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Security forces take stock after a building housing Indian labourers was engulfed by fire in Kuwait City on Wednesday. AFP

49, mostly Indians, killed in Kuwait building blaze

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NEW DELHI: Forty-nine people, including 42 Indian nationals, were killed and dozens more injured on Wednesday in a devastating fire in a building in southern Kuwait housing foreign workers, with local authorities detaining the building's owner as part of an investigation into potential negligence.

The fire in Al-Mangaf building, a residence for workers, was reported to authorities in Al-Ahmadi governorate at 4.30am and most of the deaths were due to smoke inhalation while the residents were asleep, Kuwaiti media reported.

Kuwait's interior ministry put the death toll at 49. People familiar with the matter said on condition of anonymity that 42 Indians were among the dead. The rest of the dead were from Egypt, Nepal, Pakistan and the Philippines, they said.

NBTC group, an engineering and construction firm partially owned by an Indian national, had rented the building to house more than 195 workers, most of them Indians from Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and some northern states. Those who died ranged in age between 20 and 50 years, and a majority of the Indian who died or were injured were from Kerala, the people said.

More than 50 people were injured and officials took some time to gather details about the casualties as the dead and injured were taken to several hospitals.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi chaired a meeting at his official residence to review the incident and directed the government to extend all possible assistance to the victims. He announced ex gratia relief of ₹2 lakh to the families of the dead Indian nationals from the Prime Minister's Relief Fund, an official statement said.

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Tragedy strikes

42 Indians were among the 49 people killed

The rest were from Egypt, Nepal, Pak and Philippines

What happened?

4.30AM: A devastating fire engulfs **Al-Mangaf building** in south Kuwait. It served as what local officials suspect was **crammed housing** for low-wage foreign workers

Most of the victims died of smoke inhalation, officials said

Terror strikes Jammu: 3 gunfights in 26 hours

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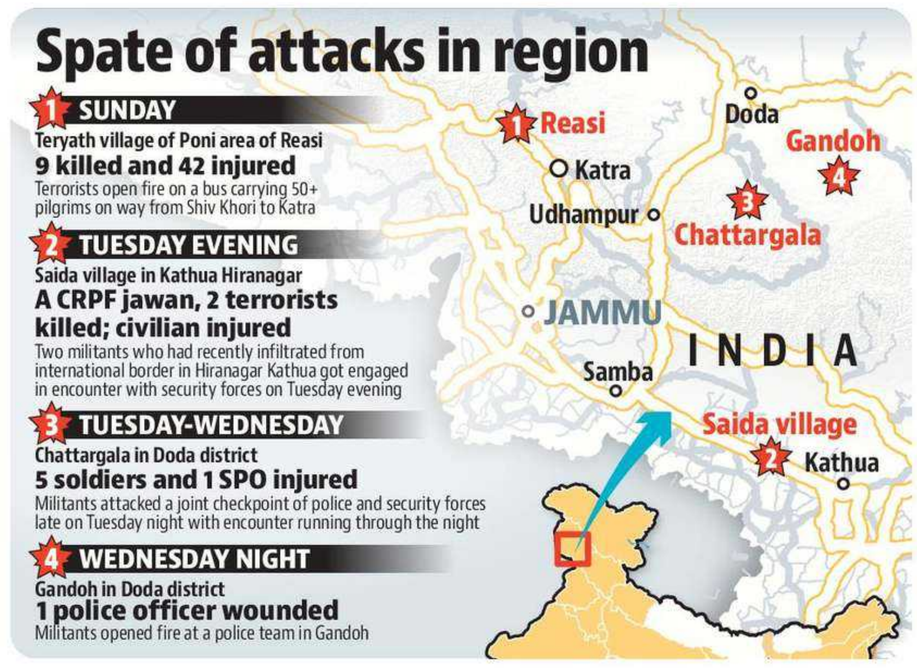
JAMMU: Five soldiers and two police officers were injured in separate encounters on Wednesday after one group of militants attacked a check post in the upper reaches of Doda and another fired at security forces hours later, marking two of the three gunbattles in 26 hours that have rocked Jammu and sent ripples of fear through the region fast becoming the hotbed of cross-border terrorism in the restive Union territory.

In the first attack on Wednesday, a group of three to four militants opened fire on a joint check post of the 4 Rashtriya Rifles and the Jammu & Kashmir Police in Doda's Chattargala area on the Bhaderwah-Pathankot road at 1.45am on Wednesday morning. The ensuing gunbattle lasted several hours, leaving five army personnel and a special police officer injured.

Officers said the second attack was in the Kota Top area, 150km away from Chhattargala, when a second group of terrorists attacked a police team and injured head constable Fareed Ahmed.

Roughly 220km away in Kathua raged another gunbattle that began late on Tuesday night and continued into Wednesday morning, leaving one Central Reserve Police Force jawan dead, six security personnel and one civilian injured, and two terrorists neutralised.

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Political row on strikes as Oppn hits out at govt

NEW DELHI/SRINAGAR: The surge in terror attacks in Jammu has triggered sharp reactions from the Opposition, who on Wednesday questioned the "silence" of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and slammed the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led central government for making "hollow" claims of return of peace and normalcy in the region. The BJP, however, accused the INDIA bloc of having "a soft corner for the terrorists".

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Wednesday said that the country is demanding answers as to why those plotting against the country are not being caught under the BJP rule.

"Narendra Modi is busy responding to congratulatory messages and cannot even hear the cries of the families of the devotees who were brutally killed in Jammu and Kashmir," he said in a post on X.

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ON HIGH ALERT: DISTRICTS IN JAMMU EMERGE AS NEW HOTBED

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NEW DELHI/SRINAGAR: Four terror attacks in three days in Jammu have put the security grid in the region on high alert, with the home ministry monitoring the situation and have also shone light on the growing terrorist threat that has affected the area over the last two years. →P10

SC questions Delhi over tanker mafia role in water crisis

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NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Wednesday lamented that Delhi's drinking water crisis cannot be solved unless there is action taken against the recurring water transmission losses and the tanker mafia operating in the Capital, and sought a report from the Delhi government on the action taken in this regard within 24 hours.

At the same time, the bench pulled up the Himachal Pradesh governing, suggesting it was in contempt of court for not releasing 137 cusecs of additional water to the Hathnikund Barrage that it had said it would during a previous hearing on June 6.

The top court was hearing a petition filed by the government of National Capital Territory of Delhi for surplus water from Haryana and Himachal Pradesh to tide over the drinking water crisis faced by citizens amid heatwave conditions in the city.

A vacation bench, headed by justice PK Mishra, asked Delhi: "If this is the problem faced every summer, what measures have you (Delhi government) taken to prevent transmission losses. Have you taken any action against a single tanker mafia for unauthorised supply of water?"

It also issued a stern warning to Himachal Pradesh. "Where is the excess water coming to Delhi?" the court asked the state government. →P4



Chief ministers N Chandrababu Naidu (left) and Mohan Charan Majhi with PM Narendra Modi at their swearing-in ceremonies in Amaravati and Bhubaneswar respectively, on Wednesday. PTI & ANI

Naidu, Majhi seal power shifts in Andhra, Odisha

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HYDERABAD/BHUBANESWAR : N Chandrababu Naidu and Mohan Charan Majhi on Wednesday took oath as chief ministers of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha respectively in glittering ceremonies that underlined the importance of the two states that virtually ensured that the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) crossed the majority mark in the Lok Sabha.

Andhra Pradesh governor Abdul Nazeer administered the oath of office to the 74-year-old Naidu, marking his fourth term as chief minister, after the Telugu Desam Party-led NDA swept the assembly polls, bagging 164 out of the total 175 assembly seats.

JanaSena chief and actor Pawan Kalyan and Naidu's son Nara Lokesh were among the 24 ministers who were administered the oath of office at the ceremony in Vijayawada. Prime Minister Narendra Modi hugged and patted Naidu after the oath, flanked by Union ministers Amit Shah, Nitin Gadkari and JP Nadda. Maharashtra chief minister Eknath Shinde was also present.

"Took oath as Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh at the swearing-in ceremony in Amaravati

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Pema Khandu retained as Arunachal CM

GUWAHATI: BJP leader Pema Khandu on Wednesday was re-elected as leader of the BJP Legislature Party in Arunachal Pradesh, paving the way for him to be sworn in as chief minister for a third consecutive term on Thursday. →P11



New Budget mantra may be 'continuity, with improvement'

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NEW DELHI: The first Union Budget of the Modi 3.0 regime, and the first by finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman in her second term, is expected to maintain "continuity with improvement" while focusing on ease of life for citizens and businesses, two people aware of the matter said.

Sitharaman, who assumed office on Wednesday, is currently focused on finalising Budget proposals, the people added, asking not to be named. "This is her main task for the first month," one of them said. Sitharaman is the first woman Cabinet minister to hold the finance portfolio for a second consecutive term.

"There must be policy continuity with necessary improvements to facilitate ease of living," the person added.

"The Budget for FY25 is the top priority for North Block, which will take forward the good work that the Modi government has done in the last 10 years, and pave a path to make India the third-largest economy in the world in the next five years," the second person said.

THE FULL BUDGET IS EXPECTED TO BE PRESENTED IN PARLIAMENT BY THE THIRD WEEK OF JULY, SAID AN OFFICIAL AWARE OF THE MATTER

The Modi government was able to transform the Indian economy from the "fragile five" to the fifth largest in the world in his two terms, the person added. "The government aims for a 'Viksit Bharat' (developed India) by 2047, and making it the third largest economy of the world by 2024-29 is an important milestone," the person said.

The government had tabled an interim Budget in February on account of the Lok Sabha elections. The full Budget is

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INFLATION SLOWS MARGINALLY TO 4.75%, STAYS IN COMFORT ZONE

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NEW DELHI: Retail inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), was almost flat between April and May, according to data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO) on Wednesday.

The headline number changed from 4.83% to 4.75% between April and May in line with a Bloomberg poll of economists which had predicted a number of 4.85%. What is keeping the overall inflation print outside the RBI's target of 4% is high food inflation which continues to be above 8%. →P20



Monsoon may weaken, hotter days ahead: Met

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NEW DELHI: The progress of monsoon is likely to weaken over the next week and consequently intensify heatwave conditions over northwest and eastern India, meteorologists said on Tuesday.

"Models are not suggesting much rainfall, especially over north India over the next six or eight days. We cannot expect much rainfall over northwestern India now. This happens at times, and monsoon may pick up only by the end of June," said M Rajeevan, meteorologist and former secretary of the Union ministry of earth sciences.

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PUNE HIT & RUN: BRIBE TO SWITCH SWAB GIVEN AT JJB OFFICE, SAY POLICE

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PUNE: Police in Pune on Wednesday said the bribe to swap the blood samples of a minor involved in a fatal hit-and-run last month — paid to hide that the boy was drunk while driving — switched hands at the Juvenile Justice Board (JJB) premises in the city, CCTV footage showed. Meanwhile, JJB extended the minor's stay at an observation home till June 25. →P13

{ DELHI LANDMARK } LIES IN DISREPAIR

Hindu alumni body moves to restore old college building that was once the haveli of Col Skinner



The old Hindu College building in Kashmere Gate. SANJEEV VERMA/HT

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NEW DELHI: Near St James Church at the heart of Kashmere Gate, lies a 200-year-old sprawling, but dilapidated, structure that is commonly known as the haveli of Colonel James Skinner – an Anglo-Indian mercenary-adventurer known locally as "*Sikandar Sahib*" who remains linked with British and Indian history in Delhi.

His house was later converted into two complexes that served as the addresses for two key colleges — St Stephen's and Hindu.

The old St Stephen's complex now houses the offices of Delhi's chief electoral officer, but the old Hindu complex lies in disrepair: plaster keep falling off, sections of walls are damaged by seepage, and the tiled roof is in ruins. Now, the Hindu alumni association wants to restore it and convert it into a memorial to mark 125 years of the foundation of Hindu in 2024. →P4

NOBEL LAUREATE YUNUS INDICTED IN EMBEZZLEMENT CASE IN B'DESH

DHAKA: Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus and 13 others were indicted by a Bangladesh court on Wednesday on charges of embezzlement of 252.2 million taka ($2 million) from the workers' welfare fund of his telecoms company, the latest charges to proceed against the respected economist that supporters say are politically motivated.

Yunus, 83, is credited with lifting millions out of poverty with his pioneering microfinance bank but has earned the enmity of long-time PM Sheikh Hasina, who has accused him of "sucking blood" from the poor. Hasina has made several scathing verbal attacks against Yunus, who was once seen as a prospective rival. →P17



{ KARNATAKA MURDER } TOP ACTOR IN DOCK

Darshan at spot, beat victim with belt: Cops

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BENGALURU: Kannada actor Darshan Thoogudeepa whipped 33-year-old Renukaswamy with a belt till he lost consciousness, before his associates beat his limp body with a stick and then flung him against a wall on June 8, eventually killing him, investigators said on Wednesday, revealing chilling details about the murder that led to police arresting the star and his long-term partner Pavithra Gowda the previous day.

"The men thrashed Renukaswamy before Darshan arrived. The repeated assault resulted in multiple bone fractures, which ultimately led to his death. We are collecting evidence to corroborate these statements from the arrested suspects," said a senior investigator, who asked not to be named.

HIS PARTNER TOLD HIM TO RETALIATE AGAINST THE VICTIM OVER SOME DEROGATORY TEXTS SENT TO HER

The murderers, who attacked Renukaswamy in a shed used to park seized vehicles in southwestern Bengaluru, then dumped his corpse in a stormwater drain 10km away between 3.30am and 5am, said police.

The investigator said Pavithra (35) provoked "Darshan to retaliate against Renukaswamy", who sent her derogatory messages on social media over their relationship. →P10

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Understanding why the 2024 NEET results have sparked a controversy

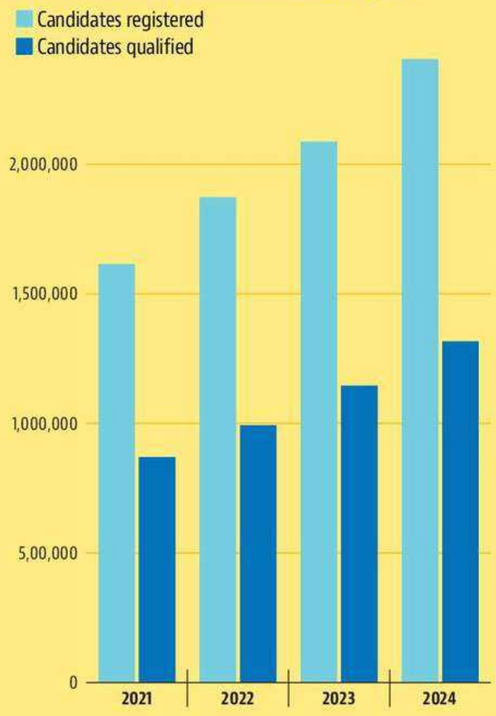
By Sreedev Krishnakumar

The results of the 2024 National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET), published earlier this month by the National Testing Agency (NTA), are mired in controversy. The results for the exam, which is held once a year for students who want to pursue undergraduate medical (MBBS), dental (BDS) and AYUSH courses, saw a dramatic increase in the number of students scoring a perfect 720 amid allegations of paper leak and the improper awarding of grace marks. The Supreme Court, in a notice issued to NTA seeking a response on a petition asking for the cancellation of NEET 2024, said that the exam's "sanctity has been affected". The charts below explain why the NEET exam is so competitive, and why this year's exam has become controversial.

1 Rising number of students, but low number of seats

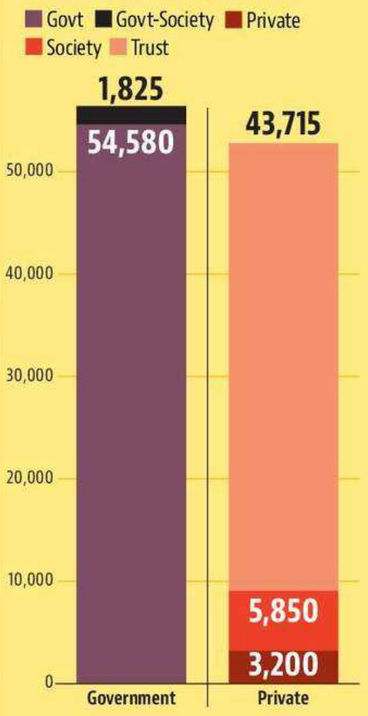
A total of more than 2.4 million students registered for the NEET exam this year. Out of this, 1.32 million students became qualified to seek admission in MBBS courses in government and private medical colleges across the country. However, latest data from the National Medical Commission shows that there are only about 110,000 seats available in 706 medical colleges in the country. Furthermore, only 56,405 of these seats belong to medical colleges run by the government or educational societies supported by the government. The rest belong to colleges run by private entities that generally have much higher fees. This shows that the number of medical seats available in India is way lower than the demand, and there are even fewer of seats available that are affordable for an average student in the country.

Number of candidates registering for NEET and qualifying to seek admission in medical colleges



Source: Careers360

Number of medical seats available by their type of management



Source: National Medical Commission

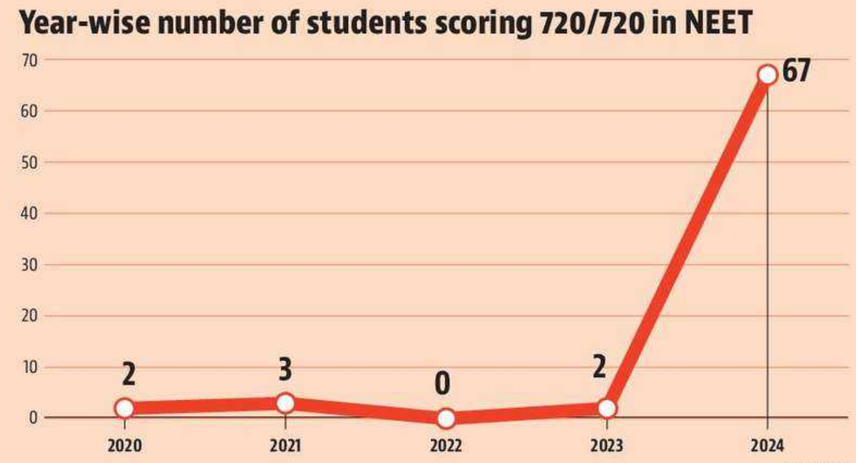
2 The inflated scores in this year's NEET

The results of NEET 2024, published on June 4 – 10 days before the originally scheduled date of June 14 – first grabbed headlines when it was revealed that a staggering 67 students had scored a perfect 720 out of 720. For context, only two students had achieved the perfect score in 2023, while none did in 2022.

As the controversy grew, NTA clarified on June 6 that grace marks were given to 1,563 students for compensating for the loss of time during the conduct of exams in certain centres. This was also the reason given for why some candidates got 718 or 719 marks, which is otherwise not possible in NEET's scoring scheme. And students who chose two different options for a particular question in physics were given marks because the old and new versions of NCERT textbooks gave two different answers.

"Out of the 67 candidates who got 720/720 marks, 44 are on account of the revision in one Answer Key of Physics and 6 are on account of compensatory marks for loss of time," NTA said, while adding that the high cut-off scores this year was due to rise in competition and the standard of candidates.

Year-wise number of students scoring 720/720 in NEET



Source: NTA

3 Its impact on students

The overall inflation in scores mean that marks which would have helped students secure favourable ranks in previous years are no longer sufficient. A candidate who scored 715 would have got an all India rank of 4 in 2023.

However, this year, the same score would mean a rank of 225, according to data from ed-tech portal Careers360. Similarly, a score around 600 would have fetched a rank of around 29,000 in 2023, and this year would only be good enough for a rank of about 80,000. These developments could severely impact the future prospects of students.

The closing rank for cut-off in AIIMS, New Delhi, the top medical college in India according to NIRF, was 57 in 2023. This means that even a student who got a score of 710 in 2023 could have got in. However, a student with the same score this year would only get a rank of 407, making them ineligible.

Year-wise rank achieved in NEET based on marks scored

NEET Marks	2024	2023	2022	2021
720	1	1	NA	1
715	225	4	1	5
710	407	27	6	23
705	542	94	31	75
700	1,770	294	49	130
650	21,724	6,803	4,246	3,921
600	80,468	28,619	20,577	18,695

Source: Careers360

{ MY INDIA } SAMAJWADI PARTY

Akhilesh picks Parl role, quits assembly



Samajwadi Party president (SP) Akhilesh Yadav on Wednesday resigned from his Karhal assembly seat following his election to Lok Sabha from the Kannauj constituency. Vidhan Sabha secretary Pradeep Kumar Dubey told PTI, "Akhilesh Yadav as well as the newly elected party member from Faizabad Lok Sabha seat, Awadesh Prasad, have quit the membership of the UP Vidhan Sabha." Prasad was elected to the UP assembly from Milkipur on a SP ticket. He sprang a surprise by defeating BJP's Lallu Singh in Faizabad, which includes Ayodhya. →P10

{ MY INDIA } CHEMICAL FACTORY FIRE

Locals evacuated after toxic fumes engulf area in Vidisha



A fire that broke out at a pesticide factory in Madhya Pradesh's Vidisha district on Wednesday prompted authorities to initiate an evacuation process as toxic fumes engulfed the surrounding areas with local residents complained of eye irritation, officials said. However, no casualties were reported. Fire tenders were summoned from 15 nearby towns and cities to douse the blaze as plumes of hazardous smoke travelled as far as eight to 10 kilometres away from the spot of incident, raising health concerns, the officials added. HTC

{ SPORT } WORLD T20

India fend off charge by spirited US team



Left-arm seamer Arshdeep Singh claimed a career-best 4/9, including two wickets in the first over, as India pulled off a seven-wicket win against the United States of America to enter the Super Eight of the T20 World Cup on Wednesday. Despite the modest total to 110/8, India were made to work hard for the win at the notoriously tricky and slow Nassau County International Cricket Stadium pitch. Suryakumar made a well-judged unbeaten 50 off 49 balls and Shivam Dube a laboured to a 31 off 35 balls as India overhauled USA's 110 in 18.2 overs. →P24

{ BATTLE OVER AI } FRESH PUSH

AI underlines Apple evolution

This year, at Apple's summer Worldwide Developer Conference at Apple Park in Cupertino, California, the company unveiled its artificial intelligence (AI) chapter, or as Apple CEO Tim Cook calls it, a "personal intelligence system". **By Vishal Mathur**

Artificial → Apple intelligence

Phone calls recorded and transcribed. Email replies drafted after you've answered contextual questions based on what the sender wrote. Tools to proofread or change language. Scheduling messages. A conversational Siri that holds context. These AI smarts, and a lot more, will roll out with iOS 18, iPadOS 18, and macOS Sequoia this year. For now, compatibility is confirmed for the iPhone 15 Pro and iPhone 15 Pro Max, as well as iPads and Macs with an M1 chip or newer.

Apple's models, and optional ChatGPT

For Apple's AI chapter, the protagonist isn't OpenAI. Apple's in-house 'on-device' and 'server' models will define experience, of tasks completed on device, or more complex tasks sent to Private Cloud Compute servers that are powered by the same Apple Silicon, in your iPhone, iPad and Mac. Apple is integrating OpenAI's ChatGPT-4o into iOS 18, iPadOS 18, and macOS Sequoia, but this isn't the default AI model. In fact, reaching ChatGPT will be optional for any queries or tasks a user may have, with clear choice either way. There is no ambiguity – no AI tasks on device or the server are handled by OpenAI, unless you consent. When asked about the need for an external model working alongside in-house models, Apple explains that's to give users the choice of expertise.

iOS 18 & iPadOS 18: A new direction, and some inspiration

iPhone and iPad will get a number of customisation options, improvements to existing apps and new functionality. Some are corrective measures as time passes (icon placement flexibility or new control panel, for example), while others add to visual intuitiveness (app icons transform in the dark mode). Significant changes to Photos, Messages, Safari, Passwords, iPhone Mirroring and Mail are outdone for attention by Calculator's new Math Notes – type or write mathematical expressions and they're instantly solved, in your own handwriting if you've used an Apple Pencil.



QUESTION MARKS?

With the contours of Apple Intelligence, the big catch is, it won't work on any current iPhone other than the iPhone 15 Pro and iPhone 15 Pro Max. That leaves out many iPhones, including the latest iPhone 15 and iPhone 15 Plus.

Secondly, Apple's big challenge would be to ensure the data intensive structure of Generative AI doesn't lead to compromises with user data privacy (for now, they ensure no user data will be used for training).

Alongside, it'll be a tough task to ensure unpredictable models don't go haywire, something Google and OpenAI have struggled with over the past year.

{ COACHING HUB } ANXIETY GROWS

Amid NEET row, uncertainty in Kota

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JAIPUR: As the controversy over this year's NEET (National Eligibility Entrance Test) scores rages, aspirants who prepared for the test at Kota, India's test-prep hub, are worried about gaining admission to government colleges, which offer affordable, high-quality education, despite receiving what would have counted as a good score in previous years because everyone seems to have done so much better this time.

Nearly 20,000 students who appeared for the test this year, and some test-prep institutions filed a petition in the Supreme Court seeking a probe in the alleged irregularities in the exam and the administration of a retest. Many of these petitioners spoke to HT on Wednesday and said they might need to take another attempt next year despite scoring well this time or abandon their dreams to pursue medical courses as their families cannot afford private college fees.

"The future of students like me who hail from a middle-class family are finished. We have been preparing for a long time. The cut-off was only 605 last year but around 65,000 students scored more than that this year. And 67 students also secured the top rank . With NTA providing grace marks to 1,500 students, such results seem impossible. There should be a thorough investigation to the matter," said Ayush Garg (23) who took his fourth NEET attempt and scored 646.

