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ISRAEL AVENGING ITS PEARL HARBOR MOMENT

Caught unaware by Hamas, IDF tanks bulldoze Gaza

The Israeli government is under intense public pressure to topple Hamas after its militants stormed through a border fence on Saturday and killed hundreds of Israelis in their homes, on the streets and at an outdoor music festival.

On Thursday, as Israel launched new air strikes on Hamas sites, the terrorist group fired multiple rockets fired towards Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv in Israel. However, Israeli Iron Dome intercepted these rockets near Ben Gurion Airport. Reports stated that planes were unable to land at the airport after strikes.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu vowed to "crush" Hamas after the militants stormed into the country's south on Saturday and massacred hundreds of people, including killings of children in their homes and young people at a music festival. Netanyahu alleged Hamas atrocities, including beheading soldiers and raping women. His allega-tions could not be independently confirmed.

"Hamas is ISIS, and just as ISIS was crushed, so too will Hamas be crushed and Hamas should be treated exactly the way ISIS was treated," Netanyahu said.

"They should be spat out from the community of

nations. No leader should meet with them, no country should harbour them. And those that do should be sanctioned," said the Israeli Prime Minister.

A new war Cabinet, which includes a longtime opposition politician, is now directing the fight. "Every Hamas member is a dead man," Netanyahu said in a televised address, even as Israeli tanks rolled near Gaza border.

In Gaza, the Israeli military said overnight strikes targeted Hamas' elite Nukhba forces, including command centres used by the fighters who attacked Israel on Saturday, and the home of a senior Hamas naval operative that it said was used to store unspecified weapons.

Other air strikes killed commanders from two smaller militant groups, according to media linked to those organi-

"Right now we are focused on taking out their senior leadership," Hecht, the military spokesman, said "of Hamas". Not only the military leadership, but also the governmental leadership, all the way up to (top Hamas leader Yehia)

Drone footage filmed by The Associated Press revealed extensive damage at the Shati refugee camp, in the north of Gaza, following overnight air strikes. Residents picked their



way through the rubble as fire and rescue crews looked for

While Israel has insisted that it is giving notice of its strikes, it is employing a new tactic of levelling whole neighbourhoods, rather than just

Meanwhile, Syrian state media reported that Israeli air strikes on Thursday hit the international airports of the Syrian capital Damascus and the northern city of Aleppo, damaging their runways and

putting them out of service. State news agency SANA

quoted an unnamed military official as saying that no one was hurt in the attacks.

The Israeli military declined to comment.

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken vowed American support to Israel on

As Palestinians tried to stock up on bread and groceries amid dwindling supplies, Israel said nothing would be allowed into Gaza until around 150 hostages taken captive by Hamas during a weekend

attack are freed International aid groups

warned of worsening humanitarian crisis after Israel stopped all deliveries of food, water, fuel and electricity to the tiny enclave of 2.3 million people and prevented entry of supplies from Egypt. The war has

from Egypt. The war has already claimed at least 2,700 lives on both sides.

"Not a single electricity switch will be flipped on, not a single faucet will be turned on, and not a single fuel truck will enter until the Israeli hostages are returned home," Israeli Energy Minister Israeli Katz Energy Minister Israel Katz said on social media.

Lt Col Richard Hecht, an Israeli military spokesman, told reporters on Thursday that forces "are preparing for a ground manoeuver" should political leaders order one. A ground offensive in Gaza, where the population is densely packed into a sliver of land only 40 kilometres (25 miles) long, would likely bring even higher casualties on both sides in brutal house-to-house

As Israel pounds Gaza from the air, Hamas militants have fired thousands of rockets into Israel.

Palestinians fleeing air strikes in Gaza could be seen running through the streets, carrying their belongings and looking for a safe place. The number of people who fled their homes soared 30 per cent within 24 hours, reaching

340,000 people by Wednesday night. Most crowded into UN-run schools while others are staying with relatives or even strangers who let them in.

Lines formed outside bakeries and grocery stores during the few hours they dared open, as people tried to stock up before shelves emptied. "Without electricity, hospi

tals risk turning into morgues," warned Fabrizio Carboni, regional director of the International Committee of the Red Cross. When power runs out, it puts "newborns in incubators and elderly patients on oxygen at risk. Kidney dial-ysis stops, and X-rays can't be taken", he said. With Israel sealing off the

territory, the only way in or out is through the crossing with Egypt at Rafah. Egypt's Foreign Ministry said it has not officially closed Rafah but air strikes have prevented it from operating. Egypt has been trying to convince Israel and the United States to allow the delivery of aid and fuel through

Four previous conflicts ended with the group still firmly in control of the territory it has ruled since 2007. Israel has mobilised 360,000 reservists, massed additional forces near Gaza and evacuated tens of thousands of residents from nearby commu-

Modi: India going Global Heartbreak as Batla House

PTI PITHORAGARH

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said India's voice is getting stronger in a world surrounded by challenges and asserted that the country's power was acknowledged internationally during

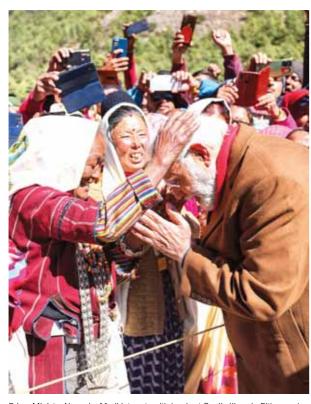
Addressing a public rally here, the prime minister said his government has taken decisions on issues pending for 30 to 40 years, like the women's

reservation bill. He referred to India's successful Chandrayaan-3 mission, saying it reached that part of the moon where no other country could. The strength of India is being acknowledged globally and it was evident during the G20 summit held in Delhi, Modi said.

"There was a time when a mood of despair gripped the nation. Everyone prayed and wondered when the country would be pulled out of the dark shadows of scams of thousands of crores of rupees.

"But now, when the world is surrounded by challenges India's voice is getting stronger. Don't you feel good when India shows the world the way?" the prime minister said.

He said the change has not been brought about by Modi but by the people of India who gave him a chance for a



Prime Minister Narendra Modi interacts with locals at Gunji village in Pithoragarh district on Thursday

The entire credit for it goes to the 140 crore people of the country," Modi said

that when he shakes hands with me," he said

second time to serve them. dignitaries from around the world he also looks into their eyes. "When they look at me they do not see me but the 140 The prime minister said crore people of the country in

The PM said that 13.50 crore people have risen above the poverty line in the last five years alone. It shows that India can overcome poverty, he said.

Addressing the people of Uttarakhand as "dear family members", Modi said he has personal bond and memory land and expressed his gratitude to the people for giving him such a warm welcome.

"The people of Uttarakhand take me as a family member. They share their joys with me like the birth of a child or a daughter doing well in her studies through letters. I am really blessed to enjoy such an intimacy with them," PM Modi said.

Describing Uttarakhand as the land of spirituality and valour, the prime minister reposed faith in the unique ability of its people and said the decade belongs to them. "I had said it first from the land of Baba Kedar (Kedarnath) Today I am returning from the feet of Adi Kailash and I reit erate my faith in the unique ability of its people," he said.

Accusing the previous governments of ignoring the development of border areas, the prime minister said 'Development of border villages, which we consider as our first villages, is our

terrorist spared gallows

The Delhi High Court on Thursday commuted the death penalty of Ariza Khan, House encounter in which Inspector Mohan Chand Sharma lost his life. The court, while acknowledging the sacrifice of a decorated police officer, stated that the case did not meet the criteria for capital punishment, emphasising it did not fall under the "rarest of

rare" category. The court decision has left the wife of the slain inspector, Maya Sharma, in disbelief. Expressing her shock, she said, "After a years-long legal battle, the lower court had awarded the death penalty to Ariz. The court had said it was a 'rarest of rare' case. Hence, it was proved that he was a threat to society. Then how can his death penalty be commuted?.'

Maya said the HC order could affect the morale of Delhi Police personnel. "Don't you think this will lower the morale of the force, especially those officers who remain on the frontlines in such encounters," she asked.

Sharma, an officer of the Delhi Police's Special Cell, was



killed in the encounter between police and terrorists in Batla House area in South Delhi's Jamia Nagar on September 19, 2008. Two terrorists were killed in the encounter that took place days after five synchronised bomb explosions rocked the national capital, killing 39 people and wounding 159.

Sharma had raided the place looking for the terrorists responsible for the blasts.

The trial court had convict ed Khan on March 8, 2021, saying it was duly proved that he and his associates killed the police official and fired gunshots at him.

A bench of Justices Siddharth Mridul and Amit Sharma upheld a trial court order convicting Khan of the murder of the police official and said testimonies of the evewitnesses and other material established his presence at the place of incident as well as his firing at the raiding party while fleeing from the spot.

However, there was nothing on record, the court added, to "attribute the fatal shot responsible" for the death of deceased — whose contribution can never be forgotten

"to any particular accused".

"We are of the opinion that the present case does not fall under the category of a rarest of rare case'. Accordingly, this court is of the considered view that the sentence of rigorous imprisonment for life

would be an appropriate sentence," the court said as it refused to confirm the death penalty awarded to Khan who was a 23-year-old BTech stu-

"It is pertinent to note that there is nothing on record to attribute the fatal shot responsible for the death of late Inspector Mohan Chand Sharma to any particular accused... This court is conscious of the fact that during the incident, the country lost a decorated police officer who sacrificed his life in the line of duty. His contribution will never be forgotten by an eternally grateful nation," said the

High Court. In its 105-page judgment, the HC observed that the shootout at Batla House was "neither pre-planned nor pre-mediated" and as per the prosecution itself, the raid was conducted for apprehending a suspect but when the police party reached the flat, it was

fired upon. The court also imposed a total fine of ₹1.15 lakh on Khan for all the offences, noting that he was not capable of paying the amount of fine of ₹11 lakh imposed on him by

Restoring sight to ignite India's growth story

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

 $P^{\text{reventable vision impairment in the Indian work-}}$ force is resulting in an annual loss of \$27 billion to the Indian economy. This figure surpasses losses in nearly all countries, except China and the United States

A global study highlights the urgent requirement for workplace initiatives that prioritise the well-being of employees, particularly concerning eye safety. Currently, India is home to

70 million people with visual impairments. Although ocular injuries are preventable, issues related to visual hazards and eye safety at work are significant. Many reported incidents of ocular injuries speak vol-

umes about employees' apathy in ensuring visual safety practices, the availability, and the use of eye protection glasses by workers

This situation puts them in a difficult position because workers who lose their eyes are more likely to lose their jobs, and even those who remain employed may experience a drop in productivity.

Overall, sight loss costs the global economy \$411 billion every year, said the study by International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB), a global alliance of organisations working towards the elimination of avoidable blindness and vision impair-

eye care and prioritising blind-

ness prevention as public health initiatives, India can alleviate itself and its people from this financial burden in the years and decades ahead.

The study also highlights that 13 million people live with vision impairment related to their work, and an estimated 3.5 million eye injuries occur in the workplace each year, accounting for 1 percent of all non-fatal occupational injuries.

It cautions that as technology transforms the world of work and the future economy will be dominated by service industries and office-based jobs that involve prolonged screen usage.

Without proper precau-No doubt, by investing in tions, this can lead to eye strain and have a negative

impact on eye health. This year's World Sight Day, held on the second Thursday of October, has the theme "Love Your Eyes at Work," emphasizing the importance of eye care in the workplace

The research, led by Kevin Frick from Johns Hopkins University in the US, utilised GNI per capita data from the World Bank to estimate the productivity losses among people aged between 50 and 65 years who had moderate to severe vision impairment and blindness due to uncorrected refractive errors or unoperated cataracts. An estimated 30 per cent of

people with sight loss experience a reduction in employment, with women, people in rural communities and ethnic

minority groups among the groups most affected. However, 90 per cent of sight loss is avoidable with early detection and treatment.

Preventing sight loss with early detection and treatment for eye conditions like cataracts and myopia is vital to protect livelihoods and allow businesses to thrive.

"Business leaders have played a vital role in raising awareness of workplace wellbeing, from mental health to menopause," said Peter Holland, CEO of IAPB and Love Your Eyes campaign

insurance plans or adjusting

spokesperson, in a statement. "Whether it's through eye health education, connecting employees with eye health services, adding eye health to

screen settings, there are many ways to build a vision-friendly work environment and create healthier, happier workers," he said

Without significant investment in preventative actions, these numbers are projected to increase, particularly in lowand middle-income countries, and in indigenous and remote communities, warned the

Visual hazards can come from tools, environment, chemical, heavy light, radiation or physical setting of the workto ophthalmologists.

stations may cause vision problems or eye injuries, according Dr Vanathi Murugesan, Professor of Ophthalmology, Cornea & Ocular Surface,

Cataract & Refractive Services,

Dr RP Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences, AIIMS, Delhi, called for two main interventions that, she felt, can be of significant effectiveness to avoid workplace trauma. These include mandatory

use of the various types of eye protection devices, along with environmental controls in the workplace and behavioural interventions. These emphasises on the

adoption of best workplace practices of use of eye protection gear, she said in an article titled 'Vision wellness in occupational safety and health' published in latest Indian Journal

of Ophthalmology.
Dr GVS Murthy, Director of the Disability Centre and Professor at the Indian Institute of Public Health Hyderabad

income countries, India's other unique challenge is that 89.1 per cent of the worker population is in informal employment. "This is a major challenge to deliver services as any employee health benefits do not cover these workers and are more difficult to reach," he said. With a population of near-

opined that unlike the high-

ly 1.4 billion citizens, India is an enormous nation with a gigantic economy. The Government has set

the ambitious goal of growing the country's GDP even further. to US\$5 trillion, within the next decade. However, a number of ongoing problems threaten to derail this sweeping economic plan. One of these is the high cost of blindness and visual impairments.

Kaushal Deekshant reflects priorities of India, says PM

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday addressed students at the second "Kaushal Deekshant Samaroh" - Annual Skill Convocation Ceremony organised by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

Union Minister for and Skill Education Development Entrepreneurship Dharmendra Pradhan, and Minister of State for Skill Development Entrepreneurship Electronics & Information Technology, Chandrasekhar, graced the

Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, K Sanjay Murthy; Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy, Sanjay Kumar; Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Atul Kumar Tiwari; Chairman, National Council for



Training (NCVET), Nirmaljeet Singh Kalsi; Chairman, AICTE, Prof TG Sitharam; Chairman, UGC, Prof M Jagadesh Kumar; other officials, dignitaries and students were also present on

Addressing the gathering, the Prime Minister remarked that this festival of skill development is unique in itself and today's event of joint convocation of skill development insti-

very commendable initiative.

He said that Kaushal Dikshant Samaroh reflects the priorities of today's India. Acknowledging the presence of thousands of youth connected with this event through technology, the Prime Minister conveyed his best wishes to all the youth. Modi highlighted the importance of the power of youth in utilising the strengths of any country such as its nat-

long coastlines and said that the country develops more with stronger youth power thereby doing justice to the nation's resources. The Prime Minister also underlined that the Government is establishing a large number of new medical colleges, and skill development institutes like IITs, IIMs or ITIs, and mentioned the crores of vouth who have been trained under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana.

While addressing the convocation Pradhan mentioned that last month PM Vishwakarma Yojana was launched which is going to benefit 30 lakh traditional craftsmen with capacity building and skill upgradation. He also added that today

10.60 lakh students across the country received their certificates which will be a useful addition to the country's skilled human resource. He expressed his gratitude to Prime Minister Modi for giving wings to the dreams of Yuva Shakti, particularly the Divyang brothers and sisters, through Skill India.

Can't order to kill unborn child: SC

We cannot kill the child W ...what were you doing for 26 weeks?..," the Supreme Court observed on Thursday while stressing on the need to balance the rights of an unborn child with the right to autonomy of the mother who has sought to abort the healthy foetus on account of her own ill

Faced with a conundrum over whether to allow a married woman, a mother of two, to terminate her 26-week pregnancy, a bench headed by Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud asked her counsel whether she wanted the apex court to tell the doctors at AIIMS to stop the "fetal heart" of a "living, viable foetus" under a judicial order.

Under the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act, the upper limit for the termination of pregnancy is 24 weeks for married women, special categories including survivors of rape, and other vulnerable women such as the differently-abled and minors. The bench, also comprising Justices J B Pardiwala and

Centre's application seeking recall of the top court's October 9 order permitting the woman to undergo termination of pregnancy at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).

The issue arose after one of the doctors of the AIIMS medical board, which examined the woman and filed a report to the apex court on October 6, sent an e-mail on October 10 saying the foetus had a strong possibility of survival if the pregnancy was terminated at this stage. "We cannot kill the child," the CJI observed, as the "We cannot kill the court grappled with the moral dilemma over whether to order the child's birth or respect the mother's choice.

Referring to the doctors' opinion which said there was a strong possibility of the child being born with serious physical or mental deformity if premature pregnancy was allowed now, the bench said, Today, if the child is delivered with deformity, nobody will adopt the child."

Terming it a "hard fact", the bench said in India, people don't like to adopt children with deformities.

'Sharad quit as NCP chief after leaders insisted on joining hands with BJP'



In a major disclosure on her father Sharad Pawar's sudden decision to quit as the NCP president in May this year, party's working president and MP Supriya Sule said here on Thursday that an upset Sr Pawar chose to resign as the party chief's post after several of the leaders from the Ajit Pawar camp insisted on joining hands with the BJP.

"My father never wanted to resign from his post as the NCP president's post. But, after only several of the party leaders currently belonging to the Ajit Pawar - insisted on joining hands with the BJP, Pawar saheb was pained by the insistence by this kind of a clamour within the party. He then resigned from the NCP chief's post," Supriya said.

Ayodhya mosque to be named after Prophet, says AIRM

TN RAGHUNATHA

The All India Rabta-E-Masjid (AIRM), an organisation that represents mosques across the country, has decided to name the proposed mosque coming at Dhannipur in Ayodhya district in Uttar Pradesh after the Prophet, as 'Muhammad Bin Abdullah Masjid'.

The decision to this effect was taken at an AIRM conference held here with the participation of all senior clerics of various Muslim sects. The move was initiated by BJP leader Haji Arfat Shaikh.

The Dhannipur mosque site is 22 km away from the original location of the centuries old Babri Masjid, a structure that was brought down in December 6, 1992 at Ayodhya where the temple of Lord Ŕam Temple is being constructed

Shaikh said that the new masjid was being located at the site allotted by the Supreme Court after its verdict in November 2019

Infighting hits Bengal BJP ahead of 2024 elections

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

 $S_{\text{in a faction-ridden State}}^{\text{erious infighting has started}}$ unit of the Bengal BJP apparently making its 35-seat target in the general elections a farfetched dream, insiders say.

A day after dozens of saffron workers creating a ruckus outside a Salt Lake orgnisational office raising slogans against State BJP general secretary Amitabha Chakrabarty, about 50 BIP men on Thursday barged into the State party headquarters at Muralidhar Sen Lane in North Kolkata shouting slogans against Barasat district organizational

They not only demanded action against the North 24 Parganas district leadership but also shouted slogans against Chakrabarty, central leader Amit Malavya and even State party president Sukanta

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"While the central leadership wants us to win 35 seats for them here the State leaders are behaving like zamindars ... instead of standing by the hundreds of workers who are everyday attacked and framed in false cases by the Mamata Banerjee government these leaders are making adjustments with the TMC ... and they are inducting those TMCfriendly leaders in district units .. we cannot take this," an agitator said while others burnt

the cutouts of Majumdar and A similar rumpus took place a few weeks before when angry BJP workers locked up Union minister Subhas Sarkar in their party office in Bankura alleging that he was being "dic-

effigies of the State leaders

and even kicked and shoed up

So much so that Sarkar had to be rescued by the State police. Sarkar was also charged with stoking factionalism in the

tatorial" in running the district

Circular on vaccine trials on stray dogs withdrawn

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 $\Gamma_{\mathrm{mal}}^{\mathrm{ollowing}}$ protest from animal rights bodies, the Central Panel for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals (CPCSEA) has withdrawn its circular on conducting vaccine trials on stray dogs that was issued more than a year ago.

The CPCSEA had last year in September recommended that "stray dogs may be used for new vaccine trials and challenge studies of vac-

The decision had drawn flak from the animal rights body including People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) which had warned the government panel that its recommendation would open the floodgates not only for stray dogs but also for other feral animals to be used in experiments, such as painful efficacy and toxicity testing, dissections, and demonstrations.

India ranked 111 in global hunger index

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

India ranked 111th out of 125 countries in the Global Hunger Index-2023, which was dismissed by the government as 'erroneous' and having 'malafide intent'. India's neighbouring countries Pakistan (102nd), Bangladesh (81st), Nepal (69th) and Sri Lanka (60th) have fared better than it in the index. The index, released on

Thursday, also stated that India has the highest child wasting rate in the world at 18.7 per cent, reflecting acute undernutrition. India ranked 107th out of

121 countries in the 2022 edition of the Global Hunger Index (GHI), a tool for comprehensively measuring and tracking hunger at global, regional, and national levels.

With a score of 28.7 in the Global Hunger Index-2023, India has a level of hunger that is serious, according to \bar{a} report based on the index.

AIIMS-Delhi to announce round the clock availability of e-staff cars

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In an effort to empower its clinical team to promptly respond to patient care duties, AIIMS-Delhi on Thursday announced round-the-clock availability of electric staff cars on residential campuses. AIIMS-Delhi Director Dr

M Srinivas has been engaging with faculty and staff to understand their needs and concerns, a hospital statement said. The interactions brought to

light a recurring issue specifically affecting clinical team members living in Ayur Vigyan Nagar, Kidwai Nagar, Asiad Village and Ansari Nagar West. It was found that clinical

team members living in these areas often faced significant delays while waiting for transportation to the main campus for urgent patient care duties. This situation not only resulted in the loss of valuable time but also induced additional mental stress among them, the statement said.

President Murmu visits Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

President Droupadi Murmu Thursday visited the Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine after inaugurating the skywalk and remodeled Parvati Bhavan to facilitate the journey of pil-

President Murmu was accompanied by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on the visit to the shrine. She also performed Aarti standing in front of the original cave entrance at the shrine.

During her brief stay at the venue, the CEO of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board (SMVDSB) Anshul Garg briefed her about the various ongoing developmental projects for the pilgrims.

The 200-meter skywalk. inaugurated by the President, will make the journey of pilgrims smooth and help the shrine board authorities regulate the rush of incoming and



outgoing pilgrims during peak

The skywalk was proposed by the Shrine Board after one dozen pilgrims were killed on day one of the New Year last

President Droupadi Murmu Wednesday attended the 40th convocation ceremony of the Kashmir University in Srinagar where she stated that the nation would prosper more when more and more youth would follow peace and prosperity. She said that the country is proud of responsible Kashmiri vouth and urged them to participate in the social service along with their stud-

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Concerned mothers write to women MPs about vaping menace

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

The Government may have banned sale, purchase and usage of vaping devices in the country, but these continue to be available in the market, prompting a group of con-cerned mothers to shoot off a letter to women parliamentarians expressing their concerns against the menace.

Under the platform, the 'Mothers Against Vaping' in their letter flagged the easy



accessibility of vaping devices and urged the elected women representatives including Nirmala Sitharaman and Smriti

Irani to join their cause.

Expressing deep concern at the increasing use of e cigarettes and vaping among youth, especially school children, the Mothers Against Vaping, rued that despite the ban on e-cigarettes and vaping devices in India, their use among children has surged to alarming proportions.

The letter underscored a disturbing trend of numerous instances of school children, as young as 6 and 7, being caught with e-cigarettes

INDIA Bloc displeased at social media for aiding communal campaign

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Opposition coalition INDIA on Thursday and expressed their displeasure to the social media platforms Facebook and Watsapp in aiding communal hatred campaign of the ruling BJP.

Letter written by Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge and signed by all the India alliance partners including TMC, AAP, SP, Shiv Sena, Left, National Conference, NCP has been addressed to CEO of Meta Mark Zuckerberg and CEO of Google (Alphabet) Sundar Pichai.

"We are writing on behalf of the India National Developmental Inclusive Alliance (INDIA), an alliance of 28 political parties in India that represent the combined Opposition coalition. You may be aware of the recent exposes by the Washington Post newspaper about the role of your social media platforms," said the letter signed by Rahul Gandhi, Sharad Pawar, Ĥemant Soren, Omar Abdullah, Uddhav Thackeray, Sitaram Yechury amongst others.

