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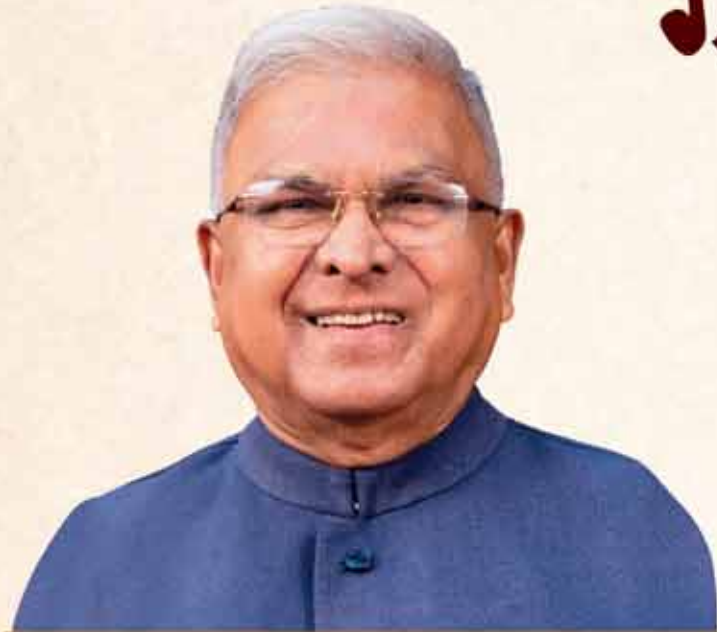




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SC: Forced conversion to imperil national security

Issue ‘very serious’, court says, asks Centre to tackle problem at once

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday said that forced religious conversion may pose a danger to national security and impinge on the religious freedom of citizens. The apex court warned a “very difficult situation” will emerge if proselytisation through deception, allurements and intimidation is not stopped and asked the Centre to step in and make sincere efforts to tackle the “very serious” issue.

“The issue with respect to the alleged conversion of religion, if it is found to be correct and true, is a very serious issue which may ultimately affect the security of the nation as well as the freedom of religion and conscience of the citizens,” the court said.

The apex court was hearing a plea filed by advocate Ashwini Kumar Upadhyay seeking direction to the Centre and States to take stringent steps to control fraudulent religious conversion by “intimidation, threatening, deceivingly luring through gifts and monetary benefits.”

Upadhyay submitted in his



plea that forced religious conversion is a nationwide problem which needs to be tackled immediately.

“The injury caused to the citizens is extremely large because there is not even one district which is free of religious conversion by ‘hook and crook’ the plea submitted.

While the Church has mostly been accused of proselytisation, the population of the Christian community relative to the country’s population has either been static or been on the decline since 1971. As per the 1971 Census,

Christians population stood at 2.6 per cent of India’s population. This figure came down to 2.3 per cent by 2001.

However, there is no official update on the population on religious lines.

The court said it is better that the Union Government makes its stand clear and file counters on what steps could be taken by Union and/or others to curb such forced conversion, maybe by force, allurements or fraudulent means,” said a bench of Justices MR Shah and Hima Kohli.

The court asked Solicitor

General Tushar Mehta to explain measures to curb the practice. “This is a very serious matter. Sincere efforts are to be made by the Centre to stop forced conversions. Otherwise a very difficult situation will come. Tell us what action do you propose....You have to step in,” the bench observed.

Mehta said that the issue was debated even in the Constituent Assembly.

“There were two Acts. One was by the Odisha Government and other one by Madhya Pradesh dealing with regulation of any forcible conversion by deceit, falsehood or fraud, money. These issues came before this court for consideration and the top court upheld the validity,” Mehta said, adding forced religious conversions are rampant in tribal areas.

“Incidents are reported every week throughout the country where conversion is done by intimidating, threatening, deceivingly luring through gifts and monetary benefits and also by using black magic, superstition, miracles but Centre and States have not taken stringent steps to stop this menace,” said the plea.

The plea has also sought directions to the Law Commission of India to prepare a report as well as a Bill to control religious conversion by intimidation and through monetary benefit.

Man chops partner into 35 parts, stores in fridge

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In what sounded like a Hitchcockian horror script, a youth chopped her live-in partner into 35 pieces and roamed around the national Capital for 18 nights to dispose of the body parts at different places.

The murder took place on May 18 but the crime came to light this Saturday as the Delhi Police arrested Aftab Ameen Poonawala (28) for killing Shraddha Walker, 26. Aftab had kept the body parts stored into a newly bought 300 litre fridge and used fragrance sticks to fight off the odour. To avoid any suspicion, he used to leave the house with a body part in a polybag around 2 am to dispose it of.

Aftab has been remanded in police custody for five days and investigation is on.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the accused was inspired by the American crime show “Dexter”, which tells the story of a man with homicidal tendencies who lives a double life. Being a trained chef, Aftab was adept at using the knife, said sources.

However, the knife used in the crime is yet to be recovered. He was taken to the Mehrauli forest area by the police on Monday to collect the body parts which he had disposed of there.

The relationship between Shraddha and Aftab reportedly soured as time progressed. According to the FIR filed by Shraddha’s father, Vikas Madaan Walker, before she had gone missing, she had told her parents and friends that Aftab would often beat her over minor issues.

The FIR, a copy of which



Shraddha Walker, who was chopped into 35 pieces by her live-in partner Aftab Ameen Poonawala

is with *The Pioneer*, said Shraddha’s parents had advised her many times not to go with Aftab as he belonged to a different faith. But she did not listen to their advice and left the house to live with Aftab.

For the next few weeks after the murder, Aftab allegedly interacted with the woman’s friends using her social media accounts so as to not arouse any suspicion. Moving on with his life as if nothing happened, the accused continued to live in the same place where they had shifted in May after moving from Mumbai.

The victim used to work at a call centre in Mumbai where she met the accused. They started dating and later moved in together. But their families objected to the relationship.

The murder came to light when the victim’s father came to Delhi to check on his daughter as she stopped replying to

his calls. When he reached the flat, it was locked. He approached the Mehrauli Police and filed a complaint alleging kidnapping.

“In 2018, my daughter made contact with Aftab at the workplace. Around seven to eight months later, we got to know that she was having an affair with Aftab. Without paying heed to our advice, she left the house in 2019,” said the

father in the FIR. “After a few days of her leaving her house, we got to

know that both were staying in Vasai. Later, they shifted to another location. She would not talk to me but would often talk to her mother. She also informed her mother that Aftab would fight with her. In January 2021, after the death of my wife, she called me too and informed me about the fight,” said Walker in the FIR.

Walker also said once Shraddha went back to Mumbai and she stayed at her parents’ house. “She came home, and she also told me about the fight and Aftab’s regular assaults. I advised her to stay, but after Aftab apologised she again went to Delhi,” Walker added in the FIR.

After receiving the complaint, Mumbai Police traced her last location to Delhi and also called Aftab whose contradictory statements raised suspicion, prompting them to rope in the Delhi Police.

Love gone sour: When heartthrob turns butcher

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Shraddha Walker, 29, from Vasai in the neighbouring Palghar district — who was killed by her live-in partner Aftab Poonawala — was planning to marry him at one stage before their love affair went sour for reasons best known to the couple.

The investigations by the Vasai and Delhi police — the latter cracked the murder mystery case by arresting the accused on Saturday — have revealed that Aftab took the extreme step after they quarrelled on May 18 this year.

Thirty-year-old Aftab, who has emerged as psychological killer of sorts, had kept the chilling murder under wraps for six-long months before the Delhi police — acting on the inputs from the Vasai police — ripped lid off a macabre crime.

It was the changing statements by Aftab that prompted the local investigators to alert the Delhi Police leading to the arrest of the alleged killer.

The investigations have revealed that Shraddha and Aftab became friends and later fell into love after they got to know each other in a friendship app some time in 2019.

Having made up to marry Aftab, Shraddha had sought her parents’ permission to get into a wedlock with Aftab. However, her parents objected to Shraddha marrying Aftab.

“As the parents were in no mood to relent, Shraddha walked out of her parental home and began to live with Aftab, who used to live in Diwanman Complex in Vasai west,” Police Inspector Sampatrao Patil attached to the Manikpur Police Station said.

After some months, her parents had taken her decision to have a living-in relationship with Aftab in their stride.

Sometime in September this year, Shraddha’s childhood friend Laxman Nadar — told her brother that he was not able to reach out his friend for over two months. Shraddha’s parents tried unsuccessfully to get in touch with Aftab to know about the whereabouts of their daughter.

During our tech-intel investigations, we found that statements made by Nadar were true. Shraddha’s phone was off since May this year. We found that she had also gone off social media forums like Facebook. Even her bank accounts were not in operation. Later we summoned Aftab to the Vasai police station where we recorded his full statement,” Inspector Patil said.

Simultaneously, puzzled by the changing statements of Aftab, Mira Bhayander-Vasai Virar Police Commissioner Sadanand Date spoke with the New Delhi Police Commissioner and sought the latter’s assistance in the investigations and the case was cracked.

PM to discuss food, energy security, eco growth revival in G-20 summit

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday said he will hold extensive discussions with leaders of the G-20 grouping in Bali, Indonesia, on challenges such as reviving global growth, ensuring food and energy security and addressing issues relating to health and digital transformation. He left for Bali in the afternoon.

The G-20 summit is taking place in Bali on November 15-16 against the backdrop of the ongoing Ukraine conflict and its adverse impact on food, fertilisers and food supply chains. The issue is likely to figure prominently in the summit.

Incidentally, US President Joe Biden on Monday met Chinese President Xi Jinping there for the first time since the Russian military action began in Ukraine in February.

This was the first in-person meeting between the two leaders since Biden became President and rising tension between the two countries on



Prime Minister Narendra Modi reaches Bali to attend the G20 Summit

PTI

economy and security.

Modi is likely to meet Biden, British PM Rishi Sunak and French President Emmanuel Macron on the side lines of the two-day summit.

India will assume presidency of the G-20 from Indonesia on December 1. Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese is among the other world leaders scheduled to participate in the summit. Russian President Vladimir Putin is not attending the meet and Foreign Minister

Sergey Lavrov will represent Russia.

In a pre-departure statement on Monday, Modi said he will also highlight India’s achievements and its “unwavering commitment” to collectively address global issues while noting that the country’s upcoming Presidency of the G20 will be grounded in the theme “Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam” or “One Earth, One Family, One Future.”

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Inflation drops to 6.77%; WPI 19-month low

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Indicating easing of the price situation, retail inflation moderated to 6.77 per cent in October from 7.41 per cent in September while the wholesale price index fell to a 19-month low mainly on account of subdued rates of food items.

The fall has also brought some relief for the RBI which has been struggling to bring it below the upper tolerance level of 6 per cent since January. The central bank has been tasked to keep inflation at 4 per cent with a margin of 2 per cent.

The data also revealed that annual inflation was subdued in eggs, meat and fish, oil and fats, and “sugar and confectionary” segments.

The Finance Ministry on Monday said the “drastic decline” in October retail inflation is mainly due to a dip in food price inflation and the impact of government measures to check price rise would be felt more significantly in the coming months.

CAPSULE

12 FEARED TRAPPED AS STONE QUARRY CAVES-IN

Aizawl: At least 12 people are feared trapped after a stone quarry collapsed in south Mizoram’s Hnahthial district, about 160 km from Aizawl, on Monday, a senior police officer said.

513 DRUG SMUGGLERS NABBED IN PUNJAB

Chandigarh: Punjab Police on Monday said it has arrested 513 drug smugglers and suppliers in the last two weeks as part of its anti-drug drive. Inspector General of Police (headquarters) Sukhchain Singh Gill said 406 first information reports (FIRs) have been registered.

MCD POLLS: CANDIDATES FILE NOMINATIONS

New Delhi: Amid huge rush, all 750 candidates of the three major parties in Delhi — the AAP, BJP and Congress — filed their nominations on Monday for the upcoming civic polls in Delhi, sources said.

3 steps to kick your kids’ Covid-induced screen addiction

PTI ■ PENRITH

Has your child’s screentime increased since Covid? If you were to estimate by how much, would you say 20%, 30% or even a 50% increase?

A newly released review comparing children’s screentime before and during Covid, shows children’s screentime spiked by a whopping 52% between 2020 and 2022. Increases were highest for children aged 12 to 18 years, and for handheld devices and personal computers.

Even though life is (almost) back to normal, many parents have noticed their child’s technology use is still much higher than pre-Covid levels. Their instinct may be to come down hard with rules and restrictions.

But another approach might be to create a healthier balance as a family.

Easy habits to make

The full effect of the pandemic on our technology use is

not yet clear, but there are factors to consider when understanding the current state of play of increased time on devices.

A key factor driving ongoing increased screentime is that extensive screen use sustained over time turns into a habit. In other words, once a person gets used to using technology for greater lengths of time, it becomes their “baseline.” Much like the way a child may get used to staying up late every night in the summer school holidays and then find it difficult to adjust back to school term bedtime again. The longer we do it, the more adjustment needed.

During our two Covid-induced years of restrictions, regulations and stay-at-home orders, many other activities were also removed from children’s routines. Not only did screentime increase, but it also became the only resource child had for school, play, commu-



nication, and everything in between. Screentime was not an add-on to their day, it became the core of their day.

Another factor driving children’s increased screentime more of our life has gone online since Covid. Online learning has become an ongoing element of education. As a result children continue to use technology for longer periods of time and more intensely, and it’s likely this trajectory will continue to increase.

Effects on kids

Increased screen time likely did not negatively interfere with well-being during lockdown periods as it was the only way to remain socially connected. However many worry, about the impact of high levels of screentime on children.

Evidence of its impact is still sketchy. One of the main reasons is that it is now very difficult to separate our online and offline worlds.

