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Jailed former Pak PM Imran Khan invokes the case of Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal getting bail to campaign ahead of India's elections, as he complains to the Supreme Court about his alleged mistreatment in jail, P 24

Indian-origin astronaut Sunita Williams breaks into an impromptu dance as she enters International Space Station and receives the 'Bell Rings' welcome along with her colleague Butch Wilmore according to US naval tradition, P 24

Nepal govt recalls ambassadors from 11 countries, including those serving in India & the US and appointed under Nepali Congress' quota, 3 months after PM Prachanda terminated his alliance with the party and joined hands with KP Sharma Oli

US President Joe Biden for the first time publicly apologises to Ukraine for a month-long congressional holdup in American military assistance that let Russia make gains on the battlefield, P 24



7 Maoists killed in day-long joint op in Bastar

Seven Maoists were killed and three security personnel injured in a day-long encounter on the borders of Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh's Bastar region Friday. A joint operation was launched by District Reserve Guards units of four districts and ITBP after inputs about the presence of Maoists. As many as 129 Maoists have been shot dead this year, police said. P 12

2 UP truckers lynched by cow vigilantes

Two truckers from UP were allegedly lynched by cow vigilantes near temple town Arang, in Chhattisgarh, early Friday while transporting buffaloes. A third man who survived with critical injuries alleged 14-15 people attacked them and beat two of them to death and threw their bodies from the bridge onto the riverbed. He jumped off the bridge to save himself. P 12

Man gets 10 yrs' jail for child marriage, rape

A special Pocso court at Tis Hazari sentenced a 49-year-old man to 10 years of RI on Friday and awarded his victim a compensation of Rs 10.5 lakh. It convicted the Bihar native under the IPC, Pocso Act, 2012, and Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006. The judge ordered a full and final compensation of Rs 10.5 lakh for the girl under the applicable Pocso norms and IPC Sec 357A payable by the state. P 6

Berth talks on as Modi meets Murmu, invited to form govt

He Says, 'I'm Not Known To Give In To Pressure'

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ANI

PM Modi shows a letter from President Murmu, following his meeting with her on Friday, inviting him to form the new govt

New Delhi: President Droupadi Murmu on Friday appointed Narendra Modi prime minister-designate, clearing the way for him to be sworn in on Sunday as head of a BJP-led NDA coalition.

The President will administer the oath of office and secrecy to Modi and other members of the council of ministers at 7.15pm on Sunday at Rashtrapati Bhavan, a communique said.

Though a formality, the appointment and formal announcement of the date of swearing-in intensified efforts for ministry formation, with the BJP brass holding meetings with NDA partners to finalise the tricky twin issues of representation and choice of portfolios. Nadda, home minister Amit Shah and defence minister Rajnath Singh held parleys with leaders of NDA constituents.

Modi tried to douse spiralling speculation about allies seeking to extract plum portfolios and more berths and even the office of Speaker by asserting that he was not known to give in to pressure.

▶ 'Faster pace', P 14

TDP eyes four ministerial berths

TDP is likely to get two Cabinet and two minister of state (MoS) berths, while Pawan Kalyan's Jana Sena, with two MPs, is likely to get one MoS position. Three-time Srikakulam MP K Rammohan Naidu, son of late former Union minister Yerran Naidu, is among the frontrunners. P 14

Polls ahead in J&K? EC calls for symbols

Days after indicating readiness to hold assembly polls in J&K, Election Commission announced it would accept "with immediate effect" any applications seeking allotment of 'common symbol' from registered unrecognised parties in the UT. FLAP OPP

TDP will continue 4% Muslim quota under OBC list: Naidu's son

'Welfare Measure To Help Them, Not Appeasement'

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Vijayawada: TDP general secretary and N Chandrababu Naidu's son Nara Lokesh Friday said his party was committed to the current 4% reservation for Muslims under the OBC list.

In a stand divergent from ally BJP, Lokesh described the quota as a welfare measure aimed at helping poor Muslims come out of poverty, adding that TDP did not see it as appeasement of minorities.

"A nation or a state cannot be said to be developed if a particular section is living in poverty," he told **TOI**. "As a govt, we must make policies to expose the under-represented communities to opportunities. The decision to give 4% reservation to Muslims was taken in that perspective, not to appease anyone or get political gains."

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> —TDP general secretary Nara Lokesh



While campaigning, several BJP stalwarts, including Narendra Modi and Amit Shah, had attacked Muslim quota in AP and Telangana.

▶ 'Taking everyone...', P 14

After LS poll jolt, BJP govt in Hry offers free bus rides to poor

With assembly elections just four months away, and the Lok Sabha results reducing BJP's seat tally by 50% in the state, Haryana CM Nayab Singh Saini on Friday launched 'Happy Card', which offers 1,000km of free rides a year on state buses to all members of families with an annual income of up to Rs 1 lakh, **reports Bagish Jha.**

Called Haryana Antyodaya Parivar Parivahan Yojana (Happy), distribution of the cards began in Gurgaon and other parts of the state on Friday. "So far, Happy cards have been distributed among 59,708 beneficiaries," an official said. Saini said the card would benefit those who need to travel extensively for work. "There are 23 lakh families who would benefit," he added. The move follows similar ones by Congress govts in Karnataka & Telangana and AAP govt in Delhi. TNN

Committed to principle of 'sarv panth sambhav (all religions equal)', says Modi

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New Delhi: Narendra Modi on Friday emphasised the role of consensus in governance as he said the next "10 years of NDA" will be dedicated to good governance, committed to the principle of "sarv panth sambhav" (all religions are equal) to fulfil growing regional and national aspirations as he acknowledged that an era of competitive cooperative federalism had begun.

▶ 'Middle class, household savings to be in focus', P 18

Speaking after his election as leader of the NDA parliamentary party, Modi emphasised that while NDA, a pre-poll alliance, had got the majority, a consensual approach was needed to serve the people of the country.

> Majority is needed to run govt...but to run a country, sarva-math (consensus) is necessary. I want to assure people of the country that the way you have given us a mandate to form govt, it is our responsibility to strive for a consensus... — Modi

▶ 'Don't ridicule...', P 14

Nitish offers full support but talks of 'Bihar ka kaam'

JD(U) supremo and Bihar CM Nitish Kumar on Friday assured unconditional support to the Modi-led NDA govt. "*Hum log pure taur par sab din aapke saath rahenge* (we will always be fully with you)," Kumar said. However, he reminded Modi of "Bihar ka kaam", slipping in a reference to his demand for special category status. Kumar also proceeded to touch Modi's feet but was stopped by the latter. FLAP OPP

Balance regional aspirations & nat'l interests: Naidu

TDP boss and Andhra CM-designate N Chandrababu Naidu praised Modi's leadership for transforming India into a "global powerhouse" while acknowledging the significant impact Modi and his cabinet ministers had on TDP's success in the LS and assembly polls. At the same time, Naidu emphasised the importance of "balancing regional aspirations with national interests". FLAP OPP

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- In 72 of 75 UP seats that **BJP contested in 2019 and 2024, absolute number of votes polled fell** by anything between a few thousand and 2.2 lakh. In all, party polled about 65L fewer votes
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- **BJP-Sena alliance** is **'Fevicol ka Jod' that won't break**, says Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde

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Capital-in-waiting? Land prices soar in Amaravati

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Vijayawada: The stock market may have gone yo-yo on poll adrenaline, but in Andhra Pradesh's capital-in-waiting Amaravati, real estate prices have travelled only in one direction since the election verdict – rising 50-100% in just three days, with hardly anything up for sale.

The decisive mandate for the TDP-Jana Sena Party-BJP alliance seems to have removed uncertainty about Amaravati becoming the new state capital, renewing buyer interest. Not surprisingly, the prospective capital region has become a seller's market. Anticipation is high about a statement from Narendra Modi on Amaravati during N Chandrababu Naidu's swearing-in as CM on June 12.



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Workers make arrangements for the oath ceremony in Amaravati

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Atishi: Haryana Not Giving Water Share

Claims Level At Wazirabad Plant Down, Haryana Says Has Always Honoured All Decisions By SC

TIMES NEWS NETWORK



New Delhi: Water minister Atishi visited the Wazirabad water treatment plant on Friday and once again accused Haryana of not supplying Yamuna raw water to the capital. She said that the water level at the Wazirabad pond had declined since June 2 and had plunged to 669.7 ft on Friday, 4 ft below the normal level.

Despite the low water level at Wazirabad, Delhi Jal Board reported a water production of 1,002 million gallons per day (MGD), 2 MGD more than its summer action plan target. The four main sources of water for the WTPs have been carrying more than their actual allocation in the past few days. However, the Carrier Lined Canal, which has been allocated 369 MGD, is giving DJB only 263 MGD.

Atishi alleged, "Haryana govt is not giving Delhi the rightful due of water. Due to this, the water level at Wazirabad has come down to 669.7 ft today compared with 671.3 ft on June 2. For the last five days, when the hearing in the Supreme Court was under way, Haryana govt was conspiring against the capital."

Atishi claimed that even if Himachal Pradesh released 137 cusecs of water as directed by Supreme Court, it would not benefit Delhi

The minister also maintained that even if Himachal Pradesh released 137 cusecs of water as directed by the Supreme Court on Thursday, it would not benefit Delhi. Atishi said that Delhi govt would apprise the Supreme Court of this and hoped the city would receive its share of water and the additional water from Himachal without obstruction in Haryana.

Satbir Singh Kadian, engineer in chief, Haryana irrigation & water resources department, responded that the state had always abided by the law and honoured all decision of the Supreme Court. The Upper Yamuna River Board and Central Water Commission had confirmed this, he said, adding that the 137 cusecs ordered by the apex court on Wednesday would be supplied at the earliest and UYRB was working out the modalities.

This is not the first time that Atishi has charged Haryana with short-changing Delhi on Yamuna water. From May 22, when she claimed Haryana was "stopping" water supply to the city while announcing measures to manage the scarcity, she has been repeating her contention.

Water rationing has been announced and DJB has decided wasting piped water would invite a fine.

Atishi emphasised on Friday that Delhi relied on the Yamuna for its entire water supply and reduced water supply from Haryana caused water supply shortages for the residents of the city.

21 girls rescued across city, five of them after cutting locked door

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New Delhi: As many as 21 minors were rescued from different parts of the national capital as part of an operation carried out by National Commission for Protection of Child Rights in coordination with Delhi Police and voluntary organisation Bachpan Bachao Andolan (BBA).

According to the commission, the intervention of the office of the lieutenant governor of Delhi was urgently sought to direct the district authorities to go ahead and cut open a door to rescue five girls who were found confined in a house in Shakurpur in nothwest Delhi.

NCPCR chairperson Priyank Kanoongo who led the rescue operation said that the commission was acting on the complaint of BBA where they had highlighted that minors had been brought from states like Jharkhand and Bihar in the guise of placing them for domestic work through traffickers working under the cover-up of placement agencies.

In a series of posts put out on X, Kanoongo shared that rescue operations were carried out at 10 places and at one location in Shakurpur where he was himself present and it took nearly five hours to rescue five girls as no one was opening the door. "The authorities - Delhi Police and district magistrate finally cut the door after the LG's office ordered urgent intervention.

NCPCR chairperson said that the body was acting on a complaint of BBA in which they highlighted that minors had been brought from states like Jharkhand and Bihar

We found five girls who were rescued," Kanoongo said in his post where he also shared videos of the struggle invovled in the rescue operation.

"Inside the team also found medicines, pregnancy kits, documents of the girls and 10 lakh rupees which have all been seized by the police for further investigation," Kanoongo told TOI. Similarly teams carried out resuces at locations in Rajouri Garden and Nihal Vihar in West Delhi and Subhash Place in northwest Delhi.

"All 21 minors have been produced before the Child Welfare Committees and if there are any adults among those rescued they will be restored accordingly. The accused persons are in the custody of the police for further action. Going forward we will be issuing directions to the authorties including Delhi govt for ensuring proper restoration and action against the traffickers," Kanoongo added.

"Till placement agencies are regulated it will be difficult to stop this kind of exploitation of minors," Kanoongo said.



Fire dept to conduct safety lectures, demos at hosps

New Delhi: The Delhi Fire Service has been receiving multiple requests from private and govt hospitals here to conduct a "Fire Safety Lecture and Demonstration", officials said on Thursday.

This comes after a massive fire broke out at a private neonatal hospital in east Delhi's Vivek Vihar last month, killing seven newborns babies. The hospital allegedly operated illegally with an "expired" licence and no clearance from the fire department last month.

"No doubt, after the fire incident, we are receiving more than 75 letters for the fire safety demonstration from different private and govt hospitals. We are always happy to help and our teams are visiting for the same purpose," a senior DFS official said. He said that the best way to avoid fire situations is to keep inflammable objects away. People must check the dates on fire extinguishers and learn how to operate them. Regular inspection of fire safety norms can also avoid such incidents, he added. TNN

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Treatment plants saturated, doubts over how city will process HP water

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New Delhi: Delhi Jal Board achieved a significant milestone on Friday by producing 1,002 million gallons per day (MGD) of water, exceeding the combined capacity of its nine water treatment plants by around 47 MGD. Following the Supreme Court's directive on Thursday, Himachal Pradesh is set to provide water to the capital to meet the growing demand. However, concerns have been expressed about DJB's capacity to effectively use the additional raw water and boost the water production.

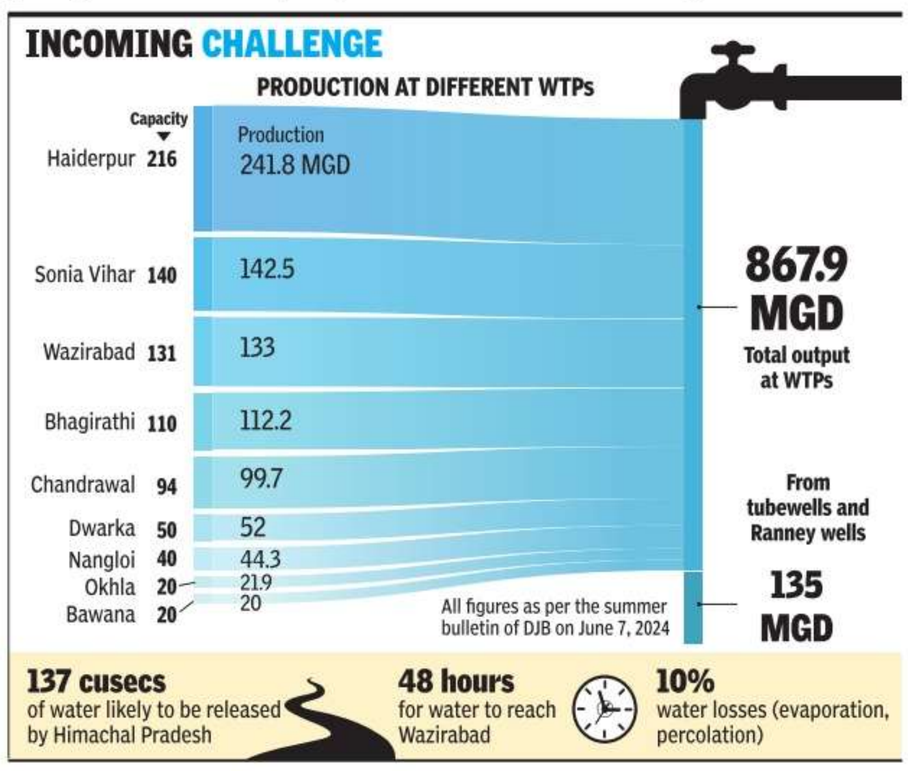
DJB officials had doubts about the utilisation of the extra water that Delhi is expected to receive from Himachal Pradesh. "Given that the existing water treatment plants are already operating at their maximum capacity, there is limited scope for accommodating and processing extra water," said a DJB official. "We estimate that around 67 MGD of water will be available when Haryana releases water, but that will not reflect in the actual water production."

The 137 cusecs of raw water that the hill state will be releasing for the city will amount to approximately 70 MGD. After accounting for water losses of about 10%, the Wazirabad barrage will ultimately receive around 65 MGD of water. With all the nine WTPs already operating above their capacities, treating this extra volume of water would require an increased capacity.

It is being estimated that only around 30 MGD of the expected 65 MGD will be available in the next few days, presenting a challenge to DJB. But while water minister Atishi accused the BJP-ruled Haryana govt of allegedly stopping water flowing to the capital, DJB's summer bulletin on Friday indicated no problems with water production and meeting the target set under the summer action plan.

DJB has faced delays in completing work on two major water treatment plants. The construction of a new WTP at Chandrawal, with a capacity of 105 MGD, was initially scheduled for completion in March but has been delayed. The completion of another WTP at Dwarka, which has the potential to increase production by 50 MGD, is also behind schedule.

According to Delhi's Economic Survey Report 2023, the overall water requirement of the city is 1,290 MGD, with an increase in the summer months. DJB's own target is to produce 1,000 MGD of water. The city has been grappling with an extremely hot summer and abnormally high temperatures for several days. This has compounded the shortage of water supply. When the situation escalated, a political blame game erupted between Delhi govt and BJP, which is in power in Haryana, with either side holding the other responsible for the crisis.



After a brief respite, heatwaves likely to return from Monday

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The city experienced a slight increase in temperature on Friday, but no heatwave conditions were observed for the second day in a row. The heatwave may return from Monday onwards, according to India Meteorological Department (IMD).

The maximum temperature at Safdarjung, the city's base station, was 43 degrees Celsius, three notches above normal, compared to 41.2 degrees Celsius a day earlier.

Delhi's maximum temperature will remain between 42-43 degrees Celsius over the weekend, with the possibility of a dust storm and scattered rain in Delhi-NCR region, forecasted IMD, issuing a yellow alert for heatwave for Monday and Tuesday.

The city's minimum temperature was 28 degrees Celsius, around normal for this time of the year, compared to 24.6 degrees Celsius the previous day. The minimum temperature is expected to be around 29 degrees over the weekend.

Late Thursday night, Delhi was hit by a dust storm, with wind speeds reaching a maximum of 74 km/hr at Safdarjung around 11.30pm. IMD recorded wind speeds of 30-40 km/hr in the early hours of Friday and forecasts similar weather conditions to persist throughout the weekend.

"The day is likely to remain warm, with late evening and night recording gusty winds. There are also chances of isolated parts of Delhi recording a drizzle late on Saturday," said an IMD official.

The heatwave conditions in Delhi subsided on Thursday after 12 consecutive days, following light rain and gusty winds late on Wednesday, which provided temporary relief from the heat.

On Thursday, Delhi experienced northeasterly winds, which shifted to southwesterly winds in the first half of Friday and then to westerly winds in the second half. Easterly winds typically bring moisture, while westerly winds are drier and originate from Rajasthan. Southwesterly winds can also contribute some moisture from the Arabian Sea.

The city's AQI was 254 or poor against 181 or moderate a day earlier.

Man stabs friend to death after fight over woman, arrested

New Delhi: A 35-year-old criminal has been arrested for allegedly killing his friend, Rohit, after a fight over a woman. The accused has been identified as Javed, a historysheeter.

The incident took place in southeast Delhi two days ago.

Javed told cops during interrogation that he was angry over Rohit talking to a woman whom he liked. On June 5, Javed reprimanded Rohit again but was slapped by him. Seeking revenge, Javed whipped out a knife and stabbed Rohit in the abdomen multiple times. He absconded after the murder.

Cops received a tip about him early on Friday and nabbed him from Uttar Pradesh. An officer said that even though the murder was committed in daylight and in a crowded area, no one was willing to provide details. "A case was then registered and an investigation taken up. Informers were deployed and we came to know that the accused involved in the murder was also having criminal involvements," the officer added. TNN

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ED Claims Chauhan Close To CM And Was Handling DJB Postings

Agency Cites 'Chats' Between The Two In Its Reply To Bail Plea Filed By CM

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New Delhi: Enforcement Directorate has claimed that Vinod Chauhan, the man allegedly handling the proceeds of crimes connected with hawala operators in the Delhi excise policy case, is "very much a close associate" of chief minister Arvind Kejriwal. The agency said this in its reply filed in a Delhi court hearing the regular bail plea of chief minister Arvind Kejriwal.

ED, in its 182-page reply filed in the court of special judge Kaveri Baweja on Friday, has stated that Chauhan's proximity to Kejriwal is evident from the fact that he was managing postings for officers in Delhi Jal Board through the CM.

The agency submitted what it claimed to be chats between Kejriwal and Chauhan, who was allegedly responsible for the transfer of Rs 25.5 crore from Delhi to Goa.

"It is pertinent to note that Vinod Chauhan is not an unrelated person, unknown or unassociated with the AAP leaders but is very much a close associate of accused Arvind Kejriwal. Examination of the digital device of Chauhan has revealed chats revealing a close relationship between Chauhan and Arvind Kejriwal," said ED. Referring to the chats, it said that the "acknowledgement" by Delhi CM was proof that he was closely associated with Chauhan.

"Further, Chauhan's proximity is also visible from the fact that he was managing postings for officers in Delhi Jal Board through Arvind Kejriwal. The same is evident from the below chat (submitted in court) and also the screenshot of an official note of Delhi govt which approved such postings," the agency said.

ED claimed that Kejriwal had personally utilised part of the proceeds of crime (PoC) of an amount of Rs 45 crore as another accused in the matter, Chanpreet Singh, booked a room for him at a five-star hotel in Goa in November 2021. It added that Singh has not been able to give any reason for this payment.

"In this manner, it is evident that Arvind Kejriwal is directly and deeply associated with persons such as Chauhan and Singh involved in the hawala transfers of the PoC of this case and thus with the hawala transfers of the PoC itself," ED said in its reply.

Citing the screenshots of many hawala note numbers which have been retrieved from the phone of Chauhan, ED stated that those match with the note numbers mentioned in the IT seized data. The agency argued that this shows how Chauhan was actually involved in the transfer of the proceeds of crime from Delhi to Goa which was collected/coordinated by Chanpreet Singh in Goa.

Calling this "a complete and direct money trail" of the transfer of proceeds of crime from the South group to AAP for the Goa elections, ED claimed there were screenshots of hawala money transfers between Chauhan and another accused, Abhishek Boinpally, and other hawala operators.

ED has claimed that AAP is a major beneficiary of the proceeds of crime generated in the alleged Delhi liquor scam, adding that part of the proceeds of crime to the tune of Rs 45 crore in cash has been used in campaigning for the Goa assembly elections in 2022.

The agency said that in this manner, the party has committed the offence of money laundering through its national convener, Kejriwal. It also claimed that Kejriwal was "ultimately responsible" for the funds being used for election expenses, including what was incurred in the Goa elections which is relevant for his complaint and also their generation.

ED said Kejriwal, while being on interim bail, has violated the conditions imposed by Supreme Court in its order dated May 10, 2024. "The applicant was explicitly barred from commenting on his role in the ongoing case. However, the applicant has brazenly and flagrantly violated this condition by giving multiple interviews, speeches and press conferences while calling the present case false, made-up and a conspiracy," said the ED.

The agency also pointed out that when certain L1 wholesalers were not agreeing to give kickbacks to AAP in Delhi, their businesses were targeted in Punjab through state officials.

ED'S ARGUMENT AGAINST REGULAR BAIL TO CM

ACCORDING TO THE AGENCY

- Arvind Kejriwal, along with others AAP functionaries, received ₹100 crore in kickbacks from South Group through various people working for him
- In exchange, he made a 'self-sustaining' SPV vehicle to generate more proceeds of crime
- Laundered the same through various processes and activities
- Kejriwal responsible for policy drafted by various accused with sole intent of 'establishing an apparatus to continuously generate and launder proceeds of crime'



- Repeatedly refused to share password of his mobile phones
- Chose to give completely evasive answers despite being confronted with material
- Repeated assertion that P Sarath Reddy and Raghav Magunta gave exculpatory statements in his favour in their prior statements and later changed their stand ex facie false
- Buchi Babu's statements, dated Feb 23 and Feb 28, 2023, were taken with permission of special court and recorded in jail in presence of an officer
- Till date, the statement has neither been retracted nor any allegation of coercion or pressure been made by Babu
- He is also liable for use of the proceeds of crime of ₹45 crore in election campaign of AAP in Goa

No proof after 2 years of probe, ED making wild allegations: AAP

Times News Network

New Delhi: Enforcement Directorate is making "wild allegations" because it doesn't have any concrete evidence or recovery of money in the Delhi excise policy case even after two years of investigation, claimed Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) on Friday after ED told a court that Vinod Chauhan, said to be a close associate of chief minister Arvind Kejriwal, had allegedly handled the proceeds of crimes connected with hawala operators in the case.

AAP claimed that even Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently admitted in an interview that there was no evidence against Kejriwal. "This shows that ED's attempt here is to carry out a political witch-hunt," it said.

"All this while, ED was claiming this is a Rs 100-crore scam, while a few days back in court, they suddenly said this is Rs 1,100-crore scam and now they are claiming it (to be) Rs 45 crore," it added.

Despite carrying out over 500 raids and questioning thousands of witnesses, ED's theories are based on the statements of govt approvers like Sharath Reddy "who donated Rs 60 crores to BJP", AAP stated.

"This kind of blatant politicisation of investigation agencies is exactly what people of India have rejected by voting against BJP in the Lok Sabha elections. BJP should use ED to investigate real corruption cases like the Rs 8,000-crore electoral bond scam," AAP said.

Excise policy case: Court to hear CM's bail plea on June 14

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New Delhi: A Delhi court on Friday adjourned the hearing on bail plea of chief minister Arvind Kejriwal, arrested in the excise policy case, till June 14.

As the matter was taken up by the court of special judge Kaveri Baweja, Kejriwal's counsel, senior advocate N Hariharan, sought an adjournment till Saturday as he needed more time to go through the 182-page reply filed by ED. He claimed that he was supplied the ED's reply moments before the bail hearing. "Advance copy doesn't mean you give it to me half an hour before the hearing," said the senior advocate.

However, additional solicitor general SV Raju pointed out that a hearing on Saturday would cut into the trial court's summer break which starts on Saturday only. "We don't only have Arvind Kejriwal matter. We have so many matters. We are overburdened. If the case is posted before a vacation judge, I have to cut short my vacation," the ASG argued.

Responding to this, Hariharan said, "It cannot be that in a bail situation, the prosecution says because I am on vacation, a bail matter may not be heard. It is unheard of."

To this, the ASG responded that he could argue the matter without relying on the ED's reply as the ED's reply furnished today need not be taken on record.

Arvind Kejriwal's counsel sought an adjournment till Saturday as he needed more time to go through the 182-page reply filed by ED

Hariharan went on to reemphasise that ED cannot prolong the bail hearing by citing court vacations or oppose a hearing before a vacation bench. "The department cannot shut down. It is an absurd proposition. I will be incarcerated for two weeks. Why should I be kept waiting like this?" he questioned.

The court eventually adjourned the matter by a week and posted it on June 14. Vacation judge Mukesh Kumar is likely to hear the matter next.

On June 5, the same court declined the interim bail plea moved by Kejriwal who sought seven days of interim bail on medical grounds. It stated that he does not appear to be suffering from any serious or 'life-threatening' ailment.

The court, in its 17-page order, stated that diabetes or even type-2 diabetes cannot be said to be so serious an ailment so as to entitle him to the relief claimed.

On June 5, the court also extended Kejriwal's custody till June 19.

Enough proof to prosecute Kavitha, CBI tells court

New Delhi: In a supplementary chargesheet filed on Friday against Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS)'s K Kavitha in a corruption case linked to the alleged Delhi excise policy scam, Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) claimed that there was sufficient evidence to prosecute her in the matter.

The central probe agency filed a report before special CBI judge Kaveri Baweja, who will take cognisance of the matter on July 6. The chargesheet was filed under relevant sections of Prevention of Corruption Act. The judge extended the judicial custody of Kavitha, a member of Telangana Legislative Council, till June 21.

CBI also said in its report that the investigation was still on and it might file another supplementary chargesheet.

The daughter of former Telangana chief minister K Chandrashekar Rao was arrested by CBI at Tihar Jail in April, where she was lodged after her arrest by Enforcement Directorate (ED) in a money laundering case related to the alleged scam. ED had arrested the 46-year-old BRS functionary from her Banjara Hills residence in Hyderabad on March 15. Kavitha is currently in judicial custody in both cases.

CBI officials had questioned Kavitha inside the prison after obtaining permission from a special court. The BRS legislator was asked about the WhatsApp chats recovered from co-accused Buchi Babu's phone and documents related to a land deal, after which Rs 100 crore was allegedly paid to Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) in kickbacks to swing the excise policy for the national capital in favour of a southern liquor lobby.

In its sixth supplementary chargesheet, ED also recently claimed that Kavitha had conspired with the members of South Group and AAP to pay Rs 100-crore kickbacks to receive undue benefits. PTI

Bail plea of CM's aide rejected, court says allegations against him are grave

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New Delhi: A Delhi court on Friday dismissed the second bail plea moved by chief minister Arvind Kejriwal's aide Bibhav Kumar in the case of alleged assault on Rajya Sabha member Swati Maliwal. It stated that there were grave and serious allegations against him.

Observing that Maliwal is a lady and sitting MP from Aam Aadmi Party and had gone to meet Kejriwal of her own political party at his residence, the court of special judge Ekta Gauba Mann said that the injuries suffered by Maliwal were apparent as per the medical report and the allegations levelled against Kumar were grave and serious in nature.

"Considering her allegations that she has been assaulted and brutally beaten up and her modesty has been outraged by Kumar in the drawing room of the residence of the CM. Considering the fact that Kumar being the personal secretary to the CM and alleged to have misbehaved not only with the MP of the same party but also with a lady," said the court.

Kumar's first regular bail plea was rejected by the trial court on May 27.

Stating that the investigation in the case is at initial stage and that there is fear in the mind of the victim regarding her safety and security as she is receiving continuous threats, the court stated that there was every apprehension that Kumar would influence witnesses, if at liberty.

The court of special judge Ekta Gauba Mann said the injuries suffered by Swati Maliwal were apparent as per the medical report

"Also, considering the fact that Kumar is alleged to have misbehaved with a lady member of the political party at the official residence of the CM where not only the elected members of their political party could meet the CM but even the general public could go and meet the CM regarding their grievances. This creates fear and panic in the mind of general public to meet their leader," the court said.

Kumar's counsel submitted before the court that 21 days had elapsed since Kumar's arrest and his custodial interrogation was not required. The counsel also added that Kumar was not an influential person as he was merely a personal secretary in the ranks of a clerk and his appointment was on a co-terminus basis.

Additional public prosecutor Atul Srivastava submitted before the court that Kumar was a very influential person and investigation had revealed that no register was maintained for meeting Kejriwal, people, including the MLAs, could meet the chief minister only after seeking an appointment from Kumar.

"So, I do not find any merit in the present bail application," the court concluded.

Maliwal narrated the incident before the court and claimed that after she lodged the complaint, she was "ostracised by the entire Aam Aadmi Party and some leaders were shaming or assassinating her character".

Utilisation of MPLADS funds beyond CIC's jurisdiction: HC

Times News Network

New Delhi: The Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) has no jurisdiction to comment on the utilisation of MPLADS funds as the scope of the Right To Information (RTI) Act is limited to providing access to information under the control of public authorities, Delhi High Court has clarified.

In the process, the court recently expunged certain remarks made by the CIC while dealing with an RTI application seeking information about utilisation of funds under the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS).

Justice Subramonium Prasad said the authority has no jurisdiction to comment adversely upon the functioning of any public authority but retained the CIC's direction for disclosure of MP-wise, constituency-wise, and work-wise details of the funds.

Hearing a plea against a CIC order observing that some MPs were "deliberately accumulating" their MPLADS funds for the last year of their term to gain advantage at the time of next elections, the court suggested that ministry of statistics and programme implementation to prevent this "abuse" of the funds, and implement the guidelines for distributing the money equally for each year of the five-year term.

"The Ld. (learned) CIC has no jurisdiction to comment upon the utilization of funds by the Members of Parliament under the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS). The scope of the RTI Act is only to ensure that information sought for under the RTI Act is dissipated in order to secure access to information under the control of public authorities," the court noted.

The court's order came on a challenge by the ministry of statistics and programme implementation against the CIC order. The ministry contended that the CIC exceeded its jurisdiction by commenting upon the action taken by MPs in spending MPLADS funds.

The court noted that as per section 18 of the RTI Act, the CIC can only deal with issues relating to the information sought or any other issue leading to its dissemination.

While ordering removal of portions to the extent of observations made by the CIC on utilization of MPLADS funds, the court left the CIC ruling intact in direction to the public authority to publish details of the funds.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Bid ref. no. WBMSCL/NIT-325/2024, Dated - 05/06/2024

West Bengal Medical Services Corporation Ltd. is inviting online bids for "Construction of New Bore-well at Chhatna SSH, Bankura." Last date of submission of bid (online) - 18/06/2024 up to 3:00 P.M. The tender document can be downloaded from www.wbmsc.gov.in and www.wbtenders.gov.in on or after 10/06/2024 at 3.00 P.M. Clarification requests, if any may be sent to eewbmscl.krishnajit@gmail.com
Sd/- Managing Director, WBMSCL & Special Commissioner, H&FWD, Govt. of West Bengal
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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

Re-e-AUCTION NOTICE

Bid proposals are invited by the Commissioner of Police, Kolkata for e-Auction from the eligible bidders for **Pasturage of Animal & Cutting of Grass on small shrubs in the Kolkata Maidan area for one year**.
The NIA Document and other details will be available in the website **https://www.kolkatapolice.gov.in & https://eauction.gov.in.** The bid shall be submitted online in the website eauction.gov.in and the bidder's should have necessary portal enrolment with their DSC.
Last Date of submission of bid is on 18.06.2024 up to 3.0 pm.
Sd/- for CP, Kolkata
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NOTICE INVITING TENDER
No. 18(R)/HDA/EC/2022-23 (3rd call)

Online (E-Tender) tender in a two bid system is hereby invited for "REPAIRING AND RESURFACING ROAD FROM TAMLUK PANSKURA BUS ROAD NEAR BHIMTALA STOPPAGE TOWARDS KASAI RIVER BANDH VIA CHAKRABORTY PARA UNDER PANSKURA MUNICIPALITY." Estimated Cost of work: Rs. 16,84,331/- (including GST and Labour Welfare Cess). Document downloading date: 9/6/24 to 22/6/24 up to 2:30 p.m. Starting date of bid submission: 14/6/24 at 10.00 a.m. Last date of online bid submission: 22/6/24 up to 03:30 p.m. Information in details is available in the office and in the website of HDA : www.hda.gov.in E-Tender can be submitted through: www.wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, HDA.
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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

THE DURGAPUR PROJECTS LIMITED
(A Government of West Bengal Enterprise)
AN ISO 9001: 2008 Certified Company
Regd. Office: Administrative Building, Durgapur – 713201.
CIN: U40102WB1961SGC025250
Gist of the Tariff Order

Gist of the Tariff Order dated 23.02.2024 for the year 2022-23 issued by the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission in Case No. TP-93/20-21 in regard to the Multi Year Tariff Application under Seventh Control Period of The Durgapur Projects Limited(DPL)

1. In terms of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011, as amended (in short "Tariff Regulations 2011") and subsequent Suo-moto order of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (in Short "Commission") dated 28.05.2019 in Case No. SM - 19/19 - 20, The Durgapur Projects Limited (in short "DPL") had submitted an application for determination of tariff for the Seventh Control Period consisting of the years 2020 - 21, 2021 - 22 and 2022 - 23 before the Commission on 29.08.2020 which was admitted by the Commission in Case No. TP - 93/20 - 21 on 04.11.2020.

2. The gist of the said application of DPL was published in the newspapers on 16.11.2020 inviting attention of all interested parties, stakeholders and the members of the public and requesting submission of suggestions, objections and comments on the said application latest by 04.12.2020. The Commission received no suggestions, objections and comments from interested parties within the due date.

3. Based on the above referred tariff application for the Seventh Control Period, the Commission determined the Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) for all the three years 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 under the Seventh Control Period and tariff for 2020-21 and 2021-22 vide order dated 16.07.2021 read with corrigendum dated 17.08.2021 in Case No. TP – 93 / 20 – 21.

4. Now vide order dated 23.02.2024 in Case No. TP – 93 / 20 – 21, the Commission has determined the tariff of DPL on the basis of ARR determined for 2022-23 in the tariff order dated 16.07.2021 read with corrigendum dated 17.08.2021 in Case No. TP – 93 / 20 – 21.

5. The annual capacity charges recoverable at the target normative annual availability during the year are provided in following table:

Generating Station	2022 – 23	
	Target normative availability factor	Capacity charge for the period in Rs. lakh
Unit 7	85%	26916.78
Unit 8	85%	37795.04

6. The energy charges recoverable during the year against injection of energy under implemented schedule of injection shall be as follows:

Generating Station	Energy Charge (Paisa/kWh)
	2022 - 2023
Unit No. 7	154.78
Unit No. 8	160.77
Overall	157.50

7. DPL shall raise the energy bill and capacity charge bill as per the energy accounting and availability declared by State Load Despatch Centre (in Short 'SLDC') in its monthly energy accounting schedule.

8. The Tariff for 2022-23 shall be applicable from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 and onwards till further order of the Commission.

9. The applicable tariff and other associated terms and conditions of tariff of DPL for 2022-23 are given in the Tariff Order dated 23.02.2024 which is available in the website of DPL at www.dpl.net.in.

10. For any further interpretation/ clarification, the order of the Commission dated 23.02.2024 may be referred to and the copy of the order may be obtained from the office of the Commission at Plot No: AH/5 (2nd Floor & 4th Floor) Premises No: MAR 16-1111, Action Area - 1A, Newtown, Rajarhat, Kolkata- 700163 following the procedure laid down in the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2013 and West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Fees) Regulations, 2013.

11. The gist has been published with the approval of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission.

N.B.: However, if any difference from the original tariff order is found anywhere in this gist, due to misprinting or any other reason, the version to be found in the original tariff order would prevail.

Place: Durgapur
Date:14.03.2024
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General Manager (Commercial)
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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

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Gist of the Tariff Order

Gist of the Tariff Order dated 11.03.2024 for the years 2023-24 and 2024-25 issued by the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission in Case No. TP- 106/22-23 in respect ofThe Durgapur Projects Limited (DPL)

1. In terms of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011, as amended (Tariff Regulations 2011) and subsequent Suo-moto order of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Commission) dated 31.08.2022 in Case No. SM-31/22-23, DPL submitted an application for determination of tariff for the 8th control period consisting of the years 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 before the Commission on 27.02.2023 which was admitted by the Commission in Case No.TP-106/22-23.

2. The gist of the said application of DPL was published in newspapers on 29.04.2023 inviting the attention of all interested parties, stake holders and the members of the public and requesting submission of suggestions, objections and comments on the said application within 21 days from the date of the publication. No suggestion, objection and comment has been received by the Commission within the stipulated time.

3. Based on the above referred Tariff application for the 8th control period, the Commission vide order dated 11.03.2024 in Case No. TP-106/22-23 has determined the Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) for 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 under the 8th control period and the revenue recoverable through tariff, capacity charge and energy charge for the years 2023-24 and 2024-25.

4. The annual capacity charge recoverable by DPL shall be on the monthly basis depending on actual availability during the month with reference to the target normative annual availability subject to the conditions as laid down in Regulation 6.11.4 of the Tariff Regulations 2011. The annual capacity charge is recoverable at the target normative annual availability as provided in following table:

Generating Station	2023-24		2024-25	
	Target normative availability factor	Capacity Charge in Rs. lakh	Targetormative availability factor	Capacity Charge in Rs. lakh
Unit VII	85%	24239.02	85%	23708.53
Unit VIII	85%	25675.50	85%	24984.19

5. The energy charge recoverable during the years 2023 – 24 and 2024 – 25 against each unit of injection of energy under implemented schedule on injection shall be as follows:

Generating Station	Energy Charge (Paisa/kWh)	
	202324	202425
Unit VII	230.69	238.50
Unit VIII	239.55	247.66

6. DPL shall raise the energy charge bill and capacity charge bill as per the energy accounting and availability certified by State Load Despatch Centre (SLDC) in its monthly energy accounting statement.

7. The tariff for 2023-24 are applicable from 01.04.2023 and tariff for 2024 – 25 shall be applicable from 01.04.2024 and shall continue till further order of the Commission.

8. The applicable tariff and other associated terms and conditions of tariff of DPL for the period 2023-24 and 2024-25 are given in the Tariff Order dated 11.03.2024 which is available on the website of DP at www.dpl.net.in

9. For any further interpretation/ clarification, the order of the Commission dated 11.03.2024 may be referred to and the copy of order may be obtained from the office of the Commission at Plot No: AH/! (2nd Floor & 4th Floor) Premises No: MAR 16- 1111, Action Area — 1A, Newtown. Rajarhat, Kolkata — 700163 following the procedure laid down in the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2013 and West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Fees) Regulations,2013.

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Place: Durgapur
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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

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No. 01/HDA/EC/2024-25

Online (E-Tender) tender in a two bid system is hereby invited for "INSIDE AND OUTSIDE REPAIRING AND PAINTING OF TRIBENI SANGAM GUEST HOUSE AT GEONKHALI." Estimated Cost of work: Rs. 6,57,595/- (including GST and Labour Welfare Cess). Document downloading date: 9.06.2024 to 15.06.2024 up to 3:30 p.m. Starting date of bid submission: 12.06.2024 at 10.00 a.m. Last date of online bid submission: 15.06.2024 up to 4:00 p.m. Information in details is available in the office and in the website of HDA : www.hda.gov.in E-Tender can be submitted through: www.wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, HDA.
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Online (E-Tender) tender in a two bid system is hereby invited for "INSTALLATION OF 1(ONE) NO. SUBMERSIBLE PUMP AT GANDHINAGAR COLONY (NEAR PLOT NO. E/60, J.L. NO. 167, MOUZA-HATIBERIA) ONE 1(ONE) NO. OF SUBMERSIBLE PUMP AT GANDHINAGAR COLONY (NEAR PLOT NO. B/58, J.L. NO. 167, MOUZA-HATIBERIA) WARD NO. 26, HALDIA MUNICIPALITY, HALDIA, PURBA MEDINIPUR." Estimated Cost of work: Rs. 7,74,198/-. Document downloading date: 8.06.2024 to 14.06.2024 up to 3:00 p.m. Starting date of bid submission: 12.06.2024. Last date of online bid submission: 14.06.2024 up to 3:30 p.m. Information in details is available in the office and in the website of HDA : www.hda.gov.in E-Tender can be submitted through: www.wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, HDA.
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IRRIGATION AND WATERWAYS DIRECTORATE
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SURI, BIRBHUM
ABRIDGED TENDER NOTICE
e-NIT No- WBIW/SE/MCC/NIT-01(e)/2024-25 (2nd Call of WBIW/SE/MCC/NIT-01(e)/2023-24)

e-Tender is being invited by the undersigned from the eligible bonafide contractors for 02 (two) nos. works under Mayurakshi Canal Circle under CSDS. Last date & time of downloading of tender documents is 28.06.2024 up to 15:00 hrs. Other details of tender notice may be seen at website www.wbiwd.gov.in & https://wbtenders.gov.in Tender ID : 2024_IWD_689573_1 & 2024_IWD_689573_2. Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Mayurakshi Canal Circle, Suri, Birbhum
ICA- T8069(3)/2024

ED raids man accused of cheating foreign national of $400,000 by taking control of computer remotely

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Enforcement Directorate conducted searches against a Delhi-based man, who allegedly cheated a foreign national by convincing her to invest in cryptocurrency and taking control of her computer remotely and transferring $400,000 from her account to those of his own and his associates. Searches were conducted on the premises of Prafful Gupta and others on Thursday at various locations in Delhi, Haryana and Kanpur and digital evidence, bank deposits of Rs 7 crore and Rs 35 lakh worth of jewellery were seized.

Gupta was earlier booked by CBI in the same fraud case. The FIR stated that Gupta and his associates contacted the target and convinced her to transfer the investments held in her bank accounts to a cryptocurrency account, claiming that the existing account was not safe.

"The accused gained unauthorised remote access to her computer and created a cryptocurrency account in the name of the victim using her mobile number and email ID. She was advised to transfer $400,000 to the said cryptocurrency account," the agency said. However, later when she logged into her account, she found that there was no money in her crypto account. Once the $400,000 was transferred to a crypto account, the money was allegedly transferred to other accounts by the accused. "Investigation revealed that the cryptocurrency from the account of the victim was transferred to Prafful Gupta and his mother Sarita Gupta after layering transactions through several accounts. Thereafter, the cryptocurrency was sold and the money was transferred to shell entities in India," the ED said.

The shell entities, after receiving money from the crypto wallets, further transferred the funds to thousands of accounts with fake KYCs, the FIR claimed. Part of the amount was transferred to the account of a Gurgaon-based fintech firm, which was aiding in layering of the proceeds of crime without obtaining KYC of such beneficiaries, the agency said.

ED attaches assets worth ₹46 crore of Gurgaon company

New Delhi: Enforcement Directorate has attached a club house, vacant land and bank accounts worth Rs 46 crore of TDI Infra group in Gurgaon, accusing the real estate firm of laundering home buyers' money. The agency has identified Rs 166 crore as 'proceeds of crime' in this case.

"Investigation revealed that they had duped the innocent buyers by promising delivery of flats/plots and commercial spaces which was never done," the ED said. The agency accused the directors of the company of siphoning off money collected from buyers. "Rather, they gave loans and advances to associated entities and diverted buyers' money to shell companies," the agency said. TNN

Blaze erupts at fire safety equipment manufacturing unit

New Delhi: A fire broke out in a fire safety equipment manufacturing factory in outer Delhi's Bhorgarh Industrial Area on Friday morning, officials said.

No one was injured in the incident, they said.

Officials of Delhi Fire Service (DFS) said that a call was received at 6am and 16 fire tenders were pressed into service.

Fire officials brought the blaze under control at 11.10am, but the cooling operation continued, they said.

The reason of the fire is suspected to be a short circuit on the first floor of the two-storey building, officials said. PTI

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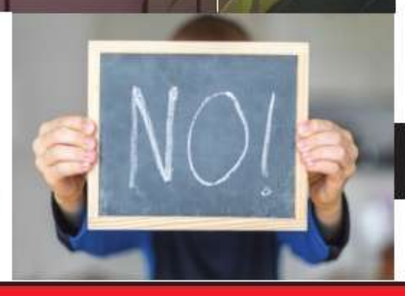
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14 of 38 projects under AMRUT scheme on track

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New Delhi: Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) has reported progress on 14 out of 38 projects proposed under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (Amrut) 2 scheme.

The projects include the rejuvenation of waterbodies at 21 locations, revamping of green spaces at five sites, and the implementation of sewerage management projects at 12 locations by the engineering department. These sewerage projects involve the remodelling and construction of sludge drains on Mehrauli-Badarpur Road, Anand Parbat, Gulabi Bagh and Paschim Vihar II, as well as the installation of decentralised sewage treatment plants at some parks.

Centre had sanctioned Rs 117.8 crore last year for the 38 projects under the scheme to be implemented by MCD.

At 12 waterbodies, including a lake at Dwarka Sector 23, Aya Nagar Johad and Roshanara Bagh Lake, work has been completed. Additionally, major work has been completed on two sewerage management projects, while six other projects are in progress.

An MCD official stated that work would now move at a fast pace on all projects, with some having already issued work orders and others in the tendering stage. The official also mentioned that with staff from various departments returning to work after the election duty, the focus would be on completing these projects.

"The project for rejuvenating waterbodies is aimed at improving and harvesting existing resources for storing rainwater. Depending on requirement, we have included additional features such as trenching of the waterbody, chain link fencing surrounding the waterbody, developing walkway, plantation and greening, installation of LED streetlights and construction and repair of boundary wall as part of the project. We want to develop the waterbodies as recreational spaces," said the official.

The waterbody rejuvenation project at Tahirpur Village has reached 60% completion. At the Ghazipur waterbody near Highway Apartment, the cleaning process using machines is nearly finished. "We removed all waste lying here, including debris and weeds, and 28% work has already been completed," the official stated.

Places where work for rejuvenating waterbodies is in progress include Ghazipur, Dwarka, Jaunapur, Tahirpur, Masoodpur and Narela. Although there were plans to commence phase 2 of the Welcome Lake Project in Shahdara under this scheme, it could not be realised due to several reasons.

There are plans to set up five decentralised STPs, each with a capacity of 50 KLD, at various locations, including Divyang Park in Rathi Mill (Loni Road), Senior Citizen Park at Law Apartment in Karkadooma, Topiary Garden in Mayur Vihar-II, a park near Highway Apartment in Ghazipur, and another near Ghazipur Mandi.

"Many tubewells were shut down in the past and treated water from these STPs can be utilised for irrigation of parks in and around these facilities in coming summers," said officials.

Recently, the civic authority got approval for additional funds for four more projects to be carried out under this scheme, including urban recreational space in Ajmal Khan Park and parks at Mayapuri, Janakpuri, GK II, Swasthaya Vihar (Laxmi Nagar), Mayur Vihar Pocket 3 and PVR Saket.

