

WORLD 5

RUSSIA TAKES SMALL CITIES, AIMS TO WIDEN EAST UKRAINE BATTLE

MONEY 6

WON'T MANUFACTURE IN INDIA TILL ALLOWED TO SELL CARS: MUSK

SPORT 8

TITANS BRACE UP FOR FIGHT FROM ROYALS

Established 1864

Published From
DELHI LUCKNOW BHOPAL
BHUBANESWAR RANCHI
RAIPUR CHANDIGARH
DEHRADUN HYDERABAD
VIJAYWADA

BHOPAL, SUNDAY MAY 29, 2022; PAGES 12 ₹2



sunday pioneer

www.dailypioneer.com

Spared no effort in my service to nation: Modi

Eyes on Gujarat polls this year, PM launches slew of projects in home State

No forced night shift for women workers in UP

Employers must seek her written consent for work before 6 am & after 7pm: UP Govt order

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE/AGENCIES ■ LUCKNOW



The Uttar Pradesh Government on Saturday urged employers not to force women employees to work after 7 pm and before 6 am without their written consent. The move is being seen towards providing a secure working atmosphere for women working in factories across the State and to protect their professional rights.

Also, the Government has asked employers to provide free transportation, food and sufficient supervision, if women exceed their working time. "Women workers shall be provided free transportation from her residence to workplace by the employer of the factory and back.... Employer shall ensure toilets, washrooms, changing rooms, drinking facilities and lights in the workplace (sic)," the order read.

"No woman worker shall be bound to work without her written consent before 6 am and after 7 pm," said the UP Labour Department in an order.

Strict action is to be taken

against those violating the State Government order which surfaced on Saturday.

The order said it is mandatory to provide facilities like washrooms, drinking water, changing rooms and light in the workplace.

"Employer shall take appropriate steps to prevent sexual harassment. The employer shall maintain a complaint mechanism in the factory itself as prescribed in the Sexual Harrassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act," the order read.

Not less than four women should be allowed in a shift between 7 pm and 6 am.

According to sources, the order would be applicable in the private sector as well.

The employer is also expected to send a monthly report electronically or otherwise to the Inspector of facto-

ries of the region concerned about the details of women workers engaged during the night shift.

On the other, the labour inspector has also been entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring safe working conditions for women workers and conducting inspections from time to time to ensure that there is no non-compliance with the provisions at the workplace.

The order also stated that on refusal to agree for night shift, a woman employee cannot be terminated, else action can be taken against the employer.

The UP Government has notified the exemptions to women workforce across all the mills and factories in the state under the powers vested in the Factories Act-1948 following the work plan of women employees.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets the crowd at an event in Gandhinagar on Saturday

AP

Patel Seva Samaj and cited it as an example of what Government-private sector collaboration can achieve.

The PM will on May 31 visit Himachal Pradesh, which too will elect a new Assembly by the year-end. Modi had last month gone for a tribal outreach in Gujarat by addressing a big rally in tribal-dominated Dahod and launched projects worth ₹22,000 crore for the

region.

Modi said it is apt that he is on Gujarat soil on the eve of 8 years of service to the motherland and thanked the people of the State for giving him the opportunity and "sanskar" to serve the country.

Enlisting his performance, he informed that now more than 3 crore families have got a pucca house, more than 10 crore families have

been freed from open defecation, more than 9 crore sisters have been freed from smoke in the kitchen, more than 2.5 crore families have got electricity connection, more than 6 crore families have got drinking water connection and more than 50 crore beneficiaries have got health coverage for up to ₹5 lakh free of cost.

He said the prices of fer-

tilisers have increased due to the Covid-19 pandemic and war in Ukraine, but the Government has ensured that the farmers in the country do not face scarcity of urea and other inputs. "An imported urea bag of 50 kg costs ₹3,500 but it is given to farmers at ₹300, which means the Government spends ₹3,200 per bag out of its pocket," Modi pointed out.

IndiGo fined ₹5L for denial of boarding to special child

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) on Saturday imposed a fine of ₹5 lakh on IndiGo for denying boarding to a specially-abled child in Ranchi on May 7.

In a statement, DGCA chief Arun Kumar said that the handling of the special child by IndiGo ground staff was deficient and ended up exacerbating the situation. "A more compassionate handling would have smoothened the nerves, calmed the child and would have obviated the need for the extreme step resulting in denied boarding to the passengers," read the order.

"Special situations deserve extraordinary responses but the airline's staff failed to rise up to the occasion, and in the process, committed lapses in adherence to the letter and spirit of the Civil Aviation Requirements (regulations), it noted.

"In view of this, the com-



petent authority in the DGCA has decided to impose a penalty of ₹5 lakh on the airline under the provisions of the relevant Aircraft Rules," it added.

Based on the findings during the enquiry, a show cause notice was issued to IndiGo Airlines through its authorised representative, it stated.

The DGCA said in order to avoid such situations in the future, it would revisit its own regulations, making it mandatory for airlines to take the airport doctor's written opinion on the health of a passenger before making a decision to deny boarding.

Moreover, it said that the new regulations would make sure that there is also a written consultation with the captain of the aircraft for his or her opinion on allowing such a passenger on board.

On May 7, IndiGo had "inappropriately" denied boarding to the Hyderabad-bound specially-abled child, and thereby his accompanying parents also did not go.

Some doctors travelling on Ranchi-Hyderabad of May 7 had also requested the airline to let the child, and thereby his parents, board the flight.

Father of Kerala boy who raised provocative slogans arrested

PTI ■ KOCHI

The father of the minor boy, who had courted controversy by allegedly raising provocative slogans during a recent march organised by the Popular Front of India (PFI) in Kerala's Alappuzha, was taken into custody from his house in Palluruthy here on Saturday, police said.

The family, including the boy, was reportedly away from the house ever since a purported video, in which the child could be seen sitting on the shoulder of a person and raising offensive slogans during the "Save the Republic" rally held by the PFI on May 21, went viral on social media platforms prompting police to register a case.

A police officer told PTI that the father was taken into custody and would travel to nearby Alappuzha soon for detailed interrogation. Further procedures would be decided later.

India fast emerging as medical tourism hub: Prez

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

President Ram Nath Kovind on Saturday said India is providing the most affordable medical facilities in the world and people from abroad, especially the neighbouring nations, visit the hospitals in the country to avail the health care services.

He further said that India is fast emerging as a medical tourism hub. "India has the cheapest medical facilities in the world and in the hospitals, especially in Delhi, people from neighbouring countries are found getting treatment more than the local patients," Kovind said here after inaugurating 'Arogya Manthan', a conference on the topic 'One Nation, One Health System'.

Referring to the coronavirus pandemic, Kovind said an invisible disease started plaguing the country two-and-a-half years back.

"Only one or two per cent people remained unaffected by it," he said. He praised the country's scientists and doctors for their efforts in developing a vaccine that saved the lives of people.

"Hundred years back, when a pandemic broke out, it killed



crores of people at one go. But the situation has now changed with the development of vaccines," the president added.

He said that during his recent visit to Jamaica and Saint Vincent, he participated in eight functions wherein the leaders of those countries praised India for providing vaccines against COVID-19 to them in their hour of need.

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi sent 50,000 Covishield vaccine doses each to Jamaica

and St Vincent free of cost. The top leaders of both the countries did not get tired of praising India for its humanitarian gesture," he said.

President Kovind said that while he focused on enhancing the bilateral ties between India and the countries he visited, the leaders there were more interested in knowing about India's medical facilities.

"India is fast emerging as a hub of medical tourism, where health care facilities and insti-

tutional treatment are available easily," he said.

Praising Arogya Bharti, which was established in Kerala to provide health care services, Kovind said its team is active in 85 per cent districts of the country. The president also praised the government for its move to introduce 'One Nation-One Health System'. Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel and Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan also addressed the programme.

Balbir, Vikramjit AAP's pick for RS from Punjab

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Noted environmentalist Balbir Singh Seechewal and philanthropist Vikramjit Singh Sahney will be the candidates of the ruling Aam Aadmi Party for the Rajya Sabha from Punjab as the party cleared their names on Saturday.

Both the nominees, who are assured of a Rajya Sabha berth now, are Padma Shri recipients. While Seechewal is a noted environmentalist, Sahney is an entrepreneur-philanthropist.

The announcement was made by Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on his Twitter handle. "I am happy to announce that AAP is nominating two Padma Shri awardees for the Rajya Sabha. One is environmentalist Padma Shri Sant Balbir Singh Seechewal and second is

Padma Shri Vikramjit Singh Sahney. My best wishes to both of them," said Mann in a tweet.

Mann's announcement declaring Seechewal as the AAP candidate came a day after he participated in a function at Seechewal, where he urged the noted environmentalist to give his ideas for protecting the environment. Seechewal is known for his efforts to clean the 160-km-long holy rivulet Kali Bein in Kapurthala's Sultanpur Lodhi.

Sikhs believe that Guru Nanak Dev got enlightenment after taking a dip in the Kali Bein. Seechewal's work was also applauded by the late President APJ Abdul Kalam, who visited his village twice.

Known as 'Eco Baba', he was hailed as one of the top 30 Heroes of the Environment in the world by the *Times* magazine.

Centre to design ways to curb fake reviews on e-commerce websites

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

To protect consumer interest, the Centre on Saturday announced that it will develop a framework to curb fake reviews posted on e-commerce websites. Online customers rely heavily on the reviews given their inability to physically inspect the product. This makes them vulnerable to fake reviews when they look for the opinions and experiences of users who have already purchased the good or service online.

"The Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA) will develop this framework after studying the present mechanism being followed by the e-commerce entities in India and best practices available globally," the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food &



Public Distribution said.

The move came a day after Consumer Affairs Secretary Rohit Kumar Singh held a meeting with various stakeholders on the issue. During the meeting, issues related to "paid reviews, unverifiable reviews and absence of disclosure in case of incentivised reviews which make it challenging for consumers to recognise genuine reviews" were discussed.

The Ministry, along with the Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI), held

a virtual meeting with various stakeholders, including e-commerce entities, to discuss the magnitude of fake reviews on their platforms, which mislead consumers into buying online products and services.

The experts said the modus operandi is simple: The advertiser creates a website or a Facebook page/profile, and starts selling via their page on the social media platform, taking users to their portal.

Once they receive payments for their orders, they delay in dispatching the products and by the time Facebook completes its feedback process to understand whether the advertiser is legit or a scam, the fraudsters make quick money and shut their operations once Facebook declares they are cyber offenders and treats them as "unhealthy".

Record 343 teams from 187 nations to take part in Chess Olympiad

PTI ■ CHENNAI

A record number of 343 teams from 187 countries will take part in the 44th Chess Olympiad to be held here from July 28 to August 10.

The Olympiad, the biggest ever global chess meet hosted by India has two specific categories — Open Section and women's section.

According to All India Chess Federation (AICF) secretary Bharat Singh Chauhan, the Event Director, "We have a record-breaking 187 countries registered with 189 teams in the open section and 154 in the women's section."

Previously, the Olympiad in Batumi, Georgia, held in 2018, had set a record with 184 and 150 teams in the open and women's sections respectively from 179 countries.

World champion Magnus Carlsen of Norway, the highest



ever rated player on the planet, will be the star attraction after he confirmed his participation in the mega event.

India, as the host country, is eligible to field an extra team in both sections and has an opportunity to field a third team in case of odd number of entries, the release said.

It has already announced two teams each in the Open and women's sections with the likes of Vidit Gujrathi, Nihal Sarin, P Harikrishna, teenaged sensations R Praggnanandhaa and D Gukesh along with women stars Koneru Humpy, D Harika and R Vaishali being included in the squads.

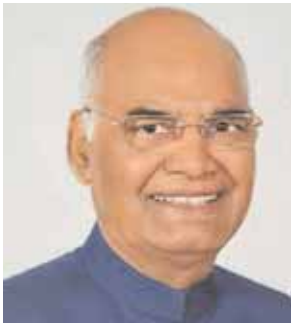
Patients, kin must not misbehave with health personnel: President

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Patients and their kin must not misbehave with doctors as health personnel too are human and may commit mistakes sometimes, President Ram Nath Kovind said here on Saturday.

Speaking at a function to dedicate health infrastructure and lay foundation stones of upcoming projects cumulatively costing Rs 399.72 crore, the president said doctors work with great care and responsibility to save the lives of patients.

"Doctors work with great care and responsibility to save a patient's life. They are burdened with work. Despite this, skilled doctors work with devotion and care in all cir-



cumstances. But sometimes, incidents of misbehaviour against doctors are reported," he said.

"It must be understood that doctors too are human and they can also commit mistakes. Thus, patients and their relatives should show patience and restraint," Kovind said, adding that he visits foreign

countries and meets doctors of Indian origin who are immensely respected in those nations.

The president congratulated health personnel, including doctors, nurses and paramedics, for their immense contribution and relentless hard work to provide relief to the masses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

He said people from abroad are now coming to India to avail treatment, which had made the country a medical tourism hub.

"If health care facilities expand and advanced centres come up, people in the country will benefit. Expansion of medical tourism will bring in more foreign exchange," President Kovind asserted.

President lays foundation stone of several health infra projects

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

President Ram Nath Kovind laid launched various health infrastructure projects of Madhya Pradesh government in Bhopal on Saturday, May 28, 2022. These include establishment of Regional Institute of Respiratory Diseases and Center of Excellence for Orthopedics under Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal and projects related to strengthen the health services in district hospitals and civil hospitals of Dewas, Sehore, Shajapur, Jabalpur, Indore, Morena, Ujjain and Bhopal etc.

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that it should be the endeavour of every government to provide affordable health-care facilities to the people from all sections of the society. He expressed confidence that people of those areas will get better facilities after completion of projects initiated today.

The President said that it is the supreme duty of a human to serve the living beings. A large number of doctors are also working with the spirit of service to people. He noted that many talented doctors took a vow of service and sacrifice by living in the tribal and rural areas of the country. He cited the example of Padma Shree Dr Leela Joshi who has been working for more than two decades to reduce the mortality rate due to anaemia in the tribal, rural and urban slums of Ratlam district. He said that such dedicated doctors are needed for the success of the efforts of Governments to provide health facilities to each and every person of the society.



President Ram Nath Kovind being greeted by CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan at 'Arogya Manthan' programme on 'One Nation-One Health System-Is the Need of Hour' organised by Arogya Bharti in Bhopal on Saturday. Pioneer photo

Major fire occurred at closed factory in Govindpura, loss yet to be ascertained

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A major fire broke out in a closed factory in Govindpura Industrial Area of Bhopal, over 10 fire tenders dispatched fire after hours of hard efforts at the factory which was closed for past 8 years.

In the fire, goods like cartoons, cardboard, and thinner were burnt to ashes. More than 10 fire tenders of the Municipal Corporation brought the fire under control in two hours.

The National Factory was seized by UCO Bank in the year 2014. This has happened due to non-payment of loan. A fire broke out in the same factory on Saturday morning.

The fire was so fierce that firefighters had to struggle



hard to control the fire. More than 10 fire tenders reached the spot from Govindpura, Fatehgarh, ISBT, Pul Bogda fire station. After that the fire came under control.

Due to the fire in the closed factory, there was panic among the industrialists, because there are other facto-

ries also near it. If the fire was not extinguished in time, the nearby factory could also catch fire.

It is not clear how much damage was caused by the fire.

The fire was controlled before it could spread and damaged nearby factories and industries. The owner had revealed losses as the premises were closed and used to dump goods.

The fire tenders have not provided any reason behind the fire. The fire could be short circuit borne or due to some other reason which would be investigated.