The National Testing Agency which conducted the test said grace marks were provided to the students who received the papers late in a few centres across the country.

Garg, whose father runs a small business in Kota said, "I have lost hope that I will get admission in a good government college. My father will not be able to afford the fees in a private college. If I has received these marks last year, I might have got into one of the top colleges in the country."

To be sure, there is a paradox in his quandary: did NTA's focus on setting an easy paper, being liberal with scoring, and the provision of grace marks benefit just a few students or did it raise everyone's scores?

Scores this year would suggest the latter.

Echoing Garg's comment, another petitioner, Stuti Saxena (21), who took her third attempt and scored 643 blamed NTA . "It's not possible that seven students secure the top rank from only one centre. The grace marks system to compensate for time loss is highly unfair."

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Saxena's father works in a private company in Maharashtra. "I know that he will not be able to afford my studies in a private college and therefore I have started to preparing for the next attempt. I hope the government identifies the centres where the irregularities took place through a proper judicial committee and conducts a retest there. It will save many of our futures."

Another student Hardika Jain (20) also demanded a re-examination. "The government is playing with out future. It is our right to know what went wrong in our exam this time. Only an official committee which is free of any NTA member can figure this out."



The tests have been dogged by controversy this year with several allegations of paper leaks and inaccurate marking. PTI

But there are also some students who are hoping that their score will get them admission somewhere.

"I have scored 652 and had expected a rank between 8,000 to 9,000. But I have finished at 27,000 in the final rank. I am ready to take any college where I get a chance," said Devans Raj Shrivastava (19), whose father is an employee in a Jodhpur-based real estate company.

There have been some reports of the paper being leaked. 13 people in Bihar's Patna were arrested on May 5 for allegedly receiving the NEET question paper on WhatsApp before the exam in exchange for about ₹3,000,000, said officials.

The high scores and allegations of the paper being leaked, and the disclosure by NTA about grace marks have prompted a slew of public interest litigations (PIL), including one by around 20,000 NEET students from Kota in the SC on Monday.

Alleging a gross irregularities in the NEET-2024 examination, they stated: "NTA used an arbitrary, hasty, whimsical, and opaque methodology in declaring the NEET results 2024 on June 4."

The PIL has also alleged that the grace marks policy which was introduced for the first time was taken place without any prior information or notice to the students and therefore the court should declare it "illegal".

"It (NTA) has falsely claimed that the loss of time for students has been calculated by the use of CCTV over the monitoring 4750 examination centres and each centre having multiple classrooms. The awarding of grace marks has been totally contrary to the principles of the ethical and fair marking system," the PIL stated.

The Supreme Court on Tuesday sought answers from the NTA and the Centre over the controversy, observing that the "sanctity of the examination" has been affected by the allegations of paper leak and irregularities.

Issuing notice on a petition filed by 10 NEET-UG candidates demanding stay of the results and holding of fresh examination, a vacation bench headed by justice Vikram Nath declined to halt the ongoing counselling process and kept the matter for hearing on July 8 along with a pending petition over alleged discrepancies in the test.

Officials at test prep institutes have also called for better regulation of the NEET exam and an increase in the number of seats in government medical colleges.

The Director of the Motion Institute, Nitin Vijay, who is one of the petitioners, said, "Since the syllabus and exam pattern have been made simpler, more people got higher ranks. However, seven students from the same centre topping the charts and over 65,000 students getting more than 600 marks is quite impossible. Only 20,000 students who scored more than 600 last year. How could so many children be intelligent out of a sudden? The examination should be investigated."

The CEO of the Allen coaching institute Nitin Kukreja seconded that demand: "NTA should ensure a fairness and justice for every student impacted by anomalies and opacity in the process."

He suggested a new policy framework for the NEET examinations in the future. "The demand of pursuing medical courses is higher than the intake. It's high time we consider two-phase in NEET as well just like in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) for engineering. It will ensure more screening and make the process fairer. The government must also increase the intake in government medical colleges considering the high demand."

Liquor prices go up in Ggm, new excise regime enforced

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GURUGRAM: Haryana's new excise policy 2024-25, which proposes an increase in duties on liquor, came into force on Wednesday, leading to roughly a 20% hike in liquor prices in Gurugram.

As part of the new excise policy, the Haryana government also auctioned 162 zones with 324 liquor vends across Gurugram east and west through e-tenders, earning Rs 1,756 crore — an increase of 9.4% on the reserve price, excise officials aware of the matter said.

The reserve price is the lowest price at which the department auctions a vend.

Despite the hike in prices, consumers from Delhi and Noida were seen buying in bulk at liquor vends across the city.

Vikas Ambawata, a resident of Chattarpur in Delhi, said the hike is noticeable but the variety of brands available in Gurugram still makes its vends more attractive. "Since there are hardly any brands available in Delhi, I prefer to buy from Gurugram, even if I have to pay extra," he said.

Ravi Desai, a resident of Vasant Kunj, added, "The selection in Gurugram is far better than in Delhi, where many stores run out of stock quickly. The swanky liquor shops are worth a visit, and it is worth the extra cost for the convenience and choice."



The Haryana government has auctioned 162 zones with 324 liquor vends across Gurugram. PARVEEN KUMAR/HT PHOTO

Auction gets good response

The Haryana government has so far auctioned 83 zones in Gurugram west, and 79 in east. The highest bid it received was ₹50.57 crore for a liquor vend on Golf Course Road, and the second highest bid was worth ₹48.28 crore for a vend at Bristol Chowk.

To be sure, data shared by the excise department has revealed that five of the top 10 bids for liquor vends are located near the border with Delhi.

In addition, two zones in the west and 20 in the east are set to be auctioned in another phase on June 14. "The amount will increase once all the liquor shops are auctioned. The district has done and revenue has increased," deputy excise and taxation commissioner (east) Amit Bhatia said.

Deputy commissioner of excise and taxation (Gurugram west) Jitender Dudi said the auction got a good response, and that footfall will increase with the new excise policy and timings in place.

"Sales will go up within days of the new owners taking possession of the vends due to the upcoming wedding season. Most stores have been auctioned to the same owners, so there won't be much change. However, this is the first time that people can buy imported liquor at a fixed price, and there will be no monopoly," he added.

Flexibility for bar owners

In addition to the price hike, the new excise policy allows licensed bar operators to buy liquor from any of their two nearest vends, provided that these shops belong to different licence holders.

This change, officials said, aims to offer more flexibility and convenience to bar operators in sourcing their supplies.

National Restaurant Association of India (NRAI) trustee Rahul Singh, the founder of Beer Café, said that one of the main objectives of the new policy is to establish a transparent system of allotment of retail outlets, and to provide good quality liquor at a reasonable price.

"The state continues to meet their long-term objectives of breaking the cartels, broad-basing the trade by facilitating the entry of new players of even modest means. And therefore, there is provision of supply to bars from any of the nearest two different L-2 retail vend licensees as per their choice. Also, none of the said two L-2 licensees can demand from the bar licensee a price which is more than 10% above the minimum retail sale price fixed as per the policy," he said.

Jahangirpuri boy stabbed to death over petty fight

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NEW DELHI: A 15-year-old boy was stabbed to death at a park in Jahangirpuri in northwest Delhi on Tuesday over a petty fight, police officers aware of the case said, adding that they have arrested three people in connection with the case.

Deputy commissioner of police (northwest) Jitendra Meena identified the victim as Manish Kumar, a resident of Jahangirpuri H Block, who was a Class 10 student at a government school. The accused were identified as Abhishek Kumar, 19, Nathu (goes by one name), 18, and Dev Kumar, 18, all residents of the same locality.

The murder came to light on Tuesday evening when the Babu Jagjivan Ram Memorial hospital informed the police about a boy being admitted with stab wounds. When police reached the hospital, authorities told them that the boy, identified as Manish, was declared "brought dead".

Police then registered a case under Indian Penal Code section 302 (punishment for murder) and began probing the case.

During the investigation, police said, Manish's friends and family told officers that he had slapped Abhishek's younger brother around a month back, and that Abhishek harboured a grudge over the incident.

Investigators said Abhishek had bought the dagger used in a murder a few months ago.

On Tuesday evening, police said, Manish and Abhishek were sitting with their respective groups of friends in the park when the two got into an argument. "The accused saw this as an opportunity to take revenge for his brother's insult and stabbed him once on the left side of the chest. The attack turned out to be fatal," an officer said.

Meanwhile, Manish's family alleged that there were three other people present with the accused at the time of the murder. "We want the other three to be arrested at the earliest and we demand the strictest punishment for them," his uncle Naveen Kumar, 36, said.

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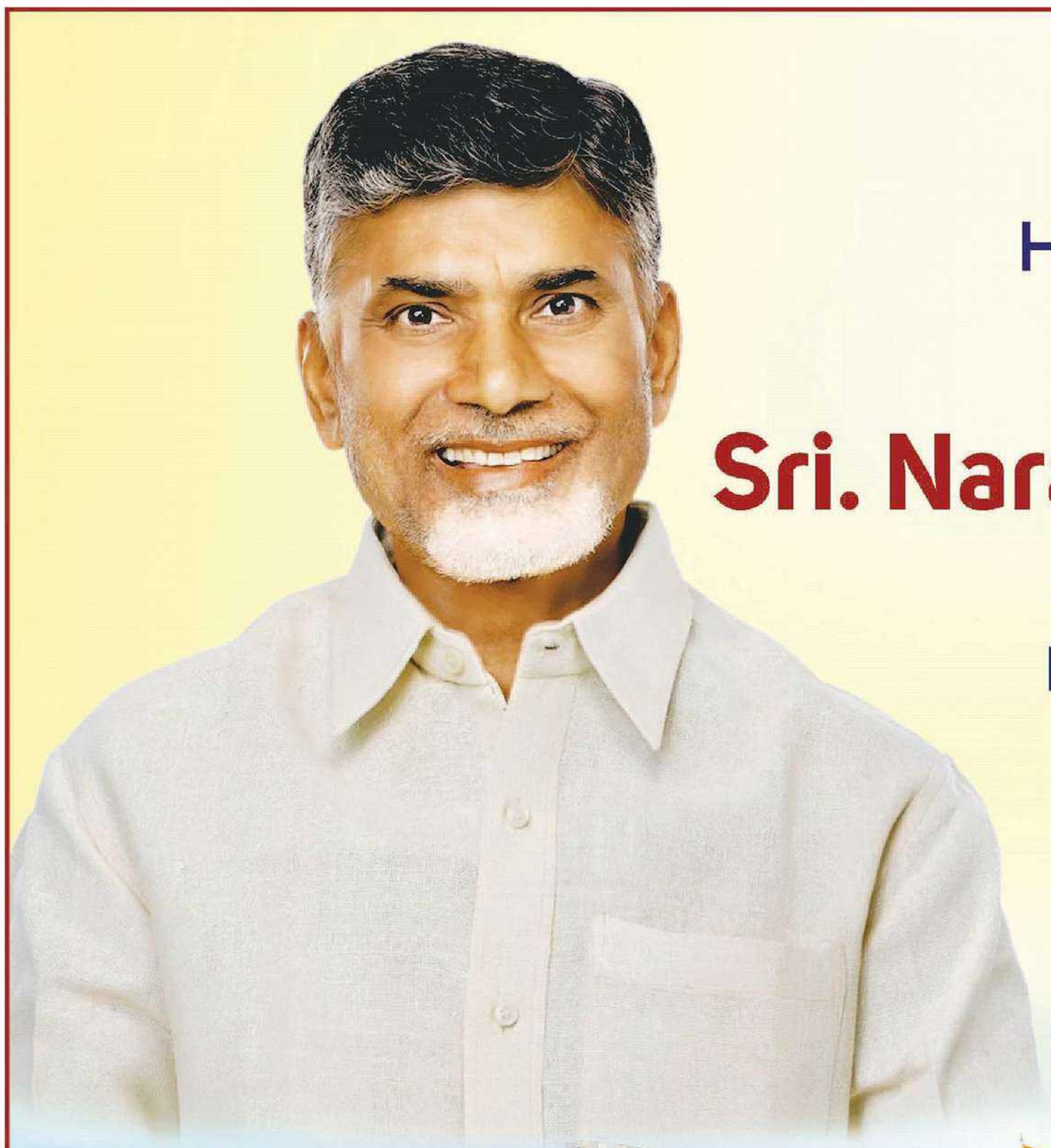
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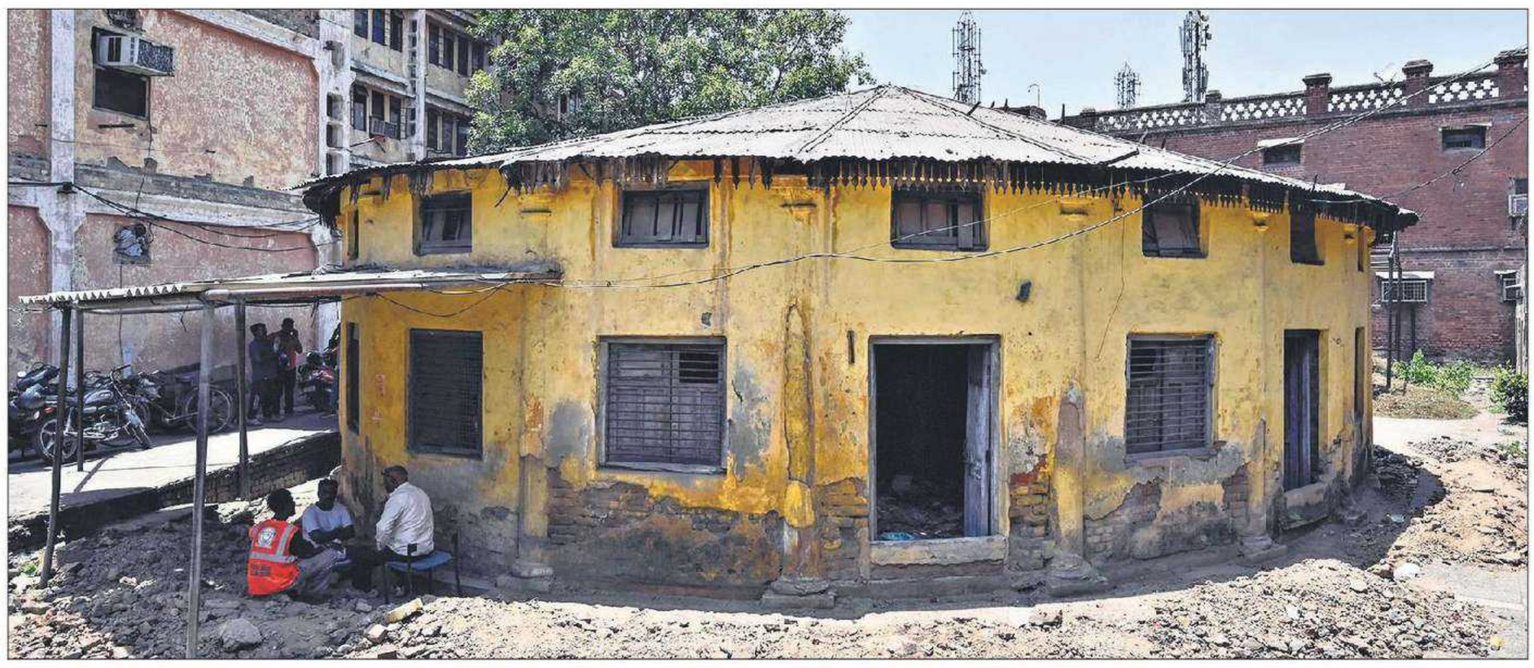
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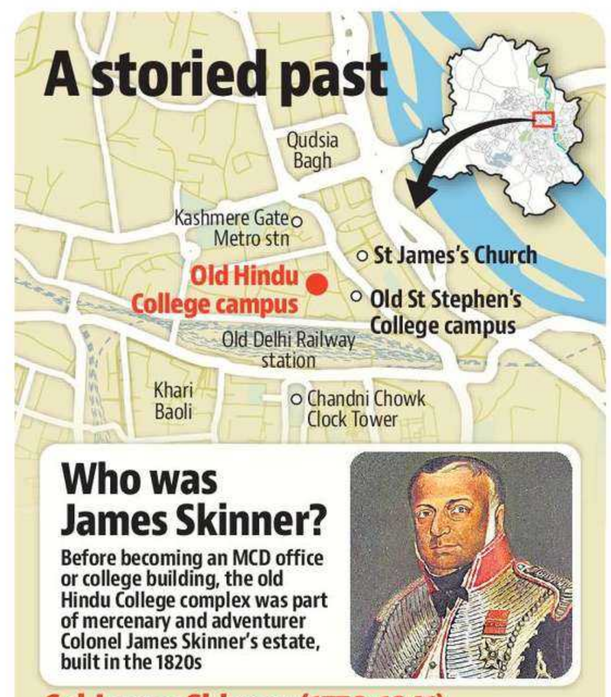
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The old Hindu College complex at Kashmere Gate. The buildings are currently part of a zonal office complex for the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) but are in disrepair: bits of plaster keep falling off, sections of the walls are heavily damaged by seepage, and the tiled roof is in ruins. SANJEEV VERMA/HT PHOTOS



NEW DELHI: Near the historic St James's Church at the heart of Kashmere Gate, lies a 200-year-old sprawling, but severely dilapidated, structure that is commonly known as the haveli of Colonel James Skinner – a colourful Anglo-Indian mercenary-adventurer who was known locally as "*Sikandar Sahib*" and to this day remains closely associated with several aspects of British and Indian history in Delhi.

For several reasons spanning the past two centuries, this structure is closely intertwined with the city's history.

In early 1820s, mercenary and adventurer Colonel James Skinner (1778-1841) – the son of a Scottish military officer and an Indian woman – acquired a five-acre estate near Kashmere Gate where he constructed his palatial house, and later in 1836 Delhi's oldest church, St James'.

In the former, he lived nearly 20 years till his death. While the church continued to serve the public, his house changed hands between owners, finally getting converted into two complexes that for decades served as the addresses for the Capital's two most famous colleges — St Stephen's and Hindu.

The old St Stephen's complex now houses the offices of Delhi's chief electoral officer, but the old Hindu complex — currently part of a zonal office complex for the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) — now lies in disrepair: bits of plaster keep falling off, sections of the walls are heavily damaged by seepage, and the tiled roof is in ruins.

Now, the Hindu College Old Students Association — the official alumni association of the college — wants to restore the complex and convert it into a memorial to mark 125 years of the foundation of the institution in 2024, and has approached MCD to help with its conservation.

The beginning: Col Skinner's estate

Taking a walk through the severely run-down complex near St James' Church, it's hard to tell this area was once described by historians as a palatial house. All that remains of his grand estate is the old Hindu complex — the remaining chunks are now unrecognisable, with portions of the old facade being taken over by shops, unauthorised constructions, and godowns.

Colonel Skinner was one of the most important figures of Delhi in the early 19th century – and for several reasons remains important in contemporary India. Skinner, who joined the Maratha army as a mercenary, was forced out after the Marathas went to war with the East India Company. He then joined the Bengal Army of the East India Company. In 1803, he raised two cavalry regiments for the British at Hansi – known as 1st Skinner's Horse and 3rd Skinner's Horse (formerly 2nd Skinner's Horse) — these are units of the Indian Army to this day, and he is often referred to as the "father of the Indian cavalry".

Historian and author Swapna Liddle in her book *Chandni Chowk: The Mughal city of Old Delhi* described Skinner as an "interesting figure of Delhi society". She said that Skinner had initially built a house for himself in Kucha Raiman, south of Chandni Chowk, in 1811 but soon sold it off and built a new mansion — the old Hindu complex — closer to Kashmere Gate in the 1820s.

"The part of the city just within the Kashmiri Gate was where many of the higher British officials lived. The palace of Dara Shukoh (emperor Aurangzeb's brother) had been converted into residency where the highest British official in Delhi lived. It was given classical European Facade and other large mansions were similarly converted," Liddle said.

Dennis Holman, in his 1961 biography of the adventurer titled *Sikander Sahib: The Life and Times of James Skinner*, wrote that Skinner's "hall of private audience" was "modelled on that of the emperor", referring to Mughal emperor Akbar Shah II.

Holman wrote that Skinner's hospitality was proverbial, and the mansion played a key role. "It was his joy to assemble a knot of friends at his home at Delhi... The joyous excursions that were made amongst the interesting environs of Dehlee, when pitching our tents amidst ruins that extend for twenty miles around it — now at the mausoleum of Hoomayoon, now at the gigantic pillar of the Coutub, or again among the Cyclopean walls and speaking silence of the old city of Toghlucabad," he wrote.

Transformation into Hindu College

After remaining in the Skinner family for more than a half a century, the mansion was later acquired by Rai Bahadur Sultan Singh, the treasurer of the Imperial Bank of India towards the end of the 19th century.

Separately, prominent banker Krishna Dassji Gurwale in 1899 established Hindu College at the Kinari Bazar in Chandni Chowk, with prominent Delhi citizens as trustees. However, within a few years, the college decided to shift due to space constraints, and Gurwale purchased the Skinner mansion from Singh.

Former Hindu College principal Dr Kavita Sharma in her book *Hindu College Delhi: A People's Movement* wrote that Gurwale started the college after his father, Ramji Das Gurwale — emperor Bahadur Shah Zafar's banker — was tortured and hanged in the compound of the Chandni Chowk Kotwali by the British after Zafar's arrest.

"Singh was persuaded to sell Skinner's Haveli to Hindu College at the price of ₹87,000 in 1908," Sharma said.

The college moved to its current location at North Campus in 1953, and the last remaining portion of the mansion now falls under the municipality, with the remaining parts encroached.

Disrepair, and plans for conservation

The Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH), in the book *Delhi: The Built Heritage*, noted that Skinner's estate is "now lost in a cluster of commercial spaces, old shops and many other unauthorized construction".

"Now only few traces of the original architecture exist. The grand gateway is one of the few remnants... Skinner s house is an important built heritage and has great historical and architectural significance," the book stated.

Hindu College Old Students Association president Ravi Burman said the alumni association wants to restore the structure into a memorial to mark 125 years of the college's foundation.

"We have held meetings with municipal commissioner Gyanesh Bharti and the heritage cell. In another 10-15 days, we will start a survey of the site with the help of experts. There are three parts of structures inside the complex — a circular building, an amphitheatre, and a section with pillars. We want to restore all three of them and turn it into a memorial," Burman said.

A senior MCD official said the corporation plans to conserve the structure but the shortage of funds has been a major hurdle. "The college alumni association has approached us to help in the conservation of the old college building," the official said, on condition of anonymity.

Meanwhile, current Hindu principal Anju Srivastava said the college or its alumni association will extend a helping hand to conservation efforts.

"I am not aware of the offer made by the alumni association but we have also asked our history department to look into the site and its history associated with Skinner's haveli," she said.

SC questions govt over water supply losses, tanker mafia

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A woman waits for a water tanker at Vivekanand Camp in Chanakyapuri area on Wednesday SANJEEV VERMA/HT PHOTO

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Wednesday lamented that Delhi's drinking water crisis cannot be solved unless there is action taken against the recurring water transmission losses and the tanker mafia operating in the Capital, and sought a report from the Delhi government on the action taken in this regard within 24 hours.

At the same time, the bench pulled up the Himachal Pradesh government, suggesting it was in contempt of court for not releasing 137 cusecs of additional water to the Hathnikund Barrage that it had said it would during a previous hearing on June 6.

A vacation bench, headed by justice PK Mishra, asked Delhi: "If this is the problem faced every summer, what measures have you (Delhi government) taken to prevent transmission losses. Have you taken any action against a single tanker mafia for unauthorised supply of water?"

It also issued a stern warning to Himachal Pradesh. "Where is the excess water coming to Delhi?" the court asked the state government. "On the day we passed the order (June 6) you produced a document to show there is excess of 137 cusecs. Why was a false statement made before this court?"

The top court was hearing a petition filed by the government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD) for surplus water from Haryana and Himachal Pradesh to tide over the drinking water crisis faced by citizens amid heatwave conditions in the city.

Posting the matter for Thursday, the bench, also comprising justice PB Varale said, "It is inefficiency of the system that this is happening every year. We are trying to find a solution to Delhi's water crisis. Even if 30-40% water is being lost, if we can save at least 10% of the water lost, it can benefit citizens."

Drawing a direct link between the tanker mafia and the prevailing crisis, the bench said, "Due to the tanker mafia there is so much of water losses. Has the government taken any action against them? If you are not taking action, then we will hand over the case to the Delhi police to investigate."

Giving a day's time to provide details of the steps taken, the bench ordered, "The GNCTD shall file an affidavit on the measures taken by it to prevent loss of water."

The Delhi government, represented by senior advocate Abhishek Manu Singhvi and assisted by advocate Shadan Farasat, said it had no hesitation in filing the report as action had been taken against pilferage. "We have taken action against them (tanker mafia) and against pilferage of water, we have disconnected many water connections. Even spraying of water to control dust pollution has been stopped to save water. We will put it in a report," Farasat told the court. The bench allowed GNCTD to file the report either by end of the day or by Thursday morning, well before the hearing commences.

The court referred to certain visuals shown on TV of tanker mafia supplying water in some of the colonies and wondered how this was possible when pipelines in Delhi are running dry. Farasat said that these tankers are of Delhi Jal Board (DJB) which supplies water to remote colonies in the city.

"We do not know whether they are DJB tankers. But people are suffering. In every TV channel there are visuals of tanker mafia in Delhi while the pipeline has no water. There are stringent measures in place for stealing electricity. Similar steps should be there for pilferage of water. You file the report, we will take up the matter tomorrow," the bench said.

