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LONDON

A day after alleged Khalistani supporters grabbed the Indian Tricolour atop the Indian High Commission, the United Kingdom Government on Monday termed the acts of vandalism as “disgraceful” and “completely unacceptable.” Britain said it will take the security of the Indian High Commission in London “seriously.” One person was arrested later in connection with the incident.

Meanwhile, officials from the Indian mission in London said the “attempted but failed” attack was foiled and the Tricolour was now flying “grander” with a larger tricolour now adorning the India House façade.

As regards the incident of vandalism, Scotland Yard said it was called to reports of disorder on Sunday afternoon and that a man has been arrested as its enquiries continue.

“There was no report of any injury, however windows were broken at the High Commission building,” the Metropolitan Police statement said.

British Labour MP Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi’s tweet, expressing concern over the ongoing action to arrest Amritpal Singh and arrest of some alleged Khalistani elements, has received condemnation. Dhesi, an MP from Slough, tweeted, “Very worrying reports coming from #India, of the imposition of an internet blackout in the #Punjab state, with mass arrests and restrictions on gatherings. Praying that the tense situation is soon resolved and that human rights of all

CAPSULE

PRESENTATION OF DELHI
BUDGET PUT ON HOLD

New Delhi: The presentation of the Delhi Government’s budget for 2023-24, scheduled for Tuesday, has been put on hold, with the Arvind Kejriwal dispensation and the Central Government trading charges over allocations in various heads. But the MHA denied the report.

ED GRILLS KAVITHA FOR
10 HRS; QUIZ TODAY ALSO

New Delhi: BRS leader K Kavitha was grilled by the Enforcement Directorate for more than 10 hours on Monday in a Delhi excise policy-linked money laundering case and has been called again on March 21, officials said.



People from Sikh Community protest against vandalisation by Khalistani supporters at Indian High Commission in London, in New Delhi on Monday PTI

are respected.”

Taking exception to his message, Congress spokesperson and senior advocate Abhishek Manu Singhvi criticised Dhesi for “nurturing Khalistani sentiments” in the United Kingdom and said his tweet will not fetch him new votes from Slough “which has a massive chunk of Pakistan supporting population.”

Sharing the photograph in a Twitter post, the BJP’s national spokesperson Jaiveer Shergill said, “Jhanda Ooncha Rahe Hamara-UK Govt must act... Punjab and Punjabis have a glorious track record of serving/protecting the Nation. Handful of jumping jacks sitting in the UK do not represent Punjab.”

Congress leader Shashi Tharoor termed the incident on Sunday at the Indian High Commission “utterly shocking” and a “major insult.” The British condemnation came after India on Sunday evening summoned the senior-most UK diplomat in New Delhi to convey its “strong protest” at the actions taken by separatist and extremist elements against the Indian High Commission in London.

British Deputy High Commissioner Christina Scott was summoned to the MEA in view of the incident as High Commissioner Alex Ellis was out of Delhi, sources said.

Ellis described the incident as “disgraceful” and “totally unacceptable.”

Entrance blocked, Indian envoy
in Canada cancels visit to eventPNS ■ NEW DELHI/ BRITISH
COLUMBIA (CANADA)

In an apparent fall out of the ongoing operation to nab Amritpal Singh in India, its envoy to Canada had to cancel an event in British Columbia due to security concerns as alleged Khalistani supporters blocked the entrance to the venue there.

Some of the protesters were also reportedly wielding

swords. In another incident, a 21-year-old Sikh student was assaulted in British Columbia.

The incident related to the Indian envoy took place late on Sunday in front of the Taj Convention. High Commissioner to Canada Sanjay Kumar Verma was scheduled to attend a reception organised by the Friends of India and Canada Foundation in Surrey, British Columbia.

Consulate hit in US; India
protests, summons envoyPNS/AGENCIES ■ NEW DELHI/
WASHINGTON

An incident of vandalism by alleged Khalistani supporters targeting the Indian consulate in San Francisco has taken place. The perpetrators installed so-called Khalistan flag on the consulate premises.

This was the second such

incident involving the Indian embassies with the first one in London on Sunday evening when the Indian tri-colour was grabbed by the protesters.

India on Monday summoned the US envoy to register protest against attacks on its consulate in San Francisco.

As regards the attack in the US, raising pro-Khalistan slogans, the protesters on Sunday

broke open the makeshift security barriers raised by the city police and installed two so-called Khalistani flags inside the consulate premises. Two consulate personnel soon removed these flags.

Soon thereafter, a group of angry protesters entered the consulate premises and started hitting the door and windows with the rods.

NSA slapped on Amritpal's
5 aides; uncle surrendersCurbs on Internet
services extended

PTI ■ CHANDIGARH

The Punjab Police on Monday flagged a possible “ISI angle” as it invoked the stringent National Security Act against five men linked to radical preacher Amritpal Singh, whose uncle and driver surrendered amid a Statewide crackdown against his “Waris Punjab De” group.

The pro-Khalistan supporter and radical preacher has allegedly been maintaining close links with drug peddlers

and Pakistan’s ISI to further his goal for a separate country for the Sikhs, officials said. While drug lords were allegedly helping the pro-Khalistan preacher financially, including gifting him a high-end Mercedes SUV, the ISI was helping him with arms, ammunition and other logistics, they said.

Meanwhile, the Punjab Government extended the suspension of mobile internet services, this time up to Tuesday noon. The Khalistan sympathiser’s uncle Harjit Singh and driver Harpreet Singh gave themselves up before police past Sunday midnight.

Clear OROP arrears by Feb 28;
no more sealed-cover note: SC

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday refused to accept the sealed-cover note submitted by the Defence Ministry and fixed February 28, 2024, for disbursement of “One Rank, One Pension” (OROP) arrears. The Bench, headed by Chief Justice DY Chandrachud ordered that the Centre is duty-bound to comply with its 2022 judgment on the payment



of pension arrears worth ₹ 28,000 crore for 2019-2022.

“Sealed covers in court are against transparency, we want to end it...Please share the sealed cover with the opposite side or take him to the chamber. We want to put an end to the sealed cover business being

followed by the SC since High Courts also follow it,” said the CJI when Attorney-General R Venkataramani submitted the details in a sealed cover.

“This is about implementing the orders. What can be the secrecy here? You must give a copy to the other side. Sealed covers are completely against settled judicial principles,” said CJI when the A-G insisted on submitting it in a sealed cover.

Modi’s push to make India energy
atmanirbhar by 2047: US report

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

India, the world’s fifth largest economy, can achieve energy independence through clean technology by 2047, a report by a top US research institute said, highlighting Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Atmanirbhar Bharat push that spans from a massive renewable capacity addition to electric mobility, saving billions of dollars in imports.

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, a US federally funded research and development centre, along with



The India Energy and Climate Center (IECC) located at UC Berkeley’s Goldman School of Public Policy published a report, “Pathways to Atmanirbhar Bharat”, that highlights the steps taken by India towards the adoption of clean energy.

India is 80-85 per cent dependent on imports to meet its oil and coal needs. The price and supply volatility in global energy markets, as witnessed in recent years, strain India’s foreign exchange reserves, resulting in economy-wide inflation. However, recent dramatic declines in clean energy costs provide India an opportunity to lower energy imports through investment in renewable energy, battery storage, EVs, and green hydrogen, the report said.

Prime Minister Narendra

Modi has already set a target to install 500 GW (gigawatt) of renewable energy capacity by 2030. The government intends to grow EV sales in India to capture the markets of 30 per cent of private cars, 70 per cent of commercial vehicles and 80 per cent of two- and three-wheelers by 2030. Also, it is targeting production of 5 million tonnes of green hydrogen by splitting water using electricity from renewable sources.

Abundant solar energy and local technology will aid this and also reduce carbon emissions.

Amritpal still fugitive, Punjab Police invokes NSA on 5 arrested aides

Police suspects foreign funding, ISI links

MONIKA MALIK ■ CHANDIGARH

With Khalistan ideologue and 'Waris Punjab De' head Amritpal Singh still on the run, the Punjab Police has invoked the National Security Act (NSA) against his five arrested aides, including his uncle Harjit Singh — who surrendered in Jalandhar on the intervening night of March 19 and 20.

The Police is also likely to invoke the NSA against Amritpal upon his arrest, amidst a 'strong suspicion' of the role of Pakistan intelligence agency, ISI (inter-services intelligence), and foreign funding in activities of radical Sikh leader.

Sharing the information, the state Inspector General of Police (IGP), Headquarters, Sukhchain Singh Gill on Monday categorically said that Amritpal is still on the run and efforts are on to nab him.

IGP Gill said that the stringent law has been invoked against four detainees — Gurmeet Singh Bukkanwala, Basant Singh, Bhagwant Singh

alias Pardhan Mantri Bajeke, and Daljit Singh Kalsi, who all have been shifted to the Dibrugarh Central Jail in Assam. "NSA has also been invoked against Harjit Singh, Amritpal's uncle. He is also being taken to Dibrugarh Central Jail," he added.

Amritpal's uncle Harjit Singh, was travelling with Amritpal on Saturday when the police launched the crackdown on the self-styled Sikh radical preacher, was arrested along with his driver on the intervening night between March 19 and 20, after he surrendered in Jalandhar. Jalandhar Range DIG Swapn Sharma said that the two were arrested along with Amritpal's Mercedes from Shahkot area of the district. Harjit Singh is a two-time Sarpanch of their native Jallapur Khera village.

He maintained that Amritpal is also likely to be booked under NSA upon his arrest. "I cannot say with authority as of now. But yes, on his arrest we are likely to invoke NSA," he said.

Elaborating, IGP Gill said that NSA can be invoked

against others in this case as well. "Under the NSA, there is no requirement for police remand and the investigation agency is required to submit a report to the advisory board which, after examining the facts and evidence, can extend the custody for a maximum period of one year after extension at the end of three months," he said.

At the same time, IGP Gill made it clear that the police is acting "within the ambit of law".

"We have followed due procedure to invoke the NSA... Under section 5 of the NSA, there is a provision to transfer the accused from one state to another to maintain peace and harmony with the consent of the other state," he added.

On the habeas corpus petition seeking Amritpal's production in the court, the IGP said that the police will present the facts before the Court. "We have categorically said that Amritpal Singh is still not in the custody of police... Whatever we have done in this case is as per the law," he said.

He maintained that there is no law and order situation in the state. "There is complete peace and harmony. The Police are taking out flag marches in the state and peace committee meetings are being held in all districts. There is complete peace in Punjab," he said.

Six FIRs, 114 Arrests

The state police have, so far, registered a total of six criminal cases against Amritpal and his aides including sections pertaining to creating disharmony among classes, attempt to murder, attack on police personnel and obstruction in the functioning of police personnel.

Since the launch of crackdown against Waris Punjab De elements, the Punjab Police, till Monday, have arrested total 114 persons, including 78 on Saturday—the first day of the police actions, followed by 34 on Sunday, and two on Monday. They have been taken into custody under preventive sections for disturbing the peace and harmony in the state.

Many of them could be nominated in the already reg-

istered FIRs based on the evidence.

Police have recovered a total of 10 weapons, some unlicensed, till now which include nine rifles — seven 12-bore and two 315-bore, one 32-bore revolver, and 430 live cartridges.

Four vehicles have been confiscated including one Mercedes, two Ford Endeavours, and one Isuzu—which was found abandoned. Police had recovered one 315-bore rifle, one sword, and one walky-talky set from Isuzu D-Max on Sunday.

ISI Angle, Foreign Funding

IGP Gill maintained that the police is suspecting an "ISI angle" and foreign funding or hawala money connections in the matter. "We have a very strong suspicion of an ISI angle, based on the facts and circumstances that have come to light so far. We also have a very strong suspicion of foreign funding. Going by the circumstances, it seems that ISI is involved and there is foreign funding as well," he said.

IGP Gill said that the state

police teams are investigating the funding sources of 'Waris Punjab De'. "Till date, the police have found that the hawala foreign funding has come into their different bank accounts in small amounts from different places," said IGP Gill, while refused to disclose the exact amount as of now.

"All the owners of the vehicles that have been recovered in action against Waris Punjab De have been booked and taken into custody. We are probing the funding sources for the purchase of these high-end vehicles as those owning them don't have the income sources to afford such costly vehicles," said the IGP.

Anandpur Khalsa Fauj

The Police also maintained that the Khalistan sympathizer Amritpal Singh was trying to form his own militia by the name of 'Anandpur Khalsa Fauj', after the recovery of bulletproof jackets and rifles with initials 'AKF' written on them. Also the gate of Amritpal's house in his native village had initials 'AKF'.

"Amritpal was trying to

form an organization 'Anandpur Khalsa Fauj' as bulletproof jackets and rifles, which include unlicensed rifles, have been recovered on which AKF was printed. AKF is also painted on Amritpal's house gate in Jallapur Khera village in Amritsar district," IGP Gill said.

"During the preliminary investigation, it has come to fore that close associates of Amritpal, who used to carry these weapons and bulletproof jackets with AKF printed upon them, were included in this AKF," he added.

Alert on Borders, Airports

Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has sent direction to the Directors General (DGs) of Border Security Force (BSF) and Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) to ask their field formations to be on high alert in frontier areas in view of a possible attempt by Waris Punjab De chief Amritpal Singh to escape the country.

The officials on Monday said that even the immigration authorities at international airports had been asked to remain on high alert.

A senior official said that the two paramilitary forces had already sent all required inputs to their

field units with two photographs of Amritpal – with and without a turban.

The official said that in view of Punjab Police declaring Amritpal as a "fugitive", intelligence agencies have sounded that there is a possibility that he

could try to cross the India-Nepal border or the International Border in Punjab.

"As the Indo-Nepal border is guarded by SSB and the IB in Punjab is being manned by the BSF, the two forces have been asked to be on alert and to sensitize all personnel deployed at the border posts," the official said.

Suspension of Internet, SMS Services Extended

Keeping the law and order situation in mind, the Punjab Government has once again extended the suspension of internet and SMS services in the state for another 24 hours, till Tuesday noon. The police also warned of taking strict action against those disturbing peace and communal harmony in the state.

HP on alert too

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu on Monday said that the state was on high alert and security has been beefed up along the border with Punjab in view of the crackdown against radical preacher Amritpal Singh.

Strict vigil is being maintained along the border with Punjab, he said, adding that directions have been issued to ensure that tourists, coming from outside the State, do not face any inconvenience and no unwanted element is allowed entry.

The Chief Minister said, "There is nothing to worry and we are ready to deal with any circumstance."

Punjab Minister in Bengaluru to study generation of CNG, CBG from municipal, and agri waste

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

To bring Punjab on number one in terms of producing green and clean energy, the state New and Renewable Energy Sources Minister Aman Arora visited the Sustainable Impacts Plant at Bengaluru to study generation of

Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and Compressed Biogas (CBG) from Municipal waste and Agriculture residue. Notably, the Sustainable Impacts is a joint venture of two Bengaluru based start-ups — Carbon Masters and Hasiru Dala Innovations; and they have capabilities and expertise in the field of waste manage-

ment and carbon emission control. Meanwhile, Arora, along with Punjab Energy Development Agency (PEDA) chief executive Sumeet Jarangal and PEDA director MP Singh extended an invitation to the Sustainable Impacts' team to visit the State and explore feasibility to set up plants in Punjab.

Punjab Govt seeks suggestions for agricultural policy till Mar 31

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

To resolve the problems faced by the farmers of agrarian state Punjab and to make agriculture a profitable venture, the State Government has sought suggestions from the general public for the agricultural policy being made for the first time in Punjab. "It has been decided to prepare an agricultural policy to make

the farmers debt-free and to make farmers adopt innovative techniques. In this connection, for the first time in the history of Punjab, the Chief Minister organized a Sarkar-Kisaan Milni," said the state Agriculture Minister Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal on Monday. Dhaliwal said that the State Government has sought suggestions from the general public, especially the farmers, FPO Groups, Self Help Group, Kisan Association, and Agro Industrial Association till March 31.

