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EXIT POLLS, ENTER BULLS



ndian Stock markets surged to record highs on Monday following exit polls projecting a third term for Prime Minister
Narendra Modi's Government. The Nifty 50 jumped up 3.25 per cent (up by 733 points) and closed at 23,264 levels. Meanwhile, the Sensex gained 3.39 per cent (up by 2,507 points) and closed at 76,469 levels. In the past few days, there has

been notable positive economic development with the release of the GDP numbers for 2023-24 and S&P's positive outlook upgrade for

The GDP exceeded market expectations, showing a growth of 8.2 per cent in 2023-24 compared to 7 per cent in 2022-23.

has seen a healthy 9 per cent increase. It's important to note that the Government sector has been the primary driver of this investment Specifically, the Central Government's capital expenditure (CapEx) has experienced a significant surge of 28 per cent in 2023-24. However, there needs

GOURAV VALLABH

worth noting that the growth in 2023-24 surpasses the Government's

second advance estimate of 7.6 per cent released in February 2024.

The sustainability of the current GDP

growth in the long term is a matter of

concern. Long-term GDP growth heavily relies on the level of

investment in the economy, which

increasing willingness to invest, the key factors affecting this are policy certainty and confidence in global and domestic economic stability. The exit poll results signal stability in

domestic economic and policy matters, which is one of the critical drivers for private capex. With manufacturing

capacity

utilisation currently at 75 per cent, and both bank and corporate balance sheets in solid condition, the stage is set for a resurgence in private capital expenditure.
Ultimately, the private sector must take the lead in

driving the investment cycle. As investment plays a crucial role in job creation, leading to increased demand, ultimately validating the initial investment and

attracting further investments. This sets off a positive cycle of investment and growth. It's essential to recognise that sustained investment growth cannot solely rely on Government CapEx year after year. With both public and private

investments expected to pick up in the economy, What can be done now to be more momentum in the private sector CapEx. While the opportunities for citizens - the answer

is to focus on CapEx in cent growth, which was at around 4 manufacturing, especially labourintensive. This is answered in one of A combination of sustainable longthe guarantees by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, i.e., to transform India into a global manufacturing hub. In the past, India has successfully attracted suppliers for major US corporations such as Apple Inc and Alphabet Inc's Google. However, according to World Bank

data, less than 3 per cent of global manufacturing occurs in the world's most populous country, compared to 24 per cent in China. So much has to be done in this area. Another factor contributing to job creation is a focus on

boosting exports. This has been limited due to sluggish global growth. While India's service exports have remained strong, merchandise exports have specifically felt the impact of the global slowdown, which is expected to reverse. When investments both in public and

private are expected to grow, supplemented with a thrust on labour-intensive manufacturing and exports, the quantity and quality of jobs will increase. Then, private consumption, one of the main pillars of the economy, will also have 8-9 per

term GDP growth, increased private sector investment in capital expenditure, S&P's positive outlook upgrade, and the prospect of a third term for Modi's administration, which aims to position India as a global manufacturing hub, is expected to generate significant optimism among investors in India. These factors promise policy continuity and potential for growth, suggesting a positive outlook for the market and inflow of global capital. The new Government's 100-day agenda and the upcoming full Budget in July 2024 were also important focal

of the monsoon, inflation data, and the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) interest rate policies will continue to significantly influence and guide the Indian economy in the days ahead. So, with all these solid macroeconomic fundamentals and

points. Furthermore, the progression

policy continuity, we can expect abki baar GDP growth 10 per cent paar followed by Sensex 100,000 paar.

The writer is a Professor of Finance at XLRI-Xavier School of Management and a BJP leader.

BJP leaders in a huddle, take stock



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forecast.

Tith just a day before the VV counting of votes, BJP top leaders met at party's president JP Nadda's residence on Monday to discuss the party's performance in the Lok Sabha polls and its preparation for the counting of votes scheduled to take place on

June 4. The meeting, presided over by Nadda, was also learnt to have taken stock of the prevailing political situation following the exit polls predicting a big win for the BJP-led NDA, and the Opposition INDIA Bloc's series of meetings rejecting the

"A meeting was held to discuss and review the elections conducted in seven phases and also to discuss the counting of votes which is to take place tomorrow. The meeting was presided over by party national president Nadda," BJP national general secretary Vinod Tawde told reporters

here after the meeting.

He said the meeting discussed the voting pattern observed during all seven phases of polls as to how polling took place. "This was also reviewed," he added.

Tawde said the meeting, which

was attended by BJP national general secretaries and secretaries, held an "extensive of the Lok Sabha elections and deliberated on the deployment

"That polling agents reach in time across all booths, their proper deployment, whether there is any problem in this these things were

of party's polling agents across

the country for counting of

discussed," he said. The meeting also discussed if there is "any suspicion" over counting of votes anywhere and party office bearers were asked to pay "special attention" to such a situation,

he said

Asked if the meeting also discussed BJP's plans for celebrating its victory with most of the exit polls projecting it to be getting a massive mandate for a third consecutive term, Tawde said, "There is no such discussion on this at present. We look into this only after seeing the trends, not on the basis of the exit polls' projections."
Replying to a query on

formation of the party's Government, the BJP leader said there was no discussion at the meeting on it.

wait and see: **Just**

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UPA chairperson and senior Congress leader Sonia Gandhi on Monday said her party is very hopeful that the results of the Lok Sabha elections will be totally opposite to what has been shown in the exit polls. "We have to wait, just wait and see," Sonia said when asked about her expectations from the results scheduled to be announced on Tuesday. Congress leaders have said that the INDIA Bloc will win 295 seats and form the Government. Preparations were underway at the Congress headquarters on Monday for the June 4 counting day with many

supporters seeing them as arrangements celebration of the INDIA Bloc's victory in the Lok Sabha polls despite exit polls suggesting otherwise. Tent-poles have been erected in the grounds of the Congress' 24, Akbar Road headquarters and giant coolers were being set up around its sprawling premises.

We are very hopeful that our results are completely opposite to what the exit polls are showing," the Congress parliamentary party chief added. Sonia Gandhi made the remarks after attending an event held at the DMK office here. She paid tributes to stalwart Karunanidhi on his 100th



Senior Congress leader Sonia Gandhi speaks with the media during a ceremony to pay tribute to former Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M Karunanidhi on his birth anniversary, at Anna-Kalaignar Arivalayam, in New Delhi on

Minister Narendra Modi will retain power for a third

Most exit polls have predicted that Prime Minister Narenday 10 big majority in the Lok Sabha polls. While some exit polls have gives 11 most have predicted that it straight term, with the BJP- will win over 350, which is led NDA expected to win a way above the majority

The Congress and other INDIA Bloc parties have trashed the exit polls, claiming that these surveys were a work of "fantasy" and asserting that the opposition alliance will form the next Government.

mark of 272 seats needed to

form the Government.

Further, the Congress led INDIA Bloc on Monday Election the said Commission (EC) has agreed to its request of counting the postal ballots first on June 4, when the results of the Lok Sabha polls are scheduled to be declared, and stressed that this is the participatory manner of promoting the spirit of

democracy in a non-adversarial fashion.



for policy breach

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI WhatsApp has banned 71 lakh Indian users in April this year for violating platform rules and policies. The company assures continued action against accounts breaching its terms to maintain a safe

user environment. WhatsApp ban was misuse and maintain integrity of the platform. WhatsApp uses machine learning and data analytics to proactively identify and ban

suspicious accounts. Every month WhatsApp bans lakhs of Indian users who are reported for being scammers or violating the platform's privacy policies. In its latest India Monthly Report, the Meta-owned instant messaging platform revealed that it banned around 71 lakh Indian accounts between April 1, 2024, and April 30, 2024, to curb misuse and maintain platform integrity. The company has further assured that it will continue

7,182,000 accounts between April 1 and April 30. Amongst these, 1,302,000 accounts were proactively banned before any reports from users. This proactive stance is part of WhatsApp's broader strategy to prevent abuse before it occurs. The company uses advanced machine learning and data analytics to suspicious behaviour 10,554 user reports on various topics, including account support, ban appeals, product support, and safety

Biggest-ever \$2.45mn purse

for T20 World Cup winner



Chief Election Commissioner of India Raiiv Kumar with Election Commissioners Gyanesh Kumar and Dr SS Sandhu during a Press conference, in New Delhi, on Monday Photo by: RANJAN DIMRI/THE PIONEER

Hostile portrayal took us by surprise, says EC

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

Tust a day ahead of the counting of votes in the Lok Sabha elections 2024, Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar came down heavily on the "mischievous narratives" that could harm the electoral process during the course of the polls.

He was responding to a query against the backdrop of allegations and criticism faced by the election commission over alleged delay in

release of voter turnout, disclosure of form 17C data and the sanctity of electronic voting machines (EVMs).

first, the Election Commission held a Press conference on Monday just a day before the counting of votes and claimed India created a world record with 64.2 crore voters including 31.2 crore women participating in the Lok Sabha elections this year, saying this is a historic movement.

Forces neutralise two terrorists in Pulwama

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head of the counting day, two Anead of the countries and down by a joint team of security forces in the Nihama area of South Kashmir's Pulwama district on Monday.

According to media reports, one of the self-styled commanders of the Lashkar-e-Tayyeba Riyaz Dar was believed to have been trapped inside the hideout along with his accomplice.

To flush out the terrorists hiding inside the residential building, the security forces blasted the structure to avoid any collateral damage.

According to a tweet posted by the Kashmir Zone police on X, "Bodies of two terrorists killed in the antiterrorist operation have been recovered so far. Identity and affiliation is being ascertained and the operation is in progress."

The operation was launched by the security forces based on inputs received about the presence of



terrorists in the built-up area late Sunday evening.

According to police, the firefight erupted when the joint team of security forces came under fire from the terrorists hiding in one of the houses early Monday morning. Meanwhile, stringent security arrangements have been made across different parts of Kashmir valley for the counting of votes for three LoK Sabha seats



beautiful for Gangetic dolphin

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

Smaller rivers in the Ganga basin are playing a crucial role in preserving the habitat of the endangered Gangetic dolphin, India's revered national aquatic animal, a joint study by the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and the Union Government's National Mission for Clean Ganga has said.

However, they noted that despite their importance, the conservation and management of these smaller rivers have not received adequate attention compared to larger rivers.

With a comprehensive two-

1,290 kilometers of the Ganga's tributaries and subtributaries, researchers have identified 620 kilometers of critical habitats requiring urgent conservation efforts and management strategies specifically tailored for these smaller water bodies to ensure the long-term survival of the Gangetic dolphin population. The fi findings significance given that in

year-long survey covering

recent years, the distribution range of the Gangetic dolphin various rivers has dwindled, particularly in the upstream stretches. The



threatened species are now believed to be extirpated from the Son, Ken, Betwa, and Sind rivers, the middle and upper stretch of the Sharda river,

"These findings not only shed light on the importance of these lesser-known rivers but also underscore their vital contribution to the ecological aquatic mammals which are and the upper stretch of the resilience and health of the

entire Ganga river system," said Syed Ainul Hussain, a scientist at Dehradun-based WII and co-author of the study.

He added that these lesserknown rivers harbor more than 15 per cent of the Gangetic dolphins and habitat contribute to habitat diversity. "This underscores the importance of conserving these rivers to safeguard biodiversity," Hussain emphasised, pointing out gaps in ecological restoration efforts, particularly in the conservation of smaller

While larger rivers have often been the focus of

conservation efforts, the importance of smaller rivers has been largely neglected. During the two-year survey conducted boat-based visual encounter in ten rivers, covering Girwa (20 km), Kauriyala (15 km), Babai (75 km), Śharda (220 km), Rapti (500 km), Bagmati (60 km), Mahananda (230 km), Ken (40 km), Betwa (90 km), and Sind (40 km), researchers found that engagement with local communities is a crucial component of successful conservation endeavors, especially in where dolphin areas populations intersect with

The International Cricket Council on Monday announced a record prize the 2024 T20 World Cup with the winners pocketing

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USD 1.6 million.

purse of USD 11.25 million for at least USD 2.45 million. The runners-up will receive at least USD 1.28 million, while the losing semi-finalists walk away with USD 787,500 each. The previous edition in 2022 had a total prize pool of USD 5.6 million with winners England receiving

"The ninth edition of the ICC Men's T20 WC will see the winners of the 20-team tournament earn at least \$2.45 million, the highest prize money in the history of the tournament, along with the trophy that they will lift in Barbados on June 29," said the

ICC in a statement.

The four teams that fail to make it out of the Super 8s will earn USD 382,500 each, while the teams placed ninth, 10th, 11th and 12th receive 247,500 Participants who finish 13th to 20th place will return \$225,000 each.



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LOST AND FOUND

I, Sandeep Singh S/o
Rajinder Singh my son Tanveer
Singh Mundra has lost 10th
class marksheet cum certificate
Secondary School Examination
2022.DOB 07/02/2007 has done
10th class Roll No:-13225443
from Shivalik Public School
Ropar. Near session court Ropar
PB(20049)

BEDKHALI NOTICE

I, Dhanwati Devi W/o Late Sh. Dineshwar # 4933, Sector 38w, Chandigarh declare that my Son Ankit and his wife Shivani are out of my control. I disown them from my moveable and immovable properties. Anybody deal with them at their own risk.

We Pritpal Singh Sindhu S/o Sh. Harcharan Singh Sindhu and Smt. Daljeet Kaur Sindhu W/o Pritpal Singh Sindhu Both Resident of House No.1540, Phase-10, Mohali inform that our son Chiranjeev Singh and daughter-in-law Gurpreet Kaur are out of our control. We disown them from all of our moveable and Immovable Property. We shall not be responsible for any of their acts and anybody dealing with them shall do so at their own Risk.

- I, Chet Ram S/o Shyam Lal, R/o House No. 2022, New Indira Colony Manimajra Chandigarh inform that my 1st son Mahabir and his Wife Sunita Devi and 2nd Son Rajesh and his wife Radha 3rd Son Kundan and his wife Babli are out of my control. I disown them from my all moveable and Immovable Properties. Anybody deal with them at their own Risk.
- I, Jai Parkash S/o Mehar Singh R/o Village Bhatgaon Dogran, Sonipat declare that my Son Lokesh & his wife Isha both are out of my control. So I disown them from my all movable/ immovable property any body deals with them at own risk.
- I, Suman W/o Late Ramesh R/o H.No. 233, Ward 4, Near Valmiki Mandir, Shahabad Markanda District Kurukshetra, have evicted my son Aakash, his wife Nishu from all my movable immovable properties, as they are out of my control.
- I, Kamal Krishan Pushkarna S/o Krishan Gopal Pushkarna R/o 794, Gali Telian Wali, Nimak Mandi, Amritsar declare that my son Rahul Pushkarna and his wife Meenakshi Pushkarna are out of my control. I disown them and their childrens from my movable immovable Property. Anybody dealing with them at their own risk.
- I, Narotam Dass s/o
 Amarjeet singh r/o vpo kirmich
 district kurukshetra now
 residing banganga colony vpo
 narkatari kurukshetra declare
 that my son abhishek mehra is
 out of my control & I have no
 relation with him in future so I
 disown him from my movable
 and immovable properties. If
 anyone deals with it, he will be
 held responsible himself.

We Uday Pal S/o Ved Ram & Lal Wati W/o Uday Pal R/o #524B, Small Flat, Dhanas, Chandigarh disown our son Giri Raj, his wife Ram Wati and their children Manish, Manju, Rakhi from our moveable/immoveable properties. They are out of our control. Anybody deals with them they will do their own risk/responsibility.

- I, Seema Rani wife of Late Ramesh Chand resident of VPO Gumthala Garhu Tehsil Pehowa Distt. Kurukshetra declare that my step son Harinder Singh is out of my control. I, disown him from my all moveable and immoveable properties. If anybody deals with him at his own risk
- with him at his own risk. I, Harbans Singh S/O Piara Singh R/O Vill. Leelan Megh Singh Tehsil Jagraon Distt. Ludhiana Declare That I Had Disowned My Son Jagjit Singh By The Newspaper 'The Daily Pioneer Of Dt. 02.09.2023'. Now Jagjit Singh Is In My Control. So I Cancelled The Above Disowned Notice. Now Jagiit Singh Have All The Rights On My Moveable And Property. Immoveable Concerned Please Note.
- I, Ram Karan S/o Fagga Ram R/o VPO Lohsimbli Teh Rajpura Distt Patiala declare that my Daughter Simran are out of my control so I evict her all my Moveable immoveable property anyone dealing with her at their own risk.

- I, Lakhwinder Pathak S/o Late Rajkumar R/o #4419, Sham Nagar Rajpura Distt Patiala declare that my son Gaurav Pathak And his wife Vidhi Kaushal are out of my control so I evict them all my Moveable immoveable property anyone dealing with them at their own
- I, Mukhtiar Singh S/o kaka Singh resident of VPO. Badhata Tehsil Tapa District Barnala declare affidavit. That my daughter Mukdeep Kaur is out of my control. So we disown her from my all movable/mmovable property. Anybody deal with them at their own risk. or my family will not be responsible.
- ਅਸੀ ਜੋਗਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੈਣੀ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਮੋਹਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਤੇ ਕੁਲਦੀਪ ਕੌਰ ਪਤਨੀ ਜੋਗਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੈਣੀ ਵਾਸੀਆਨ ਨਜਦੀਕ ਗੌਰਮਿੰਟ ਗਰਲ ਹਾਈ ਸਕੂਲ ਹਾਜੀਪੁਰ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ-ਮੁਕੇਰੀਆਂ, ਜਿਲਾ ਹੁਸ਼ਿਆਰਪੁਰ ਨੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਲੜਕੇ ਅਸ਼ੀ ਸੈਣੀ ਤੇ ਨੂੰਹ ਦਿਖਸ਼ਾ ਰਾਣੀ ਨੂੰ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੋਣ ਕਰਕੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਚਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਹੈ। ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ

PUBLIC NOTICE

- I, Jaswinder Kaur Widow of No 01261652P Ex Hav Malkiat Singh Village Chanauta Po. Jhingar Kalan Tehsil Dasuya Distt Hoshiarpur Punjab declare that in my Husband Army's record My Date of Birth Written 02-04-1961 Wrongly. Actually My Date of Birth is 15-05-1959 as per My Documents record.
- I, Sanjeev Kumar Goyal s/o Baldev Krishan R/o 4063, Aggarwal Colony, Raikot, Distt. Ludhiana, hereby declare that I also known as Sanjeev Kumar & Sanjeev Goyal. That I am the same person with three names Sanjeev Kumar Goyal, Sanjeev Goyal & Sanjeev Kumar.
- I, Nirmal Rani Nangla W/o Kuldeep Singh Nangla R/o Vpo Amargarh, Teh-Nawanshahr Distt S.B.S Nagar Pb India Now At 1 Woodhouse Cliff Leeds LS6 2HF UK, I Have Change My Name From Nirmal Rani Nangla To Nirmala Rani Nangla.
- I, Uma wife of Army No. JC312629W Rank Sub K Velmurugan of Unit 15 Engr Regt,C/o 56 APO Bathinda Cantt hereby declare that I have changed my name UMA to UMA N vide Affidavit Series No.-IN-PB22028197051358W
- I, Army No JC312629W Rank Sub K Velmurugan of Unit 15 Engr Regt,C/o 56 APO Bathinda Cantt have changed my son name from V Santhosh Kumar to Santhosh Kumar V vide affidavit Series No. IN-PB22028817688427W
- I, Army No JC312629W
 Rank Sub K Velmurugan of Unit
 15 Engr Regt,C/o 56 APO
 Bathinda Cantt have changed
 my daughter name from
 Deepika to Deepika V vide
 affidavit Series No. INPB22028415681567W
- I, Harjeet Singh S/O Lal Singh Allas Lal Chand Residence Of Brahama Shah Bhangala , Tehsil Mukerian Distt. Hoshiarpur Declare That In My Passport No. E9350285 My Father Name Is Written As Lal Singh Allas Lal Chand, And Lal Singh And Lal Chand Are The Name Of One And Same Person.
- I, Baldev Krishan S/o Joginder Pal R/o Mandi Harzi Ram Malout (Sri Muktsar Sahib) declare that my father have known by name of Joginder Paul.
- I, Savita d/o Ashok Kumar resident Gurdaspur do hereby solemnly declare that by mistake in Matriculation Examination held in 1999 under Roll No. 843273 my name written Shveta instead of Savita. Concerned note.
- I, Ranbir Singh (Existing Name of father as per Service documents), father of No. 14851691X Hav Paramjit (Name of Son) resident of VPO Bahu Akbarpur, Teh. & Distt. Rohtak, Haryana (Address) have changed my Name from Ranbir Singh (Existing Name of father as per Service Documents) to Ranveer (proposed/Adopted New Name) vide Affidavit dated 03/06/2024 at Notary Public Rohtak (Place).

CHANGE OF NAME

- I, Harjinder Singh Brar Son Of Manjit Singh Resident Of Village Thande Wala District Sri Muktsar Sahib Have Changed My Name From Harjinder Singh Brar To Harjinder Singh.
- I, Rajesh Bansal S/O Ishwar Chand Resident Of 129/380, Bazar No. 01, Bangali Ahata Ferozepur Cantt Have Changed My Name To Rajesh Kumar.

- I, Nirmala Singh Is Legally Mother Of Gaurav Kumar Singh And Resident At Village Teonthar, Jaisa Ward No.8, Post Teonthar, Tehsil Teonthar, District Rewa State M.P, Pin 486220 Have Changed My Name From Nirmala Devi To Nirmala Singh Vide Affidavit Dated 01 June 2024 Before At Notray Ferozepur.
- I, Pillakatvala Sreedevi
 Legally Spouse Of Pillakatvala
 Sreenivasulu And Resident Of
 Gangayapalli (Village)
 E.Ramapuram (Post),
 Kalasapadu (Tehsil), Kadapa
 (District), Pin 516217, Have
 Changed My Name From
 Pillakathhula Sreedevi To
 Pillakatvala Sreedevi Vide
 Affidavit Dated 02 June 2024
 Before At Notray Ferozepur.
- I, Arti Singh Spouse of No. 15209906H, Rank Hav Name Manoranjan Kumar Singh Resident at Govind Nagar PO, Ratu District Ranchi Pin 835222 State Jharkhand have changed my name from Arti Kumari to Arti Singh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 before at Notary Ferozepur.
- I, No. 15209906H, Rank Hav Name Manoranjan Kumar Singh Resident at Govind Nagar PO, Ratu District Ranchi Pin 835222 State Jharkhand have changed my minor son name from Maan to Maan Singh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 before at Notary Ferozepur.
- I, Naresh Kumar S/o Raghuveer Singh R/o H.N. 117, VPO Siun, Tehsil Sangrah, District Sirmour H.P. has changed my Daughter's Name from Ayisha chauhan to Abhira chauhan whose date of birth is 30-09-2021 and registered in birth record of Dr.Y.S.P.G.M.C. Nahan. All Concerned to note.
- I, Aman Paul Dawar S/o Sh. Satpal Dawar R/o H.No. 2843, H.I.G. Sector-15, Housing Board Colony, Sonipat have changed my name to Aman Dawar for all future purposes.
- I, Pradeep S/o Rampal R/o 414, Badh Khalsa (41), P.O. Rai, Sonipat, Haryana have changed my name to Pradeep Dahiya for all future purposes.
- I, Daljit Singh Bains S/o Bant Singh R/o VPO Chhachhrauli, Leda Road, Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Daljit Singh Bains to Daljit Singh.
- I, Namesh Kumar S/o Ved Parkash R/o 543-L, Model Town, Yamuna Nagar have changed my name Namesh Kumar to Namesh Kumar Mittal S/o Ved Parkash.
- I, Yousaf Ali Khan S/o Makin Mohmad R/o Village Antari, Tehsil Bilaspur, Distt Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Yousaf Ali Khan to Yusuf Ali Khan.
- I, Praveen Kumar Mittal s/o Sh. Kamal Kishore Mittal, R/o # 3161, Sector 27-D, Chandigarh have changed my name to Parveen Kumar.
- I, Aman Preet Kaur Bhatia W/o Dalbir Singh R/o 805, Gali no. 5, Prem Nagar, Jagadhri, Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Aman Preet Kaur Bhatia to Amanpreet Kaur.
- I, Ghanshyam Dass S/o Hansraj Malik R/o 533 L/R, Model Town, Sarni Chowk, Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Ghanshyam Dass to Ghanshyam Dass Malik.
- I, Manju Dhiman W/o Suresh Kumar R/o Village Kandroli, PO Gumthala Rao, Distt Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Manju Dhiman to Manju Devi.
- I, Suresh Kumar Dhiman S/o Tara Chand R/o Village Kandroli, PO Gumthala Rao, Distt Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Suresh Kumar Dhiman to Suresh Kumar.
- I, Priyanka Gupta d/o Rajender Kumar Gupta r/o #229 Sector-13 Extension, Urban Estate, Karnal have changed my daughter's name from Prisha Goyal to Prisha Gupta. In future, she should be known as Prisha Gupta.
- I, Dharam Shila Devi Mother of Saurabh Parasar R/o VPO Chanda Kewatiya, Bhojpur, Bihar have changed my name from Dharam Shila Devi to Kalawati Devi vide Affidavit Dated 31-05-2024 before Notary, Distt. Court Chandigarh.
- I, Sarabjeet D/o Gurdip Singh W/o Mukesh Kumar R/o L-1/186, Gali No. 6, New Kapoor Nagar, Sultanwind Road, Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Sarabjeet to Sarabjit Kaur.

- I, Shalini Kashyap D/O Ravinder Kumar R/O Kathog, PO-Salogra, Distt-Solan(H.P) have changed my name to Shalini Sharma.
- I, Ravinder Sharma S/O Chuni Lal Sharma, Ghabroo Niwas, Tehsil-Solan, Kathog, Salogra, H.P have changed my name to Ravinder Kumar.
- I, Sunita D/o Lok Nath Pokhrel W/o Vishnu Para Juli # 80, Sector 9B, Chandigarh have changed my name to Sunita Para Juli.
- I, Sultan Malik S/o Mohamad Yasin # 2007/2, Small Flats, Maloya, Chandigarh have changed my name to Ali Assan.
- I, Nathu Ram S/o Ram Sarup, # 2049, Phase - 2, Ram Darbar Chandigarh have changed my name from Nathu Ram to Nathu.
- I, Anita Devi W/o Nathu, # 2049, Phase - 2, Ram Darbar Chandigarh have changed my name from Anita Devi to Anita.
- I, Army no: 2704933L L/HAV Dina Nath S/O Nar Singh R/O Majhkhal Distt Mandi HP declare that in my army service records my wife name is entered as Indira Devi, but actual name of my wife is Indra Devi. All concerns please note.
- I, Surinder Singh S/o Kidar Singh R/o H.No- 5113-B, Sector-38 West chandigarh have changed my name to Surinder Singh Mahara.
- I, Sushil Kr Goel s/o Late Gopi Ram Goyal R/O #3089 Sector 22D Chandigarh have changed my name from Sushil Kr Goel to Sushil Kumar Goyal.
- lal Khurana R/o 1204 Sector 12 Huda Panipat declare that I have changed my name from Prem Lata to Prem Rani for all purposes.

Lal R/o 1204 Sector 12 Huda

Panipat declare that I have

- changed my name from Manohar Lal to Manohar Lal Khurana for all purposes.

 I, Pulkit S/o Manohar lal Khurana R/o 1204 Sector 12 Huda Panipat declare that I have changed my name from Pulkit to
- Pulkit Khurana for all purposes.

 I, Vibhor Gupta s/o. Sh.
 Vinod Kumar r.o. 2421/15 ward
 no.15 partly new housing board
 colony declare that vibhor and
 vibhor Gupta both are my
 names. And I have changed my
 name from Vibhor to Vibhor
- Gupta for all future purposes.

 I, Ritu w/o Shri Sunil Kumar
 R/O #1580 Sector 23B
 Chandigarh have changed my
 name from Ritu to Ritu Rani
- I, Parvati, Mother of No 8038442A LNK (GD) Chandrakant Hirekurabar resident of Vill & PO-Kumbarahalla, Teh-Jamkhandi, Dist- Bagalkot (KA) have changed my Name from Parvati to Parvati Malakari Hirekurabar vide Affidavit dated 30.05.2024 before Basanagouda V.Patil Notery in Dated 30.09.2024.
- Notery in Dated 30.09.2024.

 I, Malakari, Father of No 8038442A LNK (GD) Chandrakant Hirekurabar resident of Vill & PO-Kumbarahalla, Teh-Jamkhandi, Dist- Bagalkot (KA) have changed my Name from Malakari to Malakari Muttappa Hirekurubar vide Affidavit dated 30.05.2024 before Basanagouda V.Patil Notery in
- Dated 30.09.2024.