The court then pulled up the Himachal government for going back on its statement given on June 6 to release surplus water of 137 cusecs as a temporary arrangement to help Delhi tide over its drinking water crisis. This water was to be released to the Hathnikund Barrage (HKB), and the Haryana government was asked to make suitable arrangements for the onward supply of water to Delhi through Wazirabad water treatment plant.

The Haryana government told the court that no water was released by Himachal Pradesh, as a letter written to it by Himachal government on June 6 suggested that 137 cusecs of Himachal's water share was already flowing uninterruptedly to HKB. This was at variance from what the Himachal government told the court on June 6 that it had excess unutilised water of 137 cusecs which it can spare for Delhi.

The court told advocate Anup Kumar Rattan, appearing for the Himachal government, "You keep your officer who presented the chart to us showing excess of 137 cusecs present in court. If you have excess water then you are in contempt of our order. If 137 cusecs is already flowing to HKB, where is the question of any fresh supply or excess measurement of water? Be ready, we will send your officer straight to jail."

Delhi government also sought to raise the issue of insufficient supply of water by Haryana at Munak canal by citing a May 2018 order of the Upper Yamunal River Board (UYRB) fixing 1,013 cusecs of water to be received by Delhi at the Bawana water treatment plant. Singhvi gave a chart showing that the actual water received at Munak canal has been varying between 800 to 900 cusecs to show Haryana to be at fault.

Senior advocate Shyam Divan, appearing for Haryana, objected to Delhi expanding the scope of the proceedings where the court had to monitor supply of surplus water of 137 cusecs from Himachal to Delhi. He said that for any additional demand, the matter should be pursued by Delhi before UYRB, an expert body, where the issue is already pending.

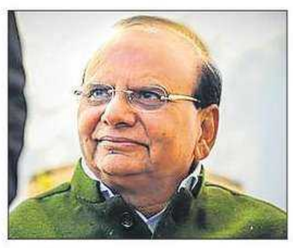
The affidavit filed by Haryana on Tuesday referred to huge transmission losses in Delhi.

"The present scarcity of water in Delhi has been largely created by Delhi itself. It has failed to cut down on its distribution losses, control on the tanker mafia, politely put as pilferage, and also regulate the per capita water requirement of its citizens which is higher than the national average for urban areas," the affidavit said.

"As per the Economic Survey of Delhi 2023-2024, the total distribution losses of DJB are at about 52.35%," Divan added. This would mean that from every litre of treated water, more than half a litre is vanishing due to the internal distribution limitations and shortcomings which despite several years of caution, are not being addressed, the state affidavit said.

The Delhi government brushed aside these concerns, claiming that the average national transmission loss is over 50%. Singhvi said, "It is easy to shout at losses being 50%. But let us see the losses in Haryana and the national average."

The court, however, said: "Even if some provision is made for providing surplus water to Delhi, if the transmission losses continue, then half of the surplus water will also go waste... By now, we have come to know what is happening."



LG VK Saxena

LG, AAP SPAR OVER WATER LOSSES, CONTRIBUTION FROM HARYANA

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NEW DELHI: The office of lieutenant governor VK Saxena on Wednesday blamed the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)-led Delhi government for not checking the "very high" water losses through theft and leakages in the city, accusing the state of making "blatantly false" statements.

In response, Delhi water minister Atishi claimed the LG "hates" the AAP, but asked him to ensure Delhi gets relief from the prevailing water issues it is facing.

The LG office's statements came a day after Atishi alleged that Haryana is releasing less than adequate water in the Munak and DSB canals. Officials in the LG office said teams from the Upper Yamuna River Board visited Munak, Kakroi and Bawana after the hearing of the matter in Supreme Court and found Haryana was releasing more than its allocated share of water to Delhi.

"A perusal of daily bulletins published by DJB shows that the total production of drinking water from all the water treatment plants is more than its capacity," an official said.

On allegations that leakages in Munak are due to a lack of maintenance by Haryana, the officials noted that the canal is maintained by the Haryana government "at the demand and cost of Delhi government". Citing the Delhi economic survey 2024-25, the official said that Delhi has very high distribution losses.

In response, Atishi said Delhi residents are troubled by a shortage of water. "You can abuse us as much as you want; you can say as many bad things as you want to. But do not stop the water supply of Delhiites because of your hatred towards us," she posted on X.

The official X account of Raj Niwas later posted that Saxena did not "abuse you, but refuted the blatant lies you said", adding that he "hopes that you will stop water theft and wastage in Delhi and provide water to the people".

Minister tells chief secy to prevent pilferage, alleges 'collusion' to enable mafia

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> **NARESH KUMAR,** chief secy

NEW DELHI: Delhi water minister Atishi on Wednesday directed chief secretary Naresh Kumar to constitute teams to inspect the city's primary water distribution network to tackle leakages amid the ongoing supply crisis. She also wrote to lieutenant governor VK Saxena, alleging that senior government officials have decreased the number of tankers deployed by Delhi Jal Board (DJB) compared to previous years.

The LG office in remand pointed to the Supreme Court pulling up the Delhi government over water leakages, and accused the minister of being "in denial".

The development came on a day when Delhi recorded its lowest quantity of water supply, with DJB only producing 919.7 million gallons per day (mgd) — well below the targeted supply of 1,000mgd in the summer, affecting parts of Karol Bagh, Vasant Kunj, Moti Bagh, Rohini, Uttam Nagar, Khyala and Kirari.

Officials said that the shortfall was due to a lower quantity of raw water reaching Delhi through the Yamuna, and due to the two-hour power outage the previous day that also hit treatment plants.

In her letter to Kumar, Atishi said that the senior bureaucrat must ensure that teams of SDM-level officials along with tehsildars monitor and inspect the main water distribution network from water sources to water treatment plants and from these plants to primary underground reservoirs spread across the city. "If there is any leakage, it must be repaired within 12 hours," her communication said.

A government official aware of the matter said that a team of tehsildars and other officials will form a quick response team to arrange water tankers and address water-related complaints promptly. Earlier, in a meeting held on May 30, it was decided that from June 5 — a day after the results of the Lok Sabha elections were announced — such officers would be deployed in each zone to provide water tankers and resolve water-related complaints.

"These teams shall inspect the major pipelines to ensure that there is no leakage in any pipeline and if there is any leakage, it must be repaired within 12 hours. At this time of water shortage, not a single drop of water can be wasted. A daily compiled report of all the inspections made in this regard by every Quick Response Team to be submitted to the office of the minister by 5pm every day," said the communication.

In response, the chief secretary said that "bureaucrats quietly do our job to the best of our abilities unmindful of unqualified allegations and knee jerk reactions. We are determined and committed to clean up the system at any cost".

Meanwhile, a senior police officer said a team has been deployed at Munak Canal to check water theft.

Separately, the LG office issued an order to the Delhi Police commissioner, saying it was brought to their knowledge that tankers were stealing water from Munak Canal, which carries water from Haryana into Delhi. The canal enters Delhi near Bawana "where tankers have been reported to be lifting water from the canal and selling it illegally", said the order.

Officials in the LG office said Saxena "has desired that strict vigil should be ensured along the canal to prevent any future theft and catch hold of people who are involved in such illegal activities in the past", and sought a compliance report within a week.

Atishi wrote to Saxena as well regarding concerns about the "tanker mafia", and in a note claimed that the chief secretary and DJB chief executive officer decreased the number of tankers deployed by the water utility, despite her instructions.

"Reduction in DJB tankers could have created scope for illegal private tankers. So enquiry needs to be conducted to check for their possible collusion with 'tanker mafia'. An ACP level police officer should be deployed to patrol the stretch of Munak Canal in Delhi to ensure that no illegal water filling activity happens there," she posted on X.

In response, the chief secretary said that the number of tanker trips operated and the quantum of water delivered have been increased in 2024.

"During the year 2023, the average tanker trip made in a day per tanker was about only 6 trips which has since been increased to 9 trips per day... All engineers in charge at zones are supervising tanker operation in their area and ensuring that tankers are deployed optimally and promptly," he said.

Meanwhile, the Haryana government said that it is diligently fulfilling its commitment to provide water to Delhi.

"Haryana not only meets but exceeds its obligations in this regard. The Haryana government has never been negligent in providing water in the past and will never be negligent in the future," Haryana minister of state for irrigation and water resources Abhe Singh Yadav said.

He said that while Haryana ensures the provision of ample water, the responsibility for its utilisation and management falls upon Delhi.

City's max temp at 44.7°C, orange alert in place today

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A man transports ice near Kartavya Path on a hot Wednesday afternoon. SANJEEV VERMA/HT PHOTO

NEW DELHI: Hot, dry westerly winds swept through Delhi on Wednesday, leading to a maximum temperature of 44.7 degrees Celsius (°C) in the Capital, with heatwave or heatwave-like conditions in several parts of the city, India Meteorological Department (IMD) officials aware of the matter said.

IMD defines a "heatwave" in a region where the maximum temperature is over 40°C and 4.5°C above normal, or when the actual maximum temperature reaches 45°C or more for two consecutive days. This becomes a "severe heatwave" when the maximum is 6.5°C above the normal.

The department has predicted that similar conditions are likely to continue till next Tuesday, and has issued an "orange alert" for Thursday.

"An orange alert has been issued for Thursday and yellow alert for the following days. There had been some isolated places where a heatwave was observed in the past three days but on Wednesday, a lot of places recorded a heat wave and the severity of the heat wave was more as well. The following days are expected to be partly cloudy. The heatwave will continue as well, accompanied by strong surface winds," said a senior IMD official.

Westerly winds, coupled with a lack of cloud cover, resulted in the maximum temperature inching close to 45°C at Safdarjung, Delhi's base weather station — five notches above normal for this time of the year. The reading at Safdarjung did not qualify as a heatwave because the city had logged a high of 43.8°C the day before.

Wednesday's dry heat meant that Delhi's Heat Index (HI) or "real-feel" was not significantly higher than the actual maximum on the day. The HI was 46°C on Wednesday, IMD's bulletin said. Delhi's wet-bulb temperature, another indicator of discomfort levels, was 25.5°C. A wet-bulb temperature of 32°C or higher makes it difficult for even fit and young people to work outdoors for long and at a wet-bulb temperature of 35°C — the maximum threshold — humans can no longer regulate body temperatures, leading to heat strokes and potential collapse.

At least four other weather stations in the city, however, recorded a severe heatwave — Najafgarh recorded a maximum of 47.7°C (8°C above normal), Narela recorded a maximum of 47.5°C (8°C above normal), Pusa recorded a maximum of 46.5°C and Pitampura recorded a high of 46.7°C (both 7°C above normal). Three more stations logged heatwaves — Palam, Ridge and Jafarpur.

The minimum on Wednesday also went up marginally and was 28.5°C, one degree above normal, and slightly higher than the 28°C recorded a day earlier.

"The dry westerlies will continue for at least a week. The heat wave conditions will continue as well. There might be some respite in the later part of next week but the forecast might change as well," Mahesh Palawat, vice-president of private weather agency Skymet said.

Meanwhile, Delhi's air quality remained in the "poor" category on Wednesday. The air quality index (AQI) was 211 at 4pm, according to the Central Pollution Control Board.

Cong begins prep for assembly polls

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NEW DELHI: The Delhi unit of the Congress on Wednesday kicked off a series of meetings aimed at analysing the strengths and weaknesses of the party during the Lok Sabha elections in the city so that it is prepared for the assembly elections in the Capital next year.

"We have in a way started preparations for the Delhi assembly elections early. The series of meetings will continue in the days to come. In the meetings we are interacting with officials at the district and block levels to understand what were put strengths and weaknesses during the Lok Sabha elections so that we can build up on our strengths and address our shortcomings," Delhi Congress chief Devender Yadav said.

However, Yadav did not share the specific details and feedback revived from the party leaders in the meeting.

A party functionary said the party has constituted a committee tasked with reaching out to different sections of society, and the youth to find out the issues that matter most to them, and based on the feedback, the party will set its narrative for the assembly elections. The party got no seats in 2020 polls.

CM aide seeks bail, HC to hear case on Friday

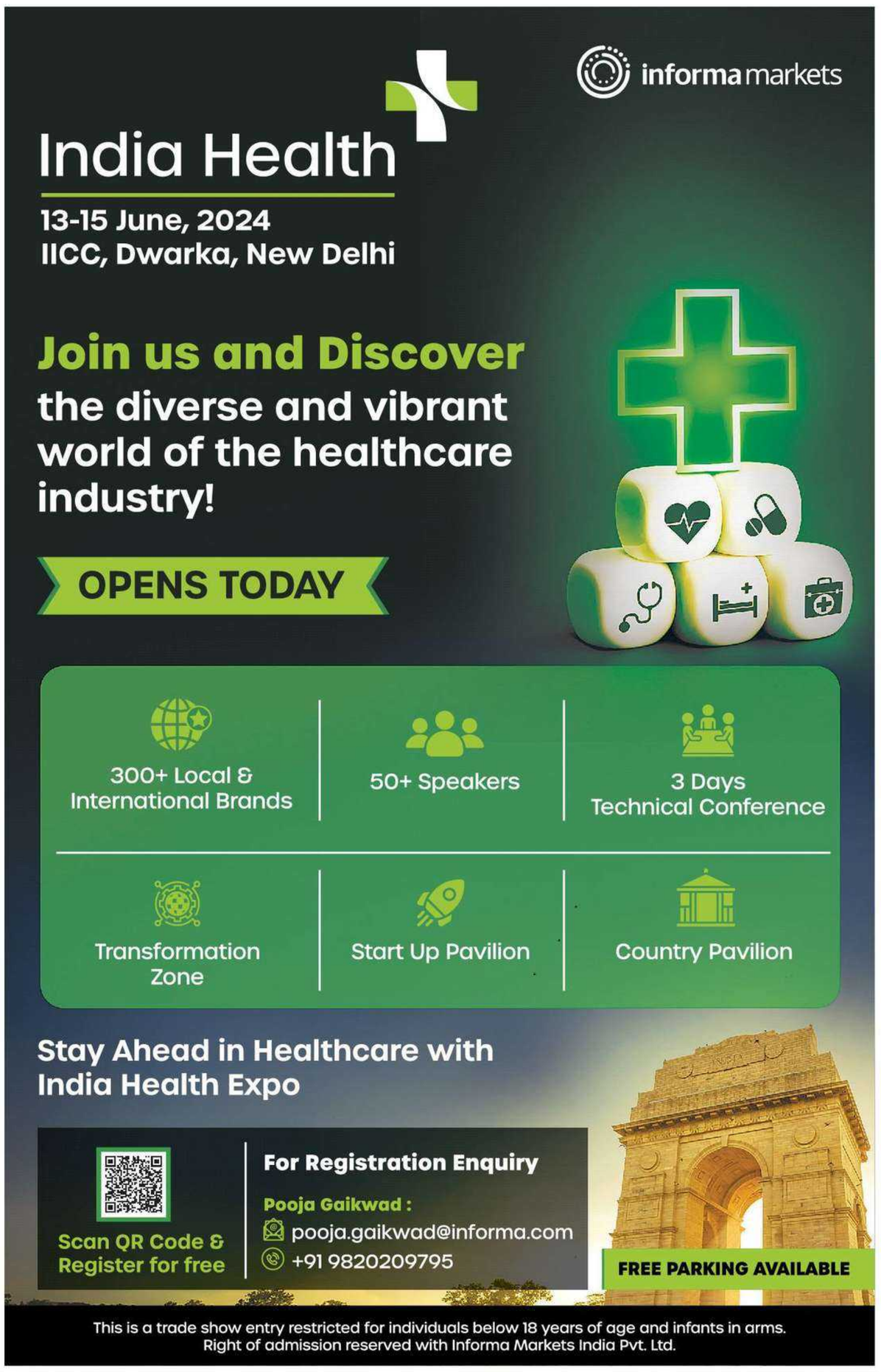
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NEW DELHI: Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal's aide Bibhav Kumar approached the Delhi high court on Wednesday seeking regular bail in the alleged assault case of Rajya Sabha MP Swati Maliwal, arguing that the case against him is a classic case of abuse of criminal machinery.

"Present is a classic case of abuse of criminal machinery and subterfuge investigation as the petitioner (accused) and complainant have both lodged complaints against each other but it is only the case of the complainant that is being investigated as the complainant is an influential person being the Member of Rajya Sabha and no investigation is being done on the part of complaint given by the petitioner," the petition said.

The bail plea is likely to be taken up on Friday.

The case registered against Kumar pertains to allegations made by Maliwal, who claimed that Kumar assaulted her at the CM's residence on May 13. Based on Maliwal's complaint, the Delhi Police filed a first information report (FIR). Kumar, in turn, filed a complaint alleging unauthorised entry and threats by Maliwal, hinting at possible political motives behind the accusations. He has been in judicial custody since May 31.





Report flags systemic issues that led to nursing home fire

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NEW DELHI: The fire at the Vivek Vihar neo-natal care centre, in which six newborns were killed, could have been averted if the department of health services carried out an inspection to process the facility's request for renewal of its licence, according to a safety audit of nursing homes in the city conducted by the Delhi Anti-Corruption Branch (ACB).

In a report submitted to the vigilance department on Monday, the anti-graft unit said that the Baby Care New Born Hospital had a health license (from 2021) which expired in March this year and the owner, Dr Naveen Khichi, applied for a renewal.

"The fire incident could have been avoided, if the application of renewal (health license), which was moved in.. February 2024 was processed within stipulated time of one month and physical inspection was conducted by the present Medical Superintendent (Nursing Homes) Dr Sandeep Aggarwal prescribing corrective measures," the report said.

HT has a copy of the report.

ACB officials also said that there were no fire extinguishers, no emergency exits, and there were more than 32 oxygen cylinders in violation of rules. The



Six newborns were killed in a fire at Vivek Vihar nursing home on May 25. RAJ K RAJ/HT

report shows that only five beds were allowed at the premises, but the owner was using 12 beds.

"...neither this fact was inspected during their previous inspection nor it was pointed out by health officials," the report said. It report said that the doctors at the nursing home were Ayurveda practitioners and not competent to treat the newborns.

"Due to increase in number of beds...medical infrastructure had collapsed. It is highly apprehensive that there was nexus between doctor (Khichi) and the then Medical Superintendent-nursing homes (RN Das) and other officials," the report said.

When contacte, a senior Delhi government official said: "It's a preliminary report. The reply has been sought from health department and other agencies named in the report. The allegations will be verified and action will be taken against offenders (nursing home owners)."

Violations listed

ACB inspected 65 nursing homes in the national capital and found that at least 13 of them were operating without a health department license or had that their license had expired; 27 nursing homes had illegally expanded hospital beds, 34 had no fire safety clearance, and 27 had fire the department's approval but the fire equipment there was not working.

ACB has recommended action against three medical superintendents (present and former) from the health department for alleged "collusion" with nursing home owners and for not conducting physical inspections.

On May 25, the massive fire ripped through Vivek Vihar's Baby Care New Born Hospital killing seven newborn babies and injuring six others. The Delhi Police had then revealed that the hospital was running on an expired license from the Department of Health Services and did not conform to fire safety norms.

On May 28, lieutenant governor VK Saxena ordered ACB to conduct a probe at other nursing homes and hospitals to check if they have registration and are following norms.

Action recommended

The anti-graft unit also recommended action against three senior health department officers — Medical Superintendent (Nursing Homes Cell) Dr Sandeep Aggarwal, former medical superintendents (Nursing Homes Cell) Dr Nitin (goes by single name) and Dr RN Das.

The three officers have been blamed for not renewing licenses for several months.

"During inquiry it was also observed that application for fresh registration/renewal of registration were kept pending for physical inspection for several months without any cogent reason...However there is unexplainable delay of several months on the part of office of MS (NH) and Director Health Services," the report said.

Das refused to comment on the allegations, and Aggarwal said he was not the competent authority to comment on the matter.

ACB chief Madhur Verma had earlier (last week) said that the investigating team has inspected at least 65 nursing homes located in east Delhi, Shahdara, north-east Delhi and Rohini.

Verma said teams will now conduct more inspections all across Delhi.

President rejects mercy petition of convict in 2000 Red Fort attack case

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NEW DELHI: President Droupadi Murmu has rejected a mercy petition by Pakistani national Mohammed Arif aka Ashfaq, convicted for the 2000 Red Fort attack, officials aware of the matter said on Wednesday.

The Supreme Court had rejected the mercy review petition by Ashfaq, who is currently lodged in Tihar Jail, on November 3, 2022, the officials said.

They added that Ashfaq's mercy petition was received by the President office on May 15, and was rejected on May 27.

Ashfaq was awarded death sentence on October 31, 2005. The Delhi high court and the Supreme Court upheld the decision in subsequent appeals in September 2007 and August 2011.

Senior jail officials, who asked not to be named, confirmed that the Pakistani national is lodged in a high-risk cell inside Tihar jail number 2. "The lower court that sentenced Ashfaq to death will first have to issue a black warrant, which will be sent to the jail authorities. That is when the formalities for hanging will begin," the official added.

On December 22, 2000, terrorists, including Ashfaq, entered an area where the unit of 7 Rajputana Rifles of the Indian Army was stationed inside the Red Fort. Three army personnel were killed in firing after which the terrorists fled the spot by scaling the wall. The Delhi Police's special cell unit, which probed the case, arrested Ashfaq.

The arrest

Retired IPS officer, Ashok Chand, who supervised the probe at the time, said, "The Red Fort attack was an attack on the country's most important installations. Ashfaq was arrested from Ghazipur in east Delhi, where he was living as an Indian citizen. When we conducted raids at his hideout in Jamia Nagar, one of his accomplices was also shot dead in a shoot-out. He was posing as a Jammu resident who had a shawl business. He had also got married in India."

Chand added that the Red Fort attack was orchestrated by the Pak based Lashkar-e-Taiba, and Ashfaq was one the main planners of the attack who had conducted a recee and set up the sleeper cell to carry out the attack. The three militants -- Abu Shaad, Abu Bilal and Abu Haider -- who had also entered the monument, were killed in separate encounters with security forces, Chand said.

The last hanging in Tihar was that of Mukesh Singh, Akshay Thakur, Pawan Gupta and Vinay Sharma – the four convicts of the 2012 Delhi gang rape case. The four were hanged on March 20, 2020.

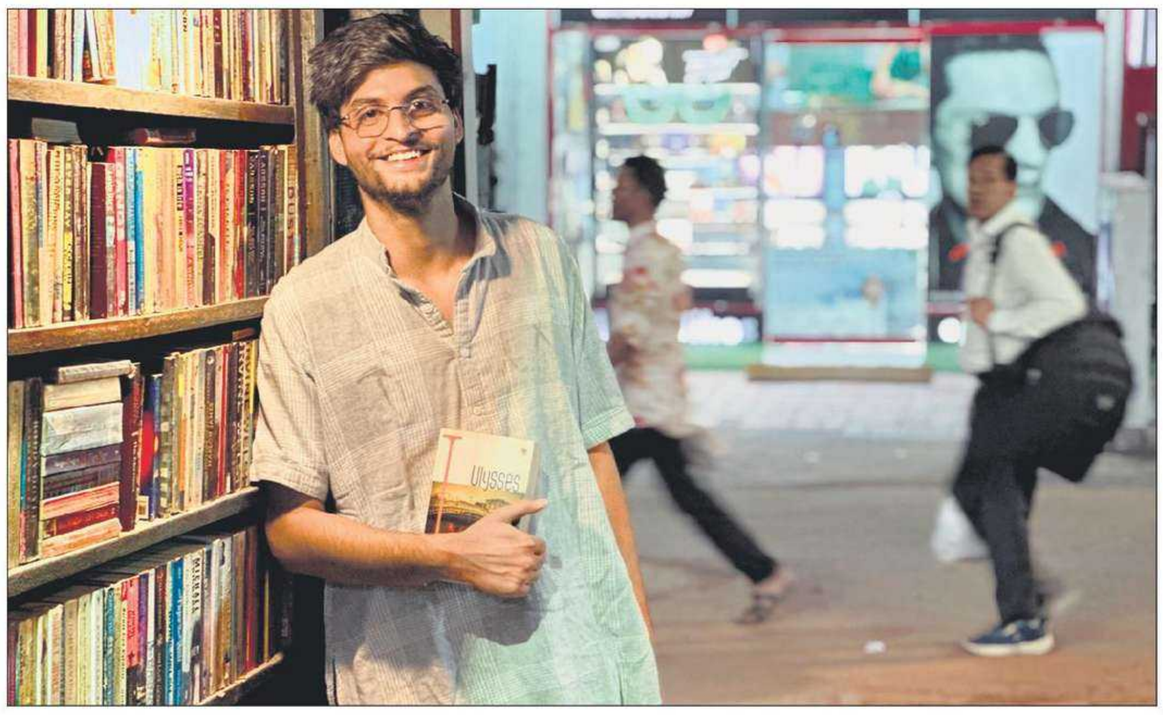
Before Ashfaq, Rashtrapati Bhavan on April 10, 2023 rejected the mercy petition of Vasanta Sampat Dupare, convicted for raping and stoning to death a four-year-old girl in Maharashtra in 2008.

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On literature impacting a citizen's life

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Can fiction save a life? It did for a young *Jumna paar* poet and music student in east Delhi's Mayur Vihar Phase 3.

Mukul is one of those rare Delhiwale who have read "cover-to-cover" a book universally acknowledged to be among literature's most difficult novels—James Joyce's *Ulysses*. As the world prepares to celebrate the annual Bloomsday on June 16 — the date on which the great 1922 novel is set (Leopold Bloom of Dublin being the novel's hero), this devoted Delhi Joycean gets frank on his relationship with *Ulysses*:

How was your first encounter with the novel?