But there are important

points to consider regarding how problematic screentime impacts mental and cognitive health, which sit at the core of learning and development for children, and for us as adults.

We know there is a link between screen use and stress and anxiety. This doesn’t necessarily mean phone use causes stress and anxiety. It may be that when we are stressed and anxious, we reach for our phone to relieve it. But when that happens problems are not resolved and stress maintains. This can become a habit for children.

Screen overuse can lead to mental and physical fatigue impacting a child’s mood and ability to focus and learn.

Sleep is important for learning because it is during sleep we consolidate the ideas we engaged with that day. Little sleep means our brain doesn’t have a chance to do this, which negatively impacts learning. Some small, limited lab-based

experimental studies suggest screen use may negatively impact adults’ body clock and sleep. However, disrupted sleep is more often associated with the content a child engages with on a screen before bedtime. Hyped, highly emotive content is more likely to keep a child up at night. Reading a sweet story book on their screen, before bed has a different impact.

3 tips for cutting back as a family

Taking measures to cut a child’s screentime may seem like the most obvious parenting strategy. However, it is not necessarily the best as it often cannot be sustained. There are other measures that are more effective.

Like children, adults also experienced excessive screentime during Covid. Given parents’ level of screen use is strongly associated with children’s screen use, getting our

own screentime back under control is an important role model that children need to see. Here are three tips:

Approach it together

One study from Denmark focused on all family members taking measures together to change their screen habits and the results were highly effective.

Prepare for challenges

Important to the success of families in the study was that they were encouraged to talk about their expected challenges of reducing screen use and list potential solutions.

Guide all elements of healthy screen use

Ensure parental guidance focuses on all three aspects of healthy device use: screen time, screen quality and screen buddies. This means keeping an eye on time spent on a device but also ensuring a child uses technology in a wide variety of positive ways, in varying social situations – sometimes independently but often with others.

Eye on 2024 polls, Cong Task Force meets under Kharge

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NEW DELHI

With an eye on the 2024 General Election, the Congress Task Force on Monday met for the first time under the newly-appointed Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge.

The meeting resolved that each member of the task force be assigned specific tasks related to organisation, communications and media, outreach, finance, and election management. They shall have designated teams that will be notified subsequently.

The meeting happened at 15 GRG Congress War Room in New Delhi. This is the first Congress Task Force meeting that has taken place ever since Mallikarjun Kharge took charge as the Congress president.

The "Task Force 2024" was



constituted for the general election scheduled for year 2024. Members of the task force include P Chidambaram, Mukul Wasnik, Jairam Ramesh, KC Venugopal, Ajay Maken, Randeep Surjewala, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Sachin Pilot, Digvijay Singh and Sunil Kanugolu.

Party sources said while the task force will devise the strategy for the next general elections but at the same time it has also been mandated to aide and guide the team as when nominated for the next years assembly elections, particularly to retain Chhattisgarh and

Rajasthan while wrest Madhya Pradesh from BJP which broke the Kamal Nath led Congress government.

The other mandate is to form groups within to study the present and future course of regional parties, their strength and weaknesses, which can be worked upon to formalize a joint opposition in case there will be a need ahead of the elections.

To chart the Congress' future course, former chief Sonia Gandhi in June formed three groups -- on political affairs for guidance on key issues, Task Force-2024 to implement the Udaipur 'Nav Sankalp' declaration and another was to coordinate the 'Bharat Jodo Yatra' which is being currently undertaken by Rahul Gandhi.

The Political Affairs Group, headed by Sonia Gandhi, comprises Rahul Gandhi,

Mallikarjun Kharge, Ambika Soni, Digvijaya Singh, Anand Sharma, K C Venugopal and Jitendra Singh. Ghulam Nabi Azad was also too part of this group who has however quit the party after serving five decades at several positions. All members of the task force and all heads of the Congress' frontal organisations are ex officio members of the central group.

Congress is not taking chances this time after Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his ruling BJP swept back to power in the 2019 general elections. The party won 303 seats in the Lok Sabha bettering its 282 seats they won in 2014.

In 2014, Congress and its allies, that only won 44 seats, had put up a stronger fight in 2019 with 53 seats. Several leaders had also attempted to unite the Opposition against the BJP turned futile.

21st century India can't be imagined without Nehru's contribution: Cong

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■
NEW DELHI

The Congress on Monday paid rich tributes to the country's first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru on his birth anniversary, saying 21st century India cannot be imagined without his tremendous contribution and that his relevance has increased after 2014.

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, former party chief Sonia Gandhi and AICC general secretary in-charge organisation K C Venugopal, among others, offered floral tributes at Nehru's memorial Shanti Van in New Delhi. In a tweet message, former party chief Rahul Gandhi quoted Nehru's lines -- "Who is Bharat Mata? The people of India spread across its vast land matter the most. Mother India is this crores and crores of people."

"With these democratic, progressive and secular values



??of Pandit Nehru in my heart, I am walking to protect 'Mother India' of 'Hind Ke Jawahar'," he said referring to his Kanyakumari to Kashmir 'Bharat Jodo Yatra'.

Senior Congress leader Shashi Tharoor claimed that at the ceremony to pay tributes to Nehru at Parliament's central hall no central minister or "BJP notable" was present. "Performed pushparchana before the portrait of Jawaharlal Nehru ji in the Central Hall of Parliament this morning, along with Speaker @ombirlakota, Smt Sonia Gandhi, M. @kharge and fifteen @INCIndia leaders. No Central Minister or other BJP notable was present. Bipartisanship extinct!?" Tharoor tweeted.

Rijiju attacks Nehru again on Kashmir issue

PNS ■ NEW DELHI



Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju again attacked Jawaharlal Nehru on the Kashmir issue on Monday claiming that the country's first Prime Minister rejected Maharaja Hari Singh's plea to accede to India not just once but thrice and also allegedly moved the United Nations (UN) under the wrong article and thus making Pakistan a party to the dispute instead of an aggressor.

Rijiju also said Nehru let the "myth" of a UN-mandated plebiscite perpetuate and created the "divisive" Article 370 of the Constitution.

"Nehru rejected Maharaja Hari Singh's plea to accede to India not just once but thrice," he wrote on Twitter.

The law minister made these remarks in an opinion piece for the News 18 portal, which he shared on his Twitter handle.

"The people of this region, along with the rest of India, deserve to know the truth of what actually happened during those tumultuous months and years," the minister wrote.

He moved the UN under the wrong Article after Pakistan's invasion, thereby making it a party to the dispute instead of an aggressor, said the BJP leader.

Vidya Bharti organising national workshop to finalise blueprint of NEP

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

RSS outfit 'Vidya Bharti' is organising a three-day national workshop here starting November 13 to finalise the 'blueprint' for the implementation of New Education Policy (NEP) for its schools in North India, including those in Ladakh and Jammu and Kashmir, for the session 2023-24.

General Secretary, Vidya Bharti North Zone, Desh Raj Shama said the Foundation Stage Curriculum Framework announced by the Union Ministry of Education is a "noteworthy initiative" in the field of education and the focus is on "the personality development of children in the age group of 3 to 8 years based on moral and spiritual values based on 'Panchkosha' (Five sheaths of human develop-

ment)."

He said Vidya Bharti, while welcoming the basic aim of the curriculum, also calls upon the educationists of the country for its "earnest implementation".

He said It is noteworthy that 480 schools, from Kashmir to Delhi, are run under the aegis of 'Vidya Bharti' North Zone and in this context, "a three-day workshop from November 13 to 15 is being conducted here to finalize the blueprint for the implementation of NEP".

Educationists, subject experts and scholars related to the fields of research and psychology from Ladakh, Jammu Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Chandigarh, Haryana and Delhi are finalizing plans to implement NEP in these five states and union territories from the session 2023-24.

Udaipur blast exposes chinks in monitoring of explosives supply chain in India

RAKESH K SINGH ■
NEW DELHI



The use of Superpower 90 detonator manufactured by Nagpur-based Solar Explosives Ltd in the blast on the railway track in Udaipur has exposed the chinks in the monitoring of explosives supply chain as the firm's name had cropped up in 2016 for supply of explosives worth Rs 1,600 crore to ISIS in Syria.

While the probe is underway, a variety of angles are being looked into as part of the investigation including possibility of the ISIS in the suspected terror blasts, messaging against the development agenda and non-Islamic/criminal radical groups like banned Communist Party of India (Maoist).

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community, the possibility of the ISIS exploiting the fault-lines cannot be ruled out, Dr Mate said, adding, recent propaganda materials of the global terror group suggest the outfit is seeking to conduct spectacular action.

However, the role of the non-Islamic group or the Naxals also cannot be ruled out as the area is under the jurisdiction of the Zawar mines police station in Udaipur and the Maoists have bases in such areas.

According to counter-terrorism and geopolitical analysis firm Kavach, both Solar Explosives Ltd and Rajasthan Explosives and Chemicals Ltd were earlier found to be supplying explosives to the ISIS through shell companies.

These firms continue to operate and their products are finding their way into the hands of the radicals.

community, the possibility of the ISIS exploiting the fault-lines cannot be ruled out, Dr Mate said, adding, recent propaganda materials of the global terror group suggest the outfit is seeking to conduct spectacular action.

However, the role of the non-Islamic group or the Naxals also cannot be ruled out as the area is under the jurisdiction of the Zawar mines police station in Udaipur and the Maoists have bases in such areas.

According to counter-terrorism and geopolitical analysis firm Kavach, both Solar Explosives Ltd and Rajasthan Explosives and Chemicals Ltd were earlier found to be supplying explosives to the ISIS through shell companies.

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday granted time till December 12 to the Centre to file a comprehensive affidavit to petitions challenging the validity of certain provisions of a 1991 law, which prohibits filing of a lawsuit to reclaim a place of worship or seek a change in its character from what prevailed on August 15, 1947.

A bench comprising Chief Justice DY Chandrachud and Justice J B Pardiwala took note of the submissions of Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Centre, that the reply could not be filed and the matter can be taken up later.

"I need to consult with the Government for filing a detailed counter. If some time can be given," said Mehta.



The bench adjourned the hearing on the petitions after taking note of the submissions that due deliberations with government authorities were needed and asked the Centre to file a "comprehensive" one on or before December 12. The bench asked the Centre to share its response with the parties concerned and decided to hear the pleas in the first week of January 2023.

One of the petitioner and BJP leader Subramanian Swamy said that he has not sought setting aside of the Act in his petition. He said that like Ayodhya Ram temple dis-

pute, the matters pertaining to disputed sites at Kashi and Mathura be kept out of the purview of the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act, 1991. "I am not asking for the quashing of the Act. But two temples be added and the Act can stand as it is," he said.

The bench said it will consider Swamy's plea on the next date of hearing. Earlier, the bench had granted time till October 31 to the Centre to file its reply to the petitions. The top court was hearing the pleas, including the one filed by advocate Ashwini Upadhyay who has said sections 2, 3, 4 of the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act, 1991 be set aside on grounds including that these provisions take away the right of judicial remedy to reclaim a place of worship of any person or a religious group.

Maritime exercise 'Sea Vigil' to begin along entire coastline

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NEW DELHI



A two-day maritime exercise 'Sea Vigil' to review preparedness to meet any challenge including terrorists trying to sneak into India will commence along the entire 7,516km coastline from Tuesday. This national level coastal defence exercise was conceptualized in 2018 to validate various measures taken after 26/11 Mumbai terror attack in 2008.

Giving details of the third edition of the 'Pan-India' Coastal Defence Exercise 'Sea Vigil-22', officials said here on Monday, coastal security being a major sub-set of coastal defence construct, the concept of 'Sea Vigil' is to activate the security apparatus across India and assess the overarching coastal defence mechanism.

The exercise will be undertaken along the entire 7,516 km coastline and Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of India and will involve all the Coastal States and Union territories along with other maritime

stakeholders, including the fishing and coastal communities.

The Indian Navy is conducting the exercise in coordination with the Coast Guard and other ministries entrusted with the task of maritime activities.

The scale and conceptual expanse of the exercise is unprecedented in terms of the geographical extent, the number of stakeholders involved, the number of units participating and in terms of the objectives to be met.

The exercise is a build up towards the major Theatre Level Readiness Operational

Exercise (TROPEX), which the Indian Navy conducts every two years. 'Sea Vigil' and TROPEX together will cover the entire spectrum maritime security challenges.

Assets of the Indian Navy, Coast Guard, Customs and other maritime agencies will participate in 'Sea Vigil'. In addition to the Ministry of Defence, the conduct of this exercise is also being facilitated by the Ministries of Home Affairs, Ports Shipping and Waterways, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Fisheries Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Customs, and other agencies of Centre and states.

Rajnath stresses need for swift, transparent decision-making to ensure combat readiness

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NEW DELHI



Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Monday stressed upon the need for swift and transparent decision-making and availability of optimal resources to ensure combat readiness of the armed forces.

Underlining this important issue, he also said a delay in making a decision leads to loss of both time and money and affects combat preparedness. The minister made these observations while addressing the Controllers' Conference 2022 organised by the Defence Accounts Department (DAD).

Making this assertion, Rajnath said resources around the world are limited and emphasised on exercising "financial prudence" in using them. Resources should be used at the right places and

there should be no wastage, he added.

"A penny saved is a penny earned, and this applies fully to resources too. You are aware that for a country's combat readiness, not only availability of optimal resources is required, but swift and transparent decision-making is also needed," Rajnath said.

Inaugurating the two-day meet, the defence minister described the officials of the department as the sentinels of the defence finance system who play their part in nation building by managing the allotted funds with financial prudence.

Sextortion racket in Odisha: ED seizes incriminating documents, digital evidence, mobile phones

PNS ■ NEW DELHI



The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Monday said it has seized "incriminating" documents, digital evidence and mobile phones during recent searches carried out in connection with a money-laundering probe linked to an alleged "sextortion" racket that recently hit the headlines in Odisha.

