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## World looking at mother of democracy India: PM

Judiciary taking many steps to ensure timely justice: Modi

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday said the Constitution is a commitment, pledge, and belief that has made India the “Mother of Democracy” and maintained that the judiciary is taking many steps to ensure timely justice.

Speaking at the Constitution Day celebrations in the Supreme Court, Modi said the entire world is looking at India which is witnessing rapid development and economic growth.

“We the People in the Preamble of the Constitution is a commitment, pledge and belief that has made India the Mother of Democracy,” said the Prime Minister. He also stated, “Laws are being made easier and accessible for the common citizens and the judiciary is taking many steps to ensure timely justice.”

Modi launched new initiatives under the e-court project, which provides services to lit-



Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Chief Justice of India Justice DY Chandrachud at the launch of the new initiatives under e-court project, during the Constitution Day celebrations in the Supreme Court, in New Delhi on Saturday. Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju is also seen

igants, lawyers and the judiciary through information and communication technology-enabled courts. The initiatives launched by Modi included “virtual justice clock,” “JustIS” mobile app 2.0, digital court and “S3Waas”.

“We the people’ in the Preamble is a call, an oath and a trust,” Modi said, adding that “in the modern time, the Constitution has embraced all the cultural and moral emotions of the nation”.

He said, “Identity of India as the mother of democracy needs to be further strength-

ened”. Since 2015, Constitution Day is being celebrated on November 26 to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India by the Constituent Assembly in 1949. The Prime Minister also noted the importance of the Constitution Day in the year of the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsava. He paid tributes to Babasaheb Dr BR Ambedkar and all the members of the Constituent Assembly.

Remembering the dark day in the history of India when the country is celebrating the momentous occasion of

Constitution day, the Prime Minister recalled that on November 26, India faced the biggest terrorist attack in its history by the enemies of humanity. Modi paid his tributes to the ones who lost their lives in the dastardly Mumbai attacks.

Crediting the Constitution for the success, the Prime Minister referred to the first three words of the Preamble, ‘We the People’, saying, “This spirit of the constitution is the spirit of India, that has been the mother of democracy in the world.”

## ED attaches 40% share of Unitech project in Noida

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has provisionally attached 40 per cent share of a hotel project (1,40,000 Sq Ft FSI Space) within the upscale Commercial Centre, Garden’s Galleria, Noida in connection with a money laundering case against the real estate major Unitech and its promoters.

The attached asset worth ₹65.32 crore was owned by Unitech’s Ranchero Services Limited, Cyprus, which is a Benami overseas company of Unitech promoters.

An investigation by ED revealed that Unitech Group had invested the “Proceeds of Crime” to the tune of USD 8 million through a Benami company Ranchero Services Limited, Cyprus, into Unitech Hotels Private Limited in 2007-2008, the agency said in a statement.

“Investigation revealed that Ranchero Services Limited, Cyprus, is owned by Unitech promoters and was being managed through an overseas trust on their behalf,” the ED said in its statement.

During the investigation, the ED arrested five Unitech promoters/directors Sanjay Chandra, Ajay Chandra, Ramesh Chandra, Preeti



Chandra, and Rajesh Malik.

Till now, the ED has filed two prosecution complaints or chargesheets and the PMLA court has taken their cognizance.

The agency has attached domestic and overseas assets worth ₹1,132.55 crore through 16 provisional attachment orders, including the current one.

The attachments include assets of Carnoustie Group, Shivalik Group, Trikar Group besides the properties of the shell, Benami, and personal companies of Chandras, and others.

Total proceeds of crime worth over ₹6,500 crore have been detected till now in this case. Further investigation is in process, the agency added.

## India's cashew king latest among many to shut biz in Kerala

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ KOCHI

The political turmoil and industrial unrest haunting Kerala have hastened the exit of many industrial groups, both big and small, from the State. The latest to join the bandwagon of entrepreneurs leaving the State for good is Beta Group, owned by J Rajmohan Pillai, which is into the production of packaged food products like Nut King.

The year 2021 has seen the exit of more than a dozen major units from the State as the proprietors downed the shutters and left for the oil-rich West Asian countries.

The Beta Group hailing from the family of late K Janardhanan Pillai, labelled as India’s cashew king has shut down all its cashew processing factories numbering around 100 and is moving to little-known Guinea-Bissau, a West African country.

“We will set up Guinea-Bissau’s largest cashew processing and export unit which will provide jobs to at least 2,000 people in the near future itself.

“The agreement signed between Beta Group and the Guinea-Bissau Government mandates that the Group would invest \$100 million over the next five years,” Dr



Rajmohan Pillai with Prime Minister of Guinea Bissau Nuno Gomes Nabiam

Rajmohan Pillai, chairman, Beta Group, told *The Pioneer* over telephone from Bissau.

The Beta Group’s decision to shift its operation to the African country comes at a time when entrepreneurs are leaving the State en masse fearing the high handed attitude of trade union leaders who have become a law unto themselves.

Though Dr Pillai described the decision to shift Beta Group was in response to the irresistible invitation from the Guinea-Bissau Government led by Prime Minister Nuno Gomes Nambam, corporate leaders in Kerala said on condition of anonymity that situation in God’s Own Country was not conducive for investment or expansion.

“When trade union leaders call the shots on issues like who should be included in the list of workers and who should be kept away, it is a signal to the entrepreneurs to move out,” said a senior corporate honcho.

## Pro-Pak slogan in Bharat Jodo doctored video maker booked

PTI ■ RAIPUR

The Chhattisgarh Police have registered a case against a man for posting a doctored video on social media of pro-Pakistani slogans being raised during the Congress “Bharat Jodo Yatra”, an official said on Saturday.

A member of the Congress legal cell lodged a complaint in Raipur on Friday, following which an FIR was registered against the man, who hails from neighbouring Madhya Pradesh, said police. In his complaint, a member of the Congress legal cell alleged that the accused had posted a doctored video of the yatra on his Twitter handle, in which pro-Pakistan slogans were raised.

An offence has been registered under section 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of peace) and other relevant provisions of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and a probe has been launched, the official said.

## UCC, 1L Govt jobs, ₹10K cr for agri infra in BJP’s Guj pledge

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Uniform Civil Code, one lakh Government jobs for women, ₹10,000 crore for Agri-marketing infra, blue economy industries corridor, and financial assistance to EWS/OBC students are among the main points of the BJP Gujarat manifesto released on Saturday by party’s national president JP Nadda and Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel.

The manifesto called the “Sankalp Patra” also promised free education to girls from pre-primary to post-graduate level. In the manifesto released at Gandhinagar, the BJP also promised 1 litre of edible oil four times a year and 1 kg subsidised chana per month at subsidised rates through the PDS system to the people of Gujarat.

Setting up an anti-radicalisation cell is another promise of the BJP.



Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel, BJP national president JP Nadda and State party chief CR Patil during release of the party manifesto for Gujarat polls, in Gandhinagar, on Saturday

## 2 CRPF jawans on poll duty shot by colleague in Guj

**Porbandar:** Two jawans of the CRPF were killed and two others were injured after their colleague opened fire over some issue in a village near Porbandar in Gujarat on Saturday evening, officials said.

## Veteran actor Vikram Gokhale passes away

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Veteran actor and thespian Vikram Gokhale — known for his stellar performances in films like Mazrathi film “Natsamrat” and films like “Hum Dil De Chuke Sanam”, “Bhool Bhulaiyaa”, “Agneepath” and “Khuda Gawah” — died at the Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital in Pune on Saturday.

He was 77 and is survived by his wife and two daughters. A versatile actor who acted in films, dramas and television serials in both Hindi and Marathi languages, Gokhale had acted in more than eighty films, more two dozen television serials and innumerable plays in a career lasting for nearly five decades.

Gokhale had been admitted to the Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital in Pune earlier this week. His condition had deteriorated during the last few days. He was on ventilator support for a few days. At one stage, a rumour had spread that he had passed away, a news report that his family members denied.

## Arabs burying hatchet at World Cup!

AP ■ DOHA

For a brief moment after Saudi Arabia’s Salem Aldawsari fired a ball from just inside the penalty box into the back of the net to seal a World Cup win against Argentina, Arabs across the divided West Asia found something to celebrate.

Such Arab unity is hard to come by and fleeting when it arrives. But Qatar’s hosting of the World Cup has provided a moment where many in the Arab world have rallied by Doha and the Saudi team’s win. “All Arabic countries are celebrating because one Arab team won,” said 27-year-old Saudi Rakan Yousef after Arab fans congratulated him in Doha, Qatar, on the Green Falcons’ win.

“Even the emir of Qatar attended our match. ... There’s this feeling now that we are all brothers. That’s why I’m speechless.”

The Arab world’s division



Saudi Arabia players and their head coach Herve Renard applaud fans at the end of the World Cup soccer match against Poland, at the Education City Stadium in Al Rayyan, Qatar, on Saturday. Poland beat Saudis 2-0

start even with the Arabic language. Spoken Arabic changes regionally, with the Berber-infused Arabic of North Africa, the rapid-fire Egyptian heard in movies and television comedies, the soft Levantine drawl and the guttural dialect of the Gulf Arabs.

Religion is another differentiator — there are Muslims, both Sunni and Shia with sub-groups within, and minority Christians, Druze, Baha’i and others. Different views on religion and regional rivalries bleed into conflicts, such as the ongoing war in Yemen. Oha

But despite an attempt by al-Qaida to stir up extremists, the month-long World Cup in energy-rich Qatar so far has seen unity among the Gulf Arab nations. Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman and Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sissi, the heads of state in two countries that only some two years ago had boycotted Qatar, attended the tournament’s opening match.

Dubai’s ruler, Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, called Qatar’s hosting of the tournament “a milestone for all Arabs” and also attended the opening. That feeling was shared by others as well.

“We are proud to be here for the first World Cup in an Arabic country,” Morocco coach Walid Regragui said.

Jordan’s Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi similarly praised Qatar while dismissing the criticisms of journalists — and by extension, rights groups.

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**I, Harnoor Malhi** D/O Gumal Singh R/O VPO Jodhpur Tehsil & distt Tarn Taran Declared my 10th class certificate (ICSE)/Bord Roll no.7016097 year 2019 Has Been Lost.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**I, Radha Devi** spouse of Army No 13753736A Ex Hav Bhajan Singh resident of Vill: Saidd Noshera, PO: Hajipur, Teh-Mukerian, Distt : Hoshiarpur (Punjab) have changed my name from Radha Devi toRadha Rani and DOB as 02.06.1972 vide affidavit dated 23.11.2022 before Notary Public, Mukerian.

**I, Sarvjit Kaur** spouse of Army No 1383681Y Ex Honey Namb Sub Swaran Singh resident of Village & PO: Parika, Distt : Hoshiarpur (Punjab) have changed my name from Sarvjit Kaur to Sarbjit Kaur and DOB as 28.02.1956 vide affidavit dated 24.11.2022 before Notary Public, Mukerian.

**I, JC No 288204W** Sub Baljit Singh s/o Gulzar Singh r/o Village Charar Post Office Rajpur District Jalandhar, Punjab request to correct the date of birth of my son Arshdeep Singh from 6th April, 2009 to 06th April, 2006 in my Army record.

**I, JC No 288204W** Sub Baljit Singh s/o Gulzar Singh r/o Village Charar Post Office Rajpur District Jalandhar, Punjab request to correct the spellings and date of birth of my wife from Gurmeet Kaur DOB 12th May, 1977 to Gurmit Kaur DOB 15th May,1973 in my Army record.

**I, JC No 288204W** Sub Baljit Singh s/o Gulzar Singh r/o Village Charar Post Office Rajpur District Jalandhar, Punjab request to correct the spellings and date of birth of my wife from Gurmeet Kaur DOB 12th May, 1977 to Gurmit Kaur DOB 15th May,1973 in my Army record.

**I, Kailash Devi** W/o No. 1457780-Y Ex Naik Kartar Singh R/O H.No. 854/19, Mehah Teh. Mehah Distt. Rohtak (Haryana) declare that my name Klashowant and my DOB 05.05.1963 are wrongly mentioned in my husband Army record. But my correct & actual name is Kailash Devi and my correct DOB is 10.07.1960. vide affidavit dated 26.11.2022 before Notary Public Rohtak.

**I, Hanish Kumar** S/o Shinderpal Garg R/o Village Abli, Distt. Bathinda declare that in some documents my correct date of birth is mentioned 02-11-1998 and in some documents it is wrongly mentioned as 02-11-1997. My correct Date of birth is 02-11-1998.

**I, Sunita Devi** is legally wedded spouse of No.14644334H Rank NK Name Brijesh Kumar Jt R/o Ward No. 06, Harsoli, Harsauli, Alwar, Kotkan Rajasthan, Unit 601 EME Bn C/o 56 APO, have changed my name from Sunita Kumari to Sunita Devi. My date of birth is wrongly entered as 01-01-1984 in my husband's service record. My correct date of birth is 05-07-1982. Please make it correct.

**I, Neelam W/O Sh Dharam** Pal Sharma R/O Village Bastrop P. O. Sujanpur Tehsil & District Pathankot (Punjab) Pin-145030 have changed my name from Neelam to Neelam Kumari Vide affidavit No. IN-PB45196114234560U dated 25 Nov 2022 before notary public Pathankot.

**We, Jasvinder Kaur** W/o Sr. Ranjeet Singh & Priyanka W/o Deep Singh R/o # 1393, FF, Sector 25, Panchkula, Haryana declare that my Son Deep Singh is out of my control. So I disown him from my all moveable/immovable properties. Anybody deals with him will do so at their own risk.

**I, Krishan Saini** S/o Sh. Mange Ram R/O H. No 1726/27, Near Shiv Mandir, New Model Town, my Son Ravi Saini is out of control. I disown my son ravi Saini from all my moveable and immovable properties. anybody deals with him deals at own risk & responsibilities.

**I, Rajrani W/o Late Prithvi** Raj R/o # 1343, Mohalla Chhivian Wala Manimajra Ut Chandigarh my son Anuraj Kumar and his wife Ritv Rani are out of my control. I disown them from my moveable/immovable properties. Anybody dealing with them at their own risk.

**I, Ved Parkash** S/o Gian Chand R/O Ajrawar Sub Tehsil Ismailabad Tehsil Pehowa Distt Kurukshetra, My Son Himanshu Jawa and His Wife Monika Out of My Control. We, Disown them from all My moveable/ immovable properties. Anybody deal with him at their own risk.

**I, Shriram Mittal** S/o Khajan Singh R/O 313/19, Housing Board Colony, Jind, Haryana is declared that I have changed the Name from S.R. Mittal to Shriram Mittal, which is Correct and known in future.

## STATE BANK OF INDIA | NGM Branch, Muktsar

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised officer of the State Bank Of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No.3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice to borrower(s)/ guarantor(s), on the date mentioned hereunder, calling upon the borrower(s) / guarantor(s), to repay the amount mentioned in the respective demand notice, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower(s)/guarantor(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower (s)/guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken **Physical Possession** of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the date mentioned against below accounts.

The borrower(s)/guarantor(s) in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property/properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the **State Bank of India, NGM Branch, Muktsar** for the amount specified against each as per details below less amount of recovery if any plus future interest, expenses, costs, thereon.