22-year-old youth killed, while his cousin injured, as a speeding truck hit their motorcycle

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A 22-year-old youth died while his cousin escaped with injuries after their bike was hit by a speeding truck near Godarmahu on Friday; Gandhi Nagar police have started an investigation.

Two youths were rushed to hospital where one of them was declared dead while other escaped with injuries.

In the accident, Narayan Singh (22) died while his cousin Rajesh Singh who was seating pillion suffered minor injuries.

The reason for the accident has been found to be the high speed of the truck.

According to the police, the victim used to work with



a private firm and used to live in Tumda while other youth was identified as his cousin. The two had gone to meet their cousin at Sukhieswania and met with an accident on their way back.

Narayan was riding a bike and in the accident his head

post mortem and a case against the errant driver has been registered and search has been started in the investigation.

Meanwhile, a 30-year-old man was found dead under suspicious circumstances at Ishwar Nagar Shahpura police station area on Friday.

Police were informed after Rahul Pratap Singh reported illness and was taken to hospital where he died during treatment.

After the preliminary investigation the body was sent for the post mortem. The police have registered a case under Section 174 of the CrPC and have started further investigation.

CM plants banyan and neem saplings at Smart City

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan planted the saplings in the Smart City Garden along with Pankaj Shrivastava, the editor of Patrika newspaper and the Patrika team. Chief Minister Chouhan planted Banyan and Neem saplings. Yogendra Singh, Rajiv, Sunil Mishra, Praveen, Ravindra Tomar, Sumit of Patrika newspaper participated in the plantation.

Neem, which is abundant in antibiotic elements, is known as supreme medicine. Banyan tree is also called Vat Vriksha or Bad. Banyan has religious significance, as well as according to Ayurveda, it is possible to cure many diseases from the banyan tree.



President Ram Nath Kovind, With Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan and others during the laying foundation stone ceremony of various urban health institution buildings, at Motilal Nehru Police Stadium in Bhopal on Saturday. Pioneer photo

Artists and art lovers learned about landscape painting in a workshop



STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

From subject selection to adding all the emotions and mood is all about painting. The artists and art lovers learned about landscape painting in a special workshop organized on Friday.

The workshop was organised by Srajana Academy for Fine Arts.

The landscape workshop was held on Friday, conducted by an eminent artist Vinay Sapre. Artists from different cities and States participated in the workshop.

During the workshop, the participants learned about the basics of painting and then they were taught about the water colour technique over canvas. The participants learned about the basic strokes.

To begin the workshop, Sapre told the participants about subject selection. He said that for a creative art piece, it is important to choose the subject wisely. The subject with sharp features adds life to the painting. Later, in the next session, they were told about the colour making and shading.

Vinay also emphasized over the light and shadow, proper colour mixing and how bring out the best for the emotions over canvas. He also gave a short demonstration of his paintings to the participants.

Notably, the workshop was organized focusing on building a stronger foundation in traditional techniques. This was followed with technical lectures and demonstrations by Vinay.

MG Bhopal supports women in sports, recognises Khushboo

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

MG Bhopal has recognised Junior Hockey World Cup player Khushboo Khan and supported her family in an event at the MG dealership. The event was organised by Mr Rishi Anand, Owner of Hriday Cars Private Limited and Dealer Principal, MG Bhopal.

MG Bhopal shall provide her and her family an accommodation, covering the rent while her application for accommodation by Sports and Housing Welfare Department is processed. One of her siblings will be hired at the dealership, and others will be provided with vocational training courses to prepare them for future employment.

Twenty-year-old Khushboo Khan is India's new International Junior Hockey star from the city of Bhopal. She is amongst the 20-member team selected to represent India in the under-23 tournament in Dublin, Ireland. A dribbler for team India Khushboo started her training and got noticed by an eminent coach who trained her as a goalkeeper.

EPIC Foundation keen to bring in a world class electronics hub in MP

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

EPIC Foundation, a not-for-profit organization, founded and chaired by Ajai Chowdhry along with other industry veterans is keen to bring in a world class electronics hub with support of local players in Madhya Pradesh.

The state currently has a small base for electronics with major software exports primarily from a couple of companies and have three SEZs. Some training equipment, oscilloscopes and power related equipment are being manufactured there and now some PC manufactures and solar-related equipment makers are showing interest in setting up units in Madhya Pradesh.

The state however, has high potential of attracting investments for Electronics and IT sector because of the policy that was launched by the government in 2012 for the IT, ITES and ESDM sector. It is one of most progressive policies under which the electronics hardware manufacturing industry is eligible for all incentives available under the IT policy.

Dr. Ajai Chowdhry has



been working with central government and start-up companies in the electronic sector from many years.

He along with his team is visiting MP to meet various stakeholders and is focused towards bringing Electronics Design and Manufacturing to the state of Madhya Pradesh. He started HCL in 1976 with 5 others and created the most successful start-up story of MP and today, he is also known as the "Father of Hardware".

He studied in Christ Church School in Jabalpur and did his engineering in Electronics and Telecom from Jabalpur Engineering College. Not only him, but his father has also contributed much towards the state as IAS MP Cadre.

Police conduct raid at notorious bookie, recover cash and betting slips

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Crime branch conducted a raid on notorious bookie Bhaiya Kachra and arrested 6 aides and recovered Rs 7400 cash and betting slips.

Betting business was conducted on a large scale, the main accused Bhaiya is betting from outside Bhopal. Efforts to collect information about the property of bookies have been started. Action will be taken to attach the property acquired from illegal sources.

Teams from the police station crime branch were dispatched to take effective action on gambling bets in Bhopal. After confirming the information, the senior officers were informed and raid-

ed at different betting places. During the raid proceedings 6 bookies Zubair Khan, Suresh Charan, Amar Singh, Naseer Ahmed, Idris Sheikh and Ravi were caught with betting slips, the accused were arrested after confiscating the speculative slips and cash Rs 7400.

On interrogation of the



accused, it was learned that Bhaiya Kachra is out of Bhopal, who is running a betting business outside. Bhaiyya has also been made a co-accused in the case.

A case under A Gambling Act was registered against the accused. The accused arrested and absconding have a past criminal record and investigation has been started. Mobile phones recovered from the accused would be investigated for obtaining details of other bettings and nexus.

Illegal liquor seized in Ratlam

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Ratlam collector Narendra Kumar Suryavanshi has given a clear instruction to carry out round the clock drive to track the sale transportation and manufacture of illegal liquor in the district.

Assistant commissioner excise Ratlam Neeraj Shrivastava has directed excise controller MI Mandre to carry out raids at different Dhabas located in Ratlam district.

Total 40.59 bulk litres of illegal liquor is confiscated at different Dhabas. Two accused are booked under excise act 34(1) and 1 accused is booked under 36 (b).



Aam Aadmi Party activists stage a protest against BMC over chopping of trees and destroying greenery despite the Supreme court orders, in Bhopal on Saturday. Pioneer photo

Saras-3D program to boost STEM Education in India

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Saras-3D, Inc, the pioneer instereoscopic 3D technology-based learning solutions, announces the launch of its sponsorship program for schools across India.

The aim of the sponsorship program is to give a major thrust to a high-quality, stereoscopic 3D technology-based learning experience, that uses the power of interactive visualization, to develop a deeper understanding of science and

mathematics concepts and promote 2X faster learning and retention. Through this sponsorship initiative for schools, SARAS-3D will bring together partners that are willing to support deserving schools and students, and provide them with the skill-sets that will enable them to compete on a global scale.

Sharing further development, Saras-3D announced CHARUSAT as their first patron for this program.

Under this arrangement,

CHARUSAT will exclusively sponsor a total of 12 schools across Gujarat.

Each of the selected schools will receive a Stereoscopic 3D Classroom Experience, a Stereoscopic 3D Lab Experience and specialized training for teacher totally worth INR 50 Lacs. The sophisticated software consists of yearly subscriptions for 4 years for 9th to 12th grade Physics, Chemistry, Biology, and Mathematics for both the modules.

President dedicates Respiratory Disease Institute

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Governor Mangubhai Patel said that today two premier institutes including Regional Institute of Respiratory Disease and Center of Excellence for Orthopedics are being dedicated and foundations of various health institutions are being laid.

These are important for the health and medical care of the citizens and through these people will get much needed care. The Ayushman Yojana implemented in the field of health during the last eight year tenure of Prime Minister Modi is significant and the world's largest health scheme. Prime Minister Modi is making medicines available at minimum rates to the poor and middle class

through Jan Aushadhi Yojana. As per Prime Minister's intention, the work of providing wellness center, telemedicine system, referral system and speedy treatment is being done in the state.

Patel was addressing a programme in the present of President Ramnath Kovind at Motilal Nehru stadium in Bhopal. He said that about 21 percent of the population in Madhya Pradesh belongs to the tribal category. Work is being done to control the genetic disease sickle cell anemia in tribal dominated areas. On November 15, 2021 on Tribal Pride Day, Prime Minister Modi launched the mission for the eradication of sickle cell in Bhopal.

Under the mission, soon

sickle cell control activities will be accelerated in 14 districts. Governor Patel appealed to the youth to advise tribal brethren to get tested for sickle cell anemia. With such efforts, sickle cell will be controlled. In inaccessible areas, children from deprived sections are also provided health services and nutrition through Anganwadi centres.

With everyone's development, faith and efforts, cent percent people tribal population can be tested for sickle cell anemia and only then we will be able to control this genetic disease. Patel said that we are grateful to people who provided their services during the Corona period.

Governor Patel expressed his gratitude for the important

contribution of doctors, other health workers, government servants and voluntary organizations in controlling the disease during the Corona period as a result of the efficient leadership of Prime Minister Modi.

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that the State Government is continuously working for better arrangements on various aspects of health. We are determined to provide the best healthcare facilities to the general public. Chouhan said that the work of upgradation of health services is going on continuously under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi.

As per the resolve of Prime Minister Modi, doctors and paramedical staff provided

unprecedented services during the Corona period in Madhya Pradesh. The state government has done the work of providing excellent health services by increasing the facilities in the state.

The health of the people could be protected. President Kovind has travelled to small countries of the world to give a message of peace and harmony. He is felicitated on behalf of eight and a half crore people of the state on his arrival in Madhya Pradesh. Chouhan said that the President could not come to Madhya Pradesh due to Corona, but now he has come after Corona has been brought under control, for which we are grateful.



Congress State President Kamal Nath being garlanded during the party's SC cell workers meeting at PCC headquarters in Bhopal on Saturday. Pioneer photo



Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) workers pay floral tributes at the statue of freedom fighter Veer Savarkar on his birth anniversary in Bhopal on Saturday. Pioneer photo

OBCs have only 11 percent reservations in district panchayats: Kamal Nath

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

After the announcement of the dates of Madhya Pradesh Panchayat elections by the State Election Commission, a statement of former Chief Minister and PCC Chief Kamal Nath has come to the fore regarding OBC reservation.

Talking to the media persons on Saturday, Kamal Nath said that there are 875 members of Zilla Panchayat in the entire state, while OBC has got 98 posts i.e. 11.2% reservation has been given in the state for Zilla Panchayat members. OBC has not got a single post for Zilla Panchayat member in 19 districts. Same is the case with Janpad Panchayat.

The government of Madhya Pradesh has done a great injustice to the other backward classes in the Panchayat elections. In the

Panchayat elections of 2022, the BJP government has given only 11.2% seats of District Panchayat member to OBC category, only 9.5% seats of Janpad Panchayat President, only 11.5% seats of Janpad Panchayat member and only 12.5% of Sarpanch seats. Not only this, OBCs have been given zero posts of Zilla Panchayat members in 19 districts, zero posts for Janpad Panchayat President in 28 districts and zero posts for Janpad Panchayat members in 10 districts.

Kamal Nath said that there are 313 posts of Janpad Panchayat President. Of these, 30 posts have been given to OBCs. That is, 9.5% OBC did not get a single post of district president in 28 districts. At the same time, there are 6771 posts of Janpad Panchayat members. OBC has got 780 posts in this. ie 11.5% OBC candidates have

not got a single post of Janpad Panchayat member in 10 districts. There are total 22 thousand 424 posts of Sarpanch. OBC has got 2821 posts in this, which is 12.5%. BJP has cheated OBCs in the name of reservation.

Kamal Nath made a big allegation on the government and said that full OBC reservation has not been received in the Panchayat elections. OBC seats have been halved due to the new reservation. This state government conspired to cancel the OBC reservation. Shivraj ji is saying with confidence that BJP is giving 35-30 percent OBC reservation but in reality it is about 9 to 10% reservation.

This will help in resolving the problem. Along with this, action has been taken against the guilty employees, they are being separated from service.

BJP national president JP Nadda likely to address party workers in Bhopal

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Panchayat elections have been announced in Madhya Pradesh. Notification may also be issued for the civic body elections in the next few days. Meanwhile, BJP National President JP Nadda is going to visit Madhya Pradesh. JP Nadda will address the BJP worker's convention in Bhopal on June 1. It is estimated that more than 5 thousand BJP workers will be involved in this. It is being said that from the Mandal President to the State Officers will be involved.

After the workers' conference, JP Nadda will hold 121 discussions with BJP leaders and ministers in Bhopal. During this,

he will assess the state activities of the party as well as the work of the Madhya Pradesh government. In Bhopal itself, the National President will hold a meeting of the Madhya Pradesh BJP Working Committee. In this, he will discuss about the party's election strategy.

After the workers' conference and working committee meeting in Bhopal, JP Nadda will reach Jabalpur, where he will take a meeting of the booth committee/mandal working committee. BJP is going to start a big campaign of youth connect in Jabalpur. Nadda will take a meeting of the new core group in Jabalpur itself. In Jabalpur's programme, the BJP will try to get

more and more youth associated with the party, with the help of which the party can win the 2023 assembly elections as well.

BJP National President JP Nadda's visit to Madhya Pradesh is also considered important before the 2023 Assembly elections, before the civic elections and during the Panchayat elections. Taking lessons from 2018, BJP is working to strengthen the organisation for 2023. In this context, Nadda's visit is eagerly awaited in the political circles to see what kind of changes come in the party and the government after his arrival. It is believed that Nadda's visit may also have an impact on the civic and panchayat elections.

Water woes continue in the State capital

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

No sooner than the issue of water supply was solved a fortnight ago in Bhopal which created a lot of uproar leading to people protesting across the city, five towers of the 132 KVA line had collapsed near Jahanpur on Thursday due to the storm. Due to this, the power supply at the pump house at Hirani was disrupted and the water supply came to a standstill in the areas connected with the Narmada line.

The power transmission company had taken a 36-hour shutdown to repair the line, which was completed on Saturday afternoon, but the work could not be completed. The towers were erected till 2 pm, but connecting the lines is taking time. Water supply is expected to resume by Sunday morning. Executive Engineer CS Kawalkar said

About 10 lakh population of Bhopal has been affected due to water shortage on the second day on Saturday as well. The tanker of the corporation for water is also empty

that if the power supply is restored by Saturday evening, then they will start filling the tanks immediately. However, it is not possible to supply overnight. Therefore, the supply will start from Sunday morning.

About 10 lakh population of Bhopal has been affected due to water shortage on the second day on Saturday as well. The tanker of the corporation for water is also empty. Due to non-availability of water in the

water sources, the corporation is unable to supply water through tankers.

Areas of Subhash nagar, Anna nagar, Bavdiakalan, Ashoka Garden, Jehangirabad, Barkhedi, Bagh Umrao Dulha, Arera Colony, Gautam Nagar, Tila Jamalpur, Nakarkheda, Naveen Nagar, Shahanshah Garden, MP Nagar, Raisen Road, Hoshangabad including 125 housing colonies is facing serious water crisis.