The action was undertaken against prime accused Archana Nag, her husband Jagabandhu Chand, his alleged aide Khageshwar Patra and Sharadhanjali Behera, an associate of Nag, on November 10, the agency said.

A total of seven premises in the State were searched, the ED said in a statement.

The searches were conducted as part of an "ongoing money-laundering investiga-

tion being carried out by the ED in a high-profile sextortion racket operated by Archana Nag and her associates by targeting influential and affluent persons", it added.

The money-laundering probe stems from two Odisha Police FIRs filed against the accused. Nag and Chand were arrested by the police last month. They are currently undergoing judicial custody.

The ED arrested Patra recently and he is in the agency's custody till November 21, the statement said.

National Herald case: Shivakumar grilled by ED again

PNS ■ NEW DELHI



Karnataka Congress president D K Shivakumar on Monday appeared before the Enforcement Directorate here for a fresh round of questioning in the National Herald money laundering case.

This is the second time that the ED recorded his statement in a case that has been registered under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).

The 60-year-old former Karnataka cabinet minister told reporters he had furnished all documents sought by the agency in connection with the probe and that he had to

depose again despite seeking a three-week deferment of the summons.

"They have summoned me again on the Young Indian issue...I had sent some papers to them (ED) but probably they are not satisfied. We respect them, we respect the summons and we respect the institution. There is nothing to hide and whatever we have given (as a donation to Young Indian) is for charitable work," he said.

Env Min Yadav urges world leaders, citizens to embrace Mission LiFE philosophy

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■
NEW DELHI

Stressing that climate change goes beyond just policy making and its effects transcend geopolitical borders, Union Environment Minister Bhopender Yadav on Monday urged world leaders and citizens to embrace the philosophy of 'Mission LiFE', a movement focusing on mindful and deliberate utilisation of resources.

Launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Mission LiFE stands for 'Lifestyle for Environment', a pro-people and pro-planet effort that seeks to shift the world from mindless and wasteful consumption to mindful and deliberate utilisation of natural resources.

As developed nations dithers on taking responsibility for the climate change catastrophe that is taking toll on developing and smaller nations, Yadav, at an event held at the India Pavilion at COP27 in Sharm El-Sheikh in Egypt, reminded the world leaders that the luxury to pass the buck is no longer there.

"We are at a critical juncture in our common fight against climate change, a juncture which requires not just government effort but contribution from all stakeholders, each individual, towards ensuring a sustainable and equitable planet, he said adding "It (LiFE) inspires us to do all that can be done in our everyday life to protect the environment as stated by our Prime Minister".

IN-SHORT

BENGAL HIGHLIGHTING 21 PRODUCTS IN IITF 2022
New Delhi: In keeping with the theme of 'Vocal for Local, Local to Global' for this year's IITF-2022 here, West Bengal is highlighting among others its much-sought after 21 products including Dhaniakhali and Santipore Sarees, Banglar Rasogolla, Govindobhog rice, Tulajapani rice (all GI tagged) at its pavilion, inaugurated by State Principal Resident Commissioner RD Meena on Monday here.

SENIOR IAS OFFICER APPOINTED CEO OF PRASAR BHARTI
New Delhi: Senior IAS officer Gaurav Dwivedi was on Monday appointed the Prasara Bharati CEO. A 1995-batch officer of Chhattisgarh cadre, Dwivedi will have a five-year tenure from the date he assumes charge.

SC DECIDES TO HEAR PLEA ON MEHTA'S TRAVELLING ABROAD
New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday decided to hear after two weeks the CBI's plea against a Bombay High Court order allowing Mainak Mehta, the brother-in-law of fugitive diamondaire Nirav Modi who is an accused in the Punjab National Bank (PNB) fraud case, to travel abroad.

JAMMU-BASED BUSINESS GROUP CHARGESHEETED
New Delhi: A chargesheet under the anti-money laundering law has been filed against the promoters of a Jammu-based business group in a case linked to an alleged bank loan fraud involving an amount of more than Rs 91 crore, the ED said.

SC DISMISSES PLEA BY SENIOR ADVOCATE
New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday dismissed a plea by senior advocate Sanjay Hegde seeking transfer of his case, challenging the permanent suspension of his Twitter account for allegedly re-tweeting two posts, from the Delhi High Court to the top court.

छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल

पर्यावास भवन, नार्थ ब्लॉक, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर, अटल नगर, जिला- रायपुर (छ.ग.) 492002

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भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली की अधिसूचना दिनांक 14.09.2006 (यथा संशोधित) के तहत सर्व संबंधित को सूचित किया जाता है कि मेसर्स शिवशंकर मिनरल्स एंड डोलोमाईट (प्रो - श्रीमति शोभा अग्रवाल), ग्राम-धौराभाठा, तहसील - बिल्हा, जिला- बिलासपुर स्थित खसरा क्रमांक 252, 253 / 1, 253 / 3, 257, 260, 261/1, 261/2, 262, 263, 264, 265/1-2, 268, 269/1, 269 / 2 एवं 270, कुल क्षेत्रफल - 5.811 हेक्टेयर में प्रस्तावित डोलोमाईट (गौण खनिज) उत्खनन क्षमता 50,000 टन प्रतिवर्ष के पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति हेतु लोक सुनवाई बाबत छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल में आवेदन किया गया है। उक्त प्रस्तावित परियोजना के संबंध में आपत्ति / सुझाव / टीका-टिप्पणी इस अधिसूचना के जारी होने के दिनांक से 30 दिवस के अंदर क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी, छ.ग. पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल, बिलासपुर के कार्यालय में मौखिक अथवा लिखित रूप से कार्यालयीन समय में प्रस्तुत की जा सकती है। इस परियोजना के लिए लोक सुनवाई दिनांक 16/12/2022 को प्रातः 11:00 बजे शासकीय हाई स्कूल परिसर, ग्राम-धौराभाठा, तहसील-बिल्हा, जिला- बिलासपुर (छ.ग.) में नियत की गई है। यह भी सूचित हो कि लोक सुनवाई के दौरान भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली के ऑफिस मेमोरेण्डम F.No. 22-25/2000-IA, III दिनांक 14.09.2020 तथा कोरोना वायरस के नियंत्रण एवं रोकथाम हेतु शासन द्वारा जारी समस्त दिशा-निर्देशों का अक्षरशः पालन कराया जाना अनिवार्य होगा।

ई.आई.ए. अधिसूचना दिनांक 14.09.2006 (यथासंशोधित) के प्रावधानों के अनुसार झुपट ई.आई.ए. रिपोर्ट, कार्यपालकस्य की प्रति (हिन्दी व अंग्रेजी में) एवं इसकी सी.डी. (साफ्ट कॉपी) जन सामान्य के अवलोकन / पठन हेतु कार्यालय कलेक्टर बिलासपुर, कार्यालय मुख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी, जिला पंचायत बिलासपुर, अनुविभागीय अधिकारी (रा.), कार्यालय अनुविभागीय अधिकारी (रा.) बिल्हा, जिला- बिलासपुर, महाप्रबंधक कार्यालय जिला व्यापार एवं उद्योग केन्द्र बिलासपुर, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, अधिकारी, छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल, व्यापार विहार प. दीनदयाल उपाध्याय पार्क के पास, बिलासपुर, सरंचन / सचिव कार्यालय ग्राम पंचायत- धौराभाठा, मोहदा, बुटना, मुरू, मेडपार (छोटा), दौना, तहसील - बिल्हा, जिला- बिलासपुर (छ.ग.), डायरेक्टर, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन, मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, इंदिरा पर्यावरण भवन, वायु गिग, जोरबाग रोड, नई दिल्ली, मुख्य वन संरक्षक, एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, अरण्य भवन, नार्थ ब्लॉक, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर अटल नगर, जिला- रायपुर एवं मुख्यालय, छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल, पर्यावास भवन, नार्थ ब्लॉक, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर अटल नगर, रायपुर (छ.ग.) में रखी गई है।

सदस्य सचिव
छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल,
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2,394 candidates file nominations for MCD polls

SAURAV GUPTA ■ NEW DELHI

On the last day of filing the nomination for the forthcoming Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) elections, a total of 2,394 candidates till 12 am filled their nomination on Monday.

“Process for receipt of nominations went completely smoothly and elaborate arrangements had been put in place at all Returning Officers headquarters, being the last day for Nominations. District Magistrates, Deputy Commissioner of Police, and Deputy Commissioners of MCD had made coordinated arrangements for traffic circulation, parking, and basic facilities said a senior SEC official.

“Due to a single day rush, the process of nominations who had arrived by 3 pm continued till late evening,” he

said.

“Around 40 candidates have filed their nomination till last week on Friday, out of which the majority was independent,” he added.

Ahead of the nomination, several candidates visited temples; gurudwaras, etc, on the way to the enrollment office, candidates were followed by the supporters chanting slogans in the favour of the respective party. Candidates were also seen interacting with the rival candidates which created a friendly environment and they also conducted “jan sampark” to appeal to the residents to vote for them in the upcoming elections.

The national capital has also witnessed traffic jams in many areas including ITO, Kashmere Gate, Geeta Colony, Amar Colony, Lajpat Nagar, Jahangirpuri, etc due to the last

date of filling the nominations.

The Candidates of the three major political parties – AAP, Congress, and BJP only got a day to file their nomination, as the parties released the list of the candidates on the Weekend which was declared as a public holiday, as per rule 14 of the DMC (Election of Councilors) Rules, 2012, by the SEC.

68 returning officers, each in charge of three to six wards in the city, were appointed by the Commission to facilitate the candidates in filling the nomination, said SEC.

The AAP released its first and final list of candidates on Friday and Saturday respectively, last week.

The BJP released its first list of the 232 candidates on Saturday late at night and the final list featuring 18 candidates was declared by the party on Sunday, while the Congress

announced the list of the 250 councilors who have been facilitated with the party ticket to contest the elections, on Sunday.

The date set for filling the nomination was set from November 7 to November 14, by the State Election Commission (SEC). However, Accompanied by Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, Devendra Chaudhary party's candidate from Mayur Vihar Phase 2 ward, Kuldeep Bhandari from Vinod Nagar ward, and Reena Tomar from Mandawali ward filed their nomination at Patparganj.

Criticizing the BJP, Sisodia said that the saffron party in the past 15 years has not done their duty of taking care of the sanitation, repair work of streets, etc handed over by the people of Delhi top them, by giving the reign of the MCD in their hands.

BJP ruined Delhi with inept waste management: Sisodia

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Taking a jibe at the BJP, Delhi Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia on Monday accused the BJP of extorting businessmen and delaying salaries of sanitation workers here, even as he claimed that the saffron party “ruined Delhi” with improper waste management.

Meanwhile, the AAP claimed that all district presidents of the BJP have resigned ahead of the December 4 polls to the MCD.

“The BJP did not pay salaries to sanitation workers on time but extorted money from businessmen and people

across the capital. While in power at the MCD, that party ruined the city with improper waste management and did nothing for public welfare.

“The people of Delhi want to get rid of the BJP and the garbage littered across the city,” Sisodia alleged.

The senior AAP leader further said the BJP was confused whether their leaders should contest the MCD elections based on conspiracies or by “sending Manish Sisodia to jail”. During the day, he met AAP poll candidates at the nomination centre in East Delhi and conveyed his wishes to them.

“Delhiites have been irked

with the misdeeds of the BJP for several years, and this time, they have decided to remove that party from the MCD. The BJP's primary task was to keep Delhi clean but it has failed terribly,” he said.

During a press conference, AAP's chief spokesperson Saurabh Bhardwaj said, “The district president is a key post, but all district presidents of the BJP have handed over their resignations to Delhi BJP chief Adesh Gupta. I want to extend my best wishes to them. They have taken the right decision at the right time.” Meanwhile, several local BJP leaders joined the Arvind Kejriwal-led party on Monday.

Register FIR against Kejriwal for ₹20 cr DJB scam: Bidhuri

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

With elections for the key MCD only weeks away, the Delhi BJP on Monday shared a poster on Twitter that contains a caricature of Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal wearing multiple feathers on his head. “Feathers of P'AAP,” the BJP tweeted with the caption “AAP looting Delhi”. This latest salvo comes after Leader of Opposition and senior BJP leader Ramvir Singh Bidhuri held a press conference earlier in the day, and claimed that the ruling AAP regime in the national capital is not only involved in the liquor policy scam but also in one pertaining to the Delhi Jal Board (DJB) and demanded an FIR should be registered against Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal in the alleged Rs 20 crore scam.

Furnish all public statements and press communications issued: Delhi HC to CBI, ED on excise policy investigation

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi High Court Monday ordered the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and the Enforcement Directorate (ED) to furnish all public statements and press communications issued by them to media in relation to their investigation in Delhi government's excise policy in which Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia and businessman Vijay Nair are also accused.

The high court's order came on a plea by Nair claiming that sensitive information in relation to the case was being leaked to the media by the investigating agencies which was hampering his right as an accused. “The court, before proceeding further, requests respondent no. 1 (CBI) and 2 (ED) to place all the

press communications and press released put out by them in connection with the investigation of the criminal case,” Justice Yashwant Varma said and listed the plea for further hearing on November 21.

The court said it will consider the official communications issued by the investigating agencies and then see if the television channels reported on the issue based on the communication or out of their “figment of imagination”. Nair is a former CEO of an events management company and communication in-charge of AAP.

Senior advocate Dayan Krishnan, appearing for Nair, argued that if a news organisation is carrying things based on imagination, that is dangerous. To this, the judge said, “then that is

an alarm for us”.

Nair's counsel said the case was at a critical stage of trial and when the details come in media, his rights are completely gone. The high court also observed, “disclosure is happening in real time, prime time, day in and day out”.