With Shift In Terminals, IGI Looks At Ways To Navigate Through Int'l Traffic Influx

Options Like Converting T2 To All-International, Transforming A T3 Domestic Pier Being Considered

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New Delhi: The operator of India's busiest hub, Delhi's Indira Gandhi International airport, is back to the drawing board to figure out ways to manage the increasing international traffic effectively. With the imminent closure of T2 following the expansion of T1 later this month, Delhi International Airport Ltd (DIAL) CEO Videh Kumar Jaipuriar announced on Friday that all options were being considered. These included assigning dedicated terminals to airlines, with IndiGo and Air India having substantial fleet orders, or segregating terminals based on international and domestic flights, he said.

"Our current capacity (T1 + T2 + T3) is approximately 10.4-10.9 crore passengers annually (CPA), of which 2.2 crore are international, with only T3 handling overseas flights. Last year, we managed just under 2 crore international passengers and are now facing a capacity crunch. Given that international traffic is growing at 8-10% annually and domestic-international transfers are on the rise, we need to expand our capacity for international flights," Jaipuriar stated at a CAPA event on Friday.

In the short term, two options that can be implemented within 6-12 months are being considered: converting T2 to an all-international terminal or transforming a domestic pier in T3 to handle international flights. No definitive decision has yet been made regarding which path will be taken, he mentioned.

"The transition from T2 to the expanded T1 will occur in phases, starting after we receive security clearance later this month. We plan to complete this process within two months, with approximately 15-day intervals between each phase," he said.

India's largest airline, IndiGo, has reportedly expressed concerns over this arrangement, as it would result in all its international flights operating from T3 and all domestic flights from T1, once the transition from T2 is complete. Conversely, the AI Group, according to IndiGo, will operate both international and most domestic flights from T3. "The entire burden of transferring passengers between the distant T1 and T3 will fall on IndiGo when T2 closes. We have proposed to DIAL either to shift us entirely to T1 by adding an international wing there or to allow us to operate some domestic flights from T3," sources familiar with the matter disclosed. Jaipuriar did not comment on this issue.

In preparation for the transfer of passengers between T1 and T3, DIAL is planning to use buses for city-side transfers in the absence of an air train or automated people mover (APM). "We are focusing on airside transfers of baggage for passengers connecting flights within the same airline group. For instance, passengers traveling from Patna to Istanbul via Delhi on IndiGo will not need to reclaim their bags at T1 for the domestic to international leg of their journey. For returns, when customs clearance is required, we are collaborating with government agencies to streamline the process," Jaipuriar said.

To accommodate transfer traffic, DIAL is constructing a hotel outside T3 and is exploring the possibility of a similar setup at the car park outside T1.

Part of Delhi Airport complex and undergoing significant expansion by Bharti Reality, Aerocity, meanwhile, is becoming a destination in its own right. "We now see people flying into Delhi, staying at an Aerocity hotel for meetings, and then flying back home, sometimes on the same day. The hotels here are experiencing 90% occupancy. With the retail space set to expand from 18 lakh square feet to 3 crore square feet, Aerocity is becoming a major commercial hub," Jaipuriar said.

RESOLVING TERMINAL ISSUES

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Expanded T1 expected to open later this month after security nod

Transition of airlines & flights from T2 to expanded T1 to occur in phases

Once shifting complete and T1 operations stabilise, T2 will be shut down for some time



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HOW IGI PLANS TO MANAGE TRAFFIC

TWO EVENTUAL OPTIONS | Assigning dedicated terminals to big airlines like Air India and IndiGo or segregating terminals based on international and domestic flights

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Man gets 10 yrs' jail for child marriage, rape

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New Delhi: In a landmark judgment in a child marriage and rape case, the special Pocso court at Tis Hazari sentenced a 49-year-old man to 10 years of rigorous imprisonment on Friday and awarded his victim a compensation of Rs 10.5 lakh. The court convicted the Bihar native under the Indian Penal Code, Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, and Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006.

The court invoked IPC's Section 376 (2) (i) and (n) for punishment for rape, Pocso Act's Section 6 (punishment for aggravated penetrative sexual assault) and the Child Marriage Act's sections 9 (punishment for male adult marrying a child) and 10 (punishment for solemnising a child marriage).

The court noted that the girl, who is currently rehabilitated in a women's home, was supposed to have received an interim compensation of Rs 25,000 but hadn't because she did not have a bank account at the time when she was rescued in 2019. The judge ordered a full and final compensation of Rs 10.5 lakh for the girl under the applicable Pocso norms and Section 357A (victim compensation scheme) of the Criminal Procedure Code payable by the state under the Delhi Victim Compensation Scheme, 2018.

The father had abandoned the girl at a very young age. With her mother being mentally affected, she was brought up by her grandmother. When she attained the age of 13 years in 2017, the girl began to be pressured by relatives to drop out of her school and get married. They told her there would be no one otherwise to take care of her after her grandmother's death.

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In Feb of that year, she is alleged to have been forcefully married to a man from Bihar, who was then around 41 years old and was already a father of two daughters aged 10 and 13 years.

"After the death of my grandmother, the villagers forced me to marry the man against my will," the girl testified in court. She said once married, she learnt that the man had married twice before. The first wife had died, leaving behind two daughters, who were living with the man's mother. The second wife had deserted the man.

"During the first two months of marriage, the man brought me to his village, frequently beat me and forced himself upon me, all of which I resented," the girl's statement said. Sensing trouble in the village, the man shifted her to Delhi where he again subjected the girl to sexual torture. The merciless beating of the victim forced neighbours to inform police in 2019, who initiated the process of registration of FIR and probing the case.

Reacting to the court's verdict, Bhuwan Ribhu, lawyer, activist and founder of Child Marriage Free India, said, "This is a landmark as there is very low conviction in child marriage cases. The judgment once again establishes that child marriage leads to child rape. I hope this verdict acts as a precedent. By acting decisively against child marriage, we can end it by 2030. While the govt aims to make India a developed country, it can only happen by ensuring access to free education for girls till 18 years of age and eliminating child marriage."

AAP suspends former MLA

New Delhi: AAP on Friday suspended former MLA Nitin Tyagi for alleged "anti-party" activities during the just-concluded Lok Sabha polls. Tyagi claimed that the action was taken against him for "speaking the truth".

In a communication to Tyagi, AAP Delhi convener Gopal Rai said, "It has come to our notice that you have been involved in anti-party activities during the Lok Sabha elections. The party has taken a decision to suspend you from its primary membership, pending disciplinary proceedings."

In an apparent reference to the AAP-Congress alliance in Delhi for the election, Tyagi wrote on X, "It is anti-party to ask for votes for those against whom people had chosen you." TNN

Food safety dept tells eateries not to use liquid nitrogen

Times News Network

New Delhi: With a few cases of the consumption of 'liquid nitrogen' causing injuries being reported from eateries in other parts of the country, the food and safety department of Delhi govt may soon take an action against establishments illegally using the substance.

A senior Delhi govt official said they will soon coordinate with the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), a central govt's statutory body which regulates the manufacture, storage, distribution, sale, and import of food articles, while also establishing standards to ensure food safety, and follow the advisory issued by it.

According to officials, liquid nitrogen is being extensively used by eateries to give a smoky effect to food items, sometimes causing injuries to people consuming it. The substance is often used for quick chilling of ice-creams, cocktails and mocktails and bakery products.

In a recent case in Bengaluru, a 12-year-old who ate a liquid nitrogen paan at a wedding was diagnosed with perforation peritonitis—a hole in her stomach. She had to undergo surgery and remained in the hospital for six days, after which she was discharged.

In Madurai, the food safety department revoked the licence of a shop for selling smoked biscuits made of liquid nitrogen in April this year.

A few years back, a young businessman was rushed to hospital in Gurgaon where doctors removed what they described as "nearly half his stomach", after he consumed a cocktail laced with liquid nitrogen. He swallowed the drink even before the white smoke - liquid nitrogen vapours - had vanished.

In a different case earlier this year, five customers suffered burns after they were served dry ice instead of mouth freshener at a restaurant in Gurgaon.

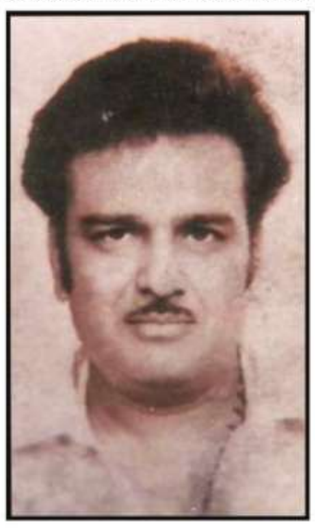
Liquid nitrogen, widely used as a coolant, can cause severe injuries to mouth, throat, oesophagus, and stomach if ingested directly. While it is banned at the stage when food is being served to consumers, liquid nitrogen permitted under FSSAI to be used as a contact freezing and cooling agent in dairy-based desserts, such as ice-creams, during the production phase. There is no permission to use liquid nitrogen in smoking biscuits, desserts, or other eats while serving for consumption.

Taking cognisance of such incidents, FSSAI issued an advisory saying illicit use of liquid nitrogen directly at the point of serving or plating was not allowed and will be considered as non-compliance by the food businesses.

"Any violation to this shall result in initiation of statutory action against the food businesses in accordance with FSS Act, 2006 and rules and regulations made thereunder," it added.

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Six Charged Under UAPA For Parliament Security Breach

Cops File 1,800-Page Chargesheet, Submit Digital Evidence

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New Delhi: Six months after a security breach at the old Parliament building, Delhi Police filed a chargesheet against the six individuals arrested under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. Accusing them of a conspiracy to gain political mileage, police have detailed how the alleged mastermind — Manoranjan D — and the others terrorised the people present inside and outside Parliament by setting off "bomb-like" smoke canisters.

The 1,800-page chargesheet mentions how the incident caused high panic because it coincided with the call for an "attack" by Khalistan terrorist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun.

The incident took place last year on Dec 13, coinciding with the anniversary of the 2001 Parliament attack. The four main executors — who had set off smoke canisters inside and outside Parliament — were held from the spot while two others surrendered to police a day later.

The investigation by Delhi Police's Special Cell established that Manoranjan D, Sagar Sharma, Lalit Jha, Amol Shinde, Mahesh Kumawat and Neelam Azad met on the Bhagat Singh Fan page on Facebook. They then met in person twice, once in Mysuru around a year and half before the incident where the group decided to raise social issues through various means. Manoranjan had sent others the tickets to travel to Mysore. The second meeting, nine months before the breach, decided to use Parliament as a platform to voice their 'dissent'.

In March last year, Manoranjan — who had failed academically and wanted to become a harbinger of change for the country — wanted to study the parliament building but could not get a pass. He then attended the monsoon session in July as an observer and observed that the security personnel did not check the footwear of visitors holding valid passes.

This inspired him to order shoes with special cavities. Once the planning was finalised, Sharma travelled from Lucknow to Delhi on the Gomti Express. Deciding on Dec 14 to strike, they spent three nights and two days in Gurgaon, assisted in this by Vishal Sharma, arranging visitor passes. However, they got passes for Dec 13, the chargesheet says.

At 9am on the day of incident, Sharma collected passes at 18 Mahadev Road from the PA of MP Pratap Simha, also named Sagar. He went to Sadar Bazar and bought some national flags. Azad, Manoranjan, Jha and Shinde travelled by cab from Gurgaon to India Gate. Sharma caught up with the group there from Sadar Bazar. The "smoke bombs" had been purchased by Shinde in Latur and picked up from Kurla in Mumbai by Sharma.

Manoranjan and Sharma decided to enter the parliament building while the rest were to protest outside. Around noon, the two managed to reach the Lok Sabha chamber around 1pm. They had decided not to throw the smoke bomb, but to hold them in their hands to indicate that the bombs were harmless and that they wouldn't be shot. Sharma hid some pamphlets in the shoes to scatter after setting off the canisters, according to police.

The court has listed the filing of the supplementary chargesheet and consideration of the chargesheet for July 15. It extended the judicial custody of the six till the next hearing. Special public prosecutor Akhand Pratap Singh informed the court that sanctions for prosecution under Section 186 IPC (obstructing public servant in discharge of duty) and under Section 13 of UAPA (punishment for unlawful activities) were awaited. A supplementary chargesheet would be filed within a fortnight.



THE MEETING & CONSPIRACY

- Five people connected on a **Bhagat Singh fan page on Facebook** after interacting on social media for four years
- In 2022, **Lalit Jha (30), Sagar Sharma (26) and Manoranjan D (34)** met in Mysuru and concocted a scheme to infiltrate Parliament; subsequently, **Neelam Azad (37) and Amol Shinde (25)** joined the

THE PLAN & PREPARATION

- Manoranjan and Jha were key conspirators — the former conducted a recce during in July
- He observed that the footwear of visitors was not inspected
- Sharma got cavity in shoes made through a cobbler in UP; Manoranjan procured visitor passes through Mysore-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha

THE STRIKE

- On the day of the incident, Sharma and Manoranjan entered the new Parliament building and reached the visitors' gallery
- Around 1pm, Sharma leaped from the visitors gallery into the Lok Sabha chamber
- Manoranjan also attempted to jump and was seen clinging on to the railing of the gallery
- They discharged yellow-coloured gas from canisters they had smuggled inside their shoes before being assaulted by the MPs in the House; handed over to security personnel
- Simultaneously, Azad and Shinde — who had stayed outside — released gas from similar canisters and shouted slogans outside the Parliament building
- Jha, who was accompanying them, recorded a video of their act that was later shared on Instagram
- Azad, Shinde were apprehended by police; Jha managed to flee; Sharma, Manoranjan were caught inside; Jha surrendered before police a day later; Vishal Sharma was detained from Gurgaon for harbouring the six accused

THE PROBE & CHARGESHEET

- A case under the anti-terror law Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act was registered against accused
- Police sought more time to complete probe, applied for prosecution sanction under UAPA to LG
- A chargesheet filed in Patiala House Court on Friday after sanction was received
- Police submitted screenshots of WhatsApp and Facebook chats, CCTV grabs and other digital evidence to back their case

'Carefully scan proposals to remove names from voter list'

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New Delhi: With several complaints of wrong deletion of names from electoral rolls received from eligible voters before and on the day of voting, chief electoral officer (CEO) of Delhi has asked senior officials to carefully look at any proposal by booth-level officers to remove names of people from the voters' list.

Delhi CEO P Krishnamurthy said nearly 25,000 proposals to delete names and reject applications of the first time voters (18-19 years) for enrolment were reversed by senior officers in the run-up to the Lok Sabha polls.

"The electoral roll officers have been directed to carefully verify the details of each voter whose name is recommended for deletion by booth-level officers in case of demise or permanent shifting of the person," Krishnamurthy said.

"Directions have also been issued to not reject the applications for enrolment for flimsy reasons. We are not a regulatory authority; we are here to facilitate eligible persons register as voters and participate in the electoral process," he added.

TOI came across a number of instances on May 25, the day Delhi voted, of people reaching the polling booths only to find their names missing from the electoral rolls. While some said they had the voter card but their names were missing from the electoral roll, a few others said they lost their houses due to fire or demolition and now had their names also removed from the voters list.

According to officials, maintaining the purity of the electoral roll is of utmost importance by removing the names of voters from the list of the area who have either shifted permanently to a new address or have deceased. While the families of the deceased or people who have shifted should themselves inform the electoral office by filling up form number 7, not many follow the practice. The responsibility then falls on booth-level officers to survey the area and remove the names of people who do not live on the given address.

Fake encounter? Footage & call records to unravel truth

AJAY MAY HAVE BEEN SHOT TWICE

NHRC has sought the following details from Delhi Police

- Vehicle logs
- CDR of recovered mobile phone/s
- Diagram of entry/ exit wounds
- Result of the forensic examination of 'hand wash' of the deceased for gunpowder
- Report of ballistic expert on examination of the arms and ammunition alleged to have been used by the deceased and his companions
- Fingerprint expert report
- Wireless logs
- Technical/mechanical examination of involved vehicles to ascertain if it was staged



Deceased Ajay



Unanswered Questions

- Some cops from the encounter team have faced similar allegations in the past. Is NHRC or an agency looking into them?
- Inquiry in previous cases by the same team was given to CBI and NIA. Why is Delhi Police allowed to probe this time?
- The deceased did not have a single murder case in Delhi. What was he doing alone at an isolated spot at midnight near Rohini?
- Has the probe team collected CCTV footage from toll plazas to rule out he was not brought from Rajasthan or another state?
- Have the cops collected CCTV footage from approach roads and the spot to ascertain if the deceased was not accompanied by cops in the vehicle?

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: In what could help unravel the truth behind the death of a 24-year-old man in a "fake encounter" by the counter intelligence unit of Special Cell, the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) is learnt to have sought the police vehicle logs and the wireless log besides the call details records and mobile location history of the deceased from Delhi Police.

The man, Ajay, was killed around midnight on the night of May 16-17 at an isolated stretch near Rohini in northwest Delhi. A magisterial inquiry besides a probe by another unit of Delhi Police is being conducted into the matter.

The investigation into the killing, sources said, will need to focus on obtaining and analysing the footage from toll plazas at Delhi's borders besides from the approach roads leading to the spot. "It will help rule out claims that he was brought from outside and killed in cold blood," said an officer. There are allegations that Ajay was abducted by the cops in plain clothes from Mount Abu in Rajasthan and shot dead in Delhi at midnight.

The probe currently relies upon there crucial factors — ballistic, forensic and fingerprint reports. It is suspected that Ajay was shot twice — once in the lower back and the second time on the right side of chest.

The case is currently being probed by cops from the outer-north district but is likely to be handed over to Crime Branch for further investigation

"The diagram of entry and exit wounds will be corroborated with other details like the result of the forensic examination of 'hand wash' of the deceased which will clarify if there was gunpowder on the hands of the deceased. Similarly, the report of fingerprints experts on a match on prints on the deceased's pistol seized from the spot and his hand will reveal if he was indeed holding the gun," said a source. Interestingly, in this case, both police and Ajay have apparently used 9mm pistols.

"NHRC has already sought the site plan of the scene of occurrence and the details of the position of policemen and Ajay during the encounter. The ballistic report will clarify if the angle of shooting and the nature of bullet wounds corroborate," said an officer.

The probe team will also carry out the technical and mechanical examination of the vehicles involved in the encounter and submit a report. According to police's initial information to the control room, a Honda City car with registration number T012UP 2024*, believed to be of Ajay, was found at the scene. The police's Scorpio SUV with registration number DL 1 CAD 034* was found in damaged condition with "bullet marks on the front wind shield" and broken glass on the side window.

The case is currently being probed by cops from the outer-north district but is likely to be handed over to Crime Branch for further investigation, sources said.

If the family insists, CBI and Delhi High Court could also intervene. The statements of senior cops from Special Cell, including DCPs Pratiksha Godara and Manishi Chandra, may be recorded too. It will be ascertained if the encounter or the departure of policemen had their permission.

Climate change: IIT prof on a yatra to advocate energy independence

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Travelling across the country to promote 'Solar Swaraj', IIT Bombay professor Chetan Singh Solanki reached Delhi on Friday after covering 56,000km and reaching out to over 2.7 lakh people to spread awareness on climate change and energy conservation and sustainability.

Asserting his AMG formula — avoid, minimise and generate — Solanki pushed for a minimalistic lifestyle and consuming strictly when required.

"This very hall that we are sitting in has five ACs; we had four switched off and still its comfortable. My formula would suggest 'avoid use of this AC if we can, or else minimise the consumption'. Once our consumption is reduced, less generation would be needed. Just by setting new trends and consuming just the most necessary, we can save the world," explained Solanki.

He further stressed how centralisation was not the solution "as it leads to uneven distribution" and advocated energy independence so that the country didn't have to bear the impact of the global chain of uncertain events.

Solanki will next travel towards Bhopal as part of his 11-year 'Energy Swaraj Yatra', which started in Nov 2020 and still has 2,398 days to go. The yatra aims to address the climate change challenges and promote 100% solar adaptation.

'No. of govt students clearing NEET up 2.5 times in 5 years'

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Education minister Atishi on Friday said that students from Delhi govt schools have been consistently achieving outstanding results in the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET). Students from the govt schools have, however, surpassed their previous records this year and a total of 1,414 students have qualified NEET.

The minister stated, "The number of students qualifying NEET from Delhi govt schools has increased each year. In 2020, the number was 569, and it rose to 1,414 by 2024. This means that in just five years, the number of students qualifying NEET has increased by 2.5 times."

Atishi highlighted that 255 students specialising in STEM at Dr BR Ambedkar School of Specialised Excellence took NEET, and 243 of them qualified, translating to a 95% success rate.

The minister further stated, "I believe that no other school in the country or any large institute with significant advertising has achieved such an impressive success rate of 95%. This year, students from 12 Dr BR Ambedkar Schools of Specialised Excellence, where students prepare for medical exams in the STEM stream, appeared for NEET. Out of these, six schools achieved a 100% pass rate, meaning every student who appeared for NEET from these schools qualified."

ATISHI SAYS

This year, students from 12 Dr BR Ambedkar Schools of Specialised Excellence appeared for NEET. Out of these, six schools achieved a 100% pass rate, meaning every student who appeared for the test qualified

Atishi congratulated all the students who passed the exam, as well as their parents, teachers and school principals. She attributed the educational revolution in Delhi over the past decade to chief minister Arvind Kejriwal's leadership. This revolution has made it possible for even the poorest children in Delhi govt schools to receive a high-quality education and secure admission to the country's best higher education institutions.

"Until 10 years ago, it was unimaginable that children studying in govt schools would clear JEE and NEET. However, 1,414 children from impoverished families studying in Delhi govt schools have now qualified NEET. In the future, they will attend the country's top medical institutions, bringing honour to Delhi, the nation, and their families," she added.

Artificial Sweeteners, Real Health Problems

Too Much Of Xylitol Could Lead To Clots: Study

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New Delhi: Consuming high levels of xylitol, a popular sugar substitute found in a wide range of products — sugar-free chewing gum to low-sugar baked goods, mints and even toothpaste — may lead to blood clots, increasing the risk of serious cardiovascular events like heart attacks and strokes, reveals a study published in European Heart Journal.

According to doctors across the city, the findings are troubling, given xylitol's potential to increase the risk of major adverse cardiovascular events and enhance platelet reactivity and thrombosis. This may have significant implications for patients with cardiovascular diseases, they said.

Xylitol, a sugar alcohol that occurs naturally in various fruits and vegetables, has gained significant popularity over the past one decade. Its chemical composition resembles that of sugar, but it contains fewer calories, making it an attractive alternative for health-conscious individuals.

Dr Nityanand Tripathi, head of cardiology and electrophysiology at Fortis Shalimar Bagh, said, "Xylitol is often promoted as a safe sugar substitute, but these results highlight the need for caution, especially for individuals at risk of cardiovascular diseases." He added that more research was needed to fully understand the mechanisms and establish clear guidelines for its consumption.

"High consumption of xylitol can lead to a state of hypercoagulability, where the blood has an increased tendency to clot. This effect is mediated through xylitol's ability to enhance the aggregation and activity of platelets, small blood cells that play a crucial role in the clotting process," explained Dr Amar Singhal, director of interventional cardiologist at Sri Balaji Action Medical Institute. "The heightened platelet reactivity induced by xylitol can result in the development of clots within blood vessels. These clots have the potential to obstruct blood flow in both arteries and veins, leading to serious cardiovascular events."

The study, conducted by Cleveland Clinic, US, indicates that every measure of clotting ability significantly increased immediately after the ingestion of a xylitol-sweetened drink, but not with a glucose-sweetened drink. Explaining the difference, Dr AK Sahani, director and chief of neurology at Indian Spinal Injuries Centre, said, this could be due to xylitol's specific metabolic pathway, influencing platelet function and vascular response differently.

It is advisable to use natural sweeteners like honey, maple syrup and fruits in moderation, said Dr Bharat Kukreti, director and unit head of cardiology at Paras Health, Gurgaon. "Patients, especially those with cardiovascular risk factors, should be cautious with sugar substitutes and prioritise a balanced diet. For products like toothpaste and gum, the occasional use is likely to be safe due to the minimal amount of xylitol ingested," he added.

Choosing natural items over artificial ones can provide numerous benefits. "Saunf is a great wholesome option. By making such a switch, you can improve your overall well-being," said prof Vinay Goyal, chairman of neurology at Medanta Hospital, Gurgaon.

The same research team found a similar link between erythritol and cardiovascular risk last year. Xylitol is not as prevalent as erythritol in keto or sugar-free food products in the US, but is common in other countries, said researchers.

WIDELY USED IN SUGAR-FREE GUMS, CANDIES

- Beyond cardiovascular concerns, xylitol can cause gastrointestinal issues like bloating, gas, and diarrhoea when consumed in large amounts
- In individuals predisposed to cardiovascular issues, it may increase the risk of clotting and thrombosis
- For those who need to avoid sugar, natural alternatives include stevia and monk fruit extract
- They provide a similar sweetness to sugar without the associated risks, making them suitable for individuals managing diabetes or seeking healthier dietary options
- Xylitol is found in sugar-free gums, candies, mints, oral care products (like toothpaste and mouthwash), baked goods and some medications as a sugar substitute



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NOTICE INVITING TENDER(NIT)

The Superintending Engineer, 5th Circle, HPPWD Palampur on behalf of Governor Himachal Pradesh invites the percentage rate bids in electronic tendering system for construction of roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana-III of 2023-24 in the District of Kangra as detailed in the Table below from the eligible contractors registered with HPPWD/CPWD/P&T, Railways/other State Govts/Central Govt agencies. Non-registered bidders may submit bids, however, the successful bidders must get registered in appropriate class with appropriate authorities before signing the contract.

S. No. :- 1 **District :-** Kangra **Package No :-** HP-04-433 **Name of the Road :-** Upgradation of Rait to Kohla road km. 0/00 to 7/155 **(FDR) Period of Completion (Months) :-** 12 **Estimated Cost Excluding GST (Rs Lakh) :- Construction :-** 573.16 **Estimated Cost Excluding GST (Rs Lakh) :- Maintenance :-** 49.82 **Total Cost excluding GST (Rs Lacs) :-** 622.98 **Bid Security in lakh :-** 12.46

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Submission of all physical documents will be accepted only up to or before the time and date of submission of bids. No physical documents will be accepted after the closing date and time of submission of bids.

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Bids can be submitted online from **Date 12 Month 06 Year 2024 to Date 07 Month 07 Year 2024** upto **1700 Hours** and will be opened on **Date 08 Month 07 Year 2024** at **1130 Hours** in the office of **Superintending Engineer, 5th Circle, HPPWD, Palampur.**

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Advt. No. 0023/07.06.2024 HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPARK

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that one unidentified dead body of male **Namely**: Unknown, **S/o**: Unknown, **R/o** : Unknown **Age**: About 50-55 Years, **Height**: 5'7", **Complexion**: Shallow. **Wearing**: white color baniyan and blue color pant. who was found at PF-6-7 Hazrat Nizamuddin RLY Station, Delhi. In this regard a case **FIR/DD No. 34A dt. 09.04.2024 has been registered at PS: Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station, Delhi**.

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1. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of sub-section (2) of section 366 of the Companies Act, 2013, an application has been made to the Registrar of Companies, NCT of Delhi & Haryana that HIND CARES GLOBAL LLP (AAN-0199) , a limited liability partnership with all its assets & liabilities on date of conversion may be registered under Part I of Chapter XXI of the Companies Act 2013, as a company limited by shares.

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For Hind Cares Global LLP (LLPIN AAN-0199)
Sd/-
Siddharth Bengani
DPIN:06361238
Designated Partner

Dated :- 08-06-2024

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Ms. Bina Sharma & Ors. .....Plaintiffs
VERSUS
Sh. Rajender Sharma & Ors.
.....Defendants

To
Defendant No. 7
Ms. Nirmala Sharma, W/o Sh. Y.D. Galyan, D/o Late Sh. Jawahar Lal Sharma, C/o 1033 to 1037, Pai Walan, Jama Masjid. Delhi-110006

WHEREAS the above named plaintiff has instituted a suit against you for **DECLARATION, PARTITION, MANDATORY AND PERMANENT INJUNCTION.**

AND WHEREAS it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Court that it is not possible to serve you in the ordinary way, therefore, this notice is given by publication directing you to make appearance before Joint Registrar (Judicial) of this Court on **11.09.2024 at 11:00 a.m.**

Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day above mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

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MEGHHA KATARI (Advocate)
I-19, LGF, Lajpat Nagar-III, New Delhi-110024

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INDIAN LAW PARTNERS
1220, DLF CITY PHASE -IV GURGAON
ATTN. MR. Dharmender Sehrawat
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BJP asks mayor to prioritise sanitation woes

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The leader of the opposition (LoP) in MCD and BJP councillors have voiced their worries about the deteriorating sanitary conditions in several zones, including the absence of adequate door-to-door garbage collection.

Denouncing AAP-led MCD for postponing relevant action on this issue, they have urged mayor Shelly Oberoi to prioritise waste management problems. This development follows the mayor's joint meeting with deputy commissioners to address the issue just a day prior.

"In a joint meeting on Thursday, the mayor held officials responsible for the sanitation system in Delhi. The fact is that the mayor and the AAP councillors themselves were not paying heed to the sanitation issues and were all busy in campaigning for elections... It is only after losing election on all seven Lok Sabha seats, the party got into action," said Raja Iqbal Singh.

Since AAP took control of the civic body, Delhi's cleanliness system has entirely collapsed, he said, adding, "There are heaps of garbage everywhere. There is no solution to the complaints of garbage in Delhi. Every day people make more than a thousand such complaints regarding cleanliness, but the corporation does not take any action on them".

There was no comment from AAP on the matter.

CINEMA OF THE WEEK

Munjya (Horror, Comedy) ★★★
Cast: Abhay Verma, Sharvari, Mona Singh, Suhas Joshi
Direction: Aditya Sarpotdar
Duration: 2 hours 3 minutes
Language: Hindi (UA)



When a young man visiting his ancestral village unwittingly unleashes a vengeful spirit, Munjya, he must save himself and his love interest from its clutches. This tryst with the childlike creature throws him into a hilarious and terrifying adventure.

Director Aditya Sarpotdar's horror comedy, inspired by Indian folklore, takes the viewer on an atmospheric adventure early on. The story unfolds in 1952 in the idyllic Konkan countryside, where young Gotya resorts to black magic to win an older girl Munni's heart. However, he tragically loses his life as his attempt backfires. Since he dies within 10 days of his 'munj' (thread ceremony), he becomes a restless spirit, Munjya, trapped in a tree.

Fast-forward to the present, Munjya latches on to his descendant, Bittu (Abhay Verma), fixated on fulfilling his unfulfilled desire—to marry Munni and set his spirit free. However, in a turn of events, Munjya sets his sights on Bittu's love interest, Bela (Sharvari). A ride filled with laughter and horror follows as Bittu scrambles to save himself and Bela from Munjya's clutches.

As the film's story progresses, the comedy often dilutes the tension the horror elements build. The energy slips in the second half as the narrative prioritises goofy scenes such as spirits swapping, a self-proclaimed godman (S Sathyaraj) helping the protagonist, and so on.

Cinematographer Saurabh Goswami skilfully captures the beauty and eeriness of forests and ruins, while the light and shadow play and the occasional jump scares further amplify the mood. The film boasts a well-crafted Munjya (who may remind you of *The Lord of the Rings's* Gollum), brought to life through advanced CGI, but his spirit possessing other characters towards the end seems spoofy.

Abhay Verma delivers a delightful performance as Bittu, convincingly portraying the character's fear and excelling in comedic scenes. Sharvari complements him well as Bela. Supporting actors Mona Singh as Bittu's fiery Punjabi mother, Pammi, and S Sathyaraj as the quirky godman leave a lasting impression.

Like its predecessors, *Stree* and *Bhediya*, *Munjya* also subtly weaves a social message into its narrative — about the importance of consent in love.

The movie leaves some questions unanswered, and certain elements fail to add up. Nevertheless, the atmospheric setting, hilarious moments, and engaging performances make it an entertaining watch, especially for viewers seeking a horror-comedy experience with a youthful energy. Don't forget to stay after the credits for a surprise appearance.

— Dhaval Roy

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TRASH ★ | BELOW AVERAGE ★★ | AVERAGE ★★½ | ABOVE AVERAGE ★★★ | GOOD ★★★½ | VERY GOOD ★★★★ | OUTSTANDING ★★★★½ | MASTERPIECE ★★★★★

ED case: Court grants bail to Unitech ex-promoters

New Delhi: Patiala House Court on Friday granted bail to Unitech's former promoters, Sanjay Chandra and Ajay Chandra, in connection with a money laundering case registered by the Enforcement Directorate (ED).

Additional sessions judge, Dheeraj Mor, while granting bail, said that in the instant case, both applicants have been languishing in jail for the last two and a half years, though the trial in the case has not yet commenced.

The maximum punishment in this case is 7 years, and they have already undergone a substantial part of the maximum punishment that can be awarded to them in this case. There are 71 accused persons, 121 witnesses, and lakhs of supporting documents in the complaint.

Considering this, coupled with the fact that the trial in the case has not yet commenced despite passage of over 2 years, the trial in the case may go beyond 7 years, even more than maximum punishment of this case, the court said.

The trial in this case cannot be concluded within a foreseeable time, said the court.

There seems to be enough justifiable reason for invoking the principles of parity in favour of both applicants, added the court. ANI

Illegal godowns of gas cylinders busted: Police have arrested two men and claimed to have busted two godowns of illegal commercial and domestic gas cylinders in outer Delhi. A total of 1,699 domestic and commercial cylinders and 17 gas-refilling pumps were recovered. PTI

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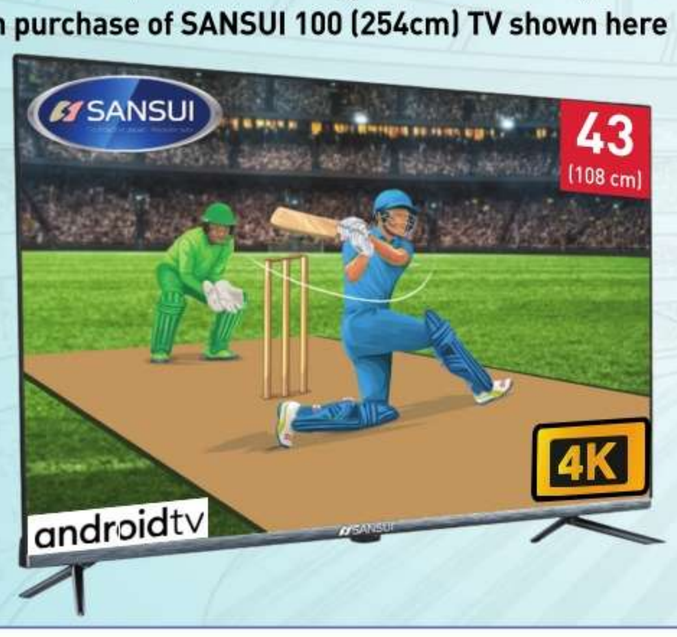
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Next Stop: Dining In Coach! DDA Takes Cue From NDLS

To Create Similar Eateries At Recreational Hubs On Floodplain

Photos: Tarun Rawat





CULINARY JOURNEY: Capital Diner, the city's first railway coach restaurant at New Delhi Railway Station, was inaugurated in May

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New Delhi: Taking inspiration from the successful railway coach restaurant at New Delhi Railway Station, Delhi Development Authority (DDA) wants to create similar facilities at two of its recreational hubs on the Yamuna floodplain, Asita East and Yamuna Vatika.

DDA is said to have already approached Northern Railway, requesting two old or discarded coaches to implement the plan. Negotiations are currently underway between DDA and Northern Railway for the coaches, a senior railway official said.

"We have already received DDA's demand for two coaches and the proposal has been moved forward for approval after finalising the cost of the coaches through the accounts department. The department finalises the cost after deducting depreciation from the initial cost," the official said. However, no comment was available from DDA.

He added that the coaches would be provided to DDA in raw form, and the authority would be responsible for modifying them according to its requirements. "This process has already been successfully implemented at New Delhi and Anand Vihar stations, where sleeping berths were removed to install seats," he said.

Capital Diner, the city's first railway coach restaurant at New Delhi Railway Station, was inaugurated in May. A vintage railway coach was repurposed into a contemporary yet nostalgic eatery for the NDLS facility. Transforming the retired coach car for the restaurant pays homage to the romantic allure of train travel, offering an authentic and captivating ambiance. Its menu presents an array of mouthwatering dishes tailored to suit every palate, from classic Indian delicacies like kadhai paneer with naan to international favourites like penne creamy tomato with chicken. This unique dining experience has already attracted both tourists and locals.

DDA now aims to replicate the concept, offering visitors a nostalgic ambiance and a chance to enjoy meals in a distinctive setting at its recreational hubs.

Asita East, spanning 90 acres from Old Railway Bridge to ITO Barrage, is one of the initial sites among the 10 projects chalked out for the rejuvenation of the Yamuna floodplain. In March 2023, a group of diplomats from 11 countries visited Asita East, a biodiversity park situated on the floodplain. However, the site doesn't have any eating facility for visitors.

In contrast to Asita East, DDA has made arrangements for a bamboo cafe at Baansera, which can accommodate 80-100 people. This facility, offering an eating option, enhances the overall experience of visitors at the site.

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Vroom! Gr Noida To Play Host To MotoGP Till 2029

Up Inks Deal, Will Pay Licence Fee Of ₹80 Crore To Dorna

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The remaining cost of the event will be raised through tickets and sponsors

Noida: UP govt has decided to strike an agreement with Dorna — which has the licence to hold MotoGP globally — and its Indian partner Fairstreet Sports to conduct the premier bike racing event in the state every year till 2029.

According to the agreement, Invest UP — an agency recently formed by the govt to attract investments — will create a corpus to pay Dorna's licencing fee of Rs 80 crore for MotoGP Bharat every year.

MotoGP came to India for the first time last year and was held at Buddh International Circuit in Greater Noida from Sept 22-24.

But since then, the future of the race has been mired in controversy, with contractors alleging they hadn't received payments totalling around Rs 30 crore from Fairstreet, which organised the event on behalf of Dorna.

Officials said the decision to strike a deal with Dorna was taken after an audit report revealed that the company hadn't received its full licencing fee of Rs 80 crore either.

Dorna, subsequently, sought an assurance from the govt to cover its expenses, prompting authorities to step in to make MotoGP a part of the annual sports calendar and acknowledging the event's importance in bringing in investments and to the state's branding.

According to the audit report, expenses incurred during last year's MotoGp Bharat amounted to Rs 159 crore. The total funds mobilised, however, were Rs 52 crore, including Rs 18 crore from govt organisations.

On May 25, industrial development commissioner Manoj Kumar Singh wrote to Fairstreet, saying a tripartite agreement would be signed between representatives of the govt, Dorna and its Indian partner to ensure the event was held every year without any hindrance.

Singh promised a maximum licencing fee of Rs 80 crore to Dorna and said the remaining expenses for the racing event should be mobilised through the sale of tickets and sponsorship.

"The licencing cost of Dorna Sports for a one-year event is approximately Rs 80 crore (Rs 71 crore as licencing fees and Rs 8 crore as sponsorship buying cost). Several rounds of meetings have been held between officials of Dorna Sports, Fairstreet Sports, Invest UP, and the department of infrastructure and industrial development. It is agreed that the event will cost approximately Rs 150 crore per year. To execute the event in a transparent manner, an escrow account will be opened in which all funds mobilised through sponsorship and ticketing will be kept. The shortfall from Rs 150 crore and up to a maximum of Rs 80 crore will be raised by Invest UP. Invest UP will mobilise this resource from authorities, other government bodies, and private sponsors," read Singh's letter.

The govt's move promising the licencing fee for Dorna coincides with Yamuna Expressway Authority's recommendation to the govt to blacklist Fairstreet if it does not clear dues worth Rs 30 crore to other service providers. The companies that have been demanding money from Fairstreet include those that laid the tracks and provided other services such as hospitality.

Fairstreet, however, has a contract with Dorna from 2023-2029. It is responsible for mobilising funds through tickets and sponsorship.

Police brass takes stock of security arrangement at Rashtrapati Bhavan

New Delhi: Delhi Police brass took a stock of security arrangements at Rashtrapati Bhavan on Friday and finalised the nitty-gritty, including seating arrangements and entry-exit route of the vehicles of the dignitaries. Security of Rashtrapati Bhavan comes under Delhi Police. On Friday, police commissioner Sanjay Arora issued an order banning flying of para-gliders, para-motors, hang gliders, UAVs, microlight aircraft, remotely piloted aircraft, hot air balloons, small size powered aircraft and quad copter. TNN

Two men found dead in mysterious circumstances

New Delhi: Two men were found dead in mysterious circumstances inside a house in northeast Delhi's Welcome on Friday afternoon. The deceased, identified as Firoz and Danish, were in their early twenties, police said. "During investigation, it has been found that both had partied in that house for the night with some girls. The party continued on Friday morning also. The men started feeling nauseous around noon and were rushed to the hospital where they were declared dead on arrival," police said in a statement, adding drug overdose or spurious liquor are suspected to be the reason behind the death. TNN

Don't allow functions in parks: DPCC to MCD, DDA

New Delhi: Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) has issued a notice to the city's land-owning agencies, such as Municipal Corporation of Delhi and Delhi Development Authority, directing them to prohibit any kind of functions in their parks.

The DPCC stated that allowing events like weddings, parties, or cultural ceremonies for commercial purposes in public parks is a violation of the Air Act, 1981, Water Act, 1974, and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. The agencies were asked to modify their existing regulations if they permit such use of their parks.

These directions were issued in response to a complaint filed by an RWA from west Delhi, claiming that a park in their area was being used for a cultural festival for 14 consecutive days. The agencies stated that they allow the booking of parks for up to ten days per month.

The DPCC emphasized that parks must not be allowed for holding any function. "DDA and MCD shall amend their existing policies and designate the concerned executive engineer (horticulture) for ensuring the proper management of solid waste," stated the DPCC.

"In case of any violation, penalty shall be imposed by the concerned executive engineer of DDA/MCD upon the violators and a report shall be submitted to DPCC along with photograph and details of penalty imposed etc within 24 hrs of holding of functions," said DPCC in a submission to National Green Tribunal dated June 1. TNN

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West Bengal State Export Promotion Society
NOTICE INVITING TENDER

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ICA-T8079(3)/2024 **Director & Member Secretary**

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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

Irrigation & Waterways Directorate
Ganga Anti Erosion Division No.-II
Berhampore, Murshidabad
ABRIDGED NOTICE INVITING TENDER
NIT No.: WBIW/EE/GAEP-II/ e-NIT-01/2024-25

The Executive Engineer, Ganga Anti Erosion Division No.-II Berhampore Murshidabad, I&W Dte. on behalf of Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal invites online tender from eligible bonafide outsider contractor having requisite credential for **02 (Two) nos.** of work under jurisdiction of Ganga Anti Erosion Division No-II. Last date and time of submission of application-**17.06.2024** upto **17.00 Hours.** The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website:www.wbiwd.gov.in & https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, Ganga Anti Erosion Division No-II, Berhampore, Murshidabad.

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PWD TENDER NOTICE
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e-TENDER NOTICE

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Bid ref. no. WBMSCL/NIT-324/2024, Dated - 05/06/2024

West Bengal Medical Services Corporation Ltd. is inviting online bids for "Construction of New Bore-well at Borjora SSH, Bankura." Last date of submission of bid (online) - 18/06/2024 up to 3:00 P.M. The tender document can be downloaded from www.wbmsc.gov.in and www.wbtenders.gov.in on or after 10/06/2024 at 3.00 P.M. Clarification requests, if any may be sent to eewbmscl.krishnajit@gmail.com Sd/- Managing Director, WBMSCL & Special Commissioner, H&FWD, Govt. of West Bengal

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Chhattisgarh vigilantes lynch 2 truckers carrying buffaloes

3rd Jumps Off Bridge To Save Life, Survives With Serious Injuries

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Raipur: Two truckers from Uttar Pradesh were allegedly lynched by cow vigilantes near temple town Arang, in Chhattisgarh, in the early hours of Friday while transporting buffaloes. A third has survived with critical injuries. A 57-second video of the survivor, circulating on social media, gives a chilling account. As someone questions him about the incident, the survivor, who seems barely conscious in his hospital bed, answers in monosyllables—"yes" and "no".

He says that 14-15 people attacked them, beat two of them to death and threw their bodies from the bridge onto the river bed. The survivor says he jumped off the bridge to save his life.

The body of one of those killed shows multiple fractures, with one foot split apart, say sources. While police didn't reveal the names of the victims, sources said those killed were Chand Miyan (23), and Guddu Khan (35), and the injured person is Saddam Qureshi.



The truck was intercepted by 'cow vigilantes' on a bridge near Arang. Two persons were killed and thrown onto the river bed, the survivor said

Sources said 15-20 vigilantes suspected them of smuggling cows and chased the Chhattisgarh-registered truck from Patewa on Mahasamund-Arang Road, around 70km from Raipur. They intercepted it on a bridge on the Mahanadi river and unleashed an attack. Raipur SSP Santosh Singh said an FIR has been registered.

"The truck was coming from Mahasamund to Raipur and was followed by some people. The deceased are residents of Saharanpur, UP, and the injured person has been admitted to hospital. He is not in a condition to give a statement right now but police are trying to record his version. We are scanning CCTV footage of the location. An FIR has been registered," Raipur SSP Santosh Singh said.

The SSP told **TOI** that the post-mortem of one person was conducted in Raipur and of the other in Mahasamund. Both reports are awaited. Qureshi's condition is said to be critical.

The attack took place between 2am and 3am, and police arrived within an hour of receiving information that three people were lying severely wounded on the Mahanadi river bed, on the border of Raipur and Mahasamund districts. Raipur ASP Kirtan Rathore told reporters that one person was found dead. The two injured men were taken to a community health centre where the second man died.

The ASP said they have requested a short post-mortem report as soon as possible to determine cause of death.

NEET aspirants move court at several places over anomalies

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New Delhi: The NEET-UG 2024 results controversy has intensified with the high courts at Calcutta and Delhi, and the Supreme Court taking up petitions challenging the conduct and outcome of the test.

Calcutta HC has demanded a response from the National Testing Agency (NTA) regarding alleged irregularities in the examination process on Friday. A division bench comprising Justices Apurba Sinha Ray and Kausik Chanda is examining a PIL that questions the award of 718 or 719 marks to certain candidates and has ordered NTA to file an affidavit within ten days.

Delhi HC is hearing a petition challenging NTA's decision to grant grace marks. A vacation bench led by Justice Dinesh Kumar Sharma has granted NTA additional time to gather instructions on the issue. This case will be further examined on Wednesday. Another petition, contesting the final answer key for a physics question and the compensatory time given to some candidates, will be heard on June 12.

Meanwhile, a group of candidates has approached SC demanding a fresh exams due to alleged paper leaks and concerns about the test's integrity. SC has scheduled the next hearing for July 8.

In response to the controversies, the NTA has issued statements clarifying several points.

CBI Files Final Chargesheet In Rail Job Scam

Lalu son Tej Pratap, daughter Hema named for first time

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New Delhi: Concluding its investigation into the land-for-jobs scam, CBI on Friday filed its final chargesheet against RJD boss and former railway minister Lalu Prasad, his wife Rabri Devi, son Tej Pratap, daughter Hema Yadav, former OSD Bhola Yadav and several others.

Those chargesheeted include 29 officials of railways, 37 of those who got group-D jobs when Lalu held charge of the public transporter, and six private persons.

The candidates named in the chargesheet are those who allegedly gave land parcels to the Lalu family in lieu of jobs. The candidates were engaged as substitutes in 11 zones of Indian Railways during the tenure of Lalu as Union railway minister (2004-2009) in the UPA-I govt.

In the chargesheet, CBI has accused the former railway minister of hatching a conspiracy with his family and associates to acquire land by offering employment in the railways.

"To implement the plan, the then railway minister with the help of his then special officer, Bhola Yadav, devised an indirect way wherein the candidates were engaged firstly as substitutes and were later regularised. The then railway minister also entered into conspiracy with officers of Central Railways and others, collected applications and documents of such candidates through his associates and then sent those to Central Railway to process and provide jobs in Railways," CBI said.

According to CBI, the candidates were engaged in complete violation of guidelines and in lieu of transfer of land by the candidate himself/by family members and/or by submitting fake educational certificates.

Candidates who were engaged as substitutes in different railway zones were mainly from districts which fell in the constituencies of then Union railway minister and his family members.

This is the first time that Tej Pratap and Hema have been chargesheeted in a corruption case. Lalu's wife Rabri, son Tejaswi (who has been convicted in three cases related to fodder scam), and eldest daughter Misa Bharti, the newly elected member of Lok Sabha from Patliputra constituency, have already been chargesheeted in another corruption case.