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SL. No.		Name of work	Tender Amount (in Lacs.)
1	19/DGM(E&M)/Sr.M. (E/M)-I/2023-24	Internal & External Electrification of Convenient shopping Centre at Sector-82, Noida.	56.41
2	20/DGM(E&M)/Sr.M. (E/M)-I/2023-24	Augmentation of Electrical Convection System related to Street lights in Sector-82, 91, 92, 93, 93A, 93B, 104, 105, 108, 110 & Village Gejha Tilptabad & Hazipur Noida.	
3	21/DGM/Sr.M.(E/M)- II/2023-24	Annual Maintenance of Electrical Works of Community Centre in Village-Bahlolpur, Chotpur, Mamura, Atta, Hazratnur Wazidnur & Chhijarshi Noida	62.38

The above tenders can be uploaded by dated 26.10.2023 up to 5:00 PM. Prequalification shall be opened/downloaded on dated 27.10.2023 at 11:00 AM. B) Re-Tender Work:

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24/DGM(E&M)/S.M. Providing Street Lighting arrangement on Footpath in 46.07 newly developed green belt park sector-77, 117 Noida. (E/M)-III/2023-24 2 17/DGM/Sr.M.(E/M)-Strengthening & providing Octagonal poles in Different Markets, Parks in A-Block Sector-19, Noida The above tenders can be uploaded by dated 19.10.2023 up to 5:00 PM. Pre-

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INS Sagardhwani embarks on SM Mission-4 from Kochi

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

The Defence Research and Development Organisation(DRDO)'s oceanographic vessel, INS Sagardhwani, on Thursday embarked on a two-month long Sagar Mairi (SM) Mission-4 from Kochi to establishe long term scientific partnerships with Indian Ocean Rim countries in Ocean Research and Development. Sagar Maitri is a novel ini-

tiative of the DRDO that supports the broad objective of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's policy declaration 'Safety and Growth for All in the Region (SAGAR)' to promote closer cooperation in socio-economic aspects as well as more significant scientific interaction, especially in ocean research among Indian Ocean Rim (IOR) countries

Rajnath reviews bilateral ties during India-France Defence Dialogue

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

▼ndia and France discussed ways to further strengthen their defence ties with focus on potential collaboration in niche areas such as cyberspace and artificial intelligence during talks between Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and French Minister of Armed Forces Sebastien Lecornu in Paris under the aegis of the fifth annual India-France Defence Dialogue.

Rajnath also said strategic partnership between the two nations is more relevant today than ever and both sides are looking forward to taking it to "newer heights," during the talks on Wednesday.
Giving details of the talks,

defence ministry officials said

here on Thursday the two min-

isters discussed a wide range of

topics from the assessment of

regional situation to the ongo-

In a post on X, Rajnath described his meeting with Lecornu as "excellent". "Had an excellent meeting with the French Minister for the Armed

Paris," he said. "India-France strategic partnership has deepened over years and is more relevant



enhancing defence industrial cooperation."

The ministry said the two ministers reviewed the ongoing defence projects and discussed ways to deepen the collaboration between the defence industries of both the countries. Forces, Sebastien Lecornu in

"They also discussed potential collaboration in niche domains such as space, cyber and artificial intelligence," it said in a statement.

Ways to enhance safety of lives at sea discussed



PNS NEW DELHI

Ways to further enhance safety of lives at sea were discussed on Thursday in the 21st National Maritime Search and Rescue (NMSAR) Board meeting in Kolkata, Coast Guard said officials said

here. The meeting was chaired by Coast Guard chief Rakesh Pal being the Chairman of NMSAR Board.Indian Coast Guard (ICG) is the coordinating and executing agency for Maritime Search and Rescue in Indian Search and Rescue

Girl stabbed by spurned partner in Saket

23-year-old woman was A 23-year-old wollian was brutally stabbed on Thursday by her partner in South Delhi's Saket. The police said the woman was boarding a cab when the accused stabbed her. The cab driver intervened and caught the accused.

In a purported video shot by the locals, the woman is seen covered in blood and seeking help saying, "Please, take me to the hospital." She can be heard pleading passersby to take her to hospital. The clip also showed the accused with blood stains in

the accused with the help of others can be heard saying that he came for the pick-up.

They both were together and sat inside the car. Later, he attacked the woman. The accused, identified as Gaurav Pal, has been arrested by the Delhi Police. Pal hails from Ghaziabad and works at a private firm in Gurugram.
At 6.20 am, a PCR call was received from Lado Sarai, Firni

Road that a woman was stabbed by a man. Police reached the spot where the victim, a resident of Lado Sarai, was found. Inquiry revealed that she and



the accused were in a relationship for the last two years, Deputy Commissioner of Police (south) Chandan

Chowdhary said.

Recently, the girl started ignoring so he came in the morning and met her in Lado

They were talking and she sat in a cab which she had booked and in the meantime the accused attacked her with a knife, the DCP said. He was caught by the cab driver, police said.

A case under section 307 (attempt to murder) of the IPC is being registered and Gaurav Pal, a resident of Ghaziabad in UP, who works in a private company at Gurgaon in Haryana, has been apprehended, she said. On October 10, the woman

made a PCR call saying that she was being harassed by Pal and the matter was found to be of

want any action on that day, they said.

According to the victim's mother, the woman had an interview and was going there when the incident took place. "My daughter had an inter-

view and booked a cab for Lajpat Nagar around 6.30 am. The accused was standing near our house and when she came out, he started chasing her. He told my daughter that he wants to talk to her," she said.

"She told him that she was getting late for the office and did not want to talk to him but when he also entered the vehicle, locked the doors from inside and attacked her," the mother said.

She also said the accused had been pestering her daughter for the last two years. He used to tell her that he wanted to marry her, but the victim was not ready for it.

"My daughter blocked him, but he used to call her from unknown numbers and also threaten her that if she does not marry him, then he will kill her. My daughter met him in the office where she used to work," she said.

"She did not love him. She

her father is no more. He asked her for a court marriage, but my daughter did not agree to it. I want the accused to get strict punishment for his act," she said.

In May, a 16-year-old girl was stabbed over 20 times and bludgeoned to death by a youth in northwest Delhi's Shahbad Dairy area. The accused, Sahil (20), was arrested from

Bulandshahr in Uttar Pradesh. He and the victim were in a "relationship" but had a quar-rel. The victim had gone shopping when she was accosted by the accused in the densely populated neighbourhood.

Promotion

approved

Delhi Lt Governor

Vinai Kumar

Saxena has

approved the

promotion of

30 doctors to

of 30 doctors

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

non-teaching specialists Grade II from Grade III. He had ear-lier sought the file related to

promotion of 39 Doctors for

which departmental promotion committee(DPC) had scruti-

nised in June, 2022. Giving details here, officials

said 84 contractual Doctors (45

Medical Officers and 39 Non-

Teaching Specialists Gr.III)

were appointed on contractu-

al basis between 18.12.2006 and

23.12.2009. Made to run from

pillar to post, that included the

CAT, Delhi High Court and the

Supreme Court, they were finally regularised w.e.f. 23.12.2009 vide notification

dated 17.01.2022 on the direc-

tions of the Supreme Court

of Health had not provided

them with required promotions

thereafter and it again took

judicial interventions to get

their DPC conducted on

However, the Department

dated 13.03.2018.

22.06.2022.

Mohan Chand Sharma's widow expresses shock at HC order

STAFF REPORTER **NEW DELHI**

Slain Delhi Police inspector Mohan Chand Sharma's wife on Thursday expressed shock over the High Court commuting to life imprisonment the death penalty of Ariz Khan, who was convicted for killing the officer in the 2008
Batla House encounter.

Maya Sharma said the
Delhi High Court order could

affect the morale of Delhi Police personnel.

Earlier in the day, the High Court upheld a trial court order convicting Khan of the murder of the slain inspector but refused to confirm the capital punishment.

The trial court had convicted Khan on March 8, 2021, saying it was duly proved that he and his associates killed the police officer and fired gunshots at him.

It said his offence fell under the "rarest of the rare category", warranting the maximum sentence and that he be "hanged by the neck" till death.

Maya Sharma said, "We are totally shocked and surprised. After a years-long legal battle, the lower court had awarded the death penalty to Ariz. The court had said it was a 'rarest of rare' case. Hence, it was proved that he was a threat to society."

"Then how can his death



penalty be commuted? Don't you think this will lower the morale of the force, especially those officers who remain on the frontlines in such encounters," she asked.

Maya Sharma said she is getting calls from people claiming "iss desh mein justice ho hi nahi sakta (justice can-not be delivered in this country)". "You are not doing justice to the family that bore the loss,"

Asked if her family will

challenge the order in the Supreme Court, Maya Sharma said, "Of course we will plan something. But first let the copy of the order come and we will see on what grounds the High Court has given this

judgement."
Sharma, an officer of the Delhi Police's Special Cell, was killed in the encounter between police and terrorists in south Delhi's Jamia Nagar on September 19, 2008. Two terrorists were also killed in the

encounter that took place days after five synchronised bomb explosions rocked the national capital, killing 39 people and wounding 159. The inspector had raided the place while looking for the terrorists responsible for the blasts. The trial court sentenced

Khan to death on March 15, 2021 and imposed a fine of Rs 11 lakh on him, ordering that Rs 10 lakh be released to the family members of the slain

2 shooters of Arsh Dalla gang arrested in Capital

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

he Delhi Police's Special The Delhi Polices opecial Cell has arrested two shooters of Canada based gangster Arshdeep Singh Dalla alias Arsh Dalla gang after a brief encounter on Ring Road near Sarai Kale Khan on Wednesday night. The police said the arrested duo, Krishan Kumar and Gurinder, are associates of

fugitive gangster Arsh Dalla.

They were wanted in the local Congress leader Baljinder Singh Balli, who was shot dead at his home in Punjab's Moga. Balli (45), who was also known as 'namberdar' locally, was the Congress block president in Ajitwal village.

According to police, on the basis of a specific input, the team intercepted the duo on Outer Ring Road and on being asked to surrender, one Krishan fired one round towards the police team. Suddenly, the second gangster took out one live hand grenade from his bag but before he could pull the safety pin, they were overpowered by the team.

"One live hand grenade and one pistol along with five live cartridges were recovered. A case under relevant sections of the law has been registered and further investigation is in progress, " said the official.

The arrest was part of a larger operation by Delhi Police's Special Cell, aimed at cracking down on organised



crime and terror activities in the region. The two were found in possession of a hand grenade, a pistol, and five car-

Canada-based gangster Arshdeep Singh alias Arsh Dala, a native of Dala village in Moga, is wanted by the NIA and Punjab Police. In his post, Dalla alleged that Baljinder Singh Balli had ruined his future and forced him into the gangster culture. Arsh Dalla, took responsibility for the murder in a detailed Facebook post. He also mentioned that the Congress leader was behind his mother's police custody, which motivated him to seek

His involvement had also emerged in various targeted killings that took place in the border state of Punjab along with supplying militant hard-ware including RDX, IEDs, AK-47 and other arms and state after importing them from Pakistan. A red corner notice against Arsh Dala was issued in May 2022. On October 7, the Special

Cell had arrested Harjeet Singh, the last prominent on-ground operative of the Arsh Dalla-Sukha Duneke terror-gangster alliance, who was wanted by the law enforcement agencies, including the NIA, for multiple murders in Punjab and Haryana.

. An official said that Harjeet Singh (27), a resident of Bathinda district in Punjab, had been evading arrest for the past

Å few days ago, Mohali police had arrested Mandeep Singh, alias Deepa, of Ajitwal, Moga; and Saurav Kumar, alias Saabi of Ludhiana. Both are associates of Dala. The duo was wanted by the

Ludhiana and Moga police in multiple criminal cases and had also been declared proclaimed offenders by the respective local courts. According to the National Investigation Agency (NIA),

the Dalla gang is engaged in smuggling of arms, ammuni-tion and explosives for the KTF from across the border. Dalla has been guiding and commissioning terrorist acts and also promoting terror,

Even after the DPC were conducted, the minutes were violence and large-scale extor-tion in India on behalf of the kept pending and it took the LG's intervention to finally get things moving, they said.

Appointment of 4 special public prosecutors for trials in POCSO cases approved | Government bungalow

STAFF REPORTER ■ **NEW DELHI**

Delhi Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena has approved the appointment of four special public prosecutors for trials in the Protection Of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) cases, a fortnight after he recalled the file from the Delhi government over alleged delay

A Raj Niwas official said the Government has conceded that the opinion of L-G shall be required for the appointment of

Special Public Prosecutors (SPPs) for CBI to conduct trials in Protection Of POCSO Act cases in various special courts of Delhi that has been stalled for over nine months.

The file kept moving from the minister in charge to the chief minister since January and after the L-G, on September 22, invoked Rule 19 (5) of the Transaction of Business of GNCTD Rules (ToBR) and recalled all the files and proposals, they were submitted to him," he said.

"A fortnight after L-G V K

Saxena invoked Provisions of Rule 19 (5) of the Transaction of Business of GNCTD Rules, 1993, in public interest and recalled the file pertaining to appointment of SPPs in CBI PÔCSO cases, the Delhi Government, which had been inordinately sitting on file for more than nine months, finally sent the file for the L-G's

approval," the official said. Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal had earlier taken a stand that the L-G does not have the power to grant sanction for approval of SPPs in

The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC)

Thursday introduced QR code-

based ticketing through the Paytm Mobile App across all

lines. With this new feature,

commuters can get the mobile

QR ticket on the Paytm app

under the 'Metro' section, by

simply entering the station of

on the day of the journey.

Passengers can just hold their

code scanner of the Automatic

Fare Collection (AFC) gates at

both entry and exit stations to

proceed with the journey.

Earlier this facility was available

With this new feature,

commuters can now get the

mobile QR ticket on the Paytm

app under the 'Delhi Metro'

section, by simply entering the

these cases, the official said. On receiving communication from the L-G secretariat requisitioning the files in this regard, the Minister (Home), GNCTD, sought an opinion from the Law Department which said the matter needs to be processed quickly to obtain the opinion of the L-G so that the notification for appointment of SPPs may be issued

The chief minister on October 6 endorsed that the file containing the proposal for

Delhi Metro introduces QR code

ticketing facility through Paytm

under section 32 of the POCSO

issuance of notification on the appointment of SPPs for CBI to conduct trial of POCSO cases be submitted to the L-G, who had earlier taken serious note

of the delay by GNCTD. On September 22, the L-G referred the matter to the Ministry of Home Affairs for necessary appointments and notifications under section 24(8) of CrPC. The CBI in December 2022 had requested for issuance of notification for the appointment of senior public prosecutors/prosecutors under section 32 of the POCSO

Act for trials in POCSO cases in various courts in Delhi and a reminder was sent on March

'The cases relating to the POCSO Act are sensitive in nature and as per law trials in these cases are to be completed within one year from the date of cognisance of offence and the delay in appointment of SPPs will adversely affect the case of investigating agency and may give undue benefits to the perpetrators of crime against innocent children," the official

row: HC reserves order on AAP MP Raghav plea



STAFF REPORTER NEW DELHI

The Delhi High Court on Thursday reserved its order on a plea by AAP MP Raghav Chadha challenging the trial court's decision of vacating an interim order which stopped the Rajya Sabha secretariat from evicting him from the government bungalow allotted to him.

Justice Anup Jairam Bhambhani, after completing the proceedings, orally asked the counsel for the Rajya Sabha Secretariat to not take any action in the matter till the high court has delivered its judgment.

"I am not passing any interim order but till I decide it, nothing shall be done in the meantime," the judge said. While the counsel for Chadha submitted he has already filed his brief submissions in the case, the Rajya Sabha Secretariat's lawyer said he will submit his

synopsis by Friday evening. Senior advocate Abhishek Singhvi, representing Chadha, said the AAP leader has been directed to appear before the estate officer pursuant to Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act

He said he proposes to request the estate officer to defer the proceedings as the judgment in the matter. Chadha has challenged the

trial court's October 5 order in which it observed he cannot claim an absolute right to continue to occupy the government bungalow during his entire tenure as a Rajya Sabha MP even after the cancellation of allotment. The trial court had made the observation while vacating an interim order passed on April 18 which directed the Rajya Sabha Secretariat not to oust Chadha from the government bungalow. It had noted Chadha was granted the interim relief without the due process of law.

Chadha's counsel had contended before the high court that he was a victim of "selective targeting" as he was a vocal opposition member of Parliament. Chadha said he was the only sitting lawmaker in the Rajya Sabha ever to have been sought to be evicted from the bungalow allotted to him. Chadha was on July 6 last

vear allotted a 'Type 6' bungalow at Pandara Park but he made a representation to the chairman of the Rajya Sabha on August 29 requesting for a Type 7' accommodation. He was then allotted another bungalow on Pandara Road from the Rajya Sabha pool. However, in March this year, the allotment was cancelled.

Separate toilet facilities for female workers at construction sites

STAFF REPORTER **NEW DELHI**

Delhi Labour Minister Raaj Kumar Anand on Thursday took a historic decision by introducing separate toilet facilities for female workers at all the construction sites.

Until now, both male and female workers were using the same toilet facilities at all construction sites. This step would ensure better safety and security to all the female workers working at the sites.

Now Female workers would also get Equal wages for equal work.

Taking note of inequalities in wages for similar work among male and female laborers, the Labour Minister instructed that these disparities be rectified promptly, ensuring equal wages for equal work to female workers.

Furthermore, to make it easier for laborers to access and

feed the information in registration forms available on the Board's online portal, Anand instructed that the Main language for the information (forms) available on the Board

This will enable a larger number of construction laborers to benefit from the services provided by the Arvind Kejriwal Government.

To ensure transparency in labor card registration, renewal and claims at help desks established in all districts, CCTV cameras will be installed

Board for better implementa-Additionally, to enhance the skills of construction workers in Delhi, training will be

provided through various Skill

Development Programmes.

only on Airport Express Line. This expansion of the innovative service was inau-gurated by Vikas Kumar, the Managing Director of Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Directions were also given to review the accidental insurance policy for construction workers, offered by the Labour (DMRC), according to an offi-

cial statement.

entry and destination station station of entry and destination on the day of the journey, it Smartphone in front of the QR

Passengers can just hold their smartphone in front of the QR code scanner of the Automatic Fare Collection (AFC) gates at both entry and exit stations to proceed with the journey. Earlier this facility was available only on the Airport Express Line, it added.

Kumar noted that this expansion is a significant step towards providing efficient and stress-free transportation to the vast number of metro commuters in the national capital. "In the recent past, we have taken host of measures to facil-

itate digital ticketing showing

our commitment to the Digital India initiative, aimed at providing government services electronically with improved online infrastructure and inclusivity," he added. Recently, Delhi Metro has

rolled out multiple initiatives such as QR ticketing via the Mobile App, Ticket Vending Machines, Ticket Windows, What App, etc., all of which WhatsApp etc., all of which accept popular digital payment methods

In another statement, the DMRC said that with the Vedanta Delhi Half Marathon scheduled for October 15, the train services will commence at 3.45 am from terminal stations across all metro lines.

Two posing as traffic policemen rob 2 men of ₹50 lakh **NEW DELHI**

¹wo bike-borne men posing Tas traffic police personnel employees of ₹50 lakh in IP Estate area here, police said on Thursday. The incident occurred at

Outer Ring Road near Salimgarh Flyover on Wednesday evening, they said. Two employees of Pan

Bahar Pvt. Ltd. Were on their way to the office after collect ing a payment of ₹50 lakh from Kucha Ghasiram in a bag, an official said. They were intercepted by

two people riding on a motor-cycle, wearing traffic police uniforms and carrying wireless sets near the flyover, the official said. On the pretext of checking the vehicle, the accused opened

the car's trunk that had the bag proceedings tomorrow. containing the money. Meanwhile, two other bikeborne persons came there and stole the bag, the officer said. high court has reserved its

Jaishankar's

upgraded to

security cover

Mission to rescue Indians begins

SERVICE/AGENCIES NEW

s Israel and Hamas conflict Arages, India has launched 'Operation Ajay' to evacuate its citizens willing to return home from there and Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said here on Thursday the first chartered flight is expected to bring back around 230 people from Israel on Friday. The MEA also said India considers Hamas attacks as terrorist

It was learnt, the first batch mostly including Indian students studying in Israel institutions will leave Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv late Thursday

With fighting getting intensified, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar late Wednesday evening said, "Launching #Operation Ajay to facilitate the return from Israel of our citizens who wish to return. Special charter flights and other arrangements being put in place. Fully committed to the safety and well-being of our nationals abroad."

MEA spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said at a media briefing the chartered flight is expected to reach Tel Aviv on Thursday evening and it will bring back the first batch of around 230 Indians on Friday. "We are closely moni-

toring the situation," he said.
"A charter flight will reach Tel Aviv today later in the evening. It is expected to get 230 passengers onboard. We have all options, but the rule of

IAF can't be ruled out," Bagchi told reporters in a weekly brief-

On the attacks by Hamas on Israeli cities, Bagchi said India considers them as terrorist strikes.

To a question on India's osition on the Palestine issue, Bagchi said New Delhi always advocated resumption of direct talks towards establishment of a sovereign, independent and viable state of Palestine living side-by-side and at peace with

"Our policy has been longstanding and consistent. India always advocated the resumption of direct negotiations towards establishing a sover-eign, independent and viable state of Palestine, living within secure and recognised borders, side by side at peace with Israel. I think that position remains the same," he said.

Asked about the humani-

Form No. 3 [See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL

CHANDIGARH (DRT 2)

1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector

17 A. Chandigarh (Additional

space allotted on 3rd & 4th

Floor also)

Case No.: OA/1565/2021

[Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act,

read with sub-rule (2A) of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993]

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GURGAON, HARYANA

(CO-APPLICANT)

(BUILDER)

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tarian situation in Israel and Gaza, Bagchi said there was a universal obligation to observe humanitarian law. He also said "there is also the responsibility to fight the menace of terrorism in all its forms and man-

ifestations." When asked if India would e providing help to Israel in the form of weaponry, Bagchi said, "Right now, our main focus is to get Indians from Israel back safely.

Bagchi said there were about 18,000 Indians in Israel and that India had received information about one of its citizens being injured there. "We are in touch with them. They are in the hospital, getting better. There have been no causalities so far."

He added that there were four Indians in Gaza and 12 in the West Bank.

Meanwhile, the students, set to return, received a mail

will run a chartered flight from Tel Aviv to Delhi. This flight will take off from Ben Gurion airport around 9 pm Israel time. India is two-and-a-half hours ahead of Israel.

About 230 Indians will board tonight's flight, news agency PTI has reported. Those returning to India will not be required to pay any fare and the government is bearing the cost of their return.

The mail to Indian students asks them to fill up a Google form, following which they would receive a confirmation message. The mail specifies that only one checkedin luggage — weighing not more than 23 kg — and one cabin luggage will be allowed.

This flight has been

arranged to facilitate the return of those who were unable to do so because Air India had immediately suspended its flight on the day fighting began on October 7, and its commercial operation remains suspended till now. Those who are returning will not be paying any fare and the government is bearing the cost of their return.

The Indian Embassy has emailed the first lot of registered Indian citizens for the special flight, the mission posted on X.

"Messages to other registered people will follow for subsequent flights", it said. Ben Gurion International Airport is the main international airport of Israel. It is situated on the northern outskirts of the city of

The Indian Embassy has

lines for people stranded amid the war. The embassy has asked people to stay calm and follow security advisories being issued from time to time.

The Embassy Wednesday posted on social media that it has informed the first lot of Indians to fly home. Others who have registered for the flights will be contacted soon, it has assured.

Earlier, representatives of the embassy met Indian stu-dents and allayed their concerns on the situation in the

India's Ambassador to Israel Sanjeev Singla said the Embassy is working constantly for Indians' safety and welfare. "All of us are going through very difficult times but please do remain calm and vigilant and follow the local security guidelines," he said in a video message posted on X.

"We are here to help you, and we thank many of you who have sent so many messages of appreciation to us. We are monitoring the situation closely and please stay tuned for any updates from the embassy. Jai

Hind," Singla added. The Embassy in Tel Aviv was quick to reach out to a caregiver from Kerala who was injured in the rocket shelling in the city of Ashdod on Saturday and has been constantly in touch with her and her family in India.

The Indian community has also been looking after her well-being and visiting her at the hospital. Her condition is Centre opposes in Supreme Court submission seeking priority in hearing Money Bill

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW

The Centre on Thursday I opposed in the Supreme Court the request for according precedence to hearing pleas related to the validity of passage of laws like the Aadhaar Act as Money bill, saying priority cannot be decided on the basis of "political exigencies".