 I, Sangeeta Tiwari Wife of JC-384952F Subedar Major Vivekananda Tiwari Resident of Village Kargil, Post Amarwah, Tehsil Gopad Banas District Sidhi Madhya Pradesh India inform that in my husband service records my name wrongly recorded Sagitha Tiwari instead of Sangeeta Tiwari. My correct name is Sangeeta Tiwari.
- I, Sunny s/o Randhir Singh r/o Village Garhpur Khalsa, Tehsil Indri, Distt, Karnal declare that my minor son Bhagwati Sharan 10th Marksheet of my name should be changed Sunny to Sunny Kumar.
- I, Preeti Rani W/o Rajinder Kumar R/o H.No. 404, Babarpur, Panipat have changed my name from Preeti Rani to Preeti.
- I, Sarj Rani Bajaj W/o Madan Lal Bajaj R/o H.No. 3144/7, Shekhan Wala Mohalla, Near Lohari Ki Dukan, Thanesar, Kurukshetra have changed my name from Sarj Rani Bajaj to Saroj Rani.
- I, Promila, W/o Balwan Singh, R/o Village Kaserla Kalan, Tehsil Barara, District Ambala, declare that my name is mentioned in my son's school certificate, birth certificate and other documents as Promila, whereas in my Aadhaar card, my name is Promila Devi. That Promila and Promila Devi are the names of the same woman and I am the same woman related to both these names. All Concerned please note. In future I should be known by both the

- I, No. JC-449777N, Sab/Maj (Hony. Lt) Pal Singh, Unit Grenadiers RC Jabalpur (MP) s/o Birbal, r/o Bhattu Kalan, District Fatehabad, Haryana, in my army service record my spouse name wrongly mentioned as Savitri. While her correct name is Savitri Devi as per her all government documents. Now I am going to make it correct as Savitri Devi in my army service record vide affidavit 03.06.2024 before Notary Public Fatehabad.
- I, Vijay S/o Sh. Chander Bhan Asit R/o H.No. 4512, Defence Colony, Jind have changed my name from Vijay to Vijay Asit for all future purposes.
- I hitherto known as Santosh Alias Santosh Verma Alias Santosh Sehgal D/O Radhu Ram And W/O Purushottam Dass residing at H.NO. 35, Near Rohtak Road, M.C. Colony, Bhiwani, Haryana-127021 have changed my name and I shall hereafter be known as Santosh Kumari. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection.
- I, Preeti Kapoor W/o Sh. Vivek Kapoor R/o H. No.795, Sector -6, Urban Estate, Karnal have changed my name from Monica to Preeti Kapoor.
- I, Jasveer Kaur W/o Late Sh. Gurvinder Singh R/o House No. 25, Bhadola , Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh Pin 251327 have changed my name from Jasbeer Kaur to Jasveer Kaur.
- I, hitherto known as Dass Purshotam Alias Purushotam Dass Alias Parshotam Dass Verma Alias Purushottam Dass Verma S/O Shri Karam Chand residing at H.NO. 35, Near Rohtak Road, M.C. Colony, Bhiwani, Haryana-127021 have changed my name and I shall hereafter be known as Purushottam Dass. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection.
- I, Naresh Bhargav S/o Deep Chand R/o H.no. 392/22, Parbhu Nagar,Near Gopi Mandir, Rohtak Road, Sonipat have changed my name from Naresh Kumar to Naresh Bhargav for all future purposes. I, Sonia W/o Surinder
- Kumar R/o Nagar Road, Talwara, Hoshiarpur, Punjab-144216 have changed my name to Santosh Kumari. I, Pankaj Alias Pankaj Sahai Alias Pankaj Thakur S/O
- Balram Sahai Thakur R/o H No-B-1, 630/10C, Kundan Puri, Civil Lines, Ludhiana, Punjab-141001 have changed my name to Pankaj Sahai Thakur. I, Sharanjit Kaur W/o Balkar Singh R/o Vill-Purian Khurd, PO-Jaito Sarja,

Gurdaspur, Punjab-143505 have

changed my name to Sarbjit

- Kaur.

 I, Harpreet Sharma W/o
 Sanjay Sharma R/o H.No.
 1533/6, Jyoti Nagar,
 Kurukshetra, have changed my
 name from Harpreet Sharma to
 Harpreet Kaur. In future I must
 be known by the name of
- Harpreet Kaur.

 I, Ravinder Kumar S/o
 Ram Parshad R/o Village
 Udarsi, District Kurukshetra,
 have changed my daughter's
 name from Lavnya to Lavanya
 Saini. In future call her as
 Lavanya Saini.
- I, Pardeep Kumar Saini S/o Ram Kumar Saini R/o Village Udarsi, District Kurukshetra, have changed my daughter's name from Mahi to Mahi Saini. In future call her as Mahi Saini.
- I, Naseem Ahmad S/O Umar Deen R/O Village Garhi Basic Distt. Panipat I Have Changed My Name Naseem.
- I, Shmima W/O Naseem R/O Village Garhi Basic Distt. Panipat I Have Changed My Name Samina. I, Muhmmad Fajil S/O

Najim R/O Village Patthargarh

Distt . Panipat I Have Changed My Name Muhammad Fajil I, Mohmmad Fajil S/O Najim R/O Village Patthargarh Distt . Panipat I Have Changed

My Name Muhammad Fajil

- I, Ansh Chhibber S/O Gautam Chhibber R/O H.No-1322 New Basti Nadi Mohalla Ambala City Have Changed My Name From Ansh To Ansh Chhibber. I. Balram S/O Ram Daval
- R/O H.No-205, 3,3,3 Anandpur, Jalbeda (121) Ambala, Haryana 134003 Have Changed My Name From Balram To Balram Singh. All Concerned Please Note.
- I, Veermati W/O Shri Ram Pratap R/O Kathgarh, Tehsil & Distt. Ambala Inform That Nirmal & Veermati Are One & The Same Lady.

- I, Janveer Singh, ExServiceman No. 15764079, N
 Rank HAV (OPR), S/o Jai Lal R/o
 village Bhirdana Tehsil and
 District Fatehabad, declare that
 My wife's name is Neelam Rayka
 recorded in my army discharge
 book. Whereas my wife's name
 is Neelam registered in school
 records and ID proof, which is
 correct. Now I want to get my
 wife's name corrected as
 Neelam instead of Neelam
 Rayka in my said discharge
 book.
- I, Hitherto Known As Jagdip Kaur Alias Rajpreet Kaur Gill Wife Of Gurcharan Singh Gill Residing At Village Wara Jawahar Singhwala, District Ferozepur-142050 Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Jagdip Kaur Gill.
- Road, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Subhash Dua To Subhash Chander Dua I, Paramjit Kaur W/O Manjinder Singh R/O Village Vpo Khairdinke, Tehsil & District Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name

Raj Dua R/O H.No.21, Street

No.7, New Green Field, Majitha

- From Paramjit Kaur To Parmjit Kaur

 I, Lakhwinder Kaur W/O
 Jagir Singh R/O Village Bhuchar
 Kalan Tehsil And District Tarn
 Taran Have Changed My Name
 From Lakhwinder Kaur To Ninder
- I, Tarsem Singh S/O
 Mahinder Singh R/O Kapurthala
 Chowk Vpo Goindwal Sahib
 Tehsil Khadur Sahib District Tarn
 Taran Have Changed My Minor
 Son's Name From Samrath Pal
 Singh To Samrth Pal Singh
 I, Parwinder Sodhi W/O
- Link Road, Near Bebak Academy Bye Pass, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Parwinder Sodhi To Parwinder Kaur

 I Gurpreet Singh S/O Jasbir Singh R/O Vill Kalewal Po Ladhewal Distt Amritsar

143001punjab, India Declare

That Gurpreet Is My Given Name

Dalbir Singh R/O H.No.5, Daburji

- And Singh Is My Surname

 I, Jeegnabahen Saunak
 Shah D/O Gulabbhai Tarachand
 Shan Ex Wife Of Saunak
 Rajendrakumar Shah R/O
 H.No.18/15, Shivpuri Road, Tung
 Bala Majitha Road, Amritsar
 Have Changed My Name From
 Jeegnabahen Saunak Shah To
 Jeegnabahen Shah
- I, Supreet Singh S/O Ranjit Singh R/O Vpo Gehri Mandi, Near Railway Station, Jandiala Guru Amritsar Have Changed My Name Supreet Is My Given Name And Singh Is My Surname I. No.15578739f Hav/Dsv

Chattar Singh Unit 270, Eng.

Regt. C/O 56 Apo Have

Changed My Mother's Balwinder

- Kaur Date Of Birth From 02.04.1957 To 02.04.1950.

 I, No.15578739f Hav/Dsv Chattar Singh Unit 270, Eng. Regt. C/O 56 Apo Have Changed My Father's Sukhdev Singh Date Of Birh From
- I. Varinder Kaur Sohal W/O Gurmeet Singh R/O Guru Ram Dass Colony, Naraingarh, Chheharta, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Varinder Kaur Sohal To Varinder Kaur
- I Sukhjit Singh S/O Balwinder Singh R/O Vpo Bath Distt Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name From Sukhjit Singh To Sukhjeet Singh
- I Gurpartap Singh Son Of Kuldeep Singh R/O Vill. Kandowali P.O. Chetanpura Tehsil Ajnala Distt. Amritsar Punjab. Have Declare That Singh Is My Surname And Gurpartap Is My Given Name.
- I Japneet Arora W/O Karan Ahuja R/O Hno 63 C Daya Nanad Nagar Gali No 3 Lawrence Road Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Japneet Arora To Japneet Arora Ahuja After Marriage I, Kamaljeet Singh S/O
- Harbhajan Singh R/O 113-B, Ward No.31, Rana Garden, G.T Road, Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Kamaljeet Singh To Kamajit Singh
- In My Son No. 4202549 L/Nk Arvind Kumar, 21 Kumaon Services Documents My Name Wrongly Written As Laxmin Devi, Which Needs To Be Corrected As Laxmi Devi. Laxmi Devi Resident Of Khadiya, Nainiha, Bahraich, Uttar Pradesh
- I, Mandip Singh s/o
 Kulwant Singh r/o Village Lehal
 PO Dhariwal Distt Gurdaspur
 (Pb) have changed my minor
 sons's name from Ekampreet
 Singh to Singh as Surname and
 Ekampreet as given name.
 Concerned note.

- I, Mandip Singh s/o Kulwant Singh r/o Village Lehal PO Dhariwal Distt Gurdaspur (Pb) have changed my minor daughter's name from Arwinpreet Kaur to Kaur as Surname and Arwinpreet as given name. Concerned note.
- I, Bhagwant Singh s/o
 Wassan Singh r/o Village
 Warraich PO Nainokot Distt
 Gurdaspur (Pb) have changed
 my name from Bhagwant Singh
 to Singh as Surname and
 Bhagwant as given name.
 Concerned note.
- I, Bhagwant Singh s/o
 Wassan Singh r/o Village
 Warraich PO Nainokot Distt
 Gurdaspur (Pb) have changed
 my minor daughter's name from
 Manreet Kaur to Kaur as
 Surname and Manreet as given
 name. Concerned note.
- I, Bhagwant Singh s/o
 Wassan Singh r/o Village
 Warraich PO Nainokot Distt
 Gurdaspur (Pb) have changed
 my minor daughter's name from
 Harsimrat Kaur to Kaur as
 Surname and Harsimrat as
 given name. Concerned note.
- I, Bhupinder Kour w/o Sukhwinder Singh r/o Village Chhotepur (Gurdaspur) have changed my name to Bhupinder Kaur. Concerned note.
- I, Joginder Kour w/o Sucha Singh r/o Village Chhotepur (Gurdaspur) have changed my name to Joginder Kaur. Concerned note.
- I, Arshdeep Singh S/o
 Gurmej Singh R/o Vill: Bariar,
 P.O.: Dhandoi, Teh. Batala, Distt.
 Gurdaspur declare that
 Arshdeep is my given name and
 Singh is my Surname.
 Concerned Note.

 I, Ankush Garg S/o Rajesh
- Pal R/o Old Anaj Mandi, Pundri, Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) declares that I have changed my name from Ankush to Ankush Garg. In future, I will be known by the name of Ankush Garg. All concerned please note.
- I, Neetu Devi W/o Sanjeev Kumar R/o Village Kheri Sikander, Tehsil Pundri, Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) declares that I have changed my name from Nitu Devi to Neetu Devi. In future, I will be known by the name of Neetu Devi. All concerned please note.
- Malerkotla Distt Malerkotla, have changed my name to Arjan Singh.

 I Babita Rani W/o Vijay Kumar (D/o Hari Kishan), H.No: Block 5-Q, Nangal (Rupnagar)

Chand R/o New Dana Mandi

I, Arjun Singh S/o Khem

have changed my name Babita Sharma.

I, Ram Nath S/o Daulat Ram, H.No.264-C, Mohalla Ram Nagar, Nangal (Rupnagar) have changed my name Ram Nath

Sharma.

- I, hitherto known as Ghansham son of Ramji Dass R/o VPO.Tahliwala Jattan, Fazilka 152123 Pb, have changed name and shall hereafter be known as Ghansham Sharma
- I, hitherto known as Seema vyas wife of Vasu Dev Joshi (daughter of Kheem Raj Vyas) R/o Joshiyon Ka Uparla Vas, Barmer 344001, Raj, have changed name and shall hereafter be known as Seema Joshi.
- I, Ashok Kumar S/o sh baldev singh R/o HTMCW 1223/30W near bhagyashali printing press Azad nagar kurukshetra has changed my name Ashok Kumar Sharma to Ashok Kumar. I, Dinesh Panghal S/o Sh.

Surendra Singh Panghal R/o H.

No. 765, Sector-13, Hisar,

Haryana declare that I have changed my name from Dinesh Panghal to Dinesh Kumar Panghal for all future purpose.

I, Arvind Sharma S/o Sh. Somdutt Vadya, R/o # 574, Sector 13, Hisar 125001 do hereby declare that I have

changed my name from Arvind

Kumar to Arvind Sharma for all

future purposes.

- I, Manish Garg S/o Sajjan Kumar R/o H. No. 1245, Urban Estate II, Hisar (Haryana) 125001 declare that I have changed my name from Manish Garg to Manish Kumar for future purpose.
- I, Rajnish S/o Vijay Kumar R/o H. No. 1726, Ward No. 15, Katek Mohala, Barwa (133), Distt. Bhiwani Haryana 127045 declare that I have changed my name from Rajnish to Rajnish Chawla for all future purpose.
- I, Manish Garg S/o Sajjan Kumar R/o H. No. 1245, Urban Estate II, Hisar (Haryana) 125001 declare that I have changed my name from Manish Garg to Manish Kumar for future purpose.

- I, Dinesh Panghal S/o Sh. Surendra Singh Panghal R/o H. No. 765, Sector-13, Hisar, Haryana declare that I have changed my name from Dinesh Panghal to Dinesh Kumar Panghal for all future purpose.
- I, Om Pal s/o Budh Ram r/o VPO Nissing, Sub Tehsil Nissing, Karnal, Haryana have changed my name from Ompal to Om Pal. In future I should be known as Om Pal.
- I, JC 423588M Sub Ismail Huded P/o 8 Mech Inf C/o 56 APO have changed my daughter's name from Sumayya to Sumayya Huded in my Army Service Records vide affidavit dt. 04.05.2024 before Advocate & Notary Bagalkot (Karnataka).
- I, Neelam W/o Sandeep Kumar R/o VPO Bhaklana (94), Hisar, Haryana-125038 have changed my name from Neelam Rani to Neelam for all purposes in future.
- I, Army No. 3208014F Hav Ishwer Singh S/o Dayaram R/o Vill Bambaliwas, Tehsil Bhadra, Distt. Hanumangarh (Raj) declare that my mother's name Lilawati has been wrongly mentioned in my Army Service Record but my mother's correct & actual name is Lilavati which may be amended accordingly.
- R/o VPO Bure, Distt. Hisar Haryana 125001 declare that I have changed my name from Mukhad to Mukesh Devi for all future purpose.

 I, hitherto known as Nidhi Arora alias Nidhi Bhatia W/O Sourav Bhatia residing at Village

Gurah Khurd Po Madhopur Disti

Pathankot Puniab have changed

I, Mukhad W/o Surender

- my name and shall hereafter be known as Nidhi Bhatia. I Harpal Singh S/O Charan R/O Dogri Road, New Hargobind Nagar, Jalandhar Have Changed My Name From Harpal To Harpal Singh.
- I Harjinder Singh Brar Son Of Manjit Singh Resident Of Village Thande Wala District Sri Muktsar Sahib Have Changed My Name From Harjinder Singh Brar To Harjinder Singh.
- I Rajesh Bansal S/O Ishwar Chand Resident Of 129/380, Bazar No. 01, Bangali Ahata Ferozepur Cantt Have Changed My Name To Rajesh Kumar.
- I, Nirmala Singh Is Legally Mother Of Gaurav Kumar Singh And Resident At Village Teonthar, Jaisa Ward No.8, Post Teonthar, Tehsil Teonthar, District Rewa State M.P, Pin 486220 Have Changed My Name From Nirmala Devi To Nirmala Singh Vide Affidavit Dated 01 June 2024 Before At Notray Ferozepur.
- I, Pillakatvala Sreedevi Legally Spouse Of Pillakatvala Sreenivasulu And Resident Of Gangayapalli (Village) E.Ramapuram (Post), Kalasapadu (Tehsil), Kadapa (District), Pin 516217, Have Changed My Name From Pillakathhula Sreedevi To Pillakatvala Sreedevi Vide Affidavit Dated 02 June 2024
- Before At Notray Ferozepur.

 I, Arti Singh Spouse Of No. 15209906h, Rank Hav Name Manoranjan Kumar Singh Resident At Govind Nagar Po, Ratu District Ranchi Pin 835222 State Jharkhand Have Changed My Name From Arti Kumari To Arti Singh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 Before At Notary
- I, No. 15209906h, Rank Hav Name Manoranjan Kumar Singh Resident At Govind Nagar Po, Ratu District Ranchi Pin 835222 State Jharkhand Have Changed My Minor Son Name From Maan To Maan Singh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024
- Before At Notary Ferozepur.

 I, 15619716x, Rank: Hav Sushanta Kumar Mishra Unit: 14 Guards C/O 56 Apo Resident Of Pranadeipur Hatiota, Kabisuryanagar, Ganjam, Odisha, 761117 Declare That In My Sheet Roll My Mother's Name Wrongly Entered Sunita Mishra But Her Correct Name Is Sunati Mishra.
- I, Harpreet Kaur C/O Baghel Singh R/O H.No. 155, Harjinder Grewal Enclave, Sular, Patiala Declare That Harpreet Kour And Harpreet Kaur Both Names Are Mine And Of One Same Person.
- I, Kuldip Singh S/O Sh. No. 1567266x, Ex Hav Rajbir R/O H No. 911, Ward No. 5, Sunder Savari Colony Sonipat, District Sonipat (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Kuldeep Singh To Kuldip Singh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 Before Sonipat (Haryana) Court. In Future I Should Be Known As Only Kuldip Singh.

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Counting of votes at 117 centres, set up at 27 locations in Punjab

The counting of votes for the 13 Lok Sabha seats in Punjab, conducted on June 1, will begin at 8 am on Tuesday at 117 counting centres, set up in 48 buildings at 27 locations across the state. To oversee the counting process, 64 counting observers, drawn from all-India services and civil services cadre of various states, have been appointed.

The state's Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) Sibin C on Monday announced that a team of 64 counting observers has been appointed to oversee the counting process and these experienced officials are tasked with ensuring transparency, efficiency, and strict adherence to the guidelines set by the Election Commission of İndia.

Detailing the arrangements, Sibin C highlighted that while most counting centers are situated at district headquarters, seven are locat-

cated disaster response battalion espe-

cially trained and equipped to deal with

The state has reported 1318 fire inci-

dents this year so far, affecting 12,718

Dhuri, Chhokra Rahon-Nawanshahr, and Khooni Majra (Kharar). Counting will not take place at the district headquarters in Sangrur and Nawanshahr.

'The security of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) in the strong rooms at these counting centers has been given utmost priority. These strong rooms are secured with a double-lock system and are under continuous CCTV surveillance," said the CEO. Representatives of political parties and authorized personnel can monitor the security via LED screens placed outside each strong room, displaying live footage of the sur-

A visitor register is maintained to record all visits, and an official conducts daily inspections to ensure compliance with protocols. "A comprehensive three-tier security system has been implemented ed outside, including Ajnala, around the counting centers. Congress leader and former

accredited individuals, and CCTV cameras provide extensive monitoring. Quick response teams are in place to manage any incidents promptly, ensuring the integrity of the electoral process," said the

Notably, Punjab recorded a voter turnout of 62.80 percent during the polling on Saturday, a decline of 3.16 percent compared to the 65.96 percent turnout in 2019.

Bathinda witnessed the highest turnout at 69.36 percent, while Amritsar recorded the lowest at 56.06 percent.

The focus would be on prominent faces such as BJP's Preneet Kaur, SAD's Harsimrat Kaur Badal, former chief minister Charanjit Singh Channi and state Congress chief Amrinder Singh Raja Warring who are contesting the polls. The stakes were also high for other heavyweights like the BJP's Ravneet Singh Bittu and

Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa. Another contest that will be watched closely is the Khadoor Sahib Lok Sabha seat where radical Sikh preacher Amritpal Singh, lodged in Assam's Dibrugarh jail under the Among its 13 candidates, AAP had fielded five cabinet National Security Act (NSA), is in the fray as an Independent candidate.Bathinda witnessed the highest turnout at 69.36 percent while Amritsar record-

the Election Commission data. Among the prominent faces, BJP nominee and fourtime MP Preneet Kaur is seeking re-election from the Patiala parliamentary constituency. Harsimrat Kaur Badal, a threetime MP, and the BJP's Parampal Kaur Sidhu, a former IAS officer, are trying their luck from Bathinda. Congress' Channi and BJP

ed the lowest at 56.06, as per

nominee Sushil Rinku were in the fray from the Jalandhar reserved constituency. Punjab Congress chief Warring conthe fray from Gurdaspur. Former diplomat and BJP nominee Taranjit Singh Sandhu contested from Amritsar against sitting MP and Congress candidate Gurjeet Singh Auila.

ministers -- Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal (Amritsar), Laljit Singh Bhullar (Khadoor Sahib), Gurmeet Singh Khuddian (Bathinda), Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer (Sangrur) and Balbir Singh (Patiala). Congress candidate Sukhpal Khaira contested from Sangrur while AAP's Karamjit Singh Anmol and the BJP's Hans Raj Hans were in the fray from the Faridkot seat.SAD (Amritsar) chief Simranjit Singh Mann contested from Sangrur and Sarabjeet Singh Khalsa, the son of Beant Singh, one of the two assassins of late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, fought from the Faridkot reserved

constituency.

HP to form a dedicated wildfire response battalion with executing immediate initiatives to

> incidents. The forest department asked to get a study conducted from a government

91 Counting Centres for Lok Sabha and Karnal Assembly by-Poll in Haryana: CEO

PNS CHANDIGARH

Haryana Chief Electoral Officer Anurag Agarwal on Monday said that the counting of votes for the Haryana Lok Sabha elections and the Karnal Assembly by-election will begin at 8 AM at as many as 91 Counting Centres across the State. The counting of postal ballots at the Returning Officer's counting centre will begin before the EVM counting. Slips from five randomly selected VVPATs will be matched in the presence of

counting agents, he added. The CEO said that all necessary preparations have been completed to ensure the counting process is carried out efficiently and peacefully. The Election Commission of India has appointed counting observers at all counting centres to monitor the counting process. He informed that for any information or complaints related to the counting, one can contact the toll-free number 0172-1950, the control room telephone 0172-2701362, or email at hry_elect@yahoo.com.

Agarwal emphasized that every official, clerk, agent, or other persons involved in recording or counting votes must maintain the confidentiality of voting. Violating this is considered a crime under Section 128 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, which can result in imprisonment for up to 3 months, a fine, or both. He said that no official connected with

the conduct of elections shall perform any act (other than voting) that furthers the prospects of any candidate's election. Any person who, without reasonable cause, breaches their official duty in connection with an election will be liable for a fine of up to Rs 500 under Section 134 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951. To ensure a peaceful vote-counting process, Director General of Police (DGP) Shatrujeet Kapur on Monday said that the Police have made stringent security measures across the state. A three-tier security system has been in place around 91 counting cen-

The first tier will be manned by Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF), the second by Haryana Armed Police (HAP) or Indian Reserve Battalion (IRB) personnel, and the third by district police officers. Over 10,000 police personnel have been deployed to ensure smooth operations at the counting centers, he added.

Kapur said at least 70 police personnel have been stationed at each counting center. Additionally, 15 companies of CAPF along with other police officers have been assigned to the counting centers. Security checkpoints have been established within a 100meter radius of these centers. CCTV cameras have been installed in all 91 strong rooms to monitor every activity closely. Unauthorized individuals are strictly prohibited from entering these areas. Police commissioners and superintendents have been instructed to adhere to guidelines issued by the Election Commission of India to maintain law and order during the counting

Vote Counting for Chandigarh LS Election to be held at Sector 26

UT Chandigarh Chief Electoral Officer Dr Vijay Namdeorao Zade on Monday said that the counting of votes for Chandigarh Parliamentary Constituency on Tuesday will take place at the Chandigarh College of Engineering and Technology (CCET), Sector 26 as per the procedure laid down by the Election Commission of India. He said that within the CCET campus, two halls have been designated for the counting process, accommodating 42 counting tables.

This setup has been strategically designed to handle the counting process effectively, with an anticipated 15 rounds of counting, he added. According to a statement, each hall has the necessary infrastructure and security arrangements to facilitate a transparent and orderly process. In addition to the regular counting tables, special provisions have been made for the Electronically Transmitted Postal Ballot System (ETPBS). The counting of postal ballots will commence at 8 am followed by the votes polled in the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) at 8.30 am, he added.

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Counting of 4 LS and 6 Assembly by-polls of Himachal today

forest fire incidents.

PNS SHIMLA

As Himachal Pradesh is reporting hundreds of wildfire incidents this year, Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said Monday the state government is contemplating to form a dedicated disaster response battalion especially trained and equipped to deal with forest fire incidents.

The state has reported 1318 fire incidents this year so far, affecting 12,718 hectares of land including 2,789 hectares of plantation area, causing a pre-liminary financial loss of Rs 4.61 crore.

The chief minister expressed serious concern over these incidents and directed the forest department to take concerted efforts to address the

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Speaker accepts resignations of 3 Independent MLAs in Himachal

Shimla: Himachal Pradesh Assembly Speaker Kuldeep Singh Pathania on Monday accepted the resignation of three Independent MLAs who had voted in favour of the BJP candidate in the Rajya Sabha polls.

"Resignations have been accepted and these three MLAs cease to be members of the 14th Vidhan Sabha with immediate effect," Pathania said. Independent MLAs Hoshiyar Singh (Dehra), Ashish Sharma (Hamirpur) and K L Thakur (Nalagarh) had voted in favour of BJP candidate Harsh Mahajan in the February 27 Rajva Sabha elections along with six Congress rebels. Three MLAs resigned from the assembly on March 22 but the speaker did not accept their resignations, saying that he had received a representation from Congress legislative party that they had resigned under duress and not voluntarily.

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Hry Govt to launch Rs 10,000-cr project to combat air pollution

Haryana Chief Secretary TVSN Prasad on Monday said that the State Government is preparing Rs 10,000 crore Haryana Clean Air Project for Sustainable Development which will be implemented in the State in a phased manner. In the first phase, the project will be implemented in NCR districts of the State and later, it will be replicated in the entire State. Prasad said this in the Governing Committee meeting of Haryana Clean Air Project for Sustainable Development held under his Chairmanship. He said the World Bank would fund this ten-year comprehensive project.

However, assistance from NABARD and HUDCO would also be taken to implement the

project effectively. While underlining significance of Haryana Clean Air Project for Sustainable Development, Prasad said need for collective efforts by all stakeholders to eliminate the problem of air pollution. He said State has significantly strengthened its institutions for air quality measurement and monitoring. Four state sample-testing laboratories have been established in the State. Apart from this, 29 Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations (CAAQM) stations and 39 Manual Ambient Air Quality Monitoring (MAAQM) stations are operational in different districts. The State will build on its current infrastructure by expanding the AQ monitoring network, setting-up a command control centre, and increasing resource capacity and citizen engagement, he added.