People have been craving water since Friday. The hot summer also increases the consumption of water. Because of this, people were seen transporting water by all available means. People with water cans were seen on motorcycles, magic tempos and autos. At the same time, private water sources including tube wells are also crowded.

Meanwhile, the newly added Kolar line also developed leak, the Municipal Corporation has started a new Kolar line this month, but that too is getting leaked. The line broke in Bagh Umrao Dulha area late on Friday night and water flowed for about an hour while some part of the city was facing water shortage.

Zandu to observe world digestive health day

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Zandu Pancharishta, a 100% Ayurvedic digestive health tonic from the house of Emami Limited, has rolled out a comprehensive awareness building and outreach programme to celebrate the World Digestive Health Day for the year 2022. World Digestive Health Day is celebrated every year on 29th of May.

Launched in 2004, World Digestive Health Day commemorates the Anniversary of the creation of the World Gastroenterology Organisation (WGO) on May 29, 1958. Each year, the day marks the start of a twelve-

month long campaign focusing on raising public and professional awareness of a particular digestive disease or disorder.

As per Ayurveda, poor digestion is the root cause of almost all diseases. Ayurveda emphasises that Aahar, Nidra, and Brahmacharya are the tripod of leading a long and healthy life. To have the desired effect of Good Aahar, one should have good digestion or Agni. Improper functioning of Agni leads to gastrointestinal, as well as, metabolic disorders such as increased blood pressure, high blood sugar, excess body fat and abnormal cholesterol or triglyceride levels.

Traveling liberates you, gaining new wisdom, says Ankush

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Meet influencer Ankush Goyal, an influencer and a globe-trotter. He shares his experiences with fashion and travel on social media apps like Moj which enjoys a fan following of 360k+ followers, Instagram with 300k+ followers, MX Takatak, Tiki and Facebook.

Ankush Goyal's passion for travel inspired a shift in the content he created. From sketches and lip-sync videos, he shifted his focus to creating content about travel and fashion. While his first videos were created out of boredom, he began posting more frequently during the lockdown.

As a result, his engage-

ment increased. Ankush has been working with Wipro for 3 years and, with travelling being his passion, he withdraws time from his busy work schedule to do what he likes and share it with his followers.

The varied ideas and the places that travel through Ankush's mind are beyond imagination. He plans his own trip, selects his own spots, and expresses his own emotions. To the max, he has imitated Shahrukh Khan, because he was his favourite icon in his good old days.



First lady Savita Kovind being greeted by Sadhna Singh, wife of CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan during laying foundation stone ceremony of various urban health institution buildings by the President Ram Nath Kovind in Bhopal on Saturday. Pioneer photo

Chief Minister pays tributes to Veer Savarkar on his anniversary

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan paid homage to Swatantryaveer Vinayak Damodar Savarkar on his anniversary. Chief Minister Chouhan paid floral tributes by garlanding his picture in the auditorium of his residence. To break the shackles of subjugation of Maa Bharti, Veer Savarkar, the son of motherland who chose the darkness and torture of cellular jail believed that the meaning of life is to live and die for the motherland.

Veer Savarkar was a great revolutionary, freedom fighter, historian,

Veer Savarkar was a great revolutionary, freedom fighter, historian, nationalist leader and thinker of India. He is often addressed as Swatantryaveer, Veer Savarkar

nationalist leader and thinker of India. He is often addressed as Swatantryaveer, Veer Savarkar. Veer Savarkar was born on 28 May 1883 in Bhagur village near Nashik in Maharashtra. He founded a revolutionary organisation called Abhinav Bharat Society. Veer Savarkar was the national president of All India Hindu Mahasabha. Veer Savarkar was sent to Cellular Jail after being sentenced to Kalapani in the Nashik case. Veer Savarkar suffered atrocities in jail for a long period of ten years.

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, PRAYAGRAJ

Tender Notice No.: CEN00GWL0103 Dated: 25.05.2022

2nd Corrigendum

It is notified for all concerned that 2nd corrigendum of tender No. CEN00GWL0103 has been uploaded on Railways website www.ireps.gov.in on 25.05.2022. Accordingly date of tender opening has been extended from 15.06.2022 to 30.06.2022. For detailed information please see the Indian Railways website www.ireps.gov.in

533/2022 V

North Central Railways @CPRNCR

कार्यालय नगर परिषद भाण्डेर, जिला दतिया (म.प्र.)

(Email) cmobhander@mpurban.gov.in

NIT NO 564/UADD/2022/Bhander/e-tendering भाण्डेर, दिनांक 26.05.2022

ऑनलाईन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना

निम्नलिखित निर्माण/आपूर्ति/सेवाओं के लिये निविदा मापदंडों को पूरा करने वाले ठेकेदारों/कंसल्टेंट्स और ख्याति प्राप्त फर्म से ऑनलाईन बोली आमंत्रित हैं :-

क्र.	कार्य का नाम	ऑनलाईन टेंडर नम्बर	अनुमानित लागत	अमानत राशि	निविदा प्रपत्र मूल्य	कार्य हेतु समयावधि
1	मेला मैदान बाउण्ड्री वॉल मेला में स्थाई मंच मेला परिषद में सुलभ कॉम्प्लेक्स निर्माण कार्य	2022_UAD_207453_1	315 लाख	157415	15000	365 दिवस

- इच्छुक बोलीदाता वेबसाइट www.mptenders.gov.in पर एन.आई.टी. देख सकते हैं।
 - बोली दस्तावेज सार्वजनिक अवकाश को छोड़कर 27.05.2022 समय 17.30 से 27.06.2022 तक समय 5:30 बजे तक क्रय की जा सकती है।
 - एनआईटी में संशोधन यदि कोई होता है, तो केवल वेबसाइट पर प्रकाशित किया जाएगा और समाचार पत्र में नहीं।
 - किसी भी स्पष्टीकरण की आवश्यकता हो तो कृपया श्री आशीष सुमन उपयंत्री (7724057797) से संपर्क कर सकते हैं।
- (इकबाल मोहम्मद)
प्रशासक
नगर परिषद भाण्डेर

(आशीष सुमन)
उपयंत्री
नगर परिषद भाण्डेर

(विजय बहादुर सिंह)
मुख्य नगर पालिका अधिकारी
नगर परिषद भोण्डर जिला-दतिया

China setting up emergency airbase near Ladakh

RAKESH K SINGH ■ NEW DELHI

After readingy Hotan airbase for operating H-20 stealth bombers, China is now setting up an emergency airbase in Tashkurgan district of Xinxiang opposite eastern Ladakh which is likely to be operationalised by September.

This will be the first Chinese-built high-speed airbase located in the Tajik Autonomous Region of Tashkurgan, Kashgar Province. Tashkurgan County is located in the Uighur Autonomous Region, an important strategic point bordering Tajikistan, Afghanistan and Pakistan which is close to Ladakh.

The military infrastructure is being ramped up by China post-Galwan Valley incident in June 2020 in which 20 Indian army soldiers were killed by the PLA troops. The Indian Army also inflicted heavy casualties to the PLA that has only confirmed deaths of five troops.

China has also tested operations of H-20 strategic stealth

bombers at Hotan airbase opposite eastern Ladakh last year and is now setting up an emergency airport in Tashkurgan district of Xinxiang opposite Ladakh, top sources said.

“The construction of the airport is going on in full swing and is likely to be launched on a trial basis in September this year,” said defence experts tracking developments in the region.

It could not be immediately ascertained if the emergency airbase would also have landing facility for the H-20 stealth bombers.

The development comes close on the heels of reports of construction of a second bridge on the Pangong Tso Lake in eastern Ladakh by the PLA amid Beijing’s continued bid to ramp up military infrastructure along the Line of Actual Control.

In June 2021, in the midst of the continuing standoff with India in eastern Ladakh, China had begun final trials of the H-20 bombers at Hotan airbase,



before induction as an area weapons, as reported by the Pioneer in June last year.

The testing exercise of the stealth bombers concluded on June 22, 2021 marking 100 years of formation of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and its rule.

At least three H-20 bombers, developed as an area specific asset, are aimed at blunting the edge India acquired through the acquisition of Rafale jets.

The stealth feature and long endurance o the H-20

ing base for these stealth machines before being deployed in the area to take on targets in Afghanistan, Balochistan or Ladakh.

Post-Galwan valley incident in June 2020, there is a marked shift in Chinese strategy of deploying troops on the ground in areas bordering Ladakh as well as ramping up air defences to respond to any challenges with full might, officials said.

Earlier, the H-20 bombers were slated to be inducted in 2025. However, the timeline has been compressed which signals a shift in China’s approach in the region and the larger geopolitical space.

The H-20s are also estimated to be capable of carrying nuclear payloads and carry stealth missiles to defy air defences of enemy forces.

According to a 2020 Pentagon report on Chinese military power, the H-20s are estimated to have a range of 5,281 miles and lift capacity of 10 tons of munitions.

Jaishankar calls for better connectivity with neighbours

PNS ■ NEW DELHI/GUWAHATI

With the Government stepping up its efforts to strengthen ties with neighbouring countries, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday called for better connectivity with Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and Myanmar for faster development.

He also said these endeavours by India are part of its ‘Act East’ and ‘Neighbourhood First’ policy and will have enormous reinforcing impact beyond the confines of South Asia.

Addressing the Natural Allies in Development and Interdependence (NADI) conclave in Guwahati, Jaishankar said the realisation of this is evident from the potential of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIM-STECC) on the Bay of Bengal region. The BIMSTECC includes Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka and

Thailand.

Land connectivity through Myanmar and sea connectivity through Bangladesh will open up all the ways to Vietnam and Philippines, he said.

“Once this becomes viable on a commercial scale, it will create an East-West lateral with sweeping consequences for the continent,” the minister added.

Elaborating upon it, Jaishankar said it will not only build on the partnership with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations(ASEAN) countries and Japan, but will actually make a difference to Indo-Pacific Economic Framework that is now in the making, the minister said.

Jaishankar said that work on restoration of 6 historical rail links with Bangladesh, dormant since 1965, is underway and overland trade is taking place using 28 notified land customs stations and 3 integrated check points.

“It is definitely within our ability to overcome geography and rewrite history if only we can get the politics and economics right,” he said.

Jaishankar said this vision can be successfully realised by enhancing connectivity with Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and Myanmar to improve access to the ASEAN countries and beyond.

“When done with imagination and on scale it can have repercussions far beyond immediate issues of the day. An India that is more connected to the northeast and a northeast that is more connected to India’s neighbours will mean a complete transformation of the regional economy,” said Jaishankar.

“Instead of being regarded as a frontier, the northeast region will emerge as a hub in itself. Its resources and skills will have a more ready market and the supply lines will be shorter,” he added.

SASB CEO accused of using foul language, detaining CPWD engineers

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Central Public Works Department (CPWD)’s Engineers Association has accused CEO of Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board (SASB) Niteshwar Kumar for using derogatory language against their two engineers and illegally detain/arrest of them for delay in completion of a project. The Association also urged the Jammu & Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha to probe the matter against Kumar and SSP Ramban. The CEO of SASB is considered close to Lieutenant Governor Sinha.

In a letter sent to the Housing and Urban Affairs minister, the CPWD Engineers

Association demanded that IAS officer and CEO of Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board (SASB) Niteshwar Kumar and SSP, Ramban simply misused their authority and to take necessary action as deemed fit as per service rules against them for of abusing local engineers and forcing their “illegal detention” for 10 hours.

The copy of the letter was also marked to the Secretary, Housing and Urban Affairs and Directorate General of CPWD.

This incident took place on May 25 when SASB CEO, Nitishwar Kumar, visited Chanderkote in Ramban district where the CPWD is constructing 18 cluster type dormitories for the shrine board.

As per the letter, during the inspection, Kumar, lost his temper. Seemingly on account that some pending finishing works.

He used derogatory language and hurled abuse on CPWD officers. Not satisfied with this act of his, he further ordered, verbally, to SSP Ramban to arrest/ detain the Executive Engineer and Assistant Engineer of CPWD.

CPWD superintending engineer, Mohan Lal wrote to Jammu & Kashmir chief secretary eight hours after the two engineers were “detained” by the Ramban police giving details of the sequence of events while seeking immediate intervention for the release of two engineers.

NCB uncovers drug trafficking network, arrests eight in raids

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

With the arrest of eight people, including a Nigerian National, in different operations, the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) on Saturday claimed to have unearthed a major pan-India heroin trafficking network in the country. The NCB has also seized about 35 kilograms (kgs) of narcotics worth more than Rs 100 crores in the international market from the possession of the accused.

According to a senior NCB official, the operation began on May 24 after the federal anti-drug agency first intercepted two women passengers who

landed in Bengaluru from Zimbabwe and about seven kg of heroin was seized from them.

Their questioning led NCB officials to various other links — a Nigerian national identified as the “kingpin” of the network and other operatives staying in the national Capital and Itarsi in Madhya Pradesh.

In this operation, 34.89 kg of high-grade heroin has been seized and eight people arrested, the NCB said.

This was a major heroin trafficking network operating across the country, it said. Out of the eight, one accused is a Nigerian and the rest are Indian nationals. Three more women,

stated to be citizens of some African nations, have been apprehended and they will be arrested once the agency gathers evidence against them, a senior NCB official said.

According to the statement issued by the NCB, Rs 5.8 lakh in cash was also seized during the operation. The Nigerian kingpin from Delhi used to ask Indian lady handlers to arrange women carriers who would fly abroad and bring drugs concealed in their luggage.

They were paid for each trip along with all travel expenses by the cartel, the NCB said.

CBI questions Karti for 3rd day in bribery-for-visa case

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The CBI on Saturday questioned Lok Sabha member Karti Chidambaram for the third 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 questioned till the evening, officials said. On Friday, he was confronted with documents connected to the 11-year bribery scam.

On May 14, the CBI had registered a fresh FIR against

Karti and others on the allegations of a bribe of Rs 50 lakh being paid to him through his close associate and Chartered Accountant S Bhaskararaman, 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.

The agency has already arrested Bhaskararaman in connection with the case.

The CBI FIR has stated that the work for setting up the power project was being executed by a Chinese company and was running behind schedule.

Plea challenging sections of Place of Worship Act filed in SC

NEW DELHI ■ AGENCIES

Another plea challenging the Constitutional validity of certain sections of the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act 1991 was filed in the Supreme Court on Saturday stating that the said Act violates the principles of secularism.

The plea, filed by a religious guru based in Mathura, Devkinandan Thakur, has challenged the constitutional validity of Sections 2, 3, and 4 of the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act 1991, stating that it offends Articles 14, 15, 21, 25, 26, 29 of the Indian constitution and violates the principles of secularism and the rule of law, which is an integral part of the Preamble and basic structure of the Constitution.

“Hindus are fighting for the restoration of the birthplace of Lord Krishna for hundreds of years with peaceful public agitation, but by enacting the Act, the Centre has excluded the birthplace of Lord Ram at Ayodhya but not the birthplace of Lord Krishna in Mathura, though both are the incarnations of Lord Vishnu- the creator,” the petitioner said.

Advocate Ashwini Upadhyay, Rudra Vikram, residents of Varanasi, and Swami Jeetendranand Saraswati, a religious leader, among others have already filed a plea in the apex court against the Act.



ferent section of the same religious denomination or of a different religious denomination or any section thereof.”

Section 4 bars filing of any suit or initiating any other legal proceeding for the conversion of the religious character of any place of worship, as existing on August 15, 1947.

“The Places of Worship Act 1991 is void and unconstitutional for many reasons,” the plea said, adding that it offends the right of Hindus, Jains, Buddhists, and Sikhs to pray, profess, practice and prorogate religion (Article 25).

“The Act infringes on the rights of Hindus, Jains, Buddhists, and Sikhs to manage, maintain and administer the places of worship and pilgrimage (Article 26),” it added.