It was post the monsoon of 2019. I had just quit my job, and was on the verge of losing my mind. Perhaps it was the other way around. Everything in my life was coming to pieces. And truly enough, Ulysses saved my life.

How?

Mornings are particularly difficult when you're going through a mental breakdown. I remember waking up, stressed out of my wits, unmotivated, thoroughly upset at the world, and helplessly coming up with more and more reasons to be more and more stressed. I crashed on my bed and a few odd books lying about. One of them was *Ulysses*. It was lying right in front of me with that intimidating appearance of a hardened classic. I remember thinking to myself: "Okay, I'll read about the first thirty pages or so, and it'll probably bore me to sleep and I'll forget about it." And so, I opened the first page, and I began reading.

What happened next?

The novel did not yield. It challenged me, mocked me, inspired me, invited me, all at the same time. It spoke to me like nothing had spoken before. Joyce is ultimately closer to a musician than a novelist. The words sing at his command.

Matlab?

One page after another, I was diving in, peeling through the layers of textures and alliterations, humorous portmanteaus, implicit rhythms and sounds, and that glorious theme of a synecdoche. The whole contained in its parts; the mythos superimposed over the mundane. Suddenly it was as if a cloud of meaning—coming from the other side of the world, crossing seven seas and almost a century—poured over me all at once, and having drenched in it, I was somehow saved. I don't know how it goes. But I found my feet again. My knees no longer shook at the horrors of reality. I was a hero, like Bloom, mundane and magnanimous, who was ready for the strange Odyssey of a peculiar life.

How is life post-*Ulysses*?

I read Joyce's next and final novel, *Finnegans Wake*, and read it from time to time. It takes me to places which even *Ulysses* couldn't.

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Hry govt declares 'waste exigency' in Ggm, invokes disaster mgmt Act

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GURUGRAM: The Haryana government on Wednesday declared a municipal solid waste exigency in Gurugram due to alarming levels of untreated waste adversely affecting the environment and public health, officials aware of the matter said.

Haryana chief secretary TV S N Prasad, who also serves as the chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) said under Section 22 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the state government had launched the Solid Waste Environment Exigency Program (SWEEP) to address critical waste management issues in Gurugram.

The initiative aims to tackle the city's growing waste crisis by implementing comprehensive measures to manage and reduce untreated waste effectively.

Prasad said the program aims to overhaul waste management in Gurugram by implementing a three-tier system for waste collection, segregation, transportation, processing, and disposal across all 35 wards of Gurugram and GMDA areas. "Additional measures include a 24x7 control room with a dedicated helpline, gap analysis of existing infrastructure, a GIS-based waste tracking map, and a robust grievance redressal mechanism. The program also targets the management of construction and demolition waste, ensures adequate machinery for waste processing, institutes cleanliness awards, and launches an Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) plan to raise awareness," he said.



The overflowing Bandhwari landfill in Gurugram. PARVEEN KUMAR/HT

Officials said that daily reports will be submitted to the SDMA, and any violations will result in punitive measures as per relevant laws.

The chief secretary also said that any violation of this order will attract punitive provisions under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the Municipal Corporation Act, 1994, and other applicable laws, which may include fines or imprisonment. "This move follows the Supreme Court's order on May 13, 2024, and the National Green Tribunal's (NGT) observations, highlighting the urgent need for a cleaner environment as a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution of India," he said.

The Supreme Court noted that untreated solid waste severely impacts the environment and infringes on citizens' right to a pollution-free environment. The NGT had previously described the situation as an environmental emergency, underscoring the need for serious and immediate action.

Ruchika Sethi Takkar, founder member of Why Waste Your Waste, a civil society movement for a zero-waste city, said, "The current situation is nothing short of a health emergency with some sectors facing the worst exposure such as Sector 37, Khandsa, Krishna Chowk near Catarpuri, Sector 29 Leisure Valley area and many more," she said.

MCG commissioner Narhari Singh Bangar, said, "We have already started cleaning up areas and removing waste. Various areas are already witnessing intensified cleaning efforts, with a focus on maintaining cleanliness in critical spots," he said.

10 museums in city get bomb threat emails

NEW DELHI: At least 10 museums across the Capital — including the Prime Ministers' Museum and National Museum, located in the high-security Lutyens zone — received bomb threats over email on Tuesday, prompting security personnel and bomb squad to conduct sweeping checks across their premises, Delhi Police officers aware of the matter said.

Three mental health facilities also received the threats, the officers said.

The threats were later declared a hoax after the complexes were thoroughly checked.

A senior police officer said that all the institutes received the same email at around 1pm, which had a line of text. "It was written that the said building has an explosive and will explode," the officer said, on condition of anonymity. HTC

Delhi to get 900k tulips this winter

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NEW DELHI: Agencies in Delhi are set to plant around 900,000 tulip bulbs between December 2024 and February 2025, officials in lieutenant governor VK Saxena's office said on Wednesday, adding that potted tulips will be sold at nurseries across the city at a "reasonable price".

The decision to plant the tulips was taken at a meeting chaired by Saxena, and attended by the horticulture departments of various civic agencies, the officials said, adding that a blueprint was prepared for sourcing and planting the tulips in the upcoming flowering season.

"The increase in plantation of tulips and other flowers across the city is in line with the LG's aim and the emphasis given on turning the national capital into a city of flowers. In the meeting, the LG, considering the great



Tulips in bloom at Shanti Path in February. RAJ K RAJ/HT

enthusiasm of the people shown for the tulips this year, also directed DDA and NDMC to sell potted tulips at reasonable prices through its nurseries in different parts of the city," an official in the LG office said.

Experts said that spending a large amount on tulips is not sustainable. "A few tulips or exotics in small patches may be fine. However, with very little land to plant, we must use public spaces and funds judiciously for maximum benefit to the city," environmental activist Padmavati Dwivedi said.

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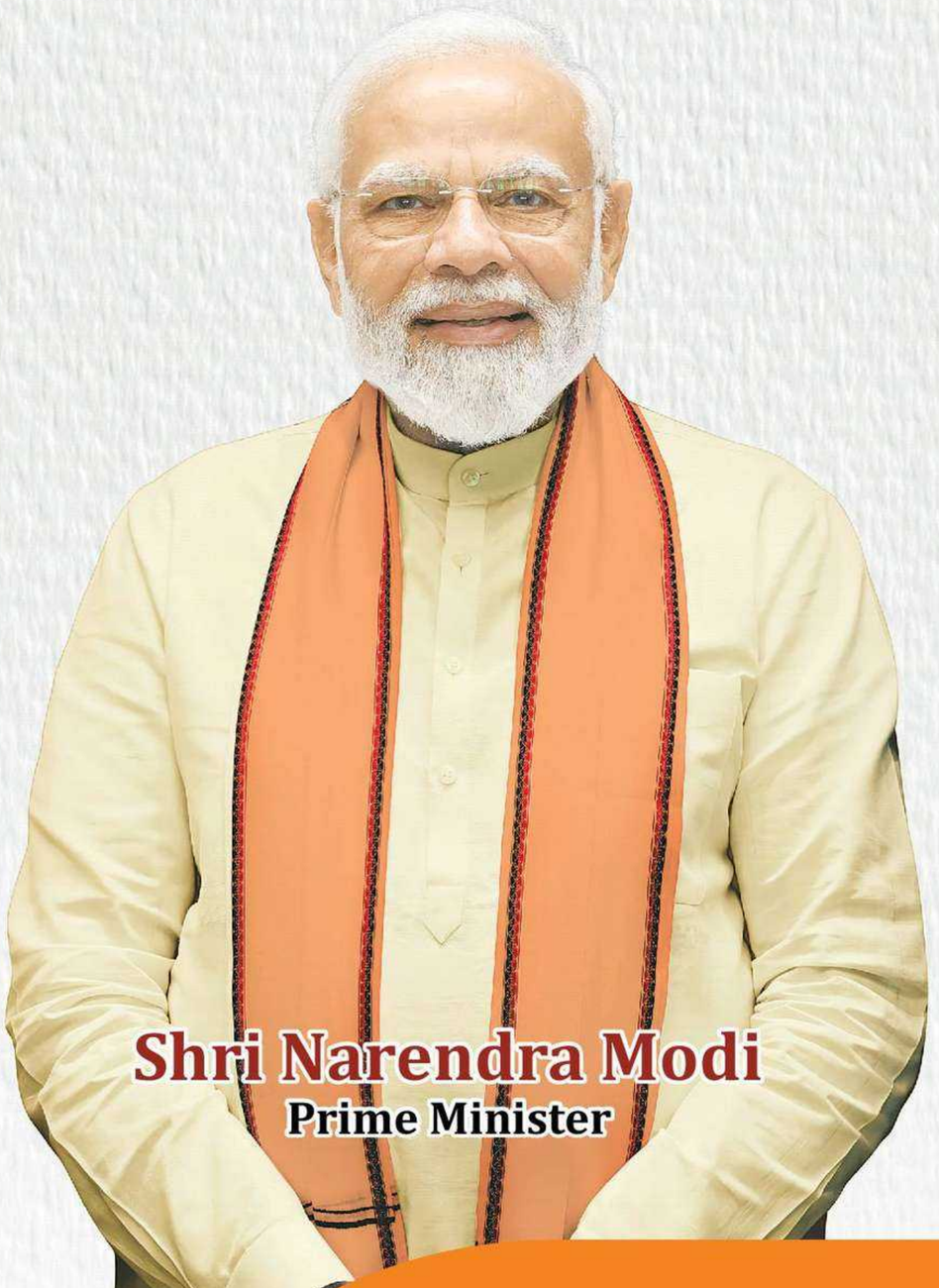
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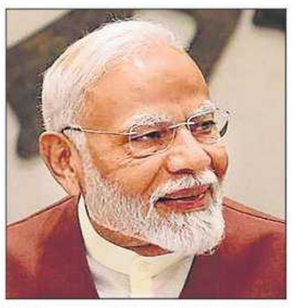
NEW DELHI: India will continue to push for a return to dialogue and diplomacy to find a resolution to the Russia-Ukraine war, foreign secretary Vinay Kwatra said on Wednesday ahead of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's departure for Italy to join an outreach session of the G7 Summit.

The summit, being held at the resort of Fasano in Italy's Apulia region during June 13-15, is set to be dominated by the Ukraine war and the Israel-Hamas conflict. While Modi won't participate in the main summit and the outreach session will focus on issues such as AI, energy and Africa, the Ukraine crisis is expected to figure in his bilateral meetings on the margins of the meeting.

Kwatra told a media briefing ahead of Modi's first overseas trip in his third term that it is "quite natural" that the Russia-Ukraine conflict will be one of the global issues that will come up in bilateral meetings, and India will reiterate its perspective which is well known.

"We have always maintained that dialogue and diplomacy is the best option," he said, recalling Modi's remarks to Russian President Vladimir Putin during a 2022 meeting that "today's era is not of war". He said the Indian stance had gathered widespread appreciation and recognition.

While Kwatra confirmed a bilateral meeting between Modi and his Italian counterpart Georgia Meloni on the sidelines of the G7 Summit, he ducked questions on possible meetings with US President Joe Biden, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, who is a special invitee to the summit, by saying the final schedule is still a work in progress.



PM Narendra Modi will attend the summit in Italy's Apulia region during June 13-15.

Kwatra also said India will participate in the Ukraine peace summit to be hosted by Switzerland at Bürgenstock during June 15-16 "at an appropriate level", though New Delhi is yet to take a call on who will represent the country.

"That consideration is currently going on in the system and as and when we have a decision on the representative from India who'll be participating, we'll be very happy to share it with you," he said.

People familiar with the matter said both Modi and external affairs minister S Jaishankar are set to skip this peace summit.

Since the start of Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, New Delhi hasn't criticised Moscow's actions. It has sought an end to hostilities and called on both sides to return to the negotiating table to find a resolution. India has also highlighted the impact of the war, especially the spiralling prices of food, fuel and fertilisers, on countries of the Global South.

Kwatra again highlighted the "derivative impact" of the conflict on food, fuel and fertiliser availability, the challenges to global supply chains and disruptions in the global economy and said: "We have always been at the forefront to talk about not just the conflict, the need for dialogue and diplomacy, but also the way the conflict is impacting the priorities and interests of developing countries."

Referring to Modi's participation in the outreach session of the G7 Summit on June 14, Kwatra said the discussions will focus on AI, energy, Africa and the Mediterranean. India's participation in the outreach session for the 11th straight year is a recognition of its contributions to tackling global challenges such as peace, security, development and environmental preservation, he said.

Besides India, the leaders of Algeria, Argentina, Brazil, Egypt, Kenya, Mauritania, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Tunisia and Türkiye have been invited to the outreach session.

NTA releases FAQ amid row

Why did a greater number of candidates get full marks in the NEET (UG), 2024?
Out of the 67 candidates who got 720/720 marks, 44 are on account of the revision in one answer key of Physics, and 6 due to compensatory marks for loss of time

Was the NEET question paper leaked?
None of the reports are backed with evidence that may indicate a paper leak. These cases seem to be related to cheating/impersonation

How many cases of unfair means being used was reported?
63 cases of candidates using unfair means was reported

What action is NTA taking against those who used unfair means?
12 candidates debarred for 3 years, 9 candidates for 2, and one for one year. 32 were given status of 'Result Later'



SC to hear pleas on NEET-UG today; HC sends notice to NTA

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NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court is set to hear on Thursday a batch of petitions challenging the awarding of grace marks in this year's controversy-hit NEET-UG, according to the apex court's updated list of business released on Wednesday. The Delhi high court also issued notice to the National Testing Agency (NTA), which conducts the exam, on a batch of petitions filed by NEET candidates against the awarding of grace marks.

The NEET-UG 2024 results, announced on June 4, caused an uproar, with aspirants and parents demanding a probe and re-examination, alleging that the paper was leaked after 67 students shared the all India rank one by scoring perfect 720/720 marks, including six students from the same exam centre in Haryana.

NTA denied allegations of paper leak and issued a press release on June 7 explaining that out of the 67 candidates who secured full marks, 44 got on account of revision in one answer key of Physics while six benefitted from the grace marks allotted for loss of time.

The pleas have demanded cancellation of the results and a fresh NEET for admission to MBBS courses. Hearing a similar petitions on Tuesday, the top court sought answers from NTA and the Centre over the controversy, observing that the "sanctity of the examination" has been affected by allegations of paper leak and irregularities in the results.

In the high court, the vacation bench of justice Neena Bansal Krishna issued notice to NTA on a petition against the awarding of grace marks. The court refused to stay the counselling process but sought a response from NTA. During Wednesday's hearing, NTA informed the HC that since several pleas NEET have been filed in different courts, it will soon approach the SC, seeking to transfer all to the top court. "There are petitions filed in several high courts and in the Supreme Court...we are in the process of filing transfer petition to consolidate all the cases before the Supreme Court to ensure there are no conflicting views by various high courts," Solicitor general Tushar Mehta said.

BSY moves HC to annul Pocso case against him

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BENGALURU: Former chief minister of Karnataka and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader BS Yediyurappa approached the high court on Wednesday seeking annulment of a Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (Pocso) case filed against him, hours after the state Criminal Investigation Department (CID) summoned him in connection with the case.

On March 14, Sadashivanagar police booked Yediyurappa under provisions of the Pocso Act and Indian Penal Code (IPC) on the basis of a complaint by the woman, who alleged that the 81-year-old touched her daughter inappropriately and molested her on February 2 in his room at his house when she had gone to "seek help in a cheating case related to business". The case was then handed over to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID). The veteran BJP leader had, however, dismissed the allegations and vowed to deal with the matter legally.



BS Yediyurappa

Earlier on Wednesday, CID issued a notice to the senior BJP leader, asking him to appear before its probe team for questioning on June 12, a day after the victim's brother approached the high court seeking fast-track probe in the assault case.

Soon after, Yediyurappa approached the high court, seeking quashing of the case against him. HT tried to reach out to the senior BJP leader and his lawyers for a comment but didn't get a response till the time of print.

Shah and Tamilisai's interaction puts spotlight on rumblings in BJP's TN unit

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CHENNAI: Union home minister Amit Shah's 18-second-long conversation with Tamilisai Soundararajan during the swearing-in ceremony of N Chandrababu Naidu that was captured on video became almost as much of a talking point as the larger event itself.

In the short clip, Soundararajan, former governor of Telangana, and a defeated BJP candidate from the Chennai South constituency in Tamil Nadu in the recent Lok Sabha elections, was seen greeting Shah and former vice president M Venkaiah Naidu on the stage as she walked past them. A moment later, Shah called her back and was seen speaking to her about something, wagging his finger. She tried to interject as if to offer an excuse, but Shah appeared to be having none of that. If there was any doubt about the tone of the conversation, the Tamil Nadu unit of the BJP sought to put it to rest.



Union minister Amit Shah talks to former governor Tamilisai Soundararajan as ex-V-P M Venkaiah Naidu looks on. ANI

"That looks like a strong admonishment from Amit Shah ji to Tamilisai akka . But what could be the reason for this "public" warning ? Unwarranted public comments ?" BJP's state social media cell vice-president Karthik Gopinath, posted on X. Gopinath is a supporter of BJP's state unit chief K Annamalai.

The interaction comes days after Soundararajn, who was the state BJP president during 2014-2019, hit out at Annamalai. "I had a yardstick when I was (chief) of the BJP where I didn't encourage anti-social elements," Soundararajan said during an interview. "But, recently anti-social elements have been taken into party. I have no doubt that he (Annamalai) is a good leader. All I'm saying is we all are different types of leaders and we take different decisions."

The BJP expected to do well in the state in the LS polls, but fared poorly as the DMK-led INDIA bloc swept all 39 in state.

Annamalai and Tamilisai also had differences over the BJP's decision to contest the Lok Sabha elections on its own.

BJP's former functionary Kalyan Raman, who has been supportive of Soundararajan, contested the interpretation that she was reprimanded by Shah. "What is happening is gleeful misinterpretation/jumping the gun, once again being engineered by @annamalai_k, to keep himself afloat from facing voice of dissent emanating from people like me. Voice of dissent leads to course correction. Any effort to suppress the voice will lead to collapse of the party system," he posted on X.

To be sure, the clip went viral for another reason -- detractors of the BJP and home minister Shah took it as an opportunity to comment on how a senior woman leader was being treated.

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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR, UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL, JR COURT NO. 2, GROUND FLOOR, C BLOCK, HIGH COURT OF DELHI, SHER SHAH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110003

No. 01/JKPFL/DHC Dated: 29th May' 2024

Re: Notification No. S.O. 1414 (E) dated 15.03.2024 issued by the Central Government under Sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 declaring the Jammu & Kashmir Peoples Freedom League (JKPFL) as an unlawful association, and Gazette Notification No. S.O. 1629 (E) dated 05.04.2024 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary Part II, Sector 3, Sub-section (II) in exercise of powers under Sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to the general public that Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal presided over by Hon'ble Ms. Justice Neena Bansal Krishna, Judge, Delhi High Court, will hold sitting at High Court Complex Srinagar, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir on 20th, 21st & 24th, June 2024 at 10.00 a.m. onwards on all the three dates in regard to aforesaid notification no. S.O. 1414 (E) dated 15.03.2024.

All those, who are interested in giving evidence, may file their affidavits (in duplicate) with the undersigned and shal remain present in person on the above dates for their cross examination, if any, before the Hon'ble Tribunal.

Venue High Court Complex Srinagar, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

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Sd/- (Dr. Ajay Gulati)
Registrar
Unlawful Activities
(Prevention) Tribunal

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INFORMATION REGARDING EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING(EGM)

Notice is hereby given that Extra Ordinary General Meeting of the members of the Delhi Gymkhana Club Limited is scheduled to be held on Saturday, 6th July, 2024 at 11:30 AM through Video conferencing or any other audio visual means in compliance with the applicable provisions of Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder read with applicable circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate affairs (MCA), collectively referred as MCA circulars to transact the business set out in the Notice of EGM. Members attending the EGM through VC/OAVM shall be reckoned for the purpose of Quorum u/s 103 of the Act.

In compliance of the above Circulars, the Notice of EGM along with the explanatory statement will be send by e-mail to all the members of the company whose e-mail address are registered with the club and is also available on the club's website https://delhigymkhana.org.in/membership/ and on the website of NSDL https://evoting@nsdl.com. Members who have not registered/updated their email addresses so far, are requested to register/update the same by writing to the club with details of membership number at secydgc@gmail.com.

In compliance with the provision of section 108 of the act read with Rule 20 of Companies (Management & Administration rules), 2014 as amended from time to time, the club is pleased to provide remote e-voting facility ('Remote E-voting ') to all the members to cast their votes on all resolutions set out in the Notice of the EGM. Additionally, the company is providing facility for e-voting during EGM (e-voting) to all the members who have not cast their votes through remote e-voting. The Members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting may also attend the meeting through VC but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again. The Procedure /Instructions in this respect have been provided in the Notice of the EGM.

The Club has engaged the services of M/s NSDL, the Agency to provide e-voting facility. The members of the club, as on cutoff date, i.e., 29th June, 2024 shall be eligible to cast their votes by remote e-voting or attend the meeting through VC/OAVM and cast votes at EGM. The remote e-voting period will commence on Wednesday, 3rd July, 2024, 9AM and ends on Friday, 05thJuly, 2024 at 5 PM. Any person who become a member of the company after dispatch of notice of EGM & holds membership as on cut-off may obtain the login id & password by sending a request at *secydgc@gmail.com* or *evoting@nsdl.com*.

Members are requested to carefully read all the Notes which are set out in the Notice of the EGM and instructions for joining the EGM, manner of casting votes through remote e-voting and during EGM. Members who need assistance before or during the EGM can contact NSDL on evoting@nsdl.com / 022 - 4886 7000 and 022 - 2499 7000 or contact - NSDL at *evoting@nsdl.com*

For and on behalf of
Delhi Gymkhana Club Limited
Rajiv Hora
Secretary

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited
(Office:- Chief Engineer/P&M, PSPCL, Ludhiana)
(CIN): U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website: www.pspcl.in
(Contact N0. 96461-61158)

TENDER ENQUIRY No.: 10/CE/P&M/2024-25

CE/P&M, PSPCL, Ludhiana invites e-Tender for Manufacturing, Testing, Supply & Delivery of 1617 no. Discharge/Earthing Rods for 66 KV Voltage level as per PSPCL Specificaions. For detailed NIT & Tender specifications please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 08.06.2024 (1100 hrs.) onwards.

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

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JODHPUR VIDYUT VITARAN NIGAM LIMITED
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NOTICE FOR E-PROCUREMENT

The download end date, last date of bid submission and opening of Techno-Commercial and Price E-Bid invited from eligible bidders for the NIT JU/SE(M&P-ZPC)/TN-64(NIB code JVV2324A0380 and UBN isJVV2324SLOB00841) floated by this office .

Details regarding download end date, last date of bid submission and tender opening etc. are available at our website **http://energy.rajasthan.gov.in/jdvvnl and www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in.** The bidders, in their own interest are requested to read very carefully the tender documents before submitting the bid only through on line website **www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in**.

Raj.Samwad/C/24/539 SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (M&P-ZPC)

बिजली संबंधी शिकायतों के लिए टोल फ्री नम्बर 1800 180 6045

Government of Punjab
RFP/Tender Reference no. 9-10/SE dt. 11.06.2024

The Department of Municipal Corporation Patiala invites online bidding for the following: -

Sl. No.	Item/Description of works	Qty (No. of works)
1	Selection of Concessionaire for Execution/Installation and Operation & Maintenance of a 100 TPD Waste to CBG (WtG) Project based on Segragated Municipal Solid waste (Organic) as feed on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer (the "DBFOT") of Public-Private Partnership at Patiala, Punjab	1

Closing date & time upto : 04.07.2024 at 1700 hrs
Opening date & time : 05.07.2024 at 11.00 am
Pre-Bid meeting date & time : 25.06.2024 at 11.00 am
For details log onto : www.eproc.punjab.gov.in

Note: Any corrigendum(s) to the Tender/RFP Notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/-
Superintending Engineer
34452 **Municipal Corporation Patiala**

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON
See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **SAJID S/o:** Mohd. Ismail **R/o**: House No. H-11, Gali No. 14, Jagatpuri, Delhi, has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 28954/2016 U/s 379/411/34 IPC, P.S. Jagatpuri, Delhi**, and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **SAJID** cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **SAJID** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant);

Proclamation is hereby made that the said **SAJID** accused of **FIR No. 28954/2016 U/s 379/411/34 IPC, P.S. Jagatpuri, Delhi**, is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **02.08.2024.**

By Order
Ms. Aayushi Saxena
LD Metropolitan Magistrate 05
Room No. 07, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

DP/7247/SHD/2024
(Court Matter)

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR,
MAHARAJA SURAJMAL BRIJ UNIVERSITY, BHARATPUR
ONLINE INVITING TENDER NOTICE
NIB No Exam/2024/500 Date: 10.06.2024
TENDER NOTICE NO.-03

Online Sealed Technical and Financial Bids in Single Stage in two bid cover are invited for the period of one year, up to 3:00 PM of 19.07.2024 for procurement of Answer Books for University Examinations Centers. Estimated cost of work is 167.00 Lacs. Details may be seen in the Bidding Document at the website of the State Public Procurement Portal https://sppp.raj.nic.in or http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in and may be downloaded from there or may be obtained from our office on payment of Rs. 1,000/- in cash/ banker's cheque/demand draft.