Krishnan submitted that Section 164 statement of an approver in the case is also being recorded today and if that too gets reported in the media, it would seriously prejudice their case.

The judge then responded that if in-camera proceedings are reported, then it will be a serious issue.

The judge further said that the court is not concerned whether the petitioner (Nair) is a member of a political party.

Court grants ED custody of Nair, Boinpally

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

A Delhi court on Monday sent Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) communication in-charge Vijay Nair and businessman Abhishek Boinpally to five days' ED custody in a money laundering case related to the excise scam but granted them bail in a linked corruption case being probed by the CBI.

Special Judge MK Nagpal allowed the Enforcement Directorate's (ED) application seeking remand of the two accused after the agency said they needed to be interrogated to unearth the larger conspiracy and the money trail.

LG recommends MHA to punish ex-Delhi Waqf CEO for illegal resolutions in board

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena has recommended the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) to initiate disciplinary proceedings against Indian Administrative Services (IAS) officer and former Delhi Waqf Board CEO SM Ali for allowing “illegal” resolutions of the board, sources at the L-G office said on Monday.

According to the sources, Ali, during his stint as the CEO of DWB, is accused by the CBI of indulging in acts of Omission and Commission, which include, not opposing the illegal resolution passed by the Board for appointment of its CEO and several other contractual staff in blatant disregard of his responsibilities.

Saxena has recommended disciplinary proceedings under Rule 16 of



the CCS (CCA), Rules 1965, said sources.

In the CBI inquiry against Amanatullah Khan, it was found that Ali, as CEO and Member of the DWB, executed the illegal resolution passed by the Board for appointment of Mehboob Alam as the CEO and also formally handed over charge to him as his successor, they said.

The advertisements published for the post of CEO was in violation of the Delhi Waqf Act and Rules and apart from appointing the CEO, the said advertisement also formed the

basis for other staff on contractual basis,” they stated.

L-G said advertisement was published and recruitments were made during Ali's tenure as CEO and being the CEO, it was his duty to object to the illegal resolution passed by the Board in its meeting, where he was also present as Member Secretary.

Sources said that Ali signed the minutes that resolved to issue advertisement for recruitment of CEO, which blatantly read “Resolved that advertisement published for the post of CEO is ratified and Mehboob Alam (Retd. IPS) be approved for the post of CEO in the office of DWB”.

The Board not only gave ex-post facto approval to an illegal advertisement, but also approved the illegal appointment of Mehboob Alam as CEO on the basis of the illegal advertisement, sources added.



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EXTRACT OF STANDALONE AND CONSOLIDATED UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30 th SEPTEMBER 2022												
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2	Net Profit/(Loss) before Exceptional items and tax	(133.61)	(186.76)	(559.71)	(320.38)	(1,324.79)	(1,124.10)	(97.03)	(300.45)	(402.73)	(397.48)	(1,187.39)
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional items)	(142.80)	(198.13)	(559.46)	(340.94)	(1,328.00)	(1,132.26)	(106.22)	(311.82)	(402.47)	(418.04)	(1,190.64)
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional items)	(142.80)	(198.13)	(559.46)	(340.94)	(1,328.00)	(821.88)	(129.92)	(311.82)	(402.47)	(441.74)	(1,190.64)
5	Total Comprehensive Income / (Loss) for the period (Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax) and other comprehensive income (after tax))	(138.70)	(202.23)	(559.46)	(340.94)	(1,328.00)	(817.78)	(129.92)	(311.82)	(402.47)	(441.74)	(1,190.64)
6	Equity Share Capital	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81	1,920.81
7	Other Equity (Reserves excluding revaluation reserve)	-	-	-	2,142.23	1,972.94	2,483.17	-	-	-	1,519.65	1,631.09
8	Earning per share (of Rs.10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)	(0.72)	(1.05)	(2.91)	(1.77)	(6.91)	(4.26)	(0.68)	(1.62)	(2.10)	(2.30)	(6.20)
	(a) Basic (in Rs.)	(0.72)	(1.05)	(2.91)	(1.77)	(6.91)	(4.26)	(0.68)	(1.62)	(2.10)	(2.30)	(6.20)
	(b) Diluted (in Rs.)	(0.72)	(1.05)	(2.91)	(1.77)	(6.91)	(4.26)	(0.68)	(1.62)	(2.10)	(2.30)	(6.20)
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2 The above standalone and consolidated financial results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on Monday, 14 th November, 2022.												
for OK Play India Limited Sd/- Rajan Handa Managing Director (DIN 00194590)												
Place : New Delhi Date : 14 th November, 2022												

Lover-to-butcher tale: Neighbours had no clue all the while

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Neighbours of the 28-year-old man, who allegedly chopped his live-in partner's body into pieces and kept them in a fridge at his house in Mehrauli here for almost three weeks, said they were clueless until the police arrested him.

They, however, said there was barely any furniture in the couple's house and that the new 300-litre refrigerator the accused purchased to hide the body was kept in the drawing room.

The neighbours also said they had never seen the victim in the locality but had spotted the accused coming downstairs from his house on the first floor to collect food delivery orders.

Aaftab Amin Poonawalla and 29-year-old Shradha Walkar lived on the first floor of a building at Gully Number 1 in Chhatarpur Pahadi area. Though the South Delhi neighbourhood has houses in close proximity, most people said they did not hear any cry or see unusual activity.



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EXTRACT OF STANDALONE AND CONSOLIDATED UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

(Amount in Lacs)													
Sl. No.	Particulars	QUARTER ENDED						HALF YEAR ENDED				YEAR ENDED	
		STANDALONE			CONSOLIDATED			STANDALONE		CONSOLIDATED		STANDALONE	CONSOLIDATED
		30-Sep-22	30-Jun-22	30-Sep-21	30-Sep-22	30-Jun-22	30-Sep-21	30-Sep-22	30-Sep-21	30-Sep-22	30-Sep-21	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-22
		Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Audited	Audited
1	Total Income from operations (Net)	55.50	56.08	67.53	55.51	50.08	61.53	111.58	94.03	105.58	82.03	215.57	512.69
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before tax and exceptional items)	2,188.35	(387.99)	1,251.26	1,091.17	934.41	958.93	1,800.36	1,029.33	2,025.58	1,613.98	720.47	2,754.38
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before tax (after exceptional items)	2,188.35	(387.99)	1,251.26	1,091.17	934.41	958.93	1,800.36	1,029.33	2,025.58	1,613.98	720.47	2,754.05
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after tax (after exceptional items)	1,724.98	(341.59)	1,264.26	629.68	979.20	977.47	1,383.39	1,042.33	1,608.87	1,632.52	523.10	2,563.14
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (after tax)	1,952.11	(880.66)	1,392.67	789.81	-235.41	1,296.49	1,071.44	1,611.15	554.41	2,019.57	16,202.45	18,519.40
6	Equity Share Capital (Face value of share is Rs. 10/- each)	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves as shown in the Balance Sheet of previous year)	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A
8	Earnings per share (EPS) (of Rs. 10/- each) (Not Annualised)												
	(a) Basic and Diluted EPS (before exceptional Items) (in Rs.)	6.89	(1.36)	5.05	2.51	3.91	3.90	5.52	4.16	6.43	6.52	2.09	10.24
	(b) Basic and Diluted EPS (after exceptional Items) (in Rs.)	6.89	(1.36)	5.05	2.51	3.91	3.90	5.52	4.16	6.43	6.52	2.09	10.24

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- The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their respective meeting held on November 14th, 2022. The Statutory Auditors of the Company have carried out a limited review of the aforesaid results.
- Previous quarter/ year end figures have been rearranged and / or regrouped, wherever necessary, to make them comparable with those of the current quarter/ year end.

Place : New Delhi
Date : 14th November, 2022

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Managing Director

Psychopath?

Aftab Ameen Poonawala not only murdered his live-in partner but also cut her body in 35 pieces

Aftab Ameen Poonawala, 28, was trained as a chef. The training was to prepare good food for people, be it customers, friends or family members. Instead, he used his cutting and chopping skills on the body of his live-in partner Shraddha Walkar on May 18. They reportedly had a fight over marriage, which she was insisting upon and he was reluctant to go for. Apparently, he strangled her after the fight, but what he did then has left the entire country horrified: he cut her body into 35 pieces and dumped it in a 300-litre fridge which he'd bought for this purpose only. Gradually, over the next 18 days, he got rid of the body parts in different areas of the Mehrauli forest. Killing a spouse or partner in a fit of rage is not unheard of, but disposing of a body in such a grisly manner indeed is. In fact, only after complete investigation would we know the exact sequence of events — whether the murder happened on the spur of the moment or was it planned, when and how Poonawala decided to cut her body and throw away the parts over a period of time. But to think of the murder and what followed over the next 18 days is sickening. How could one live in a house knowing that the fridge in it contains a dead body — and that too of one's live-in partner?



One can only hope that no section of the media and social media would overemphasise the fact that the murderer is a Muslim and the victim a Hindu. Walkar's family was against the relationship. It has been reported that 26-year-old Shraddha was employed at the call centre of a multinational company in Mumbai. She met Poonawala and a relationship began, resulting in living together. They shifted to Delhi and began living in a Mehrauli flat. There are varying accounts of how the murder was detected. According to one, her family didn't have much contact with her after her elopement with Poonawala. A media report says that it was one of Shraddha's friends who had informed her brother about her phone being switched off for over two months. It was in November that her father filed a complaint alleging kidnapping. The complaint also said that Shraddha had earlier told him about frequent beatings by Poonawala. There are four takeaways from this gruesome episode. First, perverts and psychopaths don't exist in movies only; they are all around us; we have to be careful. Second, there are people who believe that they can get away with any crime, including murder, if they are smart enough. Third, families should not abandon their youngsters, especially girls, if the latter decide to choose their own life partner. And, finally, girls and their families must take domestic violence seriously. They shouldn't get carried by 'arrey, sab theek ho jayega.' For, sometimes domestic violence results in death, as in this case.

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Tourists at the snow-covered Nathatop after fresh spell of snowfall, about 120 km from Jammu

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Controlling airwaves

New guidelines about 30 mins of 'national interest' broadcast might be an effort to tame TV channels

With a guideline to broadcast in the national interest, the government has taken a first baby step to reign in the TV channels. Though the guidelines are innocuous and do not have punitive action attached to them. As per the new guidelines released by the ministry that the TV channels would now have to broadcast programs of national interest for half-an-hour every day. It is now obligatory for all TV channels, to "undertake public service broadcasting for a minimum period of 30 minutes in a day on themes of national importance and social relevance". The logic behind the guidelines is that airways are public property and so must conform to the best interests of the people. This is part of the 'Guidelines for Uplinking and Downlinking of Satellite Television Channels in India, 2022', which were approved by the Union Cabinet on September 28. This is likely to affect the commercial aspect of the private TV channels who are increasingly seeing a decline in their revenue share as internet-based channels are eating into their ad share. Then the biggest problem is what construes as national interest — the government would like to think the policies and programs of the government are in the public interest and so would ensure its propaganda free of cost.



The guidelines are a direct intervention in the programming of TV channels. Besides, were they broadcasting anti-national programs? If they were then there are laws in place to deal with that like promoting, violence, drugs, smoking, drinking, etc. Moreover, the Ministry will monitor the channels for the broadcast of this content. In case non-compliance is observed in the Ministry's view, an explanation will be sought. It gives enough leverage to the government to pull up a TV channel that it feels is not supportive. The policy mandates that channels uplinking in frequency bands other than C-band must encrypt their signals. Uplinking and downlinking "shall be subject to clearance and approval by the Ministry of Home Affairs, and wherever considered necessary, of other authorities", yet another rule to reign in the channels and exert pressure. The penalty clauses have been rationalised, and separate sets of penalties have been proposed for different types of contraventions as against the uniform penalty that is applicable currently. It would have been better had the government encouraged TV channels to have their own content screening mechanism rather than taking it into its own hands which naturally smacks of backdoor censorship.

Electoral reforms must in all quarters

To make the electoral system free and fair in the world's largest democracy, the use of money and muscle power must be curbed in the Indian context

The most important thing is to keep the electoral and behavioural dynamics free and fair, it is essential to reform them. Before touching upon the essential dimensions of reform it is imperative to know about the connotations of reform and the reforms taken so far. The knowledge is of paramount importance to formulate and proceed for further improvisation, addition, and pragmatic implementation.

The word reform by its semantic connotation means to put or change into an improved form or condition, to amend or improve by change of form or removal of fault or abuses, put an end to evil by enforcing or introducing a better method or course of action and to induce or cause to abandon evil ways. In general, it means an improvement by changing behavioural aspects and/or structure of the system.

The word reform is derived from the Latin word reform meaning improvement or amendment of what is wrong, corrupt, or unsatisfactory. The use of the word emerged in the late 18th century and is believed to have originated from Christopher Wyvill's association movement identifying parliamentary reform as the primary aim. It is discernible that reform is antithetical to revolution.

Reform as such delineates a change in the present structure and behavioural dynamics to effect improvement. The question arises as to why reform? Is there any other method to make the electoral process better? In a democratic system with a constitutional framework, overhauling a process is difficult and may well nigh be impossible and not desirable. The wrong can be corrected through reforms and amendments, to improvise the process to move towards the cherished goal of a free and fair election and a better democratic setup.

In our country, the electoral process is governed by certain articles of the constitution of India, amendments, and many



acts/laws and judicial pronouncements, etc. Art 324 to art 329 in the constitution of India deals with election matters in part XV of the constitution of India. Art 324 (i) rests the power of the superintendence, direction, and control of elections, etc in the election commission of India. Art 324(2) deals with the composition of the election commission. The powers and functions of the election commission as such can be delineated as administrative, advisory, and quasi-judicial. Apart from this, other acts/laws which deal with the election process are the anti-defection law, the Representation of peoples Act, 1950, (preparation before the actual election) Representation of people's Act, 1951 (makes provisions for the actual conduct of elections).