MODI RUBBER LIMITED										
CIN: L25199UP1971PLC003392, Registered Office: Modinagar - 201204 Dist. Ghaziabad (U.P.), Corporate Office: 4-7C, DDA Shopping Centre, New Friends Colony, New Delhi 110025										
Website: www.modirubberlimited.com Email: investors@modigroup.net Phone: +91-11-2684 8416										
EXTRACT OF STANDALONE AND CONSOLIDATED UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022										
(Amount in Lacs)										
Sl. No.	Particulars	QUARTER ENDED						YEAR ENDED		
		STANDALONE			CONSOLIDATED			STANDALONE		CONSOLIDATED
		March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	Dec 31, 2021	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	Dec 31, 2021	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2022
		Audited	Audited	Un-Audited	Audited	Audited	Un-Audited	Audited	Audited	Audited
1	Total Income from operations (Net)	51.63	94.29	69.91	181.82	88.29	248.83	215.57	301.17	512.69
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before tax and exceptional items)	28.62	1,014.77	-337.48	326.43	821.22	813.97	720.47	1,472.02	2,754.38
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before tax (after exceptional items)	28.62	266.23	-337.48	326.10	206.92	813.97	720.47	723.48	2,754.05
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after tax (after exceptional items)	42.97	312.04	-562.19	352.26	294.44	578.35	523.10	770.86	2,563.14
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (after tax)	250.58	389.52	14,340.73	704.70	417.86	15,795.12	16,202.45	1,909.75	18,519.40
6	Equity Share Capital (Face value of share is Rs. 10/- each)	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves as per Financial Statements of previous year)	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A
8	Earnings per share (EPS) (of Rs. 10/- each) (Not Annualised)									
	(a) Basic and Diluted EPS (before exceptional Items) (in Rs.)	0.17	4.24	-2.25	1.41	3.63	2.31	2.09	6.07	10.24
	(b) Basic and Diluted EPS (after exceptional Items) (in Rs.)	0.17	1.25	-2.25	1.41	1.18	2.31	2.09	3.08	10.24
NOTES:										
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulations 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results are available on the stock exchange website, www.nseindia.com, www.bseindia.com and on the Company website www.modirubberlimited.com.										
2. The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their respective meeting held on May 28, 2022. The Statutory Auditors of the Company have carried out an audit of the aforesaid results.										
3. Previous quarter/ year end figures have been rearranged and / or regrouped, wherever necessary, to make them comparable with those of the current quarter/ year end.										
Place : New Delhi										
Date : 28th May, 2022										
By order of the Board Sd/- (Alok Kumar Modi) Managing Director DIN- 00174374										

PUBLIC NOTICE

Naveentam Co-operative Group Housing Society Ltd. Plot No.7, Sector-8, Rohini, Delhi-110085

Notice is hereby given to Public that membership of late Sh. Sadhu Singh (M.No.121) was transferred to Ms. Surinder Kaur (Nominer) ID/o, of Late Sh.Sadhu Singh in the Naveentam CGHS Ltd. (Regd. No.412 G/H), Plot No.7, Sector-9, Rohini, Delhi-110085 in the Special General Body Meeting dated 04.05.2014. Now name of Ms. Surinder Kaur has been forwarded by the society to RCS office for clearance of membership for draw of lots on 27.04.2022 in Schedule-VII of DCS Rules 2007. If any person(s) having any claim/objection in respect of this membership are requested to inform file his/her objection to the under signed or in the office of RCS within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice.

President-For Naveentam C.G.H.S. Ltd

PUBLIC NOTICE

Through this newsletter, I am informing the general public that mv client's original lease deed No.-2826. Dated 26/08/1985 seller-New Okhla Industrial Development Authority, buyer-M/S Skipper Fabricators and original lease deed No.-2260/ 2261, Dated 11/08/1997 seller-M/S Skipper Fabricators, buyer-M/S Ganpati Auto Industries, which is registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Noida. Both the above original lease deeds have gone missing somewhere in the National Capital Region, whose missing information has been lodged with the Crime Branch, Delhi on 29/04/2022. The gentleman who has received both the above deed, please kindly make it available at mv address. The gentleman who deliver will be given a respectable remuneration.

(Chandra Shekhar)
Advocate

Russia takes small cities, aims to widen east Ukraine battle

AP ■ KRAMATORSK UKRAINE

Russia asserted Saturday that its troops and separatist fighters had captured a key railway junction in eastern Ukraine, the second small city to fall to Moscow's forces this week as they fought to seize all of the country's contested Donbas region.

Russian Defense Ministry spokesman Igor Konashenkov said the city of Lyman had been "completely liberated" by a joint force of Russian soldiers and the Kremlin-backed separatists, who have waged war in the eastern region bordering Russia for eight years.

Lyman, which had a population of about 20,000 before Russia invaded Ukraine on Feb. 24, serves as a regional railway hub. Ukraine's train system has ferried arms and evacuated citizens during the war, and it wasn't immediately clear how

the development might affect either capability.

Controlling the city would give the Russian military a foothold for advancing on larger Ukrainian-held cities in Donetsk and Luhansk, the two provinces that make up the Donbas. Since failing to occupy Kyiv, Ukraine's capital, Russia has concentrated on seizing the last parts of the region not controlled by the separatists. "If Russia did succeed in taking over these areas, it would highly likely be seen by the Kremlin as a substantive political achievement and be portrayed to the Russian people as justifying the invasion," the British Ministry of Defense said in a Saturday assessment.

Fighting continued Saturday around Sievierodonetsk and nearby Lysychansk, twin cities that are last major areas under Ukrainian control in Luhansk



province. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy reiterated that the situation in the east was "difficult" but expressed confidence his country would prevail.

"If the occupiers think that Lyman or Sievierodonetsk will be theirs, they are wrong. Donbas will be Ukrainian," he

said.

On Tuesday, Russian troops took over Svitlodarsk, a small municipality south of Sievierodonetsk that hosts a

thermal power station, while intensifying efforts to encircle and capture the larger city. The governor of Luhansk warned that Ukrainian soldiers might have to retreat from Sievierodonetsk to avoid being surrounded. The advance of Russian forces raised fears that residents would experience the same horrors as people in the southeastern port city Mariupol in the weeks before it fell.

Sievierodonetsk's mayor, Oleksandr Striuk, said Friday that some 1,500 civilians have died there during the war, including from a lack of medicine or because of diseases that could not be treated while the city was under siege.

Before the war, Sievierodonetsk was home to around 100,000 people. About 12,000 to 13,000 remain in the city, where 90% of the buildings are damaged, the mayor told The Associated Press. Ukraine's

police force said Saturday afternoon that the city is "under constant enemy fire" and civilians were wounded, but did not specify the number.

Just south of Sievierodonetsk, volunteers worked to evacuate people Friday amid a threatening soundtrack of air raid sirens and booming artillery. AP reporters saw elderly and ill civilians bundled into soft stretchers and slowly carried down apartment building stairs in Bakhmut, a city in northeast Donetsk province.

Svetlana Lvova, the manager of two buildings in Bakhmut, tried to convince reluctant residents to leave but said she and her husband would not evacuate until their son, who was in Sievierodonetsk, returned home.

"I have to know he is alive. That's why I'm staying here," Lvova, 66, said.

A nearly three-month siege of Mariupol ended last week when Russia claimed the city's complete. The city became a symbol of mass destruction and human suffering, as well as of Ukrainian determination to defend the country. More than 20,000 of its civilians are feared dead.

Mariupol's port reportedly resumed operations after Russian forces finished clearing mines in the Azov Sea off the once-vibrant city. Russian state news agency Tass reported that a vessel bound for the southern Russian city of Rostov-on-Don entered Mariupol's seaport early Saturday.

Meanwhile, the Ukrainian navy said Saturday morning that Russian ships "continue to block civilian navigation in the waters of the Black and Azov seas" along Ukraine's southern coast, "making them a zone of hostilities."

Protest seeking resignation of Lankan Prez enters 50th day

PTI ■ COLOMBO

As the ongoing anti-Government protest demanding the resignation of Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa over the worst economic crisis entered its 50th day, organisers on Saturday said the day would be marked with more intense agitation marches with wider participation.

Sri Lanka is near bankruptcy and has severe shortages of essentials from food, fuel, medicines and cooking gas to toilet paper and matchsticks. For months, people have been forced to stay in long lines to buy the limited stocks. Sri Lanka's economic crisis has created political unrest with a protest occupying the entrance to the president's office demanding his res-



ignation continuing for the past 49 days. The crisis has already forced prime minister Mahinda Rajapaksa, the elder brother of the president, to resign on May 9.

There has been an intense call for President Gotabaya Rajapaksa to also resign however, he has refused to do so.

Saturday marks the 50th day of the "Go Rajapaksa" protest which has also seen the

death of a parliamentarian.

The Sri Lankan police have on occasions used force to control the unrest.

"The continuous protest demanding the resignation of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has reached its 50th day today. The day is to be marked with protest marches with wider participation," the organisers said. The action started on April 9 when protesters walked into the Galle Face promenade central Colombo and camped there blocking the entry gate to Rajapaksa's presidential office.

They expanded activities at the site by naming it GGG 'Gota G Gama (village).

A reference library, a theater, a political podium with cultural and religious events.

Palestinians: Teen killed by Israeli fire

AP ■ JERUSALEM

The Palestinian Health Ministry said Israeli forces shot and killed a teenager on Friday during an operation in a town near Bethlehem in the occupied West Bank.

The ministry identified the slain teen as Zaid Ghunaim, 15. It said he was wounded by Israeli gunfire in the neck and back and that doctors failed to save his life. The death raises to five the number of Palestinian teenagers killed during Israeli military operations in the West Bank in the past month.

Israeli-Palestinian violence has intensified in recent weeks with near-daily arrest raids in Palestinian-administered areas of the West Bank and tensions around a Jerusalem holy site sacred to both Muslims and Jews.

Police inaction moves to centre of Texas shooting investigation



AP ■ HOUSTON

The actions — or more notably, the inaction — of a school district police chief and other law enforcement officers moved swiftly to the center of the investigation into this week's shocking school shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

The attack that left 19 children and two teachers dead in a fourth grade classroom was the nation's deadliest school

shooting in nearly a decade, and for three days police offered a confusing and sometimes contradictory timeline that drew public anger and frustration.

By Friday, authorities acknowledged that students and teachers repeatedly begged 911 operators for help while the police chief told more than a dozen officers to wait in a hallway at Robb Elementary School. Officials said he

believed that the suspect was barricaded inside adjoining classrooms and that there was no longer an active attack.

The chief's decision — and the officers' apparent willingness to follow his directives against established active-shooter protocols — prompted questions about whether more lives were lost because officers did not act faster to stop the gunman, and who should be held responsible.

The delay in confronting the shooter — who was inside the school for more than an hour — could lead to discipline, lawsuits and even criminal charges against police.

"In these cases, I think the court of public opinion is far worse than any court of law or police department administrative trial," said Joe Giacalone, a retired New York police sergeant.

PRAKASH WOOLLEN & SYNTHETIC MILLS LIMITED					
Regd. office. 18th KM Stone, Delhi Moradabad Road, NH24, Village-Amhera, Distt: J.P.NAGAR-244102, U.P. CIN-L17921UP1979PLC004804					
PH: 0591-2223008/18, Fax-0591-2223009, Email: info@prakashwoollen.com, Website: www.prakashwoollen.com					
Extract of Audited Financial Results (Standalone) for the Quarter and Year Ended 31/03/2022					
Particulars	Quarter ended			Year Ended	
	31-Mar-22	31-Dec-21	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-21
	Audited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited	Audited
Total income from operations (net)	2151.58	3900.64	1881.05	9866.13	9823.60
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	(52.69)	40.93	(0.23)	(13.17)	495.51
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items	(52.69)	40.93	(0.23)	(13.17)	495.51
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items	(25.81)	18.17	29.06	(5.56)	377.36
Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(12.62)	18.17	35.12	7.63	383.42
Equity Share Capital	1025.98	1025.98	1025.98	1025.98	1025.98
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve as shown in the Balance Sheet of previous year)	—	—	—	—	—
Earnings per share (before extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/-each):					
(a) Basic	(0.25)	0.18	0.28	(0.05)	3.68
(b) Diluted	(0.25)	0.18	0.28	(0.05)	3.68
Earnings per share (after extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/-each):					
(a) Basic	(0.25)	0.18	0.28	(0.05)	3.68
(b) Diluted	(0.25)	0.18	0.28	(0.05)	3.68
Notes:					
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly/ Annual Audited Financial Results (Standalone) 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 Audited Financial Results are available on the website of the Stock Exchange (www.bseindia.com) and on Company's website (www.prakashwoollen.com)					
By Order of The Board For Prakash Woollen & Synthetic Mills Limited Sd/- Vijay Kumar Gupta Whole Time Director & CFO DIN: 00335325					
Place : Village Amhera (Amroha) Date : 28-05-2022					

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the share certificates No 793847 for 100 shares bearing distinctive No 216895601-216895700 standing in the name of SUBHASH MAKAR in the books M/s PRISM CEMENTS LTD Limited, has been lost/misplaced and the advertiser has applied to the Company for issue of the duplicate share certificate (s) in lieu thereof. Any person (s) who has/have claim (s) on the said shares should lodge such claim (s) with the Company's Registrars and Transfer Agents X viz KFin Technologies Pvt Limited, Kanvy Selenium Tower B, Plot number 31 & 32, Financial District Gachibowli, Hyderabad 500 032 within 15 days from the date of this notice failing which the Company will proceed to issue duplicate share certificate (s) in respect of the said shares.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This publication in regards to Property No B 25 & B 26, Mayapuri, Rewari Line, Industrial Area, Phase 2, Delhi, owner of the property Mr Jagjit Singh Sahni. The partnership Deed of, M/s Sahni Bros (India) REGD. have been dissolved vide dissolution deed dated 10.04.2006 and 31.03.2011 and further no partnership has formed with Mr Chanpreet Singh Sahni.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client Nathoo Ram Jolly S/o Sh. Ishar Dass Jolly R/o Flat No. D-9, Akash Bharti Apartments, 24, I.P. Extension, Patparganj, Delhi-110092, has severed all relations with his daughter Rakhee Marwah W/o Maneet Roy, and maternal grandson Sagar Marwah S/o Gaurav Marwah Both R/o 12/18, Subhash Nagar, New Delhi-110027 and has disowned/disinherited them from all his movable and immovable properties with immediate effect due to their bad and torturous conduct towards my client. Anyone dealing with them shall be doing so at his/her own risk and consequences. The general public is further notified that my client shall not be responsible for any acts, deeds, well being/ future life of Rakhee Marwah & Sagar Marwah in any manner.