The issue relates to the controversy around money bills after the Government introduced legislations like the Aadhaar Bill and even amendments to the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) as money bills, apparently to circumvent the Rajya Sabha where it did not have majority. Bench responded to Centre by saying "leave it to us".

A money bill is a piece of legislation which can be introduced only in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha cannot amend or reject it.

The Upper House can only make recommendations which may or may not be accepted by the Lower House. Senior advocate Kapil Sibal, appearing for one of the parties in the pleas on Money Bill, told a seven-judge bench headed by Chief Justice DY Chandrachud that the court may consider giving priority to the matter as it is a "live issue".

The bench, also comprising Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul, Sanjiv Khanna, BR Gavai, Surva Kant, JB Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, had assembled to consider passing procedural directions in some nine-judge and seven-judge bench matters.

We would request your lordships may go seniority wise. It is entirely my lords' discretion," Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, representing the Centre,

Mehta said priority cannot be decided on the basis of "polit-ical exigencies". "Leave it to us," the bench told him.

The apex court said it will pass a common order in several nine-judge and seven-judge bench matters, including those related to money bills and the Speaker's power to disqualify MLAs, to get them ready for hearing. On October 6, the top court had said it will constitute a seven-judge bench to consider the Money Bill issue.

In November 2019, a fivejudge bench of the apex court had referred to a larger bench the issue of examining the validity of the passage of the Finance Act, 2017 as Money Bill.

"The issue and question of Money Bill, as defined under Article 110(1) of the Constitution, and certification accorded by the Speaker of the Lok Sabha in respect of Part-XIV of the Finance Act, 2017 is referred to a larger Bench," it had said. The five-judge bench had then struck down in entirety the rules governing the appointment and service conditions of members of various tribunals that formed part of the

Speaker of Canadian Senate skips

Z category PNS NEW DELHI

The Centre has upgraded the security cover of External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar from the 'Y' category to 'Z', the

the Prime Minister's SPG cover. The Union Home Ministry has asked the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) to take charge of his security, currently provided by the Delhi Police, officials said.

highest level of protection after

Jaishankar, 68, was being secured by an armed team of the Delhi Police under the 'Y' category security cover.

He will now be protected by the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) under the larger 'Z' category security cover which entails about 14-15 armed commandos moving with him round the clock in shifts across the protectee's movement across the country along with a pilot car carrying commandos. In addition the residence of the protectee is also secured by the comman-

dos, sources said. The CRPF's VIP security wing has 176-odd protectees at present, including Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Congress leaders Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra among

The development comes following review of the threat perception analysis of Jaishankar by the security agen-

FORM No. 3 [See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2) 1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector17A, Chandigarh (Additional

space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also) Case No.: OA/642/2020 Summons under sub-section Summons under sub-section
(4) of section 19 of the Act,
read with sub-rule (2A) of rule 5
of the Debt Recovery Tribunal
(Procedure) Rules, 1993
Exh. No. 20617
ICICI BANK LIMITED
VS.
NAVEEN AGGARWAL

(1) NAVEEN AGGARWAL D/W/S/O- MR PADAM CHAND AGGARWAL, MR. NAVEEN AGGARWAL S/O MR. PADAM CHAND AGGARWAL, R/O H. NO. 104, SIDHARTH APARTMENT, P. NO. 31, NEAR KENDRIYA VIHAR, SECTOR-56. GURGAON HARYANA. GURGAON, HARYANA (2) MRS. SEEMA AGGARWAL W/O MR. NAVEEN AGGARWAL R/O H. NO.104, SIDHARTH APARTMENT, P. NO. 31, NEAR KENDRIYA VIHAR, SECTOR-56 GURGAON, HARYANA ALSO AT-

RESPONDENT NO.1 & 2 :- R/O FLAT NO. 403, 4TH FLOOR, TOWER- T11, CRESCENT PARC GREEN PARC, SECTOR-92, GURGAON-122022, HARYANA (3) M/S RAMPRASTHA SARE REALTY PVT. LTD. PLOT NO.46, UDYOG VIHAR

PHASE-IV, GURGAON-122015 THROUGH ITS AUTHORIZED

OFFICER SUMMONS

WHEREAS, OA/642/2020 was listed before Hon'ble

of section 19 of the Act, you, the

defendants are directed as under:

(i) to show cause within thirty

days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should

(ii) to disclose particulars o

properties or assets other than

properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;

(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured

assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original

application, pending hearing and disposal of the application fo

(iv) you shall not transfer by way o

sale, lease or otherwise, except in

the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/ or

other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original

application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;

(v) you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realised by sale of secured assets or other assets

and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account

maintained with the bank o

security interest over such assets.

You are also directed to file the

written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the

applicant and to appear before Registrar on 06/12/2023 at 10:30A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date

Authorised to issue summons

Signature of the Officer

27/09/2023.

attachment of properties;

not be granted;

WHEREAS, **OA/1565/2021** was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on 28/08/2023. WHEREAS this Hon'ble Tribunal is WHEREAS this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/ notice on the said pleased to issue summons/notice on the said Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed of **Rs. 17368544/-** (application along with copies of documents against you for recovery of debts of Rs.38,33,119/(application along with copies of documents etc. annexed). etc. annexed) In accordance with sub-section (4) In accordance with sub-section (4

of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;

(ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;

(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/ or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;

(v) you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realised by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinar course of business and deposi such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applican and to appear before Registrar or 13/12/2023 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence. Given under my hand and the

seal of this Tribunal on this date : 31/08/2023.

Signature of the Officer Authorised to issue summon

Form No. 3 [See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2) 1st Floor SCO 33-34-35, Secto 17 A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th

Floor also) Case No.: OA/402/2021 Exh. No. 20522 Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub rule (2A) of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993

ICICI BANK LIMITED VS SH RAJESH SINGH

(1) SH RAJESH SINGH

D/W/S/O- SH JAWAHAR SHRI RAJESH SINGH SON OF SHRI JAWAHAR, R/O HOUSE NO. 112, AGWANPUR SECTOR 91, FARIDABAD- 121003 HARYANA, FARIDABAD,

(2) SH ROHIT CHAND H NO 40, AGWANPUR, SECTOR 91 FARIDABAD, FARIDABAD,

FLAT NO 003 GROUND FLOOR TOWER A 15, AVALON ROSE WOOD, VILLAGE KHANPUR 「EHSIL, TIJARA BHIWANI

HARYANA Also At R/O WIZCRAFT INTERNTION ENTERTAINMENT PVT LTD PLOT NO 8, SECTOR 32

GURGAON HARYANA (3) MS AVALON GROUP R/O 9TH FLOOR, SAS TOWER NEAR MEDICITY SECTOR 38, GURGAON, HARYANA

SUMMONS WHEREAS, OA/402/2021 was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on 08/09/2023. WHEREAS this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/ notice on the said Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts of Rs. 4029273/- (application along with copies of documents

etc. annexed). In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;

(ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by he applicant under serial numbe 3A of the original application:

(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/ or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;

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seal of this Tribunal on this date 25/09/2023 Signature of The Officer Authorised to issue Summons **Ashnoor Textile Mills Ltd.** Regd. Office : Behrampur Road, Village Khandsa, District Gurugram, Haryana 12200 E-mail: atml_delhi@yahoo.com

Phone: 91 0124 4809755 CIN: L17226HR1984PLC033384 NOTICE
NOTICE NOTICE States with Regulation 47 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements

Regulations, 2015, that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company will be held or Wednesday, October 25, 2023, inter-alia, to consider and approve Unaudited Financia Results of the company for the Second Quarte ended September 30, 2023.

This information is also available on Company website at www.ashnoortex.com and also of the website of BSE, i.e. www.bseindia.com. By the order of Board

Suneel Gupta October 11, 2023 Managing Director DIN-00052084 Gurugram, Haryana

Form No. 3 [See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL

CHANDIGARH (DRT 2) 1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector 17 A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also)

Case No.: OA/302/2021 (Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993] Exh. No.: 20487 ICICI BANK LIMITED

SH AMAN YADAV.

To, (D-3) MS CHD DEVELOPERS LTD SF 16-17, IST FLOOR, MADAME BHIKAJI CAMA BHAWAN, 11 BHIKAJI CAMA PLACE NEW

DELHI, DELHI SUMMONS

WHEREAS, **OA/302/2021** was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on 08/09/2023. WHEREAS this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/notice on the said Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts of Rs. 9535622/- (application along with copies of documents etc. annexed).

In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted; (ii) to disclose particulars of

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with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under seria number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties; (iv) you shall not transfer by way or

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Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date Signature of the Officer Authorised to issue summon

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public in general that Khetarpal Nursing Home, GN-5, Shiivaji Enclave, New Delhi- 110027 will destory Medical records from 2018 to 2019.

Anybody interested in his/her records may contact on 011-45600000 within 15 Days.

PUBLIC NOTICE "To be known to all that I, Mrs. Renu Naithani W/o Sh. Rakesh Naithani R/o Naithani W/o Sh. Rakesh Naithani R/o 153-E. DDA LIG Flat, Second Floor, Pocket-I, Mayur Vihar, Phase-I, Delhi-110091, present Owner of Flat No. 153-E, category DDA Built-up LIG Flat, situated on the Second floor in Pocket-I, Mayur Vihar, Phase-I, Delhi-110091, have applied for conversion of the aforesaid flat from leasehold to freehold in DDA. The original Allotment cum Demand Letter No.F-94(13)88/LIG/G dated 24/01/1989, issued by DDA for the above flat has been lost. An FIR/NCR to this effect has been lodged in the Police Station Crime Branch, New Delhi vide FIR/NCR No./LR No.870236/2023 dated 11/09/2023.

Any person(s) claiming any righ interest, having any objection or found in possession of the above said origina documents, may write/contact address/phone No.9868806849, withit 30 days from the date of issue of this Public notice. The person claiming any right, interest, objection with respect to this property can personally inform or write to the Dy. Director, (LAB)H or Director (H), 3rd Floor, D-Block, Vikas Sedon IMA New Daily Sadan, INA, New Delhi.
(Mrs. Renu Naithani).

PUBLIC NOTICE V. S. Infrastructure Capital Ltd. CIN: U74899DL1996PLC077395 Registered Office Address: B-2/60

Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi-110029 This public notice is being given by M/s V. S. Infrastructure Capital Ltd. CIN: U74899DL1996PLC077395 Registered Office at B-2/60, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi - 110 029 (Here-in-after referred to

as 'Company') and Mr. Pritam Lal Jain (Here-in-after referred to as 'Proposed Director') jointly in accordance with directions given by RBI vide their letter dated 09.10.2023 for approval of appointment

of Mr. P. L. Jain as another Director on the oard of Directors of the company, in complianc with the terms and conditions of Cortificate of Registration issued by the Reserve Bank of India permitting the company to carry on the business of a Non -Banking Financial Institution.

1. Mr. Pritam Lal Jain is proposed to be 1. Mr. Pritam Lai Jain is proposed to be appointed as a Director on the board of the company. Mr. P. L. Jain is a fellow member of Institute of Company Secretary of India and a member of Institute of Cost Accountants of India, having more than 40 years of experience in Finance, son of Late Mr. B. D. Jain aged 86 years R/o U-36, Green Park Main, New Delhi – 110016. 2 .Any person who is aggrieved by such

ntment may lodge his / her objection with DNBS, RBI at the regional office at 6 Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001 or at the registered office of the company at B-2/60, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi - 110 029 within a period of 30 days w.e.f. date of publication of this notice. Such objection shall be forwarded to DNBS. RBI by the company in due course. The objections i received any will be resolved by the nodal officer of the company. lote:- A certificate of Registration to carry on the business of a Non-Banking financial

institution obtained from the Reserve Bank of India in terms of Section 45IA of RBI Act, 1934. it must be distinctly understood, however, that in issuing the certificate of registration that the Reserve Bank of India does not undertake any responsibility for the financial soundness of the company or for the correctness of any of the statements made or any commitments made o

For V.S. Infrastructure Capital Ltd

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

skipped the Presiding Officers' nations that began in the national Capital on Thursday. Gagne had earlier confirmed

Sabha Speaker Om Birla.

India, Canada relations

The P20 meeting got

Addressing Parliamentary Forum on Lifestyle for

G20 Presiding Officers Summit

NEW DELHI

A mid a diplomatic row, Speaker of the Canadian Senate Raymonde Gagne Summit of Parliaments of G20 her presence at the Parliament-20 meeting chaired by Lok

'The Canadian Speaker is not attending the Summit. Schedules keep changing," Parliamentary sources said. Birla had said he would raise "several issues" in his informal talks with the Speaker of the Canadian Senate.

Minister Justin Trudeau's allegations last month linking Indian agents to the killing of Khalistani extremist Hardeep Singh Nijjar in June. India had dismissed the allegation as "absurd".

underway on Thursday with Parliamentarians of G20 nations participating in the Parliamentary Forum on LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment), a movement proposed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Environment', Birla asserted that merely enacting policies and laws is not enough to deal with climate change and rather a collective contribution is required by changing our

 $\dot{H}e$ urged parliamentarians countries to discuss Mission Lifestyle in parliaments so that a message that the mission is part of our lives can be given out. He felt it would turn into a mass movement which will help create a better world.

There have also been extensive discussions in the Parliament of India on the topic of lifestyle for the environment and laws have been made. But it is not enough to just make policies and laws on the problem of climate change. Rather we all need to contribute collectively by changing our daily routine," Birla

He observed that on the subject of environmental protection, Prime Minister

the idea of lifestyle for environment to the world. Mission Life Style is a environmental protection that inspires every person to adopt, reduce, reuse and recycle, Birla noted. "That is why today we need to adopt such a lifestyle, such an approach which does not harm our environment. This is the individual and col-

Narendra Modi had presented

lective responsibility of all of us," he said. The Ninth Parliamentary Speakers' Summit (P20) is scheduled to be held from October 13 to 14. The Parliamentary Forum on 'LiFE: Lifestyle Environment" precedes the main event.

Fault in railway tracks likely cause of train derailment in Bihar

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ PATNA/NEW DELHI

Fault in railway tracks is the likely cause of derailment of all the coaches of the Delhi-Kamakhya North East Express in Bihar, as per a preliminary investigation report available with The Pioneer. However, other railway officials pointed out that the train was brought to a sudden halt by applying brakes when it was travelling at great speed.

At least four people were killed and several injured in the accident in Bihar's Buxar district Wednesday night. "It seems that derailment occurred due to fault in tracks," the report, signed by six railway officials, stated. Relief measures were initiated immediately after the incident, with ambulances and doctors rushing to the site.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, several Union Ministers including Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, Bihar Chief minister Nitish Kumar condoled the loss of lives in the train accident. Vaishnaw monitored the relief operations through the operations war room at Rail Bhawan virtually while he was on a scheduled visit to poll bound state of Madhya Pradesh.

Expressing his condolences to the families of the deceased in the train mishap in Bihar, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said his government is closely monitoring the situation.

The guard of the Assam-bound train, Vijay Kumar, recalled that he felt brakes had been suddenly applied which was followed by jerks. "I was busy with my paperwork when I



realised that the driver suddenly applied brakes. This was followed by a few jerks and I fainted. Later, I found myself in the adjoining fields, where villagers were sprinkling drops of water on my face," said Kumar, who too sustained minor injuries in the derailment.

Highlighting the condition of passenger coaches, the report stated that all 22 coaches and the engine derailed — two of them were fully capsized and two others turned turtle.

The probe report has estimated the cost of damage due to the accident at more than ₹52 crore. The loco pilot, Vipin Kumar Sinha, suffered minor injuries and his assistant sustained serious injuries in the accident.

The report also contained a statement from Sinha who said that the train passed Raghunathpur station, near which the accident occurred, at a speed of 128 km per hour, but soon after it crossed the station section, it suffered a severe jolt at the rear end with exces-

Indians are safe across world under PM's leadership: Singh

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE VARANAS

Uttar Pradesh's Jal Shakti Minister Swatantra Dev Singh said that under the leadership of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the people of the country, wherever they are living in the world, are completely safe. In an informal chat with the reporters here on Thursday, Singh said that when the war between Russia and Ukraine started, the Indians living there were brought safely to the country. He expressed his confidence about doing the same by the Indian government as the war between Israel and Palestine (Hamas) has kicked off.

He further said that under the leadership of the PM, the country's GDP has increased and no incident has happened in the whole world which has defamed the country. In reply to a query, he said that today Srinagar of Kashmir is completely safe as the flow of tourists there has increased. "The children who once used to throw stones there are becoming doctors and engineers today," he said.

He further said that in UP, there is rule of law under the leadership of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath. "Goons and people, who spread terror,

NCL CMD Bhola Singh inspecting Bina project on Wednesday

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ VARANASI

Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of

Northern Coalfields Limited

(NCL), a Miniratna company

of the Government of India.

Bhola Singh visited the Bina

his visit, the CMD took stock

of the operation, production,

removal etc of Bina mine

area, haul road, dragline and

other machines and gave

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE VARANASI

The members of Banaras

The memoris of Hindu University (BHU)

fraternity got tips to keep the

lifestyle diseases at bay as the

varsity hosted renowned health

and nutrition coach Lalit

Mohan Kapoor from the

United States. The IIT-Kanpur

alumnus is known for his

expertise on leading a healthy

life and helping people in

reversing the chronic diseases

naturally. Delivering his lecture

at the Shatabdi auditorium of

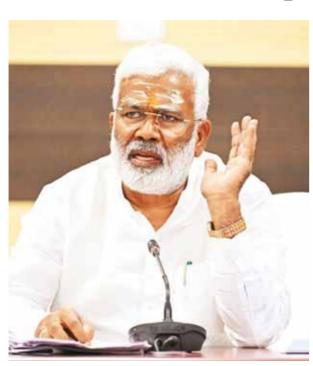
Institute of Agricultural

Sciences, BHU, on tackling

chronic diseases in a purely nat-

ural way, Kapoor underlined

the fact that having a nutritious



UP Jal Shakti Minister Swatantra Dev Singh talking to reporters in Varanasi on Thursday.

are in jail," he said. According to him, today irrigation facilities are being provided to the farmers through the construction of wells in the hilly areas as the state government is committed to do good work for the farmers.

NCL CMD visits Bina project

duction keeping in mind the

productivity and safety.
On the occasion, Singh

also met the workers deployed

in the mine and boosted their

morale to make an important

contribution to the energy

security of the country.

(Excavation) Bhartendu

Headquarters, Technical

NCL Deepak Saxena, GM of

Bina Project Inderjit Singh

Nutrition coach gives health tips

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of Health

tine meals or eating habits," he

said, adding that the human

race has evolved over millions

of years and initially it was

completely dependent on plant

based foods. He highlighted the

importance of including more

fruits and vegetables as part of

of CMD

Kumar from

Secretary

appropriate guidelines to the and his team were also pre-

Minister directed the departmental engineers to run a campaign on war footing to ensure that water should be provided to the farmers as per their requirement during the Rabi crop at the right time. He said that the farmers are our Earlier, the Jal Shakti food providers and it is our

In 2023-24, NCL's Bina

project has been given a tar-

get of more than 10 million

tonnes of coal production

and dispatch, out of which till

now the project has per-

formed well, producing 5.19

million tonnes of coal and dis-

removal of overload, the pro-

ject has so far removed 26.49

million cubic metres of over-

load against the target of 50

million cubic metres this year

rather than having processed

snacks or eatables that come

with a lot of problems", he

questioned? He said that most

of the food items people are

offered and enticed with in the

markets, are developed with an

aim of making people over

Along with this, in the

their facilities on priority. Singh was holding a review meeting with departmental officials at the Circuit House.

He said that by making the canals clean and desilted, water will be supplied to their tails in order to achieve the target of Rabi crops. "There was a drought situation during the last crop season and by operating a 600 kilometres canal, it was ensured that water can reach the borders of Varanasi district," he said, adding that in some canals in Varanasi, water was brought from Sharda Sahayak and and water is the canals Lakhimpur being given in till the border of Kashi.

During the review of the programme of providing water to homes through drinking water pipeline under Jal Jeevan Mission, he directed the departmental engineers to complete the pipeline projects under construction by running a campaign on a war footing. He also gave strict instructions to the officers that there should be no laxity at any level in this. Zila Panchayat Chairperson Poonam Maurya, MLA Saurabh Srivastava and other departmental officers were prominently present in the meeting.

Navratri: Roadways to run 195 buses between Prayagraj & Vindhyachal

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE PRAYAGRAJ

The UP Roadways has decid-■ ed to run 195 buses everyday between Prayagraj and Vindhyachal during Sharadiya Navratri. This has been done keeping in mind the famous Navratri Mela at Vindhvachal where lakhs of devotees reach to have 'darshan' of Maa Vindhyawasini.

This special bus service which will start from October 14 will continue till October 23.

Arrangements have been made ensure availability of Vindhyachal bus after every

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE PRAYAGRAJ

 $P^{hD\, scholar\, Darshita\, Rawat,}_{supervised\ by\ Kumud}$

Dubey at ICFRE's Eco-Rehabilitation Centre here has

been selected for a fully-fund-

ed participation in the APAC

Watershed Congress 2023 on

'Nurturing Watersheds' in

ised by the department of

environment and natural

resources of the government of Philippines and Asia Pacific

Association of Forestry

authored by Kumud Dubey

and Ashish Kumar Yadav. The

study is focused on the Alwara

natural watershed located in

This research is co-

Research Institutions.

This event is being organ-

Manila, Philippines.

half an hour from Zero Road bus stand. During this period as many as 130 buses will leave everyday for Vindhyachal from Prayagraj zone and 65 from Varanasi zone. Besides this Prayagraj zone will run 25 special buses for Mirzapur while Varanasi zone will run 40 such buses.

PANIC BUTTON TO BE INSTALLED: The UPSRTC has planned to instal panic button in ordinary buses. As many as 50 such buses will soon come here. This will help in curbing eve-teasing in the buses. If a woman travelling in ordinary buses feels insecure or being bothered by eve-teasers, then she just has to press the panic button installed in the bus. The process of installing panic buttons in ordinary buses is starting for the first time.

There is a preparation to instal panic buttons in a total of 650 buses of the state in which 50 buses will be given to Prayagraj region. This will increase the safety of women.

Regional Manager of Roadways Prayagraj MK Trivedi said a command centre will be set up at the Transport Corporation headquarters for

monitoring the panic button. Staff will be present here, 24 hour monitoring will be done. If a woman presses a panic button in the bus, then the police will be informed along with the officials concerned of the Transport Department. The police will reach that bus within some time.

Live tracking devices will also be installed in these buses through which it will be easily known where the bus concerned is. Information about bus route, bus timing, vacant seat etc will be on the lines of

PhD scholar selected for APAC Watershed Congress in Manila

tion for its conservation.

tant in ground water recharge of

FORM No. 3

[See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3)

The savage openings from nearby villages are the main source of pollution of this watershed and responsible for various which threatens floral diversity

tion tree species is the sole approach for water resource conservation, resilience enhancement and watershed protection.

Kaushambi district of UP covering an area of about 400 hectare, Sarus cranes are major populawhich has remained overlooked tions and other migratory birds of watershed, she added. also visit during winter", Dubey Planting of phytoremediaand demands immediate atten-

The main source of water here is backflow from Yamuna river and rain water. It is impor-

This is to inform all concerned and the

Summons under sub-section
(4) of section 19 of the Act,
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HEIGHT SUSHANT LOK PHASE

PINAKI MITRA SON OF MR. HIMANSHU KUMAR MITRA 1, 1ST FLOOR, VERTICAL NO. GH-02, VILLAGE SARAI

SUMMONS

26/09/2023. WHEREAS this Hon'ble

In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-(i) to show cause within thirty as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;

3A of the original application;

or disposing of secure application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

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Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date

Signature of the Officer

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

general public that M/s. Eden Hospital Pvt. Ltd., B-162, East of Kailash, New Delhi is no more a unit of Stellent Healthcare Pvt Ltd., and the tie-up business relationship between the 2 stands ceased with effect from 04.03.2023. General public is therefore hereby cautioned that for any of their dealings with the Eden Hospital Pvt. Ltd. after 04.03.2023, Stellent Healthcare Pvt Ltd., will not be responsible / liable. Sd/-

Solutions Incorporation

Form No. 3 [See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2) 1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector 17 A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also)

Case No.: OA/1550/2021 [Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2A) of rule of the Debt Recovery Trible 3 of the Debt Recovery Trible 3 (Procedure) Rules, 1993] Exh. No.: 20185 ICICI BANK LIMITED

VS PARDEEP CHAUHAN

.-, (D-3) M/S RISHABH INTERIOR PVT. LTD.

