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World looking at mother of democracy India: PM

Judiciary taking many steps to ensure timely justice: Modi

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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 eco nomic 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 initia tives 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

igants, lawyers and the judiciary through information and communication technologyenabled 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 strengthened". 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

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has provisionally attached 40 per cent share of a hotel project (1,40,000 Sq Ft FSI Space) within the unscale Commercial 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 The attachments include

assets of Carnoustie Group, Shivalik Group, Trikar Group besides the properties of the shell, Benami, and personal companies of Chandras, and

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

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 prod-ucts 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 littleknown 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



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 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

I Iniform Civil Code, one women, ₹10,000 crore for Agrimarketing 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.



Guiarat 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

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Arabs burying hatchet at World Cup!

AP ■ DOHA

Por 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 cele-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



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

guage. Spoken Arabic changes regionally, with the Berberinfused 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.

start even with the Arabic lan-

Religion is another differentiator — there are Muslims, both Sunni and Shia with subgroups 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

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 vears ago had boycotted Qatar attended the tournament's opening match.

But despite an attempt by

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

"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, Sarvjit Kaur spouse of Army No 13838681Y Ex Hony Nb Sub Swaran Singh resident of Village & P0: Parika, Distt : Hoshiarpur (Punjab) changed my name from Sarvjit Kaur to Sarbiit 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. 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. Meham Teh. Meham Distt. Rohtak (Haryana) declare that my 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 Shinderpal Garg R/o Village Ablu, 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 No.14644334H Rank NK Name Brijesh Kumar Jat 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 Basroop P. O. Sujanpur Tehsil & District Pathankot (Puniab) Pin-145030 have changed my name from Neelam to Neelam Kumari Vide affidavit PB45196114234560U dated 25 Nov 2022 before notary public

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 from

moveable/immovable properties.

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at their own risk. I Krishan Saini S/o Sh Mange Ram R/o H. No 1726/27, Near Shiv Mandir, New Mode Town, my Son Ravi Saini is out of control. i disown my son ravi Saini from all my moveable and immovable properties. anybody

& responsibilities. I, Rajrani W/o Late Prithvi Rai R/o # 1343 Mohalla Churian Wala Manimajra UT Chandigarh my son Arun Kumar and his wife Ritu Rani are out of my control. I disown them from my moveable/immovable properties. Anybody dealing with them at

deals with him deals at 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/ immoveable properties. Anybody deal with him at their own risk.

Name of the

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DATE: 27.11.2022

notice, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I. Sunita Kumari w/o Suresh Kumar r/o 11/3, BBMB Colony, Kurukshetra have changed my name from Sunita to Sunita Kumari.

I, Kamal Kishore S/o Mahavir Sharma r/o 580/72, New Laxman Colony, Thanesar (Kurukshetra) have changed my daughter's name Rudrakshi to Rudrakshi Sharma I. Parminder Paul Lekh w/o

Colony, Chhatwal, Tehsil & Distt Pathankot Punjah declare that I have changed my name from Parminder kaur for all purposes. I, Deepjot Sandhu W/o Lt.

Kuldip Raj r/o Defence

Col. Jaspal Singh Sandhu Rtd. of 17 Horse now R/o #282 Sec-37A Chandigarh have changed my name to Tisa Sandhu. I, Ajay S/o Sushil Kumar R/o

B-11 MCH 16/2 Manohar Gali

- Near Indian Gass Agency Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed my name from Ajay to Ajay Chadha. Concerned Note. I, Pranay Barapatre father
- of Reneisha R/o #2106, Top Floor, Sector 35C, Chandigarh 160020 have changed my daughter's name from Reneisha to Reneisha Arora Barapatre. I, Niraj Kumar Goel S/o
- Shiv Charan Das R/o H.No-1853, NHBC, Sector 11-1, Panipat declare that I have changed my name from Niraj Kumar Goel to Neeraj Goyal, for all future
- I, Meenu Goel W/o Niraj Kumar Goel R/o H.No-1853 NHBC Sector 11-1. Panipat declare that I have changed my name from Meenu Goel to Meenu Goyal, for all future purpose.

I. Vikas Balhara S/o Krishan Chander R/o Shanti Nagar Patiala Chowk Teh. and Distt.Jind (Harvana). In my passport my Name Vikas Belehra. Which is incorrect, Correct Name is Vikas Balhara, Vikas Balhara & Vikas Belehra both are my name

I. Chandan S/O Hansrai R/O H.No 453/1 Gher Ariva Param Hans Kutia Panipat Declared Change My Name From Chandar To Chandan Dhingra And In Future I Shall Be Known As Chandan Dhingra.

I. Pratiksha Suryakant Mayekar W/o Service No. JC-383229N Rank Sub Mayeka Suryakant Tukaram of Unit 40 ARTY DIV SIG REGT C/o 56 APO, Ambala & Permanent R/o H. No. 296 Vill Sateli, P.O. Bhedshi, Dodamarga, Distt. Sindhudurga, Maharashtra. Have Changed my Name from Pratiksha To Pratiksha Suryakant Mayekar.

I, Rajendra Kumar Prasad S/o Sh. Gori Shankar Resident of Near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No. 2, Parshuram Colony, Noorwala, Panipat, Haryana have changed my name from Rajendra Kumar Prasad to Rajendra, I may be known as Rajendra in future for all purposes.

I, Gauri Shankar Prasad S/o Ram Kailash Prasad Resident of Near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No. 2, Parshuram Colony, Noorwala, Panipat, Haryana have changed my name from Gauri Shankar Prasad to Gori Shankar. I may be known as Gori Shankar in future for all

purposes. I. Akshit Kumar Kaushik S/d Service No. 710336-T Krishan Kumar R/o 893-A/9, Kamal Colony, Rohtak declares that in my father's service record my name is recorded as Akshill Kumar, which is wrong. My actual

name is Akshit Kumar Kaushik. I, Neha Mittal, W/o Vipin Mittal R/o 313/19, Housing Board Colony, Jind, Harvana is declared that I have changed the Name from Neha to Neha Mittal, which

is Correct and known in future.

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

Bakshish Kaur (07-09-1962) I. Shriram Mittal S/o Khajar Singh R/o 313/19, Housing Board Colony, Jind, Haryana is declared have changed the Name from S.R. Mittal to Shriram Mittal. which is Correct and known in

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Singh R/o VPO Sasoli Tehsil & Distt Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed my name from Malkit Singh to Malkiat Singh. Concerned Note.

I, Inderpal Kaur Chawla w/o Gurinder Pal Singh r/o 197/13 Jagdish Marg, Shahabad Jagdish Marg, Markanda (Kurukshetra) have changed my name from Inderpal Kaur Chawla to Inderpal Kaur.

- I, Jaspreet Kaur W/o Vikramjit Singh Grewal R/o Village Dharour Ludhiana have changd my name to Jaspreet
- I, Vikramjit Singh S/o Jaswinder Singh Grewal R/o Village Dharour, 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, Sukhwinder Singh S/o Chanan Singh R/o Siwan, Distt. Kaithal declares that I have my name changed Sukhwinder Singh to Sukhvinder Singh. In future, I will be known by the name of Sukhvinder Singh. All concerned please note
- I. Vishaldeen Singh S/O Balwinder Singh R/O Guru Nanakpur Baba Bakala, district Amritsar Punjab declare that i have changed my name from Vishal to Vishaldeep Singh. Please note. 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 Kanwaljeet Kaur to Kanwaljil I, Indu Kajla W/o Sh
- Dhramvir Kaila R/o H, No. 41, Defence Colony, Hisar (Haryana) hereby declare that I have changed my name from Indu to Indu Kajla for all future purposes. I, Rinku Devi w/o Pradeep

Sismore, Kaithal have

Devi to Rinku. Concern noted. I, Harjit Singh S/o Balvir Singh R/o Pirthipur, Ludhiana, Panjeta, Punjab-141126 declare that Hariit Singh and Harieel

Singh both names are of the

changed my name from Rinku

- same person. I. Service No. 15611796L Rank Hav Name AJI. 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 Philip 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 All Concerned Please
- I, Sunil S/O Manohar Lal R/O H No.11, Bhandari Gate Near Shanti Devi Hospital Batala Distt. Gurdaspur Have Changed My Name To Sunil Kumar.
- I. Paramiit 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

have changed my name to Shivani Gaba for all purposes. I, Prem W/o Sh. Parkash Satija R/o H.No 396/9 Near

Sahdey Gaba R/o 1138, new

housing board colony, Panipat

I, Shivani Bareja w/o Sh

- Kanshi Giri Mandir, New Sabzi Mandi, Panipat, have change my name to Prem Satija w/o Parkash Satija for all future
- I. Avinash s/o Ram Yash Verma r/o H.No. 85, Anaj Mandi Road, Daulat Ram Colony Thanesar, Kurukshetra, hav 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 Harve 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, Hisar-125001 (Haryana) hereb declare that I have changed m name from Rajesh Kumar S/o Inder Singh to Rajesh Kuma Soni S/o Inder Singh Soni for all
- I. No.JC-682332L Nb/Sub Hari Shankar Singh resident of Village Chamao Ahiran, Po shivpur, Tehsil Pindara, District Varanasi State- Ultar Pradesh Pin-221003 have changed my Daughter name Kumari to Santoshi Vide affidavi No. IN-PB 45995164378728U dated 24 Nov. 2022 before notary public Pathankot
- I, Maya spouse of No. 15749301M SIGMN Jogendra Singh resident of VPO Dhodhsai Tehsil Chomu District Jaipu (Rajasthan) in my husband service record my name wrongly recorded as Maya instead of Maya Kumari Vide affidavit No IN-PR 46583864791667U dated 26 Nov 2022 before notary public Pathankot
- I, Manisha spouse of No.2797276W Hav Pathade Radhakisan Navnath resident of Village Ashta (H N) Post-Ashta (H N) Tehsil Ashti District Beed State Maharashtra Pin-414203 have changed my name from Manisha to Pathade Manisha Radhakisan Vide affidavit No. IN-PB 46415584997385U dated 25 Nov 2022 before notary public
- I. Jasbir Kour Mother of No.13780883M RFN Sanjeev Singh resident of Village Platar PO PallanwalaTehsil- Khou District Jammu (J&K) in my soi service record my name wrongly recorded as Jasbir Kour instea of Jasvir Kour Vide affidavi No.IN-PB 46002970338711U dated 24 Nov 2022 before notar public Pathankot.
- I, Pooja Yadav Daughter of JC -542059K Sub Data Ram Yadav resident of Vill- Baniyali Nagar, PO- Makri, Teh- Nimka Thana, District Sikar State Rajasthan PIN-332711 have changed my name from Pooia to Pooja Yadav Vide affidavit No IN-PB 45996324397228U dated 24 Nov 2022 before notary publi-
- I. Madhuri spouse No.JC-462014W Sub Misal Uttam Maruti resident of Village Karambali Post Karambali Tehsil Gadhinglaj District Kolhapur State Maharashtra Pin-416526 have changed my name from Madhuri to Madhuri Uttam Misal Vide affidavit No.IN-PB 45993926480616U dated 24 Nov 2022 before notary public
- I. Punam spouse of No.2800843F Hav Khot Vikas Dnyandeo resident of Village Chandekarwadi Post Walwa (BK) Tehsil Radhanagri District Kolhapur State Maharashtra Pin-416221 have changed my name from Punam to Khot Punam Vikas Vide affidavit No.IN-PB 46001208432502U dated 24 Nov 2022 before notary public Pathankot.
- I Raiinderpal Kaur Alias Swran Kaur W/O Jaspal Singh R/O Vpo. Kala Ghanupur Near Govt Senior Sec School Amritsar Have Changed My Name To Rajinderpal Kaur.
- I Paramiit Kaur Lubana C/O Maninder Singh Lubana R/O H.No.138, Sahibzada Jujhai Singh Avenue Ajnala Road Amritsar Punjab 143001, Changed My Name From Paramjit Kaur Lubana To

खोया–पाया

जोगिन्द्र कुमार पुत्र कृष्ण कुमार निवार्स म.नं. 287, सैक्टर-4, हुडा कालोनी नारायणगढ़, जिला अम्बाला व्यान करता ह कि रजिस्ट्री प्रलेख नं 3707 दिनांक 23.01.2015 जोकि राजेश कुमार पुत्र ओमप्रकाश पुत्री कालू राम वार्ड नं 3, नारायणगढ़ के नाम है। उपरोक्त रजिस्ट्री नारायणगढ़ में दिनांक 23.01.2015 की कहीं गुम गई है। जिसकी एफआईआर न 132210552201975 है। यदि किसी को मिलें तो उपरोक्त पते पर देने का कष्ट करें।

NAME CHANGE

 Anirudh Gill S/o Mr. Bhupender Singh, Resident of House No. 764, Sector-1 Rohtak, declare that my passport name is Anirudh Gill, father's name is Bhupinder Gill and mother's name is Savita. which is incorrect. In my other documents my name is Anirudh Gill son of Mr. Bhupender Singh and mother's name is Mrs. Savita Kumari which is correct.