Times Schedule for submission of E-Tender :-

Sr. No. of Tender	Time and Date for Download online Tender	Time and Date for upload of online Tender	Pre Bid meeting	Time and Date for physically deposit the processing fee Tender cost and earnest money	Time and Date for opening online technical bid
1.	12.06.2024 5.00 PM to 18.07.2024 3.00 PM	Upto 19.07.2024 03.00 PM	28.06. 2024 at 3.00PM	Upto 19.07.2024 2.00 PM	19.07.2024 03.00 PM

NIT-03 Answer Book
NIB Code BUB2425A0002
UBN is : BUB2425GLOB00002

Registrar
Maharaja Surajmal Brij University, Bharatpur

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Walk-in-interview will be conducted on 21 June 2024 for two post of Consultant (Accounts) and Consultant (Audit) from 11 a.m. onwards in the Mask Gallery, Ground Floor, Sangeet Natak Akademi, 35, Feroze Shah Road, Rabindra Bhavan, New Delhi.

The contractual engagement for the said posts will be initially for a period of one year. The person retired from Central Govt Sector/ autonomous body/PSU from the post of AAO/A.O/Sr. Accounts in the Grade pay of Rs. 5400/- and above (SAS pass) will be eligible for the position of Consultant (Accounts) & Consultant (Audit).

The detailed information in this regard may be accessed on the website of the Akademi **www.sangeetnatak.gov.in**

The Akademi reserves the right to reject any/or all applications or cancel the proceedings/recruitment at any time without assigning any reason thereof.

Secretary
Sangeet Natak Akademi
New Delhi

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Modi to mark Int'l Yoga Day in Valley

MODI IS SET TO LEAD THE GLOBAL CELEBRATIONS FROM CONFERENCE CENTRE IN VALLEY

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SRINAGAR: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will travel to Srinagar in Jammu & Kashmir on June 21 to celebrate International Day of Yoga.

According to a senior J&K official aware of the details, Modi will lead the global celebrations from Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC) in Srinagar. "He will attend the International Yoga Day celebrations in Srinagar. It is going to be a big function and arrangements for the same have already started," the official said, seeking anonymity.

In 2014, the United Nations declared June 21 as International Day of Yoga. Modi inaugurated the first edition of the event on June 21, 2015 on the theme "Yoga for Harmony and Peace".

Last year, Modi participated in the celebrations at the United Nations headquarters in New York, where he described yoga as a "truly universal" and unifying force across ethnicities, faiths and cultures. The UN north lawns, overlooking the Hudson river, turned into a sea of white with an estimated 2,000 people representing around 135 nationalities joining Modi, the UN General Assembly president Csaba Korosi and the New York mayor Eric Adams in performing yoga. The participation of the most number of nationalities in a single yoga session hit the Guinness Book of World Records, and the PM hailed this unprecedented coming together of people from across the world.

Officials said around 3,000 to 4,000 people, including political leaders, celebrities and students, are expected to attend the celebrations in Srinagar this year. "A three-tier security will be in place around Dal Lake, near SKICC," the official quoted above said.

The visit to the Union Territory on June 21 will be Modi's first after being sworn in as PM for the third time, and second this year.

Protesters block army convoy in Manipur distt

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NEW DELHI: Women-led protesters blocked an army convoy heading to stop the firing between Kuki and Meitei armed groups in the foothills of Kangpokpi district in Manipur for nearly four hours on Wednesday, people familiar with the matter said.

The firing in Kangpokpi area comes days after violence engulfed the Jiribam district, located around 220 km from Imphal and near the Assam border, after a 59-year-old man was found beheaded. The killing appeared to set off a fresh round of targeted attacks in the state, which has been shrouded in violence for over a year. A group of Meitei workers was targeted with country-made bombs in Sekmai, 25 km from the state capital, on June 9, and residents in Jiribam said homes of both communities were set afire, in Lamtai Khunou, Dibong Khunou, Nunkhal and Begra villages, ostensibly in reprisal attacks following Singh's murder.

A security officer aware of the matter said the firing in Kangpokpi began around 10am on Wednesday. "At around 10 am there was heavy firing in the foothills between Kangpokpi and Imphal East district. Columns of the Indian Army were moved towards the spot but when they had reached Moirangpurel, Meira Paibis, blocked the road and refused to let them go further. The Indian Army personnel exercised restraint and urged them to let the convoy move," he said.

"Using restraint, the personnel on the ground roped in all stakeholders – village heads, civil society organisations and Manipur police. Paramilitary forces were also roped in because the number of protesters had swelled. By around 2.30-3 pm, when the issue was diffused, the firing had also stopped in the hills. Both the armed groups had fled from the foothills. We do not have any reports of casualties in the gunfight," the official added.

Since May 2023, Manipur has been roiled by ethnic violence between the majority Meitei community, and the tribal Kukis, with other communities increasingly sucked into the clashes over the last few months.

Multiple terror attacks highlight emerging threats across Jammu

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NEW DELHI/SRINAGAR: Four terror attacks in the last 76 hours in Jammu have put the security grid in the region on high alert, with Union ministry of home affairs monitoring the situation, but has also shone light on the growing terrorist threat that has affected the area over the last two years. Officials said that there is now growing acknowledgement of a pattern, first red-flagged in 2023, that terrorists from across the border are now targeting Jammu's Pir Panjal and Rajouri belts, which have seen a series of attacks over the past two years.

In 2024 for instance, terrorists attacked a security convoy in Poonch; a social welfare department employee was killed in Rajouri by terrorists in April. Six days later, a village defence guard was killed in a gunfight with infiltrators in Udhampur, and on May 4, terrorists ambushed a security convoy, killing an IAF officer and injuring four others in Poonch.

These attacks all preceded the four attacks within 76 hours in June — the first on Sunday when terrorists opened fire on a bus of devotees which subsequently lost control and fell into a gorge, leaving 9 dead and 42 injured. In the two separate encounters in Doda and Kathua on Tuesday night, spilling into Wednesday morning, one CRPF official was killed, six other security personnel and one civilian injured. Two terrorists were killed in the exchange of fire in Kathua. Later that day, a second group of terrorists attacked a police team in Kota Top area, 150km away from Chhattargala, and injured head constable Fareed Ahmed.

In 2023 too, Jammu saw a series of significant terrorist attacks, with two each in Poonch and Rajouri leaving at least 18 security personnel dead. In January, seven civilians were killed when militants opened fire and triggered an IED which targeted villages in Rajouri's Dhangri village.

In July 2023, officials involved in counter terrorism efforts had told HT that terror groups from Pakistan were now targeting Jammu, Rajouri, Poonch and Reasi districts, forcing security agencies to "recalibrate their responses." One officer had told HT at the time that there were between 30 and 40 highly trained terrorists that had crossed over into Jammu.

"While trained terrorists appear to be using the Line of Control (LoC) to enter India and hide inside the forests; their commanders are also trying to establish their bases in the Jammu region. In fact, one or two senior commanders of the terror group Al-Badr may have already come to Jammu either via Nepal or Bangladesh," one officer had said.

On Wednesday, senior police officers in Jammu and Kashmir said that there is a "new batch of terrorists" which have infiltrated into Jammu with the explicit purpose of creating unrest in the region, estimating that their numbers have grown to between 70 and 80.

RR Swain, Jammu and Kashmir director general of police said, "We are moving from resident terrorism to foreign terrorism. This means that numbers of our local boys, who used to join the terror ranks, have come down...as of today 70 to 80 such terrorists have come with arms and ammunition," Swain added.

A second officer said that there was likely an attempt to create unrest ahead of the Amarnath Yatra, scheduled to begin later this month, and assembly elections—the first after the abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019—set to be held in a few months. This included, they said, the creation of new terror proxies, pointing to the little known Kashmir Tigers which have claimed responsibility for the Doda attack.

Security experts said that a challenge for the forces was the geography of the Pir Panjal region, replete with forests which provide numerous hiding places, and that the area has historically seen less attention from security forces than Kashmir. "It is a new strategy being adopted by handlers in Pakistan, who are trying to activate the regions of Pir Panjal, especially the Poonch, Rajouri and Udhampur axis. We also have little human intelligence here which gives terrorists the scope to escape. The area where the attacks are taking place are difficult to reach because of the hostile terrain," said one security officer who has served in the area.

But senior officials said that they have been cognisant of these new challenges and have taken steps such as training village defence guards in some regions.

In January 2023 for instance, five civilians were killed in Rajouri's Dhangri when armed men indiscriminately opened fire, and twelve hours later, two children under the ages of 18 were killed when an IED planted by terrorists exploded in the same village. Since then, the CRPF has arranged for training for village defence guards, once active in the 1990's, in parts of Jammu and Kashmir to counter terror attacks in their respective areas.

Recent terror attacks in Jammu



Jan 1, 2023: Terrorists open fire and trigger IED blast in a Rajouri village. **7 civilians killed**



May 5: Terrorists trigger an IED blast in Rajouri. **5 commandos killed**

November 22 : Encounter breaks out between terrorists and security forces in Rajouri. **5 soldiers and two terrorists killed**

April 22, 2024: Armed gunmen attack a govt employee and his brother, a jawan in the territorial army in Rajouri. **1 civilian killed**

December 21: Army convoy comes under attack in Surankote of Poonch district. **4 Soldiers killed**



April 28: Infiltrators open fire at a village in Udhampur. **1 village defence guard killed**



May 4, 2024: Terrorists ambush IAF convoy in Poonch. **1 corporal killed**

Oppn slams Centre for 'hollow' claims of peace; BJP hits back

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NEW DELHI/SRINAGAR: The surge in terror attacks in Jammu has triggered sharp reactions from the Opposition, who on Wednesday questioned the "silence" of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and slammed the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led central government for making "hollow" claims of return of peace and normalcy in the region. The BJP, however, accused the INDIA bloc of having "a soft corner for the terrorists".

The development comes in the wake of three terror attacks in the twin border districts of Rajouri and Poonch since June 9, when terrorists attacked a bus carrying pilgrims from the Shiv Khori temple in Reasi district causing it to fall into a deep gorge, resulting in the death of nine people. On Tuesday, a suspected Pakistani terrorist was killed by security forces in Kathua district. The overnight encounter ended after a second terrorist was gunned down on Wednesday but a CRPF jawan lost his life in the operation.

Expressing concern over the surge in such incidents, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi posted on X in Hindi: "Narendra Modi is busy responding to congratulatory messages and cannot even hear the cries of the families of the devotees who were brutally killed in Jammu and Kashmir."

Congress leader and in-charge of media and publicity department Pawan Khera, too, issued a statement: "BJP's loudmouth chest-thumping and hollow claims of return of peace and normalcy in J&K have been thoroughly exposed. The fact that BJP did not even bother to fight elections in Kashmir valley is a testament to the fact that their 'Naya Kashmir' policy is an abject failure."

"A spate of terror attacks has gripped Jammu and Kashmir in the past three days, whilst PM Modi is busy posting responses to congratulatory tweets by Pakistani leaders Nawaz Sharif and Pak PM PM Shahbaz Sharif. Why has he not spoken a single word on the dastardly terror attacks? Why has he maintained a stoic silence."

Khera further alleged that Pir Panjal Range Rajouri and Poonch have "become a hotbed of cross-border terrorism in the past 2 years, as over 35 soldiers have been martyred, following terror attacks in these areas in the past two years, alone?"

Jammu BJP spokesperson Dr Pradeep Mahotra said: "BJP is always at the front foot to prevent any terror activity in the UT... It is the Congress and the whole INDI alliance who have a soft corner for the terrorists. BJP is committed to eradicating terrorists from the region fully, and no terrorist will be left behind."

National Conference chief Farooq Abdullah called for an "understanding" between India and Pakistan. "I have always said that terrorism is not going to end unless there is an understanding between the two nations (India and Pakistan). Terrorism will continue and we will have to face it. The tragedy is that innocent people are getting killed... and that is unfortunate," Abdullah said.

J&K BJP chief Ravinder Raina hit back at Abdullah for advocating dialogue with Pakistan and asked "what type of talks will be held with an enemy nation which has destroyed J&K through its sponsored terrorism".

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>
> **FAROOQ ABDULLAH,** National Conference president

Kannada actor thrashed victim with belt, his aides beat him to death: Cops

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BENGALURU: Kannada actor Darshan Thoogudeepa whipped 33-year-old Renukaswamy with a belt till he lost consciousness, before his associates beat his limp body with a stick and then flung him against a wall on June 8, eventually killing him, investigators said on Wednesday, revealing chilling details about the murder that led to police arresting the star and his long-term partner Pavithra Gowda the previous day.

"The men thrashed Renukaswamy before Darshan arrived. The repeated assault resulted in multiple bone fractures, which ultimately led to his death. We are collecting evidence to corroborate these statements from the arrested suspects," said a senior investigator, who asked not to be named.

The murderers, who attacked Renukaswamy in a shed used to park seized vehicles in southwestern Bengaluru on Saturday night, then dumped his corpse in a storm-water drain 10km away between 3.30am and 5am, said police.

The investigator said Pavithra (35) provoked "Darshan to retaliate against Renukaswamy", who sent her derogatory messages on social media over their relationship.

"Subsequently, Darshan asked Raghavendra, the district president of his fan association in Chitradurga, to gather information about the victim," said the officer, adding that Renukaswamy was then lured to Bengaluru on the pretext of meeting the popular actor.

Police said Darshan's wife, Vijayalakshmi, sparred with Gowda on social media after she posted videos celebrating "10 years of relationship" with the former. Renukaswamy then allegedly began trolling Pavithra and posting derogatory messages on her social media profiles, in what police said was the trigger for the murder.

Renukaswamy, who worked at a pharmacy in Chitradurga, married on June 28 last year. His wife, Sahana, is five months pregnant, said police.



Darshan Thoogudeepa was arrested on Tuesday. ANI

Police reports indicate that Renukaswamy suffered severe injuries, particularly to his groin.

Darshan and Pavithra were taken to the shed on Wednesday to recreate the sequence of events, said investigators. They also recovered crucial forensic samples that will help fortify the case against the actor, adding that his car, a Red Jeep Wrangler, was seen on CCTV footage and seized, apart from a Mahindra Scorpio allegedly used to dispose of Renukaswamy's body.

Although the police complaint in the murder was lodged by a security guard in an adjacent building who spotted the corpse, officers said that a food delivery agent initially noticed dogs scavenging on the body and alerted police.

Police, however, said Darshan did not realise Renukaswamy had died.

Pradosh, one of the men who attacked Renukaswamy, informed Darshan of the man's death. Darshan then offered to pay off three of the men to take the blame for the murder.

The murder came to light on June 9. As the investigation progressed, two suspects approached police, confessing to the murder and claiming the killing was down to a financial dispute between them and Renukaswamy.

However, their differing responses during interrogations prompted investigators to widen their probe. Further investigations revealed Darshan's involvement.

He initially offered to pay the men — Raghavendra, Karthik, and Kesavamurthy — ₹5 lakh to dispose of the body and surrender to the police. He promised to pay them more money after the trial, apart from covering their legal expenses.

A senior police officer said phone call records between Darshan's associates and Raghavendra provided crucial evidence.

The remand application lists the accused as Pavithra Gowdra, Darshan Thoogudeepa, Pavan K, Raghavendra, Nandish, Vinay V, Nagaraju R, Laxman M, Deepak Kumar M, Pradosh S, Karthik, Kesavamurthy, Nikhil Nayak, Jagadish, Anu, Ravi, and Raju. Out of these, 13 individuals, including Darshan, are in custody, while the police continue their search for the remaining four suspects.

Edible oils, pulses in focus as agri minister Chouhan takes charge

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NEW DELHI: The Shivraj Singh Chauhan-led agriculture ministry will focus on achieving self-sufficiency in pulses by 2027-28, aside from launching a new scheme to boost edible-oil output, two commodities India still imports to meet domestic demand, officials familiar with the matter have said.

Chauhan, along with ministers of state Ramnath Thakur and Bhagirath Choudhary, held a meeting of key bureaucrats on Wednesday to review proposals for the next 100 days, and studied multiple presentations on the farm economy, an official said. Officials briefed the minister on the status of ongoing schemes, preparations for the upcoming kharif or summer-sown season, fertilisers and seed availability. Officials also presented plans to boost production of pulses and oilseeds.

Chouhan, a four-term former chief minister of Madhya Pradesh, asked officials to prepare a time bound roadmap to fulfill all guarantees related to the farm sector made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his "Sankalp Patra".

After a patchy monsoon last year, which knocked down farm growth to 1.7% in 2023-24, the lowest since 2018-19, India expects an above-average summer rainy season this year. Good rains are expected to drive farm output from the upcoming kharif or summer-sown season. Ample food stocks are critical to put a lid on prices. The agricultural sector is critical to Asia's third-largest economy because nearly half the population depends on a farm income. Good harvests drive up demands for goods and services in the wider economy.

The Union minister is expected to use strategies he had deployed as CM of Madhya Pradesh to turn around the agriculture sector of the state. Average farm growth in the state under his leadership had clocked 7%, higher than the national average of 3.7%.

Chouhan is also credited with making Madhya Pradesh a major wheat producer by expanding irrigation and offering bonuses over minimum support prices.



Union minister of agriculture, farmers welfare and rural development Shivraj Singh Chouhan holds a meeting at Krishi Bhavan. PTI

A key goal of the agriculture ministry under Chouhan's watch will be to ramp up production of pulses, expanding both the area and yields, so that the country becomes self-sufficient in the next three to four years, a second official said. "The plan to increase pulses output will depend on the same strategies as we adopted for oilseeds. There will be provisions of high-yielding seeds and focus states," the second official said.

The government is also likely to announce a national oilseeds mission in the regular Budget in July, which will focus on raising output and productivity of mustard, groundnut and soyabean, the first official said.

India imports up to 15% of its pulses demand annually and the country spent nearly $4 billion on imports in 2023-24, making it a volatile group of commodities. Shortly after the Modi government assumed office during its first term in 2014, it focused on farm and trade policies to raise pulses output to avoid reliance on imports. Long-term import deals with nations, such as Mozambique, were signed to hedge against rise in global commodity prices.

According to the agriculture ministry's data, a campaign to distribute improved seeds raised pulses productivity by 34.8%, from 727 kg/hectare in 2018-19 to 980 kg/hectare in 2021-22. The policy push to boost output led to a fall in imports.



Akhilesh Yadav

AKHILESH RESIGNS AS MLA, ALL SET TO MOVE TO PARL

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LUCKNOW: Samajwadi Party (SP) president and Leader of Opposition in Uttar Pradesh assembly Akhilesh Yadav on Wednesday resigned as a Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA) from Karhal seat and decided to continue as the Lok Sabha member from Kannauj constituency, which he won in the 2024 general elections.

"Akhilesh Yadav as well as the newly elected party member from Faizabad Lok Sabha seat, Awadesh Prasad, have quit the membership of the UP Vidhan Sabha," Vidhan Sabha secretary Pradeep Kumar Dubey told reporters, adding that the resignation has been received and accepted.

Yadav, who was elected as an MLA from Karhal in 2022, won from Kannauj Lok Sabha seat by roughly 171,000 votes. Prasad, a nine-time legislator, defeated two-time BJP lawmaker Lallu Singh in Faizabad LS constituency, in which the temple city of Ayodhya falls, by a margin of 54,567 votes on June 4.

On Tuesday, the SP chief announced his decision, stating that he would be resigning from Uttar Pradesh's Karhal Assembly seat. "I have met the workers of Karhal and Mainpuri and told them that since I have won elections from two seats, I have to leave one. So, I will inform you about leaving the Vidhan Sabha seat soon," Yadav told reporters.

The Samajwadi Party put up an impressive show in the Lok Sabha elections, winning 37 out of the 80 seats in Uttar Pradesh. The former chief minister himself won the party's stronghold seat of Kannauj, defeating BJP candidate Subrat Pathak by over 1,70,922 votes.

{ ARRESTED IN ₹40-CRORE BANK FRAUD CASE }

Allegations of VIP treatment to jailed AAP leader stirs row

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PATIALA: Incarcerated Punjab Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MLA Jaswant Singh Gajjan Majra, 61, who is in judicial custody in connection with a ₹40-crore bank fraud case, may not have made progress with his bail plea in the Supreme Court, but is still safely and comfortably ensconced in the air-conditioned super-specialty ward of the Government Rajindra Hospital in Patiala since May 11, with an ostensible change in the nature of his unnamed ailment.

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) opposed his interim bail plea in the Supreme Court last week.

Hospital records show that the MLA was discharged from the cardiology department on June 6 but was back in the emergency unit on June 7 and subsequently admitted in the urology department. Urology department head Dr Harbhupinder Singh confirmed that "Gajjan Majra has been admitted to our department" and said tests are being run on him.

Gajjan Majra was arrested by ED in connection with the ₹40-crore bank fraud case on November 6, 2023, and was lodged in Patiala Central Jail till on May 11, when he was taken to the hospital after complaining of uneasiness.

HT learns that doctors of the cardiology department asked the hospital administration to discharge the MLA as there was no medical ground to keep him admitted.



Jaswant Singh Gajjan Majra

And even after being discharged on June 6, he did not return to jail, a fact confirmed by Patiala Central Jail superintendent Manjit Singh Sidhu.

Amid the controversy, the hospital's medical superintendent Dr HS Rekhi is learnt to have put in his papers on health grounds. The resignation is yet to be accepted. Dr Rekhi was not available for comment.

Punjab health minister Dr Balbir Singh and jails minister Harjot Singh Bains were not available for comment.

ED officials said that they were not aware of the matter as the accused was in judicial custody.

Taking on the Bhagwant Mann-led AAP government in Punjab, Shiromani Akali Dal leader Bikram Singh Majithia said, "Instead of keeping the ruling party MLA in jail, he is being given VIP treatment in hospital. Had it been any other opposition leader or the common man, they would have been in jail. The chief minister should explain why Sikh prisoners, who have completed their terms, are still languishing in jails and an AAP MLA accused of fraud has been given an AC room and other modern facilities in hospital while in judicial custody."

Punjab-based RTI activist Manik Goyal, too, questioned the AAP government : "The AAP MLA has been admitted to the hospital for a month now. The hospital and the AAP government should explain the medical grounds for his stay. Why was he re-admitted on the very next day of his discharge?"

Naidu takes charge for 4th term

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HYDERABAD: Telugu Desam Party (TDP) president N Chandrababu Naidu was sworn in as chief minister of Andhra Pradesh for a fourth term on Wednesday at an event that was attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi Union ministers Amit Shah, JP Nadda and Nitin Gadkari, and an array of dignitaries including top actors of southern cinema.

Naidu's son and TDP general secretary Nara Lokesh and Jana Sena Party president Konidela Pawan Kalyan, who is likely to become deputy chief minister, were among 24 MLAs who were also administered the oath of office and secrecy by governor S Abdul Nazeer at the ceremony at Kesarapalli, near Gannavaram international airport on the outskirts of Vijayawada. The Jana Sena Party and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) are allies of the TDP as part of the National Democratic Alliance (NDA).

The glistering ceremony, which brought the country's tallest politicians and South's biggest cinestars on the same stage, was also attended by superstar Rajinikanth, Pawan Kalyan's elder brother and noted actor Chiranjeevi, Ram Charan of 'RRR' fame, actor-politician Nandamuri Balakrishna and Allu Arjun among others.

The Kesarapalli IT Park in Vijayawada was packed to the rafters for a ceremony that stood as much as for NDA's show of unity as it did for Naidu's mass appeal.

"The oath-taking ceremony shone even brighter today with the presence of our cinema legends. I thank Thalaivar @rajinikanthGaru, @KChiruTweets Garu, @AlwaysRamCharan Garu, and every superstar who graced the occasion," Naidu said on X later in the day.

After Pawan Kalyan took oath, the PM embraced him and also pulled Chiranjeevi towards the centre of the stage,the three of them greeting the crowd hand-in-hand with the audience erupting in thunderous applause , in a moment that became the highlight of the grand event.

"During out interaction, the PM said that he saw the video of Pawan Kalyan coming home for the first time after the election results and it made him emotional.....," Chiranjeevi said in a post in Telugu.

Modi, who hugged Naidu after the latter tried to touch his feet after being sworn-in, later wrote on X: "Attended the oath-taking ceremony of the new Andhra Pradesh government. Congratulations to Naidu on becoming the Chief Minister and also to all the others who took oath as ministers in the government." He added that the TDP, Jana Sena and BJP government in the southern state is "fully committed to taking AP (Andhra Pradesh) to new heights of glory and fulfilling the aspirations of the state's youth".

Thanking Modi, Naidu said: "Thank you, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri @narendramodi Ji, for your august presence at the oath-taking ceremony in Amaravati today. The @JaiTDP, @JanaSenaParty and @BJP4Andhra Government will strive to deliver a people-centric governance. We're grateful for your commitment to the future of our state."

In the recently held assembly elections, the NDA allies won 164 seats in the 175-member state assembly – 135 by the TDP, 21 by the Jana Sena and eight by the BJP. The YSR Congress party, led by outgoing chief minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy, was reduced to 11 assembly seats. On Tuesday, Naidu was unanimously elected as the leader of the NDA legislature party in the southern state at a meeting of the newly elected MLAs of all the three allies, paving the way for him to become the chief minister. He served in the top post of combined Andhra Pradesh twice – in 1995 and 1999. He took over the residual part of the state after its bifurcation in 2014.

The NDA leaders, earlier this week, held hectic parleys on the formation of the state cabinet. As per the norms, the cabinet can comprise a maximum of 25 ministers besides the chief minister.

'Will release white papers'

Later in the day, Naidu announced that his government will bring out a white paper on the state of affairs in each department to explain how they were destroyed by the previous government.