Friday's chargesheet has been filed at the Rouse Avenue Courts under sections of criminal conspiracy, fraud and forgery under IPC besides sections of the Prevention of Corruption Act. The court would consider the chargesheet on July 6. Earlier, CBI had named 16 persons as accused, including Lalu, Rabri Devi and Misa Bharti.



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RJD chief Lalu Prasad, wife Rabri and his former OSD are among those chargesheeted. CBI also named 29 railways officials, 37 candidates who got group-D jobs with railways when Lalu held charge of the public transporter, and six private persons

16 get life term for 2020 killing of 'evil magician'

Aurangabad: Sixteen people, including two women, were sentenced to life imprisonment and fined Rs 25,000 each for the 2020 murder of a 60-year-old man in Bihar's Aurangabad district over suspicion of 'witchcraft', reports **Premendra Mishra**. The punishment was announced by the court of additional district and sessions judge II, Dhananjay Mishra. All convicts belong to Ibrahimpur village, as did the deceased Jagdish Ram. On Aug 13, 2020, Jagdish was attacked with sharp weapons after villagers suspected him to be involved in 'witchcraft'.

7 Maoists killed in Chhattisgarh, 3 security personnel injured

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Raipur: Seven suspected Maoists were killed and three security personnel injured in an encounter on the borders of Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh's Bastar region Friday, two days after an attack on a newly established police camp in the district was foiled.

A joint operation was launched by District Reserve Guards units from Narayanpur, Dantewada, Jagdalpur and Kondagaon districts, and ITBP after inputs about the presence of Maoists from West Bastar division in the villages of Mungedi and Gobel, around 40km from the Narayanpur district headquarters and 270km from Raipur.



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As many as 129 Maoists have been shot dead this year, police said

The gunfight broke out near Gobel and raged all day in the thick jungle. After the Maoists fled, police found seven bodies in uniform. A statement by Narayanpur police said many Maoists were injured but managed to escape. Three DRG jawans were injured and their condition is stable, police said.

As many as 129 Maoists have been shot dead this year, police said. There have been allegations of fake encounters that cops have denied.

Curfew in parts of Manipur after killing by rebels

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Guwahati: Indefinite curfew has been imposed since Thursday night along the Jiribam and Tamenglong border in Manipur after renewed tension over the killing of a villager by suspected militants.

The body of 59-year-old Soibam Saratkumar Singh's body, bearing wounds inflicted by a sharp object, was found on his farm at Lamtai Khunoun in Jiribam district, sparking outrage and fear among locals.

Tamenglong DM's order imposing the restrictions says "there is a likelihood of imminent danger to human lives and properties, which may result in the breach of public peace and tranquillity or rioting".

For a coordinated response, a joint control room has been established, bringing together officials from the Assam Rifles, Central Reserve Police Force, Manipur Police, and Indian Reserve Battalion.

SP MLA Solanki gets 7 years in arson case, may lose House seat

Anant Shekhar Misra | TNN

Kanpur: Samajwadi Party (SP) MLA Irfan Solanki was on Friday sentenced to seven years in a 2022 land-grabbing and torching case, setting him up for disqualification as lawmaker. Jail terms of two years or more trigger such disqualifications.

Solanki is already in jail. He was sentenced along with brother Rizwan Solanki and three others by an MP-MLA court in Kanpur. Judge Satyendra Nath Tripathi fined each of them Rs 30,500. The five had been held guilty four days ago.

Irfan and his brother were arrested in Dec 2022 for harassing a woman and setting her house on fire in a bid to grab her plot in Kanpur . The accused were booked under the UP Gangsters and Anti-Social Activities (Prevention) Act.

Irfan faces 17 cases and is under ED's scanner for alleged money-laundering and illicit assets. A local court had rejected Irfan's plea to vote in Rajya Sabha elections earlier this year.

In the current UP assembly elected in 2022, Solanki is the sixth MLA, and the third from SP, to lose membership on conviction. Among the SP trio cast out was party heavyweight and ex-Ram pur MLA Azam Khan. He was given three years' jail in a 2019 hate speech case. Three others were from BJP.



SP MLA Irfan Solanki is already in jail. He was sentenced along with brother Rizwan Solanki and three others by an MP-MLA court in Kanpur

HC nixes Sengar plea to suspend 10-year jail term

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Delhi high court on Friday refused to suspend the 10-year jail term awarded to expelled BJP leader Kuldeep Singh Sengar for the custodial death of the Unnao rape victim's father.

Seeking suspension of his sentence during the pendency of his appeal against conviction, Sengar said that he had already served almost six years, and the prosecution's case against him was solely based on circumstantial evidence.

Justice Swarana Kanta Sharma, however, said once an accused is held guilty, the presumption of innocence gets erased. His application for suspension of sentence has to be considered on the basis of a prima facie view of his role, gravity of offence, etc and the period undergone in jail is only one of these several factors, Justice Sharma said. The court noted that factors such as nature of the crime, criminal antecedents of the convict, impact on public confidence and threat to the victims have to be appreciated while deciding suspension of sentence.

Man kills friend for urinating on him in jest

Meerut: A booze party turned ugly after a man killed his friend when the latter urinated on him in jest in UP's Bulandshahr Thursday, reports **Rahul Singh**. The victim, Rahul Kumar, 32, who worked as a private taxi driver, is survived by his wife and a year-old child. A case of murder has been filed against Ankur Kumar, who is absconding, said the Bulandshahr SSP.

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Luxury segment attracts buyers

Demand for luxury and ultra-luxury segments has remained upbeat in entire NCR for the last few quarters

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IN DELHI NCR, HOUSING PRICES SAW A SUBSTANTIAL ANNUAL INCREASE OF 16%, WITH DWARKA EXPRESSWAY WITNESSING A 23% INCREASE IN CAPITAL VALUES

At a time when the residential real estate across key markets is spurred by a sustained positive sentiment, the average housing prices surged by 10 per cent annually during Q1 2024. While each of the top eight cities witnessed annual price appreciation, average housing prices in Delhi NCR registered double digit growth, says CREDAI – Colliers-Liases Foras Housing Price Tracker Report Q1 2024.

Although the market continued to be largely favourable for both homebuyers and developers, unsold inventory at an India level witnessed a marginal 3 per cent YoY increase. Notably, Pune led with a significant 10 per cent YoY drop in unsold inventory, closely followed by Delhi NCR and Ahmedabad, each recording an 8 per cent annual reduction. As of Q1 2024, unsold inventory across the top eight cities stood close to 10 lakh units. Interestingly, robust demand momentum led to a slight drop in unsold units on quarterly basis. Although, Hyderabad and Bengaluru witnessed yearly increases in unsold inventory, both cities saw a slight quarterly dip.

In Delhi NCR, housing prices saw a substantial annual increase of 16 per cent, with Dwarka Expressway, notably witnessing a 23 per cent increase in average capital values. Demand for housing units across categories, especially luxury and ultra-luxury segments has remained upbeat for the last few quarters.

4 Indians studying MBBS at univ in northwest Russia drown, another missing





Harshal Desale (L) with Jishan Pinjari and Jia Pinjari (R)

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Nashik: Four Indian medical students drowned when they entered a fast-flowing river near St Petersburg in Russia, authorities said on Friday, prompting the Indian embassy to issue an advisory to students to be "extremely careful" while going to beaches, rivers, lakes, ponds and other water bodies. A fifth student who had gone to the river with the other four was rescued.

All five studied at Yaroslav-the-Wise Novgorod State University. Veliky Novgorod is around 190km from St Petersburg. Before tragedy struck, two of the students had even interacted with their parents over video call, unaware that it would be their last conversation.

The four students from Maharashtra were identified as — Harshal Anantrao Desale, Jishan Ashpak Pinjari, Jia Firoj Pinjari and Malik Gulamgous Mohammad Yakub. The rescued student was identified as Nisha Bhupesh Sonawane.

"The five students were walking on the beach along the Volkhov when a strong wave pulled them into the water. Someone called an emergency number, following which a team of rescuers reached the spot. Nisha was immediately rescued. The university informed the students' parents," Jalgaon district collector Ayush Prasad said.

Around 11pm (IST) Tuesday, Harshal had video-called his parents. "He told his father that he and his friends were on their way to the Volkhov river for a stroll," Harshal's uncle Rajendra Desale said. At 7am the next day, Harshal's parents received a call from his hostel informing them that he had not returned. A few hours later, the university called up the family, telling them that Harsal had drowned.

Inputs from Ardhra Nair in Pune

Punjab ex-DIG gets 7-yr RI, ex-DSP life in 1993 fake encounter case

Kin Of Killed Veggie Vendor Awarded ₹2L

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During the trial, it was proved by cogent evidence of eyewitnesses that accused persons — Dilbagh and Gurbachan — among others abducted Gulshan from his house on June 22, 1993, kept him in illegal detention and killed him on July 22, 1993

Mohali: Thirty-one years after a fake encounter, the family of vegetable vendor Gulshan Kumar, who had been abducted and killed, got a compensation of Rs 2 lakh as a special CBI court of judge RK Gupta in Mohali on Friday sentenced former Punjab police DIG Dilbagh Singh to seven years' rigorous imprisonment (RI) and former DSP Gurbachan Singh to life term in the 1993 case.

Counsel for the victims Sarabjeet Singh Verka said the court also fined the two convicts Rs 3.75 lakh for the extra-judicial killing of Gulshan.

While appearing for CBI, counsel Anmol Narang said Gurbachan has been sentenced to life term under IPC Section 302 with a fine of Rs 2 lakh; to seven years of RI under Section 364 with a fine of Rs 50,000; to four years of RI under Section 201 with a fine of Rs 50,000; and to two years of RI under Section 218 with a fine of Rs 25,000 totalling to Rs 3.25 lakh.

Dilbagh has been sentenced to a seven-year jail term under IPC Section 364 with a fine of Rs 50,000.

The court ordered compensation of Rs 2 lakh to be awarded to the family of the victim, Gulshan, from the fine collected from the convicts, Narang said.

During inquiry, Gulshan's father Chaman Lal deposed that his son was abducted by a police party led by Dilbagh — then DSP City (Tarn Taran) — on June 22, 1993 from his residence and later killed in a fake encounter on July 22, 1993.

Police cremated Gulshan's body at the cremation ground in Tarn Taran on the same day without informing the family members. A case was registered by CBI against Dilbagh and four others on Feb 28, 1997.

Narang said a chargesheet was filed on May 7, 1999 by CBI against then DSP Dilbagh, then inspector Gurbachan, then ASI Arjun Singh, then ASI Devinder Singh and then SI Balbir Singh. Arjun, Devinder and Balbir died during trial. The charges were framed against the accused on May 7, 2000. After the trial, the court held both the accused guilty and pronounced the sentence accordingly. As many as 32 witnesses were cited by CBI.

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Bhavani faces SIT after HC interim bail in kidnap case

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Bengaluru: JD(S) MLA HD Revanna's wife **Bhavani** secured interim conditional anticipatory bail from Karnataka HC on Friday in the alleged abduction of a sexual-harassment survivor, and appeared soon after before Karnataka Police's special investigation team (SIT).



Bhavani was quizzed for over three hours at CID headquarters in Bengaluru. Son and former MP Prajwal was lodged in a locked chamber a little distance away. He is in custody in multiple sexual offence cases, whose probes have now focused on recovering his missing mobile in which some of the acts were allegedly filmed.

Bhavani did not meet Prajwal. Instead, she sat inside the SIT chambers answering a barrage of questions. According to a senior officer, Bhavani was not questioned much on the kidnap case on Friday. "We sought explanations from her on the victims of her son and related issues. We have directed her to appear before us whenever summoned," the officer said.

Bhavani left the CID headquarters around 4.30pm. She had arrived there at 1pm after the HC's Justice Krishna S Dixit set the time and told her to cooperate with the probe while granting her interim bail. The judge added that she should not be questioned beyond 5pm.

The HC asked Bhavani not to venture near KR Nagar of Mysuru district, where the abduction case has been filed, and the family turf of Hassan, where the sexual harassment allegations are centred. The HC kept in abeyance a lower court's warrant against Bhavani.

(With inputs from Rajiv Kalkod)

5 juvenile inmates flee MP shelter

Five juvenile inmates — four accused of theft and one on trial for a gruesome murder — escaped from a rehab shelter in MP's Gwalior Friday. This is the second breakout at the facility in four months. At 6.15am, other juveniles noticed the broken grille on a skylight in the bathroom and alerted the authorities. Police teams are out looking for the juveniles, raiding their homes and known hideouts. Previously, on Jan 25, four juveniles had escaped by scaling a wall. They were eventually recaptured. TNN

IDEMI
Organised by IDEMI Mumbai, Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India
Certificate Course on
PYTHON FOR DATA SCIENCE
Course Timing 11.30 AM To 2.30 PM ((ONLINE)) 15th,16th,22nd,23rd,29th & 30th June 2024 Duration : 6 Days
COURSE FEES : RS. 5000/- +18% GST
Email: training@idemi.org Website: https://idemi.org/
HANDS ON EXERCISES & LEARNING
Course Content: Introduction to Python and Basic Concepts
Python Foundations, Data Handling with Pandas, Data Visualization
Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA), Introduction to Machine Learning
Who Can Attend: Data enthusiasts, College students, Working professionals seeking to transition careers or upskill in data-related fields., Individuals starting a career in data., Those looking to broaden their skills through cross-skilling.
After Successful Completion Certificate Will be Issued
Scan QR Code for Registration & Fees Payment
Contact No. 8657573336, 8657573337, 9869087617

PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY
e -TENDER NOTICE No. EM/PED-11/2024
No.EM/PED/TECH-63/2023/128, Dt. 04.06.24
Name of the work : "Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Smart Energy Meters at Paradip Port Authority". Estimated Cost :Rs.1,10,79,900/-. Last Date & time of submission of bid : Dt.24/06/2024 up to 16:30 Hrs. Refere out website for details: https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app .
Executive Engineer (E), (PED-II)
PPA/PR/09/2024-2025,Dt.06/06/2024

NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice
On behalf of the President of India, acting through Chief Project Manager/ Gati Shakti., North Eastern Railway, Izatnagar Invites the following e-tender:
S.No.1. E-Tender No.: CPM-GS-IZN-2024-02, Name of work : Development of Divyangjan facilities at various stations i.e. Kathgodam, Ramnagar, Kashipur, Lalkuan, Baheri, Kichha, Bareilly City, Izatnagar, Badaun, Ujhani, Pilibhit & Tanakpur and Extension of Platform no. 4 at Lalkuan, Roof treatment and other miscellaneous work in the jurisdiction of Dy. Chief Engineer/Gati Shakti/Izatnagar. Approximate Value (Rs.) : 6,80,68,669.79, Earnest Money (Rs.): 4,90,400.00, Cost of Tender Form (Rs.): Nil, Completion Period : 6 (Six) Months.
• Bidding Start date - 14.06.2024 • Last date of submission of above E-Tender up to 15.00 hrs on 28.06.2024 • Date of opening of above E-Tender 15.30 hrs on 28.06.2024 • Detailed tender notice, eligibility, criteria, terms & conditions is available on web site https://ireps.gov.in • In case any disparity arises between Hindi and English version of tender notice, English version will hold good and will be followed.
CPRO/W-111 Dy. CE/GS/IZN
"Never travel on roof and foot boards"

UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA
M.TECH. ADMISSION NOTICE
Session 2024-25
Website: www.caluniv.ac.in & www.caluniv-ucsta.net
Applications are invited for admission in following M.Tech Programme :
2 Yr. M.Tech. Programme – 15 Subjects.
2 Yr. M.Tech. Programme Section-B for working professional – 4 Subjects.
Date of Online submission of applications: **11-06-2024** to **20-06-2024**. For details visit above websites.
Secretary, UCSTA, C.U.

BSES BSES Rajdhani Power Limited, New Delhi

TENDER NOTICE Date: 08.06.2024

Sealed tenders under two parts (Un priced & priced) are invited for the supply of following materials from all bidders:-

NIT No.	Brief Tender Description	Estimated Cost (₹)	Cost of EMD (₹)	Due Date & Time of Submission	Date & Time of Opening
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/FH/1199	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 1.1KV GRADE POWER CABLE OF SIZE 2CX25 SQ.MM IN BRPL	18.86 Cr.	18,86,000	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 10:15 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/FH/1200	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 1.1KV GRADE POWER CABLE OF SIZE 1C Cables IN BRPL	4.29 Cr.	8,58,000	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 10:30 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/FH/1201	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 1.1KV GRADE POWER CABLE OF SIZE 4C CABLES IN BRPL	33.72 Cr.	33,72,000	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 10:45 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/FH/1202	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF LT AERIALLY BUNCHED CABLES OF SIZES 3CX150 & 3CX95 SQ.MM IN BRPL	25.49 Cr.	25,49,000	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 11:00 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/KG/1196	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 11KV 3C X 150, 3C X 300 & 3C X 400 SQMM CABLES IN BRPL	40.15 Cr.	40,15,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 11:15 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/MS/1193	TERNDER FOR SETTING UP DATA CENTRE AT BRPL SCADA, BALAJI ESTATE, KALKAJI IN BRPL	1.15 Cr.	2,30,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 11:30 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/MS/1194	TENDER FOR SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING AND COMISSIONING OF SERVER AND STORAGE FOR END POINT MANAGEMENT TOOL IN BRPL	1.18 Cr.	2,36,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 11:45 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/SN/1195	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF SINGLE PHASE METER WITH BOX IN BRPL	19.76 Cr.	19,76,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 12:00 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/KG/1203	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 11KV GRADE XLPE INSULATED ALUMINIUM CONDUCTOR POWER OF SIZE 11KV 3Cx400 SQ.MM CCD-CABLE IN CO-EXTRUDED DUCT	62.17 Cr.	62,17,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 14:00 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/RJ/1204	RATE CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF VARIOUS RATINGS OF ACB	25 Cr.	25,00,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 14:15 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/RJ/1205	RATE CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF VARIOUS RATINGS OF RMU	95 Cr.	95,00,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 14:30 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/RJ/1206	SUPPLY OF VARIOUS RATINGS OF DRY TYPE DT	11 Cr.	11,00,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 14:45 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/RJ/1207	RATE CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF VARIOUS RATINGS OF OIL TYPE DT	48 Cr.	48,00,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 15:00 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/RJ/1208	RATE CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF 250 KVA OIL TYPE DT	13 Cr.	13,00,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 15:15 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/RJ/1209	SUPPLY OF 1000 KVA PACKAGE SUBSTATION	23 Cr.	23,00,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 15:30 HRS
CMC/BR/24-25/ RB/PR/RJ/1210	SUPPLY OF VARIOUS RATINGS OF PACKAGE SUBSTATION	14 Cr.	14,00,000/-	28.06.2024 10:00 HRS	28.06.2024 15:45 HRS

Cost of each Tender Document: ₹ 1180/-
For any query call on 011-49107235 or e-mail on Brpl.Eauction@relianceada.com
For details in respect of Equipment/BOM/Services, Qualifying requirements, Terms & conditions, purchase/submission of tender documents etc. please visit our website www.bsesdelhi.com
Head (Contracts & Materials)
Regd. Off. : BSES Rajdhani Power Limited, BSES Bhawan, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019 | Corporate Identification No.: U40109DL2001PLC111527
Telephone No. : +91 11 4910 7235 | Website : www.bsesdelhi.com

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited
(Regd. Office : PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001)
Corporate identity Number : U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in Mobile No. 96461-55525
E-Tender Enq. No. 524 /P-3/EMPW-12611 dated 06.06.24
Dy. Chief Engineer/ Headquarter (Procurement Cell-3) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2024_POWER_121699_1 for the work of Breakdown/preventive Mtc. & overhauling of BFP's/CEP's/CWP's/BCWP's/ Misc. Pumps and allied auxiliaries of 4x210 MW BHEL make units at GGSSTP, Roopnagar. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from dated 06.06.24/ 05:00 PM onwards.
Note :- Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in
RTP-34/24, DPR/Pb. : 76155/12/2878/2023/34269

Kalyan Singh Super Speciality Cancer Institute
CG City, Lucknow-226002
Website: http://cancerinstitute.edu.in, Email: humanresource.sscih@gmail.com
http://5.9.173.183/ssci_faculty01_may2024, Mobile No.- 8787269552
SPECIAL RECRUITMENT DRIVE FOR RECRUITMENT AGAINST BACKLOG VACANCIES
(Advertisement No. KSSSCI/ER-01/2024-2025, Dated 25.05.2024)
The Institute invites online application on prescribed form for the post of Assistant Professor in various departments under special recruitment drive for backlog vacancies against reserve category from domiciles of Uttar Pradesh through Direct Recruitment Basis. For details please visit Institute website.

Start date of online payment of fees to start the application process	10.06.2024
Last date for online payment of fees to start the application process	25.06.2024
Last date for filling and submitting online application process	25.07.2024
Last date for receipt of hard copy of application	31.07.2024

Web link to see the detailed advertisement: ***http://5.9.173.183/ssci_faculty01_may2024, website: http://cancerinstitute.edu.in***
Advt No:- KSSSCI/ER-01/2024-2025 Director

सोबन सिंह जीना राजकीय आयुर्विज्ञान
एवं शोध संस्थान अल्मोड़ा
से सम्बद्ध
गोवर्द्धन तिवारी राजकीय बेस चिकित्सालय,
अल्मोड़ा
के
"साफ-सफाई"
व्यवस्था इत्यादि कार्यों हेतु
"ई-निविदा प्रपत्र"

Tender Document Publish Date & Time	-	08.06.2024 at (06:30 p.m.)
Doc. Download/Sale Start Date & Time	-	08.06.2024 at (06:30 p.m.)
Seek Clarification Start Date & Time	-	08.06.2024 at (06:30 p.m.)
Seek Clarification End Date & Time	-	09.06.2024 at (03:15 p.m.)
Bid Submission Start Date & Time	-	09.06.2024 at (03:30 p.m.)
Bid Submission Closing Date & Time	-	21.06.2024 at (11:30 a.m.)
Bid Opening Date & Time	-	21.06.2024 at (12:30 p.m onwards)

Office of Mission Director, National Health Mission, Uttarakhand
Uttarakhand Health, Family Welfare Society, Deptt. of MH&FW, Govt. of Uttarakhand
DandaLakhond, Sahastradhara Road, Dehradun – 248001
E-mail: mdnhmuk@gmail.com
Notice Inviting Tender
The Mission Director, National Health Mission Uttarakhand (Uttarakhand Health and Family Welfare society), invites E tenders from bidders for the following:-
Tender No. NHMUK/ADMIN/2024-25/E-58755 Dated 08/06/2024
1. Hiring of service provider to provide housekeeping, cleaning services of State Program Management Unit under National Health Mission Uttarakhand for the F.Y. 2024-25.
Tender No. NHMUK/STATUTORY AUDITOR/2023-24/E-62311 Dated 08/06/2024
2. Hiring services of a chartered accountant firm for conducting statutory audit of State Health Society (SHS) and District Health society (DHS) for the FY 2023-24 under National Health Mission Uttarakhand.
The detailed tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from website:https://www.uktenders.gov.in. All subsequent corrigendum, modifications and clarifications in respect of these tenders will be published on aforesaid website only.
For any query please contact at 9412080673 till 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM
Mission Director NHM Uttarakhand

कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता
सप्तम् वृत्त, लोक निर्माण विभाग
गोपेश्वर
E-Mail: sepwdgope@rediffmail.com
पत्रांक: 2328/50 यातायात-7/2024 दिनांक 07.06.2024
निविदा शुद्धि पत्र
इस कार्यालय के पत्रांक 2307/50 यातायात-7/2024 दिनांक 05.06.2024 द्वारा आमंत्रित अब दिनांक 08.06.2024 से www.uktenders.gov.in पर उपलब्ध होंगी।
अन्य शर्तें यथावत रहेंगी।
अधीक्षण अभियन्ता,
सप्तम वृत्त, लो0नि0वि0
गोपेश्वर

टूप कम्फर्टस लिमिटेड
Troop Comforts Limited
भारत सरकार का उपक्रम, रक्षा मंत्रालय
A Govt. of India Enterprise Ministry of Defence
कार्पोरेट मुख्यालयः जीटी रोड, कानपुर (उ.प्र.) 208013
Corporate HQRS: G.T. Road Kanpur (U.P.) 208013
Advertisement No. 03/2024
Troop Comforts Limited invites online application for engagement of the under mentioned post on fixed term tenure basis website **https://www.troopcomfortslimited.co.in** till 28/06/2024.
*Please visit our website for terms & conditions and more information.

Sl No.	Nomenclature of post on Fixed Term Tenure Basis	No. of Post	Place of Posting	Monthly Consolidated Remuneration*
01	Sr. Manager Security & Administration	04	Kanpur, Shahjahanpur, Hazratpur (Firozabad) & Avadi (Chennai)	₹ 100,000 + ₹ 1,000 (Fixed Medical allowance)
02	Operation & Productivity Manager	02	Kanpur & Shahjahanpur	₹ 80,000 + ₹ 1,000 (Fixed Medical allowance)
03	Civil Engineer	01	Kanpur	₹ 50,000 + ₹ 1,000 (Fixed Medical allowance)
04	Footwear Technologist	01	Kanpur	₹ 50,000 + ₹ 1,000 (Fixed Medical allowance)

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General Manager/HR
Troop Comforts Limited Corporate Hqrs., Kanpur

BORDER SECURITY FORCE
SHORT ADVERTISEMENT FOR DIRECT RECRUITMENT OF ASSISTANT SUB INSPECTOR (STENOGRAPHER/COMBATANT STENOGRAPHER) & HEAD CONSTABLE (MINISTERIAL/COMBATANT MINISTERIAL) IN CENTRAL ARMED POLICE FORCES (CAPFs) AND WARRANT OFFICER (PERSONAL ASSISTANT) & HAVILDAR (CLERK) IN ASSAM RIFLE EXAMINATION -2024

Helpline No	Opening Date	Closing Date
011-24364851,52,53,54,55	09.06.2024	08.07.2024

Border Security Force is conducting direct recruitment for the post of Assistant Sub Inspector (Stenographer/Combatant Stenographer) & Head Constable (Ministerial/ Combatant Ministerial) in Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Warrant Officer (Personal Assistant) & Havildar (Clerk) in Assam Rifle Examination 2024. Applications are invited from Male and Female Candidates, who are ordinarily residents of India. Candidates can apply online for one post only through BSF Recruitment Portal URL https://rectt.bsf.gov.in.
2. FORCE, POST & CATEGORY WISE VACANCIES ARE AS UNDER:-
a) Assistant Sub Inspector (Stenographer/Combatant Stenographer) and Warrant Officer (Personal Assistant)

Force	Gender	UR	EWS	OBC	SC	ST	Total
CRPF	Male & Female	08	02	06	03	02	21
BSF	Male & Female	02	02	-	02	11	17
ITBP	Male	19	05	14	06	04	56
	Female	03	01	02	01	01	
CISF	Male	37	08	47	29	15	146
	Female	06	01	02	01	-	
SSB	Male & Female	02	00	01	00	00	03

b) Head Constable (Ministerial/Combatant Ministerial) and Havildar (Clerk)

Force	Gener	UR	EWS	OBC	SC	ST	Total
CRPF	Male & Female	110	27	73	41	31	282
BSF	Male & Female	80	20	99	47	56	302
ITBP	Male	78	09	19	26	06	163
	Female	14	02	03	05	01	
CISF	Male	182	44	120	67	33	496
	Female	22	05	13	07	03	
SSB	Male & Female	03	00	00	01	01	05
AR	Male & Female	16	03	09	05	02	35

Note:1:- Numbers of vacancies given above are tentative and may increase/ decrease at any time/stage of recruitment process, due to administrative reasons.
Note:2:- 10% vacancies are earmarked for Ex-servicemen (ESM). However, if suitable Ex-Servicemen are not available, vacancies reserved for them will be filled by non-Ex-Servicemen candidate(s) of respective category.
3. Candidates are advised to visit **https://rectt.bsf.gov.in** to view detailed advertisement and submission of online application forms which will be available on BSF website after publication of advertisement in Employment News/Rozgar Samachar.
4. Any further information/notification in this regard will be available BSF Website only. Hence, candidates are advised to visit BSF website from time to time.
(Amar Bir Singh)
Comdt (Rectt)
May 2024
CBC 19110/11/0020/2425

NAGAR NIGAM FIROZABAD (NNF)
(UTTAR PRADESH, INDIA)
Letter No: 132 /NNF/2024-25 Dt. 07-06-2024
Notice Inviting Tenders (NIT)
Municipal Commissioner (MC), Nagar Nigam Firozabad invites item Bids for the work mentioned below through e-Procurement in conformity with the terms and conditions of this advertisement and the detailed tender call notice in two Bid systems (Part-1: General & Technical Bid and Part-II: financial Bid/Price Bid/BOQ) from intending bidders fulfilling the eligibility criteria mentioned in this Notice and other qualifying requirements mentioned in this RFP. Bidders can participate in the bidding after registering them on E-tendering portal http://etender.up.nic.in. Bidder can download the RFP from http://etender.up.nic.in after paying the tender cost through online payment in the name of **Nagar Nigam Firozabad, Bank Name-Punjab National Bank. Account No.-03822011009820, IFSC-PUNB0038210** Bidder will have to upload the scanned copy of transaction slip along with technical bid failing this; the Bid is liable to be rejected. The Bidder should deposit the Earnest Money online in above mentioned account number or through Bank Guarantee from a Nationalized Bank pledged in favor of Municipal Commissioner, Nagar Nigam Firozabad. The scanned copy of the transaction slip should be uploaded along with technical bid. The bidders should have necessary Portal enrollment (Digital Signature Certificate) under e-procurement process of Govt. of Uttar Pradesh in required class/category. In case of any queries on this RFP, intending bidders may contact Chief Engineer, NAGAR NIGAM FIROZABAD.

S. No	Name of the Work	Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.)	Tender fee with GST @18%	Completion/ Implementation Period (months)	Operation and Maintenance Period
1	"Design, Supply, Construction, Installation & implementation of 50 TPD Construction and Demolition waste processing plant with Operation & Maintenance of Three years period in Firozabad City (U.P.) on EPC Contract mode"	5.00 Lakhs	11,800	9 Months	03 Years after the Completion/ Implemen tation Period

Time schedule for Bidding:

S.No	Description	Critical Dates
1	Upload/Publish of RFP	10-06-2024
2	Bid start Date of RFP	10-06-2024
3	Pre-Bid Meeting/Time	15-06-2024 (11:00 AM)
4	Bid Closing Date/Time of RFP	24-06-2024 (02:00 PM)
5	Technical Bid Opening Date/Time	25-06-2024 (10:00 AM)
6	Financial Bid Opening Date/Time	To be notified

1. Other details can be seen on website http://etender.up.nic.in (for view, download and bidding).
2. Subsequent corrigendum, if required, shall appear in these websites.
3. Authority reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons.
4. Contractor who wants to participate in bid must registered themselves on http://etender.up.nic.in
5. For any other queries, please contact Executive Engineer, Nagar Nigam Firozabad. Also, for any further queries, the bidders are advised to send an email to: nagarnigamfzd@gmail.com
6. Pre Bid Meeting will be scheduled at Nagar Nigam Firozabad.
Chief Engineer **Municipal Commissioner**
Nagar Nigam Firozabad **Nagar Nigam Firozabad**

क्षेत्रीय आयुर्वेदीय अनुसंधान संस्थान
(केन्द्रीय आयुर्वेदीय विज्ञान अनुसंधान परिषद्, आयुष मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
रानीखेत (थापला),पो.ओ.-गनियादयोली, जि०.अल्मोड़ा उत्तराखण्ड-263 645
REGIONAL AYURVEDA RESEARCH INSTITUTE
(Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India) Ranikhet (Thapla),
P.O.-Ganiyadholi, Distt. Almora, Uttarakhand-263 645
Email: rrihf.tarikhet@gmail.com rrihf-tarikhet@gov.in
पत्रांक: आर.ए.आर.आई./ई.एम.आर.एस./स्वास्थ्य परीक्षण कार्यक्रम/2023-24 दिनांक 07.06.24
साक्षात्कार/Walk in Interview
(Advertisement No. 01/2024-25)
सी.सी.आर.ए.एस., आयुष मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के अधीन कार्यरत संस्थान क्षेत्रीय आयुर्वेदीय अनुसंधान संस्थान, थापला, गनियाद्योली, रानीखेत, पिन 263 645 जिला- अल्मोड़ा, उत्तराखण्ड द्वारा **संविदा के आधार पर दो वरिष्ठ अनुसंधान अध्येता (आयु.)/Senior Research Fellow (Ayu.)** की नियुक्ति के लिए योग्य अभ्यर्थियों हेतु चलित-साक्षात्कार/लिखित परीक्षा **दिनांक 22.06.2024,** प्रातः 10:00 बजे आयोजित किया जा रहा है। जिसकी विस्तृत जानकारी परिषद् की वेबसाइट **www.ccras.nic.in** पर उपलब्ध है।
Walk in interview/ written exam will be held on **22.06.2024** at 10:00 A.M. for two posts of Senior Research Fellow (Ayu.) at Regional Ayurveda Research Institute, Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India; Thapla, P.O. Ganiadholi, Ranikhet, Pin 263 645, Distt. Almora, Uttarakhand on purely contractual and co- terminus basis. Please visit Council's website **www.ccras.nic.in** for detailed information.
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प्रभारी सहायक निदेशक
Assistant Director In-charge

National Highways Authority of India
(Ministry of Road Transport & Highways)
भर्ती सूचना/RECRUITMENT NOTICE
भा.रा.रा.प्रा., **प्रतिनियुक्ति आधार पर** निम्नलिखित पदों के लिए भर्ती हेतु आवेदन आमंत्रित करता है:-
NHAI invites applications for recruitment to the following posts **on Deputation basis**:-

Name of the posts	No. of posts	Pay Scale
महाप्रबंधक (विधि) General Manager (Legal)	02	लेवल-13 (रु. 123100-215900)/ (संशोधन-पूर्व) पीबी-4 (रु. 37400-67000) + ग्रेड पे रु. 8700/- Level-13 (Rs. 123100-215900) / (Pre-revised) PB-4 (Rs. 37400-67000) with Grade Pay Rs. 8700/-
उप महाप्रबंधक (विधि) Deputy General Manager (Legal)	01	लेवल-12 (रु. 78800-209200) / (संशोधन-पूर्व) पीबी-3 (रु. 15600-39100) + ग्रेड पे रु. 7600/- Level-12 (Rs. 78800-209200) / (Pre-revised) PB-3 (Rs. 15600-39100) with Grade Pay Rs. 7600/-
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BUILDING A NATION, NOT JUST ROADS

India will continue to grow in all fields at faster pace: Modi

'Some Will Offer Berths, Don't Fall For Them'

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BJP workers celebrate at the party office in Lucknow on Friday after Modi was elected as leader of the NDA parliamentary party

New Delhi: Narendra Modi on Friday said those promising ministerial berths in the run-up to govt formation by NDA were only trying to trap people and urged MPs not to fall in such traps.

"I have been watching reports for the past two days and most of them are baseless... far from the truth. They have not got an opportunity in past 10 years and they might be on an overdrive. A few among us might fall in the trap of such people saying that I have good contact and can get the berth for you. We need to beware of such people... those who know Modi will tell you that such efforts are futile," Modi said while addressing NDA parliamentary party soon after being elected its leader.

President Droupadi Murmu handed over the letter of appointment after BJP chief J P Nadda presented letters of support from NDA parties which have a strength of 293 members in Lok Sabha.

Modi's remarks, cloaked in concern for newly-elected MPs, especially first-termers and those belonging to partners, left many wondering whether they were also meant for those who may have concluded that BJP falling short of majority will render them vulnerable to coalition pressures. It, interestingly, might help the leadership of NDA partners in dealing with surging expectations of their flock that their numbers could be leveraged for outsized returns.

Modi said there might be people claiming to be distributing portfolios and playing a role in govt formation but such attempts were futile. "If you receive any call, verify 10 times, as there are a few habitually doing so. In this high tech age, letters with my forged signatures could also be circulated and our political rivals are experts in this. I urge you not to fall victim to such conspiracies and be careful of rumours. You need to have faith in the team sitting inside this House," he said.

Nadda had led NDA delegation which included BJP's Rajnath Singh, Amit Shah, Ashwini Vaishnaw and C N Manjunath. It also had members of other parties in NDA, including N Chandrababu Naidu, Nitish Kumar, Eknath Shinde, H D Kumaraswamy, Chirag Paswan, Jitan Ram Manjhi, Pawan Kalyan, Ajit Pawar, Anupriya Patel, Jayant Chaudhary, Joyanta Basumatary, Atul Bora, Indra Hang Subba, Sudesh Mahto, Chandra Prakash Choudhary and Ramdas Athawale.

Addressing reporters in forecourt of Rashtrapati Bhavan, Modi said the President has appointed him PM-designate. He said he has informed Murmu that the swearing-in could be held on Sunday. Modi said Rashtrapati Bhavan will work out details of the oath-taking ceremony on Sunday, when he will hand over the list of council of ministers to the President. "NDA govt has been given a chance to serve the country for the third time. I am grateful to my countrymen, and I assure you that India will continue to develop in every sector at an even faster pace," Modi said.

'Victory does not create hysteria among us and we do not ridicule the defeated'

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Sarkar chalane ke liye bahumat chahiye lekin desh chalane ke liye sarvmat bahut zaroori hai, Modi said and asserted, "I assure people of the country and you all that no stone will be left unturned to serve the nation with consensus."

Modi also declared his commitment to 'sarv panth sambhav' — the concept which enjoins upon the state not to differentiate among citizens on grounds of faith but, unlike in the Western concept of secularism, does not seek to evict religion from the public arena. Political circles felt the remarks stood in contrast to Modi's strong attack on Muslim quota which the opposition and others had dubbed divisive and polarising. His putting forward the consensual feat was also seen as a switch prompted by BJP's drop in numbers and the corresponding accretion in opposition's strength.

However, the speech was also an exercise in projecting dominance, with Modi making light of Congress' improved strength by pointing out that even after a decade, Congress could not win a three-digit tally. He echoed the sentiment of allies like CMs of Bihar and Maharashtra, Nitish Kumar and Eknath Shinde, who contended that opposition had managed to sway certain sections with their "false narrative", and that the increased strength of Congress was an aberration, rather than beginning of a pattern. "So far, they were sinking slowly but now they will hurtle down the abyss," Modi said even as he projected another 10 years of NDA at Centre.

He also mocked celebrations post-verdict in the opposition camp. "For two days after election results came, some people created such an atmosphere that we had lost. But the country knows that we were not defeated. Our values are such that victory does not create hysteria among us and we do not ridicule the defeated," he said. He added that even a child can tell that it was NDA that was in office before the polls and is there after the polls as well. "Where did we lose? NDA was there yesterday, is there today and will be there tomorrow."

Modi, however, also emphasised that for all jubilation in Congress camp, the party's cumulative score in the last three elections was lower than what BJP achieved in this election.

Modi, who mentioned NDA nearly 20 times, said the combine stood for "New, Developed and Aspirational India" and, unlike INDI alliance, was not an alliance of convenience. "It is an organic alliance," he said, promising that the allies can always count on him for any help. "Jahan kaam, wahan hum," he assured.


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NEW INNINGS: Narendra Modi arrives at the NDA parliamentary party meeting at Samvidhan Sadan in New Delhi on Friday

Referring to AAP's pullout of INDI bloc, Modi said his prediction that opposition alliance will start unravelling after declaration of results has come true. He emphasised that NDA is the longest-surviving alliance and is committed to the policy of 'nation first'. He also attacked INDIA bloc as a contrast which had grouped together for its hunger for office and obsession to defeat just one person. "If you see in context of alliances and statistics, then this is the strongest alliance govt," he said.

Modi highlighted the growing footprint of NDA, saying the alliance is in office in 22 states, which reflects the spirit of India in its true essence. "There are 10 tribal-dominated states of which NDA is serving in seven states. We are committed to the Constitution's spirit of 'sarv panth sambhav', look at Goa and north-eastern states, where Christian community is predominant but we have got the opportunity to serve," Modi said.

TDP believes in taking everyone along & it doesn't mean appeasement: Naidu's son

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BJP stalwarts had called it (Muslim quota) unconstitutional and promised to return the quota to SCs/STs and OBCs "from whom it was stolen", once they returned to office.



TDP had backed Muslim reservation even after forging an alliance with BJP. Naidu had told **TOI** in an interview days before polling in Andhra that having a difference of opinion on some specific issues while being in the alliance was not wrong. He had said that TDP & BJP "agreed to disagree" on the issue.

Elaborating his father's stance on the contentious issue, **Nara Lokesh** said TDP believes in taking everyone along and that did not necessarily mean appeasement. He observed that Muslims in Andhra were languishing in poverty.

Nara Lokesh said TDP never maintained a quid pro quo relationship like "we support you, you do this".

"We always wanted to have a cordial relationship with our partners at the national level and when it comes to larger issues of national interest, we will try to convince Union govt if we believe that there are better ways to make a particular legislation," he said.

Lokesh also clarified that Amaravati will be the only capital of Andhra, while adding that the soon-to-be-formed TDP govt also has grand plans for Visakhapatnam.

He said he had promised to make Visakhapatnam, the city that outgoing CM Jagan Mohan Reddy wanted as AP's executive capital, India's fifth largest economic hub. TDP already has a Rs 50,000-crore plan for the coastal city, Lokesh added.

He said: "Our vision is to decentralise development, but not decentralisation of the capital. I had promised people of Visakhapatnam during my Yuvagalam padayatra that TDP govt will make the city one of the best in country."

Lokesh said TDP had planned to make Visakhapatnam an IT hub in its first term after bifurcation of Andhra in 2014 and even created infrastructure for the same.

SP, Cong take a dig at Jayant for no seat on stage at NDA meet

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New Delhi: Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD) chief **Jayant Chaudhary**, an alliance partner of BJP-led NDA was seated among the audience at the meeting of NDA parliamentary party on Friday, and was conspicuous by his absence from the dais where the rest of alliance party members sat alongside Narendra Modi. The politician however, reacted to it by posting on X: "NDA (New - Developed - Aspirational India) has chosen our Prime Minister for a historic third term, Narendra Modi ji!"



That didn't stop the opposition from taking a jibe at Jayant. In a post on X in Hindi, Samajwadi Party media cell said members of parties with one seat each were given a place on the stage but not Chaudhary who has two MPs. "BJP's hatred towards Jat community and its false respect for late Chaudhary Charan Singh and Chaudhary Ajit Singh has been exposed."

The attempt at drawing a wedge between RLD and BJP leadership was evident. In fact Chaudhary had hobnobbed with INDIA bloc for a while before crossing over to NDA, before the polls.

"If Jayant Chaudhary is really a farmers' well-wisher, he should distance himself from NDA and raise his voice against BJP in farmers' interests. One should not trade self-respect and the interests of farmers with BJP due to petty and immediate greed," Samajwadi Party media cell handle stated. Apna Dal (S) president Anupriya Patel and Hindustan Awami Morcha (HAM) chief Jitan Ram Manjhi, both of whom have won just one seat each in the current Lok Sabha elections, were seated on stage.

Congress Uttar Pradesh president Ajay Rai also pointed to this. "BJP has a habit of doing such things. It has a habit of insulting its smaller allies."

Cong: Modi deliberately ignored BJP's N-E allies

Congress on Friday claimed Narendra Modi 'deliberately ignored' and did not invite BJP's allies from north-east, including National People's Party from Meghalaya and National Democratic Progessive Party from Nagaland for the NDA meeting. "In a brazen display of contempt, Modi has insulted the north-eastern states yet again. During the NDA parliamentary party meet, BJP's allies from north-east were deliberately ignored and not invited," Congress secretary Szarita Laitphlang said in a post on X. TNN

TDP expects to get 2 Cabinet, 2 MoS berths in Union govt

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Vijayawada: Being the second-largest party in NDA, Telugu Desam Party (TDP) is likely to get two Cabinet and two minister of state (MoS) berths in the Union Cabinet. TDP chief N Chandrababu Naidu held discussions with BJP's J P Nadda, Amit Shah and Rajnath Singh on Friday.

On the other hand, Jana Sena, which has two MPs, is likely to get one MoS position.

TDP joining NDA govt has been decided but how many positions it will get is yet to be officially known. With BJP falling short of a majority on its own, and TDP emerging as the second-largest party in the alliance, TDP MPs are anticipating proportionate representation in the cabinet as well.

However, TDP sources said Naidu is less interested in the number of cabinet positions than in pressing for support to state in Polavaram and central support for other pending projects. Sources said Naidu is not looking to take political advantage of the situation and has decided to use his bargaining power to get maximum funds for the state and special category status.

When it comes to probable names, sources said K Rammohan Naidu, a three-time MP from Srikakulam, is Naidu's first choice. Rammohan Naidu, son of late former Union minister Yerrannaidu, is from the Backward Classes community. Sources said Naidu is also considering Dr Pemmasani Chandra Sekhar, a first-time MP from Guntur; Daggumalla Prasad Rao, a retired IRS officer and first-time MP from Chittoor; and Vemireddy Prabhakar Reddy from Nellore.

TDP sources said four of them have better chances than others as regional and social equations are also in balance. Official announcement on who will get what is likely to come only on June 9.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FROM ELIGIBLE CONSULTANTS

Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission is a Statutory Body constituted under the provisions of Electricity Act, 2003. The Commission seeks assistance of competent /eligible Consultant for providing Consultancy support for determination of Agricultural Consumption Norms for Distribution Licensees of Madhya Pradesh. The RFP/Bid document may be downloaded from the Commission's Website www.mperc.in

The significant dates are indicated below :
1. Receipt of bid proposals : 1500 Hours of 1 July 2024
2. Opening of technical portion of bids : 1600 Hours of 2nd July 2024

The interested parties may submit their proposals strictly in accordance with the procedure laid down in the RFP/Bid document, so as to reach to the Commission's office as per the time schedule indicated herein.

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GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT, BIHAR
RAJ BHAVAN, PATNA-800022

Invitation of Application for appointment of the Vice-Chancellor, Purnea University, Purnea.

The Chancellor's Secretariat, Patna invites applications for the appointment of the Vice-Chancellor, Purnea University, Purnea, Bihar from the persons possessing the highest level of competence, integrity, morals and institutional commitment.

1. The person should be a distinguished academician, with a minimum of 10 years of experience as a Professor in a University System or in a 10 years of experience in an equivalent position in a reputed research and / or academic administrative organization with proof of having demonstrated academic leadership.
Ten years experience will be considered from the date of issuance of notification for the Professorship.
2. The candidate should not be more than 67 years of age on the last date of submission of the application.
The last date of submission of the application is 28.06.2024 by 06:00 P.M.
Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.
The format of application and other necessary details are available on the website of Governor's Secretariat, Bihar, governor.bih.nic.in
The Search Committee may invite the shortlisted applicants for a presentation and a personal interaction for which no TA/DA shall be paid.

Canvassing directly or indirectly on behalf of any candidate shall attract disqualification.

This information is available on www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar also

(Robert L. Chongthu)
Principal Secretary to
Governor-cum-Chancellor,
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Very Short Notice for Expression of Interest

EoI Ref. No.- EoI NSOP-22/2024/JFI-91 Date:- 06/ 06/ 2024

Inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) For Hiring Consultants/Agencies to comply DGCA regulatory requirements to meet the NSOP Certification.

Subject: Hiring Consultants/Agencies to comply DGCA regulatory requirements to meet the NSOP certification

Jharkhand Flying Institute 'JFI' invites sealed EOI from Consultants/Agencies for selection of Consultants/Agencies to comply DGCA regulatory requirements to acquire NSOP. For Details, the interested Consultants/Agencies are requested to visit the IPRD Website http://www.prdjharkhand.in/iprd, for proposal and details of EOI.

The Consultants/Agencies fulfilling the eligibility criteria may send their proposal with relevant supporting documents through speed post/ courier/ by hand, latest by 14/06/2024 at 1800hrs. to the office of Managing Director, Jharkhand Flying Institute, State Hanger, Birsa Munda Airport Road, Hinoo, Ranchi-834002.

Jharkhand Flying Institute reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reason. JFI also reserves the right to call off the process of tendering at any stage without assigning any reason.

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E-Tender Enq. No. 527 /P-3/EMPW-12628 dated 06.06.24

Dy. Chief Engineer/ Headquarter (Procurement Cell-3) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2024_POWER_121700_1 for Dismantlement, Erection & commissioning of damaged pipes of secondary ash conveying pipe line of Dry Fly Ash handling system installed at GGSSTP Ropar.