Fifty-second Amendment Act 1985 passed Anti defection Act (the Tenth schedule of the constitution of India) to check defection (a serious malady in a democratic setup). Hon'ble Apex Court through landmark judgment also has initiated much-desired changes. In Jan chaukidari vs Union of India, 2013, S.C pronounced that all those in lawful police or judicial custody other than those held in preventive detention will forfeit their right to stand

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for election. In Lily Thomas vs Union of India, SC declared that those convicted are disqualified from polls.

The Supreme Court also held that voters could exercise the option of negative voting and reject all candidates as unworthy by pressing the NOTA (None of the above) option in EVM. Even the supreme court on a petition filed by advocate Subramanian Balaji challenging the state's decision to distribute freebies (promised by political parties in their manifestos) said that the freebies shake the root of free and fair polls and directed E.C. to frame guidelines for regulating the content of manifestos. S.C. in 2013 gave power to the returning officer to reject the nomination paper of a candidate for non-disclosure and suppression of information, including that of assets and their criminal backgrounds. It is seen in the plethora of judgments that the Hon'ble Apex Court has tried to touch on various aspects that plague the electoral system. Before actually getting into the core of the problem/point, it is necessary and imperative to have a glance over the reforms that have taken place hitherto to effect improvement in the process.

The various reforms



SANGRAM MISHRA

taken up till 2000 can be listed as - lowering of voting age (61st amendment - lowering the voting age from 21 years to 18 years), increasing the number of proposers and in the number of security deposits, introducing Electronic voting machine (EVM) (first introduced in the election of Delhi, MP, and Rajasthan), disqualification on conviction, restriction on contesting from more than two constituencies, no countermanding of the election on account of deceased candidates. And the time limit for the by-election. Some important reforms carried out post-2000 are a ceiling in election expenditure and restriction on exit polls. Awareness creation, not eligible to contest in the event of conviction, etc. It is seen that these reforms have touched on some issues of the election process to change it for the better. But despite the efforts and endeavours, it has not been possible to make the process free and fair. Reform means to set things right and before setting things right it should be meticulously discerned as to where the shoe pinches.

(The author is a superannuated senior IAS officer. The views expressed are personal.) (This is the second part of the series on electoral reforms.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE REAL ROLE MODEL

Sir — Bhopal-born Vinayak Lohani had set foot on Bengal's soil to study at IIT Kharagpur and then IIM Kolkata. Course completed; but unlike his peers, this "foolish" didn't strive for a glamorous lucrative career in India or abroad to earn a fortune and live life "King size"! This current 42-year-old hasn't engaged himself in a matrimonial bond as well; yet this man is "father" to thousands of children! Vinayak refrained to engage in a rat race to turn "successful" career-wise. Instead this Vivekananda-Mother Teresa inspired person, taking Diksha at Ramkrishna Mission, opted out of career placement after completion of his MBA, and as a true human being; he turned his attention towards the plight of the orphan and poor children, loitering at railway platforms and red-light areas and left at their wretched mercies by all.

By giving tuition and lectures to the MBA aspirants, Vinayak rented a tiny accommodation, established his organization Parivaar in 2003, and took up the responsibility of sheltering, feeding, and educating 3 hapless children. But expenditure was far exceeding the income through tuition. But drawing inspiration from his selfless Himalayan task, IIM alumni and like-minded compassionate acquaintances came up with donations which have enabled Vinayak to come up with an independent building comprising a school and hostel spreading more than 20 acres and housing more than a thousand orphans or children of poorest of poor families. What an act of protective father to thousands who were doomed to lead the whole of their lives as beggars or at "best" manual laborers or could have been victims of traffickers and ended up as petty criminals or prostitutes! It is indeed a disgrace that humanitarians like Vinayak Lohani are simply accorded the cold shoulder! What a sorry state of affairs dominating this nation and society in general! Had the Nobel Committee not honoured a certain Kailash Satyarthi; we would still have remained in the dark about this real God

Larger-than-life US elections



Like it or not, the US elections have always been larger than life. Perhaps its presidential format and the enormous funding campaigns add to the charisma. If the flamboyance of Donald Trump had pushed by many notches his contest with Biden in 2020, that of 2022 sharpened the scene with the persistent spin and bravado dished out by Trump from the back office. The intense polarisation instigated by Right-wing diehards of

the Republican party, capped by their ransacking of Parliament premises in Nov 2020, had set the stage for this midterm jamboree that was widely feared to getting hijacked by majoritarian advocacy. The results of this election have since exposed the hollow tenets of extreme right.

November 8 has in some ways justified the nation's credentials on this score. The younger generation of voters could grasp the perils of democracy thereof, to turn up in numbers to counter the drift. Democrats pitching on inclusiveness have managed to hold on to the Senate and exceeded expectations in the House, despite the backdrop of unprecedented high inflation and a troubling Ukraine war. The message is clear not only for the US but even beyond on the global canvas.

R Narayanan | Mumbai

who has been rendering a yeoman's service to countless hapless child laborers for decades! It is high time India learns to identify its true heroes and role models and offer a helping hand to these faceless Vinayak Lohanis so that they can pursue their goals with more success. The concerned authorities should also learn from Vinayaks about their priorities and at first, take up the cause of India's vulnerable children instead of remaining immersed in playing to the gallery.

Kajal Chatterjee | Kolkata

RAJIV'S KILLERS WALK FREE

Sir — Assassins of the PM Rajiv Gandhi of the country were freed by the Supreme Court. The decision seems unfair, An Indian PM was assassinated along with him, and many innocent lives were dangled to death. That Attack was an affront to the Indian state. SC is mocking the position of Prime Minister. If crimes against PMs are taken lightly, Then who would respect the highest position of our country in the Future? The top judiciary must hang its head in utter shame, hence it has not acted in consonance with the spirit of India on this Issue. After

committing a heinous crime like murder, if the behaviour of the criminals becomes good then the crime committed does not remain a crime. What's the guarantee that these released people will not attempt the next generation - Rahul and Priyanka?

Vishal Mayur | Tumkur

PM IN TELANGANA

Sir — In a rally, our Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that he receives two to three kilos of bad words every day and his constitution is such that all these gaalis get converted into positive energy. The comments of Modi are not of stature for the post of Prime Minister of India. It seems the PM is again trying to play the victim card. He has conveniently forgotten the abuses and insults which he and his party heaps on opposition and on minorities. Modi has failed in answering the critics with proof of what he has done to the country in his eight years of rule. Our PM should know that it is not uncommon to criticize the ruling party.

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Telangana is a major IT centre. Sadly, superstition is being promoted here. If it's to be developed, first we have to remove superstition.



Prime Minister —Narendra Modi

It's a big moment and it's due to the incredible tenacity and skill of the Ukrainians, backed by the relentless and united support of the United States and our allies.

US national security advisor —Jake Sullivan

I have never lived away from my family in this manner. But when I made friends, it was fun. Towards the end, when my friends betrayed me, I felt bad. It was depressing.



Dancer —Gori Nagori

Because I don't see any point in them playing any T20 cricket for India, apart from franchise cricket of course, to that point, because it's a great platform to look to develop the players that we've been talking about.

Australian cricketer —Tom Moody

To my mind, having held the position as Chief Justice of the country, perhaps, I think the position as a nominee Member of Rajya Sabha is not the correct idea or as a Governor of a State is again not a correct idea.



Ex-Chief Justice of India —Uday Umesh Lalit

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LIC SHOULD OPT FOR A RIGHTS ISSUE

This will bring down the average value for investors



S KALYANASUNDARAM

Did you know that out of six people living with diabetes in the world, one person is an Indian? Yes, the diabetes population in India now represents a significant portion of the global burden of diabetes. It is one of the world's largest health emergencies in the 21st century, ranking among the top 10 leading causes of death globally. Not only that, it has hit epidemic proportions in many developing economies, particularly India. It is reported that the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) is planning to transfer nearly Rs 1.8 lakh crore from policyholders' funds into a fund earmarked to pay dividends or issue bonus shares. The surplus in the non-participating fund is earmarked for shareholders and can be transferred to shareholders fund with approval from the LIC board.

The purpose seems to be to shore up investor confidence as this transfer would be an indicator of higher dividend payouts in the future. Life Insurance Corporation of India came up with its mega Initial Public Offer in the month of May to mobilize more than Rs 20,000 crore. The government offloaded its stake to the extent of 3.5 per cent (22.13 crore shares).

The issue price was Rs 949 and the share price is now hovering below Rs 600, while investors have lost more than 35 per cent. Transferring funds from policyholders' fund to Reserve fund to pay dividend does not add any value to the company. It is a mere book entry to use the funds to pay a dividend. As on March 2022 LIC had the following figures: (Rupees in crores) Equity share capital 6325.00, Reserve and Surplus 4084.14, Total shareholders' funds 10409.14, Non-Current Liabilities 4148936.03, Current Liabilities 71244.60, Total liabilities 4230589.77 and Non-current investment 3926044.27. It seems that LIC is contemplating to transfer funds from non-current liabilities to Reserve and surplus to enable it to make dividend payment or to make a bonus issue.

Life insurance companies have two types of policies, namely participating policies and non-participating policies. A participating life insurance policy allows the policyholder to partake in the insurance company's profits. As part of these policies, the insurer pays bonuses/dividends to the policyholder from their annual profits. Non-participating policies do not have any bonuses/dividends paid out to policyholders by insurance companies, i.e., they do not share in the profits made by these companies. The present transfer is from funds for non-participating policies accounts. Hence what is going to be transferred now already belongs to the shareholders and it is not part of any outside liabilities (to other policyholders) though they are kept under policyholders funds.

If the funds are used for a hefty dividend payment, it may improve investor's sentiment temporarily which may increase market value of share. But there may not be any real value as the market value will be down once the cut-off date is over.

Moreover, to the extent of dividend payment, working funds for the company will come down, which will prune the investment by LIC and will reduce the profitability of the organization in the future.

Government holding is 96.5 per cent in LIC and any dividend payment may help the government in its fiscal management. Again bonus issue will also be a book entry for transferring funds from Reserve to the Capital Account without any value addition. However, unlike dividend payment, funds will be retained by the company and its investment may not be affected. Shareholders may hold more shares but the total value may not change much after the bonus issue.

There is an alternative way to help retail investors. There can be a rights issue with hefty discounts and the government can opt out of its rights entitlement, allowing only others to subscribe. This will bring down the average value for investors and the market may react positively. With proper pricing, the retail investors will not only get back their investment but also a surplus. Government's share in LIC may also come down with this and part of disinvestment target for this year can also be met with this. This will boost sentiment for further disinvestment by the government.

(The author is a retired banker)



SC frees Rajiv killers; Parl must intervene



A joint session of Parliament should examine the reasons which led to the apex court's unprecedented decision ordering the release of six convicts

The Supreme Court exercised the special power under Article 142 of the Constitution that deals with the apex court to order the release of six convicts in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case. There was neither any precedence nor any special power to pass such an extraordinary judgment, and thus the apex court resorted to the special powers endowed on it by the Article 142 of the Constitution. The Centre had consistently opposed the plea of the convicts. The Tamil Nadu government had supported the plea of the convicts, not on the basis of jurisprudence, but to address the demands of state politics. The Supreme Court, thus, knowingly became a partner to the pettiness of the political leadership of Tamil Nadu.

The Supreme Court bench of Justices B. R. Gavai and B. V. Nagarathna gave the verdict to release the six remaining convicts, who had been serving life sentences for their active role in the assassination of the former Prime Minister of India Rajiv Gandhi. Late Rajiv Gandhi was assassinated on the instructions of the leadership of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam for his decision as the Prime Minister of India for sending a peacekeeping force to a friendly country, Sri Lanka, on the request of the leadership of that nation. It was not his individual decision. Late Rajiv Gandhi was not assassinated for personal enmity. He was neither killed for hatred, envy or any other reason. He was killed because he was the Prime Minister of India and for a decision that he took as the head of the executive of the country.

Along with late Rajiv Gandhi several others also died brutal deaths, which included political leaders, common men and the security personnel. The ghastly assassination of the former Prime Minister brought violent deaths to several individuals in their line of duty.

Against that backdrop, the letters written by former Congress chief Sonia Gandhi, widow of late Rajiv Gandhi, to former President KR Narayanan forgiving the killers of her husband on compassionate grounds was an act of an individual with narrow personal appeal to the emotions. She did not care for the larger attack on the sovereignty of India and also for the brutal killing of several others along with late Rajiv Gandhi. The acceptance of the mercy petitions of the convicts against death sentences was influenced by the letters of Sonia Gandhi, which should never have been accepted.

The surviving security personnel such as Anusuya Daisy Ernest, who lost three fingers in the terror attack caused by a human bomb, has hit the streets to protest the verdict of the Supreme Court. Nalini Sriharan, who had gone shopping with Kalaivani Rajaratnam alias Dhanu, was the key conspirator in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case. Dhanu was the human bomb. Nalini Sriharan had bought the sal-



WHAT WOULD THE SUPREME COURT DO IF THE FUNDAMENTALISTS AND SEPARATISTS WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED FOR TERROR ATTACKS PLEAD FOR MERCY AND THE POLITICIANS IN SOME OF THE STATES SUPPORT THEIR CLAIMS FOR NARROW CONSIDERATIONS?

(The author is Director, Public Policy Research Centre)



war-kurta that Dhanu had worn at the time of detonating the bomb. Now, Nalini Sriharan has been released from the jail, and soon she will fly to London to live with her daughter. She would fly out of India laughing at the state of the affairs of the country where convicts can survive capital punishment by committing gravest of the heinous crimes because of the political timidity of the Tamil Nadu politicians and the Supreme Court committing grave error of judgment.