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

| Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Description of the Movable/Immovable Property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Date of Demand Notice | Date of Physical Possession | Amount Outstanding as per Demand Notice                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. M/s Ved Parkash and Company Shop No 89-B, New Grain Market, Muktsar through its Prop. Sh. Rakesh Kumar S/o Sh. Ved Parkash, Opposite Rahat Hotel, Kotakpura Road, Muktsar (Borrower) 2. Smt. Raj Rani S/o Sh. Ved Parkash, Opposite Rahat Hotel, Kotakpura Road, Muktsar (Guarantor) | Land measuring 9 Marla 05 Sarsahi (28'X93') i.e. 1962 share out of 01 Kanai 11 Marlas Khewat No 1030 Khatoni No 1704 Kharsa No 2357-2358/5 (01-11) situated in the area of Shri Muktsar Sahib -1 Tehsil and Distt. Shri Muktsar Sahib as per Jamabandi for the Year 1990-91 vide Sale Deed No 2175 dated 17.10.1994 in the name of Smt Raj Rani W/o Sh Ved Parkash and bounded as under: East : Balraj , West : Self and Others, North : Rasta Kotakpura Road, West: Jabbarj Singh and Others | 19.04.2021            | 25.11.2022                  | Rs. 18,44,200.00 as on 17.04.2021, less amount of recovery made, if any plus Intt and other charges/ expenses, costs, thereon. |

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**I, Inderpal Kaur** Chawla w/o Gurinder Pal Singh R/o 19713 Jagdish Marg, Shahabad Markanda (Kurukshetra) have changed my name from Inderpal Kaur Chawla to Inderpal Kaur.

**I, Jaspreet Kaur** W/o Vikramjit Singh Grewal R/o Village Dhaurour, Ludhiana have changd my name to Jaspreet Kaur Grewal.

**I, Vikramjit Singh** S/o Jaswinder Singh Grewal R/o Village Dhaurour, PO Sahnewal, Ludhiana have changed my name to Vikramjit Singh Grewal.

**I, Surender Kaur** W/o Amrik Singh R/o Siwan, Distt. Kaithal declares that I have changed my name from Surender Kaur to Surinder Kaur. In future, I will be known by the name of Surinder Kaur. All concerned please note.

**I, Sukhvinder Singh** S/o Chanan Singh R/o Siwan, Distt. Kaithal declares that I have changed my name from Sukhvinder Singh to Sukhvinder Singh. In future, I will be known by the name of Sukhvinder Singh. All concerned please note.

**I, Vishaldeep Singh** S/o Balwinder Singh R/O Guru Nanakpur Baba Bakala, district Amritsar Punjab declare that I have changed my name from Santoshi Kumari to Santoshi Vide affidavit No. IN-PB 45995164378728U dated 24 Nov. 2022 before notary public Pathankot.

**I, Maya** spouse of No. 15749301M SIGMN Jogendra Singh resident of VPO Dhodhasr Tehsil Chomu District Jaipur (Rajasthan) in my husband service record my name wrongly recorded as Maya instead of Maya Kumari Vide affidavit No. iN-PB 46583864791667U dated 26 Nov 2022 before notary public Pathankot.

**I, Bikram Kumar** S/o Vinod Kumar Singh R/o H.No. 314, Gali No.3, Jawahar Nagar Focal Point Mehta Road Amritsar have changed my name from Bikram Kumar to Abhishek Kumar.

**I, Bishan Dass** S/o Sadhu Ram R/o H.No.60, Gali No.01, Niwi Abadi Kishan Kot, Islamabad, Amritsar have certified that my father was know by two name's Sadhu Ram and Sadhar Ram one and same person.

**I, Atama Singh** S/o Jagir Singh R/O 23, Husanwala Tarn Taran have changed my name from Atama Singh to Atma Singh.

**I, Mangal Singh** and Mangal Dass S/o Ami Chand R/o 17/178 Abadi Mohan Nagar Verka Amritsar have certified that above both name's are mine one and same person.

**I, Kanwaljeet Kaur** D/o Balwinder Singh R/o H.No.178, Gali No.4, Janke Powara Wali, Kot Khalsa Road Amritsar have changed my name from Kanwaljeet Kaur to Kanwaljit Kaur.

**I, Indu Kajla** W/o Sh. Dhramvir Kajla R/o H. No. 41, Defence Colony, Hissar (Haryana) hereby declare that I have changed my name from Indu to Indu Kajla for all future purposes.

**I, Rinku Devi** w/o Pradeep R/o Sismore, Kaithal have changed my name from Rinku Devi to Rinku. Concern noted.

**I, Harjit Singh** S/o Balvir Singh R/O Pirthipur, Ludhiana, Panjeta, Punjab-141126 declare that Harjit Singh and Harjeet Singh both names are of the same person.

**I, Service No. 15611796L** Rank Hav Name A.JI. P. John S/O John Philip at present Unit-19 GUARDS, C/o 56 APO, India declare that my Father has changed his name from John Phillip to John Phillip due to wrong name record in my Army service record.

**I, Shelly D/O Ramesh** Kumar R/O Hno. 1442F , Sector 26 Panchkula I Have Changed My Name Shelly Surname Dhiman.

**I, Vikrant S/o Raj Kumar** R/o H. No. 25, Temple Lane, Green Avenue, Amritsar Have Changed My Name To Vikrant Arora. All Concerned Please Note.

**I, Bakshish Kumar** W/O Army No JC-225902K EX Sub (GD) Balvinder Singh Artillery, R/O H.No-67-A, New Subhash Nagar, Maqsdun, Jalandhar, Punjab declare that in my husband's army service record my name and DOB wrongly mentioned as Bakshish Kaur (07-09-1964) . My correct name and DOB is Bakshish Kaur (07-09-1962)

**I, Sunil S/O Manohar Lal** R/O H.No.11, Bhandari Gali Near Shanti Devi Hospital Batala Distt. Gurdaspur Have Changed My Name To Sunil Kumar.

**I, Paramjit Singh** S/O Bhupinder Singh R/O H No 6-A, University Enclave Po. Ladhewali Distt. Jalandhar Have Changed My Name To Singh Paramjit.

**I, Sunita W/O Sushil Kumar** R/O H.No. 63, Sec 18, HUDA Panipat Haryana Have Change My Name From Sunita To Sunita Boora.

**I, Shivani Bareja** w/o Sh Sahdev Gaba R/O 1138, new housing board colony, Panipat have changed my name to Shivani Gaba for all purposes.

**I, Prem W/o Sh. Parkash** Satija R/o H.No 396/9 Near Kanshi Girdi Mandir, New Sabzi Mandir, Panipat, have changed my name to Prem Satija w/o Parkash Satija for all future purposes.

**I, Avinash S/o Ram Yash** Verma r/o H.No. 85, Anaj Mandi Road, Daulat Ram Colony, Thanesar, Kurukshetra, have changed my name to Avinash Verma.

**I, Harvale Singh** S/o Sh. Gurdev Singh R/o VPO Sant Nagar, Tehsil Rania, District Sirsa have changed my name from Harvale Singh to Harvel Singh. Concerned note.

**I, Rajesh Kumar** Soni S/o Sh. Inder Singh Soni R/O H.No. 1297/9, Near National High School, Mahabir Colony, Hissar-125001 (Haryana) hereby declare that I have changed my name from Rajesh Kumar S/o Inder Singh to Rajesh Kumar Soni S/o Inder Singh Soni for all future purposes.

**I, No.JC-682332L** Nub/Sub Hari Shankar Singh resident of Village Chamao Ahiran, Po shivpur,Tehsil Pindara, District Varanasi, State- Uttar Pradesh Pin-221003 have changed my Daughter name Santoshi Kumari to Santoshi Vide affidavit No. IN-PB 45995164378728U dated 24 Nov. 2022 before notary public Pathankot.



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Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as the 'Act') and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 11/09/2022 calling upon the borrower/guarantor: **1. Sri/Ms. Kumar Jeetan D/o Sher Mohd. (Sheru Member) Ward No.2, Patakpur, Punhana - 122508, Ph. 9991557087, 2. Jafuddin S/o Yasin (Gua) H.no. 20, ward no. 10 Dhanl Patparvas, Punhana - 122508, Ph. 9813642161, 3. Rahisan W/o Sher Mohd. (Co-borrower) (Sheru Member) Ward No.2, Patakpur, Punhana - 122508, Ph. 9991557087, 4. Sher Mohd. S/o Deen Mohd. (Co-borrower) (Sheru Member) Ward No.2, Patakpur, Punhana - 122508, Ph. 9992288193** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. 11,01,947/- (Rupees Eleven lakh one thousand nine hundred forty seven only), (in words)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **24th day of November of the year 2022**. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs. 11,01,947/- (Rupees Eleven lakh one thousand nine hundred forty seven only) and interest thereon**.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

**Description of the Immoveable Property**  
All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No./Plot No.: 5/194 share in Khewat/Khata No.68/84, Rect No. 12, Killa No. 22/2(4-17), area measured 4K17M that comes to 0K 2.5 M i.e. 75 sq.yards (being ownership vide mutation of sale no. 1696) in revenue estate of Patakpur, Punhana in S/o. N/Cy. or Town Patakpur, Punhana Survey No./Khasra No. 68/84 with in the registration sub-district Punhana and district Nuh-Mewat. Bounded by: North: Prop. of Hansira, South: Prop. of others, East: Junt Rasta - 12FL West: Kental.

Date: 27-11-2022 Place: Punhana Authorised Officer, Canara Bank



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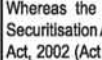
**POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR MOVEABLE / IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY)**  
Notice is hereby given under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with rule 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The Bank issued a demand notice on the date mentioned against the account and stated herein after calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of the receipt of said notice. The borrowers have failed to repay the amount. Therefore, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the Property / Asset described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 9 of the said Act on date mentioned against the account.

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the asset mentioned below. Any dealing concerning this asset will be subject to the charge of Bank of India for the amounts, costs, charges and interest thereon. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section(8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them, to redeem the secured assets.

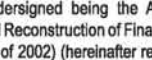
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| M/s Delux Engineering through its (Prop. Mr. Harjit Singh S/o Sh. Gurdial Singh, R/o House No. 17 L13/23, Jaspal Nagar, Sultanwadi Road, Amritsar Factory Office at M/s Delux Engineering, Factory no. 2, Mall Mandi, Backside of Sri Guru Ram Das Institute of Dental and Science, Amritsar | 16-09-2022                | 21-11-2022             | Rs. 8,91,141/39 + Interest, other charges w.e.f 11-05-2022 & less recovery if any, till date affected |

**DESCRIPTION OF THE MOVEABLE / IMMOVEABLE PROPERTIES / ASSETS :**  
Hypothecation of all type of Plant and Machinery, Machinery Parts and Die punching Machinery  
Office cum Factory Address : Factory no. 2, Mall Mandi, Backside of Sri Guru Ram Das Institute of Dental and Science, Amritsar 143001.

Date : 27-11-2022 Place : Amritsar Sd/- Authorised Officer



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Canara Bank  
(A Govt. of India Undertaking)

Branch: Punhana II,  
Punhana, Distt Mewat, Haryana - 121104

**POSSESSION NOTICE [SECTION 13(4)] (For Immovable property)**  
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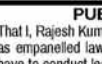
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The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs. 3,84,789/- (Rupees Three lakh eighty four thousand seven hundred eighty nine only) (MINUS RECOVERY IF ANY) and interest thereon**.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

**Description of the Immoveable Property**  
All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No./Plot No.: 22/24th share comprised in Khewat/Khata No. 241/290, rect no. 57, Killa No. 9/1(2-2), area 2K2M ory of which 22/242 shares comes to 1K2M (665 sq. yards Appnx) situated in Mubarakpur, Punhana in S/o. N/City Mubarakpur or Town Punhana Survey No./Khasra No. 241/290 with in the registration sub-district Punhana and district Nuh-Mewat. Bounded by: North: Kachcha Rasta, South: Clubbed Property of Ataulah Khana, East: Beam of Hope Scholl, West: Gandal Ni.


Date: 27-11-2022 Place: Punhana Authorised Officer, Canara Bank



PUBLIC NOTICE

That I, Rajesh Kumar Pandey, Advocate, is working as empaneled lawyer of HFCU Ltd., Patiala. As I have to conduct legal search of the property (i.e. Apartment / Flat No. 18-E, Block-B, 5th Floor, Ambey Apartments, Sak Market, Patiala owned by Sh. M. Parkash Joshi S/o Sh. Ram Krishan Joshi. That the previous conveyance deed no. 10517 dated 13.12.2017 & its allotment letter dated 03.12.2012 of the above said flat has been lost somewhere from Sh. Om Parkash Joshi. As per Sh. Om Parkash Joshi S/o Sh. Ram Krishan Joshi, the above said allotment letter & conveyance deed has not been mortgaged with any individual / bank or financial institution. If someone found the above said conveyance deed & allotment letter then please return the same at my chamber no. 537, Yadvindra Complex, Distt. Courts, Patiala or call me at my mobile no. 89549-29823.

Rajesh Kumar Pandey, Advocate,  
Chamber No. 537, Yadvindra Complex,  
Distt. Courts, Patiala.



PUBLIC NOTICE

(Under Special Marriage Act, 1954)

Notice is hereby given that an application has been received from Mr. Som Pal S/o Sh. Tara Chand R/o Village Murzapur Tehsil Pehowa, District Kurukshetra, Haryana, India and Mrs. Maya Devi D/o Sh. Chameela Ram R/o Village Bansal Distt. Karnal, Haryana, India now wife of Mr. Som Pal S/o Sh. Tara Chand R/o Village Murzapur Tehsil Pehowa, District Kurukshetra, Haryana, India for registration of their marriage under section 15, Chapter III of the special marriage act 1954. Any person having any objection to the marriage may, within thirty days of the publication of this notice, apply in writing to the undersigned specifying the grounds for such objection.


Place: Kurukshetra  
Date: November 22nd 2022

Deputy Commissioner-cum  
Marriage Officer Kurukshetra

It hereby informs to general public at large that Sh. Hansraj son of Sh. Tara Chandra Finance Seonmar Tehsil Pehowa Distt. Kurukshetra has avied Secured Finance property from AU Small Finance BANK LIMITED for Rs. 450000/-Lakh, vide RAPID No. 369211 have its branch office at KATHLA, Haryana on their Residential house, measuring area 153.589 Sq. Mtr, UID No. 554190E000400R133A situated in Village Seonmar Tehsil Pehowa Distt. Kurukshetra Haryana. That the said Sh. Hansraj son of Sh. Tara Chandra is an owner of above said land measuring 153.589 Sq. Mtr vide register sale certificate no 932711 dated 11-10-2021 executed by Garh sachive and Numbered issued by SRO., Pehowa Distt. Kurukshetra. Said, Sh. Hansraj son of Sh. Tara Chandra Amer Singh is a sole owner of above property and has no co-sharer in this property. If anybody have any right/Title/claim or claiming any prior rights or interest in any manner in above mentioned property as per register sale certificate, then may approach the undersigned and submit objection within 7 days from the date of this public notice. After the expiry of period of this no claim shall be entertained and such claim shall be deemed to be false, fake, frivolous, fraudulent and baseless claim and shall have no value in the eyes of law. Ransingh Rana Advocate, Chamber No. 28 Distt Court Katthla, Mohl: -946260028

Place: Kurukshetra Deputy Commissioner-cum Marriage Officer Kurukshetra

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**I, ROHIT KUMAR SONI** S/O. SOM NATH SONI, R/O. H.NO. 3105/1, SECTOR-45D, CHANDIGARH THAT MY WIFE POOJA SONI & MY CHILDREN DEVANSHU SONI & HERSHU SONI BOTH ARE OUT OF MY CONTROL. I DISOWN THEM FROM MY ALL MOVEABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ANYWHERE IN INDIA. ANYBODY DEAL WITH THEM AT THEIR OWN RISK.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that I, Sh. Raj Kumar S/o Sh. Amar Nath have lost original Transfer deed dated 04.01.2017 bearing vaskia No. 18684. Sale deed dated 11.10.2005 bearing vaskia No. 1122/3 & Sale deed dated 06.05.1999 bearing vaskia No. 3521, pertaining to Property measuring 183.40 Sq. Yds., Comprised in the Khasra No. 53/1, 42/28/2, 42/3, 46/23/2, 36/22, Khata no. 34/36, 119/121, 263/274, as per Jamabandi for the year 2008-2009, Situated at Village "Sherpur Kalan" Locality Known as "Sherpur Kalan", Tehsil & District, Ludhiana. I have purchased vide Sale deed dated 02.02.2021 bearing vaskia No. 14989, 1 am availing a Loan facility from Fullerton India Credit Company Ltd. against this property. If anyone have any objection please contact Smt. Sherry Sandhu Advocate @ 9814493393 within 7 days of the publication of this notice otherwise no claim shall be entertained.