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RTP-32/24, DPR/Pb. : 76155/12/2876/2023/34265

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Estimated Cost- Rs 5,84,000/- (excluding GST)
Date & Time of availability of bid document on website-10.06.2024, from 11:00 Hrs
Last date for submission of tender- 01.07.2024, up to 16:00 Hrs
For fuller & further details, kindly visit our website. The Tender documents can be downloaded from the NIGAM's website **"www.ujvnl.com".**

Executive Engineer (R&R)

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY



General Public is hereby informed that a one male person was found under pass near Nathu Colony Chowk, Shahdara, Delhi dated **04.06.2024.** In this regard a **DD No.34A** dated **04.06.2024** has been registered at **P.S. Mansarovar Park, Delhi**. The description of the dead body is given as under **Name:** Unknown, **S/o:** Unknown, **R/o:** Unknown, **Age:** About 30 years, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Height:** 5'6", **Face:** Oval, **Built:** Medium, **Identification Mark:** Upper Font three teeth are broken, **Wearing:** Green Colour T-shirt, Black Colour Lower.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the dead person but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this dead person please inform undersigned.

SHO
P.S. Mansarovar Park, Delhi
Ph.: 011-22072761, 22082235, 7065036029, 9968187846, 8595847344

DP/6907/SHD/2024

F.No. 2-1/2024-NRAA (REWARD)
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
(National Rainfed Area Authority)
2nd Floor, A Block, NASC Complex,
DPS Marg, Pusa, New Delhi-110012

Application for Theme Expert (IT, Remote Sensing & GIS), Theme Expert (Hydrology/Hydro-geology) and Research Associate (Agriculture) in the PMU of REWARD Programme in National Rainfed Area Authority.

1. NRAA invites applications for engagement as Theme Expert (IT, Remote Sensing & GIS), Theme Expert (Hydrology/ Hydro-geology) and Research Associate (Agriculture) one each in PMU of World Bank assisted REWARD Programme.
2. Full details, regarding qualifications, experience, age, prescribed proforma etc. are available on the website (**www.nraa.gov.in/agricoop.nic.in/dolr.gov.in**).
3. The last date for receipt of applications is 30 days from the date of publication in the Employment News.

Sd/-
(A K Singh)
Under Secretary
Ph: 011-2584 2838
Email:- nraapc2007@gmail.com

CBC 01145/12/0003/2425

SEARCH FOR MISSING



DEEPAK

General Public is hereby informed that one person **Namely:** Deepak, **S/o:** Sh. Satbir Singh, **R/o:** H.No. 26/21, Gali Hathi Chowk, Village Bankner, Narela, Delhi **Sex:** Male, **Age:** 28 Years, **Height:** 5'05", **Complexion:** Fair, **Built:** Medium, **Face:** Long, **Wearing:** White Colour Shirt and Mehendi Colour Lower and Chappal in Feet, has been missing since 30.05.2024 from his residence. In this regard **DD No. 71A, Dated: 31.05.2024** has been registered at **P.S.: Narela, Delhi.**

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing person but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing person. Please inform to the following.

Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641
Website : http://cbi.nic.in
E-Mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in
Fax: 011-24368639
DP/6895/ON/2024

SHO
P.S.: Narela, Delhi
Ph.: 8800664922

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

(Regd. Office : PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001)
Corporate identity Number: U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in Mobile No. 96461-55525

E-Tender Enq. No. 528 /P-3/EMPW-12665 dated 06.06.24

Dy. Chief Engineer/ Headquarter (Procurement Cell-3) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2024_POWER_121700_1 for Operation, Breakdown/Preventive Mtc. and Overhauling of Wet Ash Handling Equipments of 4x210 MW units at GGSSTP Rupnagar.

For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from dated 06.06.24/05:00 PM onwards.

Note:- Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

RTP 31/24, DPR/Pb.:76155/12/2875/2023/34262

MAHARASHTRA JEEVAN PRADHIKARN
e- Tender Notice 1, For 2024-25

MJP invites e-Tender notice for the work of Supply of PAC Medium Basecity Powder & Liquid as per IS 15573:2018 in the state of Maharashtra, Valued at Rs.1,46,62,800/-. The e-Tender details are available on **www.mahatenders.gov.in** from dated 10/06/2024.

All relevant dates will be as per the tender published in web portal **www.mahatenders.gov.in.**

Dt 30/05/2024

Sd/-
(K. B. Patil)
Executive Engineer (I/C)
M.J.P. Water Management Division Panvel

DGIPR/2024-2025/107

SEARCH FOR MISSING



Jyoti

General Public is hereby informed that a lady namely **Jyoti,** W/o Vinod, R/o H.No. B-12, Gali No. 4, Mohan Baba Nagar, New Delhi, **Age:** 24 years, **Height**: 5'2", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Thin, **Wearing:** Suit, Salwar and Chappal in her feet has been missing from his home since **22.05.2024 at 11:00 AM.** In this regard **DD No. 75A** dated **23.05.2024** has been registered at **PS. Badarpur, New Delhi**.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing lady but no clue has come to light so far. if any one having any information about this lady please inform undersigned.

Web: http://cbi.nic.in, E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.nic.in
Ph.: 0112468638/24368641, Fax : 011-24368639

SHO
PS Badarpur, New Delhi

DP/6810/SE/2024 **Ph. : 011-29894753, 8750870933, 9311278011**

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that an unidentified female (depicted in the photo) name **Unknown** W/o **Unknown** residence and family is **Unknown** age 60-65 years was found dead at Dakshin Express Coach No. S-1 seat no. 79 Platform No. 6, Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station on 28.05.2024. In this regard, a **DD No. 57A,** has been lodged at **P.S.** Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station, Delhi. Her physical description is as under.

Sex: Female, **Age:** 60-65 years, **Height:** 5' **Complexion:** Shallow, **Face:** Long, **Build:** Medium, **Wearing:** Brown Check Suit, Grey Salwar & Black Dupatta. Any person having information or clue about check the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address of telephone number:-

Ph. No. 011-24368638, 24368641
Website: http://cbi.nic.in
E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Fax No. 011-24368639
DP/6595/Rly/2024

S.H.O
PS: Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station, New Delhi
Ph No.: 9868785585

JAMMU AND KASHMIR POLICE
DISTRICT POLICE HEADQUARTERS JAMMU
0191-2561578 (O), 0191-254780 (F),
email - sspjammu@jkpolice.gov.in

Hue and Cry Notice
Rule No. 712/191

SHO P/S City intimated that said un-known person is evading his arrest/wanted in case FIR No. 23/2023 U/S 294 IPC of P/S City. Despite hectic efforts his whereabouts is still not known.

It is therefore requested that Hue and Cry Notice of said accused is being published for the information of Police establishments / Public in general having any clue related to the whereabouts / present location of above named accused, kindly communicate the same on the below mentioned contact / Telephone numbers.

Contacts/Telephone Numbers :-

1. DPO, Jammu : 0191-2547807, 0191-2561578
2. SSP Jammu Mail I.D : sspjammu@jkpolice.gov.in
3. PCR Jammu : 0191-2542000
4. SP City North : 0191-2547038
5. SDPO City North : 0191-2566621
6. P/S City : 0191-2545923
7. Contact No. of SHO : 9419893946
8. PSI Sharaz Ahmed (I/O) of the case : 7889585973



For Sr. Superintendent of Police Jammu.

DIP No:DIP/J-1055/24/06/06/2024

National Highways Authority of India

(Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India)

PUBLIC NOTICE

(Under section 3G (3) National Highway Act-1956)

It is to inform to all concerned that in exercise of the powers conferred by sub section (1) of section 3(D), of the National Highways, Act- 1956 (48 of 1956) and further in pursuance of sub section (2) of section 3(D) of the said Act, the Central Government declares that the land specified in the schedule of **notification on. S.O. 2047(E) dated-21.05.2024** published in the Gazette of the India, extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub Section II, has vested absolutely in the Central Government free from all encumbrances, **for building (widening/four laning, etc.), maintenance, Management and operation of Rudrapur Bypass in the stretch of land from Km. 0+000 to Km. 21+39** in the district Udham Singh Nagar in the State of Uttarakhand.

So, all persons interested in the land specified in the schedule, may **submit their claims either in person or by a legal practitioner, to the undersigned within 15 days at Special Land Acquisition Office, Udham Singh Nagar** on publication of this public notice, otherwise the amount of compensation shall be finalized as per the prevailing rules.

SCHEDULE

Brief description of the land to be acquired, with or without structure, falling within the Rudrapur Bypass in the stretch of land from Km. 0+000 to Km. 21+39 in the district of Udham Singh Nagar in the state of Uttarakhand.

[File Number: NHAI/PIU-RUPC/RUDRAPUR BYPASS/2021/3D]
Special Land Acquisition Officer,
Udham Singh Nagar/Nainital

BUILDING A NATION, NOT JUST ROADS

Maharashtra Airport Development Company Ltd.

(A Government of Maharashtra Undertaking)
Tel. No. (022) 49212121

TENDER NOTICE

MADC invites the E-tenders for Amravati (Belora) Airport, Maharashtra

Supply of 02 Nos. Airfield Crash Fire Tenders (ACFTs) of capacity 10,000 ltrs. And Miscellaneous procurement (Global tender) 2nd Call

The detailed tender document can be downloaded from the website **www.mahatenders.gov.in** from **08/06/2024 from 14.00 hours.**

Vice Chairman and Managing Director

PUNJAB CRICKET ASSOCIATION
I.S. BINDRA STADIUM, SECTOR-63, SAS NAGAR, MOHALI

ENGAGEMENT OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (CA) FIRMS/LAW FIRMS

The **Punjab Cricket Association (PCA)** invites applications for engagement of **Chartered Accountant (CA) Firms / Law Firms** for providing services for **Due diligence and Consolidation / Procurement of Land** for the Punjab Cricket Association in different Districts of Punjab.

The Interested Firms have to submit their application along with Profile, Experience and allied documents/information in a sealed envelope to the **Manager, Corporate Affairs** at **Punjab Cricket Association, I.S. Bindra Stadium, Sector-63, SAS Nagar, Mohali** till **18th June, 2024 by 1700 Hours.**

For more details, please visit the PCA Official Website **"www.cricketpunjab.in".**

Sd/-
Date: 08.06.2024 **Manager, Corporate Affairs**

PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT
Uttarakhand Disaster Preparedness & Resilience Project (U-PREPARE)

5TH Floor, USDMA Building, 36, IT Park, Sahastradhara Road, DEHRADUN
Website: www.ukdisasterrecovery.in; E-Mail pd.udrpaf@gmail.com

Ref. No.: 2616//02/SDRF/Training/Gen/U-PREPARE/2024 **Date: 07.06.2024**

Request for Expression of Concept (REOC)

NAME OF PROJECT: Uttarakhand Disaster Preparedness & Resilience Project (U-PREPARE)

Loan No.: 9654-IN

Project Management Unit. Uttarakhand Disaster Preparedness & Resilience Project (U-PREPARE) of Disaster Management Department. Uttarakhand through Govt. of Uttarakhand, now invites interested eligible firms to provide their Expression of Concept on **construction of SDRF Outdoor Training Components at SDRF Campus, Jollygrant, Dehradun.**

The detailed REOC can be downloaded from the website www.ukdisasterrecovery.in & www.usdma.uk.gov.in. The Expression of Concept must be submitted through in person, or by post, or by email on or before **20th June 2024 at 05:00 p.m. email: procurement.uprepare@gmail.com.**

(Dr. Ranjit Kumar Sinha, *IAS*)
Program Director

कार्यालय अतिरिक्त मुख्य अभियन्ता, जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी विभाग,परियोजना क्षेत्र, उदयपुर
ई-मेल — acepudai@gmail.com, acepudai.phed@rajasthan.gov.in

कमांक-अ.मु.अ. / परि. / उदय / अंके. / 2024-25 /1214-1219 दिनांक 5/6/24
ई-निविदा सूचना संख्या 19-20 वर्ष 2023-24 में संशोधन क्रमांक 05.

NIT No.	Brief Description of works	Corrigendum Description
19/ 2023-24	Work of Drinking Water Supply Project for 524 Villages of Pratapgarh, Arnod & Peepalkhoont Blocks including their 292 other habitations of District Pratapgarh from Jakham Dam under JJM, Package-I including 10-year O & M After one year Defect Liability Period.	Corrigendum No. 05 for NIT 19/2023-24
20/ 2023-24	Work of Drinking Water Supply Project for 524 Villages of Pratapgarh, Arnod & Peepalkhoont Blocks including their 292 other habitations of District Pratapgarh from Jakham Dam under JJM, Package-II including 10-year O & M After one year Defect Liability Period.	Corrigendum No. 05 for NIT 20/ 2023-24

UBN NO. PHE2324WLOB15587 (RO NO.-3887), UBN NO. PHE2324WLOB15588 (RO Nc-3887) उपरोक्त कार्यों की ई-निविदा सूचना संख्या 19-20 वर्ष 2023-24 के कम में वर्णित भागों में अपरिहार्य कारणों से निविदाओं की दिनांकों में संशोधन किया गया है। बिड से सम्बधित समस्त जानकारी एवं विस्तृत संशोधन प्रोक्योरमेंट पोर्टल http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in व http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in पर देखी जा सकती है।

अतिरिक्त मुख्य अभियन्ता
जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी विभाग
परियोजना क्षेत्र उदयपुर

DIPR/C/3925/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(See Section 82 Cr.PC)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Danveer Singh, S/o Gedan Lal, R/o Village Roradeep, P.S. Dhanari Distt. Sambhal, UP** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **Case Reg. No.1380/23 FIR No.508/22 u/s 380/511 IPC, P.S. Keshav Puram, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Danveer Singh** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Danveer Singh** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Danveer Singh** of **Case Reg. No.1380/23 FIR No.508/22 u/s 380/511 IPC, P.S. Keshav Puram, Delhi**is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **10.07.2024.**

By Order,
Divya Arora,
Metropolitan Magistrate-04, North West, Room No.112,
1st Floor, Rohini Courts, New Delhi

DP/6769/NW/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Afjan** S/o Jameer R/o 3134, Vakil Wali Gali, Kucha Pandit, Lal Kuan, Hauz Quazi, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence case FIR No. 22/21 u/s 380 IPC & 147, 179 IR Act, P.S. New Delhi Railway Station, New Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Afjan** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Afjan** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proceeding u/s 82 Cr.P.C. has been initiated in the case. Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Afjan** accused of FIR No. 22/21 u/s 380 IPC & 147, 179 IR Act, P.S. New Delhi Railway Station, New Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on **30.07.2024.**

By Order: Sh. Anuj Kumar Singh
Metropolitan Magistrate-02
Room No. 296A, 2nd Floor,
Tis Hazari Court, Delhi

DP/6954/Rly/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Sandeep Kumar** S/o Lilu Singh R/o Village Maisaru, P.S. Rohtak, Distt. Rohtak, Haryana has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence case CC No. 5675/2016 u/s 138 NI Act, P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Sandeep Kumar** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Sandeep Kumar** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proceeding u/s 82 Cr.P.C. has been initiated in the case. Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Sandeep Kumar** accused of CC No. 5675/2016 u/s 138 NI Act, P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on **10.07.2024.**

By Order: Sh. Apoorv Bhardwaj
Metropolitan Magistrate (North-West)
Room No. 113, 1st Floor,
Rohini Court, Delhi

DP/6906/RD/2024

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

Tender Notice No. AGC-EL-GSU-T-09-24 **Date: 05.06.2024**

E-Tender Notice

Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer (Gati Shakti), North Central Railway, Agra on behalf of President of India invites **"Open Tender"** through on line only (**E-Tendering**) for the following works.

Name of work with its location & Completion Period: OHE work related to KBP to good shed and additional loop at KBP siding. **Completion Period:** 04 months.

Approximate Cost of work: Rs. 3958794.81, **Closing date of Tender:** 27.06.2024 @12:00 Hrs. For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in** Tender can only be submitted through web portal **www.ireps.gov.in** up to **12:00 hrs.** on **27.06.2024.** **985/24(K)**

@CPRONCR @northcentralrailway North central railways www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr. P. C.

Whereas a complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Manoj Kumar S/o Ram Singh** R/o H.No. RZ-27A gali No.1,Karn Vihar part-1 Kirari Delhi. have committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence under **FIR. No. 34/20 U/S 498A/406/34 IPC**.has been registered at **P.S. Nabi Karim Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said, **Manoj Kumar** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said, **Manoj Kumar** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Manoj Kumar** of under **FIR. No. 34/20 U/S 498A/406/34 IPC.** .registered at **PS. Nabi Karim Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 30.07.2024

By Order
Ms. Neha Kheria MM Mahila
Court (CD) Room No.343,Tis
Hazari Courts Delhi

DP/6739/CD/2024-Court matter

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

Tender Notice- 10/2024 **Dated 05.06.2024**

E-Procurement Tender Notice

Description: Supply & Installation of Layer-3 switch with 24 SFP slots for uplink with redundant power supply and equipped with SFPs as per attached specification.

Tender No.	Qty	EMD (₹)	Tender Opening Date
13235290A	14 Nos	49,700/-	28.06.2024

Note: 1. The complete information of above E-Procurement Tender are available on IREPS website i.e. **https://www.ireps.gov.in**. **2.** Bids other than in the form of E-Bids shall not be accepted against above Tender. For this purpose, Vendors are required to get themselves registered with IREPS website along with class III Digital signature certificates issued by CCA under IT Act-2000. **3.** Rates entered into Financial Rate page and duly signed digitally shall only be considered. Rates and any other financial entity in any other form/letter head if attached by vendor shall be straight away ignored and shall not be considered. **4.** Documents being attached should be signed on their body. **5.** Allocation for "Cost of Drawing" is Z-650 and for "Earnest Money deposit (EMD)" is Deposit Misc, stores-00844517. In case of any difficulty helpdesk available on the website of IREPS may be approached. **987/24 FA**

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NORTHERN RAILWAY

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE

The Sr. Divisional Engineer-II, Northern Railway, Delhi Division invites E-Tender for the following work:-

NIT-29	**Name of work:** Annual zone work for maintenance of staff quarters and service buildings in the section of SSE/W/SMQL under ADEN/SMQL jurisdiction of Sr. DEN-II/DLI (P.E. 30.06.2025) **Approx cost of work:** As per NIT or IREPS **Earnest Money to be deposited:** As per NIT or IREPS
NIT-30	**Name of work:** Annual Bridge Zone work for the maintenance of Major and minor bridges, FOB in the section of ADEN/SMQL. **Approx cost of work:** As per NIT or IREPS **Earnest Money to be deposited:** As per NIT or IREPS
NIT-32	**Name of work:** Repair to flooring, plastering, replacement of door and window in staff quarters in the section of SSE/W/MOZ under ADEN/MUT. **Approx cost of work:** As per NIT or IREPS **Earnest Money to be deposited:** As per NIT or IREPS
NIT-33	**Name of work:** Repair of flooring, plastering, replacement of door and window in staff quarters at PQY, MUT, DRLA, MUZ, MDNR and Replacement of old and wornout water supply arrangements in staff quarters & service building in the Section of SSE/W/MTC under ADEN/MUT. **Approx cost of work:** As per NIT or IREPS **Earnest Money to be deposited:** As per NIT or IREPS

Date & Time of submission of tender bid	18.06.2024 to 02.07.2024 at 15:00 Hrs.
Date & Time of Opening of tender	02.07.2024 at 15:00 Hrs.
Website particulars where complete details of tender documents can be seen	**www.ireps.gov.in**

- The tenderer/s must be registered on the Indian Railway E-Procurement system (IREPS) site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** for participating in the e-tender system.
- For all terms and conditions please refer tender document. • No manual offers are acceptable. • Cost of tender document and Earnest money will be acceptable through net banking or payment gateway only.

No.: NIT-29, 30, 32 & 33-24-25-W-II Dated : 05.06.2024 **1688/2024**

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

E-Tendering Notice No: 2024-Jun-01 **Dated:** 05.06.2024

E-TENDER NOTICE

Divisional Railway Manager (Engineering), N.C. Rly Agra for and on behalf of the President of India invites "Open Tender" through on Line only (E-Tendering) for the following works. The details of the tender are as under:-

S.No.: 1	**Tender No.:** 2024-Jun-01-01	**Approx. Cost (Rs.):** ₹ 33309115.47
Description of work : Provision of RCC overhead tank for PFs& service building and pipe network at BAAD (225KL), KXM (50KL), RNKA(50KL), FAR (50KL), RAH(50KL) & DDDM(50KL) station and redeveloping of bore at RAH station.		
S.No.: 2	**Tender No.:** 2024-Jun-01-02	**Approx. Cost (Rs.):** ₹ 31468386.41
Description of work : Mathura Palwal Provision of bore well and HS tank of 50KL for PFs water taps & pipeline at VRBD, BTSR, BSA and PRK stations.		
S.No.: 3	**Tender No.:** 2024-Jun-01-03	**Approx. Cost (Rs.):** ₹ 25355391.28
Description of work : Replacement of OHT of 90KL capacity with pipeline arrangements at Agra Fort, Kuberpur, Chhalesar, Etmadpur & Billochpura stations.		
S.No.: 4	**Tender No.:** 2024-Jun-01-04	**Approx. Cost (Rs.):** ₹ 87461195.17
Description of work : Provision of Side Sheet, grouting to prevent seepage of water & Rain water Harvesting at various LHS in Fatehbad-Etawah section.		
S.No.: 5	**Tender No.:** 2024-Jun-01-05	**Approx. Cost (Rs.):** ₹ 859580.40
Description of work : Kiraoli & Mirhakur- Supply of potable water for stations and colony for 02 years.		

For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railways website **"www.ireps.gov.in".** Tenders can only be submitted through web portal **"www.ireps.gov.in"** up to **15.00 hrs** on **26.06.2024.** **983/24(A)**

North central railway | www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in | @northcentralrailway | @CPRONCR

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer,
Road Infrastructure Division, #307, 3rd Floor,
Annex-3 Building, N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560002.

No: EE/RI/TEND/03/2024-25 **Date: 06-06-2024**

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Road Infrastructure Division, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible Tenderers on Turnkey, Lump Sum, Fixed Price, No Variation and No Escalation basis for the Construction of Work detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Improvements to 20 Numbers Major Junctions with Greenery to Improve Air Quality around the Junction. **Amount of Work Proposed (Rs. in Lakhs): 1800.00 (Including GST), EMD Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 18.00**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Documents may be Downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 07-06-2024 onwards. 2)** Last Date for Receipt of Queries: **11-06-2024 upto 13.00 Hours. 3)** Date of Pre Bid Meeting: **12-06-2024 at 16.00 Hours. 4)** Last Date of Submission of Tenders: **18-06-2024 upto 16.00 Hours. 5)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid: **19-06-2024 at 16.15 Hours. 6)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid: **Will be intimated to Qualified Tenders.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Road Infrastructure Division, BBMP.

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

(Regd. Office : PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001)
Corporate identity Number: U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in Mobile No. 96461-55525

E-Tender Enq. No. 525 /P-3/EMPW-12621 dated 06.06.24

Dy. Chief Engineer/ Headquarter (Procurement Cell-3) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2024_POWER_121692_1 for Break-down/Preventive maintenance & Overhauling of Bowl Mills (i. e. XRP-803 and HP-803). Raw Coal Feeders, mill reject system & its auxiliaries, preventive/ breakdown maintenance of coal pipes, removal/ clearing of mills reject, raw coal/coal dust from mills & R.C. Feeders areas, transportation of mill reject, coal dust etc from mill area to CHP yard for four units i.e. 4x210MW (Unit no. 3 to 6) of BHEL make at GGSSTP, Rupnagar.

For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from dated 06.06.24/ 11:00 AM onwards.

Note :- Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

RTP 35/24, DPR/Pb.:76155/12/2879/2023/34274

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Website : www.pspcl.in Mobile No. 96461-10914

E-Tender Enq. No:- 520/P-1/EMPW-12610 dated 04.06.2024

Dy. Chief Engineer/ Headquarter (Procurement Cell-1) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2024_POWER_121756_1 for Mtc. of railway track in GGSSTP railway yard (equated length 35.266KM) and railway track from Ropar railway station to GGSSTP railway station (RTP block section) equated length 7.506 KM. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 07.06.2024/ 5.00 PM onwards.

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RTP-36/24, DPR/Pb. : 76155/12/2885/2023/34294

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Corporate Identification Number: U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in (Contact No 96461-36398)

Tender Inquiry No. 249/TLC/PTA/2024-25 **Dated:** 07/06/2024

Dy. CE/TL Circle, PSPCL Officer's Flat No. 11, Shakti Vihar, Patiala invites E-tender 66kv line T-off from 220 KV S/S Patran to 66 KV S/S Dirba Ring Main line ACSR 0.4 sq" for New 66kv S/s Kadial SC on DC tower line with ACSR 0.2 Sq" conductor. For detailed NIT & Tender Specifications please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 07/06/2024 from 6.00 PM onwards.

Note: Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

C 266/24, DPR/Pb.:76155/12/2882/2023/34284

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Corporate identity Number: U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in Mobile No. 96461-10914

E-Tender Enq. No:- 7554/P-1/EMP-12629 dated 05.06.2024

Dy. Chief Engineer/Headquarter(Procurement Cell-1) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2024_POWER_121744_1 for Procurement of DA, O_2, N_2 and CO_2 gas under GS Group for the year 2024-25. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 07.06.2024 /5.00 PM onwards.

Note:- Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

RTP 38/24, DPR/Pb.:76155/12/2887/2023/34299

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER & PROJECT DIRECTOR
STATE PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT
WEST BENGAL MAJOR IRRIGATION AND FLOOD MANAGEMENT PROJECT

JALASAMPAD BHAWAN, 9TH FLOOR, SALT LAKE CITY, KOLKATA - 700 091
EMAIL :- ce.pd.wbmifmp@gmail.com Tel :-033-23581315

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement

Procurement Notice for India - P162679 West Bengal Major Irrigation & Flood Management Project - IN-IWD-430222-CW-RFB
(Funded by World Bank, AIIB & Government of West Bengal)

Contract No (1)	Contract Title (2)	Bid Security *(Rs.) (3)	Cost of Document (Rs.) (4)	Period of Completion (5)
Distributed PLC based SCADA Canal Gate Automation Project under West Bengal Major Irrigation & Flood Management Project, Package No. IRR-15 - comprising of two lots				
RFB NO: WBMIFMP/PD/ NCB/24-25/IRR15/L1 (Tender ID : 2024_IWD_689681_1)	Design Build Supply installation trial run and commissioning of PLC based RTU local automation system of electro-mechanical DV irrigation canal gates at 44 locations of head and cross regulators of LBMC & RBMC inclusive of 14 locations of adjacent Navigation loop canals of LBMC along with commissioning of all hardware and software to set up a viewing station at Sonamukhi, Bankura and an Integrated Command Control Centre at Kanainatshal, Purba Bardhaman.	**INR 0.20 Crores.** [Indian Rupees Twenty Lacs only	NIL	**12 Months** including rainy and all other seasons.
RFB NO: WBMIFMP/PD/ NCB/24-25/IRR15/L2 (Tender ID : 2024_IWD_689681_2)	Design Build supply installation trial run and commissioning at site of Canal water level measurement systems at 44 locations and Discharge measurement systems at 8 locations of LBMC and RBMC	**INR 0.15 Crores.** [Indian Rupees Fifteen Lacs only	NIL	**11 Months** including rainy and all other seasons.

Procurement Officer	Availability of Bidding Document		
Chief Engineer & Project Director, WBMIFMP, I&WD, Govt. of WB	The bidding document is available online on **https://wbtenders.gov.in**	From **07.06.2024 at 10.00 hours** (IST)	To **08.07.2024 upto 13:00 hours (IST)**

Note:

(i)The bidders are required to submit (a) original bid security in approved form; and (b) original affidavit regarding correctness of information furnished with bid document with **Chief Engineer and Project Director, SPMU, WBMIFMP, 9th Floor, Jalasampad Bhavan, Western Block, Bidhannagar, Salt Lake City, Kolkata - 700-091, West Bengal** before the bid submission deadline, either by registered post/speed post/courier or by hand, failing which the bids will be declared non-responsive and will not be opened.

(ii) The eligibility criteria for selection of Agency/Firms are provided below:

(a) The bidder should have a minimum construction Cash flow requirement as follows:- i) **Lot - 1 : INR 2.41 Cr**, ii) **Lot - 2: INR 2.08 Cr**

(b) The bidder should have a minimum average annual construction turnover during the best five financial years within the last seven financial years i.e. from FY 2016-17 to FY 2022-23 as follows:- i) **Lot -1 : INR 14.47 Cr**, ii) **Lot -2: INR 11.41 Cr.**

(c) The bidder should have satisfactorily, as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor or sub – contractor completed at least one similar nature of work of one contract having minimum value between 1st April 2016 and bid submission deadline as Follows: - i) **Lot -1 : INR 7.72 Cr**, ii) **Lot -2: INR 6.09 Cr.**

(d) The bidder should have minimum experience required in the following key activities successfully completed for -

Lot - 1 : At least 36 nos. of PLCs' and a central control SCADA station designed built and commissioned in connection with a canal automation project or any distribution water sector project or in any other remole GSM/GPRS talemetry based PLC-SCADA automation project, in the contract cited at 4.2 (a) above and also other similar contract(s) executed during the same period.

Lot - 2 : At least 36 sets of Non-Contact Radar Type Level Transmitters designed built, commissioned and integrated with a central control & command centre in any canal project or in any distributed water sector project, in the contract cited at 4.2 (a) above and also other similar contract(s) executed during the same period.

Further details & Corrigendum if any can be seen from the website: **https://wbtenders.gov.in**

Sd/-
Chief Engineer and Project Director,
SPMU, WBMIFMP, Government of West Bengal

मंत्रालयीन सेवा
जनहिताय सर्वदा

Government of Maharashtra

Home Department,
Mantralaya Main Building, 2nd Floor,
Madame Cama Marg, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032.

Telephone No.:-022-22025132.
E-mail:- spec4.home@maharashtra.gov.in

No. PES-0117/C.R.32(Part-II)/Spl-4 Date:- 07th June, 2024.

E-Tender No. 2024_JSHD_1040036_1, Year 2024-2025

On behalf of the Governor of the State of Maharashtra the Principal Secretary (Special), Home Dept., Mantralaya, Mumbai, Govt. of Maharashtra invites tenders through e-tendering system (online) from competent tenderes for the following works. Tender documents should be downloaded from the Government Government website https://mahatenders.gov.in.

Principal Secretary (Special), Home Dept., Mantralaya, Mumbai, Govt. of Maharashtra reserve the right of accept or reject tenders. Conditional tender will not be accepted. If there is any change in the said tender notification it will be informed on the website https://mahatenders.gov.in.

1	Name of Work	Implementation and Maintenance of Integrated Security Management for Mantralaya Phase 2 Project.
2	District of Work	Mumbai
3	Estimated Cost put to tender	Rs. 00/-
4	E-Tender available Period	From Dt.07.06.2024 to Dt. 24.06.2024
5	E-Tender Opeing date	Dt. 25.06.2024 (If possible or next suitable date)
6	Earnest Money Deposit	Rs. 40,00,000/-
7	Time Limit for Completion of Work	6 Months.
8	Tender Fee	Rs. 15,000/-
9	Class of Contractor	All eligible Contractors who can fulfill the terms and conditions of the Contract.

Details of e-tendering are available on the following places
Govt. Website - https://mahatenders.gov.in.

(If there is any change in the said tender notification it will be informed on the website https://mahatenders.gov.in)

Sd/-
(Pravin S. Dhikale)
Section Officer, Home Department

DGIPR/2024-2025/123

SHRI SAIBABA SANSTHAN TRUST, SHIRDI

At.Post. Shirdi, Tal- Rahata, Dist. A.Nagar - 423 109
Phone No.(02423) 258671 / 258676
(Website - www.sai.org.in) E-mail - hospital.purchase @sai.org.in

RE-TENDER NOTICE

Shri Saibaba Sansthan Trust, Shirdi invites online Re-tender for the purchase of Tablet, Injection, Syrup, Ointment, Drop for Shri Saibaba & Shri Sainath Hospital from primary manufacturer / Importer / company authorized distributor. The tender details will be available on website **www.mahatenders.gov.in** for downloading. For details and terms & conditions visit our official website **www.sai.org.in**

Tender submission starts date	10/06/2024.
Pre-bid Meeting date	12/06/2024.
Tender submission end date	26/06/2024.

Goraksha Gadilkar, I.A.S.
Chief Executive Officer,

DGIPR 2024-25/113

GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT, BIHAR

RAJ BHAVAN, PATNA-800022

Invitation of Application for appointment of the Vice-Chancellor, Bihar Animal Sciences University, Patna.

The Chancellor's Secretariat, Patna invites applications for the appointment of the Vice-Chancellor, Bihar Animal Sciences University, Patna, Bihar from the persons possessing the highest level of competence, integrity, morals and institutional commitment.

1. The person should be a distinguished academician, in Animal Science and Technology with a minimum of 10 years of experience as a Professor in a University System or in a 10 years of experience in an equivalent position in a reputed research and / or academic administrative organization with proof of having demonstrated academic leadership.

   Ten years experience will be considered from the date of issuance of notification for the Professorship.

2. The candidate should not be more than 67 years of age on the last date of submission of the application.

   The last date of submission of the application is **28.06.2024** by **06:00 P.M.**

   Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.

   The format of application and other necessary details are available on the website of Governor's Secretariat, Bihar, **governor.bih.nic.in**

The Search Committee may invite the shortlisted applicants for a presentation and a personal interaction for which no TA/DA shall be paid.

Canvassing directly or indirectly on behalf of any candidate shall attract disqualification.

This information is available on **www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar also**

(Robert L. Chongthu)
Principal Secretary to
Governor-cum-Chancellor,
Raj Bhavan, Patna, Bihar

PR. No. 001243 (GOVERNOR SECRETARIAT) 2024-25

नशे की मार, बर्बाद करे सुखी परिवार।

कार्यालय नगर निगम, बरेली

पत्रांकः 156/पर्या0अभि0/एस0बी0एम0/2024–25 दिनांकः 07 जून 2024

TENDER NOTICE

Online bids are invited for following Work. Tender forms may be purchased online by the bidders, having relevant experience.

Work Description	Tender & EMD Fee	Work Period
Selection of Bidder to undertake various field activities to achieve the objectives of Swachh Bharat Mission 2.0 (Urban) within 80 wards of Bareilly municipal area to make "A Garbage Free Area"	The EMD & Tender Fee shall be submitted online in the account mentioned below. Bank Details for online payment- Account Number- 3647000100980707 Bank Name: Punjab National Bank Branch: Patel Chowk, Bareilly IFSC: PUNB0364700	01 Year (may extend for further 01 year upon the approval of Municipal Commissioner)

Event of Calendar:

Sl. No.	Date of downloading tender document	Date & Time
1.	Date of downloading tender document	08.06.2024 from 12.00 PM
2.	Last date for seeking clarification, if any	12.06.2024 up to 02.00 PM
3.	Start date for uploading of proposal on e-Procurements platform	13.06.2024 from 02.00 PM
4.	Last date for uploading of proposals (both Technical & Financial) in e-Procurements platform	21.06.2024 up to 04.00 PM
5.	Time and date of opening of Technical proposal	21.06.2024 at 05.00 PM
6.	Time and date of opening of Financial proposal	To be intimated later

The tender document can be downloaded from **https://etender.up.nic.in.** "Corrigendum if any. Would appear only on the **https://etender.up.nic.in** site and not to be published in any News Paper."

पर्यावरण अभियन्ता
नगर निगम बरेली।

कार्यालय नगर निगम, बरेली

पत्रांकः 158/पर्या0अधि0/NCAP/2024–25 दिनांकः 07 जून 2024

TENDER NOTICE

Online bids are invited for following Work. Tender forms may be purchased online by the bidders, having relevant experience.

Work Description	Tender & EMD Fee	Work Period
Selection of NGO/ Agency to undertake various Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities to achieve the objectives of National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) in Bareilly municipal area	The EMD & Tender Fee shall be submitted online in the account mentioned below. Bank Details for online payment- Account Number- 3647000100980707 Bank Name: Punjab National Bank Branch: Patel Chowk, Bareilly IFSC: PUNB0364700	01 Year (may extend for further 01 year upon the approval of Municipal Commissioner)

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प्रभारी अधिकारी (NCAP)
नगर निगम बरेली।

कार्यालय नगर निगम, बरेली

पत्रांकः 157/पर्या0अभि0/एस0डब्लू0एम0/2023–24 दिनांकः 07 जून 2024

TENDER NOTICE

Bareilly Municipal Corporation Invites Engagement of agencies for O & M of Material Recovery Facility along with IEC activities in Nagar Nigam Bareilly.

Work Description	Tender & EMD Fee
Engagement of agencies for O&M of Material Recovery Facility along with IEC activities in Bareilly.	The Tender INR 5000.00 & EMD is INR 01 Lakh which will be in the form of FDR/TDR/BG/RTGS of Nationalized / Scheduled bank of India in favour of the "MUNICIPAL CORPORATION BAREILLY"

Event of Calendar:

Sl. No.	Events	Date & Time
1.	Bid downloading Start Date	08.06.2024 from 12.00 PM
2.	Bid downloading End Date	21.06.2024 up to 11.00 PM
3.	Last date & Time of Receipt of Online Submission of Bid	21.06.2024 from 12.00 PM
4.	Bid Opening date	21.06.2024 up to 04.00 PM
5.	Last date & Time Submission of Pre Bid Query	12.06.2024 at 12.00 PM
6.	Pre Bid Meeting Date	12.06.2024 at 02.30 PM

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प्रभारी अधिकारी (एस0डब्ल्यू0एम0)
नगर निगम बरेली।

राष्ट्रीय मानव अधिकार आयोग
National Human Rights Commission

मानव अधिकार भवन, ब्लॉक-सी, जी.पी.ओ. कम्प्लेक्स, आई.एन.ए., नई दिल्ली - 110023
Manav Adhikar Bhawan, Block C, GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi-110023 Fax:
E-Mail: nhrcestt@nic.in
Website: www.nhrc.nic.in

आज़ादी का अमृत महोत्सव

File No. A-12019/1/2024-Estt **Dated the 31st May, 2024**

Deputation Vacancy Notice No. 02/2024

Applications are invited for filling up following exiting/ anticipated vacancies in National Human Rights Commission on deputation basis :-

S.N.	Name of posts	Pay Scale notified/ adopted by the Commission	Number of posts
1	Joint Registrar	Level-13 (Rs 123100-215900)	01
2	Joint Director (Research)	Level-12 (Rs 78800-209200)	01
3	Under Secretary	Level-11 (Rs 67700-208700)	01
4	Assistant Registrar	Level-11 (Rs 67700-208700)	02
5	Senior Research Officer	Level-11 (Rs 67700-208700)	02
6	Research Officer	Level-10 (Rs 56100-177500)	02
7	Senior Accounts Officer	Level-9 (Rs.53100-167800)	01
8	Dy. Superintendent of Police	Level-9 (Rs.53100-167800)	01
9	Section Officer	Level-8 (Rs.47600-151100)	02
10	Private Secretary	Level-8 (Rs.47600-151100)	05
11	Assistant Accounts Officer	Level-7 (Rs.44900-142400)	01
12	Inspector	Level-7 (Rs.44900-142400)	08
13	Senior Research Assistant	Level-7 (Rs.44900-142400)	01
14	Programmer Assistant	Level-6 (Rs. 35400-112400)	02
15	Accountant	Level-6 (Rs. 35400-112400)	01
16	Junior Accountant	Level-4 (Rs. 25500-81100)	02
17	Assistant Librarian	Level-4 (Rs. 25500-81100)	01
18	Steno Grade 'D'	Level-4 (Rs. 25500-81100)	06
19	Upper Division Clerk	Level-4 (Rs. 25500-81100)	01

Note:

(i) **Number of post(s) may vary.**
(ii) Separate application(s) may be submitted if a candidate is eligible and applying for more than one post.
(iii) The Commission reserves the right to cancel/withdraw the vacancy notice at any time without prior notice or providing any reason.
(iv) Detailed eligibility conditions of the above posts and Proforma of application are available in the Commission's website **www.nhrc.nic.in**
(v) The last date for receipt of the application is 15.07.2024. Applications received beyond the date will not be entertained.

Sd/-
(Sanjay Kumar)
Under Secretary (Estt)

CBC 53101/12/0002/2425

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

Regd. Office : PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001.
Corporate Identity Number : U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in (Contact no. 96461-20640)

Tender Enquiry No. 1659/CHP/CS&HMMC/O&M/PC-2533 Dated: 06-06-2024

Chief Engineer / O&M (P&P Cell-I), GHTP, Lehra Mohabbat, invites E-tender for the Procurement of **Conveyor Pulleys at CHP Stage I & II,** Quantity as per NIT For detailed NIT & tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from **06-06-2024** from 17:00 hrs. onwards.

Note : Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

GHTP-27/24, DPR/Pb. : 76155/12/2889/2023/34303

BIHAR ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Vidyut Bhawan-II, J.L. Nehru Marg, Patna - 800021

Notice No. 05 **Dated: 07.06.2024**

TENDER NOTICE

(Request for Proposal (RfP) for Engagement of Institutional Consultants)

Bihar Electricity Regulatory Commission (herein after referred as "BERC" or "Commission") invites bids from reputed and experienced consultancy firms/ Institutions for: -

Assisting the Commission on day to day basis on various Regulatory issues (Technical/Commercial/Financial/Legal matters etc.) related to power sector as required from time to time, such as review of existing Regulations for amendments and / or repealing, Formulation of new Regulations, Guidelines etc. Compliance of various functions/provisions/parameters in consonance with Electricity Act, 2003, Rules, Policies, Guidelines and conducting study of best practices, analyzing data developing benchmarks, and/or any other action required to help the Commission in adjudication of cases, Regulatory issues, Capacity buildings and any other matters as specified by the commission.

The RFP documents, eligibility criteria and other details are available for download on Commission's website www.berc.co.in and may also be obtained from the office of the Commission. The last date for submission of offer is 10.07.2024 at 03.30 P.M.

Secretary
BERC

RAJASTHAN STATE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENT CORPORATION LTD.

(A Rajasthan Government Undertaking)

Udyog Bhawan, Tilak Marg, Jaipur- 302005, Phone- 0141-2227751, 4593201
Fax: 0141-4593210 E-mail: riico@riico.co.in Website-www.riico.co.in

TENDER NOTICE

RIICO invites sealed tenders/bids through eproc.rajasthan.gov.in for the following works/ services/supply etc.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (Rs.in Lacs)
1.	**Unit Head, Jaipur(South)**	
1.1	Widening, Re-carpeting & Strengthening of Road with Construction of RCC Divider at Industrial Area Bagru Chhitroli, Jaipur. **UBN-RDC2425WSOB00053**	413.87
2.	**Unit Head, Bhiwadi-I**	
2.1	Upgradation of Roads at Industrial Area Kaharani. **UBN-RDC2425WSOB00068**	489.30
3.	**Unit Head, Aburoad**	
3.1	Strengthening & Re-carpeting of Roads at Industrial Area GC-II. **UBN-RDC2425WSOB00075**	302.95
4.	**Unit Head, Sitapura (Jaipur)**	
4.1	Strengthening & Re-carpeting of Remaining Roads at I/A Ramchandrapura, Jaipur. **UBN-RDC2425WSOB00076**	228.88
5.	**Unit Head, Nagaur**	
5.1	Construction of RCC Drains and Approaches at Industrial Area Gogelav, Nagaur. **UBN-RDC2425WLOB00137**	778.90
6.	**Unit Head, Ghiloth**	
6.1	Resurfacing and Strengthening of Various Roads at Industrial Area Ghiloth. **UBN-RDC2425WSOB00288**	354.49

Bidders/contractors may download and submit tender online. Detailed information of tenders and any kind of corrigendum/ date extension, if any in future, may be seen by bidders on websites www.riico.co.in and www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in
For queries please contact: AGM (Civil) Ph. 0141-4593243

Raj.Samwad/C/23/355

Cop who hit MP belongs to family of farmers

IP.Singh@timesgroup.com

Mahinwal (Kapurthala district): Kulwinder Kaur, the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) constable who made national headlines after allegedly hitting actor-turned-BJP MP Kangana Ranaut on Thursday, belongs to a family of farmers which has been backing farm protests all along.

Some of Kulwinder's relatives are currently in the armed forces as well while two of her uncles — her father's elder brothers — had fought the 1965 war against Pakistan.

While defending his sister, Kulwinder's brother Sher Singh says that as an MP, Kangana should be careful about the "far-reaching" consequences of the words she uses in her statements.



The CISF jawan's brother Sher Singh and mother Veer Kaur

"Her reaction after the alleged incident that "terrorism" in Punjab is on the rise reflects how she can vilify Punjab, Sikhs and farmers without any hesitation," said Singh, who is a member of Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee. This sentiment finds echo not just in Kulwinder's parental village, Mahinwal, but elsewhere in Punjab as well.

For Kulwinder, support has been pouring in from several farm groups other than Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee. Throughout Friday, representatives of farm groups and Sikh organisations visited her house in Mahinwal, expressing solidarity with Kulwinder. All of them presented siropas (robe of honour) to her entire family, including her grandparents.

Kulwinder's mother Veer Kaur describes her as a "well behaved" person who cannot harm anyone. "I was part of the farm movement and sat at the Delhi border during the protests. Am I worth a penny as remarked by Kangana? She might have said something to Kulwinder first, otherwise she has been very well behaved throughout," Kaur said about her daughter who joined CISF in 2008.

Kulwinder got married in 2015 and has a son and a daughter. After her arrest, the children have been brought to her parental house where her parents, grandparents and brother's family live. Her father has not been keeping well for close to a year. "We haven't told him about Kulwinder's arrest," said Veer Kaur.

Her brother, Sher Singh, has demanded that the video footage of the alleged slap should be made public so that people know "what actually happened and what triggered the argument".

He added that the family could not speak to Kulwinder after the incident.

Cops scanning CCTV footage to verify MP's allegations

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Kulwinder Kaur, the CISF constable who allegedly confronted and slapped actor-MP **Kangana Ranaut** at Chandigarh airport on Thursday, has been booked under bailable sections 323 and 341 of IPC.



Mohali police are scanning footage from CCTV cameras at the terminal to verify Ranaut's allegations. "Action per the complaint filed by CISF has been taken. Further action is in process," Mohali SSP Sandeep Garg said.

CISF DIG Vinay Kajla was quoted as saying that Kulwinder was "apologetic" about her "emotional outburst" — she allegedly confronted Kangana over her remarks about women's participation in the farm agitation — but there was no official word from the force on this.

Sources said CISF will take action based on outcome of departmental inquiry against the constable. Kulwinder's husband, too, is a CISF employee attached to the dog squad and is posted at the same location.

Among those who came out in support of the suspended constable was 82-year-old farm activist Mohinder Kaur, who had previously filed a defamation suit against Kangana for her remarks on the farm protest. "Kangana has no sense of how to speak. Since she has been elected as an MP, she should be polite. She tried to brand Punjabis as extremists. She used derogatory words for us," the octogenarian said.

Kangana, now MP from Mandi in Himachal, had posted on X a picture of Mohinder as "dadi of Shaheen Bagh of Delhi" and alleged that "such women" would turn up at a protest site for Rs 100. The actor had later deleted the post. Based on Mohinder's defamation suit, a Bathinda court had issued an arrest warrant against Kangana that a bench of Punjab and Haryana HC had stayed.

Meanwhile, Punjab BJP president Sunil Jakhar has termed the airport episode "most unfortunate".

Rahul gets bail in defamation case filed by K'taka BJP man

Bengaluru: A special court in the city for elected representatives granted bail to Congress MP Rahul Gandhi on Friday in a defamation case and adjourned the hearing to July 30. The case was registered against Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah, deputy CM DK Shivakumar, Rahul and others by a BJP worker for sponsoring an advertisement ahead of assembly polls last year accusing the then BJP govt in state of indulging in large-scale corruption.

On June 1, Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar had appeared before court in connection with the case and Rahul, through his advocate, had sought time for appearance citing his busy political schedule. Special judge KN Shivakumar had allowed it and directed Gandhi to appear on Friday.

Siddaramaiah, DK Shivakumar and other Congress politicians accompanied Rahul when he walked into court on Friday. Gandhi's counsel applied for bail and ex-Bengaluru Rural MP DK Suresh stood surety. Court granted the bail and adjourned the matter. TNN

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS
NIB No. 46 Date : 07/06/2024

Bid For Providing Services PROVIDING SERVICES OF LIVE STREAMING OF STATE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMES OF GOVERNMENT OF RAJASHTAN are invited from interested bidders up to 03:00 PM 18/06/2024. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (**http://sppp.raj.nic.in**) of the state; and **https://dipr.rajasthan.gov.in/**. The approximate value of the procurement is Rs. One Crore. **UBN : IPR2425SLRC00002**

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NOTICE

This is for information of General Public that the process of receiving the applications for the PRADHAN MANTRI RASHTRIYA BAL PURASKAR (PMRBP), 2025 has commenced on the National Awards Portal (**https://awards.gov.in**). The awards are given to those children who deserve recognition at the national level in the fields of Bravery, Sports, Social Service, Science & Technology, Environment, Arts & Culture and Innovation.