HARYANA VIDHAN SABHA

Abhay Chautala barred from House again for a day over unparliamentary behaviour

Action after MLA used 'unparliamentary language' against Speaker during question hour despite being warned

MANOJ KUMAR ■ CHANDIGARH

The ongoing war of words between Haryana Vidhan Sabha Speaker Gian Chand Gupta and Indian National Lok Dal (INLD) MLA Abhay Singh Chautala on Monday led to the lone INLD legislator being debarred from attending the House proceedings for the day as he used unparliamentary language during Question Hour against the Chair alleging bias. It is the second time within a month that the Ellenabad MLA has been named and suspended by the House.

Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala, who is Abhay Chautala's nephew, condemned his behaviour and said that there have been similar incidents involving the INLD legislator in the past as well.

During the Question Hour, Abhay Chautala had sought to know whether any step had been taken by the government to raise the level of groundwater in the 'dark zones'. A dark zone is an area where the groundwater level has fallen considerably.

While asking a supplementary question, he said the government should give details on how much money it has spent on the upkeep of ponds and their beautification.

The speaker asked him to put a separate question on the issue he was raising in his supplementary question.

Abhay Chautala started arguing with the Chair after this, following which the speaker asked him to refrain from using unparliamentary language.

Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar intervened, saying argument with the Chair was disrespectful to the entire House. Khattar condemned Chautala's "unparliamentary behaviour" and said that respecting the Chair is the duty of every member. He said that arguing with the Speaker is against the dignity of the House. The CM

said every member has equal right of raising an issue before the Speaker. However, misbehaving with the Speaker is not expected from any member and strict cognizance should be taken against such incidents.

Responding to allegations of bias by the INLD member, the speaker asserted that he has been conducting House proceedings in an impartial manner.

"You should take back your words, otherwise you leave the House," Gupta told Chautala.

However, as there was no response from the INLD MLA, the speaker said, "I name Abhay Singh Chautala, your behaviour is unparliamentary. During Question Hour, you can ask supplementary question, but you cannot argue with the Chair." Last month too, Abhay Chautala had been named and suspended by the speaker for two days.

The INLD leader approached the Punjab and Haryana High Court on February 21 contending that the Speaker did not act in accordance with the Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business in the Assembly. The court then sought a response from the Haryana Vidhan Sabha secretariat on a plea.

The Haryana Assembly on March 17 passed a resolution to ignore the high court notice. The court has posted the matter for further hearing on March 23.

Later in the day, Congress MLA Geeta Bhukkal had a heated exchange with BJP MLA Deepak Mangla. Mangla praised the budget presented by the BJP-JJP coalition government, and Bhukkal called the coalition government ineffective.

Govt does not interfere in HPSC recruitment process: CM Khattar

Khattar, while speaking during the question hour of the ongoing Budget session, said that Haryana Public Service Commission (HPSC) is an autonomous body and solely



Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar replying during the question hour in the ongoing Budget Session of Haryana Vidhan Sabha in Chandigarh on Monday. Pioneer Photo

decides the process of recruitment of officers and employees at its level. The State Government does not interfere in the recruitment process, said Khattar. The Chief Minister said that if there is any issue related to ensuring transparency in the recruitment process of HPSC, then the state government can direct HPSC to ensure transparency. But the government cannot interfere in any of the recruitment processes of HPSC, said Khattar. He further said that for the recruitment of any post, again it is HPSC that decides if to take objective type (OMR based) or subjective type examination. The Commission publishes the detailed syllabus for each post and conducts the exam accordingly, said the Chief Minister.

8.41 lakh ration cards found "ineligible"

The issue of people who have been held "ineligible" and whose ration cards were discontinued, also rocked the Vidhan Sabha's proceedings when it was raised by Congress MLA Aftab Ahmed.

Replying to the question

raised on the issue, Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala said: "The ration card holders whose cards have been discontinued are being thoroughly investigated. According to the rules, if they are found eligible, their ration card will be issued again and remaining ration will also be provided. On the basis of data provided by the Citizen Resource Information Department (CRID), 8,41,817 families have been found ineligible for pink cards. Due to the discontinuation of their ration cards in December 2022, ineligible families have not been provided ration for the month of January 2023. It was further informed that ration has been allocated to 31.59 lakh BPL/AAV families for the month of January 2023 as compared to 26.94 lakh families for the month of December 2022."

Explaining the eligibility criteria, Dushyant added: "The annual income should be less than Rs 1.80 lakh for making Priority Household (BPL) ration card. The eligibility criteria for inclusion of identification of a family as Priority

Household (BPL) in the State has been issued by the Rural Development Department and Urban Local Bodies, Haryana vide their notification dated August 3, 2022, and August 31, 2022, respectively, and accordingly the beneficiaries are identified by the CRID, Haryana. Under the National Food Security Act, 2013, pink cards (AAY) have been issued to 3.02 lakh families as fixed by the Government of India, such families having income less than 1.80 lakh per annum are placed at the bottom of the list of families."

More than half the posts in CoopBanks lying vacant

Congress MLA Shamsher Singh Gogi raised the issue of vacant posts in the state's cooperative banks. The government's reply also revealed that more than half the posts were lying vacant. Replying to Gogi's assertions, Cooperative minister Dr Banwari Lal said: Haryana Cooperation Minister, Dr. Banwari Lal said that 741 posts are filled in State Cooperative Banks. The process of filling the remaining posts is underway.

The Cooperation Minister said that on August 14, 2019, 978 posts to be filled by the Cooperative Department were terminated due to a court case, but about 2060 people have been hired on a temporary basis to run the department. There is no intention to close the department and the staff in the Agriculture and Rural Development Bank is adequate.

He said that 16 out of 242 posts in district Ambala, 51 out of 298 in Bhiwani, 18 out of 227 in Faridabad, 41 out of 202 in Fatehabad, 42 out of 250 in Gurgaon, 76 out of 353 in Hisar, 38 out of 176 posts in Haryana, 42 out of 245 in Jind, 41 out of 261 in Kaithal, 42 out of 235 in Kurukshetra and 58 out of 332 in Karnal are filled.

The Cooperation Minister informed that there are 32 out of 184 cooperatives in Mahendergarh, 17 out of 114 in

Panchkula, 37 out of 193 in Panipat, 45 out of 194 in Rewari, 23 out of 199 in Rohtak, 65 out of 358 in Sirsa, 30 out of 297 in Sonapat, 28 out of 247 posts in Yamuna Nagar are filled. He informed that there are a total of 4608 posts, the process of filling the remaining posts is underway. He informed that 208 posts out of 593 are filled in Haryana State Cooperative Apex Bank Limited, Chandigarh.

Two bills passed in Vidhan Sabha

Two bills were passed in the budget session of the Vidhan Sabha session. These bills include, the Pandit Lakshmi Chand State University of Performing and Visual Arts, Rohtak (Amendment) Bill, 2023 and the Haryana Development and Regulation of Urban Areas (Amendment) Bill, 2023. In addition to this, the Haryana School Education (Amendment) Bill, 2023 was also introduced in the House.

Disappointing, has nothing for poor, farmers: Cong MLAs on budget

Congress MLAs on Monday slammed Haryana's budget 2023-24, saying it is "totally disappointing" and there is nothing in it for the poor and farmers. Congress MLA Geeta Bhukkal dubbed the budget "totally disappointing". "The BJP talks about Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, but Hajjar, from where four Congress MLAs come, is being discriminated against in development works," she charged. Bhukkal, a former education minister, claimed 36 Aarohi Model Schools opened in backward areas during the tenure of the erstwhile Congress government have been shut down.

BJP's Adampur MLA Bhavya Bishnoi, however, said the budget will take the state further on the path of growth. Ruling Jannayak Janta Party (JJP) MLA Ishwar Singh said the Parivar Pechan Patra (PPP) scheme is a good initiative but it has some anomalies which need to be rectified.

Jauramajra assumes charge as IPR Minister

Chandigarh: Punjab Cabinet Minister Chetan Singh Jauramajra on Monday assumed the charge as Minister of the Department of Information and Public Relations at the Punjab Civil Secretariat-1. Secretary Information and Public Relations Malwinder Singh Jaggi and Director Sonali Giri, along with other officers of the Department, welcomed the Cabinet Minister. PNS



Pb police's miscalculation, Amritpal's planning help him to escape

MONIKA MALIK ■ CHANDIGARH

Miscalculation by the Punjab police, coupled with strategic planning by Sikh radical preacher Amritpal Singh paved the way for his dramatic escape on Saturday after the state-wide crackdown was launched against the Waris Punjab De outfit.

As the state police team decided to take the Khalistan ideologue and Waris Punjab De head Amritpal into custody on Saturday, they believed that the self-proclaimed Sikh preacher would surrender. But, to their surprise, he managed to give the cops a slip despite their best possible effort to nab him. Even after three days of the police action, Amritpal is still out of Punjab Police's reach.

"Based on his speeches and whatever he talks, we expected that he would surrender... But the police officers, who were there on the ground, had made their best efforts," said the state Inspector General of Police (IGP), Headquarters, Sukhchain Singh Gill on Monday.

Notably, there were huge posse of police vehicles and teams that chased Amritpal for about 20-25 kms, before he managed to escape from the police dragnet.

Already in know that the Punjab Police was chasing him, Amritpal Singh — who was travelling in a convoy of four vehicles in Moga — managed to give them a slip by fleeing in a Maruti Brezza from a busy market in Mehatpur village of Jalandhar district, with the help of his chacha (uncle) Harjit Singh who kept the cops busy.

Harjit Singh has surrendered in Jalandhar at 1.30 am on Monday before a police team, including Deputy Inspector General (DIG), Border Range, Narendra Bhargav; Amritsar Rural SSP Satinder Singh; and Pathankot SSP Harkamalpreet Singh Khakh.

"During interrogation, Harjit revealed that they received a call and someone informed them about the heavy police deployment everywhere.

At first, they decided to flee in the Mercedes from Mehatpur, but then Amritpal suggested that he and Harjit, both, should flee separately. They then ask one of their supporters to get a Brezza at Mehatpur market where they stop the car, and Harjit diverted the attention. During this time, Amritpal fled in Brezza along with a bodyguard. And Harjit took the Mercedes which the police continued to chase thinking that Amritpal is inside," said a senior police official, requesting anonymity.

Upon his arrest, the police recovered a pistol and Rs one lakh from Harjit and impounded the Mercedes car. The police have also confiscated Harjit's mobile phone for forensic examination. The police have also invoked the National Security Act (NSA) against Harjit, and he has also been taken to Dibrugarh in Assam, where already Amritpal's four close aides were shifted a day before.

Sources maintained that Harjit played a crucial role in Amritpal's rise. It has also been learnt that Harjit has been in touch with Pakistan-based terrorist Lakhbir Singh Rode.

Scribes' Twitter Accounts Withheld

Amidst the police action against 'Waris Punjab De', several Twitter accounts were withheld in India, including those belonging to a few journalists from Punjab, and Sangrur MP Simranjeet Singh Mann.

It has been learnt that nearly 75 accounts, with many belonging to Punjab-based journalists, have been withheld, including that of Indian Express reporter Kamaldeep Singh Brar, Pro Punjab TV bureau chief Gagandeep Singh, independent journalist Sandeep Singh, digital activist Pieter Friedrich, besides Canadian politician Jagmeet Singh, Sangrur MP Simranjeet Singh Mann, among others. The disclaimers at the bottom read that these accounts had "been withheld in India in response to a legal request".

When asked about the criteria to suspend the Twitter accounts of some journalists, IGP Gill replied, "I can't comment on this".

Historic 100 Days of New Regime



#GreenBudget

On December 11, 2022, the Congress Party took over the reins of power in Himachal Pradesh under the leadership of Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu. On the very first day, a new chapter of development, good governance and public welfare was ushered in by the new Government. In order to implement the genuine and firm intentions of system change, this Government has been dedicated to working for public interest for 2400 hours in 100 days. Because of this, epochal changes have been seen in Himachal within these 100 days.

OPS Reinstated

1.36 Lakh employees included in the purview of NPS have been covered in the Old Pension Scheme.

Expansion of Social Security coverage

Financial assistance of Rs 1.50 lakh will be given to 7000 widows and single women for house construction.

Age limit for pension to widows and handicapped abolished.

Employment to youth

30,000 Government jobs will be provided in the year 2023-24.

With the investment of Rs. 20,000 crore in private sector, direct and indirect employment will be given to 90,000 youth.

Sukhashraya Kosh for 6000 orphans

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6000 Orphan children to be adopted as 'Children of State'.

For higher education, pocket money, self-employment and construction of houses, they will be given an assistance of Rs. 3 lakh and 4 Biswa land.

Residents of old age homes and orphanages, destitute women and deaf-mute children will get a clothing grant of Rs 10,000 each.

White Revolution through Him Ganga Yojna

Rs 500 crore allotted to increase the income of farmers.

New Milk Processing Plants will be established and upgraded.

To improve the services in Veterinary Hospitals, 44 mobile vans will be put to service.

Clean drinking water to people

Use of state-of-the-art technologies like water filter and UV will be made mandatory in all Drinking Water Schemes.

For proper maintenance of these schemes, 5000 posts of different categories will be filled.

Sewerage Schemes will be constructed in Manali, Bilaspur, Palampur, Nahan and Karsog.

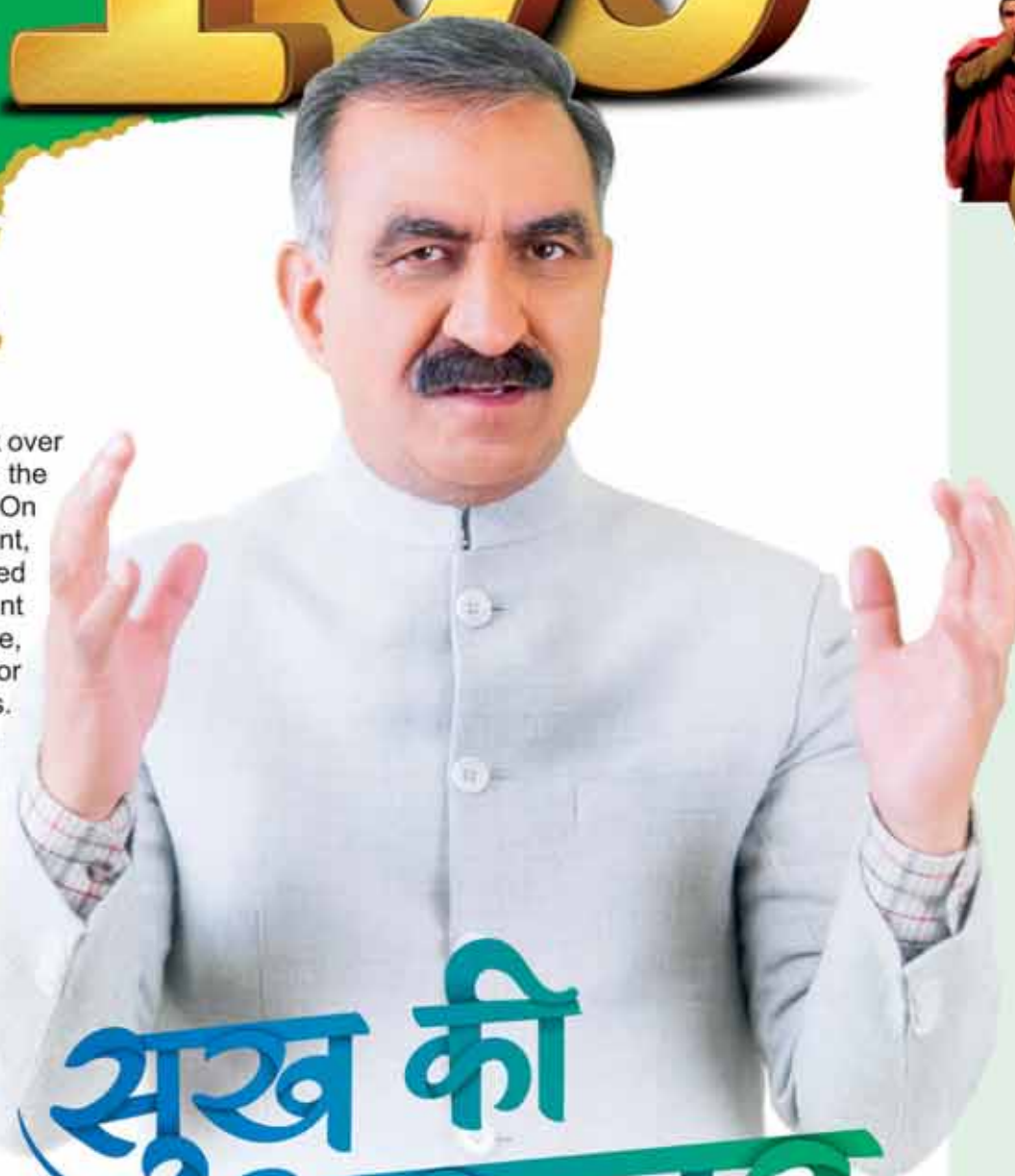
Corruption free and accountable governance

On the issue of leak of examination question paper, H.P. Staff Selection Commission Hamirpur dissolved.