## LOST & FOUND

I Hemant Kumar S/o. OM Parkash R/o. Flat No. 8, Regency Trend Apt Enclave Dhakoli, Zirakpur Sas Nagar Mohali. I had lost registry of Flat No. 8, Regency Trend Apt Enclave Dhakoli, Zirakpur Sas Nagar Mohali on 18/03/2021 at Zirakpur. Viska No. 5008, Dated 16/10/2006, Hadbast no. 48 in the name of Lekh Raj Bansal S/o. Sh. Inder Mal Bansal R/o. Kotki No 143, Block P, Shri Ganga Nagar Rajsthan .DDR No. LR.N. 292016/2022 Dated 26/11/2022. If any body found may please contact no. 9466855643

## Public Notice

It is informed to General Public that Smt. Bhateri Devi W/o Sh. Balbir Singh R/o Ward No. 11, Ratia Tehsil Distt. Fatehabad has lost her previous Sale Deed No. 197 dated 11.04.2011 favoring of Smt. Sangeeta W/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh regarding property i.e. Part of bearing Khata No. 34, Khasra No. 188/172/24 & 8-7-19, measuring 10M-45 (315.81 Sq. Yards), Situated at Ram Nagar colony, Basti Bhis, Tehsil & District Fatehabad. If any person has objection then file replies alongwith proof of ownership within 7 days before the undersigned. After lapation of stipulated period no claim will be accepted regarding the above said property.

**Rajesh Jain, Advocate, Hissar Chamber No. 220, Distt. Court, Hissar**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Kamla W/o Sadhu R/o Vill. Chhapra, Tehsil-Gohana, Distt. Sonipat declare that have lost my 100 square yards plot original agreement no.2904. Lost on Dated 06/10/2008 . Police Complaint No. 132390352201403. PIs contact sh. Joginder Singh Advocate chamber No. 79A, Distt. Court Sonipat, Ph. 9813622781

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I Tarunjit Singh S/o Satnam Singh R/o H.No.B-2/45, Ward No.8, Shere Punjab Gali, Simble Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur declare that my original passing certificate of Matriculation i.e. Statement of Marks & Pass Certificate Unique ID No.8557689, index no.1173287/076, Session 2016-17 by the Council of The Indian School Certificate of Examination, New Delhi from F.S. Maan Silver Creek School, Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur has been lost somewhere. Please issue me above said duplicate Certificate.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is informed that Kavita W/o Satyawan has lost her Previous original Document i.e. Sale deed dated 10/01/2005 no. 5429 as executed by Suresh Kumar S/o Jai Singh in favour of Savitri W/o Jagprey regarding the property in Plot Part of Khewal no 450/404 Khata no. 467 Killa no 290/61 (5/2) Mouja Gudha Gautam Nagar Gohana Tehsil Gohana Distt. Sonapat, Measuring



# AAP has no right to object if Haryana is constructing a separate Assembly Building: Haryana CM

**PNS ■ CHANDIGARH**

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Saturday lashed at the Aam Aadmi Party for raising objections over Haryana's initiative of constructing a separate Assembly building in Chandigarh and said that, instead of creating hue and cry over this, the Punjab government should focus on its own work.

"We are not taking land in Chandigarh for free, if we are taking 10 acres of land for the construction of the assembly building, then we are also giving the adjacent equal land to Chandigarh. There is no problem in this and it is for the Chandigarh administration to decide," said Khattar while talking to reporters at Haryana Bhawan in New Delhi.

He said that the building of the present Vidhan Sabha is divided between Haryana and Punjab and that the divided portion will also remain with us. Since this Vidhan Sabha building is small and there is a possibility of an increase in the number of Vidhan Sabha members in the coming time after the delimitation in 2026, therefore the need for constructing a new building is justified, said Khattar.



Responding to a question, Chief Minister said that Haryana is far ahead of Delhi in terms of providing facilities, which is why the Aam Aadmi Party is fighting for its survival in Haryana. In the recently held Adampur by-election, the AAP party got only 3700 votes out of a total of 1.5 lakh votes and this party dreams of forming the government.

He said that the party which always believed in giving freebies somehow succeeded in forming the government in one or two states, but when they tried to play the same freebies in Varanasi, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, people have shown them the door. In

Gujarat too, they will return back empty hands, added Khattar.

While mentioning the scams of the Aam Aadmi Party in Delhi including a classroom scam, in which they embezzled Rs.1300 crores, Khattar said that the party is linked with anti-social elements. He said that the Aam Aadmi Party's Delhi government is running 1075 schools, while MCD is running more than 1100 schools.

Khattar said that AAP blame the farmers for the pollution in Delhi, while they bought medicines worth Rs 40,000 and spent Rs 11 lakhs on its distribution so that the farmers do not burn the stub-

ble. Not only this, Rs. 14 crores were spent on the advertisement of these medicines and interestingly only 350 farmers availed the benefits of these medicines. He said the AAP government might have remained successful in fooling the Centre by misusing GST money, but not every time one can fool the government or people.

## SAD DELEGATION MEETS PB GOVERNOR, OPPOSES HARYANA'S DEMAND FOR ASSEMBLY BUILDING

Meanwhile, in Chandigarh, a delegation of the Shiromani Akali Dal on Saturday met Punjab Governor and opposed Haryana's proposed move of setting up an additional building of its state assembly here.

The delegation, which was led by SAD chief Sukhbir Singh Badal, also raised the issue of alleged deteriorating law and order in the state.

Speaking to reporters after meeting Governor Banwarilal Purohit, Badal said Union Territory Chandigarh belongs to Punjab and they will never allow allotment of land to Haryana for setting up its Vidhan Sabha here. "We told Governor Saab that the people of Punjab will never tolerate

that the land be allotted to Haryana in Chandigarh for setting up its assembly," Badal said. Haryana can construct the building of its assembly in Panchkula, he added.

The Aam Aadmi Party government in Punjab has too opposed the proposed move of land allocation to Haryana for the Vidhan Sabha building.

Notably, Haryana has sought a 10-acre land in Chandigarh for additional building of its state assembly. It has identified the 10-acre piece of land adjacent to the traffic lights of Madhya Marg near railway station road junction. In lieu of it, Haryana has offered the 10-acre site in Panchkula. Recently, Haryana Assembly Speaker Gian Chand Gupta had met Punjab Governor Purohit and had discussed with him about land allotment.

In July at the northern zone council meeting in Jaipur, Union Home Minister Amit Shah had announced land for setting up an additional building for Haryana Vidhan Sabha in Chandigarh. At present, the Punjab and Haryana governments share the Vidhan Sabha complex which is next to the Punjab and Haryana Civil Secretariat in the Union Territory of Chandigarh.

# Punjab farmer leaders submit memorandum to Governor on various demands

**PNS ■ CHANDIGARH**

Several farmer leaders of Punjab on Saturday submitted a memorandum to Punjab Governor Banwarilal Purohit, seeking implementation of their various demands including legally guaranteed minimum support price and withdrawal of the Electricity Amendment Bill.

On the call of Samyukta Kisan Morcha (SKM), representatives of 33 farmer bodies in the state also took out a march to mark the second anniversary of their agitation against the now-repealed three farm laws.

However, the farmers, who came in large numbers from across the state, took out the march from Gurdwara Amb Sahib in Mohali till the Chandigarh-Mohali border from where a representative of the Punjab Governor accepted a memorandum on his behalf. A heavy police force was deployed at the Chandigarh-Mohali border, said officials.

Later, several farmer leaders including Joginder Singh Ugrahan, Harinder Singh Lakhowal and Harmeet Singh Kadian were taken in a bus by the Chandigarh police to Raj Bhavan in the Union Territory for a meeting with the Governor where they submitted the memorandum, which

was addressed to the President.

Speaking to reporters after meeting Governor Banwarilal Purohit, farmer leader Harmeet Singh Kadian said the governor assured the farmer leaders that he would send their memorandum to the President on Sunday. The SKM, a body of farmers' unions that spearheaded the agitation against the four controversial farm laws later repealed by the Centre, had given a call for taking out marches to Raj Bhavans across the country to mark two years since it launched the agitation.

The leaders had condemned the Centre for allegedly betraying the farmers by not implementing the assurances made last year on demands like legally guaranteed MSP, and withdrawal of the Electricity Bill among others, and withdrawal of all cases against farmers, though almost one year has now passed.

Earlier, farmers gathered in Mohali and also held a rally on Saturday. A large number of protesters including women from several parts of the state participated in the gathering.

Addressing the gathering, farmer leader Darshan Pal asked the Centre to ensure legally guaranteed MSP on all crops. Pal said that indebted farmers were forced to end their lives and demanded from



the government to waive their entire debt. The farmer leader also sought a pension of Rs 10,000 per month for small and marginal farmers and farm labourers.

Among other demands, Pal sought withdrawal of the Electricity Amendment Bill 2022, dismissal of Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Ajay Mishra, a comprehensive crop insurance scheme to compensate farmers for crop loss due to natural calamities, withdrawal of cases registered against farmers during the agitation against the now-repealed three farm laws and compensation to families of farmers who lost their lives during the stir.

The SKM, a body of farmers' unions that spearheaded the agitation against the agri laws, has also called a meeting on December 8 in Karnal to decide the future course of the movement.

# Talks on with MBBS students, issue likely to be resolved soon: Haryana CM

**PNS ■ CHANDIGARH**

With doctors and medical students on strike in Rohtak against the state government's bond policy, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Saturday said that doubts of medical students regarding bond policy are being cleared and senior officers are holding continuous talks with doctors and medical students.

Resident doctors at the Pandit Bhagwat Dayal Sharma Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences (PGIMS), Rohtak had gone on an indefinite strike from Thursday in solidarity with the MBBS students' ongoing agitation.

Talking to reporters at Haryana Bhawan, New Delhi, regarding the ongoing agitation of medical students, he hoped that the issue is likely to be resolved soon. He said that many things related to the bond policy were explained to the students on Friday and senior officers and administrative officers of medical education are holding regular talks with these students. He clarified that the bond policy does not mean to harass the family of any doctor or poor family. This bond policy will apply only to a person who wishes to join the private sector instead of the government, said the Chief Minister.

Khattar said that out of the total bond amount of Rs. 40

lakh, Rs 3.5 lakh which the MBBS student has paid in the 4 years will be excluded from that amount. Interest is also not being charged from them. The transaction in this regard after the completion of the degree will be done only with the bank concerned, said Khattar. The Chief Minister said that if a private practitioner wishes to repay early, he can do the same anytime as there is no set time limit for the same.

He said that this bond policy has been implemented to encourage MBBS students for choosing government service to discharge their duties after completing their medical studies in government medical colleges.

MBBS students at PGIMS and some other medical colleges in Haryana have been holding protests for the past three weeks against the state government's bond policy.

The Manohar Lal Khattar-led government had earlier said only those candidates who deposited the Rs 10-lakh bond according to its November 2020 policy would be considered for admission to MBBS courses in government medical colleges from the upcoming academic session. However, on November 2, Khattar said no student would have to deposit the bond amount at the time of admission for MBBS courses in government colleges.

# Haryana to start scheme for conducting health checkup of every citizen

**PNS ■ CHANDIGARH**

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Saturday said that the health check-up of every citizen of the state must be done at least once a year and a scheme has been formulated for this.

President Droupadi Murmu will formally launch this scheme called Mukhyamantri Parivar Swasthya Parikshan scheme during her visit to Kurukshetra on November 29, said Khattar, addressing a press conference in New Delhi.

He said that a health check-up of every citizen must be done once a year to ensure timely diagnosis of any health ailment and the person can also get timely treatment, adding that this scheme in Haryana is also unique in itself and has not yet been implemented in any other State in the country.

Speaking about the implementation of the said scheme, the Chief Minister said that in the first phase, the State Government will start this scheme from Antyodaya families having annual incomes up to Rs 1.80 lakh. In the first phase, the health checkup of the members of such families will be done and after that, in the next phase, all the other sections will be covered by making this scheme universal.

# 86 percent consumers got zero power bill during this cycle: Punjab CM

**PNS ■ CHANDIGARH**

Describing the provision of free household electricity as a boon for the people of the state, Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Saturday said that more than 95 percent of the families in the state will get zero electricity bills in the coming months, which will give major relief to them.

Addressing the gathering during a function to distribute appointment letters to 603 newly recruited cleared and Junior Engineers of the Punjab State Electricity Corporation here, the Chief Minister said that the government is providing 600 units of free electricity to the people every cycle. He said that for the first time 86 percent of the households in Punjab have received zero electricity bill. Mann asserted that more than 95 percent of households will benefit from free electricity facilities in the coming months.

He said that this major move is a big relief for domestic consumers, who till now have to shell out hefty money every month to pay their power bills, adding that the state government delivers whatever it and actions done with good intentions always yield good results. He said that Punjabis had never dreamt that the electricity bill of their homes will come to zero. However,

Mann said that due to the efforts of the state government this has become a reality today. He said that this has also helped in reducing power consumption also as several families in the state have started using less power so that they can avail of 600 units of free electricity.

Making another announcement, Mann said that massive efforts are being made to enhance the production of electricity in the state. He said that due to efforts made by the state government, the coal mine allotted in Jharkhand near Pachwara has become operational and coal supply from it will begin in the first week of December. He said that this will further increase power generation in Punjab. Mann bemoaned that this mine was closed since 2015 but none of the previous governments bothered to get it operational.

Mann said that the state government is also making all-out efforts to make the government buildings of the state self-sufficient in terms of power. He said that solar energy panels will be installed in all government buildings, which will reduce the burden of electricity bills on the government and will save a lot of money.

On this occasion, Power Minister Harbhajan Singh ETO, Additional Chief Secretary to Chief Minister A. Venu Prasad, PSPCL



Chairman-cum-Managing Director Baldev Singh Saran amongst others were also present.