The Supreme Court verdict has set a horrendous precedent, which will be an affront to the sovereignty of India and also a slap on the faces of the security personnel, who risk their lives in the line of duty. The Supreme Court verdict means that it has given sanctity to the recommendations of the Tamil Nadu government. The apex court has given precedence to a state government over the Central government. This is the gravest of the judicial errors. This amounts to turning the Centre-state relations on its head, and would certainly have serious consequences. This ground alone is sufficient to call for the joint session of Parliament and take speedy and corrective measures before serious damage is done to the federal structure of the country.

What would the Supreme Court do if the fundamentalists and separatists who have been convicted for terror attacks plead for mercy and the politicians in some of the states support their claims for narrow considerations? India

has been a victim of several terror attacks orchestrated on the orders of the terrorist outfits and their bosses in Pakistan. There are several convicts languishing in jails for such crimes.

By according a preferential treatment to the killers of late Rajiv Gandhi, the Supreme Court bench of Justices BR Gavai and BV Nagarathna doesn't seem to have upheld the rule of law, Constitution, judicial precedents and its own previous orders. There is no greater crime than the attack on the sovereignty of India and yet the killers of the late Rajiv Gandhi have been released. This would mean that all other convicts for even heinous crimes such as gangrape, assassination of political leaders could demand similar treatment as meted out to the killers of the former Prime Minister. There would be thousands of such convicts in several of the jails who would demand equality in treatment before the rule of law and seek pardon. Will the Supreme Court set all of them free?

Additionally, when did the conduct in jails or the health conditions of the convicts become grounds for remission of their sentences. This is baffling. This will set such a precedence that the administration of justice will be seriously impaired.

Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud should take suo moto note of the grave lapse of justice by the Supreme Court bench of Justices BR Gavai and BV

Nagarathna and constitute a larger bench to address a host of issues which have been raised by the release of the killers of the former Prime Minister. The Centre too should call an emergency meeting and consider the challenges posed by the judgment. It is pertinent that the remission of the capital punishment on the basis of the letters written by Sonia Gandhi too should be reviewed. President Draupadi Murmu being the supreme leader of India can step in and correct the lapse of judgment by her predecessor KR Narayanan.

A joint session of Parliament should examine reasons which led to the Supreme Court bench of Justices BR Gavai and BV Nagarathna pass such a judgment, which has shocked the nation. The Supreme Court, being the top judicial body of the country, cannot fall victim to the subjectivity of its judges. There has to be standard operating procedures in the administration of justice. This needs to be codified, and that is in the domain of the legislature. In a special session, Parliament must work out a comprehensive Bill to amend the Constitution to remove even the remotest of the scope which may allow the narrow considerations of a few people, in whatever positions they are, to make a mockery of the sovereignty of India and the patriotic spirit of the people of the nation. Time is running short, and the action must be taken before Nalini Sriharan flies to London.

POINT COUNTERPOINT

A COIN HAS TWO SIDES, AS DOES LIFE. IF WE CELEBRATE OUR TEAM'S SUCCESS LIKE OUR OWN, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE OUR TEAM'S LOSSES TOO....

— FORMER INDIAN CRICKETER SACHIN TENDULKAR



SINCE WINNING THE 50-OVER WORLD CUP, WHAT HAVE INDIA DONE? NOTHING. INDIA ARE THE MOST UNDER-PERFORMING WHITE-BALL TEAM IN HISTORY.

— FORMER ENGLISH CAPTAIN MICHAEL VAUGHAN



Focus is on education, conserving culture & customs

On the Jan Jatiya Gaurav Diwas today, the Union Minister concerned highlights the tribal legacy and programmes around it

Under the charismatic leadership of Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, the Government declared that November 15, the birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda, will be celebrated as Jan Jatiya Gaurav Divas every year. This decision was a historic moment for the entire nation as JanJatiya Gaurav Divas symbolises the glorious tribal legacy, heritage, culture, and achievements of India, fuelled by the spirit of Aatmanirbhar Bharat and strengthening India's position in the global forum.

"In this Amrit Kaal of Independence, the country has resolved that it would provide a more significant and majestic identity to the tribal legacy traditions of India



ARJUN MUNDA

(The author is Union Minister of Tribal Affairs)

and its heroism stories," our Prime Minister has remarked.

India is home to about 25 per cent of the world's ethnic population, making it a country with a diversified and rich cultural heritage and a large number of youthful tribal people. They are actively utilising the opportunities that are opening for them in fields like education and sports with their dedication and commitment; they are also winning the Padma awards and international recognition.

Though endowed with natural talent, the tribals had to struggle for a long time because of sheer neglect and apathy towards them. But now things have finally changed for good under the leadership of our dynamic Prime Minister. It is pertinent to note that

Smt. Droupadi Murmu, the nation's first tribal President, is a wonderful illustration of the enormous potential of the nation's Scheduled Tribes; her appointment to this distinguished position demonstrates our government's commitment to the tribal people.

India has seen a paradigm shift towards a government that has a people-centric approach. The Prime Minister's call for "Reform, Perform, Transform" has served as the guiding principle for the last eight years of the Government. To ensure the last-mile distribution of benefits and improve development results across the nation, pro-people policies and initiatives have been put into place. Speaking from personal experience, when I think about

our glorious motherland at hundred years of Independence, I realise that it is vital to fully develop tribal society, raise the living standards of all tribal people, address their pressing institutional issues, and integrate them into the mainstream.

The most crucial strategy for development advocated by our Prime Minister is holistic education, a potent tool that enables any community, class, or country to advance positively, make necessary reforms, and realise a successful future vision. In tribal societies, it is necessary to encourage the tradition of educational advancement, particularly for young girls. Additionally, there have been challenges in affected areas by Leftwing extremism to establish educational infra-

structure. Our goal is to address these problems at the block level by providing tribal students with quality education so that they can attend the best Eklavya Model Residential Schools and take advantage of the five scholarship programmes we offer: Pre/Post Matric, National Fellowship, Top Class Scholarship, and National Overseas Scholarship.

Our Ministry has kept up with the most recent technologies, as the globe has transitioned to a digital era, in order to speed up tribal welfare and practise good governance. In addition, our State Tribal Research Institutes, NGOs, Centers of Excellence, and other affiliated groups are concentrating on both the advancement of tribal life and culture as well as the anthro-

pological components.

The Vision for India@2047 is to achieve new heights of economic welfare. Giving momentum to this core element of Vision 2047, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has prioritised sustainable livelihoods, income generation, education, health and the promotion of ethnic cultures of tribal people. As a result of our flagship programmes and initiatives, tribal people today feel more integrated into society. This Ministry is also attempting to preserve and nurture several tribal languages in India, and has been working with academic institutions and experts to develop primers in tribal languages.

I can say with pride that the Ministry's work encompasses both the tangible and

intangible aspects of life of tribal communities. Furthermore, in coordination with local governing entities, our programmes and policies are carried out locally with a national outlook.

In the long run, I see my country, India, as a leader in sustainable development, with a solid socio-economic foundation that offers a wide range of possibilities to all inhabitants. India is now slowly moving towards the goal of becoming a powerhouse where its voice will be heard clearly and where it will be a partner on an equal footing. Through a variety of development measures, we are embarking on this journey together to unlock India's potential and build a prosperous, people-led nation.

BIDEN, XI SHAKE HANDS AS THEY MEET AMID SUPERPOWER TENSIONS



AP ■ NUSA DUA

President Joe Biden and Chinese President Xi Jinping opened their first in-person meeting Monday since the US president took office nearly two years ago, amid increasing economic and security tensions between the two superpowers as they compete for global influence.

Xi and Biden greeted each other with a handshake at a luxury resort hotel in Indonesia, where they are attending the Group of 20 summit of large economies. As they began their conversation, Biden said he and Xi have a “responsibility” to show that their nations can “manage our differences” and identify areas of mutual cooperation. Xi added that he hoped the pair would “elevate the relationship” and that he was prepared to have a “candid and in-depth exchange of views” with Biden.

Both men entered the highly anticipated meeting with bolstered political standing at home. Democrats triumphantly held

onto control of the US Senate, with a chance to boost their ranks by one in a runoff election in Georgia next month, while Xi was awarded a third five-year term in October by the Communist Party’s national congress, a break with tradition.

“We have very little misunderstanding,” Biden told reporters in Phnom Penh, Cambodia on Sunday, where he participated in a gathering of southeast Asian nations before leaving for Indonesia. “We just got to figure out where the red lines are and ... What are the most important things to each of us going into the next two years.”

Biden added: “His circumstance has changed, to state the obvious, at home.” The president said of his own situation: “I know I’m coming in stronger.”

White House aides have repeatedly sought to play down any notion of conflict between the two nations and have emphasized that they believe the two countries can work in tandem on shared challenges such as climate change and health security.

Ukraine, China-US frictions dominate at G-20 summit in Bali

AP ■ NUSA DUA (INDONESIA)

Discord over Russia’s war on Ukraine and festering tensions between the US and China are proving to be ominous backdrops for world leaders gathering in Indonesia’s tropical Bali island for a summit of the Group of 20 biggest economies starting Tuesday.

With recession looming as central banks fight decades-high inflation partly brought on by the war, US Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said that ending the conflict would be the “single best thing that we can do for the global economy.”

British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, writing in the newspaper



The Telegraph, called Russia a “rogue state” and slammed its president, Vladimir Putin, for staying away.

“Leaders take responsibility. They show up. Yet, at the G-20 summit in Indonesia this week, one seat will remain vacant,” wrote Sunak, who took office

last month. “The man who is responsible for so much bloodshed in Ukraine and economic strife around the world will not be there to face his peers. He won’t even attempt to explain his actions.”

Pressures have been mounting as Russian attacks destroy vital infrastructure in Ukraine, adding to miseries in damaged cities just as winter cold takes hold.

The G-20 meetings provide another opportunity for leaders to show unity in their support for Ukraine, discussions that “are inseparable from those on how we can strengthen our collective security,” Sunak said.

Congress faces leaders in flux, big to-do list post-poll

AP ■ WASHINGTON

Congress is returning to an extremely volatile post-election landscape, with control of the House still undecided, party leadership in flux and a potentially consequential lame-duck session with legislation on gay marriage, Ukraine and government funding.

Newly elected members of Congress arrived for Monday’s orientation amid jarring disappointments for Republicans, setting up rocky internal party leadership elections for GOP leader Kevin McCarthy and Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell. Republicans suffered one of the



would threaten Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s gavel.

“There are all kinds of ways to exert influence,” Pelosi said Sunday, deflecting questions about her future if Democrats lose control of the House. “Speaker has awesome power, but I will always have influence.”

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Request for Proposal (RFP) For Project Management Consultancy (PMC) for Source Segregation, Door to Door Collection, Secondary Collection & Transportation of Waste (C&T) for 47 wards for five years

NND invites RFP for PMC of Source Segregation, Door to Door Collection, Secondary Collection & Transportation of Waste (C&T) for 47 wards for five years from eligible bidders having experience as indicated in the RFP document. Interested bidders are requested to procure the RFP document up to 27.11.2022. The RFP can be downloaded from e-tenders portal government of Uttarakhand between the said dates. Pre-bid meeting is scheduled at 2:30 pm on 21.11.2022 Any Addendum/Corrigendum including date of extension will be uploaded only on www.uktenders.gov.in. The Municipal Commissioner have right to cancel tender at any stage without giving any reason. The last date for online submission of bids is 28.11.2022 at 2:00PM.

Letter No. 777 (H)/2022
Date : 14/11/2022

**Municipal Commissioner,
Nagar Nigam Dehradun**

Origo Origo Commodities India Pvt Ltd
Unaudited Standalone Financial Results
for the quarter ended September 30, 2022
[Regulation 52 (B), read with Regulation 52 (4), of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015]

S. No	Particulars	Amount (In Lakhs)			
		For the Quarter Ended	For the Half Year ended	For the Quarter Ended	For the Half Year ended
		September 30, 2022	September 30, 2021	September 30, 2022	March 31, 2022
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
1.	Total Income from Operations	27179.09	15341.12	70713.24	51766.26
2.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)*	-512.97	286.10	-276.35	1,406.11
3.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)*	-512.97	286.10	-276.35	1,406.11
4.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)*	-517.22	220.60	-339.20	937.56
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	-514.48	225.64	-333.72	948.50
6.	Paid up Equity Share Capital	5,448.90	5,448.90	5,448.90	5,448.90
7.	Reserves* (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	13,294.81	13,045.05	13,294.81	13,628.55
8.	Securities Premium Account	6,667.22	6,667.22	6,667.22	6,667.22
9.	Net worth	18,743.71	18,493.95	18,743.71	19,077.45
10.	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	22,834.34	16,747.62	22,834.34	17,229.93
11.	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares*	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48
12.	Debt Equity Ratio*	1.22	0.91	1.22	0.90
13.	Earnings Per Share (of Rs.10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)-				
1.	Basic:	-0.87	0.40	-0.57	1.72
2.	Diluted:	-0.87	0.37	-0.57	1.58
14.	Capital Redemption Reserve*	-	-	-	-
15.	Debtenture Redemption Reserve*	-	-	-	-
16.	Debt Service Coverage Ratio*	0.12	0.32	0.32	1.21
17.	Interest Service Coverage Ratio*	0.67	1.78	1.15	2.01

1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly financial results filed with Bombay Stock Exchange (“BSE”) under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly financial results are available on the website of the Stock Exchange (s) i.e. BSE Limited and the listed entity, www.origoindia.com & <https://www.bseindia.com>.
2. For the other line items of Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the pertinent disclosures have been made to BSE and can be accessed on the URL www.origoindia.com & <https://www.bseindia.com>.
3. The impact on net profit / loss, total comprehensive income or any other relevant financial item(s) due to change(s) in accounting policies shall be disclosed by means of a footnote.
4. The above Standalone Financial Results have been approved by the Board of Directors in its meeting held on November 11, 2022 and have been limited reviewed by the Statutory Auditors of the Company in accordance with the requirement of Regulation 52 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (Listing Regulations).
5. Segment Information as per Ind-AS 108, ‘Operating Segments’ is disclosed in Segment reporting.
6. # - Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items adjusted in the Statement of Profit and Loss in accordance with Ind AS Rules / AS Rules, whichever is applicable.
7. * - includes Retained Earnings, Other Comprehensive Income and Equity component of Compound financial Instruments.