Chief Minister Small Shopkeeper Welfare Scheme

Small shopkeepers will be given 50% subsidy on loans up to Rs. 50,000.

75,000 small shopkeepers like tailors, barbers, street vendors and grocery vendors will be benefitted.



सुख की सरकार

हिमाचल सरकार

To become India's first Green Energy State by 2026

Exploit Hydropower, Hydrogen and Solar Energy.

40% Subsidy for setting up a Solar Project.

Private bus & truck operators will get 50% Subsidy on the purchase of electric buses and trucks.

The State Government will also launch a Green Hydrogen Policy, wherein two Green Panchayats will be developed in each assembly.

Innovative efforts towards tourism expansion

Land acquisition process will start for the expansion of Mandi and Kangra Airports.

Heliports will be constructed at all District Headquarters.

Kangra District will be developed as the Tourism Capital of the State.

An action plan for beautification of heritage sites, eco-tourism and tourism facilities will be prepared in Kangra, Hamirpur, Kullu, Shimla, Mandi and other districts at a cost of Rs. 1311 crore through the Asian Development Bank.

Private investment will be encouraged

Bureau of Promotion will be set up to facilitate the New Industrial Policy and investors.

Unity Mall will be constructed to promote 'One District, One Product'.

50 Him-Ira Shops will be opened for sale of products to self-help groups.

Youth will be issued permits to drive E-vehicles on 500 identified bus routes. 12 Bus Stands will be constructed in the state.

Better and universal health services

Emergency Medicine Department will be established by upgrading the Emergency Department in Medical Colleges.

The construction work of Hamirpur, Nahan and Chamba Medical Colleges will be completed at a cost of Rs. 100 crore.

A Model Health Institute will be developed in all assembly constituencies.

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Main Announcements

Kangra to be developed as Tourism Capital

All Medical Colleges to have Robotic Surgery Facility

Every assembly region to have a Rajiv Gandhi Day Boarding School

2.31 Lakh women to get Rs. 1500 monthly pension

Mukhya Mantri Rozgar Sankalp Yojana to assure employment to the youth

Him Ganga Yojana to enhance milk productivity

20,000 Meritorious girl students to get Rs. 25,000 subsidy on electric scooty

1000 MW capacity Hydropower Projects to be completed

In all Medical Colleges, Casualty Department to be upgraded to Medical Emergency Department

40,000 New people to get Social Security Coverage benefit

Promotion of agriculture, horticulture and animal husbandry

Subsidy will be given on mesh fence under Chief Minister's Farm Protection Scheme.

Farmers will be given 50% subsidy on tractors and 80% subsidy on construction of fish ponds.

Loan will be provided at the rate of 2% for start-ups in agriculture, horticulture and animal husbandry.

Focus on qualitative education

A Rajiv Gandhi Model Day-Boarding School will be set up in every assembly constituency to provide quality education to the students.

State-of-the-art technology and equipment will be available in these.

10,000 Meritorious students and 17,510 teachers of Primary Schools will get tablets.

40,000 Children's desks will be provided.

Improving connectivity by prioritising road construction

Under the Mukhya Mantri Sadak and Government Maintenance Scheme, Rs. 200 crore will be spent in 2023-24.

150 km new roads and 9 bridges will be constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana Phase-1 and 2.

Under PMGSY Phase-3, 45 roads with a length of 440 km have been sanctioned in the State at a cost of Rs. 422 crore.

250 km new roads and 27 bridges will be constructed under NABARD.

Increase in wages of MNREGA workers

MGNREGA wages increased from Rs. 212 to Rs. 240. There are 9 lakh MNREGA workers in the State, in which 65% are women.

The daily wage in tribal areas has been increased from Rs. 266 to Rs. 294.

Classifieds

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Hemraj s/o Bachan Singh r/o Ramsaran Majra, Sub Tehsil Babain, Tehsil Ladwa (Kurukshetra) inform that my daughter Renu is out of control. That's why I disown her from my movable and immovable properties. My family will not be responsible for her good or bad actions and transactions in future.

I Ashish Bhatia S/o Late Sh. Adarsh Bhatia, R/o House no. 184, Gali no. 1, Majitha Road, Gopal Nagar, Amritsar, at Present R/o House no. 127, Gali no. 3, Gopal Nagar, Majitha Road, Amritsar declare that declare that my Son Akshat Bhatia is out of my control. I disinherited him from my all moveable, immoveable properties. Anyone deals with him will do so, at his own risk, responsibility.

I, Raj Kumar S/o Prem Nath R/o #292, DMC Sector 38 West, Chandigarh declare that I break all relations with my niece Sneha D/o Subhash Chand. She is out of my control. If anybody deals with her will do their own risk/responsibility.

I, Rajinder Kumar S/o Late Ram Krishan House 1468, Sector 23-B, Chandigarh. My son Ravi and his wife Anu Rani out of my control. I disown them from my moveable/ immovable properties. Anybody deal with them at their own Risk.

We Balkish wife Asgar Ali and Asgar Ali son Akbar Ali R/o House no 167 Subhash Nagar Surajpur Tehsil Kalka District Panchkula our son Shakir Ali and his wife Sabina are out of our control. We disown them from our moveable / immoveable properties. Anybody dealing with them at his/ her own risk.

I, Sharmila Devi Spouse Of Jitender (Name Of Husband) Resident Of Village Rohna, Tehsil And Distt. Sonapat (Hr) 131402 .Have Changed My Name From Sharmila Devi (Existing Name Of Spouse As Per Nok In Record) To Sharmila Kumari (Proposed/Accepted New Name Of Spouse) Vide Affidavit Dated 20-03-2023

I Raman W/O Jc383558k Maj Dinesh Kumar R/O Mohalla Zaidara Mukerian Tehsil Mukerian Distt Hoshiarpur Declared That In My Husband Army Record My Dob Is Recorded Wrongly As 12.3.1977. My Correct Dob Is 13.3.1977.

I, Murti Devi, Spouse Of Om Parkash (Name Of Husband) Resident Of Village Raipur P.O. Tehsil And District Sonapat (Hr)-131001 Have Changed My Name And Date Of Birth From Murti Devi And Dob 15-07-1952 (Existing Name And Date Of Birth As Per Nok In Record) To Murti And Dob 01-01-1951 (Proposed/ Accepted New Name And Dob Of Spouse) Vide Affidavit Dated 20-03-2023

I Harsarup S/O Sewa Ram And Sudesh W/O Harsarup R/O Village Dhakwala Tehsil And Distt Karnal. Declare That Our Son Shubham Is Out Of Our Control. So We Disown Him From Our Movable And Immoveable Property. Anybody Dealing With Him On Their Own Risk.

I, Raj Kaur W/o Late Sh. Roshan Lal, #46, Village Dadu Majra, Chandigarh, disown my son Davinder from movable/ immovable property as he is beyond my control and involved in bad habits. If anybody deals him any type in future shall be self responsible.

ਮੈਂ, ਹਰਿਸ਼ਰੁਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰੁ ਲੇਟੁ ਰਵਰਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ੨੧, ਸ਼ਹੀਦ ਬਾਬਾ ਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਗਰ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਜਲੰਧਰ ਆਿਅਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਲੜਕੇ ਗੁਰਜਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੂੰ ਮੇਰੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਨਾ ਹੋਣ ਕਰਕੇ ਮਿਤੀ 2੩-10-੨੦1੮ ਨੂੰ ਅਥਾਹਰ ਗਈ ਬੇਦਲਕੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੈ। ਹੁਣ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਗੁਰਜਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਮੇਰੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ। ਮੈਂ ਇਸ ਦੀ ਬੇਦਲਕੀ ਵਾਜਿਬ ਲੈਂਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਹੁਣ ਇਸ ਮੇਰੀ ਵੱਲ-ਅੱਲ੍ਹੇ ਨਾਇਦਾਰ ਦਾ ਵਾਜਿਬ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Pimal Kumari W/o Harbans Singh Kadian R/o #787, Saini Vihar, Phase-II, Baltana, Zirakpur, SAS Nagar, Mohali (Punjab) have changed my name from Pimal Kumari to Pimal Kadian.

I, Aakarshika D/o No.JC-805114W Sub (Instr) Deepak Kumar Bakshi R/o #1016F, Sector-19, Panchkula (Haryana) have changed my name from Aakarshika to Aakarshika Bakshi vide affidavit dated:-10-Mar 2023 before notary public District Court Panchkula (Haryana)

I, Gurjit Singh S/o Jaswant Singh R/O VPO Dhadiala Natti, Tehsil Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur-143507, Punjab have changed my name from Gurjit Singh to Gurjeet Singh.

I, Jyoti Rathee W/o Rajesh Kumar R/o Flat No.602 GHS-11, Sector-24 Panchkula, Haryana eclare that my name in school records of my daughter Tanishqa has been wrongly entered as Jyoti Barver. My correct name is Jyoti Rathee.

I, Joydeep Singh Baldwan S/o Devinder Singh Baldwan R/o 48, Gali No. 12, Azad Nagar, Distt. Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Joydeep Singh Baldwan to Joydeep Singh.

I, Rajender Kumar S/o Jai Kumar R/O Village Bakarpur, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt. Yamuna Nagar have changed my minor son's name from Devin to Devin Kamboj.

I, Sanjeev S/o Gulab Singh R/O Village Kanalsi, P/O Mehra Majra, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt. Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Sanjeev to Sanjeev Kumar.

I, Abu Shaid Mazumder S/O Ramjan Uddin Mazumder R/O Village Tupkhana Pt - 1, P.O. Arunachal, Distt Cachar, Assam Declare That In My Father's Service Record By Mistake My Name Is Written As Abu Sahid Mazumdar Instead Of Abu Shaid Mazumder.

I, Jahanara Begum Mazumder W/O Ramjan Uddin Mazumder R/O Village Tupkhana Pt- 1, P.O. Arunachal, Distt Cachar, Assam Declare That In My Husband's Service Record By Mistake My Name Is Written As Jahanara Begum Instead Of Jahanara Begum Mazumder.

I, Ramjan Uddin Mazumder S/O Major Ali Mazumder R/O Village Tupkhana Pt- 1, P.O. Arunachal, Distt Cachar, Assam Declare That In My Service Record By Mistake My Name Is Written As Ramjan Uddin Mazumdar Instead Of Ramjan Uddin Mazumder.

I, Sudhir Paswan S/o Gorak Paswan R/o #1139/1, Govindpura, Sector-13, Chandigarh have changed my son name from Sitara to Yash.

I, No. 3990761H Ex-Hav Avtar Singh S/o Sh. Rikhi Ram R/o Village Sathwan PO Fatehpur Tehsil Mukerian Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab has changed my wife name from Anjan to Anjana Kumari.

I, Ramer S/o Manohar Lal # 654, Dadu Majra, Chandigarh have changed my name to Ram Mehr.

I, Subra Maniyam S/O Pungan # 947, Vikas Nagar, Mauli Jagran, Chandigarh have changed my name to Supramaniam.

I, Krishan S/O Satbir # 6366/B, Rajeev Vihar, Sector 13, Manimajra Chandigarh have changed my name to Kabbir Mallik.

I, Hariant S/O Pappu # 203/3, Small Flats, Maloya, Chandigarh have changed my name to Abdul Rehman.

I, Roopa w/o Pankaj Sharma #186, Vikas Nagar, Mauli Jagran, Chandigarh have changed my name to Roopa Sharma.

I, Sangeeta Rani W/O Naresh Kumar, House 23, Back Side, Prem Plaza, Sadar Bazar, Karnal Haryana Have Changed My Name From Geeta Rani To Sangeeta Sharma.

I, Jitender Singh Thind S/o Sh. Karnail Singh R/o Village Kangpur Tehsil & District Sirsa (Hry.) That I have changed my name from Jitender Singh Thind to Jitender Singh.

I, Karnail Singh Kamboj S/o Sh. Fauja Singh R/o Village Kangpur Tehsil & District Sirsa (Hry.) That I have changed my name from Karnail Singh Kamboj to Karnail Singh.

I, Sagar Vashisht S/o Sh. Sushil Kumar R/o Boarding Walli Gali, Rori Bazar, Sirsa, Haryana declare that my father name have been change Sushil Kumar Sharma to Sushil Kumar. That in future shall be known as Sushil Kumar for all future purpose.

I, Sagar Vashisht S/o Sh. Sushil Kumar R/o Boarding Walli Gali, Rori Bazar, Sirsa, Haryana declare that my Mother name have been change Satyawati Sharma to Satyawati Devi. That in future shall be known as Satyawati Devi for all future purpose.

I, Ashwani Ahuja S/O Sh. Chiman Lal R/O 4 F Kailash Nagar, Opp. New Grain Market, Fazilka 152123, Distt Fazilka Declares That The Names Ashwini Ahuja, Ashwani Ahuja, Ashwani Kumar & Ashwani Kumar Ahuja Refer To One And The Same Person.

I, Manish Singla, S/o Satish Singla, R/o H.N. 501, Model Town, Jind Road, Kaithal, Informs that, I have changed the name of my minor Daughter Prisha to Prisha Singla, Adhar no. 823170320925. Call her Prisha Singla in future.

I, Om Parkash S/o Jai Narain R/o V.P.O. Abela, Distt. Karnal have changed my name from Om Parkash to Om Prakash. Please note for future.

I, Laxmi Devi W/o Om Parkash R/o V.P.O. Abela, Distt. Karnal have changed my name from Laxmi Devi to Luxmi Devi. Please note for future.

I, Rashmi Goyal W/o Sahil Goyal R/o H.No.691, Sector-6, Urban Estate, Distt. Karnal have changed my name from Rashi to Rashi Goyal. Please note for future.

I, Darshana w/o Sh. Suraj Mal R/O H.No. 866, Sector 33P-1, Hisar declare that I change my name from Darshana to Darshna Devi. In future I known Darshna Devi for all purposes.