Punjab Speaker accepts AAP MLA Angural's resignation, despite his 'withdrawal' request

PNS CHANDIGARH

Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan on Monday conveyed that he had accepted the resignation of Jalandhar West MLA Sheetal Angural. The announcement comes a day after Angural had moved a request to withdraw his resignation. Upset over the development, Angural has indi-cated potential legal action as his next step. Angural, who represented the Jalandhar West constituency as Aam Aadmi Party MLA, tendered his resignation to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker on March 28, just a day after he joined the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). Alongside him, the then Jalandhar MP Sushil Rinku, and former AAP leader, also resigned and joined the saffron party to become its candidate for the Jalandhar Lok Sabha As per the information pro-

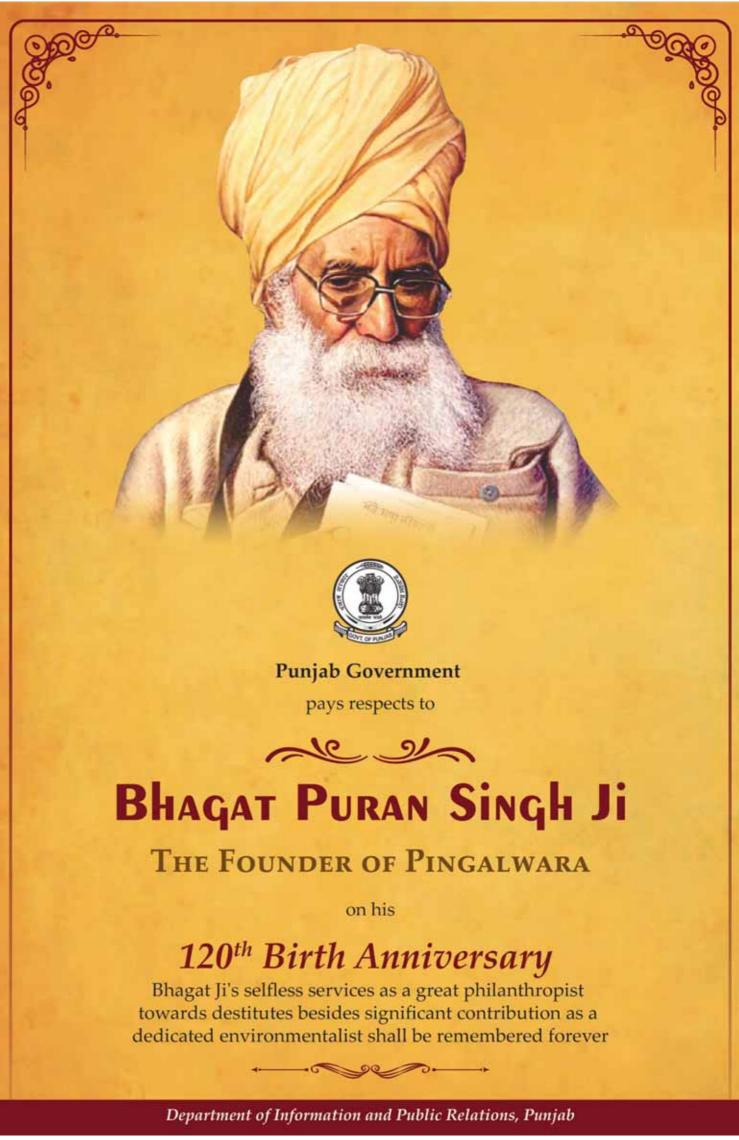
vided, the official acceptance of Angural's resignation by Speaker Sandhwan took place on May 30, with a formal notion May 30, with a formal notification issued the following day on May 31 — that is a day before the polls. The notification state 1 "". tion stated, "It is notified that consequent upon the acceptance of resignation of Sheetal Angural, MLA, the seat of 34-Jalandhar West (SC) assembly constituency in the Punjab Legislative Assembly has fallen vacant with effect from May 30, 2024."Unaware of the same, Angural wrote to the Speaker on Sunday — a day after the polling — urging the with-drawal of his resignation. In his

letter, Angural expressed his

desire to avoid imposing an additional financial burden on the exchequer by necessitating a by-election for the Jalandhar West seat. He argued that his withdrawal was in the best interest of fiscal prudence and the constituency's stability. However, the Speaker

maintained that the resignation had been processed and accepted according to the legislative procedures, making it effective from the specified date. This firm stance by the Speaker has left Angural with no option but to consider legal recourse.

The resignation and its subsequent acceptance have significant political implications. Punjab has 117 assembly segments, with the AAP having secured a decisive victory in the 2022 assembly polls by winning



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CHANGE OF NAME

I, Amarjeet Kaur Wife Of Nirvail Singh R/O Basti Wakilan Wali, P.O Maste Ke, Tehsil & District Ferozepur, Punjab, India, 152002 Declare That In My Son Palwinder Singh (Army No 15184918k Rank Hav-307 Med Regt Pin 926307) Service Documents My Name Is Mentioned As Amearieet Kaur Which Is Wrong Whereas In My Aadhar Card My Name Is Mentioned As Amarjeet Kaur Which Is True And Correct.

I, Pramila Kumari Is Wife Of No. 15500824x Ld Vikram Singh Lamba Presently Address Unit 84 Armd Regt C/O 56 Apo Residing At Dancholi (276) Distt. Mahendragarh State Haryana Pin 153001 Have Change My Name Parmila Devi To Pramila Kumari Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 Before At Notray Ferozepur.

I, No. 2707748h, L/Nk, Parmar Nirmalsinh Navalsinh Unit Granadiers C/O 99 Apo And Resident At Village Gadhad Tehsil Muli District Surendarnagar, Gujarat, Pin 363510 Have Changed My Name Minor Son Name From Parmar Harshvardhansinh Parmar Harshvardhansinh Nirmalsinh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 Before At Notary Ferozepur

I, Parmar Sangitaba Nirmalsinh, Spouse Of No. 2707748h, L/Nk, Parmar Nirmalsinh Navalsinh Unit 19 Granadiers C/O 99 Apo And Resident At Village Gadhad Tehsil Muli District Surendarnagar, Gujarat, Pin 363510 Have Changed My Name From Sangitaba To Parmar Sangitaba Nirmalsinh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 Before At Notary Ferozepur

I, No. 2707748h, L/Nk, Parmar Nirmalsinh Navalsinh Unit Granadiers C/O 99 Apo And Resident At Village Gadhad Tehsil Muli District Surendarnagar, State Gujarat, Pin 363510 Have Changed My Name Minor Daughter Name From Priyanshiba To Parmar Priyanshiba Nirmalsinh Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 Before At Notary Ferozepur.

I, Pushpalatha Is Mother Of No.15525104f. Swr, Sanoop K Of Unit 90 Armd Regt C/O 56 Apo Residing At Sharanya Puthoopara, Nivas. Thazham, Melechira, Post Arakinar District Kozhikode, State Kerala Pin 673028 Have Changed Mγ Name From Pushpalatha Pushpalatha Vide Affidavit Dated 03 June 2024 Before At Notary

Ferozepur. I. Hitherto Known As Kalwinder Rani Wife Of Harbhaian Singh Resident Of House No. 143 Ward No. 12. Arora Mohalla. Bhogour District Jalandhar Puniab. 144201. Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Kulwinder Rani It Is Certified That I Have Complied With Other Legal Requirements In This Connection.

I Parvinder Kaur W/O Gurbhajan Singh R/O #492. Ambala Road. Ward No.4 Sodhi Farm Village Bishanpura Zirakpur Declare That Kuljeet Kaur And Parvinder Kaur Both Names Of One And Same Person. I Known With Both Names

I Suresh Rani W/O Suresh Kumar R/O #B-Vii/364 Manna Wali Gali Barnala Distt Barnala Have Changed My Name From Suresh Rani To Suresh Kumari Bansal

I Suresh Kumar Vishwa Karma S/O Bansi Lal Vishwa Karma R/O #1447/7 Sector- 29 B Chandigarh Have Changed My Name To Suresh Vishwakarma S/O Bansi Lal R/O #1444/10 Sector 29 B Chandigarh.

I Kadagala Kalyani W/O Army No. 15745337n Sigmn Sanapati Venkati Naidu, Unit 10 CSR C/O 56 Apo Military Cantt. Bathinda (Punjab) Declare That On Husband Records My Name Is Sanapati Kalyani Is Wrong. But My Actual Name Is Kadagala

I Am Karan Saini, Card 377070216069, Unmarried Son Of Ex No- 2681950w, Ex-Late Nk Balraj Singh Residence Of Vill-Sajowal, Sukhsal, Anandpur Sahib. Distt-Rupnagar, State -Punjab Declare That I Want To Change My Younger Brother Name Vikash Saini

I Kavita Arora D/O Satish Kumar Mother Name Manjit Mehta W/O Anil Kumar House Number 17, Huda 395, Sector Jagadhri , Yamuna Nagar. That I Have Change My Name To Kavita Chitkara.

To Vikas Saini In My Late

Father Army Records

I. Kiran Gupta W/O Naresh Bansal Kotkapura (Faridkot) Have Changed My Bansal. R/O Labhu Ram Street, Name After Marriage Kiran.

I. Chetna Pahwa W/O Sunny Arora R/O St. No.1, Vijay Nagar, Moga Road, Kotkapura (Faridkot) Have Changed My Name After Marriage Chetna Arora.

I. Parveen Kumar S/o Madan Lal, Ward No. 3, Tilak Colony, Pehowa (Kurukshetra) have changed my name Parveen Sahni.

I. Savita W/o Parveen Sahni, Ward No. 3, Tilak Pehowa Colony, (Kurukshetra) have changed my name Savita

I, Mandip Singh S/o Balvinder Singh Ajrawar, Kurukshetra have changed my Given name Mandip Surname Singh.

I, Ishratpreet D/o Harmeet Singh Vill.Bhor Pehowa, Saidan, Kurukshetra have changed my name Ishrat preet Kaur. I Parminder Singh

S/o Pritam Singh resident Village Saleempur Araian District Gurdaspur have changed my name from Parminder Singh to Parwinder Singh concerned note please.

I No. 13736061-P, Ex, Honey Hav, Hans Raj S/O Sh Diwan Chand R/O Village Mahal Nangal Po Dera Baba Nanak Tehsil Dera Baba Nanak Distt Gurdaspur State Punjab Changed Have Daughter Name From Rajwant Kumari To Komal.

I No. 14423111-N, Ex, Hav, Jaspal Singh S/O Sh Raghbir Singh R/O Vpo Gaznipur Tehsil And Distt Gurdaspur State Puniab Have Changed My Mother Name From Mahidar Kaur To Mohinder Kaur And Date Of Birth Is. 17-08-1952 To 01-01-1952

I, No 14920290W Ex Nk Bhupinder Singh resident Village Abadgarh, P.O. Mirthal, Tehsil and Distt Pathankot (Punjab) have changed the name of my wife from Rajender Kaur to Rajinder Kaur vide Affidavit No. IN-PB21771852806586W Dated 03-06-2024 before Magistrate Executive Pathankot (Punjab)

I, No 14920290W Ex Bhupender Singh resident Village Abadgarh, P.O. Mirthal, Tehsil & Distt Pathankot (Punjab), have changed my name from Bhupender Singh to Bhupinder Singh affidavit No. IN-PB21772215553395W Dated 03 JUN 2024 before

Executive Magistrate Pathankot I, Sukhvinder Singh

Mother Of No.13766611F Rank Hav Name Ranjit Singh. Presently Residing At Village- Shahoor Kalan, Post Office Dostpur, Tehsil Gurdaspur, District-Gurdaspur. (Pb), Pin Code-143526. Have Changed My Name From Sukhvinder Singh To Sukhwinder Kaur Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb 21998801915383w Dated 03-06-2024 Before Notary Public Gurdaspur Punjab India.

I, Smt. Sabita Bera, of army no mother 14857259M Sepoy/MT, Jayanta Kumar Bera, My DOB is wrongly mention in my son's army record 24/12/1972 but my correct date of birth is DOB

02/11/1970 I, Army no. 6503434Y, Rank Nk, Rahul Kumar, My Son name is wrongly mention in my army service record as Yug Mavi, but correct name is Darsh

I, Kamla, mother of army no 14857403W, rank Hav/Clerk, Vijay Kumar, My date of birth is wrongly mention in my son's army service record 10/05/1965, but my correct DOB is 01/01/1965.

I, Vaishnavi Sopan Nilaikar, Spouse of Army no 14942385W rank Nk Sonan Nilaikar My name is wrongly mention in my husband army service record as Vaishnavi but my correct name is Vaishnav Sopan Nilajkar

I, Ram Veer, father of army no 14857403W, rank Hav/Clerk Vijay Kumar, My name is wrongly mention in my son's army service record as Ramvir, but my correct name is Ram Veer.

I, Ram Veer, father of army no 14857403W, rank Hav/Clerk Vijay Kumar, My DOB is wrongly mention in my son's army service record as 10/05/1961, but mv correct DOB is 01/01/1962.

Army 15490733X. Rank .DFR . Jay My Daughter's name is worngly mention in my army service record as Kumari Janvee, but correct name is Janvee.

I, Rehmat Ahmed W/o Intajar Ahmed R/o H.No-615, Sector-25 Panchkula Harvana declare that I have Changed my name from Mandeep Kaur to Rehmat

I, Suma Debbarma is legally Wedded Spouse of No-14840776N. Army Rank-NK/MT Name -Rajesh Debbarma Permanent Address Vill-Kawa ban, Post - Durga Nagar, Distt-West (Tripura) Tehsil -Sibnagar -799035 have changed My Date of birth from 01/03/1985 to 12/04/1985.Vide Affidavit 0021735151,Dated:03-06-2024

I, Suvarana Ramesh Khedkar is legally Wedded Spouse of Army No-6496829P, Rank- Hav Name- Khedkar Ramesh Balu, Presently Residing At Unit: HQ Coy, 603 ASC BN (AM) Pin-905603, C/o 56 APO Declare that i have changed My Name from Suvarana Ramesh Khedkar to Suvarna Ramesh Khedkar. Vide Affidavit No RD 0021735153,Dated:03-06-

I. Baliit Kaur W/o Sh Jaswinder Singh Presently Residing at Village - New Shalla, Post office- Pull Tibri, Teh and Distt-Gurdaspur, Pin code-143630, Punjab, Presently Posted at Unit 24 Puniab Chandimandir, Panchkula Haryana declare that I have changed my name from Baljit Kaur to Maninder Kaur and my Correct Date of birth is 13 Mar 1980.

I Shantos (existing name) wife of 1042518A Ex Hony Nb Sub Ram Chander resident VPO Samchana, Tehsil Sampla, District Rohtak (Haryana) have changed my name in my husband Army records Shantos (existing name) (Proposed new name) my correct DOB 01.04.1952 instead of 01.01.1958 as per my Aadhaar Card/Pan Card. In future I shall may be known/written and called as Santosh (DOB: 01.04.1952) for all work purposes, Vide Affidavit dated June 2024 before Class Magistrate Rohtak

No. Service 15210250L Rank Hav Rajneesh Ranjan of 327 MED Regt. C/O 56 APO declared that I have changed the name of my minorson From Aadhikansh to Aadhikansh Thakur vide Affidavit dated 29-05-2024 before Notary Govt Of India Sat Pal Pathankot (PB)

I. Muneshwari spouse of No.2814058W Sep Yede Nitesh Teilal resident of Village-Ghiwari. Post-Tehsil- Gondia. Gatrra. Gondia. State-District. Maharashtra, Pin-441601, have changed my name Muneshwari from to Muneshwari Nitesh Yede Vide affidavit No.IN-PB21519015635999W dated 31 May 2024 before notary public Pathankot.

I, Eesha W/o Atul Sharma R/o Near Babu Ram Shop, Ward Number 06, Bagha Patti, Bagha Purana, District Moga have changed my name from Eesha to Eesha Sharma.

Kulwinder Pal R/o Vill. Sagranwali, Po. Bhatnura Lubana, Distt, Jalandhar, Puniab have changed my name from Reshma to Reshma Kaur

I, Gedela Laxmimma mother 15624265M NK Gedela Balakrishna, serving in unit 4 Guards (1 Rajput) C/o 56 APO have change my name from Laxmimma to Gedela

I, Dhan Singh Chhetri resident of Lane No. 5B. Shivraj Nagar Badowala, Arcadia Grant, Dehradun, Uttrakhand- 248007 have changed my daughter name from Kavya to Kavya Chhetri vide Affidavit dated 03/06/2024 before Magistrate, Executive Jalandhar, (PB).

I, Malkiat Baddan S/o Arjan Baddan R/o VPO. Manak Dheri, Distt Hoshiarpur-144203. Punjab have changed my name to Malkit Singh. I Happy S/O Gurmel

Singh R/O Dharamkot Distt.

Moga Have Changed My

Name To Happy Singh. I Sanieev Kumar S/O Nirmal Chand R/O Vpo. Manuke Tehsil Jagraon Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Sanjeev Kumar Sharma.

Surinder Kumar R/O Amar Nagar, Churwal Chungi, Distt. Kapurthala Punjab Has Changed My Name To Rama Rani

I, Dish Kumar alias Jagdish S/o Som Nath R/o Vill: Jeet Pur PS Pojewal Teh-Balachaur Nagar) have changed my name from Dish Kumar alias Jagdish to Jagdish.

I, Pawandeep Singh S/o Pritpal Singh R/o Vill-Kheri Bhai Ki Bassi Pathana Fatehgarh Sahib Punjab have changed my name from Pawandeep Singh to Pawandeep Singh Sidhu. I Hitherto Known As

Krish S/O Sh. Santokh Kumar Residing At Ward No. 1, Adarsh Nagar, Mukerian. Distt Hoshiarpur, Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Krish Attri. Pirthipal Singh

Momi S/O Chhinda Singh Vill. Sujapur (Ludhiana) Have Changed My Name To Pirthipal Singh. I. Gurteshwar Singh

S/o Rashpal Singh R/o Vpo. Deon Khera Teh-Malout (Sri Muktsar Sahib) have changed my name to Gurteshwar Singh Maan

I, Nishant Grover S/o Gurcharan Das R/o #86 Birla Road Birla Enclave Malout (Sri Muktsar Sahib) have changed my minor daughter name from Tanisha to Tanisha Grover.

I, Rekha Rani W/O Dinesh Thakur H.No.33, Sector 25-B, Gobindgarh Mandi (Fatehgarh Sahib) Have Changed My Name To Rekha Thakur

I, Surinder Pal Kaur W/O Avtar Singh R/O Village Bhathal, Tehsil Payal (Ludhiana) Have Changed My Name To Surinder Kaur. I, Narender Kumar

S/o Sh. Dharm Pal R/o H.No. 81B. Gali No. 12. Vikas Colony, Ranwar Road. Karnal I have changed my name from Narender to Narender I, Narender Kumar

S/o Sh Dharm Pal R/o H.No. 81B. Gali No. 12. Vikas Colony, Ranwar Road, Karnal I have changed my name from Narender to Narender

I Rupinder Kaur D/o Gurmail Singh and W/o Ravinder Singh R/o Vpo. Ramidi, Distt. Kapurthala. Puniab -144802 have changed my name to Kaur Rupinder

I, Shelka Jaitly W/o Suneet Puri R/o 69 GF, HIG Flats, Guru Gobind Singh Avenue, Jalandhar, Punjab have changed my name from Shelka Jaitly to Shelka Puri, after marriage. (Surname as Puri).

I, Sakshi W/o Jubin Shangari R/o N.J. 458, Mohalla Kakkran, Mai Hiran Gate, Jalandhar, Punjab have changed my name from Sakshi to Sakshi Shangari, after marriage. (Surname as Shangari).

I, Jubin Shangari S/o Rajinder Kumar R/o H.No. N.J. 458, Mohalla Kakkran, Mai Hiran Gate, Jalandhar, Puniab have changed the name of my minor daughter from Shanava to Shanava Shangari. (Surname as Shangari)

I. Jubin Shangari S/o Rajinder Kumar R/o H No N.I. 458 Mohalla Kakkran Mai Hiran Gate, Jalandhar, Puniab have changed the name of my minor daughter from Anaya to Anaya Shangari (Surname as Shangari).

I, Nisha @ Amita Jain W/o Rajesh Kumar R/o # B-4/119 Backside Baba Farid Uchi Gali (Faridkot) have changed my name to

I Shivani Chopra W/o Shekher Anand R/o H.No. CS 18/1, W.No.20, Near State Bank of India, Palika Bazar Ferozepur City have changed my name to Shivani Anand After

Marriage. I, Gurmeet Kaur W/o Bakhshish Singh (D/o Amarieet Singh) R/o Village Chak Somian Wala, Tehsil Guruharsahai, Distt. Ferozepur Have Changed My Name from Gurmeet Kaur to Surjeet Kaur.

I Sarvesh Kumari W/o Nishit Bhardwaj R/o Bariwala (Sri Muktsar Sahib) have changed my name to Sarvesh Bhardwaj after marriage. I Surjeet Singh S/o

No.1-L, New Cant Road, Faridkot have changed my name to Surjit Singh. I, Veerpal Kaur W/o Balkarn Sinah R/oMallan(Sri muktsar

Gurdial Singh R/o Street

Sahib) have changed my name from VeerpalKaur alias Jaswinder Kaur to Veerpal Kaur.

कार्यालय नगरपरिषद, सिरस विषय- प्रॉपर्टी आई.डी. SRS/B04/403

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अतः इस फ्रांशन के माध्यम से सूचित जाता है कि यदि ग्रॅपर्टी आई.डी. SRS/B04/403 (3RUYCCR3) वाक्या गोहह्म धोबियां वाला गली नामधारी वाली सिरसा में उक्त ग्रारसान के नाम तुबदीली पर किसी आम व खास को कोई तराज हो तो वह नोटिस प्रकाशन के 30 दिन के अन्दर - अन्दर प कार्यालय में हाजिर असलतान व वकालतान अपना पश्च श करें अन्यथा बाद गुजरने मियाद उपरोक्त यूनिट मुताबि स्तुत दस्तीवजों के आधार मृतकान के वारसान के नाम केवल ॉपर्टी टैक्स वसूली हेतु तबदील कर दिया जावेगा, इसमें गरपरिषद,सिरसा की कोई जिम्मेवारी नहीं होगी। विदित रहे। कार्यकारी अधिकारी नगरपरिषद, सिरसा ।

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I Prithwi Singh S/o Khiraj R/o Bheri Akbarpur District Hisar declare that the papers of one of my registry whose vasika no. 1954 dated 16.11.2010, fell and got lost near Bus Stand Narwana on 18.05.2024, which have not been found even after a lot of searching. I want to take a Loan from IndusInd Bank Tohana Branch, for which I am mortgaging the papers of the said property in the bank. If anyone has any objection in this regard, then he can contact on mobile Number 9728019005 or IndusInd Bank's branch Tohana within 15days of publication of this notice. Rajiv Mangla Advocate, Tohana

Mobile No 7015827577

सार्वजनिक सूचना सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि नगर निगम हिसार की गृहकर शाखा के संपति रिकार्ड में प्रोपटी आईडी संख्या 1DGKLHE3/P01700690090 जो कि मकान नं. 23, ग्रीन पार्क, हिसार में स्थित है जिसका रजिस्टरी नंबर 188 दिनांक 27.04.2000 सब रजिस्ट्रार हिसार में प्रेम कुमार सक्सेना पुत्र श्री राजेन्द्र सहाय सक्सेना व वीना सक्सेना पत्नी स्व. श्री प्रेम कुमार सक्सेना के नाम दर्ज है। प्रेम कुमार सक्सेना का दिनांक 11.06.2012 को देहान्त हो चुका है। नगर निगम में प्रोपर्टी टैक्स दोनों के नाम है। प्रेम कुमार सक्सेना के देहान्त के उपरान्त श्रीमती वीना सक्सेन पत्नी स्व. प्रेम कुमार सक्सेना ने प्रोपर्टी टैक्स को अपने नाम तबदील करवाने के लिए नगर निगम में आवेदन किया है। यदि किसी भी जनसाधारण को उपरोक पोपर्टी तबदील करने में कोई आपति हो तो 30 दिन के अन्दर अन्दर निगम कार्यालय में आपित दर्ज करवा सकता है। अन्यथा प्रोपर्टी टैक्स रिकार्ड में उपरोक्त के नाम तबदील कर दिया जाएगा प्रार्थी :- वीना सक्सेना पत्नी स्व. श्री प्रेम कुमार सक्सेना

NOTICE

DATED: 31.05.2024 1. Mohammad Noshad S/d

Mohammad Hakim R/o House No. B-34 250/150, Street No. 2, Guru Hargobind Nagar, Near Masjid Ludhiana - 141001. Alternative Address: House No

213/102, Street No. 9, New Kundanpuri, Ludhiana -141001. 2. Sameena W/o Mohd. Noshad R/o 68/237, New Kundanpuri Civil Lines, Ludhiana -141001

Subject : Legal Notice for taking possession of the Articles. As pe Panchnama, which were lying in the Property, Taken into Possession by the bank.

on behalf of UCO Bank, Village Mangat Branch, Rahon Road Ludhiana, through its Branch Manager, I, do hereby give the following Legal Notice:

I. Ashok Mittu, Advocate, for and

1. That my Client has taken the possession of your property under the provisions o SARFAESI Act. My client earlier also served a Registered Notice upon you, to remove the articles lying in the property, but despite service of Notice, you did not remove the same.

2. That at the time of taking possession of Property, a Panchnama of the Articles lying in the Property, has been prepared You are therefore required to collect those Articles, as per Panchnama from my Client, During working hours, after due information 8 intimation to my client.

So, by virtue of the this notice, or behalf of the bank, I hereby call upon you to immediately collect the Articles of your property, as per Panchnama, from my client within 15 days from the date of receipt of this legal notice, failing which my client will not be responsible for the care or any damage etc of those Articles and both of you will be held liable for Your Faithfully the same. Ashok Mittu, Advocate LOST & FOUND

I Umed S/o Sh. Hukam Singh R/o H No. 1031 Garhi Ujale Khan, Near Gaytri Mandir, Sonipat, i have lost my Transfer Deed No. 732 Dated 11/05/2018 & Deed on Conveyance No. 1640 Dated 09-06-2014. DDR also lodged vide application No. 132390712400975. if anybody found then confirm to the above address.

Public Notice
I, Seema Rani D/o Dharampal R/o
village Mirchpur Tehsil Narnaund
District Hisar, declare that my
husband's name is Kuldeep and I am
divorced from my husband. In my
son Hitesh Kumar 10th mark sheet
and hirth certificate, his name is son Hitesh Kumar 10th mark sneet and birth certificate, his name is written as Hitesh S/o Kuldeep and in my son's Aadhaar card and PAN card number his name is written as Hitesh Kumar S/o Seema Rani. In future my son should be known as Hitesh Kumar S/o Seema Rani. Deponent

Public Notice
I, Seema Rani D/o Dharampal R/o
village Mirchpur Teh. Narnaund Distt.
Hisar, declare that my husband's
name is Kuldeep and I am divorced
from my husband. In my son Ankush
Kumar's 10th mark sheet and birth
certificate, his name is written as
Ankush S/o Kuldeep and in my son's
Aadhaar card and PAN card number
his name is written as Ankush Kumar
S/o Seema Rani. In future my son
should be known as Ankush Kumar
S/o Seema Rani. Deponent

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Varun Sharma S/o Pradip Sharma R/o House No. 139, Sherawala Mohalla, Kapurthala Declare that the sale deed No. 525 Dated 27/ 06/ 1963 has been los at Kapurthala Bus Stand, If anybody has an objection or found missing deed Kindly intimate in writing within 14 days from the date of publish to Advocate Akhil Chopra at Chamber No. 139 A, New Court, Jalandhar. All Please Note.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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I Anju w/o Makhan Dhand r/o h no 92 46/1, street no.28, Kot Mangal singh Ludhiana derclare that my original sale deed no. 334 dated 4.4.2008 has been lost at kot mangal singh on dated 04.04.2023. detail of property measuring 82 sq yards khasra no 156,157,158 and village daba. a sr no. 476442/2024 also registered on dated 03.6.2024 at psoc daba ludhiana city. anybody found please contact on above address by advocate Vyom bansal chamber no 652,6th floor, lawyer chamber complex-1,district court Ludhiana for and behalf of the state bank of india racpe civil line branch Ludhiana.

PUBLIC NOTICE

measuring 250 Sq. Mtr each, situated in Sector 3, HSIIDC, Industrial Estate, Karna stand allotted to M/S MPK SPRING INDUSTRY Prop Kanta Rani. The Corporation has been informed about the death of Kanta Rani which took place or 01.03.2024 with a request to transfer both the Plots in favour of Kartik Mundeia (grandson of deceased) who is alread working there as Prop of MPK SPRING INDUSTRY since 23.10.2021 vide new GSTIN 06EVOPM1763D1ZG issue date 23.10.21. Through this Public Notice, it is hereby informed that any person having objection to the said transfer / re-allotment, he/she may file objection with Estate Manager, HSIIDC, Karnal alongwith an Affidavit within 30 days from the date of this publication, failing which it will be assumed that nobody has any objection & the Corporation shall go ahead for transfer/re llotment of the said Plots in favour of Kartik Mundeja s/o Pardeep Kumar Mundeja r/o H. No 1590/9, Urban Estate, Karnal.

1. Om Parkash Mundeja (Husb 2.Pardeep Kumar Mundeia (Son (Legal Heirs of Kanta Rani, Deceased

LOST & FOUND

I, Manjit Singh Virk S/o Gurbaksh Singh R/o #148, Industrial Area, Phase 2 Panchkula, Haryana - 134113, M. 9878266662. I have lost My Original Transfer Deed of Plot No. 148, Industria Area, Phase-II, Panchkula - 134113 bearing Transfer Deed No. 914 Dated 08.06.2023 issued by Sub-Registrar Panchkula in the name of Manjit Singh Virk S/o Gurbaksh Singh & lodged a forma Complaint No. LAR No. 132350622400368 with Police Station ctor 5, Panchkula on 18.02.2024 16:00 Hours. If anyone find above mentioned documents, please contact me on my address.