केनरा बैंक A Canara Bank Punhana, Distt Mewat, Haryana - 121104 The same

POSSESSION NOTICE [SECTION 13(4)] (For Immovable property) Vhereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under ecuritisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interes Act. 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of power onferred 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. Kumari Jeenat D/o Sher Mohd. (Sheru Member) Ward No.2, Patakpur, Punhana 122508. Ph. 9991557087. 2. Jafruddin S/o Yasin (Gua) H.no. 20. ward no. 10 Dhan Patparvas, Punhana - 122508, Ph. 9813642161, 3. Rahisan W/o Sher Mohd. (Co-borrowe Sheru Member) Ward No.2, Patakpur, Punhana - 122508, Ph. 9991557087, 4. Sher Mohd S/o Deen Mohd. (Co-borrower) (Sheru Member) Ward No.2. Patakour, 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 he public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property describe erein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Ac ead with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this 24th day of November of the year 2022.

he borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with he property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank or 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 respec of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable 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 Sy. No./ City or Town Patakpur Punhana Survey No./Khasra No. 68/84 with in the registration sub-district Punhana and distirct Nuh-Mewat. Bounded by: North: Prop. of Hansira, South: Prop. of others, East: Joint Rasta - 12Ft, West: Kenal,

Date: 27-11-2022 Place: Punhana

Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया BOI POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR MOVEABLE / IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY

MAJITH MANDI, **BRANCH, AMRITSAR**

Notice is hereby given under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financia 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 nterest 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.

Name of the NPA Account	Date of the Demand Notice	Date of the Possession	Amount Outstandin			
M/s Delux Engineering through its (Prop. Mr. Harjit	16-09-2022	21-11-2022	Rs. 8,91,141			
Singh S/o Sh. Gurdial Singh, R Nagar, Sultanwind Road, Amrit Engineering, Factory no. 2, M	sar Factory Office	Factory Office at M/s Deluxe				

DESCRIPTION OF THE MOVEABLE / IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES / ASSETS Hypothecation of all type of Plant and Machinery, Machinery Parts and Die ounching Machinery

Office cum Factory Address: Factory no. 2, Mall Mandi, Backside of Sri Guru Ram Das Institute of Dental and Science, Amritsar 143001. Place : Amritsar Sd/- Authorised Officer

केनरा बैंक 🛆 Canara Bank

Ram Das Institute of Dental and Science, Amritsa

Punhana, Distt Mewat, Haryana - 121104

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The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower an he public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property describe erein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Ac ead with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this 24th day of November of the year 2022. he 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 Ban or 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

he 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 Immovable Property

All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No./Plot No.: 22/42th share

comprised in Khewat/Khata No. 241/290, rect no. 57, Killa No. 9/1(2-2), area 2K2M our of which 22/42 shares comes to 1K2M (665 sq. yards Appx) situated in Mubarikpur, Punhana in Sy. No./City Mubarikpur or Town Punhana Survey No./Khasra No. 241/290 with in the registration sub-district Punhana and distirc Nuh-Mewat. Bounded by: North: Kachcha Rasta, South: Clubbed Property of Ataulla Khan, East: Beam of Hope Scholl, West: Gandi Nali.

Date: 27-11-2022 Place: Punhana

Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE That I, Rajesh Kumar Pandey, Advocate, is workin as empanelled lawyer of HDFC Ltd., Patiala. As

ve to conduct legal search report of the prope e. Apartment / Flat No. 18-E. Block-B. 5h Floo nts, Sai Market, Patiala ov Sh. Om Parkash Joshi S/o Sh. Ram Krishan Joshi. That the previous conveyance deed no. 10517 dated 13.12.2017 & its alottent 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. 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. Sh. Om Parkash Joshi S/o Sh. Ram Krishan Jos

advindra Complex, Distt. Courts, Patiala or ca e at my mobile no. 80549-29823. Rajesh Kumar Pandey. Advocate. namber No. 537, Yadvindra Complex Distt. Courts, Patiala.

ase return the same at my chamber no. 537

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER KURUKSHETRA PUBLIC NOTICE (Under Special Marriage Act, 1954)

Notice is hereby given that an application has been received from Mr. Som Pal

Sio Sh. Tara Chand Rio Village Murtzapur Tehsil Pehowa, District Kurukshetra, Haryana, India and Mrs. Maya Devi Dio Sh. Chamela Ram Rio Village Bairsal Dist: Karnal, Haryana, India now wife of Mr. Som Pal Slo Sh. Tara Chand Rlo Village Murtzapur 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

Deputy Commissioner-cum

Marriage Officer Kurukshetra

Date: November 22nd 2022

Classified Advertisement



COLOR OR BLACK AND WHITE ADS CONTACT: 9417419351

PUBLIC NOTICE

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. 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 vasika No. 18684, Sale deed dated 11.10.2005 bearing vasika No. 11223 & Sale deed dated 06.05.1999 bearing vasika No. 3521, pertaining to Property measuring 183.40 Sq. Yds., Comprised in the Khasra No. 53/3/14, 42//8/2, 42//3, 46//23/2, 36//22. Khata no. 34/36. 119/121, 263/274, as per Jamabandi or the year 2008-2009, Situated at Village "Sherpur Kalan", Tehsil & District, Ludhiana. I have purchased vide Sale deed dated 02.02.2021 bearing vasika No. 14989. I am availing a Loan facility from Fullerton India Credit Company Ltd. against this property. If anyone have any objection please contact Mr. Sherry Sandhu Advocate @ 9814493393 within 7 days of the publication of this notice otherwise no claim shall be entertained.

LOST & FOUND

Hemant Kumar S/o, OM Parkash R/o, Fla No. 8, Regency Trend Ajit Enclave Dhakoli Zirakpur SAS Nagar Mohali. I had lost registry of Flat No. 8, Regency Trend Ailt nclave Dhakoli, Zirakpur SAS Nagai Mohali on 18/03./2021 at Zirakpur, Viska No 5008. Dated 16/10/2006, Hadbast no. 48 in he name of Lekh Raj Bansal S/o. Sh. Inder Mal Bansal R/o. Kothi 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 Ratia Distt. Fatehaba has lost her previous Sale Deed No. 19 dated 11.04.2011 favoring of Smt. Sangee V/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh regarding Propert i.e. Part of bearing Khewat no. 33. Khatoni no 34, Khasra no. 188//7/2(4-2) 8 (7-19), meas uring 10M-4S (315.81 Sq. Yards.). Situated a Nagar, colony, Basti Bhiva, Tehsil & Dis trict Fatehabad. If any person has objection then file replies alongwith proof of ownershi within 7 days before the undersigned. After apsation of stipulated period no claim will be accepted regarding the above said property Rajesh Jain, Advocate, Hisar Chamber No. 220, Distt. Court, Hisar

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Kamla W/o Sadhu R/o Vill Chhapra, Tehsil-Gohana, Distt onipat declare that have lost my 10 square yards plot original agreeme o.2904. Lost on Dated 06/10/2008 olice Complaint No 132390352201403. Pls contact sh logender Singh Advocate chambe No. 79A, Distt. Court Sonipat, Ph 9813622781

PUBLIC NOTICE Tarunjot Singh S/o Satnam Singh R/

I.No.B-2/45, Ward No.8, Shere Punia Gali, Simble Batala, Distt. Gurdaspi leclare that my original passing certificat of Matriculation i.e. Statement of Marks Pass Certificate Unique ID No.6557589 ndex no.1173287/076, Session 2016-1 y the Council of The Indian Scho ertificate of Examination, New Delhi from .S. Maan Silver Creek School, Batala Distt. Gurdaspur has been los omewhere. Please issue me abovesai tuplicate Certificate

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is informed that Kavita W/o Satyawan ha lost her Previous original Document i.e. Sale dee dated 10/01/2005 no. 5429 as executed by Sures Kumar S/o Jai Singh in favour of Savitri W/o Jagv regarding the property in Plot Part of Khewat no 150/404 Khata no. 467 Killa no. 290/6/1 (5-2) Moui Gudha Gautam Nagar Gohana Tehsil Gohana Dist Sonipat. Measuring 100 sq. yards. IF any perso has found/ Information / Pos ession / Kno for above said missing documents then Submit ntimate within 15 days to Pankaj Sharma, vocate. Chamber 392. Distt. Courts Rohtak. P. No. 9896553019. Thereafter any kind of claim wi not be accepted. Pankai Sharma. Advocate

Public Notice

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Public is informed that below mentioned documents have been lost Original Sale Dead No.5716/1 dated 09.01.2013 executed by Shree Ram Slo Sh. Puran Chand in favour of Bimla Devi Wlo Jai Bhagwan. (Properly measuring 99-11/36 Sq. Yards) and Original sale Dead No.13/1 dated 05.04.1999 executed by Jai Singh & Amar Singh sky Ghisu Ram in favour of Shree Ram slo Puran Chand. (Property measuring 99-11/36 Sq. Yards) has been lost anywhere. Accordingly complaint has been logged in PS City Jhajjar FIR Dated 10/10/2022 App. no.13257/029201/233 that same under investigation if any one has found infinofmation/ possession/Knowledge of above said missing Original documents or have if any claim /right/title of any kind over the above said property then submit the same/intimate with in 15 days to Anurag Malik Advocate, Chamber No.143 Distt court Rohtak Mob. No. same/intimate with in 15 days to Anurag Malik Advocate
Chamber No.143 Distt court Rohtak Mob. No.