Any child above the age of 5 years and not exceeding 18 years (as on 31st July of respective year), who is an Indian Citizen and residing in India is eligible for the awards.

Open nominations from any citizen will be received only through National Awards Portal portal on **https://awards.gov.in**. Self-nomination & recommendations for the awards, both shall be considered. The last date for receipt of online application is **31.07.2024**. For more details, please see National Awards Portal (**https://awards.gov.in**).

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TENDER NOTICE
Directorate of Archaeology and Museums,
Government of Gujarat,
Abhilekhagaar Bhavan, Sector-17, Gandhinagar

The Directorate of Archaeology and Museums, Government of Gujarat is inviting interested Bidders to participate in the bidding process for the **"Selection of Project Management Consultant (PMC) For Review, Monitoring, Technical Inputs and Construction Supervision for Museum of Royal Kingdoms of India and Veer Balak Udayan at Ektanagar, Kevadia, Gujarat".**

Please note that the Tender Documents can be downloaded from the website https://tender.nprocure.com. Further the last date of submission of the Bid (online) is 28th June 2024 by 18:00 hrs. The last date for submission of Bid in hard copy is 29th June 2024 by 18:00 hrs. For further detail please contact 079-23256730/40.

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Advt. No. Date: 07/06/2024

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1. For detailed information, the interested bidders may visit the Website https://mahatenders.gov.in.
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Central Electricity Regulatory Commission
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Petition No. 156/TL/2024 Dated: 6.6.2024

NOTICE UNDER CLAUSE (a) OF SUB-SECTION (5) OF SECTION 15 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT, 2003

An application under Sections 14 and 15 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (the Act) has been made by Warora Kurnool Transmission Limited, Adani House, Shantigram, 3rd Floor, South Wing, SG Highway, Ahmedabad – 382421, for the amendment of transmission licence for implementation of "Scheme to bypass NGR to use Switchable Line Reactor as Bus Reactor for transmission lines implemented by WKTL under the scheme 'Additional inter Regional AC link for import into Southern Region i.e., Warora – Warangal and Chilakaluripeta - Hyderabad - Kurnool 765kV link.' – Part-A" on the Regulated Tariff Mechanism (RTM) mode (hereinafter referred to as the 'transmission scheme'). The scope of the project for which the transmission licence has been sought is as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the scheme and Implementation timeframe	Estimated cost (₹ crore)	Remark
1.	Scheme to bypass NGR to use Switchable Line Reactor as Bus Reactor for transmission lines implemented by WKTL under the scheme "Additional inter-Regional AC link for import into Southern Region i.e., Warora-Warangal and Chilakaluripeta-Hyderabad- Kurnool 765kV link." – Part-A Implementation timeframe: 06 months	2.08	Approved to be implemented under RTM by Warora Kurnool Transmission Limited. (M/s Adani)

2. The Central Transmission Utility of India Limited vide its letter dated 16.4.2024 has recommended for the grant of a transmission licence to the applicant to establish the proposed transmission system.
3. Based on the material available on the record, the Commission vide order dated 6.6.2024 in Petition No. 156/TL/2024, has proposed to issue a transmission licence to the applicant for establishment of the transmission scheme as noted in para 1 above.
4. A copy of the application, along with its annexures and enclosures, made by the applicant for the grant of an inter-State transmission licence to Warora Kurnool Transmission Limited before the Commission can be accessed at the website www.adanienergysolutions.com or inspected by any person in the Commission's office by following the laid down procedure.
5. Notice is hereby given in pursuance of clause (a) of sub-section (5) of Section 15 of the Act that suggestions or objections, if any, to the Commission's proposal to grant a transmission licence to the applicant, as aforesaid, be sent to the undersigned by 16.6.2024 at the above noted address. The suggestions or objections received after the specified date shall not be considered.
6. The application shall be taken up for the further hearing by the Commission on **18.6.2024**. Any person who files suggestions or objections may in his/her discretion attend the hearing, for which no TA/DA shall be paid by the Commission.

Sd/-
(Harpreet Singh Pruthi)
Secretary

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SE/02/24	Assistant Secretary (Skill Education)	01	03	In any or me Office(s) of the Board
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	Total	29		

The details of the post(s), eligibility criteria, experience, age limit, etc. and other terms & conditions will be made available on the official website of the Board **www.cbse.nlc.in** shortly. The interested candidates are advised to go through the detailed advertisement and read the same carefully before filling up of online application form which shall be made available on the official website. The schedule for online applications will be as under:

STARTING DATE	17.06.2024
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Despite scepticism, the past shows Modi no stranger to coalition politics

He Played Key Role With Allies In Punjab, Hry & J&K In Mid-1990s

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

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PM-designate Modi during NDA's parliamentary party meeting on Friday

New Delhi: Having spent the last decade like an all-powerful CEO, running the govt at the Centre on his own, all eyes are now on Narendra Modi, who is set to start his third consecutive term as PM, leading the NDA coalition with BJP missing out on getting a majority, unlike 2014 and 2019.

The question uppermost on many minds is does he have in him the temperament; in other words, the flexibility and the ability to take disparate elements along?

While Modi may not have been dependent on allies during his tenure as Gujarat chief minister or in his first two terms as PM, he is no stranger to coalition politics.

His party colleagues point out that in the mid-1990 as the BJP's organisational general secretary, the all-powerful post in the saffron party, he played a crucial role in stitching together alliances in the north, including with Shiromani Akali Dal, which won the mandate in Punjab in 1997. Besides, it was during his time as incharge of Haryana that BJP worked with Bansi Lal and Om Prakash Chautala in the state. Even in J&K, Modi had worked with the Abdullahs of NC, which was also part of the Atal Bihari Vajpayee govt with Omar being a minister.

As Vajpayee led the coordination, Modi as general secretary, was also involved in coordinating with allies, including George Fernandes, Nitish Kumar, Sharad Yadav, Jayalalithaa, Mamata Banerjee and Balasaheb Thackeray, among others.

When Modi was with Gujarat BJP in 1989, the BJP-Janata Dal alliance won 23 of the 26 seats in the state with the latter losing in three contests with Congress. A year later, it swept to power in the assembly polls.

Party sources said that Modi's early training of working with people across the political spectrum during Emergency, something that he mentioned in a blog. "For youngsters like me, the Emergency gave a wonderful opportunity to work with a wide spectrum of leaders and organisations that were fighting for the same goal. It enabled us to work beyond institutions we had been brought up with."

While Modi may have led a majority govt at the Centre, BJP did have crucial alliances at the state level, requiring him to work closely with the allies. In fact, he is seen to have shown great flexibility when BJP and PDP put together an alliance in J&K and Modi worked closely with Mufti Mohammed Sayeed.

His party colleagues said that despite the attacks from Nitish Kumar and Chandrababu Naidu in the past, Modi has never let it come in the way of working with them.

The same skills are going to be on display and may even be tested on occasions.

Middle class and household savings to be in focus: Modi

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Narendra Modi, who is all set to be sworn in as PM for the third time, on Friday said that middle class and household savings will be among focus areas for his govt, while promising to accelerate the pace of development.

Speaking after his election as the leader of NDA, Modi described upper middle class and middle class as the driving force of growth and mentioned them along with the women and the poor as his priority.

In his campaign, Modi had spoken about the 100-day agenda for the new govt, some of which will feed into the Budget, due to be presented soon.

The comments point to more steps to channelise savings into the financial sector, adding to the large base of retail investors into the mutual fund space and direct investors in stock markets. Many financial sector experts have argued that it may be time for govt and regulators to build upon the JAM (Jan Dhan bank accounts, Aadhaar, Mobile) framework to ensure that money, instead of lying idle, is used to create wealth.

In the manifesto, BJP had promised better housing facility for the middle class through a reduction in the cost of construction and registration and regulatory changes such as automatic approvals for housing designs. Besides, ahead of polls, Modi had announced a new interest subsidy scheme for the urban poor, something that is expected to be implemented after the budget.

Besides, the Sankalp Patra had promised to increase the Ayushman Bharat coverage, while expanding it to include senior citizens too. They will also get doorstep delivery of several govt services, it had said.

The party manifesto had also spoken about BJP govt's plan to launch an insurance scheme for traders and small businesses to protect them from accidents, thefts and natural calamities.

While there have been demands for reworking the income tax slabs, it is unclear if the Centre will change its strategy on the new tax regime after the budget. Besides, there is expectation of changes in the GST slabs too.

In 72 UP seats, BJP got less votes in 2024 than in 2019

DROP IN BJP VOTES IN PROMINENT SEATS

Seat	2024 Candidate	2024 Votes	2019 Votes	Decline
Mathura	**Hema Malini**	5,10,064	6,71,293	1,61,229
Gorakhpur	Ravi Kishan	5,85,834	7,17,122	1,31,288
Amethi	Smriti Irani	3,72,032	4,68,514	96,482
Allahabad	Ujjwal Raman Singh	4,03,350	4,94,454	91,104
Ghaziabad	Atul Garg	8,54,170	9,44,503	90,333
Varanasi	Narendra Modi	6,12,970	6,74,664	61,694
Sultanpur	Maneka Gandhi	4,01,156	4,59,196	58,040
Meerut	Arun Govil	5,46,469	5,86,184	39,715
Faizabad	Lallu Singh	4,99,722	5,29,021	29,299
Lucknow	Rajnath Singh	6,12,709	6,33,026	20,317



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BJP didn't just see a sharp fall in its vote share in Uttar Pradesh from 49.6% in 2019 to 41.4% this time. In 72 of the 75 constituencies that it contested both times, the number of votes it polled also fell by anything between a few thousand and 2.2 lakh. All told, it polled about 65 lakh fewer votes in UP this time despite the total number of votes polled in the state going up.

The list of constituencies in which BJP got fewer votes this time includes Varanasi, where the PM won, Yogi's home turf Gorakhpur, Rajnath Singh's constituency Lucknow and Faizabad, which includes Ayodhya. Not surprisingly, Amethi and Rae Bareli too figure in the list.

The only constituencies in which BJP polled more votes than last time in UP were Gautam Buddha Nagar (Noida) in the national capital region, Bareilly and Kaushambi. Even among these, its vote share was lower in 2024 than in 2019 in Bareilly and just slightly higher in the other two seats.

BJP had polled just under 4.3 crore votes of the over 8.6 crore votes in UP last time. This time round, while the total votes polled in the state went up a little to just under 8.8 crore, BJP got a little over 3.6 crore votes.

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Part of this decline was because it did not contest three of the seats it had contested last time — Bijnor, Baghpat and Ghosi — but even if we look only at the 75 seats it contested in both elections, its votes polled dropped from 4.1 crore to 3.6 crore or about 50 lakh. That's an average of nearly 67,000 votes dropped on each seat.

Of the 75 seats, BJP's votes declined by over a lakh in 12, including Mathura, Aligarh, Muzaffarnagar and Fatehpur Sekhri in the west and Gorakhpur in the east. In another 36 seats, the drop was between 50,000 and a lakh. These included Amethi, Rae Bareli, Allahabad, Ghaziabad, Mainpuri and Varanasi, where the PM got over 60,000 votes less this time.

BSP had won 8 of these 75 seats last time. Of those, SP and Congress won six this time and Chandrashekhar won Nagina. The decline in its own votes meant that BJP could not capitalize on the BSP's decimation and could only wrest Amroha from it.

SNIPPETS

Modi bows down to Constitution

Narendra Modi on Friday walked up to the Indian Constitution kept at the Central Hall of the old Parliament building on Friday. Holding the Constitution in both hands, Modi lifted it and touched it to his forehead, in a show of respect. The visual holds significance as Modi stakes claim to form govt, as the effectiveness of the opposition's allegation that BJP would change the Constitution played a big role in their success.

Modi calls on Advani, Joshi

Narendra Modi on Friday called on BJP veterans L K Advani and Murli Manohar Joshi at their respective residences here, after a meeting with the newly elected MPs and before staking claim to form govt for a third consecutive term, even as this time BJP lacks majority in the House. Modi met Advani, a founder BJP member who played a crucial role in stitching together the original NDA.

Historic Central Hall comes to life

The Central Hall of the old Parliament House, the historic chamber where the Constitution was drafted, came to life once more on Friday. Following the new Parliament building having come up about a year ago, this was the first time since the heritage building was abandoned that the Hall was abuzz with formal and informal interactions of MPs. The grand old chamber shone in all its glory when the elected MPs of the NDA met there to choose Modi as the leader.

Yogi gets a pat on back from Modi

UP CM Yogi Adityanath obviously did not look in the best of spirits, following the Lok Sabha debacle in a state where the party was expecting a strong showing following the Ram temple inauguration among other factors, but the pat on the back he received from Narendra Modi on Friday must have worked to relax the mood.

Gadkari missing from high table

It was interesting to note that while two of the predecessors of BJP chief Amit Shah and Rajnath Singh found a place on the high table alongside Modi and the alliance party leaders, one of the former party chiefs—Nitin Gadkari was spotted on the front row seat across the dais.

Saffron gives way to golden hue

BJP contingent led by Modi wore scarves on Friday that had a uniform golden border on off-white background, instead of the saffron border that had dominated the canvas for the last 10 years. The change in the colour scheme seemed to reflect the transition from the BJP-majority govt to the coalition govt.

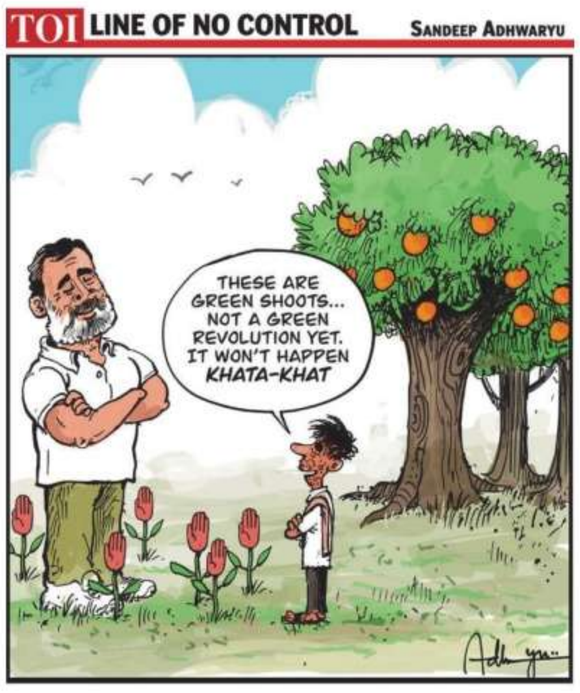
Reply by Fri to J&K MP's plea for parole: HC to NIA

New Delhi: A Delhi court on Friday granted National Investigation Agency (NIA) time till June 14 to file a reply on the plea of Sheikh Abdul Rashid, also known as Engineer Rashid, seeking interim bail to take oath as a Member of Parliament (MP).

Rashid, who is lodged in Delhi's Tihar Jail, under Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA) in an alleged 2016 terror-funding case, won the Baramulla seat as an Independent in the Lok Sabha polls.

He moved the court, seeking interim bail or custody parole to take oath and fulfil his parliamentary duties. TNN

TOI LINE OF NO CONTROL — SANDEEP ADHWARYU



Ajit team to call on Modi, convey farm anger over onion export ban

Nashik: A section of NCP MLAs who attended Thursday's meeting with party chief Ajit Pawar expressed "anguish" over the Union govt's failure to roll back the ban on onion exports before Lok Sabha election, which, they said, "sent the wrong message to the state's farming community", reports **Ranjan Dasgupta**.

Ajit Pawar had called the meeting of party MLAs to take stock of his party's poor performance in the general election wherein NCP managed to win only one of the four seats it contested.

"We told Ajit dada that many of the NCP MLAs hail from rural areas where votes from the farming community are extremely important. During our campaign for the Mahayuti candidates , we were asked by the farmers about the onion export ban issue. We failed to provide them with proper answers," NCP's Sinnar MLA, Manikrao Kokate, said.

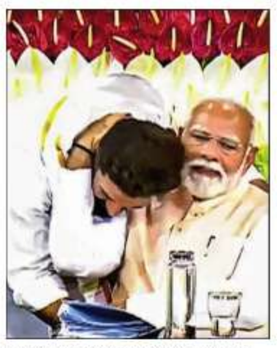
Union minister Bharati Pawar lost Dindori to NCP (SCP) nominee Bhaskar Bhagare because of the growing anger among onion farmers.

Party MLAs also pointed at the growing distress among Maharashtra's cotton and soyabean farmers.

"It was decided that after Modi takes oath, an NCP delegation will meet him and other Union ministers requesting greater focus on farmers' issues. ," Kokate said.

Modi-Chirag public display of affection catches the eye

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Modi with Chirag during NDA's parliamentary party meeting in New Delhi on Friday

New Delhi: LJP (Ram Vilas) chief Chirag Paswan credited Narendra Modi for NDA returning to office for the third time in a row. More than his praise, what caught the eye was the affection between the two.

After announcing his support for Modi, Chirag walked up to him, shook his hand and hugged him, while Modi responded with a warm pat on his head.

The bonhomie between the two leaders is not new. In July 2023, Chirag had touched Modi's feet and Modi had hugged him ahead of the NDA meeting in Delhi. Chirag and his uncle Pashupati Kumar Paras, who heads Rashtriya LJP, were present in the meeting. Modi's response was seen as a signal of Chirag's outfit returning to the NDA fold.

Even during the recent election campaign in Hajipur, Modi had said he saw Chirag as a son who was the "future of Bihar".

On Friday, Chirag said the credit of NDA forming the govt again went to Modi. "It was his willpower which helped in registering such a massive victory. It is not a normal thing that NDA got such a big victory under the leadership of Narendra Modi for the third time in a row." Stating that people had full faith in Modi, he said, "Because of you, today we can proudly say in front of the world that India has become the fifth-largest economy of the world."

Chirag said Modi had the willpower to reduce the difference between villages and cities, rich and poor, and to set the target of a developed India by 2047.

HAM (Secular) leader Jitan Ram Manjhi, while announcing his support to Modi, said the commitment was from the family and lineage of Dasrath Manjhi who cut a road through a mountain with "chisel and hammer" in 24 years, signalling his party's determination to remain in NDA. Dashrath Manjhi, also known as 'Mountain Man', was a labourer from Gehlaur village near Gaya.

JD(U), Shiv Sena slam oppn for spreading 'false narratives'

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> **Statues shifted in Parliament to rob oppn MPs of a place to protest: Cong**
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> Even as the Lok Sabha secretariat clarified that statues of Mahatma Gandhi, B R Ambedkar and Chhatrapati Shivaji, among others, were "respectfully relocated to a grand Prerna Sthal" in the Parliament House complex as part of a landscaping exercise, Congress claimed that one of the reasons behind the move was to rob opposition MPs of a place to protest.
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> Questioning the move, party spokesperson Pawan Khera said the statues were shifted out of "vengeance and vendetta". TNN

New Delhi: Two important NDA allies, JD(U) and Shiv Sena, on Friday blasted the INDIA bloc led by Congress for "spreading false narratives" all through its election campaign. "They gained nothing through this false propaganda," Bihar CM Nitish Kumar said while endorsing Narendra Modi as the leader of the BJP-led NDA.

Kumar said the opposition managed to win a few seats "idhar udhar" (here and there) by propagating false narratives. "Ye sab bina matlab ka baat bol bol kar ke kiya hai (they have done this by talking about meaningless things)," he said, and added that opposition leaders propagating such narratives "have done nothing for the country".

"Modi has done so much for the country and despite that this has happened," Kumar said in an apparent reference to BJP falling way short of full majority and warned that next time, the opposition would not get an opportunity to dominate the polls.

Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde, who heads Shiv Sena, also mentioned "false narratives" but refused to get into details. "Voters have rejected them and accepted Modi in spite of the false narratives and rumours spread by them," he said.

Kumar and Shinde's attack was directed towards the opposition's claim about BJP seeking a bigger mandate, "400 paar", to change the Constitution and end quota.

Cong brass to meet today to chalk out its strategy

New Delhi: The Congress' top leadership will deliberate on Lok Sabha election results and chalk out its future strategy at a crucial meeting of the party's working committee on Saturday.

In a post on X, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh said that a meeting of extended Congress Working Committee will be held on Saturday at 11 am at Hotel Ashok.

This will be followed by a meeting of the Congress Parliamentary Party, comprising all newly elected Lok Sabha MPs and Rajya Sabha MPs in Central Hall of Parliament, at 5:30 pm.

The party's top brass, including Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, besides other leaders will participate in the deliberations. Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge, who has convened the meeting, will also host a dinner for all extended CWC members and CPP members in the evening.

Congress has emerged as the second-largest party in Lok Sabha, improving its tally to 99 from 52 in the 2019 elections. TNN

BJP, Sena alliance 'Fevicol ka jod' that won't break: Shinde

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New Delhi: Invoking Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde extended support to PM-designate Modi saying the alliance of BJP and Shiv Sena of Balasaheb Thackeray's ideal is "Fevicol ka Jod" which is unbreakable. NCP chief Ajit Pawar also extended support.

"I can only say that BJP and Shiv Sena have similar ideology. Our alliance was forged under the leadership of Balasaheb Thackeray. This is an alliance of 'Fevicol ka jod' and this will never break. Our PM has put huge efforts in every Lok Sabha election and has held meetings. The country has seen his magic and for the third time he is going to take charge as PM," Shinde said.

The Maharashtra CM also said that while people have rejected the "fake narratives" of the opposition, the development plank of Modi has won.

NCP chief Ajit Pawar also supported the proposal to name PM-designate Modi as the leader of NDA parliamentary party. Apna Dal president Anupriya Patel said NDA family is strongly with him and under his leadership the new govt will set records in the country.



Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde said that the development plank of PM Modi has won

Fadnavis meets BJP brass, no decision on his offer to quit

While Devendra Fadnavis has offered to step down as deputy CM in view of the BJP's poor performance in the LS polls in Maharashtra and take up party work full-time in view of the upcoming assembly elections, the BJP's Central leadership has not taken any decision so far, sources said. All decisions are likely only after Modi's swearing-in ceremony on Sunday. Fadnavis was in Delhi on Friday to attend PM Modi's address to NDA MPs and later met Union home minister Amit Shah at his residence. He also had a meeting with BJP president J P Nadda. However, no decision on his offer has been taken yet. TNN

7 neighbouring nations' leaders to attend Modi's swearing-in

New Delhi: Leaders of seven countries from India's immediate neighbourhood and the Indian Ocean region will attend PM-designate Narendra Modi's third inauguration on Sunday, govt sources said. A formal announcement about the participation of Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Mauritius and Seychelles is expected on Saturday.

Pakistan and Myanmar remain the only two countries in the immediate neighbourhood to have not yet been invited for the ceremony.

While then Pakistan PM Nawaz Sharif had attended the inauguration in 2014 in which all Saarc countries had been invited, Myanmar was in the guest list for the 2019 swearing-in for which BIMSTEC leaders were invited in another neighbourhood outreach.

Inviting Afghanistan was out of the question because India hasn't recognised the Taliban regime in Kabul. Leaders of Bhutan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and the Maldives have confirmed participation in the event.

Myanmar is in middle of an internal crisis precipitated by clashes between the military and armed opposition groups. Pakistan was not invited for the 2019 inauguration too, after Modi's peace initiative fizzled out because of repeated terror attacks carried out from across the border. TNN

Knives out for Annamalai after drawing a blank in TN

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FEELING THE HEAT: TN BJP chief K Annamalai in New Delhi on Friday

Chennai: Discontent raged within Tamil Nadu BJP unit, with some second-rung leaders evincing strong views about state party president K Annamalai's 'miscalculated' strategies leading to AIADMK breaking ties with BJP, that cost them dearly.

On Thursday, BJP state president K Annamalai, while noting that AIADMK had been rejected by people, ruled out the possibility of an alliance with the primary Dravidian party in the 2026 assembly election, provided he remained in charge.

Certain sections in BJP believe that an alliance with AIADMK for Lok Sabha polls could have been a game-changer, potentially backing Narendra Modi's overall tally, which is currently below majority mark. Annamalai's move to sideline AIADMK to boost BJP's growth has not gone down well with sections in the party.

BJP secured fourth position in Nagapattinam and forfeited its deposit in 11 out of 23 constituencies it contested, including that of its ally IJK in Perambalur. Allies such as PMK, TMC, and AMMK also lost their security deposits in 10 seats for failing to meet the required one-sixth threshold of votes polled.

"The unilateral decision of the leadership not to align with AIADMK has backfired on us," said a senior functionary, requesting anonymity. Senior leaders privately expressed "concerns" about the BJP IT cell's reaction to opinions against the state leadership.

BJP state intellectual cell in-charge Kalyan Raman took to X to accuse Annamalai of trying to mislead the central leadership "as usual." He termed the results as a "significant loss of face in the public eye, poor perception management, and a pathetic political misadventure."

Raman told **TOI** he was talking "hard truth" as the party's "war room" was trying to create a myth around Annamalai as if he was a god sent, while he was not.

With TDP win, Amaravati land prices have come back to 2018 levels, says AP farmer

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Vijayawada: Land prices in Amaravati had dipped 60-75% after outgoing AP CM Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy announced in 2019 a proposal to develop three capitals, puncturing the euphoria built around the city.

After five years, with a change at the helm and TDP chief N Chandrababu Naidu's reputation as someone with execution skills, the realty sector in Amaravati seems to be witnessing a V-shaped recovery in terms of prices.

Farmers with parcels of land near the AIIMS campus expect a further increase in land prices if an announcement on Amaravati as the new capital is made.

Ginjupalli Subbarao, a farmer from Amaravati, said he had already received many calls from prospective buyers. "There were no takers until six months ago, but the sentiment has changed," he said. "With the election results in favour of the alliance, land prices have come back to 2018 levels." During the election campaign, Naidu had said that Amaravati would be revived if TDP and its allies came to office.

TDP national general secretary Nara Lokesh said his party didn't even contemplate altering Amaravati's master plan before being replaced by YSRCP in 2018. He said since there was no better alternative to the existing master plan, the TDP-led govt would stick to the original strategy of developing the city based on a self-sustaining model.

Despite spending about Rs 10,000 crore, the erstwhile TDP govt couldn't complete all infrastructure projects, including laying roads and drains and expanding the power and water supply network.

According to sources, Naidu was planning to complete all pending infrastructure on priority to turn Amaravati into a magnet for investors and developers.

Several institutions, including RBI, NTPC, ONGC, Indian Bank and SBI, have also purchased land to establish regional offices in Amaravati.

CAPITAL GAINS

- Land prices in Amaravati prior to 2019 stood at ₹ 25,000-60,000/ sq yd
- After YSRCP came to govt, prices dipped to ₹9,000-18,000 / sq yd
- Now, land prices hover in the region of ₹30,000-60,000 / sq yd
- Land near educational institutions, the high court, assembly, secretariat and central govt institutions are in high demand
- Realtors, farmers and brokers receiving interest from buyers in Hyderabad, US, UK and Australia



SOUGHT-AFTER AREAS

- Rayapudi
- Inavolu
- Kuragallu
- Nelapadu
- Velagapudi
- Krishnayapalem
- Venkatayapalem
- Diamond Ring areas near NH-16 bypass
- Land along link roads

Woman's extramarital affair is cruelty to husband, says HC, grants divorce to man

Raipur: If a woman gets into an extramarital relationship, it amounts to mental cruelty on the husband, said Chhattisgarh HC as it overturned a lower court order and granted divorce to a man.

"The appellant husband's testimony and evidence presented indicate that the wife committed adulterous acts, amounting to cruelty. This justifies the granting of a decree for dissolution of marriage under Section 13(1)(i-a) of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955," a division bench of Justice Goutam Bhaduri and Justice Radhakishan Agrawal said.

The husband said his wife's behaviour suddenly changed. On May 27, 2014, she allegedly left her matrimonial home with their three children without informing the husband or his family. He alleged that on June 7, 2017, he saw her "in an adulterous act" at their home. The wife denied these allegations. TNN

Agra man abducted, murdered for ₹10L ransom

A 24-year-old man was abducted and murdered in the Malpura police station area in Agra after his family could not pay the Rs 10 lakh ransom his captors demanded for his release. Despite arresting the suspects, the police are yet to find the victim's body. TNN

30 monkeys beaten to death in K'taka

As many as 30 monkeys were sedated and brutally killed at Narasimha Raja Pura taluk in Karnataka's Chikkamagaluru on Friday, forest officials said.

The monkeys were fed poisoned bananas. When they fell unconscious, they were beaten to death. All had head injuries. TNN

NORTHERN RAILWAY

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

TENDER NOTICE

Invitation of Tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems)

N.I.T. No.	04-A-2024-25-W-V
Name of Work with its location	Installation of Sewage Treatment Plant Capacity 100 KLD and two rain water harvesting plants capacity 20 cum in Diesel Shed, Tughlakabad in the section of SSE/W/M/TKD under ADEN/HNZM. **Similar nature of work:** Supply, design, erection and commissioning of sewerage treatment plant and/or effluent treatment plant.
Approx. Cost of work	₹1,28,24,270.32
Earnest Money Deposit	(It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway Only. **Note:** FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS as per Railway Boards letter no 201025//CE-I/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016) ₹2,14,100/-
Completion period of work	06 Months
Date and time for submission of tender and opening of tender	Upto 15:00 hrs. on 02.07.2024 Opening of tender at 15:00 hrs. on 02.07.2024
Website particulars notice board location complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc.	Above tender available on IREPS site www.ireps.gov.in

No.: 128-W/280/OET/2024-25/W-V/NIT-04-A-2024-25 Dated : 07.06.2024

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PUBLIC NOTICE
GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA
EXCISE & TAXATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE FOR INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR THE ALLOTMENT OF WHOLESALE LICENSE OF IMFL (L-1) AND COUNTRY LIQUOR (L-13) FOR THE YEAR 2024-25 IN All DISTRICTS OF THE STATE.

The applications are hereby invited for grant of wholesale license of IMFL in the form of L-1 and Wholesale license of Country Liquor in form of L-13 for all districts in the State. The Wholesale license of IMFL (L-1) and Country Liquor (L-13) shall be granted to the applicant amongst the retail outlet allottees/licensees of Indian Made foreign Liquor (L-2) and Country Liquor (L-14A) respectively. The L-1 and L-13 licenses shall be granted on the basis of quota contribution of Indian Made foreign Liquor (L-2) and Country Liquor (L-14A) (of the policy year 2024-25), amongst the applicant allottees/licensees of retail zones within an Excise district. The quota contribution for the purpose of grant of L-1 & L-13 licenses shall be calculated on the basis of retail liquor zones allotted as on 10.06.2024 for receiving such applications for grant of L-1/L-13. The L-1/L-13 license(s) shall be granted only to those eligible applicants who apply for the License(s) within the date fixed/extended by the Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Haryana. The Excise Policy provides that the Excise and Taxation Commissioner may invite applications for such number of L-1/L-13 licenses as he may deem fit. The Excise and Taxation Commissioner may also conduct the process of allotment in multiple rounds of inviting applications. Next round of allotment of L-1 and L-13 Licenses will be initiated after the completion of first round.

The number of wholesale licenses of IMFL (L-1) and Country Liquor (L-13) in the district for which the applications are being invited in first round shall be as under:-

Sr. No.	Districts	Number of L-1 (s) to be granted	Number of L-13 (s) to be granted
1	Ambala	1	1
2	Bhiwani	1	1
3	Faridabad	3	3
4	Fatehabad	1	1
5	Gurugram (East)	3	2
6	Gurugram (West)	2	2
7	Hisar	1	1
8	Jagadhari	2	2
9	Jhajjar	1	1
10	Jind	1	1
11	Kaithal	1	1
12	Karnal	1	1
13	Kurukshetra	1	1
14	Mewat	1	1
15	Narnaul	1	1
16	Palwal	1	1
17	Panchkula	1	1
18	Panipat	1	2
19	Rewari	2	2
20	Rohtak	1	1
21	Sirsa	1	1
22	Sonepat	2	3
	TOTAL	**30**	**31**

The licenses for wholesale outlets of IMFL. (L-1) and Country Liquor (1-13) shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Haryana Excise Act, 1914, rules framed thereunder and as per the Excise Policy for the year 2024-25. The Excise Policy for the year 2024-25 is available on the official website of the department www.haryanatax.gov.in.

The application may be submitted in the office of the DETC (Excise) concerned on or before 10.06.2024. The application shall be forwarded by the DETC (Excise) alongwith his recommendation to the Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Haryana, immediately.

The quota contribution shall be taken up to 10.06.2024.

The licenses for wholesale outlets of IMFL (L-1) and Country Liquor (L-13) shall be granted subject to the provisions of Haryana Excise Act, 1914, rules framed thereunder and as per the Excise Policy for the year 2024-25.

Excise and Taxation Commissioner
Haryana, Panchkula

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NORTHERN RAILWAY

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Invitation of tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems)

N.I.T. No	07 (A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K,L,M,N)/24-25/WE
Name of work with its location	**(A)** Balance work of improvement to damaged boundary wall and replacing worn out bamboo new jaffrey fencing over brick toe wall and other allied work in the section of SSE/W/S.P. Marg under ADEN/E-II. **(B)** Improvement to storm, drain, park, boundary wall, and other allied works in the S/o SSE/W/S.P. Marg under ADEN/E-II. **(C)** Provision of work station in Electrical Department Room No. 349, 235 (Drawing Section) and Renovation of Electrical officers Chamber in Annexe-I in the S/o SSE/W/BH under ADEN/E-III. **(D)** Supply & maintenance of Indoor well developed ornamental potted plants, average ht. 1' to 5' (#) on hire basis in various flats/Bungalow in the S/o JE/Hort./SOJ under ADEN/Hort./NDLS. **(E)** Supply & Maintenance of indoor well developed ornamental potted plants, average ht. 1' to 5' on hire basis in HQ Office Baroda House, DRM Office New Delhi, CPM/GSU, Control Room in DRM Office New Delhi, C/CRS office, Railway Board Media Centre, TA Building in the S/o SSE/Hort./BH & SSE/Hort./NDLS under ADEN/Hort./NDLS. **(F)** Supply & Maintenance of indoor well developed ornamental potted plants, average ht. 1' to 5' on hire basis at Residence cum Camp Office of MoSR(D), in the S/o JE/Hort./SOJ under ADEN/Hort./NDLS. **(G)** Repair to vacant bungalows Type-V, Type-VI, Type-VII and Type-I, II qtr. of BRSQ colony and other miscellaneous works in the S/O SSE/W/S.P.Marg under ADEN/E-II. **(H)** Improvement of staff amenities including existing damaged water supply, line existing water installation at S.P.Marg and other allied work in the Section of SSE/W/S.P.Marg under ADEN/E-II. **(I)** Annual Zone work of whitewash, petty repair for period ending 30.06.2025 in the section of SSE/W/RB under ADEN/E-III. **(J)** Annual general repair and white washing, painting of staff qtrs and service building for period ending 30.06.2025 in the section of SSE/W/DKZ-I under ADEN/E-IV. **(K)** Annual general repair and white washing painting of staff qtrs and service buildings in Loco colony/DEE for period ending 30.06.2025 in the section of SSE/W/DKZ-I under ADEN/E-IV. **(L)** Annual general repair and white washing, painting of staff qtrs and service building for period ending 30.06.2025 in the section of SSE/W/DKZ-II under ADEN/E-IV. **(M)** Annual Zone work of staff quarter & service building & other offices colonies for the period ending 30.06.2025 in the section of SSE/W/T.C under ADEN/E-I. **(N)** Annual general repair and white washing, painting of staff qtrs. and service buildings at Punjabi Bagh, Dayabasti, Rampura, Wazipur, Pandav Nagar, RPF and RPSF complex, Printing Press/SSB, Electric workshop for the ending on 30.06.2025 in the S/o SSE/W/Punjabi Bagh under ADEN/E-II.
Approx Cost of work	(A) 10236994.93 (B) 8999982.35 (C) 11133305.39 (D) 14995744.80 (E) 10684144.80 (F) 7760880.00 (G) 13119978.17 (H) 18730985.74 (I) 8923171.87 (J) 9349986.13 (K) 9349997.48 (L) 14998392.03 (M) 9999948.74 (N) 10999996.52
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Completion period of work	(A) 06 Months (B) 06 Months (C) 06 Months (D) 24 Months (E) 12 Months (F) 12 Months (G) 06 Months (H) 06 Months (I) 12 Months (J) 12 Months (K) 12 Months (L) 12 Months (M) 12 Months (N) 12 Months
Date and Time for submission of tender and opening of tender	Closing date of tender on 02.07.2024 at 15:00 hrs.
Website particular notice board location complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc	Above tender available on website i.e. www.ireps.gov.in

No. 128-W/269/OET/23-24/WE/NIT/07 (A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K,L,M,N)
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CORRIGENDUM TO THE ADVERTISEMENT NO. AUD/07/ACAD./2024 DATED 14.03.2024 FOR VARIOUS TEACHING POSTS, REGARDING RESERVATION FOR THE POSTS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND EXTENSION OF LAST DATE FOR ONLINE APPLICATION

No. AUD/07/Acad./2024 **Dated: 27.05.2024**

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University Delhi is a State University established through Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University Delhi Act, 2007 by the Legislature of the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

The University vide its recruitment advertisement No. AUD/07/Acad./2024 dated 14.03.2024 has invited online applications from the eligible candidates for recruitment to various teaching positions on regular basis. The last date for submitting online application was extended vide notification dated 05.04.2024, 30.04.2024, 08.05.2024 and 27.05.2024. In continuation of the notice dated 27.05.2024 for extension of date, the last date for submission of application is further extended. Corigendum for reservation for the persons with disabilities is as under:

Out of 67 posts, 05 posts reserved for the persons with disabilities in the following category as details given below:

a) Blindness and low vision, (b) Deaf and Hard of Hearing,
c) Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy,
d) Autism spectrum disorder, Specific learning disability, Intellectual disability & Mental illness,
e) Multiple Disability from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities

Note: The functional requirements and suitable category of Benchmark Disability for the above categories shall be regulated as per the Gazette of India Notification dated 07.01.2021 notified by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment along with the other instructions issued from time to time by the Govt. of India (DoPT OM dated 15.01.2018)/ GNCT of Delhi.

Note: The posts advertised are tentative. The University reserves the right to increase or decrease or cancel the number of posts at any stage of recruitment process.

For details, please visit University website https://aud.delhi.gov.in for Qualifications, General Instructions, Eligibility Criteria, online application form, payment of fee & other details.

Commencement of online application for all posts: 15.03.2024

Last date to apply online has been extended. Now the last date is: 14.06.2024 (up to 23:59hrs)

The Last date of receiving hard copy of application form: 21.06.2024 (up to 17:30 hrs)

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invites proposals against the following RFPs for Temporary structures, Mobile Toilets, Liner Bags, Dustbins in MahaKumbh 2025

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- Request for proposal for Provision of Temporary Public Accommodation structures for MahaKumbh 2025
- Request for Proposal for Empanelment of vendors to provide Hangar structures
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- Request for Proposal for Provision of Temporary structures for MahaKumbh 2025 - Ganga Pandal
- Request for Proposal for Provision of Temporary structures for MahaKumbh 2025 - Convention Halls
- Request for Proposal for Empanelment of Vendors for Procurement of Liner Bags for MahaKumbh 2025
- Request for Proposal for Empanelment of Vendors for Procurement of Dustbins for MahaKumbh 2025
- Request for Proposal for Empanelment of Vendors for Renting, Operating, Maintaining Mobile Toilets with septic tank for Maha Kumbh 2025

Interested bidders can download the documents from the website https://etender.up.nic.in from 08th June 2025 onwards
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TIMES evoke

THE UNIVERSE WILL FIND A WAY

Scientists recently discovered two galaxies perched on the edge of time. One was born 350 million years after the Big Bang — the primordial state of high density and temperature which began stretching over the next 14 billion years, continuing into our ever-expanding cosmos today. The other galaxy formed just 290 million years after this epochal event — for comparison, our own Earth is 4.5 billion years old. A galaxy, a clutch of stars, which formed so soon after the Big Bang would have been an extraordinary opening note in the grand song of time.

Why, some might ask, do we need to know this? The answer is elementary, dear TE reader — you are this cosmos. Your every atom comes from these celestial bodies. The first generation of stars formed after the Big Bang, clumps of gas combining and combusting, this nucleosynthesis creating the elements. When these stars exploded in supernovas, they expelled the elements into space, producing matter for the next generation of stars to form, burn and explode.

This alchemy of galactic chemical evolution — each element coming from a star, combinations of these then creating gases, minerals, asteroids, planets, water and air — made the atoms that form us. Every living being has thus travelled 14 billion years over time and timelessness to reach the one place where all that is needed for life — air, water, soil, trees, microorganisms and a warming sun — united. Thus, you are truly miraculous, every fibre of your being having descended from space to the universe's only known hospitable home. There is literally no end to this amazing story for as each living being perishes, it returns these atoms to the environment, as material for new life.

Today, in the Anthropocene, it is crucial we renew our admiration for this fact. Many imagine Earth as just a place to plunder and pollute. Few consider the impacts of our behaviour on such huge, intricately linked systems. More need to care for Earth which, as Carl Sagan describes so movingly in 'Cosmos', is our parent. Our appreciation or destruction of it will be profound, not just for this planet but for this mighty experiment of space, time and being. Join Times Evoke in learning about our stellar lives for knowledge, as TE's global experts emphasise, can awaken us to our cosmic responsibilities as children of stars and siblings of all lives. Once that happens, to keep this unique planet proliferating, the universe will — again — find a way.

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'Light from JADES-GS-z14-0 travelled 14 billion years to us — it mirrors how special our lives are'

*Astronomer **Kevin Hainline**, associate research professor at the University of Arizona, is part of the JWST/NIRCam Science team. Speaking to **Srijana Mitra Das** at **Times Evoke**, he explains two new ancient galaxies:*



What is the core of your research?

■ I study the early universe and how the first galaxies came to be. Using ultra-deep data from the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST), I look at how the first stars and galaxies changed the universe and why these are different from the ones we see locally.

Can you tell us about your recent discovery of two ancient galaxies?

■ This is part of the JWST Advanced Deep Extragalactic Survey (JADES). Last year, when we got our first JADES data, ultra-deep images of hundreds of thousands of galaxies, I wrote a paper which, from the images alone, identified galaxies that emerged in the first 600 million years after the Big Bang. Last winter, we got observations confirming these distances — two of the objects I'd written about were the farthest or from the earliest times humans have ever seen. One galaxy is from 290 million years after the Big Bang and another, 310 million years. So, we're seeing some of the first galaxies created — this is very profound.

These are remarkably bright — what are the implications of what you write of as 'a shining cosmic dawn'?

■ As the paper by S. Carniani et al, where I'm the second author, describes, there are two galaxies — one is more in line with the type of brightness expected. However, the farthest one, termed JADES-GS-z14-0, is very bright, four to five times brighter than the other. To be that bright, you need a lot of stars or a good deal of star formation. The fact that this red galaxy is so bright — at only 290 million years after the Big Bang — stresses our models for how quickly we think galaxies could form stars.

Image: NASA, ESA, CSA, K. Misselt, A. Abergel



CLOUDY SKY: JWST's 'Horsehead Nebula' has hydrogen, methane and ice clouds

Also, this is 1,700 light years across — that's significantly larger than other galaxies which are usually 200 light years across. We could explain its brightness by surmising that perhaps, the galaxy is experiencing a crazy burst of stars being born and we're seeing it at the peak of that. There could be other explanations, like when stars are formed in the early universe, the gas clouds that make them are different to the ones which form stars later. This is a real puzzle though as we weren't expecting to see something so bright at this distance.

A BIG BANG THEORY

Could oxygen and hydrogen be present in these galaxies?

■ Jakob Helton, a graduate student I work with in the University of Arizona, saw this galaxy was very bright at longer wavelengths than can be seen with the NIRCam instrument we were using. When we looked at it with MIRI, another instrument, we saw it was even brighter — this shows there is potentially the existence of light that is a glowing ionised hydrogen or even oxygen gas. We need to continue observations but this would have larger implications — oxygen is created inside stars. Those stars then end in supernova explosions. As this galaxy emerged just 290 million years after the Big Bang, that requires very early supernovas. Generally, it's thought that as we go back in time, we see less of the heavier elements like oxygen. The fact that there is potentially oxygen here is very exciting.

Finding this emphasises how astronomy means reaching into time. We expect the universe to become more simplistic going backwards — but here, the potential presence of oxygen is like finding a smartphone in ancient Rome.

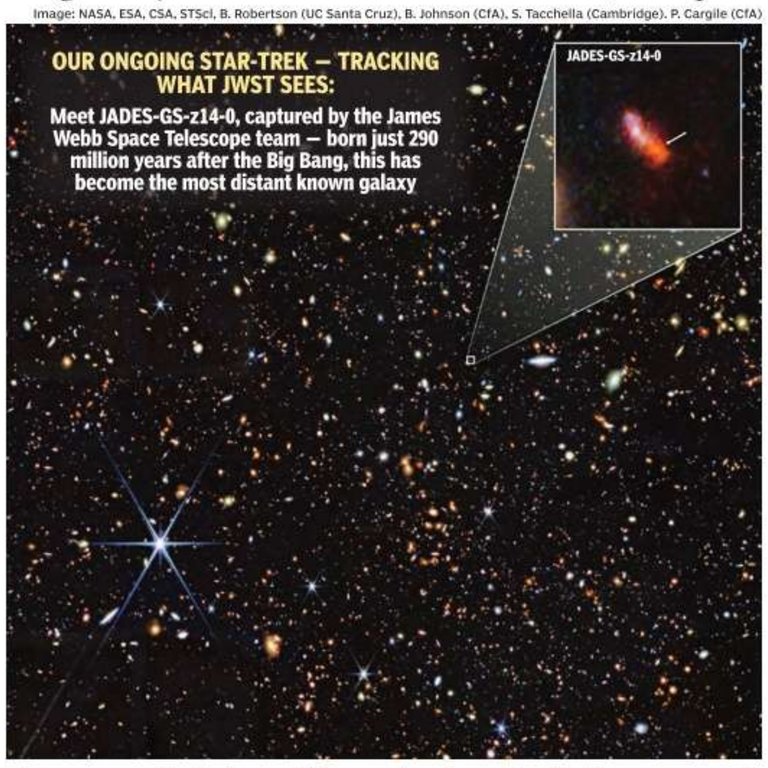
Is there a possibility of life here?

■ We probably can't find that. Developing life on Earth needed four billion years — this galaxy is just 290 million years old after the start of things. The basic building blocks were beginning while life is so fragile, it needs a long time to grow.

How many stars does this contain?

■ When we modelled JADES-GS-z14-0, we found it's got 500 million stars in it. This is more than the other galaxy which has only 100 million stars. So, this one has four to five times the number of stars' worth of stuff in it. We'll need longer wavelength observations to nail this down though.

Image: NASA, ESA, CSA, STScI, B. Robertson (UC Santa Cruz), B. Johnson (CfA), S. Tacchella (Cambridge), P. Cargile (CfA)



You're the first person to see these galaxies — how did that moment feel?

■ I've actually found all three of the current distance record-holders as I discovered GS-z13-0 some years ago. But JADES-GS-z14-0 was special — when I found it, I was quite suspicious because it had all the hallmarks of trying to trick us. I was sceptical until we finally confirmed its properties. When you discover these things, it's just one tiny smudge among thousands — but the confirmation of its distance was a very important moment. That showed how this smudge in fact represents light that travelled for 14 billion years to us — and I was the first person on Earth to see it. Our team was the first group of people to grapple with what that meant. Being part of such a collective of scientists, who put years into this, is a huge privilege. The distance record will be broken by another scientist eventually but it feels good to be part of an assemblage which has pushed human understanding forward by looking a tiny bit into the past.

Humans can't organise life on Earth too well — why is studying space important?

■ We humans tend to think we come into existence when we are born. We imagine we possess our cells and atoms — but we are just borrowing these, from the food we eat, the air we breathe. These atoms are ours for the tiniest moment. If we trace the energy that goes into our thinking, our heart beating, our blood pumping, you'll see this has always existed.

Eventually, the atoms in your fingertips and brain, the carbon in your body, go into the centre of stars. Astronomy is very humbling — it teaches us that we are the product of so many things happening in the universe. Looking back at these galaxies helps us learn how the universe began to put life together, starting with the earliest stars, with complex materials which formed other stars and eventually — in one galaxy, around one planet — we formed. All these things had to happen and go right for us to be here — this teaches us life is incredibly precious. We humans don't treasure life in the way we should or see it as this magnificent product of 14 billion years of things happening. We tend to look at trees, plants and other animals and think, 'We can do what we want with them because we're better than them' — but they are just different expressions of the same idea in the universe, which is putting all life together, atom by atom.

Image: NASA, ESA, CSA, STScI, PHANGS Team et al



SPIRALLING IN SPACE: Captured by Webb and Hubble, galaxy NGC 1566 spirals

STARSTRUCK...