Public Notice

OFFICE OF THE ESTATE MANAGER HOUSING BOARD HARYANA REWARI H.No. 1227, H.B.C, Sec-3 Rewari, Phone 01274-260866 Email h@gmail.com

t is for the information to the general Publi that H.NO- 19/SF/BPL. Housing Board Colony, Sec-6-7 Rewari, was allotted in the Name of Sh. Dharambir S/o Bhagwana Ram R/o-Vill. Kultajpur, Teh. Narnaul, Distt. Mahendergarh, Haryana, vide this office letter No 2671 Dt. 19.12.2018 under BPL Category. After The completion of 5 year of HPTA period, now Dharambir s/o Bhagwana Ram, R/o-Vill. Kultajpur, Teh. Narnaul, Distt. Mahendergarh, Haryana has submitted ar application for transfer of above mentioned use/flat in favor of Ramesh s/o Roshar Lal, R/o- VIII. Kultajpur, Teh. Narnaul, Distt. Mahendergarh, Haryana. If any person has any objection against the transfer of above mentioned house/flat, He/ She may submit his/her objection in the office of Estate Manager, Housing Board Haryana H.No.1227, Housing Board Colony, Sec-3 Rewari within 30 days of the publication of this notice. If no objection is received within 30 days the permission for transfer shall be granted of Sh. Ramesh S/o Roshan Lal, R/o- Vill. Kultajpur, Teh. Narnaul, Distt.-Mahendergarh, Haryana after the expiry of 30 days and no objection of any kind will be

Estate Manager Housing Baord Haryana Rewari

PUBLIC NOTICE

It hereby informs to general public at large that (1) M Sonu Kumar S/o Mr. Hardwari Lal R/o Sapra Mohalla Tohana, Fatehabad & (2) Rajbala W/o Hardwari La R/o 594/10, Killa Mohalla, Tohana, Tohana Mand Ro 594/10, Killa Mohalla, Tohana, Tohana Mandi Talehabad has avail Securedioan on properly from AL SMALL FINANCE BANK LIMITED for Rs. 25,00,000/ Twenty-Five Lakh Only, Vide RLO SNo, 663986 have Is branch office at Hisar, Haryana on their Residentia nouses, (1) Mr. Sorru Kumar Sio Mr. Hardwari Lai -drimeasuring area 57 Sq. Yards, Property ID No. -901001090085 (3VRE6551), Situaled in Sapda Mohalla, Tohana, Tehsli Tohana and Distric Talehabad, Haryana. That the said Mr. Sorru Kuma Kof Mr. Hardwari Lai Isan owner of above said lane Fatehabad, Haryana. That the said Mr. Soru Kums Slo Mr. Hardwair Lal is an owner of above said land measuring 57 Sq. Yards vide register Sale Deed no. 4137 dated 16.11 2021 executed by Mrs. Darshana (Widow), Mr. Surender Kumar and Mr. Gulshan Sid Lale Mr. Subhash Chandler, Which is bounded as Lesta-21" - Ho Ghanshyann, West-21" - Street, North 256" - Street, South-25-6" - Ho Surender Kumar And (2) Rajbala Wol Hardwair Lal - measuring 121 Sq Yards, situated at Purani Sabzi Mandi to Chandigan Road Tohana Teksi Tohana Diskrid Fatehabad as ne (2) Regissa With Travitowin Las - measuring 12.1 Syrards, situated at Purani Sabzi Mandi to Chandigarh Road, Tohana, Tehsil Tohana District Fatehabad asper 4707 dated 13.10.2011. That the said Rajbala Wio Hardwari Lal, having PID No. 3VTEHLP3 is an owner of above said land measuring 121 SQ, Yards vide deed no. 4707 dated 13.10.2011 executed by Kristhna Devi Wio Sher Singh in favour of Rajbala Wio Hardwarl Lal, which is bounded as: East-33 - Hio Satish Chhabarra, West-33 - Street + Hio Somnath, North-33 - Hio Dinesh Kumar, South-33 - Hio Sher Singh That Said, Mr. Soru Kumar Sro Mr. Hardwarl Lal & Rajbala Wio Dinesh Kumar, South-33 - Hio Sher Singh. That Said, Mr. Soru Kumar Sro Mr. Hardwarl Lal & Rajbala Wio Hardwarl Lal are the sole owner of above their respective property and there is no co-sharer in this property and having clear title. If anybody have any right/title/filtigation/ciaim or claiming any prior rights or interest in any manner in above memioned property and the date of this public notice. After the expiry of period of this no claim shall be enteratined and such claim shall be deemed to be false, fake, fivolous, fraudulent and baseless claim and shall have no value in the eyes of ess daim and shall have no value in the eye law. please contact Advocate Bhupander Kumar, Pl no. 8295949981 # 1591, SECTOR 16-17, HISAI

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में, नरेश कुमार पुत्र सुरजभान निवासी गांव सिसरौली जिला रोहतक अपने हल्फ से ब्यान करता हं कि मेरा लड़का साहिल व पुत्रवधु अन्जली मेरे कहने-सुनने से बाहर है, इसलिए मैं इनको अपनी चल-अचल सम्पति से बेदखल करता हूं। भविष्य में इनके द्वारा किए गए अच्छे बुरे कार्यों व लेन देन व किसी प्रकार के कानूनी व गैर कानुनी कार्य के लिए वह स्वयं जिम्मेवार होगे। Rajpura Distt Patiala. मेरी व मेरे परिवार की कोई जिम्मेदारी नहीं होगी।

PUBLIC NOTICE

I Bimla Devi wife of Jitender Kumar R/o Behind Arya Colony Narwana District Jind declare that walka bases of Two of my registry whose vasika no.487 dated 23.04.2019 & vasika no. 2570 dated 16.08.2010, fell and got los near Bus Stand Narwana or 18.05.2024, which have not beer found even after a lot ofsearching want to take a Loan from Chola Mandlam Small Finance Bank Tohana Branch, for which I am mortgaging the papers of the said property in the bank. If anyone then he can contact on mobile number 7497097074 or Chole Mandlam Small Finance Bank's branch Tohana within 15days of publication of this notice.

Rajiv Mangla Advocate, Tohana Mobile No 7015827577

कार्यालय नगर निगम सोनीपत नगर निगम सोनीपत की संपत्तिकर शाखा के रिकॉ roperty ID 237C459U92 जोकि राजी लोनी में स्थित है। संपत्तिकर सर्वे अनुसार संपत्ति ल में करदाता का नाम टेकराम दर्ज है। किसी १ पत्तिकर दाता का नाम दर्ज न होने/नाम गलत द होने/मृत्यु दिनांक 03-08-2018 उपरांत आवेदक द्वार प्रस्तुत कि गयी प्रापर्टी आई डी में नाम तब्दील व नाम् दर्ज करने/क्षेत्रफल दुरुस्ती के लिए रजिस्ट्र यर/इंतकाल नंबर 33583व 33745 दिनांक 10-04 2024 ओर 09-05-2024 अनुसार प्रस्तुत किए गए हैं जिनके अनुसार यदि किसी भी व्यक्ति को इस जायदा से संबंधित कोई भी आपत्ति हो तो ख्याति प्राप्त दैनिः ाष्ट्रीय समाचार पत्र में विजापन देने की तिथि के 30 दि णाखा में आपत्ति दर्ज करवाएं अन्यथा संपत्तिकर णार सीता में आपात देश करवार अन्यया संपातकर शास में प्रस्तुत किए गए दस्तावेजों के अनुसार श्री/श्रीमत सुरेश, रमेश,व सुनीता, रोशनी पुत्र/पुत्री टेकराम नाम दर हर दिया जाएगा। जिसके लिए नगर निगम कार्याल जिम्मेदार नहीं होगा। क्षेत्रीय कराधान अधिकारी नगर निगम सोनीपत

ESTATE MANAGER HOUSING BOARD HARYANA PANCHKULA (C-15 AWAS BHAWAN, SEC-6, PANCHKULA)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sub.: Transfer of H.No. 552, MIG, Housi Board Colony, Sec-19, Baldev Nagar, Ambala City, Haryana in the name of Sh. Sameer Narang S/o Late Sh. Jagdish Chander Narang R/o H. No. 481/1, Sec-40A, Chandigarh due to death of Late Sh. Virender Kumar S/o Sh. Gurbaksh Lal living ntestate property and Registered Will.

t is notified for the information of the gen public and all concerned with the property H. No. 552, MIG, Housing Board Colony, Sec-19, Baldev Nagar, Ambala City, Haryana which stands in the name of Late Sh. Virender Kumar S/o Sh. Gurbaksh Lal as per record of this office It has been reported by the applicant(s) that Late Sh. Virender Kumar S/o Sh. Gurbaks! Lal who was the owner of this property died or 04.12.2023. Sh. Sameer Narang S/o Late Sh Jagdish Chander Narang R/o H.No. 481/1 Sec- 40A, Chandigarh have claimed /applied for the transfer for the said property in his nar on the basis of intestate death and Register Will of Late Sh. Virender Kumar S/o Sh

If anybody have any objection for the transfer the said property in favour of the applicant Sh Sameer Narang S/o Late Sh. Jagdish Chander Narang R/o H.No. 481/1, Sec- 40A Chandigarh they may furnish their objection in riting in the office of the undersigned within, 3 avs from the date of publication of this notice Failing which, this property shall be transferr accordingly and no further claim whatsoes shall be entertained later on.

Estate Manager, Housing Board Harvan Sector 6, Panchkul

PUBLIC NOTICE

That Smt. Rima Khatun W/o Sh. Satpal Shekh (hereinafter referred to as the Mortgagor) is purchasing the House no. 2514-C, measuring 00 Kanal 6-1/2 Marla (196 Sq. Yards), bearing Khewat/Khatoni No. 198/223, comprised under Khasra no. 6/11/26-16), 20(6-18), 7/6(6-11), 15(5-2), 16(3-4), 25(1-6), Kitte 06, land measuring 28 Kanal 17 Marla share to the extent of 13/1154 i.e. 00 Kanal 6-1/2 Marla, situated at Sunny Enclave, Sector-125, Aman City, Village Fatehllanpur, Hadbast No. 30, M.C. and Tehsil Kharar, Distt. S.A.S. Nagar, Punjab from Smt. Siraj Ul Muneer W/o Sh. Aman Ul Khan, According to the said Mortgagor, the below mentioned following documents are misplaced.

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1. Original Sale Deed dated 07.04.2011 Bearin isika No. 316 executed by Sh. Tagpreet Singh sin h. Amandeep Singh sons of Sh. Sardara Singh in spect of land measuring 00 Kanal 4-3/5 Marla in spect of land measuring 00 Kanal 4-3/5 Marla in vour of Smt. Harpal Kaur W/o Sh. Om Parkash.

2. Original Sale Deed dated 14.07.2015 bearin sika no. 2310 executed by M/s Bajwa Developer d. Ltd in respect of land measuring 00 Kanal 1-9/10 arla in favour of Smt. Harpal Kaur W/o Sh. On rikash.

Maria in favour of Smt. Harpal Kaur W/o Sh. On Parkash.

That Mortgagor has agreed to create mortgage ir favour of my clients Shri Ram Housing Finance Ltd. Chandiganh in respect of the mortgage of Property, it this regard online LRN 45082/2024 on dated. 23.03.2024, regarding lost of above said document in Punjab, Police Station, lodged Smt. Siraj Ul Muneer W/o Sh. Aman Ul Khan for the misplace of original documents. All person/s having any claim against oin respect of the said property more particularly described in the schedule hereunder or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage (equitable/registered or otherwise). Gift, trust, inheritance, family arrangement, Maintenance, bequest, partnership, possession, lease, sublease, tenancy, license, lien, charge, pledge, easement on otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to notify the same in writing to me/us with supporting documentary evidence at the address mentioned herein below within 7 days from the date hereof, failing which the claim of claims, if any, of such person or persons will be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and my client shall proceed with the disbursement of loan and creation of mortgage in respect thereof. (Please contact Ashish Goel, Advocate, #2831, Sector-15, Panchkula, M. No. 8872333331).

So, if any Individual/Institution will claim anything Advocate, #200, 9872333331) So if any Individual/Institution will claim anythin

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#2831, Sector-15, Panchku M. No. 987233333

is notified that the original

Registry Sale Deed Vasika No 5275 dated 17/12/2012 has been lost in Rajpura 13/5/2024, if anyone found get inform this number 9646524245. I Soma W/o Amrik Singh R/o Vill Gazipur Teh It hereby informs to general public that M/s ARD.N. Associates, Sirsa tehet & Distf. Sirsa owned A building constructed on area measuring 8t.03m, detailed as- 4k.02m. in kn/kh no. 24min/27; & 4k.01m. in kn/kh no. 24min/27; ydde jamabandi for the year 2022-23 a read with mutation no. 5511; situated in the revenue estate of village Bejekan rehat & Distf. Sirsal of the property of t

PUBLIC NOTICE

Through this information, every common and special person is informed that in this office Ram Devi W/o Sh. Sompal, Nemi Pal & Tilak Raj S/o Sh. Sompal, Kunti Devi, Kiran Devi, Gytri Devi, Renu Devi D/o Sh. Sompal R/o H. No. 652/7, Brahma Nagar, Hansi Road, Karnal has applied for registration of name in H. No. 652/7, Brahma Nagar, Hansi Road, Karnal, property tax ID No. 1E97OR54. As per property tax records the above property tax ID. No. 1E970R54 is registered without name and Bhuli Devi & Sompal have died on 18/12/2015 & 01/10/2007. The applicant has submitted a document/will number/inheritance dated 30/05/2024 and a copy of the affidavit for changing the name in this office. Therefore, if any common man or special person gets the property as per the said will, ID 1E97OR54, H. No. 652/7, Brahma Nagar, Hansi Road, Karnal, Rám Dev W/o Sh. Sompal, Nemi Pal & Tilak Raj S/o Sh. Sompal, Kunti Devi, Kiran Devi, Gytri Devi Renu Devi D/o Sh. Sompal R/o H.No. 652/7, Brahma Nagar, Hansi Road, Karnal, if you have any kind of objection for changing the name, then submit your objection in this office within 30 days from the date of publication of notice. Otherwise, after a period of time. will be considered that no one has any objection regarding the above transfer. As a result the name of the applicant will be registered/changed in the relevant unique property tax ID No. 1E97OR54 in the property tax of this office. No claim will be accepted after the Area Taxation Officer, Municipal Corporation, Karnal.

BUDHA COLLEGE

Indri Road, Ramba, Karnal - 132116 (Haryana)

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English, Fine Arts, Health & Physical Education: 1 each Budha College of Higher Education: Principal -1, Assistant Professor: Fashion Design - 3, Interior Design - 3, Fine Arts - 3, Commerce-3, BCA-3, BA- Hindi-1, English-1, Economics-1, Political Science-1, Psychology-1, History-1

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Contact No. 9996013803 Email: budhacollege@gmail.com

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ONLINE E-TENDER & OFF-LINE TENDER NOTICE On line e-tenders are invited for 1. Re-shelling & Grooving of Mill Rollers, 2. Boiler Tubes IBR Replacement Contract, 3. Chain & Chain Spares, 4. Welding Material, 5. Pipe & Pipe Fitting, 6. Refractory Material 7. Fabrication & Erection Contract Jobs. Last date fo submission of e-tender is 25.06.2024 upto 10:00 AM. Opening & negotiation of e-tender will be held on the same day 2.00 PM. E-tender details are available on the Punjab Govt. website https://eproc.punjab.gov.in Off-line tenders are invited for Sale of Jamun, Dynamic Balancing of Various equipments, CI/CS Material, and its Conversion, Machining & Grooving, Hardware Material, Rubber Goods, Paints, Purchase of Various Machinery parts, Security Officer on Contract basis & Various Contract jobs. Last date for submission of off-line tenders is 18.06.2024 upto 5.00 PM and opening & negotiation will be held on 19.06.2024 at 10.00 AM onwards in the office of undersigned. Off-line tenders details are available on website www.fazilkasugar.com. If Any change/ corrigendum/ addendum will be uploaded on above websites. **GENERAL MANAGER**

अ वैक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

Regional Office - SCO 62-63, Bank Square Sector 17-B, Chandigarh - 160017

TENDER FOR ALTERNATE PREMISES & EQUIPMENT DEPARTMENT AT INDUSTRIAL AREA, PHASE 2, CHANDIGARH BRANCH BANK OF BARODA, Chandigarh Region, Premises & Equipment Department invite:

proposals / offers in Two Bid System from Owner / Builders / Developers having clear and marketable titles over built up commercially approved property preferably on Ground Floor for Alternate Premises at INDUSTRIAL AREA, PHASE 2, CHANDIGARH BRANCH on ease / Rental basis having minimum Carpet area as under:

Location in or Around Required Carpet Area Industrial Area, Phase 2, Chandigarh Area 1200 to 2000 Sq. Ft. The proposal is to be submitted in Two Bid System. (a) Technical Bid (b) Financial Bid

The details are available on Bank's Website: http://www.bankofbaroda.com/tender.htm ast date for submission of bids document is 04.06.2024 to 24.06.2024. **DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER** Chandigarh Region, Bank of Ba

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JAMINIU BIIU N PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information of the general public that M/s Balbir Singh And Company having it place of business at Shop No. 304 and 305, New Grain Market, Sirsa Road, Mansa Punjab Througi ts Sole Proprietor Mr. Balbir Singh S/o Sh. Balwant Singh, R/o Near Water Works, Dullowala its Sole Proprietor Mr. Balbir Singh S/o Sh. Balwant Singh, R/o Near Water Works, Dullowala, Mansa, Punjab-151505 has approached our bank for enhancement of existing SECURED OVERDRAFT LIMIT facility from Rs. 17,00,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lac only) to Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lac only) under "Mortgage of Cap". Extension of charge by the way of equitable mortgage of Shop No. 304 measuring 8.3'X 40'4'/s" sq. feet situated at new grain market Sirsa Road Mansa having measurement and boundaries as East-Road, South-40'-4-1/2" (Shop No. 305), M/s Rama Nand, Mool Chand Shop No. 306, North-Nohar Chand and Naseeb Chand, West-8'3" Grain Market owned by M/s Balbir Singh And Company. Through its Prop. Sh. Balbir Singh S/o Sh. Balwant Singh R/o Near water Works Road Dolowal Mansa vide Title Deed No. 6165 Dt. 20,02.2013 registered in the office of sub registrar Mansa.

(B) Equitable Mortgage of Shop No. 305 measuring 8.3' X 40'4'/s" sq. feet situated at New Grain Market, Sirsa Road, Mansa, Tehsil and Distt. Mansa. The property is Jointty owned and possessed by 1) Sh. Lakhwinder Singh S/o Sh. Balvir Singh S/o Sh Balwant Singh R/o Village Karwal, District Mansa, 2) Mr. Gurpreet Singh S/o Sh. Labh Singh S/o Sh. Tola Singh R/o Village Dullowal, District Mansa and 3) Mr. Surinder Pal Singh S/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh S/o Sh. Tola Singh R/o Village Dullowal, District Mansa Punjab - 151505 vide Sale Deed No. 2023-24/65/1/3855 dated 20-12-2023.

Public in general is hereby informed that any person/s, body/ies, institution/s having any objection to

Public in general is hereby informed that any person/s, body/ies, institution/s having any objection to the mortgage of the above said property in favor of the Bank as mentioned herein above may contact the under-signed and file his/her/their objection within seven days from the date of publication this notice falling which no objection shall be entertained in this regard and it shall be presumed that obody has any objection to the mortgage of the said property to the Bank and the same is free from Ill previous encumbrances, charges, liens, and litigations.

Dated: 03.06.2024 Tel. 9876000063, 9419230003, 9906320137 J&K Bank, Mans

DIRECTORATE OF PUNJAB STATE LOTTERIES DRAW TIME: 06:00 PM ONWARDS DRAW DATE:03/06/2024

RESULT OF PUNJAB STATE DEAR 10 GOLD MONDAY WEEKLY LOTTERY MRP Rs 10/- Per Ticket

1st Prize Amount (10)Rs.10,000/-,Common to all series (On last 4 digits) (Seller Prize Amount Rs.500/-, Total Prize Amount Rs.10500/- each) 5698 2nd Prize Amount (10)Rs.2000/-, Common to all series (On last 4 digits)

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It is notified for the information of the general public and all concerned with the property Flat No. 225-GF, Housing Board Colony, Sector-3-4-4A, Pinjor-Kalka, Panchkula which stands in the name of Sh. Romesh Chander Bansal S/o Sh. Subhash Chander Bansal R/o H.No.541-R, Model Town, Opp. Dental College, Yamunanagar, Haryana who is the owner of this property applied for General Transfer on 12.04.2024 in the name of Smt. Geeta W/o Sh. Kuldeep Singh R/o H.No.315, Defenca Colony, Hisar, Haryana on the basis of documents of General Transfer Policy. If anybody have any objection for the transfer, nybody have any objection for the transfer ney may file their objection to the Estate lanager within 30 days from the publication

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it is notified for the information of the general public and all concerned with the property Flat No. 236-SF, Housing Board Colony, Sector-3-44A, Pinjor-Kalka, Panchkula which stands in the name of Sh. Deepak S/o Sh. Om Parkash R/o Near Panchayti Chowk, Lohani, Bhiwani, Haryana, who is the owner of this property applied for General Transfer on 08.05.2024 in the name of Sh. Surinder Singh Sidhu S/o Sh. S.P.S Sidhu R/o H.No.A1-21, GF, Sec-3, DLF Valley, Chandi Mandir Cantt., Panchkula, Haryana on the basis of documents of General Transfer Policy. If anybody have any objection for the transfer, they may file their objection to the Estate Manager within 30 days from the publication of this notice.

Estate Manager, Housing Board Haryana.

PUBLIC NOTICE
It is notified for the information of the general public and all concerned with the property Flat No. 83-FF. Housing Board Colony. Sector-3-4-4A. Pinjor-Kalka, Panchkula which stands in the name of Sh. Ashok Kumar Sio Sh. Dayal Singh Rio H. No. 941, Lado Bagri, Karnal, Haryana as per record of this office, who is the owner of this property applied Ceneral Transfer on 13.05.2024 in the name of Smt. Nalini Arora Wio Sh. Ravinder Arora Rio H. No. 513, Type-2, Sec-1, Naya Mangal, Fertilizer Factory, Rupnagar, Anandpur Sahib, Punjab And Smt. Namita Mahajan Wio Sh. Kamal Deep Mahajan Rio D-6/9 SF, DLF Valley Sec-3, Pinjab Con the basis of documents of General Transfer On the basis of documents of General Transfer Policy. If anybody have any objection for the transfer, they may file their objection to the Estate Manager within 30 days from the publication of this notice.

KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK LTD. (2) kotak

tered Office: 27, BKC, C-27, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400051 Branch Office: SCO 120, 6th Floor, Feroze Gandhi Market, Ludhiana, Punjab-141001 Corporate Identity Number- L65110MH1985PLC038137, www.kotak.com Toll Free: 1800 425 9900 / 1800 420 9900 **E - AUCTION CUM SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES**

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

Notice is hereby given to the Public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Guarantor (s) and / or Mortgagor (s), that the below described immovable property(ies) mortgaged / charged to Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited ("Secured Creditor"), the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor and will be sold through E-Auction on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS", "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS", "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" and "NO RECOURSE BASIS" on 26.06.2024 for recovery of Rs. 16,53,60,775.76 (Rupees Sixteen Crore Fifty Three Lakhs Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Five and Seventy Six Paise Only) as on 29th February 2020 together with further interest and other charges thereon at the contractual rates upon the footing of compound interest until payment/realization due to Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited, being the Secured Creditor, from the Borrower/s namely M/s. G.L. Jain Button Store Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Amit Jain (Guarantor/ Mortgagor), Smt. Sneh Lata Jain (Guarantor/ Mortgagor), Mrs. Ruchi Jain (Guarantor/ Mortgagor), Mrs. Rakesh Jain (Guarantor/ Mortgagor), Mrs. Rakesh Jain (Guarantor), Mrs. Rapoor Mala Jain (Guarantor), Mrs. Chandan Cycle Pvt. Ltd. (Guarantor/ Mortgagor) Chandan Cycle Pvt. Ltd. (Guarantor/ Mortgagor)
The details / description of Immovable Properties put up for auction, the Reserve Price, the Earnest Money Deposit and the Auction

Schedule are mentioned below:

Details of Immovable

Property put for E- Auction

Located at Chauri Sarak Tehsil and District Ludhiana

Last date for Date & Time

submission of online bid

Reserve

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Lot- I	Ms. Rashmi Jain	All that piece and parcel of property being Godown No. 4 & 5 along with present and		26.06.2024 between	6,35,000.00 (Rupees Six	63,500.00 (Rupees Sixty
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	common Driveway, lift (if any), entrances, passages, staircase, present and future development rights and other command amenities provided therein situate, lying and being in Commercial Building Namely "City Palace" Located at Chauri and District Ludhiana					
Lot- II	Button Store	All that piece and parcel of property being Shop Nos. 61 & 62, (LGF) along with present and future structures including all present its, title, interest, easements, privileges, fitti	upto 04:00 p.m.			67,900.00 (Rupees Sixty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred only)
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Jain Shop No 72 (LGF) along with present and future structures including all present and future rights, title, 04:00 p.m. between 11:00 a.m. to (Rupees Thirty Eight Thousand Lakh Eighty Five Thousand Only) Five Hundred Only 12:00 noon interest, easements, privileges, fittings, fixtures, connections, rights in common Driveway, lift (if any), entrances, passages, staircase, present and future development rights and other common facilities and amenities provided therein situate, lying and being in Commercial Building Namely "City Palace" Located at Chauri Sarak Tehsi and District Ludhiana. Amit Kumar Jain

All that piece and parcel of property being Shop No 75 (LGF) along with present and upto between 3,81,000,00 38,100.00 (Rupees Thirty Eight Thousand upto between 04:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. to (Rupees Three Lakh Eighty One future structures including all present and future rights, title, interest, easements, privileges, fittings, fixtures, connections, rights in 12:00 noon Thousand Only)

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The undersigned may at his absolute discretion and on request from the prospective buyers, arrange for inspection of the sai

property/ieson 21.06.2024 between 10:00 Am to 04:00 pm through his authorized representative/agent. Important Terms and Conditions: 1. The E-Auction shall be conducted only through "On Line Electronic Bidding" through website https://www.bankeauctions.com on 26.06.2024 from 11.00 A.m. to 12:00 Noon with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes duration each 2. For details about E-Auction, the intending bidders may contact M/s. C1 India Private Limited, Mr. Dharani Krishna- Contact No.
9948182222 email-id - andhra@c1india.com ordelhi@c1india.com email id - support@bankeauctions.com, Contact No7291981124/25/26, 3. The intending bidders may visit the Bank's official website - https://www.kotak.com/en/bank-auctions.html for auction details and for the terms and conditions of sale. 4. For detailed terms and conditions of auction sale, the bidders are advised to go through the portal https://www.bankeauctions.com and the said terms and conditions shall be binding on the bidders who participate in the bidding process. 5. It is requested that the interested Bidder/s are required to generate the login ID and password from the portal https://www.bankeauctions.com before uploading the bid and other documents. 6. The bid form has to be filled in the prescribed form and is to be submitted / uploaded online only along with KYC documents of the Bidder/s on the portal https://www.bankeauctions.com on or before 25.06.2024upto04.00 p.m. and the scanned copies of the duly filled and signed bid documents and KYCs of the Bidder/s should be sent by mail to nitesh.chhibber@kotak.com and amit.kumar16@kotak.com The Bidder shall write the subject of the email "For purchase of Property in the matter of G.L. Jain Button Store Pvt. Ltd." (Mention the Lot number.)" 7. Prospective bidders may avail online training, for generating Login ID and password and for online bidding process etc., from M/s. C1 India Pvt.Ltd. on above mentioned contact numbers. 8. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) shall be deposited through RTGS/NEFT/FUND TRANSFER to the credit of Account No. 06410125272001, Kotak Mahlndra Bank Ltd., Nariman Point Branch, Mumbai, IFSC Code: KKBK0000958, on or before 25.06.2024upto.4.00.PM. The NEFT/BTGS/GID INDIA TRANSFER shall colve be done from the accounting biddering bidder/s rapid. In case of the interesting biddering bidder/s rapid. In case of the interesting biddering bidders rapid. In case of the interesting biddering bidder shall be deposited through and processed to the interesting biddering bidder shall be deposited through the deposited of the interesting biddering bid bidding process. 5. It is requested that the interested Bidder/s are required to generate the login ID and password from the porta 25.06.2024upto 4.00 P.M. The NEFT/RTGS/FUND TRANSFER shall only be done from the account's of the intending bidder's only. In case of a delay in depositing the EMD and / or submission of Bid documents within the prescribed time limits due to any technical glitch, the Authorised Officer, to maximize the bid participation and inter-se bidding process, at its sole discretion and upon his satisfaction, can accept the Bid/s received after the scheduled cutoff time without giving any disclosure to any person. Any bid submitted without depositing the EMD amount shall stand automatically rejected. The EMD deposited by the proposed bidder shall not earn any interest. 9. The bid price to be submitted shall be equal to and / or above the Reserve Price and during the bidding process, bidders who have submitted bids shall improve their further offers in multiples of Rs.10,000/- (Ten Thousand Only). 10. In case any bid is placed within last 5 minutes of the closing time of the e-auction proceeding, the closing time shall automatically and immediately get extended by another 5 minutes. 11. The successful bidde has to deposit 25% of the highest bid amount (including EMD already paid) immediately on closure of the e-auction sale proceedings or on the following working day in case business hours is closed on the day of E - Auction, in the mode stipulated as above. The balance 75% of the

id amount shall have to be deposited within 15 days from the date on which the acceptance /confirmation of sale is conveyed to such ful bidder or such extended period which shall be at the sole discretion of the Authorised Officer and within the provisions of SARFAESI Act, 2002 and the Security Interest Rules, 2002. 12. The highest bidder will not have any right and title over the property until the Sale Certificate is issued in his favour subject to realization of entire Auction Price and other incidental expenses. Sale shall be subject to terms and conditions of E- Auction and confirmation by the Secured Creditor to that effect. 13. If the successful bidder fails to deposit the entire bid / auction amount, the amount already deposited by the successful bidder shall be forfeited and the defaulting bidder shall neithe have claim on the property nor on the amounts deposited. The Authorised Officer shall be free to exercise any one or more rights available to ms of the provisions of SARFAESI Act, 2002 and the Security Interest Rules, 2002, in respect of the auction property eceipt of the entire sale consideration within the stipulated period as mentioned above, the Authorised Officer shall issue the Sale Certifical the sale shall be completed thereafter, and Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited shall not entertain any claims. 15. The sale certificate shall be issued in the same name in which the Bid is submitted. No request for inclusion/substitution in the sale certificate of names of any person(s other than those mentioned in the bid shall be entertained. 16. The EMD amount, to the unsuccessful bidder/s, shall be returned by Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd, in their accounts by way of RTGS/NEFT/Funds Transfer, within 10(Ten) working days and without any interest. 17. The Authorised Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject a bid or postpone/cancel the notified E – Auction Sale without assigning any reason. In the event of postponement/cancellation of the E – Auction Sale after submission of the bids, EMD submitted by the bidders will be returned, without interest and in case the bids are rejected, Authorised Officer can negotiate with any of the bidders or other parties for sale of the property by private treaty.

