per cent of the total bank notes in circulation as on March 31, 2022,” the annual report for 2021-22 released on Friday said.

The ₹500 denomination notes accounted for 31.1 per cent share at the end of March 2021 and 25.4 per cent as of March 2020. In value terms, these notes rose from 60.8 per cent to 73.3 per cent from March 2020 to March 2022.

The total value of currency notes in circulation of all denominations rose to Rs 31.05 lakh crore at the end of March this year from ₹28.27 lakh crore at the end of March 2021. **PTI**

UAE, India discuss economic opportunities of energy transition

Dubai: Government and business leaders in India and the UAE have held a series of high-level meetings focused on opportunities within the energy transition and industrial growth.

The meetings were held on the sidelines of UAE Climate Envoy and Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology Dr Sultan Al Jaber’s visit to New Delhi on Thursday, UAE’s official news agency Wam said.

Union Environment Minister Bhupendra Yadav on Thursday met Al Jaber and the two discussed issues relating to climate change, hosting of COP

28 and other related matters. Prior to the bilateral meeting, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on climate action was also signed by the two ministers to establish a framework to facilitate and enhance bilateral cooperation on climate action, and also contribute towards implementing the Paris Agreement.

Following Dr Al Jaber’s meeting with Yadav, the UAE and India agreed to expand bilateral cooperation towards accelerated climate action and implementation of the Paris agreement, including public-private partnership across renewable power deployment,

agriculture efficiency, green hydrogen, sustainable finance, and carbon market development, the official Wam news agency reported.

The UAE-India cooperation in climate aims to support India’s ambition to achieve 450 gigawatts (GW) of renewable energy installed capacity by 2030 and aligns with the UAE’s ambitions to expand its low and zero-carbon energy capabilities.

The UAE delegation also met with Indian business leaders discussing new opportunities, particularly those in decarbonisation and climate solutions. **PTI**

TVS Motor launches limited edition of HLX bike range in Kenya

New Delhi: TVS Motor Company on Friday said it has launched a limited edition of HLX 125 Gold and HLX 150 Gold bikes in Kenya.

The company has introduced the two editions to commemorate over two million unit sales milestone achieved by the HLX series.

“Kenya is an important market for us. Most two-wheelers in Kenya double up as boda boda and delivery vehicles, customers always look for long-lasting and durable products,” TVS Motor Company’s Head of International Business H G Rahul Nayak said in a statement.



The HLX brand has consistently catered to these evolving mobility needs backed by a wide service network with trained mechanics and spare parts support, setting a benchmark for superior customer experience and quality in the

African countries, he added.

“We are thrilled to introduce the two celebratory limited editions of TVS HLX in Kenya with multiple first-in-segment attributes for our valued customers. With smart lock anti-theft features and exciting new offerings, the motorcycle will further enhance the pride of ownership amongst the Boda-Boda riders,” Nayak said.

The newly launched limited edition HLX 150 Gold and HLX 125 Gold are equipped with first-in-segment features like smart lock (anti-theft security feature using key-FOB) to enhance the safety and security of the vehicle. **PTI**

Rupee inches 2 paise higher to 77.59 against US dollar

Mumbai: The rupee inched 2 paise higher to close at 77.59 (provisional) against US dollar on Friday, supported by positive domestic equities and weakness of the American currency overseas. .Forex traders said the rupee consolidated in a narrow range as elevated crude oil prices, fiscal deficit concerns and persistent FII outflows weighed on the local unit.

At the interbank forex market, the rupee opened at 77.60 against the greenback and moved in a range of 77.57 to 77.67 in the day’s trade. The rupee finally ended at 77.59, higher by 2 paise over its previous close of 77.61.

“Rupee continued to trade in a narrow range and volatility remained despite gains in domestic equities. Dollar retraced after the US preliminary GDP number came in below estimates,” said Gaurang Somaiya, Forex and Bullion Analyst, Motilal Oswal Financial Services. Euro and pound got support at lower levels and extended support, Somaiya said, adding that “we expect the USD-INR to trade sideways and quote in the range of 77.20 and 77.80.” On the domestic equity market front, the BSE Sensex advanced 632.13 points or 1.17 per cent to end at 54,884.66, while the broader NSE Nifty jumped 182.30 points or 1.13 per cent to 16,352.45. **PTI**