I, Kanika Budhiraja W/O. Sh. Lt. Sachin Budhiraja R/O. #362, Hanuman Mandir, Sector-14, Sonipat (Haryana) After Marriage I Have Changed My Name From Kanika Relan To Kanika Budhiraja.

I, Nitika Gupta W/O. Sh. Gautam Gupta R/O. #909, Sector-2, Panchkula, Tehsil & Distt. Panchkula Haryana That After Marriage I Have Changed My Name From Nitika Relan /Nitika To Nitika Gupta.

I Rani Alias Ajmer Kaur D/O Puran Singh & W/O Avtar Singh R/O Disatpur Dehrha, Kheri Mohammadi Uttar Pardesh Inform That In My Aadhar Card My Name Mentioned As Ajmer Kaur & In My Property Document My Name Is Mentioned As Rani. Ajmer Kaur & Rani Both Are One And The Same Person.

I Ramandeep Kaur W/O Malkeet Singh R/O Village Urlana Khurd Distt. Panipat I Have Changed My Name Ramandeep Surname Kaur

I Malkeet Singh S/O Gulzar Singh R/O Village Urlana Khurd Distt. Panipat I Have Changed My Minor Daughter Name Amreen Kaur To Amreen Surname Kaur

I Ritu Singh W/O Tejpal Tanwar R/O Vpo. Bhusthala Distt. Kurukshetra I Have Changed My Name Ritu Rani.

I Jaideep S/O Partap Singh R/O Village Lukhi Distt. Kurukshetra I Have Changed My Name Jaideep Surname Tanwar

I Nutan W/O Sh. Raj Kumar R/O Village Pathreri Tehsil Naraingarh Distt Ambala Have Changed My Name From Nutan Rani To Nutan.

I Komal w/o Mohit tarama #901/99, Ashok Vihar, Ambala City declared that I have changed my name Komal Makkar to Komal. Please Note.

I, Reema Gautam W/o Vijay Kumar R/o # 111 Khuda Lahora New Colony, Chandigarh. declares that I have changed my name from Reema Gautam to Reema Bharti.

I, Jamero Davi Mother of Salinder Kumar R/O #999-B, Sector 47B, Chandigarh have changed my name from Jamero Davi to Ajmero Davi vide affidavit dated 15.03.2023 before Notary, Distt. Court Chandigarh

I Jit Ram S/o Sh. Dayal Chand, R/o Village Nada, Tehsil Kharar, Distt. SAS Nagar Mohali Punjab have changed my name from Jit Ram to Jeet Ram.

I, Jeet Sachdeva S/o Sh.Nand Lal Sachdeva R/o H.No.448/14, Ward No.12, Basant Vihar, Near Jind Lab, Jind have changed my name from Jeet Sachdeva to Jeet Lal Sachdeva.

I Sushma W/O Jagdish Kumar Anand R/O 1179 Sector-15 Panchkula Haryana, Have Changed My Name From Sushma To Sushma Anand.

I, Raman Sidhu D/O Beant Singh Sidhu R/O Flate No. 37a, Highland Park Greens,High Ground Area Zirakpur (Mohali) Have Declared That I Have Changed My Minor Daughter Raaisha Kaushik' S Name To Raaisha Sidhu.

I Gokul S/O Jaswinder Singh R/O Sanyal Tehsil Mukerian Distt Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name To Gokul Rana.

I Gurdeep Singh Dhingra S/O S.Madanjit Singh R/O H.No.L-13/1333/1, Gali No.6, Kot Baba Deep Singh, Sultanwind Road, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Gurdeep Singh Dhingra To Gurdeep Singh.

I, Barinder Jeet Singh S/O Mukhtar Singh R/O Village Naushehra Tehsil District Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name From Barinder Jeet Singh To Barinderjit Singh.

I, Mukhtiar Singh S/O Meja Singh R/O Village Naushehra Tehsil District Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name From Mukhtiar Singh To Mukhtiar Singh.

I, Hardyal Singh S/O Apar Singh R/O Vpo Sur Singh, Patti Chandu Ki, Tehsil Patti Distrit Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name From Hardyal Singh To Hardiyal Singh.

I, Hitherto Known As Hira Singh Sandhu Son Of Bachan Singh Residing At Village Narla, Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran-143305 Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Hira Singh.

I, Hitherto Known As Rajdeep Kaur Sandhu Wife Of Lovepreet Singh Residing At H.No.73 Block, Sultanwind Road, Dashedan Avenue, Amritsar, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Inderbir Singh.

I, Hitherto Known As Sukhwant Kaur Bhangu Son Of Inderbir Singh Residing At Vpo Manawala Khurd Via Bundala, Dera Meera Kotian Da, District Amritsar-143413 Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Sukhwant Kaur

I, Hitherto Known As Sukhwinder Singh Son Of Dhir Singh Residing At Village Gosai, Po Buchanagall, Gurdaspur-143512 Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Singh Sukhwinder.

I, Hitherto Known As Riya Bajaj Wife Of Rajesh Bajaj Residing At Hm208/A, Aman Avenue, O/S Gate Hakima, Amritsar-143001 Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Mamta Bajaj.

It Is For General Information That I, Rajvir Kaur Brar D/O Bakhtshish Singh, Ex-Wife Of Bakhtshish Singh Brar S/O Chamkaur Singh Brar, Residing At Vpo Chitti, Distt. Jalandhar-144028. Punjab, India, Declare That I Got Divorce From My Ex-Husband, Vide H.M.Act Case No. 2940 Of 16.05.2013 Decided On 25.09.2013 Vide Judgement Of Court Of Sh. Gurmit Ram Banyal, District Judge, Kapurthala, Punjab, India, Dated 25.09.2013. Further

I Have Remarried To Daljit Singh Vide Marriage Certificate Registered At No. Jar/Jal/2023/45206857 On 10.02.2023 In The Office Of Parveen Chhibber, Marriage Registrar, Jalandhar, Punjab, India And I Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Rajvir Kaur.

I, Swati Sharma D/O Swatantra Kumar Sharma & W/O Nikhil Mehra R/O 146, Ram Tirath Road, Near Hdfe Bank, New Urban Estate, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Swati Sharma To Swati Mehra.

I Hitherto Known As Hardeep Kaur D/O Satnam Singh W/O Manpreet Singh Sangha, Residing At Vill. Sange Jagir, Po Littrian, Teh. Phillaur, Distt. Jalandhar-144043, Punjab, India Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Hardeep Kaur Sangha.

I, Navdeep Kaur Gill W/O Jatinderpal Singh R/O Village Nanoke Tehsil Ajnala District Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Navdeep Kaur Gill To Navdeep Kaur.

I, Seema Rani @ Seema Bhandari W/O Arun Bhandari S/O Late Jatinder Nath Bhandari R/O H.No.36, Gali No.1, Gopal Nagar, Majitha Road, Amritsar Have Certified That Above Both Names Are Mine One And Same Person.

I Arun S/O Manohar Lal Resident Of 1614, Tungbala Abadi, Dashmesh Nagar, Municipal Corporation, Ward No. 58, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Arun To Arun Sharma.

I Janvi D/O Sanjeev Mahajan Resident Of 3415, Gali Kakkiyar, Near Peer Baba Ji Mandir, Katra Baghian, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Janvi To Janvi Mahajan.

I, Vibha W/o Mohit R/O H.No. WX 180, Basti Nau, Jalandhar 1, Distt. Jalandhar, Punjab declare that my name on 10th certificate my name Vibha Vij & on my aadhar card my name is Vibha & also my mother name on my 10th certificate is Prabha Rani & also my mother name is Prabha vij Both the names are of one and the same.

I, Sita Devi alias Geeta Daughter of Shri Balwan Singh (Birth Place Balla) R/O Village Shamdi, Buran Tehsil or District Sonipat Ie that I Sita Devi alias Geeta, both these names are mine. That means I should be known and recognized by both the above names.

I Sunita W/O Mohinder Paul Verma R/O House No. 246 - B , Officer Colony Nabha (Patiala) Have Changed My Name To Sunita Verma.

I, Suneeta Kumari, Dob 15.04.1984, My Husband Army No-Jc 493067w, Rank-Nb/Sub, Name-Subhash Chandra, Vill-Posana, Post Office- Posana, Teh-Udaipurwati, Distt Jhunjhunu, (Rajasthan) Pin-333022. My Name Mistake Is Sunita Devi, Dob 01.05.1985,Is Interened, Which Is Incorrect. So In Future My Name Is Suneeta Kumari, Dob 15.04.1984. Which Is Correct. Affidavit Letter No 06-21/04/05. Date-22 Feb 2023.

I, Kanaga S, Spouse Of No. 15192837y Nk (Rst) Arun Kumar M Presently Residing At (Address) Hqb/37 (Coorg) Field Regiment, C/O 56 Apo, Pin 925737 Have Changed My Name From Kanaga S To Kanaga A Vide Affidavit Dated 20 March 2023 Before At Notray Ferozepur.

I, No. 4580636n, Nk, Anil Kumar Rathore Son Of Raj Kumar, And Permanent Address Is Vpo Anterved Ganyari, Tehsil Deemar Kheda Distroit Katni, Pin 483334 Have Changed My Minor Son Name From Parth Kumar To Parth Kumar Rathore Vide Affidavit Dated 18 March 2023 Before At Notary Ferozepur.

I, Harjeet Kaur Wife Of Kikar Singh Resident Of Village Wattu District Sri Muktsar Sahib Is Also Known As Paramjeet Kaur. These Two Names Of Me.

I, Sunil Kumar Kamboj S/O Jagdish Rai R/O Vill Moran Wala, Po Chak Mahanta Wala, Jalalabad, Fazilka, Punjab - 152024 Have Changed My Name To Sunil Kumar

I Ansh Son Of Rakesh Kumar Resident Of Police Line Ferozepur Cantt Have Changed My Name To Ansh Mahasha

I, Swarna Devi And Usha Rani W/O Tilak Raj Resident Of House No. 78/49, Bajaj Bhawan, Kasuri Gate, Ferozepur City. Tehsil And District Ferozepur, 152002, Punjab, I Am Known By Both Names As Above One And Is Same Person.

I, Gurjant Singh & Gurjant Singh Bhullar Son Of Jagir Singh Resident Of Village Bhure Kalan District Ferozepur Known By The Above Names Is The Same Person With The Above Names.

I, Chhammo Bai Daughter Of Chiman Singh Resident Of Village Habib Wala Tehsil & District Ferozepur Have Changed My Name To Simranjeet Kaur.

I Jasvir Singh S/O Charan Singh R/O Basti Bhai Ki, Dastul Sahib Wala , Sbs Engg College, Ferozepur, Have Changed My Name To Jasveer Singh.

I Preeti Sharma W/O Vikram Sharma R/O H No 742 St No 1 B Near Shilita Mata Mandir ,Old Fazilka Road Abohar Fazilka Punjab-152116 Have Chandeg My Name Preeti Rani

I Sunil Saneja S/O Laxman Das, R/O H No 946 Choti Pouri, NAI Abadi Abohar, Fazilka, Punjab-152116 Have Changed My Name Sunil Suneja

I Sandeep Singh Khosa S/O Baljinder Singh R/O Vpo Danger Khara Fazilka Punjab - 152122 Have Changed My Name Sandeep Singh

I Sahilpreet Alias Sahilpreet Singh Son Of Kuldeep Singh Resident Of Rukna Begu Tehsil & District Ferozepur Have Changed My Name To Sahilpreet Singh.

I Rupali W/O Rohit Duggal, R/O Kotli No 140 City Enclave Icche Wala Road Traingle Park Ferozepur City Have Changed My Name To Rupali Duggal.

I, Gayatri w/o Chander Shekhar r/o #102/9, Shankar Gali, Multani Dharmshala, Mohalla Chkarwanti, Thanesar, Kurukshetra declare that in my different documents my two name are used that is Gayatri and Gayatri kalra. In future, I should be known as Gayatri.

I, Dharamveer S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar R/O H. No. 120, Nand Vihar, Main Gali, Azad Nagar, Hisar hereby declare that I have changed my name from Dharamveer to Dharmveer Singh for all future purposes.

I, Kartik S/O Satinder Kumar R/O H.No - 213/13, Jail Road, Saheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Gopal Nagar, Gurdaspur. Pin-143521,Punjab. Have Changed My Name To Kartik Sharma And My Mother Name Alka W/O Satinder Kumar From Alka To Alka Rani.

I, Sudhanshu Kumar S/O No. Jc-561772w Sub Ram Kishor Singh R/O Vill- Kharauini, Po-Belauna, Distt- Bhojpur, State- Bihar Pin-802154 Presently Residing At 12 Bihar, , Tibri Cantt Gurdaspur C/O 56 Apo, India, Have Changed My Name From Sudhanshu Kumar Singh To Sudhanshu Kumar Due To Erroneously Recorded In My Father Service Record Vide Affidavit No. 96275 Date 3/11/2022

I, No 677878-S Ex Jwo Inderjit Singh S/O Puran Singh Resident Pf Vpo Dholawal, Tehsil&Distt Pathankot (Punjab) , Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Inderjit Singh Bains To Inderjit Singh Vide Affidavit No. In-Pb81216234726945v Dated 17 Mar 2023 Before Executive Magistrate Pathankot

I Service No. 15619745m, Rank Hav Arnab Maity. R/O Village Chandiduel, Po- Falta , Tehsil Dimond Harbour And District- 24 Pargana South, State- West Bengal, Pin- 743504, India. Declare That I have My Army Service Record My Son Name Jyoti Prakash Maity Is Wrong. But My Son Name Jyoti Prakash Maity Is Correct. Vide Affidavit No. In-Pb81707388765127v, Dated 18-03-2023 Before Notary Public Gurdaspur, Punjab, India.

I, Saranjeet Kaur W/O No. Jc-501873a Rank Sub Name Kashmir Singh Resident Of Vill-Jaini Khalki, Po Madhopur, Tehsil & Distt Pathankot (Punjab) , Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Saranjeet Kaur To Sarvjit Kaur Vide Affidavit No. In-Pb1145462280001v Dated 17 Mar 2023 Before Executive Magistrate Pathankot. My Correct Date Of Birth Is 02-03-1980 Instead Of 02-03-1981.

I, Mamta Devi Spouse Of No 4084708f Lhav Surendra Singh Punjab Resident Of Vill-Madrasoo, Po- Madrasoo, Teh-Vikasnagar, Distt-Dehradun, State -Uttarakhand, Have Changed To My Name From Mamta Devi To Mamta Pundir Vide Affidavit No- In-Pb81974213703984v Dated 20/03/2023 Before District Court Gurdaspur Punjab

I, Rajni Kumari Alias Kumari Rajni Alias Rajni Kumari Saini D/o Ram Kishan Saini W/o Kulbir Singh, # 3130 Sector 47-D, Chandigarh, have changed my name to Rajni Saini.

I, Varsha Ahirwar W/o Ujwal, 478 Ward 7 Arya Nagar, Gharaunda, Karnal, have changed name to Varsha.

I, Manish Kumar S/o Subhash Chander Kataria, R/o Street Mal Singh, Malkana Mohalla, Fazilka 152123 pb, have changed name from Manish Kumar Kataria to Manish Kumar.

I, Sonpreet Kaur W/o Lakhvir Singh, Vill. Ladewal Tehsil Amargarh, Distt Malerkotla, have changed my name to Sonpreet.

I, Balbir Singh S/o Dalip Singh, Vill. Faridpur Khurd Bahadergarh, Tehsil and Distt. Malerkotla, have changed my name to Balbir Singh Hans.

I, Harjinder Kaur W/o Balbir Singh Hans, Vill Faridpur Khurd Bahadergarh Tehsil and Distt. Malerkotla, have changed my name to Harjinder Kaur Hans.