Public Notice

Public Notice It hereby informs to general public at large that Sh. Hansraj son of sh. Tara Chand Village Seonsar Tehsil Pehowa Distt. Kurukshefra has avail Secured Ioan on property from AU SMALL FINANCE BANK LIMITED for Rs. 450000/Lakh, vide RAPID No. 369211 have its branch office at KAITHAL, Hanyana on their Residential house, ameasuring area 153.589 Sq. Mtr. UID No. 584190E0004000RR133A Situated in Village Seonsar Tehsil Pehowa Distt. Kurukshefra Haryana. That the said Sh. Hansraj son of sh. Tara Chand is an owner of above said land measuring 153.589 Sq. Mtr. vide register sale aid land measuring 153.589 Sq. Mtr vide register sa artificate/ no 9327/1 dated 11-10-2021 executed b Gram sachive and Namberdar issued by SRO... Peho Dist. Kurukshetra. Said, Sh. Hansraj son of sh. Tar Chand Aimer Singh is a sole owner of above property ere is no co-sharer in this property. If anybody have a there is no co-sharer in this property. If anybody have an 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. Court Kaithal, Mob: -9466200028

नगर निगम रोहतक सार्वजनिक सूचना सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि नगर

निगम रोहतक की कर शाखा के सम्पत्तिकर के रिकॉर्ड में पुरानी प्रोपर्टी आई ही नं. 104C85U535 वार्ड नं 16, म. नं. 215, विजय नगर, झज्जर रोड, रोहतक (New P.I.D 1HNDY706) वार्ड नं 17, म. नं. 216, विजय नगर, अप्जर रोड, नजरीक जैन जती चक्की नगर, अप्जर रोड, नजरीक जैन जती चक्की वाली गती, रोहतक, हरियाणा(124001) में श्री त्रिलोक चंद के नाम से दर्ज हैं, अब नगर निगम के रिकॉर्ड में इस आई डी नं में प्रार्थी जिनके नाम राकेश कुमार जिन्दल (वसीयत के अनुसार मालिक है ।) अपने नाम तबदील करवाना चाहतें है, यदि किसी भी जनसाघारण को इनके नाम तबदील करने में कोई भी आपत्ति है तो 30 दिन आपत्ति दर्ज करवाये, अन्यथा प्रोपर्टी टैक्स उसके नाम तबदील कर दी जाएगी। जिसके लिए नगर निगम, रोहतक कोई उत्तरदायी नहीं होगा। क्रमांक: MCR/ZTO/2022 क्षेत्रीय कराघान अधिकारी दिनांक 22/11/2022 नगर निगम रोहतक

NSIC TENDER NOTICE

Sealed item rate offers are invited from eligible suppliers/ dealers/ contractors for "Construction of Toilets and Pantry at the First floor Level of existing building at NSIC Technical Services Centre, D-82/83, Focal Point, Rajpura-140401." The Estimated cost of the work: Rs 4.93 lacs.

Enquiry Performa will be issued from 25.11.2022 to 15.12.2022. Last date for submission offline bid is 15.12.2022 at 3 PM. For further details please visit at: www.nsic.co.in or contact: GM-SG, NSIC Technical Service Centre, D-82/83, Focal Point Raipura-140401

COURT NOTICE

Form No.55 PROCLAMATION REQUIRING APPEARANCE THE PERSON ACCUSED

IN THE COURT OF Ramanpreet Kaur Judicial Magistrate First Class, Amritsar CNR No. PBAS03-022439-2021

Next Date: 10-01-2023 M/S H D NATRAJ SOHAN SINGH JAY SINGH

RATHODE

PUBLICATION ISSUED TO: Whereas complaint/case has been

made before me that SOHAN

SINGH JAY SINGH RATHODE

Proprietor M/s Maha Shakti Textile

at Near Regal Cinema, Lahoti Compound, Dayaram Road, P.O. Latur, Maharashtra- Pin (413512), has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence punishable under section 138 of Negotiable Instrument Act and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said SOHAN SINGH JAY SINGH RATHODE cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said SOHAN SINGH JAY SINGH RATHODE has absconded (or is concealing himself/herself to avoid the service of the said warrant); Proclamation is hereby made that the said SOHAN SINGH JAY SINGH RATHODE is required to appear before this Court (or before me) on 10-01-2023 to answer the said

details logon http://highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs= district_notice&district=Amritsar **Judicial Magistrate First Class** Amritsa Dated, this day of 22-11-2022

complaint/case.

BANK OF BARODA

SCO NO 18 Kalgidhar Enclave, Zirakpur 01762-270024, 8558846419 Email: zirakp@bankofbaroda.con

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for information to general Public that Bank Of Baroda, SCO No 18, Kalgidhar Enclave, Zirakpur Branch intends to accept the under mentioned residential property as a Security mortgage presently standing in the name of Smt. Baljit Kaur Widow of Late Prem Chand (12.50% share), Sh. Darshan Singh Son of Late Prem Chand (12.50% share) Sh. Ram Pal son of Late Prem Chand (12.50% share), Sh. Sudesh Kumar son of Late Prem Chand

(62.50%). In case anyone has got any right/title/interest/claims over the under mentioned property. He/They are advised to approach the Bank within 10 days along with necessary proof substantiate their claim.

If no response is received within 10 days, it will be presumed that the property is free from any charge/ Bank shall encumbrances and with the mortgage. Details of Property, Residential House

No.446 Sector 46-A. Chandigarh

neasuring 502.32 Sq.Yds NEELAM SINGH, ADVOCATE

सर्व सांधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि किरन बाला पुत्री रूव सत्यावती पूनी राम चन्द्र पुत्र बुल लाल पुत्र गीविन्द राम (विध्या स्व. सूरण चन्द्र पुत्र बाल किशन) निवासी म.न. बी-32/68, ऑहरी मीहा इन पुत्र बाल किशन) निवासी म.न. बी-32/68, ऑहरी मीहाइं, बराला किशन) निवासी म.न. बिना निवासी म.न. विश्व के कार्या मांचा के लाला गुरादासपुर पंजाब ने अपनी वालसी म.न. विश्व के लाल पुत्र लिए पात्र वाल किशन) प्राचा लाल पुत्र लिए वालसी पात्र किश्व के लाल पुत्र लिए पात्र लाल पुत्र लिए पात्र लाल किशन) के लाल पुत्र लिए पात्र लाल किशन) के लाल पुत्र लिए पात्र लाल किशन) के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल के लाल के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल पुत्र के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल पुत्र के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल पुत्र के लाल के लाल पुत्र निवास के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल के लाल पुत्र के लाल के अगर किसा आ अन्दर असालतन या वकालतन व ऐतराज दर्ज करवाए अन्यथा यह सव र

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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 govern-ment 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

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

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

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 stubthat 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 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

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

86 percent consumers got zero power

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 con-troversial 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 with-drawal 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

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

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 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 practi-

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

tioner wishes to repay early, he

can do the same anytime as

there is no set time limit for the

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 Khattarsaid 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

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 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 checkup 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

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.

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.

ble. Not only this, Rs. 14 crores were spent on the advertise-

ment 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

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

Chandigarh, a delegation of the Shiromani Akali Dal on

Saturday met Punjab Governor

and opposed Haryana's pro-

posed move of setting up an

additional building of its state

led by SAD chief Sukhbir

Singh Badal, also raised the

issue of alleged deteriorating

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 Vidban Sabha here. "We told

Governor Saab that the people of Punjab will never tolerate

Speaking to reporters after

law and order in the state.

The delegation, which was

Meanwhile,

assembly here.

people.

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 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 even dreamt that the electricity bill of their homes will come to zero. However,

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 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. Prasad, PSPCL



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

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

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 appoint-ment 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 recruitsaid 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 ernment 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

 $M^{
m oving}$ towards Garbage Free City through the conduct of Zero Waste Events, the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh supported a Zero Waste Wedding held on Fridyay 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 singleuse plastic products under the SBM-U 2.0 to make the city "Garbage Free".

Municipal The 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 ini-

tiative 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 eco-friendly paper

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 'Swachhman'. 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

 $H^{imachal\ Chief\ Secretary}_{R.D.\ Dhiman\ on\ Saturday}$ presided over a review meeting on winter preparedness organised by Disaster Management Cell-Revenue Department with the Deputy Commissioners and line departments of the

He directed the officers to ensure that coordinated action plans be put in place for uninterrupted power and water sup-ply, availability of public utilities, and to stock essential items, especially for snowbound 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 previ-ous 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

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 péople 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: CIC

The Central Information **I** 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 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 muezzins 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 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.

a religious (Islamic) nation,

India chose a Constitution

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 com-

Steps such as giving special religious benefits to the Muslim

taken up in the present matter, in fact, severely affects interfaith 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 muezzins 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.

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 multireligious country where it is incumbent that the rights of the members of all religions are

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.

protected equally in the interest of inter-faith harmony and

"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

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 an information Commissioner in the RTI Act

was also reduced to three years.

BSF shoots down Pak drone in Amritsar

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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

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 vil-



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

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 sight-

BSF Director General Pankaj Kumar Singh has been

has been "bombarded" 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-ofthe-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

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

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Indian Muslims for partition of

India along religious lines.

"It is necessary to go into

eading the Bharat Jodo Lyatra, 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 valu-

able contribution of all the

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

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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(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

great leaders of the Constituent 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,



Rahul interacts with ragpicker

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 $F^{
m ormer}$ 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

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

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

NEW DELHI/BENGALURU

¬he 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 confine 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

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 col-

lected 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 multi-

ple 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 democ-

cy," 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 sus-

pension 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 objec-

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

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

"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. want to underline how strongly we feel about it and determined we are to complete the process of justice," aishankar 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

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

ing 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 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

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



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

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

Tests in animal models showed that the vaccine dramatically reduced signs of illeven when the animals were exposed to flu strains different from those used in making the "The idea here is to have a

ness and protected from death,

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 in the Perelman School of

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



Ukraine works to restore water, power after Russian strikes



Ukrainian authorities endeavoured on Saturday to restore electricity and water services after recent pummelling by Russian military strikes that vastly damaged infrastructure, with President Volodymyr Zelenskyy saying millions have seen their power restored since blackouts swept the war-battered country days earlier.

Skirmishes continued in the east and residents from the southern city of Kherson headed north and west to flee after punishing, deadly bombardments by Russian forces in recent days. The strikes have been seen as attempts at Russian retribution against Ukraine's beleaguered but defiant people after Ukrainian troops over two week ago liberated the city that

many months."The key task of today, as well as other days of this week, is energy," Zelenskyy said in his nightly televised address late on Friday. "From Wednesday to today we have managed to halve the number of people whose electricity is cut off, to stabilize the system."

He said, however, that blackouts continued in most regions, including Kyiv, the capital. "In total, more than 6 million subscribers are affected. On Wednesday evening, almost 12 million subscribers were cut off," Zelenskyy added.

He allowed himself a rare show of pique about how Kyiv authorities were faring, alluding to "many complaints" with the rollouts of "points of invincibility" - public centers where residents can stock up on food,

water, battery power and other essentials — in capital. "Please pay attention: Kyiv residents need more protection," he said. "As of this evening, 600,000 subscribers have been disconnected in the city.

Many Kyiv residents were without electricity for more than 20 or even 30 hours." "I expect quality work from mayor's office," he said, alluding to administration of Mayor Vitali Klitschko.

The president and the mayor have sporadically sparred since Zelenskyy took office in 2019. Zelenskyy has accused Klitschko and officials around him of corruption, while Klitschko contends the president's office has put him under political pressure. Early Saturday, the Kyiv municipal administration said water connections had

but that about 130,000 residents remain without electrici-

City authorities said on Saturday morning that all power, water, heating and communication services would be restored within 24 hours. The scramble to restore power came as Belgian Prime Minister Alexander De Croo met on Saturday with Zelenskyy in Kyiv.