KANWAR UDAI BHAN SINGH SEHRAWAT
ADVOCATE
Chamber No.505, Patiala House Courts, New Delhi-110001 Mob. 9810675691

SORIL INFRA RESOURCES LIMITED					
(CIN : L52190HR2005PLC077960)					
Extract of consolidated audited financial results for the quarter and year ended 31st March 2022					
Particulars	(Rs. in crores)				
	3 months ended 31 March 2022	Preceding 3 months ended 31 Dec. 2021	Corresponding 3 months ended 31 March 2021	Current year ended 31 March 2022	Previous year ended 31 March 2021
	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Audited	Audited
Total income	51.18	52.39	50.41	192.27	193.06
Net profit for the year (before tax, exceptional and extraordinary items)	3.29	2.41	0.52	8.49	23.72
Net profit for the year before tax (after exceptional and/ or extraordinary items)	3.29	2.41	0.52	8.49	23.72
Net profit for the year after tax(after exceptional and/ or extraordinary items)	2.68	2.01	0.40	6.20	19.35
Total comprehensive income for the year [comprising profit/ (loss) for the year (after tax) and other comprehensive income (after tax)]	2.77	1.88	0.53	6.29	19.75
Paid-up equity share capital	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50
Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve)				236.10	229.42
Earnings per share before extraordinary items (face value of Rs. 10 per equity share) (EPS for 3 months and year ended are not annualised)*					
- Basic (Rs)	0.85 *	0.64 *	0.13 *	1.97	6.14
- Diluted (Rs)	0.85 *	0.64 *	0.13 *	1.97	6.14
Note to the financial results:					
1) The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 28 May 2022. These financial results have been subjected to a limited review by the statutory auditors of the Company.					
2) Key standalone financial information of SORIL Infra Resources Limited:-					
Particulars	(Rs. in crores)				
	3 months ended 31 March 2022	Preceding 3 months ended 31 Dec. 2021	Corresponding 3 months ended 31 March 2021	Current year ended 31 March 2022	Previous year ended 31 March 2021
	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Audited	Audited
Total income	48.94	49.69	47.09	179.76	160.78
Profit before tax	0.88	0.83	0.44	0.17	7.57
Net profit after tax	0.88	0.83	0.80	0.17	7.57
3) The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly /yearly financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly / yearly financial results are available on the company's website (http://sorilinfraresources.com) and on the website of BSE (https://www.bseindia.com) and NSE (https://www.nseindia.com).					
Registered Office: Plot No. 448-451, Udyog Vihar, Phase-V, Gurugram - 122016					
Place : Gurugram					
Date : 28 May 2022					
For and on behalf of the Board of Directors Anil Malhan Executive Director					

ATS HEIGHTS PRIVATE LIMITED					
Regd. Off.: 711/92, Deepali, Nehru Place, New Delhi – 110019					
CIN: U70200DL2010PTC205410; Phone No.: 0120-7111500; Fax No.: 0120-7111550					
Email Id.: compliances@atsgreens.com; Website: www.atsgreens.com					
ANNEXURE I					
Format for publishing financial results in newspapers					
[Regulation 52 (8), read with Regulation 52 (4), of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015]					
(Amount in Lakhs)					
S. No.	Particulars	For the Quarter ended		For the Year ended	
		31.03.2022	31.12.2021	31.03.2022	31.03.2021
		Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Audited
1	Total Income from Operations	2.65	1.83	15.20	6.02
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	(65.51)	(110.64)	(324.44)	(85.89)
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	(65.51)	(110.64)	(324.44)	(85.89)
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	(80.52)	(42.10)	(229.99)	(793.68)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(80.52)	(42.10)	(229.99)	(793.68)
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	(2,458.95)	(2,378.43)	(2,458.95)	(2,228.95)
8	Securities Premium Account	-	-	-	-
9	Net worth	(2,457.95)	(2,377.43)	(2,457.95)	(2,227.95)
10	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	59,823.71	59,808.82	59,823.71	61,820.94
11	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares	-	-	-	-
12	Debt Equity Ratio*	(24.34)	(25.16)	(24.34)	(27.75)
13	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -	-	-	-	-
	1. Basic:	(805)	(421)	(2,300)	(7,937)
14	Capital Redemption Reserve	-	-	-	-
	2. Diluted:	(805)	(421)	(2,300)	(7,937)
15	Debt Service Coverage Ratio*	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
16	Debt Service Coverage Ratio*	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
17	Interest Service Coverage Ratio*	(0.02)	(0.04)	(0.02)	(0.01)
Note					
a) The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly/annual financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly/annual financial results are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange(s) and the listed entity.					
b) For the items referred in sub-clauses (a), (b), (d) and (e) of the Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the pertinent disclosures have been made to the Stock Exchange(s).					
c) # - Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items adjusted in the Statement of Profit and Loss in accordance with Ind AS Rules / AS Rules, whichever is applicable.					
d) * - The pertinent items need to be disclosed if the said disclosure is required as per Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.					
e) Previous periods figures have been reclassified wherever considered necessary.					
For and on behalf of Board of Directors of ATS Heights Pvt Ltd					
Date: 27.05.2022 Place: Noida		Sd/- Getamber Anand Director DIN: 00120610		Sd/ Lovely Pathak Director DIN: 06401442	

MeitY issues draft norms to mobilise non-personal citizen data with Govt

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY) has issued a draft National Data Governance Framework to mobilise non-personal data of citizens for use by both public and private entities to improve services.

The draft policy proposes the launch of a non-personal data based India datasets programme and addresses the methods and rules to ensure that non-personal and anonymized data from both Government and private entities are safely accessible by the research and innovation ecosystem.

Minister of State for Electronics and IT Rajeev Chandrasekhar said the National Data Governance Framework is



of interest for artificial intelligence (AI) startups, AI research entities and government departments.

"Its imp piece of policy framework that's being developed to catalyze #India's \$1 Trillion #DigitalEconomy," he tweeted.

Asking stakeholders to comment on the draft framework, the minister said the National Data Governance Framework will also accelerate digital govern-

ment and digitisation of government with common standards, rules and guidelines for data storage and management across all departments.

The draft said during the COVID-19 pandemic, digital governance played a big part in India's resilient response to the pandemic and its impact on lives, livelihoods and the economy.

In the post-COVID era, digitisation of government is accelerating faster and data generation is also increasing exponentially which can be used in turn to improve citizens' experience and engagement with the government and governance as a 'Digital Nagrik'.

The digital government data is currently managed, stored and accessed in differing and

inconsistent ways across different government entities, thus attenuating the efficacy of data-driven governance, and preventing an innovative ecosystem of data science, analytics and AI from emerging to its full potential, the draft said.

"The power of this data must be harnessed for more effective Digital Government, public good and innovation, thus requiring a National Data Governance Framework Policy (NDGFP)," draft said.

The proposed policy will be applicable to all government departments and entities and rules and standards prescribed will cover all data collected and being managed by any government entity.

It proposed to cover all non-personal datasets and data and platform, rules, standards governing its access and use by researchers and startups.

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

"State Governments shall be encouraged to adopt the provisions of the Policy and rules,

Tesla won't manufacture in India unless allowed to sell, service cars: Musk



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

American electric carmaker Tesla, which has been seeking reduction in import duties to sell its vehicles in India, will not manufacture its products locally unless it is allowed to first sell and service its cars in the country, company founder and chief executive Elon Musk has said.

In a tweet responding to a user asking about Tesla setting up a manufacturing plant in India, he said, "Tesla will not put a manufacturing plant in any location where we are not allowed first to sell & service cars."

Last month, Union Road Transport and Highways

Minister Nitin Gadkari had said if Tesla was ready to manufacture its electric vehicles in India then there was 'no problem' but the company must not import cars from China.

In August last year, Musk had said Tesla may set up a manufacturing unit in India if it first succeeds with imported vehicles in the country.

He had said Tesla wanted to launch its vehicles in India "but import duties are the highest in the world by far of any large country!" Currently, India imposes 100 per cent import duty on fully imported cars with CIF (Cost, Insurance and Freight) value more than USD 40,000 and 60 per cent on those costing less than the amount.

Engineers India adopts new vision statement

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

State-owned consultancy firm Engineers India Ltd (EIL) on Saturday said it has adopted a new vision statement that aims at the company becoming a global leader offering total energy solutions.

"The energy landscape in India and across the globe is changing at a swift pace and organizations across the globe are re-strategizing their business operations focused towards sustainability, climate change and energy transition," the firm said in a statement. EIL said since its inception it has always aligned corporate and business strategies with the energy ecosystem and aims to attain leadership position across the energy sector.

"To strengthen our resolve and commitments towards futuristic goals, we at EIL, would now be driven by our new vision statement - 'To be a Global Leader offering Total

Energy Solutions for a Sustainable Future'," the statement said.

This new vision would steer EIL towards a growth and transition pathway, thus evolving the firm into a total energy consulting organisation with leadership position across all the pillars and constituents of the energy sector.

"The Vision Statement would also motivate and drive us to strengthen our resolve and our aspirations to be global leader providing a complete range of solutions to its stakeholders across the energy sector with focus on minimizing overall carbon footprints in processes and designs," it said.

"We believe that this powerful vision statement, coupled with strong fundamentals, technical prowess and high skill sets that we possess, will further enthuse and motivate all of us at EIL to provide our niche and value added services across the energy landscape."

M&M Q4 profit zooms to ₹1,192 crore

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Mahindra & Mahindra on Saturday reported nearly five-fold jump in standalone profit at Rs 1,192 crore for quarter ended March 31, 2022.

The company had posted a profit of Rs 245 crore for the year-ago period, it said in a statement. Revenue grew 28 per cent to Rs 17,124 crore in the period under review as compared with Rs 13,356 crore in March quarter 2020-21, it said. In full fiscal year 2021-22, the company logged a standalone profit of Rs

4,935 crore, a multi-fold growth from Rs 984 crore in fiscal year ended March 31, 2021. M&M said it achieved the highest ever standalone revenue for auto and farm segments at Rs 55,300 crore for FY22, which is 29 per cent higher than previous year's. It also said the company's auto business delivered highest ever quarterly UV (utility vehicle) volumes in Q4 with 42 per cent year-on-year growth while Farm Equipment Sector (FES) tractors market share for FY22 stood at 40 per cent, a growth of 1.8 per cent Y-o-Y.

INDIABULLS RURAL FINANCE PRIVATE LIMITED (CIN : U74140MH1993PTC074596)				
Extract of the audited financial results for the quarter and year ended 31 March 2022				
Particulars	3 months ended 31 March 2022	3 months ended 31 December 2021	Year ended 31 March 2022	Previous year ended 31 March 2021
	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Audited
Total income from operations	4.95	5.15	21.01	35.49
Net profit for the year (before tax, exceptional and extraordinary items)	2.20	1.35	7.37	15.55
Net profit for the year before tax (after exceptional and/or extraordinary items)	2.20	1.35	7.37	15.55
Net profit for the year after tax (after exceptional and/or extraordinary items)	1.65	1.02	5.34	11.82
Total comprehensive income for the year [comprising profit for the year (after tax) and other comprehensive income (after tax)]	1.66	1.02	5.36	11.97
Paid-up equity share capital	41.80	41.80	41.80	41.80
Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve)	24.66	22.99	24.66	19.30
Securities premium account	74.83	74.83	74.83	74.83
Net worth	141.29	139.62	141.29	135.93
Outstanding debt	49.75	49.70	49.75	49.56
Debt equity ratio	0.35	0.36	0.35	0.36
Earnings per share before extraordinary items (face value of Rs. 10 per equity share) (EPS for the quarter and year ended are not annualised)*				
- Basic (Rs)	0.39*	0.24*	1.28	2.83
- Diluted (Rs)	0.39*	0.24*	1.28	2.83
Note to financial results:				
1) The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 28 May 2022. The financial results have been subjected to a limited review by the statutory auditors of the company.				
2) The above presentation is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly, year ended / annual financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing and other disclosure requirements) regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly, year ended / annual financial results are available on the company's website (http://indiabullsruralfinance.com) and on the website of BSE (http://www.bseindia.com).				
Registered Office : One International Center, Tower-1, 4th Floor, S. B. Marg, Elphinstone(W), Mumbai, 400013		For and on behalf of the Board of Directors		
Place : Gurugram Date : 28 May 2022		Vijay Kumar Agrawal Whole Time Director		

Hansafion Buildcon Pvt. Ltd.
D-800, Ground Floor, New Friends Colony, New Delhi -110025

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, Hansafion Buildcon Pvt. Ltd. is in the process of undertaking the development of Commercial Plotted Colony in sector-79, Faridabad over an area measuring 5.44375 acres in revenue estate of village Bhalola in addition to already licensed area 3.35625 acres in Sector-79, Faridabad granted by Director, Town & Country Planning, Haryana, Chandigarh.

And whereas, there is no third party right has been created in the said Plotted Colony. And whereas, the earlier approved layout plan is now proposed to be revised. And whereas, the office of Director, Town & Country Planning, Haryana Chandigarh has required seeking of objection against the revision of 3.35625 acres and approval of proposed layout plan of additional area 5.44375 acres as a pre-condition for allowing such proposed and revision in the layout plan. Accordingly, vide this public notice objections are hereby invited from any of the allottees in the said colony on the proposed and revision of the layout plan of the said colony. A copy of the proposed and revised Layout plan bearing dng. no.6332 dated 26/05/2022 and earlier approved layout dng. no. 8173 dated 10/03/2022 available for perusal on our website i.e., www.hansafion.co.in. The said layout plan also be perused at the office of undersigned as well as in the office of District/Senior Town Planner, Faridabad, HUDA Complex, sector-12, Faridabad. Any allottee having any objection on revised layout plan, may file his objection in the office of STP/DTP, Faridabad within 30 days of the publication of this notice, failing which it shall be assumed that there are no objections to the proposed revised layout plan.

For Hansafion Buildcon Pvt. Ltd.
Sd/- Authorised Signatory
Place : New Delhi Date : 27/05/2022

ATS INFRABUILD PRIVATE LIMITED

Regd. Off. : 711/92, Deepali, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019
CIN: U45400DL2007PTC168922; Phone No.: 0120-7111500; Fax No.: 0120-7111550
Email Id.: compliances@atsgreens.com; Website: www.atsgreens.com

ANNEXURE I

Format for publishing financial results in newspapers

[Regulation 52 (8), read with Regulation 52 (4), of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015]

(Amounts in INR Lacs except per share data and ratios)

S. No.	Particulars	For the Quarter ended		For the Year ended	
		31.03.2022	31.12.2021	31.03.2022	31.03.2021
		Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Audited
1	Total Income from Operations	1,230.26	450.24	6,590.82	1,620.03
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items*)	9.92	3.75	93.67	(247.11)
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items*)	9.92	3.75	93.67	(247.11)
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items*)	0.45	(1.69)	31.24	(264.38)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after Tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after Tax)]	(3.54)	(1.69)	27.25	(258.04)
6	Paid-up Equity Share Capital	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	(965.73)	(962.19)	(965.73)	(992.98)
8	Net worth	(964.73)	(961.19)	(964.73)	(991.98)
9	Paid-up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	14,789.52	14,733.65	14,789.52	14,450.70
10	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares	-	-	-	-
11	Debt Equity Ratio*	(15.33)	(15.33)	(15.33)	(14.57)
12	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -				
	1. Basic: (in Rs)	4	(17)	312	(2,580)
	2. Diluted: (in Rs)	4	(17)	312	(2,580)
13	Capital Redemption Reserve	-	-	-	-
14	Debenture Redemption Reserve	-	-	-	-
15	Debt Service Coverage Ratio*	0.0007	0.0003	0.01	(0.18)
16	Interest Service Coverage Ratio*	0.03	0.01	0.07	(0.18)

Note:

a) The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly/annual financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly/annual financial results are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange(s) and the listed entity.

b) For the items referred in sub-clauses (a), (b), (d) and (e) of the Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the pertinent disclosures have been made to the Stock Exchange(s).

c) # - Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items adjusted in the Statement of Profit and Loss in accordance with Ind AS Rules / AS Rules, whichever is applicable.

d) * - The pertinent items need to be disclosed if the said disclosure is required as per Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

e) Previous periods figures have been reclassified wherever considered necessary.

**For and on behalf of Board of Directors of
ATS Infrabuild Private Limited**

Sd/-
Getamber Anand
Director
DIN- 00120610

Sd/-
Lovely Pathak
Director
DIN- 06401442

Place: Noida
Date: 27.05.2022

APACHE INDIAN

'IT'S NECESSARY TO RISE AGAINST ALL ODDS'



I have a lot of upcoming tours in India and around the world along with a host of songs in the pipeline. I've collaborated with AR Rahman and Asha Bhosle and am very excited to see how things pan out. There are a few projects coming up with Dinero Ash, Shibani Kashyap and some of my own too.