AP ■ PARIS

Jurgen Klopp's Liverpool are seeking to cap a remarkable season by avenging their 2018 defeat against Real Madrid when the sides meet again in the Champions League final in Paris on Saturday, but the Spanish giants have their sights on a 14th European Cup triumph. It is Liverpool's third Champions League final in five seasons, after they followed their 3-1 loss to Real in Kyiv by beating Tottenham Hotspur in Madrid a year later, and they are widely seen as slight favourites at the Stade de France to become kings of Europe for a seventh time. That would put them level with AC Milan, with only Saturday's opponents having won the trophy more often, and it would allow the Anfield club to finish the campaign with a treble after they lifted the English League Cup and FA Cup. For a long time an unprecedented quadruple was on, but Klopp's side fell just short in the Premier League, finishing a point behind Manchester City. "Without the Champions League it would be a great season. With the Champions League it would be a fan-

AN EVENING IN PARIS

Liverpool eye revenge against Real Madrid in Champions League final rematch

tastic season," said Klopp. It has already been a memorable few years for Klopp's side following their loss in Kyiv, when Mohamed Salah was forced off injured in the first half, Lloris Karius endured a nightmare in goal, and Gareth Bale's brilliance won the trophy for Real. "I think it is revenge time," Salah, scorer of 31 goals this season, admitted recently. Liverpool appear well placed given how much they have strengthened since 2018, chiefly in goal with the arrival of Allison, while Thiago Alcantara has been a standout in midfield. **ANCELOTTI TARGETS NUMBER FOUR** The problem is that you could be forgiven for thinking that Real's name is on the cup, as it has literally been so many times before. While Liverpool saw off Inter Milan, Benfica and Villarreal in the knockout rounds, it is easy to forget now that Carlo Ancelotti's Real side lost at home to Sheriff Tiraspol in the group stage, such has been their extraordinary run since. They were 2-0 down on aggregate to Paris Saint-Germain in the last 16 before a Karim Benzema hat-trick in 17 second-half minutes in the second leg took them through. Against Chelsea in the quarter-finals they scored late at home in the return leg to force extra time before Benzema got their winner. The best was saved for the semi-final against Manchester City when they went into the 90th minute of the second leg needing two goals just to force extra time. They duly got them, and Benzema then struck the winner.

The 34-year-old Frenchman now leads Madrid into the final in his home country after a campaign in which he has scored 44 goals, with 15 in Europe and 27 on their run to the Spanish title. Benzema will surely be nailed on to win the Ballon d'Or if his club triumphs in Paris, where victory would also help Real supporters get over Kylian Mbappe's decision to snub them. Madrid are chasing their fifth Champions League in nine seasons, a run that began when they beat Atletico Madrid in Lisbon in 2014. Benzema was in that team, as was Luka Modric, while Ancelotti was the coach in his first spell in charge. The veteran Italian can now become the first coach to win the Champions League four times, having also triumphed with AC Milan in 2003 and 2007. The latter victory came against Liverpool and was revenge for the Anfield club's win over Ancelotti's Milan in Istanbul in 2005. "Playing a final with them is something special. They have won six Champions Leagues, and if they reach seven they would go level with Real Madrid after injury scares. Thiago was brought off his Achilles problem. Fabinho has not featured since sustaining a muscular injury in a 2-1 win at Aston Villa on May 10. However, the Brazilian took a

Ibrahimovic intends to continue playing: Maldini

AP ■ MILAN

Zlatan Ibrahimovic intends to continue playing despite the end of his contract with AC Milan and a lengthy layoff in store following knee surgery, club director Paolo Maldini said on Friday. "From what I understand, his intention is to continue," Maldini told Gazzetta dello Sport, two days after the striker, who turns 41 in October, underwent surgery that is expected to sideline him for eight months. "We have made an appointment in a fortnight. I don't see any problem in reaching an agreement. He is certainly not at ease playing so little. We will see what happens in the next two weeks," Maldini said. Ibrahimovic, who returned to AC Milan in January 2020 eight years after leaving and has just helped the club win their first Serie A title since 2011, has had the anterior cruciate ligament in his left



knee reconstructed. The former Inter Milan, Paris Saint-Germain and Manchester United forward said this week he endured six months of sleepless nights due to the pain in his knee because he was determined to fulfil his promise to AC Milan of delivering their first Serie A crown in 11 years.