De Croo tweeted that Belgium was "releasing new humanitarian and military aid," but gave no immediate details. Meanwhile, Ukrainians were marking the 90th anniversary of the start of the "Holodomor," or Great Famine, that killed more than 3 million people over two years as the Soviet government under Josef Stalin confiscated food and grain supplies and

deported many Ukrainians.

German Chancellor Olaf Scholz marked the commemoration by drawing parallels with the impact of the war on Ukraine — a key supplier of wheat, barley, sunflower oil and other foodstuffs - on world

Exports from Ukraine have resumed under a UN-brokered deal but have still been far short of pre-war levels, driving up global prices.

'Today, we stand united in stating that hunger must never again be used as a weapon," Scholz said in a video message. That is why we cannot tolerate what we are witnessing: The worst global food crisis in years with abhorrent consequences for millions of people - from Afghanistan to Madagascar, from Sahel to Horn of Africa."

Ruling alliance maintains lead in Nepal elections

Prime Minister Sher Bahadur Deuba's Nepali Congress-led ruling coalition on Saturday maintained its lead in Nepal's parliamentary elections, winning 77 seats out of the 148

In the 275-member House of Representatives, 165 seats will be elected



through direct voting, while the remaining 110 will be elected through a proportional electoral system. A party or a coalition needs 138 seats to win a clear majority in the House.

The Nepali Congress (NC) has won 48 seats alone under the direct voting system. Its allies

— CPN-Maoist Centre and CPN-Unified Socialist have won 16 and 10 seats. The Lokatantrik Samajwadi and Rastriya Janamorcha have bagged two and one seats respectively.

They all are part of ruling alliance. The

Opposition alliance led by former premier K P Sharma Oli-led CPN-UML has bagged 46 seats. The CPN-UML has won 38 seats.

The CPN-UML partners - the Rastriya Prajatantra Party and Janata Samajwadi Party have won five and three seats respectively. The newly-formed Rastriya Swatantra Party has won 7 seats. Nagarik Unmukti Party, Nepal Workers and Peasants Party and Janamat Party have received 3, 1 and 1 seats respectively.

Independent and others have received 13 seats. Elections to House of Representatives (HoR) and seven provincial assemblies were held on Sunday. The counting of votes started on

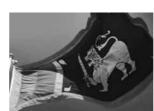
Lanka Tamil parties to press for autonomy in new Constitution

PTI ■ COLOMBO

on Saturday

Sri Lanka's Tamil minority parties who had an intraparty discussion following president Ranil Wickremesinghe's invitation to talks have agreed to put for-ward a three-point formula, including their push for federalism, a Tamil National Alliance (TNA) source said

The island nation's all Tamil political parties based in the East and the North on Friday met at the residence of 89-year-old TNA leader Rajavarothiam Sampanthan to push for federalism ahead of Wickremesinghe's proposed all-party meeting next month to address the long-held demand for political autonomy for the minority community in the country. The formula decided in the intra-party meeting on Friday includes



the proposal to hold the stalled provincial council elections. including devolution to the Tamil regions in formulating a brand new Constitution, and put a stop to what they call the grabbing of lands belonging to the Tamils by the State.

The parties will meet again before meeting the president," the TNA source said on condition of anonymity. Wickremesinghe Wednesday invited all political parties for talks aimed at ending the Tamil ethnic issue by February 4 next year— Sri Lanka's 75th anniversary of independence from Britain.

Taiwan President resigns as party leader after poll defeat

AP TAIPEI (TAIWAN)

Taiwan President Tsai Ing-wen has resigned ashead of the ruling Democratic Progressive Party following local election losses suffered by her party.

Tsai offered her resignation on Saturday evening, a tradition after a major loss, in a short speech in which she also thanked supporters. She said she will shoulder the responsibility as she had hand-picked candidates in Saturday's elections.

Voters in Taiwan overwhelmingly chose the

opposition Nationalist party in several major races across the self-ruled island in an election Saturday in which lingering concerns about threats from China took a backseat to more local issues. Chiang Wan-an, the Nationalist party's mayoral candidate, won the closely watched seat in capital Taipei. will let the world see Taipei's greatness," he

said in his victory speech on Saturday night. Other Nationalist party candidates also won mayoral seats in Taoyuan, Taichung and New Taipei city.

Not all votes had been formally counted by



the time of his speech, but Chiang and the other candidates' numerical lead allowed them to declare victory. Kao Hung-an, a candidate in the relatively new Taiwan People's Party, won the mayoral seat in Hsinchu, a city home to many of Taiwan's semi-conductor companies. Taiwanese were picking their mayors, city council members and other local leaders in all 13

New state voter fraud units finding few cases from midterms in US

enforcement units created after 2020 presidential election to investigate voter fraud are looking into scattered complaints more than two weeks after midterms but have provided no indication of systemic problems. That's just what election experts had expected and led critics to suggest that new units were

Washington: State-level law more about politics than rooting out widespread abuses. Most election-related fraud cases already are investigated and prosecuted at the local level.

Florida, Georgia and Virginia created special statelevel units after the 2020 election, all pushed by Republican governors, attorneys general or legislatures.

3 criminals waiting to target me again: Imran had a close encounter with

Rawalpindi: Pakistan's former prime minister Imran Khan on Saturday alleged that "three criminals", who were behind the failed assassination attempt on him early this month, are waiting to target him again.

Addressing a mega rally of his Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf party here in this garrison city, which houses headquarters of powerful army, Khan said he him again.

death and had seen bullets flying overhead during attack on

address to party workers after failed assassination bid on his life, Khan alleged that "three criminals" — who he claimed were behind the attack on him are waiting to take a shot at



Iran leader praises force tasked with quashing protests Baghdad: Iran's supreme leader

praised paramilitary volunteers tasked with quashing dissent on Saturday in a televised address as dozens of eye doctors warned that a rising number of demonstrators have been blinded by security forces during anti-government protests. Ayatollah Ali Khamenei addressed members of the Basij, the volunteer paramilitary wing of the elite Revolutionary Guard, and reit-erated unsupported claims that protesters demonstrating countrywide are "tools" of the U.S. And its "mercenaries." "(The) Basij should not forget that the main clash is with global arrogance, or the U.S.," Khamenei said in address marking Basij week in Iran. (AP)



Activists from Lebanese NGO Abaad and sex abuse survivors chant slogans during a protest against sexual harassment, rape and domestic violence, in front of parliament building in Beirut: downtown Beirut, Lebanon on Saturday, The activists are protesting a Lebanese law that allows a rapist to get away with his crime if he marries the survivor. The law, in place since late . 1940s. The Arabic banner, center, reads: "I am a disgrace, I should die so my family can retain their honor."

UN wildlife summit ends with protection for 500 species

AP ■ PANAMA CITY

n international conference Aon trade in endangered species ended Friday in Panama, with protections established for over 500 species.

The measures were approved by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, known by its initials as CITES.

The conference agreed to tighten trade regulations on sharks targeted by the fin trade and tiny frogs with translucent skin. Global shark populations are declining, with annual deaths due to fisheries reaching about 100 million. The sharks are sought mostly for their fins, which are used in shark fin soup, a popular delicacy in China and elsewhere in Asia.

Covid-19 cases in China soar to record high amid stirs over curbs

Beijing: China witnessed a record number of coronavirus cases for the third consecutive day on Saturday, with infections surpassing 35,000 despite large-scale lockdowns under the stringent Zero-COVID policy, triggering rare protests and clashes with the police.

China on Saturday reported over 34,900 cases, mostly that of the Omicron variant of the coronavirus, as officials went about imposing lockdowns, shutting people in their flats to cut the transmission

China has reported six deaths - four in Beijing, one in Henan and another in Sichuan this month, its first fatalities from the virus in six months. China's social media as well as Twitter postings by some of the Chinese showed videos of public protests from various places



with people clashing with police and health officials in hazmat suits. A large protest was witnessed in Urumqi, the capital of Xinjiang province, where 10 people were killed and nine injured in a fire two days ago at an apartment block that was sealed as part of the COVID lockdown.

Beijing continues to bear brunt of lockdown as cases hit a record high of over 2,600.



GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER PMGSY (JKRRDA) JAMMU. NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

E-NIT No:-CEJ/PMGSY/724 OF 2022-23 Dated:-21/11/2022

Chief Engineer PMGSY (JKRRDA) Jammu on behalf of The Government of Jammu & Kashmir, invites e-tenders on %age Above/Excess (+) OR %age Below/ Less (-) basis(i.e. on

Percentage-Rate Basis) from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&KU.T.Govt, CPWD, Railways or equivalent and other State/U.T.Govts up to 1700 Hrs.On 03-12-2022 for each of the following works including their maintenance for five years from the date of completion on OMMAS.											
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	Upgradation of Road from MRL19-Rudwan to Kandral, Package No. JK21-3003, PMGSY-III, Batch-I of 2022-23, Block - Ramgarh, District Samba, Length-3.500 Kms Adv. Cost excluding maintenance but inclusive of GST - Rs. 276.17Lacs.	Jammu	276.17	33.14	309.31	0.06	6.19	09 Months	2nd	06-12-2022 1100 Hrs.	Any registered contractor with State/U.T. PWD/CPWD/ Railways or equivalent qualifying eligibility criteria as provided in the Standard Bidding Documents can tender for the works
2	Upgradation of Road from MRL-15-KotheyMahasian to ShahpurBrahamana via Khojipur, Package No. JK05-3013, PMGSY-III, Batch-I of 2022-23Block -Bishnah, District Jammu. Length 3.350Kms Adv. Cost excluding maintenance but inclusive of GST - Rs. 319.77Lacs.	Jammu	319.77	38.37	358.14	0.06	7.16	09 Months	2nd	06-12-2022 1100 Hrs.	Any registered contractor with State/U.T. PWD/CPWD/ Railways or equivalent qualifying eligibility criteria as provided in the Standard Bidding Documents can tender for the works
3	Upgradation of Road from T01-Chhan Khatriyan To ChakDiyalla Via Jharjartha Package No - Jk07-3004, PMGSY-III, Batch-I of 2022-23, Block- Hiranagar, District Kathua, Length-8.800 Kms (Using Waste Plastic) Adv. Cost excluding maintenance but inclusive of GST = Rs.691.34Lacs.	Kathua	691.34	82.96	774.30	0.06	15.49	11 Months	2nd		
4	Upgradation of road from T03 Shewa Bridge to Khankoot Via Mahala, Package No JK04-3007, PMGSY- III, Batch-I of 2022-23, Block Gundana, District Doda Length 14.220 Kms(Using Waste Plastic) Adv. Cost excluding maintenance but inclusive of GST = Rs. 1700.81 Lacs.	Doda	1700.81	204.10	1904.91	0.06	38.10	18 Months	2nd		
5	Up-Gradation of road from MRL01-Narayana Hospital Kakrial To DomailKatraRoad ViaKandiyar , Package No. JK20-3003, PMGSY-III, Batch-I of 2022-23, Block- Panthal , District Reasi, Length: 5.750 Kms (Using Lime Stabilization /Waste Plastic) Adv. Cost excluding maintenance but inclusive of GST = Rs. 704.55Lacs.	Udhampur	704.55	84.55	789.10	0.06	15.78	11 Months	2nd		Any registered contractor with
6	Up-Gradation of road from MRL02- Chowki to Katwalt Via Majua, Package No. JK14-3006, PMGSY-III, Batch-I of 2022-23, Block Ghordi, Distt. Udhampur Length: 7.700 Kms(Using Waste Plastic). Adv. Cost excluding maintenance but inclusive of GST = Rs. 752.39Lacs.	Udhampur	752.39	90.29	842.68	0.06	16.85	12 Months	2nd	06-12-2022 1100 Hrs.	State/U.T. PWD/CPWD/ Railways or equivalent qualifying eligibility criteria as provided in the Standard Bidding Documents can tender for the works
7	Up-Gradation of road from MRL01 Shivgali to Basantgarh , Package No. JK14-3009, PMGSY-III, Batch-I of 2022-23, Block- Dudu , Distt. Udhampur Length: 9.375 Kms(Using Waste Plastic) Adv. Cost excluding maintenance but inclusive of GST =	tamnagar	1495.56	179.47	1675.03	0.06	33.50	17 Months	2nd		

- 1.(a) The Bidding document can be downloaded from the website http://pmgsytendersjk.gov.in from 1655 Hrs on 23-11-2022 to 03-12-2022 upto 1700Hrs.