## MORE THAN 21,000 JOBS IN 8 MONTHS REFLECTS COMMITMENT OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR WELFARE OF YOUTH: PUNJAB CM

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann said that in a first, the state government has handed over appointment letters to more than 21000 youth in merely eight months.

Addressing a gathering while handing over appointment letters to 603 newly selected employees including 476 clerks, 68 Junior Engineers (Electrical) and 59 Junior Engineers (Sub station) in PSPCL here at Municipal Bhawan, the Chief Minister

said that this massive drive reflects the commitment of his government for welfare of youth as for the first time in history of the country any state government has opened doors of the government jobs for its youth in first eight months of its tenure. He said that merit had been the sole criteria for this entire recruitment process. Bhagwant Mann said that the entire process has been completed in a transparent manner to ensure that only eligible and deserving youth get the jobs.

Mann said that several more government jobs are in pipeline as the recruitment process is already going on in many departments. He asserted that more and more unemployed youths will get government job very soon on basis of their capability. Bhagwant

Mann said that getting a job is the right of every qualified person and the state government is leaving no stone unturned for it. He said that process to fill the posts of 2100 Assistant Linemen is going on and will be completed by the next month, pointing out that the examination for these posts has been conducted and the result will be declared this week. Mann announced that by the next month the selected candidates will be given the appointment letters of government jobs.

The CM said that ever since he has assumed the charge of office, the youth are getting a job only on the sole criteria of merit adding that he neither accept anyone's recommendation nor allow anyone to do so because the youth have a lot of faith in him and he will not let this trust be broken at any cost. Describing the corrupt as the real enemies of the state, he said that our government is taking stern action against the corrupt elements.

Mann said that stern action has been taken as per the law so that it acts as a deterrent for others, adding that even some powerful former ministers have been put behind the bars for their misdeeds. He reiterated that corrupt leaders belonging to any party will not be spared and severest of severe action will be taken against them.

# MCC organises second zero waste wedding under Mission ‘Garbage Free City’

**PNS ■ CHANDIGARH**

Moving towards Garbage Free City through the conduct of Zero Waste Events, the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh supported a Zero Waste Wedding held on Friday night at Sector 35.

Adopting the 3R principles and principles of a circular economy for reducing, reusing, and recycling waste to ensure maximum resource recovery, the event was conducted aiming at the elimination of single-use plastic products under the SBM-U 2.0 to make the city "Garbage Free".

The Municipal Corporation Chandigarh also conducted a 'Zero Waste Wedding' of Pooja and Mukesh, both residents of village Attawa, where 100 percent scientific processing of waste was done.

Giving details of the initiative of conducting 'Zero Waste Events', Anindita Mitra, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, said that public events pose a challenge for the MCC in terms of generating substantial quantities of waste and their subsequent disposal, there is a need to ensure that going forward, all public events

are conducted on "zero-waste" principles. She said that minimizing the amount of waste generation and the need for their safe disposal are the major components of the zero waste events. This would be possible through the use of environment-friendly products/ items, and easy access to toilets and waste disposal facilities at such events, she added.

Mitra said that besides conducting all the events and functions of the Municipal Corporation, the MCC supported Zero Waste Weddings and other celebrations of the citizens. She said that sufficient Safaikarmacharies were deployed along with one waste collection vehicle at the venues while water sprinklers were deployed to curb dust pollution at outdoor events besides providing twin litter bins and providing gender-segregated toilets/mobile toilet vans.

She said that the parameters were followed during conducting the zero waste events, adding no plastic or flex posters were used for displaying information regarding the event and event details was printed on eco-friendly paper material

The welcome board at the



gate clearly mentioned the Zero Waste Swachh Event, natural flowers were used for decoration purposes which were later composted, and access to the venue was divyang friendly. Similarly, No plastic water bottles of any size or plastic cups were used, water and food were served in stainless steel glasses procured from MCC bartan bhandar at the 'Zero Waste Wedding'.

Near the food counter and throughout the venue key message "Do not Litter - Use blue dustbin for Dry waste and Green dustbin for wet Waste" was displayed and there was a display of mascot of Swachh Bharat Mission 'Swachman'. Green Bins (for Wet Waste) & Blue Bin (for Dry Waste) were placed at easily accessible locations throughout the venue

Gender-segregated toilets

were placed at the entrance and all toilet seats were clean and odor free at all times along with the availability of Water and sanitizer

The Commissioner said that a robust mechanism was adopted to handle waste generated at the event site and all the waste collected were periodically emptied and transported in waste collection vehicle in segregated manner.

# Himachal Chief Secretary chairs high level meeting to review winter preparedness

**PNS ■ SHIMLA**

Himachal Chief Secretary R.D. Dhiman on Saturday presided over a review meeting on winter preparedness organised by Disaster Management Cell-Revenue Department with the Deputy Commissioners and line departments of the State.

He directed the officers to ensure that coordinated action plans be put in place for uninterrupted power and water supply, availability of public utilities, and to stock essential items, especially for snow-bound areas, and said that connectivity, hospitals, power, water supply and educational institutions should be the priority of the administration. He also directed to identify vulnerable areas as per the previous experiences and deploy adequate men and machinery by prioritizing areas for snow clearance.

Dhiman said that the deployment of machinery like bulldozers and snow cutters should be done well in advance besides carrying out necessary repairs and the process of procurement of equipment and snow blowers should be completed well in time. He directed the district administrations to take actions to deal with the

impact of the cold wave, especially for those areas where a fog-like situation was a general phenomenon and adversely impacts the people, agriculture and horticulture crops in the state.

The Chief Secretary also directed for keeping liaison with Air Force, Army Units, ITBP and Para Military organizations within their respective jurisdiction so that well-coordinated operation could be undertaken in case if any exigency. Dhiman said that guides accompanying the trackers should be duly approved and guidelines should be adhered strictly. He emphasized for proper monitoring of movements of the trackers to the high reach areas.

He directed the Himachal Road Transport Corporation for making arrangements of snow chains for the vehicles and shuttle system or alternate traffic management for high reach areas. He also gave necessary directions to Public Works Departments, Jal Shakti, Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board, Urban Development, Telecommunication, Civil Defense, Food and Civil Supply and other departments. Senior officers of various departments attended the meeting.

# Remove content glorifying weapons within 72 hours: Punjab Police

**Chandigarh:** The Punjab Police gave three days to people on Saturday to remove objectionable content that promotes gun culture from their social media handles, adding that no case would be registered till then. Police have been registering FIRs against people for violating orders after the state government banned the November 13 public display of firearms, and songs promoting gun culture and violence.

Appeal to everyone to voluntarily remove any objectionable content from their social media handles in the next 72 hours," Director General of Police Gaurav Yadav tweeted. "CM Punjab has directed that no FIRs for glorifying weapons will be registered for the next 3 days in Punjab to allow people to remove content on their own," Yadav added.

On Friday, the Amritsar police registered a case against four people, including a man and his minor son, after they were seen holding firearms in a picture that was posted on social media in 2015.



# SC order to pay imams salaries violation of Constitution: CLC

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Central Information Commission has said the 1993 Supreme Court order allowing remuneration to imams in mosques was in "violation of the Constitution" and besides setting a "wrong precedent", has become a point of unnecessary political slugfest and social disharmony.

Information Commissioner Uday Mahurkar, while hearing an RTI application filed by an activist demanding details of salaries to imams by the Delhi government and the Delhi Waqf Board, also observed that the order violated constitutional provisions that say "taxpayers money will not be used to favour any particular religion".

The Supreme Court in 1993 on a petition from the All India Imam Organisation had directed the waqf board to

give remuneration to imams in mosques managed by it.

He has directed that a copy of his order be sent to the Union law minister with suitable action to ensure enforcement of provisions of articles 25 to 28 of the Constitution in letter and spirit to keep all religions on par in terms of monthly remuneration to priests of different religions at the cost of the public exchequer -- both central and states -- and also other matters.

"Further with regard to the judgment by the Supreme Court in the case between the 'All India Imam Organisation and ... Vs Union Of India And Ors' on 13 May, 1993, that opened the doors to special financial benefits from public treasury to only imams and muezins in mosques, the commission observes that the highest court of the country in passing this order acted in violation of the provisions of the



Constitution, particularly Article 27, which says tax payers money will not be used to favour any particular religion," Mahurkar said.

"The commission notes that the said judgment sets a wrong precedent in the country and has become a point of unnecessary political slugfest and also social disharmony in the society," the information commissioner said.

He also directed the Delhi Waqf Board to pay a compensation of Rs 25,000 to RTI

activist Subhash Agrawal for the loss of time and resources in chasing the response to his application. The activist was not being able to get a satisfactory response to his application.

"It is necessary to go into the history when it comes to giving special religious benefits to the Muslim community by the State. A religious (Islamic) nation Pakistan was born out of the demand of a section of Indian Muslims for partition of India along religious lines.

Despite Pakistan choosing to be a religious (Islamic) nation, India chose a Constitution guaranteeing equal rights to all religions," Mahurkar said.

"It is necessary to note here that it was the policy of giving special benefits to the Muslim community before 1947 that played a key role in encouraging pan-Islamic and fissiparous tendencies in a section of Muslims, ultimately leading to the nation's partition," he said.

So giving remuneration to imams and others only in mosques, amounts to "not just betraying the Hindu community and members of other non-Muslim minority religions, but also encouraging pan-Islamist tendencies amongst a section of Indian Muslims which are already visible", the information commissioner said.

Steps such as giving special religious benefits to the Muslim

community only like the one taken up in the present matter, in fact, severely affects inter-faith harmony as they invite contempt for the Muslims as a whole from a section of ultra nationalist population, Mahurkar said.

He said the Delhi Waqf Board (DWB) gets an annual grant of around Rs 62 crore from the Delhi government while its own monthly income from independent sources is just around Rs 30 lakh.

"So the monthly honorarium of Rs 18,000 and Rs 16,000 being given to the imams and muezins of DWB mosques in Delhi is being paid by the Delhi government virtually from the taxpayer's money which in turn is in sharp contrast with the example quoted by the appellant in which the priest of a Hindu temple is getting a paltry Rs 2,000 per month from the trust controlling the said temple," he said.

Mahurkar said those who justify such steps in the name of protection to religious minorities raise a question that if a particular religious minority has a right to protection, the majority community too has a right to protection in a multi-religious country where it is incumbent that the rights of the members of all religions are protected equally in the interest of inter-faith harmony and unity of the nation.

He said Delhi Waqf Board initially denied salaries to imams but later in a revised reply said it is only an honorarium, not a salary.

"The commission observes that there was a clear attempt to hide the information in the initial period by a play of words which showed complete lack of transparency on the part of the respondent authorities in a case which in turn affects the provisions of the Constitution, and also social harmony and

uniform applicability of laws for all religions in keeping with the constitutional direction that citizens of all religions be treated equally," he said.

Mahurkar directed the Delhi Waqf Board and the office of the Delhi Chief Minister to provide responses to the RTI application of Agrawal.

The orders of the commission, the highest body to decide appeals and complaints under the RTI Act, are often challenged in high courts through writ petitions.

The government through an amendment in the RTI Act had diluted perks, salaries and tenure of information commissioners from being on par with central election commissioners or to that of bureaucrats serving at their pay scale. The fixed tenure of five years given to an information Commissioner in the RTI Act was also reduced to three years.

# BSF shoots down Pak drone in Amritsar

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Border Security Force (BSF) on Saturday shot down a drone coming from Pakistan along the frontier in the Amritsar Sector.

At about 7.45 pm on Saturday, the BSF troops deployed at the border heard the buzzing sound of a suspected drone entering from Pakistan into the Indian side in Daoke village under Amritsar.

"As per drill, the troops tried to intercept the suspected drone by firing. Bullet hit the Drone due to which it fell down on the ground. The whole area was cordoned off and police as well as concerned sister agencies were informed," the BSF said in a statement.

During the initial searches, the BSF party recovered one quadcopter DJI Matrice 300 RTK (Chinese drone) in partially damaged condition lying in the farming field ahead of border fencing near Daoke village.



"Alert troops of BSF were once again able to capture a drone and foiled smuggling attempt," the paramilitary said.

Before the latest incident, Punjab has witnessed 215 flights this year. In Jammu, about 22 drone flights have been noticed.

The BSF detected about 79 drone flights along the India-Pakistan international border in 2020 which jumped to 109 last year and more than doubled this year with 267 sightings.

BSF Director General Pankaj Kumar Singh has been

record saying the paramilitary has been "bombaraded" by the onslaught of drone flights from across the Pakistan border on the western front, and instances of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) or drones bringing drugs, arms and ammunition more than doubled in 2022 in contrast to the previous year.

To tackle the menace, the BSF has established a state-of-the-art drone forensics laboratory at a camp here to study the flight patterns and take remedial measures. Earlier, the DG had said the results of the drone forensics lab have been encouraging

# Will walk on road for unity till every word of Constitution upheld: Rahul

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Leading the Bharat Jodo Yatra, former Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Saturday asserted he will walk on the road to unity till every word of it is upheld. The day is being observed as Constitution Day to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India by the Constituent Assembly in 1949.

"I will walk that road long enough until every word of our Constitution is upheld, and every citizen stands protected by fairness and justice," Rahul Gandhi said on Twitter.

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge said the Constitution is a means of living and its spirit remains the same always, while party leader Kharge recalled the words of Babasaheb Ambedkar to say, "The Constitution is not just a document of lawyers, but it is a means of living and its spirit remains the same always."

"We remember the valuable contribution of all the

great leaders of the Constituent Assembly. Best wishes to all the citizens of the country on Constitution Day," the Congress chief said in a tweet message.

November 26 is observed as Constitution Day since 2015. Earlier, the day was observed as Law Day. Congress chief spokesperson Jairam said the Sangh Parivar and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) ignored or misused the Constitution but are now indulging in the "gimmick" of celebrating Constitution Day.

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"The (Rashtriya Swayamsevak) Sangh and BJP have absolutely no faith in the Constitution," said Ramesh amid his party's Bharat Jodo Yatra which was passing through Manihar in Madhya Pradesh's Khargone district.

"These people, who ignore

and misuse the Constitution, are today involved in the gimmick of celebrating Constitution Day," said Ramesh, Congress's media head. The ideology to which Prime Minister Narendra Modi belongs played no role in the framing of the Constitution, he said. "After Independence, the Sangh and Hindu Mahasabha were against the Constitution," he claimed.



# Rahul interacts with ragpicker

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ BHOPAL/NEW DELHI

Former Congress chief Rahul Gandhi on Saturday interacted with a woman ragpicker as his Bharat Jodo Yatra passed through a town in Khargone district of Madhya Pradesh during which she told him about the issues she and her family faced, including lack of basic amenities such as electricity and water.

Congress general secretary

in-charge of Uttar Pradesh Priyanka Gandhi along with her husband Robert Vadra and son Raihan, who were scheduled to participate for two days in the Yatra, continued even on third day on Saturday.

The yatra reached Mhow, the birthplace of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar in the evening.

After an overnight halt, the yatra began from Mortakka in Khandwa district in the morning. When it was passing through Barwaha town in

Khargone, Rahul Gandhi met 45-year-old ragpicker Shannu and her family members, who were part of the crowd standing along the road.

"We are poor and make a living through ragpicking at various places. We live in a hut, which doesn't even have electricity and water," she told Rahul Gandhi during their interaction. The woman and her family members said that their voice was not being heard.