For Origo Commodities India Pvt Ltd
Sd/-
Mayank Dhanuka
(Whole Time Director)
DIN:02572510

Place: Gurgaon
Date: 11.11.2022

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Statement of Unaudited Standalone & Consolidated Financial Results For The Quarter and Half Year Ended September 30, 2022

Sr No.	Particulars	In lakhs (Except EPS)					
		Quarter Ended			Half Year Ended		
		30-09-2022	30-06-2022	30-09-2021	30-09-2022	30-09-2021	31-03-2022
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
1.	Total income from operations	98.63	85.35	53.85	183.98	82.49	216.40
2.	Net Profit for the period (before Tax and exceptional items)	73.95	59.26	(170.39)	133.21	(163.74)	(87.31)
3.	Net Profit for the period (before Tax, after exceptional items)	31.02	1,931.30	1,038.02	1,962.32	3,253.57	4,564.52
4.	Net Profit for the period after tax (after exceptional items)	24.16	1,545.04	733.31	1,569.19	2,422.84	3,727.78
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit for the Period after Tax and Other Comprehensive Income after Tax)	24.30	1,545.18	733.48	1,569.48	2,423.18	3,728.34
6.	Paid-up equity share capital (Face Value Rs.10/- each)	540.00	540.00	540.00	540.00	540.00	540.00
7.	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	-	-	-	-	-	-
8.	Earnings Per Share (of Rs.10/- each) (For continuing and discontinued operations) (Not Annualised)						
a.	Basic (amount in Rs.)	0.22	14.31	6.79	14.53	22.44	34.63
b.	Diluted (amount in Rs.)	0.22	14.31	6.82	14.58	22.49	34.63

Notes:
1. The above results have been reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and thereafter approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held on 14th November, 2022. The financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2022 have been limited reviewed by the Statutory Auditors of the Company.
2. The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly/annual financial results filed with the stock exchanges under regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015. The full format of the quarterly financial results is available on the stock exchange websites of BSE (www.bseindia.com) and NSE (www.nseindia.com) and Company’s website at <http://www.addiindustries.com/>.
3. There is no change(s) in accounting policies which impact on net profit / loss, total comprehensive income or any other relevant financial item(s).

For and on behalf of Directors
ADDI Industries Limited
Sd/-
Chaman Lal Jain
Managing Director, DIN: 00022903
Place : New Delhi
Date : November 14, 2022

Permanent residents can now be part of Canadian military

PTI ■ TORONTO

The Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) have announced that permanent residents, which includes a large number of Indians, will now be allowed to enlist, as the military struggles with low recruitment levels, according to a media report.

The move also comes five years after the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) announced that they’re changing their “outdated recruitment process” which will allow permanent residents who have lived in Canada for 10 years to apply, CTV News reported.

Zelenskyy calls liberation of Kherson ‘beginning of end’

AP ■ KHERSON

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy made a triumphant visit to the newly liberated city of Kherson on Monday, hailing the Russian withdrawal as the “beginning of the end of the war” but also acknowledging the heavy price Ukrainian soldiers are paying in their grinding effort to push back the invading force.

The retaking of Kherson was one of Ukraine’s biggest successes in nearly nine months since the invasion.

It served another stinging blow to the Kremlin and could become a springboard for fur-



ther advances into occupied territory. Zelenskyy walked the streets of the city Monday, just hours after warning in his nightly video address of booby traps and mines left behind by the Russians before their retreat.

“This is the beginning of the end of the war,” he said.

“We are step by step coming to all the temporarily occupied territories.”

Renewed Iranian attacks in northern Iraq kill 1

AP ■ BAGHDAD

Missiles fired from Iran targeted bases of an exiled Iranian Kurdish opposition group in neighbouring Iraq on Monday, killing at least one person and wounding eight, local officials said.

It was the latest in a series of such attacks in recent weeks.

The casualty number from

Iran’s salvo in the northern province of Sulimaniyah in Iraq’s semi-autonomous Kurdish-run region was not immediately clear.

Korosh Nosrati, an official with the opposition group that was targeted said three people were killed. Saman Barzani, the regional Kurdish Health Minister said the number of fatalities was expected to rise.

Iran’s paramilitary Revolutionary Guard confirmed the attack and said it had targeted the bases of “terrorist groups” by drones and missiles, according to Iran’s official IRNA news agency.

Kurdish Prime Minister Masrour Barzani condemned the attack, saying it was a “violation” of Iraq and the Kurdish region’s sovereignty.

DMI Finance Private Limited CIN - U65929DL2008PTC182749 Express Building, 3rd Floor, 9-10 Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002 STATEMENT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 [Regulation 52 (8), read with Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (LODR Regulations)] (Rs in Millions)				
S. No.	Particulars	For the quarter ended September 30, 2022	For the quarter ended September 30, 2021	Previous Year ended as on March 31, 2022
1.	Total Income from Operations*	4,354.64	1,910.11	8,961.76
2.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	932.47	247.56	781.53
3.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	932.47	247.56	781.53
4.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	687.97	181.71	577.80
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	687.44	182.02	1,205.34
6.	Paid up Equity Share Capital	6,567.00	6,459.37	6,567.00
7.	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	7,599.44	4,986.34	6,125.11
8.	Securities Premium Account	25,707.55	23,557.68	25,707.55
9.	Net worth	39,955.20	35,084.60	38,480.87
10.	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	35,625.52	21,274.48	27,517.80
11.	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares	0.00	0.00	0.00
12.	Debt Equity Ratio	0.89	0.61	0.72
13.	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)			
1.	Basic:	0.97	0.26	0.82
2.	Diluted:	0.95	0.26	0.81
14.	Capital Redemption Reserve	81.21	81.21	81.21
15.	Debtenture Redemption Reserve	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
16.	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
17.	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
* Total Income of the Company is INR 4,394.74 millions, INR 1,956.80 millions and INR 9,106.27 millions for Quarter ended September 30, 2022, September 30, 2021 and Previous Year ended March 31, 2022 respectively which is inclusive of other income also.				
Notes to the Financial Results:-				
1) The above results are an extract of detailed format of the quarterly/annual Financial Results filed with the stock exchange under Regulation 52 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. These financial results are available on the website viz. www.dmfinance.in and on the website of BSE (www.bseindia.com)				
2) For items referred in Regulation 52(4) of (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the pertinent disclosures have been made to BSE Limited(BSE) and can be accessed on the website of BSE (www.bseindia.com) and on the Company's website i.e. www.dmfinance.in				
3) There is no Debtenture Redemption Reserve created as Non-Banking Finance Companies (NBFC) registered with Reserve Bank of India are not required to create DRR for privately placed debentures.				
4) Figures for the prior year / period have been regrouped and / or reclassified wherever considered necessary.				
5) The Company has provided adequate disclosures related to COVID-19 while submitting financial statements to BSE.				
6) The above results have been approved by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved by Board of Directors at their meetings held on November 11, 2022 and November 14, 2022 respectively.				
For DMI Finance Private Limited Sd/- Shivshash Chatterjee Joint Managing Director				
Date:- November 14, 2022 Place:- New Delhi				

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Extract of Statement of Un-Audited Results for the Quarter ended 30.09.2022				
(Amount in lakhs)				
S. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended		Year ended
		30/9/2022 Un-Audited	30/6/2022 Audited	31/3/2022 (Audited)
1.	Total Income from Operations"	25.07	24.27	92.96
2.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	21.11	19.88	77.61
3.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	21.11	19.88	77.61
4.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	21.11	19.88	69.00
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income(after tax)]	21.11	19.88	69.00
6.	Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs. 10/- per share)	1,056.00	1,056.00	1,056.00
7.	Reserve (excluding revaluation reserves as shown in the balance sheet of previous year)	-	-	(0.94)
8.	Earning Per Share (of Rs.10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) Basic & Diluted	0.20	0.19	0.65
Notes :-				
1 The above is an extract of the detailed format of Un-Audited Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI(Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The financial results were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held on 14th November 2022. Format of the Financial Results are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange at www.bseindia.com and on Company's website at www.integratelesoftware.com				
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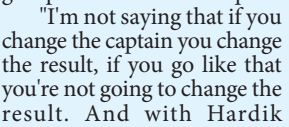
PTI ■ MELBOURNE

Completing the middle order is Pakistan all-rounder



"And start rebuilding a side right from today, that is from the New Zealand series which is going to happen in a

Former India pacer Irfan Pathan, who was part of the country's 2007 T20 World Cup-winning team, said India should not depend on just one captain and need to develop a



Rounding off the side at No.10 and 11 are fellow pace bowlers Mark Wood and Shaheen Shah Afridi, who took nine and 11 wickets respective-

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

"I'm not really sure whether you need a different captain or a different coach. It all depends on what team you are going to pick and then choose how you want to build the support and the leadership around it."



PTI ■ MELBOURNE

BILLINGS OPTS OUT

England wicketkeeper batter Sam Billings on Monday opted out of next year's Indian

He made the announcement to withdraw from IPL a day before the deadline for player retention by the teams. The mini auction will take place in Kochi on December 23.

AP ■ JOHANNESBURG



Glenott Stuurman, Rassie van der Dussen, Kyle Verreynne (wkt), Khaya Zondo.

AP ■ TURIN (ITALY)

This season's Roland Garros and US Open finalist then served out the rest of the set to claim the win.

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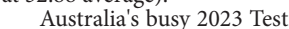
PTI ■ GUWAHATI

Vidhi followed that up with two more efforts over 16m, marking 16.56m on her fourth attempt as the new benchmark

On a day when as many as five throwers breached the 60m, Vishnoi's fifth attempt of 62.47m was not only a winning throw, but also helped him break Bihar's Virender Yadav's record of 62.16m.

PTI ■ MELBOURNE

The 36-year-old left-handed batter has played 96 Test matches since making his debut in 2011 and has scored 7817 runs at an average of 46.52 with 24 hundreds and 34 fifties.



"T20 cricket - I love the game. I will be looking to get to 2024," Warner said.

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MANCHESTER UNITED 'BETRAYED' ME: RONALDO

AP ■ MANCHESTER

Cristiano Ronaldo revealed in a wide-ranging interview Sunday that he felt "betrayed" by Manchester United's attempts to offload him in the summer transfer window.

Ronaldo also took aim at United manager Erik ten Hag, saying he has no respect for the Dutchman.

When asked if he felt the Red Devils had tried to force him out, Ronaldo told British broadcaster Piers Morgan, "Yes, not only the coach, but another two or three guys (at the senior executive level)."

Ronaldo added: "I felt betrayed. ... I felt that some people don't want me here, not only this year but last year, too."

Ten Hag said repeatedly during the summer that Ronaldo wasn't for sale and was a part of his plans for the 2022-23 season. Since then, the five-time Ballon d'Or winner has made just four Premier League starts, featuring almost exclusively in the lower-tier Europa League.

When Ronaldo refused to come on as a substitute during United's 2-0 win over Tottenham Hotspur in October, Ten Hag dropped him from the squad entirely. The coach reinstated him shortly thereafter.

"I don't have respect for him because he doesn't show respect for me," Ronaldo said of Ten Hag. "If you don't have respect for me, I'm never gonna have respect for you."

The Portuguese star made similarly dismissive comments of Ralf Rangnick, who took interim charge of United in November 2021 before making way for Ten Hag. Rangnick had spent the majority of the previous decade in a director's role at Red Bull and RB Leipzig.



"If you're not even a coach, how are you going to be the boss of Manchester United? I'd never even heard of him," Ronaldo told Morgan in The Sun newspaper.

The 37-year-old said he only returned to United because Sir Alex Ferguson had talked him out of a move to Manchester City in August 2021.

But the Euro 2016 winner couldn't believe how little had changed at the club since he made his first debut at Old Trafford in 2003.

"Since Sir Alex Ferguson left, I saw no evolution in the club. The progress was zero. Nothing changed," Ronaldo said. "Not the pool, the jacuzzi, even the gym, even some points of technology, the kitchen, the chefs, which are lovely persons. They stopped in time, which surprised me a lot."

Freiburg thrash 10-man Union to go second

AP ■ BERLIN

Freiburg midfielder Vincenzo Grifo hit three goals in the first 20 minutes as his side thrashed a 10-man Union Berlin 4-1 at home to go outright second on the Bundesliga ladder.

Union, who unexpectedly led the Bundesliga for almost two months, have now been well beaten twice in one week, after last Sunday's 5-0 thrashing at Bayer Leverkusen.

Freiburg received a penalty for handball after three minutes, with free-kick specialist Grifo stepping up to smash the ball home for his seventh goal of the season.

The 29-year-old Italy international scored again just two minutes later, this time from open play on the counter.

Union had a chance to crawl back into the match three minutes later when they were awarded a penalty but defender Robin Knoche hit the

post. The game's furious opening continued when Freiburg were awarded another penalty less than 10 minutes later, when Diogo Leite brought down Ritsu Doan in the box.

Leite was shown a red card and Grifo stepped up to complete his hat-trick in the 20th minute. Austrian forward Michael Gregoritsch added another for Freiburg in first-half injury time, chipping a Doan assist over Union keeper Lennart Grill and into the back of the net.