 (b) The Bids shall be deposited ONLINE ONLY in electronic format on the website http://pmgsytendersjk.gov.infrom 1000 Hrs on 25-11-2022 to 1700 Hrs. on 03-12-2022.

 (c) Pre bid meeting will be held on 24-11-2022 at 1200 Hrs.

 (d) Technical Qualification Part of Bids will be opened online at 1100 Hrs on 06-12-2022.

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'Broking houses lauding financial gains of SBI'

hairman of the country's Chiggest 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 ĥousehold".

"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

Adani arm seeks licence to expand power distribution in 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 JŃPT. 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, Taloja 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 18,000crore acquisition of the beleaguered Anil Ambani Group's Reliance Energy, has not been able to increase its market share

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

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

With India already becom-

ing the fifth largest economy,

he said perhaps by 2027, the country would be the third

largest in terms of the size of

there is a need for improve-

ment in customer service as

there are many options avail-

able today.

The SBI chairman said

that customer expectations are

changing and the bank needs

to solicit and walk up to their

But, Khara also said that

the economy.

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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-

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We Khalid Khan, Asif Malik S/o Mohd. Shamsuddin R/o H.No-335/4, Gali No-6,

Gurudwara Mohalla, Maujpur, Delhi and Mohd. Shadab S/o Mohd. Shamsuddin R/o H. No-B/75

S-2, DDA colony, B-Block, New Jafrabad,

relationship with our brother i.e. Mohd. Sharif

S/o Mohd. Shamsuddin R/o H.No-1024-B, 1st flr, Gali No-6, Sudamapuri, Babarpur, Delhi-32.

And also disown & debar him from our movable

& immovable property due to his misbehaviour

towards our family & he has already disowned

capabilities, the company said in a statement.

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.

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I, Mohd. Shamsuddin S/o Nazeer

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Gurudwara Mohalla, Maujpur, Delh

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Sharif R/o H.No-1024-B, 1st flr, Gali

No-6. Sudamapuri. Babarpur. Delhi-

32 from my all movable & immovable

properties & from all relationship due

to his misbehaviour towards me and

my family. In future he will be

responsible for acts/work done by

prietary data and analytical The platform will enable investors in having fractional ownership of leased and pre-Square Yards, which is 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

and Goa.

Many startups and financial services firms, including startup hBits and MYRĚ Capital, have entered into the business of enabling fraction-

will target cities like Mumbai,

Thane, Pune, Bengaluru,

Gurugram, Noida, Chennai

al 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,

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

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,"

Surjewala demands adequate supply of urea for farmers in Rajasthan **PTI** ■ JAIPUR government of Rajasthan has

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

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



has been supplied by the central government till November 10, 2022, he said. Surjewala said that the

farmers were upbeat 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

"I have been told that the

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

for all acts/work done by him

E-TENDER NOTICE

bids from interested parties. Brief summary of the tender is given below E-Tender No-25/EE/PCM/Dhalipur/ 2022-23 Name of work-Repair and Maintenance of Bund and other miscellaneou

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

Last Date & Time for submission of tender: Up to 15:00 Hrs 20.12.2022 "http://uktenders.gov.in

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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 membe

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.modiindustries.net for download by the member

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.com to enable

the members to cast their votes electronically. The remote e-voting period commences

on Saturday, the 17th December, 2022 (09:00 am) and ends on Monday, the

19th December, 2022 (05:00 pm). No e-voting shall be allowed beyond the said date

and time. During this period members of the Company, holding shares, as on the cut-off

date of 13th December, 2022, may cast their vote by remote e-voting. Any person, who

acquires shares and becomes member of the Company after dispatch of the notice and holding shares as on the cut-off date i.e. 13th December, 2022, will be provided the

notice through e-mail or by post after the cut-off date and such members may also obtain

the login ID and password by sending a request at 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 8

Co., (Membership No. ACS-19000 & CP No. 14629) of New Delhi as Scrutinizer to

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 (collective)

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. Th

detailed instructions for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM are provided in the AGM

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, 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 unde

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

scrutinize the e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.

signed at above mentioned address.

shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

and kept at the Registered Office of the Company for inspection by Members.

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

Executive Engineer

India going to record fastest 5G rollout in world: Nokia India exec rest of the country compared

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.

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

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

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 gooff 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 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 products 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 conductors. 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

(Policy) YGSC Kishore Babu and years," Babu said.
Tech Mahindra, Chief said that the 5G adoption and applications are expected to be more diverse in India com-

"However, most of the use cases across the world remind us we may have to innovate to meet most of the require- referred to as Bharat and India.

pared to other countries.

ments in the coming months

Strategy Officer and Head of Growth, Jagdish Mitra said 5G

is the biggest opportunity in technology so far, for India to bridge what we have typically

CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY

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 : 4 seats (NO RESERVATION)

1. Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology Qualification

: 2 years

: M.Phil. (Medical & Social Psychology/ Clinical Psychology) from a University

recognized by the UGC

2. M.Phil. in Clinical Psychology

Duration

21 seats (UR-09, EWS-01 OBC-06, SC-03, ST-02) (PwD-01) : 2 years

Qualification

: M.A./M.Sc. in Psychology course from a Universit

recognized by the UGC With minimum 55% marks for UR & EWS and 50% marks for

SC, ST & OBC in aggregate.

GROUP B

M.Phil. in Psychiatric Duration Qualification

15 seats (UR-06, EWS-01, OBC-05, SC-02, ST-01) (PwD-01)

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

GROUP C

Duration

Qualification

Group A & B: Selected candidates will get scholarship o

The application form is to be submitted electronically ONLY or internet through CIP website: 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

Online form will be available on our website (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 13th to 15th March, 2023. Session will commence from 01st May, 2023. Last date for oining the courses is May 31st, 2023.

Central Institute of Psychiatry

RBI pauses onboarding of online merchants by Paytm Payments Services

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all concerned that my father Late Sh. Purshottam Das Mittal S/o Late Sh. Ramanand R/o A-181, First Floor, Shivalik, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi-110017, who is the original allottee and owner of House bearing Plot No: 137, Block-D, Sector-47, NOIDA (U.P.) expired on 04/04/2017. My father Late Sh. Purshottam Das Mittal had executed a Will in respect of above mentioned plot in my favour Sh. Sanjiv Kumar Mittal and the said Will was registered vide registration No. 276 in Book No. 3 Vol No.114 page 151 to 155 in the office of Sub Registrar, SR V A Hauz Khas, New Delhi on 14/03/2017. So, it is publicly announced and informed to all concerned that the said House bearing Plot No: 137, Block-D, Sector-47, NOIDA (U.P). is to be mutated and ransferred in my favour Sanjiv Kumar Mittal S/o ırshottam Das Mittal R/o A-181, First Floor Shivalik, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi-110017 through the above mentioned registered will. If anyone has/have any objection, he/she may file his/her bjection along with sufficient proof to Residential epartment of the Noida Authority, Sector-6, Noida vithin 30 days from the date of publication of this otice.

SANJIV KUMAR MITTAL

Subject:-

No:-PHEP/4307-17

Dated:- 25-11-2022

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

 $B_{\text{put a pause on onboarding}}^{\text{anking regulator RBI has}}$ 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



The company had re-sub-

mitted 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.

> letter, PPSL is required to 'Seek necessary approval for past downward investment from the company into PPSL, to comply with FDI

will not onboard new online merchants till the time approvals remain pending. PAs are entities that facili-

gration system of their own.

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 mer-

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

tate e-commerce sites and merchants to accept various payment instruments from customers for completion of their payment obligations without the need for merchants to cre-As per the ate a separate payment inte-

> marketplace business. Paytm further said there

4. Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing : 23 seats (UR-10, EWS-02, OBC-06, SC-03, ST-02) (PwD-01) : One year

Rs. 25,000/- per month. Group C: Selected candidates will get scholarship of Rs. 2500/- pe

structure via Debit Card, Credit Card, UPI Payment, Net Banking & Mobile Wallets.) Please note that the examination fee is

Please visit www.cipranchi.nic.in for downloading the prospectus with requisite details before filling the ONLINE application form.

For Modi Industries Limited, Date: 26.11.2022 Place: Modinagar (U.P.) 201204

Shobit Nehra DIPK-14155/22 Company Secretary

OFFICE OF THE **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**

JAL SHAKTI (PHE) DIVISION, PULWAMA email: xenphepulwama@gmail.com

<u>CORRIGENDUM</u>

works under JJM - Extension of last date for bid submission thereof. 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 eceived for the same is hereby cancelled.

> Sd/ **Executive Engineer,** Jal Shakti (PHE) Division, Pulwama

Invitation of tenders for pipe line network, SSF, GSR and ancillary

Guidelines' and "not onboard new online merchants". Paytm, in

the regulatory filing, said it can resubmit

aggregate.

: 'A' Grade Certificate or Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery

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

oud jeers rang around the stadi-um. 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

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

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

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

Frustrating England is one thing.



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

"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 opportuni-

ties 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 perfor-



Poland beats Saudis 2-0

AP ■ AL RAYYAN, QATAR

 $R^{
m obert\,Lewandowski\,at\,last}$ 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 oost 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 mount-

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



Australia revives its World Cup campaign

AP ■ AL WAKRAH, QATAR

ustralia only needed to Aavoid 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

sionally threatened against Australia until the Aussies sat back and defended toward the

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.



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 against Špain.

Costa Rica is reeling from a 7-0 thrashing against Spain in its opener, and it's any one'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

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 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

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 Coach Roberto Martinez, runup to Qatar. The spine of the who said the performance against Canada was one of team - De Bruyne, Eden Hazard, Axel Witsel, Jan Belgium's worst since he's been Vertonghen, Toby Alderweireld in charge, might be tempted to and goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois - are all in their 30s. bring in fresh faces against

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 earlierthan-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 especialwho 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-booster.

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

Germany's World Cup survival on the line against Spain

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 México. 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

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 Ger-

many 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

ndia 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-ordie second One-Day International here on Sunday.

The Seddon Park is a three-The Seddon Park is a unce-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.

er 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 Poweplay 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 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 While Dhawan will cer-

tainly 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 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 for-

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

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

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} A kash deep Singh's hat-trick went in vain as India conceded two late goals to lose \end{tabular}$ 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

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 inter-cepted 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 oppor-

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

Akashdeep once again came to India's but failed to cash in on the opportunities. a 1-0 lead in the series.