# Cong welcomes EC action in K'taka over voter-fraud charges

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI/BENGALURU

The Congress on Saturday welcomed the Election Commission's (EC) action in Karnataka over the voter-fraud charges made by it and said to maintain the sanctity of democracy and free-and-fair elections, the poll panel's probe has to cover all 28 constituencies in and around Bengaluru and not just three.

Congress general secretary in-charge of Karnataka Randeep Surjewala also demanded an FIR against Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and the chief commissioner of the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), who is the electoral officer of the constituencies where voters' data was allegedly collected by a private firm and additions and deletions were made in the electoral rolls.

"The Congress welcomes the swift action by ECI on our complaint of 'VoteFraud' in Karnataka, but for maintaining the sanctity of democracy, ECI cannot confine its inquiry/action to just three assembly seats of Bengaluru," Surjewala wrote on Twitter.

He alleged that the "kingpin" of the "voter fraud", who is responsible for the denial of

the "right to vote" to Kannadigas is none other than Bommai and also hit out at the BBMP chief commissioner.

"FIR must be lodged by ECI against them for a fair enquiry to take place," The Congress leader said.

He alleged that Chilume Trust and Chilume Enterprises were authorised by the Bommai government to collect voters' data for all 28 Assembly constituencies in and around Bengaluru.

"They have illegally collected voter personal data and uploaded it to a private app. Any fair enquiry in VoteFraud by ECI has to cover all 28 assemblies," Surjewala said in a series of tweets.

The Rajya Sabha MP said Chilume hired nearly 10,000 employees, sub-contracted the data collection work to multiple agencies and the voters' data was "illegally stolen".

"Crores were pumped in. Where did the money come from? Who funded this illegal operation? ECI has to enquire the brazen hijacking of democracy," the Congress leader said.

Surjewala alleged that new revelations disclose that Chilume's "fat cat", Ravikumar, had also received payments from the BJP-led Centre in the bank accounts of innocent vil-



lagers and withdrawn the same, indicating a huge money-laundering racket and the duping of the exchequer.

"ECI should investigate and ask ED/IT to investigate," he said.

"Lastly, all the above is imperative for retaining the very sanctity of democracy, for the Bommai government's sinister plan to corrupt the electoral process has been caught red handed.

"Onus is on ECI and each one of us to defend democracy and every Kannadiga's right to vote," the Congress general secretary said.

The EC ordered the suspension of two additional district electoral officers on Friday and directed for a review of the deletions and additions in the voter lists of three Assembly seats in Karnataka.

This followed allegations of "electoral fraud" in the state by

the Congress.

The poll watchdog also directed the chief electoral officer of the southern state to share a list of all deletions and additions effected in the electoral rolls of the Shivajinagar, Chickpet, and Mahadevapura Assembly seats after January 1, 2022, with all the recognised political parties so as to enable them to file claims and objections.

The commission issued directions to immediately suspend additional district election officers S Rangappa (in charge of the Shivajinagar and Chickpet constituencies) and K Srinivas (in charge of the Mahadevapura constituency).

The poll panel also ordered a departmental inquiry against them. The Karnataka Assembly polls are slated next year and the Congress is seeking to wrest power from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in the state.

# Prez Murmu, Shah, Rajnath pay homage to 26/11 Mumbai terror attack victims

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

President Droupadi Murmu, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Home Minister Amit Shah and External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday paid homage to the victims of 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks in 2008.

President Murmu said in a tweet message, "We share the enduring pain of their loved ones and families. Nation pays homage to the security personnel who fought valiantly and made supreme sacrifice in the line of duty."

External affairs minister S Jaishankar paid tribute by sharing a nearly two-minute long video, highlighting his statements from last month's memorial event by the UN Security Council held at Mumbai's Taj Hotel's lobby. The hotel was one of the sites targeted by the terrorists in 2008.

"Terrorism threatens humanity. Today, on 26/11, the world joins India in remembering its victims. Those who planned and oversaw this attack must be brought to justice. We owe this to every victim of terrorism around the world," Jaishankar tweeted along with the video.

India is working with sev-



eral countries whose citizens had lost their lives in the 2008 Mumbai Terror Attack, said External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar, adding that it will make sure that real perpetrators do not escape.

"It's an occasion where the entire country remembers it. I want to underline how strongly we feel about it and determined we are to complete the process of justice," Jaishankar said.

"Today is the anniversary of the 26/11 terror attack in Mumbai. Even after so many years, the people who planned and oversaw it have not been punished. They have not been brought to justice. This is something which we give utmost importance to," the External Affairs Minister added.

Defence minister Rajnath Singh said he "salutes the memory of all those who lost their lives in this incident". "My heartfelt tributes to the

security personnel who sacrificed their lives while fighting this attack. This country has not forgotten the incident of 26/11, nor will it ever forget," his tweet read.

Union home minister Amit Shah also paid his "heartfelt tributes to those who lost their lives in the 26/11 Mumbai attacks". "I...remember and salute our brave security personnel who made the supreme sacrifice fighting the terrorists. Today gives a message to the whole world to fight unitedly against terrorism," he tweeted.

The 2008 Mumbai attacks lasted for four days till November 29. Over 150 people were killed during these attacks, which included civilians as well as police personnel, and even foreign citizens. More than 300 people were wounded in the attacks.

As many as 10 members of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT)sneaked into Mumbai via the Arabian Sea and carried out coordinated attacks in multiple locations across the financial capital of India. Besides Taj Hotel, the Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus, the Leopold Cafe, the Nariman House and the Oberoi Trident were other places where the attacks took place.

# Govt expects good turnout this Rabi season: Union Agri Min



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Saturday said the Government expects "good" production of agriculture crops in the ongoing rabi (winter-sown) season on the back of higher sowing area and favourable soil moisture conditions.

Tomar held a meeting with senior officials of the ministry to take stock of the rabi crops position. He highlighted that sowing area in rabi season is up 24.13 lakh hectares so far as compared with the year-ago period.

Tomar expressed satisfaction that area coverage reported under wheat is 152.88 lakh hectares so far as compared to 138.35 lakh hectares in the corresponding period of last year. "For wheat, there is an increase in area coverage by 14.53 lakh hectares over last year and this has been the highest ever since last four years," the statement said.

# US scientists develop mRNA-based vaccine against all types of influenza

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Scientists from the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania in the US have developed an mRNA-based vaccine against all 20 known subtypes of influenza virus, which provided broad protection from otherwise lethal flu strains in initial tests.

This may serve as a general preventative measure against future flu pandemics in the

near future, according to the researchers.

The "multivalent" vaccine, described in a paper published in Science, uses the same messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA) technology employed in the Pfizer and Moderna SARS-CoV-2 vaccines.

This mRNA technology that enabled those Covid-19 vaccines was pioneered at Penn.

Tests in animal models showed that the vaccine dramatically reduced signs of ill-

ness and protected from death, even when the animals were exposed to flu strains different from those used in making the vaccine.

"The idea here is to have a vaccine that will give people a baseline level of immune memory to diverse flu strains so that there will be far less disease and death when the next flu pandemic occurs," said study senior author Scott Hensley, a professor of Microbiology at the Perelman School of Medicine.

Influenza viruses periodically cause pandemics with enormous death tolls. The best known of these was the 1918-19 "Spanish flu" pandemic, which killed at least tens of millions of people worldwide.

Flu viruses can circulate in birds, pigs, and other animals, and pandemics can start when one of these strains jumps to humans and acquires mutations that adapt it better for spreading among humans.

Current flu vaccines are merely "seasonal" vaccines that

protect against recently circulating strains, but would not be expected to protect against new, pandemic strains, said researchers. "It would be comparable to first-generation SARS-CoV-2 mRNA vaccines, which were targeted to the original Wuhan strain of the coronavirus," Hensley said.

"Against later variants such as Omicron, these original vaccines did not fully block viral infections, but they continue to provide durable protection against severe disease and

death," he added.

The experimental vaccine, when injected and taken up by the cells of recipients, starts producing copies of a key flu virus protein for all 20 influenza subtypes.

"For a conventional vaccine, immunizing against all these subtypes would be a major challenge, but with mRNA technology, it's relatively easy," said Hensley, who along with his colleagues are currently designing human clinical trials.









# ‘Broking houses lauding financial gains of SBI’

PTI ■ KOLKATA

Chairman of the country's biggest lender State Bank of India (SBI) Dinesh Khara on Saturday asserted that analysts and broking houses are praising the financial performance of the bank which reported its highest profits recently.

For the first time, SBI registered the highest-ever profits recorded by any corporate house, Khara said.

"In the recent quarterly results, the bank's profits are the highest ever. SBI crossed the highest ever profits recorded by any corporate and analysts and broking houses are praising this," he said.

In the second quarter of the current financial year, the



net profit of the lender stood at Rs 13,265 crore, higher by 74 per cent compared to the previous similar period.

Naming broking houses, he said, "Motilal Oswal Securities had stated SBI is in a cruising mood. ICICI Securities said that SBI is firing on all cylinders".

Khara said that SBI is a "proxy to the Indian economy. This is so as the bank gets the patronage of 47 crore customers and is practically a banker to every household".

With India already becoming the fifth largest economy, he said perhaps by 2027, the country would be the third largest in terms of the size of the economy.

But, Khara also said that there is a need for improvement in customer service as there are many options available today.

The SBI chairman said that customer expectations are changing and the bank needs to solicit and walk up to their doorsteps.

"We have improved customer service, but have miles to go. Banking has now become a knowledge sector. We need to package offers what the customers are looking for," he stated.

During the peak of the pandemic, SBI had rendered continuous service to the customers, he said, adding that there had also been a shift in their behaviour in going to the digital mode.

"SBI has invested in technology, and the bank's app YONO had helped in generating business and offering services in a frictionless manner," he added.

Khara said that there is a need for punctuality in opening up the branches of the bank as well.

# Adani arm seeks licence to expand power distribution in Mumbai

PTI ■ MUMBAI

An Adani Group company has sought licence for expanding its power distribution business into more areas of Mumbai, including the country's largest container port JNPT. In an advertisement published in several newspapers in the city on Saturday, Adani Electricity Navi Mumbai (AENM) said it has approached the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (MERC) for a distribution licence in some pockets of the Mumbai Metropolitan Region along with its listed parent Adani Transmission.

The company is aiming to get licence to distribute power in areas exclusively served by the state-owned Mahadiscom in Mumbai's suburbs Mulund and Bhandup, and also Thane district, Navi Mumbai, Panvel, Kharghar, Talaja and Uran.

The group, whose assets include the Adani Ports busi-



ness, is also vying to distribute power to the country's largest container port JNPT located near Navi Mumbai. The parallel distribution licence application is the first such move by any player under the Electricity Act 2003. The application has been admitted by the MERC on Friday, following which the public notice has been issued.

It said the Adani group will serve over 5 lakh consumers by the end of five years from grant of licence.

The public notice said Adani Transmission owns over 99 per cent equity in AENM,

while the listed company's nominees including Pranav Adani own a marginal holding.

Power industry veterans Anil Kumar Sardana, Rohit Soni and Mehul Rupera are directors of AENM.

Adani Electricity has been distributing power in Mumbai for over four years and competes with Tata Power in the business. The company, which entered the fray after an over Rs 18,000-crore acquisition of the beleaguered Anil Ambani Group's Reliance Energy, has not been able to increase its market share in the areas it serves.

# GST Council to meet virtually on Dec 17



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The 48th meeting of the GST Council, chaired by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, will be held on December 17.

"The 48th Meeting of the GST Council will be held on 17th December, 2022 by video conference," the GST Council said in a tweet. The meeting would discuss two reports of a panel of state finance ministers on levy of GST on casinos, online gaming and horse racing and the other on setting up of GST Appellate Tribunal.

Besides, a report of the officers' panel on decriminalisation of certain provisions of the GST law too is likely to be taken up for discussion.

# Square Yards forays into biz of facilitating fractional ownership of real estate to investors

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Proptech firm Square Yards has entered into the business of facilitating investors in having fractional ownership of rent-yielding real estate assets and earn 14-18 per cent annual return on their capital.

PropsAMC, the asset management services and data intelligence arm of Square Yards, has launched fractional ownership real estate investment platform backed by pro-

prietary data and analytical capabilities, the company said in a statement.

Square Yards, which is mainly into brokerage service of properties and home loans, is targeting to build USD 1 billion worth of AUM (Assets Under Management) of fractional ownership properties over the next three years.

The minimum ticket size to participate will be Rs 25 lakh. Most of its products will not have any lock-in for investors.

The platform will enable investors in having fractional ownership of leased and pre-leased commercial assets including warehouses, holiday homes and schools. It will also explore opportunities with high coupon pay-outs on secured assets in residential space. It will target cities like Mumbai, Thane, Pune, Bengaluru, Gurugram, Noida, Chennai and Goa.

Many startups and financial services firms, including startup hBits and MYRE Capital, have entered into the business of enabling fractional ownership.

"India's commercial real estate market has for long been dominated by high net-worth individuals and institutions. Fractional investing aims to break this status quo by mak-



ing commercial property investing affordable for the average Indian," said Tanuj Shori, Founder and CEO, Square Yards.

With Square Yards' fractional ownership real estate investment programme, he said, investors can build a diversified portfolio at a lower acquisition cost.

"With rental yields of 7-9 per cent per annum, enhancement of yield by rent appreciation of 4-5 per cent and finally the capital appreciation of 5-8 per cent every three years, fractional investment is the reigning instrument of good faith at present to perform at 14-18 per cent per annum," Shori said.

# Surjewala demands adequate supply of urea for farmers in Rajasthan

PTI ■ JAIPUR

Senior Congress leader and Rajya Sabha MP from Rajasthan Randeep Surjewala has demanded from the Union minister for chemical and fertilizers Mansukh Mandaviya to ensure adequate supply of urea for the farmers in the state.

Surjewala wrote a letter to Mandaviya saying that Rajasthan was allocated 4.50 lakh metric tonnes of urea by the central government for October in the Rabi season 2022-23 but only 2.89 lakh metric tonnes of urea was made available by the ministry of fertilizers.

Similarly, in November also, against the allocation of 4.50 lakh metric tonnes, only



1.20 lakh metric tonnes of urea has been supplied by the central government till November 10, 2022, he said.

Surjewala said that the farmers were upset for advance sowing of rabi crops due to good rainfall this year but this has been adversely affected by the shortage of fertilizers in several districts of the state.

"I have been told that the

government of Rajasthan has already informed you about this crisis by writing a letter, but till now no solution has been found to this problem," he said.

The Congress leader said that the sowing of mustard and gram is going on at present in Rajasthan and the average area of these two crops is likely to be 38 lakh hectares and 22 lakh hectares respectively, for which a minimum of 6 lakh metric tonnes of urea will be required in November.

He said that if the availability of fertilizers in sufficient quantities is not ensured in time then there will be a deep crisis in agriculture and farming and requested to ensure the availability of fertilizers as soon as possible.