18. In the event where a bidder is declared as the successful bidder in the evanction sale conducted and subsequent to that, if the auction proceedings are stayed by any Court /Tribunal, at any stage till the stage of issuance of the sale certificate. and handing over the possession, including but not limited to restraining the bank from further proceedings, then the bidder shall not have any right to claim the refund of the EMD/amount so deposited by him /her or any interest on the amount so deposited towards the sale of the property. The Bank at its sole discretion will refund the money so deposited, without any interest and/or damages and/or claims and no communication will be entertained whatsoever in this regard. 19. If any bidder intends to bid for more than 1 property under auction, then the bidders has to submit separate bids for each of the properties by following the process as mentioned above. 20. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor, but the Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor, but the Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor, but Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor, but the Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. 21. Any other encumbrances are not known to the Bank. The Authorized Officer or the Bank shall not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrances, or any other dues to the Government or anyone else in respect of property Auctioned. The Intending Bidder is advised to make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances on the property including statutory liabilities, arrears of property tax, electricity dues etc. 22. All statutory dues/ other dues including registration charges, stamp duty, taxes etc. shall have to be borne by the purchaser. 23. All outgoings charges i.e. Municipal Taxes, Maintenance/Society charges, Electricity and Water charges and any other dues or taxes including transfer charges / fees in respect of the property put for Auction-cum-Sale under the present notice shall be paid by the successful Bidder/Purchaser solely. 24. All other incidental charges (including but not limited to security charges or maintenance charges for preservation of the property under the present auction) will be borne solely by the highest bidder from the date of issuance of Certificate of Sale, which will have to be cleared / reimbursed to the Bank before registration of the Certificate of Sale. However at the sole discretion of the Authorised Officer, any just and reasonable delay will be considered for exemption, without setting any precedent for future. 25. As per Section 194-IAof the Income Tax Act, 1961, TDS @1% shall be applicable on the sale proceeds, if the sale consideration is Rs. 50,00,000.00 ((Rupees Fifty Lakhs only) and above. The Successful bidder/purchaser shall deduct and deposit 1% TDS, in the name/s of Respective PAN Rupees Fifty Lakhs only) and above. The Successful bidder/purchaser shall deduct and deposit 1% TDS, in the name/s of Respective PAI of Mortgagor /Owner from the final Action sale price and deposit the same with Income at Department, Furthermore only 99% of the Sale price is to be remitted to the Bank. The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Bank, in favour of the Successful bidder/purchaser, only upon the receipt of Form 16B, Form 260B and the Challan evidencing the deposit of such TDS to the satisfaction of the Authorised Officer of the Bank. 26. Sale will strictly be on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS", "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS", "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" and "NO RECOURSE BASIS" on the terms and conditions as mentioned herein, however the Authorised Officer shall have the absolute discretionary right to change or vary any of the terms and conditions. The bidders are advised to make their own independent inquiries regarding any encumbrances, Search in Sub-Register Office and Revenue, Records and Numbrance Records and Numbrances and any administration Government records relation to the concerned. Sub-Registrar Office and Revenue Records and Municipal Records and any administrative Government records relating to the concerne Property and shall satisfy themselves regarding the nature and description of the property, condition, any encumbrances, lien, charge statutory dues, etc. before submitting the bid for the concerned Property. Please note that the Bank/Authorised Officer/Secured Creditor doe not in any way guarantee or make any representation with regard to the fitness/title of the property/ies/assets under auction. Sale/auction will be strictly on no recourse basis. 27. If the dues of the bank together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by them or part thereof as may be acceptable to the bank are tendered by/on behalf of the Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Mortgagor/s, at any time on or before the date fixed

2227 2874 3435 shall abide by the said terms and conditions. 29. The bidders should ensure proper internet connectivity; power back up etc., The Bank shall not be liable for any disruption due to internet failure, power failure, or technical reasons or reasons / contingencies affecting the E-Auctior proceedings. 30. Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited or its employees will not be liable for any claims from any person in respect of the property/les 4023 4684 put for sale. 31. The present notice is also uploaded on the Bank's official website i.e. www.kotak.com and interested parties can visit the same also. 32. For further details kindly contact the Authorised Officer, Mr. Nitesh Chhibber (Mobile no. +91-9115594124) and Mr. Amit 5098

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULES 6(2), 8(6), 8(7) & 9(1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT The borrower/guarantors/mortgagors are hereby notified to discharge the liability in full and pay the dues as mentioned above along wit up to date interest and expenses with in Fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice failing which the "Secured Asset" (mentioned above will be sold as per the terms and conditions mentioned above. In case there is any discrepancy between the publications of sale notice in English and Vernacular newspaper, then in such case the English newspaper will supersede the vernacular newspaper and it shall be considered as the final copy, thus removing the ambiguity.

for sale, the auction / sale of asset may be cancelled. The Authorised Officer reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, if not found

acceptable or to postpone/cancel/adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at any time without assigning any reason whatsoeve and his decision in this regard shall be final. 28. The Borrower/s attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section 8 of section 13 of the Act in

respect of time available, to redeem the secured asset. If the dues of the bank together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank or part thereof or amount higher than the Reserve Price or amount higher than Highest Bidding Value arrived at after the Inter-se Bidding, as may be acceptable to the bank, are tendered /committed to be tendered by / on behalf of the Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Mortgagor/s even through their Agents/Buyers/Investors, identified by them, at any time on or before the date fixed for Auction /Sale or on same date of

Auction or before/after completion of Biding formalities including the declaration of Highest Bidder and even after the issuance of the Sale Confirmation Letter but before the issuance of Sale Certificate to the Successful bidder, the auction / sale of asset may be cancelled at the

sole discretion of the Authorised Officer and without assigning any reason. The Authorised Officer reserves the right to accept or reject any all bids, if not found acceptable or to postpone/cancel / adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at any time without assigning an reason whatsoever and his decision in this regard shall be final. No counter-offer/conditional offer/conditions by the Bidder and/officer reserves the right to accept or reject any all bids, if not found acceptable or to postpone/cancel / adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at any time without assigning an reason whatsoever and his decision in this regard shall be final. No counter-offer/conditional offer/conditions by the Bidder and/officer reserves the right to accept or reject any all bids, if not found acceptable or to postpone/cancel / adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at any time without assigning an reason whatsoever and his decision in this regard shall be final. No counter-offer/conditional offer/conditions by the Bidder and/officer reserves the right to accept a shall be final.

Successful-Bidder will be entertained. The bidders shall be deemed to have read and understood the terms and conditions of the sale and

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Green thumbs

Unless reversed, the deforestation in Delhi will lead to its desertification, says HC

ahatma Gandhi rightly said that what we do to forests is but a reflection of what we are doing unto ourselves. And this apathy to our environment is now causwe are doing unto ourseives. And unis apacity to our chinese a dire warning, observing us untold miseries. The Delhi High Court has issued a dire warning, observing us untold miseries. ing that if the current deforestation trends continue, the city could become a barren desert. This alarming forecast highlights the urgent need for sustainable environmental policies and practices. As urbanisation, construction and pollution intensify, the green cover in Delhi and other metropolitan areas is rapidly depleting, leading to severe ecological and climatic consequences. Delhi's deforestation crisis is fuelled by several factors, including rampant construction, illegal logging and urban expansion. The city's green spaces are shrinking, leading to increased pollution levels, a rise in temperatures and a reduction in natural groundwater recharge areas. The adverse effects are already evident in the city's deteriorating air quality, with smog and particulate matter reaching hazardous

levels during winter months. The reduction in tree cover also exacerbates the urban heat island effect, making Delhi increasingly uninhabitable during summer.

The High Court's stark warning underscores the broader implications of this environmental degradation. Trees play a crucial role in carbon sequestration, temperature regulation and maintaining biodiversity. Their removal disrupts these natural processes, leading to soil erosion, loss of habitat for wildlife and a decline in the overall quality of life. If the current trajectory continues, Delhi could face rising temperatures, severe water shortages, loss of biodiversity and a significant decline in public health due to worsening air quality.

Unfortunately, the general tendency is that the Government should do something about it, but the people themselves can bring about a substantial change. In stark contrast to Delhi's environmental challenges, the village of Piplantri in Rajasthan offers a beacon of hope and a model for sustainable development. Located near Udaipur, Piplantri has gained international acclaim for its unique initiative of planting 111 saplings every time a girl is born in the village. This practice, started by former village head Shyam Sundar Paliwal in the memory of his deceased daughter, has transformed the village's landscape and socio-economic fabric. Since its inception, Piplantri has planted over 350,000 trees, turning the once arid region lush green. This has had multiple benefits of improving air quality, increasing groundwater levels and fostering a sense of community ownership over local resources. The initiative also challenges the deeply rooted gender biases in rural India. The environmental benefits in Piplantri are manifold. The increased green cover has helped combat soil erosion, improved agricultural productivity and provided habitat for various species, thus enhancing biodiversity. Delhi's situation and Piplantri's success highlight the critical need for proactive environmental policies and community engagement. Urban areas like Delhi can draw several lessons from Piplantri's example.



Children travel via a boat to reach their school that reopened after the summer vacation, in Thiruvananthapuram

Epic election festival concludes smoothly

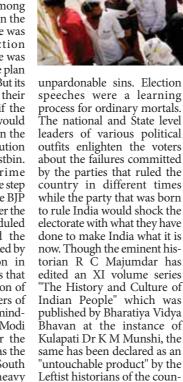


The 2024 general election campaign has been marked by intense mudslinging, media misrepresentations and sharp ideological battles

phase of the voting on Saturday, the long drawnout Great Election Festival has come to an end. The results of the polls would be announced on Tuesday and the winner would be asked by the President to form the new Government. If a party fails to cross the halfway mark on its own, we will see a coalition government consisting of parties with different ideologies but united in their hatred for Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The electioneering of 2024 was nothing other than calling names and distortion statements made by Prime Minister Modi. The misrepresentation of facts by the media has fueled anger among various communities. When the bugle for the electoral battle was sounded by the Election Commission of India, there was no agenda in the BJP's game plan to amend the Constitution. But its rivals were unanimous in their aggressive campaign that if the BJP wins this time, there would not be any more elections in the country and the Constitution would be thrown to the dustbin. Rahul Gandhi, the Prime Minister in waiting, went one step further and declared that the BJP would cancel once and forever the reservation meant for scheduled caste/scheduled tribe and the OBC. Though this was refuted by the BJP camp, the notion in Kerala and Tamil Nadu was that Modi was against reservation of any kind. Meanwhile, leaders of Congress, CPI(M) and like-minded parties blamed Narendra Modi and the Sangh Parivar for the scorching summer as well as the draught that has struck South India. Then came the heavy downpour and upper-level cyclonic circulation in Kerala. The Congress and CPI(M) found Modi as the scapegoat for this too. The contents of the interview given by the Prime Minister to a TV channel too were distorted by the Opposition leaders who

But what he told in the interview was that he saw the 140 crore Indians as his Gods and he was nalism, as coined by C P Scott, worshipping them. These are late editor of The Guardian,

accused the former of claiming



The 2024 General Election was an event that the voters would prefer to forget at the earliest. The electioneering should never be a name-calling exercise and the media should know its role as an observer. The guiding principle of jour-

try. The Leftists and the GOP

have a lot to hide and we will

come back to that on another



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VOTE HAS BEEN CAST, THE ONLY OPTION IS TO WAIT TILL JUNE 4 TO KNOW WHICH WAY THE WIND HAS BLOWN. **NEWSPAPERS AND NEWS CHANNELS** SHOULD NOT TAKE SIDES IN THIS **CONTEST OF** was "facts are sacred but opinions are free"

But in present-day journalism, this law has degenerated and it has become facts and opinions are free. If one is to go by the news and opinions of most newspapers, the INDI Alliance has already won the election and it is a matter of time before the new government is sworn in. The opinion polls and surveys have become a butt of

Now that the last vote has been cast, the only option is to wait till 4 June 2024 to know which way the wind has blown. Newspapers and News Channels should not take sides in this contest of democracy. No doubt, the claim "my kurta is whiter than his" extends to politics. But it should not lead to an exercise of abusing and belittling the rivals. The speeches delivered by some of the leading lights of the main political parties were deplorable and despicable. The portrayal of Mukhtar Ansari, a dreaded criminal and mafia don, as Shaheed by Asaduddin Dwaisi, the president of AIMIM was a shocking incident. We address Bhagat Singh and Chandrasekhar Azad as shaheeds but this is the first

accorded the status of Shaheed. Some of the leaders who constitute the INDI Alliance applaud a person convicted to life imprisonment in the fodder scam as the most honest politician in the country even though the latter is out on bail claiming serious medical ailments. The Porsche car mishap that claimed two lives in Pune is further proof that the BJP cannot escape from the allegations of favouritism. The Hindutva brigade is the alliance partner of the government in Maharashtra in which the NCP has a major stake. Only people with knowledge, wisdom and a clean image should win the election and assume power at the Centre. Convicts and mafia dons should not have any place in this electoral battle. Above all, it is for the Election Commission to elevate the quality of the electoral game to that of a royal event. There is no space for anti-social and anti-national elements in this jamboree where people are the masters. Let the have the last word.

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Is it possible to restore the

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lost vigour of our planet?

We have caused considerable damage to all our terrestrial as well as all aquatic ecosystems but some initiatives have shown promising results

umans think about our planet only on two occasions: during celebrations of select days or when catastrophes happen. When everything is normal, we take our planet for granted. We exploit it to the core, and we forget that the resources on this planet are not only for us but for generations to come. At every stage in the history of Homo sapiens, we have caused considerable harm to the environment. But the quantum of destruction humans caused during the last two centuries has caused irreparable loss to the planet. This is mainly due to the advances in modern science and technology. We forgot the value of the Indian philosophy of living sustainably with nature, propagated by our forefathers for our greed. Today, we have fallen to the level that we don't even care about the future of our own children. We amass wealth and physical resources for our children, but what is the use if they don't have a clean and safe area to live? Can we restore the vigour of our planet?

Restoring the lost vigour of our planet is essential for efforts in places like the Celebrate Environmental Day.



ensuring our environment's long-term health and sustainability. While the challenges are substantial, numerous examples and strategies demonstrate that significant progress can be made with concerted effort, innovative solutions, and global cooperation. We have caused considerable damage to all our terrestrial as well as all aquatic ecosystems. To bring it back to normal is a challenging task. Initiatives such as reforestation, wetland restoration, and coral reef rehabilitation have shown promising results. For instance, reforestation projects in regions like the Amazon, Africa, and Southeast Asia are helping to restore vital forest ecosystems, sequester carbon, and provide habitats for diverse species. Wetland restoration

ing water quality, reducing flood risks, and supporting rich biodiversity. One successful example of land restoration is the Loess Plateau in China. Over several decades, intensive soil erosion had turned this once-fertile region into a barren landscape. The Loess Plateau has been transformed through large-scale interventions, including terracing, reforestation, and sustainable agricultural practices, resulting in increased agricultural productivity, reduced erosion, and improved local livelihoods. After nearly four decades of pollution and neglect, the Khushal Sar Lake in Srinagar has been restored to its former glory, providing a habitat for thousands of migratory birds. Thanks to a community effort supported by the local administration, the lake has been brought back to life. These examples showcase the poten-

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This year's Environment Day campaign focuses on land restoration, desertification and drought resilience. This year, we have realised the

impact of climate change in India through scorching heat wave conditions and unprecedented rains and snowfalls. But when we feel the situation has become normal, we forget our environmental concerns and start harming it. The government must take stringent measures to safeguard the remaining tracts of agricultural lands, wetlands, forests, grasslands, coral reefs etc. No developmental activities should be allowed in these areas. We should carry out tourism-related activities within the region's carrying capacity. The government of Tamil Nadu's recent e-pass system to control tourist influx to Nilgiris is a commendable policy decision. We should implement a similar system in other ecologically sensitive regions of the country, especially those sur-

rounding the Himalayas. (The is an adjunct faculty at the National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bengaluru; views are personal)

DELHI FIGHTS VECTOR-BORNE DISEASES

Madam — Regarding the news story "MCD intensifies efforts to control vector-borne diseases," published on June 2, here is my response. As a daily reader of the newspaper, I find the Municipal Corporation of Delhi's (MCD) intensified efforts to control vector-borne diseases commendable. The deployment of Domestic Breeding Checkers (DBC) has been notably effective, with over 1.35 crore inspections and on-the-spot treatments for more than 25,000 mosquitobreeding sites. The strategic approach, including intersectoral meetings and community awareness campaigns, underscores the importance of collective action. MCD's consistent anti-larval spraying and fogging are critical in curbing the spread of diseases like dengue.

However, the real challenge lies in sustaining these efforts and ensuring public cooperation. The civic body's appeal to residents to maintain cleanliness and manage water storage responsibly is vital. With Aedes mosquitoes breeding in stagnant clean water, community involvement in eliminating potential breeding sites is crucial. It's heartening to see such proactive measures, but continuous vigilance and public engagement are essential to prevent future outbreaks.

Jiya Patel | Ahmedabad

ELECTION DYNAMICS IN INDIA Madam — Apropos the news story "Now, count your blessings on June 4," published on June 2, this is my response. As a regular newspaper reader, witnessing the culmination of the largest festival of democracy in India is a remarkable experience. The recent Lok Sabha elections, with a voter turnout of 60 per cent, underscore the vibrancy and resilience of Indian democracy. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, seeking a third consecutive term, campaigned vigorously, reflecting the intense political landscape. West Bengal's impressive 70 per cent turnout contrasted starkly with Bihar's

THE EDITOR

INDIA bloc optimistic despite exit polls



egarding the news story "Cong Assured of 295+ Seats for INDIA Bloc," published on June 2, here are my thoughts. As a daily reader of The Pioneer, I am deeply impressed by Deepak Kumar Jha's coverage of the INDIA

Bloc's confidence in the 2024 general elections. The detailed account of Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge's assertive claims of winning over 295 Lok Sabha seats highlights the coalition's robust strategy and optimism. It's particularly notable how Jha captures the strategic planning and unity among diverse opposition leaders, including Sonia Gandhi, Arvind Kejriwal, and Akhilesh Yadav.

This article sheds light on their collaborative efforts and preparation for the vote-counting process, reflecting a significant political moment. Jha's thorough reporting provides readers with an insightful glimpse into the political landscape, emphasising the Bloc's readiness to challenge the BJP and form a stable government. His articulate narration is both informative and engaging, making it a commendable piece of journalism

Shaker Kumar | Delhi

differences in electoral engagement. Despite incidents of violence and complaints about EVM glitches, the overall peaceful conduct of the elections is commendable.

Modi's call for robust voter participation resonates deeply, emphasising the importance of every vote. The predicted return of the Modi-led NDA, according to exit polls, suggests continuity but also invites reflection on the opposition's strategies. This election underscores the dynamism of Indian politics, where every voter, regardless of background, plays a pivotal role in shaping the nation's future. The real victory, as the Election Commission aptly put it, belongs to the Indian voter. Dhruv Gupta | Mumbai

LEGACY OF SONAL MANSINGH

 ${\it Madam-Apropos\ the\ news\ story\ "The}$ Living Legend of Sonal Mansingh," published on June 2, this is my response. Reading about Sonal Mansingh's remarkable journey is truly inspiring. Her story is one of dedication and resilience, 49.12 per cent, highlighting regional breaking barriers in a male-dominated

field and promoting Indian classical dance on a global stage. Starting her dance education in Bharatanatyam and later mastering Odissi under Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra, she has become a luminary in the arts. Despite societal challenges, her unwavering commitment has not only preserved India's cultural heritage but also brought it to the forefront internationally.

Mansingh's involvement in politics as a Rajya Sabha member further emphasises the importance of integrating cultural advocacy within governance. Her efforts to use dance as a medium for social commentary and her work with the Centre for Indian Classical Dances highlight her multifaceted contributions. Sonal Mansingh's life and work remind us of the enduring relevance of our cultural roots and the transformative power of art in bridging divides and fostering

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FIRST COLUMN CRIME AND CONSCIENCE

Spiritual resilience through meditation can help reform criminal behaviour



RAJYOGI BRAHMAKUMAR **NIKUNJ JI**

he whole nation was jolted by a recent hit-and-run tragedy, wherein a teenager, reportedly intoxicated behind the wheel of a luxury car, collided with a motorbike, claiming the lives of two promising young IT professionals . As per criminal psychologists, before a crime can be said to have occurred, it has to be committed. So, without action, there can be no crime. Hence, they say that in most of the cases, a person commits a crime in a moment of high tension, irresistible temptation, uncontrollable passion, deep infatuation, extreme provocation or utter frustration or in answer to an undying call of conviction or conscience. So, according to them if he/she could withstand the pressure of these conditions of restlessness for even a couple of minutes or perhaps, even for a few seconds, he/she would have, perhaps, been out of the crime zone and be free at least from any charge of a cognisable offence. Considering it from another perspective, it could be said that, if a man's rational sense, his self-respect, his control over the emotions, his sober judgement, his noble sentiments and his spiritual or ethical sense had not forsaken him, then, perhaps, the blinding storm of negative forces would have subsided and subdued and he would have refrained from the actual committal of crime and would thus have been saved from the traumatic experience that generally follows the crime. Once a gory crime has been committed, the gentle spirit in man has to go through a humiliating and excruciating experience even before he is jailed for a criminal offence or has to pay a heavy amount as punishment, under the relevant act for his civil offence, or has to suffer both. Not only does he feel depressed and carry a heavy burden on his chest but also, he is unable to face his conscience, stand before a mirror and



see his face as before. We have to consider does the law cover all acts that may cause injury to public welfare? Hence one can say that there is no objective, simple definition of crime. Because the meaning of crime is affected by the particular society in which we live.

Like, there are crimes that occur within strict legal definitions and those that relate to codes or conventions known as normative definitions. They are usually formal moral codes such as religions, or informal codes such as socially acceptable behaviour. The acts of crime and the punishment by the court go on as usual. However, one important question to which no government or judiciary has seriously and assiduously addressed itself lingers on. The question relates to the state of mind of a person before he commits the crime and after he has done the act. It is common knowledge that the forces that goad a person to committal of crime are none other than the maddening feelings of anger, consuming fires of hatred, jealousy, rivalry, vengeance or enmity, expanded greed, aroused strong passion, inflated or injured ego, surge of emotional attachment or grave fear of the unknown. We cannot reduce crime or have a crimeless society unless and until we have greatly reduced or fully removed these negative traits from the minds of the citizens

It is unfortunate that pre-natal and post-natal aspects of crime have never been adequately dealt with by our society. It is hardly realised that what is required, in fact, are such measures that increase the psychological and spiritual immunity of the citizens to situations of stress and strain or to tempests of greed, ego and passions. This cannot be done except by spiritual education and guidance in Meditation. Because it is meditation which can burn the hidden roots of anger, hatred and other negative and criminal tendencies in a person. The over-all expenditure and the manpower and effort required for this will be "far far less" than is involved to keep the cogged wheels of law oiled and moving.

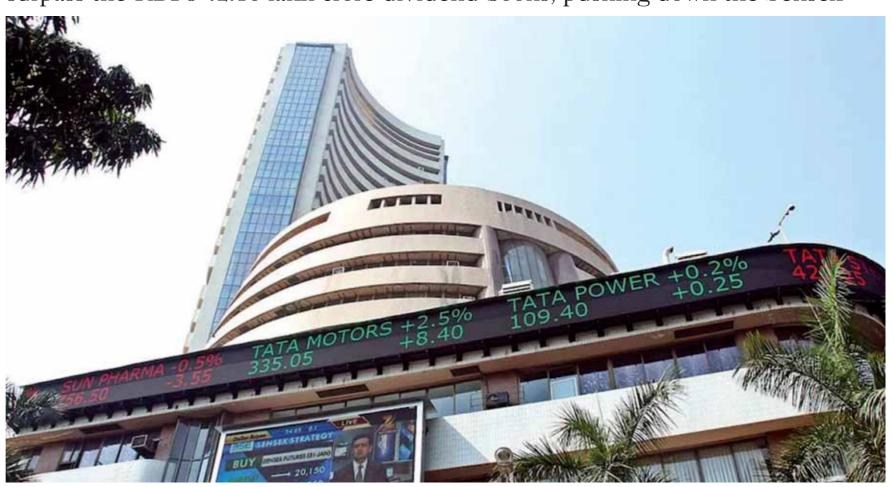
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Uncertainties dwindle investors' confidence



SHIVAJI SARKAR

Global uncertainties over rising interest rates, jittery noises of LS elections surpass the RBI's ₹2.10 lakh crore dividend boons, pushing down the Sensex



rom its highest 76,010 in the beginning of the week it plunged to 73,866 as the BSE and Nifty indices close in the last six sessions. The RBI forecast of 7 percent growth too has not boosted the spirits as the equity market has been pining for a higher growth. However, RBI claims that even at 7 percent the country would be one of the fastest growing economies in the financial year 2025. The Asian Development Bank and Fitch also concur. But IMF, S&P and Morgan Stanley put it at 6.8 percent and World Bank, Moody's and Deloitte put it at 6.6 percent.

The RBI has set a target of inflation at 4.5 percent though the central bank repeatedly has said that for the last ten years average inflation hovered over 5.5 percent. The central bank also notes a owdown in the last quarter of 2023-24. Global markets remained under pressure due to rising bond yields and denting hopes of a rate cut. A major concern is the spike in US bond yields pushing the 10-year yield above 4.6 per cent. Some of the top companies that raised dollar bonds include India Bulls HF-\$ 350 million; IRB Infra - \$ 540 million; Adani Green Energy - \$ 409 million and Sriram Finance - \$ 750 million, as per Bloomberg. The bond market can trigger continuation of the FII selling which will depress the prices of large stocks further. Volatility is likely to continue the next week as well due to the political uncertainty and global developments. This has been a phenomenon since the elections began in April and now it is spiking to 24.8 - a more than two-year high on the benchmark for volatility India VIX. Except for occasional rises, the stocks remained stagnant.

In different phases the losses to investors have been heavy. In the present melee, foreign funds were major sellers at Rs



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3,050 crore. In earlier, trading also the FPIs sold stocks worth Rs 27,500 crore. The domestic funds were net buyers at Rs 53,600 crore. It means largely the PSU funds were the buyers. This has a risk to mutual fund investors. During the weekend the BSE sensex had a mirror rise of 0.18 percent or 132.44 points and the NSE Nifty 50 closed 61.75 points or 0.27% higher. These minor movements are not capable of

recovering the losses.
It is found that some of the major corporates like the Tata Steel's profit slides 65 percent to Rs 555 crore down from Rs 1566 crore. It suffered a loss of Rs 594 crore. Of the 12 startups looking to launch IPOs in 2024, eight iave incurred a cumulative loss of Rs 8,000 crore, including Swiggy, and Ola Electric.

A prolonged election has seen investor confidence being hit. Foreign portfolio investors preferred to unload more than buying. Election is a democratic necessity. The rulers, however, need to see it beyond political compulsions. Ideally, an election could be held in far fewer phases stretched to not more than a fortnight. Most of the southern states had a one-day poll schedule. Only in states of northern and eastern India had multiphase polls. Even Tripura, one of the tiniest states with two seats, witnessed polls being held in two

Longer an election stretches, the administrative cost multiplies. All political parties should sit together with the Election Commission of India (ECI) to

be simplified to hold elections in the shortest possible time to take care of administrative, economic and trading activities. Apart, it also needs to decide whether announcing dividends by organisations like RBI or other PSUs could be announced during the elections. Such moves tilt the bal-

Profit booking at higher levels in the stock market has been a synonym to political or economic uncertainties. This needs to be avoided to the maximum. Polls must not come in the way of policy decisions either at the government level or corporate and other institutional functioning.

Election schedules are not a matter of mere political management. Polls are held to improve systems. If these affect any aspect of the governance, this must be corrected for all times and should be part of the standard operating procedures of the ECI.

Overall, there are risks to the economy, RBI says in its annual report. It has asked banks to address trading norms, banking book risks, and diversify deposit sources to mitigate risks associated with interest rate fluctuations. This variation has also its impact on the stock markets. Its decision to review priority sector lending guidelines and work towards formulating norms for the National Strategy fir Financial Inclusion up to 2030 could have wider impact on trading and businesses.