Authorised Officer, Bank of Maharashtra



This is different Virat, one who has made more mistakes in one season than his entire career.

— VIRENDER SEHWAG

Titans brace up for fight against Royals

PTI ■ AHMEDABAD

Two leaders, who are minefields of talent in their own right, one team that has made a mockery of all betting odds and the other trying to complete a cycle that started 15 summers back, IPL final between Gujarat Titans and Rajasthan Royals is about this and much more.

When IPL started over two months back, nobody would have believed that two captains walking out for toss in the title clash will be Hardik Pandya and Sanju Samson.

'Remember the Titans', a 2000 Hollywood film headlined by Denzel Washington is considered one of the best sports films on the proverbial underdog story, which always has a capital.

It is not known if Titans skipper Hardik has watched it but for him and head coach Ashish Nehra, this journey of two months has been nothing short of spectacular. They have made a lot of people eat a humble pie because many, including experts, termed them a team of no-hopers post auction.

A team that looked like a rag-tag outfit with only a few good players like David Miller, considered past their sell by date, or one-match wonders like Rahul Tewatia, it didn't really look good on paper.

But then you wouldn't call cricket a "game of glorious uncertainties" if everything would be decided on paper.

A fit-again Hardik took to leadership like fish takes to water and showed the way with his performances and the reason why he will always be an asset for Indian crick-



GT vs RR
Live from 8:00pm IST
STAR SPORTS 1 NETWORK

et.

Miller, who played his best cricket at least five years back, showed his 2.0 version that stunned one and all. Tewatia showed that those five sixes in Sharjah wasn't a mere flash in the pan.

Rashid Khan knew that he would be read well, so he became all the more parsimonious. Wriddhiman Saha after Rahul Dravid's hard-talk had reached a dead-end in his career but got a new lease of life and at least one more season to look forward to.

Gujarat as a state has not been known for its sporting exploits. It produced players like Parthiv Patel or one of India's greatest ever pacers in Jasprit Bumrah but just like Tamil Nadu never had an emotional connect with a team before CSK appeared in the horizon, same is the case with Gujarat. Come Sunday, expect a partisan and vociferous crowd to chant "Aava De" and that's the impact that Titans have had on their fans. History will always

throw examples that sporting teams bind a community and perhaps Titans can strike that chord with the Gujaratis.

For Titans, if this is about carving a niche in-front of home crowd, Rajasthan would like to do it for someone, who would be watching up from the stars. Shane Warne -- Rajasthan's forever first Royal had used the IPL stage in its inception year to show Australian cricket establishment what Ian Chappell had always maintained : "Shane Warne was the best captain Australia never had".

With the Ravindra Jadejas, Dinesh Salunkhes, Swapnil Asnodkars and Niraj Patels, Warne had guided tournament's then cheapest team to victory.

Thirteen summers have gone but there is no Warne in flesh and blood to watch his beloved team complete a cycle of life and sport.

Sanju is perhaps one of those rare Indian cricketers, who has a massive fan following despite not having played

even 20 international matches for the country.

In terms of talent quotient, there is little to choose between Sanju and Hardik.

Sanju's batting like a pendulum swinging between heroism and insanity.

One ball, he can audaciously flick Kagiso Rabada or a Josh Hazlewood for a six and the next delivery could be an atrocious shot that would make his biggest supporter tear his hair in frustration.

But captaincy has made him explore a different aspect -- the skills of a manager.

It is not easy to lead a pack that has bonafide stars like Ravichandran Ashwin, Yuzvendra Chahal, Jos Buttler, Trent Boult along with young guns Yashasvi Jaiswal or Prasad Krishna but Sanju has handled it well.

It will be one hell of a battle where Buttler with 800-plus runs will not only fight a Lockie Ferguson or a Yash Dayal but also withstand crowd pressure: about 1,11,000 fans would be cheer-

ing for the hosts.

Similarly, Shubman Gill would like to own the big stage and show what he can do when the canvas is as large as the IPL final.

Prasidh Krishna is a handful when his team bowls first but how will he react against a rampaging Miller if he has to defend in a tense situation?

What will be Hardik's tactic against a wily Chahal and an experimental Ashwin during the middle overs? Or will Buttler take risks against a Rashid Khan?

We will get all those answers in the next 24 hours.

There will be heroes, there will be heartbreaks but above everything, perhaps a contest that everyone will remember for ages.

Squads

Gujarat Titans Hardik Pandya (c), Abhinav Manohar, David Miller, Gurkeerat Singh, B Sai Sudharsan, Shubman Gill, Rahul Tewatia, Vijay Shankar, Matthew Wade, Rahmanullah Gurbaz, Wriddhiman Saha, Alzarri Joseph, Darshan Nalkande, Lockie Ferguson, Mohammed Shami, Noor Ahmad, Pradeep Sangwan, Rashid Khan, Ravishrinivasan Sai Kishore, Varun Aaron, Yash Dayal.

Rajasthan Royals Sanju Samson (c), Jos Buttler, Yashasvi Jaiswal, Ravichandran Ashwin, Trent Boult, Shimron Hetmyer, Devdutt Padikkal, Prasidh Krishna, Yuzvendra Chahal, Riyan Parag, KC Cariappa, Navdeep Saini, Obed McCoy, Anunay Singh, Kuldeep Sen, Karun Nair, Dhruv Jurel, Tejas Baroka, Kuldip Yadav, Shubham Garhwal, James Neesham, Nathan Coulter-Nile, Rassie van der Dussen, Daryl Mitchell, Corbin Bosch.



Supernovas post 165/7 in WT20 Challenge final against Velocity

PTI ■ PUNE

West Indian opener Deandra Dottin made full use of an early reprieve to score a blistering half-century and power Supernovas to 165 for seven against Velocity in the Women's T20 Challenge final here on Saturday.

The 30-year-old Dottin was dropped on 13 by Sneha Rana off Deepti Sharma in the fourth over, and she made Velocity pay for that costly mistake by making 62 off 44 balls, which was studded with one four and four sixes.

The experienced campaigner stitched 73 runs for the opening wicket with Priya Punia (28) and added 58 for the second wicket with in-form captain Harmanpreet Kaur (43 off 29 balls). For Velocity, captain Deepti Sharma, Kate Cross and Simran Bahadur took two wickets apiece, while Ayabonga Khaka got one. The Supernovas could only score 34 runs in the last five overs while losing five wickets.

Dottin and Punia gave the Supernovas a flying start after being put in to bat, scoring at a

brisk pace and reaching 46 for no loss in the powerplay.

Punia hit a six off Cross in the third over but her partner Dottin did even better, smashing consecutive maximums in the sixth over bowled by Rana. Punia was going strong when she got out in the 10th over bowled by Simran Bahadur, after smashing a six.

Captain Kaur, the tournament's highest scorer, came out and straightaway began collecting the runs, hitting a six off Rana in the 12th over and following it up with two maximums in the 14th over bowled by Yadav. In the next over,

Velocity captain Deepti struck as she bowled Dottin. The Supernovas suffered a batting collapse in the death overs as they lost four wickets for the addition of just 11 runs.

Pooja Vastrakar (5) was cleaned up by Ayabonga Khaka in the 17th over before Cross claimed two wickets -- that of Kaur and Sophie Ecclestone (2) -- in the space of three balls in the next over.



INDIAN AIR FORCE
A CUT ABOVE

GIVE YOUR WILL
THE WINGS
OF PASSION & PRIDE.
'TOUCH THE SKY
WITH GLORY'
WITH THE
INDIAN AIR FORCE.

JOIN THE INDIAN AIR FORCE TO BE A CUT ABOVE

Online registration through careerindianairforce.cdac.in and afcat.cdac.in

ENTRY	BRANCHES
AFCAT Entry	Flying/ Technical/ Administration/ Logistics/ Accounts/ Education
NCC Special Entry	Flying (NCC Air Wing 'C' certificate is mandatory)
Meteorology Entry	Meteorology

'DISHA' Cell, Air Headquarters, Vayu Bhawan, Motilal Nehru Marg, New Delhi - 110106
Tel: 011-23013690 | Toll-free No.: 1800-11-2448 | E-mail: career.iaf@nic.in

- Online test only for AFCAT entry
- Aadhaar card is mandatory for online registration
- Registration starts from 01 June 2022 till 30 June 2022
- For more details, refer to Employment News dated 28 May 2022 and for detailed notification, visit our website careerindianairforce.cdac.in and afcat.cdac.in

For updates, follow us on

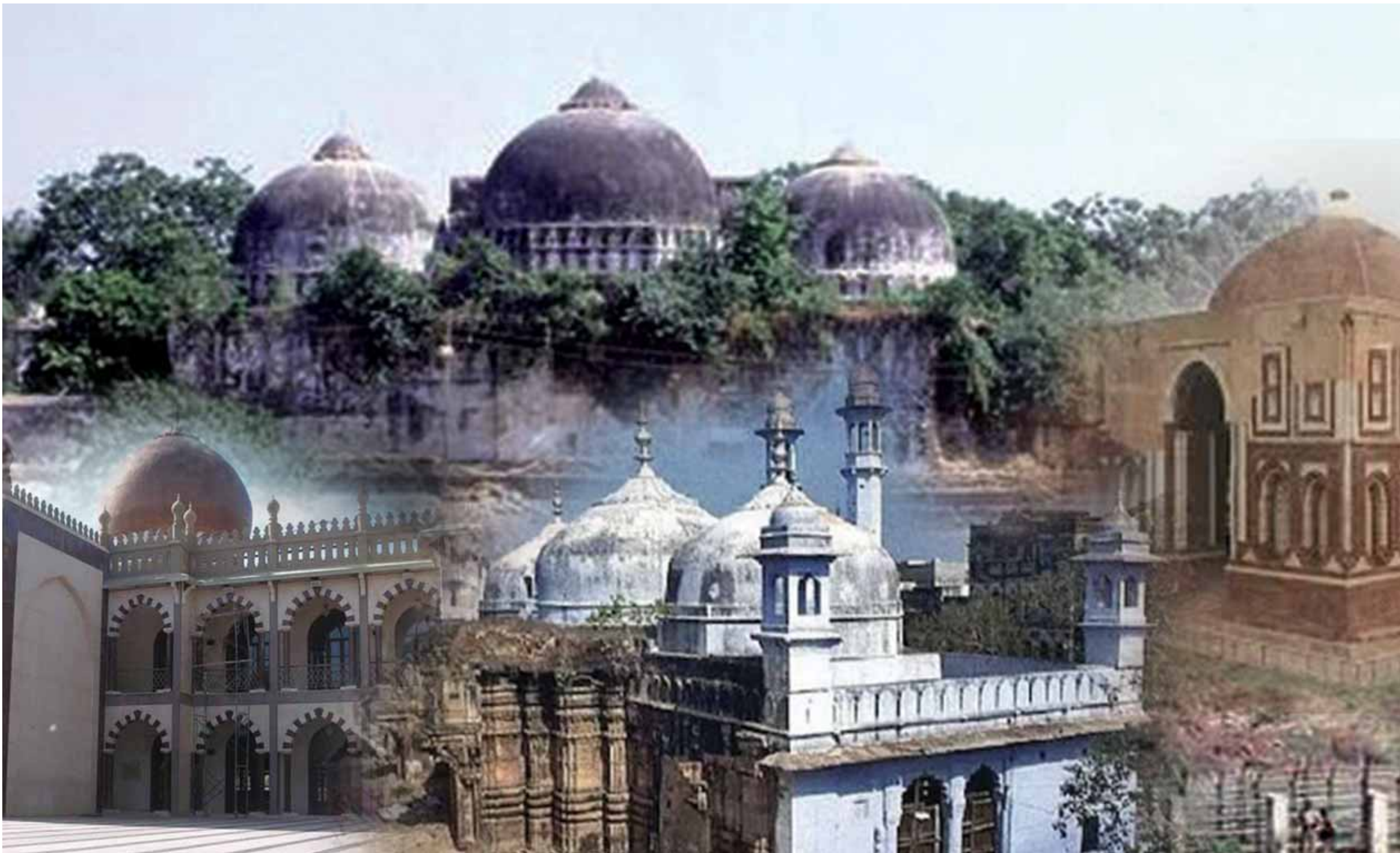
[f](#) [y](#) [in](#) DISHA by Indian Air Force

[t](#) CareerinIAF

[i](#) careerinif



The lesson I've
learned the most often
in life is that you're
always going to know
more in the future than
you know now
— Taylor Swift



A PANDORA BOX

The ongoing Gyanvapi mosque dispute has led to similar petitions being filed in other temple-mosque cases, which would have larger implications for the country, writes BISWAJEET BANERJEE

On November 9, 2019, when the Supreme Court delivered a judgment on the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Mosque dispute in Ayodhya, many thought this was the end of such contentious issue as the court in its order dwelled at length about the Places of Worship Act, 1991. But within a year, petitions were filed across the country with Gyanvapi mosque and Krishna Janmashtami-Shahi-Idegah cases hogging the limelight. Hindu organizations also filed petitions demanding they should be allowed to offer prayers at Quwwatul Islam mosque in the Qutub Minar premises in New Delhi, while another Hindu organization claimed Taj Mahal as Tajo Mahal temple of Lord Shiva and asked for the court's permission to offer prayers there

This was not limited only to Uttar Pradesh and Delhi, but in down South, too. The Vishwa Hindu Parishad volunteers demanded they should be allowed to offer prayers at the outskirts of Mangaluru after a Hindu temple-like architectural design was purportedly found there underneath the Juma Masjid on April 21 2022. The VHP claimed that the mosque was built atop Sri Ramanjaneya Bhajana Mandira. Prohibitory orders were imposed in the city after Hindu organizations said they will be organizing "Tambula Prashne" at Sri Ramanjaneya Bhajana Mandira.

The police claim that the status quo should be maintained as the matter is already in the court and temporary injunctions have been issued to the president of the mosque as well as all the parties.

The legal battle is the latest instance of a growing phenomenon in which Hindu groups petitioning courts demanding land where mosques are located by claiming these belong to Hindus. They claim that these mosques were built after demolishing temples

A senior advocate appearing for the Varanasi mosque management committee informed the lower court that the ongoing dispute had led to "similar petitions" being filed in other temple-mosque cases, which would have "larger ramifications across the country". The statement signifies the petitions filed in different courts by Hindu plaintiffs against mosque committees across the state claiming

ownership right of land where the mosque stands now. Inevitably, such petitions claim that the said mosques were built atop Hindu temples and thus the right be restored to the rightful owner.

In the forefront is the Gyanvapi case of Varanasi. Historians claim that originally it was Lord Visweswar Temple. Jean-Baptiste Tavernier, a French merchant, described a cruciform structure of the temple complex with multistoried domed towers at the four ends and at the center. It was the most sacred shrine in the subcontinent after the Jagannath Temple at Puri. In September 1669, Moghul emperor Aurangzeb ordered the demolition of the temple and a mosque was constructed in place. Initially, the mosque was called Aamgir mosque – under the name of Aurangzeb but later it was called Gyan Vapi (Well of Knowledge). Scholars attribute political reasons rather than religious zealotry to be the primary motivation for Aurangzeb's demolition. Madhuri Desai — in her magnum opus on Banaras — opines that Aurangzeb's complex and often-contradictory policies can be "more accurately analyzed in the light of his personal compulsions and political agenda, rather than as expressions of religious bigotry."