R/O 302, AGGARWAL COMPLEX, PLOT NO. C2, LOCAL SHOPPING CENTER, JANAKPURI, NEW DELHI NEW DELHI, DELHI

RESPONDENT NO. 1 TO 3:- R/O FLAT NO. TB-1803, NCR ONE, TOWER-B, 18TH FLOOR, SECTOR-95, GURGAON GURGAON, HARYANA Also At -

RESPONDENT NO. 1 TO 3:- R/O FLAT NO. TB-1603, NCR ONE, TOWER-B, SECTOR-95, GURGAON, GURGAON, HARYANA

(D-4) M/S SIDHARTHA BUILDHOME PVT. LTD. R/O SHOP NO. 1 & 4, LOCAL SHOPPING CENTER, PUSHP VIHAR, MADANGIR, NEW DELHI, NEW DELHI, DELHI SUMMONS

WHEREAS, OA/1550/2021 was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on 01/09/2023. WHEREAS this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/notice on the said Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts of Rs. 25320385/- (application along with copies of documents etc. annexed).

In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under: (i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summon as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;

(ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;

(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/ or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;

(v) you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realised by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposi such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applican and to appear before Registrar on 23/01/2024 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence. Given under my hand and the

seal of this Tribunal on this date 05/09/2023.

FORM No. 3 [See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2)
1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector
17A, Chandigarh (Additional
space allotted on 3rd & 4th
Floor also)

Case No.: OA/1545/2021 Case No.: UA/1545/2021

Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2A) of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993

Exh. No. 20104

ICICI BANK LIMITED

VS

AMIT KUMAR THAKUR

(1) AMIT KUMAR THAKUR. D/W/S/O- MR INDRADEO ANUTHALAL THAKUR ANUTHALAL THAKUR
SON OF MR. INDRADEO
ANUTHALAL THAKUR, R/O
FLAT NO. E-1804, NCR GREEN,
TOWER-E, 18TH FLOOR,
SECTOR - 95, GURGAON 122001, HARYANA
(BORROWER), GURGAON,
HARYANA
AL SO AT-

ALSO AT-MR. AMIT THAKUR S/O MR. INDRADEO ANUTHALAL
THAKUR, R/O FLAT NO. 303, B
WING, SHREE SAI LEELA,
SAMARTH NAGAR, RAMESH
WADI, BADLAPUR, THANE421503. MAHARASHTRA,
THANE

THANE, MAHARASHTRA-421503
(2) MRS. INDIRA THAKUR WIFE
OF MR. AMIT KUMAR THAKUR
R/O FLAT NO. E-1804, NCR
GREEN, TOWER-E, 18TH
FLOOR, SECTOR - 95,
GURGAON- 122001, HARYANA,
(CO-APPLICANT)
ALSO ATMRS. INDIRA THAKUR WIFE OF

BADLAPUR, THANE- 421503 MAHARASHTRA THANE, (3) M/S SIDHARTHA BUILDHOME PRIVATE LIMITED R/O SHOP NO. 1 AND 4, LOCAL SHOPPING CENTER, PUSHP

SUMMONS

WHEREAS, OA/1545/2021 was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on 28/08/2023.

Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/ notice on the said Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts of Rs.1,65,68,672/-(application along with copies of documents etc. annexed). In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:

(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summon as to why relief prayed for should not be granted; (ii) to disclose particulars of

properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;

application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/ or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial

number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal; (v) you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realised by sale

of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposi such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before Registrar on 18/12/2023 at 10:30A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.

31/08/2023. Signature of the Officer

Authorised to issue summons

diet properly is the simplest our daily meals. He also consume it and get addicted. way of getting off medicines of expressed concern over the Kapoor spoke about five pillars lifestyle diseases. "Despite the habit of unhealthy munching of health which are body richness and diversity of nutriand increasing tendency of detoxification, plant based consuming packaged foods, whole food, physical activity, tious food nature offers us, many of us aren't even aware especially among youngsters. emotional and spiritual wellabout it, let alone having the "Why can't we develop a being, and timely sleep and

Cleanliness drive held at Ganga ghats

habit of munching on fruits,

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required nutrition in our rou-

cleanliness campaign was Aorganised Dashashwamedh and adjoining ghats here on Thursday under the joint aegis of 95 Battalion Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), Srijan Samajik Vikas Nyas, Nagar Nigam and Namami Gange. At the same ghat, a film will be shot by Jeet Pramanik in the coming days in which famous Bollywood singer Alka Yagnik, Jeet Pramanik, Vishwajit Ghosh, Ananya Kashyap, and others

the programme was Assistant Commandant of CRPF Abhishek Kumar Singh, while the guests of honour were leet Pramanik, Ananya Kashyap and Vishwajit Ghosh. The programme was presided over by Anil Kumar Singh, brand ambassador of Ganga Hatima Abhiyan and president of On the occasion, the CRPF

will be seen. The chief guest of liness drive. They also pledged to keep the river Ganga clean and appealed to the visitors to do the same. CRPF inspectors Balji Yadav, Praveen Singh, Santosh Kumar Singh, Vishnukant Tripathi and others including BJP leader Saurabh Singh Patel, Anand Singh and Shivam Agrahari were also present. Meanwhile, according to a

press release, the CRPF All personnel, along with employ-India Women Motorcycle ees of Nagar Nigam and volun-Campaign-2023 will reach teers of Namami Gange offered Group Centre in Chandauli on their shramdaan in the clean-Friday around 5 pm.

1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector-17 A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also) Case No.: OA/1543/2021 [Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2A) of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993] Exh. No.:20307 N SANDEEP

FORM NO. 3 [See Regulation-15(1)(a)]/16(3)

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2)

(1) N SANDEEP (1) N SANDEEP SON OF MR. NARASIMHAIAH MUNISWAMAPPA, R/O HOUSE NO. 1520-A, IST FLOOR, MARUTI VIHAR, CHKKARPUT, IN GATE ROAD, GURGAON -122002, HARYANA. GURGAON, HARYANA

GURGAON, HARYANA Also At. R/O FLAT NO. E-1603, NCR GREEN, TOWER-E, 16TH FLOOR, SECTOR - 95, GURGAON- 122001, HARYANA. GURGAON, HARYANA -122001 (2) MRS. ANOOSHA J WIFE OF MR. N SANDEEP WIK. N SANUEEP R/O HOUSE NO. 1520-A, IST FLOOR, MARUTI VIHAR, CHKKARPUT, IN GATE ROAD, GURGAON- 122002, HARYANA. CO-APPLICANT

R/O FLAT NO. E-1603, NCR GREEN, TOWER-E, 16TH FLOOR, SECTOR -95, GURGAON - 122001 HARYANA. GURGAON, HARYANA -122001

(3) M/S SIDHARTHA BUILDHOME PRIVATE LIMITED R/O SHOP NO. 1 AND 4, LOCAL SHOPPING CENTER, PUSHP VIHAR, MADANGIR, NEW DELHI- 110062, THROUGH ITS AUTHORIZED OFFICER.

SUMMONS Whereas OA/1543/2021 was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer on 05/09/2023.

Whereas, this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/notice on the said Application under Section 19(4) of the Act (OA) filed against you for recovery debts of Rs. 10304349/- (application alongwith copies of documents etc. annexed).

In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the Defendants are directed as under:-(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;

(ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial numbe 3A of the original application;

(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under seria number 3A of the origina application pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business, any of the assets over which security interest is created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the tribunal; (v) you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale

of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposi such sale proceeds in the accounmaintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to th applicant and to appear before Registrar on 13/12/2023 at 10:30A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence. Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date

Signature of the Officer Authorised to issue summons. Signature of the Officer Authorised to issue summon

Form No. 3 [See Regulation-15 (1)(a)]/16(3) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL

CHANDIGARH (DRT 2)

1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector

17 A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also)

Case No.: OA/498/2021 [Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2A) of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993] Exh. No.: 20326 ICICI BANK LIMITED

VS SH GANESH DUTT JOSHI (1) SH GANESH DUTT JOSHI

ĎÍW/S/O-SH GIRISH CHANDRA SHRI GANESH DUTT JOSHI SON OF SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA JOSHI, R/O Q-1/1, 3RD FLOOR, SOUTH CITY-II, GURGAON- 122001, HARYANA, GURGAON- 122001, HARYANA, GURGAON, HARYANA
Also At. FLAT NO. 506, 5TH
FLOOR, TOWER 16, SARE
GREEN PARC, PHASE II,
WAZIRPUR, MEWKA, SECTOR
92 GURGAON, HARYANA
(2) SMT JYOTI JOSHI W/O
GANESH DUTT JOSHI, R/O Q1/1, 3RD FLOOR, SOUTH CITY11, GURGAON-122001
Also At. FLAT NO. 506, 5TH Also At. FLAT NO. 506, 5TH FLOOR, TOWER 16, SARE GREEN PARC, PHASE II,

WAZIRPUR, MEWKA, SECTOR 92 GURGAON, HARYANA (3) SH. DEEP CHANDRA JOSH ŘÍO Q-1/1. 3RD FLOOR, SOUTH CITY-II, GURGAON-122001 Also At- FLAT NO 506, 5TH FLOOR, TOWER 16, SARE GREEN PARC, PHASE II, WAZIRPUR, MEWKA, SECTOR 92, GURGAON, HARYANA

(4) M/S RAMPRASTHA SARE REALTY PVT LTD PLOT NO. 46, UDYOG VIHAR, PHASE-IV, GURGAON- 122015 THROUGH ITS AUTHORISED

OFFICER SUMMONS WHEREAS, OA/498/2021 was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on 05/09/2023. WHEREAS this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/notice on the said Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts

of **Rs. 7501489/-** (application along with copies of documents etc. annexed). In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should

not be granted; (ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application

(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/ or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal; (v) you shall be liable to account for

the sale proceeds realised by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposisuch sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before Registrar on 14/12/2023 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence. Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2) 1st Floor, SCO 33-34-35, Sector-17A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also) Case No.: OA/506/2021

> Exh. No. 20610 ICICI BANK LIMITED KEYA SEN MITRA

(1) KEYA SEN MITRA D/W/S/O- MR PINAKI MITRA H NO 1403 MAPLE HEIGHT SUSHANT LOK PHASE 1, C BLOCK, GURGAON, HARYANA 122001, GURGAON, HARYANA

MRS. KEYA SEN MITRA WIFE OF MR. PINAKI MITRA RESIDENT OF BUNGLOW NO. 1, 1ST FLOOR, VERTICAL STREET, TOWER-VS-9, SKY RISE BUNGLOWS, PLOT NO. GH-02, VILLAGE SARAI KHAWAJA, SECTOR 41 FARIDABAD- 121002, HARYANA FARIDABAD, HARYANA- 121002 (2) PINAKI MITRA S/O MR HIMANSHU KUMAR

MITRA, H NO 1403 MAPLE 1, C BLOCK, GURGAON, HARYANA Also At

RESIDENT OF BUNGLOW NO. SKY RISE BUNGLOWS, PLOT KHAWAJA, SECTOR 41 FARIDABAD- 121002, HARYANA FARIDABAD, HARYANA -121002 (3) M/S RICE PROJECTS PVT. LTD., R/O 409, ELEGANCE TOWER, JASOLA DISTRICT

CENTRÉ, NEW DELHI-110025 WHEREAS, OA/506/2021 was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on

Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/ notice on the said Application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts of Rs.13835904/ (application along with copies of documents etc. annexed).

(ii) to disclose particulars o properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by he applicant under serial number

(iii) you are restrained from dealing assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under seria number 3A of the origina

the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which other assets and properties specified or disclosed under seria application without the prio approval of the Tribunal;

27/09/2023. Authorised to issue summon

Signature of the Officer Authorised to issue summons.

MRS. INDIRA THAKUR WIFE OF MR. AMIT KUMAR THAKUR, R/O FLAT NO. 303, B WING, SHREE SAI LEELA, SAMARTH NAGAR, RAMESH WADI.

MAHARASHTRA- 421503 VIHAR, MADANGIR, NEW DELHI- 110062, THROUGH ITS AUTHORIZED OFFICER.

(BUILDER)

WHEREAS this Hon'ble

properties or assets other than

(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original

Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date

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-PAPER WITH PASSION-

The right path

IMF raises India's growth rate, validating that its economy is on a firm footing

In today's mad, mad world with ongoing wars in the Middle East, Russia-Ukraine and a few African countries, besides the obvious destabilising effects of plummet-■ ing economy in countries like Pakistan, Sri Lanka and a host of BRI indebtors, India has come to stand out as a beacon of economic resilience. Despite the challenging geopolitical backdrop, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has revised India's growth rate upward to 6.3 per cent. This revised projection is a testament to India's steadfast progress and proactive economic policies despite global uncertainties. India is currently the world's fastest growing major economy and is projected to account for 12.9 per cent of global growth over the next five years, surpassing the United States' 11.3 per cent share. Though Indian economy is growing faster than China, it is still lagging in absolute terms. While the Middle East crisis has sent shockwaves across the world and the Ukraine war has seriously impacted food supply lines, India has



been able to maintain its demand and supply and fulfil its export commitments. India's economic resilience comes from a combination of factors. India's economic diversification has made it less dependent on a single sector. While agriculture, manufacturing and services continue to play vital roles, India's strides in technology and digital economy have created new opportunities, reducing its vulnerability to external factors. However, the biggest contributor have been the Government policies that have built and supported strong business sentiment. The Indian Government has implemented several pro-growth reforms to attract foreign investment and stimulate domestic industries.

Initiatives like "Make in India," "Digital India" and the Goods and Services Tax (GST) have improved the ease of doing business and encouraged investment.

Despite these achievements, the Indian economy is not without its share of challenges. It faces issues like income inequality, infrastructure deficits and environmental concerns. The Middle East war poses potential threat to India's economy, primarily through rising oil prices. India is one of the largest importers of oil, and any increase in oil prices can lead to inflation and fiscal challenges. The IMF's revised growth rate is a vote of confidence in the nation's economic growth. However, economists caution that challenges such as rising inflation and geopolitical tensions could pose potential threats to India's economic growth. But for now, the IMF's projection will have a positive impact on Indian economy. It is likely to attract more foreign investment, bolstering India's economic growth which will help create more job opportunities. The improved economic outlook provides the Government with more fiscal space to invest in critical infrastructure, healthcare and education. India's robust economic performance strengthens its position as a significant global economic player, providing it with more influence at international forums.



Non-state actors are a threat to world peace



The UN has the responsibility to resolve conflicts. But its failure should not be taken as an opportunity to abet terrorism in the name of freedom

he attack on Israel has an uncanny resemblance with 26/11 and to some extent with 9/11 as well. The use of sea and air to infringe on a sovereign state was on display in both these terrorist attacks, also on display was the planning and coordination of these attacks which is similar to the ones now carried out in Tel Aviv. Is there an external country involved like during the 26/11 attack? Was there a control room established during the raids by Hamas militants in a third country? Training for the attack and its execution has most definitely been supported by some external element. Are there any Iranian or Pakistani elements involved in the attack? All this remains to be seen but one thing is clear the Middle East is in for a big turmoil and it can change how the world looks today very rapidly. This conflict in Israel and the Gaza Strip is not likely to remain localised and is sure to have multiple repercussions across a wide spectrum of political, military, economic and diplomatic domains.

Everyone is talking about it as an intelligence failure, sure it is, however it almost becomes impossible to detect an attack if it is planned and executed from another country not exactly involved directly with the conflict. This involvement becomes quite clear if you see this statement from, Iranian state media ministry spokesperson Nasser Kanaan "This operation is the spontaneous movement of resistance groups and Palestine's oppressed people in defence of their inalienable rights and their natural reaction to the Zionists' warmongering and provocative policies" he said. Hezbollah and Ĥamas don't work hand in hand and Hezbollah otherwise is a considerable force to reckon with. This kind of attack could not have been a handiwork of Hamas alone and Hezbollah may have also played a role in this attack. Hizbollah has always been openly supported by Syria and Iran. So this is an attack tnat nas been planned elsewnere and hence very difficult for any intelligence agency to detect itsit's

full magnitude beforehand. Hamas fighters invaded by



Hamas used a form of a small Kamikaze drone or loitering munition, an unmanned aircraft packed with explosives and employed as a miniature cruise missile, this is very deadly. It is no secret that Iran and Turkey have expertise in making various kinds of Kamikaze drones, however, it remains to be seen if these drones were

has been put to the test by a

much cheaper modern tech-

nology driven by hybrid war-

fare given by an external ele-

ment. This by no means can be

carried out by Hamas in iso-



HAMAS FIGHTERS INVADED BY AIR, LAND AND SEA, PENETRATING AT LEAST FOUR **MILITARY BASES** ALONG ISRAEL'S **BORDER WITH** GAZA. THE ATTACK WAS COORDINATED AND WELL-

PLANNED

directly given to Hamas by them. Powered paragliders were also used by Hamas for the attack. The air attack was one of the methods used by Hamas as part of their multifaceted strategy to unleash casualties on the Israeli population. Paragliding also requires a considerable amount of training beforehand and Hamas cannot train its fighters in the Gaza Strip. It is also well known that arms, including Fajr-3, Fajr-5, and M302 rockets, used during the attack were made by Iran and Syria. It is also no secret that most of the rockets fired by Hamas are produced in the Gaza Strip but their technology has been provided by Iran. Quassam rockets are most rudimentary, are not target-oriented, have been banned internationally and are produced locally in Gaza. However, the Fajr-5 missile's technology has been supplied by Iran and produced locally by Hamas without needing

The hybrid warfare tactics employed by Hamas may shift the dynamics of conflict globally for it is also a propaganda tool, demonstrating their capaonities and determination to their supporters. This kind of warfare, if encouraged by countries in the Arab world and Middle East, could prove

direct shipment.

to have disastrous consequences for the entire world. The violent non-state actors have no responsibility and ethics. We have seen that they are not even answerable to the worst kind of human rights violation. It was disgusting to see how civilian women prisoners were being treated by Hamas. Taking women and children hostages can not be acceptable and strangely no one can be held accountable for it. Empowering such elements in the name of religion or otherwise is a recipe for dis-

Taliban has become a state actor from a non-state actor and the consequences are there for everyone to see. Responsible states must never indulge in sponsorship or support of elements that may not listen to any established norms of dignified human behaviour afterwards. No one would disagree that it's about time the Israel-Palestine conflict saw a resolution. The UN should play a prominent role in the conflict resolution. However, the failure of the UN on this account is not a licence for some countries to support or arm elements that do not

(The writer is an expert on geopolitics and international Affairs. The views expressed are personal)

delleve in international Law.

India dominates the world turmeric trade

The Turmeric Board will contribute to the well-being of growers if it ensures better prices for their produce

ndia is the largest producer, consumer and exporter Lof turmeric in the world. "After Covid, awareness about turmeric has increased and global demand has also increased. Today it is important to pay more attention professionally and take an initiative in the value chain of turmeric, from production to export... Looking at the necessity of turmeric farmers and future opportunities, the centre has decided to establish a National Turmeric Board,

The Board plans to amplify awareness and consumption, explore new international markets to boost exports, and champion research and development of new turmeric-based products. In the year 2022-23, turmeric was cultivated in an area of 3.24 lakh hectares in India with a production of 11.61 lakh tonnes (more than 75% of global turmeric production). More than 30 varieties of turmeric are grown in India and it is grown in more than 20 states of the country. The largest producing states of turmeric are Maharashtra, Telangana, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.



Telangana is the major producing state of Turmeric in India with 16.6 per cent of the total area with 28.4 per cent production and 6500 kg/ha productivity during 2020-21. Andhra Pradesh was left with an area of 30 thousand hectares with 73 thousand tonnes of production during 2020-21.

Union Tourism and Culture Minister Kishan Reddy announced the decision after a meeting of the Cabinet. Mr Reddy said the Centre fulfilled a long-pending demand of farmers from Telangana and other turmeric-growing States. He added that farmers in Telangana had been walking barefoot for the last 15 years protesting the delay in the establishment of

the board. Centre has decided to increase turmeric exports to dards and adherence to such

?8,400 crore per annum by 2030 from the existing ?1,600 crore. In the year 2022-23, an area of 3.24 lakh hectares was under turmeric cultivation in India with a production of 11.61 lakh tonnes. India's share in the world trade of turmeric is more than 62%. 1.534 lakh tonnes of turmeric and turmeric products worth USD 207.45 million were exported by more than 380 exporters during 2022-23.

The major export markets for Indian turmeric are Bangladesh, UAE, USA and Malaysia. The Government of India has notified the constitution of the National Turmeric Board. The National Turmeric Board will focus on the development and growth of turmeric and turmeric products in the

The National Turmeric Board will provide leadership on turmeric-related matters, enhance agricultural efforts and facilitate greater coordination with the Spices Board and other government agencies in the development and growth of the turmeric sector. The Board will also promote quality and food safety stanstandards. The Board will also take steps to protect and fruitfully exploit the full potential of turmeric for humanity. Turmeric will contribute to the better wellbeing and prosperity of growers, thereby providing better prices to growers for their produce.

The Board's activities in turmeric research, market development, increasing consumption and value addition will also ensure that our producers and processors continue to maintain their leading position in the global markets as exporters of high-quality turmeric and turmeric products.

The Turmeric Board will consist of a Chairman appointed by the Central Government, members from the Ministry. Whereas a secretary will be appointed by the Commerce Department. Thus "The National Turmeric Board will provide leadership on turmeric-related matters. It is anticipated that the export value of turmeric will surge to reach a remarkable \$1 billion by the year 2030.

. (The writer is a senior journalist; views expressed are

CURB VOTE-BAIT PROMISES

Sir—A Public Interest Litigation (PIL.) was filed by Advocate Ashwini Kumar Upadhya, and recently by one Bhattilal Jain, seeking a direction for political parties in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh to refrain from making promises to garner votes on

the pretext of providing freebies. The Supreme Court bench, comprising Chief Justice of India DY Chandrchud, Manoj Mishra, and J.B. Pardiwala, issued notices to the Center, Election Commission, and the Reserve Bank of India. As the election season draws near, the undue burden of freebie schemes is passed on to the taxpayers and citizens of India. Moreover, the promises to lure voters are akin to bribery and undue influence under Section 171B and Section 171C of the Indian Penal Code (I.P.C.).

A country that boasts itself as a vibrant democracy finds itself in a dilemma when considering that judicial activism, of late, is crippling other organs of the government, which are found wanting in making sound decisions. The common man, primarily responsible for electing individuals to occupy higher posts, is remembered only during the election season, providing them with undue advantages in the form of pensions and other facilities, while the citizens are left in the lurch. Striking a balance between Members of Parliament (M.P.), Members of Legislative Assembly (M.L.A.), and the common man is the way forward if we are to make our democracy more participatory and vibrant.

Vijay Singh Adhikari Nainital

DOUBLE STANDARDS

Sir—The Chief of a particular political party in West Bengal accuses the West Bengal government for the verdict awarded by the independent judiciary (High Court), acquitting four accused persons and converting the death sentences of two persons into life imprisonment! Had the Calcutta High Court upheld the verdict of the Sessions Court regarding the Kamduni case (gangrape and murder of a young girl),

Hamas-Israel conflict

THE EDITOR



or years, there have been warnings about a potential Palestine group-Israel multi-front war. If this is the beginning of one, the deaths and destruction may surpass anything the world has seen in recent decades. Hamas has proven itself more operationally ambitious and tactically capable of taking on Israel. The

casualties that Israel has suffered now add up to a bigger blow than the one the United States experienced on 9/11, and the Israeli military response will reflect that reality. The likely result will be a significantly degraded Hamas and substantial destruction within Gaza. Just as 9/11 proved to be a long-term strategic mistake for Al Qaeda, 10/8 will likely prove to be a similar strategic mistake for Hamas.

The coming days and weeks are likely not only going to determine the future of Israel's security but also may shape its place in the region. The hopelessness of the continued confrontation between Hamas and Israel will only hinder any possible peace efforts. However, for now, world powers should counsel restraint, even as they publicly decry Hamas for the attack on Israel, lay the groundwork for attempts to bring about a ceasefire, and hope that the power balance opens space for a way forward that does not repeat the destructive patterns of the past

R Sivakumar | Chennai

wholesome praise and congratulations to

the West Bengal Government? However, the "concern" of him and his mother party for the safety, honour, and sense of justice towards womenfolk is indeed "overwhelming," to say the least! But did such concern for the gang-raped and murdered women vanish into thin air in "role model" Gujarat when convicted gang-rapists cum murderers were set free by the state Government from prison, followed by felicitation of them with garlands and sweets!