I, Harjit Singh Gulati S/o Jaswant Singh R/o House No. 318, Gurananakpura (Jiwan Nagar) Karnal, have changed my name to Harjit Singh.

I, Dimpal w/o Harmesh Singh r/o House No. 1021/10, Mohan Nagar, Kurukshetra, have changed my to Dimple Kaur.

I, Usha Devi W/o Jitender Singh R/o H.No. 1411/20, Block-C, Preet Vihar Colony, Rohtak have changed my name from Usha Rani to Usha Devi & my DOB 01/01/1980 for all future purposes.

I Hardeep S/O Rajender Kumar R/O Vill Sultampuria Tehsil Rania Distt, Sirsa, Haryana Have Changed My Name Hardeep To Hardeep Tada. Concerned Please Note.

I, Abha Joshi D/o Sh. Anurag Joshi and W/o Sh. Arjun Sood R/o House No. E-3/9, Ground Floor, DLF Valley, near Amravati Enclave, Panchkula, Haryana, have change my name from Abha Joshi to Abha Sood for all future purposes.

I, Krishna Malik W/o Sh. Raj Kumar Malik R/o H. No. 2715, Sector-9-11, Hisar, Haryana hereby declare that I have changed my name from Krishna Rani to Krishna Malik for all future purposes.

I, Raj Kumar Malik S/o Sh. Daya Ram R/o H. No. 2715, Sector-9-11, Hisar, Haryana hereby declare that I have changed my name from Raj Kumar to Raj Kumar Malik for all future purposes.

I, Geeta Devi Wife of No. JC675142W Rank NB SUB Name Rajesh Kumar Pandey R/O Village Kailtha, Po Raypur Sonouri, Teh. Tyonther, Distt. Rewa, M.P.-486226 have changed my name in army record from Geeta Devi to Geeta Pandey vide affidavit dated 20-03-2023 before Session Court Hisar.

I, G Deena Wife of No. 6395943L Rank HAV/CLK/SD Name Umesh R R/o Village Vilavancande, PO Madichel, Distt. Kanniyakumari, Tamilnadu-629163 have changed my name in army record from G Deena to Deena Mol G vide affidavit dated 20-03-2023 before Session Court Hisar.

I, No. 14926269K Rank HAV Name Sher Singh R/o VPO Sisauli, Teh. Budhana, Distt. Muzaffar Nagar, U.P.-251319 have changed the name of my daughter in army record from Taniya to Tanya vide affidavit dated 20-03-2023 before Session Court Hisar.

I, No. 14926269K Rank HAV Name Sher Singh R/o VPO Sisauli, Teh. Budhana, Distt. Muzaffar Nagar, U.P.-251319 have changed the name of my son in army record from Jitin to Jatin vide affidavit dated 20-03-2023 before Session Court Hisar.

I, Choududuru Sumithra Wife of No. 1543328F1 Rank HAV Name Chintalapalli Raja Reddy R/o Village Balaiahganipalli, PO Gondipalle, Teh. Pendlimarri, Distt. Cuddapah, A.P.-516218 have changed my name in army record from Choududuru Sumithra to Chintalapalli Sumithra vide affidavit dated 20-03-2023 before Session Court Hisar.

I, Hitesh S/o Sh. Inder Kumar Resident of H.no. 342,ward no. 11,Model Town ,Teh- Samalkha, Distt. Panipat State Haryana do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that I have changed my name from Hitesh to Hitesh Kumar and in future in all Govt. Or Non Govt. Work my new name is consider i.e Hitesh Kumar. Please Note all concern.

I, Lalan Kumar Mishra S/O Arun Kumar Mishra R/O H.No. D 10/7 2nd Floor, Ardee City, Sector

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LIFE INSURANCE UNDER THE NEW I-T SCHEME

What to do with the insurance policies already taken, is the big question



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The Union Budget presented for the next fiscal year has provided the necessary incentive for taxpayers to switch to a new income tax scheme. Individual taxpayers are free to choose the old scheme or the updated scheme as per his/her convenience. Under the old scheme, tax payers were claiming deductions based on different savings, expenses and loan repayments as per provisions of the IT Act. The revised scheme does not allow any such deductions and immediately provides a higher exemption limit. Therefore, individuals opting for the new scheme need not continue with their savings.

The situation provides an opportunity for individuals to continue or discontinue endowment policies (and also similar life cover instruments like Money back policies, ULIP etc.). Though ideally term insurance will be the best option for life coverage, many have contracted for endowment policies on the perception that it is also a saving instrument. If they have taken the insurance only as a saving measure, they now have the option to discontinue it. The following options are available when choosing a new tax scheme for endowment policies (and similar policies).

Surrender the policy

It is possible to surrender the insurance policy to the issuer. This means no more premium is payable on this and the life cover will also lapse. The insurance company will return what is called the surrender value. Surrender value is the amount the policyholder will get from the life insurance company if he decides to exit the policy before maturity. Surrender value varies from policy to policy and it is printed on the policy itself.

Do not surrender but stop paying premium

This would not be the only option available. One need not surrender the policy but simply stop paying further premiums. When one continues with the policy without paying any further premium, the policy will have what is called "Paid up Value". In other words, the paid up value is the value payable at maturity of the discontinued policy (of premium payment).



Generally, a life insurance policy with an investment value earns some paid up value after at least 3 years in force (5 years for ULIPs). This means that policies like money-back endowment will have paid-up value after 3 years and ULIP will have market value after 5 years. To calculate the paid up value, multiply the number of premiums paid by the sum assured by the total number of premiums. This method will offer continuing life coverage at a reduced amount (paid up value) and maturing.

Allow it to lapse

By not paying premiums further, one can allow the policy to lapse if it has no surrender value. The premium paid will be a loss. But cash outflows for many more years in the future will be a big saving.

Taxation

The surrender value of a life policy is allowed as a tax-free benefit only if it fulfils some conditions with regard to the number of years premium paid. But as the surrender value eligibility matches this, the surrender value will be tax free. (Only if the policy was issued between 1st April 2003 and 31st March 2012, there are additional conditions). There is no change in the deductions allowed in earlier years on account of premium payment. For paid up value, the amount received on maturity will be tax free.

Takeaway

The revised income tax regime allows the discontinuation of insurance policies taken with intent to save. This should not be confused with the necessity of life insurance. One may need life insurance protection, and it may be appropriate to have term insurance for the amount of coverage required. The decision of surrendering, continuing the policy without further premiums, or letting it lapse depends on the individual's determination of opportunity cost.

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Inflation management needs salutary changes



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The Reserve Bank of India's MPC will meet in the first week of April. The stakeholders are concerned if it will emerge wiser from recent global experiences



Vietnam became the first country to break ranks with the global community to cut the policy rates. The Central bank of Vietnam surprised the global economists to cut the benchmark interest rate. The East Asian nation was wary of the fact that the blind-walking alongside the US Federal Reserve to keep raising the interest rates would have surely taken its economy into fast downturn.

Europe remains hawkish with rate hikes, increasing the policy rate by 50 basis points last week. Jerome Powell, the head of the US Federal Reserve, has come under intense fire within his country. He is being accused of walking the US economy to the doorsteps of a deep recession. He has been dogged in pursuit of higher interest rates despite fellow members cautioning him of risks associated with hawkish measures.

Within a span of a few days, three banks in the US have come to their knees, with one collapsing in 48 hours. The US and Europe are now battling the worst fears of economists of banks failing the high interest regime. The monetary policy meeting (MPC) of the Reserve Bank of India will meet in the first week of April. The concerned stakeholders are watching out with intense curiosity to see if the MPC of the RBI will be wiser from the immediate global experiences of following a hawkish path.

Inflation indeed is a cause of concern. The poor suffers the most from an uncontrolled inflation. Therefore, there is an unequivocal understanding that inflation must be tamed with all the policy might available at the RBI and the government.

But it must not be ignored that high interest rates may be suicidal for the economy, as a number of factors make it less effective at controlling inflation, while harmful economic growth more. High interest rates drive away capital, which may exacerbate inflation further, while harming emerging economies more by putting pressure on their currencies. Several studies and reports have taken



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note of the creditstress, harming small businesses and low-income households, who are most sensitive to changes in interest rates, while being at loan repayments risks when rates are high. Also, economic growth naturally takes the blows of high interest rate regime, as private investment and private consumption take backseat in the economy.

Furthermore, increasing interest rates may not address the underlying causes of inflation, which can be caused by a range of factors, including rise in the money supply, high production costs, or changes in consumer demand. For instance high cereal costs in India is driving inflation high. Indeed, core inflation is also staying above six per cent. But cereal and fruits are making the management of inflation a daunting task. India indeed needs to take steps to work on post-harvest management with the participation of the private capital to ensure that the cereals, fruits and vegetables don't march on high price trajectory to give fresh legs to inflation.

Thus, it's incumbent upon the policymakers to consider targeted interventions to address specific drivers of inflation. The government has done well by proactively asking the Food Corporation of India (FCI) to auction the public wheat stock in the open market. The four rounds of the auctions of the wheat stocks have shown sobering impact on the wheat prices, which have significantly cooled down in the last few days.

Similar interventions are needed to cool down the prices of the specific drivers stepping up the inflation. The price stabilization fund, which is a mechanism created by the Centre, to deal with the volatility in the prices of food items needs effective utilization. This has

to be done by the state governments with effective utilization of the market intelligence architecture. It will be worthwhile to explore if there could be a mechanism to incentivize the states for better performances on the price stabilization front.

Failures among banks, including Silicon Valley Bank (SVB), have been attributed to a variety of factors, with high-interest rates bring the principal culprit, which has proven to be unsustainable and even disastrous. Banks resort to offer high-interest rates to attract depositors in pursuit of rapid growth. But the banks tend to gain customers who are primarily interested in the rate, leading to a higher concentration of risky or unstable deposits. This makes banks becoming host to hot money, which can make a sudden flight from the first sign of stress, as had been the case with Silicon Valley Bank and other regional banks in the US.

By all accounts the RBI will not be able to meet the projected inflation rate of 5.7 per cent for this fiscal. This will be possible only if inflation crashes by over 230 points in the last month of the financial year. This will call for the RBI to explain why it failed in the inflation management as mandated by Parliament. We already know that couple of the members of the MPC had opposed the Repo Rate hike in the last meeting. Therefore, it will be desired that the RBI embraces a course correction in the light of the fresh developments globally.

Pausing the rate hike trend will be most desired by the stakeholders. Cut in the rate hikes will, however, be the demand of the prevailing situations. Also, the fact that India had not resorted to printing of currencies to deal with the sit-

uations arising out of the Covid-19 pandemic may be factored in since the market is not flush with cash that requires to be sucked out. Indeed, the US and the European nations had excessively printed their currencies to deal with the economic crises due to the pandemic. They may require flushing out the excess cash from the system to control the inflation. This is surely not the case in India.

But it must not be forgotten that India has paid a heavy price for such quick-fix approach of the government to deal with the situations arising out of the economic crisis. The UPA government led by Manmohan Singh, former prime minister, had done exactly the same thing, of giving cash in the hands of the people in its bid to find an easy way out of the economic crisis, which India faced in the wake of the 2008 global crisis. This had led India to double-digit food inflation for the remainder of the term of the UPA government. It was only when Narendra Modi took charge of the country as the prime minister that the Central government could tame the runaway food inflation with agile policy making.

The weather scientists have warned that India may have to face El Nino this year. There may be a risk of weather pattern disruptions, which could also have bearing on prices of several items, which constitute the retail inflation basket. This also calls for the RBI to elicit wider participation in the process of the inflation management, since some of the solutions may lie in the domains of the Centre and the state governments.

It must be understood that working in silos is an ailment that made India suffer the most. The RBI must make sure that it's not working from silos.

Reforming Parliament: Charity begins at home

It is high time that parliamentary reforms are undertaken to make the House more effective and in sync with the changing times

Just as we need reforms in many other areas, Parliament needs reforms urgently. Right now, both Houses remain paralysed. The Opposition is looking for public and media attention to embarrass the Government, while the Government is also in an aggressive mood.

The BJP opposed the earlier Congress Governments precisely as the Congress is following now, everything which could attract the public and media attention. The direct TV telecast also makes members play to the gallery.

The face-off between the adamant Treasury Benches and the belligerent Opposition continues over two controversial issues. The first concerns Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's recent alleged defam-



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atory comments about the Modi government in the U.K. Strangely, the treasury benches are demanding, "Rahul Gandhi *sadan mein aao, sadan mein aakar maafi mango* (Rahul Gandhi come to the House and apologise)."

The second comes from the Opposition, which demands a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) probe into the Adani-Hindenburg issue. The Adoni issue had been simmering for some time, but the Government has been unwilling to discuss it in the House.

The second half of the budget session opened on March 13. The row has become intense now, with the Opposition taking to the streets. The Congress also gave a privilege notice against Prime Minister Narendra

Modi in Lok Sabha.

Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal said, "A member of this House (meaning Rahul Gandhi) went abroad and made defamatory comments. He has to tender an apology. And how these people (some Opposition MPs) who are protesting and carrying placards in the House should be acted against; in my opinion, they should be suspended."

This brings us to the larger question of Parliament's functioning. There are enough checks and balances. Parliament's liberal framework provides many opportunities for vigorous debate, discussion, and dissent. Political parties must replace disorder, disruption and delay in legislation with debate, discussion, and decision in a democracy. The

adage is while the Opposition should have its say, the Government should have its way.

Historically, there was a degree of homogeneity in both Houses in the fifties and sixties. Many members like Piloo Modii enlivened the House with their repartees, humour, and healthy debates while maintaining the dignity and decorum of the House.

Congress shrank since the eighties while others, including regional parties, grew, leading to coalition politics.

Another area for improvement is the duration of sittings. Most state legislatures sit for barely 30 days a year. In some, like Haryana and Punjab, the average is about a fortnight. The Parliament spends less time on legislative business

resulting in lawmakers spending less time on law-making.

The first three Lok Sabhas sat for an average of 120 DAYS a year. The Lok Sabha spent less than 10 minutes to pass a law, and the Rajya Sabha less than half an hour.

The National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution recommended that Lok Sabha should have at least 120 and Rajya Sabha 100 sittings. A single minute in Parliament leads to an expenditure of Rs. 2.5 lakhs approx to the exchequer.

The former chief justice N.V. Ramana recently lamented how Parliament passed laws without deliberation and debate. The judiciary interprets the law and always looks for the discussion before passing the law. The presiding officers

of both Houses have time and again urged the members to maintain the dignity of the House in mind.

There should be a complete revamp of the rules to make clearing legislation and discussion on issues open, transparent, and outcome-oriented. Secondly, political parties should choose eminent men and women as members.

Thirdly, new members should be given adequate time to participate in the proceedings.

Fourthly, the party leaders should focus more on Parliament's functioning as they are also stakeholders.

Fifthly, Question Hour should not be disturbed as that is when Government answers many questions. The cancellation of Zero Hour and

Question Hour indicates that parliamentary reforms are urgently needed.

Sixthly, presiding officers should be given more teeth.

Seventhly, accommodation and negotiations should be part of the conduct of the House.

Eighthly, new members should be trained to understand the House's rules and regulations.

The parliamentary committees have gradually decreased their number of sittings. The Government also only refers some pieces of legislation to the committee.

A healthy democracy needs a fit functioning Parliament. Indian democracy has matured over the years, and it is time to make some necessary corrective issues.

Anti-graft body summons Imran’s wife

PTI ■ ISLAMABAD

Pakistan’s anti-corruption watchdog on Monday summoned Imran Khan’s third wife Bushra Bibi in a corruption case, a day after police registered a terrorism case against the ousted premier and over a dozen leaders of his party for indulging in vandalism and creating unrest outside the judicial complex here.