Freiburg went into cruise control in the second half, while Union looked to prevent more damage. There were few scoring chances until Berlin received a late penalty — the fourth of the match — with Sven Michel converting.

Freiburg will go through the winter break sitting four points behind Bayern Munich in second place, but manager Christian Streich rejected the temptation to get excited.

Bruno Fernandes criticises World Cup

AP ■ MANCHESTER

Manchester United midfielder Bruno Fernandes on Sunday said it will feel "strange" to play in a World Cup in November and December while lamenting the lives lost on construction sites in Qatar.

Speaking to Sky Sports after United's 2-1 win over Fulham, Fernandes - who will travel to the Gulf nation with his native Portugal - also took a veiled swipe at Qatar's anti-LGBTQ laws, saying football is "for everyone."

"It's strange. It's not exactly the time we want to be playing in the World Cup," the 28-year-old said. "Obviously, I think for everyone, players and fans, it's not the best time



because kids will be at school, people will be working. The timing will not be the best for people to watch the games.

"We know the surroundings of the World Cup ... about the people that have died on the construction of the stadiums. We are not happy for that at all.

We want football to be for everyone, and everyone has to be included and involved in a World Cup because a World Cup is the world. It's for everyone; it doesn't matter who."

FIFA rescheduled the World Cup from its usual running in June and July because of the blistering summer heat in Qatar, which won the right to host the tournament in 2010 against the backdrop of allegations of corruption. A long-running FBI investigation into money laundering and fraud continues.

More than 6,500 migrant workers have died in Qatar in the 12 years since FIFA awarded the country the World Cup, according to a 2021 report from The Guardian.

Mary Kom, Sindhu, Mirabai in IOA Athletes' Commission

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Five-time world champion boxer M C Mary Kom, double Olympic medallist PV Sindhu and multiple-time winter Olympian Shiva Keshavan were among 10 eminent sportspersons elected unopposed as members of the IOA Athletes Commission in the polls held here on Monday.

The other seven members of the apex body are Tokyo Olympics silver medallist weightlifter Mirabai Chanu, 2012 Olympics bronze winner shooter Gagan Narang, veteran table tennis player Achanta Sharath Kamal, ace hockey player Rani Rampal, fencer Bhavani Devi, rower Bajrang Lal and former shot putter OP Karhana.

All the 10 members, out of which five are female, are Olympians. Keshavan is the only Winter Olympian. Only 10 candidates filed nominations for the same number of seats in the Athletes Commission and Umesh Sinha, who is also the returning officer of the upcoming IOA elections, declared all of them elected unopposed.

India's first individual Olympic gold medallist shooter Abhinav Bindra and former India hockey team captain Sardar Singh will complete the 12-member athletes commission in their capacity as members of the corresponding bodies of the International Olympic Committee and Olympic Council of Asia respectively. Both of them will have voting rights. Bindra was appointed as member of IOC Athletes Commission in 2018 for a eight-year term while Sardar was made OCA Athletes Committee member in 2019 for a four-year term.

Under the new constitution of the Indian Olympic Association which was adopted on November 10, the athletes commission is to have equal repre-



sentation of male and female members. Keshavan, who has represented India in six Winter Olympics, said this was the first full fledged athletes commission in IOA history.

"Yes, this is a historic moment for the athletes of the country. We now have a proper and full fledged athletes commission for the first time in IOA history," Keshavan said.

Two members of the athlete commission — one male and one female — will sit at the IOA General Assembly with voting rights as well as the IOA Executive Council (with voting rights). IOA Executive Council elections will be held on December 10 on the orders of the Supreme Court.

"We will have our first meeting on Tuesday, we will get to know who will be the president and vice president (one of the two will be a female) tomorrow."

The members of the IOA Athletes Commission were to be elected by their peers and Keshavan said the electoral college was made up of 70-odd members.

The 10-member Athletes

Commission will also select eight sportspersons of outstanding merit (SOM) who, under the new constitution, will be members of the IOA General Assembly with voting rights. Two SOMs — one male and one female — will also be members of the IOA Executive Council.

Under the IOA constitution prepared by Justice (ret'd) L Nageswara Rao, six members (three male and three female) out of the 10 in the athletes commission should be Olympians who have participated in at least one of the last three editions of the Games. Out of the three male and three female athletes each, at least one should be from an individual sport and at least one from a team sport.

At least one of these six athletes should have participated in a Winter Olympics or the last three editions of the Asian Winter Games.

Four members (two male and two female) should have won at least one medal in any of the last three editions of the Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, National Games or the Senior National Championship.

SRIKANTH PULLS OUT OF AUSTRALIAN OPEN

PTI ■ SYDNEY

Star Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth has pulled out of the Australian Open Super 300 badminton tournament beginning here on Tuesday.

Srikanth, thus, joined Lakshya Sen and doubles duo Satwiksairaj Rankreddy and Chirag Shetty in withdrawing from the \$180,000 tournament.

Placed at number 10 in the Race to Guanzhou rankings, Srikanth needed to win the tournament to have any hopes of qualifying for the season-ending World Tour Final in December.

But the 29-year-old from Guntur, who had claimed the bronze medal at Commonwealth Games and also played a heroic role in India's epic Thomas Cup win this year, decided to give it a miss.

Srikanth had reached the semifinals in his last tournament at Hylo Open in Saarbrücken, Germany. The Indian had finished at the last four at Korea Open and Swiss Open as well.

His withdrawal means HS Prannoy will India's only representation at the World Tour Finals, especially after the double Olympic medallist PV Sindhu too pulled out of the Guangzhou event on Sunday.

India's challenge at Australian Open will be led by Sameer Verma, who is coming back from a long injury lay-off. He



will open his campaign against Nathan Tang. Sameer, who is a former world No. 11, had won three BWF tournaments — Swiss Open, Hyderabad Open and Syed Modi International in 2018 to qualify for the World Tour Final but he lost his rhythm after that, followed by COVID-induced break.

His return last year was shortlived as he had to retire from Denmark Open quarterfinals with a calf injury. He also had issues with his hip and shoulder.

He looked in good touch during his three-game win over world no. 8 Anthony Sinisuka

Ginting in the French Open.

Mithun Manjunath, who had reached the finals at Orleans Masters Super 100 event and two international challenge in Nagpur and Bengaluru, will be up against second seed Loh Kean Yew of Singapore.

In women's singles, Tanya Hemanth will be up against Goh Jin Wei of Malaysia and Anvesha Gowda will meet local player Pitchaya Elysia Viravong.

In doubles, women's pair of Simran Singh and Ritika Thaker and men's combination of Hariharan Amsakarunani and Ruban Kumar Rethinasabapathi will also be in the fray.

Own goal saves Milan, Juve move up to 3rd

AP ■ MILAN

A Milan's Serie A title defence is still on track after Sunday's last-gasp 2-1 win over Fiorentina ensured they ended 2022 eight points behind leaders Napoli, while Moise Kean's brace against Lazio shot revived Juventus into third place.

Stefano Pioli's Milan looked to be falling further behind unbeaten Napoli heading into the World Cup break after Antonin Barak levelled Rafael Leao's early opener midway through the first half.

But with the clock ticking down and chances going begging, Fiorentina defender Milenkovic bundled the ball into his own goal just after goalkeeper Pietro Terracciano clashed with Ante Rebic while trying to punch out a cross.

The away side — who also had at least one solid penalty shout for a Fikayo

Tomori challenge on Jonathan Ikone - were livid at the goal while a packed San Siro roared in delight at a win which keeps Milan just about in sight of rampant Napoli.

Milan are second, two points ahead of Lazio who lost 3-0 in Turin, after a fraught contest in which Fiorentina more than played their part.

Cristiano Biraghi struck the post and Ikone had a good effort cleared off the line just before Milan snatched the points and left Fiorentina in 10th.

KEAN DOWNS LAZIO

Italy forward Kean gave Juventus their sixth straight league win with strikes in each half at the Allianz Stadium which took him to five goals in as many matches in all competitions.

With Dusan Vlahovic unavailable for Juve as he tries recover from a groin injury to play for Serbia at the World



Cup, Kean has become a reliable performer for coach Massimiliano Allegri. He showed his worth on Sunday night in a win which allowed Juventus to leapfrog Lazio into third, although they are 10 points back from Napoli.

DYBALA SHINES

Paulo Dybala made an almost immediate impact in his first Roma appearance in over a month, helping his underwhelming team snatch a late 1-1 draw with Torino after coming off the bench with 20 minutes remaining.

The 28-year-old won a stoppage-time penalty which former Torino captain Andrea Belotti smashed off the post, and seconds later Nemanja Matic thumped in a long-range leveller after Dybala's curling shot crashed off the bar.

Jose Mourinho's side sit seventh, three points behind Lazio in the race for the Champions League spots.

France adds Thuram for WC, Disasi replaces Kimpembe

AP ■ PARIS

Marcus Thuram was handed the last spot in the France squad that will defend its World Cup title in Qatar while the uncapped Axel Disasi was also called up on Monday after Presnel Kimpembe had to pull out.

The French football federation said Borussia Mönchengladbach forward Thuram, 25, had been added to Didier Deschamps' list after the coach had summoned only 25 players when he announced his squad last week, leaving one spot open.



Paris Saint-Germain defender Kimpembe, meanwhile, spoke with Deschamps and the team's doctor at France's training ground on Monday and told

them he did not believe he had sufficiently recovered from an Achilles injury.

France said in a statement it thanked the 27-year-old Kimpembe for his "honesty".

Disasi, 24, has not missed a single minute of Monaco's 15 league games this season. He has scored two goals and delivered four assists in all competitions. Thuram will complement France's already impressive attacking sector alongside Karim Benzema (Real Madrid), Kingsley Coman (Bayern Munich), Ousmane Dembele (Barcelona), Olivier Giroud (AC Milan), Antoine Griez-

mann (Atletico Madrid), Kylian Mbappe (PSG) and Christopher Nkunku (Leipzig).

Thuram, the son of the 1998 World Cup winner Lilian Thuram, has been in impressive form this season, with 13 goals and four assists in all competitions. A tall and versatile player, he can be used in different systems.

He said on his Instagram account that being called up is "a dream and a pride."

Thuram has played four times with France but has not featured with the national squad since the European Championship in June last year.

POLISH KEEPER DRAGOWSKI OUT OF FIFA WC

AP ■ MILAN

Poland international goalkeeper Bartlomiej Dragowski is out of the World Cup after suffering an ankle injury in Spezia's Serie A win at Verona, coach Luca Gotti said on Sunday.

Dragowski had been selected in Poland's squad for the Qatar tournament but had to be stretched from the Stadio Bentegodi field in tears three minutes before halftime after trying to tackle Kevin Lasagna.

Asian gold will help me regain form: Lovlina

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Star Indian boxer Lovlina Borgohain on Monday said the Asian Championship gold medal is "extremely significant" as she claimed it during her first tournament in a new weight category and it will play a "decisive role" to regain her lost form.

Lovlina has been struggling with form since she won the Olympic bronze medal in Tokyo last year. She changed her weight category from 69 kg to 75 kg keeping in mind the Paris Olympics as her division does not feature among the six categories announced for women's boxing. Last week, the 25-year-old from Assam produced a determined show to clinch the gold medal in her maiden appearance in the middleweight division at the Championships in Amman, Jordan.

"This gold means a lot to me. Its very significant. This is a confidence booster," Lovlina said after she returned to the country along with the boxing contingent on Monday.

"This was my first championship in a new weight category and I won a gold. So I know that I am in the right direction. "I had a very good run in the championship and was at ease with my punches and movement. I am regaining form and expecting to peak at the right time. These wins matter a lot."

Borgohain, who also has two Asian Championships bronze medals, said she will try to improve further and hoped to win the gold medal at next year's World Championships, which will be held in India.

"Well, I have won a bronze medal in Olympics last year. I am trying to do well in every



championship. My immediate target is to win a gold medal in next year's World Championship

to be held in New Delhi.

"Off course my ultimate aim is to win a gold at the Paris

Olympics. I am striving and working hard to achieve that. I hope my best comes out at the right time," she said.

India won 12 medals — four gold, two silver and six bronze in the championship. Interestingly, all the four gold medals were won by women boxers.

Besides Borgohain, Parveen Hooda (63 kg), Saweety Boora (81kg) and Alfiya Pathan (81kg +) won the other three gold medals.

"I congratulated all the three boxers. They are really good boxers. Parveen is young and gifted boxer who has good technique, while Saweety and Alfiya are very strong and powerful," she said.

"I am sure they have a great future ahead of them. They can do very well and win medals in the World Championship and Olympics as well."

Russell wins first GP in Brazil, Hamilton 2nd

AP ■ SAO PAULO

George Russell claimed his first Formula One victory as he won the Brazilian GP at Interlagos on Sunday with Mercedes team-mate Lewis Hamilton second.

The pair had started on the front row but the crash-marred race was far from a procession to the team's first victory of the season. Hamilton bumped wheels with Max Verstappen of Red Bull, already crowned champion, on lap seven.

The Ferraris of Carlos Sainz and Charles Leclerc were third and fourth with Fernando Alonso was fifth in an Alpine.

The race started with a crash as Daniel Ricciardo in a McLaren and Kevin Magnussen in a Haas collided, spun and crashed into each other again on lap one.

When racing resumed after



a safety car, Verstappen made an immediate and determined attempt to pass his old rival Lewis Hamilton and did not back off when the Briton hit back to take a slight edge heading into a corner.

The cars touched, debris flew. Hamilton went off the track before returning to the race but Verstappen paid a

higher price.

Almost at once, Lando Norris, who failed to finish, and Charles Leclerc also touched.

Verstappen and Norris were both hit with five-second penalties.

Verstappen also sustained damage which forced a pit stop for repairs but fought back to cross the line sixth.