How can an MP of that party remain absolutely untouched despite being accused of serious charges of sexual atrocities upon a large contingent of women wrestlers? What is the political identity of those leaders who tried their level best to divert the attention of all from the horrendous parade of two Kuki women, naked and gang-raped (with one of them murdered). by pointing out stray law and order violawould the particular leader have offered tions in Rajasthan, West Bengal, and

Chhattisgarh, and are also "experts" in launching sexist attacks on women they

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EQUALITY AND DIGNITY FOR ALL GENDERS

Sir-In today's era, there is increasing recognition of the importance of treating all individuals with respect, regardless of their gender. Men should be treated with the same principles of equality, respect, and fairness as women. Men should be encouraged to seek help for their mental and emotional well-being without any stigma. It's essential to avoid making assumptions or stereotypes based solely on someone's gender. Instead, we should treat each person as an individual, respecting their individuality.

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THE RAMIFICATIONS **OF HAMAS ATTACK**

Hamas attack has jeopardised many projects and the peace in the Arab world



KUMARDEEP BANERJEE

he terror strikes on Israel over the weekend by Hamas, have the potential of changing the geo-political equations for many nations in West Asia, with resonances felt all across the globe. Palestinian terror outfit Hamas, launched an all-out attack over mostly Israeli civilian targets including youngsters gathered for a music concert, killing many children, toddlers, and elder citizens in cold blood, besides taking hundreds hostage. Israel caught by surprise launched a defence, pounding the Gaza strip and disconnecting electricity, water and food lines, however, the Israeli hostages with Hamas, are preventing it from launching a full-fledged onground attack. Israel has vowed to take decisive action against Hamas, which would be a long-drawn war, and will potentially alter the regional dynamics in West Asia.

The Arab world in recent times particularly Saudi Arabia and UAE has indicated normalising relations with Israel. Former US president Trump's administration facilitated the normalisation of relations between Israel and the Arab world through a bunch of bilateral agreements, commonly known as the Abrahams Accords. The declaration read "We, the undersigned, recognise the importance of maintaining and strengthening peace in the Middle East and around the world based on mutual understanding and coexistence, as well as respect for human dignity and freedom, including religious freedom. We encourage efforts to promote interfaith and intercultural dialogue to advance a culture of peace among the three Abrahamic religions and all humanity. We believe that the best way to address challenges is through cooperation and dialogue and that developing friendly relations among States advances the interests of lasting peace in the Middle East and around the world."

The Joe Biden administration doubled down on its commitment towards normalisation of relations in West Asia and spent considerable diplomatic heft for bringing the two traditional warring sides together. It went a step further and established the I2U2 a regional grouping consisting of India, Israel, UAE and USA. In July 2022, after the first leaders summit for the group, a statement released read "We reaffirm our support for the Abraham Accords and other peace and normalisation arrangements with Israel. We welcome the economic opportunities that flow from these historic developments, including for the advancement of economic cooperation in the Middle East and South Asia, and in particular for the promotion of sustainable investment amongst the I2U2 partners.



Clearly, the aim was to use the economic leverage from the private sector of each country to bring their political leaders to lasting peace negotiations. The I2U2 directly benefitted India, especially in food security and clean energy commitments. India managed to secure investments for setting up food parks to prevent food wastage and conservation of fresh

moving closer to its stated target of generating 500GW of clean energy. Most of these investments were secured from UAE while being backed by Israeli and US advanced technologies. As a next step in the recently concluded G20 leaders summit the I2U2 group along with partners from EU nations signed on one of the most ambitious infrastructure projects connecting India with West Asia, and another corridor connecting West Asia to Europe. The initiative termed IMEC (India Middle East Economic Corridor) has a blueprint for setting up transformational railway networks inside West Asia, connecting these directly to strategically located ports facilitating the movement of goods and people from India to Europe. The group is scheduled to meet next month to draw out the roadmap for the infrastructure projects to be undertaken. Now with Israel being drawn into a long conflict, the future for many of these transformational projects seems uncertain, as does its relationship with the Arab World.

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India's farm machinery has global market

Shortage of workers is pushing the demand for farm equipment. India can dominate the world market by leveraging its machine tools SUSHANT MITTAL







fficient and timely farming operations rely on a collaborative effort between man, machine, and materials. The integration of farm mechanization is crucial for achieving optimal output levels, efficient use of resources, and meeting the increasing demand for agricultural products. Transitioning from traditional to smart farming creates growth opportunities and attracts young talent to innovative agriculture, resulting in improved income and greater comfort. Moreover, the global agricultural sec-

tor is experiencing a shortage of workers due to the migration of labourers to cities. In India, the percentage of farm workers has declined from 59% in 1991 to 54% in 2011 and 39% in 2022. To address this issue, the use of farming machinery has increased worldwide for more precise and timely field activities. India has emerged as a leading manufacturer hub and exporter of tractors, with a growing number of partnerships with Japanese and German manufacturers, and more are expected to follow suit.

The Asia Pacific region dominated the global market with a volume share of 69% in 2022. This growth was mainly driven by India's tractor industry, followed by China and the rest of Asia Pacific. India led the regional market with over 54% share in 2022 and is known for its excellence in farm machinery exports, with tractors contributing to more than 80% of the total value. The global agricultural tractor market totalled 29.42 lakh units in 2022 and is expected to grow at a compound annual rate of 7% from 2023 to 2030, attributed to the increased demand for farm tractors, particularly from Italy, Greece, and Lithuania. Furthermore, the market is expected to be driven by the high demand for autonomous tractors over the forecast period.

The demand for compact tractors on small farms and technical advancements, such as the integration of telematics with agricultural tractors, are expected to further drive growth. India's production share accounts for 33% of the global market of around 3 million tractors annually, with over one million units produced each year.



INDIA'S **PRODUCTION** SHARE **ACCOUNTS FOR 33% OF THE GLOBAL** MARKET OF AROUND 3 MILLION TRACTORS ANNUALLY, WITH OVER ONE MILLION UNITS PRODUCED **EACH YEAR**

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Out of one million units, approximately 9 lakh units were sold in the domestic market, while 1.31 lakh units (4.5% of the global share) were exported in 2022. To strengthen the "Made in India" initiative, Sonalika ITL currently holds the majority share of the export market at 40% and is organizing a global partners summit, called 'GPS 200', from October 12th to 14th in Delhi.

India has great potential for exporting tractors to countries such as the US, Brazil, Italy, Greece, Lithuania, Argentina, Turkey, SAARC countries, and African nations, with an expected export of over 200,000 tractors by 2025.

Aside from tractors, there has been a significant increase in nontractor agricultural machinery, such as power tillers, combine harvesters, diesel engines, and electric motors, which have improved crop productivity. Sales of these items have increased by 0.50 million, 0.05 million, 11.50 million, and 7.50 million, respectively. Despite this growth, 53% of non-tractor agricultural machinery is still imported from China, making it essential for policymakers to take strategic actions to foster the growth of non-tractor farm machinery in India and turn it into a global production and export hub.

Since 2010, precision agriculture and post-harvest processing technologies revolutionized agricultural mechanization. However, India's farm mechanization level remains low at 45%, compared to the United States at 95%, Brazil at 75%, and China at 57%. Wheat has the highest mechanization level in India at 69%, followed by rice at 50%, maize at 45%, pulses at 41%, oilseeds at 38%, cotton at 35%, and millets and sugarcane at 33%. Small land holdings and financial constraints are major obstacles to efficient mechanization in agriculture. To overcome these challenges, farmers, manufacturers, government, and non-governmental organizations recognize the need for smart farming technologies such as sensorbased embedded systems to monitor soil nutrients, temperature, fertility, and moisture gradients, as well as guidance systems enabled by GPS and automated tractors.

Challenges: Punjab produces one-third of India's tractors and a significant number of non-tractor farm machinery. Unfortunately, the state manufacturers incur over twice the logistical costs for exports compared to Southern and Western coastal states. As a result, a special freight policy for railways has been eagerly anticipated for a long time to boost Punjab's farm machinery

Electricity duty, taxes and duties on petroleum products etc. are not yet refunded through the GST mechanism for the exporters. The overnment should offset the cost disadvantage arising out of these duties and levies.

OEMs are facing short-term challenges such as high raw material prices and semiconductor component shortages. These challenges are compounded by disruptions in the supply chain, which lead to delays in production. Additionally, the increasing popularity of autonomous tractors has prompted OEMs to adopt an inorganic growth approach to increase market pres-

No Incentives by Punjab Government: The Punjab government's goal of making the state's industrial sector an export hub is hindered by its lack of incentives for industries with "Inverted Duty Tax Structures." The Industrial and Business Development Policy-2022 fails to provide support to these industries. The policy contains the same mistake as the pre-

vious one, stating that any refund from the central government will be adjusted against the payment of state incentives. This means that if an industry pays 18% GST on input raw materials and 12% GST on the final product, it falls under Inverted Duty Tax Structures and is entitled to claim input tax credit from the central government. However, it is deprived of even a minimal incentive of 2.5% on Fixed Capital Investment (FCI) by the Punjab government. This policy dilutes the purpose of attracting new investment to the state and needs to be revisited. Clause no.12.26 of the new industrial policy needs

correction. Central Incentives to be Restored: The Central annual export incentive- the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS), which amounted to Rs 51,012 crore, has been replaced by the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) scheme. The new scheme offers a lower incentive of Rs 12,454 crore. As a result, the previous 3% export incentive on agricultural implements such as tractors has been reduced to 0.7%, and still, the disbursement of production-linked incentive (PLI) is also awaited.

Road Ahead: India has a competitive advantage in tractormounted machinery, which is in high demand among large farmers in both domestic and developed markets. Self-propelled and handdriven mechanised farm machinery has a local market among small and marginal farmers, as well as in developing nations with similar socioeconomic patterns, such as Asia and Africa. India can leverage this dual structure to benefit small and marginal farmers globally, while also becoming a leading provider of non-tractor farm

Kerala's anguish over Hamas attacks has historical reasons

The Jews living in Kerala have emotional ties with the locals. Many Keralites have died due to Hamas attacks in Israel

Sufferance is the badge of all our tribe, the Jewish businessman Shylock tells his rival Antonio in the Shakespeare play Merchant of Venice when the former is insulted and humiliated by the latter. Though Shakespeare wrote the play in 1596, the woes of Jewish people continue unabated even in 2023. Theirs is a history of fighting against all odds for survival. The kind of pogrom and holocausts undergone by the Jews knows no end. While Shylock is portrayed as a villain in the play, it is not known how much effort has been taken by historians and social scientists to study the real Jews, a peace-loving and hard-working population.

The media in India has not been fully sincere while



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reporting about the happenings in Israel. Hamas, an Islamic terrorist outfit, has been tormenting the Jewish nation with missile attacks and suicide bombers which have claimed hundreds during the last two years. It was in May 2001 Soumya, a Kerala woman who was working as a nurse with an Israeli establishment, was killed in a Hamas attack in Gaza. The Israeli diplomats and officials based in New Delhi and Bangalore had accompanied the mortal remains of Soumya to her home and consoled her close relatives. She was described as an angel by the Israeli Government. But the "secular" Kerala Government and politicians stayed away from the bereaved family.

Hamas has been going ahead with the terrorist attacks against Israel for the last two vears. Missile and rocket attacks have become a routine affair for the Jews. The media in India has failed to report these relentless attacks by Hamas. It is only when Hamas suffers some major casualties that the secular brigade in India wakes up "condemning the Zionist" hegemony and whatnot. The Communists had no qualms in portraying Ahmed Yasin, the quadriplegic chief of Hamas, who was killed in a counterattack by the Israeli Defense Forces in a counter-attack in 2004. This is the same person who ordered the Hamas soldiers to wipe out Israeli women and children from the face of the earth. The Communists described the slain man as an embodiment of all that is good and a human rights activist. The largerthan-life-size posters of Yasin adored all thoroughfares and ring roads in Kerala and nothing was surprising in the Communists winning all the seats they contested from the State in the 2004 Lok Sabha polls. Hamas helped him win the polls!

Though a Left Democratic Front MLA by the name of Mani Kappen expressed his condolences in a social media message over the death of Soumya in the hands of Hamas terrorists, he was forced to take off the same within minutes. What the civil society forgets is the fact that India was always a home away from home for the Jewish community. Late historian

Prof A Sreedhara Menon in his lively account of Kerala history says that Jewish settlements in the State date back to AD 68.

"They arrived in thousands to escape from religious persecution and settled along the Kerala coast. The ancient Jews had trade relations with the Kerala coast even in BC 1000 and this has been substantiated by the arrival of Solomon's sailing vessels," Prof Menon has written in Kerala History. He also mentions that the then emperor Bhaskara Ravi Varma had presented the Jewish chieftain Joseph Rabban with special powers. The Portuguese who followed the Jews unleashed attacks on them and drove them away to places like Kochi. This is

believed to have happened in

1565. The Jews who were

peace-loving people established brotherly ties with the locals and this developed into an emotional bond between

them and the local population. The synagogue at Kochi built in 1567 and the Jew Street, a hub of trading are standing monuments of the love and affection enjoyed by the Jewish community in the region. With the formation of the Jewish State of Israel in 1948, the community members started their migration to the Promised Land, though a miniscule of the community

chose to stay put in Kochi. The Jew Street is almost silent and the synagogue comes alive rarely. But the thoughts about Israel enliven the conversations, especially the memories of David Ben-Gurion, Golda Meir, Moshe

Dayan, and Ariel Sharon. The new generation is ignorant of the 1972 massacre at the Munich Olympics when Black September, the predecessor to Hamas, took 11 Israeli athletes as hostages and killed them as the entire world stood watching helplessly. It is another thing that the Israeli Army went after the Black September and finished them off once and forever. T G Mohan Das, thinker

and political chronicler thinks that Hamas, Black September and Al Fatah are the organisations that institutionalised terrorism across the world. The 2008 Mumbai Terrorist attacks (known as the 26/11 attack) also saw eight innocent Jewish community members getting murdered by the LeT terrorists at the Chabad House.

Hamas attack on Israel deadliest day for Jews: Biden

US President Joe Biden has condemned the unprecedented attack by Hamas on Israel as the "deadliest day" for Jews since the Holocaust, saying it has brought back painful memories of millennia of anti-Semitism and genocide against them. Biden added that the US continues to monitor the situation in Israel very closely. Israel witnessed a multifront attack - by air, land and sea by the Hamas militant group, which has ruled the Gaza Strip since 2007, in its southern parts on October 7.

"We continue to monitor the situation in Israel very closely, and the vice president and I and the bulk of my security team spoke with the (Israeli) Prime Minister (Benjamin) Netanyahu, again this morning," Biden told reporters on Wednesday."This attack has brought to the surface the painful memories and scars left by millennia of anti-Semitism

and genocide against the Jewish people," he said. Over 1,200 people ĥave been killed in Hamas' surprise attack on Israel, which has countered it with airstrikes in Gaza killing around 1,100 people. Biden also stopped by a roundtable with Jewish community leaders and reaffirmed his unwavering support for Israel over the terrorist attacks.

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"The attack was a campaign of pure cruelty ... not just hate, pure cruelty against the Jewish people. And I would argue it is the deadliest day for the Jews since the Holocaust. One of the worst chapters in human history," Biden said. "I mean silence is complicity. It really is. And I want you to know, I think you've already figured it out, I refuse to be silent, and I know you refuse to be silent as well," he told Jewish leaders gathered at the White House."It has been hard to find that light during the darkness of these past few days, when terrorist groups like Hamas brought not only terror but sheer evil to the world, the

matches, in some cases, exceeds, the worst atrocities of ISIS. More than 1,000 civilians (have slaughtered in Israel."Holocaust refers to the systematic state-sponsored killing of six million Jews and millions of others by Nazi Germany and its collaborators during World War II. Biden said he has been speaking with a number of Israeli leaders, a number of leaders around the world, and leaders in the region as well. "Among those who have been victimised by this evil and have been killed, are at least 22 American citizens. This attack was a campaign of pure cruelty, not just hate, but pure cruelty against the Jewish people," he said. The president told the Jewish community leaders that America is not and can't be silent. "We not only reject terrorism, but it goes beyond that.

It goes beyond rejecting terror-

ism. You know, I spoke with

Prime Minister Netanyahu for

I don't know how many times,

The US is extending additional military assistance to the Israeli Defence Force, including ammunition, and interceptors to replenish the Iron Dome. It has also moved a US carrier fleet to the eastern Mediterranean and sending more fighter jets in the volatile region. "We want to make it really clear. We're working on every aspect of the hostage crisis in Israel, including deploying experts to advise and assist

with recovery efforts," he said.

Biden also slammed "the downplaying of Hamas' atrocities and blaming Israel," terming it as "unconscionable."

"I have asked members of my team, including Homeland Security Secretary (Alejandro) Mayorkas and Attorney General (Merrick) Garland to work intensively with our Jewish community partners, so many of you here, to set up security around Jewish life in America, and identify, prevent and disrupt emerging threats that occur," he said.



Palestinians evacuate wounded after an Israeli airstrike in Rafah refugee camp, southern Gaza Strip on Thursday.

Taiwan watching Hamas-Israel war for lessons as it faces intimidation from China

Taipei (Taiwan): Taiwan is closely watching the war in the Middle East sparked by the unprecedented attack on Israel by Hamas militants from Gaza for lessons amid what the selfgoverning island says is a campaign of intimidation and threats by China. Hamas staged a stunning and massive incursion into Israel last weekend, killing hundreds in Israel and dragging dozens into Gaza as hostages.

In retaliation, Israel's increasingly destructive airstrikes in Gaza have flattened entire city blocks. The latest conflict, which has claimed at least 2,400 lives on both sides, is expected to escalate.

Taiwanese Minister Chiu Kuo-cheng said on Thursday that the Hamas-Israel war "blew up so suddenly", prompting Taiwan to up its ability to forecast possible threats. "We've established a working group to study and ... reinforce the importance of collecting intelligence," he said ahead of a meeting of the leg-

China, which claims Taiwan as part of its territory, has conducted increasingly large military drills in the air and waters around Taiwan as the two and with the United States. The US is Taiwan's main supplier of arms and opposes any attempt to change Taiwan's status by force. The Chinese government would prefer that Taiwan come under its control voluntarily and last month unveiled a plan for an integrated development demonstration zone in Fujian province, trying to entice Taiwanese even as it threatens the island militarily in what experts say is China's long-running carrot

and stick approach.

Like Israel, Taiwan maintains close diplomatic and military ties with the US and has rejected China's demands that it accept the rule by the Communist Party, whose leader Xi Jinping has extended his rule indefinitely and cracked down harshly on advocates of free speech and human rights. AP

Nepal evacuates 253 stranded students

Kathmandu (PTI): Nepal's Foreign Minister N P Saud on Thursday left Israel along with 253 students who were stranded in the war-torn country following the surprise multifront attack by the Palestinian militant group Hamas, officials

"Rescue aircraft has just taken off from Ben Gurion Airport Tel Aviv," Nepal's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said in a post on X. It thanked Israeli authorities for their prompt support in relocating Nepali nationals to safe zone, movement to airport, flight clearance and other proce-

"We commend (the) tireless works of our Embassy in Tel Aviv and duly acknowledge support and cooperation received from various agencies back home to make this possible," the ministry said in another post. The flight is expected to arrive in Kathmandu at 1.30 am on Thursday, according to the secretariat of Foreign Minister Saud, who arrived in Israel on board the same air-

craft earlier in the day. Ten Nepalese students were

killed when Hamas launched a sudden strike at a farm in Israel's Kibbutz.

There were 17 Nepalese students on the farm where the Hamas launched the attack. Ten Nepalese nationals were killed, six escaped and one went missing in the incident.

Four of the students who sustained injuries in the incident are currently undergoing treatment in a hospital with the assistance of the Israeli govern-

After the killing of 10 students of agriculture working as interns in Israel under a learn and earn scheme, the Nepal government with the assistance from Israel military relocated the remaining Nepalese students to a safe zone.

Besides 265 agriculture students, who have gone to Israel from different universities in Nepal under the 'Learn and Earn' internship programme, there are 450 other Nepalese working in different fields in Israel.

Netanyahu let us down before airstrike in 2020, says former US President

Former President Donald Trump has accused Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of betraying him just before the US killed a top Iranian general in 2020, breaking from the Republican presidential primary field's uni-form support of Israel as it responds to Hamas' deadly attack. Trump's comments at a West Palm Beach, Florida, rally on Wednesday were quickly denounced by one of Netanyahu's allies and by several Republicans who oppose Trump, including Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, a 2024 rival.

Most American leaders have lined up behind Israel after a multi-pronged Hamas invasion that President Joe Biden said was the deadliest day for Jews since the Holocaust. At least 2,500 people have died on both the İsraeli and Palestinian sides.

Trump, the early frontrunner for the GOP presidential nomination, told the rally



Israel and vowed to stand by the country and not let it fail before he went on to describe "bad experience" with its

"Israel was going to do this with us, and it was being planned and working on it for months," he said about the coordination to kill Gen. Qassem Soleimani, the head of Iran's elite Quds Force. "We had everything all set to go, and the night before it happened, I got a call that Israel will not be par-ticipating in this attack."

'Nobody's heard this story



didn't tell us why." "I'll never forget that Bibi

We were disappointed by that. Very disappointed," he said. "But we did the job ourselves, with absolute precision .. and then Bibi tried to take credit for it."

Netanyahu's office did not immediately respond to a request for comment. But communications minister Shlomo Karhi told Israel's Channel 13 that it is "shameful that a man like that, a former US president,

abets propaganda and disseminates things that wound the spirit of Israel's fighters and its citizens" "We don't have to bother

with him and the nonsense he

spouts," Karhi said. Asked if Trump's comments make it clear that he can't be relied on, Karhi replied, "Obviously." DeSantis posted on X, formerly known as Twitter, that "it

is absurd that anyone, much less someone running for President, would choose now to attack our friend and ally, Trump and

Republicans have tried to lay blame on the Biden administration, particularly citing the release of nearly USD 6 billion in frozen assets to Iran, a supporter of Hamas. Biden administration officials insist that money has not been spent.

The Democratic president's campaign said Trump has been pushing dangerous misinformation about the crisis in Israel when the countries should stand together.

Germany offers Israel military help Berlin (AP): Germany is offer-

ing military help to Israel and promising to crack down on support for the militant Hamas group at home following the group's attack on Israel. Chancellor Olaf Scholz on Thursday underlined Germany's historical responsi-

bility for Israel's searcity.

The Defence Ministry said
it agreed to an Israeli request to use up to two of five Heron TP combat drones that are currently leased by the German military and were already in Israel for the training of German servicepeople. And Defence Minister Boris Pistorius said in Brussels that Israel has requested ammunition for warships, a request that will now be dis-

Scholz told the German parliament that he has asked Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to inform Germany of any needs, "for example the treatment of wounded." "At this moment, there is only one place for Germany — the place at Israel's side," he told lawmakers. "Our own history, our responsibility arising from the Holocaust, makes it a perpetual task for us to stand up for the security of the state of Israel." Scholz noted that thou-

sands of people have demonstrated in support of Israel in recent days, but said that "there were also other, shameful pictures from Germany last week-end." On Saturday, a small group

handed out pastries in a Berlin street and dozens of people later demonstrated in celebration of the Hamas attack.

Scholz said that Germany will issue a formal ban on activity by or in support of Hamas, which is already listed by the European Union as a terror group. Ĥe said groups such as Samidoun, which was behind the weekend pastry action, will be banned.

Scholz said there will be zero tolerance for antisemitism." The chancellor also questioned the lack of a clear condemnation of the Hamas attack by the Palestinian Authority and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, saying that "their silence is shameful."

Putin arrives in Kyrgyzstan on a rare trip abroad

 $P^{\rm resident\ Vladimir\ Putin}_{\rm arrived\ in\ Kyrgyzstan\ on}$ for the Russian leader who was indicted earlier this year by the International Criminal Court for war crimes in Ukraine. Putin was to meet with

Kyrgyz President Sadyr Zhaparov on Thursday. He will take part on Friday in the Commonwealth of Independent summit, Kyrgyzstan is hosting. The leaders of Azerbaijan,

Belarus, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan will also attend the summit. Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan will skip it, as Yerevan's relationship with Moscow has frayed amid mutual accusations.