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**E-TENDER NOTICE**

Date: 26/11/2022

Office of the Executive Engineer PCMC Dhalipur, Dehradun invites online bids from interested parties. Brief summary of the tender is given below:  
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Name of work/Repair and Maintenance of Bund and other miscellaneous work at various location along power channel Dhalipur, Dehradun  
**Estimated value of tender:** Rs. 25.59,787.92 (excluding GST)  
**Date & Time of availability of bid document on website** - From 17:00 Hrs. of 28.11.2022  
**Last Date & Time for submission of tender:** Up to 15:00 Hrs. 20.12.2022  
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**NOTICE OF 88TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, BOOK CLOSURE AND REMOTE E-VOTING INFORMATION**

NOTICE is hereby given that the 88th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the members of Modi Industries Limited will be held on Tuesday, the 20th December, 2022, at 04:00 P.M., at Auditorium, Dayawati Modi Public School, Modinagar-201204, District Ghaziabad (U.P.), to transact the Ordinary and Special Business, as set out in the Notice of AGM. The physical copy of the Notice of the Meeting, Annual Report for the financial year ended March 31, 2022 and remote e-voting details have been sent to all members individually at their registered addresses. The date of completion of dispatch of the notices to the shareholders is 26th November, 2022. These documents are also available on Company's website [www.modindustries.net](http://www.modindustries.net) for download by the members and kept at the Registered Office of the Company for inspection by Members.  
Notice is hereby given in compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 as amended that the Company is pleased to provide remote e-voting facility to its members for transacting all the business through National Securities Depository Ltd. (NSDL) through their portal [www.evoting.nsdl.co.in](http://www.evoting.nsdl.co.in) or RTA, MAS Services Limited. However, if the members are already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting then they can use their existing user ID and password for casting their vote. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the member, the member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently. The facility for voting through ballot paper shall be made available at the AGM and the members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the AGM may also attend the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again. The Company has appointed Shri Amar Nath Jaiswal, the Proprietor on behalf of M/s. A.N. Jaiswal & Co., (Membership No. ACS-19000 & CP No. 14629) of New Delhi as Scrutinizer to scrutinize the e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.  
In view of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, Ministry of Corporate Affairs dated May 5, 2020 read with General Circulars dated April 8, 2020 and April 13, 2020 (collectively referred to as "MCA Circulars"), have permitted the holding of AGM through Video Conferencing ("VC")/Other Audio Video Means ("OAVM"). The Company is providing this facility also to the shareholders to participate in the AGM from their homes. The detailed instructions for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM are provided in the AGM notice.  
In case of any grievances connected to e-voting process, the members may please contact Ms. Pallavi Mhatre (Manager), NSDL, 4th Floor, 'A' Wing, Trade World, Kamla Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400013. Email [evoting@nsdl.co.in](mailto:evoting@nsdl.co.in), Tel 1800224430 and 18001020990.  
The detailed procedure for remote e-voting are contained in the Notice of the AGM. If you require any additional information or have any enquiries, please contact to the under signed at above mentioned address.  
NOTICE is also hereby given pursuant to Section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013, Rule 10 of the Companies (Management & Administration) Rules, 2014 that the Register of the Members and Share Transfer Books of the Equity Shareholders of the Company will remain closed from Wednesday, the 14th December, 2022 to Tuesday, the 20th December, 2022 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of taking record of the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

For Modi Industries Limited,

Sd/-

Shobit Nehra

Company Secretary

Date: 26.11.2022  
Place: Modinagar (U.P.) 201204

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

India is going to record the fastest 5G rollout in the world and it is going to have the biggest success of the next-generation telecom service with the support of the government, a senior Nokia India official said.

While speaking at an event organised by the Foreign Correspondent Club on Friday evening, Nokia India Head of Marketing and Corporate Affairs, Amit Marwah, without naming China expressed concern over infiltration equipment in telecom sector from neighbouring countries. "We (India) are not late, we are at the right time. In the

rest of the country compared to other countries where the ecosystem has to develop. We have a 5G-ready ecosystem. We have 10 per cent of smartphones in India which are 5G ready. India is going to witness the fastest rollout of 5G which will be at least three times faster than what we have seen in 4G," Marwah said.

The 5G services will progressively cover the entire country over the next couple of years -- Jio promises to do that by December 2023 and Bharti Airtel by March 2024.

Marwah said telecom manufacturing is becoming robust in India backed by the production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme.

"We were part of PLI 1.0. We were one of the only companies that met and exceeded our target of PLI 1.0. We let go-off that scheme and let go-off the incentive of one year because PLI 2.0 was even more interesting. Volumes and scale in India are increasing so much that you have let go for one year. We re-applied for PLI f2.0 and today we are part of PLI 2.0 which means we are investing more, adding more lines and adding more products," he said.

The PLI scheme offers up to 20 times incentive on incremental sales of telecom gears made in India. The government has added additional incentives for designing prod-

ucts in India in the second version of the PLI scheme.

Marwah said that manufacturing is on a very positive note in India across the sectors but definitely in telecom.

"The only challenge right now is the availability of fabs which are semiconductors. 60-80 per cent of what we manufacture requires semiconductors. That is the area where we still need to work on. There is still some kind of infiltration of equipment in telecom from neighbouring countries which need to have a little more vigilance and kind of stopping at the customs," Marwah said.

Department of Telecom, Deputy Director General

# RBI pauses onboarding of online merchants by Paytm Payments Services

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Banking regulator RBI has put a pause on onboarding of online merchants by Paytm Payments Services, even as the company said it will have no material impact on its business, according to a regulatory filing.

One97 Communications (OCL), which owns the Paytm brand, had proposed to transfer the payment aggregator services business undertaken by it to Paytm Payments Services (PPSL) in December 2020 to comply with payment aggregator (PA) guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India



(RBI) but the banking regulator had rejected its application.

The company had re-submitted the required documents in September 2021.

Paytm said PPSL has now received a letter from RBI in response to an application for the authorisation to provide PA services for online merchants.

As per the letter, PPSL is required to "Seek necessary approval for past downward investment from the company into PPSL, to comply with FDI Guidelines" and "not onboard new online merchants". Paytm, in the regulatory filing, said it can resubmit

the PA application within 120 calendar days. The company will not onboard new online merchants till the time approvals remain pending.

PAs are entities that facilitate e-commerce sites and merchants to accept various payment instruments from customers for completion of their payment obligations without the need for merchants to create a separate payment integration system of their own.

According to RBI's PAs guidelines, a single entity cannot continue to provide an e-commerce marketplace along with payment aggregator services and such payment aggregator services must be separated from the e-commerce marketplace business.

Paytm further said there were no material observations from RBI and the move has no material impact on its business and revenues since the communication from the central bank is applicable only to onboarding of new online merchants.

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**CORRIGENDUM**

**Subject:-**

Invitation of tenders for pipe line network, SSF, GSR and ancillary works under JJM - Extension of last date for bid submission thereof.

**Reference:-**

This office e-NIT S. No. 19/PHEP/Fresh of 2022-23 published under No. PHEP/ 1602-12 dated. 25-06-2022 followed by Corrigendum No. PHEP/2134-44 Dated. 21-07-2022, No.PHEP/2722-32 dated. 24-08-2022 No. PHEP/3132-48 dated. 06-09-2022, No. PHEP/3504-14 Dated. 26-09-2022 and No PHEP/3448-57 Dated. 01-11-2022.

Due to administrative reasons the above-mentioned e-NIT along with tenders received for the same is hereby cancelled.

No.-PHEP/4307-17

Dated:- 25-11-2022

Sd/-

Executive Engineer,

Jal Shakti (PHE) Division,

Pulwama

DIPK-14155/22

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**ADMISSION TO THE POSTGRADUATE COURSES - 2023 SESSION**  
Applications are invited from eligible candidates for admission to the following postgraduate degree/diploma courses of Ranchi University commencing from May, 2023. An All India Entrance Examination will be conducted through ONLINE mode at the following cities of this Country (Mumbai, New Delhi, Kolkata, Guwahati, Chennai, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Bangalore & Ranchi).

| GROUP A                           |                                                                                                                                                            |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology   | : 4 seats (NO RESERVATION)                                                                                                                                 |
| Duration                          | : 2 years                                                                                                                                                  |
| Qualification                     | : M.Phil. (Medical & Social Psychology)/ Clinical Psychology) from a University recognized by the UGC                                                      |
| 2. M.Phil. in Clinical Psychology | : 21 seats (UR-09, EWS-01, OBC-06, SC-03, ST-02) (PwD-01)                                                                                                  |
| Duration                          | : 2 years                                                                                                                                                  |
| Qualification                     | : M.A./M.Sc. in Psychology course from a University recognized by the UGC With minimum 55% marks for UR & EWS and 50% marks for SC, ST & OBC in aggregate. |

**GROUP B**

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| 3. M.Phil. in Psychiatric Social Work | : 15 seats (UR-06, EWS-01, OBC-05, SC-02, ST-01) (PwD-01)                                                                                                |
| Duration                              | : 2 years                                                                                                                                                |
| Qualification                         | : Masters in Social Work course from University recognized by the UGC with minimum 55% Marks for UR & EWS and 50% marks for SC, ST and OBC in aggregate. |

**GROUP C**

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4. Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing | : 23 seats (UR-10, EWS-02, OBC-06, SC-03, ST-02) (PwD-01)            |
| Duration                          | : One year                                                           |
| Qualification                     | : 'A' Grade Certificate or Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery. |

Group A & B: Selected candidates will get scholarship of Rs. 25,000/-per month.  
Group C: Selected candidates will get scholarship of Rs. 2500/- per month.  
The application form is to be submitted electronically ONLY on internet through CIP website: [www.cipranchi.nic.in](http://www.cipranchi.nic.in) on or before December 31, 2022. Hard copy of the application form will not be entertained. Online Payment fee of Rs.1000/-\*\* for Unreserved, EWS and Rs. 500/-\*\* for OBC, PwD, SC and ST candidates. (\*\*Transactional charges will be extra from the above-said fee structure via Debit Card, Credit Card, UPI Payment, Net Banking & Mobile Wallets.) Please note that the examination fee is non-refundable.  
Online form will be available on our website ([www.cipranchi.nic.in](http://www.cipranchi.nic.in)) from 01.12.2022. Online Examination will be held on 19.02.2023 and interview/practical would be held in person at CIP between 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2023. Session will commence from 01<sup>st</sup> May, 2023. Last date for joining the courses is May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.  
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Director

Central Institute of Psychiatry



# US FRUSTRATES ENG AGAIN AT WORLD CUP IN 0-0 DRAW

AP ■ AL KHOR (QATAR)

Loud jeers rang around the stadium. England's fans were not happy. The United States had frustrated them yet again at a World Cup.

That's three times and counting that the teams have met on soccer's biggest stage and England is still waiting for its first win against the Americans after a 0-0 draw on Saturday.

Coach Gareth Southgate had reminded his players of that record beforehand, with the US famously winning 1-0 in 1950 and playing out a 1-1 draw in 2010. They didn't seem to heed his warning and didn't respond to Gregg Berhalter's young and energetic team.

England beat Iran 6-2 in its opening game in Qatar to justify its status as one of the tournament favourites. But it could consider itself fortunate not to have dropped another match to the US, after Christian Pulisic hit the crossbar with a first-half strike and Weston McKinnie lifted a shot over from eight yards out.

The England fans had turned up at the Al Bayt Stadium in anticipation of celebrating a win and qualification to the knockout stages with a game to play.

"I want our fans at home to have a smile on their faces and we haven't quite managed to achieve that," Southgate said. "But people are going to react how they react and I can't let that affect how I feel about the team or how the team feels."

"The objective is to qualify and we have three games to do it."

Frustrating England is one thing.



But Berhalter's job is to advance to the knockout stages.

The draw sets up a match for the US against Iran on Tuesday for a spot in the round of 16. Iran beat Wales 2-0 earlier and sits second in Group B with three points, one more than the Americans.

"It sets up our first knockout game of the World Cup," Berhalter said. "We win or we're out of the World Cup. That's going to be the focus for us while we are preparing the team for the next game."

"But most importantly, understanding the intensity Iran is going to bring. They played an excellent game today. Played with ton of spirit will have to be up for it if we want a chance to advance."

Southgate, meanwhile, will try to lift his players. He described them as dejected following the elating win against Iran.

And despite the boos, England is still top of the group with four points.

"It wasn't the best performance, for sure," said Harry Kane, who came close to scoring with a stoppage-time header. "Good spells with the ball, but we didn't quite have the final product."

"We had two or three opportunities and didn't put it away."

**KANE WAIT**

Kane, Golden Boot winner from the 2018 World Cup, is still looking for his first goal at this tournament.

**MUSAH MISS**

Yunus Musah, who chose to represent the US over England, showed exactly what Southgate is missing out on with a dominant midfield performance.



## Poland beats Saudis 2-0

AP ■ AL RAYYAN, QATAR

Robert Lewandowski at last Scored a goal in a World Cup match on Saturday, helping Poland beat Saudi Arabia 2-0 and boosting his team's chances of reaching the knockout stages.

Lewandowski shed tears after scoring in the 82nd minute. He raced toward the corner with his arms outstretched, then stayed slumped on the field as teammates rushed to congratulate him. He got up, rubbed his face, and blew a kiss to the crowd.

Arguably one of the best forwards in the world, Lewandowski's barren streak at the World Cup was somewhat puzzling. Now, after five previous matches at the tournament, it's over.

Lewandowski also set up the opener in the 40th minute when he kept the ball in play after goalkeeper Mohammed Al-Owais' initial block, then laid it back for Piotr Zielinski to knock in.

Lewandowski also hit the post and Al-Owais denied the Barcelona player from scoring another goal late in the match.

Poland was scrambling for long periods at the Education City Stadium as the Saudi team was pushed forward by enthusiastic fans in what seemed like a home game. The frustration was clear on Lewandowski's face as Poland's yellow cards mounted.

Saudi Arabia had a chance to equalize at the end of the first half but Poland goalkeeper Wojciech Szczesny saved Salem Al-Dawsari's penalty kick. He then blocked Mohammed Al-Burayk's shot from the rebound.

Poland will next face Argentina, while Saudi Arabia will meet Mexico in their last Group C games.



## Australia revives its World Cup campaign

AP ■ AL WAKRAH, QATAR

Australia only needed to avoid defeat to stay in the World Cup. The Socceroos did more than that in a 1-0 win over Tunisia on Saturday.

Mitchell Duke gave Australia the lead midway through the first half with a header and Australia went on to register its first win at soccer's biggest event since a victory over Serbia back in 2010.

The result means Australia still has a chance to qualify for the round of 16, despite losing 4-1 to defending champion France in their opening match.

France and Australia lead Group D with three points each, while Denmark and Tunisia have one point each.

France was playing Denmark later. In the final round of group games on Wednesday,

Tunisia plays France and Australia meets Denmark.

After a scrappy start from both sides, Australia went ahead with a play out of the back from its goalkeeper. Duke collected the goalkeeper's pass near midfield and made a quick touch to set Craig Goodwin down the left flank and Duke then sprinted forward to nod Goodwin's deflected cross into the far corner. Duke celebrated by making a 'J' with his fingers in a tribute to his son, Jaxson, who was in the stands.

The goal quieted the large contingent of red-clad Tunisia fans among the crowd of 41,823 inside Al Janoub Stadium, and sent the small pockets of Australian supporters dressed in yellow into delirium.

Tunisia impressed when it held European Championship semifinalist Denmark to a 0-0

draw in its opener but only occasionally threatened against Australia until the Aussies sat back and defended toward the end.