TDP president N Chandrababu Naidu takes oath as Andhra Pradesh chief minister; Prime Minister Narendra Modi with actor Chiranjeevi and Jana Sena Party (JSP) chief Pawan Kalyan, on the outskirts of Vijayawada on Wednesday. PTI/AP

Tribal leader, four-time MLA Majhi takes oath as Odisha's first BJP CM

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BHUBANESWAR: Four-time legislator and tribal leader Mohan Charan Majhi was sworn in as the first Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) chief minister of Odisha on Wednesday, in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, to helm the eastern state that was governed by the Biju Janata Dal (BJD) since 2000.

Majhi's deputies, Patnagarh MLA Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo and Nimapara legislator Pravati Parida, were also administered the oath of office and secrecy, along with 13 ministers, by governor Raghubar Das at the event at Janata Maidan in Bhubaneswar.

In a post on X, Majhi said: "With the blessings of Lord Jagannath and guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, 'Developed Odisha' will be formed. The hopes and aspirations of 4.5 crore Odia people will be fulfilled."

Modi said it was a "historic day in Odisha". "With the blessings of brothers and sisters of Odisha, @BJP4Odisha the government is being formed for the first time in the state. I participated in the swearing-in ceremony in Bhubaneswar. Congratulations to Mr. Mohan Charan Majhi who took oath as Chief Minister and Mr. Kanak Vardhan Singhdeo and Mrs. Panagi Parida who took oath as Deputy Chief Minister. Good luck to others who have been sworn in as Ministers," he said in a post in Odia on X.

"With the blessings of Maha-prabhu Jagannath, I am confident that this party will set a new record of development in the state and will improve the lives of countless people," he added.

In the recently concluded assembly elections, the BJP won an impressive victory winning 78 out of the 147 seats. The BJD managed only 51, with party president and former chief minister Naveen Patnaik, who also attended the swearing-in event, bowing out after ruling the state continuously for 24 years. The BJP also won 20 out of the 21 Lok Sabha seats on offer, its biggest haul in the state.

Patnaik congratulated his successor. "My best wishes to the new Chief Minister of the state Mr. Mohan Charan Majhi (@mohanmajhi_BJP), Deputy Chief Minister Mr. Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo (@KVSinghDeol) and Ms. Panagi Parida (@Pravatipridabjp) and all the members of the Cabinet. Wishing everyone a successful tenure for the welfare of the people of Odisha," he said on X.

After the swearing-in, Majhi and his team of ministers drove to the Lok Seva Bhawan, which houses the State Secretariat, to hold the first cabinet meeting of the BJP government. "The cabinet took several decisions relating to Odia 'asmita' (pride) as well as developmental measures for the 4.5 crore people of the state," the chief minister told reporters later.

The portfolios for the ministers are yet to be announced. Senior BJP leader Surama Padhy has been elected as the speaker.





(Top) BJP legislator Mohan Charan Majhi takes charge as Odisha chief minister; Prime Minister Narendra Modi with former chief minister Naveen Patnaik, in Bhubaneswar. PTI

Pema Khandu picked to return as Arunachal CM

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GUWAHATI: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MLA Pema Khandu on Wednesday was re-elected as leader of the BJP legislature party in Arunachal Pradesh, paving the way for him to be sworn in as chief minister for a third consecutive term on Thursday.

The 44-year-old was re-elected during a meeting of newly elected BJP legislators in Itanagar, in the presence of party central observers Ravi Shankar Prasad, lawmaker from Bihar, and Tarun Chugh, the party's national general secretary. Union minister Kiren Rijiju, who is an MP from Arunachal West, was also present.

Later in the evening, Khandu, accompanied by Chugh and several legislators, called on governor Lt Gen (Retd) K T Parnaik at Raj Bhavan and staked claim to form the government. The governor invited Khandu and his ministers for the swearing-in at Dorjee Khandu Convention Hall in the capital city on Thursday.

"The BJP MLAs of the state re-elected Pema Khandu as their legislature party leader at the meeting held in Itanagar. The swearing-in ceremony of the new cabinet will take place at 11am on Thursday," state BJP spokesperson Techi Necha said.

Khandu said he feels "honoured to be elected unanimously as the Legislature Party leader of Arunachal Pradesh BJP". "With utmost humility, I accept the responsibility of leading the BJP to another term of development oriented governance in sync with the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji," he said on X.

"I am grateful to our fellow BJP MLAs for placing their faith in me. I also put on record my sincere thanks to our MPs, party leaders, and workers for working day in and day out in ensuring resounding win the polls. Now, let's work together harder to further speed up the pace of all-round growth in Arunachal Pradesh and realise the goal of inclusive Viksit Bharat by 2047," he added.

In the recently held assembly elections, the BJP secured a landslide victory by bagging 46 out of the 60 seats. The party also won both the Lok Sabha seats, voting for which was held simultaneously along with the assembly elections in the state. Khandu was elected unopposed from Mukto assembly seat.

Khandu has the distinction of heading the government under the banner of three different political parties, all within a span of one year. He has been at the helm since July 2016, when he first took oath as head of a Congress government. Months later in September, he, with almost all the Congress MLAs in the House, joined the Peoples' Party of Arunachal and formed another government.

Later, in December the same year, he and most legislators were expelled from the PPA for alleged anti-party activities, prompting them to move to the BJP and form another government. He also took oath as BJP CM on May 29, 2019, after the party won the assembly elections securing 41 seats.



BJP MP Ravi Shankar Prasad (right) felicitates Pema Khandu on his re-election as the leader of the Legislature Party of Arunachal Pradesh on Wednesday. PTI

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2.	3620242025-88	Heavy repairs to GM Bunglow & surrounding campus at Leader Road, Prayagraj	1,98,800.00	99,39,030.00
3.	3620242025-89	Afforestation and development of green area at various locations under jurisdiction of DEN/E/PRYJ	2,51,900.00	2,03,79,999.00
4.	3620242025-90	Provision of one additional room with toilet in 23 No's. Type V quarter and one additional toilet in 06 No's. Type V special quarter in Railgaon colony.	2,28,400.00	1,56,69,185.58

Date & Time of Closing of tender (For SN 1 to 4): 01.07.2024 at **15:00** PM, **Completion Period: (For SN 1,3, 4):** 6 Months, **(For SN 2):** 4 Months, **Nature of work: (For SN 1):** Any Civil Engineering work., **(For SN 2,4):** Building works. **(For SN 3):** Horticulture Work., **Note:** 1) For full details and submission of tenders, please see the Indian Railway website **www.ireps.gov.in.** 1004/24 (ADM)

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Shock, grief shroud kin of Kuwait blaze victims

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KOCHI: When he was all of 23, Akash Sasidharan Nair had traveled to Kuwait from Pandalam in Kerala, carrying the hopes of his family with him. His father had died when he was 5, and his mother had provided for him and his elder sister from the small income she earned as a staff member at a local medical shop. They were expecting him home in August, with discussions of marriage gathering pace. But on Wednesday morning, they received news that tore their world apart—Nair was one of the Indians that had died in a devastating fire in southern Kuwait.

At least 42 Indian nationals were killed and dozens more injured in a devastating fire in a building in southern Kuwait which broke out on Wednesday morning. The fire in Al-Mangaf building, a residence for workers, was reported to authorities in Al-Ahmadi governorate at 4.30 am and most of the deaths were due to smoke inhalation while the residents were asleep, Kuwaiti media reported. NBTC group, an engineering and construction firm owned by KG Abraham, a Malayali businessman, rented the building to house more than 195 workers, most of them Indians.

Soumya Santhosh, the local municipal councillor who once gave tuition classes to Akash said, "From the information we received from Kuwait, Akash and his friend jumped out of the building together from a window near the stairwell. But while his friend survived, Akash died. His body has been identified and we are making efforts to bring it home."

Sharafudheen Kanneth, president of the Kuwait chapter of Kerala Muslim Cultural Centre (KMCC), who was at the site of the fire on Wednesday, said that at least 11 of the victims are from Kerala. "So far, 49 people have died out of which 11 are from the state of Kerala. The death toll is likely to go up as at least 196 people, mostly workers employed at NBTC, were residing in the building. We have been engaged in bringing out dead bodies from each floor following formalities and protocols. We are also checking hospitals and mortuaries to check the identities of people who have died and are injured so that we can inform their families back home," said Kanneth.



Smoke billows after a fire broke out in a building, in Mangaf, Kuwait, on Wednesday. PTI

Another once of the victims that have been identified is 32-year-old Ranjith, from the village of Bevinje in Kasargod's Chengala panchayat.

P Sivaprasad, a ward member of the Chengala panchayat told HT, "We have got information that Ranjith unfortunately died in the fire. He had been working in Kuwait for the past decade and had come home a year ago when his family moved into a new house. The family is dependent on his income."

Kerala chief minister Pinarayi Vijayan on Wednesday wrote to external affairs minister S Jaishankar seeking the Centre's intervention into the tragedy. "I request your goodself to give necessary directions to the Indian Embassy to coordinate relief and rescue operations by getting in touch with the Government of Kuwait," Vijayan said in his letter to Jaishankar.

In a separate statement, Vijayan said, "The news of the deaths of over 40 people and injuries to many in the fire in Mangaf block in Kuwait is extremely saddening. There are reports that people from Kerala are among the dead. I join the families of the deceased at this tragic hour."

Leader of opposition VD Satheesan also condoled the deaths and said, "I request all Malayali organisations in Kuwait to ensure that help, especially access to medical treatment reaches all those who are injured," he said.

Meanwhile, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin has directed the Commissionerate of Rehabilitation and Welfare of Non Resident Tamils to ascertain whether Tamils were among the victims of blaze.

He said that if Tamils were among injured, necessary medical assistance should be provided by getting information on them.

The Commissionerate is taking necessary steps to provide help to Tamils by liaisoning with the Indian Embassy and Tamil associations in Kuwait.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi chaired a meeting at his official residence to review the incident and directed the government to extend all possible assistance to the victims. He announced ex gratia relief of ₹2 lakh to the families of the dead Indian nationals from the Prime Minister's Relief Fund, an official statement said.

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EXTREME HEAT TRIGGERS NOVEL PAYOUT FOR 50K WOMEN IN INDIA

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LONDON: A group of 50,000 self-employed women in India have become the first beneficiaries of a novel insurance scheme that pays out when temperatures hit certain extremes.

As the temperature crossed 40 degrees Celsius (104 degrees Fahrenheit) between May 18 and May 25, the women in the states of Rajasthan, Gujarat and Maharashtra all received a flat $5 payment (close ₹420).

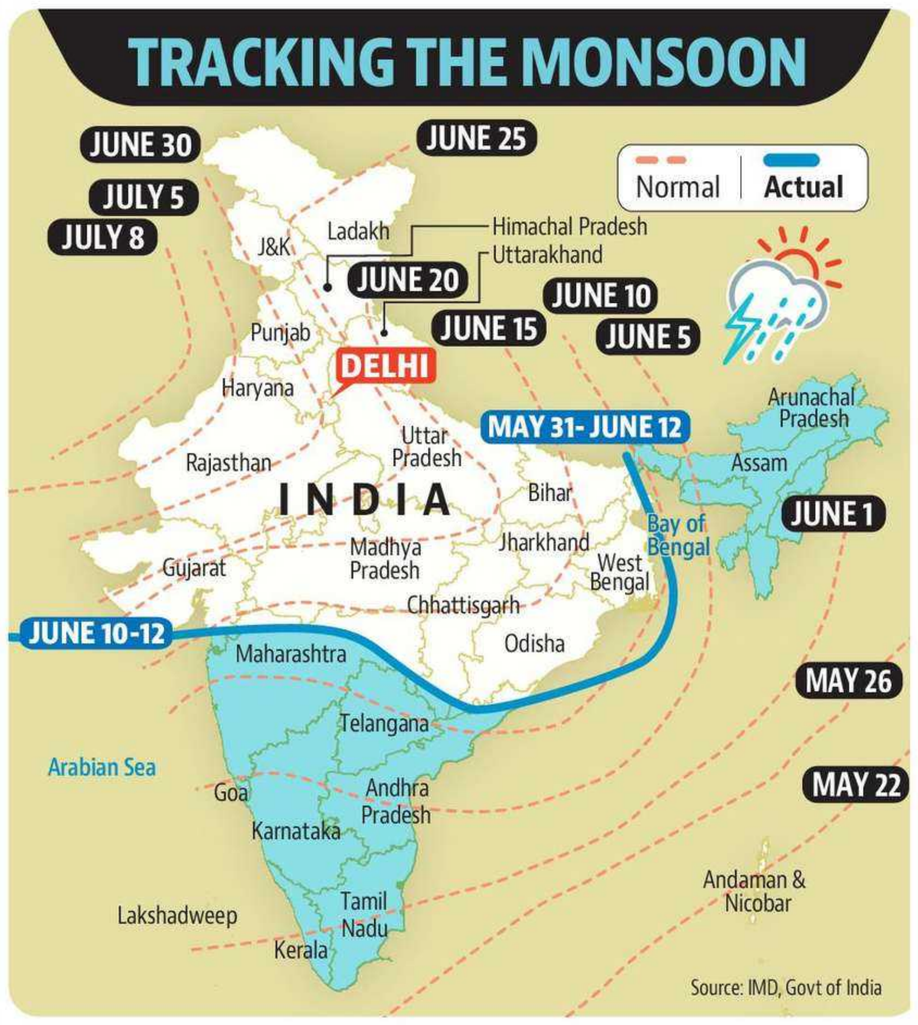
"This is the first time that insurance payouts and a direct cash assistance programme have been combined to supplement the income of women when it's dangerously hot," said Kathy Baughman McLeod, CEO of non-profit Climate Resilience for All, which designed the insurance scheme along with India's Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA).

The bulk of the women, some 92%, then went on to receive an additional payout when insurance tied to the local conditions and duration of the extreme heat was triggered, with some receiving up to $19.80 each.

Insurance is increasingly seen by policymakers as a tool to help vulnerable communities receive financial support quickly after extreme weather events occur. Total payments across the programme totalled $341,553. The insurance was underwritten by reinsurer Swiss Re and provided locally by ICICI Lombard.

The maximum temperatures are in the range of 45-47°C over some parts of west Jharkhand, south Uttar Pradesh, Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi, Punjab, north Rajasthan.

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Monsoon may weaken, heatwave to intensify

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NEW DELHI: The progress of the monsoon is likely to weaken over the next week and consequently intensify heatwave conditions over northwest and eastern India, meteorologists said on Tuesday.

"Models are not suggesting much rainfall, especially over north India over the next six or eight days. We cannot expect much rainfall over northwestern India now. This happens at times, and monsoon may pick up only by the end of June," said M Rajeevan, meteorologist and former secretary of the Union ministry of earth sciences .

Large swathes of northwestern and eastern have already clocked temperatures significantly higher than normal for the past two or three days. Moreover, since June 1, there has been a 1% deficiency in monsoon rainfall, with a 49% deficiency over northwest India; 31% over east and northeast India; 1% over central India. Southern peninsular India, meanwhile, has recorded 69% excess rain.

IMD however did not officially confirm that monsoon is weakening. "It's too early to say when monsoon will reach the northwest," said M Mohapatra, director general, IMD.

"Monsoon progress over northwest India may be slow. Models predict below normal rainfall over northwest India in June. But we do not have the forecast immediately on how the monsoon will progress over the north," Mohapatra had said on May 27.

Skymet, a private weather forecast, concurred.

"There will be a monsoon lull for the next three or four days at least. Rainfall will reduce over Telangana, Rayalaseema, rest of peninsular India," said Mahesh Palawat, vice-president of climate and meteorology at Skymet Weather.

"It is already weak over east India. Progress may pick up again over east India around May 16 and 17. As a result, temperatures will rise over east India, including Jharkhand, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and northwest India. Hot, dry westerly winds are expected to blow over the region," he said.

The progress of the crucial weather system also halted for nearly a week in early June last year, owing to the impact of cyclone Biparjoy.

Monsoon current advanced to the south Andaman Sea and Nicobar Islands in time (on May 19, three days ahead of its normal date). However, further advance thereafter was sluggish. It set in over Kerala on June 8, seven days behind the normal date and covered the entire country by July 2, six days ahead of normal date.

On June 23, the northern limit of monsoon (NLM), or the peak of the monsoon line, had only covered peninsular and part of east India but in the next two days the monsoon had covered nearly the entire country last year.

With 47% of the country's population dependent on agriculture for their livelihood, a bountiful monsoon has a direct correlation with a healthy rural economy.

Earlier, the MeT department in its long-range forecast issued on April 15 said monsoon rain over the country between June and September will likely be "above normal", at 106% of the long-period average, with a model error of ± 5%.

On Wednesday, heatwave conditions observed in most parts of Punjab, Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand; in many parts of north Rajasthan; in some parts of Himachal Pradesh, south Bihar, north Odisha and in isolated pockets of Gangetic West Bengal. Severe heatwave conditions was observed in isolated pockets of Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Jharkhand and Gangetic West Bengal.

The maximum temperatures are in the range of 45-47°C over some parts of west Jharkhand, south Uttar Pradesh, Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi, Punjab, north Rajasthan. The highest maximum temperature of 47.5°C is reported at Kanpur IAF (East Uttar Pradesh) over the country.

Pushing Russia to free Indians serving in its army, says MEA

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NEW DELHI: New Delhi has consistently pushed Moscow to ensure the safety and repatriation of Indian nationals recruited by the Russian Army, foreign secretary Vinay Kwatra said on Wednesday after the external affairs ministry confirmed two more Indians were killed in the Russia-Ukraine war .

The total number of Indians killed while serving with the Russian military on the frontlines with Ukraine since the beginning of the year has gone up to four, and about 200 Indians have reportedly been recruited by the Russian Army as support staff.

On Tuesday, India demanded a "verified stop" to further recruitment of Indians by Russian Army. "Since the first day, we have constantly been discussing this matter with the Russian authorities, the system and the leadership...All of our efforts are aimed at keeping the Indians safe," Kwatra told a media briefing in response to a question on the matter.

"We have clearly told the Russian officials that all Indians in the war zone, however they got there is another matter, should be returned [to India]," he said, speaking in Hindi. Whenever Indian authorities received information about the recruitment of Indians by the Russian Army or about them being sent to the war zone, efforts have been made along with domestic agencies to stop such "illegal recruitment", he said.

'No one knows if my husband's body is in Ukraine or Russia'

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AMRITSAR: "My family did not want my husband to go abroad. But he was adamant. Two days ago, his friends told me he was killed in Russia amid the war with Ukraine. No one knows if his body is in Russia or in Ukraine."

Thirty-year-old Tejpal Singh's wife, Parminder Kaur from Punjab, has little hope that the body of her husband, who the external affairs ministry declared dead on Tuesday in the Russian-Ukraine war front, will be brought back to the country.

Kaur said Singh, who lived in Palam Vihar in Amritsar, wanted to join the Indian Army but was unsuccessful. "He went to Thailand on December 20 and after staying there for a few days, went to Moscow on a tourist visa in January. In Moscow, he was recruited by the Russian Army," Kaur, who has two children, said.

"My family did not want my husband to go abroad. My last conversation with him was on March 3. Nobody knows whether the body is in Russia or in the custody of Ukraine authorities. On Tuesday evening, we sent emails to the Russian Army and the ministry of external affairs to repatriate his body for the last rites," she added.



Tejpal Singh

India on Tuesday said two more of its nationals serving with the Russian Army had been killed in the Russia-Ukraine conflict, taking the number of such deaths to four.

The Indian side also demanded a "verified stop" to further recruitment of Indian nationals by the Russian Army. The development came against the backdrop of reports that up to 200 Indian nationals had been recruited by the Russian military to serve as support staff, such as cooks and helpers. Singh's uncle Sawinder Singh demanded government assistance for the family, saying the deceased was the sole breadwinner.

{ RAHUL GANDHI } CONGRESS MP



I have a dilemma before me, whether I should be the MP of Wayanad or of Rae Bareli. What I will commit to you is that both...will be happy with my decision

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{ IN A FIRST } CIVIC POLLS WILL BE HELD AFTER 2 DECADES

238 women file papers for Nagaland civic polls

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KOHIMA: In a first, 238 women candidates are among the 669 that have filed their nomination papers for the ensuing elections to Nagaland's long overdue urban local bodies (ULB). Tuesday was the last day for filing nominations.

The state last held civic polls in 2004; the long delay in holding the same for its 39 ULBs were due to issues surrounding reservation of seats for women and property taxation. The state's advocate general had earlier in April assured the Supreme Court hearing a public interest litigation (PIL) filed by People's Union for Civil Liberties (PUCL) that elections for the state's 36 town councils and three municipal councils would be completed with 33% reservation for women by June .

The elections have been scheduled for June 26.

The reservation of seats for women in local bodies came after the 74th Amendment to the Constitution of India. This was followed by the Nagaland Municipal Act of 2001, which implemented these quotas. But tribal organisations opposed this for two reasons: one, they argued that it violated the special provisions granted by Article 371A of the Constitution to Nagaland; and two, they claimed that women had never been part of such bodies in the state.

The issue went all the way up to the Supreme Court. Nagaland is the only state that had not implemented the quota.

As per data provided by the state election commissioner (SEC) T John Longkumer, out of the total 238 women candidates across the state, 24 are contesting in state capital Kohima, where they outnumber male candidates (17). The ruling Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) is fielding the highest number of candidates among political parties with 256, out of which, 96 are women; 75 women are contesting independently out of 210 independent candidates.



Neikeleno Nino Zhasa, is an Independent candidate, who is contesting the civic polls. HT PHOTO

While the majority of the state's population is heaving a sigh of relief at the ULB polls being conducted, there's been reports of tense situation in the six eastern districts of Mon, Tuensang, Longleng, Kiphire, Noklak and Shamator, where around 60 candidates have filed nominations.

People of the six districts, under the aegis of the Eastern Nagaland People's Organization (ENPO), have a standing resolution to abstain from participating in any central or state election till the time the issue of the creation of autonomous Frontier Nagaland Territory (FNT) is settled by the Union home ministry.

According to government officials familiar with the matter, 61 candidates (38 men and 23 women) have filed their nominations in Mon, Longleng, Shamator and Kiphire districts.

ENPO on Tuesday evening directed the citizens of eastern Nagaland to "remain calm" and maintain peace and tranquility. It urged it's affiliated tribal bodies to deal with the situation cautiously in order to avoid any misunderstanding and confrontation.

Earlier, citizens of the six eastern districts abstained from the April 19 parliamentary elections . ENPO, representing the tribes of Konyak, Chang, Phom, Yimkhiung, Khiamniungan, Sangtam, Tikhir and eastern Sümi, has a total of over four lakh voters, 20 assembly seats and 14 town councils.

Meanwhile, women's rights activists and women candidates have voiced their appreciation that the civic polls are finally underway. "The entry of women candidates into reserved wards for women as well as into open wards in municipalities and towns in Nagaland is an important phase for Naga women. After 20-plus years of not holding municipal elections, the outcome of the ULB elections will herald the development of our towns. The active participation of women in the urban decision making bodies is what we envisioned when we moved as the Joint Action Committee on Women Reservation (JAWCR). Our struggle has been long but worthwhile," said Rosemary Dzuvichu, one of the women who spearheaded the fight for implementation of the quota for women in civic bodies.

She added that it must not be forgotten that the opportunity has arrived because of a long legal battle for their constitutional rights in the highest Apex Court of the country. "I am reminded of the loss of strong women leaders like Temsusola and Kalesha Kath, who have not lived to see this day. May their spirits rest in peace now that their struggle for Naga women was not in vain."

For 50 years-old widow and mother of four, Aleno Nienu, who will be contesting in a reserved ward in Phek town, all women who get elected under reserved seats irrespective of political affiliation should remember the sacrifices that made this possible.

Recalling that the state had faced much violence from those who opposed reservation in the past, she said it is pertinent to thank the Naga Mothers Association (NMA) who initiated the JACWR to fight for 33% women reservation and all the other civil society organisations that supported this demand.

"I am also grateful to the state government for implementing women reservation and enabling this opportunity for us though late," says Nienu, who will be contesting on Naga People's Front (NPF) ticket against a ruling Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) candidate.

For Thenusoü Sekhose Yhome, a human resources professional who has an extensive experience on sanitation and water issues under the Swachh Bharat Mission, Nagaland's urban towns have missed many opportunities due to the almost two-decades struggle over reservation of seats for women. Yhome is contesting in a general seat in state capital Kohima on NDPP ticket against a male opponent from National People's Party (NPP).

Her vision includes bringing inclusive policies that would benefit all sections of the society towards enhancing the quality of life and achieving vibrant community evolvement.

Neikeleno Nino Zhasa, who is also contesting independently from a general ward in Kohima against two male opponents, says Naga women are second to none when it comes to capabilities. Improving sanitation, water supply, electricity and health of the community will be her priority as a councillor if elected, she said.

For 39 years-old Meweu Lasuh of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), a candidate for a reserved seat in the state's commercial hub Dimapur, the quota for women " is a gateway for us to stand and serve our localities and there is so much to be done", Lasuh, a state BJP mahila vice president, is in a multi-cornered fight against three other candidates. She added that Dimapur is an expanding city with the localities struggling with perennial drainage and electrical wiring issues. "There is so much to do and I want to do so many things for my community but I don't want to make tall promises."

8 of family killed as sand-laden truck overturns in UP: Police

HARDOI: Eight members of a family, who were sleeping outside their house, were killed after an allegedly speeding sand-laden truck overturned on them in Uttar Pradesh's Hardoi district early on Wednesday, police said. The incident took place at Katra-Bilhaur highway, under Mallawa police station limits. Superintendent of police Keshav Chadra Goswami said the victims were buried alive under the sand. Local residents tried to rescue the victims but in vain, he said. A bulldozer was subsequently called to remove the sand and the bodies were recovered. The deceased were identified as Awdhesh (40), his wife Sudha (35) and three children Lalla (5), Sunaina (11) and Buddu (4) besides their relatives.