It is the first time this year that the Russian president has traveled outside Russia and Russian-held territories of Ukraine. Earlier this year, Putin visited the partially occupied



Russian President Vladimir Putin, left, and Kyrgyzstan's President Sadyr Japarov right, walk next to each other during their meeting in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, Thursday

Ukrainian regions of Donetsk, Luhansk and Kherson, as well as

the annexed Crimean Peninsula. In March, the International Criminal Court issued an arrest warrant for Putin over the deportation of children from

Ukraine. Countries that have signed and ratified the Rome Statute, which created the ICC, are now bound to arrest the Russian leader if he sets foot on their soil. The move caused Putin to skip an economic sum-

More than 90 pc killed by Af

mit in South Africa in August and further strained Moscow's ties with Armenia after it moved to ratify the Rome Statute ear-Armenian officials sought to assure the Kremlin that the Russian leader would not be arrested if he entered the coun-The Kremlin has said that

Russia doesn't recognise the jurisdiction of the ICC and considers the warrant null and void. Kyrgyzstan is not a signatory of the Rome Statute. In Central Asia, only Tajikistan is. Putin traveled to both countries last year after the invasion of Ukraine and amid increasing international isolation. He also visited other Central Asian nations in 2022, as well as Armenia, Belarus, China, India and Iran. Later this month, Putin is expected to travel to China again. Last month, he also accepted an invitation to visit North Korea, although it remains unclear when that might happen.

tionship with Russia has significantly deteriorated due to the Nordic country's membership in NATO and over Russia's invasion of Ukraine and related sanctions, and Moscow now views its western neighbour as a hostile country, the Finnish Security and Intelligence Service said on Thursday.

The agency, known by the abbreviation SUPO, said in a national security review that Russia was "prepared to take measures against Finland" and was likely to continue influencing operations and undermining bilateral links. After decades of military

non-alignment, Finland — a European Union nation of 5.5 million people that shares a long border with Russia became NATO's 31st member on April 4. Moscow's hostility toward

Helsinki is evident in Russian media's negative coverage of Finland and in Russia's decision to close Finland's consulate general in St. Petersburg this month, among other ways, SUPO said. "Russia currently remains

focused on the war in Ukraine and on easing international isolation, but this does not mean that the threat of Russian intelligence and influencing in Finland has disappeared," SUPO Director Antti Pelttari said in a statement.

'The accession of Finland to NATO, the continuation of the war in Ukraine, the deepening confrontation between Western countries and Russia, and increasing sanctions may strengthen Russian countermeasures against Finland," he

During a news conference, Pelttari declined to say whether Russia could be behind a possible sabotage on an undersea gas pipeline between Finland and Estonia. He said the involvement of a state actor cannot be ruled out in the case involving two NATO mem-

its pledge to help Sweden join NATO

Turkiye may not honour

Three months after NATO 1 announced that Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan had agreed to let Sweden become a member of the military organisation, little sign has emerged that the Nordic country will be allowed to join its ranks anytime soon. The issue was expected to be raised on Thursday at NATO headquarters where the 31 member countries were holding their second day of talks.

Sweden and its neighbour Finland turned their backs on decades of military non-alignment after President Vladimir Putin ordered Russia troops to invade Ukraine in February 2022. Their aim was to seek protection under NATO's security umbrella, and Finland joined in April.

All 31 NATO allies must endorse Sweden's membership. Turkiye and Hungary are dragging their feet. Publicly, Erdogan has said he was blocking because he believes that Sweden has been too soft on Kurdish militants and other groups that he considers to be security threats. Many allies doubt that.

At a NATO summit in Lithuania's capital in July, Erdogan said he would transmit Sweden's accession protocol to the Turkish parliament for ratification, the final step for Turkiye to endorse its candidature, according to NATO Secretary-General Jens

Stoltenberg.
"We have an agreement in Vilnius where Turkiye said clearly that they are ready to ratify," Stoltenberg told reporters on Wednesday, noting that the deal meant "that the president will work with the Grand National Assembly, the parliament, to ensure ratifica-

"It was stated clearly that that should happen as soon as possible, meaning that when the parliament again convened, then this process should start to take place," he added. "The

few days ago. therefore I expect this to happen."

Erdogan had relented after the Biden administration signalled it would let Turkiye buy 40 new F-16 fighter jets and modernisation kits from the United States. Ankara also received assurances from Sweden that it would help revive Turkiye's own quest to join the European Union.

As of Thursday though, no oublic sign had emerged that the Turkish leader had sent the key membership document. In a statement issued on July 10 in Vilnius, Turkiye had agreed that Sweden's accession is important "given the impera-tives of the deterrence and defence of the Euro-Atlantic

It had been hoped that the long-awaited ratification would come soon after October 1, when Turkiye's parliament resumed work. But on the same day, a suicide bomber blew himself up outside the interior ministry in Ankara. Another would-be bomber was killed in a shootout with police. Two officers were wounded.

The attack prompted Turkiye to mount airstrikes against suspected Kurdish militant sites in northern Iraq and launch a series of raids across Turkiye in which dozens of people with suspected links to the Kurdish militants were rounded up.

Hungary's objections are not entirely clear. Prime Minister Viktor Orban has repeatedly said that his country would not be the last to endorse Sweden's membership. That stance has left Stockholm and some allies perplexed, as no public demands have been made to win his approval.

Some vague allusions have surfaced. Orban's government has alleged that Swedish politicians have told "blatant lies" about the state of Hungary's democracy and that this has left some lawmakers unsure about whether to support the acces-

Late Mahsa Amini in final list for EU's top human rights prize

Brussels (AP): Mahsa Amini, the 22-year-old Kurdish-Iranian woman who died in police custody in Iran last year, sparking worldwide protests against the country's conservative Islamic theocracy, has been named a finalist for the European Union's top human rights prize. The European Parliament

on Thursday announced the three finalists for this year's Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought, including Amini and "the Woman, Life, Freedom Movement in Iran". The selection was "in

recognition of their brave effort to stand up for women's rights," said David McAllister, the chair of the foreign affairs committee at the EU Parliament.

Amini died on September 16, 2022, after she was arrest-



mandatory headscarf law. The other nominees are

Vilma Nunez de Escorcia and Roman Catholic Bishop Rolando Alvarez - two emblematic figures in the fight for the defence of human rights in Nicaragua — and a trio of women from Poland, El Salvador and the United States leading a fight for "free, safe and legal abortion".

AP ■ ISLAMABAD More than 90 per cent of the people killed by a 6.3magnitude earthquake in western Afghanistan last weekend were women and children, UN

officials reported Thursday. Taliban officials said Saturday's earthquake killed more than 2,000 people of all ages and genders across Herat province. The epicenter was in Zenda Jan district, where 1,294 people died, 1,688 were injured and every home was destroyed, according to UN figures.

Women and children were more likely to have been at home when the quake struck in the morning, said Siddig Ibrahim, the chief of the UNICEF field office in Herat, said. "When the first earthquake hit, people thought it was an explosion, and they ran into their homes," he said. Hundreds of missing in Zenda Jan. The Afghanistan representative for the United Nations Population Fund, Jaime Nadal, said there would have been no "gender dimension" to the death toll if the quake had happened at night.

quake were women & children

"At that time of the day, men were out in the field," Nadal told The Associated Press. "Many men migrate to Iran for work. The women were at home doing the chores and looking after the children. They found themselves trapped under the rubble. There was clearly a gender dimension.

The initial quake, numerous aftershocks and a second 6.3magnitude quake on Wednesday flattened entire villages, destroying hundreds of mud-brick homes that could not withstand such force. Schools, health clinics and other village facilities also collapsed. The Norwegian

Refugee Council described the devastation as enormous. "Early reports from our

teams are that many of those who lost their lives were small children who were crushed or suffocated after buildings collapsed on them," the council said. The maternity hospital in

Herat province has cracks that make the structure unsafe. The UN Population Fund has provided tents so pregnant women have somewhere to stay and receive care, Nadal said. Many people inside and

outside the provincial capital are still sleeping outside, even as temperatures drop. The disproportionate impact

of the quake on women has left children without mothers, their primary caregivers, raising questions about who will raise them or how to reunite them with fathers who might be out of the province or Afghanistan.

'Russia views **Finland as** hostile nation'

Will not leave Pakistan: Imran Khan

 $P_{\text{minister Imran Khan on}}^{\text{akistan's jailed former prime}}$ Thursday said he will neither leave the country nor back down even an inch from his quest for real freedom for the upholding of the rule of law and the Constitution.

Khan's family on Thursday posted his message to the peo-ple of Pakistan on his X

"To those suggesting that I leave the country, know that I will live and die with Pakistan, and I will not leave my land to go anywhere. Regardless of what prison they keep me in, whatever conditions they impose upon me, I will not back down even an inch from the quest of Haqeeqi Azadi (real freedom), for the upholding of the rule of law and the Constitution of Pakistan, at the core of which is free and fair elections (sic)," his X post said.

The Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) chairman, who has been at Adiala jail in Rawalpindi in the cipher case, further said: "Let it be known that there's a difference of day and night between Imran Khan of today and Imran Khan who was imprisoned on August 5, 2023. Today I am stronger and fitter; spiritually, mentally and

physically, than ever before." Khan, 71, was arrested in August after a case was filed against him for allegedly violations the COS in 100 and 100 are the COS in 100 ing the Official Secrets Act by disclosing a secret diplomatic cable (cipher) sent by the country's embassy in Washington in March last year. The court had last week declared that Khan and former foreign minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi

Pak court clubs ex-PM's pleas against cipher case, trial court proceedings

Islamabad (PTI): A top Pakistani court on Thursday combined jailed former prime minister Imran Khan's separate petitions seeking to stay the trial court proceedings in the cipher case and dismiss the case altogether.

The cipher case pertains to diplomatic document (cipher) that reportedly went missing from Khan's possession. The Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) chief repeatedly said before and after the noconfidence motion against him last year that the cipher pointed to a conspiracy to remove him from the prime minister's office. Islamabad High Court (IHC) Chief Justice Aamer Farooq took up a separate plea seeking the stay of Khan's trial in the cipher case and clubbed it with the main plea, under which the 71-year-old former

would be indicted during the then, he was arrested in the next hearing on October 17, which would mark the official start of the trial.

Ousted through a vote of no-confidence in April 2022, Khan was incarcerated on August 5 this year, after an Islamabad court sentenced him to three years in prison in the Toshakhana case.

The Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) chief was lodged in the Attock District Jail to serve his prison term. Later, his sentence was suspended by the and research the Holy Quran Islamabad High Court, but in-depth, along with other



premier has sought the dismissal of the case and a date be fixed for hearing.

Khan has filed several petitions in the IHC, including one seeking to stay his jail trial in the cipher case, another seeking to suspend the Toshakhana verdict, and a third against his indictment in the cipher case, which is set for October 17. Senior lawyer Sardar Latif

Khosa appeared as Khan's cipher case and remained in the

Attock jail on judicial remand. Narrating his story in prison, Khan said: "When I was illegally incarcerated in Attock Iail, the first few days were particularly challenging. I wasn't provided a bed and had to sleep on the floor and had insects and mosquitoes all over me. But with time I have adjusted well to the prison conditions."

In prison, he wrote that he had the opportunity to study

that the pleas were seeking the stay of the trial court proceedings and challenging the spe-cial court's order of indictment, the Dawn newspaper reported. He further said that the matter was pending before the IHC and a verdict had been reserved, adding that the Lahore High Court has also

issued a stay order in a case by

the Federal Investigation

Agency, the report said. "My client is a national hero and the world knows and believes that. Now, he is in jail [while] innocent," Khosa asserted. Justice Farooq then asked him if the separate plea should be combined with that seeking dismissal of the case, to which Khosa agreed on the condition that it would be fixed before October 17, the report said.

books which have strengthened his faith. "I was also able to introspect the last few years of my political life," Khan wrote. As far as the Cipher case is concerned, Khan said the "bogus case" is designed to protect former Army Chief General Bajwa and US diplomat Donald Lu.

"I was the elected Prime Minister of the country. Treason was committed against me and my government by General Bajwa. Instead of investigating the foreign conspiracy in orchestrating a regime change, a case has been the people of Pakistan, the real protectors of this country, about this treason."

On the arrest of his party

workers in the wake of attacks on military installations, Khan said: "If there's one thing that bothers & pains me, is the suffering of my workers who have been illegally imprisoned, especially our women workers who have been in captivity for months, by a few people who abuse their power to satisfy their egos. I appeal to the judi-ciary to provide justice and order the immediate release of our workers." he wrote.

The PTI chief urged his followers not to give up their struggle and keep demanding a "fair and transparent election in the country.'

Khan also said he is "predicting" that on whatever day the election is held, the people of Pakistan will come out in huge numbers "to vote for Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf" and defeat all these parties combined. "No matter how much these people cheat, their only destiny is defeat," the PTI leader said.

Khan, who served as the country's prime minister until April last year, currently faces around 180 cases. These cases primarily stem from incidents that occurred following the attack on the Lahore Corps Commander's House on May 9. Supporters of Khan launched a series of attacks on key military installations and government properties following the arrest of their leader in an alleged corruption case.

General elections are expected to be held in the last week of January 2024.

US aircraft carrier arrives in S Korea

Seoul(AP): A US nuclear-powered aircraft carrier arrived in South Korea on Thursday in a demonstration of strength against North Korea, as the North's leader reaffirmed his push to bolster ties with Russia.

The USS Ronald Reagan and its battle group came to the southeastern South Korean port of Busan after participating in a trilateral South Korean-US-Japanese maritime exercise ear lier this week, the South Korean Defence Ministry said. The aircraft carrier is to

stay in Busan until next Monday as part of a bilateral agreement to enhance "regular visibility" of US strategic assets to the Korean Peninsula in response to North Korea's advancing nuclear programme, according to an earlier Defence Ministry statement. It's the first arrival of a US aircraft carrier in South Korea in six months since the USS Nimitz docked at Busan in late March, the statement said.

tional arms stores.

Japan govt will ask court to revoke legal status of **Unification Church**

court to revoke the legal status of the Unification Church after former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's assassination raised questions about the group's fundraising and recruitment tactics.

Education Minister Masahito Moriyama said the ministry proposed seeking the revocation after interviewing more than 170 people allegedly harmed by the fundraising tactics and other problems. The church failed to respond to dozens of questions during the seven inquiries, he said. If its legal status is stripped,

the church would lose its tax exemption privilege as a religious organisation but can still operate. Decades of cozy ties between the South Korea-based church and Japan's governing Liberal Democratic Party were revealed in the investigation of Abe's 2022 assassination and have triggered public outrage. The man accused of shooting Abe at a campaign event allegedly told police he was motivated by the former prime minister's links to the church that had bankrupted his family due to his mother's excessive donations.

The Unification Church founded by founder Sun Myung Moon obtained legal status as a religious organization in Japan in 1968 amid an anti-communist movement supported by Abe's grandfather, former Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi.

The church has faced hundreds of civil lawsuits and acknowledged excessive donations but says the problem has been mitigated for more than a decade. It also has pledged further reforms. For decades, the church restrained followers mental state to incapacitate their decision-making, making them buy expensive goods and donate beyond their financial ability, also affecting the lives of

tactics caused fear and confusion and seriously deviated from the law on religious groups, in which the purpose of the churches' legal status is to give people peace of mind,

ful conducts under the Civil Code and their damages are immense," Moriyama said.

The Agency for Cultural Affairs found 32 cases of civil lawsuits acknowledging damages totalling 2.2 billion yen (USD 14.7 million) for 169 people, while the amount of settlements reached in or outside court totalled 20.4 billion yen (USD 137 million) and involved 1,550 people, Moriyama said.

Moriyama said the ministry will submit its request of religion and thought.

Pak interim PM Kakar to visit China to participate in Belt and Road Forum

interim Prime Minister Anwaar ul Haq Kakar will visit China to participate in the third Belt and Road Forum commencing in Beijing later this month, the Foreign Office said on Thursday. Foreign

Spokesperson Mumtaz Zahra Baloch at the weekly briefing said Kakar was undertaking the trip at the invitation of Chinese President Xi Jinping. "The prime minister will attend the opening ceremony of the Belt and Road Forum on October 17 and hold bilateral meetings with President Xi for the multi-billion dollar ini-

Washington (PTI): Teenage

Indian-American inventor

Gitanjali Rao was honoured by

US First Lady Jill Biden, along

with 14 other young women

leaders, for leading a change and

shaping a brighter future in

their communities across the

nation. The 17-year-old scientist

was honoured on Wednesday in

the first-ever "Girls Leading

Change" celebration at the

White House, marking the

International Day of the Girl.

The 15 young women leaders, selected by the White House

Gender Policy Council, were

honoured by First Lady Jill to

recognise their impact on their

communities. "It is my honour

to celebrate this exceptional

group of "Girls Leading Change"

at the White House," she was

quoted as saying in a White

House press release.

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honoured by Jill Biden



Jinping, senior Chinese leaders, as well as, other leaders attending the Belt and Road Forum," she said.

Baloch said Kakar would highlight the key achievements the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and highlight future priorities

"These young women are

protecting and preserving the

earth, writing and sharing sto-

ries that change minds, and

turning their pain into purpose.

Together, they represent the

potential of young people across

the country, and it is my hope

that others can learn from the

power of their innovation,

strength, and hope," she said.

Ranch, Colorado, is a scientist

whose groundbreaking lead

contamination detection tool

won her an EPA Presidential

Award and America's Top Young Scientist by Discovery Education/3M. Her book Young

Innovator's Guide to STEM

which offers a prescriptive five-

step innovation process, is used

as a STEM curriculum globally

Rao, from Highlands

in 2013, is part of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), a giant connectivity initiative planned by China to revive the ancient Silk Road across Eurasia and Africa.

The CPEC enters Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir (PoK) through the Karakoram Highway in Gilgit Baltistan and aims to circumvent the Straits of Malacca and the South China Sea to improve infrastructure within Pakistan for better trade with China and to further integrate the countries of South Asia. The prime min-

ing Chinese entrepreneurs to expand bilateral trade and investment. He will also visit Urumqi to meet with local leaders and businessmen aiming to enhance trade, investment and people-to-people relations. The visit comes in the backdrop of the ongoing celebrations marking the ten vears of the CPEC.

Baloch in her press briefing also said that repatriation of illegal foreign nationals was not specific to any nationality, as the decision was taken in view of the country's own interests to curb illegal activi-

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E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) an Guarantor(s) that the below described Immovable Property mortgaged to Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd. [CIN: L65922DL2005PLC136029] ("Secured Creditor" the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whateve there is" basis on 16.11.2023 from 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M., for recovery of Rs. 30,61,531/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Sixty One Thousand Five Hundred Thirty One only) pending towards the Loan Account No. HHLKUN00313983, by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 04.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other related loan document(s) w.e.f. 05.10.2023 along with legal expenses and other charges due to the Secured Creditor from RAJIV PARKASH GUPTA, SUDHA

The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 26,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 2,60,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Sixty Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY APARTMENT NO. 301 ON 3RD FLOOR, HAVING SUPER AREA APPROXIMATELY 103.12 SQUARE METERS EQUIVALENT TO 1110 SQUARE FEET, TOWER-U,

BUILDING NO. U-1 IN THE GROUP HOUSING COMPLLEX "KINGSBURY APARTMENT", TDI CITY SITUATED IN VILLAGE KUNDLI, SONIPAT – 131101

on the website of the Secured Creditor i.e. www.indiabu

Authorized office

APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6)]

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Lakh Fifty Four Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 95,400/- (Rupees Ninety Five Thousand Four Hundred only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

FREEHOLD RESIDENTIAL FLAT NO. G-4, GROUND FLOOR, REAR SIDE MIDDLE (LIG WITHOUT ROOF RIGHTS) COMPRISED IN 1 BEDROOM, 1 DRAWING ROOM CUM DINING ROOM, 1 KITCHEN, TOILET AND BALCONY, HAVING SUPER COVERED AREA OF 400 SQUARE FEET I. E. 37.16 SQUARE METER BUILT ON PLOT NUMBER C - 1/99 SITUATED IN RESIDENTIAL COLOND DLF DILSHAD EXT. - 2, VILLAGE BRAHMPUR URF BHOPURA, PARGANA LONI, TEHSIL AND DISTRICT GHAZIABAD, GHAZIABAD - 201005, UTTAR PRADESH, COCETURE WITH BORODTIONATE HINDURDED DICHTS AND SHAPE IN THE TOGETHER WITH PROPORTIONATE UNDIVIDED RIGHTS AND SHARE IN THE

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided on the website of the Secured Creditor i.e. www.indiabullshomeloans.com. For

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FLAT NO. 203, SECOND FLOOR, REAR LEFT HAND SIDE, PLOT NO. B-1/26, B BLOCK, DLF DILSHAD EXTENSION – II GHAZIABAD ADMEASURING 400 SQUARE FT. (I.E., 37.16 SQ. MTRS.).

BOUNDARIES: EAST : 900 MTRS. WIDE ROAD WEST : PLOT NO. B-1/1 SOUTH : PLOT NO. B-1/25

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will be **Rs. 2,26,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twenty Six Thousand only)** i.e. equivalen

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Guarantor(s) that the below described Immovable Property mortgaged to Asset: Care & Reconstruction Enterprise Ltd. [CIN: U65993DL2002PLC115769]
("Secured Creditor"), the constructive possession of which has been taken by the
Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whatever there is" basis on 16.11.2023 from 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M. for recovery of Rs. 4,50,74,248/ (Rupees Four Crore Fifty Lakh Seventy Four Thousand Two Hundred Forty Eight only) pending towards Loan Account No. S053OXXIII-01 [Old Loan Account No. HHLDUB00371499], by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 26.09.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other related loan document(s) w.e.f. 27.09.2023 along with legal expenses and other charges due to the Secured Creditor from SAREQ TONY ALIS ALVARIES and SUNITA TONY

vour of the Secured Creditor, acting as a Trustee of ACRE-102-Trust, vide Assignment Agreement dated 29.06.2022.
The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 4,43,00,000/- (Rupees Four

Crore Forty Three Lakh only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 44,30,000/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakh Thirty Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price.

SQUARE FOOT ON 6TH FLOOR IN TOWER-C IN THE HOUSING PROJECT KNOWN AS KRRISH PROVENCE ESTATE IN SECTOR - 2, SITUATED IN VILLAGE GWAL PAHARI, TEHSIL SOHNA, GURUGRAM FARIDABAD ROAD GURUGRAM - 122001, HARYANA, ALONG WITH TWO COVERED CAR PARKING

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AUTHORIZED OFFICER
ASSETS CARE & RECONSTRUCTION ENTERPRISE LTD.
TRUSTEE OF ACRE-102-TRUST Date: 09.10.2023

The United Auto Workers ■ union significantly escalated its walkout against Detroit's said in a statement.

Three automakers, shutting down Ford's largest factory and threatening Jeep maker Stellantis. In a surprise move on Wednesday night, 8,700 members left their jobs at Ford's Kentucky truck plant in Louisville. And Thursday morning, union President Shawn Fain hinted at further action against Stellantis. "Here's to hoping talks at Stellantis today are more productive than Ford yesterday," Fain wrote on X, formerly Twitter, without saying what might

Ford's truck plant makes heavy-duty F-Series pickup trucks and large Ford and Lincoln SUVs, hitting the com-

The vehicles made at the plant generate USD 25 billion per year in revenue, the company

Fain said in a statement that the union has waited long enough "but Ford hasn't gotten the message" to bargain for a fair contract. "If they can't understand that after four weeks, the 8,700 workers shutting down this extremely profitable plant will help them understand it," Fain said.

four weeks after the union began its walkouts against General Motors, Ford and Stellantis on September 15, with one assembly plant from each company.