● Humans have always been fascinated by the stellar world. **Hypatia** of the 4th century AD was an astronomer of **Alexandria, Egypt**, where she made **plane astrolabes** which could calculate **dates and times based on the positions of stars and planets.** Although Hypatia could imagine the heavens on a plane surface, petty jealousies caused her to be a martyr to a mob



● **Galileo** was an Italian astronomer of the **16th century** — he used telescopes to observe **the Milky Way, Jupiter's satellites, Saturn's rings and sunspots.** An advocate of **heliocentrism** – the breakthrough idea that Earth revolved around the sun, not the other way around — Galileo was punished with house imprisonment. However, it is not possible to arrest an astronomer's mind and he then wrote about **the geometry of motion**



● **Sawai Jai Singh** of **18th century India**, maharaja of Amber, was **a proficient astronomer.** He built **astronomical complexes with building-sized instruments like equinoctial dials** to calculate eclipses and the locations of stars. He built Jaipur, the famed 'pink city', but his scientific buildings are testament to his far-seeing mind



Research: Encyclopaedia Britannica, CNN, The London Review of Books, The Guardian, Smithsonian Magazine



THEY'RE HEAVENLY TOO!

● It's not just you and your TE, dear reader — **non-human animals are also thrilled by the skies.** The **nightingale**, as legend says, **loves the glowing moon so much, it sings for it all night.** Across cultures — Kalidasa described the nightingale as symbolising impending drama while the Victorians made the nightingale's lovely song a fad, even cruelly imprisoning many birds in cages — **its moonstruck melodies have become a symbol of adoration and hope**

● **Wolves howling at the moon** are an image of majestic mystery. Wolves are **nocturnal animals** though with imperfect eyesight — while popular culture gushes over wolves howling fulsomely during full moons, scientists suggest this could be **a social rallying call**, a signal to **hunt** in brighter light, a call for location **information**, a winsome invitation to potential **mates** or a **territorial warning** — wolf howls **can be heard 7 miles away** by other wolves



● **Harbor seals have their own lodestars — literally.** Spending a good deal of time searching for food along the Atlantic and Pacific coastlines, scientists have found **these marine mammals steer by the stars** — and can even **identify a single star out of the Northern Hemisphere night sky.** Seals use stars as their navigational **compasses in the skies**, which help them forage and return home successfully via Earth's waters



Research: National Geographic, NPR, BBC, Smithsonian Magazine

'We are entering solar maximum now — more places on Earth will see sun storms and aurora in the skies'

***Mark Miesch** is a research scientist at the University of Colorado and America's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Speaking to **Times Evoke**, he discusses the sun's recent magnetic storm, its spots, flares — and its majesty:*

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THAT LIGHT IN THE SKY: Auroras — a glorious, surreal show of light in the skies, seen recently in May 2024 — occur when expended solar material hits Earth's magnetosphere, causing it to shake, electrons to move and collide with molecules in the air, making these glow

Speaking with the careful precision of a scientist, Mark Miesch describes his efforts. 'I work at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Space Weather Prediction Centre (SWPC). I mainly look for research advances in the space weather community and try to turn these into real applications that can improve space weather forecasting, such as our knowledge about coronal mass ejections (CMEs) and solar flares.' Miesch's voice warms slightly as he elaborates, 'I also work on 'the seasons of the sun'. I think of this as the solar cycle — humans have been seeing sunspots or spots on the sun for centuries. These are caused by magnetic fields generated below the surface of the sun. After forming inside the sun, these pass through the surface, going into the solar atmosphere — that creates a sunspot. Over thousands of years, humans have seen how some days on the sun are very active — there are lots of spots. Some days are quiet with almost no spots. Almost 200 years ago, observers discovered a pattern to this — it goes up and down roughly every 11 years. Each sunspot lasts from a few days to a few weeks. On any given day, the number of spots varies spread over 11 years — these are 'the seasons of the sun'.'



These 'seasons' generate their own forces. As Miesch explains, 'When such activity is high with many sunspots, we get a 'solar maximum'. This is not a single day or month but lasts for two to three years. After this level of high activity occurs, the number of sunspots and solar storms tend to go down into a solar minimum. This pattern, from solar maximum to minimum, has been repeating itself for as long as we can tell.' He adds, with a touch of wry humour, 'It's been traced back over 10,000 years but the sun has probably been doing this for much longer than that.'

A MANY-SPLENDOURED SUN

Such solar activity, Miesch emphasises, is set to increase in 2024 with the solar cycle entering a phase of solar maximum now. 'We are already there and throughout the rest of 2024 and 2025, we expect the level of solar activity to remain high. The last cycle — back in 2014 — was one of the weakest in a century. This level is more normal, with the sun experiencing greater action than in 20 years.' This has implications for life on Earth though. As Miesch explains, 'Our societies have become increasingly dependent on electrical power grids, satellites, global satellite navigation systems, airline travel, etc. This makes us vulnerable to space events — and episodes caused by solar storms.'

There are different kinds of solar storms. Many parts of the world recently saw wonderful auroras, of the kind normally making up the glorious phenomenon termed the 'Northern Lights'. Miesch elucidates, 'Solar storms cause such auroras — they come from coronal mass ejections (CMEs). This is like taking a chunk out of the sun, which is a hot magnetised gas or plasma. A portion is ejected and tossed out into space, turning magnetic energy into kinetic energy or the energy of motion. This CME — a cloud of hot magnetised gas — travels through space and if it strikes Earth, it encounters our own magnetic field. That wiggles and compresses when a CME passes by. This causes particles, mostly electrons, to accelerate, move following lines of magnetic force and come down into Earth's atmosphere near the North and South Poles. When these electrons collide with molecules in the atmosphere, they make the air molecules glow — that is when we see aurora.'

May 2024 saw a remarkable solar storm setting off amazing auroras across Earth, even seen in regions like Ladakh which are far removed from the usual setting for this. When asked why, Miesch explains, 'It depends a lot on the magnetic configuration of the CME but, in general, more energetic CMEs disrupt the magnetosphere more. The bigger the disruption, the more it moves down to lower latitudes in terms of auroras. So, when we get bigger CMEs — which are more likely in a solar maximum — you see auroras in lower latitudes as well, as observed in May '24.'

There are other kinds of solar storms. Solar flares are a burst of light where magnetic energy gets converted into light as x-ray wavelengths which are very short. As Miesch states, our eyes can't see these. That burst of light hits Earth's atmosphere and ionises with molecules and atoms — this disrupts radio communications in particular. Airlines rely on that, which makes them vulnerable to disruptions from solar flares.

Studying the life and times of the sun is thus vital for human well-being. Miesch explains, 'We have many tools for this. Among others, we use the GONG Network — this is a collection of six solar observatories around the world, one being in Udaipur, India. These are placed at different longitudes, so that as Earth turns, at least two of them at any time are looking at the sun. So, we monitor the sun continuously when we combine these observatories around the world. We also have a fleet of satellites out in space — these spacecraft observe the sun in many different wavelengths or colours. That's how we can see when a lot of magnetic energy emerges in sunspots and solar storms are likely to occur. It takes a CME typically two to three days to travel from the sun to Earth — so, when we see them leaving the sun, we have a few days to run models on supercomputers and predict exactly when they will hit Earth and how severe they will be.'

Life on Earth comes from the sun. We all live because of it but at times, we can take it for granted. That cannot be said of Miesch though whose enthusiasm about the glowing star is now tangible. 'What drew me to space weather and solar physics is that the sun is so many things — it's part of our daily lives and we rely existentially on it. The sun gives us warmth to live and enables humans to grow crops which feed us and non-human animals.' Life on Earth is a complex enough phenomenon but Miesch draws a larger picture. 'The sun is also a window into the cosmos — it is a star in our own backyard. It's a laboratory for astrophysics — we can see processes on the sun that are occurring throughout the universe but the sun lets us see these up close in glorious detail, something we cannot observe on any other astronomical body.' Miesch concludes, with a touch of sunny warmth in his voice, 'The sun is a connection between our daily lives — and the universe.'



COMING SOON TO YOU? The sun more active, auroras could be seen in diverse locations



GUIDING STAR: Our friendly sun enables all life on Earth from crops to curious humans

READERS WRITE

Dear Times Evoke,

Congratulations, TE, for the wonderful interview with Andrew Pershing (1st June) on heatwaves. We've experienced many extreme heatwaves recently. Earth's entire hydrological cycle is impacted by climate change. Pershing outlined coral reefs losing their natural colour due to warming sea waters. We can still mitigate such harsh impacts through forestry, using renewable energy and saving precious natural resources.

— **Suresh Dodia**, Rajkot

Times Evoke throws light on Earth's intricately linked ecosystems and makes us realise our actions not only affect other species but find a way back to us. When I read about coral bleaching in Andrew Pershing's TE interview, it was a moment of epiphany about the human mindset of thinking we own the world. We are just one among billions of species — and we must realise this. Thank you for this well-presented interview, TE.

— **Abinaya S**, Class XI, Chennai

TE's highly informative pages are always extremely important, explaining Earth's rising temperature and its drivers. We must plant huge numbers of trees instead of deforestation, else the survival of humans and other species is at peril. Thank you for raising crucial awareness, TE.

— **Sanchari Banerjee**, Kolkata

TE's interview with Andrew Pershing on heatwaves was very informative and timely. There is very little media emphasis on climate change and addressing people's concerns about it while its potential damages are irreparable. We look forward to more, TE.

— **Krupal Soni**, Ahmedabad

Hello TE, I'm so grateful to you for your very helpful articles. I enjoy reading TE and I always improve my knowledge. Thanks a million!

— **Heena Shaikh**, Akola, Maharashtra

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K'taka bans film over communal concerns

Move Comes After Muslim Outfits' Plea; BJP Questions Action

Bengaluru: Karnataka govt has banned the screening of Bollywood film 'Hamare Baarah' in the state, citing that it may disturb communal harmony. The movie was scheduled for countrywide release on Friday.

The order, issued under sections 15 (1) and 15 (5) of Karnataka Cinema (Regulation) Act 1964, banned the broadcast of even the trailer of the movie for two weeks or until further orders. The move came after several Muslim organisations across the state petitioned the govt, alleging the trailer of the film portrayed Islam in a "humiliating manner" and was "provocative".

"If the movie is screened, it will create rifts between religions and castes. Targeting one religion intentionally, harming communal harmony, creating rifts in the nation, and hurting sentiments of Muslims is part of a conspiracy," said the order, adding: "Films should play an instrumental role in guiding society and not foment hatred between religions."

BJP's senior functionary R Ashoka condemned the move, calling it "another attempt to suppress freedom of speech and expression in Karnataka". Questioning the motives behind the ban, he asked who the CM and Karnataka Congress were trying to appease. "There is no threat to law and order in Karnataka because of this movie, which is being screened across the country. Instead of protecting the civil liberties and freedom of expression CM @siddaramaiah has yet again chosen to stand with radical elements." TNN

Objectionable dialogues to be cut, producers tell HC

Producers of the film 'Hamare Baarah' told Bombay high court on Friday they will delete allegedly objectionable dialogues and exhibit the film's edited version from Saturday. Justice Kamal Khata and Rajesh Patil allowed them to delete the dialogues so that the film's release is not stalled after a panel sought time till June 12 to take a final decision on a petition that the film portrays a minority community in a poor light.

On Thursday, the high court recalled its earlier stay on the film's release after producers said it will cause them financial loss as tickets are sold.

The judges asked CBFC to set up a three-member committee, including a member of a minority community, to view the film and inform on Friday as the first show was scheduled for 10am. TNN

8 years on, Dalit RTI activist acquitted in cops' video case

Agra: A court acquitted RTI activist Sunil Kumar of all charges, including molestation and attempted rape, after eight years. Kumar, a Dalit, was allegedly framed for a video on cops collecting money from cattle smugglers. The court also directed initiation of proceedings against the complainant.

In 2016, a 16-year-old girl filed a complaint against Kumar alleging molestation and attempted rape. Police thereafter arrested him. After being released on bail, Kumar filed a plea with the NHRC. Before being implicated in a false case, Kumar had conducted a sting that showed cops collecting money from vehicles smuggling cattle. TNN

Maha cops deny Jarange nod for hunger strike

Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar: Maharashtra police have refused permission to reservation activist Manoj Jarange to hold an indefinite hunger strike in Antarwali Sarati village from Saturday, citing law and order concerns, reports **Mohammed Akhef**.

Jarange, however, said he was firm on holding the hunger strike, but would start it from 10 am on Tuesday (June 11). He warned CM Eknath Shinde and deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis not to make the mistake of attacking his supporters. He also reiterated his demands, which are: reservation of Marathas from OBC category, a law declaring that Marathas and Kunbis are one, passing of Sage Soyare law, implementation of Hyderabad and Bombay gazette, and withdrawal of cases against Marathas in the village as well as across Maharashtra.

GOVERNMENT OF MADHAY PRADESH
NARMADA VELLY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER
UPPER NARAMADA ZONE.BARGI HILLS, JABALPUR(M. P.)
Tel.No. - 0761-2673450 E-mail: ceunz.2010@rediffmail.com

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (First Call)

N.I.T. No. 298/G/CE/2024-25 Jabalpur, Dated : 07/06/2024

Online tenders for the following works have been processed on the e-Procurement system Portal website http://mptenders.gov.in Tender details as below :-

Tender No.	:	.....
Name of the work	:	Construction, operation and maintenance of Bahoriband micro lift irrigation project with all ancillary works, Piped Irrigation system to supply water through pressurizedpipeline system for micro irrigation (Drip/Sprinkler) to deliver at farmer's fields with a duty of 0.35Lit/Sec/Ha. with OMS at 20Ha. Chak with 10 times duty from 20 ha to 2.5 ha. Chak with at least 23 Meter Residual Head at highest point of each 2.50 Ha chak with total power requirement of 17.23 MW in Culturable command area of 32000 Ha, out of gross command area 47704 Ha. The work includes all activities i.e. survey, investigation, designing, drawing, obtaining approval from competent authority, procurement, construction of Bahoriband micro lift irrigation project with pump houses, laying of rising /gravity mains, branch lines, distribution network, railway and highway and other road crossing structures, controlling and regulation of system with SCADA with full automation. Preparation of land acquisition cases and compliances, pursuing for final award , preparing, complying and pursuing cases for obtaining statutory clearances including forest, environmental clearances as per rules from respective departments of GoI and GoMP, construction of permanent & temporary buildings for official and residential purpose, approach roads and other required works as directed by Engineer in charge. The work also includes Management, Operation and Maintenance (MoM) for the period of 60 months after completion and further extendable for another 60 months, including 60 months defect liability period running simultaneously.
Probable Amount of Contract (Rs. in Crore)	:	Rs. 836.05 Crore (Excluding G.S.T.)
EMD (Rs. in lakh)	:	Rs. 50.00 Lakh
Cost of Tender Document	:	Rs. 50000.00 (Fifty Thousand only) (Non-Refundable)
Date of Purchase of tender document	:	07-06-2024, 17:30 Hrs. to **02-07-2024**, 17.30 Hrs
Date of Online Submission of Bid	:	**07-06-2024**,17:30 Hrs. to **02-07-2024**,17.30 Hrs
Date of Opening of EMD and Pre-Qualification	:	04-07-2024,10:30 Hrs Onwards
Completion Period	:	60 Months (including rainy season)

- The tender document can be purchased only online from the above website after making online payment using credit card or Internet Banking Account.
- Detailed N.I.T. and other details can be viewed on the above mentioned portal.

Sd/-
(D.L. Verma)
Chief Engineer
Upper Narmada Zone
Bargi Hills, Jabalpur

G-11305/24

यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण
प्रथम तल, कॉमर्शियल कॉम्पलेक्स, (पी-2) सेक्टर ओमेगा-1, ग्रेटर नौएडा, जनपद गौतमबुद्धनगर-201308 (उ.प्र.)
Toll Free No. : 18001808296 वेबसाइट www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com

पत्रांक: वाई०ई०ए०/भूलेख/तह०–वी०पी०एम०/2460/2024 दिनांक 06.06.2024

सार्वजनिक सूचना

सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि राजस्व ग्राम मौहम्मदपुर गूजर, परगना दनकौर, तहसील व जिला गौतमबुद्धनगर के 114.5782 हे० तथा 46.1770 हे० भू–अर्जन के सापेक्ष दिये जाने वाले 07 प्रतिशत आबादी भूखण्डों के पात्र भूस्वामियों को आवंटित किये जाने वाले भूखण्डों का ड्रा यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण के सभाकक्ष में दिनांक 20.06.2024 को किया जाना प्रस्तावित है।

उक्त भूखण्डों से संबंधित कृषक दिनांक 20.06.2024 को यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण के सभाकक्ष में उपस्थित होने का कष्ट करें।

विशेष कार्याधिकारी
यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण

यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण
प्रथम तल, कॉमर्शियल कॉम्पलेक्स, ओमेगा–1 (पी–2), ग्रेटर नौएडा
Toll Free No. 18001808296 वेबसाइट: www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com

पत्रांक:– वाई.ई.ए./कार्मिक/315/2024 दिनांक: 07.06.2024

सेवानिवृत्त कर्मियों हेतु रिक्तियाँ

युमना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण में सुरक्षा एवं शांति व्यवस्था के दृष्टिगत उत्तर प्रदेश के पुलिस विभाग की सेवा से पुलिस उपाधीक्षक के पद से सेवानिवृत्त (ग्रेड पे–5400 अथवा उससे ऊपर) के 01 अधिकारी की आवश्यकता है।

- पात्रता मानदंड आवेदन प्रारूप और सम्बन्धित विवरण के लिए कृपया प्राधिकरण की वेबसाईट **http://www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com** पर जाये।
- विधिवत भरे हुए आवेदन पत्र मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी/उप महाप्रबन्धक (कार्मिक) यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औ0वि0 प्राधिकरण कार्यालय प्रथम तल कमर्शियल कॉम्प्लेक्स, पी–2, सैक्टर ओमेगा–1, ग्रेटर नोएडा सिटी–201308, गौतमबुद्धनगर (उ0प्र0) में या **ceo@yamunaexpresswayauthority.com/agmhr@yamunaexpresswayauthority.com** पर जमा कराये।
- आवेदन प्राप्त करने की अंतिम तिथि विज्ञापन की तिथि से 15 दिन होगी।

प्रबन्धक (कार्मिक)

TELANGANA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

No. PSO(C)II/e-auction/1/2024-25 **E-AUCTION OF** Dt. 06.06.2024

SCRAP VEHICLES/BUS BODIES/MATERIALS/TYRES/TYRE MATERIAL etc. available at HZ / Uppal and Karimnagar on **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS** will be conducted on following dates:

HZ/UPPAL: 20.06.2024 KARIMNAGAR : 26.06.2024

The e-auction will be conducted by M/s NCDEX eMarkets Ltd., Hyderabad, The intending bidders may visit **www.neml.in** for further details. Telephone Nos. 8121156977 & 7569819838.
For details please visit above website and TGSRTC website https://tgsrtc.telangana.gov.in (Tenders). Sd/-

R.O. No. : 29-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2024-25 CHIEF CONTROLLER OF STORES

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited
Regd. Office : PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001.
Corporate Identity Number : U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in (Contact no. 96461-20640)

Tender Enquiry no. 1658/CMC/O&M/PC-2532 Dated: 06-06-2024

Chief Engineer / O&M (P&P Cell-I), GHTP, Lehra Mohabbat, invites E-tender for the Procurement of Railway track material for Railway siding at GHTP Lehra Mohabbat. Quantity as per NIT. For detailed NIT & tender Specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from **06-06-2024** from 17:00 hrs. onwards.

Note : Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

GHTP 26/24, DPR/Pb. : 76155/12/2888/2023/34301

Office of the Superintending Engineer
6th Circle, P.W.D. Uttarkashi
EMail- sepwduki@rediffmail.com

Letter No-1987/56 M-06/2024-25 Date 07.06.2024

National Competitive BidDING (E-Tendering)

On behalf of the Hon'ble Governor Uttarakhand, Superintending Engineer, 6th Circle, PWD Uttarkashi invites item rate tender in **(Two bid system)** for the following work. All the information regarding tender shall be available on web site **http://www.uktenders.gov.in** from 5:00 PM dated 12.06.2024.

S. N.	Name of work	Earnest money (In Lacs)	Tender Cost (in Rupees)	Validity of tender	Completion period	Contractor's Category of registration
1	Construction of Jaspur purali motor road by interlocking tile in block bhatwari district Uttarkashi under state sector	5.31	5000+ 18% GST	120 days	9 Month	Registration in 'B' Class or above for Road Works in Central Govt./ State Govt./ Any Govt. Undertaking

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New Okhla Industrial Development Authority
Administrative Building, Sector-6, Noida, (U.P.)
website: www.noidaauthorityonline.in

E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited from eligible contractors/firms for the following jobs against which bids can be uploaded and same shall be opened/downloaded as per schedule mentioned. The details and conditions of all tenders are available on Noida Authority's official website: **www.noidaauthorityonline.in** & **https://etender.up.nic.in.** Please ensure to see these website for any changes/amendments & corrigendum etc.

SL No.	Job No	Name of work	Amount (Lac)
(1)	04/SPE/PE (PH-1)/E-T/2024-25	Cleaning & Desilting of Drain of Various Location in PH-I Area Zone-I	Rs. 133.45
(2)	09/SPE/PE (PH-II)/ET/2023-24	Proposal for Empanelment of Agencies for Carrying Out Dog Sterilization and Immunization of Stray Dogs in NOIDA	Rs. 116.10

The above tender can be uploaded From dated **10.06.2024** to **18.06.2024** upto **5.00 PM**. Pre-Qualification shall be opened/ downloaded on dated **19.06.2024** at **11.00** AM.

Dy GM / Sr. Project Engineer (Public Health)
Office: Sector: 94 Noida.

CLEAN, GREEN, SAFE & SECURE NOIDA

Kalyan Singh Super Speciality Cancer Institute
CG City, Lucknow-226002
Website: http://cancerinstitute.edu.in, *Email: humanresource.sscih@gmail.com*
http://5.9.173.183/ssci_faculty01_may2024, Mobile No.- 8787269552

SPECIAL RECRUITMENT DRIVE FOR RECRUITMENT AGAINST BACKLOG VACANCIES
(Advertisement No. KSSSC/ER-01/2024-2025, Dated 25.05.2024)

The Institute invites online application on prescribed form for the post of Assistant Professor in various departments under special recruitment drive for backlog vacancies against reserve category from domiciles of Uttar Pradesh through Direct Recruitment Basis. For details please visit Institute website.

Start date of online payment of fees to start the application process	10.06.2024
Last date for online payment of fees to start the application process	25.06.2024
Last date for filling and submitting online application process	25.07.2024
Last date for receipt of hard copy of application	31.07.2024

Web link to see the detailed advertisement: *http://5.9.173.183/ssci_faculty01_may2024, website: http://cancerinstitute.edu.in*

Advt No:- KSSSC/ER-01/2024-2025 **Director**

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प्रथम तल, कॉमर्शियल कॉम्पलेक्स, ओमेगा–1, (पी–2), ग्रेटर नौएडा
Toll Free No. 18001808296 वेबसाइट : www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com

पत्रांक : वाई.ई.ए./भूलेख/398/2024 दिनांक : 30.05.2024

सार्वजनिक सूचना

निम्नलिखित भूमि यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण द्वारा ग्राम फतेपुर अट्टा स्थित अर्जित भूमि इण्टरचेंज ईस्टर्न पेरिफेरल एक्सप्रेसवे, यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे तथा कन्सेशनायर (जे०पी० इन्फ्राटेक) को हस्तांतरित भूमि के क्षेत्रफल को छोड़कर अवशेष अर्जित भूमि के सापेक्ष अतिरिक्त प्रतिकर वितरण किया जाना प्रस्तावित है–

सैक्टर–24ए के भूखण्ड, ग्रीन बैल्ट, सड़क आदि के अन्दर स्थित खसरो का विवरण

ग्राम	खसरा संख्या
फतेहपुर अट्टा	316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 424, 425, 426, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 439, 440 , 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 500, 501, 503, 505, 543/5, 545/1, 546/3, 547/3म, 548/3, 549/3, 550, 551, 552, 553, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569/3, 570/3, 572/3, 574, 575/3, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580/3, 581/3, 582/3, 584/3, 585/2,586/2

उक्त भूमि के अतिरिक्त प्रतिकर का वितरण अपर जिलाधिकारी (भू०अ०) जनपद गौतमबुद्धनगर से किया जाना है। अतिरिक्त प्रतिकर वितरण किये जाने में यदि किसी व्यक्ति को कोई आपत्ति है तो वह लिखित रूप में प्रकाशन के 15 दिनों के अंदर अपर जिलाधिकारी (भू०अ०) जनपद गौतमबुद्धनगर कार्यालय में अपनी आपत्ति प्रस्तुत कर सकता है। **डिप्टी कलेक्टर**

यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औ0वि0 प्राधिकरण।

CENTRE FOR RAILWAY INFORMATION SYSTEMS
Chanakyapuri, New Delhi - 110021

Tender No. 01245169
Subject: Procurement of Breach and Attack Simulation(BAS) solution subscription for three years for CRIS.
Date of Closing: 23.07.2024 (15:30 HRS)
Pre-bid Meeting on: 19.06.2024 (15.00HRS) at CRIS, ITPI Building, Conference Hall 3rd Floor Near ITO, New Delhi-110002
Documents can be downloaded from Website **www.ireps.gov.in**. For future modification/extensions pl. see **www.ireps.gov.in**.

Centre for Railway Information Systems
Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021
Tel : 011-24106717, 24104525

Tender No. CRIS_CIVIL_2024_05
Subject: Providing & fixing of vitrified floor tiles in all rooms, floor & wall tile in Toilets & Kitchen including sanitary/ plumbing fittings, distempering, painting and other Misc. Civil renovation works in Flat no. 8, CRIS Officers Colony, Sarojini Nagar, New Delhi.
Date of Opening: 01.07.2024 at 15:30 Hrs.Tender Documents can be downloaded from website **www.ireps.gov.in.** For future corrigendum/modification/extensions **www.ireps.gov.in** may be seen.

OFFICE OF THE RANCHI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, RANCHI
(Transport Cell)
Near Kutchery Chowk Ranchi 834001
Ph. No. – (0651-2212674/2210495)

Letter No: 269/Trans. Date :07-06-2024

NOTICE FOR CANCELLATION OF TENDER

This is with reference to NIT No. 72/Trans. Dated 12-02-2024 (4th Call) Request for Proposal for Selection of Fare Collection Agency and Service Provider for Implementation of Automatic Fare Collection System for City Bus Service for RMC (P.R. No. 318888) is hereby cancelled due to unavoidable reasons.

Sd/-
Administrator,
Ranchi Municipal Corporation, Ranchi.

PR 325452 (Ranchi Municipal Corporation) 24-25 (D)

यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण
प्रथम तल, कॉमर्शियल कॉम्पलेक्स, पी–2 सैक्टर–ओमेगा–1, ग्रेटर नौएडा, जनपद गौतमबुद्धनगर–201308 (उ0प्र0)
Toll Free No. 18001808296 वेबसाइट : www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com

पत्रांक : वाई.ई.ए/भूलेख/437/2024 दिनांक : 07.06.2024

सार्वजनिक सूचना

जन सामान्य को सूचित किया जाता है कि प्राधिकरण बोर्ड द्वारा लिये गये निर्णय के अनुपालन में ग्राम सालारपुर, तहसील सदर, जनपद गौतमबुद्धनगर में 21.1724 अर्जित भूमि के सापेक्ष 07 प्रतिशत आबादी भूमि आबंटित किये जाने हेतु अवशेष पात्र/अपात्र व्यक्तियों की अनन्तिम सूची तैयार कर निम्न स्थानों पर सार्वजनिक सूचना हेतु प्रदर्शित की गई है।

1. नोटिस बोर्ड, मुख्य प्रशासनिक कार्यालय, पी–2, ओमेगा–1, ग्रेटर नोएडा।
2. नोटिस बोर्ड भूलेख विभाग, यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे प्राधिकरण।
3. सामुदायिक केन्द्र भवन/प्राथमिक विद्यालय/पंचायत भवन, ग्राम सालारपुर।
4. प्राधिकरण की वैबसाईट पर।

आबादी विनियमावली के बिन्दु संख्या 5.5 के अनुसार परीक्षित सूची में वर्णित किसी विवरण के संबंध में यदि किसी व्यक्ति को कोई आपत्ति है तो वह लिखित आपत्ति प्रकाशन के दिनांक से 15 दिनों के अंदर यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण के कार्यालय में प्रस्तुत कर सकता है।

डिप्टी कलेक्टर

Government of Jammu & Kashmir
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
R&B DIVISION - BANDIPORA

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
FOR HADP (HORTICULTURE) WORKS

E-Tendering- Fresh NIT No. 03 of 2024-25/762-69/BANDIPORA/DATED : 05-06-2024.

Executive Engineer PW(R&B) Division Bandipora on behalf of **Lt. Governor of J&K (UT)** State invites **percentage rate bids** in electronic tendering system for the following works from the eligible and approved contractors registered with J&K UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State Governments.

S. No	Name of Work	Tendered Cost including GST (Rs. in lacs.)	Cost of document (in Rs.)	Earnest Money (Rs. in lacs)	Time of completion	Tender Call	Date of opening of tenders online (Technical Bid)	Class of contractor	Project Authority
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	13
1.	**Strengthening Agriculture Marketing (Development of Fruit & Vegetable Market at Potushay Bandipora)**	**925.00**	**8500.00**	**18.50**	**2 working seasons**	**3rd**	**15-06-2024 at 11.00 AM**	**AAY**	**Horticulture Department**

Position of AAA :- Accorded
Position of TS :- Accorded

1. The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website as per schedule of dates given below :-

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	**05-06-2024**
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	**06-06-2024 from 10.00 A.M.**
3	Date & Time of Pre-bid meeting	**10-06-2024 from 11.00 A.M in the office of Chief Engineer PW (R&B) Department North Kashmir**
4	Bid submission **Start Date**	**06-06-2024 from 1.00 PM**
5	Bid Submission **End Date**	**12-06-2024 up to 4.00 P.M.**
6	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	**15-06-2024 at 11.00 A.M in the office of Chief Engineer PW (R&B) Department North Kashmir**

2. Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of **Treasury Challan** in favour of **Executive Engineer R&B Division Bandipora tender inviting authority)** and **EMD in shape of CDR/FDR / BG pledged to Chief Engineer PW (R&B) Department North Kashmir @2% of Advertised cost.**
3. The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site **www.jktenders.gov.in** and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The **bids of Responsive bidders** shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of **Chief Engineer PW (R&B) Department North Kashmir (Tender receiving authority).**
4. The bids for the work shall remain **valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of Technical bids**
5. The earnest money shall be forfeited, If :-
   a. Any bidder/ tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.
   b. Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.
   c. Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.
6. **Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process.**
   6.1. Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov.in to acquaint bid submission process.
   6.2. To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get 'Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)' as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved Vendor.
   6.3. The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No bid will be accepted in physical form.
   6.4. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1.
   6.5. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the bid.
   6.6. **Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the technical bid.**

Note :- Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option.

7. The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons.
8. Scanned copy of cost of tender document in shape of Treasury Challan in favour of **Executive Engineer R&B Division Bandipora** and EMD @2% of Adv Cost in favour of **Chief Engineer PW (R&B) Department North Kashmir** must be uploaded with the documents of the bid. The original Treasury Challan (cost of tender document), CDR/FDR/ BG (earnest money) and relevant bid documents shall be obtained from the lowest bidder before the fixation of contract.
9. The bidder who is declared as (L1) shall deposit 5% performance security of the allotted cost in shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to **Chief Engineer PW (R&B) Department North Kashmir (tender receiving authority)** and the 2% EMD shall be released in favour of the successful bidder only after the receipt of 5% performance security.
10. **Bidders should quote in percentage below/the percentage above or at par at the bottom of the BOQ Percentage Template for the Work.**
11. Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually.
12. **Price escalation and Taxes :-** Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of recovery.
13. Bidders are advised to use **"My Documents"** area in their user on R&B e-Tendering portal to store such documents as are required.
14. **Instructions to Bidder (ITB)**
    14.1. All bidders shall upload the following information and documents along with qualification criteria / qualification information with their bids :-
    a. **Copies of original documents defining constitution/ legal status, place of registration and principal place of Business with Cell No. and Correspondence address.**
    b. **Treasury Challan& CDR/FDR/BG/.**
    c. **Valid GSTIN No. & PAN No.**
    d. **Scanned Copy of GSTIN Registration and latest clearance certificate FORM GST-3B i.e. latest clearance certificate FORM GST-3B of the preceding Month to the issued of NIT.**
    e. **All bidders shall mandatorily upload Verification Certificate from Concerned Chief Engineer/Superintending Engineer of Enlistment registration card. Non submission of the same shall render the bid Non-Responsive.**
    14.2. The bidder at his own responsibility and risk should visit and examine the site of work and its surroundings before submission of bid.
    14.3. Non-attendance of pre-bid meeting will not be cause of disqualification of the bidder.
    14.4. All documents relating to the bid shall be in the English Language.
    14.5. **Bidder must ensure to upload scanned copies of all necessary documents and tender documents fee in terms of soft copies with technical bid. However, in case of any clarification the bidders shall have to produce original documents in support of soft copies if need arises.**
15. **All other terms and conditions shall be strictly as per SBD circulated by this office letter No. CE/RBK/HD/29158-88 dated 10-02-2018**

No. EE/R&B/Bpr/ 762-69
Dated:- 05-06-2024.
DIP No:DIPK-896/24/06.06.2024

Sd/=
Executive Engineer
R&B Division Bandipora.

Jammu and Kashmir State Power Development Corporation

Corporate Office : Exhibition Ground, Jehangeer Chowk Srinagar-190009
Camp Office : Ashok Nagar, Satwari, Jammu-180004
E-NIT :- JKSPDC/FIN/BI-19/7447787/2024-25/02 Dated :- 05/06/2024

Gist of Bid Document for Mega Risk Insurance of 900 MW Baglihar HEP Stage-I and II.

J&K State Power Development Corporation Ltd. invites offers from reputed general insurance companies of India for mega risk insurance of its 900 MW Baglihar Hydro-Electric Project Stage-I and II for the policy period from 16th July, 2024 at 12:00 Hrs to 15th July, 2025 at 12:00 Hrs. Last date of submission of e-bids is 25-06-2024 up to 12:00 Noon.

Complete bid document can be downloaded from http://www.jktenders.gov.in.

No. JKSPDC/FIN/7447784/792
Dated: 05/06/2024
DIP No:DIPK-NB-289/24/06/06/2024

Director Finance, JKSPDC

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
ANANDPUR BARRAGE PROJECT, SALAPADA
DIST:- KEONJHAR, ODISHA, PIN: 758020
Tel No. (06731)295003, E-Mail:cceabp@gmail.com
Bid Identification No- CCEABP- 01 of 2024-25

The Chief Construction Engineer, Anandapur Barrage Project, Salapada, on behalf of the Governer of Odisha, invites Request for Proposal through online mode in double cover system from eligible bidders for the works as detailed below:

Sl. No.	BID ID No.		Name of the work
01	ABP-MCD-01/01 of 2024-25	Appointment of Third-Party Inspection Agency (TPIA)	Construction of Distribution system for 10671 Ha. of CCA including Command Area Development (CAD) of Salandi Left Main Canal from RD 30.547 km to 45.570 km through Under Ground Pipe Line Irrigation system (Gravity Flow) of Anandapur Barrage Project in Balasore District of Odisha on EPC-Turn Key Basis including operation and maintenance of the commissioned project.
02	ABP-MCD-02/01 of 2024-25	Appointment of Proof Engineering Consultant (PEC)	

a. Period of completion : 30 (Thirty) Calendar months
b. Period of Availability of Bid Document in the Portal : From 11.30 AM of 12.06.2024 to 28.06.2024 up to 5.00 PM
c. Last Date / Time for Receipt of Bid : 28.06.2024 up to 5.00 PM.
d. Date and Time of Opening of Technical Bid : 29.06.2024 at 11.30 AM.
e. Name & address of the officer inviting Bid : Chief Construction Engineer, Anandpur Barrage Project,Salapada
f. Further details can be seen from E-Procurment Portal **"https://www.tendersodisha.gov.in"**

Sd/-
Chief Construction Engineer
Anandapur Barrage Project, Salapada
OIPR- 32068/11/0001/24-25

Office of The Police Telecommunication Headquarters M.P.
Bhadbhada Road, Bhopal - 462 003
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No. PDM/Purchase/33-002/D-7760/2024, Dtd.: 06/06/2024

// e-Tender Notice //

e- Tenders are invited by Senior Superintendent of Police (Radio) MP Bhopal on behalf of DGP MP Bhopal for the following items :-

S.No.	Name of Item	Qty-	EMD Fee	Tender Fee
1	Spare Part's of different type wireless sets and Accessories (List of spare parts and Accessories enclosed in tender documents)	38 Types	Rs. 36,000 /-	Rs. 2000 /-

1. Cost of tender documents (Tender Fee) is non refundable and cannot be exempted in any condition.
2. The Tender fee and EMD should be deposit online through website.
3. The Tender should be submitted online on website https://www.mptenders.gov.in in favour of SSP (Radio) M.P. Bhopal within scheduled date and time.
4. Tender documents also available for ready reference on the website of MP Police (www.mppolice.gov.in)
5. Schedule:-

Publication & document sell Start	:	07/06/2024 from 1800 Hrs
Documents download Start Date	:	07/06/2024 from 1830 Hrs
Bid Submission Start Date	:	08/06/2024 from 1200 Hrs
Bid Submission End Date	:	29/06/2024 up to 1700 Hrs
PQ Bid will be opened on	:	01/07/2024 at 1720 Hrs.

Sd/-
G-11298/24 **S.S.P. (R) M.P. Bhopal**

HIMAYAT MISSION MANAGEMENT UNIT, J&K RURAL LIVELIHOODS MISSION, DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT & PANCHAYATI RAJ, GOVERNMENT OF J&K

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) TO PARTNER AS CAPTIVE EMPLOYER WITH HIMAYAT UNDER DEEN DAYAL UPADHYAYA-GRAMEEN KAUSHALYA YOJANA (DDU-GKY)

EoI Notice No : COO/HMMU/JKRLM/CE/01/2024

HMMU, JKRLM invites "Expression of Interest" from the eligible agencies to submit their interest to "Expression of Interest (EoI) to Partner with HIMAYAT under DDU-GKY as Captive Employer" assignment in UT of J&K.

Proposal in prescribed format is requested from agencies, willing to become partner as Captive Employer with HIMAYAT under DDU-GKY. The EoI document can be downloaded from the websites : https://www.himayat.org.in and https://erp.ddugky.info/login

Important Dates :

a) Date of publishing : **30th May, 2024**
b) Last Date & Time of receiving queries : **20th June, 2024 at 17:00 Hrs.**
c) Clarification by HMMU (if any) : **29th June, 2024**
d) Last Date & Time for Proposal submission : **29th July, 2024 at 17:00 Hrs.**
e) Proposal Screening (Eligibility and Technical) : **29th August, 2024**

Further details can be obtained from the office of Himayat Mission Management Unit, J&K Rural Livelihoods Mission, Department of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Government of J&K, House No. 16-A/D, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu, J&K-180004.
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Sd/-
Chief Operating Officer
HMMU, JKRLM

DIP No:DIP/J-1063/24/06/06/2024



A thought for today

We've chosen the path to equality, don't let them turn us around

GERALDINE FERRARO

The 13% Reality

It's a shame. Parliament's gender ratio just isn't changing

After 18 Lok Sabha elections, Parliament still has just 74 women MPs. Slice it, dice it any which way but the crawling pace at which women are fielded by political parties needs much more attention. That just 13% of parliamentarians are women, when, at 31.2cr, women make up 48% of the total 64.2cr voters, is the story of an inequality that seems almost unshakeable. Less than 10% candidates were women, and 155 constituencies didn't have a single woman candidate. The largest party BJP has 32 women MPs. But at 69, barely 16% of its 441 candidates were women. It shows the tortuous road ahead to achieve the 33% reservation – and even that ball has been kicked way down the road.



Two of six women Congress fielded in Karnataka have won. Delhi has two women among its seven MPs. Of Congress's total 41 women candidates, 13, or 34%, won. TMC showed the way – 11 of 12 women candidates were elected, 38% of TMC's 29 total MPs. That should silence the lame lament of "where are the women?"

Where the needle's moved is that women MPs belong to various walks of life and age-groups, beyond family and tinsel town that have dominated the supply line of women netas so far. Career politicians were given more opportunity to contest, there are lawyers, academics and doctors in the mix. Winners include a 48-year-old Gujarati professor who crowdfunded her campaign; among youngest parliamentarians is a 27-year-old tribal woman who won on a general seat.

The onus is on political parties to increase women's political participation. And it is the Big Two that have to do much better – only 13% of MPs of both Congress and BJP are women. Get more women to jump the voters queue to be on the ballot.

One Or Two Or None

Stop telling women to have kids like their grannies did

Birth rates have been falling across the rich, and even the not-so-rich, world. East to West many govts are trying to reverse this trend. Japan's govt is planning to launch a dating app this summer. The ploy feels desperate and is doomed to fail.

Shake it off | Putin whines about how Russian grandmothers and great-grandmothers used to have seven, eight, or even more children. Xi also talks up childbearing as a national virtue. These are countries where govt propaganda tolls heavy in society. And even here, it isn't working.



A Macron and a Trump also want to "demographically rearm" their countries. But men with such ideas couldn't stop the march of the nuclear family. Now women, in particular, are deciding to have fewer children, basis another monumental socio-economic shift. And neither a lecture on national duty nor a tax break can budge a deeply personal choice, with which one lives for life.

You need to calm down | While a *Handmaid's Tale* type of dystopia where a totalitarian govt enslaves women to bear children against their will isn't a real possibility, more extreme measures in undemocratic countries can't be ruled out. Yes, govts can't ignore momentous demographic shifts. But the solution shouldn't be a return to rigid family structures. An empowered pursuit of happiness is a hard-won freedom. Trying to reverse it is not worth the cost. Indeed, it is stupid. Because it ignores a logical solution– just liberalise immigration policies.

Why We Just Can't Let Bygones Be Bygones

Feeling nostalgic? Be careful what you do with it

We're all prone to some sentimental waffling about the past, but once, this was considered an illness. ***Nostalgia: A History of a Dangerous Emotion*** by ***Agnes Arnold-Foster*** – is about the social, political, cultural and scientific life of a tricky emotion.

Nostalgia is not one, but many feelings; the Welsh hiraeth and the Portuguese saudade overlap with the idea of nostalgia, but have different implications..

To begin with, the idea of nostalgia was not seen as a warm, fuzzy feeling or an indulgence, but taken seriously as a disabling and killing disease. In 1688, a Swiss physician coined the term to describe the painful longing for home felt by soldiers or domestic workers. Medical professionals studied it extensively, casting it as an emotional pandemic, one that could be set off by certain songs or scents, one that tended to be especially acute in autumn. It could cause people to waste away in pining.

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SHORT TAKES ON BIG IDEAS



The pace of change in the 19th century, shifts in science, technology and industry, made nostalgia a widely recognisable condition. Then, it subtly shifted to connote time, rather than place. Capitalism, colonialism and international warfare were responsible for this refiguring. When enslaved people from Africa leapt overboard into the Atlantic Ocean, abolitionists said 'nostalgia' drove them to death. Indentured Indian workers were also said to be afflicted by nostalgia.

If nostalgia is homesickness, what is home? By the 20th century, nostalgia was no longer a sign of a refined sensibility, as millions of people moved or were forced to move to new places. For an increasingly mobile global workforce, this emotion became mundane, normal.

Nostalgia is never a simple yearning for the past, or for a period of time we invest with meaning. It is a reconstruction of the past to align with our current values. Whether it is personal memory or collective remembering, it is an act of retrieval that selects some good bits and blurs the surroundings.

It is a reaction to the fear of actual or impending change, an urge to return to a place, a time past or a beloved person. While there have been times when it was a cause for worry, as in the 'nostalgia fad' of the 1970s in Europe and US, or the yearning for a lost empire or the rehabilitation of Nazi memorabilia, it is now seen with a benign lens.

It is no longer a threat to body and mind, but an exploitable state. The past has a powerful allure, it can make you buy stuff. Advertising has long cashed in on bygone eras. It can also shape politics. Nostalgia is cast as a dangerous emotion, exploited by right-wing forces to evoke a past glory. But the book points out that the left-wing is equally given to romantic visions of the past, whether it's the idea of the NHS in Britain or the Paris Commune. In Eastern Europe, the idea of 'ostalgie' is a strange backwards utopianism. It is also an insistence that the socialist past is not reducible to the popular narrative of personal misery, economic stagnation and political repression.

The problem is not collective nostalgia, but what we do with the emotion – it is dangerous only when it becomes a way for people to channel their hatred.

UP Vote For 'Deemokrasi'

• Why temple didn't work as a force multiplier for BJP • Why class & region were key voting determinants • Why checks & balances on power were a key voter concern

Indrajit Roy



Few things age as badly as hubris. UP, which brought BJP's juggernaut to a grinding halt, offers a vivid illustration. Faizabad, home of Ayodhya where Modi consecrated Ram's Temple barely six months ago, rejected BJP. Along with 36 of the state's 80 constituencies, Faizabad's residents – and each of its four divisions – chose SP, a party once known for taking a hard line against the Ram Janmabhoomi movement. Faizabad's residents did join in celebrations of the return of Ram Lalla, but they were not impressed with BJP's further attempts to politicise the deity.

What happened around the temple | The temple construction affected lives. Almost 5,000 houses and businesses were reportedly asked to vacate land without commensurate compensation. And these were the lucky ones: many could not claim compensation for their ancestral properties dating back centuries, as they did not have appropriate documentation. Some houses were prohibited from having balconies. For months, the city was a construction site. Residents say govt contractors flouted rules to cut corners. The widening of the Ram Path, which leads to the temple, resulted in the demolition of local shops and temples that gave Ayodhya its distinctive identity. Many of those less impacted by the temple construction were indifferent: okay, we got the temple, now what? BJP leadership had little time for UP's provincial Hindutva. For everyday Hinduism, for many ordinary UP wallahs, 80% of whom are Hindu, the temple wasn't the key determinant in voting decision.

Constitution's guarantees took centrestage | Lallan Singh, Faizabad's BJP candidate, declared early in the campaign that if his party won over 400 seats, the party would secure the two-thirds majority required to amend the Constitution and dismantle affirmative actions for Dalits, Adivasis, and OBCs. The Constitution and its guarantees quickly replaced "Modi ki guarantee" as the talking point for voters across the state. Building on UP's vernacular socialist tradition, INDIA allies assured audiences that a caste census would be conducted and resources distributed accordingly. *"Jiski jitni sankhyabhari, utni uski hissedari,"* the phrase popularised by social justice activist Kanshiram, was revived. Modi's attempt to politically use this claim to fair distribution backfired as people in UP, as elsewhere, tuned in to the INDIA manifesto: saving the Constitution no longer sounded like abstract rhetoric, it was about defending real rights.

PDA – Pichada (backwards), Dalit and Alpasankhyak (Minorities) – social coalition, which INDIA nurtured, acquired cohesive purpose. Faizabad is again illustrative. Here INDIA's pro-OBC SP fielded Awadesh Prasad from the Dalit Pasi community. This helped dispel Dalit suspicions about the party. If Dalit candidates are usually fielded only from 'reserved' constituencies, Prasad competed for – and won – a 'non-reserved' seat. In Kairana, SP's Iqra Jahan similarly won by breaching the Jat-Muslim polarisation that had affected the constituency since 2013: 30-year-old Jahan is a SOAS graduate who played a prominent role in the social media campaign against CAA.



Uday Deb

Regional variations in voting | But UP's six regions voted very differently. The richer western UP and Braj returned a majority of NDA parliamentarians. The middling Purvanchal and Awadh were a mixed bag, with both coalitions matched evenly. The poorer Bundelkhand and Rohilkhand were harshest on NDA and were swept by INDIA. Here agricultural distress played a pivotal role. It was in Lakhimpur Kheri, one of these constituencies, that a BJP legislator's son had allegedly mowed down protesting farmers. The legislator was shown the door this time. Prosperous urban constituencies – Varanasi, Lucknow, Kanpur – went entirely to BJP, suggesting the vote's class dimension. Rural and semi-rural UP went largely to INDIA, suggesting the resonance of its NYAY campaign, which spoke to the material struggles of some of the planet's poorest people.

What mattered to voters | Voter preferences in UP echo much of the rest of the country. The demand for the right to representation resonates with people right across the country. Stagnant wages, rising prices, and glaring inequality hit BJP. Many are also realising that Hindutva does not satisfy anyone's material, social or even spiritual needs: "Targeting Muslims neither creates jobs nor brings mental peace," a villager reasoned on the outskirts of Varanasi, which Modi won by a relatively slim margin.