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-toback 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

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 Australia took full advantage of the sit-

uation 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

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 advan-

S L Narayanan drew with Alexei Shirov and Abhijeet Gupta held Miguel Santos Ŕuiz 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 firstever medal in a team competition. Meanwhile, China beat Uzbekistan 4-0, winning the



Australia beat Croatia 2-1 to reach Davis Cup final "On my serve, I felt like it

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

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 sions a long time ago. And I set.

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 my toes," Kokkinakis said. Cilic, who was on the Croatia team that won the title in 2018, committed 10 double

was an ace or he put it back on

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 bet-

tered 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 tiebreakthe runner-up last year.

India clinch gold medals at Youth World Boxing Championships

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Tndian 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 Suyom 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

went down 1-4 against Japanese pugilist Yuta Sakai in a thrilling

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 top-

ped in the on-going edition of the event, followed by Uzbekistan (10), Ireland (7) and Kazakhstan (7).

This year's championships witnessed participation from



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 moreyellow 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

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 orgainsed by FICCI. "We are now heading towards a completely revamped national anti-doping pro-gramme housed in our National

Anti-doping Agency," Chaturvedi said during the TURF2022 & India Sports Awards event. In August, the Parliament passed the National Anti-Dop-

ing 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

(51) setting up win with their

In the form of his life,

However, he was run out for

113-run opening stand in 21.4

Khajuria smashed six sixes and

five fours in his 61-ball knock,

which was his fourth half-cen-

a second consecutive time as

J&K lost three wickets for the

addition of just 32 runs. But

tury on the trot this season.

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.'

PTI ■ AHMEDABAD

Uttar Pradesh took full advantage of an understrength 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

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

J&K will now face group B toppers Assam in their quarter-

final here on Monday.

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

Öpener Vinoop Maoharan top-scored for Kerala with a 81ball 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.

there was no scoreboard pres-They also defeated Baroda, sure and Henan Nazir and Fazil Odisha and Nagaland with lit-Rashid sealed their sixth win tle fuss. from seven matches this season. 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 Manoharan 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.

Chandigarh, November 27, 2022

STREAMING DEATHS

There's an old saying, when the cat's away, the mice will play. Same applies to the Over-the-Top (OTT) platforms. With no written and clear laws regarding implementation of tobacco disclaimer or warning labels on smoking scenes in the OTT web series, while the tobacco industry is trying to lure the online viewers in a big way to trap them in the tobacco net, OTT media is busy raking in moolah through their advertisements. ARCHANA JYOTI takes a closer look at this fatal gap.

SCENE 1

hirty-year-old Rohan, a movie buff, has been a regular at L conventional picture halls to watch films. He supports antitobacco health warnings as a prominent static message displayed at the bottom of the screen every time tobacco products are shown in the film. "Exposure to smoking in films is a recognised cause of smoking uptake among children. In an attempt to protect children, films containing smoking are required to include tobacco control messaging including audiovisual disclaimers, on-screen health warnings when tobacco imagery is displayed and anti-tobacco 'health spots' before and during the film," he says.

CUT TO SCENE 2

With Covid-19 restrictions in place, Rohan has now shifted to OTT platforms such as Netflix, Amazon Prime and Hotstar to watch movies and his favourite programmes. But to his utter shock, he finds that the e-platforms streaming films and series have been blatantly displaying excessive usage of tobacco consumption. He was also surprised that there were no warning messages to caution the children and youth about the harmful usage of the tobacco items. "I am flummoxed at this violation.

In the absence of any clear regulation, OTT platforms are increasingly becoming favourite spots for the tobacco industry to hook the youth with their addictive products," he observes as he cities reports that estimate that the video streaming content is expected to exceed US\$332 billion by 2025.

Rohan, who works in an MNC is not the only one who is worried at this dangerous trend but also wants a check on this fatal violation on the OTT platforms. According to a survey by the National Law School of India University, along with several youth organizations, at least 88 per cent of youth agreed that OTT platforms should be regulated like traditional television and film when it comes to depiction of tobacco use. Atleast 82.5% of respondents agreed that tobacco use in shows and movies contributes to making tobacco use seem normal and acceptable, a reason enough to impose a check

Taking umbrage at this defiance, the health experts and anti-tobacco activists are seeking urgent regulation on the OTT content to protect youth from being addicted to tobacco products. Joining the cause, Vice-Chancellors across Karnataka too have requested Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya to regulate OTT platforms to display

tobacco warning messages. The health experts contend that if such vacuums are continued to be allowed, gains made so far through tobacco warning campaigns will be negated. There is a need for better enforcement of existing Rules on streaming platforms in India, and modernisation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, Article 13 guidelines to account for new streaming platforms to protect youth from tobacco imagery globally, they say. If brought under

California, and Onebeyond LLC,

California. The study also assessed

the compliance of the content

shown in these online series with

the Tobacco-free Film and

Television Rules in India. This is

the first such study conducted in

the country to generate evidence

on implementation of the tobac-

co free films policy on streaming

or over-the-top (OTT) ondemand video streaming plat-

forms such as Amazon Prime,



COTPA umbrella, the OTT will also have to adhere COPTA regulation, which attracts a jail term of up to 5 years and/or a fine of up to Rs 5,000 in case of violation



Says Bhavna Mukhopadhyay, Chief Executive, Voluntary Health Association of India (VHAI), "The streaming media has become a haven for promotion of tobacco use and this extensive promotion is to undermine Government film rules and provisions that discourage tobacco use. We urge the Government to take necessary action to ensure these online streaming platforms are compliant with COTPA, relevant rules and any other applicable laws in order to protect the children from exposure to tobacco products display on the OTT platforms"

"The viewership of OTTs has scaled at an extremely high rate in India, one reason for it being the sharp decrease in web costs and the other being, accessibility of multi-lingual and multi-regional content. Smoking is seen very often in such content, which must have a multilevel impact on its viewers," notes Manan Goel from College of Vocational Studies, Delhi University.

Goel along with his colleagues Ritik Arora, Saanya Chawla, Utsav Agarwal, all from the College of Vocational Studies had conducted a study in 2020 and noted that smoking is seen very often in such content, which must have a multi-level impact on its viewers.

In their study, they tried to analyse the change in smoking habits, its impact, and also, the reasons behind the same changes and found that there is a direct link between viewing smoking scenes and immediate desire to smoke. "The smoking propensities of an individual is impacted because of the hours spent watching TV series, movies which contain smoking imagery. The correlation degree found between the number of hours spent on such TV shows, movies and the number of cigarettes daily is small but the significance level does not reject the hypothesis. Thus, showing that smoking

What is OTT

An over-the-top (OTT) is a media service offered directly to viewers via the Internet. OTT bypasses cable, broadcast, and satellite television platforms, the types of companies that traditionally act as controllers or distributors of such content. Over the years OTT has become more popular among youth, particularly among children.

imagery does impact the viewers; increase in the number of daily cig-

The WHO too rings the alarm bell as it warns that every year the tobacco industry invests more than US\$ 9 billion to advertise its products. Increasingly, it is targeting young people with nicotine and tobacco products in a bid to replace the 8 million people that its items kill every year.

Tobacco is a prominent risk factor for 6 to 8 leading causes of

death and almost 40% of the Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) including cancers, cardio-vascular diseases and lung disorders are attributable to tobacco use. As such the consequent burden of mortality and morbidity due to consumption of tobacco is very high in India. The number of deaths every year in India which is attributable to tobacco use is almost 13.5 lakhs.

Tobacco Survey (GYTS) 2019, nearly one-fifth of the students aged 13-15 have used tobacco in some form. Prevalence of tobacco use among boys is 9.6% and among girls is 7.4%. The median age for initiation of cigarette and bidi smoking, and smokeless tobacco use were 11.5 years, 10.5 years and 9.9 years respectively.

Yet another study on "Tobacco imagery in on-demand streaming content popular among adolescents and young adults in India: implications for global tobacco control" highlighted that there is rampant depiction of tobacco use and tobacco brand placement. Many of the series showed tobacco brands as well as close ups of tobacco products and tobacco usage. None of the series included anti-tobacco messages, spots and disclaimers. The shows with tobacco depictions included both

foreign-produced and Indian-produced series and most were rated for viewers below 18 years, thus targeting youth and children, said the study published in BMJ.



Dr Monika Arora, Vice President and Professor at PHFI says, "We studied tobacco imagery in 188 episodes of the ten most pop-ular series among 15 to 24-year-old Indian youth on Netflix and Amazon Prime Video. Our findings indicate that many shows had tobacco depicting imagery in it. None of the shows were compliant with tobacco-free film and TV rules under COTPA, 2003."

Another study conducted in $2019\ by\ KPMG$ reported that there were 325 million viewers of ondemand streaming platforms in India, and that young people (age

15-24) spent an average of 70 minutes per day watching online video content, which has further increased due to Covid 19 restric-

A study conducted in Delhi too showed that adolescents aged 12-16 years with high exposure to tobacco occurrences in Bollywood films were 2.3 times more likely to have ever used tobacco compared with adolescents with low exposure.

ed to change soon. But only if the Health Ministry takes urgent call in the matter. "There have been few rounds of consultations on the subject. A decision may be taken soon on bringing the OTT platforms at par with films screened in theatres and by cable or network TV broadcasters when it comes to adhering to the anti-tobacco warnings," a senior health official said on anonymity.

Mukhopadhyay says if such a thing happens, it would be a trendsetter in the world.

"It's a serious lacuna considering the far wider reach of the OTT shows amongst all the sections and age groups of the society. OTT giants like Netflix and Amazon came to India in 2016, it is sad that till date there are no laws to control the content," Anand Mishra, an advocate on record at the Supreme Court, said.

Tollaboration with HRI-Day, the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education, University of Control Research and Education and Control Research and Education and Control Research and Control Res Film Rules in India

The WHO Country Office for India conducted a study on "Tobacco imagery in on-demand streaming content popular among adolescents and young adults in India: implications for global tobacco control", to assess the impact of tobacco imagery in digital streaming series popular among adolescents and young adults in urban India. The HEALTH PIONEER shares the results.

Netflix and Hotstar. "The Tobacco-free Film and TV policy In recent years, on-demand video streaming platforms such as Amazon Prime, Netflix and Hotstar are rapidly becoming popular in India. A recent market research amongst Indians in the age group of 20–25 years has revealed that the time spent on these platforms range from 5 to 20 hours per week. The study recommends the

enforcement of Tobacco-free Film and TV Rules under the Tobacco Control Act of India for all content streamed on all web-based OTT platforms in India, whether pioneered by the Government of India is an innovative approach to health education. This study highlights the urgent need to initiate a dialogue with digital content providers to ensure sterner compliance to the policy and help protect vulnerable age groups like adolescents and young adults from unnecessary exposure to tobacco imagery in entertainment content showcased on these platforms.

> - Dr RODERICO H. OFRIN WHO Country Representative to India



produced within the country or internationally. In addition, the study also recommends that the current guidelines under Article 13 of Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) pertaining to the depiction of tobacco in entertainment media should be updated to bring newer internet and mobile based

STUDY DESIGN

platforms under its purview. As part of the study, 10 popular Web-series on

streaming platforms like Netflix and Amazon Prime, were identified after discussions with participants aged 15–24 years in Delhi. These were content-coded for tobacco imagery using the peer reviewed Breathe California protocol. Incidents of tobacco use and brand appearances in each series episode were counted, and compliance with extant Rules was recorded. In total, 188 episodes across 10 selected series from Netflix and

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

KEY FINDINGS

• Of the 188 episodes studied, 108 (57.4%) contained at least one incident of tobacco use.