The company, however, called the strike expansion "grossly irresponsible" and said it has made strong wage and

ister will also meet with lead- ties and terrorism. Indian-American teen inventor | Sri Lanka confirms major

> debt deal with China Colombo (PTI): The Sri Lankan government has confirmed that it has concluded a preliminary deal with China on the restructuring of its debts to Beijing, seen as a "big step" in the cash-strapped country's eco-

nomic recovery. In a statement issued on Wednesday, the Ministry of Finance said "The Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka is pleased to announce that it has reached an agreement on the key principles and indicative terms of a debt treatment with the Export-

Import Bank of China. China holds about 52 per cent of Sri Lanka's USD 46 billion external credit. The agreement in principle covers approximately USD 4.2 billion of out-

benefit offers to the union. It

said the move puts about a

dozen other Ford facilities at

risk, as well as parts supply

plants that together employ

Dearborn,

restoring Sri Lanka's long-term debt sustainability and will pave the way to a prompt economic recovery". The terms of the restructur-

it constitutes "a key step towards

ing agreed upon will provide the space for Sri Lanka to implement its reform agenda. The government has expressed hope that it should also facilitate approval by the International Monetary Fund of the second tranche of the USD 2.9 billion bailout of approximately USD 334 million. "Yesterday marked a big step for Sri Lanka as we reached this landmark agreement in principle on debt treatment terms with our largest single creditor. We thank China Exim Bank for its support in resolving our country's debt

in selected schools, according to standing debt, it said adding that Auto workers escalate strike, walking out at Ford's largest factory, threatening Stellantis

pany's most lucrative products.

over 100,000 people. A Ford executive said the union called a meeting at the company's Michigan, headquarters Wednesday afternoon where Fain asked if the company

The strike came nearly a significantly different economic offer, the executive said. Fain was told the company put

had another offer. High-ranking Ford executives responded that they are working on possibly bringing electric vehicle battery plants into the UAW national contract, essentially making them unionized. But they didn't have

there wasn't a lot of room to

increase it and keep it afford-

utive said. Fain responded by saying, if that's the company's best

able for the business, the exec-

offer, "You just lost Kentucky Truck Plant," said the executive. The meeting only lasted about 15 minutes, he said. In a video, Fain said the union moved because Ford

didn't change its offer. "We've been very patient working with the company on this," he said. "They have not met expectations, they're not even coming to the table on it." The escalation against Ford shows that Fain is trying

to increase pressure on the company, said Marick Masters, a business professor at Wayne State University who follows labour issues. But Ford and the a strong offer on the table, but other automakers have made concessions and raised wage offers, he said.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the General Public on behalf of our client that Mrs. Rehana Shahzad is the owner of Residential Flat on Upper Ground Floor of Property No. 215-A, Area Measuring 120 sq. yds. Khasra No. 5417. Silauted in the Abadi of J-Block, Extn., Laxmi Nagar in the area of Village Khureji Khas, Illaga Shahdara Delhi-11092, vide GPA, ATS & Will dated 16.12.2005. All persons are hereby informed that above mentioned owner wants. PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the General Public on behalf of our client that Mrs. Shashi Sharma is the owner of Property Bearing No. C-26, area measuring 190 Sq. Yds., out of Khasra No. 2173/2. Situated at the area of Village Karawal Nagar, in the abadi of Gali No. 5, Harljan Basti, Karawal Nagar, Illaqa Shahdara Delhi-110094, vide GPA, ATS & Will dated 20.03.2007. All persons are hereby informed that above mentioned owner wants to sell the said property to a person who intends to obtain loan from our client against the said property, if anybody has any objection/s upon the ownership of above owner over the said floor, its sale/mortgage/ litigation, and any other objections, kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 07 days of the present.

Kumar & Associates (Advocates & Consultants). 20, Ind Floor, 23, Shiveji Mang Meri Nagar N Delhi-15 GPA, ATS & Will dated 16.12.2005. All persons are hereby informed that above mentioned owner wants to sell the said property to a person who intends to obtain loan from our client against the said property, if anybody has any objection/s upon the ownership of above owner over the said floor, its sale/mortgage fittingation, and any other objections, kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 07 days of the present. Kumar & Associates (Advocates & Consultan

200, IInd Floor, 23, Shivaji Marg, Moti Nagar, N. Delhi-15 Ph : 011-41112527-28 | legal@knalegal.com

Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

Short Term e-Tender Notice for Providing Un-Skilled, Semi-Skilled, Skilled and Highly-Skilled Manpower through outsourcing

Online bids are invited for providing Un-Skilled, Semi-Skilled, Skilled and Highly-Skilled workers at Guru Nanak Dev University Main Campus, its

Regional Campuses and Associated / Constituent Colleges on monthly wages on contract basis for a period of Two years. Tender Documents car purchased through online mode only from www.eproc.punjab.gov.in. Last date for closing the online tender is 28-10-

2023 upto 5:00 PM. For more details visit the above mentioned portal.

APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6)] Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Property

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

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided

Date: 05.10.2023 Place: SONIPAT Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited

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LAND UNDERNEATH.
THE PLOT IS BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS:-PLOT NUMBER C-1/98. NORTH: ROAD 30 FEET. PLOT NUMBER C-1/100, SOUTH : OTHER'S PLOT,

Date: 09.10.2023 Place: GHAZIABAD

Authorized office

Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited

The arrival of the USS

Ronald Reagan is expected to enrage North Korea, which views the deployment of such a powerful US military asset as a major security threat. When the USS Ronald Reagan staged joint military drills with South Korean forces in October 2022, North Korea said the carrier's deployment was causing "considerably huge negative splash" in region-al security and performed ballistic missile tests. The US carrier's latest arrival comes as concerns grow that North Korea is pushing to get sophisticated weapons technologies from Russia in exchange for supplying ammunitions to refill Russia's conven-

apan's government said on Thursday it would ask a

> their families, Moriyama said. The systematic fundraising

"The activities are wrong-

with the Tokyo District Court as early as Friday for a revocation order. The process involves hearings from both sides and would take a while. Japan has in place hurdles for restraining religious activities due to lessons from the prewar and wartime oppression of freedom

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Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Five Hundred only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 1,19,250/- (Rupees One Lakh Nineteen Thousand Two Hundred Fifty only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price. DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited

Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Property F-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and

Forty Nine only) pending towards Loan Account No. HHLNOD00358918, by way or outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest til 07.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other related loan document(s) w.e.f. 08.10.2023 along with legal expenses and othe charges due to the Secured Creditor from AVINASH AGGARWAL and DAYA RANI.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

FLAT NO. A-1 ON UPPER GROUND FLOOR, FORNT LEFT HAND SIDE, LIG WITHOUT ROOF RIGHT, COVERED AREA MEASURING 30 SQ. MTR., BUILT UP ON PLOT NO. 1/205, AREA MEASURING 352.80 SQ. MTR. NITI KHAND-I, INDIRAPURAM TEHSIL AND DISTRICT GHAZIABAD - 201001, UTTAR

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and

ALVARIES. The old Loan Account along with its underlying security(ies), including the Immovable Property, had been assigned by Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd. ("IHFL") to Indiabulls Asset Reconstruction Co. Ltd. ("IARCL") vide Assignment Agreement dated 31.12.2021. The said Loan Account has been further assigned by IARCL to and in

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY APARTMENT / FLAT NO. 602 HAVING A TENTATIVE SUPER AREA OF 5800

FM, Brazil Minister hold talks

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Pinance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Thursday met Brazil's Minister of Economy Fernando Haddad and discussed various issues of mutual interest, including the strengthening of Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs).

She also met UK Chan-cellor of Exchequer Jeremy Hunt and discussed Bilateral Investment Treaty among other

"FM Smt. @nsitharaman thanked Mr. @Jeremy_Hunt for UK's strong and continued support to #G20India Presidency particularly in the Framework Working Group #FWG co-chair," the finance

ministry said in a post on X. These meetings took place on the sidelines of the 4th G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors (FMCBG) and the IMF-WB annual meet-



ings in Marrakech, Morocco. Brazil will take over the G20 presidency from India on December 1 and will host the next G20 meeting in 2024. Sitharaman wished Brazil suc-

cess and assured full support. "The two ministers discussed issues of mutual interest, including strengthening

MDBs, mobilising finance for climate change, crypto assets, financing cities of tomorrow, advancing financial inclusion, managing global debt vulnerabilities, and BRICS expansion," the finance ministry said in a statement.

With Brazil taking over the G20 chair in 2024 and India

joining South Africa as part of the 2024 G20 Troika, she said, "it is an excellent opportunity to provide positive momentum and elevation to the issues of the Global South, like the G20 Finance Track had done under the India Presidency to advance the interests of the Global

Industrial production rises 10.3 per cent in Aug

India's industrial production increased by 10.3 per cent in August, according to the official data released on Thursday.

Factory output measured in terms of the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) had contracted by 0.7 per cent in August 2022. The data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO) showed that the manufacturing sector's output increased by 9.3 per cent in August 2023.

Mining production rose 12.3 per cent during the month under review. Power output grew 15.3 per cent in August 2023. The IIP grew by 6.1 per cent in April-August 2023 compared to 7.7 per cent in the same period of 2022-23.

Sensex snaps two-day rally on selling in IT, tech shares

Equity benchmark BSE Sensex declined in a volatile trade on Thursday, reversing the two-session rally, mainly due to selling in IT and tech stocks.

However, heavy buying in energy, metal and auto counters capped the losses, traders said.

After swinging between gains and losses, The 30-share BSE Sensex declined 64.66 points or 0.10 per cent to close at 66,408.39 points, with 14 of its constituents settling lower and 16 advancing. The index consecutions of the constituents of the c 16 advancing. The index opened higher and touched a high of 66,577.60 points in early trade but later fell to a low of 66,342.53

The broader Nifty of NSE also declined 17.35 points or 0.09 per cent to close below the 19,800 level at 19,794 points. It

moved in a range of 19,772.65-19,843.30 points during the session. Overall, the market breadth was positive as of the total 3,792 stocks traded, 2,168 shares advanced, 1,501 declined and 123 closed unchanged.

As many as 284 stocks hit their 52-week highs, while 20 stocks hit the year's low level.

Analysts said selling in IT shares following mixed results by IT heavyweights TCS and Infosys dragged the key indices from the day's high levels.

"The underwhelming result of the IT major and its lacklus-

tre near-term prospects exerted downward pressure on the IT sector," Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services said.

Nevertheless, the broad market exhibited strength, pri-marily in anticipation of healthy overall Q2 results led by expansion in India's operating profit as volume demand is sustained despite the global slowdown, he added. Shares of TCS, the country's largest software exporter, dropped 1.89 per cent, a day after it reported mixed quarter-ly results for the July-September

It posted an 8.7 per cent year-on-year increase in its September quarter net profit and an 8 per cent rise in revenue over the year-ago period, but the growth was muted on a sequen-

Retail inflation eases to 3-month low of 5 per cent in Sept

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

 $R^{\text{etail inflation declined to a}}_{\text{three-month low of 5.02 in}}$ September, mainly due to eas-

back to the Reserve Bank's comfort level of below 6 per

consumer price index (CPI) was 6.83 per cent in August and

7.41 per cent in September 2022. The previous low was in June this year when the reading stood at 4.87 per cent.

According to the data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO), the inflation in the food basket came down to 6.56 per cent in September from 9.94 per cent in the preceding month.

The Reserve Bank mainly factors in retail inflation while arriving at its bi-monthly monetary policy.

JLR reports best-ever H1 performance; sales grow two-fold to 2,356 units

and products in the hearts of Indian consumers," JLR India

Managing Director Rajan Amba

The company would con-

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Authorized office

Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) India on Thursday reported its high-est-ever performance in the first half of this fiscal with sales of 2,356 units.

The automaker had retailed around 1,194 units in the April-September period of the last financial year.

The strong half-yearly growth was driven by record sales in both quarters, with Q2 witnessing a 108 per cent yearon-year (YoY) growth and retails of 1,308 units, JLR India said in a statement.

The company had previously reported a 102 per cent sales growth in Q1, compared to the

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E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and
Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest

read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described Immovable Property mortgaged to Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd. [CIN: L65922DL2005PLC136029] ("Secured Creditor"),

the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whatever there is" basis on 31.10.2023 from 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M., for recovery of Rs. 30,88,968/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Eighty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Eight only) pending towards Loan Account No. HHLLAJ00211054, by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 77.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Acreement and other

outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 07.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other

elated loan document(s) w.e.f. **08.10.2023** along with legal expenses and other charges due to the Secured Creditor from **HARVINDER SINGH CHABBRA** and

The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 22,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 2,20,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twenty Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

UNIT NO. E - 38, 2ND FLOOR, EXPRESS HOMZ, SECTOR - 35, SONEPAT, HARYANA-131001.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided on the website of the Secured Creditor i.e. www.indiabullshomeloans.com. For

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Guarantor(s) that the below described Immovable Property mortgaged to Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd. [CIN: L65922DL2005PLC136029] ("Secured Creditor")

he **physical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whatever

Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whatever there is" basis on 31.10.2023 from 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M., for recovery of Rs. 18,21,939/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Twenty One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Nine only) pending towards Loan Account No. HHLNO100179203, by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest in 10.7.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other

elated loan document(s) w.e.f. 08.10.2023 along with legal expenses and othe charges due to the Secured Creditor from VAISHALI ANAND, KAMAL JEET and

The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 11,43,000/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Forty Three Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 1,14,300/- (Rupees One Lakh Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

FLAT NO. FF-6. FIRST FLOOR REAR MIDDLE, PLOT NO. B-1/74. DLF DILSHAD

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Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited

only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price.

EXTN, GHAZIABAD, UTTAR PRADESH - 200111.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrov

tinue to introduce new products that are best suited to meet the discerning needs of customers and invest in strengthening brand desire and client experi-ence, he added.

The order book in FY24 has seen consistent growth, with the first half closing order book high by 00 mag cent as poor higher by 90 per cent, as com-

witness strong demand contributing to 72 per cent of the total order book, it added.

Gold climbs ₹350; silver rises ₹200

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Gold prices climbed by Rs 350 to Rs 59,050 per 10 grams in the national capital on Thursday amid positive global cues, according to HDFC Securities. In the previous tra Securities. In the previous trade, the yellow metal had ended at Rs 58,700 per 10 grams.

"Gold prices advanced further on Thursday, following positive trade in the overseas

positive trade in the overseas markets," Saumil Gandhi, senior analyst of commodities

at HDFC Securities, said. Silver also jumped Rs 200 to Rs 73,200 per kg.



NCLAT adjourns Jet Airways hearing as creditors seek time

The insolvency appellate tribunal NCLAT on Thursday adjourned its hearing on Jet Airways matter to November 1, as the creditors sought more time to file a reply over the com-pliance affidavit filed by the Jalan-Kalrock Consortium — the successful bidder of the grounded carrier.

Counsel appearing for the creditors sought more time to complete their pleadings during the proceedings of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (INCLAT), which was accounted by a three member accepted by a three-member bench. The creditors, which suspect the source of Rs 200 crore paid by the Jalan-Kalrock Consortium, have to file a reply over the compliance affidavit filed by the successful bidder. Last week, Additional Solicitor General N Venkataraman, rep-resenting lenders including SBI and other banks, told NCLAT that there are apprehensions about the source of funds, which deposited the money for Jalan-

"The payment is not compliant with the resolution plan as

it mandates that the money is to be paid through JKC," ASG had submitted. He had also alleged that there are apprehensions the money could have been laundered and sought some time to file a reply over the JKC's compliance affidavit.

However, the consortium had said only a part of the money came from another source, while the majority of the amount was paid by Murari Lal Jalan and had alleged that lenders were objecting to every move since they do not want to

transfer Jet's ownership.

JKC, the winning bidder for the airline, which stopped flying in April 2019, and later underwent an insolvency resolution process, had to pay Rs 350 crore

to the lenders by August 31. Earlier on August 28, NCLAT had extended the time till Sept 30, for Jalan-Kalrock Consortium for payment of Rs 350 crore to the lenders of the bankrupt Jet Airways. It had accepted the plea of the consortium to extend the timeline and also for adjustment of Rs 150 bank guarantee (PBG) towards payment of Rs 350 crore.

Government opens 12th city

gas bid round

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

India on Thursday offered CNG retailing licenses in seven areas mostly in the North East and J&K for bidding in the latest round, as the government looks to expand the reach of

natural gas in the country.
Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) offered eight geographical areas (GAs) under the 12th city gas distribution (CGD) bidding round for retailing of CNG to automobiles and piping the fuel to household kitchens and industries. The GAs put out for bidding include Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland, Sikkim, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

Launching the bid round, Oil Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said after this round, gas will be taken to islands which are the only uncovered areas.

Currently, there are 300 authorised GAs by PNGRB covering 88 per cent of the country's geographical area and 98 per cent of its population.

JKLU starts MBA in Product

Management

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI $F^{\rm or\ a\ large\ number\ of\ working\ professionals\ in\ NCR}$ soon a specialised MBA program might hold passport to

the University Grants Commission (UGC) and accredited by NAAC with an A rating. This globally-recognised MBA programme is based on the curriculum certified by the International Software Product Management Association (ISPMA). It is designed to prepare students for the transition from functional roles to becoming influential leaders in the field of Product Management.

their growth opportunities. JK

Lakshmipat University's (JKLÚ)

Hari Shankar Singhania School of Business (HSB) has intro-

duced India's first and only

two-vear fully residential MBA

programme with a specialisation

awarded by JKLU, recognised by

HSB's MBA degree will be

in Product Management.

Chennai: SRMIST Vadapalani felici

tated its former student and Asian

winner and former student

SRMIST VADAPALANI FELICITATES ASIAD GOLD MEDALLIST

Games Gold Medal winner R Prithviraj Tondaiman. The auditorium on the institution's premises was filled with thunderous applause as the sports

person received honours in the presence of Harini Ravi. Correspondent, SRM Valliammai Engineering College and SRM Arts and Science College. Prof S Ponnusamy, Registrar of SRMIST also honoured the medal

ing food prices, according to the government data released on Thursday. The inflation has come

cent after a gap of two months.

The inflation based on the

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Property

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Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Housing Finance Ltd. [CIN: L65922DL2005PLC136029] ("Secured Creditor,") the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is," "as is what is," and "whateven there is," basis on 31.10.2023 from 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M., for recovery of Rs. 21,08,215/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen only) pending towards Loan Account No. HHLNOD00356457, by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest til 07.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other related loan document(s) w.e.f. 08.10.2023 along with legal expenses and other charges due to the Secured Creditor from AABID ABBASI and SALMAABBASI. The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 11,70,000/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Seventy Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 1,17,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventeen Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY FLAT NO. - S2, SECOND FLOOR, REAR LEFT HAND SIDE, PLOT NO. C1/81, DLF DILSHAD EXTN II, GHAZIABAD, UTTAR PRADESH - 201002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided

on the website of the Secured Creditor i.e. www.indiabullsl bidding, log on to www.auctionfocus.in

Place : GHAZIABAD

Authorized officer

Sd/

Place : SONEPAT

Date: 09.10.2023

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Housing Finance Ltd. [CIN: L65922DL2005PLC136029] ("Secured Creditor")
the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer o the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whateve there is" basis on 31.10.2023 from 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M., for recovery ol Rs. 11,65,580/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Eighty only) pending towards Loan Account No. HHLDCP00494113, by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 07.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other related loan document(s) w.e.f. 08.10.2023 along with legal expenses and other charges due to the Secured Creditor from SUDHEER RANJAN and MEERA DEVI.

The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 7,50,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Fifty Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 75,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

FLAT NO. SF - 3 (L. I. G) HAVING AREA 27.87 SQUARE METERS EQUIVALEN TO 300 SQUARE FEET ON 2ND FLOOR (WITHOUT ROOF RIGHTS), REAR RHS CONSTRUCTED UPON PLOT NO. 64, BLOCK - E, SITUATED IN S. L. F. VED VIHAR, VILLAGE SADULLABAD, PARGANA & TEHSIL LONI, DISTRICT

GHAZIABAD - 210102, UTTAR PRADESH. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided bidding, log on to www.auctionfocus.in

Date: 09.10.2023 Place : GHAZIABAD

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The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 10,44,000/- (Rupees Ter

Lakh Forty Four Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 1,04,400/- (Rupees One Lakh Four Thousand Four Hundred only) i.e equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY GROUND FLOOR WITHOUT ROOF RIGHTS OF THE RESIDENTIAL PLOT

BEARING NUMBER A-1/199 HAVING COVERED AREA OF 36 SQUARE FEET I.E 30.09 SQUARE METERS SITUATED IN RESIDENTIAL COLONY KNOWN AS "D. L. F DILSHAD EXTENSION-II". VILLAGE BRAHMPUR URF BHOPURA TEHSIL AND DISTRICT GHAZIABAD, GHAZIABAD - 201005, UTTAR PRADESI THE PLOT IS BOUNDED AS UNDER:-PLOT NUMBER A-1/198 ROAD 25 FEET WIDE WEST: PLOT NUMBER A-1/200,

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided on the website of the Secured Creditor i.e. www.indiabullsh

Date: 09.10.2023 Place: GHAZIABAD Authorized office Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited

SOUTH : OTHER PLOT

Authorized office Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited

Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Property
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The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 13,50,000/- (Rupeet Thirteen Lakh Fifty Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 1,35,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Five Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY PROPERTY BEING SEMI FURNISHED FLOOR, PVT. NO. 118, ON THE 3RD

FLOOR, WITH ROOF TERRACE RIGHTS TOWARDS BACK SIDE RHS OF BUILT. UP PROPERTY BEARING PLOT NO. E-1/08, ADMEASURING 50 SQ. YARDS I. E., 41.81 SQ. MTRS., APPROX, OUT OF KHASRA NO. 21/4, SITUATED IN THE REVENUE ESTATE OF VILLAGE MATIALA, DELHI STATE, DELHI AREA ABADI KEVENUE ESTATE OF VILLAGE MATIALA, DELHI STATE, DELHI AREA ABAD KNOWN AS COLONY NANHEY PARK, BLOCK E-1, UTTAM NAGAR NEW DELH -110059, WITH COMMON STAIRCASE, ENTRANCE, PASSAGE, SUBMERSIBLE WITH ALL COMMON RIGHTS OF THE BUILDING, INCLUDING RIGHT TO APPURTENANT THERETO, WITH COMMON ONE TWO WHEELER PARKING SPACE AT STILT FLOOR, OF THE SAID PROPERTY, WHICH IS BOUNDED AS EAST : PLOT NUMBER E-9 NORTH: OTHER'S LAND SOUTH: UNIT OF FRONT SIDE & ROAD 20 FT

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pared with the same period last year, the company said. same period last year, it added Range Rover, Range Rover Sport and Defender continue to "The consistent growth in our order book exemplifies the growing strength of our brand

> The current total order book covers for more than eight months of sales, JLR India stat-

APPENDIX IV-A

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Property

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) and Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforce

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) ar Housing Finance Ltd. ICIN: L65922DL2005PLC136029] ("Secured Creditor" the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whateve there is" basis on 31.10.2023 from 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M., for recovery of the control of the con Rs. 71,28,295/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Five only) pending towards Loan Account No HLAPPAN00320145, by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 07.10.2023 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other related loan document(s) w.e.f. 08.10.2023 along with le

DEVI, SEEMA and DEEPAK KUMAR (PROPRIETOR, NIRMAL TRADING CO.).

The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 49,50,000/- (Rupees Forty Nine Lakh Fifty Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 4,95,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh Ninety Five Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SHOP NO 1, MOHALLA KALAN LUXMI CLOTH MARKET, NR BUS STAND

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The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 12,00,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 1,20,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve

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The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 22,50,000/- (Rupee: Twenty Two Lakh Fifty Thousand only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD" will be Rs. 2,25,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twenty Five Thousand only) i.e equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price. DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

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Indian women shuttlers will make strong comeback: Nehwal

PTI NEW DELHI

The struggle of Indian women shuttlers in the BWF circuit is quite apparent but Saina Nehwal has backed her colleagues by saying that even the strong Chinese players are find-ing it difficult to dish out strong performances on a consistent basis and hoped that the lean patch of the singles players will end soon

In contrasting performances in the last one year, India's male players have transformed into a world-conquering unit while the women shuttlers are struggling to go deep into the draws.

In 15 tournaments that PV Sindhu has competed in this year, she could not go beyond the second rounds in 10 events. Seven of them were first-round

Finishing runner-up at the Madrid Masters in March and reaching the semifinals at the Canada Open in July have been the best results for the country's top shuttler in 2023.

"Every year is not the same. Sometimes there are ups and downs. If you look at the Chinese women players, their performance in recent times has also not been very good. They too are not able to perform the way the Korean players or Tai-Tzu Ying and other players are performing," Saina told PTI-Bhasha in an interview.

A look at the records of top Chinese players shows that world No.3 Chinese Chen Yu Fei could reach the title round only twice in 11 tournaments and



bagged one title in 2023 while world No.5 He Bing Jiao played 13 events and finished runnerup on two occasions.

India's Ashmita Chaliha has played eight tournaments and round exits.

suffered either first or secondround exits. She won the low-tier Maldives International.

In 15 tournaments, Aakarshi Kashyap made 11 first-

"There is a slight drop in performance among the women players but I am sure, in the future, we will achieve good results," hoped Saina. In contrast, the men's players won a historic title at the Thomas Cup last year and the men's doubles pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty became the first Indian pair to reach No.1 in

world rankings after winning the country's first gold medal in the recently concluded Asian

The pair also became the first Indians to win a BWF

Super 1000 tournament. HS Prannoy won a bronze medal in the men's singles in the Asian Games. Apart from this, many players won individual titles.

The Indian women's team lost in the quarter-finals in the Asian Games while there was no medal in the individual catego-

ry either. Saina acknowledged the good run by the male shuttlers.