Muslims, however, argue that the Gyanvapi was constructed much before Aurangzeb's reign. Syed Mohammed Yasin, Joint secretary of Anjuman Intizamia Masajid Committee, the organization responsible for the maintenance of the mosque, claims that the mosque was built in 12th Century and later Aurangzeb renovated it in the 17th century. "The mosque was not built by demolishing the temple," he said. He claims Akbar had renovated an adjacent Shiva temple as a mark of Hindu Muslim unity. In fact, both the Kashi Vishwanath Temple and the Gyanvapi were constructed by Akbar in a true to his spirit of religious tolerance

Cut to present scenario: In August 2021, five women, belonging to Vishwa Vedic Sanatan Sangh,d filed a civil suit in the Varanasi civil court on the "Right to Worship", seeking daily access to the Shringaar Gauri temple, the Swayambhu Jyotirling, the Maa Ganga temple, and the Nandi temple to offer daily prayers. Shringar Gauri is a small temple at the western side of the mosque where till 1992 Hindus

SCHOLARS ATTRIBUTE
POLITICAL REASONS
RATHER THAN
RELIGIOUS ZEALOTRY
TO BE THE PRIMARY
MOTIVATION FOR
AURANGZEB'S
DEMOLITION. MADHURI
DESAI — IN HER
MAGNUM OPUS ON
BANARAS — OPINES
THAT AURANGZEB'S
COMPLEX AND OFTEN-
CONTRADICTORY
POLICIES CAN BE
"MORE ACCURATELY
ANALYZED IN THE
LIGHT OF HIS
PERSONAL
COMPULSIONS AND
POLITICAL AGENDA,
RATHER THAN AS
EXPRESSIONS OF
RELIGIOUS BIGOTRY.

were allowed to offer prayers. Ramatama Srivastava, a resident of Varanasi, said that he had gone there many times where a group of Hindu women could be seen offering prayers. But after the demolition of the Babri mosque in 1992, Hindus were not allowed there and the area was sealed.

Eight suits are currently pending before the Varanasi civil court, which on April 8 passed orders for videography and survey of the area by court commissioners. The survey and videography inside the mosque were carried out for three days after which the Hindu side claimed that a "shivling" was found from 'wazookhana', which is a small reservoir used by Muslim devotees to perform ritual ablutions before offering the namaz.

The lower court ordered the sealing of the premises, but the Supreme Court ordered that Muslims should not be prevented from offering prayers.

Besides, a separate application seeking an ASI survey through Ground Penetrating Radar are pending in the Allahabad High Court. The Supreme Court in its directives of May 20 said that the district judge will hear the issue of maintainability of the Right to Worship petitions.

Shahi Eidgah case, in Mathura, at least 10 suits were filed in the Krishna Janmabhoomi temple and the Shahi Idegah mosque dispute in 2020, even though a compromise was reached in two sections over the title suit in 1968, and the issue was settled by the civil court.

In its new petition, Ranjana Agnihotri, who claimed herself as the "next friend" of Bhagwan Shri Krishna Virajman, said that the 1968 compromise was achieved "through fraud". She said that the Shri Krishna Janmasthan Seva Sansthan, which had agreed to the compromise, was not the owner of the disputed land. Instead, Shri Krishna Janmasthan Trust was the rightful owner of the land.

The civil court of Mathura dismissed the case in September 2020, but the petitioner challenged the order and moved a review petition. The District Judge on May 19, 2022, directed the civil judge to re-hear the matter. Another case has been filed demanding the appointment of a Court Commissioner and videography be carried out to ascertain whether the mosque has

Hindu religion signs, as is done in the Gyanvapi case.

Petitions are also filed in other places:

QUWWATUL MOSQUE, DELHI

Ranjana Agnihotri, also moved Delhi civil court in October 2021 seeking the restoration of Hindu and Jain temples demolished to build the Quwwatul Islam mosque in the Qutub Minar premises in Delhi. Early this month, volunteers of VHP also held a prayer meeting at the Qutub Minar premises and recited Hanuman Chalisa there. The petitioners claim that 27 Hindu and Jain temples were demolished by Qutubuddin Aibak to construct the Quwwatul Islam mosque. They say the walls of the mosques are adorned with symbols of Hindu gods and goddesses. The plea had called for the restoration of the temples.

The petition was dismissed by the civil judge in November 2021. The verdict was challenged in the court of the district judge and is currently pending.

TAJ MAHAL, AGRA

In May 2022, a PIL was moved in the Allahabad High Court by Rajneesh Singh who sought a "fact-finding commission" and survey of the Taj Mahal's premises. It had argued that there are "Hindu symbols" on the premises and sought orders from the court to open the 22 locked rooms in the basement of the mausoleum. The plea was thrown out by the Allahabad High Court. Singh was pulled up for "making a mockery of the PIL system". The controversy was first stirred by Purshottam Nagesh Oak, a historian, who in his book in 1989 named "Taj Mahal: The True Story" where he claimed that the Taj Mahal initially was a Shiva temple and a Rajput palace named Tejomahalaya, which Mughal emperor Shah Jahan seized and adopted as a tomb.

The argument was debunked by a number of historians, and even the Supreme Court in 2000 rejected a petition by Oak to declare that the Taj Mahal was constructed by a Hindu king. The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), in August 2017 said that that Taj Mahal was not a temple but a tomb.

The writer is Political Editor of The Pioneer, Lucknow

health

10

May 29, 2022

BE ALERT BUT DON'T PANIC

An outbreak of monkeypox, which is related to smallpox, in around 20 countries has alerted public health officials. The virus can, however, be contained with vaccines that are already available in some countries, doctors say, asserting that there is no need to panic. The HEALTH PIONEER profiles the disease.



With the world still reeling from the effects of the covid-19 pandemic, the rise of a different disease called Monkeypox is putting many people on edge. It has taken into its grip atleast 20 nations. Over 200 cases have been reported so far.

Thankfully, India is spared for now. “But the only policy right now is to monitor the global scenario, step up the vigil and expand testing,” Dr Nivedita Gupta, head of virology at the ICMR told a news channel.

The Centre has already issued an alert to the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) and the ICMR and asked them to keep a close watch on the situation evolving in relation to the monkeypox cases abroad. Among States, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra have been at the forefront in asking their officials to keep a watch on airports and water borders.

ICMR scientist Gupta also made it clear that monkeypox will not spread like wildfire as had happened in the case of Coronavirus as “it’s not a new virus and has been in existence in some African regions and has caused sporadic outbreaks.”

The ICMR has designated the virus as exotic and all samples are being sent to the Pune lab for testing. “All viruses which don’t exist in India are labelled exotic and their samples are sent to the National Institute of Virology, Pune, which is a BSL4 facility,” she said.

The facility ensures there are no chances of leakage of virus in India,

leading to an outbreak here. “This communication has been sent to all airports. All samples of incoming passengers will be sent to the NIV,” Gupta told the channel.

CAUSE: It is caused by a virus of the same name that is closely related to smallpox, which has now been eradicated from the planet. Both are members of the Orthopoxvirus genus in the family Poxviridae.

HISTORY: It was first discovered in 1958 when outbreaks of a disease causing a pox were discovered in monkeys held in captivity for research. It was first seen in humans in 1970 in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and it is now endemic in Central and West Africa.

In 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) reported 4,594 suspected cases of monkeypox, including 171 deaths (case fatality ratio 3.7%).

SYMPTOMS: It starts with a headache and fever, the usual things that you deal with when you get a viral infection. Then, within a week or two, some people get a rash which develops into pustules. If you’re covered in these pustules, then you’d have the risk of bacterial infection and, in some cases, sepsis. That’s where the lethality can come from. Although symptoms often ease within a month, one in ten cases can be fatal. Children are particularly susceptible.

MONKEYPOX WHICH HAS ERUPTED IN MANY COUNTRIES IS NOT NEW TO THE WORLD. THOUGH NO CASE OF VIRUS INFECTION HAS BEEN REPORTED IN INDIA YET, STATES AND THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT ARE KEEPING A CLOSE WATCH ON THE SITUATION.

DOCTORS' SPEAK

Health experts say that one should not let their guard down but there is no need to panic. “We need to keep a surveillance on how it is evolving, and how many people are getting affected. Fortunately, it is not as severe as smallpox,” says Dr Jugal Kishore, head of the Community Department, Safdarjung Hospital in Delhi.

“There is a need to keep a watch on borders and international travelers and ensure that those having rash-like symptoms or reporting fever are kept in quarantine as per protocol.”

Dr Kishore adds that the virus can spread through touching or using clothes or towels of someone who is infected; touching monkeypox skin blisters; coughs or sneezing. Hence, health hygiene is a must. Also, those venturing in wildlife should stop doing so for some time.

“We encourage you all to increase the surveillance of monkeypox to see where transmission levels are and understand where it is going,” the WHO's director for Global Infectious Hazard Preparedness, Sylvie Briand, said at a conference recently.

Dr Faheem Younus, Chief Quality Officer and Chief of Infectious Diseases at the University of Maryland, says: “Monkeypox cases are concerning but the risk of this becoming a COVID like pandemic is zero% Why? This virus is not novel; is typically not deadly; is less contagious than Covid and has been around for 5 decades. Also, it can be prevented by a smallpox vaccine.”

WHO RECOMMENDATION: Given that rashes are seen in many other diseases such as chickenpox and measles, WHO recommends diagnosis when identification is necessary. This has to be with PCR testing.

TRANSMISSION: The virus generally spreads to people from infected wild animals such as rodents and primates, found in the rainforests of Central and West Africa, but human-to-human transmission can also occur. Similar to viruses like Ebola,

transmission only happens in close proximity by contact with lesions, body fluids, respiratory droplets or contaminated materials such as bedding or clothes.

TREATMENT: At present, there is no specific treatment. But there are antivirals licensed to combat orthopoxviruses, such as tecovirimat. The smallpox vaccine was key to eradicating smallpox decades ago, and this vaccine can be highly effective – 85% – in preventing monkeypox.

■ **World No Tobacco Day (WNTD 22) is round the corner. You have been vocal against tobacco consumption for quite a long time.**

I have started my life from a small village in Haryana, born as a rheumatic arthritis kid. Hailing from a humble family and having a disability, everyday was a struggle for everything—physically, financially and mentally. Those were very difficult days. Doctors had dumped me, saying that I won't survive long. But with the blessings and care of my mother and my strong will, I was able to be physically fit and played for the country. I feel bad when I see youth and kids around me addicted to smoking and chewing tobacco, unaware of its harmful impact. It pains me. We have got this precious life only for once. I want these kids and youth to not waste their life but help contribute to make India a strong nation.

■ **What is the reason that despite various efforts, we have failed to curb tobacco habits among people? Lakhs of youth continue to succumb to the hazardous items every year. Where are we faltering?**

At times political parties get influenced by the tobacco or liquor barons in anticipation of getting funds for their party activities. Also, celebrities too, do not think twice about the ill-effects their endorsement of harmful products can have on youth and kids.

The Government should take strong steps to check availability of these products while celebrities should introspect what they are promoting. So much money is spent on healthcare for people falling ill due to tobacco related diseases. It is important to implement and enforce the most effective tobacco control policies aimed at reducing the supply and demand for tobacco.

‘Tobacco is slow poison, killing our youth’

SANGRAM SINGH is a wrestler, actor, motivational speaker, philanthropist and health guru, who wears his heart on his sleeve. Recently in Delhi to support the anti-tobacco campaign, he shared his thoughts with ARCHANA JYOTI on the need for stringent COTPA law to protect youth and kids from falling prey to the deadly products.



Health is something that I hold very dear. I also do not support what I do not believe in. So how can I knowingly promote something that will risk people's life? As a celebrity, it's my responsibility towards people to not endorse anything that could be harmful to human health.

Everyone knows that toxic items like tobacco, cigarettes, gutka and other harmful products like liquor, junk food products, and online games are like poison for the new generation. But still there are some celebrities who, for earning quick bucks, forget that their callousness and greed can kill many children and youth who take them as their idols. I want to ask these

It angers me that many celebrities do not think twice about the ill-effects of their endorsement of harmful tobacco products on the lives of youth and kids. They do not deserve Government awards like Padma Shri.

public celebrities, will they allow their kids to chew tobacco or cigarettes, gutka and other harmful products like liquor, junk food products etc?

■ **Activists have been seeking stringent COTPA Act such as ban on Point of Sale advertisement and on public designated smoking areas to curb tobacco consumption. What is your take on this?**

I am always on the same page on all the issues if it saves a life. The WHO data says that every year more than 8 million people die of tobacco consumption. The addiction continues to

rapidly increase among people of all age groups in India. We all know that it causes a range of deadly diseases related to the heart and respiration system and cancer.

In such a scenario, we definitely need to not only emphasize on creating awareness against tobacco hazards but also tighten the gaps in the COTPA Bill which is giving tobacco manufacturers a leverage to play around the system. I feel that to curb tobacco consumption amid kids, Point of Sale should be banned. After all, why are we allowing tobacco items to be sold amidst candies and toys meant for kids. We should also take steps to protect non-smokers by banning designated smoking zones in airports, restaurants and hotels.

■ **What is your message to youth who refuse to quit tobacco?**

My advice to them is that by consuming tobacco they are not only harming themselves but also their loved ones in their homes. Smoking kills you daily. Your lungs get damaged and stamina weakens.

We get only one life. It is upto tobacco users what type of life they want to choose: good and health life or a torturous death. They have to choose between the two. If I can, who was in a wheelchair for years, win the World Wrestling Championship, anybody can quit tobacco and lead a healthy life.

BEYOND THE STETHOSCOPE

When not pursuing their profession, a breed of doctors prefer to wear different hats to keep themselves fit and centered. The HEALTH PIONEER tries to catch up with them every week.



Dr. Himanshu Verma

The Long And Short Of Beard

According to Victorian writer Thomas S Gowing, “The absence of Beard is usually a sign of physical and moral weakness.” Letting it grow is “reverencing the Creator's laws as above the dictates of man”.

Dr. Himanshu Verma, Head of Department of Nephrology and Renal Transplant at one of the country's premier medical institutions, Safdarjung Hospital in Delhi who wears a well-groomed beard, agrees. A beard does draw attention. Most of the popular style icons like Ben Affleck and George Clooney too had once started growing one too.

For Dr Verma, keeping a beard is a symbol of manliness and, in fact, “It's not about just Beards, it's about Beards With Substance,” he stresses.

“Whether it is long or short, I always have a beard. Beard is an asset that can make most men look quite suave and masculine,” the 39-year-old doctor muses his childhood memories that connect him with Rambo-like characters equated with masculinity.

Dr Verma, a gold medalist in DM (Nephrology) from prestigious RML Hospital in Delhi finds a parallel in bearded scientists like Darwin and Aristotle known for their wisdom. He feels keeping a beard has several benefits. For instance, “it protects skin from the harmful Ultraviolet rays; it can add a layer of protection to your chin and neck; Your beard and moustache works as a filter that helps to keep allergens from entering your nose and mouth, thereby reducing chance of skin infections.”

Data says, the average man spends approximately 4.5 months in shaving. Imagine all the time you would save and invest it in overall men's health. Hence, it is also a ‘way to show support to men's health’, Dr Verma tries to make a point.

Hence, whenever he gets an opportunity, he takes out time to participate at various fundraisers like the global No Shave November movement, aka ‘Movember’, which creates awareness about the hazards of prostate cancer and other health issues in men. It was started in Australia in 2003 and now spread across the world.

Dr. Verma, the father of two sons, laments that men do not take care of their health. “Males usually give priority to their family and in the process neglect their own health. This leads to stress in them.

“Prostate cancer, unbalanced lipid profile and depression are some of the diseases that remain undiagnosed in men and ignorance of these ailments can be fatal,” points out Dr. Verma, himself an asthmatic since childhood.