Australia had also gotten off to an early 1-0 lead over France in its opener but then was outplayed in a loss which it blamed on a series of defensive errors.

There were fewer errors this time, and some timely interventions, too - none bigger than a last-gasp sliding clearance from center back Harry Souttar to block Mohamed Dräger's dangerous shot shortly before halftime. Tunisia is still seeking to advance from the group stage for the first time in its sixth World Cup appearance but now needs to beat France.

During the second half, Tunisia fans held aloft a large Palestinian flag with the words, "Free Palestine" printed on it.

## Japan aims for WC knockout stage against Costa Rica

AP ■ DOHA

How big was Japan's 2-1 upset of Germany in the opening round of the World Cup? Newspapers in Japan used the term "Daikimboshi" from sumo wrestling to describe the magnitude of the surprise: when a low-ranked wrestler overpowers a grand champion.

The victory has also been compared to Japan's 34-32 upset of powerful South Africa in the 2015 rugby World Cup in England.

Japan was the underdog against four-time champion Germany, but it will be a strong favorite in its next Group E match against Costa Rica, where a victory could move Japan into the knockout stage with a game to spare.

A loss by Costa Rica on Sunday would eliminate it from advancing. Costa Rica faces Germany in its final match and Japan goes against Spain.

Costa Rica is reeling from a 7-0 thrashing against Spain in its opener, and it's anyone's guess how the Ticos will respond. With



a population of just over 5 million, the tiny Central American country is appearing in its sixth World Cup. It reached the quarterfinals in 2014 in Brazil.

Japan has never reached the quarterfinals at a World Cup, and that's the aim this time. This is Japan's seventh straight appearance, and it has reached the round of 16 on three occasions, including in Russia in 2018. It lost 3-2 in stoppage time to Belgium after leading 2-0.

It was eliminated by Paraguay on penalties in 2010, and lost to Turkey 1-0 in 2002 when the country co-hosted the event with South Korea.

Japan coach Hajime Moriyasu has spoken often about going farther this time and breaking the "final-16 hex."

Substitutes Ritsu Doan and Takuma Asano scored late goals against Germany — they both play in Germany's Bundesliga — to lead Japan to the upset. Asano got the winner in the 83rd minute, squeezing the ball behind German goalkeeper Manuel Neuer from a very sharp angle.

## Belgium need 2nd chance to impress at World Cup

AP ■ DOHA

Belgium midfielder Kevin De Bruyne knew he didn't play well in his team's opening World Cup game. He said as much when he accepted the man of the match award.

"I don't know why I got the trophy," De Bruyne said.

"Maybe it's because of my name."

With De Bruyne looking to improve after the unimpressive 1-0 win over Canada, Belgium has a second chance against Morocco on Sunday to show why it is the No. 2-ranked team in the world behind Brazil.

This could also be the last World Cup chance for many on the highly-rated Belgian squad, as the "golden generation" has



often been reminded in the runup to Qatar. The spine of the team - De Bruyne, Eden Hazard, Axel Witsel, Jan Vertonghen, Toby Alderweireld and goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois - are all in their 30s.

Coach Roberto Martinez, who said the performance against Canada was one of Belgium's worst since he's been in charge, might be tempted to bring in fresh faces against Morocco.

Martinez would dearly love to bring back powerful striker Romelu Lukaku, who missed the Canada opener with a left thigh injury and is doubtful for the entire group stage. Some Belgian media has been reporting that Belgium's record goalscorer could make an earlier-than-expected return against the Moroccans at Al Thumama Stadium in Doha.

Morocco will be less fazed at the prospect of trying to contain De Bruyne having already succeeded at subduing another of the world's best midfielders in Luka Modric.

A 0-0 draw with 2018 World Cup finalist Croatia in their first Group F game was a promising start to the World Cup for Morocco and especial-

ly for coach Walid Regragui, who had less than three months to prepare his team having only been hired at the end of August.

He had coached Morocco in just three friendly games before entering the World Cup. Compare that to Zlatko Dalic's five years in charge of Croatia. Or Martinez's six years with Belgium.

The World Cup schedule gave Morocco a daunting start with 2018 runners-up Modric and Croatia followed by De Bruyne and Belgium, who finished third in that last World Cup. But the point against Croatia provided a real confidence-boost.

"Arriving in these conditions is not easy, but I accepted the challenge," Regragui said.

# Germany's World Cup survival on the line against Spain

AP ■ DOHA

When the World Cup draw came out in April, one of the highlights of the group stage was Sunday's Spain vs Germany at Al Bayt Stadium.

Eight months later, the game between the two former world champions and pre-tournament favorites gained even more prominence thanks to Germany's surprising loss to Japan in its opener in Qatar. Another setback against Spain this weekend and Germany may be heading home early for the second straight World Cup.

A loss - coupled with at least a draw by Japan against Costa Rica earlier Sunday — will mean elimination for the four-time champions.

Spain, meanwhile, will be looking to secure its spot in the next stage and reinforce its status as one of the top title contenders following an impressive 7-0 rout of Costa Rica in

its opener.

The signs are not encouraging for Germany. Its most recent match against Spain was an embarrassing 6-0 defeat in the Nations League two years ago. Its last win against "La Roja" came in a friendly eight years ago.

Germany won its fourth World Cup title in 2014 in Brazil but didn't make it out of the group stage in 2018 after losses to South Korea and Mexico. It would be the first time it fails to advance past the group stage in back-to-back tournaments.

Spain won its lone World Cup in 2010 in South Africa and was eliminated in the round of 16 in 2018 in Russia. A win against Germany will allow Spain to reach the last 16 if Costa Rica doesn't defeat Japan.

Expectations around Spain's young squad were raised after its outstanding performance against Costa Rica, when the team reintroduced



"tiki-taka" ball-possession style and 18-year-old Gavi became the youngest World Cup scorer since Pelé in 1958.

The seven goals it scored against Costa Rica matched Spain's tournament total from Russia in 2018.

"The result gives us a big boost," Spain coach Luis Enrique said. "But now we have to play against a German team that needs the victory."

Luis Enrique said he wasn't concerned with his young players being overly confident, and promised to make changes to the starting lineup for Sunday's match, without elaborating.

Winger Leroy Sané could return for Germany after missing the match against Japan because of a knee injury. It will be the fifth meeting between the powerhouses at World Cups, with Spain winning the most recent one 1-0 in the semifinals of the 2010 tournament.



# INDIAN BATTING NEEDS FRESH APPROACH TO SAVE SERIES

PTI ■ HAMILTON

India would expect a better approach from skipper Shikhar Dhawan and young Shubman Gill in the Powerplay overs when the team clashes with New Zealand in the do-or-die second One-Day International here on Sunday.

The Seddon Park is a three-way open ground but is known for being one of the batting friendliest tracks in New Zealand where willow wielders would get value for their shots. Dhawan (72 off 77) and Gill (50 off 65 balls) added 123 in their opening stand but on a small Eden Park ground, a score of 306 for 7 was at least 40 runs short of par score.

The bowlers could be taken to task for conceding those runs in just over 47 overs, the buck actually stops at the main batters since if it was not for Washington Sundar's brilliant cameo, India would not have touched the 300-run mark.

It was largely due to the safety-first approach of the Indian openers during the first 10 Powerplay over where the runs did not come at a desirable pace.

Moeen Ali in a recent interview to PTI spoke how in earlier times, teams followed Australian template in white ball cricket and now it is the English way that is being aped by the teams.

And that is where India is lagging behind as it could score only 40 runs in the first Powerplay overs in Auckland.

Sample another piece of statistic which will give an idea that the problem lies in the general outlook of Indian top-order batters across limited overs formats (not just Rohit Sharma, KL Rahul or Virat Kohli).

Dhawan hit 72 off 77 balls that had 13 fours. So effectively, he scored 52 runs in boundaries in 13 deliveries. He scored another 20 runs in 64 deliveries and out of which 44 were dot balls as he was unable to get going in the Powerplay.

As the skipper struggled, at the other end, Gill didn't do his overall averages any harm by stacking up another half-century, but the pace of his innings was also a debatable one.

His 50 was scored in 65 balls with three sixes and a boundary. This means 22 runs were scored from four deliveries. He scored



the remaining 28 runs from 61 deliveries.

The same approach of just building the foundation and leaving the heavy-lifting for the back-end has cost India a T20 World Cup but strangely even as personnel changed in ODIs for this series, the approach has remained archaic.

With so many players jostling for opening slots, it is imperative that the players score heavily so that the numbers can't be ignored when the new selectors prune the pool to around 20, at least three to four months before the 50-over marquee event.

While Dhawan will certainly open with Rohit in Bangladesh next month, there aren't any guarantees that Shubman will be able to retain his place in the playing XI as Rohit will comeback as an opener. KL Rahul might take Suryakumar Yadav's (rested for next series) middle-order slot.

Rishabh Pant has a way better ODI strike-rate and average compared to T20Is but the vice-captain of this series needs to be more consistent in order to keep the big gloves away from

Sanju Samson and Ishan Kishan, who are definitely close on his heels. As Virender Sehwag, few weeks earlier had said that Pant needs to decide first what will be his style of batsmanship.

At the moment, the marauder from Rourkee seems to be in a state of limbo: whether to attack or defend. Sooner he gets his bearing, better it will be for the ODI core team.

**BOWLERS NEED TO FIND FULLER LENGTHS**

At Eden Park which has short and weird dimensions, Indian pacers bowled way too short. They will need to find a way to counter Tom Latham and Kane Williamson, who have both been consistent against India over the years in this format.

While Umran Malik was impressive bowling northwards of 145 clicks, Arshdeep Singh despite his ability to get the swing struggled for pace and Shardul Thakur was generally erratic.

Toss will be an important factor as batting becomes easier at the Seddon Park as the evening wears on.

# Akashdeep scores hat-trick but sloppy India lose 4-5 to Aus

AP ■ ADELAIDE

Akashdeep Singh's hat-trick went in vain as India conceded two late goals to lose 4-5 against Australia in the high-scoring first hockey Test of the five-match series here on Saturday.

Akashdeep Singh (10th, 27th, 59th) scored thrice while skipper Harmanpreet Singh (31st) converted a penalty corner for India.

Australia's goals were scored by Lachlan Sharp (5th), Nathan Ephraums (21st), Tom Craig (41st) and Blake Govers (57th, 60th) who found the back of the Indian net twice from penalty corners towards the fag end of the match. The second match of the series will be played on Sunday.

Australia started on an attacking note and took the lead as early as in the fifth minute with Sharp slotting home past India custodian PR Sreejesh with his very first touch of the match.

The Indians responded within minutes with Amit Rohidas creating a great move from the left flank but his ball was intercepted inside the circle by the Australian defence.

Akashdeep equalised for India in the 11th minute after Hardik Singh made a wonderful interception to create the opportunity.

Six minutes into the second quarter, Australia restored their lead, courtesy poor defending from the Indians as they failed to clear a cross and Ephraums got a smart deflection to put the ball into the net.

Akashdeep once again came to India's



rescue and scored with a fierce reverse hit in the 27th minute to level the scores.

Just at the stroke of half-time, Australia got a penalty corner but India's second goalkeeper Krishan Bahadur Pathak was alert to avert the danger.

A minute after the change of ends, Harmanpreet gave India the lead for the first time in the match, scoring from a penalty corner The Indians then secured back-to-back penalty corners but wasted both. In the 41st minute, the Kookaburras secured another penalty corner and Craig scored from a rebound after Sreejesh saved the initial drag-flick.

The home team continued to press hard and secured a handful of penalty corners but failed to cash in on the opportunities.

India were sloppy on the turf in the last five minutes of the game as Jarmanpreet Singh got an unnecessary green card, leaving his side a man down for the rest of the game.

Australia took full advantage of the situation and secured another penalty corner which was converted by Govers with a powerful flick.

But Akashdeep levelled the scores a minute from the final hooter, scoring from a goalmouth melee.

But poor defending from the Indians inside their own circle cost them as Australia earned two more penalty corners and Govers once again found the net with the second attempt to hand the home team a 1-0 lead in the series.

# India lose bronze medal play-off to Spain

PTI ■ JERUSALEM

India lost 1-3 to Spain in the tie-break after the two-round bronze medal play-off ended in a tie at the FIDE World Team chess Championship here on Saturday. In both the rounds, the teams played out 2-2 draws. But Jaime Santos Latasa and David Anton Guijarro defeated Vidit Santosh Gujrathi and Nihal Sarin respectively in the blitz tie-break to give Spain the advantage.

S L Narayanan drew with Alexei Shirov and Abhijeet Gupta held Miguel Santos Ruiz in the other games. This gave Spain victory by a 3-1 margin early on Saturday. In the first round, Gujrathi, playing with black, drew Santos Latasa while Sarin signed peace with Guijarro in the last game of that match.

The two other games Narayanan vs Daniil Yuffa and Gupta against Santos Ruiz too ended in draws.

The pattern was repeated in the second round too as games on all the four boards involving the same players ended in draws.

Spain took the tie-break for a 4-2 victory and win its first-ever medal in a team competition. Meanwhile, China beat Uzbekistan 4-0, winning the two rounds by a similar 2.5-1.5 scoreline.



# Australia beat Croatia 2-1 to reach Davis Cup final

AP ■ MALAGA (SPAIN)

Australia had to fight back twice to reach its first Davis Cup final in 19 years after beating Croatia 2-1. Lleyton Hewitt's team recovered from losing the first singles on Friday. Then the Australian doubles pair battled back from a set down in the decider.

Australia won its 28th and last title in 2003. It has finally got back to the final. "I am so proud. Australia has a really rich history in this competition," said Hewitt, who played a record 43 Davis Cup ties for Australia from 1999-2018.

"We have been fortunate to win it all on a number of occasions a long time ago. And I

know what it meant to me as a player to play a final, and I am glad these guys can play it."

Borna Coric put Croatia ahead by beating Thanasi Kokkinakis 6-4 6-3, but Alex de Minaur leveled after defeating Marin Cilic 6-2 6-2 to send it to the doubles.

Jordan Thompson and Max Purcell then secured the semifinal win against Nikola Mektic and Mate Pavic by 6-7 (3) 7-5 6-4. "This is what this team is about, that never-say-die attitude," De Minaur said.

Canada will face Italy on Saturday in the other semifinal.

In the opener, Kokkinakis struck 11 aces, but Coric was able to break him once in each set.

"On my serve, I felt like it was an ace or he put it back on my toes," Kokkinakis said.

Cilic, who was on the Croatia team that won the title in 2018, committed 10 double faults. That erratic serve helped De Minaur break Cilic four times and level his head-to-head record with the former US Open winner at two wins each.

Thompson and Purcell bettered the more experienced pair of Mektic and Pavic, both ranked in the top 10 in doubles. Thompson and Purcell combined for 13 aces, broke the Croats twice, and never dropped a service game to come back after losing the first-set tiebreaker. Two-time winner Croatia was the runner-up last year.

# India clinch gold medals at Youth World Boxing Championships

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Indian boxers Vishwanath Suresh, Vanshaj and Devika Ghorpade lived up to their favourites tag, registering commanding victories to clinch gold medals at the IBA Youth Men's and Women's World Championships 2022 in La Nucia, Spain.

Chennai-born Vishwanath handed India their first gold at the prestigious championships after thrashing Ronel Suymom of Philippines without breaking a sweat in the men's 48kg final.