The RBI functioning is also being discussed. Its dividend payment of Rs 2.10 lakh crore is linked to

discuss how the modalities could 17 percent rise in income, 56 percent drop in expenses due to a much lower transfer to contingency provisions during 2023-24. As against Rs 1.3 lakh crore in 2022-23, only Rs 42,819 crore was transferred to the contingency fund in 2023-24.

Another matter that has drawn

attention is the domestic assets

made up 23.3 percent against 76.7 percent in foreign currency assets, including gold deposits and gold held in the country as also loans and advances to financial institutions outside India. The RBI holds, it annual reports says, 822.1 metric tonnes of gold. The value of gold held as asset increased by 16.9 percent to Rs 1,64,604.9 crore on March 31, 2023. It aiso mentions neavy lia bilities other than deposits and notes issued at 92.57 percent. The recent trend in US inflation data could make an interest rate cut this year. This could cause further flight of capital from India even as rupee continues to fall against the dollar and further fall in the equities are not ruled out. The market awaits new policy formulations. Till such time

the volatility is likely to contin-ue. It would require innovative approach to the financial and budgetary policies to boost the overall market so that investors from across the globe are tempted to put their funds in Indian scrip and other instruments. The new government has to trudge cautiously and intelligently to rev up the contours of the market and economy.

(The author is a senior journalist; views are personal)

Total knee replacement is a quantum leap towards pain relief

TKR is a transformative solution for those with knee pain. By tackling the root cause of pain, it not only restores mobility but also improves overall health

A 46-year-old woman faced the challenges of bilateral knee degeneration due to a rare congenital condition. Her knees had deteriorated significantly, causing chronic pain and limited mobility. After careful evaluation of her condition and medical history, she was recommended bilateral total knee replacement surgery (TKR) as the most suitable option. Following the surgery, she experienced a remarkable transformation. Today, she enjoys a newfound sense of freedom and vitality. Whether it's walking, hiking, or pursuing her passions, she does so with confidence and

Knee pain affects millions of individuals in India, hinder-



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ing basic activities like walking and stair climbing. However, TKR is a break-through revolution in this direction, and a study published in the Journal of Arthroplasty reports that over 90% of TKR patients experience significant pain relief and improved mobili-

ty post-surgery. TKR, also known as knee arthroplasty, is considered a quantum leap towards pain relief for patients suffering from severe knee pain, often due to arthritis or injuries. This surgical procedure involves replacing the affected parts of the knee joint with artificial components to normalcy.

Women often face knee problems because of their body structure and changes vides long-term relief, and

like menopause hormones. This can make everyday tasks harder due to joint weakness and extra knee pressure. That's why doctors suggest knee replacement surgery. It's a way to fix the knee for improved and painless functionality. Unlike conventional treatments, surgery tackles the root cause and enables the person to enjoy a normal and pain-

TKR isn't just for seniors anymore; it's also a lifeline for younger adults, addressing various conditions beyond sports injuries. It's also beneficial for patients with traumatic injuries or fractures leading to irreparable knee damage. TKR addresses these issues, pro-



Eventually, it empowers younger individuals to lead active lives. Factors such as activity level and implant durability are carefully evaluated to ensure optimal out-

TKR is a transformative solution for those with knee pain and coexisting health Total Knee Replacement cles and improves flexibili-

issues like diabetes or obesity. By tackling the root cause of pain, TKR not only restores mobility but also improves overall health. Reduced pain and enhanced mobility support, increased physical activity, aiding in weight management and

blood sugar control.

widespread arthritis or severe damage. On the other side, Partial Knee Replacement (PKR) targets only the damaged part of the knee, keeping healthy tissue and bone intact. Both surgeries aim to reduce pain and improve movement, but they differ in how much of the knee they address. TKR is a comprehensive solution for serious knee issues, while PKR focuses on specific areas of damage. The choice between the two depends on the severity of the injury and the patient's overall health. Physical therapy is crucial before and after TKR. Before surgery, it strengthens mus-

involves replacing the whole

knee joint with artificial

parts, which is useful for

ty, preparing patients for the procedure. After surgery, therapy helps reduce swelling, regain mobility, and rebuild muscle strength. Continued therapy ensures optimal knee function, prevents stiffness, and enhances the quality of life.

TKR offers hope to people regardless of age, gender, or health challenges. With advancements in medicine, TKR has become a gamechanger in treating knee problems as a reliable solution for improving knee function and reducing pain. It's a choice that can truly change their lives for the bet-

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Israel tells citizens to avoid travel to Maldives | Israel seeks

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srael has advised its citi-I srael has advised the zens, including those holding an additional foreign passport, to avoid travelling to the Maldives and asked those staying there to leave the Indian Ocean archipelago, a day after the Maldivian government decided to ban Israeli passport holders from entering the country amidst the deadly war in Ġaza.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry made the recommendations on Sunday in view of the Maldivian government's decision to make the legal amendments necessary to ban entry into the Maldives on Israeli passports as soon as possible.

"The recommendation is also valid for Israeli citizens holding a foreign passport, in addition to the Israeli passport," the Israeli Foreign Ministry said in a statement. "For Israeli citizens staying in the country, it is recommended to consider leaving, since if they fall into disago, but have not succeeded tress for any reason, it will be difficult for us to help," it

While the Maldivian cabinet decided to ban Israeli passports, the actual implementation of the decision will require legal reforms.

Maldives receives more than one million tourists each year. About 10,966 Israeli tourists visited the Maldives in 2023, while 15,748 Israelis travelled to the country in

Israel issued a travel warning in December urging its citizens against visiting the Maldives, citing increased anti-Israel sentiment during the war with Hamas.

Israel does not have diplomatic ties with the Muslimmajority nation after they were suspended in 1974. However, Israelis have been allowed to visit the country famed for its islands since diplomatic dialogue to nor-

malise ties between the two

ago, but have not succeeded despite at times looking

"promising".
The Maldivian cabinet on Sunday also decided to appoint a special presidential envoy to identify the areas in which Palestine requires support from the Maldives and organise fundraising events to assist Palestinians through the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East. The Gaza conflict began on October 7 after Hamas initiated an attack on Israel, killing over 800 and capturing 240 hostages, according

Israel launched a massive counter-offensive against the Palestinian militant group that has ruled Gaza since

to Israeli authorities.

More than 36,000 people, including women and children, have been killed in Gaza in Israel's action. according to the Hamas-run health ministry in Gaza.



Palestinians look at the destruction after an Israeli airstrike in Khan Younis, Gaza Strip, Monday,

Mexico elects Claudia Sheinbaum as president

AP MEXICO CITY

Plaudia Sheinbaum claimed Cvictory in Mexico's presidential election, becoming the first woman selected for the job by promising to continue the political course set by her populist predecessor despite widespread discontent with persistent cartel violence and disappointing economic perfor-

The climate scientist and former Mexico City mayor was the favored successor of outgoing President Andrés Manuel López Obrador. But her cool temper offers a sharp contrast in style
— and a break with Mexico's male-dominated political cul-

Sheinbaum said Sunday night that her two competitors had called her and conceded in an election that guaranteed Mexico would make history. The two leading candidates were women, and Sheinbaum is also be the first person from a Jewish background to lead the overwhelmingly Catholic country. Her main competitor, Xóchitl Gálvez, meanwhile, had a father who was Indigenous Otomi. "I do not arrive alone. We all arrived, with our heroines who gave us our homeland, with our mothers, our daughters and granddaughters, Sheinbaum said with a smile,

speaking at a downtown hotel shortly after electoral authorities announced an early count showed she held an irreversible

The 61-year-old Sheinbaum led the campaign wire-to-wire despite a spirited challenge from Gálvez. But Sheinbaum is unlikely to enjoy the kind of unquestioning devotion that López Obrador has enjoyed. Yoselin Ramírez, 29, said she voted for Sheinbaum, but split her vote for other posts because she didn't want anyone holding a strong majority.

"I don't want everything to be occupied by the same party, so there can be a little more equality," she said without elaborat-

The main opposition candidate, Gálvez, who rose from selling snacks on the street in her poor hometown to start her own tech firms, tried to seize on Mexicans' concerns about security and promised to take a



after voting during general elections in Mexico City, Sunday

more aggressive approach toward organised crime. By Monday morning, with the 76.1% of the polling place tallies counted by Mexico's electoral authority, Sheinbaum had 58.6% of the vote, followed by Gálvez with 28.3%. Longshot candidate Jorge Álvarez Máynez trailed with 10.5% of the vote. Sheinbaum's Morena party was also projected to hold its majorities in both chambers of

If the margin holds, it would approach López Obrador's landslide victory in 2018. He won the presidency after two unsuccessful tries with 53.2% of the National Action took 22.3% the Institutional Revolutionary Party took 16.5%. The elections were widely seen as a referendum on López Obrador, who has expanded social programs but largely failed to reduce cartel violence

in Mexico. In Mexico City's main plaza, the Zocalo, Sheinbaum's lead did not draw the kind of cheering, jubilant crowds that greeted López Obrador's victory in 2018. Those present were enthusiastic, but comparatively few in

Sara Ríos, 76, a retired literature professor at Mexico's National Autonomous University, celebrated after hearing that Gálvez had conceded."The only way that we move forward is by working together," Ríos said.

"She is going to work to bring peace to the country, and is going to manage to advance, but it is a slow process.

Earlier, Fernando Fernández, a chef, 28, joined the relatively small crowd, hoping for a Sheinbaum victory, but even he acknowledged there were problems. "You vote for Claudia out of conviction, for AMLO," Fernández said, referring to López Obrador by his initials, as

most Mexicans do. But his highest hope is that Sheinbaum can "improve what AMLO couldn't do, the price of gasoline, crime and drug trafficking, which he didn't combat Sheinbaum promised to continue all of López Obrador's poli cies, including a universal pension for the elderly and a program that pays youths to apprentice. Gálvez, who ran with a coalition of major opposition parties, left the Senate last year to focus her ire on López Obrador's decision to avoid confronting the drug cartels through his "hugs not bullets" policy. She pledged to more aggressively go after criminals. Julio García, a Mexico City office worker, said he was voting for the opposition in Mexico City's central San Rafael neighbourhood. "They've robbed me twice at gunpoint. You have to change direction, change leadership," the 34-year-old said. "Continuing the same way, we're going to become Venezuela."

Mexico's first woman pres faces pressing gender-related issues

Mexico City (AP): Claudia Sheinbaum's name will go

down in Mexican history. The governing party candidate won Mexico's presidential election on Sunday, a turning point in a mostly conservative nation that for more than two centuries has been exclusively ruled by men.

Elsewhere in Latin America, women have presided over Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Nicaragua, Honduras, Ecuador, El Salvador, Panama, Haiti and Costa Rica. Mexican women won the right to vote in 1953. No law pre-

vented female candidates from holding office, but sexism and "macho" culture continue to permeate the country of 129 million people. Prior to the current presidential race, during which Sheinbaum maintained a comfortable lead against opposition candidate Xóchitl Gálvez, only two women had officially sought Mexico's presidency. Both failed. In her bid to replace outgoing President Andrés Manuel López Obrador, Sheinbaum struggled to construct an image of her whether she can escape the shadow of her mentor. Women currently lead some key Mexican institutions, such as the Senate, the Supreme Court and the National Electoral Institute. Mexico ranks third among Latin American nations with the most women in the national Cabinet — 44% — and has 10 female governors among its 32 states. In some Indigenous villages, though, men still hold the power. Among the issues that Mexican women face are femicide, or women killed because of their gender, a gender employment gap and inadequate policies guaranteeing sexual and reproductive rights. Sheinbaum, 61, will need to address these after she takes office on Oct 1.

International Women's Day on March 8 are painful reminders that many Mexican women disappear or are killed on a daily basis.

According to UN Women, up to 10 women are victims of femicide each day in Mexico. The number totalled 3,000 in

Thousands more have disappeared. In many cases, it is their mothers, feeling abandoned by the government, who have taken on the task of searching for them.

Most femicides go unpunished due to Mexico's inefficient justice system, which frequently dismisses reported crimes or fails to properly investigate and prosecute them.

According to the National Institute of Statistics and Geography, more than 40% of Mexican women who are 15 years old or older say they have been victims of some sort of

violence in their lives. During her campaign, Sheinbaum said she would replicate measures against gender-based violence that were implemented when she was the capital include the creation of an antifemicide prosecutor's office and legislation that would force offenders to leave their homes. 'We transform, we are warriors who open paths for other women," Sheinbaum said. In spite of this, Sheinbaum has been criticized by feminists and activists arguing that her government lacked genderrelated policies.

Excessive use of force against women during demonstrations has been flagged as well. Teenage pregnancy among Mexican women and girls has raised concern.According to official figures from 2021, the latest available, there were 147,279 births among adolescents between 15 and 19 years old, and 3,019 among girls

'Israeli airstrikes near Aleppo kills several'

Beirut (AP): Israeli airstrikes around the Syrian city of Aleppo killed several people early on Monday, Syrian state media reported. The state-run SANA news

agency gave no specific toll. It said the strikes were around the southeastern edge of Aleppo. The aggression led to a number of martyrs and some material losses," SANA said. Israel did not immediately

acknowledge the strikes and rarely does when it comes to

Syria and Israel have been at war since Israel's founding in 1948. Syria's President Bashar Assad has been backed by Iran in his country's yearslong war, and Israeli strikes previously have targeted Iranian positions and equipment.

The strikes also come while Israel is fighting Hamas in the Gaza Strip. Israel separately has been striking targets in

alternative to Hamas in Gaza

AP ■ JERUSALEM

Israel is looking into an alternative local governing body for Gaza, the defence minister said on Sunday, proposing a future beyond Hamas but giving no idea who those chal-lengers might be.Defence Minister Yoav Gallant's comments came at a time of new uncertainty in the eight-month war. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is under growing pressure from many Israelis to accept a new ceasefire deal proposed by US President Joe Biden while farright allies threaten to collapse his government if he

Gallant, part of Israel's threemember War Cabinet who recently urged the government to have a detailed postwar plan for Gaza, said in a briefing that "we seek a governing alternative to Hamas. The framework for this includes isolating areas, removing Hamas operatives in these areas and bringing in other forces that will enable the formation of a governing alternative".

That will achieve Israel's goals of removing Hamas' military and governing authority in Gaza and returning home the remaining hostages taken in the October 7 Hamas attack that sparked the war, Gallant said. He stressed that "we will not accept the rule of Hamas at any stage in any process aimed at ending the war".

An Israeli defence official told AP that Gallant hopes to enable isolated, Hamas-free areas in Gaza to become "hubs of local government" and identify forces that can enable a longerterm formation of a government.

Israel is looking for "local nonhostile actors", the official said, adding that Gallant believes that "Palestinians should be governing Palestinians". Israel would facilitate surges of aid to the areas, and the local forces would be responsible for distributing it to strengthen their

But that approach is challenging and has failed before, one expert said.

'I haven't heard of any local players that are brave enough to present themselves as an alternative to Hamas," said Michael Milshtein, an Israeli analyst of Palestinian affairs at Tel Aviv University and a former military intelligence offi-

Milshtein said Gallant's "wishful thinking" would amount to a suicidal mission for any local leader. Hamas has threatened anyone cooperating with

Israel's government. "Although Hamas suffered severe damage over the past eight months, their impact on the public is still very strong," Milshtein noted that Israel has

tried this approach in the past. In the 1970s and '80s, Israel tried to establish "village leagues", empowering local Palestinian leaders. They were considered in the

eyes of Palestinians as collaborators, and it ended in a very tragic manner," he said. Unless Israel maintains a constant presence in Gaza, any "alternative forces" they try to install will be too fragile, he added. Netanyahu has said Israel will maintain security control over Gaza but delegate civilian administration to local Palestinians unaffiliated with Hamas or the Western-backed Palestinian Authority. He has ruled out a path to Palestinian statehood.

Top ally the US has proposed that a reformed Palestinian Authority would govern Gaza with the assistance of Arab and Muslim nations.

The Hamas attack in southern Israel killed around 1,200 people — mostly civilians — and abducted about 250. About 100 hostages remain in Gaza, along with the bodies of around 30 more. Over 36,430 Palestinians have

been killed in Gaza by Israel's offensive, according to Gaza's Health Ministry. Israel blames Hamas for civilian deaths.

Iran's acting top diplomat makes first official visit to Lebanon with Israeli forces along the

AP ■ BEIRUT

decessor died in a helicopter crash last month. Iran's staterun IRNA news agency reported that Ali Bagheri Kani would visit Lebanon and then Syria "to meet with the two countries' officials as well as the officials of the resistance front to discuss ways to counter (Israel)." Iran backs a number of armed

factions in the region, of which Lebanese Shiite militant group Hezbollah is widely seen as the most powerful. Hezbollah would be Tehran's first line of defense in case of a direct conflict between Iran and Israel.

Bagheri Kani's predecessor, Hossein Amirabdollahian, a hard-liner close to the paramilitary Revolutionary Guard, died in a helicopter

crash on May 19 in a mountainous area near Iran's bor-Iran's acting foreign minisder with Azerbaijan, along ter arrived in Lebanon with Iranian President Monday, his first official Ebrahim Raisi and a delega-

Bagheri Kani met with his Lebanese counterpart, Abdallah Bou Habib, on Monday and praised the "close relations" between the two countries. He told reporters that "resistance is the basis for stability in the region." 'We agreed that all countries

in the region, especially the Islamic countries, should adopt a joint movement in order to counter Israeli aggression and protect the Palestinian people, especially in Rafah," he said. Bou Habib said Lebanon, for

its part, wants to avoid a wider war and is looking for "sustainable solutions that restore calm and stability to southern Lebanon." Hezbollah has been clashing

October, against the backdrop of Israel's war against the allied Hamas group in Gaza. intensified in recent weeks, since Israel's incursion into the key town of Rafah in southern Gaza. The border fighting has killed

Lebanon-Israel border since

more than 400 people on the Lebanese side — most of them militants but also including more than 70 civilians and noncombatant and at least 15 soldiers and 10 civilians on the Israeli side. The danger of a direct conflict between Iran and Israel has also risen since Oct. 7.

An apparent Israeli airstrike on an Iranian consulate in Syria in April triggered a series of escalatory attacks between Iran and Israel that threatened to set off a wider war, although the two regional archrivals have recently seemed to dial back tensions

More women among top paid CEOs in 2023, still outnumbered by men

AP SAN FRANCISCO

More women are attaining the top job at companies in the S&P 500, but their numbers are still minuscule compared to their male counterparts. Of the 341 CEOs included in the AP's annual compensation survey, 25 are women. That's the most women making the list since the survey began in 2011. But the numbers haven't budged very much. The second highest tally was 21 women in 2017. The survey, based on data analyzed for The Associated Press by Equilar, includes CEOs at S&P 500 companies who have served at least two fiscal years at their companies, which filed proxy statements between Jan. 1 and April 30, 2024. Christy Glass, a professor of sociology at

inclusion and leadership, said that while seeing more female CEOs this year is a positive, overall the trends are discouraging.
"We'll see a year where there's kind of a

Utah State University who studies equity,

banner year of women CEOs," she said. "But then a year or two down the road,

we'll see a significant turnover. Lisa Su, CEO and chair of the board of chipmaker Advanced Micro Devices, was the highest paid female CEO in the AP survey for the fifth year in a row in fiscal 2023, bringing in total compensation worth USD30.3 million — flat with her compensation package a year earlier. Her rank rose to 21 overall from 25. Su received a base salary of USD 1.2 mil-

lion and a performance bonus of more than USD 1.4 million. The bulk of her package was USD 21.8 million in stock

Su has been chief of AMD, based in Santa Clara, California, since 2014.

The company is part of a growing number of companies trying to take advantage of a broader interest from businesses looking for new AI tools that can analyze data, help make decisions and potentially replace some tasks currently performed by human workers. AMD's stock price surged 127% in 2023.

The others in the top five highest paid female CEOs include Mary Barra of automaker General Motors with total compensation of USD 27.8 million; Jane Fraser of banking giant Citigroup with a package worth USD 25.5 million; Kathy Warden of aerospace and defense company Northrop Grumman Corp. at USD 23.5 million; and Carol Tome of package deliverer UPS Inc., whose pay was valued at USD 23.4 million. Some notable female CEOs aren't includ-

Demonstrations

ed since they became CEO less than two years ago or their company files proxy statements outside of the January through April window, including Julie Sweet of consultant Accenture and Sue Nabi, CEO of

The median pay package for female CEOs rose 21 per cent to USD 17.6 million. That's better than the men fared: Their median pay package rose 12 per cent to USD16.3

But the highest paid men still make far more than the highest paid women. Broadcom CEO Hock Tan raked in USD161.8 million — the vast majority of that in stock awards. Part of the issue of the disproportionate numbers of men to women is the "glass cliff," Glass said. Her research shows women are more likely to be appointed CEO at disadvantaged companies."It's kind of like one step forward, two steps back," she said. "One of the factors driving that is the fact that women tend to have opportunities to serve as CEO when organizations are in crisis. ... That means that they start their leadership trajectory at a disadvantage.

Quakes in north-central Japan collapse 5 homes who are still struggling to

AP ■ TOKYO

Earthquakes early Monday again struck Japan's northcentral region of Ishikawa, still recovering from the destruction left by a powerful quake on January 1, but the latest shaking caused no major damage.

A magnitude 5.9 temblor on the northern top of the Noto Peninsula was followed minutes later by a 4.8 and then several smaller quakes within the next two hours, the Japan Meteorological Agency said. There was no tsunami.

Five houses that had been damaged in the January 1 quake collapsed in Wajiima city, but no major damage or life-threatening injuries were reported, according to Ishikawa prefecture. A quake alarm in the town of Tsubata, about 100 kilometers (60 miles) southwest of the epicenter, surprised a resident in her 60s who fell from her bed but the injury was not life-threatening, prefectural officials said. JMA seismology and tsunami official



Satoshi Harada said Monday's quakes were believed to be aftershocks of the magnitude 7.6 earthquake on January 1. Seismic activity has since slightly subsided, but Harada urged people to be cautious, especially near buildings that were damaged earlier.

Shinkansen super-express trains and other train services were temporarily suspended for safety checks but most of them resumed, according to West

Japan Railway Co.

The Nuclear Regulation Authority said no abnormalities were found at two nearby nuclear power plants. One of them, the Shika plant on the Noto Peninsula, had minor damage, though officials said that did not affect cooling functions of the two reactors.

Hokuriku Electric Power Co. said there were no power outages.Monday's rattlings rekindled fear among residents recover from damages from the New Year's quake. NHK public television showed a number of people who came out of their homes and temporary shelters to see if there were additional "Many people who have

been living at evacuation centers must have been been frightened," Chief Cabinet Secretary Yoshimasa Hayashi said, urging caution against potential falling rocks and landslides in areas that were shaken strongly Reconstruction comes slowly in mountainous areas on the peninsula, and many damaged houses remain untouched.

of the hardest-hit areas, an inn operator told NHK that he immediately ducked under the desk at the reception when the first quake struck Monday. Nothing fell to the floor or broke, but it reminded him of the January shakings and made him worry that a big quake like that had occurred even five months later.

In Wajima, which was one

Courts acquit Imran Khan in 3 high-profile cases

Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf party founder Imran Khan was on Monday acquitted in three high-profile cases, including the cipher case, in a major relief to the beleaguered former prime minister who was sentenced to 10 years in jail for making public a secret diplomatic communication.

The 71-year-old former cricketer-turned-politician has been in jail since August last year after being convicted in some of the nearly 200 cases slapped on him since his ouster in April

On Monday, a two-member bench of the Islamabad High Court (IHC) comprising Chief Justice Aamer Farooq and Justice Miangul Hassan Aurangzeb acquitted Khan and former foreign minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi in the cipher case.

However, the duo are not expected to be released from prison due to Khan's sentence in the Iddat case (illegal marriage) while Oureshi was arrested in a case linked to the May 9 violence. Qureshi is on physical remand till June 5. Khan and Qureshi were sen-



tenced to 10 years of imprisonment in the cipher case in January by a special court, established under the Official Secrets Act. Both Khan and Qureshi had challenged the verdict in the Islamabad High

The case pertains to the incident in which Khan showed a piece of paper - allegedly a copy of a diplomatic communication - at a public rally in Islamabad, claiming it as proof of a conspiracy against his government by a foreign power, referring to US diplomat Donald Lu, who has been at the centre of the

cipher controversy Khan had brandished the cipher paper just two weeks before the ouster of the PTI government in April 2022 through a vote of no-confi-

dence in Parliament. Leader of the Opposition in the National Assembly Omar Ayub hailed the verdict and called for the immediate release of Khan and Oureshi.

In a statement, Khan's party urged the judiciary that the "false cases" against all political prisoners be dealt with as soon as possible and they should be released from jail.

August 15 last year by the Federal Investigation Agency which accused Khan and Oureshi of violating the secret laws while handling a cable sent by the Pakistan embassy in Washington in March 2022.

The two were first indicted in October last year but the process was reversed by the Islamabad High Court while ruling against in-camera proceedings. They were indicted again in December.

In a separate development, the district and sessions court of Islamabad acquitted Khan, Qureshi, ex-communication minister Murad Saeed, and other PTI leaders in two cases of vandalism during the 'Haqeeqi Azaadi' march in

In May 2022, the former cricketer-turned-politician launched a march toward Islamabad from Lahore to topple the coalition government of Shehbaz Sharif that assumed power after he was ousted as the premier following a vote of no confidence.

The rally was part of the PTI's struggle to achieve "real freedom" and deliver the nation from the "slavery" of the "US-

backed" coalition government. Khan had accused the coalition government of coming to power through a "US-backed conspiracy".

The Islamabad police at that time filed separate cases against 150 people, including Khan, Qureshi and other party leaders, over allegations of arson and vandalism in the federal

Earlier this month, a judicial magistrate of Islamabad also acquitted Khan in two cases of vandalism during his party's two long marches in 2022. Judicial magistrate Shaista Kundi heard the pleas filed by

the former prime minister for his acquittal in the cases registered at Islamabad's Lohi Bhair and Sahala police stations and one related to his production in the court.

Separately, the Islamabad High Court on Monday accepted District and Sessions Judge Shahrukh Arjumand's plea for the transfer of the Iddat case to another court, days after the complainant expressed a lack of confidence in the judge.

Khan and Bushra, 49, were sentenced to seven years in prison each on February 3 by a trial court for contracting the mar-

riage during iddat, a mandatory period for a woman in Islam to wait before a second marriage after the death of her husband or divorce. The case was filed by Bushra's

ex-husband, Khawar Maneka, against the couple in November 2023, alleging that they married without Bushra observing the mandatory waiting period of iddat. He asked the court to declare the marriage null and

The former first couple had challenged the verdict in Islamabad District and Sessions Court, where Judge Shahrukh Arjumand heard the appeals and reserved the verdict on May 23.

The couple had married in 2018, the year Khan went on to win elections and become prime minister. Bushra was ostensibly his spiritual guide, but the two developed affection for each other during their meetings. She got a divorce from her husband of 28 years, with whom she had five chil-

She is the third wife of Khan, a former cricketing hero who during his heydays of sporting career, had a playboy reputaChristian man attacked by mob in Pak's Punjab dies

Lahore (PTI): An elderly Christian man has succumbed to his injuries sustained during an attack by a mob led by a radical outfit following a blasphemy allegation last week in Pakistan's Punjab province, police said on Monday.

An enraged mob led by radical Islamist Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP) activists on May 25 attacked Christian community members in Mujahid Colony in the Sargodha district of Punjab, some 200 km from Lahore, injuring two Christians and 10 policemen. The mob burned and ransacked the homes and properties of the Christians. According to police, the mob surrounded the residence and shoe factory of Nazir Masih alias Lazar Masih, an elderly Christian, accusing him of desecration of the Ouran. The mob attacked him with kicks and fists and hurled stones at him.

The enraged mob set fire to the shoe factory, some shops and a couple of houses.

Although the deceased's family denied the desecration claims,

they said the mob wanted to lynch him."It also brutally torched Masih, but (the) timely arrival of (a) heavy contingent of police rescued Masih and 10 other members of the Christian community," the FIR says. The FIR says that some pages of the holy Quran were reportedly found outside the shoe factory, instigating the locals.

"The enraged mob pelted stones at police personnel when they resorted to baton charge to disperse it. At least 10 policemen, including officers, have been injured," the FIR says.

Police arrested a total of 140 suspects involved in attacking Christians, their properties and police personnel. Police booked over 450 people under terrorism and other charges.

Masih, who was receiving treatment at the Combined Military Hospital (CMH) in Sargodha, died on Sunday, police said. His nephew, Irfan Gill Masih,

also confirmed the death, saying that his uncle's body was being shifted back to Sargodha for a

Zelenskyy in Manila to promote peace summit

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy met with the Philippine president on Monday in a rare Asian trip to urge regional leaders to attend a Swiss-organized global peace summit on the war in Ukraine that he accuses Russia, with China's help, of trying to undermine.

Zelenskyy arrived unannounced and under heavy security in Manila late Sunday after speaking over the weekend at the Shangri-La defense forum in Singapore. He was given a red-carpet welcome with military honours Monday at the presidential palace before meeting with President Ferdinand Marcos Jr., after which he left the Philippines. Marcos pledged that his country would take part in the peace summit, Philippine Communications Secretary Cheloy Garafil said.