“In fact, male depression needs to be addressed. Suicidal tendencies among them are becoming common. This can be prevented by emotional counseling,” he continues.

It's not just that he loves keeping mane to highlight health issues, this 39-year-old soft-spoken medico is also an avid bike lover, a dancer and a model who walks down fashion ramps with an equal ease.

But this first generation doctor who is also the youngest HOD in the history of Nephrology in India, amidst a huge extended family of engineers hailing from Agra, remains committed to his patients as he says my motto is: “For patient's care, I am there.” We are sure his friends and patients will agree with him.

—As told to Archana jyoti
(Medicos may write to us at healthp100@gmail.com)

NEWS BRIEFS

OTC SALE OF 16 DRUGS PROPOSED

The Government, for the first time, has proposed to introduce over-the-counter (OTC) drugs through an amendment in the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules and allow their sale in the retail market without doctors' prescription. Around 16 drugs, which include common antipyretic medicine such as paracetamol 500 mg, some laxatives, nasal decongestants and topical antifungal creams have been proposed to be included in the OTC drug category.

'EPILEPSY & HEARING LOSS, EARLY SIGN OF PARKINSON'S DISEASE'

According to a study published in JAMA Neurology, epilepsy and hearing loss have been found to be two early signs of Parkinson's disease. Lead study author Cristina Simonet, MD stated, "It's important that primary care practitioners are aware of these links and understand how early the symptoms of Parkinson's can appear, so that patients can get a timely diagnosis."

DELHI HOSP'S 'CROSS-SUBSIDY MODEL' LAUDED

Delhi-based Sir Ganga Ram Hospital's Cross-Subsidy model -where rich patients pay for poor—got appreciation from Dr Bharati Pravin Pawar, Union Minister of State for Health who said that such a system should be replicated by other hospitals too. She was speaking at an event of the 66th batch of nursing students from School of Nursing, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital recently. “Our nurses are in huge demand all over the world due to their humility, passion and giving best care to the patients. They are the backbone of our healthcare industry. We are proud of them,” she added.

WHO HELPS RAJASTHAN TO CREATE HEALTH ACCOUNT

Rajasthan has become the first State in the country to institutionalise health accounts which will help in estimating the amount spent on the health sector and its impact. The data or facts available from these accounts would be used in future for policy making, and technical and financial assistance will be provided by the WHO to create health accounts, as per a statement here.

Can Quad restrain wayward China?

The May 24 face-to-face meeting of the Quad leaders is considered very crucial against the backdrop of the ongoing Ukraine war. All the four heads of the Governments — Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, US president Joe Biden, Japan Prime Minister Fumio Kishida and Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese — came together on a platform to display strength and sustainability of the group at a crucial juncture when the world is gradually emerging out of the monstrous Covid-19 pandemic and entering into nothing short of Third World War in Europe.

It must be said once again the global governance institutions, especially the UN and the US-led liberal West have miserably failed to stop the most devastating war in Ukraine. Undoubtedly, the centrality of the Quad summit was the Russian onslaught in Ukraine. The Quad summit is indicative of a new beginning as it has also witnessed the formation of two fresh initiatives: The Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF) and the Indo-Pacific Partnership for Maritime Domain Awareness (IPMDA).

The IPEF, launched by the US with 12 members on board now, is precisely its answer to the Trans Pacific Partnership (TTP) and its successor, the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for the TPP (CPTPP) and towards the China-led 15-country grouping called, Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP).

The IPMDA is aimed at building a “faster, wider and more accurate maritime picture of near real-time activities in partner’s waters”. Basically, it will directly facilitate the tracking of “dark shipping” across the Indo-Pacific region. These all seem to be a detailed preparation by the members of the Quad for preventing China-led initiatives both in the trade and security spheres in one of the busiest sea-communication lanes in the world.

The joint statement issued after the summit addressed the concerns emerging from the war in Ukraine. The statement underlined that the member countries “discussed respective responses to the conflict in Ukraine and the ongoing tragic humanitarian crisis and assessed its implica-



Leaders of Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (Quad) from left to right, Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, US President Joe Biden, Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, pose for photo at the entrance hall of the Prime Minister's Office of Japan in Tokyo on May 24

AP

tions for the Indo-Pacific region”. The Quad summit has also highlighted and discussed any possible Chinese military adventures in the Indo-Pacific after Europe experienced Russia’s bloodiest invasion of Ukraine.

How did the Quad originate? It all began as a loose partnership against the background of the tsunami in the Indian Ocean in 2004. In fact, all the four nations came together to offer humanitarian assistance and disaster relief. But today China complains that the group is intending to form an “Asian NATO” simply to act against the Beijing’s interests in the region.

Is China threatened by the Quad grouping? The Quad had its first historic meeting in the year 2007. Then no one thought it would be another platform to counter China in the days to come. But afterwards, the forum went into oblivion for a decade or so. It

reemerged in November 2017. Its regrouping piqued Chinese interests. And the Communists in China seriously gauged that America was plotting a Cold War style strategic encirclement of China by taking two other Indo-Pacific nations — India and Australia — into the orbit. Initially, when then Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe invited officials from India, Australia and the US to gather in Manila, the Xi Jinping regime was not much worried. Wang Yi, the Foreign Minister of China, had scoffed at the grouping: “They (the Quad nations) are like sea foam in the Pacific or Indian Ocean: They get some attention but will soon dissipate.”

Is there any urgent need to thwart China in the Indo-Pacific? Yes, of course. China’s growing expansionist policies particularly under the current President Xi Jinping is worrisome. His “China Dream” projects are nothing but to assert

Beijing’s soft and hard power around the world.

What role India must play in the group? For Delhi, multilateral forums like the Quad are of high importance. China’s growing encirclement and its recent aggressive actions against India are an immediate threat to the latter’s territorial integrity and sovereignty. Xi’s hidden agenda is all out in public now. India at the moment needs external balance. And in this regard, Quad is considered as the best alternative for the country.

How is the old Quad different from the new Quad that India joined in 2021? Yes, they are different in their own way, yet some of the concerns are almost identical. Indeed, India’s growing insecurity in the Indo-Pacific can be sensed when it joined the new Quad comprising Israel, the US and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) last year. Like the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue or the old

Quad among the US, Australia, Japan and India, this new economic forum also equally emphasised on trade, climate change, energy and maritime security.

Unlike the earlier group, the current one is not aimed at countering China. It is largely felt that the new one certainly lacks a shared objective, and its future trajectory seems to be uncertain. However, this grouping may facilitate India to pursue its foreign policy goals by aligning more with the UAE and Israel in the West Asian region.

And, this will offer Delhi another opportunity to engage more closely with Washington. Further, India sees West Asia strategically important. India depends heavily on its energy imports. Nearly 9 million Indian workers earn their livelihood from the Persian Gulf. Israel and the UAE can enhance India’s role in the region. What prompted the

US to ramp up ties for another Quad is the growing Chinese interest in Israel and the UAE.

But the same is not true for other members of the group. In the recent past, both Israel and the UAE amplified their commercial investments with China, particularly in the shipping sector. Therefore, Washington takes this opportunity to convince Israel and the UAE to come out of the Chinese net. Clearly America’s intention dovetails with India’s as the latter has been continuously fighting to wean off Chinese influence in a region wherein it wants to remain a potential player for long.

The Quad needs to consolidate further. The Indo-Pacific is heading for a serious crisis. China’s ever-expanding agenda accompanied by sheer aggression might destabilise the whole region. Most probably, this kind of a future scenario may drag the US for an all-out war against China.

Along these lines, Japan, Australia and India will certainly be involved in this quagmire. Though the Quad group has been formed to boost economic prosperity, geostrategic equilibrium and tranquility in the Indo-Pacific, it is clearly making an alliance that is directly targeting China today. And the latest IPEF will be an advanced economic platform again to target China-led development initiatives in the region. Hence, the Quad and its extended members are all forging together to ramp up support to stop Chinese expansion across the Indo-Pacific.

Beijing now knows it very well. Its full-blown preparations to encounter this alliance are underway. Inevitability of another global conflict in this part of the globe cannot be denied.

The road ahead for the Quad and its new avatars like the IPEF should be to minimise any possible countdown with China. Washington knows fully well that Xi is an over-ambitious leader like Russian President Vladimir Putin. Xi is going to stay in power for long and his third term, unlike his immediate predecessors, is most likely to be endorsed by the Communist Party of China in the coming months. Moreover, he has already shuffled his cronies in such a manner that his grip on the Party and the throne will be completely safe for years from now.

Looking at all these developments back home in China, the Quad group leaders and its allies in the IPEF must be cautious while dealing with Xi. Though the US-led IPEF is centrally aiming at strengthening economic ties and achieving shared goals, its anti-China tag may escalate the trade war between Washington and Beijing in future. After having a bitter experience with Putin, Biden needs to maintain more restraint, simply to avoid another catastrophe in the Indo-Pacific.

(Dr Makhan Saikia has taught political science and international relations for over a decade in institutions of national and international repute after specialisation in globalisation and governance from Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai. He is the chief editor of the Journal of Global Studies, an international research journal)

It’s a tightrope walk for the grouping at a time when US-China trade war has reached a peak. After having a bitter experience with Putin, Biden may need to maintain more restraint, simply to avoid another catastrophe in the Indo-Pacific



MAKHAN SAIKIA

PERSPECTIVE

Down dragon’s deep-debt maze

China’s basic criteria behind the selection of BRI projects have been to consolidate its geostrategic position, to facilitate easy access to natural resources of the host state and its market for Chinese exports. To lure vulnerable small developing nations into its debt-trap strategy, Beijing offers a hefty loan which they won’t manage otherwise



SONAL SHUKLA

There are two ways to conquer and enslave a nation. One is by the sword. Other is by debt.

— John Adams

Sri Lanka’s economic collapse and its unsustainable debt has brought the world’s spotlight back to China — the government’s biggest bilateral lender, owing at least 10 per cent of its external debt (non-inclusive of hidden loans). A real concern exists for nations like Pakistan and Nepal, among others, who might fall prey to a similar design.

China’s Belt and Road Initiative, for which 146 nations from Indo-Pacific, Africa, Europe, Latin America and Caribbeans have signed up, has resulted in several unsustainable debt-for-infrastructure deals, which further Beijing’s political, economic and geostrategic ambitions. It is the single largest lender globally, bigger than the World Bank, IMF and the Paris Club (industrialised nations grouping that lend to the developing nations), and has over 100 ports in 63 countries.

The debt-trap strategy

US-based research lab AidData has found that 42 low-to-middle income coun-

tries owe a debt bigger than 10 per cent of their GDP to China. BRI loan contract contains secrecy clauses: Amount and conditions attached are to be kept confidential from other creditors, IMF and citizens. Loans are systematically under-reported (to the tune of \$385 billion), debt-burdens kept off the nation’s balance-sheet through use of special-purpose, semi-private loans or loans to state-owned companies and banks — still enjoying government’s liability protection — amounting to 70 per cent of funding. China lent disproportionately to countries that performed poorly on conventional measures of credit worthiness, in contrast to other international lenders, but demanded far higher interest rates with shorter repayment periods and is more aggressive than its peers at positioning itself at the front of the repayment line via collateralisation. World’s 74 lowest income nations owe 37 per cent of their loans to Beijing. Many of the debtor states are in a situation where their debt is unsustainable.

Beijing’s basic criteria behind the selection of BRI projects have been to consolidate its geo-strategic position,

to facilitate easy access to natural resources of the host state and its market for Chinese exports. Some other features of Chinese debt-trap strategy are: A hefty loan is advanced which small developing nations would not manage otherwise, use of corruption to make the leaders of borrowing nations willing and pliable, setting terms for hire of Chinese companies and workers for project execution, higher loan rates than peers with shorter (less than 10 years) loan repayment period. On loan-default, it seeks creation of equity in the project or demands new projects, thus tying the subject state into an interminable knot.

Dragon’s advocates

Expectedly, Beijing has pushed back against the allegations, denying existence of any bad motive and justifying that the loans were demanded by the debtor countries and were economically beneficial for them.

An interesting phenomenon has occurred recently, some publications have stood up in defence of Beijing, upholding the Chinese narrative. Last year US’ *The Atlantic* and UK’s *Chatham House* published reports calling Chinese

debt-trap a myth. The publications attempted a systematic refutation of any intention or liability on Beijing’s part, towards saddling nations with unsustainable debts or unviable projects, or of having any geostrategic ambition behind them. Indeed, they portrayed the dragon to be innocuous and uncoordinated, making poor economic choices. A leading newspaper in India recently published a piece on Chinese lending, titled, “Entrapment” or “ineptitude?” along the same lines. A Chinese think tank, CISS, has acknowledged and thanked some of these think tanks — like *The Atlantic* — and media houses for “willing to communicate” with it by joint research or joint meetings and helping them establish “a brand and reputation”.

The right questions that need to be asked here are: Why is Beijing interested in loans for projects which are unviable and have no other takers? Do the debts given under BRI have the potential to function as tools to advance China’s geostrategic interests? To argue that such was not the intention of the dragon — or steps towards acquisition of the assets due to loan default have not yet been undertaken — is foolhardy.

Why would Beijing want to spook and warn the world, especially India and the West, so well in advance?

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar quipped, “We have seen projects which are commercially unsustainable; airports where aircraft don’t come, harbours where a ship doesn’t come” (Hambantota port and international airport, Gwadar is another example). The sole motive to undertake these ‘white elephant’ projects is to secure geostrategic advantage for Beijing: Chinese submarines docks at Sri Lankan ports and Chinese warships are pressed into the security of Gwadar. The whole structure of BRI debts is such that they become unsustainable - action is the biggest indicator of intention. Whether or not it causes an economic crisis in the host nation will depend on its economic management, however, unarguably, it provides Beijing a strong foothold in the nation which is exploited for furthering dragon’s ambitions.

Behind the scenes

In 2018, the *New York Times* reported the Sri Lankan officials stating that intelligence sharing was an integral part of Hambantota deal and

strategic possibility of the port location was also discussed from the beginning. It also reported about the millions of dollars that flew from the project fund to the Rajapakshas’ election campaign. It revealed an insistence on the Chinese side to hand over equity in the port and 15,000 acres of surrounding land, rather than allowing any easing of negotiating terms. Some Chinese companies have also faced ban in Bangladesh and the Philippines for engaging in corrupt practices.

Montenegro presents another example of Chinese strategy behind BRI where Beijing is funding and building an economically unviable highway — 78 per cent of Montenegro’s external debt is owed to China and in case of a default Beijing has a right to access Montenegrin land as collateral. Any arbitration would be conducted according to Chinese laws. Such strategies will be at play at all BRI sites.

Three years ago, IMF’s then Managing Director Christine Lagarde raised the same issue, stating that BRI should go only where it’s needed and where the debt it generates can be sustained.

Alternatives to BRI

One would have expected that BRI with 18 EU members and 20 Latin America and Caribbean nations would have sent shivers down the spine of Western world. But the Chinese, unlike the Russians, ace the art of subtle game play that the West blindly falls for. Washington’s Build Back Better World (B3W) and the EU Global Gateway, still in the launching phases, are too little too late; the analysts have already declared them incapable of competing with BRI.

Now there’s concern and debate in the BRI states about debts, however, if their common populace can continue to put consistent pressure on their governments about complete transparency over the loans, the situation can improve. International development banks and multilateral initiatives will also need to step up their game. Finally, IMF and World Bank will have to provide debt to needy nations while toning down the harsh conditions and dropping the imposition of Bretton Woods consensus, if they were to have a real choice to get out of Beijing’s deep-debt maze.

(The author is a foreign policy expert and a lawyer)