This came after Bhawna Sharma bagged a silver medal in the women's 48kg category, losing 0-5 loss against Uzbekistan's Gulsevar Ganieva in the opening match of the day. Ashish (54kg) was the other Indian to

finish with a silver medal. He went down 1-4 against Japanese pugilist Yuta Sakai in a thrilling final.

Devika, who hails from Pune, added a second gold to India's tally, beating England's Lauren Mackie in the women's 52kg final. Youth Asian champion Vanshaj wrapped up the day in style for India by winning ta third gold.

The confident Sonipat-based boxer made light work of Demur Kajaia of Georgia in the men's 63.5kg summit clash.

With 11 medals, India topped in the on-going edition of the event, followed by Uzbekistan (10), Ireland (7) and Kazakhstan (7).

This year's championships witnessed participation from



close to 600 boxers from 73 countries. India's eight medals in the women's section is also the highest for any country.

Having already won three gold medals, Ravina (63kg) and Kirti (+81kg) will look to add two more yellow metals to India's kitty when they fight in the women's final on the last day of the competition.

Ravina and Kirti will be up against Megan deCler of Netherlands and Ireland's Elizabeth D'Arcy respectively.

Besides three gold and two silver on the penultimate day, India's tally also includes four bronze medals coming from Tamanna (50kg), Kunjarani Devi Thongam (60kg), Muskan (75kg) and Lashu Yadav (70kg), who lost in the semifinals.

# Government to establish dietary supplements testing labs: Sports Secretary

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

To prevent "inadvertent" use of prohibited substances by the athletes, the government will establish laboratories for testing dietary supplements, sports secretary Sujata Chaturvedi said on Saturday.

Many sports persons, after failing dope tests, have claimed that they ingested prohibited substances 'inadvertently' through dietary supplements.

Chaturvedi emphasised on having regulated testing facilities for the dietary supplements.

"We recently entered into an MoU with the National Forensic Science University, Ahmedabad and the Food Safety Standards

Authority of India, for a lab to help with the dietary supplement testing," Chaturvedi said at a function organised by FICCI.

"We are now heading towards a completely revamped national anti-doping programme housed in our National Anti-doping Agency," Chaturvedi said during the TURF2022 & India Sports Awards event.

In August, the Parliament passed the National Anti-Doping Bill which seeks to provide a statutory framework for the functioning of the National Anti-Doping Agency and the National Dope Testing Laboratory. Chaturvedi said the country's overall sports development has been on the right path

this year and that they are working on starting women's leagues in a big way.

"We've had archery, football and various other sports coming into these leagues. I can assure you it's going to be a huge deal in the coming years because we support inclusion in sports."

Legendary long jumper Anju Bobby George underlined the unique potential of sports in empowering women.

"Women in sports defy the perception that they are weak or incapable," she said.

"In many countries, it has been seen that sport can be a force to amplify human voice and tear down gender barriers and discrimination."

# UP THRASH DEPLETED MUMBAI BY 8 WICKETS

PTI ■ AHMEDABAD

Uttar Pradesh took full advantage of an under-strength Mumbai side as they romped home by eight wickets in a lopsided pre-quarterfinal match of the Vijay Hazare Trophy here on Saturday.

UP bowlers, led by pacers Shivam Mavi (4/41) and Kartik Tyagi (2/43) and ably assisted by left-arm spinner Shiva Singh (2/43), restricted Mumbai to a below-par 220 all out on a fine batting pitch.

The chase was a cakewalk as keeper-opener Aryan Juyal (82 off 103 balls) anchored it with useful contributions from fellow opener Madhav Kaushik (46 off 75 balls) and skipper Karan Sharma (42 not out off 38 balls).

UP won the match with 26 balls to spare and will now face Maharashtra in the quarterfinal.

For Mumbai, missing out flamboyant opener Yashasvi

Jaiswal and the dangerous Sarfaraz Ahmed (both on India A tour of Bangladesh) due to national commitments did have its effect as neither Prithvi Shaw (10) nor skipper Ajinkya Rahane (26 off 39 balls) could make a difference on the big day.

While Shaw was cleaned up by Mavi as he tried to play across the line, Rahane loosely drove away from his body to a fuller 'fifth off-stump' line delivery from Tyagi. Mumbai were at one stage tottering at 94 for five after spinners Shiva and Shivam Sharma dismissed Arman Jaffer (32) and Suved Parkar (13) with arm balls.

Suved was gone trying to cut a delivery close to the stumps while Jaffer played to the wrong line and was out LBW.

However, Mumbai's crisis man Shams Mulani (51 off 70 balls) and keeper-batter Hardik Tamore (53 off 67 balls) added 103 runs for the sixth wicket

which helped the current Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 champions cross the 200-run mark.

But once Tamore was out trying to hit a second six off Shiva, the last five Mumbai wickets fell for a mere 23 runs with no resistance from the lower order. With no scoreboard pressure on them, UP openers Madhav and Aryan added 119 runs in 25 overs to set the tone. Aryan was more attacking with 10 boundaries while his partner had three fours and a six to his credit.

In fact, Priyam Garg (39 not out) and skipper Karan added 63 runs for the unbroken third wicket stand in just under 12 overs to knock off the required runs with minimum fuss.

**Brief Scores:**

**Mumbai:** 220 all out in 48.3 overs (Hardik Tamore 53, Shams Mulani 51, Shivam Mavi 4/41, Shiva Singh 2/43, Kartik Tyagi 2/43).



**Uttar Pradesh:** 221 for 2 in 45.4 overs (Aryan Juyal 82, Madhav Kaushik 46).

**J&K KNOCK OUT KERALA, MAKE DREAM QUARTERFINALS**

Jammu and Kashmir extended

their dream run in the Vijay Hazare Trophy to the quarterfinals as they knocked Kerala out from the tournament with a seven-wicket win, here on Saturday.

In-form Auqib Nabi led the show with his career-best haul

of 4/39, helping J&K skittle out Kerala for a paltry 174 in 47.4 overs after they opted to field in their first-ever Vijay Hazare Trophy knockout match.

In reply, J&K cantered home in 37.5 overs with Shubham Khajuria (76) and Qamran Iqbal

(51) setting up win with their 113-run opening stand in 21.4 overs.

In the form of his life, Khajuria smashed six sixes and five fours in his 61-ball knock, which was his fourth half-century on the trot this season.

However, he was run out for a second consecutive time as J&K lost three wickets for the addition of just 32 runs. But there was no scoreboard pressure and Henan Nazir and Fazil Rashid sealed their sixth win from seven matches this season.

J&K will now face group B toppers Assam in their quarterfinal here on Monday.

The J&K pace trio of Nabi, Yudhvir Singh (2/16) and left-arm pacer Mujtaba Yousuf (1/37) accounted for seven batters as Kerala struggled to get going.

Opener Vinoop Maoharan top-scored for Kerala with a 81-ball 62 but Yudhvir dismissed

him to trigger the collapse in the 32nd over, before Nabi wreaked havoc with a dream spell.

With 12 wickets apiece from seven matches, Nabi and Yudhvir have done exceptionally well for J&K this season.

The Ajay Sharma-coached side had upset reigning Ranji champions Madhya Pradesh, chasing down a massive 343 with two wickets in hand.

They also defeated Baroda, Odisha and Nagaland with little fuss.

Their only defeat came against group D toppers Punjab as they finished second in the league stage.

**Brief Scores**

**Kerala:** 174 all out in 47.4 overs (Vinoop Maoharan 62, Sijomon Joseph 32; Auqib Nabi 4/39, Yudhvir Singh 2/16) lost to Jammu and Kashmir 175/3 in 37.5 overs (Shubham Khajuria 76, Qamran Iqbal 51; Sijomon Joseph 2/19) by seven wickets.



Amazon Prime Video were coded for the content analysis of tobacco imagery and included: The Marvellous Mrs Maisel (rated 16+); Stranger Things (rated 16+); Bodyguard (rated 16+); Riverdale (rated 13+); Narcos (rated 16+); Sacred Games (rated 18+); Mirzapur (rated 18+); Chilling Adventures of Sabrina (rated 16+); 13 Reasons Why (rated 16+); and The Crown (rated 16+).



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I don't have a religion.  
I believe in a God.  
I don't know what it looks  
like but it's MY god. My  
own interpretation of the  
supernatural  
— Jennifer Aniston



## CLIMATE CHANGE THE FAILED CoP27

Considering the past actions on the commitments of the developed world, this so-called deal arrived at CoP 27 is at best a face-saver document, writes Dr. VK BAHUGUNA

The Conference of Parties (CoP), better known as CoP27, organized by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) secretariat at Sharm El-Sheikh in Egypt ended on November 20 with the adoption of a declaration for the creation of a fund for providing compensation to the poor nations facing the vagaries of climate change and extreme weather conditions due to the past emissions of the rich nations. The negotiating teams and others are touting it as a historical deal, but that is a far-fetched claim.

This declaration at best is a face-saving deal for the consumption back home for people of these poor nations facing the wrath of climatic vagaries. The developed countries, however, have resisted these calls, fearing opening up a floodgate for compensation claims but ultimately agreed with no surety to adhere to their commitments.

On average, \$4000 was needed for one person for a week to attend the CoP. Understandably, many young activists could not attend the Conference due to a lack of funds, and few bothered to raise their voices.

However, the CoP opened with most heads of state and leaders heading the country delegations speaking with strong feelings on taking action for the survival of the human race and pleading forcefully against complacency. The UN secretary general António Guterres delivered one of his best speeches yet when he exhorted the world leaders that “We are on a highway to climate hell with our foot on the accelerator”. He asked the countries to “cooperate or perish”.

The CoP 27 came after the world had faced the Covid-19 pandemic which many scientists blame on the abuse of nature by humans, a fact clearly visible during the lockdown period when we all noticed clear Himalayan peaks from Delhi as the sky became clear and the wild elephants started roaming on urban roads they never visited before. After Covid-19, when the Russia-Ukraine war pushed the global oil and gas prices and the natural disasters world faced, it was expected that climate change would be taken seriously by the world community. But the negotiators from powerful countries did not change much as is evident from the deliberation at the end of CoP 27.

From the point of view of professional analysts considering the past actions on the commitments of the developed world, this

so-called deal is a vacuous statement at best. The deal stipulates that a mechanism will be established for the creation of funds for helping the least developed countries affected by the climatic vagaries like Maldives etc. The proposal includes mobilization of funds from private sources also. The document has clearly ruled out India getting any share of it rather it is expected to contribute in the fund. It does not fix any quota for the developed countries nor fixes a time frame for its implementation. The skepticism is arising because of the complete failure of the developed world led by the United States and European Union in meeting their previously agreed commitments of \$100 billion in support to the poor nations on the flimsy ground and specious arguments like accounting procedures and lack of funds.

The approach of the developed world all through in all CoPs is to blame India and China for being the biggest emitters conveniently forgetting the havoc they wrecked on nature during the past more than 150 years and more. In 2021, China accounted for the highest 25% (15 billion metric tonnes) of global CO2 emission followed by the USA accounting for 11% (5 billion Metric tonnes) of the global total. The European Union emits around 2.8 billion metric tonnes. India's emission in 2021 was 2.7 billion metric tonnes which is around 7.5 % of the global emissions. The per capita fossil CO2 emissions in 2021 were 1.3 tC per person per year for the globe and were 4.0 (USA), 2.2 (China), 1.7 (EU27), and 0.5 (India) tC per person per year for the four highest CO2 emitting countries.

India will surpass China in population in 2023, but it cannot be equated with China in funding for climate change considering the country's relatively low emissions. India's contribution to historical cumulative CO2 emissions is 3%, whereas the US. On the other hand, the EU contributed 25% and 17% respectively to total fossil CO2 emissions from 1850 to 2019. China contributed 13%, the Russian Federation 7%, and Indonesia and Brazil 1%.

Thus there is no equity, justice or fairness in global climate change talks. The climate change negotiations, therefore, for most developing countries like India are proving a wastage of money and efforts as nothing concrete except our statements before the world leaders on our achievements on the Nationally Determined Targets on Paris agreement of 2015 and how much clean

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energy we are generating and how much trees we are planting and what is our road map for achieving net-zero emission by the year 2070. The agreement on the creation of funds to support the poor nation is just recognition by the developed world after protracted negotiations of their responsible for past emissions. Now, therefore, the issue should be taken up vigorously by the developing countries in all forums and India should launch diplomatic networking to safeguard its interests and the interests of the developing world for climate justice.

India and other developing countries in the CoP 27 meet had rightfully raised the issue of the gradual elimination of all kinds of fossil fuels. Thankfully, the developed world supported this, but the Russian and Saudi Arab vehement opposition blocked ti further progress. The Indian negotiators citing the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change had told the Egyptian CoP27 presidency that meeting the long-term goal of the Paris Agreement "requires phase down of all fossil fuels".

"Selective singling out of sources of emissions, for either labeling them more harmful or labeling them 'green and sustainable' even when they are sources of greenhouse gases has no basis in the best available science", they contended.

The developed world has been demanding phasing out the use of coal in power generation which India and other countries cannot agree. The developed world's hypocrisy is quite apparent on this as they have developed better alternatives for coal but on the issue of transfer of technology, they always duck the question. So neither they want to part with the technology nor they are willing to be liberal on funding the poor nations, yet they want to assume the leadership role in climate change dialogue. In a nutshell, the climate change talks regarding human welfare are proving bogus and a bore if we assess the progress since Kyoto Protocol was signed except a few successes obtained through Paris deal in 2015.

The global mean temperature will cross the 1.5°C limits in the current decade or next, and the 2°C mark during 2040–2060 as estimated by the Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change in their sixth report. Lip service syndrome is best exemplified by the statement of Egypt's government and subsequent decisions taken in CoP 27. The

UN Secretary-General has commented that only the creation of a loss and damage fund is not a solution. The World Bank which is outside the purview of UNFCCC can pitch in effectively in tackling the fund position if the US and its European allies are genuinely committed to treating climate change as a top global priority and accepting their responsibility to do climate justice. This was also a reason why many countries were pitching for reforms in the World Bank, which is perceived as having failed to help with the climate crisis. What is the use of the World Bank funding poverty and water-related projects in poor countries when poor countries sink further into misery due to climate-related disasters?

In several areas, the temperature in India is already on the rise from 0.8 to even 1 degree Celsius. We have less time for negotiation and should strive for more time on action. Many experts feel that India should hold parallel climate change negotiations and lead the world. The country should formulate some common action programme so that developing nations and China look inwards and help each other with technology and other resources. Efforts must be made to avoid disasters as the one Pakistan witnessed recently which wiped away 13 % of the GDP. Back home the dreadful memory of the Chennai flood will haunt for years. We need to declare climate emergencies in each country and support a programme to meet the emergency.

In the Indian scenario, we need to declare water scarcity and its poor management, agricultural uncertainties, soil degradation, and natural forest and bio-diversity depletion as a climatic emergency and emphasize alternative fuels for our transport and energy sector. Unplanned waste disposal, poor investment in natural resources, and population control must be the focus area in the overall climate action plan. Already the success is excellent on solar power generation targets. However, on climate change, world leaders should remember one quote by Zimbabwean Philosopher Matshona Dhliwayo "Busy hands achieve more than idle tongues." Let us junk these half-baked dreams being sold in diffused glib negotiations and focus on concrete doable actions.

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