Court sends Prajwal to SIT custody till June 18

BENGALURU: A Bengaluru here on Wednesday remanded former JD(S) MP Prajwal Revanna, who is facing charges of rape and sexual abuse against several women, to the custody of the Special Investigation Team (SIT) till June 18.The court had on June 10 sent him to 14 days of judicial custody, but the SIT on Wednesday sought a body warrant against him in connection with a cybercrime case.The 42nd Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate court granted the SIT's request. With this, SIT secured the custody of Revanna till Tuesday. SIT officials arrested Revanna soon after he landed at Bengaluru's Kempegowda International Airport from Germany on May 31.

{ PUNE PORSCHE CRASH }

Bribe to swap blood samples given at JJB premises: Police

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The 17-year-old accused allegedly ran over two engineers with his speeding Porsche. PTI

PUNE: The bribe to swap the blood samples of a 17-year-old boy, who allegedly crashed a Porsche into a motorcycle and killed two software engineers in Pune last month, was paid at the premises of the Juvenile Justice Board (JJB), which sent the accused to detention after the incident triggered a nationwide outrage.

A senior officer in the Pune police said Ashpak Makandar, who was a middleman between the teenager's family and mortuary staffer Atul Ghalkamble of the Sassoon General Hospital, handed over the bribe.

Ghalkamble has already been arrested along with the hospital's suspended forensics department head Dr Ajay Taware and former casualty medical officer Dr Shrihari Halnor for allegedly changing the blood samples of the minor.

The accused's mother, who was also arrested along with his father, recently owned up to evidence tampering before the police, saying she switched his blood samples to conceal the fact that he was inebriated. "The bribe by the parents was handed over to Ghalkamble by Makandar at the premises of the JJB. Investigations revealed that Ghalkamble was given ₹3 lakh," the officer cited above said, seeking anonymity. "Police recovered ₹2.5 lakh from Halnor and the remaining from Ghalkamble," the officer added.

According to police, the juvenile's first blood sample was taken on May 19 at around 11am, hours after the incident, at Sassoon General Hospital. When police suspected manipulation of the blood sample, another sample of the juvenile was taken at Aundh Government Hospital. A third blood sample of the juvenile's father was taken and sent for DNA matching with the first sample, which revealed the first one was manipulated and the blood was of someone else. The accused's custody in the detention home was extended till June 25 on Wednesday.

Space given to anti-India voices hampering ties with Canada, says MEA

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NEW DELHI: The main issue affecting India's relations with Canada is the "political space" offered by that country to anti-India forces that promote extremism and violence and this has been repeatedly conveyed to the Canadian side, foreign secretary Vinay Kwatra said on Wednesday.

Kwatra's remarks came against the backdrop of fresh concerns in India over two recent rallies organised by pro-Khalistan elements in the Canadian cities of Vancouver and Brampton that featured floats depicting the 1984 assassination of former premier Indira Gandh.

Bilateral ties have been at an all-time low since Canadian Premier Justin Trudeau alleged Indian agents were involved in the killing of Khalistani activist Hardeep Singh Nijjar in June last year. India dismissed the accusation as "absurd" and said the Canadian side has provided no evidence to back up the claim.

"I think the main issue with regard to Canada continues to be the political space that Canada provides to anti-India elements which advocate extremism and violence and we have repeatedly conveyed our deep concerns to them, and we expect them to take strong action," Kwatra told a media briefing.

He was responding to a question on Trudeau's recent remarks about a surge of right-wing forces in democracies around the world. Trudeau made the comments following the gains made by right-wing parties in elections to the European Union's Parliament, though he didn't specifically name any country.

Parliament session set to begin from June 24

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NEW DELHI: The first session of the 18th Lok Sabha is set to begin on June 24, parliamentary affairs minister Kiren Rijiju said on Wednesday.

The first three days of the session will see the newly elected leaders taking oath or making affirmation of their membership of the Lok Sabha and electing the Speaker of the House, the minister said and added the session will conclude on July 3.

The new session, the first after the Narendra Modi-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) was sworn in, will begin with the President's address to the joint sitting of both the Houses of Parliament. Rijiju said President Droupadi Murmu will address a joint sitting of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha on June 27 and is likely to outline the new government's roadmap for the next five years.

"First session of 18th Lok Sabha is being summoned from 24/6/24 to 3/7/24 for oath/affirmation of newly elected members, election of Speaker, President's address and discussion thereon," Rijiju said in a post on X. He said the 264th Session of Rajya Sabha will also commence on June 27 and conclude on July 3. Prime Minister Modi is expected to introduce his council of ministers to Parliament after the President's address on June 27.

The debate on the Motion of Thanks on the President's address is expected to see an aggressive opposition trying to corner the NDA government on various issues. The prime minister will respond to the debate on the Motion of Thanks on the President's address in both the Houses of Parliament.

(With agency inputs)

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



Unknown

The general public is hereby informed that an unidentified person about **28 years** of age whose name, residence, and family is unknown has found dead at Outside gali no.4, Near H.No. 312-313, X block, Mangolpuri , Delhi on 22/05/2024. In this regard, an information has been registered vide **DD No:131A, dated: 22.05.2024 at PS Mangolpuri, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to identify the deceased person, but no clue has come to light so far. The description of the UIDB is as under: **Sex:** Male, **Age:** 28 Years, **Height:** 5'0", **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Wearing:** Black colour T-shirt and trouser, **Identification:** Shiv ji tatoo on right shoulder,om tatoo on right wrist and C.K. tatoo on right hand If anyone has any information about his relatives, kindly inform the SHO/ PS Mangolpuri, Delhi.

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Age :** About 35-40 years, **Height :** 5'5", **Complexion:** Shallow, wearing yellow colour T-shirt and orange colour lungi bare booted was found dead on 01.06.2024 near Dandi Ashram, Yamuna Bazar, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 54A dated 01.06.2024 has been lodged at P.S. Kashmere Gate, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone numbers.

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DP/7066/N/2024

Western Railway - Ratlam Division

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT : E-TENDERING NOTICE

No. : W/623/5/1/NIT, Date : 08.06.2024

The Divisional Railway Manager (WA) RATLAM for and on behalf of the President of India invites "Open Tender" through e-tender on website **www.ireps.gov.in** the details are as under :-

Sr. No. : 1, **E-Tender No. :** RTM-2024-25-49, **Name of Work :** Ratlam Division -UP Gradation in infrastructure facility for ART/ARME Spart & Disaster Management Facility for RTM & UJN Station, **Approx Quantity :** As per tender schedule, **Approx Value :** ₹ 2,33,38,124.96, **Earnest Money Rs :** ₹ 2,66,700.00, **Completion period :** 12 Months, **Similar Type of Work :** Any Civil Engineering Work, **Date of uploading on website :** 08.06.2024, **Date of Opening of Tender :** 01.07.2024. **Sr. No. :** 2, **E-Tender No. :** RTM-2024-25-56, **Name of Work :** Ratlam - Improvement to satellite depot of track Machine. (composite civil+ electrical), **Approx Quantity :** As per tender schedule, **Approx Value :** ₹ 1,85,07,023.68, **Earnest Money Rs :** ₹ 2,42,600.00, **Completion period :** 12 Months, **Similar Type of Work :** Construction of any Building Work, **Date of uploading on website :** 08.06.2024, **Date of Opening of Tender :** 01.07.2024. Detailed tender notice, eligibility criteria and terms and conditions are available at website **www.ireps.gov.in**.

Divisional Railway Manager(W/A)
Ratlam Division, WR

ADM/5/1/090

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E-TENDER FOR THE FOLLOWING WORKS ARE INVITED:-

NIT No.: CE/(O&M)-II/ 132 KV BAY-BAMUNARA-UKHRA/2024-25/02 Date: 13.06.2024	Construction of 04 nos. 132 kV line bay at Bamunara 132 kV sub-station and 01 no. 132 kV line bay at Ukhra 132 kV sub-station and allied works on turn key basis. Bid submission starting date (online): **26.06.2024, 09:00 A.M.** and closing date (online): **08.07.2024, 03:00 P.M.**
NIT No.: CE/(O&M)-II/ 11 KV CT/2024-25/03 Date: 14.06.2024	Procurement of 11 kV CT as per technical specification. Bid submission starting date (online): **01.07.2024, 10:00 A.M.** and closing date (online): **10.07.2024, 03:00 P.M.**

Visit the following websites:- https://www.wbtenders.gov.in, https://etender.wb.nic.in, www.wbsetcl.in for details.

ICA- T8443(2)/2024

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY G20

E-Tender Notice No.: Sr.DEE/RS/ELS/ CNB/2024-25/ ET-04, **Dated:**11.06.2024

E-Tender Notice

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer/RS/N.C. Rly./Kanpur, for and on behalf of the President of India, invite the following **open E-Tender** for the following work up to Tender Opening Date & Time. The details of the tenders are as under: -

Tender No	Name of Work: Overhauling of LRU installed in Knorr- Bremse make improved CCB Brake system of 3- phase locomotive at ELS/CNB for period of three years.	
ELS- CNB-2024-25-ET-04		
Approximate Value: (in ₹): 1,56,79,441.46 (Rs. One Crore Fifty-Six Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty One and Forty Six Paisa Only).		
Bid security ((in ₹): 2,28,400.00 (Rs. Two Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand and Four Hundred Only)	**Completion on Period of work:** 36 months	**Tender Document Cost (in ₹):** Nil

Tender Opening Date & Time : 04.07.2024 & 15:30 hrs. Note:- 1. The complete information along with tender document of above e-Tenders is available on website **www.ireps.gov.in** up to due date & time of tender opening. **2.** Bids, other than in the form of E-Bids, shall not be accepted against above Tenders. For this purpose, venders are required to get themselves registered with **IREPS** website along with Digital Signature Certificates issued by **CCA** under **IT Act-2000. 3.** Offer rates quoted in the form of e-tender schedule & duly signed digitally shall be final. No other documents related to offer rates shall be entertained. Tenderers are advised not to attach any document related to offer rates (except undertaking(s) asked). These documents shall be treated as NULL and void and shall not be considered for evaluation of offer. **4.** Documents being attached should be signed by the tenderer on its body. **5.** This tender notice has also been uploaded on **www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in**. **6.** In case of any difficulty helpdesk available on the website of IREPS may be approached.

1021/24 (ADM)

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(Regd. Office:- PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala - 147001)
Corporate Identity Number: U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website: www.pspcl.in, Contact No. 96461-07205

Open Tender Enq. No. 521/P-II/EMP-W-12676 **Dt. 6.6.24**

Dy. Chief Engineer/Headquarter (Procurement Cell-2) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites Open E-Tender ID no. 2024_POWER_121956_1 for Assistance in Breakdown/ Preventive maintenance and annual overhauling of ATRS, HPBP, STC, APRDS, Generator instrumentation and Analyzer system of Unit # 3 to 6 of GGSSTP, Rupnagar. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**. For detailed NIT & tender specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from 11.06.2024 (5.00 PM) onwards.

NOTE: Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online at **https://pspcl.in**

RTP-42/24 34480

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Tipu Sultan @ Rijwan Ulhak** S/o Md. Shamim R/o D-105, JJ Colony, Shakurpur, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence case FIR No. 25/2019 u/s 25/54/59 Arm Act at P.S. Mangolpuri, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Tipu Sultan @ Rijwan Ulhak** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Tipu Sultan @ Rijwan Ulhak** 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 **Tipu Sultan @ Rijwan Ulhak** accused of FIR No. 25/2019 u/s 25/54/59 Arm Act at P.S. Mangolpuri, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on **18.07.2024.**

By Order: Sh. Rishabh Kapoor,
Metropolitan Megistrate (North-West)
Room No. 105,
Rohini Court, Delhi

DP/7254/OD/2024

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

(Office:- Chief Engineer/P&M, PSPCL, Ludhiana)
(CIN): U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website: www.pspcl.in
(Contact No. 96461-61158)

TENDER ENQUIRY No.: 11/CE/P&M/2024-25

CE/P&M PSPCL, Ludhiana invites e-Tender for Design, Manufacture, testing, supply & Delivery of 1591 nos. 11 KV Vacuum Interrupters (Max. voltage-12KV, Normal amperers 2000A Min. rupturing capacity-25KV) of various types suitable for various types of 11KV Vacuum Circuit Breakers installed at various Sub-Stations in PSPCL. For detailed NIT & Tender specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from 08.06.2024 (1100 hrs.) onwards.

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

C282/24 34408

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

(REGD. OFFICE: PSEB HEAD OFFICE, THE MALL, Patiala)
Corporate Identification Number: U40109PB2010SGC033813
(Contact No. 96461-36398)

Tender Inquiry No. 32/TL/BTI/2023-24 **Dated: 14.03.2024**

Addl. SE/TL Division, D-119, Thermal Colony, Bathinda invites E-tender for Stringing/sagging of 0.2sq" 2nd ckt. For 66kV line from 220kV Maur to 66kV Ghaso Khana. For detailed NIT & Tender specifications please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from 11.06.2024 from 9.00 AM onwards.

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C280/24 34405

Ref.Adv. No. 6-2(9)/2023-Estt./E-o 168048

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2. Willing & eligible officers may submit their application in the prescribed format through cadre controlling authority, so as to reach the Assistant Director General (Admn.), Indian Council of Medical Research, V. Ramalingaswamy Bhawan, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi-110029 on or before **30.06.2024**. Advance copy may be sent but only those applications will be considered for whom approval of Cadre Controlling Authority is received.

3. For prescribed format, eligibility condition, age, other information & condition etc. please visit ICMR's website **http://icmr.nic.in. > Career Opportunity > detailed advertisement for the post of Senior Financial Advisor (Pay Level-14)**.

4. The application received after the last date or applications incomplete or those not received through proper channel shall not be considered.

Assistant Director General (Admn.)
ICMR

CBC 17152/12/0005/2425

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(d)	Asst Teacher (Adhoc)	All Subjects
(e)	Administrative Staff (Regular/ Contractual)	IT Supervisor, Asst Librarian, Adm Supervisor, Account Clerk, UDC, LDC, PRE (Receptionist), Comp Lab Technician, Sci Lab Attd, Home Sci Lab Attd & Driver

2. For eligibility, qualification, age, application form and other details visit the website of APS Meerut Cantt (www.apsmeerut.com).

3. Last date of receipt of application form along with photocopies of mark sheets and experience certificate is **12 Jul 2024.** No application form would be accepted thereafter. **Applications will be accepted in hard copy only.**

4. No TA/DA will be admissible.

Principal, APS, Meerut
For Chairman

Annexure-VII

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR, UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL, JR COURT NO. 2, GROUND FLOOR, C BLOCK, HIGH COURT OF DELHI, SHER SHAH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110003

No. 01/MCJK(Bhat/DHC **Dated: 29th May' 2024**

Re: Notification No. S.O. 934(E) dated 28.02.2024 issued by the Central Government under Sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 declaring the Muslim Conference Jammu & Kashmir (Bhat faction) as an unlawful association, and Gazette Notification No. S.O. 1461 (E) dated 18.03.2024 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary Part II, Sector 3, Sub-section (II) in exercise of powers under Sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to the general public that Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal presided over by Hon'ble Ms. Justice Neena Bansal Krishna, Judge, Delhi High Court, will hold sitting at High Court Complex Srinagar, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir on 20th, 21st & 24th, June 2024 at 10.00 a.m. onwards on all the three dates in regard to aforesaid notification no. S.O. 934(E) dated 28.02.2024.

All those, who are interested in giving evidence, may file their affidavits (in duplicate) with the undersigned and shal remain present in person on the above dates for their cross examination, if any, before the Hon'ble Tribunal.

Venue High Court Complex Srinagar, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

E-mail id: aj.gulati@gmail.com

Postal Address: Office of The Registrar, Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal, Jr Court No. 2, Ground floor, C Block, High Court of Delhi, Sher Shah Road, New Delhi-110003.

Sd/- (Dr. Ajay Gulati)
Registrar
Unlawful Activities
(Prevention) Tribunal

DIPK-1235-24

Annexure-XII

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR, UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL, JR COURT NO. 2, GROUND FLOOR, C BLOCK, HIGH COURT OF DELHI, SHER SHAH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110003

No. 01/JKPL-4 Factions/DHC **Dated: 29th May' 2024**

Re: Notification No. S.O. 1415 (E) dated 15.03.2024 issued by the Central Government under Sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 declaring the Jammu & Kashmir Peoples League (JKPL-4 Factions) i.e. Mukhtar Ahmed Waza faction, Bahir Ahmed Tota faction, Ghulam Mohd. Khan @ Sopari faction and Aziz Sheikh faction as unlawful asociations, and Gazette Notification No. S.O. 1630 (E) dated 05.04.2024 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (II) in exercise of powers under Sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Act.

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Sd/- (Dr. Ajay Gulati)
Registrar
Unlawful Activities
(Prevention) Tribunal

DIPK-1252-24

Centre for Railway Information Systems
CRIS
Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021
Tel : 011-24106717, 24104525
Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

Corrigendum

1. Tender No. 01245133 for "Selection of Master System Integrator for the Central Video Management System (CVMS) on the Public Cloud for the IP-based CCTV Surveillance for Indian Railways for 8 years". Tender Closing Date/Time stands revised/extended upto 12.07.2024 (15:30 Hrs.). For further details, please visit IREPS website (**www.ireps.gov.in**).

WESTERN RAILWAY-AHMEDABAD DIVISION

(ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT)

ELECTRICAL WORK

E-Tender-Notice No. Sr.DEE/ADI/15 (24-25) dt. 07.06.2024; Tender No.: EL-50-1-ADI-T-25-2024-25; Name of work: Ahmedabad Division – Electrical work in connection with provision of Air Conditioners for EI installation; **Estimated cost:**₹ 2,37,21,818/-; **Earnest Money:** ₹ 2,68,600/-; **Date and time of submission:** Not later than 15:00 Hrs. of 04.07.2024; **Date and time of opening:** 04.07.2024 at 15:30 Hrs; **Address of the office:** Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer, D.R.M. Office (W.R.), Near Chamunda Bridge, Opp. G.C.S. Hospital, Naroda Road, Amdupura, Ahmedabad-382345; **Website details: www.ireps.gov.in** 67

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PGT: Mathematics, English & Economics (1Post each) Post graduate with B.Ed and 2 years of teaching experience in +2 classes.

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REQUIRES

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TGT's: English, Social Science

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PRT: Computer Science (1 Post) Graduate with B.Ed., CTET / UPTET Qualified and 2 years of teaching experience.

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Chairman (SMC)

New Delhi YMCA

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TERROR STRIKES JAMMU

The three gunfights came on the heels of an attack on a bus carrying pilgrims in Reasi on Sunday, when armed terrorists opened fire on the vehicle, causing it to lose control and plunge into a gorge, with nine people dead and 42 others injured.

Jammu has suffered at least seven terror attacks over the past year. The spate of attacks sparked a political controversy with the Opposition criticising the government and demanding an explanation, with National Conference leader Farooq Abdullah calling for talks with Pakistan, even as the BJP criticised his stand.

Authorities scrambled to mount a response, pointing to operations to nab the terrorists hiding out in the upper reaches of the Himalayas. "I want you all to have trust in the courage of security forces and J&K police. We will be at ease only after eliminating terrorists and their supporters from J&K," said lieutenant governor Manoj Sinha.

Senior police officers suggested that Jammu was seeing a shift from "resident terrorism" to "foreign terrorism." "This means that the numbers of our local boys who used to join the terror ranks have come down. Foreign terrorism is there... as of today 70-80 such terrorists have come with arms and ammunitions," said director general of police RR Swain.

Without naming Pakistan, additional director general of police Anand Jain said the "hostile" neighbour was always making attempts to disturb peace in the Jammu region.

The exchange of fire began at around 8pm on Tuesday in Saida Sukhal village in the Hiranagar area of Kathua, when two terrorists appeared in the settlement and asked residents for some water. "Panicked by the strangers carrying arms, people raised and alarm and the two terrorists opened fire, injuring a civilian," a senior police officer said. The civilian has been identified as 45-year-old Omkar Nath, and was rushed to hospital, but is out of danger.

Anand Jain said that as soon as they received information about the presence of terrorists in the village, security teams from multiple agencies rushed to the village and cordoned it off. "The terrorists opened indiscriminate fire to break the security cordon. They appear to have freshly infiltrated," Jain said.

Senior police officers said that the first terrorist was killed in the village itself, as he was lobbing a grenade at the police party. The second was killed after an extensive search operation and intermittent bursts of fire at around 3.30am. One CRPF jawan, identified as Kabir Dass, was injured, and succumbed to his injuries during treatment.

But even as security officials dealt with the situation in Kathua, there was another attack in Chattargala, Doda on the Bhaderwah-Pathankot road. Senior police officers said that they were still trying to track down the terrorists, with army helicopters pressed into service and traffic on the Bhaderwah-Pathankot highway suspended until further notice. Kashmir Tigers, a group ostensibly linked to the Pakistan-based terror outfit Jaish-e-Mohammad, claimed responsibility for the attack.

Shridhar Patil, deputy inspector general (DIG) of police, Doda-Kishtwar-Ramban range, said they received information about the movement of terrorists in the area over the past few days. "Accordingly, temporary posts jointly manned by army and police were set up in the higher reaches along with check points on the (interstate) road," Patil told reporters on Wednesday.

He said that a sentry at the post on the Chattergala pass first spotted suspicious movement around 1.30am on Wednesday. "The terrorists opened fire and in the ensuing exchange of fire which continued for more than one-and-a-half hours, the deployed personnel fought bravely," Patil said.

The DIG said there were three to four terrorists but underlined geographical challenges in tracking them down. "We have to move tactically because there is a difference in conducting operations in the plains and mountainous areas. Combing operations in such tough conditions take time, and we have to tread cautiously so as to avoid casualties on our side before neutralising the terrorists," Patil said.

Police officers said they were cognisant of attempts being made to create unrest in Jammu ahead of the Amarnath Yatra which begins later this month, and assembly elections — the first after the abrogation of Article 370—expected in a few months.

Security officials also red-flagged an apparent shift in strategy by terrorists from across the border. In July 2023, HT reported that Jammu, Rajouri, Poonch and Reasi were fast becoming clear targets for Pakistan-based terror groups, and security forces were "recalibrating their responses".

"The attack on 9 Para SF on May 5 in Rajouri (in which five soldiers were killed) and April 20 ambush on an army truck in Poonch (five personnel killed) were the handiwork of such trained men. They had sophisticated weapons, sticky bombs and the attacks were well planned. Besides, the terrorists are using guerilla warfare tactics. They attack, go back to the jungle in the Pir Panjal area and regroup for another attack, " a counterterrorism official said at the time.

The three attacks set off a political furore, with Opposition leaders attacking the Centre over the security situation.

"Narendra Modi is busy responding to congratulatory messages and hasn't been able to hear the cries of the families of devotees who were killed in Jammu and Kashmir. Reasi, Kathua and Doda have seen three separate terror attacks but the Prime Minister is still immersed in celebrations. The country asks — why does the BJP government not catch the people that conspire to commit terror attacks?" Congress leader Rahul Gandhi wrote on X.

NC chief Abdullah called for an "understanding" between India and Pakistan.

"I have always said that terrorism is not going to end unless there is an understanding between the two nations. Terrorism will continue and we will have to face it. The tragedy is that innocent people are getting killed... and that is unfortunate," Abdullah told reports in Srinagar.

J&K BJP president Ravinder Raina, however, criticised Abdullah and said his party will "respond to Pakistan in the language understands".

"Abdullah should stop advocating for Pakistan which has bled Jammu & Kashmir and brought destruction to the region by training, arming and pushing terrorists into this side to kill innocent citizens. Instead of condemning Pakistan, showing it the mirror and exposing its black face to the world, he is advocating dialogue which is highly regrettable," Raina said.

KUWAIT BLAZE

Minister of state for external affairs Kirti Vardhan Singh was directed by Modi to travel to Kuwait to oversee relief measures and to facilitate the expeditious repatriation of the bodies of the dead. The people said Singh is expected to leave for Kuwait early on Thursday.

Modi also expressed his deep sorrow at the unfortunate incident and extended condolences to the families of the dead. He also wished for the speedy recovery of the injured.

External affairs minister S Jaishankar, MoS Singh, National Security Adviser Ajit Doval, foreign secretary Vinay Kwatra, and other senior officials attended the meeting.

The Amir of Kuwait, Sheikh Meshal Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber Al-Sabah sent a cable of condolences to the families of the victims. He directed authorities to ascertain the cause of the fire and to hold those responsible accountable.

Earlier, Jaishankar expressed shock at the deaths in the fire incident in Kuwait in a post on X. "Deepest condolences to the families of those who tragically lost their lives...Our Embassy will render the fullest assistance to all concerned in this regard," he said.

Oil-rich Kuwait has large numbers of foreign workers, many of them from South and Southeast Asia, and mostly working in construction or service industries. The Indian community, with a strength of about one million, is the largest expatriate community in Kuwait. A large proportion consists of unskilled and semi-skilled workers

The Indian ambassador to Kuwait, Adarsh Swaika, visited the site of the fire to gather information. Swaika also visited three hospitals where the injured were taken and assured them of the full support of Indian authorities.

Eleven injured Indians were taken to Mubarak Al-Kabeer Hospital, and 10 of them were released later in the day. Six more injured people were taken to Farwaniya Hospital, and four of them were subsequently released while one was shifted to Jahra Hospital. More than 30 injured Indians were taken to Al-Adan Hospital, and officials said most of them were in a stable condition.

Footage shared on social media showed huge flames and black smoke coming out of the building as firefighters attempted to control the blaze.

The Indian embassy said in a post on X that it is in touch with Kuwaiti law enforcement, fire service and health authorities for necessary action and emergency medical care.