Above all, voters in UP cared enough about a diverse and balanced democracy, and helped give India a stronger opposition. They may well vote for BJP, led by Yogi Adityanath, in the next Vidhan Sabha elections, to re-elect the patron of popular Hinduism and provincial Hindutva. Many voters, however, understand that the improvements in law and order attributed to Yogi's administration have little to do with BJP at the Centre. Thus the "double engine sarkar" did not take off as a vehicle of development.

In strengthening *deemokrasi*, as it is locally known, UP voters didn't act as liberal individualists. But they know a thing or two about keeping power in check. After all, Krishna, the young cowherd who challenges the king of Mathura, is about championing checks on state power from below. The people of UP, who are often caricatured by the rich and the literate as bigoted bhakts, have delivered a key lesson for Indian democracy: no matter how powerful you are, you will be held to account.

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Can A Curveball Be Hit For A Six?

America's T20 World Cup victory over Pakistan is a milestone moment in US cricket history. Yes, it will take time & effort for Americans to fall in love with the game. But it will likely happen

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Be it sports or politics, nothing's more uplifting and romantic than the triumph of an underdog. A Goliath's reverse fills us with a delightful disbelief, pleases the David in our hearts. That's why of all cricket triumphs stored in the rucksack of our memories, 1983 remains the fondest, because it was conjured against the seemingly invincible.

US too has experienced unexpected euphoria in sports, none bigger than what happened in Brazil's mining town of Belo Horizonte. With a ragtag team that included a postman, a mill worker and a 'funeral director', the Americans astonished England 1-0 in the 1950 football World Cup. "At the final whistle, newspapers burned on the terraces, a funeral pyre for England, and spectators rushed on to the pitch to carry the brave American team out shoulder-high," wrote football guru Brian Glanville in *The Story of the World Cup*.

Uncle Sam's nerve-jangling triumph over Pakistan in the T20 World Cup in Dallas on Thursday is cricket's answer to that jubilant moment in US sporting history. For captain Monank Patel and his multi-racial merry lads, it was an away game at home; the stands packed with noisy non-resident Pakistanis. Pakistan ranks No. 6 to US 18 in T20. But the difference in status doesn't reveal the true gap in pedigree and quality of the two sides. US played its first international cricket match against Canada in 1844. But in baseball country, the willow never struck deep roots. In the hierarchy of cricket-playing countries, it remained a nobody. The victory against Pakistan, which makes them a genuine contender for a Super Eight spot, seems to be an announcement of intent: we want to be somebody.

The triumph has found sweet echoes across India because players of Indian-origin were fundamental in its construction. Skipper Monank Patel, a wicket-keeper batter who earned Man of the Match with a half century, was born in India's milk capital, Anand. Mumbai-born pacer Saurabh Netravalkar, the bowler of the day along with N Kenjige, is a software engineer in San Francisco. Netravalkar was India's highest wicket-taker in the U-19 World Cup in 2010 but had given up the game for a career in computers. But the dream and the desire lingered. Sometimes he would drive six hours to Los Angeles to play a game on Saturday, then drive back through the night to play another game in San Francisco on Sunday. Netravalkar's inspirational story is emblematic of the Indian community in US which the book, *The Other One Per Cent* by Sanjoy Chakravorty, Devesh Kapur and Nirvikar Singh, maps and captures in detail.

Two other Indian players deserve a larger mention. One is Nitish Kumar, who like his namesake Bihar politician, is adept at changing sides. The Ontario-born represented Canada earlier. Like the master JDU politico in the Lok Sabha polls, his intervention was small but crucial to the eventual outcome. Kumar wrenched out a desperate last-ball boundary off Mohammad Amir, stretching the game to Super Over.



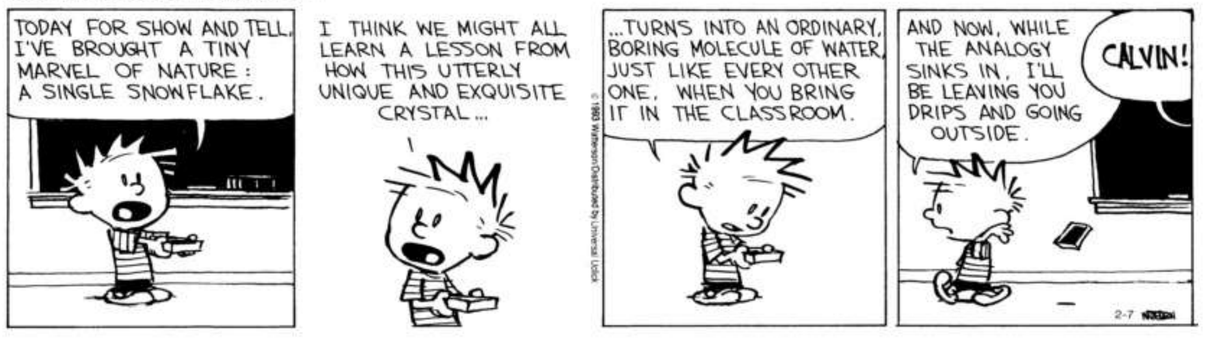
Mumbai-born Harmeet Singh's story is about life and second chances. The left-arm spinner was stellar in India's 2012 U-19 World Cup triumph. The languid grace of his bowling action reminded Ian Chappell of Bishan Singh Bedi. But Singh lost his way, once quite literally, driving a car into Andheri railway platform. Other controversies ensured his career went southwards and life sideways. He found redemption in Dallas.

The host's improbable triumph has lit up a tournament that had prompted justifiable criticism about the vicious pitch in New York where balls exploded like popcorn in heat. And while that issue might resurface when India faces off with familiar foes Pakistan on the same ground on Sunday, US can justifiably celebrate the moment even though, as *New York Times* reported, "many Americans were oblivious to the magnitude of their victory in Dallas".

Sport is forever in search of new markets. In 1994, the football World Cup hosted by US helped Major League Soccer (MLS) find its feet there. Since then, barring 2018, the Stars and Stripes have always fluttered in World Cups. Cricket seems to be following a similar path. The glitz glam superhit first edition of Major League Cricket (MLC), the US equivalent of IPL, was staged last July, with Nicholas Pooran-led MI New York taking the trophy. The second season is scheduled next month. About 200,000 play cricket in about 400 local leagues in US. But even now the home page of Cricket USA website has a section explaining the game to the curious visitor.

The truth is eight of the 15 players in the US squad have early or familial roots in India; others coming from Pakistan, the West Indies, South Africa and New Zealand. Twelve are 30-plus in age; the remaining three are 29. It remains to be seen how the victories over Pakistan and Canada – and against Bangladesh before the tournament – breed active interest in the game. The journey will take long, but the road seems right.

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Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces us up, snow is exhilarating; there is really no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of good weather.

John Ruskin

There Are New Possibilities In Victory And Defeat

Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev

Swami Vivekananda famously said, "You will be nearer to Heaven through football than through the study of the Gita." That line is a wonderful reminder to the self when we start taking life too seriously.

When you pray or read scripture, you can think of many other things, but when you play a sport, you must be single-minded. There is no room for half-heartedness. You have to play as if your life depended on it. About five billion people watched the World Cup football tournament in 2022. We were collectively glued to our TV screens not just because of the skill involved but because someone was kicking the ball as if his life depended on it. That intensity of involvement, which pushes human beings beyond their limits, makes the whole world sit up and watch.

However, the fundamental premise of any sport is this: you must have the fire of wanting to win but also the balance to see that if you lose, it's okay. You never play a game to lose. But if you do lose, it is still alright with you. If you maintain this balance within you, you are a sportsman.

This is a perfect metaphor for life. As a high-voltage election reached its culmination and the results were announced, it was time for us to take our inspiration from the playing field. Many have forgotten what it means to live in a modern-day democracy. In this system, we have collectively decided to choose our leaders through the power of the ballot box. Maybe somebody I don't like has just been elected, but I still have to bow down and accept the verdict because the wonderful gift of democracy is that we have found a way of transferring power non-violently.

THE SPEAKING TREE

In the past, much blood was spilled when one regime gave way to another. Do we want to return to a monarchic or theocratic or feudal setup? If we choose democracy, it is time to abandon our tribal mindset. Above all, the vile speech and gang warfare on social media where people endlessly spew toxicity at each other should come to a halt. It is time to stop being sore losers or boastful winners.

Trying to paint the other as evil just because the verdict is not to our liking is juvenile. A mature democracy has to outgrow such pettiness. Does this mean that we have lost our right to speak or protest? No. A democracy means we retain our right to disagree, dialogue and debate, but it is important not to succumb to hatred.

For the victor, the sweetness of triumph should not turn into the lethargy of complacency. For the loser, the bitterness of defeat should not turn into despair. Victory should be the stepping stone for heightened levels of performance. Defeat should lead to an honest evaluation of what was done and what could be improved.

Ultimately, there is no such thing as triumph or loss. As humans, we come into life with nothing and go with nothing. In a limited context, some win and some lose. But to rise beyond limited notions of victory and defeat is the whole point of the game of life. It is also the essence of every spiritual process.

Every event in life is the birth of a new experience and a new possibility. Once we truly see and accept that, our life finds its fullest blossoming.

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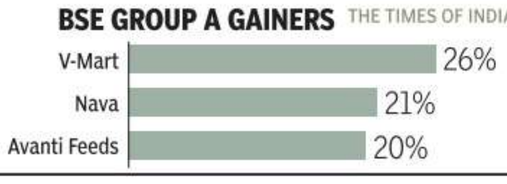
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Sensex's Best Week In Nearly 2 Yrs Amid High Volatility

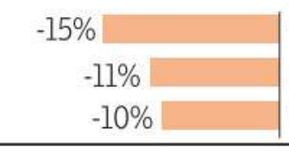
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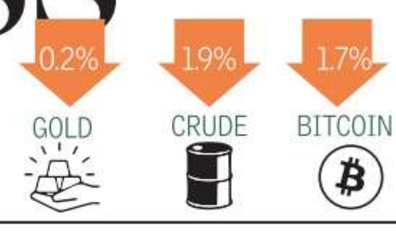
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On June 4, the day election results were announced, the BSE's market cap saw its biggest wipe-out ever

Source: Refinitiv, ETIG

Repo Rate Unchanged, RBI Leaves Markets Guessing On Pivot

RBI warns against 'usurious' rates on small-ticket loans

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: RBI has said that it is engaging with providers of small-ticket loans who charge 'usurious' interest rates, asking them to ensure transparency and, if necessary, re-examine their business plans.

"It has been observed in some microfinance institutions and NBFCs that the interest rates on small-value loans are high and appear to be usurious. The regulatory freedom enjoyed by regulated entities in respect of interest rates and charges should be used judiciously to ensure fair and transparent pricing of products and services," said RBI governor Shaktikanta Das in his monetary policy statement.

The governor's comments come at a time when there are complaints against digital lenders who extend small-ticket loans at high rates of interest. There have been cases of lenders harassing third parties whose phone numbers have appeared in their systems, even though they have not taken out any loan.

"RBI has a fair practices code, but apart from this, all interest rates for banks, finance companies, and microfinance companies are deregulated. Our guidelines require that interest rates should be fair and transparent. We have seen some outliers charging usurious rates and our supervision department is engaging with them," said Das. He added that the supervisory officials were monitoring the situation to take further action if needed.

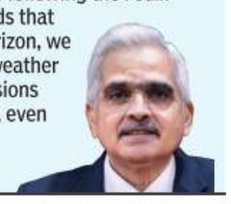
According to deputy governor Swaminathan J, the objective is to flag any possible build-up of risks to the lenders. "We have requested the boards to relook and re-strategise their business plans. We have left it to the individual entities, basis, their business plans... If it is required, they will have to modify their business plans to suit long-term sustainability. That is what we would look for," said Swaminathan. He added that RBI is not going to interfere or get into any micromanagement but would leave it to the wisdom of the respective boards.

Das also mentioned that in Nov last year, RBI raised concerns about the excessive growth of unsecured retail loans and the over-reliance of NBFCs on bank funding. He said that recent data indicates some moderation in these loans and advances.

Recently, RBI had engaged with lenders to increase transparency by asking them to annualise all fixed charges so that customers get an idea of the cost of borrowings. In the past, when the lenders did not respond to signals from RBI, the regulator has not hesitated to step in and place business restrictions.

'Even If US Cuts Rates, We May Not'

> There is a view that in matters of monetary policy, RBI is guided by the principle of following the Fed... While we do keep a watch on the clouds that build up or clear out on the distant horizon, we play the game according to the local weather and pitch conditions... Our policy decisions are based on domestic considerations, even if the US eases we may not
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> — **Shaktikanta Das | RBI guv**



RBI raises FY25 GDP forecast to 7.2%

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: RBI governor Shaktikanta Das on Friday left key policy rates unchanged for the 8th consecutive time but raised growth projection for the current financial year from 7% to 7.2%. The markets were, however, uncertain about when RBI might cut rates.

The monetary policy committee decided by a 4 to 2 majority to keep the policy repo rate unchanged at 6.5%. Four of the six members of MPC also voted to remain focused on the withdrawal of accommodation to ensure that inflation progressively aligns with the target while supporting growth.

Among the external members, Ashima Goyal and Jayanth R Varma voted to reduce the policy repo rate by 25 basis points (100bps = 1 percentage point), while the three RBI members and Shashanka Bhide voted to keep the rate unchanged. Das maintained that there was need for inflation to descend to the 4% target on a durable basis.

"The timing of the first rate cut by RBI remains a difficult question as domestic growth remains strong, which, along with sticky trajectory for food inflation, has meant that RBI MPC members may be reluctant to quickly pivot towards monetary policy easing," said Santanu Sengupta of Goldman Sachs.

Adding to the uncertainty was RBI's caution to banks on credit growth outpacing deposit growth for long. "The persisting gap between credit and deposit growth rates warrants a rethink by the boards of banks to re-strategise their business plans. A prudent balance between assets and liabilities has to be maintained," he said. In a bid to ensure the full transmission of rate hikes to deposits, RBI revised the definition of bulk deposits to those above Rs 3 crore from Rs 2 crore earlier. According to bankers, this will compel banks that want to grow their deposits to broadbase rate hikes.

Announcing the MPC decision, Das said the forecast of above normal monsoon would boost agriculture and rural consumption. "Private consumption, the mainstay of aggregate demand, is recovering with steady improvement in discretionary spending in urban areas. Investment activity continues to gain traction on the back of expansion in non-food credit," said Das.

RBI's decision to hold rates comes a day after the European Central Bank cut interest rates and a month after US Fed chief Jerome Powell said that rate hikes were off the table. "There is a view that in matters of monetary policy, RBI is guided by the principle of following the Fed. I would like to unambiguously state that while we do keep a watch on the clouds that build up or clear out on the distant horizon, we play the game according to the local weather and pitch conditions," the governor said.

According to RBI forecasts, inflation will briefly come within the target rate during the second quarter, thanks to a higher base effect. However, the inflation for FY25 has been retained at 4.5% — still above the target rate of 4%.

Income, Spending Expectations Rise: Survey

One-year ahead expectations compared with current situation

	March, 2024	May, 2024	Change
Economic Situation	37.3	33.5	↓
Employment	37.4	34.3	↓
Price Level	-68.8	-68.4	↑
Income	50.5	50.7	↑
Spending	69.6	73.9	↑
Consumer Confidence Index	125.2	124.8	↓

↑ Positive sentiments with sign of improvement compared to last round
↓ Positive sentiments with sign of deterioration compared to last round
↑ Negative sentiments with sign of improvement compared to last round

Source: RBI

ONGC seeks global tech partner for Mumbai High

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: State-run explorer ONGC is seeking long-term overseas technology partnership for ramping up production from Mumbai High, India's largest oilfield that is still pumping nearly half a century after starting operation.

The company went public with the intent on June 1, inviting bids from "internationally-proven" technical service providers, with a minimum annual revenue of $75 billion interested in collaborating for 10 years, with the provision of another five-year extension. The bid closes on July 15.

This is the first time that ONGC is seeking an overseas technology partner. Though in-house pool of experts have proven their mettle in keeping up production over the years, the company brass wants to induct best-in-class reservoir management technologies and adopt globally-best operational and management practices to unlock the "significant" upside in output.

The identified service provider would carry out a comprehensive review of field performance and identify improvements in wells and reservoir, including water injection, and facilities management.

Musk greets Modi, hints at Tesla's entry

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Tesla founder Elon Musk on Friday congratulated Narendra Modi on his alliance's election victory and indicated his interest to work in the country. "Congratulations Narendra Modi on your victory in the world's largest democratic elections! Looking forward to my companies doing exciting work in India," Musk said on X.



The comments came weeks after Musk postponed his India visit, where he was expected to discuss investments for a new Tesla facility to produce lower-cost vehicles for domestic market and exports. The trip was announced by Musk after the Modi govt unveiled a new policy, allowing EV players to import cars at a lower duty but commit to invest within three years and source components locally. Musk had cited his other commitments to postpone his visit, but days later flew to China.

Officials, however, said that he also wanted the Indian govt to address his pending proposal for his satellite communication venture Starlink.

Tube Investments chief is EY World Entrepreneur Of Yr

New Delhi: Vellayan Subbiah, executive VC of Tube Investments of India and chairman of Cholamandalam Investment and Finance has been named EY World Entrepreneur Of The Year 2024. He is the fourth winner from India and his win also makes India the only country among EY regions to win the global entrepreneurship award four times. TNN

ACs to ice cream: E-tail booms in cruel summer

Heatwaves Keep People From Stepping Out | Online Sales Jump Even As Store Footfall Dips

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Mumbai: From ACs to beauty products and even snacking items, consumers are increasingly going online to fill their shopping carts as heatwaves nudge them to stay indoors, at least during the peak afternoon hours.

Online sales for Voltas through Amazon and Flipkart, for instance, have grown by 190% year-on-year between March-May 2024. The company's sales through its own website have grown by almost 60% YoY between April and May, a company spokesperson said.

The demand for ACs and coolers on Flipkart has almost doubled this May over the year-ago period. While the southern and eastern parts of the country dominated demand in April, the north (largely metros and tier-1 cities) — which has been reeling from a severe heatwave — joined its eastern counterparts to drive demand for cooling products for the platform in May. "Premium segments of 2 ton and higher have gained momentum...brands like Voltas, Godrej, Lloyd, Haier and Onida have gained share," said a company spokesperson.

On Amazon, orders for coolers surged from cities like Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Kolkata, Pune and Hyderabad. For Panasonic India, 5-star inverter ACs contribute to 55% of its online AC sales, which is higher than industry average, said Fumiyasu Fujimori, MD at Panasonic Marketing India.

E-commerce platforms — with their convenience of doorstep deliveries — continue to find traction among households, particularly when making large purchases. Meanwhile, for daily essentials, small-ticket as well as impulse purchases, quick commerce has become the go-to avenue.

Parle's sales through quick commerce platforms like Blinkit, Swiggy Instamart and Zepto have shot up and the segment has seen a 10-15% incremental growth due to the heat, said vice-president Mayank Shah.

"The shopping that happens between 10-11am during the day to 6-7pm in the evening has moved online. Consumers are refraining from stepping out. As a consequence, even the online players are having to deploy more manpower and that can be a challenge," Shah said.

Manish Bandlish, MD at Mother Dairy, said that demand for its ice creams, curd and dairy beverages across online channels has grown upwards of 60% in May, even higher than modern trade which has seen a growth of 40% during the period. For several others too, the trend has been similar.

Customers of American brand Baskin Robbins also opted for online channels, including quick commerce platforms, to satisfy their ice cream cravings. "After the heatwave intensified in northwest India, Baskin Robbins has seen online growth jump from 20-25% in April and first half of May this year to almost 40% and above for the second half of May," said Mohit Khattar, CEO at Graviss Foods which is the master franchisee of the brand in India. However, the share of online transactions has been higher among newer consumers, Khattar added.

Beauty retailer Colorbar has seen a 5-10% decrease in footfall at its offline stores even as online sales have surged. "As heatwaves intensify with each passing summer, we have witnessed more consumers opting to stay indoors, favouring the convenience of shopping from home. Moreover, online platforms frequently have bolder promotions... this strategy resonates with the value-conscious consumer segment," said Samir Modi, managing director at Colorbar Cosmetics.

Deploying More Delivery Staff A Challenge

- Shopping that happens roughly between **10am-7pm** has **moved online** due to the heat
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Investors richer by ₹7L cr, BSE m-cap hits ₹429.5L cr

▶From P 1

On the NSE, the nifty too recorded a new all-time high mark of 23,320 points and closed at 23,290 points, up 469 points or 2.1%. The rally in the last three sessions has more than wiped out the record 4,390-point crash on Tuesday, when general election results were announced.

"Markets shrugged off weak global cues as investors cheered RBI's higher growth forecast for FY25 in its credit policy announcement, which propelled sensex to a fresh all-time high on massive broad-based buying support," Prashanth Tapse, Senior VP (Research), Mehta Equities said.

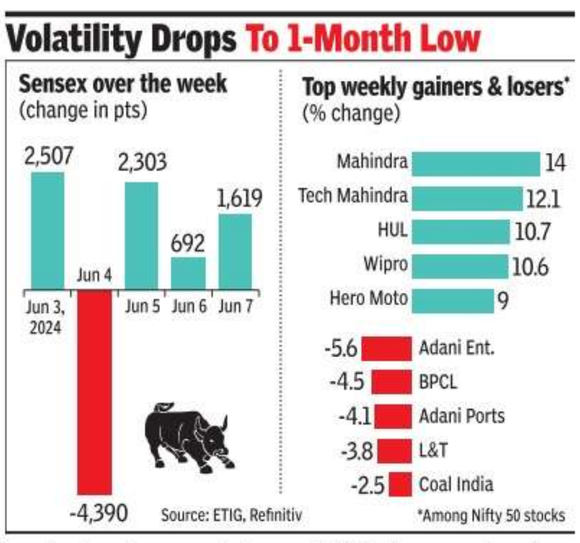
"Also, the arrival of monsoon rains on time and expectations of its even spread across the country raised hopes of softening inflation going ahead. With the election uncertainty now over and NDA most likely to form the government, investors are hopeful that the action will now shift to reforms and the upcoming Budget."

For a change, Friday's rally was supported by foreign funds who recorded a net inflow of Rs 4,391 crore, while domestic funds were net sellers at Rs 1,290 crore, end-of-the-session data on BSE showed. The day's rally added Rs 7 lakh crore to investors' wealth with BSE's market capitalisation now at Rs 429.5 lakh crore.

The day's session also saw volatility reducing substantially with India VIX, the measure of volatility, dropping to one-month low of 16. This was a sign of reduced anxiety among investors over the formation of the new government, market players said.

After the European Central Bank announced interest rate cut for the first time in nearly five years, hopes have revived that the US Fed might follow suit in its Sept meeting, said Siddhartha Khemka, head — retail research, Motilal Oswal Financial Services.

Volatility Drops To 1-Month Low



Source: ETIG, Refinitiv

*Among Nifty 50 stocks

Forex reserves rise $4.8bn to record $652bn

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: India's foreign exchange reserves jumped $4.8 billion to hit a record high of $651.5 billion in the week ended May 31, 2024, with the current account deficit significantly shrinking during Q4 FY24 due to strong growth in services and robust remittances.

In his monetary policy statement, RBI governor Shaktikanta Das said India's external sector remains resilient and that key external vulnerability indicators continue to improve. Incidentally, India Ratings said in a report that the current account in Q4 FY24 was likely to have turned into a surplus for the first time in 10 quarters.

"The phenomenal rise of GCCs in India has provided a significant boost to India's software and business services exports," said Das.

You can soon 'auto-reload' UPI Lite, Fastag wallets

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: Users of UPI apps will soon be able to automate balance replenishment in their UPI Lite wallets. The feature will ensure that more low-value UPI transactions take place offline faster and without increasing the load on the bank's core banking systems.

A similar automatic replenishment facility is being considered for other prepaid instruments such as Fastag and National Common Mobility Card (used in metros and other public transport) to mitigate the risk of low balance. At present, when the balances under these instruments get exhausted, the account holder has to manually recharge them to avoid declining transactions.

"The purpose of UPI Lite is to ensure that fewer transactions are hitting the bank systems. Currently, 10 million of 450 million UPI transactions take place on UPI Lite," said T Rabi Shankar, deputy governor of RBI. He said that this would also reduce the downtime in UPI transactions which are largely at the bank's end. And with NPCI targeting 100 crore UPI transactions every day, banks will need to increase the transaction capacity of their systems.

Shankar said that RBI has constituted a committee under A P Hota, former MD & CEO of NPCI, to set up the digital public infrastructure for a Digital Payments Intelligence Platform. The platform will use AI/ML to reduce fraud risks.

RBI Aims To Reduce Load On Bank Systems

- **UPI Lite** draws from a wallet where an amount up to ₹2,000 can be kept aside
- At present, when the balance gets exhausted, the account holder has to **manually recharge** to avoid declining transactions
- The new development will introduce an **auto-replenishment facility** for loading the UPI Lite wallet by the customer, if the balance goes below a set threshold amount

UPI Lite uses the same app and QR code that is used for account-to-account payments. But instead of debiting the bank account, Lite transactions draw from a wallet which can hold up to Rs 2,000 and make payments up to Rs 500 without second-factor authentication.

Danish co's India team key to Ozempic's success

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Bengaluru: The secret sauce behind Novo Nordisk's blockbuster weight-loss drug, Ozempic, is the Danish pharma giant's India team, which played a key role in the rise of the semaglutide-based drug meant for treating diabetes.

The success of Ozempic and Wegovy — another semaglutide-based drug for weight management — has not only boosted Denmark's economy but also led to Novo Nordisk's market cap surpassing Tesla's.

John Dawber, corporate VP and MD of global business services at Novo Nordisk, said, "Medicalised obesity has exploded over the last couple of years, and everybody's interested in it. But Novo Nordisk's research journey started about two decades ago." The company's research into new treatments for diabetes led to the discovery of benefits of weight management, prompting a separate research programme. Dawber said the demand for these products has surprised the company.

The teams in Novo Nordisk Global Business Services (GBS) based in Bengaluru have collaborated with the global teams to contribute towards the Ozempic programme. Dawber said the Bengaluru team collaborates closely with the headquarters on the semaglutide drug, working on clinical trials, biostatistics, data management, pharmacovigilance, and global safety. It employs 4,000 employees.

Prasanna Kumar T S, VP of global safety in Novo Nordisk GBS, said the role of the biostatistics unit in Bengaluru, which conducts all statistical analysis and reporting for Ozempic. "Our trial statisticians and clinical data scientists engage with the trial squad right from protocol development until the submission of a trial/product to regulatory authorities." Biostatistics applies statistical methods to health data.

Biostatistics, Dawber said, is a highly technical area and something that traditionally the pharma companies keep very close to the headquarters. "We have a team of 150 biostatistics experts in Bengaluru. The VP who heads that function also heads the biostatistics team in Denmark and in the US. Something very highly technical like biostats, we have the global leadership sitting here, and they manage teams here and in other geographies," he said.

Kumar said the global medical affairs team played a pivotal role in the development of Semaglutide. The global medical affairs team has also been instrumental in generating evidence and understanding semaglutide through investigator-initiated studies.

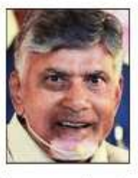
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- The co is hiring doctors, pharmacists, statisticians, data engineers, AI experts, and health economists in India, with plans to hire **1,400 people** over the next two years

TDP's Naidu family's wealth up ₹858cr in 5 days as stock rallies

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Hyderabad: The political revival of Telugu Desam Party (TDP) and its chief Chandrababu Naidu, who has emerged kingmaker in the coalition govt, has also boosted the fortunes of his family that runs Hyderabad-based dairy player Heritage Foods.



With the Heritage Foods scrip gaining 64% over the last five trading sessions from Rs 403 a share last Friday (May 31, 2024) to hit a 52-week high of Rs 662 per share on Friday, the wealth of his family has surged by Rs 858 crore in five days.

However, when one compares his family's wealth based on the scrip's closing price of Rs 363 a share on May 13, 2024, the day votes were cast in Andhra Pradesh, it has shot up by nearly Rs 989 crore in the span of less than a month as the scrip gained 82% during the period.

These figures are based on the 35.7% stake shares held by Naidu's family in the dairy company.

While Naidu's wife Nara Bhuvaneswari, who helms the company as MD, holds 24.4% stake in the company, Naidu's son Nara Lokesh is the second-biggest shareholder from the family with nearly 10.8%.

The other family members, all of whom hold less than 1% stake in the company, include Naidu's daughter-in-law Nara Brahmani (0.5%) and his grandson Devaansh Nara (0.1%).

The surge in the share prices has sent the company's market capitalisation soaring from Rs 3,371 crore on May 13 to Rs 3,738 crore on May 31, a day before the exit polls, on to Rs 6,141 crore on Friday as the Heritage Foods scrip gained by over Rs 298 and Rs 259 a share respectively as compared to its May 13 and May 31 prices.

Naidu's TDP bagged 16 seats in the Lok Sabha elections and 135 seats in the Andhra Pradesh assembly elections.

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SHORT CUTS MAKE LONG DELAYS — J R R TOLKIEN



'HELLO, I'M DOLLY': DOLLY PARTON REVEALS SHE'S WORKING ON BROADWAY MUSICAL BASED ON HER LIFE, AIMS AT 2026 OPENING



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Biden apologises to Zelensky for aid delay that let Russia advance

Says US Is With Ukraine 'Completely', Announces $225M In Military Aid

Reuters



US Prez Biden speaks at the WWII Pointe du Hoc Ranger Monument in Normandy following the 80th anniversary of the 1944 D-Day landings

Bloomberg



A parachutist lands on Omaha beach during the 80th D-Day anniversary international commemoration in Normandy, France, on Thursday

Paris: US Prez Joe Biden on Friday for the first time publicly apologised to Ukraine for a monthslong congressional holdup in American military assistance that let Russia make gains on the battlefield. Biden met in Paris with Ukrainian Prez Volodymyr Zelensky, who appealed for bipartisan US support going forward "like it was during World War II."

A day earlier, the two had attended ceremonies marking the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy, where Biden had drawn common cause between the allied forces that helped free Europe from Nazi Germany and today's effort to support Ukraine against Russia's invasion and Zelensky had been greeted with a rapt ovation. "I apologise for those weeks of not knowing what's going to happen in terms of funding," Biden said, referring to the six-month holdup by conservative Republicans in Congress to a $61 billion military aid package for Ukraine. Still, the Democratic prez insisted that Americans were standing by Ukraine for the long haul. "We're still in. Completely. Thoroughly," he said.

The apology — and Zelensky's plea for rock-solid support akin to the allied coalition in WWII — served as a reminder that for all of Biden's talk of an unflagging US commitment to Ukraine, recalcitrance among congressional Republicans and an isolationist strain in American politics have exposed its fragility. And, although unremarked upon, the specter of Donald Trump's candidacy loomed over the discussion, as the Republican former prez and the presumptive nominee has spoken positively of Russia Prez Vladimir Putin and sparked Ukrainian concerns that he would call for it to cede territory to end the conflict.

Zelensky pressed for all Americans to support his country's defence, and he thanked lawmakers for eventually coming together to approve the weapons package, which has allowed Ukraine to stem Russian advances in recent weeks.

The US, by far Kyiv's biggest supplier of wartime support, will send about $225 million in military aid to Ukraine, Biden announced Friday. The latest package includes munitions for the High Mobility Artillery Rocket System, or HIMARS, as well as mortar systems and an array of artillery rounds, officials said Thursday. AP

No threat to warrant use of N-arms: Putin

St Petersburg: Prez Putin said Friday that he sees no current threat to Russia's sovereignty that would warrant the use of nuclear weapons but again warned Moscow could send weapons to states or others to strike Western targets. Speaking at the St Petersburg International Economic Forum, Putin said use of nuclear weapons is only possible in "exceptional cases" and that he does not believe "such a case has arisen".

But he repeated a warning made days earlier that Moscow "reserves the right" to arm Western adversaries as a response to some Nato allies allowing Ukraine to use their weapons to strike targets inside Russia. "If they supply (weapons) to the combat zone and call for using these weapons against our territory, why don't we have the right to do the same?" Putin asked. "But I'm not ready to say that we will be doing it tomorrow, either," Putin added, suggesting that it might affect global stability. He didn't specify where such arms might be sent. AP

Kyiv hit Russia-held area with US missiles, says Moscow

The Russian defence ministry Friday accused Ukrainian forces of firing five US-supplied ATACMS missiles at the Russian-controlled eastern Ukrainian city of Luhansk in an attack it said had wounded 20 people, including children. The ministry said in a statement that four of the five missiles had been shot down, but that one of the missiles had damaged two residential blocks, something it alleged was deliberate. REUTERS

Israel draws criticism after strike on UN school shelter

Military: Stopped A Ticking Bomb, Militants Were Planning Attacks

via Reuters/File



AID PIER RE-ESTABLISHED: The US military-built pier designed to carry badly needed aid into Gaza by boat has been reconnected to the beach in the besieged territory after a section broke apart in storms and rough seas. Supply of food and other essentials is expected to start soon

Facing international criticism of its conduct of the war and its latest strike on a UN school building being used as a shelter in Nuseirat, the Israeli military offered a full-throated defence of the operation, insisting its forces had targeted a group of about 30 militants using three classrooms as a base. A military spokesman, Rear Adm. Daniel Hagari, said Israel had carried out "a precise, intelligence-based strike" against "dozens of Hamas and Islamic Jihad terrorists hiding inside a UN school." He said some of the militants had participated in the attacks against Israel on Oct. 7.

Hagari said the operation took place after "three days of surveillance" and was designed to destroy three specific classrooms in the school where the Israeli military believed roughly 30 militants were staying and planning operations. Israel twice delayed the strike because it had identified civilians in the area, he said. "The terrorists inside the school were planning more attacks against Israelis, some of them imminent," he said. "We stopped a ticking time bomb." Gazan officials say at least 40 people were killed in the strike, including women and children. To support its contention the strike was on a military target, Israel's military released the names of nine killed in the attack that it said were associated with Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

The UN human rights office said the Israeli strike in Nuseirat "suggests a failure" by the military to "ensure strict compliance with international humanitarian law". UN secretary-general Antonio Guterres described the strike as "horrific", while Egypt's foreign ministry condemned what he called the "deliberate bombing of an UNRWA school".

John Kirby, the US national security council coordinator, said Israel "absolutely" has a right to target Hamas and that it is known that its fighters "shelter in civilian facilities", but noted that this does not give Israel carte blanche. He said that the US is discussing the incident with Israel. NYT & REUTERS

Houthis detain at least 9 UN staffers

At least nine Yemeni employees of UN agencies have been detained by Yemen's Houthi rebels under unclear circumstances, authorities said Friday, as the rebels face increasing financial pressure and air strikes from a US-led coalition. Others working for aid groups also likely have been taken. The detentions come as the Houthis have been targeting shipping throughout the Red Sea corridor over the Israel-Hamas war in the Gaza Strip. Regional officials confirmed the UN detentions. Those held include staff from the UN human rights agency, its development programme, the World Food Program and one working for the office of its special envoy, the officials said. The wife of one of those held is also detained. The UN declined to immediately comment. AP

Israel hits another UN school, 3 killed

Israel's military struck what it says was a Hamas position inside a UN-run school in northern Gaza. Palestinian emergency officials said three people were killed. The attack on Friday came a day after an Israeli strike on a UN school in central Gaza killed at least 40 people, including women and children, according to local health officials. The Israeli military said in that case as well that Hamas militants were operating from within the school, which the UN said was sheltering displaced Palestinian families. Meanwhile, with a renewed ceasefire push in the eight-month-old Gaza war stalled, Israel also bombarded central and southern areas again on Friday, killing at least 28 Palestinians, and tank forces advanced to the western edges of Rafah. AP & REUTERS

Sunak faces ire for leaving D-Day event early for campaign

London: British PM Rishi Sunak, in a new setback to his election campaign, apologised on Friday for leaving D-Day commemorations early to give an interview in which he attacked the main opposition party. Sunak's decision not to stay at the event in France alongside other world leaders on Thursday was met with dismay in his Conservative Party, which opinion polls suggest faces the prospect of a heavy defeat in the national election on July 4.

The leader of the opposition Labour Party, Keir Starmer, remained in Normandy for the duration of events and was seen talking to heads of state, including Ukrainian Prez Volodymyr Zelensky. "On reflection, it was a mistake not to stay longer, and I've apologised for that, but I also don't think it's right to be political in the midst of D-Day commemorations," Sunak told reporters. "The focus should rightly be on the veterans." Sunak said his plans had been set long before the start of the election campaign.



AP

Sunak meets with a British D-Day veteran in Normandy on Thursday

In Normandy, Sunak spoke at a British-led event but delegated other duties to ministers, including foreign secretary David Cameron, who was pictured with Biden, French Prez Emmanuel Macron and German Chancellor Olaf Scholz.

A loyal Conservative politician, who asked not to be identified, said it could become the "Gillian Duffy moment" — a reference to 2010 when Gordon Brown, the then PM, apologised for being caught on tape calling a voter "a bigoted woman", a moment seen as a turning point in a campaign he lost. Sunak's Tories are lagging about 20 points behind Labour in opinion polls. Labour spokesman Jonathan Ashworth accused Sunak of "choosing to prioritise his own vanity TV appearances over our veterans". REUTERS

French national in custody in Moscow

French researcher Laurent Vinatier pleaded guilty in a Moscow court on Friday to a charge of failing to register as a foreign agent while gathering information on the Russian military. Vinatier, 47, could face up to five years in prison. He was placed in pre-trial custody until Aug 5. "I apologise for not registering as a foreign agent. The most upsetting thing is that throughout the 10 years of my work I tried to defend Russia and its interests," state news agency RIA quoted him as saying. Vinatier is a Russia specialist and adviser to HD, a Swiss-based conflict mediation group. REUTERS

Israel says UN has added military to global list of offenders against children; 'move shameful'

United Nations secretary-general Antonio Guterres has added Israel's military to a global list of offenders who have committed violations against children, said Israel's UN envoy Gilad Erdan, describing the decision as "shameful". Erdan said he was officially notified of the decision on Friday. The global list is included in a report on children and armed conflict that is due to be submitted to the UN security council on June 14. Israel's foreign minister Israel Katz said the decision would impact the country's ties with the United Nations.

Erdan said he was notified by Guterres' chief of staff and posted a video online of him responding to the decision during their phone call. "I am utterly shocked and disgusted by this shameful decision," said Erdan. Guterres spokesperson declined to comment.

Israeli PM Netanyahu said in a statement that the UN had "added itself to the black list of history when it joined those who support Hamas murderers." Meanwhile, Palestinian prez's Mahmoud Abbas spokesman said the UN's move was "a step closer to holding Israel accountable for its crimes".

Guterres' annual report to the 15-member UNSC on children and armed conflict covers killing, maiming, sexual abuse, abduction or recruitment of children, denial of aid access and targeting of schools and hospitals. It was not clear what violations Israel's military had been accused of. REUTERS

Imran invokes Kejriwal's bail to campaign in Pak SC, complains mistreatment in jail

Islamabad: Jailed former Pakistan PM Imran Khan has invoked the case of Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal getting bail to campaign ahead of India's general elections, as he complained before the SC about the mistreatment meted to him in jail.



During his appearance on Thursday before a five-member SC bench headed by Chief Justice of Pakistan Qazi Faez Isa in a case related to amendments to the National Accountability Ordinance, the PTI chairman complained of the "victimisation" that he faced since his ouster from power in April 2022.

Khan, complaining of oppression against him, pointed out that Kejriwal was released on bail by the apex court ahead of the Indian general elections for campaigning for his party but he was facing oppression in Pakistan which was under undeclared "martial law".

Khan, 71, complained that he was convicted within five days to keep him away from the elections which were held on Feb 8. Khan also expressed dismay over the SC's judgment rejecting Khyber Pakhtunkhwa's govt plea requesting the live streaming of the case.

"You wrote (in the judgment) that I did political point scoring during the last hearing. I did not get it, what political scoring did I resort to," the PTI founder asked the CJP Isa. At this, chief justice Isa said a judge does not owe an explanation to anyone over the verdict. "You can file a review petition," the top judge said. PTI

SUNITA WILLIAMS DANCES HER WAY INTO INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

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Indian-origin astronaut Sunita Williams broke into an impromptu dance on Thursday as she entered the International Space Station along with her colleague Butch Wilmore. The two arrived at the space station aboard the Boeing's new Starliner capsule, which had been delayed by last-minute thruster trouble that almost derailed the docking. The mission marks a historic milestone as Williams became the first woman to pilot a spacecraft on its maiden voyage. Williams, on her third trip to ISS, and Wilmore were warmly welcomed by the seven astronauts aboard the space station, who greeted them with the traditional bell ringing. Wearing blue overalls with her hair flowing upwards around her smiling face, Williams broke into a twist-like dance step as soon as she came out of the docking tunnel. Wilmore followed. They embraced the ISS residents. 'It was such a great welcome, a little dance party,' said Williams. 'That's the way to get things going.' The docking was to get a final check that Starliner is ready to begin once-a-year operational flights to ferry Nasa crews for 6-month stays at the orbital outpost. PTI & AGENCIES

Bird flu patient died of chronic disease, not virus: Mexico

Mexico City: A man who contracted bird flu in Mexico died due to chronic diseases and not the virus, Mexico's health ministry said on Friday. Earlier this week, the WHO reported the first laboratory-confirmed human case of infection with A(H5N2) avian influenza in Mexico.

On Friday, a WHO spokesman described the man's case as a "multifactorial death" and noted that experts were still investigating whether he was infected by someone or by contact with animals.

Mexico's ministry stressed the 59-year-old's death was due to chronic conditions that led to septic shock. "The man had chronic kidney disease, diabetes and arterial hypertension over past 14 years", it said, adding that there is no proof of person-to-person transmission of the virus stemming from the case. REUTERS

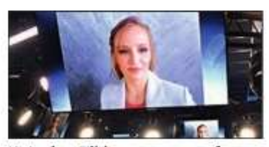
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Women in costumes pose in front of St Basil's Cathedral in Moscow

Putin's reported daughters make rare appearance at business summit



Katerina Tikhonova, one of Putin's 'daughters', attends an economic meet via videolink

Vladimir Putin's two alleged daughters both made rare public appearances this week at a flagship economic forum in the Russian prez's home city of Saint Petersburg. Putin keeps details of his family life fiercely secret and has never publicly confirmed that the two women — Maria Vorontsova, 39, and Katerina Tikhonova, 37 — are his daughters. But the pair have been widely linked to Putin through various media reports and in 2022, the US treasury sanctioned both as "daughters of Russian Prez Putin". Tikhonova, a technology executive who works in areas connected to the Russian military, spoke Thursday on a panel about the role of the defence sector in boosting "technological sovereignty". Vorontsova, a biology researcher, spoke on a panel Friday. The two have taken on more public roles in recent years, including speaking roles at various events. But public appearances are still rare.

Giraffe's nibble turns into airborne safari for toddler

A Texas family got a brief scare when a nibble from a giraffe turned a 2-year-old's safari visit into an airborne adventure. Paisley Toten was in the bed of a pickup truck on June 1 when



her family drove through the Fossil Rim Wildlife Centre, where visitors can see exotic animals such as zebras and giraffes, and feed some of them from their car. The family had stopped to feed a giraffe when it grabbed Paisley's shirt with its mouth and lifted her several feet. Her mother shouted, prompting the giraffe to drop the toddler into her arms unhurt. A clip of the encounter went viral.

Biden: Won't pardon son if he's convicted in gun trial

Washington: US Prez Biden said Thursday that he would not grant **Hunter Biden** a pardon if he was convicted in his felony gun trial, a rare comment from the president about the legal troubles facing his son. When asked during an interview with ABC News whether he would accept the outcome of the trial of his son, who faces charges including lying on an application to obtain a gun in Oct 2018, Joe Biden said, "Yes." In the wide-ranging interview, the president also defended his border policies and reiterated his support for a cease-fire proposal in the war in Gaza.



When the topic turned to former Prez Donald Trump and his recent felony conviction, Biden said his opponent needed to "stop undermining the rule of law." Last week, a New York jury found Trump guilty of 34 counts of falsifying business records to cover up hush money paid to a porn actor, in an unlawful conspiracy to aid his 2016 presidential campaign. He has since repeated his criticism of the judge in the case and suggested he could seek to prosecute his political opponents if elected again. NYT

Willing to upgrade eco ties with Pak: Xi

Beijing: Beijing is willing to work with Islamabad to build an upgraded version of an economic corridor linking the two countries, China Prez Xi Jinping told visiting Pakistan PM Shehbaz Sharif on Friday. Sharif pledged to ensure the safety of Chinese workers in Pakistan, according to a report on their meeting posted online by state broadcaster CCTV. The report said that Sharif offered his govt's condolences for the deaths in March of five Chinese engineers in a bombing in Pakistan. Sharif is making his first trip to China since his election.

Xi said he hopes that Pakistan will ensure the safety of Chinese personnel and projects, CCTV reported. AP

'True story' gone wrong? Woman who 'inspired' 'Baby Reindeer' role sues Netflix

A woman who says that a character in the Netflix drama "Baby Reindeer" was modelled after her sued the streaming company Thursday for defamation, claiming that the show, which is based on a true story, falsely suggested that she was a convicted stalker.

In a lawsuit filed in federal court in Los Angeles, lawyers for the woman, Fiona Harvey, said she had never been convicted of a crime and that she had not committed other offences that the series character does. She also claims that the show has destroyed her reputation.

In "Baby Reindeer", which was created by comedian Richard Gadd, a woman named Martha, played by actress Jessica Gunning, torments an aspiring comedian named Donny Dunn (played by Gadd) through emails and voicemail messages. Harvey's lawsuit calls particular attention to a statement that appears on-screen at the beginning of "Baby Reindeer": "This is a true story." That statement, the lawsuit claims, is "the biggest lie in television history."

The suit, which makes claims of defamation, intentional infliction of emotional distress and negligence, asks at least $170 million in damages. The show's credits include an additional statement: "This programme is based on real events: however certain characters, names, incidents, locations, and dialogue have been fictionalised for dramatic purposes."



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In the show created by comedian Richard Gadd (R), a woman named Martha, played by Jessica Gunning (L), torments an aspiring comedian via emails & voicemail messages

In a statement, Netflix said, "We intend to defend this matter vigorously and to stand by Richard Gadd's right to tell his story." Netflix officials and Gadd have said they sought to disguise the identity of the character known as Martha. But as Harvey describes in her lawsuit, it took just days for members of the public to scour the internet for clues and eventually identify her as the real-life Martha.

In the lawsuit, lawyers for Harvey say she has been "tormented" since being publicly outed online and "is fearful of leaving her home." "Baby Reindeer" has been a surprising success for Netflix. In the first four weeks after the seven-episode series premiered, it was viewed over 56 million times.

But the series has also caused complications. A Netflix official was questioned about the streamer's "duty of care" by a British lawmaker. Harvey has gone public with her complaints, airing them in an hourlong interview on YouTube with Piers Morgan, during which she called the show a "work of fiction." Viewers have also tried to figure out the real-life identities of other characters in the series. The lawsuit also points to a scene in which the Martha character sexually assaults Gadd's character in a dark alley. "Harvey has never had any sexual encounter with Gadd," it says.

Gadd has urged internet sleuths to stop digging into the inspirations for the show's characters, saying: "Please don't speculate on who any of the real life people could be. That's not the point of the show." NYT

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CORNERED PAK MAY COME HARD AT INDIA

...But Rohit & Co. Have Experience Of Playing On Tricky NY Pitch



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TIME FOR ANOTHER INSTANT CLASSIC! India's Arshdeep Singh celebrates the wicket of Babar Azam of Pakistan during the T20 World Cup match in Melbourne on Oct 23, 2022. India went on to win the thriller by four wickets

New York: The hotels in the Nassau County area in Long Island are filling up fast. The local authorities have organized a watch-party for all those who have not got tickets for the India-Pakistan clash in a sprawling park not too far away from the centre of action. There could be about 6,000 in there, in addition to the 35,000 at the ground --- not a single ticket being left unsold.

Predictably, the Indian fans are likely to outnumber their Pakistan counterparts. And now that Pakistan have been beaten by United States of America, there's a sense of celebration among the Indian fans --- the arch-rivals should be easy meat.

But there's a little catch. The US win might just have thrown a virtually 'two-team group' completely open. Imagine a situation where Babar Azam's boys happen to beat India on a lottery of a pitch at Nassau County Ground and then go on to beat Canada and Ireland in their last two matches. In that case, India will be in a must-win situation against a high-on-confidence USA and Canada. And even if Rohit & Co. finish the job, it can come down to Net Run Rate, if the hosts go past Ireland too and leave three teams on three wins each.

When the tournament started, no one expected such a situation --- the Indo-Pak game being nothing more than a prestige fight without too much consequence on the final outcome of the group, other than probably the top-two placings.