 The total number of tobacco incidents in the selected series ranged from zero in Bodyguard, Riverdale and 13 Reasons Why to 1652 in The Marvellous Mrs Maisel

• The US-produced series like The Marvellous Mrs Maisel by Amazon and Narcos and The Crown by Netflix depicted a higher number of tobacco imagery when compared to Indian produced series like Mirzapur by Amazon and Sacred Games by

• Four out of the 10 series studied showed tobacco brands through product placements across episodes, and all of these were foreign productions. The two series — Sacred Games and Mirzapur — produced in India changed to have a produced in In India, showed tobacco imagery, how-ever they did not display the brand name of the products.

 Both foreign and Indian produced series depicting any tobacco incidents, did not comply with the tobacco-free film and TV Rules in

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





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

he 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 UŠA 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

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 UNFCCD 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 waterrelated 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

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How to prevent humanity's surrender to Al

The arrival of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has dramatically changed our lives. Globalisation criss-crossing the globe has pushed human civilisation to new frontiers of change. And one of the most remarkable dynamics heralded by the forces of such globalisation is no other than the grand advancements in information and communication technologies leading to the invention of the AI and its tools. It is estimated that by the year 2030, the AI could add \$13 trillion to the global economic output. This could finally increase the world's GDP by 1.2 per cent each year. A new generation born in the Google Age is fully accustomed to AI driven tools even before the coming of the deadly Covid-19. It is hoped that the young generation would specifically contribute to the massive growth of the new AI economy.

The datafication of the world has indeed compelled all of us to surrender to AI. Experts say that big data management demands machines. Their storage, usage and distribution largely are possible only by the use of the AI tools. The very fact what machines can think was given by Alan Turing in 1950 in his seminal work called "Computing Machinery and Intelligence". This book indeed answered many critical questions some 70 years back about AI. In that book, he proposed the idea of "The Imitation Game" that gave the idea of machine thinking like man. Today what we call "Turing Test" has become a remarkable tool in the AI paradigm. Interestingly this directly focuses on the ability of the machines to predict and respond like a human. However, the origin of the AI lies in the "Mechanical Man" found in ancient Greece and Egypt. Until 1929, Japanese professor Makoto Nishimura's invented robot named "Gakutensoku" created waves around the world spreading the message that this machine can work like a human and sense like them. But the very word called the "Artificial Intelligence" was first coined in a conference organised in the



Dartmouth College in the US

in 1956 only. The irony is that many national governments such as the US have openly played a significant role in helping expand the big tech business. Starting from the Bush Administration's Global Internet Freedom Task Force (GIFTF) to Obama's Cyberspace: Prosperity, Security and Openness in a Networked World (ISCP-SONW), the big tech con-glomerates and their subsidiaries have virtually occupied the new knowledge economy. The quintessential five — Google, Apple, Facebook, Amazon and Microsoft (GAFAM) - have quietly pushed down the yesteryear's large business magnates from the top of the charts of global business. This has come through entirely different routes. These corporations, besides fast becoming economic and political entities,

have started redefining the socio-cultural ethos of the common people. Their social media platforms and other high tech have interwoven people in myriad forms all across the world.

What has baffled humanity today is shocking mechanics built in the AI machines and tools. Altogether they are grad-International Strategy for ually replacing the work and skills carried out by humans for generations. By 2030, almost 47 per cent of the jobs that face high risks of automation would be taken over by AI. Besides, some of the jobs that equally involve risks and demands perfection in top industries like health, mining, space, etc, would be performed by the machines. It seems the loss of man-controlled jobs would add woes to the economic plight of us.

The biggest ever debate and dialogue is centred on the loss of privacy with the AI machines. Our very basic rights are lost with these machines. Precisely, there is no such law

as of today that can prevent the damages caused by the use of AI. The complex data environment, algorithms and the models underlying the development of the AI operations help the public institutions and the private corporations to maintain data secrecy. This kind of an environment can quickly breed public distrust over the new AI-drawn envi-

ronment. United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet specifically intervened and asked for a moratorium on the sale and use of AI last year. She warned of the dangers of unregulated AI tools. Further she highlighted that technology's decisions can change, define or damage human lives. A report released by the UN in this regard clearly highlights the risks of AI technologies. It also made it public that AI can serve as a force for good but if used irresponsibly, it can bring disaster to humanity. So the

UNHRC strongly appealed that the AI devices that do not conform to the international human rights law must be

The GAFAM has been central to crafting both bilateral and multilateral free trade agreements to their maximum benefit. With the birth of the WTO in 1995 along with its most controversial agreement called the Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS), the private corporations have started surpassing the borders of the nation-states. Many of these companies have already grown so big that they can easily take over many of the countries in the world. In fact such a scenario is posing a potential threat to the survival of the once powerful nation-state. And the GAFAM kinds of groups are virtually occupying the socio-cultural spaces of many besides being large physical entities. And when they are entering into the AI market

unlike the other business houses, they have the advantage of their huge customer base. It is an added advantage for them, and this is continuously taking the global AI market to the common people.

Now the moot question here is: Are we all responsible for giving away human rights to the AI tools and machines? The cumbersome, erratic and expansive network of globalisation has given a fillip to the upcoming AI market. And we all have become a part of the same. So only blaming the big tech companies is not enough

Above all, the machines invented or created by humans should not be allowed to take away the universal human rights. But alas! We all are inseparable from the digital media networks. We are into them. And AI machines have finally stolen our treasured past and promised future. The reason behind is our intense desire for a super comfortable, efficient and hassle-free lifestyle. As we move on to the next epoch of human civilisation, we will be certainly detached from our fellow beings. Machines will be our companions. Life will be much faster than ever before.

Gone are the days when we had abundant time for other humans to share our hopes and despairs. With AI penetrating deep down our privacy, we have seriously lost our capacity to preserve and manoeuvre what have been known as purely our own. The 21st century's new "Data Nation" and the tech giants have grabbed our privacy. The only way to balance work and life is to hammer out concrete legal strategies (both at national and global levels) to make AI human friendly. Else humanity will soon surrender to AI.

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PERSPECTIVE

26/11: A shared pain that binds India, Israel together

The 26/11 Mumbai attacks I have forged a strong bond between India and Israel. Lauding the courage of India and the people of Mumbai, Israel has said that the enormous loss on that "horrible day" in November 2008 continues to be an emotional moment for a lot of Israelis who feel that the 26/11 terror strike "is a shared pain" that binds India and Israel together.

"I remember vividly the courage of India and of the people of Mumbai and there is not one minute in which we do not benefit from the strategic partnership that was forged between us, among other things, on that horrible day," Israeli foreign ministry's Director General, Alon Ushpiz, wrote on Twitter.

"Tomorrow (Saturday) marks 14 years since the bloody terrorist attack in Mumbai which targeted 5 locations including the Chabad House in which Rabbi Gavriel and Rivka Holtsberg, Rabbi Gavriel Taitelbaum, Mrs. Norma Rabinovich, Rabbi Ben Zion Kurman and Mrs. Yocheved Orpaz were murdered," Ushpiz, who has in the past served as Israel's Ambassador in India, wrote on Friday.

Israel's top diplomat also called India's Ambassador to Israel, Sanjeev Singla, to convey his "deepest condolences" for this enormous loss of innocent civilians that day, among them six Israelis.

"May the memory of the victims be a blessing," he said. The 2008 Mumbai terror attacks continue to stir outrage

in Israel, where commemora-

tive events are held on its anniversary to condemn the senseless killings and demand action against the Pakistanbased masterminds of the car-

With posters and banners depicting the brutality of the ghastly attacks, Indians in Israel held candlelight vigil since Friday evening on the 14th anniversary of the terror attacks that shook India. They called for the Pakistan-sponsored Lashkar-e-Tayyeba terrorists involved in the 26/11 Mumbai attacks to be brought

The attacks, which drew widespread global condemnation, began on November 26 and lasted until November 29, 2008. A total of 166 people, including several foreign nationals, died and more than 300 were wounded.

Nine Pakistani terrorists were killed by the Indian security forces. Ajmal Kasab was the only terrorist who was captured alive. He was hanged four years later on November 21, 2012.

"The terrorists who killed women, children and innocents in such a frenzy should be identified and eliminated. The countries of the world should not only impose strict financial sanctions on the countries that provide shelter to the terrorists but also stop them in every way," Ravi Soma, President of Israel-Telangana Association told PTI.

People from Telangana, living in Israel, organised an event in Ramat Gan (close to Tel Aviv) offering prayers for the innocent lives lost in the brutal attacks and lit candles in



their memory. They also referred to the loss of six Jewish lives in the attacks in which 166 people were killed, hinting at a deliberate attempt to break the strong bonds between India

and Israel. The 26/11 attack continues to be an emotional moment for a lot of Israelis who feel that the Mumbai terror strike "is a shared pain" that binds India and Israel together.

The Indian Chaplaincy in the Holy Land, comprising mostly of the Malayalee Community in the region, also organised a remembrance ceremony attended by a large number of people from all over the country.

Adoration/Rosary ceremony, a Holy mass for the departed in the terrorist attack,

and special prayers was followed by a meeting with people holding lit candles and posters with slogans against terrorism, some Indian flags and also calls to end violence and promote peace. "Violence divides! Love unites!", said Rev. Pradeep, who heads the Indian Chaplaincy.

Condemning the Mumbai attacks, he said that he "prays

that such incidents will never occur again and people will live in peace and brotherhood".

Degel Menashe, an organ isation representing the Bnei Menashe Jewish community that has connections with India's north-eastern states of Manipur and Mizoram, condemned the attacks and has planned a commemorative event on Saturday.

Members of the organisation held protest also in Churachandpur holding placards reading, "no to terrorism", "we stand by all the victims of 26/11 attacks", etc.

Indian students at all the leading institutions in Israel — Hebrew University, Tel Aviv University, Technion in Haifa, Ben-Gurion University in Beersheba, Ariel University in the West Bank and some other institutions — have also planned candlelight vigil to commemorate 26/11 on

Saturday evening. "Each drop of blood is a burning flame against terrorism. Each martyr of 26/11 is a light kindled against the darkness," Krupa Susan Verghese, a PhD student at Ariel University told PTI

Ankit Chauhan, a postdoctoral fellow at Ben-Gurion University, said that the "gruesome terrorist attacks inflicted deep scars on every Indian's psyche that cannot be wiped". "Still some of the terrorists are roaming around freely on this earth who did this heinous act. Terrorism does not have any face and terrorists should be treated with no mercy. No mercy for terror anywhere in the world," he stressed.

Some of the students also lauded the efforts of the Indian security forces and the sacrifices made by them. "Today we once again remember our unsung brave hearts who lost their lives and we pay our sincere respect to the lost lives and their families," said Bhavana Velpula, a PhD student in medicine at Tel Aviv University.

"As Indian nationals stay-

ing abroad, we acknowledge and condemn this terrible incident. Gatherings for such a cause connect us to our country and its roots, uniting us together as one nation and together we raise our voice against terrorism coming in any form," she added.