"The results have been good, badminton has progressed a lot in the last 10 years. There is confidence among the people, there is confidence among the players that we can achieve good results at the top level.

"Now, we have even won gold medals in Thomas Cup and the Asian Games. Badminton is progressing very fast. Our current players are playing very well and many budding players are also coming through, which, I am sure, makes the future of badminton very good."

Saina, who has been troubled by a knee issue, herself has not been able to go beyond the second round in any tournament this year. She has not played in any tournament since June but asserted that she does not have retirement on her mind.

"I have not thought about retirement yet. There is a little problem with the knee, my focus is on that. If this gets fixed, I will be able to put more effort into my game. I have been playing badminton for many years.

"I like this game very much. Let's see how many more years I can play," said Saina who has slipped to 55th place in the world rankings. The qualification period for the Paris Olympics is underway with about seven months left. It seems Saina

probably does not have Olympic qualification in her mind. "When you have been playing for so many years, you start loving the game. My goal is not just to play in the Olympics. Right now, my only aim is to

train well and play in some good tournaments. "I have played in the Olym-pics many times before, so right now my focus is on recovering completely and playing in the tournament. Once my knee injury heals completely, I will be able to start proper training, this

is my goal right now." Saina spoke highly of the initiative taken by former players Vijay Lancy and Anup Sridhar, who have opened 15

training centres — Badminton Pros — for budding players. Saina, her husband Parupalli Kashyap, and RMV Gurusaidutt have been roped in as mentors.

"My job as a mentor is to give advice to the players. I give them advice based on my career experience and how I became a champion," she said adding that she is not looking at full-time

coaching.

"If playing is 100% contribution then coaching is 200% effort. I haven't thought much about it yet. I would like to work as a mentor with players because badminton has given me a lot and I would like to contribute in making this game more popu-

Eye on Pakistan game, Gill back in nets for hour-long session

PTI ■ AHMEDABAD

The Indian camp had reasons to smile on Thursday as Shubman Gill, recovering from dengue, was back in the nets, raising hopes of a return for Saturday's World Cup game against Pakistan.

However, it can't be said with a degree of certainty whether the team would risk picking the recovering Gill for the 'Battle Royale'

The 22-year-old has already missed the first two games against Australia and Afghanistan but there is a high chance of him making it to the playing XI for the marquee clash against the arch-rivals.

In fact, to facilitate a special net session for Gill ahead of the team's arrival in Ahmedabad, the Indian team released its left-arm throwdown expert Nuwan Seneviratne on Wednesday itself.

Gill arrived at the Narendra Modi



Stadium after 11 am and did some strides and sprints under the watchful eyes of team doctor Rizwan in the main arena before heading to the nets.

Keeping Shaheen Shah Afridi's left-arm indippers in mind, Gill focussed on tackling the 150 clicksplus sidearm thunderbolts from the Sri Lankan specialist.

He also faced the net bowlers during an extended session.

Gill looked comfortable facing both throwdowns as well as the net

For someone whose platelet count had dropped to 70000 only a few days ago and was in hospital on Sunday night, Gill's recovery has been exem-

However, it is understood that coach Rahul Dravid and the medical team will have a closer look at his Friday's session before taking a call.

The idea to train in intense heat was to check how his body responds to a game which starts at 2 pm, whether he would be able to withstand the heat and humidity immediately after a bout of dengue

Commentator Bhogle down with dengue fever

PNS NEW DELHI

Noted Indian sportscaster and commentator, Harsha Bhogle, informed on Thursday that he was down with a bout of dengue fever, which would keep him away from the commentators' box during the much-anticipated World Cup clash between arch-rivals India and Pakistan on Saturday. Nicknamed the 'Voice of Cricket', Bhogle

took to his official handle on social media platform X to say that he would miss out the high-octane clash owing to dengue and the resultant weakness and lowered immunity.

Bhogle also thanked his colleagues and the broadcast crew for taking the extra workload after he withdrew citing ill health during the second half of the India vs Australia match at MA Chidambaram Stadium in Chennai.

Samson to lead Kerala in SMAT

Sanju Samson was on Thursday appointed as the Kerala captain for the upcoming Syed Musthaq Ali Trophy T20 tournament, scheduled to be held from

October 16 to November 6

across various venues.

Kerala will open their Group B campaign in the tournament with a match against Himachal Pradesh in Mumbai.

In the group, Kerala and HP will compete along with Sikkim, Assam, Bihar, Chandigarh, Odisha, Services and Chandigarh. Samson will be eager to

underline his prowess with

some strident outings in the Mushtaq Ali Trophy that will keep him in the range of national selectors. Kerala will have added strength this time in the form of all-rounder Shreyas Ğopal, who has

last month. The leg-spinner could be leading Kerala's spin attack in the company of veteran spinner Jalaj Saxena, who was the highest wicket-taker in the last Ranji Trophy season with 50 scalps.

Promising Rohan Kunnummal is the vice-captain of the side, while former Tamil Nadu cricketer M Venkataramana is the head coach of Kerala this season.

moved in from Karnataka

KERALA SQUAD: Sanju Samson (captain, wk),

Rohan Kunnummal (vicecaptain), Shreyas Gopal, Jalaj Saxena, Sachin Baby, Mohammed Azharuddeen,

Vishnu Vinod, Abdul Basit, Sijomon Joseph, Vysakh Chandran, Basil Thampi, KM Asif, Vinod Kumar, Manu Krishnan, Varun Nayanar, M. Ajnas, P.K. Mithun, Salman Nissar.

India growing and we see | Postecoglou gave up on fight to change Australian football very positive results: Bach

Following the executive board meeting of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) at the Jio World Convention Centre, in Mumbai on Thursday, IOC President Thomas Bach said that India is growing and one can understand that after seeing the Indian team's performance at the Asian Games in Hangzhou.

While briefing the media after the meeting ended, Thomas Bach praised the Indian contingent for winning a record number of medals at the 19th Asian Games

"We could really see and realize the Olympics' spirit here in India. The country is growing and we are seeing very pos-itive results from the Indian



team at the Asian Games in Hangzhou, a record number of medals they have won which is very encouraging. In the meantime, India is number two in terms of followers on social media, which shows interest, particularly in the young generation," Bach said during the media briefing.

Thomas Bach added that he was impressed after seeing the work of the Reliance Foundation and how they are offering to the youth with regard to sports and

The IOC President also added that he had a meeting with the Indian Olympic Association President PT Usha and said that the IOC has offered her full support for the continuation of the reforms.

"We had a meeting with the Chief Minister of Maharashtra and they are also in full support of the sports movement, I also met the president of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) PT Usha and we spoke about the situation of the IOA, and I have offered her our full support for the continuation of the reforms," he concluded.

AP SYDNEY

Tottenham manager Ange Postecoglou says he "gave up" the fight to transform Australian football, speaking of his intense frustrations as he battled to raise the profile of the sport in his home

The former Australia men's boss, who has taken Spurs to the top of the Premier League table since taking over in July, is pessimistic about the state of the game in the nation despite its recent hosting of the Women's World Cup, at which the Matildas finished fourth.

Postecoglou said the Asian Cup win he masterminded on home soil in 2015 "didn't make an impact back there and that was kind of my frustration".

"When you look at what the Matildas did at the World Cup, unbelievable, but you still won't see an influx of resources to the game. You won't. I guarantee it," he added ahead of Australia's friendly match against England at Wembley on Friday.

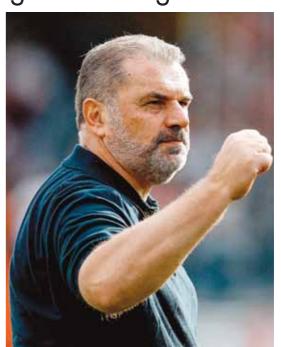
"They'll build stadiums and other codes will use them. I just don't think the nation as a whole has that inside them to understand you can make an impact on the world of football but it requires a kind of nationalistic approach that I just don't think Australians — at their core — are really interested in.

Postecoglou said it was difficult for football to compete against established sports such as Australian rules football, rugby league and rugby union.

The 58-year-old also does not expect his high-profile appointment in England to change the landscape of football in Australia.

"I don't. I don't know and maybe that's just me, not being cynical, but I gave up that fight," he explained.

It's a much easier space for me to live in because I was so frus-



trated for so long. It was my biggest frustration. One of my major drivers for doing what I did was to do that — to change football in Australia and that's the rea-

"I felt I hadn't made an impact at all. That's easier for me to deal with than to think maybe I still can now with what I'm doing. I just think I'd be disappointed, so I'd prefer to think it's not going to happen." Postecoglou walked away from the Socceroos job after helping them qualify for the 2018 World Cup in Russia, taking up a role in Japan with Yokohama F. Marinos

"I walked away from a World Cup," he said. "We qualified and I walked away. The reason I walked away was I just didn't enjoy what I was doing. "It's not just doing the job and winning games of football, it's got to be a higher purpose. My higher purpose in Australia was to change the game. I just don't think that will happen."

India look to surprise Malaysia in Merdeka tournament

PTI ■ KUALA LUMPUR

In search of their first title win in the Merdeka Tournament, a confident Indian football team will look to spring a surprise on in-form hosts Malaysia in the opening game, here on Friday.

The Merdeka Tournament, also known as the 'mini Asia Cup' this year will feature only three teams - Tajikistan being the third - as strife-torn Palestine had pulled out of the event at the last minute.

In fact, the winner of the clash between India and Malaysia will take on Tajikistan in the final on October 17.

While India's last appearance was in the Asian Games wherein they exited from the competition in the round of 16, the Igor Stimac-coached side will have their task cut out against Malaysia in the tournament which is happening after a gap of almost a

Malaysia have recorded six wins in nine matches with two draws and one defeat so far this year, signalling their impressive form. India coach Stimac said his side is repared for the challenge ahead of the nockout clash against Malaysia.

'We know about the good runs Malaysia have had in the past few months. They have a good coach and some wonderful homegrown players, who are very well supported by the naturalised players, so there is a lot of stability in the team at the moment," Stimac was quoted as saying in an AIFF

The Indian coach conceded that Malaysia, who are expected to have a crowd support of as many as 90,000 fans in the Bukit Jalil Stadium here, have the advantage going into the contest but expressed that his side will be ready. "I believe it's advantage Malaysia in

the first game. Obviously, they are on their home turf and have had a good run here, but we are here to spring a few surprises against them," said Stimac.

'They have a very stable, competitive side with a clear idea about what they need to do on the pitch. We are



90,000 supporters and with our record away from home, which has not been that great, it's advantage Malaysia,"

'Pestabola Merdeka' 17 times in the past and are yet to win the trophy. However, for the Indians, the tournament might just be a preparatory leg for greater

challenges lined up ahead. India will face Kuwait and Qatar next month in FIFA World Cup Qualifiers and Stimac conceded that their one eye will be on these games as

"We know of the history and importance of this tournament, and we will do everything in our power to win the two matches and lift the trophy for the first time, but we also need to be mindful of our challenges coming ahead," said Stimac.

"It is very important that we do not risk any injuries, as we have two very important World Cup Qualifiers coming up in November. Being in Pot 2 of the draw for the World Cup Qualifiers, we have a very good chance to make it to Round 3 for the first time, and that is very important to us," he said.

India have been runner-up twice in the Merdeka Tournament. Their last appearance was in 2001 when they lost their matches against hosts Malaysia (1-2), Thailand (0-2), and Uzbekistan

I hope Kishore and I will do it together: Neeraj on breaching 90m mark

Olympic gold medalist Neeraj Chopra expressed hope that he along with fellow Indian athlete Kishore Jena could breach the desired 90metre mark in javelin throw.

Neeraj was leagues ahead of other athletes as he defend ed his gold medal in the recently concluded 19th Asian Games with a throw of 88.88-metre.

The only athlete who came close to competing with Neeraj was none other than his compatriot Kishore Jena. Hailing from Odisha, Jena broke his personal best in back-to-back throws and came close to Neerai's season-best throw of 88.88m with his 87.54m in the



"I was confident with my training and I would be able to finish off the 90m question. So congratulations to all the mediapersons as you can ask the question once again. But I will be able to do it and I hope Jena and I will do it together.

SOUTH AFRICA THRASH AUSTRALIA



PTI LUCKNOW

outh Africa thrashed Australia by 134 runs to continue their good start in the ICC World Cup here on Thurs-

Asked to bat first, South rode on a fine century by opener Quinton de Kock and a 44ball 56 from Aiden Markram to post 311 for seven in the stipulated 50 overs.

In reply, the Australians were bowled out for 177 in 40.5 overs with Kagiso Rabada picking three wickets for 33 runs.

Earlier, De Kock, who had made an 84-ball 100 against Sri Lanka in New Delhi, smashed a 106-ball 109 at the Ekana Stadium, a venue he considers

his backyard, courtesy the lefthander's IPL stint with the Lucknow Supergiants.

The 30-year-old de Kock, who will retire from the format after the World Cup, oozed confidence as he fetched 109 off 106 balls with the help of eight boundaries and five maximums. while Markram smashed 56 off 44 to help South Africa post the

highest ODI total in Lucknow. De Kock paced his innings well and troubled the Australian bowling attack, which cut a sorry figure, on a difficult Ekana

The rub of the green also went the Proteas' way as the Australians were guilty of

spilling numerous catches. Off-spinner Glenn Maxwell

(2/34) was their most successful bowler while the others managed to get some wickets at the

fag end of the innings.

After a rather sedate start, De Kock, who calls this stadium 'home' during the IPL, put a

move on things.

He used Mitchell Starc's pace to flick one over deep backward square leg to get the Kagiso Rabada 3/33).

first six of the match in the fifth

Both Temba Bavuma (35) and de Kock skilfully nullified the early threat that the Austra-

lian pacers generally pose.
In fact, skipper Pat Cummins was at his wit's end and kept shuffling between all his bowlers to find a breakthrough.

After playing the role of the sheet anchor with 35 off 55 balls, Bavuma decided to pull the

BRIEF SCORES:

South Africa: 311 for 7 in 50 overs (Quinton de Kock 109, Aiden Markram 56; Glenn Maxwell 2 for 34; Mitchell Starc 2 for 53)

Australia: 177 all out in 40.5 overs (Marnus Labuschagne 46;

NZ eye hat-trick of wins

 $F^{\text{ortified by the return of }}_{\text{inspirational captain and }}$ premier batter Kane Williamson, a high-flying New Zealand will believe that they can ward off a spin-heavy Bangladesh to consolidate their position on top of the table during their World Cup match here on Friday

The Kiwis (NRR: +1.958) have four points now, same as India (NRR: +1.5) and Pakistan (NRR: +0.92) but a better Net Run Rate has kept them ahead, and a win here will free them from the chasing pack for the time being.

In that context, the arrival of Williamson, who has sufficiently recovered from a post ACL injury surgery, benefits them on two counts.

Williamson is a shrewd captain who knows the ebb and flow of ODIs, and he is an excellent batter against spin, a quality that he might have to conjure against a capable Bangladesh unit on a slow Chepauk pitch.

Williamson had missed the Kiwis' matches against England and Netherlands as Tom Latham had stood in as New Zealand captain in those

But the Black Caps will continue to miss the services of senior pacer Tim Southee, who is still recovering from a procedure on his fractured thumb that he suffered during the recent ODI series against England.

However, Williamson's comeback will pose the Kiwis with a selection dilemma as

Rachin Ravindra, who batted at No. 3 in the absence of Williamson, has notched up a

Cup outings, and the Kiwis management will have to think hard as to who to be benched to accommodate the returning 33-year-old.

While keeping that minor headache for later, New Zealand will be pleased to see the form of their top-order batters like Will Young, Devon Conway and Daryl Mitchell.

However, New Zealand will want every bit of runs from them as the MA Chidambaram track could offer another turner like it did in the match between India and Australia the previous Sunday.

In that match, the Indian spinners had taken six wickets and the tweakers could come into focus on Friday as well. Despite a walloping at the

hands of England in their last match, this could be Bangladesh's secret point of joy going against the Kiwis.

Their spin trio of captain
Shakib Al Hasan, Mahedi

Hasan and Mehidy Hasan Miraz has taken 11 wickets among them from two match-

The Tigers will pin their hopes on those three to weave their magic on New Zealand to notch up a crucial victory.

However, New Zealand also will feel quietly confident about their chances in such kind of surface because of the presence of Mitchell Santner.

The left-arm spinner is currently the highest wickettaker in this World Cup with seven wickets, including a fifer

against the Netherlands. Bangladesh will require senior batters like Shakib, Mushfiqur Rahim, Litton Das the occasion and counter Santner, a massive threat in

white-ball formats with sever-

Hasan not the best new ball option in absence of Naseem, says Aaqib

PTI AHMEDABAD

Hasan Ali is not the most potent new ball option in the absence of Naseem Shah and Pakistan cricket establishment has erred in not grooming a quality fast bowler for desperate times, feels former pacer Aaqib

Aaqib, who is currently a fast-bowling coach with PSL side Lahore Qalandars, has played a pivotal role in the emergence of Haris Rauf as a quality white ball

operator.
"If you look at the new ball pairing, they haven't groomed anyone in the last 12 months. The selectors didn't know if not Naseem, who could be the third new ball bowling option. They didn't try anyone during the Asia Cup," Aaqib said.. Pakistan have won both

their World Cup matches so far. They had defeated Netherlands in the opening game, and then went past Sri Lanka in Hyderabad but the 344 runs

conceded in that match remains

a genuine concern.

"Hasan Ali, if you look at his record, has never been outstanding with the new ball. So, on days, if Shaheen (Shah Afridi) gets stuck, there could be problems," Aaqib, a key member of the 1992 World Cup winning squad, assessed.

For the record, although Hasan scalped four wickets against Sri Lanka, he gave away 71 runs in his quota of 10 overs.

The other option in the squad is Muhammed Wasim Junior, who is currently sitting in the dugout. "If you look at Wasim junior, there are a lot of games where he hasn't even completed his quota of 10 overs."

Aaqib believes in straight talk and feels that with Naseem ruled out, only Afridi has that aura to scare the daylights out of

"If you remember the opening Asia Cup game and Shaheen's spell, the Indian batters were not playing Shaheen's deliveries but was trying to play Shaheen. That aura...Pakistan's bowling is missing now, that overall impact I would say," said the Aaqib, who till date enjoys best bowling figures of 7/33 in the history of Indo-Pak ODIs.

We relied lot on data from other sports: Williamson on recovery

The team looking after Kane The team looking after kane Williamson post his knee injury relied a lot on data from injuries in other sports to get him back in shape for the ICC World Cup, the premier New Zealand batter said on Thursday.

The skipper will be playing his first match of the World Cup here on Friday, having recovered from a surgery to treat a ruptured anterior cruciate ligament

"A lot of data around it, mainly from other sports that were relied on and different strength numbers and heights

Indian High Commission

their applications for the visa

process. "Out of those journal-

ists whose passports are already submitted with the Indian

authorities some have been con-

tacted by the high commission,

assuring them visas would be

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journalists," a journalist said.

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ODI World Cup visa

PTI ■ KARACHI

and jumping and just heaps and heaps of different bits," Willi-amson said on the eve of their match against Bangladesh.

Returning to international cricket after a long layoff, he said it has been "quite a journey". "As for my recovery, it's

been quite a journey, but largely a good one that's had some really good progress, and you know, I've said a number of times, really excited to be named in the World Cup squad, be sited at the prospect of tomorrow, which is another big challenge for us," he said during the prematch press conference.



Williamson suffered the Titans in IPL 2023 and has not played cricket since then.

Elaborating on his recovery phase, Williamson added, "The

recovery journey certainly started with strength and range in terms of the knee and then gradually trying to improve that and control a bit — some of the pain around it as the load increases, and we could be here all day talking about it.
"But, I'll fast forward a lit-

tle bit - and great to be here and then get involved in those warmup games which were really, really enjoyable and then during those and post that were a lot of which were perhaps a little bit more related to fielding, time on feet and looking to try and execute some of those skills

hundred and fifty in two World al tricks up his sleeve. am not result oriented: Bumrah

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asprit Bumrah produced his best World Cup performance The Indian High Commission in Islamabad has started on a batting beauty but that doesn't give him a lot of satisfaccontacting Pakistani journalists tion. For him, "process" is parato issue them visas for the ongomount. On a belter of a pitch, ing World Cup. A number of where 350-360 was a par score, journalists said about their visa Bumrah ended with figures of four for 39 in 10 overs, allowing India to limit Afghanistan to 272 situation and two of them confirmed receiving their visas. The others said they got for 8, a target the hosts gunned calls asking them to submit down in 35 overs.

His new-ball partner Mohammed Siraj was taken to the cleaners both in the powerplay and later on in the innings but the Afghanistan batters could not flex their muscle against the wily Bumrah, who has looked as sharp as ever since his comeback in August. He has also added an outswinger to his

already lethal armoury. While Siraj was looking for some swing and seam early on, Bumrah knew there was none coming. Therefore, he just focused on bowling the hard lengths. Asked to rate his performance after the game, Bumrah was modest to say the least.

"I am not result oriented. Just because I have taken four wickets, that doesn't mean that I am very, very happy or I have done something extraordinary. I just go with my preparation. I go with the process that I feel is right. I try to read the wickets and try to find the best answers that work on that wicket. "As simple as that, not think-

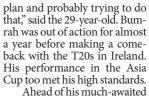
ing about the results because I've

got results today. I'm very, very good, that doesn't work in my book. I try to back my strengths, try to read the wicket, and try to give my best," he said in a matter-of-fact way after India's emphatic win on Wednesday. If the wickets don't make

him "happy", what else does? Bumrah harped about his "process" again.
"See, obviously in this for-

mat you have to understand what is working. So, some days there would be some swings, so your lengths would change. But this wicket was quite a batting track that we realised early on as well when we started bowling.

seam but the ball was coming on to the bat really well from the first over so we realised that. So, we are just trying to hit the hard length, try to make it as difficult as possible and try to make them hit difficult shots. So that was the



return, Bumrah had insisted that he was getting ready to bowl 10 overs in a game and not the four he would require in a T20.
When he was asked to assess

his progress over the last 45 days, Bumrah was expectedly not intrigued.

you (media) guys will anyway decide that this is, I was like this, I was like that, what I am doing. But I don't work like that. As I told you, I just look at my preparations. And I am a little detached person. I don't know what's going around in the world. "So, I just looked at what I have to do on that particular day and obviously reading the game, reading your strengths that's what has worked for me in the past as well, keeping all of those things in mind, keep going forward."

See, at the end of the day.

I've taken leaf out of Gayle's book:

Rohit after smashing 6s record posted by the BCCI.

in international cricket on Wednesday, Indian captain Rohit Sharma said he has taken some inspiration from the 'Universe Boss' himself in his journey

During his record-breaking 81-ball 131 against Afghanistan at the Ferozshah Kotla, Rohit hammered five sixes to reach 556 maximums across three formats, three more than

the West Indian left-hander. Rohit reached the landmark in 453 matches, precisely 30 games less than Gayle.



"Universe Boss is Universe Boss. I have taken a leaf out of his book. Over the years, we have seen him, such a six-hitting machine he is wherever he

Rohit said a lot of work has gone into developing his sixhitting skills over the years.

When I started playing this game, I never thought I would be able to hit sixes, leave alone that many sixes. Obviously, a lot of work has been put into it over the years. So, I am quite happy with the work that I have done.

"I am the sort of person who is not satisfied (with what he has been doing), and I want to continue what I am doing. My focus is on that. Yeah, it is a small happy moment for me," said the right-handed

Zaka looking to explore ways to 'promote cricket relations'

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The chairman of the PCB's cricket management committee, Zaka Ashraf, is hoping to meet with top officials of the Indian board in Ahmedabad and explore ways to "promote cricket relations" between the two countries.

Ashraf is leaving for

Ahmedabad on Thursday night on the invitation of the World Cup.
The Pakistan Cricket Board in a handout said that

BCCI secretary, Jay Shah, had

extended a warm welcome to

the PCB chairman who will

BCCI to watch the highlyanticipated World Cup match between and India

also be meeting with members of the Pakistan squad too. Ashraf said that he had spoken to Shah on Wednesday.

"We both discussed how the forthcoming match is an opportunity to explore ways in which we can further enhance and promote the cricketing relations between our countries," said Ashraf.

"There was a little bit of

PTI NEW DELHI After surpassing Chris Gayle's record of most sixes

plays.
"We wear the same jersey

(No. 45). I am sure he is happy about it because jersey No. 45 has done it (breaking his record)," said Rohit in a video

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