While Rohit's boys have to be careful, the situation is way graver for Pakistan. They are in an absolutely must-win situation against an opposition that has had the better of them in recent times.

In addition to that, Pakistan don't have experience of playing in New York, where India have been camped for the last couple of weeks and have already played two games. The pitch here is truly difficult to bat on and ICC has already acknowledged that it isn't the best for T20 cricket. What's worrying is the up and down nature of the track and even though the world body has promised to work on it ahead of the big-ticket clash, one wonders if it's case of too little too late.

As we have seen till now, the toss can become extremely crucial on this pitch. Due to the 10.30 am starts, the white ball tends to do a lot more in the first session and that can just make the Pakistan pace quartet of Shaheen Afridi, Mohammed Amir, Haris Rauf and Naseem Shah a little more dangerous than they actually are.

All four failed to rise to the occasion against USA, while spinner Shadab Khan struggled to take wickets in the middle-overs, which allowed US to go for a final assault.

"We are better than that in the bowling and we know that. We did not take wickets in the first six overs and in the middle overs, if your spinner is not taking wickets, then the pressure is on you," captain Babar said after the loss to USA, taking a dig at five of his bowlers.

He was particularly upset with Rauf on the field when the experienced pacer tried bowling a yorker in the last ball with the mid-off up and ended up bowling a low full-toss, which was sent to the fence by Nitish Kumar to force a Super Over.

But on slightly helpful conditions, this same group of bowlers has the habit and the ability of coming back from the dead. For starters, they have the pace that can trouble the much-vaunted Indian batting line-up, if they are to hit the right lengths. It's on India to keep the cornered tigers secluded in the corner so that they can breathe slightly easy going into the last two games of their United States leg.

Eng target improved bowling effort vs Oz

Bridgetown (Barbados): Defending champions England will look to restitch their T20 World Cup campaign through an improved bowling effort when they face Australia in a Group B match here on Saturday. England's opening game against Scotland was rained off after the latter made 90 for no loss in 10 overs, forcing the teams to take home a point each.

But even those 60 balls showed the need for England to buckle up in the bowling department, to begin with.

Scottish openers George Munsey and Michael Jones scored freely against all England bowlers, and Australia carry far more lethal guns in their line-up.

David Warner and Marcus Stoinis showed the extent of damage they can do while outclassing Oman in their tournament opener.

Once again, there will be a lot of focus on Jofra Archer, who gave away 12 runs in two overs against Scotland, as the pacer continues his comeback trail into top-flight cricket.

But bowling is just one part, as the English batters under skipper Jos Buttler, who had a good run in the IPL 2024, will have to fire in unison against the Aussie attack.

The Australian bowlers were potent against Oman even without Pat Cummins, who had a reasonable outing for Sunrisers Hyderabad in the IPL. Nathan Ellis played ahead of Cummins in that game, but Australia might bring back the premier pacer against a much more formidable opponent.

While Australia's batting looks settled, the misfiring Glenn Maxwell remains a missing link. After enduring a shipwreck of an IPL campaign with Royal Challengers Bengaluru recently, the 'Big Show' got out for a first-ball duck against Oman.

The 2021 champions will be eager to see Maxwell return to his best at the earliest, and a match against England offers him a perfect occasion.

SA face courageous Dutch

South Africa might have trotted past Sri Lanka in their first match, but they have a tricky opponent in Netherlands in their second group D match in New York on Saturday. The scars from their 38-run loss against the Dutch in last year's 50-over World Cup might still be fresh in the minds of the Proteas.

The Aiden Markram-led side would certainly want a reversal this time around. The most encouraging signal from their win over Sri Lanka was the form of Anrich Nortje. Along with Kagiso Rabada, Nortje forms a strong combination upfront, and SA will require them in full flight against Netherlands, who started with a six-wicket win over Nepal.

SL-Bangladesh renew rivalry

In Dallas, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh will renew their rivalry in a bid to improve their chances to reach the Super Eights. Group D or the 'Group of Death' features three full members — South Africa, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh — the Netherlands, who are capable of pulling of upset wins besides Nepal.

Sri Lanka will have to bounce back from their crushing defeat to South Africa in their opener. Their batters will be expected to show better shot selection and greater match awareness. Bangladesh have struggled in the shortest format this year. They have had series losses against Sri Lanka and USA. PTI

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2 England have won two and lost one out of three T20 World Cup fixtures played against Australia. The first win came in the 2010 final by seven wickets and 18 balls to spare in Bridgetown on May 16. England also beat Australia by 8 wickets with 50 balls to spare in Dubai on Oct 30, 2021. Australia's lone win came in Cape Town on Sep 14, 2007 by eight wickets and 31 balls to spare.
—Stats: Rajesh Kumar

'Too late to make major changes to NY pitch'

Navjot Singh Sidhu Says Playing Surface Should Have Been Ready Two Months Earlier

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Nicholas Kirton of Canada is struck by a ball during the match against Ireland in New York on Friday

New York: It wasn't a game that everyone was waiting for, but suddenly there were a few inquisitive eyes focused on the Ireland-Canada action at the Nassau International County Ground on Friday.

The reason was obviously the pitch that has been the centre of attention at the venue, which will host the crucial India-Pakistan game on Sunday. Canada managed 137-7 in 20 overs, the highest at the venue so far, but that didn't mean much.

The ICC said in a statement on Thursday that they were working on the pitch, but the amount of purchase that Irish pacers Mark Adair and Josh Little extracted during the Powerplay showed that there won't be much relief for India and Pakistan's top-order batters.

Former India opener Navjot Singh Sidhu feels that there are undulations on the pitch that cannot be dealt with in such a short time.

"It is a new pitch, it takes times to settle down. If this pitch was ready two months before, it could have been a different case. But here, the ball is hitting the undulations and are going either up or down. It is too late to make any significant change to the nature of the pitch," Sidhu said during a programme hosted by Star Sports at the venue.

Batters have to cope, it's a different kind of entertainment: Bhajji

But former India spinner Harbhajan Singh, another panelist, felt that the pitch is just more bowler friendly and there is no reason to panic about the surface. "There are Test matches in India which finish in two-and-a-half days, so why this hue and cry? It's true that the pitch is difficult and it will need a lot of adjustment on the part of the batters, but that's fine. It is a different type of entertainment," Bhajji said.

Pakistan's defeat to USA is another talking point going into this high-profile clash and Sidhu feels "it is the ignominy of the defeat" that is going to hurt them.

"It is Pakistan's batting that is truly hurting them. Even if you see the USA game, the bowlers brought them back. But the batting is just not happening, they are like a bird without a wing," the former opener added.

But both Harbhajan and Sidhu feel that Pakistan have the wherewithal to fight back, especially if they win the toss. "Yes, the toss is extremely crucial, if they win that on this pitch, it might not be one-way traffic," Sidhu said.

Call for resumption of Indo-Pak ties

Whenever there's an India-Pakistan game happens, the obvious question that crops us is whether the two nations should start playing bilateral cricket. While Sidhu insisted that they should, saying that "sport is a unifier", Harbhajan said that it is not necessary for India to always go to Pakistan and play them. "If playing in Pakistan is a problem, we should find ways to play series around the world. The fans want it and it should happen," Bhajji said.

CAPTAIN RICHIE GUIDES SCOTLAND TO EASY VICTORY OVER NAMIBIA

Bridgetown: Scotland moved atop Group B with a five-wicket win over Namibia in the T20 World Cup n Friday. Namibia posted 155-9 and Scotland reached the winning total with nine balls remaining.

Captain Richie Berrington made an unbeaten 47 from 35 balls and shared a 74-run fifth-wicket partnership with Michael Leask (35 from 17) which steered Scotland to their first win over Namibia in four T20 Internationals.

Scotland took a point from their opening match against England, which was rained out, and now sit atop Group B with three points.

Captain Gerhard Erasmus made 52 from 30 balls and put on 51 for the fifth wicket with Zane Green (28) as Namibia made a 155-9 after choosing to bat. Erasmus then took 2-14 to leave Scotland 69-3 at the midpoint of their innings. But Berrington and Leask guided Scotland to victory. AP

Brief scores: Scotland 157/5 in 18.3 overs (R Berrington 47*, M Leask 35) beat Namibia 155/9 (G Erasmus 52; B Wheal 3-33).

Malad to Dallas: Netravalkar cracks the code

USA's Super-Over Hero Against Pak Is An IT Professional Who Once Played For India U-19 And Mumbai

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BIG FEAT: USA's Saurabh Netravalkar (left) celebrates after their win on Thursday

Mumbai: It was well past midnight on Thursday. The ninth-floor residence of the Netravalkars in Malad was a beehive of excitement. Normally, such noise would invite the neighbours' wrath at this hour.

However, in this case, the neighbours and friends of the Netravalkars had come to greet Naresh Netravalkar and his daughter Nidhi. Naresh's son Saurabh, a seasoned left-arm pacer, had played a heroic role, taking 2/18 in four overs while holding his nerve in the Super Over — conceding 13 when Pakistan needed 19 — to help US stun Pakistan by five runs in a T20 World Cup match in Dallas. Saurabh's mother Rama and wife Snigdha were at the stadium, cheering for their hero.

"The vibe in our house was something else. We were more stressed than him when he was bowling the Super Over. This is not just a win for Saurabh, but for everyone involved in his journey," Nidhi told **TOI**.

"I'm very proud of Saurabh today. He has managed to pursue his passion. He had been performing in cricket for a while, but this is the first time he has come into the limelight," dad Naresh said. "The fact that he's so well-educated makes a difference to his cricket too," Naresh, a businessman, said.

Based in San Fransisco, Saurabh is a computer engineer by profession and works in IT firm Oracle as principal member of the technical staff. "He was a brilliant student, scoring above 90% in 10th and 12th," Naresh said.

Along with playing cricket for Payyade SC for seven years as a youngster in Mumbai, Saurabh also played for Air India and BPCL on scholarship. At the same time, he completed his BE in computer engineering from the Sardar Patel Institute of Technology (SPIT) in Andheri.

Payyade SC owner PV Shetty specifies what makes Netravalkar a perfect role model. "He knew how to balance academics and cricket. The problem with most of today's budding cricketers is that they want to quit studies and focus totally on cricket."

Says sister Nidhi, "My brother's cricket journey started with mom seeing an ad of Elf Vengsarkar Cricket Academy's free training selection in the newspaper and he hasn't looked back since."

In 2010, Netravalkar was picked for India U-19 for the World Cup in New Zealand. Led by Ashok Menaria, that team had pacers Jaydev Unadkat, Harshal Patel and Sandeep Sharma who all went on to play for India. In six matches, he took nine wickets @ 17.22, but India crashed out after losing to Pakistan in the quarterfinals.

Kolkata Knight Riders and Madhya Pradesh head coach Chandrakant Pandit, who was the coach of that team, says, "He was a simple boy, a sincere and studious cricketer who was doing his job nicely. Saurabh reminded me of someone like Paras Mhambrey (ex-India pacer and India's bowling coach). He didn't have pace, but he could move the ball around and stick to a decent line. He bowled well for us in that World Cup."

During that event itself, Netravalkar shared his 'academic dreams' with Pandit. "He told me 'Sir, I'm more interested in studies,'" Pandit recalled.

Gushing about Netravalkar's game-changing spell against Pakistan, Pandit said, "The creditable thing is that after so many years, he has maintained the standard of his bowling, which reflects the hard work he has put in. We must remember that he didn't go to a cricketing country, which means that he wasn't playing tournaments or even training regularly."

It was the lack of opportunity to play for Mumbai that prompted Netravalkar to fly to the US for further studies. "Even though he made his Ranji Trophy debut for Mumbai — in Feb 2014 vs Baroda in Rajkot — and played quite a few List 'A' and T20 matches for Mumbai, he could not get a regular spot which left him disillusioned.

"We had decided that after his graduation, he will give two years to cricket, and he will pursue the sport only if he's able to make it to the highest level. Otherwise, he'll move to the US for further studies,'" Naresh said.

In 2015, Netravalkar moved to the US, when he got admission to pursue master's in computer science at Cornell University, which is amongst the top five universities in the world and is part of the prestigious Ivy League. In 2016, he got a job with Oracle. "At that point, he started playing club cricket, as a leisurely activity. One day, he went to bowl in the US cricket team's nets. There, they realised that he has played for the India Under-19 side. He was immediately selected for the US cricket team," recalled Naresh.

That faith was repaid on Thursday.

Focus now on India: USA skipper Monank

Dallas: United States skipper Monank Patel is certain that their epochal T20 World Cup win over Pakistan will open "many doors" for them, but wants to keep emotions in check and focus on the next assignment against India.



MONANK PATEL

"I am happy with the win, playing against Pakistan for the first time in the World Cup and beating them was an unbelievable performance. Our focus would be on playing against India now," Patel said in the post-match press meet.

"But we don't want to keep our emotion too high or low. We'll make sure that we'll enjoy it (the win) and make sure that next day we come fresh," he added.

Patel, who made a crucial 50, asserted that the victory for the Asian giants would have far-reaching ramifications for USA cricket as a whole. "Beating Pakistan in World Cup is going to open many doors for us. The World Cup itself (hosting) is a big achievement, and then performing here as a team, it helps us to grow the cricket in USA.

"I would say it's a big day for Team USA and I would say not just for USA, for the USA cricket community too," said Patel.

But they are not yet ready to think of a Super Eight entry, despite topping Group A with four points after wins over Canada and Pakistan. "We are not worried about what people are saying (that their wins are fluke). We know what we have worked and what capability we have. We don't even want to think about the Ireland (match) right now. So, Super Eight is far ahead. We just focus on the particular game," he explained. PTI

CANADA STUN IRELAND TO RECORD FIRST WIN

New York: Canada overcame a late fightback by the more-fancied Ireland to win their first match in the T20 World Cup here on Friday.

After Nicholas Kirton rescued Canada from a collapse, the non-Test nation were restricted to a total of 137-7. But despite a fighting partnership of 62 for the 6th wicket between George Dockrell and Mark Adair, who joined hands when the score was 59/6, Ireland could manage to make 125/7 only.

With the win, Canada moved to the third place in the table with two points, behind second-placed India.

Earlier, Canada were struggling at 53-4 inside nine overs after losing the toss.

None of the dismissals, however, could be blamed on a controversial pitch that had been widely criticised for uneven bounce in two previous games at the specially-built venue. But a partnership of 75 in 10 overs between Barbados-born left-hander Kirton, who made 49 off 35 balls, and Shreyas Movva (37) took Canada to 128-5.

Brief scores: Canada 137/7 (N Kirton 49) beat Ireland 125/7 (G Dockrell 30*, M Adair 34).

SHOCKER: BOWLER THERON ACCUSES RAUF OF BALL TAMPERING

Dallas: USA bowler Rusty Theron has accused Pakistan pacer Haris Rauf of ball tampering during the T20 World Cup match between the two sides. Theron, who is not part of the USA squad, alleged that Rauf was running his thumbnails over the ball, which was two overs old, and hence it was reversing.



HARIS RAUF

The 38-year-old seamer, who used to play for South Africa before, also slammed the ICC for turning a blind eye to the alleged incident.

"@ICC are we just going to pretend Pakistan aren't scratching the hell out of this freshly changed ball? Reversing the ball that's just been changed 2 overs ago? You can literally see Harris Rauf running his thumb nail over the ball at the top of his mark. @usacricket #PakvsUSA," Theron wrote on 'X'. PTI

GALLERY

Lakshya Sen bows out of Indonesia Open

Jakarta: India's challenge ended at the Indonesia Open Super 1000 badminton tournament with Lakshya Sen bowing out in the quarterfinals of the men's singles event here on Friday. Sen, ranked 14th in the world, fought hard before going down 22-24, 18-21 against world no.5 Anders Antonsen of Denmark in a match that lasted one hour and one minute. Antonsen now enjoys a 3-2 head-to-head record against the Indian.

Chelsea sign defender Adarabioyo: Chelsea signed centre back Tosin Adarabioyo from fellow west London club Fulham on a free transfer, the Premier League side announced on Friday. The 26-year-old, who will join the Stamford Bridge side on a four-year contract beginning July 1, has made one appearance for the England U-19s and has played 78 times in the Premier League.

Zverev settles abuse case brought by ex-girlfriend: Alexander Zverev has agreed a settlement after the mother of his child accused him of physical abuse and a German court closed the case on Friday, the French Open semifinalist's lawyers said. The agreement, according to German media, includes a monetary condition of 200,000 euros ($217,820), with the player not found guilty of any wrongdoing.

Nagal enters semifinal: Sumit Nagal cruised to the semifinal of the ATP 100 Challenger event, winning his quarterfinal match against Russia's Ivan Gakhov 6-1, 7-6 (7-4) in 82 minutes. Nagal, currently placed 95th in the world, would like to earn as many ranking points possible to give himself the chance of qualifying for the singles event at the Paris Olympics.

ACTION TODAY

BADMINTON: Indonesia Open, 10.30 am (Jiocinema);
CRICKET: ICC T20 WC, SL vs Bangladesh, 6 am; Ned vs SA, 8 pm; Aus vs Eng, 10 pm (Star Sports);
FOOTBALL: La Liga, playoffs, 10 pm (Jiocinema);
HOCKEY: FIH Pro League, Germany vs India (women), 2.30 pm; Germany vs India (men) 10 pm (Jiocinema);
TENNIS: French Open, women's final, 6.30 pm; men's doubles final 9.30 pm (Sony Sports)

ALCARAZ ACES IT

Spaniard Downs No. 2 Sinner In Five Sets To Make Maiden Roland Garros Final

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Alcaraz	MATCH FACTS	Sinner
8	Aces	7
7	Double faults	8
66	First serve %	56
6/14	Break points	6/10
145	Points won	147
23	Games won	22

Paris: Carlos Alcaraz pounded a forehand into the red clay to break Jannik Sinner's defence in the second game of the fifth set. The 21-year-old then celebrated with a fist pump and a shout of 'vamos' that vibrated across the arena. The boy they call Carlitos was almost home.

Alcaraz, the owner of a sparkling win-loss record in five-setters 9-1, coming into his Roland Garros semifinal, did well to push the match into the decider, which is increasingly looking like his backyard. Alcaraz — who was creating points, pushing the pace in the fifth set, unlike the second-seeded Sinner — powered into his first French Open final with a 2-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3 result in 4-hours and 9-minutes.

Alcaraz threw his arms in the air, letting out a victory cry after Sinner sent a ball wide on match point. Alcaraz, playing in bright yellow shorts and a dull grey tee, has now made a major final in all three surfaces – hardcourt, grass and clay. "You have to find a way to enjoy when you are suffering, (suffering) is even more on clay, in Roland Garros," Alcaraz said. "You play long rallies, five sets, you have to fight. As I told my team many times, you have to enjoy suffering."

Alcaraz was quick to compliment Sinner following the semifinal that had championship match vibes. "The toughest matches I have played in my career are against Jannik. I hope to play many, many more matches like this against him. I learnt from last years' match against Djokovic, in these moments, you have to keep calm, stay there fighting," he said. "I'm really happy about everything I did today, waiting for the moment."

Sinner, 22, who will rise to No.1 in the rankings on Monday, led by a set and break in the second, and again by two-sets-to-one but like in their only meeting this year, in the semifinals of Indian Wells, the Spaniard produced champagne tennis to rally after the Italian had wrested early advantage. The start of this much-awaited semifinal – a clash of contrasts style and personalities — had full pendulum swings in momentum. First it was Sinner, who broke the Spaniard thrice in the opening set, then Alcaraz, who used his kick serve judiciously in the second, rallied from 0-2 down. Alcaraz won five straight games.

The Italian, trying to stay in it, was broken early in the third set, dragged down by cramps which affected his hands and then hamstrings. He received treatment at the changeover. Fortunately for Sinner, his opponent's returns were shorter than a blink, giving him space to take control of the set.

There was an incident in the stands in the fourth set with the score at 4-4 (40-15). Sinner and Alcaraz offered suggestions on how they could help the elderly spectator, who needed medical attention. The break may have affected Sinner more than Alcaraz as momentum was with the Italian at that point.

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FIERY FOREHAND: Carlos Alcaraz celebrates a winner against Jannik Sinner



Italian Faces Queen Of Clay Swiatek In Title Clash

Will Paolini realise her dream?

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VS



Iga Swiatek		Jasmine Paolini
1	Rank	15
23	Age	28
4	Slam	0

Head-to-Head: Swiatek leads 2-0
2022 US Open Hard R1 Swiatek 6-3, 6-0
2018 Prague Clay R16 Swiatek 6-2, 6-1

Paris: Jasmine Paolini is living her dream, a step at a time.

The 28-year-old Italian, who rose to a career-high No.12 in the WTA ranking last month, after steadily climbing from a year-end No. 93 in 2020 to 44 in 2022. Paolini started the 2024 season as the world No.29. Whatever happens in the Roland Garros final on Saturday, where the Italian takes on the queen of clay Iga Swiatek, Paolini will have a top-10 ranking come Monday. Paolini, 5 ft 4', whose play pivots off a solidity resulting from the hard yards run over time, never made the second week of a major, until Australia in January.

The world No.15, from Castelnuovo di Garfagnana, a bustling town in central Italy, has watched her share of Grand Slam finals growing up, but never quite imagined herself on Court Philippe Chatrier, playing for the title.

"When I started to play tennis, I was not dreaming too much, I was just enjoying playing tennis," Paolini said. "Then when I started to train to be a professional tennis player, I was dreaming to become a professional. I never dreamed to be No. 1, Grand Slam champion... Never dreamed so big."

"Step by step, I started to believe," the 28-year-old said. "Step by step, I started to dream."

"For me it's surprising to see interviews from Nole (Djokovic) when he was a kid, saying that he wanted to be World No. 1, it's unbelievable to see Jannik (Sinner), when he was 15 years old, say that his dream was to be No. 1. It's unbelievable that you can dream (that big) as a child. I didn't dream of it when I was a child. For me it's different," Paolini said, shaking her head and beaming a smile. "I never dreamed to be in a Grand Slam final, but I'm here. I'm a different kind of person, I think."

Paolini has been busy on rest days too, making the doubles final with compatriot Sara Errani.

Paolini has Polish roots, and even speaks the language. Against the top-seeded Pole, going for a fourth Roland Garros title, the only language she can employ is consistency.

"Iga is an unbelievable player. So young, but so many achievements and Grand Slams," Paolini said. "She's doing well week by week, and that's not easy. I have huge respect for her, my goal is to step on the court and try to enjoy the match, the moment."

Lanka complain to ICC over 'different treatment'

Colombo: Sri Lanka said on Friday that they have complained to the International Cricket Council over their T20 World Cup team's treatment and conditions in co-host the United States.

The sports minister Harin Fernando alleged other teams had it better and said Sri Lanka had lodged a formal protest after the squad was held up by a seven-hour flight delay at a Florida airport.

He said Sri Lanka had also been given accommodation more than 90 minutes' drive from the practice stadium when they reached New York. He said India's team had been put up much closer. Sri Lanka lost to South Africa by 6 wickets in their opening match on Monday in New York. "Sri Lanka Cricket has complained to the ICC," Fernando told parliament. "Different countries are being treated differently. We have called for an explanation from the organisers of the tournament."

Sri Lanka's sports ministry has dispatched an officer to the United States to look into the welfare of the team, Fernando added.

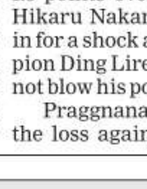
AFP has contacted the ICC for comment.

Opposition leader Sajith Premadasa said Sri Lanka's parliament was united in its upset over the supposed conditions. "We stand against this injustice, we should not allow this," he said. Angelo Mathews, a former skipper and current member of squad, told local broadcaster Ada Derana TV the past few days had been "most challenging".

"Practice facilities are not good. Wickets are not good. Last four to five days have been very challenging for us," he said. "We had to cancel practices because a flight was delayed. We are not going to use this as an excuse, we are a team that has won despite obstacles. We want to put all this behind us and do well at the next match." AGENCIES

Norway Chess: Prag loses to Caruana

Stavanger (Norway): Indian Grandmaster **R Praggnanandhaa** went down fighting against Fabiano Caruana of United States, while world number one Magnus Carlsen inflicted an Armaggeddon defeat on France's Firouzja Alireza in the penultimate round of Norway Chess tournament here.



With 16 points in his bag, Carlsen stretched his lead to 1.5 points over nearest rival Hikaru Nakamura, who was in for a shock as World Champion Ding Liren, for once, did not blow his position away.

Praggnanandhaa, despite the loss against Caruana in Armageddon, is still third on 13 points, a full point ahead of Alireza. Caruana on 10.5 comes in next in standings ahead of Liren (6), who spoiled Nakamura's party.

In women's section, R Vaishali succumbed to another loss at the hands of Tingjie Lei of China and was relegated to fourth spot while Koneru Humpy went down to leader Wenju Ju of China.

Wenjun Ju of China strengthened her claim for the title by moving to 16 points. Tingjie Lei and Anna Muzychuk of Ukraine follow her 1.5 points behind, while Vaishali on 11.5 is a distant fourth ahead of Humpy who is on 9 points. Veteran Swede Pia Cramling is last with 6.5 points in her kitty. PTI

Barca's Cubarsi left out of Spain's Euro 2024 squad



Madrid: Spain manager **Luis de la Fuente** left Barcelona's 17-year-old defender Pau Cubarsi and midfielders Marcos Llorente and Aleix Garcia out of his 26-man squad for the European Championship on Friday.

Cubarsi's consistency and ability to play the ball out from the back made him one of the breakout players in La Liga this season. Yet that was not enough to earn him a spot as De la Fuente decided to stick with a more seasoned group of centre backs in Robin Le Normand, Nacho Fernandez, Aymeric Laporte and Dani Vivian.

Former Manchester City defender Laporte, 30, has been one of the biggest question marks surrounding De la Fuente's squad since he fell out of favour with City manager Pep Guardiola and moved to Saudi Arabia's Al-Nassr last year. REUTERS

Spain Euro 2024 squad
Goalkeepers: Unai Simon (Athletic Bilbao), Alex Remiro (Real Sociedad), David Raya (Arsenal); **Defenders:** Dani Carvajal (Real Madrid), Jesus Navas (Sevilla), Aymeric Laporte (Al-Nassr), Nacho Fernandez (Real Madrid), Robin Le Normand (Real Sociedad), Dani Vivian (Athletic Bilbao), Alex Grimaldo (Bayer Leverkusen), Marc Cucurella (Chelsea); **Midfielders:** Rodrigo (Manchester City), Martin Zubimendi (Real Sociedad), Fabian Ruiz (Paris St Germain), Mikel Merino (Real Sociedad), Pedri (Barcelona), Alex Baena (Villarreal), Fermin Lopez (Barcelona); **Forwards:** Alvaro Morata (Atletico Madrid), Joselu (Real Madrid), Dani Olmo (RB Leipzig), Nico Williams (Athletic Bilbao), Mikel Oyarzabal (Real Sociedad), Ayoze Perez (Real Betis), Ferran Torres (Barcelona), Lamine Yamal (Barcelona).



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Alcaraz, 21, reaches his first French Open final by beating Sinner 2-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3, making him the youngest man to reach a Grand Slam title match on 3 surfaces, P26

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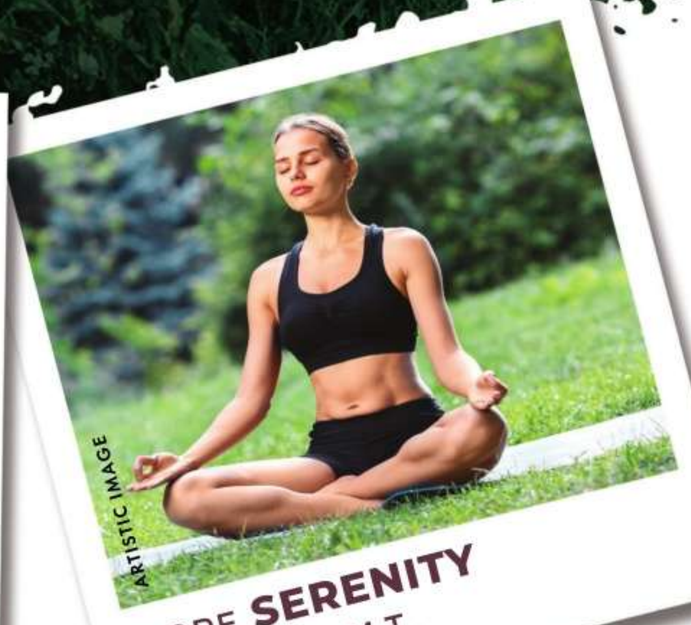
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Cop booked for Kangana 'slap', gets offers of legal assistance





Mohali/Bathinda: CISF constable Kulwinder Kaur was charged with "voluntarily causing hurt" and "wrongful restraint" in an FIR registered by Mohali police on Friday for her alleged act of confronting and slapping actor and newly elected BJP MP Kangana Ranaut at Chandigarh airport, **report Barinderjit Saluja & Neel Kamal**.

Kulwinder, whom CISF suspended after Kangana's complaint, received support from individuals and organisations, some of whom offered her monetary and legal help if she was arrested or dismissed from service.

▶Family of farmers, P 17

4 medicos from India drown in Russia

Two Maharashtra students pursuing medical education at a university in the Russian city of Veliky Novgorod drowned in the fast-flowing Volkhov Tuesday, while two of their friends were washed away by a strong wave. P 12

Chargesheet filed in Parl breach

Six months after the security breach at the old Parliament building was reported, Delhi Police filed a chargesheet against the six arrested under UAPA, accusing them of hatching a conspiracy to gain popularity and gain political mileage. P 7

NEET-UG results row lands in courts

The NEET-UG 2024 results controversy has intensified, with multiple courts now involved in adjudicating various grievances related to the exam. Calcutta HC, Delhi HC and SC are all hearing pleas that challenge the conduct & outcome of the exam. P 12

IN DALLAS, AN AMERICAN DREAM, PAK NIGHTMARE AND THE MAGNIFICENT 7 INDIAN CONNECTION

In a superb Super Over victory, USA stunned Pakistan in their T20 World Cup match on Thursday. **Seven players of Indian origin** were key to the improbable triumph

MONANK PATEL: Team leader of a multi-racial squad, Monank was born in Gujarat's milky Anand town. The 31-year-old wicketkeeper-cum-opener once ran a Chinese restaurant in New Jersey. Against Pakistan, he produced a mouthwatering 50 off 38 balls that had the spectators salivating for more



NOSTHUSH KENJIGE: Born in Alabama, Kenjige grew up in hill station Ooty and played college cricket in Bengaluru. He returned to America wanting to be a biomedical engineer. But cricket beckoned. Against Pakistan, the left-arm spinner's 3/30 was vital to the team's cause and game's outcome



SAURABH NETRAVALKAR: Playing U-19 WC for India in 2010, the Mumbai-born left-arm seamer scalped Joe Root and also emerged as the team's top wicket-taker. But Netravalkar soon gave up the game for a career in software engineering in San Francisco. Like Kenjige, he also picked up the game again, even becoming US captain in 2018. On Thursday, he delivered like none other, scalping 2/18 before coming up with a fab Super Over



NITISH KUMAR: Like his Bihar politico namesake, Nitish has changed sides – he once played for Canada – but also delivered when it mattered most. His **last ball boundary** pushed the game to Super Over

HARMEET SINGH: In his U-19 days for India, his bowling action reminded commentators of the great Bishan Bedi. Now 31, Mumbai-born left-arm spinner Harmeet (0/34) displayed he can perform at the highest level

JASDEEP SINGH: Born in New York, he spent most of childhood in Punjab. The 31-year-old medium pacer claimed the prized scalp of Pak skipper Babar Azam. He will never forget the ball and the match

MILIND KUMAR: The 33-year-old all-rounder, who once played for Delhi's famous Sonnet Club, took a great diving catch to put Pakistan on the backfoot in the Super Over

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Sensex rises to all-time high as fgn funds buy

Up 1,619 Pts On Friday As Anxiety Over Govt Fades

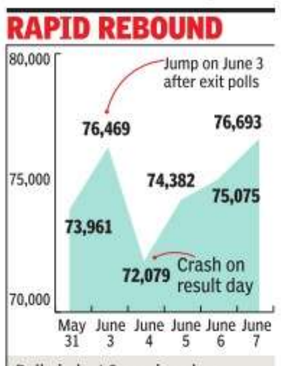
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Mumbai: With the BJP-led alliance set to be sworn in on Sunday, Dalal Street investors are coming back in droves to revive the bull rally. On Friday, after a muted start, investors, led by foreign funds, took the sensex to a new all-time high at 76,795 points and closed a tad lower at 76,693, up 1,619 points or 2.2%.

The RBI decision to maintain status quo on rates and an upward revision in the growth projections for the current fiscal year also helped the rally. Good monsoon progress and outlook added to the positive cues for investors to support the rally. Short covering during the closing hour of the session added some points to the index, market players said.

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RAPID REBOUND



Rally in last 3 sessions has more than wiped out Tuesday's record 4,390-point crash

RBI ups GDP forecast, cautions small lenders

RBI left key policy rate unchanged at 6.5% for the eighth consecutive time but raised GDP growth forecast for 2024-25 to 7.2% from its earlier projection of 7%. RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das nudged banks to make fixed deposits more attractive while cautioning small-ticket loan providers who charge exorbitant interest rates. P 23

Chauhan was handling DJB postings through CM: ED to court

Vinod Chauhan, the man allegedly handling proceeds of crimes connected with hawala operators in the Delhi excise policy case, is "very much a close associate" of Arvind Kejriwal, the Enforcement Directorate said in its reply filed in a Delhi court in the case of a regular bail plea of the CM. Chauhan was managing postings for officers in Delhi Jal Board through the CM, showing his proximity to Kejriwal, ED said in its reply, **reports Vineet Upadhyay**.

Citing screenshots of many hawala note numbers which have been retrieved from Chauhan's phone, ED said these match with the note numbers mentioned in the IT seized data. P 4

Wild allegations, no proof: AAP

Reacting to ED's submission, AAP said the probe agency was making "wild allegations" because it did not have any concrete evidence or recovery of money even after two years of investigation. AAP called it a "political witch-hunt at the behest of ED's masters, BJP". P 4

UP strikes deal to host MotoGP in Gr Noida

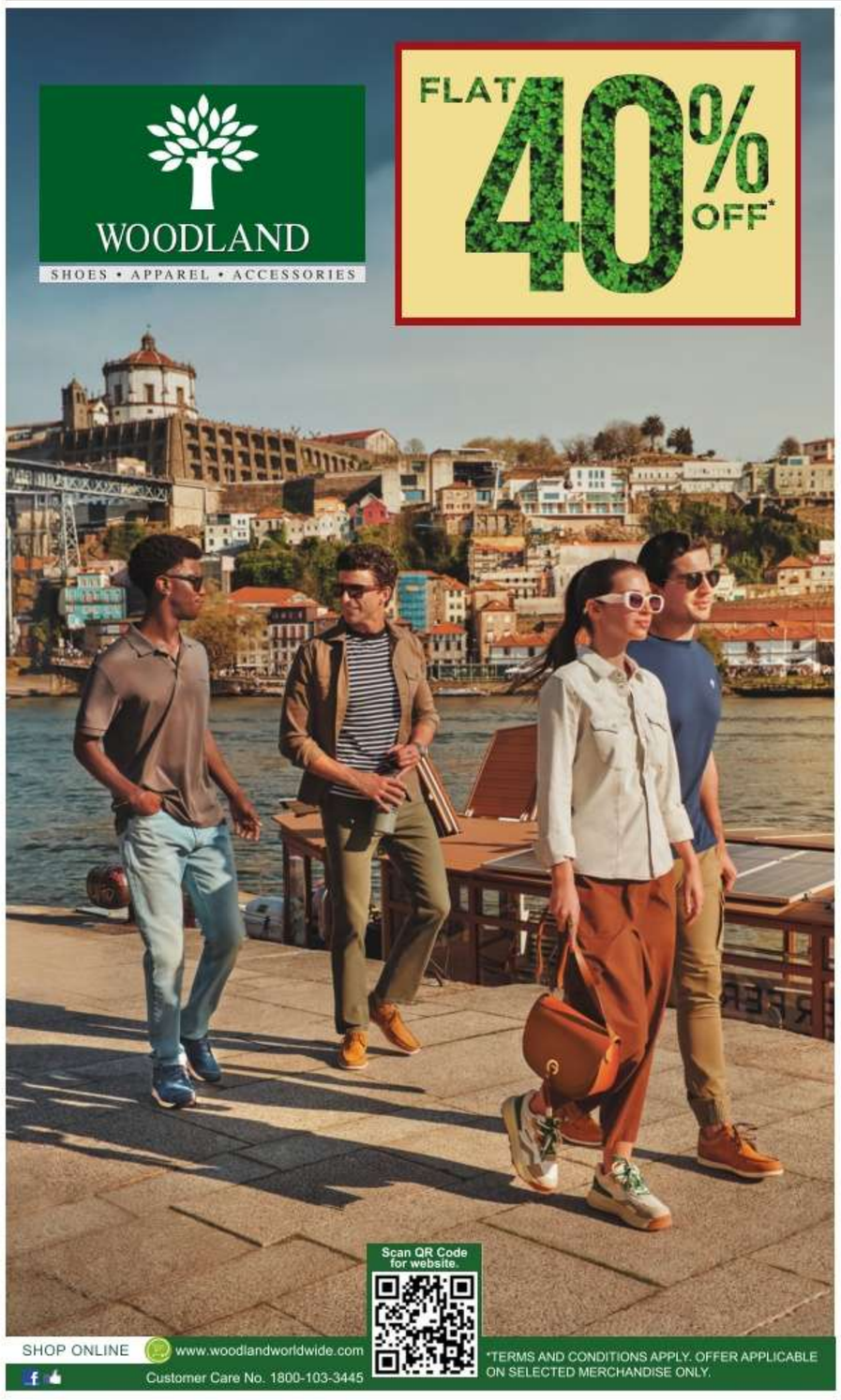
UP govt has decided to strike an agreement with Dorna — which has the licence to hold MotoGP globally — and its Indian partner Fairstreet Sports to conduct the premier bike racing event in the state every year till 2029. According to the pact, Invest UP will create a corpus to pay Dorna's licencing fee of Rs 80 crore for MotoGP Bharat every year. P 11

Punjab fake encounter: 7-yr RI for ex-DIG

Thirty-one years after a fake encounter, the family of vegetable vendor Gulshan Kumar, who had been abducted and killed, got a compensation of Rs 2 lakh as a special CBI court of Judge RK Gupta in Mohali on Friday sentenced former Punjab police DIG Dilbagh Singh to seven years' RI and former DSP Gurbachan Singh to life term in the 1993 case. P 13

CBI chargesheet against Lalu, kin in land-job scam

Concluding their probe into the land-for-jobs 'scam', CBI Friday filed its final chargesheet against RJD boss and ex-railway minister Lalu Prasad, his wife, ex-CM Rabri Devi, son Tej Pratap, Hema Yadav, his ex-OSD Bhola Yadav and several others. Those chargesheeted include 29 officials of railways and 37 of those who got group-D jobs when Lalu held the charge. P 12



Satraps offer Modi full support but talk of regional aspirations

Naidu speech interpreted as demand for fin aid

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New Delhi: Telugu Desam Party boss and Andhra Pradesh CM-designate N Chandrababu Naidu praised Narendra Modi's leadership for transforming India into a "global powerhouse" and acknowledged the "huge difference" the latter made to TDP's sweep of AP, while also calling for measures to balance "regional aspirations with national interests".

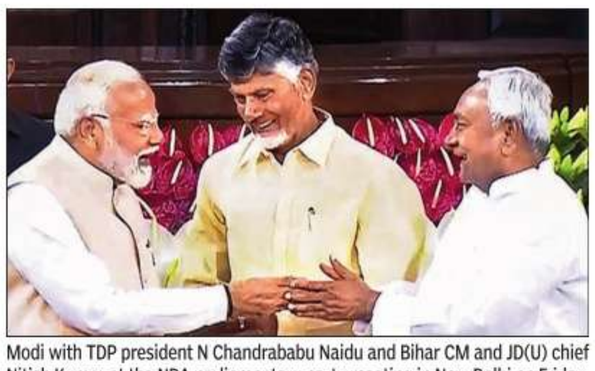
"In Andhra, he (Modi) held three meetings and one big rally. It made a huge difference in winning the polls. The home minister addressed a very powerful meeting there. It significantly changed the situation, giving people confidence that the Centre is with the state," Naidu said, while also referring to the campaign speeches of defence minister Rajnath Singh and BJP chief J P Nadda in AP.

"Balancing regional aspirations and national interest must run parallelly, ensuring holistic development across all strata of society," Naidu further said in what was interpreted by many as an articulation of his demand for central assistance for Andhra, which is in dire financial straits and strapped for funds for construction of a new capital in Amaravati to substitute Hyderabad which it lost to Telangana, completion of Polavaran irrigation project and for fulfilling the promises that Naidu made to wrest the reins back from arch rival Jagan Mohan Reddy.

The meet also saw the mutual admiration between Jana Sena chief Pawan Kalyan and Modi, with Kalyan calling Modi an inspiration "from Kashmir to Kanyakumari, Kamakhya to Dwarka".

Kalyan, while extending his party's support to Modi, recounted Naidu's prediction in Central Hall of Parliament in 2014 that Modi would be PM for 15 years. "Chandrababu ji, your prophecy has come true. Modi ji, you truly inspire the nation. As long as you are PM, our country will never bow down to anyone," he said. Modi's response to the actor-turned-politician, "yeh pawan nahi hai, aandhi hai," has gone viral on the internet.

Speaking earlier, Naidu called for collective effort towards a "zero poverty nation", and described the moment as a "crucial juncture in our nation's history".



Modi with TDP president N Chandrababu Naidu and Bihar CM and JD(U) chief Nitish Kumar at the NDA parliamentary party meeting in New Delhi on Friday

In Nitish speech, whiff of call for spl category state

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New Delhi: JD(U) supremo and Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar on Friday assured unconditional support to the Narendra Modi-led NDA govt but also asked for redressal of Bihar's concerns.

"Hum log pure taur par aapke saath rahenge (we will always be fully with you)," Kumar said, an assertion that was seen with interest and restrained mirth because of his history of U-turns.

"We will be with you and do whatever work you want to get done," said Kumar, who after concluding his address proceeded to touch Modi's feet but was stopped by the latter.

However, the display of solidarity and affection did not come in the way of Kumar reminding Modi of issues related to Bihar. Although made in an apparently casual manner, the mention of "Bihar ka kaam" was seen as a reference to the his old demand for special category status to the state.

Kumar, who along with BJP performed well in the Lok Sabha elections, said Modi should ensure that the gains made by the opposition were wiped out next time.

"Agli baar jab aap aaiye toh kuch log jo idhar udhar jeet gaya hai, agli baar sab haarega. Humko poora bharosa hai (they will lose all the seats whatever they won this time as you now come again. I am fully confident)," Kumar said, emphasising that the opposition's limited success was due to false allegations levelled by them.

Without taking names, he said, "In logo ne kuch kaam kiya hai? Desh ki koi sewa nahi ki, iss baar phir se jo mauka mila iske baad koi gunjaish nehi rahega (have they done any work? They have not done any service to the nation. Now with this opportunity to you, there will not be any scope for them to return)."

"You (Modi) are going to take oath Sunday, but I would have preferred it to be today itself. But whenever you wish, it is good. My request was that your oath ceremony should happen as soon as possible," Kumar said on a lighter note that saw Modi and other NDA leaders chuckling.

Support of JD(U), which won 12 out of the 16 LS seats it contested in Bihar, is crucial for BJP which is 32 short of the halfway mark of 272.

EC invites J&K applications for symbols, hints at imminent polls

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New Delhi: Days after indicating readiness to hold assembly polls in J&K in the wake of successful Lok Sabha elections, EC announced that it would accept "with immediate effect" any application seeking allotment of 'common symbol' from registered unrecognised parties in the UT.

Unrecognised parties can apply for a 'common poll symbol' — on which all the candidates fielded by it shall contest — up to six months prior to end of term of the House. With no J&K assembly in existence, EC's press statement inviting applications for a 'common symbol' points to imminent polls in the state.

SC, in a verdict issued in Dec last year, had ordered EC to hold assembly polls in J&K latest by September 30, 2024.

While recognised national and state parties contest polls in their 'reserved symbols', registered unrecognised parties have to apply for one before a poll and many choose any of the free symbols listed by EC.

While announcing the schedule for the Lok Sabha elections in March, chief election commissioner Rajiv Kumar had reasoned that holding assembly and Parliamentary elections simultaneously in J&K was not feasible due to logistical and security reasons. He had said that with hundreds of candidates in the fray for an assembly poll, the available central paramilitary forces would fall short.

Rajnath & Shah hail Modi's 'historic' 3rd straight term as PM



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New Delhi: Endorsing Narendra Modi as leader of NDA, home minister Amit Shah said the next five years of his tenure would be epoch-making and the mandate was an acknowledgement of the govt's performance in past 10 years.

"The proposal to see Narendra Modi as Prime Minister is not only a desire of people sitting in this hall but of 140 crore Indians. The next five years of PM Modi will be epoch-making," Shah said in his brief address after endorsing the proposal of defence minister Rajnath Singh to elect Modi as BJP and NDA parliamentary party leader and also leader of the 18th Lok Sabha.

Later, in a post on X, Shah said, "This marks a new era in our history as Modi ji will become the first PM in 60 years to take oath for a third consecutive term, with a bigger number of votes than in the previous two terms. The unwavering commitment to empowering youth, farmers and women will continue to remain the hallmark of NDA."

Defence minister Rajnath Singh, in his address, said he had worked with Modi very closely for the last 10 years and his "efficiency, vision and integrity was acknowledged by all".

"It is a matter of great joy for all of us that NDA govt, which has been serving India and Indians for last 10 years, has received the mandate for the third time. For the first time since 1962, a politician is going to become prime minister for the third consecutive time," Singh said.

"Since the time of Atalji, NDA has been identified as a family that upholds coalition dharma. For us, coalition is not a compulsion but a commitment."

9,000+ guests to attend Modi inauguration, security up

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New Delhi: Over 9,000 guests from different walks of society are being invited for swearing in ceremony of Prime Minister-designate Narendra Modi and his ministerial colleagues at the forecourt lawn of the Rashtrapati Bhavan on Sunday.

Sources said a multi-layered security force with five companies of paramilitary personnel, NSG commandos, drones and snipers will be deployed at Rashtrapati Bhavan during the event. The national capital will remain on high alert on the day as dignitaries from Saarc nations have been invited to the ceremony.

According to officials, dignitaries attending the swearing-in will be given designated routes from their hotels to the venue and back. Top leadership of Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Bhutan, Nepal, Mauritius and Seychelles are likely to attend the ceremony.

According to a police officer, as the event is scheduled to be held inside Rashtrapati Bhavan, it will have a three-layered security both inside and outside the premises. "Around 2,500 police personnel, including five companies of paramilitary and Delhi Armed Police (DAP) jawans, have been planned to be deployed around the venue," the officer added.

Snipers will remain deployed on the routes of the dignitaries, another officer said, adding that the security cover is likely to resemble the one for the G20 summit last year.

After Nitish silences his critics, a poster in Patna speaks louder than words

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Patna: Ahead of Sunday's swearing-in of Narendra Modi as Prime Minister for a third consecutive term, a huge poster of Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar has surfaced in the Bihar capital, grabbing everyone's attention. The poster, with a photo of Nitish and bearing the phrase "Tiger Zinda Hai" — the title of a 2017 Salman Khan-starrer — has been put up at a vantage point near the planetarium, making heads turn.

Its significance is not lost on the public. Critics had almost begun writing his political epitaph in the run-up to the Lok Sabha elections owing to his frequent flip-flops.

At one point of time, Nitish was seen holding BJP's party symbol — lotus — during Modi's roadshow in Patna on May 12 amid speculation that he could hand over the reins to his saffron partner.

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A JD(U) spokesperson said, 'If anything, the poster seems to be saying that CM Nitish Kumar still decides political discourse in the country'

But silencing his critics, Nitish emerged as a "kingmaker" with JD(U) becoming the third-largest party in the NDA. The poster conveys this.

"If anything, the poster seems to be saying that Nitish still decides political discourse in the country. This is a message to those who predicted political disaster for JD(U) in the polls," party spokesperson Neeraj Kumar said. "The fact is that whether you hate him or love him, you cannot ignore Nitish Kumar," he added.

BJP reacted cautiously to the banner. "Nitish-ji is very much active in politics. He is CM of Bihar and his party has 12 Lok Sabha members. He doesn't need a certificate from anyone," spokesperson Manoj Sharma said, adding some overenthusiastic supporters might have put up the banner.

Such has been the impact of JD(U) in the polls that ally BJP has formally announced it will fight the next assembly polls in Bihar under Nitish's leadership. Prior to the poll outcome, his "retirement plan" was being talked about in political circles. JD(U) and BJP contested elections on 16 and 17 seats, respectively.

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