Thiago, Fabinho fit for final

AP ■ PARIS

Liverpool's preparations for the Champions League final were boosted by the news that midfielders Thiago Alcantara and Fabinho will be fit to face Real Madrid after injury scares. Thiago was brought off his Achilles problem. Fabinho has not featured since sustaining a muscular injury in a 2-1 win at Aston Villa on May 10. However, the Brazilian took a

full part in an open training session in front of the media on Wednesday. "Thiago Alcantara and Fabinho will be included in Liverpool's travelling squad for the Champions League final against Real Madrid," Liverpool said in a statement. "The pair will be among the players journeying to Paris for Saturday's clash at Stade de France following injury concerns and are set to come into contention to return." Both players have been pivotal to Liverpool's stunning season that has already seen them lift two trophies in the League Cup and FA Cup.

Fit-again Chhetri boosts India's chances in Jordan friendly



PTI ■ DOHA

Upbeat with the return of talismanic striker Sunil Chhetri in their ranks, India still have a tough task at hand when they face higher-ranked Jordan in an international football friendly match here on Saturday. The 37-year-old Chhetri last played for India during their 3-0 win over Nepal in the

head coach Igor Stimac said about which team which reached here on Wednesday. "It's our last friendly game prior to qualifiers, and we need to get final answers on certain questions. Some of our youngsters will have a great opportunity to gain more experience at international level," he added. The squad has been in a preparatory camp for over a month, first in Bellary in Karnataka and then in Kolkata, and the coach said that the fitness levels of his players "are quite good". "We have another 10 days (before the Asian Cup qualifiers), and it should be perfect. The boys have done a great job, and they need to be rewarded with some good results in the Qualifiers," Stimac said. About Jordan as an opposition team, the coach said: "Jordan are ranked better than Belarus (FIFA Ranking 93) but are not as physical as Belarus. So for us, it should be a bit easier in regards to the build-up and ball possession." The 'Blue Tigers' had played against Belarus in the FIFA International window in March, a match where they went down 0-3. The Indian squad has been bolstered by the joining of the ATK Mohun Bagan players, who missed the preparatory camp owing to their club commitments in the AFC Cup.

AP ■ PARIS

Novak Djokovic and Rafael Nadal closed in Friday on a blockbuster clash at the French Open as both reached the last 16, while Carlos Alcaraz prepared to face the only man to beat him on clay this year. Reigning champion Djokovic and 13-time winner Nadal are on course to meet in the quarter-finals, with the Spaniard seeded outside the top four at Roland Garros for just the second time. World number one Djokovic strolled to a 6-3, 6-3, 6-2 win over Slovenia's Aljaz Bedene and

SL beat B'desh by 10 wickets, win series 1-0

AP ■ DHAKA

Athitha Fernando finished with a career-best 6-51 as Sri Lanka thrashed hosts Bangladesh by 10 wickets in the second Test on Friday to win the series 1-0. The visitors bowled out Bangladesh for 169 runs in their second innings with the 24-year-old playing a starring role at Dhaka's Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium. "We knew we needed a couple of wickets to go our way," said Sri Lanka skipper Dimuth Karunaratne.



Nadal eased past Dutch 26th seed Botic van de Zandschulp 6-3, 6-2, 6-4. "I'm always very motivated when I get on the

court, with the desire to produce my best level each time. It's not always possible to do it, but today it was very good," said Djokovic. The 35-year-old Serb is aiming to become the oldest men's singles champion in Paris in the Open era as he chases a record-equalling 21st Grand Slam title. Next up for Djokovic, who was also French Open champion in 2016, is a match-up with Argentina's Diego Schwartzman, the 15th seed. Nadal, the 21-time major champion, improved his record at Roland Garros to 108-3 after seeing off 2021 US Open quar-

ter-finalist Van de Zandschulp. He has now reached at least the fourth round in 17 of 18 visits to Roland Garros, with the exception of 2016 when he withdrew in the third round with a wrist injury. "I think I played a good match against a good player. I'm very happy to win," said Nadal. The Spaniard had a break point for 5-0 in the third set, but Van de Zandschulp refused to roll over, winning four of the next five games before Nadal put away his second match point, having saved a break point in between the two.