"I'm happy to hear today from you that you'll participate in our peace steps," Zelenskyy told Marcos. "It's a very strong

Zelenskyy said Ukraine needs more mental health workers for



help and welcomed a decision by Ukraine to open an embassy in Manila this year which would hasten efforts to deliver assistance.

'We have ourselves been trying to promote the continuing adherence to international law in our part of the world," Marcos said. "The issues that you are facing are similar and in parallel to ours and, therefore, the position the its soldiers. Marcos promised to Philippines takes is always to Indo-Pacific region.

promote peace." Both leaders spoke critically of China at the Singapore forum, which was attended by top defense and government offi cials from around the world, including from Washington and Beijing. The talks were held amid the raging wars in Gaza and Ukraine as well as growing tensions and rivalry for influence between the United States and China in the

At a news conference in Singapore on Sunday, Zelenskyy accused China of helping Russia to disrupt the Swiss-organized peace summit by pressuring other countries not to attend.

"Russia, using Chinese influence in the region, using Chinese diplomats also, does everything to disrupt the peace summit," he said, without elaborating. "This is unfortunate that such a big independent powerful country as China is an instrument in the hands of (Russian leader Vladimir) Putin?

In Beijing, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning denied the allegation. "Our position is open and transparent, and there is no such thing as pressuring other countries" Mao said.

China has taken what it says is a neutral position on the war, putting it at odds with Ukraine, the US and most of Europe. Its trade with Russia has grown, easing the economic impact of Western sanctions. American, Ukrainian and other intelligence agencies say there is evidence that Chinese parts are winding up in Russian weapon-ry, even if China is not direct-

ly arming its neighbour. Switzerland had been hoping China would attend the peace conference in mid-June, but Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning suggested Friday that was unlike-

At the security forum, Zelenskyy urged top defense officials to participate in the talks in Switzerland, expressing disappointment over the failure of some countries to commit to attending. Ukraine, he said, has proposals to make at the summit as a basis for peace, addressing nuclear security, food security, the release of prisoners of war and the return of Ukrainian children abducted by Russia.

He said Ukraine is "ready to hear various proposals and thoughts that lead us ... to an end of the war and a sustainable and just peace."
US Defense Secretary Lloyd

Austin met with Zelenskyy on the sidelines of the conference and renewed US commitments to Ukraine. In an address to the forum Saturday, Austin said that "Putin's war of aggression has provided us all with a preview of a world that none of us would want."

'Tens of thousands of children in Af affected by flash floods'

Tens of thousands of children in Afghanistan remain affected by ongoing flash floods, especially in the north and west, the UN children's agency said Monday.

Unusually heavy seasonal rains have been wreaking havoc on multiple parts of the country, killing hundreds of people and destroying property and crops. The UN food agency has warned that many survivors are unable to make a living. UNICEF, the UN children's

agency, said the extreme weather has all of the hallmarks of an intensifying climate crisis, with some of the affected areas having experienced drought last year. The World Food Programme said the exceptionally heavy rains in Afghanistan killed more than 300 people and destroyed thousands of houses in May, mostly in the northern province of Baghlan. Survivors have been left with no homes, no land, and no source of livelihood. WFP said. UNICEF said in a statement Monday that tens of thousands of children remain affected by ongoing floods.



The international community must redouble efforts and investments to support communities to alleviate and adapt to the impact of climate change Last week, the private group on children," said Dr. Tajudeen Oyewale, the UNICEF representative in Afghanistan. At the same time, "UNICEF and the humanitarian community must prepare ourselves for

a new reality of climate-related disasters," Oyewale said. Afghanistan ranks 15th out of 163 nations in the Children's Climate Risk Index. This means that not only are climate and environmental shocks and stresses prominent in the coun-

ly vulnerable to their effects compared with elsewhere in the world.

Save the Children said about 6.5 million children in Afghanistan are forecast to experience crisis levels of hunger in 2024. Nearly three out of 10 Afghan children will face crisis or emergency levels of hunger this year as the country feels the immediate impact of floods, the longterm effects of drought, and the return of Afghans from neighbouring Pakistan and Iran, the group said in a report.

S Africa's president urges parties to find common ground in talks after election deadlock

AP JOHANNESBURG

South African President Cyril Ramaphosa called on Sunday for parties to overcome their differences and find "common ground" to form the first national coalition government in the country's young democracy.

South Africa announced its final election results on Sunday, confirming that no party won a majority, and unprecedented coalition talks were starting to find a way forward for Africa's most advanced economy. Áfrican Ramaphosa's

National Congress (ANC) had already lost its 30-year majority after more than 99 per cent of votes were counted by Saturday and showed it couldn't surpass 50 per cent. The ANC received around 40 per cent of the votes in last week's election in the final count, the largest share.

Without a majority it will need to agree on a coalition with

another party or parties for the first time to co-govern and reelect Ramaphosa for a second term. South Africa's national elections decide how many seats each party gets in Parliament and lawmakers elect the president later.

"Our people have spoken," Ramaphosa said. "Whether we like it or not, they have spoken. We have heard the voices of our people and we must respect their choices and their wishes." "The people of South Africa

expect their leaders to work together to meet their needs. This is a time for all of us to put South Africa first.

At least 26 political parties, including the uMkhonto weSizwe Party led by former President Jacob Zuma, have lodged objections and complaints with the electoral body over allegations of voting irregularities, which it has promised

The ANC was the party of Nelson Mandela and freed South Africa from the apartheid system of white minority rule in 1994. It had governed with a comfortable majority since then. This election saw an unprecedented slump in its support, with voters seen to be deserting the party due to its failure to solve widespread poverty

> ment services to many in a nation of 62 million. The ANC had said earlier on Sunday that it was starting its negotiations with all major parties. More than 50 took part in the election, and at least eight had sig-nificant shares of the vote. ANC Secretary-General Fikile Mbalula said the party was open to all negotiations, even with the main opposition Democratic Alliance (DA), which has led the chorus

of criticism of the ANC for years

and extremely high unemploy-

ment levels, as well as problems

with the delivery of basic govern-

but is viewed by many analysts as the most stable coalition option for South Africa. The DA won the second most votes with around 21 per cent and the two parties would hold a majority together and be able to govern. DA leader John Steenhuisen said his party was also initiating talks with parties. The ANC won 159 seats in the 400-seat Parliament, down from the 230 it won in the last election. The DA increased slightly to 87 seats. There is some time pressure for coalition talks to progress and for the uncertainty to be minimised given South Africa's new Parliament needs to sit for the first time and elect a president within 14 days of the election results being declared. Ramaphosa is seeking a second and final term and Mbalula said his position as leader of the ANĈ was not in question despite the election result.

South plans to nullify peace deal to punish N Korea over trash balloon launches

South Korea announced Monday it'll suspend a rapprochement deal with North Korea to punish it over its launches of trash-carrying balloons, even after the North said it would halt its balloon

campaign. Over several days, North Korea flew hundreds of balloons to drop trash and manure on South Korea in an angry reaction against previous South Korean civilian leafleting campaigns. On Sunday, South Korea said it would take "unbearable" retaliatory steps in response, before North Korea abruptly announced it would stop flying balloons across the border. On Monday, South Korea's presidential national security council said it has decided to suspend a 2018 inter-Korean agreement aimed at easing

frontline animosities, until mutual trust between the two Koreas is restored, according to the presidential office. The security council said the suspension would allow South Korea to resume military drills near the border with North Korea and take effective, immediate responses to provocations by North Korea. It said a proposal on the sus-pension will be introduced at the Cabinet Council on Tuesday for approval. Observers say South Korea needs the deal's suspension to restart blasting anti-Pyongyang propaganda broadcasts, K-pop songs and outside news from border loudspeakers. They say such broadcasts have previously stung in the rigidly controlled North, where most of its 26 million people are not allowed official accesses to foreign news. The 2018 agreement,

reached during a brief period of reconciliation between then-liberal South Korean President Moon Jae-in and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, require the Koreas to cease all hostile acts against each other, including propaganda broadcasts and leafleting campaigns. But the accord doesn't clearly state civilian leafleting should also be banned. That has allowed South Korean activists to continue to fly balloons to drop anti-Pyongyang leaflets, USB sticks with South Korean dramas and world news, and US dollars in North Korea. Enraged over such leafleting campaigns, North Korea has previously fired at incoming balloons and destroyed a South Korean-built, unoccupied inter-Korean liaison office in the North. The 2018 deal has already been in the danger of collapsing. Tension

spiked after North Korea's spy satellite launch last November prompted both Koreas to take steps in breach of the accord South Korea resuming frontline aerial surveillance and North Korea restoring border guard posts. Since last Tuesday, a total of about 1,000 North Korean balloons carrying manure, cigarette butts, scraps of cloth and waste paper have been discovered in various parts of South Korea. No hazardous substances were found, according to South Korea's military. On Sunday night, Kim Kang Il, a North Korean vice defence minister, said the North would stop its balloon campaign because it left the South Koreans with "enough experience of how much unpleasant they feel". He

said North Korea will fly bal-

loons again if South Korean

activists restart their own bal-

Saudi Arabia, the United States

and France said this would cor-

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2 die in Germany floods; situation remains tense

Berlin (AP): The death toll in floods across a large part of southern Germany rose to two on Monday as the body of a missing woman was found. Chancellor Olaf Scholz visited the flooded region and officials warned that water levels could rise further in some areas.

The body of the 43-year-old,

whom rescuers had been looking for since Sunday morning, was found in a basement in the Bavarian town of Schrobenhausen, police told German news agency dpa. A firefighter was found dead in nearby Pfaffenhofen on Sunday after an inflatable boat he and colleagues were using capsized. Persistent heavy rain led to wide spread flooding in the southern

states of Bavaria and Baden-

Wuerttemberg over the weekend.

The floods caused extensive transport disruption, with long distance rail routes to Munich from the north and west out of action on Monday Scholz visited Reichertshofen,

north of Munich, inspecting a sandbagged river bank and meeting regional officials including Markus Söder, Bavaria's governor. Söder said that the situation "remains critical and tense," with water receding in some places but new flooding and evacuations elsewhere. He noted that water levels are expected to rise in the city of Regensburg and further down the Danube. Scholz said that "this is not just one event like there have been for centuries," and that a succession of floods in recent times shows "we cannot neglect the task of halting manmade climate change".



A buoy is pictured as the river Neckar has left its banks in Heidelberg, Germany on Monday. Big parts of southern Germany have been flooded after heavy rainfalls during the last days. In background the castle.

Swelling lakes in Tibet due to climate change could cause heavy losses for China: Study

predictions are correct, the

researchers said it could have a

sq miles) and water levels will

rise by around 10 metres (32

feet) relative to 2020," the study said. Endorheic lakes, also

known as closed lakes, do not

have an outlet to drain into. The

scientists from China, Wales,

Beijing (PTI): Numerous lakes in Tibet dotting the picturesque Himalayan region are set to swell with billions of tonnes of water due to increased rainfall caused by climate warming and the melting of glaciers which could cause massive economic losses for China, a study by a group of international scientists has said. By the end of the century, the surface area of some lakes in the Qinghai-Tibet Plateau could increase by more than 50 per cent with the water volume of the lakes in the plateau estimated to expand by more than 600 billion tonnes, according to the study published in the peer-reviewed journal Nature Geoscience last month. If these

massive economic impact on respond to a four-fold increase China, running into the billions in water storage compared to of dollars, the Hong Kong-based South China Morning what the area experienced over the last 50 years. Post reported on Monday, quoting the study's findings. "Our If steps are not taken to mitigate results suggest that by 2100, even under a low-emissions scenario, the surface area of endorheic lakes on the Tibetan Plateau will increase by over 50 per cent (around 20,000 sq km or 7,722

this, "more than 1,000 km of roads, approximately 500 settlements and around 10,000 sq km of ecological components such as grasslands, wetlands and croplands," will become submerged, the study said.

Observers say that the swelling lakes and melting glaciers could also impact neighbouring countries including India as Tibet is the origin of several rivers including the mighty Brahmaputra.

India's manufacturing sector growth eases in May

Upturn in exports strongest in over 13 years: PMI survey

India's manufacturing sector saw a slower growth rate for the second straight month in May but stayed firmly in expansion mode with global sales increasing to the greatest extent in over 13 years, a monthly survey said on Monday.

The seasonally adjusted HSBC India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) fell from 58.8 in April to 57.5 in May, signalling a slower but substantial improvement in the health of the sector.

The index had climbed to a 16-year high of 59.1 in

In PMI parlance, a print above 50 means expansion while a score below 50 denotes contraction.

According to HSBC Global Economist Maitrevi Das, "The manufacturing sector remained in expansionary territory in May, albeit the pace... Slowed, led by a softer rise in new orders and output.

slowdown attributed to reduced hours working amid intensive heatwave rising production costs.

"Panelists cited heatwaves as a reason for lower work hours in May, which may have affected production volumes," Das said.

The headline figure was nearly four points higher than its long-run average.



upturn in Indian factory production, which stretched the current sequence of expansion to nearly three years. Despite easing to a three-month low, the rate of increase remained sharp. Growth was supported by new business gains, demand strength and successful marketing efforts, the report

New orders rose at a substantial pace that was nonetheless the slowest in three months. The rise was associated with marketing efforts, demand strength and favourable economic conditions, as per the report. Growth was reportedly stymied by competitions and election-related disruptions, it said, adding that in contrast to the trend for total

May data showed a further sales, new export orders rose at a faster pace in May.

The upturn in international sales was the strongest in 13 years manufacturers witnessed gains from customers across several countries in Africa. Asia, the Americas, Europe, and the Middle East.

The ongoing strong sales growth fuelled performances, combined with upbeat forecasts, creation in May, the report

Manufacturing employment rose to one of the greatest extents seen since data collection started in March 2005, the report said, adding that jobs growth, parallel to rising material and freight costs, underpinned a quicker increase in input costs at goods producers.

Mother Dairy hikes milk prices by ₹2 per litre in NCR

Mother Dairy on Monday announced Rs 2 per litre hike in milk prices in the Delhi-NCR market due to a rise in input cost over the last 15 months

The increase in prices of all variants of milk is effective from Monday (June 3) in Delhi-NCR as well as other markets where it has a

On Sunday, Amul announced an increase in rates.

Increases in milk prices by these two leading milk suppliers come just after the completion of the voting process of the Lok Sabha elections.

In a statement, Mother Dairy said it is "increasing its liquid milk prices by Rs 2 per litre across all operating markets from June 03, 2024 onwards." The increase in consumer price is mainly to compensate the producers for increased production costs, which have been on the rise for over one vear it said

In Delhi-NCR, Mother Dairy full cream milk will be available now at Rs 68 per litre, while toned and doubletoned milk at Rs 56 and Rs 50 per litre, respectively.

Buffalo and cow milk prices have been increased to Rs 72 and Rs 58 per litre respectively. Token milk (bulk vended milk) will be sold at Rs 54 per litre.

which Mother currently sells 35 lakh litre per day of fresh milk in Delhi-NCR, said it had last revised its liquid milk prices in February 2023.

"Despite paying higher prices towards milk procurement in the last few months, the consumer prices were kept intact. Moreover, the heat stress across the country has been unprecedented and it is likely to further impact milk production," Mother Dairy

The company highlighted that it passes an average of around 75-80 per cent of the sales realisation from milk towards its procurement.

This helps in ensuring the sustenance of dairy farming and the availability of quality

"The surge in farm prices is only being partially passed on to the consumers, with an effective revision of 3-4 per cent, thereby securing the interests of both the milk producers and the consumers," Mother Dairy and

On late Sunday, the Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF), which markets dairy products under the Amul brand, increased milk prices by about Rs 2 per litre from Monday across the

The increase of Rs 2 per litre translates to 3-4 per cent increase in MRP which is much lower than average food inflation, GCMMF said in a late night statement.

GCMMF said that since February 2023, it has not made any increase in prices of fresh pouch milk in major

Interest rates have peaked, moderation expected towards year end: PNB MD

Days before Nurse Punjab (PNB) Bank National director Atul managing Kumar Goel said interest rates have peaked and are expected to see a reversal by the end of this year.

Monetary The Committee, which is expected to keep the policy rate unchanged for the eighth time in a row, is scheduled to begin its meeting on June 5. The decision of the rate-setting panel will be announced on June 7.

"Interest rates are contingent upon so many factors like growth, inflation, monetary policy stance of other countries. I think rates have reached the peak. I think after some time maybe by the end of this year, we can see some reduction in the rate of interest," he told PTI.

There should not be an increase in the deposit rate as 95 per cent of deposits have already been repriced, he said. Goel said the Retail. Agriculture and MSME (RAM) segment is going to be the focus area for the bank but would not shy away from financing good corporate

"RAM is about 55 per cent of total credit. We want to increase this number by around 60 per cent in the next four to five years. For this year, we have set a target to achieve 57 per cent. As I told you we are one of the largest banks in the country, although the focus is on the RAM but if an opportunity

comes, we will not allow it to go out," he said. As far as corporate credit is

concerned, he said, there is demand from infrastructure projects, especially roads. Even some of the big

corporates are also planning to increase their capacity. So, there is a demand from the steel sector and even renewable energy where we see too much of the demand," he said.

PNB has seen consistent improvement in its financial health and it recorded the highest growth in terms of profit in FY24. PNB topped

PNB topped the chart recording the highest profit growth of 229 per cent among the 12 public sector banks during the fiscal ended in March 2024. The bank's net profit increased over threefold to Rs 8,245 crore compared to Rs 2,507 crore in the previous fiscal.

Talking about the strategy to improve profitability, he said, the focus would be on expanding the MSME agriculture, and portfolio, extending good corporate loans, controlling slippages and improving

Besides, he said, the thrust would also be on improving forex income and garnering higher fee income from selling third-party products to augment non-interest income.

With regard to improving interest income, he said, the focus would be to increase low-cost deposit CASA (Current Account Savings Account).

CASA as a percentage of total deposits stood at 41.4 per cent at the end of March 2024, he said, the target is to improve beyond 42 per cent by the end

of the current fiscal. The bank intends to keep credit costs below 1 per cent during this financial year. With all these efforts, he said the Return on Assets (ROA) is expected to increase to 0.8 per

cent during the year and

touch 1 per cent by the end of March 2025 translating into a substantial jump in profit. Asked about anticipated business growth in the current financial year, Goel said, credit growth is expected to be 11-12 per cent while deposit would be 9-10 per

To fund this business growth, the bank has received approval to raise capital of Rs 17,500 crore from Tier I and Tier II bonds and share sale through private placement during the year.

During FY24, the bank had raised Rs 10,000 crore from Tier I and Tier II bonds at a very competitive rate, he added.

Shriram Finance raises USD 468 million multi currency social loan

Shriram Finance Limited (SFL) on Monday said it has raised USD 468-million (about Rs 3.880 crore) in multi-currency to fund business growth.

The three-year (External Commercial Borrowing) ECB facility was structured as a social loan anchored by BNP Paribas, DBS Bank, Hongkong & Shanghai Corporation (HSBC) and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, who were the joint mandated lead arrangers and book runners and social loan coordinators for this facility, SFL said in a statement.

The fundraise comprises USD 425 million and EUR 40 million through a syndicated term transaction, it said.

In line with its focus on increasing the accessibility of financial services to the unbanked and underbanked sectors, the funds raised through this social loan will be used to empower small vulnerable groups across

India, it said This marks the largest syndicated multi-currency transaction by a private sector Non-Banking Finance Company, said Umesh Revankar, executive vice chairman of Shriram Finance. "This facility is labelled as a

social loan, reflecting our commitment to social priority sector initiatives, certain strict exclusions. The strong interest from international investor community underscores the global confidence in our mission," he said.

SFL has a wide range of offerings ranging from credit solutions for commercial vehicles, two-wheeler loans, car loans, home loans, gold loans, personal and small business loans. As one of the country's largest retail NBFCs, Shriram Finance has Assets under Management

Around one third employees experience age related discrimination at work: Study

Overall 31 per cent of employees in India have experienced age-related discriminations across sectors with the highest prevalence reported in multinational companies, a study said on Monday.

'Ageism in the Workplace' study by talent company Randstad India revealed that 31 per cent of employees in India have experienced discriminations discriminations are mostly prevalent during recruitment process, especially in job advertisements organisations.

About 61 cent said respondents job advertisements in India have age biases (qualifying age criteria years experience), it added.

In India around 42 per cent of employees interviewed, aged years, experienced or witnessed ageism or age related discriminations at their workplaces, compared to 29 (AUM) of Rs 2,24,862 crore. | per cent aged above 55 years,



said the study.

The data suggested that younger age groups faced more age discriminations than older age groups as there was a general lack of trust in the youngest age group's abilities and skills while the oldest age group experienced the privilege of age-based and seniority-based respect.

Surprisingly, 42 per cent of women reported experiencing witnessing compared to 37 per cent of men, clearly a reflection of how ageism at work intersects with other dimensions of

"Ageism is one of the most overlooked unconscious biases made at the workplace across levels. Overcoming ageism requires a conscious effort to recognise and

challenge stereotypes to create an environment where experience and fresh perspectives are equally valued. By fostering an culture inclusive that embraces employees of all ages, organisations can harness the full potential of their workforce, driving

collaboration, innovation,

and growth," Randstad India managing director and CEO Viswanath PS said. 'Ageism

Workplace study is based on qualitative survey including Focus Group Discussions and individual interviews among Human Resource heads and C-suite executives across age groups, sectors and regions in India. It also included quantitative among respondents across job levels, industries and locations.

that the sectors with the proportions respondents who had experienced ageism were pharma, healthcare and life science (43 per cent), business process outsourcing or ITenabled services (43 per cent) construction, infrastructure, and real estate (41 per cent).

Most employees from multinational corporations (MNCs) headquartered in India reported instances of ageism, with 41 per cent affirming they faced age-related biases, the study

Battery Smart partners with Zepto to provide greener last mile deliveries

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 $E^{\rm lectric}_{\rm wheeler} \ {\rm two\text{-}and} \ {\rm three-}$ wheeler battery swapping network operator Battery Smart said on Monday that it has entered into a partnership with e-grocery and quick commerce service platform Zepto as part of which it will provide delivery partners access to over 1,000 batteryswapping facilities.

The tie-up will enable Zepto's two-minute battery swaps across more than besides helping it deploy 10,000 new electric vehicles (EVs) to its fleet in FY25, Battery Smart said.

"We have partnered with Zepto to enable greener lastmile deliveries and empower more delivery partners to join the adoption of electric mobility. Zepto's growth over the past year has been remarkable, and now, with access to our growing network of swap stations, we look forward to seeing it scale even further by deploying more EVs to its fleet," said Yogiraj Gogia, Senior Director of Partnerships and

Through this partnership, Battery Smart and Zepto will facilitate a seamless transition

business, Battery Smart.

to EVs for existing and new delivery partners, who can take advantage of the reduced capital expenditure involved in purchasing an EV without a battery and use the network operators' battery-as-a-service (BaaS) model, Battery Smart

Currently, according to the company, EVs hold 20 per last-mile delivery market, a trend that aligns with the government's target of achieving 30 per cent electrification of the country's vehicle fleet by 2030.

"Our association with Battery Smart gives us access to the country's largest network of battery swapping stations, ensuring our delivery partners are always in proximity to a swap station, with zero wait time. This will also empower partners to save time, complete more deliveries, and ultimately increase their earnings," Zepto COO Vikas

Japan Airlines enters into codeshare pact with IndiGo

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apan Airlines on Monday said it has entered into a codeshare arrangement with IndiGo, which would help the Japanese carrier expand services to 14 destinations of domestic network.

At present, Japan Airlines operates its services to Delhi and Bengaluru from Tokyo. It offers daily flight services to the national capital from Haneda Airport, while its thrice-a-week services to Bengaluru are operated from Narita Airport.

"Japan Airlines (JAL) and IndiGo have agreed on codeshare partnership which will benefit the customers by providing more travel options between Japan and India," a statement said.

The codeshare partnership will allow Japan Airlines to strengthen its connectivity into India initially, while enabling more travel options for IndiGo customers on JAL's extensive domestic and



phases, the statement said. The partnership will enable codeshare on India routes that connect to JAL-operated flights from/to Delhi and Bengaluru, as per the statement.

Through this partnership, Japan Airlines said it will be able to establish an extensive network pan-India, including major cities such as Mumbai, Chennai, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Amritsar, Kochi, Coimbatore,

Pune, Tiruchirappalli, Lucknow, Varanasi, and Goa, which connects to JALoperated flights. Later, the two carriers will

seek to further expand the cooperation with IndiGo codesharing on JAL-operated flights, it added.

"IndiGo is expanding its portfolio of codeshare with partnerships this with Japan agreement Airlines. This phase of the partnership expands the choices available to Japan Thiruvananthapuram, Airlines customers for

journeys to/from Japan, using IndiGo's extensive network in India," said Abhijit DasGupta, Senior Vice President for network planning and revenue management IndiGo. The partnership will provide

seamless connectivity to support trade, commerce, and tourism between the two countries, he said. "Over time, we intend to

expand the scope of geographic and reciprocal coverage of this relationship to further grow travel opportunities for customers of both airlines," DasGupta added. "With the extensive network,

travellers to and from India and Japan will be able to book their flight on one ticket. In recent years, India has achieved remarkable economic growth, and the air travel demand between Japan and India is increasing more than ever before," said Ross Leggett, Managing Executive Officer, Senior Vice President Route Marketing at Japan Airlines.

NITES alleges onboarding delay of over 2,000 campus recruits by Infosys them 'in a limbo'.

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Employment to probe repeated delays in the onboarding of over 2,000 campus recruits by tech major Infosys.

Information Nascent Technology Employees Senate (NITES) alleged that the delays have persisted for more than two years, and caused significant hardship for the affected professionals, leaving

Infosys did not comment on the matter. Harpreet Singh Saluja, President of Nascent Technology Information Employees Senate (NITES), in statement, alleged that Infosys' actions constitute a

these young professionals. "Many had turned down other job offers in good faith, relying on Infosys's offer letters. 'Now, they face financial hardship and uncertainty due

to the lack of income and a

clear onboarding timeline," he

The union has written to the Ministry of Labour and Employment seeking an investigation into the matter, to ensure that Infosys fulfills its obligations to its new hires. 'serious breach of trust" with NITES has demanded the

affected professionals be given full salary payments for the period during onboarding has been delayed. It has also batted for providing these recruits with immediate access to Infosys' employee

assistance programme to address the mental and emotional strain caused by the

delay. onboarding remains unfeasible, Infosys must actively work with the recruits to find alternative employment opportunities within the organisation. We requested the Ministry to take swift action to protect these employees and ensure they are not unfairly penalised for decision," Infosys's statement said.

₹2000 bank notes: 97.82 per cent returned; ₹7,755 crore worth notes still with public

¬he Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Monday said 97.82 per cent of the Rs 2000 denomination banknotes have returned to the banking system, and only Rs 7,755 crore worth of the withdrawn notes are still with the public.

On May 19, 2023, the RBI announced the withdrawal of 2000 denomination banknotes from circulation. The total value of Rs 2000 banknotes in circulation, which was Rs 3.56 lakh crore at the Rs 2000 banknotes has the close of business on May 19, 2023, has declined to Rs 7,755 crore at the close of business on May 31, 2024.

Thus, 97.82 per cent of the Rs 2000 banknotes in circulation as on May 19, 2023, has since been returned," the central bank said in a statement. The facility for deposit and/or

exchange of the Rs 2000 banknotes was available at all bank branches in the country till October 7, 2023.

The facility for the exchange of

been available at the 19 issue offices of the Reserve Bank since May 19, 2023. From October 9, 2023, RBI issue offices are also accepting

Rs 2000 banknotes from individuals and entities for deposit into their bank accounts. Further, members of the public are sending Rs 2000 banknotes through India Post from any post office within the country to any of the RBI issue offices for credit to their bank

Icra revises domestic steel demand growth rate to 10 per cent for FY25 New Delhi: Icra on Monday

revised its outlook growth target for domestic steel demand to 9-10 per cent for the current fiscal on healthy government spending and demand from steelconsuming sectors. domestic

consumption registered a growth of 11.3 per cent between February to April 2024, the agency said in a report.

Real Madrid celebrates another Champions League title with its fans on streets of Spanish capital

Tor the second time in three seasons, and sixth in 10 years, Real Madrid celebrated a Champions League title with its fans on the streets of the Spanish capital. Several thousands came out

Sunday to welcome the team a day after it won a record-extending 15th Champions League title by beating Borussia Dortmund 2-0 at Wembley Stadium.

There could be even more reasons to celebrate for Madrid fans in the coming days with the club reportedly close to announcing the much-anticipated signing of Kylian Mbappé, the France star who left Paris Saint-Germain and has been targeted by the Spanish powerhouse.

Celebrations began with the squad leaving the team's Santiago Bernabeu Stadium on top of an open bus that took players and the coaching staff to meet with local officials while fans lined the streets to greet the newly crowned champions.