Clashes erupted outside the Islamabad Judicial Complex on Saturday when Khan, the chief of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party arrived in Islamabad from Lahore to attend a much-awaited hearing in the Toshakhana case. However, due to the violence outside the judicial complex, the judge allowed Khan to return home after signing a register.

The National Accountability Bureau (NAB) team arrived at Khan’s Zaman Park residence in Lahore and issued notice to Bushra, according to The Express Tribune newspaper.

She was summoned on Tuesday, the report said.

Earlier, the NAB summoned Khan and his wife to their Rawalpindi office on March 9 to question them on the Toshakhana case.

TOSHAKHANA CASE



Bushra Bibi

The hearing in the Toshakhana case was adjourned till March 30 as the judge observed that the situation was not conducive for holding the hearing.

Khan, 70, the former prime minister, has been in the crosshairs for buying gifts, including an expensive Graff wristwatch he had received as

the premier at a discounted price from the state depository called Toshakhana, and selling them for profit.

He was disqualified by the Election Commission of Pakistan in October last year for not sharing details of the sales. The election body later filed a complaint with the district court to punish him, under criminal laws, for selling the gifts he had received as prime minister of the country. Khan has vehemently denied those charges.

Lahore Police on Sunday booked Khan and over 1,000 PTI workers under terrorism charges. Khan, the cricketer-turned-politician was ousted from power in April last year after losing a no-confidence vote, which he alleged was part of a US-led conspiracy targeting him because of his independent foreign policy decisions on Russia, China, and Afghanistan.

Since his ouster, he has been demanding early elections to remove what he termed an “imported government” led by prime minister Shehbaz Sharif.

Sharif has maintained that elections will be held later this year once the parliament completes its five-year tenure.

Khan’s nephew, supporters held

Islamabad (PTI): Pakistan police arrested Imran Khan’s nephew and a number of his supporters on Monday for their alleged involvement in the attacks on the security personnel outside a court here over the weekend where the ousted premier arrived from Lahore to appear in the much-awaited hearing in a corruption case.

The raft of arrests was the latest amid the mounting cases filed against Khan, the chief of the main opposition party, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI). Monday’s arrests bring the total number of Khan’s followers detained in Islamabad to 198 since Saturday.

Among those arrested also include Hassan Niazi, Khan’s nephew.

The details of the other arrests were not known immediately. His supporters threw firebombs and hurled stones at the officers as riot police wielded batons and fired tear gas. More than 50 officers were injured and a police

checkpoint, several cars and motorcycles were torched.

Lahore Police on Sunday booked Khan and over 1,000 PTI workers under terrorism charges in two cases. The number of cases against Khan has climbed up to 97. Police also claimed to have recovered rifles, Kalashnikovs, bullets, marbles and petrol bombs from his house during the search operation.

Khan, 70, who arrived in the federal capital from Lahore on Saturday, appeared at the gates of the district court in the much-awaited corruption case. However, due to the violence outside the judicial complex, the judge allowed Khan to return home after signing a register.

The former prime minister has been in the crosshairs for buying gifts, including an expensive Graff wristwatch he had received as the premier at a discounted price from the state depository called Toshakhana, and selling them for profit.

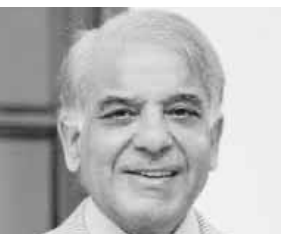
Shehbaz Sharif condemns smear campaign against Army Chief

PTI ■ ISLAMABAD

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Monday strongly condemned the “disturbing” smear campaign against Pakistan Army chief Gen Asim Munir and other institutions by his predecessor Imran Khan and urged Pakistanis living abroad to raise their voices against it. Khan, the chief of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party, has accused Gen Munir of orchestrating the crackdown against him last week by the country’s security personnel in a corruption case.

“The campaign against the Army chief is intolerable and a continuation of the conspiracy against the institutions,” Prime Minister Sharif was quoted as saying by the PM Office. In a tweet, Sharif directly held Khan responsible for the campaign against Gen Munir.

“PTI’s disgusting smear campaign against Chief of the Army Staff General Asim Munir at the behest of Imran Niazi is deserving of the strongest condemnation,” he tweeted. “This man (Khan) is stooping to unprecedented lows in his desperation for power & going to the extent of damaging the country &



undermining our armed forces & their leadership,” he said in another tweet.

Prime Minister Sharif said the campaign against Gen Munir, who he said was the “first army chief to be appointed on merit in Pakistan,” could only be the agenda of the enemies of Pakistan. Gen Munir, who served as chief of the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), replaced Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa as the Chief of Army Staff in November last year.

Sharif said “toxic politics” was being spread, as he urged patriotic Pakistanis living abroad to raise their voices against the “foreign-funded campaign.”

The Pakistan Prime Minister also blamed Khan for dragging heads of state institutions for his dirty politics, which he said was against the Constitution. “Strict legal

action should be taken against those who instigate chaos, riots and rebellion in Pakistan,” the premier warned. Pakistani police on Sunday registered a terrorism case against Khan and over a dozen PTI leaders for indulging in vandalism, attacking security personnel and creating unrest outside the judicial complex here ahead of a court hearing in a graft case involving the ousted premier.

Clashes erupted outside the Islamabad Judicial Complex on Saturday when Khan arrived in Islamabad from Lahore to attend a much-awaited hearing in the Toshakhana case. Khan has been in the crosshairs for buying gifts, including an expensive Graff wristwatch he had received as the premier at a discounted price from the state depository called Toshakhana, and selling them for profit. Established in 1974, the Toshakhana is a department under the administrative control of the Cabinet Division and stores precious gifts given to rulers, parliamentarians, bureaucrats, and officials by heads of other governments and states and foreign dignitaries.

IMF denies tying economic bailout to compromise on Pak’s nuclear prog

Islamabad (PTI): The IMF on Monday rubbished claims that it has attached nuclear-programme-related strings for the revival of Pakistan’s much-anticipated bailout programme that has been stalled for months, a media report said. Cash-strapped Pakistan is awaiting a much-needed USD 1.1 billion tranche of funding from the Washington-based International Monetary Fund (IMF), which was originally due to be disbursed in November last year. The funds are part of a USD 6.5 billion bailout package the IMF approved in 2019, which analysts say is critical if Pakistan is to avoid defaulting on external debt obligations.

Pakistan, currently in the throes of a major economic crisis, is grappling with high external debt, a weak local currency and dwindling foreign exchange reserves enough to shore up for barely one month’s imports.

Esther Perez Ruiz, IMF’s resident representative in

Islamabad, has denied attaching any strings to the External Fund Facility (EFF), according to Geo TV.

“Regarding recent speculation that programme discussions with the authorities for the ninth review under the IMF-supported programme may have covered Pakistan’s nuclear weapons programme, I want to be categorical that there is absolutely no truth to this or any insinuated link between the past or current IMF supported programme and decision by any Pakistani government over its nuclear programme,” the report said, quoting the official.

The IMF chief said discussions have exclusively focused on economic policies to solve Pakistan’s economy and balance of payments problems, in line with the Fund’s mandate for promoting macroeconomic and financial stability. It comes days after Pakistan’s Finance Minister Ishaq Dar assured Parliament that the federal government

would not make any compromise on the country’s nuclear and missile programme despite tough economic conditions and hurdles to secure a loan from the IMF. “Let me assure you that nobody is going to compromise anything on the nuclear or the missile programme of Pakistan — no way,” Dar told Parliament last week. Dar also indirectly held Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party and its chief Imran Khan responsible for the delay in the IMF funding as he blamed the then government of Imran Khan for agreeing on tough conditions to get the funding.

Separately, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif said that Pakistan’s nuclear programme was being “jealously guarded by the state.”

Pakistan has been hosting the IMF mission since early February to negotiate the terms of the deal, including the adoption of policy measures to manage its fiscal deficit ahead of the annual budget due around June.

‘No such thing as Palestinian people’

Tel Aviv (AP): A firebrand Israeli minister claimed there’s “no such thing” as a Palestinian people as Israel’s new coalition government, its most hard-line ever, plowed ahead on Monday with a part of its plan to overhaul the judiciary. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s coalition said it was pushing a key part of the overhaul — which would give the coalition control over who becomes a justice or a judge — before the parliament takes a monthlong holiday break next week.

The development came a day after an Israeli and Palestinian delegation at a meeting in Egypt, mediated by Egyptian, Jordanian and U.S. officials, pledged to take steps to lower tensions roiling the region ahead of a sensitive holiday season. It reflected the limited influence the Biden administration appears to have over Israel’s new far-right government and raised questions about attempts to lower tensions, both inside Israel and with the Palestinians, ahead of a sensitive holiday season. As the nego-

tiators were issuing a joint communique, Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich delivered a speech in Paris saying the notion of a Palestinian people was artificial. “There is no such thing as a Palestinian nation. There is no Palestinian history. There is no Palestinian language,” he said in France late Sunday. He spoke at a lectern draped with what appeared to be a map of Israel that included the occupied West Bank and parts of Jordan. Palestinian Prime Minister Mohammad Shtayyeh said Smotrich’s remarks were “conclusive evidence of the extremist, racist Zionist ideology that governs the parties of the current Israeli government.”

A far-right settler leader who opposes Palestinian statehood, Smotrich has a history of offensive statements against the Palestinians. Last month, he called for the Palestinian town of Hawara in the West Bank to be “erased” after radical Jewish settlers rampaged through the town in response to a shooting attack that killed two Israelis.

Amazon to lay off 9,000 more employees

New York (AP): Amazon plans to eliminate 9,000 more jobs in the next few weeks, CEO Andy Jassy said in a memo to staff on Monday.

The job cuts would mark the second largest round of layoffs in the company’s history, adding to the 18,000 employees the company said it would lay off in January.

In the memo, Jassy said the second phase of the company’s annual planning process completed this month and led to the additional job cuts. He said Amazon will still hire in some strategic areas. “Some may ask why we didn’t announce these role reductions with the ones we announced a couple months ago. The short answer is that not all of the teams were done with their analyses in the late fall; and rather than rush through these assessments without the appropriate diligence, we chose to share these decisions as we’ve made them so people had the information as soon as possible,” Jassy said.

Top Af Taliban leader issues decree against nepotism

Islamabad (AP): The supreme leader of the Taliban has issued a decree against nepotism, barring officials in Afghanistan’s Taliban administration from hiring relatives in government positions. The shadowy leader, Mullah Hibatullah Akhundzada, also ordered all Taliban officials to sack their sons and other relatives who are already working in their administration. The decree was posted late on Saturday on the Taliban government’s Twitter account.

“It is an order to all officials in the ministries, departments and independent authorities that no one is allowed to appoint family members or relatives in government positions,” the decree said. The tweet did not elaborate on the reasons behind the decree but it followed rumours that many Taliban officials have appointed their sons and

relatives in high-ranking government positions rather than professionals or those with experience needed for the posts. Taliban government spokesmen were not immediately available on Monday to elaborate on the order or provide further details. The Taliban seized power in Afghanistan in mid-August 2021 amid the chaotic departure of U.S. and NATO troops after 20 years. Despite initial promises of a more moderate stance, the Taliban gradually reimposed their harsh interpretation of Islamic law, or Sharia, as they did during their previous rule of Afghanistan from 1996 to 2001. Girls are now barred from school beyond the sixth grade and women are banned from working, studying, travelling without a male companion, and even going to parks, gyms or bath houses.

Kenya Opp leads anti-Govt protests

AP ■ NAIROBI

At least three Kenyan legislators and several protesters have been arrested in protests in Kenya’s capital, Nairobi, organised by the opposition demanding the resignation of President William Ruto. Hundreds of demonstrators spread across the city have not managed to reach the designated meeting point in the central business district as police dispersed them with teargas through the morning. The opposition called for protests against Ruto who they say was not validly elected in the August 2022 elections. They are also blaming Ruto’s administration for the rising cost of living. Nairobi police boss Adamson Bungei said those arrested in the protests would be released after paying cash bail. Bungei had over the weekend said police had denied the opposition permission to hold their protests and that any congregation would be illegal. Opposition leader Raila Odinga



on Sunday insisted that protests would proceed as planned and demonstrators would march to

State House, the official residence of the president. Odinga said Kenyan citizens have a con-

stitutional right to demonstrate and the role of the police is to protect them after they issue a notification in advance. Police have been heavily deployed to State House with motorists and pedestrians being stopped from accessing the road there. Most shops in Nairobi’s central business district closed on Monday as business owners feared looting.

The leaders who have been arrested include the senate minority leader Stewart Madzayo and members of parliament Opiyo Wandati and Amina Mnyazi. Other legislators who had turned up at the designated meeting point in the city were dispersed by the police with teargas.

They retreated to parliament buildings where they announced that protests would continue through the afternoon. Kenya’s opposition has in the past held violent demonstrations in which people have died.

Archeologists uncover ‘oldest pearling town’ in UAE

Siniyah Island: Archaeologists said Monday they have found the oldest pearling town in the Persian Gulf on an island off one of the northern sheikhdoms of the United Arab Emirates. Artifacts found in this town on Siniyah Island in Umm al-Quwain, likely once home to thousands of people and hundreds of homes, date as far back as the region’s pre-Islamic history in the late 6th century. While older pearling towns have been mentioned in historical texts, this represents the first time archaeologists say they have physically found one from this ancient era across the nations of the Persian Gulf.

“This is the oldest example of that kind of very

specifically Khaleeji pearling town,” said Timothy Power, an associate professor of archaeology at the United Arab Emirates University, using a word that means “Gulf” in Arabic. “It’s the spiritual ancestor of towns like Dubai.” The pearling town sits on Siniyah Island, which shields the Khor al-Beida marshlands in Umm al-Quwain, an emirate some 50 kilometers (30 miles) northeast of Dubai along the coast of the Persian Gulf. The island, whose name means “flashing lights” likely due to the effect of the white-hot sun overhead, already has seen archaeologists discover an ancient Christian monastery dating back as many as 1,400 years.

The town sits directly



south of that monastery on one of the curling fingers of the island and stretches across some 12 hectares (143,500 square yards). There, archaeologists found a variety of homes made of beach rock and lime mortar, ranging from cramped quarters to more sprawling homes with court-

yards, suggesting a social stratification, Power said. The site also bears signs of year-round habitation, unlike other pearling operations run in seasonal spots in the region.

“The houses are crammed in there, cheek by jowl,” he added. “The key thing there is permanence. People are living

there all year around.”

In the homes, archaeologists have discovered loose pearls and diving weights, which the free divers used to quickly drop down to the seabed while relying only on their held breath.

The town predates the rise of Islam across the Arabian Peninsula, making its residents likely Christians. Islam’s Prophet Muhammad was born around 570 and died in 632 after conquering Mecca in present-day Saudi Arabia.

Umm al-Quwain’s Department of Tourism and Archaeology, UAE University, the Italian Archaeological Mission in the emirate and the Institute for the Study of the Ancient World at New York

University all took part in the excavation. Umm al-Quwain, the least-populated emirate in the UAE, plans to build a visitor’s center at the site. Today, the area near the marshland is more known for the low-cost liquor store at the emirate’s Barracuda Beach Resort. In recent months, authorities have demolished a hulking, Soviet-era cargo plane linked to a Russian gunrunner known as the “Merchant of Death” as it builds a bridge to Siniyah Island for a \$675 million real estate development. Authorities hope that development, as well as other building, will grow the emirate’s economy. However, even this ancient site bears lessons for the Emirates.