Australia bids farewell to Symonds

AP ■ SYDNEY

Andrew Symonds was remembered as a supremely talented cricketer with "a pure heart" at a memorial service on Friday for the Australian former all-rounder who died aged 46. Symonds was killed in a single-vehicle accident in northern Queensland earlier this month, leaving Australian cricket reeling once more following the recent and unexpected deaths of greats Shane Warne and Rod Marsh. Family, friends, fans and former teammates gathered to celebrate his life at a public memorial service at a stadium in the coastal city of Townsville, where he lived. Former cricketers Ricky Ponting, Allan Border, Adam Gilchrist, Darren Lehmann and Ian Healy turned out for the man affectionately known as 'Roy'. It followed a private funeral where a cricket bat, fishing rod, crab pot and a number of hats were placed alongside the timber coffin, local media reported.

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ऑनलाईन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना

म.प्र. शासन लोक निर्माण विभाग में नवीन केन्द्रीयकृत पंजीयन प्रणाली के अंतर्गत अथवा केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग में सक्षम श्रेणी में पंजीकृत ठेकेदारों से ई-टेंडरिंग के माध्यम से तालिका में वर्णित कार्य हेतु नगरीय प्रशासन एवं विकास विभाग में प्रचलित आईएसएसआर दिनांक 2 अगस्त 2021 से प्रभावशाली प्रतिशत दर के आधार पर (कम/अधिक) की ऑनलाईन निविदाएं पृथक-पृथक आमंत्रित की जाती है।

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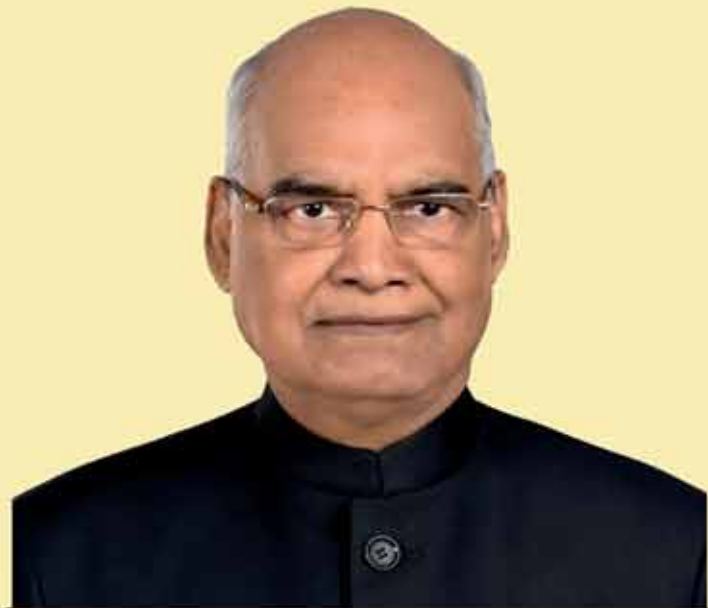
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नियम एवं शर्तें :- 1. अस्वीकृत प्रस्तावों की घरोहर राशि एक माह में बिना कटौती एवं बिना ब्याज के आवेदन में अंकिट बैंक अकाउन्ट में लौटाई जावेगी। आवेदन फार्म की राशि वापसी योग्य नहीं है। 2. प्रस्ताव प्रस्तुत करने के उपरान्त आवेदन निरस्तीकरण पर 50 प्रतिशत घरोहर राशि राजसात कर शेष राशि वापस की जावेगी। 3. आवेदन एवं घरोहर राशि आनलाइन RTGS से जमा होगी। ऑफर आई.डी. रिजिस्टर्ड मोबाइल पर प्राप्त होगा। मण्डल नियमानुसार लीजनेट एवं अन्य शुल्क, कर पृथक से देय होगा। 4. ऑफरदाता द्वारा प्रस्तुत ऑफर राशि ऑफर स्वीकृत होने के बाद मण्डल नियमानुसार जमा करना होगी। 5. राशि रुपये 50.00 लाख से अधिक की संपत्ति में प्रस्तुत ऑफर राशि अन्य शुल्क सहित 3 किशतों में ब्याज सहित एक वर्ष की अवधि में जमा कराने की सुविधा। 6. आयकर अधिनियम अनुसार टी.डी.एस. नियम लागू। मण्डल को जमा की जाने वाली राशि पर टी.डी.एस. की राशि शासन को देय होगी। 7. वेबसाइट www.mphousing.in/ 8. मण्डल/शासन के नियम, शर्तें बंधनकारी रहेगी।

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