Toni Kroos attracted most of the attention of fans and teammates after playing his

The brother-sister Indian duo of R Praggnanandhaaa and R Vaishali suffered defeats in their respective

section while Magnus Carlsen justified

his top billing with a win over an off-colour Ding Liren to surge to sole lead on 12 points in the Norway Chess

Fabiano Caruana also scored over

compatriot Hikaru Nakamura to help

Carlsen emerge as the front runner for

the crown in the six-player double round-robin contest being fought for a

total prize pool of USD 161000. Pragganandhaa lost to Firouzja Alireza

of France in the Armageddon

tiebreaker after suffering a bit through

the Classical game too while Vaishali went down to world women's champion

Wenjun Ju of China who outplayed the

Indian in the endgame. With four

rounds still to come in both sections,

Carlsen is now followed by Nakamura

on 11 points while Praggnanandhaa is

Alireza is on fourth spot with eight points in all and Caruana follows him

with 6.5 points. Surprisingly, China's

Ding Liren seems completely out of

sorts with just 2.5 points thus far,

needing a miracle to come back in the

In the women's section, Wenjun

still third on 9.5 points in all.

tournament.

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tournament here.



final match with Madrid on Fans repeatedly chanted for him to stay, and players later threw Kroos into the air several times at the Bernabeu.

'I want to say thank you for the last few weeks, it was an unforgettable farewell," an emotional Kroos told the Bernabeu crowd. "And thank you for these 10 unforgettable years. You have supported me from the first day until the

Madrid coach Carlo Ancelotti repeated the Champions League celebrations in 2022, wearing sunglasses and smoking a cigar while dancing Several thousand fans were at club's

traditional celebration spot at Cibeles square, where team captain Nacho Fernández draped the statue of the goddess Cybele with a Madrid flag and scarf and lifted the trophy to loud

The festivities ended at a packed Bernabeu, where players addressed the fans and presented

champions League trophy.

"Winning makes us happy, but we are even happier to be able to share moments like this with you," Ancelotti said at the stadium. "Nights like these are spectacular. This stadium is capable of generating an energy that allows us to never give up and to do things that may be unthinkable."

Nearly 80,000 fans had been at the stadium on Saturday to watch the final on large screens that were put on the middle of the field.

"Three weeks ago I promised that we would be back here celebrating the 15th (Champions League) title," Kroos said.

Madrid had celebrated the Spanish league title three weeks ago in similar fashion, but it could not go to the Bernabeu because it had just hosted a concert.

Taylor Swift played at the venue a few days ago but the club was able to make it available in time for the festivities surrounding the Champions League final.



Grigor Dimitrov vs Jannik Sinner and Carlos Alcaraz vs Stefanos Tsitsipas in French Open quarters

Grigor Dimitrov bloodied his racket-holding hand and right elbow by diving for a shot. He was covered in French Open clay - his arm, his leg, his back. He didn't get a whole lot of sleep the night before, because rain forced him to forfeit the usual day off between Grand Slam matches. None of that mattered. Here's what did: The 10th-seeded Dimitrov reached the quarterfinals at Roland Garros for the first time at age 33, beating No. 8 Hubert Hurkacz 7-6 (5), 6-4, 7-6 (3) at Court Suzanne Lenglen on Sunday. "Better late than never," said Dimitrov, who was wearing bandages on the side of his

hand and arm after getting treatment. 'I was just telling myself: I'm going to get to every single ball that is there," he said. "I'm like:

No ball is passing me." Dimitrov entered the day 0-2 in fourth-rounders in Paris but made it to the final eight in his 14th appearance here, giving him a full set of quarterfinals from the four Grand Slam tournaments. The Bulgarian, who will play No. 2 Jannik Sinner next, got to the semifinals once apiece at the U.S. Open, Australian Open and Wimbledon. "The French Open was the only Slam I felt like I could never make that extra step," Dimitrov said after dropping to his knees when the match ended. "Today, 15 years later, I made it, so I'm really happy with that."

Sinner moved on despite a terrible-as-can-be start, getting

broken in each of his first three service games and trailing 5-0 after 22 minutes against unseeded Frenchman Courentin Moutet in front of a boisterous crowd at Court Philippe Chatrier on Sunday night. But Sinner, the Australian Open champion in

January, eventually got going and won 2-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-1. "Let's say there are lessons today I can learn from," said Sinner, who came into the tournament with questions about a hip injury that forced him to pull out of the Italian Open last month. "I'm happy with how I responded. I was in trouble, but then I raised my

The other men's quarterfinal on the bottom half of the bracket will be No. 3 Carlos Alcaraz vs. No. 9 Stefanos Tsitsipas. Alcaraz, a two-time major champion, defeated No. 21 Felix Auger-Aliassime, and Tsitsipas, a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, came back to eliminate unseeded Matteo Arnaldi 3-6, 7-6 (4), 6-2, 6-2. This has been a resurgent season for Dimitrov, who won the Brisbane International in January for his first ATP title since 2017, reached the final at the Miami Open in March before losing to Sinner, and returned to the top 10 in the

He wants more.

2018.

'My quest and my goal is to be able to win a Slam. I mean, if I think about it, in a way, this is the only thing that is missing in my resume," Dimitrov said in an interview before the French Open. "But this is totally and

rankings for the first time since

entirely my own path. My own goal. My own quest." Dimitrov also is aware, as he put it when talking about his career, "I'm way closer to the end than the beginning." He improved to 6-0 against Hurkacz, a friend and frequent

practice partner, by withstanding the big server's 20 aces and making far fewer unforced errors, 43 vs. 28. "He definitely competed really

well," said Hurkacz, who beat Roger Federer at Wimbledon in 2021 in what turned out to be the 20-time Slam champion's final match before retirement and defeated Rafael Nadal at the Italian Open last month. "He came (up) with some good shots in the important moments."

There was an unusual exchange between the two players late in Sunday's match, when Hurkacz — upset about a line call — asked Dimitrov at a changeover if he wanted to request that chair umpire Alison Hughes be replaced. 'Up to you," Hurkacz said.

Needless to say, that did not go

anywhere. Dimitrov's third-round win against Zizou Bergs was originally supposed to be done Friday, but the rain that affected the schedule for five days in a row got in the way. So Dimitrov and Bergs did not finish that match until after 10 p.M. On Saturday. It didn't slow Dimitrov down one bit.

"I just tried to prepare more mentally than anything else," Dimitrov said about getting ready to meet Hurkacz on shorter-than-usual rest at a

Praggnanandhaa loses to Alireza, Carlsen jumps to sole lead



won a hard-fought Armageddon against Tingjie Lei of China. Both Wenjun and Muzychuk have an identical 10.5 points, a half point ahead of Vaishali.

Lei is fourth on seven points, enjoying a two-point lead over Koneru Humpy who suffered another loss at the hands of Pia Cramling of Sweden in the Armageddon.

snatched the lead from Vaishali along with Anna Muzychuk of Ukraine who at the bottom of the tables. Cramling has 4.5 points now and is still

Gaining a small advantage out of the opening, the world number one Carlsen capitalised on his double Bishops to launch an offensive on the king side and used another blunder by Ding Liren to finish the game with a

child-like queen sacrifice. Liren looks a far cry from the man who won the last world championship title against Ian Nepomniachtchi of Russia and needs to really gather himself to make a match of it in the next edition of

from this Germany team heading in the

European Championship.
The optimists point to the opportunity

of staging another monthlong party like the one that gripped the country when it hosted the 2006 World Cup. The pessimists can point to three straight fiascos at major tournaments that has forced Germany fans to reading their

forced Germany fans to readjust their

with Germany earning impressive wins in friendlies against France and the Netherlands in March after new coach

Julian Nagelsmann instigated a shakeup

If the team can carry can carry that

momentum into the group stage, expect another festive atmosphere in

"If we get off to a good start, Germany could experience a similar enthusiasm and energy to that of 2006," said Philipp

Lahm, the former national team

captain who is now the tournament director of Euro 2024. Many Germans

still look back fondly on that summer of

2006, and there are some parallels

Back then, the Germany team coached by Jürgen Klinsmann had been

criticized before the tournament for

conceding too many goals, and the team was coming off an embarrassing

exit in the Euro 2004 group stage. Klinsmann was placing his faith in

youth, but expectations were still low going into the World Cup.

But after three wins in the group stage, World Cup fever took hold in the host

It was the first tournament that

Germany was hosting as a reunified country, and for many Germans it felt

like the first opportunity they could wave their flag and show national pride.

In addition, the weather was wonderful,

the beer kept flowing and everyone seemed to be enjoying the fun. While Germany fell just short of the final,

between the two tournaments.

of the squad.

Germany

nation.

expectations of the men's soccer team. The latest signs seem positive, though,

the tournament against India's D

Currently, as per FIDE, the apex governing body, there are bids from Delhi, Chennai and Singapore to hold the World Championship match.

Praggnanandhaa suffered a jolt in his quest as Alireza played a nice game under Classical to put pressure and eventually drew the contest. In the return game however, the Indian faltered and could not really stage a comeback.

In the women's section, Vaishali had her chances but Wenjun Ju was at her technical best and seized opportunities as they came her way. The minor pieces endgame had some chances but Vaishali could not sustain the pressure. **Results men:** Magnus Carlsen (Nor, 12) beat Ding Liren (Chn, 2.5) 3-0; Hikaru Nakamura (USA, 11) lost to Fabiano Caruana (Usa, 6.5) 1-1.5;

Wenjun Ju (Chn, 10.5) 0-3; K Humpy (Ind, 5) lost to Pia Cramling (Swe, 4.5) 1-1.5; Anna Muzychuk (10.5 beat Tingkie Lei (Chn, 7) 1.5-1).



Satwik, Chirag aim for title defence at Indonesia Open

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reeping the Olympics in mind, star Indian shuttlers Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty will seek consistency as they gear up to defend their doubles title at the Indonesia Open Super 1000 tournament, beginning here on Tuesday.

The top seeded Indian pair, who are one of the favourites to win a gold at the Paris Olympics, have enjoyed a good run this season with four final appearances and two wins (French Open Super 750 and

Thailand Open Super 500.) But they found it a tad difficult to negotiate the variety of serves dished out by the Indonesians and Chinese at the Thomas Cup and made early exits from the All England Open and the Singapore Open last week.

Satwik and Chirag, who created history by winning India's first BWF Super 1000 title here last year, will look to address the slight drop in their level this week when they begin their campaign against Man Wei Chong and Kai Wun Tee of Malaysia.

With the Paris Games less than two months away, the Olympic-bound shuttlers will tournaments — Australian Open and Canada Open — to polish their skills and eliminate any lingering rust before the quadrennial extravaganza. Pressure will also be on two-time Olympic medallist PV Sindhu to build her confidence

ahead of the Paris Games. The runner-up finish in Malaysia would have boosted her movels but the

her morale, but the meltdown in the decider, after leading 11-3 to eventually lose the final against Chinas Wang Zhi Yi, is worrisome. While top stars such as An Se Young, Chen Yu Fei, Akane Yamaguchi and Carolina Marin skipped the Malaysia Open, the quartet will be vying for top because this week

for top honours this week. And should Sindhu win her opening round against Wen Chi Hsu from Chinese Taipei, she would be up against familiar foe Marin, who had beaten her in the pre-

quarterfinals last week. India's top player in men's singles HS Prannoy and Lakshya Sen will also hope for

have just a couple of the Super 1000 tournament. Lakshya, who sneaked into the Olympic qualification with semifinal back-to-back finishes at French Open and All England Championships,

will begin his campaign against Japan's Kanta Tsuneyama. If all goes well he will once again square off against reigning Olympic champion and top seed Viktor Axelsen in the quarterfinals.

The Dane had got the better of Lakshya last week.
Prannoy, who has been troubled by health issues this season, will be eager to find his footing. He takes on compatriot Priyanshu Rajawat in the first round.

Former world No.1 Kidambi Srikanth, Kiran George and Rajawat are also in the fray and will be keen to have a good run. While Srikanth will face Chico Aura Dwi Wardoyo, George is pitted against China's

Weng Hong Yang.
In women's doubles, Tanisha
Crasto and Ashwini Ponnappa,
who have qualified for the
Olympics, will begin their a deep run into the event to receive the ideal boost in the build-up to the Paris Games. However, it will be a tough test of their temperament as some big guns stand in their way in

Firouzja Alireza (Fra, 8) beat R Praggnanandhaa (10) 1.5-1. Women: R Vaishali (Ind, 10) lost to

losing to Italy in the semifinals, Germans still refer to the 2006 World Cup as a "Sommermärchen"

summer fairytale. The build-up to this summer's tournament has seen some striking similarities. Germany was playing so badly that Hansi Flick was fired as coach last September. Nagelsmann had a rocky start, but threw caution to the wind when he dropped established players like Leon Goretzka and Mats Hummels and placed his trust in players who were performing well for their club teams.

Nagelsmann also recalled Real Madrid star Toni Kroos, though he didn't know at the time it would be for the midfielder's final hurrah. The 34-yearold Kroos has since announced he will retire after the tournament.

Nagelsmann's changes paid off immediately as his new-look team defeated France and the Netherlands.
The old doubts were dispelled, confidence surged back. Former West Germany great Lothar Matthäus declared Germany had to go on and win the European Championship. Unlike many former Germany teams, though, this one will not be overly reliant on Bayern Munich players.

After Bayern's domestic supremacy was ended by Bayer Leverkusen - which won a league and cup double without losing a game - that power shift will likely be reflected in the national team. The only Bayern players involved from the start in March were Jamal Musiala and Joshua Kimmich, although Manuel Neuer should return in goal for the tournament.

Leverkusen will likely have three players in Nagelsmann's starting lineup with Jonathan Tah at the back, Robert Andrich in midfield, and Florian Wirtz in attack. Stuttgart's Maximilian Mittelstädt has been trusted with the troublesome left back position while Arsenal's Kai Havertz is a likely option up front. The host nation opens against Scotland in Munich on June 14, then plays Hungary in Stuttgart on June 19, before finishing the group against Switzerland in Frankfurt on June 23. Much of the team's success will depend

on Kroos, who has the composure to read games and the technical skill to play the ball exactly where he wants it. Kroos is one of the few players left from the team that won the 2014 World Cup, and finishing his Germany career with a European title would make for a perfect summer, indeed.

"He doesn't have to prove anything to anyone," Nagelsmann said about Kroos. "But he's got one last big tournament left and he's really looking forward to it. He has the chance to win another title. Then I think he would have won everything.

Mbappé not in France squad for Paris Olympics ahead of expected move to Real Madrid

Paris, Jun(AP) Kylian Mbappé will not play for France at the Paris Olympics after he was left out of Thierry Henry's provisional squad for the Games on

The World Cup winner, who is widely expected to join Real Madrid after leaving Paris Saint-Germain as a free agent, had stated his desire to play at the Games in his home nation.

Henry and even French President Emmanuel Macron wanted Mbappé to be part of the men's Olympic team, but he was not included in the 25-man squad. PSG's Warren Zaire-Emery and Bradley Barcola were included, as well as veteran striker Alexandre Lacazette. Unlike most international tournaments like the World Cup, European Championship and Copa America, clubs are not required to let their players compete at men's Olympic

tournaments. With Mbappé set to play at the Euros for France, his involvement at the Paris Games would have meant he was unlikely to get a break during the offseason.

Still, he said in March that he wanted to be involved: "I have always had the same ambition. I have always said that I wanted to go, but it doesn't depend on

"counting upon Real Madrid to free up Kylian for the Olympic Games," despite his widely anticipated move to the Spanish giant still not confirmed.

Macron said last month that he was

Crystal Palace's Jean-Philippe Mateta and Michael Olise have both been

ENGLAND HOPE TO SET TONE AGAINST SCOTLAN

of preparation by rain, defending champions England will hope to get their act right straightaway when they face Scotland in their T20 World Cup opener here on Tuesday.

Phil Salt will look to continue

his red-hot form of the Indian Premier League in the T20 showpiece, even as pacer Jofra Archer's return adds firepower to the English bowling aftack. Rain played spoilsport in the preceding four-match T20I series at home against Pakistan, but England will still enter the tournament as one of the strong contenders to lift the title for an unprecedented third time.

In what will be their first ever meeting against the Scots in the shortest format, the Jos Buttler-led England will be the overwhelming favourites to emerge winners at the Kensington Oval, which which offered a two-paced wicket for the game between Namibia and Ŏman on Sunday evening. Placed in Group B, England traditional

Australia, Namibia and Oman for company besides Scotland. To reach the Super Eight stage, teams will have to finish in the

been smooth sailing for England since their fivewicket-victory over Pakistan in the final of the last T20 World

Australia, Buttler's men endured a disastrous campaign in both the 50-over and 20over format.

In the rain-marred rubber against Pakistan recently, England regained some of their lost ground with a 2-0 series win.

Now focussed on their opener against Scotland, England have fond memories of playing at the Kensington Oval as it is at this very venue the team won its first-ever T20 World Cup title back in 2010 under Paul

top two of a group.
In white-ball cricket, it hasn't

Cup in Melbourne in 2022. A year after their success in

at the ODI World Cup in India, finishing seventh after winning three and losing six of their nine matches including a painful defeat to Afghanistan. Their poor run in the whiteball game continued with a series of defeats to West Indies

Collingwood's captaincy, beating Australia by seven in the wickets summit showdown.

In the last 14 years since that England have triumph, become a dominant force in limited overs cricket, winning the 2019 ODI World Cup before their glory Down Under two years ago.

Playing their consecutive T20 World Cup,

Scotland are no match to their fancied opponents on paper but they will nonetheless look to make an impression after having breezed through the European qualifiers.

Scotland won all six of their matches in the qualifiers to finish top of the standings, which guaranteed them a ticket to the the West Indies and the USA for the marquee tournament.

TEAMS (FROM):

England: Jos Buttler (c), Moeen Ali, Jofra Archer, Jonathan Bairstow, Harry Brook, Sam Curran, Ben Duckett, Tom Hartley, Will Jacks, Chris Jordan, Liam Livingstone, Adil Rashid, Phil Salt, Reece Topley, Mark Wood Scotland: Richie Berrington (c), Matthew Cross, Brad Currie, Chris Greaves, Oli Hairs, Jack Jarvis, Michael

Jones, Michael Leask, Brandon McMullen, George Munsey, Safyaan Sharif, Chris Sole,

Match starts at 8pm IST.

AFGHANISTAN Charlie Tear, Mark Watt, Brad

Afghanistan confident of chasing big totals,

WINNING START: In the day's other match, Afghanistan will be the overwhelming favourites against Uganda at the Providence in Guyana. The

maiden appearance in the tournament.

Afghanistan did extremely well in the last ICC tournament, beating the likes of England, South Africa and Pakistan in the ODI World Cup in India last year, and they will certainly take heart from that showing in this tournament.

TEAMS:
Afghanistan: Rahmanullah Gurbaz (wk), Ibrahim Zadran, Azmatullah Naiibullah Mohammad Ishaq, Mohammad Nabi, Gulbadin Naib, Karim Janat, Rashid Khan (c), Nangyal Kharoti, Mujeeb Ur Rahman, Noor Naveen-ul-Haq, Farooqi, Fareed Fazalhag Ahmad Malik.

Uganda: Brian Masaba (c), Simon Ssesazi, Roger Mukasa, Kyewuta, Dinesh Fred Achelam, Nakrani, Waiswa, Alpesh Kenneth Ramjani, Frank Nsubuga Henry Ssenyondo, Bilal Hassun, Robinson Obuya, Riazat Ali Shah (vc), Juma Miyaji, Ronak Patel Match starts at 8pm IST.



Trumpelmann, Wiese shine as Namibia win in Super Over

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Namibia's Ruben Trumpelmann became the first player to take wickets in the first two deliveries of a T20 international as his team beat Oman via the Super Over in a thrilling T20 World Cup match here. David Wiese and skipper Gerhard Erasmus smashed 21 runs for Namibia in the oneover eliminator with Oman managing 10 from the allotted six deliveries bowled brilliantly

Asked to bat first, Oman were earlier bowled out for 109 in 19.4 overs at the Kensington Oval. In reply, Namibia were score with Jan Frylinck making 45 in 48 balls and Mehran Khan taking 3/7 to force a Super Over.

by the seasoned Wiese.

This was after Namibia's South Africa-born left-arm fast bowler Trumpelmann created history.

The 26-year-old achieved the feat when he dismissed opener Kashyap Prajapati and Öman skipper Aqib İlyas for golden ducks on the first two balls of the match.

Khalid Kail top-scored for

Oman with 34 in 39 balls. Trumpelmann took another

wicket in his second over and returned with the career-best figures of 4-21. He trapped Kashyap Prajapati

leg before wicket with an inswinging yorker on the first ball of the match and then dismissed Ilyas with one that crushed onto the batter's toes. In the process, Trumpelmann also registered the best figures for the team in T20 World Cup history. He beat the previous record of 3/17 set by him against Scotland in the 2021 edition of the T20 World Cup held in the UAE.

After sending back Prajapati Ilvas off Trumpelmann dismissed opener Naseem Khushi and then returned to pick up the wicket of Kalemullah at the death for his fourth scalp.

Wiese too was among wickets, returning fine figures of 3/28 in 3.4 overs as Oman found it hard to tackle the Namibia

However, defending a small total, Oman bowlers showed a lot of discipline and refused to go down without a fight, eventually managing to tie the game. But, on the day, Nambia had the last laugh.

While many thought Namibia captain Erasmus would hand the ball to Trumpelmann to bowl the Super Over, he chose the 39-year-old Wiese for his years of experience and it paid dividends.

After the nervy win, Player of the Match Wiese, who was also born in South Africa, said, "Aged a couple of years tonight. Don't have a lot of years left in me (laughs). It was emotionally draining evening."

Speaking about batting and bowling in Super over, "It helped that I had a feel of the game and knew if I get a few Then with the ball, felt like taking the ball and executing. "Pitch was difficult, didn't play the way we thought. But we adapted well. It was two-paced,

it was a difficult wicket to get yourself in. Definitely one you needed to spend a bit of time before capitalising." Namibia were on course to

chase down the target of 110 until Mehran Khan (3/7) brought Oman back into the contest with his two wickets in the final over.

PTI ■ GEORGETOWN (GUYANA)

fghanistan batters have Adeveloped skills and confidence of chasing down big totals and the team has ceased to rely on their bowlers for pulling off favourable results, captain Rashid Khan expressed on Monday.

Afghanistan, who have relied on their world-class spinners more often than not, have been bolstered with the rise of the Rahmanullah explosive Gurbaz, Ibrahim Zadran and Azmatullah Omarzai.

"That is something in the past. We were struggling a little bit in the batting area. Earlier, the bowlers would do a lot more and help us win the games," Rashid said on the eve of Afghanistan's T20 World Cup opener here against Uganda. Later on, we got those

youngsters — especially from Under-19 — the way they came up to the national side, the way they have worked hard and got the opportunity to play for Afghanistan at a very young age, and then start



Wheal.

Australia.

'We're just focusing on one game at a time and making sure we do the right things and take the right decisions at the right time. That's something I think is going to help us, and

about the next round a lot. That's something which is an extra pressure I feel like to be as With slow pitches expected in the West Indies, many have picked Afghanistan to make

(we) don't (need to) think

the semifinal given their arsenal of high-class spinners. Rashid is delighted that Afghanistan are considered minnows anymore. have mentioned Afghanistan is going to be there for semis. We take that as a very positive sign. Before, it used to be hard for us to 'You never know what's going qualify. Now, to be (in the) nomination, to be there in the top four, it's big for us. But for

we're going to be there in the ground, delivering.
"We were very near in the last

us, we don't look to those things a lot. It's all about how World Cup as well (that we wanted) to be in the semis," he

Several Afghans feature in the Caribbean Premier League and have an idea of how the pitches would behave but Rashid tends to look at it differently.

"We have those players who played recently here in the CPL, they (have) got that experience. We share that experience with the boys. But I think in ICC (events), you always expect something different."

to be the behaviour of the wicket. You have to react to that. You shouldn't be someone (who is) already having in the mind, this is how it's going to be (or) this is how it's going to swing, spin, things like that. But for us, it's like we're well prepared."

India batter Kedar Jadhav announces retirement

years since his last appearance for the national team.

The 39-year-old, who made his international debut for India in November 2014 during an ODI against Sri Lanka at Ranchi, went on to play 73 one-dayers as well as nine

Perceived close to former India Mahendra Singh captain Dhoni, Jadhav borrowed from iconic wicketkeeperbatter's style to announce his retirement with a similar play

of words. 'Thank you all For your love India and Maharashtra batter and support throughout my Career from 1500 hrs. announced his retirement Consider me as retired from all Jadhav on X.

belief in there that we can do,

Afghanistan had their best-

ever outing at the ODI World

Cup in India last year when

champions Pakistan, England

and Śri Lanka while running

close eventual champions

former

trumped

anything is possible."

Interestingly, currently captaining Kolhapur Tuskers in the Maharashtra Premier League which got underway in Pune on Sunday and his post does not specify whether the announcement covers this engagement.

Jadhav scored 1,389 runs at an that he played

average of 42.09 with two centuries and six fifties for India in 73 ODIs. He also made 122 runs in the six innings of the nine T20 Internationals



Arguably, Jadhav's biggest moment under the sun came during the Pune ODI against England in January 2017, when he got his second ODI ton. He smacked a brutal 76-ball 120 with 12 fours and four sixes to fire India to a three-wicket win in a high-scoring contest. Jadhav teamed up with Virat

Kohli (122) to put on 200 from

a mere 147 balls for the fifth wicket after India were

Luggage woes, delayed flight, gusty winds and then cruise to make it alright

PTI ■ BRIDGETOWN (BARBADOS)

ost luggage, flight delays and gusty Lwinds on landing here summed up the Australian cricket team's rather tumultuous arrival here for the T20 World Cup but all-rounder Ashton Agar said a cruise along the city's stunning coastline was all it needed to calm the

Australia will open their campaign against Oman on June 5 (June 6 at 6am

Pace spearhead Pat Cummins and fellow fast bowler Mitchell Starc had come back to Australia after the IPL for a short break and while heading to the West Indies, the former lost his luggage which eventually did reach him, according to a report in 'cricket.Com.Au'. "Flight delays also affected Starc and

Maxwell, as the pair had to spend a night in Los Angeles and then another night in Miami en route to Barbados after their own brief trips back to Australia following the IPL," the website reported. Marcus Stonis also had to miss a practice match after his kit was delivered late to

However, Agar said a cruise on Saturday has managed to bring in a sense of calm for the side, which had to put support staff on ground during its practice games due to lack of first-choice players at that

"A lot of the boys are coming off a long time in India in the IPL, maybe 48 hours at home for a couple of them, so to do something like that is so refreshing," Agar



"I think mentally once you've done that, you go into the sessions ready to go because you've already enjoyed what the Caribbean has to offer.

"We were sitting on the roof of the catamaran as we were coming back last night and 'Stoin' (Stoinis) actually mentioned that, 'I don't know if many other teams would be like this," he added. Agar said one of the memorable

moments was watching the sunset. "You've got all the boys sitting on the roof watching the sun go down, having a

time and enjoying each other's company. "It was pretty easy to forget you're here for a World Cup," he quipped. Agar did show up for an optional training session though.

"Before a tournament where you're not going to train too much when the

shoulder on the right path," he asserted.

matches come thick and fast, you want to get all your drills in," said Agar. You want to make sure you're good to go your mechanics are working well, nailing that four-to-six metre length, getting my

Rahane underlines importance of fitness, game plan as Mumbai begin off season camp

Mumbai skipper Ajinkya Rahane on Monday underlined the importance of working on fitness and exhorted the players of his state side to utilise the off-season training camp for getting better.

The Mumbai Cricket Association (MCA) launched the three-month long camp on the theme titled 'Home of the Champions' for the upcoming

their record-extending win in the Ranji Trophy last season, said work behind the scenes is critical for players to deliver on the field.

Rahane, who led Mumbai to

"It will inspire many youngsters to do well for Mumbai and carry the legacy forward and do well for Mumbai in all age groups (teams)," Rahane told media. "Working on fitness and on

your own game plan, because this is the time when you can actually focus on what areas you want to improve as an individual," Rahane said when asked about what kind of work he would want the players to focus on.

"Once the season starts, it is all about what the team requires from you. These 2-3 months is



individuals in terms of fitness and skills," he added.

Rahane praised the governing body's decision to appoint former bowler Dhawal Kulkarni as the bowling mentor for all teams across age groups (both men and women).

"It is a very good gesture from MCA. He has played Mumbai for so many years, he has represented India and I am sure that will be of help," he "He has the ability of spotting

the talent from various age groups and develop them. I am sure he will find good bowlers for Mumbai and India,"

Rahane added. The India batter will also be playing County cricket in England to give himself matchtime during this period. "For me, it's very important to keep playing and that is what I

was looking for," Rahane said, confirming that he is set for a stint with Leicestershire. "Playing matches at this stage is important. I will work on my fitness for a month and will go

to Leicester for County matches," he said. "For me it is all about having those matches under my belt before our domestic season starts otherwise it becomes too long a gap and you hardly get anytime to (address) whatever

areas you want to improve," Rahane added. Meanwhile, addressing various age group players during the inauguration of the camp, India batter Sarfaraz Khan highlighted the importance of being focused and not give in

to frustrations. "I would get frustrated in between thinking I was not getting that opportunity (to play for India), but my father would tell me to focus on performing — to think as if I am playing for India even if I am playing Ranji Trophy and thus I would only focus on performing," he said.

reduced to 63/4 at one stage, chasing 351. Having developed his off-spin

potent option with the ball with his slingy action that fetched him 27 ODI wickets. In the Indian Premier League, the right-handed batter played for Chennai Super Kings, (formerly) Delhi Daredevils, now-defunct Kochi Tuskers Kerala, (formerly) Royal Challengers Bangalore and Sunrisers Hyderabad.

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