Jewish outreach movement, Chabad, last year unveiled a plaque in the southern coastal city of Eilat in memory of the six Jewish victims of the Mumbai terror attacks. "To the memory and rise of souls of Rabbi Gavriel Noah and Rivka Holtsberg, who were martyred during the time of their holy mission in a terror attack at the Chabad house in Mumbai, India, from which the message of Torah was being spread all over the area," the plaque in Hebrew

The Torah constitutes the first five books of the Hebrew Bible. "And for the four guests who stayed in the Chabad house at the time of the attack, and were also martyred: Rabbi Gavriel Taitelbaum, Mrs. Norma Rabinovich, Rabbi Ben Zion Kurman, Mrs. Yocheved Orpaz. May their souls be bound up in the bond of eternal life," the plaque in Hebrew

Six Jews were among the 166 victims of the terror attack. All of them were killed at the Nariman House, popularly also known as the Chabad House. Israeli leaders and officials have also repeatedly called for the perpetrators of the horrendous crime to be "brought

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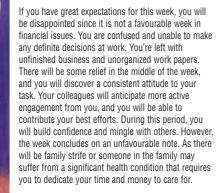




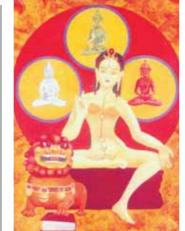




ARIES March 21-April 19



Lucky number 4 | Lucky colour Navy Blue Lucky day Tuesday



LEO July 23-Aug 22

This week you are headstrong, egoistic, and a bit violent. The theme of the week is work, work, and more work. You feel overburdened because a lot of job pressure is keeping you from having a good time. You perceive the horizon too far away and struggle to obtain goals. There is also a chance that you may become hasty and aggressive to some extent. You will make rash decisions when you are confused. Whenever you are anxious or unsure, simply meditate to boost your confidence and clarity. When faced with difficult decisions, your impartiality shines through, but you must be cautious not to act too quickly or the work will be wasted. You may utilise your intuitive nature to lead you through simple situations and your analytical tendency to make more difficult decisions.

Lucky number 28 | Lucky colour White



SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21

This week will be all about planning, discipline, and attention. There's a lot of uncertainty in the air. There are times when you could find an answer and realise the truth, but you choose not to. You purposefully avoid seeing the reality because you are afraid that your decision may worsen the issue. There is a chance that you may receive a court order in your favour in the middle of the week. Any legal issues or inquiries brought against you may leave you disappointed. It is time to take a break, reconsider, and analyse your job. Heal yourself and return with renewed vigour to tackle the difficulties. Have patience; everything will be fine; this is just a temporary phase in your life.

Lucky number 31 Lucky colour Red Lucky day Wednesday



TAURUS April 20-May 20

This week, God bestows all his blessings on you. Children will perform well in their exams, and whatever project you have been working on for a long time will be completed. There is a wonderful aura surrounding you that will give you the confidence to believe that you are a source of inspiration for many. Your communication abilities are effective, and because you have a fascinating personality, people will be drawn to you and expect a more honest and cooperative attitude from you. You are the leader of your group. Enjoy every minute of it. By the end of the week, you will also become spiritual. To connect with the divine, you perform pooja, meditation, and chanting, which will only enhance your creativity.

Lucky number 26 | Lucky colour Golden Lucky day Sunday



VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

This week gives you a lot of financial gain and enjoyment. You are an expert who puts all your knowledge to use in a more practical manner. You are trustworthy and fair in your interactions with others. You adhere to schedules, follow processes, and conduct vourself in accordance with rules and regulations. There is also a possibility that you may inherit a large sum of money or that you will receive a fortune. Raises and promotions are also on the agenda, which will only serve to boost your selfesteem. A new job, project, or task might also be anticipated. You gather your resources and make good use of them. You may use these fresh concepts in your profession. This week, your children may also be a source of joy for you.

Lucky number 5 | Lucky colour Pastel Green Lucky day Friday



CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19

Your good deeds will eventually pay off. The week begins with hard work and commitment in the material realm, with the goal of improving both your effort and yourself. You will pay attention to details, be persistent, concentrate, and work hard. You will intensify your efforts because what you are attempting will be challenging. But it will provide you with excellent professional experience and expertise. Finally, your applied abilities and intellect committed to the assignment will result in achievement. The moment has come for substantial cosmic healing and reconnection with God. A lot of intense forces come together towards the end of the week, with a great possibility for some form of healing to occur. Some of you may find acceptance of their love partner or marriage proposals.

Lucky number 28 | Lucky colour Peach **Lucky day** Saturday



GEMINI May 21-June 20

This is a time to experience different colours of life, such as love, adoration, compassion, emotional and spiritual satisfaction, anger, and, most importantly, an abundance of monetary fortune. The week begins with success in your financial endeavours. Your profits gradually increase as the week goes on. You, too, are concerned and live your life to the fullest. Your calm and generous demeanour at work will create a welcoming and harmonious workplace. You are preoccupied with domestic concerns throughout the middle of the week and effectively manage to strike a balance between your work and your family. The end of the week is a good time to savour the results of your labour. Good health, vigour, a creative spark, and happy vibrations may be found anywhere.

Lucky number 2 | Lucky colour Orange Lucký day Tuesdav



LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

The week begins with a hunt for solutions to complete the final ordeal successfully. You're standing right on the finish line. Expect difficulties. but you will find a way to overcome them. You are passionate and spend time with your spouse/partner during the week. The end of the week will be favourable for purchasing a new home/conveyance or for other property-related concerns. Most of you may have found vourself in an extraordinarily fortunate position, with several chances awaiting you. You feel healthy, vibrant, active, and in a good mood. Your confidence will be boosted by family support and collaboration. You'll go out to celebrate with your

Lucky number 20 | Lucky colour Sky Blue Lucky day Tuesday



AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18

This is a great week to make your dreams come true. There is a lot of love, money, and happiness. God bestows all blessings. Other indications point to this being an excellent week for organising, mental inspiration, and intuition. Use this week's favourable energy to boost your mental abilities. This week has been financially, spiritually, and emotionally gratifying in every way. Relationship issues are undoubtedly more evident right now. Everything is coming into place as you anticipated. New career or business opportunities are also on the agenda. You have strong health, command, and power, as well as good communication and leadership abilities. Lady Luck is also on your side.

Lucky number 27 | Lucky colour Indigo Lucky day Friday



CANCER June 21-July 22

Surprising lifestyle changes are on the horizon. Out of bloom, you find yourself in a position where you may feel proud, secure, and ready to face the world's difficulties. You are a winner in the sense that you will attain success in the area for which you had hoped People are envious of your achievements since you are well-known and famous. Your good wishes, on the other hand, will earn you a pat on the back. You will be able to progress in the development of everything that is in your best interests. A battle has been conquered, goals have been met, and exposure has been recognised and appreciated. Happiness and enjoyment are derived from the past. By the conclusion of the week, you will have pleasant nostalgic recollections of youth, friends, and spending time with younger people.

Lucky number 12 Lucky colour Grey **Lucky day** Saturday



SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

This week, all the activities revolve around work. Risk is synonymous with opportunity. There are several possibilities to profit from your hard work. You can afford to consider chances this week since you have a lot of creative potential. You're in that stage where your dare-devil mentality allows you to cross all barriers. An enormous assignment has been on your mind, and you have the power to complete it with elegance. Prepare to face the rigorous discipline of an elder lady in the family during the middle of the week It will assist you to follow the thoughts and suggestions of your mother or a mother-like character. Sharpen your mind through reading good literature, solving riddles, and gaining an insight or a breakthrough in the spiritual realm.

Lucky number 21 | Lucky colour Black Lucky day Tuesday



PISCES Feb 19-March 20

Collaboration and teamwork will lead to success. Workplace understanding and harmony will improve. You breathe new life into your job and lifestyle, which is brimming with ideas and enthusiasm. Opportunities and prospects for the near future appear to be promising. There are signs that a newly launched firm is thriving. You may soon receive an offer for a new position at work. Cooperation is a prominent subject right now, and discussions should go well. There is a divine creation as well as spirituality. Those in the family who are expecting a baby will be overjoyed to hear the wonderful news. You are brave in exploring new territory. By the end of the week, you will have settled all your concerns because you have the inner resources to tackle any challenge.

ucky number 13 | Lucky colour Turquoise Lucky day Thursday

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 Thave spent enough of time and energy pursuing someone I loved. I found lot of positives in him is why I was after him. Initially he responded well. But he ultimately ran away. Now, I feel miserable. You had cautioned me when I last consulted you. But my gut feeling told me that the positives in him would override his negatives and will finally come back to me. Is my destiny so bad that my wishes won't get fulfilled. Will I ever be able to get a good partner in life in near future, for which I am craving? Kindly guide me how to go about." Someone totally distraught because of wrong choice made, asked me the other day.

Everybody born into this world comes with both positives and negatives, coming as they may as Karmic carryover from the past. Both sides run concurrently. I agree, he is a potential guy who built a good career as would career signifying Moon rising over the head when born mean. It is further aided by the 10th sub-lord Saturn posited in the 11th house, placed in the nakshatra owned by 11th lord Sun identified with fulfilment of desires.

As already indicated, his outward

demeanour may apparently look refined, as would Mercury well aligned to Neptune mean. His inner frame of mind, however, vital to inter-personal relationship skills, is simply weird. You were already aware of his two failed marriages. You still chased him blindly. Look at his astrological pointers. The Sun is placed adverse to Saturn and Neptune. In the first place, it would mean the seeds of fear and insecurity deeply imbedded in his being. He would have a negative mind set, habitually suspicious of others. He would be self-pitying and a pessimist. He would enjoy vicarious pleasure by hurting others. Second, he would be an escapist stuck to his illusionary perceptions and belief. The moment he is confronted with contrarian views, instead of trying to find an answer, he may just run away. Mars placed adverse to Neptune indicates that he suffers from inferiority complex, which he would try to camouflage with his invented sense of confidence and outward appearance. Mars opposite Venus makes him self-indulgent. Since Venus is the lagna lord and Mars is the 7th lord identified with partner, it will be difficult for him to hold on to a rela-

Balance emotion with reason



tionship for long. Venus placed adverse to Neptune doesn't speak good of his reputation either. Also, He will not be able to manage his finance well. Saturn placed adverse to Neptune makes him inhibited and self-deluding. On top of that, lagna sub-lord Ketu occupying the lunar constellation owned by Rahu makes him out and out a material person, who, given an opportunity will try to exploit others. This time, you became a victim. The result is there to see.

Even more important is to know, why you fell into his trap. You got tricked by your own mind that made you believe your desire being gut feeling. Also, love can't be cultivated. If it is to happen, it comes about spontaneously, which knows no logic. You were just clinging to the man, expecting spending pleasant time in his company. There was no love from either side. The other guy was just enjoying your company in passing. You are born in Aries lagna. That makes you impulsive, who will jump into action without applying proper forethought. The lagna lord Mars occupying a fixed sign Aquarius, read together with the Sun also there, makes you a stubborn guy, not open to listening or counsel, unless pushed to the wall. Venus ill-disposed off to Uranus makes you vulnerable to get into unconventional relationship, ignoring ground realities. Moon posited adverse to Mercury makes you restless, which doesn't allow you the time and space necessary for due diligence. Moon also placed adverse to both Jupiter and Saturn makes you vulnerable to go through alternating phase of optimism and pessimism.

It may not be out of place to mention here that birds have two wings to fly, the two in balance with each other. Similarly, human beings have been provided with two tools - reason and emotion – to lead one's life. Too much guided by the head may make you just mechanical. And overawed by emotions, one may go crazy. We need to balance out the two for a smooth run of life. It is not that you lack the sense of reason. But you need to learn to balance emotion and reason, and tomorrow will be

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