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I, Nikila Arora D/o Lapat Arora, R/o 87A, HIG Flats, Express View Apartment Pocket-B, Sector-105, Noida my Original Document Receipt No. 046, dated 16th July 2016, in the name of my mother Late. Seena Arora having an area of 495 Sq. feet, 45/187 Sq.mt. of Anandam Suites & Omnave Eternity Vrindavan District Mathura Uttar Pradesh unit Number ASV/14/001 Pin Code 281121, Developer M/s. Kansal Infra planner Pvt.Ltd. bought from whose Registered Office is B-3/252, 253 Ground Floor Sector-6 Rohini Delhi-110085 Whereas Factually Lost Somewhere Whose Complaint/Fir In E-station Lucknow Police Station Fir/Station Diary No.29230000158003 Dated 18/03/2023 have registered.

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Due to unavoidable circumstances the Office of the Executive Engineer (E&M) SHP, UJVN Limited, Rishikesh hereby extends the date of bids invitation for E-Tender No 01/GM(SHP)/UJVNL/2022-23 As per details given below:

Last date for submission of Tender 28/03/2023 at 17:00 Hrs
Date of Opening of tenders 29/03/2023 to 11:30 Hrs
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NOTICE

(For the Attention of Equity Shareholders of the Company)

Compulsory Transfer of Equity Shares of the Company to the DEMAT Account of the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority.

Notice is published in pursuance of section 124(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 ("the said Rules") notified by Ministry of Corporate Affairs as amended from time to time and Regulation 39 (4) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

The Rules, inter alia, require the Company to transfer all the shares in respect of which Dividend has not been claimed by the Shareholders during the last 7 consecutive years starting from the Final Dividend of the financial year 2015-2016, to the demat account of the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority set up by the Central Government within 30 days from the due date of transfer i.e July 2, 2023, in the manner as prescribed in the said Rules.

Accordingly, the Company has sent individual communications to the concerned shareholders whose shares are liable to be transferred to the demat account of the IEPF Authority in compliance of the said Rules, at their latest available address advising them to claim their dividends expeditiously. The Company has uploaded the complete details of such shareholders and their folio number or DPID- Client ID on its website i.e. www.indagrubber.com. This Notice shall be deemed to be the adequate notice in respect of issue of new Share Certificate(s) by the Company on behalf of those Shareholders who hold Shares in physical form, for the purpose of transfer of their Shares to the DEMAT Account of the IEPF Authority in the manner as prescribed in the said Rules.

Concerned shareholders may note that, any further dividend, including other corporate benefits, on such shares shall be credited to the IEPF Account of the IEPF Authority. Upon credit of such shares to the said Demat account, no claim shall lie against the company in respect of the unclaimed dividend amount and such shares transferred to IEPF Account. However, shareholders may claim back the shares credited along with the unclaimed dividend amount from the IEPF Authority after following the procedure given under the IEPF Rules. The procedure for claiming the same is available at www.mca.gov.in and www.iepf.gov.in.

For any further information/ clarification on this matter, the concerned shareholder may write to the Company at Indag Rubber Limited, Khemka House, 11, Community Centre, Saket, New Delhi-110017, Tel.: 011-26963172-73. Email-Info@indagrubber.com or contact the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent- Skyline Financial Services Pvt. Limited at D-153/A, 1st Floor, Okhla Industrial Area, Phase-I, New Delhi-110020 Tel.: 011-26812682-83. email-admin@skylinetra.com.

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For Indag Rubber Limited
Sd/-
Company Secretary**

**Date: March 20, 2023
Place: New Delhi**

PSU banks' gross NPA declines to 5.53%, profit of ₹70,167 cr in April-Dec made

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The government has taken various reforms following which asset quality of public sector banks has improved significantly with gross NPA ratio declining from the peak of 14.6 per cent in March 2018 to 5.53 per cent in December 2022, Parliament was informed on Monday.

All PSBs are in profit with aggregate profit being Rs 66,543 crore in 2021-22, and that further increased to Rs 70,167 crore in first nine months of current financial year, Minister of State for Finance Bhagwat K Karad said in a written reply to Lok Sabha.

At the same time, resilience has increased with provision coverage ratio of PSBs rising from 46 per cent to 89.9 per cent in December 2022, he said, adding capital adequacy ratio of PSBs improved significantly from 11.5 per cent in March 2015 to 14.5 per cent in

December 2022.

Total market cap of PSBs (excluding IDBI Bank, which was categorised as private sector bank in January 2019) increased from Rs 4.52 lakh crore in March 2018 to Rs 10.63 lakh crore in December 2022, he said.

Karad also said banks, earlier placed under Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) framework by RBI, have made significant improvement.

Talking about various measures taken to improve the financial health of PSBs, Karad said, the government implemented a comprehensive 4R strategy of Recognising NPAs transparently, Resolution and recovery, Recapitalising PSBs, and Reforms in the financial ecosystem.

Major banking reforms undertaken by the government over the last eight years addressed credit discipline, responsible lending and improved governance, besides adoption of technology, amalga-



mation of banks, and maintaining general confidence of bankers, he said.

In reply to another question, Karad said, as per the information provided by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH), the total estimated vehicle fleet is 30.48 crore (excluding data from Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh and Lakshadweep), of which 16.54 crore vehicles are uninsured.

Replying to another ques-

tion, Karad said the government since 2016 has given 'in-principle' approval for strategic disinvestment of 36 cases of public sector enterprises (PSEs) and/or subsidiaries/ units/ joint ventures of PSEs/ banks.

Of the 36 cases, 33 are being handled by Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) and 3 cases are being handled by the respective Administrative Ministry/Department, he said.

"Out of the 33 cases being handled by DIPAM, strategic disinvestment transactions have been completed in 10 cases; 5 PSEs are under consideration for closure; 1 case is held up due to litigation, 1 case is under Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) in NCLT and 2 transactions are under review for feasibility," he said, adding, remaining 14 transactions are at various stages.

In other PSEs, where the government continues to retain control, disinvestment through minority stake sale is carried out through various SEBI-approved methods such as initial public offer (IPO), offer for sale (OFS), buyback of shares etc. From time to time based on prevailing market conditions and investor interest, he said.

The modernisation and capacity expansion of PSEs are taken up by the respective boards of PSEs under the administrative control of different ministries, he added.



Nine Adani group stocks end lower; snaps 2-day winning streak

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Nine out of ten listed companies of the Adani group closed with losses on Monday, snapping two-day of gains amid an across-the-board sell-off in the broader market.

While some Adani stocks hit their lowest circuit prices, flagship Adani Enterprises Ltd declined 3.84 per cent to close at Rs 1,805.10 on BSE. The flagship commanded a market capitalisation of Rs 2.05 lakh crore. The stock was the second biggest loser among Nifty stocks, dropping by 3.44 per cent.

Adani Total Gas plunged 4.99 per cent to end at Rs 853.10, Adani Power tumbled 4.83 per cent to close at Rs 190.30 and Adani Transmission went lower by 1.49 per cent to settle at Rs 1,009.60 per share. The three stocks hit their lower price bands on the exchange before recovering some ground.

Shares of Ambuja Cements nosedived 3.37 per cent to close at Rs 365.50, Adani Wilmar fell 3.16 per cent to end at Rs 413.85, NDTV dived 3.11 per cent to settle at Rs 199.30 and ACC declined 1.84 per cent to end at Rs 1,697.05 on the BSE.

Also, shares of Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone (APSEZ) fell 1.96 per cent to end at Rs 666.75 apiece on the bourse.

However, Adani Green Energy climbed 3.91 per cent to settle at Rs 848.75 per share. The

company's market valuation rose to Rs 1.34 lakh crore.

The BSE Sensex benchmark plunged 360.95 points or 0.62 per cent to settle at 57,628.95 points. The broader NSE Nifty fell 111.65 points or 0.65 per cent to close at 16,988.40.

On Friday, seven Adani group companies had settled higher.

Last week, NSE and BSE announced that two Adani group stocks — Adani Green Energy and NDTV — will be moved to the first stage of the long-term additional surveillance measures (ASM) framework from Monday.

The move also comes close on the heels of the two exchanges excluding Adani Enterprises, Adani Power and Adani Wilmar under the short-term ASM.

After taking a beating on the bourses, following the report by US-based short seller Hindenburg Research, many of the group stocks have recovered some lost ground. However, amid sluggish broader market trends, the group's stocks have declined in the last few trading sessions.

The report had made a litany of allegations, including fraudulent transactions and share-price manipulation, against it. The group has dismissed the charges as lies, saying it complies with all laws and disclosure requirements.

PSUs asked to issue LoCs based on their financial strength



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Finance Ministry has asked central public sector undertakings (CPSUs) to issue letters of comfort (LoCs) on the basis of their own financial strength so that no liability devolves on the Government of India.

The Office Memorandum dated March 20, 2023, has been issued following a request from some CPSUs in the oil and power sector seeking relaxation with regard to the issuance of LoCs.

"In view of requirements, it has been decided that CPSUs may issue LoCs on its own financial strength and all such LoCs shall only be issued after specifically inserting the following clause — under no circumstances, the liability under this Letter of Comfort shall devolve on the Government of India," the memorandum said.

Under the provision of the fiscal responsibility law, the budget requires to provide details of guarantees given by the government.

It further clarified that ministries and departments will not issue any letters of comfort as specified under the Office Memorandum dated March 31, 2022 on behalf of the Government of India.

Issuance of LoCs based on own financial strength is a part of regular business practice.

It enables these entities to raise resources at competitive rates for their capex or working capital needs as well as furthering the business interests of their joint ventures or subsidiaries or Group companies.

Credit Suisse, UBS shares plunge after takeover announcement

AP ■ GENEVA

Shares of Credit Suisse plunged 63 per cent in Searly trading Monday after the announcement that banking giant UBS would buy its troubled rival for almost USD 3.25 billion in a deal orchestrated by regulators to stave off further market-shaking turmoil in the global banking system.

UBS shares were down 14 per cent in early trading on the Swiss stock exchange.

Swiss authorities urged UBS to take over its smaller rival after a plan for Credit Suisse to borrow up to 50 billion francs (USD 54 billion) failed to reassure investors and the bank's customers.

Shares of Credit Suisse and other banks plunged after the failure of two banks in the US raised questions about other potentially shaky global financial institutions.

Credit Suisse is among 30 financial institutions known as globally systemically important banks, and authorities worried about the fallout if they were to fail.

The deal was "one of great breadth for the stability of international finance," Swiss President Alain Berset said as he announced it Sunday night. "An uncontrolled collapse of Credit Suisse would lead to incalculable consequences for the country and the international financial system."

Switzerland's executive branch, a seven-member governing body that includes Berset, passed an emergency ordinance allowing the merger to go through without shareholder approval.

Markets remain jittery despite the best efforts of regulators to restore calm. Global stock markets sank Monday, with Hong Kong's main index sliding more than 3 per cent. Market benchmarks in Frankfurt and Paris opened down more than 1 per cent. Shanghai, Tokyo and Sydney also declined. Wall Street futures were off 1 per cent. Oil prices plunged more than USD 2 per barrel.

Credit Suisse Chairman Axel Lehmann called the sale to UBS "a clear turning point."

"It is a historic, sad and very challenging day for Credit Suisse, for Switzerland and for the global financial markets," Lehmann said, adding that the focus is now on the future and on Credit Suisse's 50,000 employees, 17,000 in Switzerland.

Following news of the Swiss deal, the world's central banks announced coordinated moves to



stabilize banks, including access to a lending facility for banks to borrow US dollars if they need them, a practice widely used during the 2008 crisis.

Three months after Lehman Brothers collapsed in September of 2008, such swap lines had been tapped for USD 580 billion. Swap lines also were rolled out during market turmoil in the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Today is one of the most significant days in European banking since 2008, with far-reaching repercussions for the industry," said Max Georgiou, an analyst at Third Bridge. "These events could alter the course of not only European banking but also the wealth management industry more generally."

Colm Kelleher, the UBS chairman, hailed "enormous opportunities" from the takeover and highlighted his bank's "conservative risk culture" — a subtle swipe at Credit Suisse's reputation for more swashbuckling gambles in search of bigger returns. He said the combined group would create a wealth manager with over USD 5 trillion in total invested assets.

UBS officials said they plan to sell off parts of Credit Suisse or reduce the bank's size.

Swiss Finance Minister Karin Keller-Sutter said the council "regrets that the bank, which was once a model institution in Switzerland and part of our strong location, was able to get into this situation at all."



Sensex, Nifty close lower amid global equity rout on banking crisis worries

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Benchmark Sensex declined by 360 points while the Nifty closed below the 17,000-level on Monday due to a sell-off in financials, IT and capital goods shares amid a global rout in equities on lingering worries over the banking crisis.

Snapping its two-day gaining streak, the 30-share BSE Sensex declined by 360.95 points or 0.62 per cent to close at 57,628.95 as 23 of its stocks ended in the red. The index tanked more than 900 points to touch a low of 57,084.91 before recovering some losses at the day end.

The broader Nifty of the NSE plunged by 111.65 points or 0.65 per cent to close below the 17,000-level at 16,988.40. As many as 40 Nifty stocks declined while 10 advanced.

Analysts said investors fretted over the US banking crisis even as Federal Reserve and other central banks took efforts

to ease a fast-growing banking crisis.

Investors were also concerned ahead of a Federal Reserve meeting to decide on more possible interest rate hikes.

"The fear of contagion of the financial crisis has kept investors away from the equity markets as the global market faces numerous hurdles. Despite Swiss regulators' intervention to protect the global financial system, investor sentiment remained shaky," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services.

Banking giant UBS is acquiring crisis-ridden Credit Suisse for around USD 3.25 billion in a deal arranged by Swiss regulators to avoid further turmoil in the global banking system.

The move failed to calm jittery investors as Credit Suisse tanked 63 per cent and UBS sank 14 per cent on Swiss bourses. Credit Suisse is among 30 institutions known as globally systemically important banks.



Samsung to invest in smart manufacturing capabilities, research and development in India

PTI ■ BENGALURU

Korean electronics major Samsung will invest in setting up smart manufacturing capabilities at its mobile phone plant in Noida to make production more competitive, the company's global head for mobile business said here on Monday.

Samsung Electronics President and Head of Mobile eXperience Business T M Roh, in response to a PTI query on the company's investment plan in India, said that the company will continue to invest in research and development facilities in the country.

"We will continue our investment to bring the optimised or smart factory to the Noida facilities. We will continue our investment there. I believe that our investment for the smart factory will bring competitiveness in the production," Roh said.

The company started a manufacturing and R&D centre in India in 1996 and now has close to 70,000 employees in the country. Samsung now has its second

biggest manufacturing facility in the world at Noida and biggest research and development centre at Bengaluru in India.

The company this year started manufacturing its premium Galaxy S23 series in India.

"Samsung India has been focussing on make in India, make for India. We are not only meeting the domestic need but also use it as a hub for export," Roh said.

He said the company is collaborating with local vendors in India for mobile chargers and components like mechanics.

"It could not have been possible to be competitive without collaboration with local partners. The technology collaboration will continue with local partners. We have products for export, which are done in close collaboration with local vendors. In the case of OLED display manufacturing, we have been closely working with local vendors," Roh said.

Samsung has around 10,000 employees at its R&D centres across India, out of which the largest base of close to 3,500 is located at its Bengaluru centre.

Toxic work culture, excessive pressure main reason of quiet quitting for most Gen Z: Report

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Nearly half of Gen Z respondents consider toxic work culture and excessive work pressure as the trigger for quiet quitting, a report said on Monday.

Over 48 per cent of Gen Z, those born in mid-to-late 1990s and the early 2010s, attribute toxic work culture as the primary cause for quiet quitting, while a mere 6 per cent believe it to be a result of extended office timings, according to a report - Quiet Quitting and its Effect on Organisational Work Structure - by Kolkata based staffing firm Genius Consultants.

Notably, it revealed that 23 per cent of the respondents

blame office politics and excessive work pressure for the issue.

Quiet quitting is a term which is used for those employees who put no more effort into their jobs than absolutely necessary.

According to the report 'Quiet Quitting' has led to a new trend - Bare Minimum Mondays, where the employees specially the Gen Z tend to put in bare minimum efforts on the work front on the first day of the week.

The report, Quiet Quitting and its Effect on Organisational Work Structure, is based on an online survey among 1,928 employees across sectors.

It further revealed that over



54 per cent of India Inc are aware of the term 'Quiet Quitting' and 74 per cent of the respondents believed that the quiet quitting culture is distressing the work environment.

In current times, the work-

force perceives their job as more than just a means to an end, namely a source of income, said the report.

"Given the current situation, both the 'quiet quitting culture' and the 'Bare Minimum

PE/VC investments nearly halve in Feb 2023: Report

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Investments by private equity and venture capital funds declined by 44 per cent to USD 3.7 billion in February compared to the same period a year ago, a report said on Monday.

The bets by the long-term investors were 13 per cent lower when compared to the investments in the preceding month of January, the report by industry lobby Indian Venture and Alternate Capital Association and consultancy firm EY, said. "...rising global recession

concerns, increasing cost of capital and mismatch in valuation expectations between sellers and investors are turning out to be major impediments in the deployment of capital," EY's partner Vivek Soni said.

He added that the recent events in the global financial world after the failure of SVB and the contagion spreading to other mid-market US banks catering to the technology sector has added to the overall uncertainty, and "may discourage investors from making bold bets in the immediate term".



The venture investing industry poured in USD 6.6 billion into companies in February 2022, while the same stood at USD 4.314 billion in January 2023.

In volume terms, the number of deals dropped by 60 per cent in February with 55 trans-

actions getting recorded as against 139 in the year-ago period, the report said, adding that there were 75 deals in January 2023.

From a sectoral perspective, real estate led by bagging USD 2.4 billion of the overall USD 3.7 billion in investments with the USD 1.9 billion funding announcement by an arm of CDPQ and Temasek to set up an investment platform for office properties in India being at the top.

There were only nine large deals of USD 100 million or

more announced in February, aggregating to USD 3 billion in overall such commitments.

February 2023 recorded 11 exits worth USD 731 million compared to USD 1.4 billion recorded in February 2022 across 13 deals, and USD 898 million recorded across 20 deals in January 2023, it said.

Funds dedicated to India raised USD 881 million as compared to USD 347 million in the year-ago period, it said, adding that Kotak Alternate Assets' USD 590 million for a data centre fund was the largest.

Clasico Brands UK Issues trademark infringement notice to Third Unicorn Ltd

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Clasico Brands UK Ltd. Recently issued a legal notice to Third Unicorn Private Limited and its shareholders with respect to infringement of the trademark MINISTRY OF CRICKET, which is owned by Clasico in various countries, including India.

Clasico Brands is a global company having its roots in all 5 continents of the world and operates in the personal and home care category with self-owned brands as well as global license franchisees. It owns production facilities are located across Europe, Asia, Middle East & Latin America. Third Unicorn is a tech start-up by Ashneer Grover. Madhuri Jain Grover and Aseem Ghavri are the Co-founders of Third Unicorn.

BACKGROUND TO MINISTRY OF CRICKET

Mr. Ajay Bindroo, the founder of Clasico Brands, had conceptualized and adopted the brand MINISTRY OF CRICKET as far back as the year 2014, and had begun to take steps to register this trademark around the world from the year 2019. Clasico is about to launch business operations under the brand MINISTRY OF CRICKET in the very near future under the entrepreneurship of Bindroo.

BARCA SNATCH CLASICO WIN OVER MADRID



AP ■ BARCELONA

Barcelona snatched a 2-1 Clasico win over Real Madrid with Franck Kessie's late goal Sunday to move 12 points clear at the top of La Liga. The victory dents Madrid's ambitions of retaining the title and leaves the Catalans close to lifting the trophy for the first time since 2019.

Carlo Ancelotti's Real took the lead through a Ronald Araujo own goal but Barcelona pulled level when Sergi Roberto tucked home just before half-time. Both sides had chances to win the game and Marco Asensio struck for Madrid, but the goal was ruled offside by VAR, before Alejandro Balde set up Kessie in the 92nd minute.

"We came from a Marco

Asensio goal that we didn't know was offside and from losing, we scored Franck's goal, and the truth is it tastes a bit better, winning like that in the last minute," Sergi Roberto told Movistar.

"There are a lot of games left and you can never give Madrid up for dead. 12 points is a tricky distance to have to go, but it's up to us, and that is good."

The build-up to the match was overshadowed by Barcelona's corruption charge in the "Caso Negreira" refereeing scandal.

Madrid joined Spanish prosecutors' complaint against Barcelona last week and their president Florentino Perez snubbed the game for the first time in over 20 years, amid rising tensions between the two

Spanish giants. That fed the match's intensity, both on and off the pitch, in Xavi's sixth Clasico as Barcelona coach but only his first at Camp Nou.

Xavi asked fans to make the stadium a pressure cooker and they responded, selling it out, whistling Madrid in possession and conjuring one of the best atmospheres of the season.

Madrid did not manage a single shot on target in their Copa del Rey semi-final first leg defeat by Barcelona earlier in March, but Karim Benzema stung Marc-Andre ter Stegen's palms inside the first minute.

Robert Lewandowski responded at the other end by testing Thibaut Courtois as the veteran marksmen exchanged shots. When Barcelona conceded the opening goal of the

game, it was friendly fire. Araujo deflected Vinicius' cross in at the near post, with Ter Stegen helpless.

Araujo, playing at right-back to counteract the Brazilian, has enjoyed his duels with Vinicius in the past but this time the winger triumphed, albeit fortuitously. Barcelona supporters became enraged by his emphatic celebration in front of them. It was the first goal from open play Barcelona have conceded at Camp Nou in La Liga all season long, and only the second strike at home and ninth overall.

COMEBACK CHARGE

Barcelona complained defender Nacho, already booked, should have been sent off for a hand-off on Raphinha. The hosts did not get their

wish, but were building up steam and found the breakthrough just before half-time, from an unlikely source.

Selected in place of injured midfielder Pedri, Sergi Roberto was in the right place at the right time to control a loose ball in the box and arc it beyond Courtois.

Barcelona had significantly more possession than in their cup win over Madrid and significantly more chances.

Lewandowski sent a deflected piledriver narrowly wide as Madrid wobbled, prompting Carlo Ancelotti to roll the dice and bring on Rodrygo and Ferland Mendy.

It almost paid instant dividends as Madrid robbed Sergio Busquets and Rodrygo lashed inches over the bar.


Madrid substitute Asensio

fired home what might have been the winner but the goal was ruled out for offside after a nervy wait for VAR instruction.

Barcelona seemed content with the draw but Kessie's last-gasp strike sparked wild celebrations at Camp Nou.

Asked if Madrid's hopes of defending the title were over, Courtois told Movistar: "Yes, we have to be honest, we will keep

fighting until the end but it's (12 points) now, we have the better head-to-head, but they have to lose four games and we have to win them all. "Nothing is impossible but it's very difficult."



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Rennes cut PSG's lead in Ligue 1

AP ■ PARIS

Paris Saint-Germain's march towards another Ligue 1 title was slowed on Sunday as they went down 2-0 at home to Rennes, a result that allowed Marseille to close the gap on the leaders to seven points with 10 games remaining.

Kylian Mbappe had an effort disallowed for offside before Karl Toko-Ekambi put Rennes in front with a magnificent strike right on half-time.

Arnaud Kalimuendo made it 2-0 three minutes after the restart against his former club, as PSG — faced with a defensive injury crisis — slumped to a first home league defeat of the campaign.

It is the Parisians' fourth Ligue 1 loss this season, all of them in 2023, and the second time they have been beaten by Rennes. They also lost when the teams last met in Brittany in January. Marseille responded by winning 2-1 away to Reims later, with Alexis Sanchez scoring twice.

"A defeat is always upsetting. Obviously I can't be happy with the way the match went but in the context, with the number of players we



had out, we knew we were going to have difficult moments in defence," said PSG coach Christophe Galtier.

PSG only have a ninth Ligue 1 title in 11 seasons left to play for after being knocked out of the Champions League in the last 16 by Bayern Munich.

Galtier has insisted that the prospect of what would be a French record 11th top-flight title is sufficient motivation for his team, but their performance indicated otherwise.

"The objective is to win the league. Will this defeat mean the board will consider my future? Maybe. But everything needs to be put into context," Galtier added when asked about his position. "There are no excuses but there are reasons for it."

The result allowed Rennes to reclaim fifth place from Lille in the fight for European qualification.

"To beat Paris twice in the same season says something about us. If we are capable of taking six points out of six against such a team, it means we have progress to make so we can do that in 90 percent of our matches," said Rennes coach Bruno Genesio.

Perez leads Red Bull sweep in Saudi Arabian GP

AP ■ JEDDAH

Red Bull's Sergio Perez flexed his street circuit muscles with dramatic effect on Sunday by storming to victory ahead of team-mate Max Verstappen at the Saudi Arabian Grand Prix.

While the top two were clear cut, the next two places remained in confusion long after the race had finished with Fernando Alonso first stripped of third place and then reinstated in the early hours of Monday morning.

Perez, a 33-year-old Mexican, came home 5.355 seconds clear of the defending double world champion as Red Bull reeled off a masterful one-two triumph, the Dutchman having stormed through the field from 15th on the grid.

Verstappen also clocked the fastest lap of the race on the final lap to retain his lead of the embryonic drivers' championship, snatching it back from Perez as they duelled at high speed.

It was Perez's fifth career win having pre-



viously triumphed in Monte Carlo and Singapore to earn his reputation as a 'street fighter'.

"It turned out to be tougher than expected," he said. "The safety car tried to take the victory from us again here, but not this year! The team did a great job. Now we must keep pushing."

Verstappen was eliminated from qualifying after a drive-shaft failure.

"It wasn't easy to get through the field," he said. "We settled for second so it's a good recovery in the end."

Two-time world champion Alonso fin-

ished a stirring third on track for Aston Martin to claim a 100th podium finish on his record-extending 357th start.


That place was initially taken from him. He had received a five-second penalty for starting outside his grid position. When he tried to serve it during a pit stop, stewards ruled a jack had touched the car too soon and they hit Alonso with a 10-second penalty.

George Russell rose to third for Mercedes.

But Aston Martin requested a review and showed stewards videos of similar incidents that went unpunished. Stewards accepted that it was not clear the offence had broken Formula One rules and lifted the punishment.

Alonso was back to third followed by the two Mercedes cars of Russell and Lewis Hamilton.

Next were the Ferraris of Carlos Sainz and Charles Leclerc, who started 12th. Esteban Ocon and his Alpine team-mate Pierre Gasly occupied the next two places.



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APPENDIX-IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6)] Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s)/ Co-Borrower (s)/Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of AU Small Finance Bank Limited (A Scheduled Commercial Bank), the same shall be referred herein after as AUSFB. The Secured Assets will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis through E-Auction for recovery of amount mentioned in the table below along with further interest, cost, charges and expenses being due to AUSFB viz. Secured Creditor.

It is hereby informed you that we are going to conduct public E-Auction through website <https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net>

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A/c No.: L9001060717379075 New Sahil Steel And Furniture Works Through Its Proprietor Sarbari Sitar (Borrower), Abdul Sitar S/O Rajbir Khan (Co-Borrower), Smt. Sarbari Sitar W/O Abdul Degul (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor)	17-Jan-20 Rs.1965085/- Rs. Nineteen Lac Sixty Five Thousand Eighty Five Only. As on 16-Jan-20	23-Feb-23	Plot Of Sarbari, Khatoni No 191, Khewat No 159 150 H B No 289, Khasra No 3380 8 6 4520 3377 2 2 1 1 2, 4522 3378 1 0 15 4524 3379 2 5 14 Kitta 4, Situated At Thol, Tehsil-Ismaillabad, Dist- Kurukshetra, 13636 Haryana Admeasuring 302.50 Sq. Yrd.	Rs. 1700000/- Rs. Seventeen Lac Only.	Rs. 170000/- Rs. One Lac Seventy Thousand Only.	26-Apr-23 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with unlimited extension of 5 minutes	On or Before 24-Apr-23 On or Before 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM	Au Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : Ground Floor, Railway Rd, opposite Vishkarma Mandir, Kurukshetra, Haryana-136118	Bhanu Pratap Singh - 9358002663- Email Id- auctions@au bank.in visit date : 21-Apr-23
A/c No.: L9001060718516525 M/S Sharma Confectionery And Kiryana Store Through Its Proprietor Mohit (Borrower), Mohit S/O Jaidev (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor),	24-Feb-22 Rs. 980944/- Rs. Nine Lac Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Four Only As on 24-Feb-22	25-Nov-22	Property Situated At House No.86, Ward No.16, Shiv Colony, Measuring 40 Sq. Yards 0 Kanal 1 Marla 3 Sarsai Which is 4/303 Share Of Land Measuring 5Kanal 1Marla Comprising In Khewat 767 New Khewat No.1035 New Khatoni No. 1042 Khasra No.43/3/1 Min (4-16) & New Khatoni No.1042/1 Khasra No. 43/3/1 Min(0-5) Kitta 2, Tehsil-Samalkha, Dist- Panipat, Haryana, Admeasuring 40 Sq yards	Rs. 450000/- Rs. Forty Five Thousand Only.	Rs. 45000/- Rs. Forty Five Thousand Only.	12-Apr-23 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with unlimited extension of 5 minutes	On or Before 10-Apr-23 On or Before 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM	Au Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : Urban Estate, Part 1, Sector 12, Karnal, Haryana - 132001	Bhanu Pratap Singh - 9358002663- Email Id- auctions@au bank.in visit date : 7-Apr-23
A/c No.: L9001060717801828 Mukesh Kiryana Store And Atta Chakki (Borrower), Mukesh Kumar S/O Som Nath (Co-Borrower), Sonia Rani S/O Mukesh Kumar (Co-Borrower)	7-Mar-22 Rs.1708187/- Rs. Seventeen Lac Eight Thousand One Hundred Eighty Seven Only As on 5-Mar-22	29-Nov-22	Property (1) Property Situated At Municipal Corporation Vaka Gadhoul, Tehsil Jagadhari Distt Yamunanagar 17//4 Min & 17//4 Min Vaka Gadhoul Yamuna Nagar Haryana Admeasuring 105 Sqyds & Property (2) Property Situated At 5//22 Residential, Vaka Gadhoul, Tehsil Jagadhari Distt Yamunanagar Haryana Admeasuring 100 Sq. Yrd.	Property (1) Rs. 920000/- Rs. Nine Lac Twenty Thousand Only. & Property (2) Rs. 552000/- Rs. Five Lac Fifty Two Thousand Only.	Property (1) Rs. 92000/- Rs. Ninety Two Thousand Only. & Property (2) Rs. 56000/- Rs. Fifty Six Thousand Only.	26-Apr-23 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with unlimited extension of 5 minutes	On or Before 24-Apr-23 On or Before 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM	Au Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : Huda, Court Road, Sector 17, Opposite Grain Market, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana - 135003	Bhanu Pratap Singh - 9358002663- Email Id- auctions@au bank.in visit date : 21-Apr-23

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Place : Haryana Date : 20-03-2023

Authorised Officer AU Small Finance Bank Limited