Kuwait's interior minister Sheikh Fahad Al-Yousuf Al-Sabah, who visited the scene of the fire, said the building's owner was detained in an investigation into potential negligence. He also ordered police to apprehend the owner of the company responsible for the workers living in the building.

"What happened today is a result of the greed of company and building owners," Al-Sabah was quoted as saying by Kuwait Times.

Kuwait's public prosecutor launched an investigation to uncover the circumstances behind the incident and the cause of the fire, state-run KUNA news agency reported.

The interior minister also ordered the Kuwait municipality and the public authority for manpower to take immediate action to address similar violations where large numbers of workers are crammed into one residential building, and to ensure that all safety requirements are in place to prevent similar incidents.

Saud Al-Dabbous, director general of the Kuwait Municipality, issued orders to suspend several officials, including the deputy director general for Al-Ahmadi governorate, the acting director of Al-Ahmadi municipality, the director of the audit and engineering department, and the head of the violations removal department.

NEW BUDGET

expected to be presented in Parliament by the third week of July, the second person added.

"Not only has the government been able to successfully navigate the Indian economy from the devastating impact of Covid that hit us in March 2020, it also put it on the high growth trajectory. The coming Budget will maintain the pace, with a continuous focus on inclusive development. Recent experiences, feedback and other learnings will be used to improve proposals to achieve the aim of Viksit Bharat," the person said.

"The Budget will emphasise that the Indian economy would remain the fastest growing major economy of the world in years to come while keeping inflation under check," the person added.

The National Statistical Office (NSO) on May 31 projected that India's GDP grew at 8.2% in 2023-24, higher than what was estimated by both government and private forecasters. The Reserve Bank of India on June 8 revised the GDP growth estimate for FY25 to 7.2% from 7%. According to the latest official data released on June 12, India's retail inflation rate eased to 4.75% in May, giving some room to policymakers to boost growth.

The finance ministry will consult stakeholders, particularly states before finalising the budget numbers, the first person said, adding that it could coincide with a Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council that is likely soon.

A third person, a government official, said the finance ministry is in "top gear" to finalise Budget numbers under the guidance of the finance minister, who has started working immediately after assuming the office.

"The political direction of the Budget is absolutely clear – to make India the third-largest economy of the world within next five years. Hence, the Budget will continue to focus on welfare schemes for the underprivileged, raising farmers' income, development for and by women and young people, with micro, small and medium enterprises to act as engines of economic growth," the second person said. "Some new welfare schemes are expected in the Budget," he said.

One of the poll promises of the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) was to extend the free health insurance under the Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) to all citizens of over 70 years of age. AB-PMJAY currently provides cashless and paper less benefit cover of Rs 5 lakh per annum per poor family on floater basis in the empanelled hospitals covering about 12 crore families. The government may also enhance allocations for some of its flagship schemes such as PM Awas Yojana (an expansion of this was announced Monday) and the Mudra Yojana, the people said.

The domestic industry expects the budget to introduce reforms necessary for growth. Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) director general Chandrajit Banerjee said Prime Minister Narendra Modi's third term will be a "golden chapter" in India's development journey.

"As India continues to think and act 'big' under Modi, continuity in the reform agenda will carry India forward on the path to becoming a developed nation," Banerjee said.

NAIDU, MAJHI

today. I devote myself to serving the people of my state. Thank you Andhra Pradesh!" Naidu said in a post on X after the ceremony.

Hours later, Majhi took oath as the first BJP chief minister of Odisha at a ceremony attended by Modi, several Union ministers and chief ministers. Senior BJP leader and Patnagarh MLA KV Singh Deo and first-time lawmaker from Nimapara Pravati Parida took oath as deputy chief ministers.

Governor Raghubar Das administered the oath of secrecy and office to Majhi and 15 members of his council at Janata Maidan in Bhubaneswar. Apart from Modi, BJP chief JP Nadda, Union ministers Amit Shah, Rajnath Singh, Bhupender Yadav, Dharmendra Pradhan, Jual Oram, Ashwini Vaishnaw and others attended the ceremony.

"With the blessings of Lord Jagannath and guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, 'Developed Odisha' will be formed. The hopes and aspirations of 4.5 crore Odia people will be fulfilled," Majhi said on X.

Odisha and Andhra Pradesh are two states where the NDA nearly swept, winning 20 out of 21 seats in the former and 21 out of 25 seats in the latter. The elections also marked a remarkable comeback for Naidu, who was jailed on corruption charges by his predecessor YS Jagan Mohan Reddy, and the end of former Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik's 24-year-long stint at the helm of the eastern state.

"Attended the oath-taking ceremony of the new Andhra Pradesh government. Congratulations to Naidu on becoming the chief minister and also to all the others who took oath as ministers in the government," said Modi on X.

The TDP, JanaSena and BJP government in the southern state is "fully committed to taking AP (Andhra Pradesh) to new heights of glory and fulfilling the aspirations of the state's youth", Modi said.

Thanking Modi, Naidu said, "Thank you PM Narendra Modiji, for your august presence at the oath-taking ceremony in Amaravati today."

Naidu vowed that the TDP, JanaSena and BJP government will strive to deliver a people-centric governance. Shah also congratulated Naidu and Pawan Kalyan. "It is my firm belief that the NDA government will pivot the state of Andhra Pradesh to new heights of prosperity, fulfilling the aspirations and hopes of the people," the Union home minister said.

After the ceremony, Modi hugged Telugu megastar Chiranjeevi and Pawan Kalyan and fondly spoke to them while holding their hands.

Modi then flew to Bhubaneswar where he attended Majhi's swearing-in ceremony.

More than 50,000 people, mostly BJP supporters invited from across Odisha, turned up for the event at Janata Maidan in Bhubaneswar. Several hundreds also braved the heat to line the sides of the road leading to the venue.

Majhi, the MLA from Keonjhar Sadar, a reserved constituency for tribals in the mining belt of Keonjhar, was unanimously chosen as the BJP's legislature party leader on Tuesday.

He is the eastern state's 15th CM and the third tribal leader to hold the post after Hemanand Biswal and Giridhar Gamang in a state where tribals form 22% of the population.

Majhi will helm the first BJP government in the state that was in the grip of Patnaik's Biju Janata Dal (BJD) since 2000. In the recently concluded assembly elections, the BJP won an impressive victory with 78 out of the 147 seats, with the BJD managing only 51. The BJP also won 20 out of the 21 Lok Sabha seats on offer, its biggest haul in the eastern state. He was the chief whip of the BJP in the previous assembly.

Chairing the first Cabinet meeting, Majhi announced that all four gates of the Jagannath temple in Puri, three of which had been shut since the Covid pandemic, would be opened from Thursday — a promise the BJP had made its in its manifesto. The Cabinet announced a ₹500 crore corpus fund for the temple, as well as the formation of a committee to implement increase to increase the MSP for paddy to ₹3100 — another promise from the BJP manifesto.

Majhi said his government would implement the Subhadra Yojana, under which each married in the age group of 23 and 59 years will get a cash voucher of 50,000 within two years, within 100 days as the manifesto had promised.



PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Krishan Raghav, S/o Not Known, R/o: H.No. 126, Gali Batashan, Chawri Bazar, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **CC No. 1319/2020, U/S 138 NI Act, P.S. Gokal Puri, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Krishan Raghav** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Krishan Raghav** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Krishan Raghav** accused of **CC No. 1319/2020, U/S 138 NI Act, P.S. Gokal Puri, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **18.07.2024.**

By Order
Sh. Sukhjeet Singh
Metropolitan Megistrate-03 (North-East District)
Room No. 22, Karkardooma Court, Delhi

DP/6901/NE/2024

Government of Maharashtra
Public Works Division, Parbhani
E-Tender Notice No. 03 of 2024-2025

Online Tender (e-tenders) in B-1 for 1 work are invited by the Executive Engineer P. W. Division, Parbhani (Phone No. 02452-222708) on Government of Maharashtra Electronic Tender Management system **https://maharashtra.etenders.in/** from registered contractors in appropriate class With Public Works Department of maharashtra State.

The details can be viewed and download online directly from the Government of Maharashtra e-tendering portal **https://mahatenders.gov.in** or **www.mahapwd.com**

(**Note** :- for Further changes, in this Notice Please check above website)

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Public Works Division
Parbhani

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of an unknown male **Age:** Approx 40-42 years, **Complexion:** Shallow, **Height:** 5'5", **Face:** Oval, **Built:** Medium, was wearing Grey colour T-Shirt, Black colour Pant and Bare feet, was found in unconscious condition at Britania to Rani Bagh Road in front of MCD Office, Park Shakurpur, Delhi. He was taken to Bhagwan Mahavir Hospital, Pitampura, Delhi vide MLC No. 1947/2024 and declared brought dead by the doctor. In this regard a **DD No. 75A, dated 03.06.2024 has been lodged at P.S. Subash Place, Delhi.**

His dead body has been preserved in BJRM Hospital Mortuary. Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

SHO
P.S. Subhash Place, Delhi
Ph. No.: 011-27356014, 8750870224

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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, BHAWANIPATNA
Parmanandpur, Railway Station Road, Bhawanipatna, Dist: Kalahandi, PIN -766002
e-Mail: eephbhpt@gmail.com
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement
Identification No. SEPH-BHPT— 01 of 2024-25 / Dt. 10.06.2024
e-Procurement Notice

1.	Name of the Work	: 3 nos Work.
2.	Type of Bid.	: Double Bid System
3.	Estimated Cost	: Rs. 125.79 lakh to 277.53 Lakh
4.	Period of Completion	: 6 to 9 Calendar Months
5.	Date & Time of availability of bid document in the portal	: From 11.00 AM of dt. 20.06.2024 to 5.00 PM of 05.07.2024
6.	Last date / time of receipt of bids in the portal	: 5.00 PM of 05.07.2024.
7.	Date & Time of opening of technical bids	: At 11.30 AM of 06.07.2024.
8.	Name and Address of the Officer Inviting Bid	: Superintending Engineer, P.H. Division, Bhawanipatna , Railway Station Road, At/Po- Parmanandpur, 766002 Dist- Kalahandi.

Further details can be seen from the web site http://tenders.ori.nic.in or www.tendersorissa.gov.in

Superintending Engineer,
P.H. Division, Bhawanipatna
OIPR - 13059/11/0001/2425

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY G20
Corrigendum
Corrigendum : NIT No. 2024-May-05-04
Due to unavoidable reasons NIT No. 2024-May-05-04 is cancelled.
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SEARCH FOR MISSING



Shyam

General Public is hereby informed that one male person **Namely:** Shyam, **S/o:** Rajesh Kumar, **R/o:** 1/5838, Gali No. 01, Tikona Park, Rohtash Nagar, Shahdara Delhi **Sex:** Male, **Age:** 20 Years, **Height:** 5'5", **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Built:** Thin, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Black Pant and Check Shirt and Black Slipper has been missing since 09.06.2024 from Tikona Park, Rohtash Nagar, Shahdara from the Jurisdiction of Police Station Shahdara, Delhi. In this regard **GD No. 087A Date: 10.06.224** has been registered at **P.S.: Shahdara, East Delhi.**

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

Website : http://cbi.nic.in
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SHO
P.S.: Shahdara
East Delhi
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e-Tender Notice No.01/ 2024-2025

Executive Engineer, Kolhapur Electrical Division Kolhapur, Tarabai Park, PWD Campus, Kolhapur. Invites Bids from Electrical Contractor in Whow Class Mentioned in B-1 (Percentage rate) Tender Format Bids Documents can be Downloaded From Website. Executive Engineer Reserve all Rights to Accept or reject Bids Conditional Bids will not be accepted.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Amount Put to Tender
1.	Name Of Work. EST.NO.141386 of 2023-24 Providing Electrical Installation, Lift, street Light, Fire Fighting at. Rural Hospital Solankur Tal. Radhanagari Dist. Kolhapur.	Rs. 1,60,03,994/-
2.	112411/23-24 Prov.Ren. of Elect.installation, switchgears, panels, and main distribution system, repl.of 15 Passanger/stretcher lift,street light, add. AC units, installation of solar water heating and heat pump system at Chhatrapati Pramilaraje Rugnalay Dist. Kolhapur.	Rs. 3,13,94,953/-

TIME TABLE

Publish Bid Date	Dt. 13.06.2024 @10.00 AM
Tender Submission Period	Dt. 13.06.2024 @10.00 AM to Dt. 21.06.2024 @18.00 PM
Pre-bid Meeting place & Date, Time	**Work Sr. No. 01-** Dt.18.06.2024 @03.00 (By Video Conference) Office of The Superintending Engineer (Elect.), Pune Regional Electrical Circle, P. W. D. Pune Govt. Milk Scheme Compound, Date Bungalow Khadaki, Pune - 411003. **Email- elepune.se@mahapwd.gov.in, elkolhapur.ee@mahapwd.gov.in** Phone No. 020-25816010 **Work Sr. No. 02**- Dt.18.06.2024@12.30 (By Video Conference) held by Office of The Chief Engineer Public Works Region, Pune Central building, Pune - 411001. Queries to be **Email on - elkolhapur.ee@mahapwd.gov.in**
Tender Opening	Dt. 24.06.2024 @ 12:30 PM at Office of The Superintending Engineer (Elect.), Pune Regional Electrical Circle, P.W.D. Pune Govt. Milk Scheme Compound, Date Bungalow Khadaki, Pune - 411003 **Email - elepune.se@mahapwd.gov.in.** Phone No. 020-25816010

The detailed tender notice will be available on **www.mahatenders.gov.in** (any changes in the NIT will be published on the above website

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Kolhapur Electrical Division,
P.W.D. Kolhapur.

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प्रेस-विज्ञप्ति

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Sr.No.	Bid Number/Date	End Date & Time	Description
01	GEM/2024/B/5012755, Dt-04.06.2024	25.06.2024 & 19:00 Hrs.	To Provide AMC Services for OMR Scanner Machines

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NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY G20
Tender Notice No. AGC-EL-GSU-T-10-24 **Date: 07.06.2024**
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: Electrical general work-related Tank Wagon Depot, Development of Sick line shed at Existing steam cleaning Area and Extension of Existing trolley section shed at TWD Baad.

Completion Period: 09 months. **Approx Cost of the work: ₹ 7989511.05, Closing date of Tender: 01.07.2024 @ 12.00** Hrs.

For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railway website **www.ireps.gov.in**.Tenders can only be submitted through web portal **www.ireps.gov.in** up to **12.00** hrs. on **01.07.2024.** **1003/24 FA**

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BJP's big political gamble in Odisha

Mohan Charan Majhi is a welcome, radical choice as the party's first CM of the state

The BJP's choice of Mohan Charan Majhi as Odisha chief minister (CM) is remarkable for multiple reasons. The BJP's first CM in Odisha is only the third tribal to head the government in the state, which has the third largest tribal population in the country. The appointment is also in continuation with the BJP's relentless effort to expand its social base across India, especially among sections of the population, among them Scheduled Tribes (ST), that have largely remained cool to the party's outreach.

The rise of Majhi, a seasoned Santhal politician from Keonjhar district, marks a rupture in Odisha politics, which has been dominated by the Hindu upper castes. Barring Hemananda Biswal, who served as CM for a few months twice, 1989-90 and 1999-2000, and Giridhar Gamang, a senior tribal leader, who again served as CM for a few months in 1999, Odisha CMs have mostly hailed from the better-developed and more populated coastal region. This time, the BJP won most of the seats in the tribal-dominated districts, where the Sangh Parivar has been active through outfits such as Vanvasi Kalyan Manch for several years. The tribal population has historically backed the Congress or voted for parties that emphasised tribal identity and promised agency to them, as in the case of Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM). The ground is shifting, and the BJP has wielded political office as an instrument to turn it to its advantage. The choice of Droupadi Murmu, also an Odia and also a tribal, for the country's highest public office, for instance, had a political resonance.

Another factor that may have influenced the BJP's calculations is the upcoming assembly elections in Jharkhand. The BJP is facing a perception crisis in Jharkhand following the arrest of former CM and JMM leader Hemant Soren in an alleged land scam, which the INDIA bloc projected as a vindictive action against a tall tribal leader: The last time BJP held office in Jharkhand, it appointed a non-tribal, the current Odisha governor Raghubar Das, as CM. Majhi's elevation may help dispel this perception to some extent, and convince tribal voters that the party backs leaders from the community. Recently, the party picked Vishnu Deo Sai, a tribal leader, as CM of Chhattisgarh overlooking the claims of many better-known politicians.

Majhi replaces Naveen Patnaik, who inherited Biju Patnaik's political legacy, had an uninterrupted run as CM for nearly a quarter century, and steered Odisha's transition from a basket case to one of the fastest-growing states in the country. No two leaders could be more different, and that, in fact, could turn out to be an advantage for Majhi. His challenge is to build on the gains the state has made under Patnaik — but leave his own stamp.

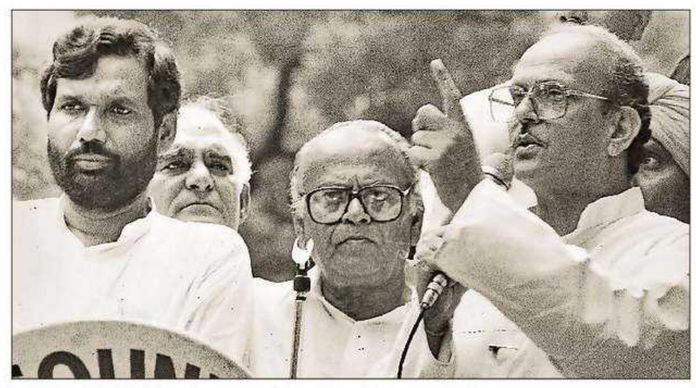
Far-Right resurgence in EU parliament

Far-Right parties made significant gains in the European Union (EU)'s parliamentary election over the weekend, largely on the back of support from voters in Austria, France, Germany and Italy, though centrist and liberal parties are expected to retain the levers of power in the 27-State grouping. European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen of the centre-right European People's Party, who is eyeing a second term after her party emerged the single largest bloc with 189 deputies, has said the responsibilities of centrist parties have increased following the gain in support by the Right. While a coalition of four centrist parties will have 462 deputies in the 720-seat parliament, the surge by the far-right could impact decision-making in Brussels, especially on sensitive issues such as the climate crisis and migration. It is also clear that the improved showing by the far-right is linked to anxieties regarding the economic crisis in Europe and the Ukraine conflict.

The outcomes were also a referendum on national leaders in several countries, especially France, where President Emmanuel Macron, in a risky gamble, decided to call snap elections later this month after his Renaissance party secured half as many votes as Marine Le Pen's National Rally party. In Germany, Chancellor Olaf Scholz's party was in third place, its vote share lower than that of the extreme-right Alternative for Germany (AfD). The months ahead could be turbulent for the EU, and India will be watching closely for any possible fallout on the negotiations for a free trade agreement. In other areas, New Delhi can afford to be sanguine, largely because of the bipartisan support in most European countries for stronger relations with India.

Verdict suggests need for new Mandal pact

The old quota politics has exhausted itself — but no party can now afford to ignore any community or elide their complaints about prosperity or security



VP Singh (right) implemented the Mandal Commission report HT ARCHIVE



Dhrubo Jyoti

When Bindhweshwari Prasad Mandal invited former Karnataka Rajya Sabha member LR Naik to join the Second Backward Classes Commission in place of Odisha stalwart Dina Bandhu Sahu in November 1979, many thoughts were pirouetting in his mind — finishing the onerous task of enumerating India's backward castes, coming up with a comprehensive yardstick to judge their backwardness and firewalling the process from the kind of controversy that derailed a previous attempt in the 1950s. To achieve all this, he needed the six-member panel report to be unanimous in its recommendations.

That was not to be. In a sharp dissent, Naik, the only Dalit member of the panel, disagreed with the commission's approach of pooling the quota into a single basket, instead recommending that it be split into intermediate backward classes and depressed backward classes — 12% for the former and 15% for the latter. Naik wrote, "In an unequal society like ours, it is necessary that the commission take all precautions so that the more helpless and needy segments are not deprived... by avoiding cut-throat competition among unequals."

When Mandal submitted the final report in December 1980, he noted Naik's dissent and dismissed his categorisation as arbitrary. A decade later when VP Singh hurriedly implemented the report, no one brought up Naik's dissent.

In the four decades since, there have been four distinct strains of Mandal politics that have swept North India. In the first, parties that made up the erstwhile Janata Parivar picked large communities with little political footprint and built formidable coalitions by marrying the support of minorities and smaller groups. The runaway success of these coalitions translated into regional parties muscling both national parties out of Uttar Pradesh (UP) and Bihar. Outfits such as the Samajwadi Party and the Rashtriya Janata Dal became major national players on the back of the sense of pride they ignited in their constituents and their success in breaking the social grip of forward castes.

But just as Naik feared, some of these communities turned into hegemons, creating resentment in weaker and less numerous groups which found themselves boxed out of reservation benefits and political power. The trajectory of Ram Vilas Paswan, who was the first in the generation of Lohia acolytes to win an election in 1969 but who found his rise stymied by his peers Lalu Prasad and Nitish Kumar, is an apt example.

Nitish Kumar in Bihar and Kanshi Ram in UP represented the second strand. Kumar took up the work left unfinished by Karpoori Thakur who first mooted internal divisions in the quotas and stitched together a coalition of smaller OBC and SC groups that coalesced around his Kurmi community. Ram took the Jatavs and recruited leaders from smaller SC and OBC groups such as Pasis, Lodhs and Rajbhars to build the Bahujan Samaj Party, powered by his numerical logic of 85% backwards against 15% forwards.

But these developments never transcended the plains of Bihar and UP; even as Mandal politics fractured the Congress model of marrying upper-castes, Dalits and Muslims, and ran neck-and-neck with the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)'s attempts at making faith the central pillar, it barely gained a national footprint. South of the Vindhyas, movements predating Mandal carved up quotas according to numerical strengths and historical backwardness, spawning their own unique set of problems.

The third era took Mandal beyond the two heartland states. Against the backdrop of single-party domination, the BJP exploited bubbling resentment among smaller OBC and SC groups to bolster its base of upper castes. In some ways, this was a throwback to the efforts of Kumar and Kanshi Ram. But the BJP used different weapons — cultural nationalism (accommodating community icons within the wider Hindutva pantheon), welfare (with the Prime Minister's personal branding), and the unique pull of Narendra Modi.

At a time when regional outfits had a trust deficit following decades of nurturing only a handful of constituents and the Congress's political capital was at an all-time low, the BJP's model clicked not only in UP but also in other heartland states such as Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. In many ways, it was the fulfilment of the prophecy Naik had made in 1980.

The 2024 elections was an inflection point on this road. Buoyed by organic concerns around the future of reservations and the Constitution, the Opposition made caste an explicit social justice concern. The BJP's response was to counter it by attempting to communalise quotas in a way that it had not done in its decade-long stint. It took cues from political experimentations done in states such as West Bengal — where Mamata Banerjee eschewed the Left's caste denialism to use quotas for political mobilisation, and accommodated many backward Muslim groups — to paint minorities as the greatest threat to marginalised castes. It felt that by replacing upper castes, who traditionally opposed caste-based quotas but are also the BJP's principal base, with Muslims, it could simultaneously counter the Opposition's charge and paint them as minority appeasers at the same time.

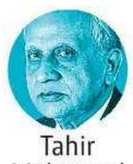
That gambit failed. Analysis by this newspaper showed the sharpest fall in the BJP's strike rate across demographics came in SC reserved seats. In contrast, Akhilesh Yadav pulled back many smaller SC and OBC groups into his fold by nominating their leaders, besting the BJP at its own game.

With the BJP and the Opposition now both at the drawing board, a new phase in Mandal politics awaits. 2024 showed that this phase will be about aspiration at a time of acute economic anxiety. The push for intergenerational mobility among marginalised castes will have to contend with disquiet among dominant groups about their fraying social might. As Mandal parties expand their social coalitions, they will have to manage rising tensions within their constituents. The BJP will have to ask whether new welfarism has hit its ceiling among these communities and if a new kind of Mandir politics — since both the Ram Temple push and the Muslim quota bogey have not clicked — can re-energise its Mandal pitch. The Opposition will need to think beyond redistribution because though a caste census is important, government jobs don't have the capacity to be a salve for economic scars. And most importantly, no party can now afford to ignore any community or elide their complaints about prosperity or security.

In 1885, then Madras government instituted financial aid for depressed classes, heralding the beginning of affirmative action in India. It now awaits a new Mandal compact. Naik will be smiling.

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A misreading of civil marriages law by HC



Tahir Mahmood

"As per Mahomedan law, the marriage of a Muslim boy with a girl who is an idolatress or fire-worshipper is not a valid marriage. Even if the marriage is registered under the Special Marriage Act, the marriage would be no more a valid marriage and it would be an irregular marriage." With this extremely startling observation, a Madhya Pradesh High Court (HC) judge recently dismissed a writ petition jointly filed under Article 226 of the Constitution by a Hindu woman and a Muslim man seeking protection of their legal right to get married under the nation's civil marriages law.

The May 27 judgment smacks of a grotesquely confused understanding of the Special Marriage Act (SMA), 1954. Originally enacted eight decades earlier to facilitate inter-religious and inter-caste marriages, this Act required both parties to an intended marriage to declare their disaffiliation from religion. As the Constitution assertively protected citizens' rights to equality and religious liberty, it was imperative for the State to re-enact this law *sans* the requirement of abdication of religion. Hence, a new law was put on the statute book, enabling men and women professing different religions but wishing to get married to do this without having to give up their respective faiths, and without becoming followers of the same religion by conversion. Of course, the new Act offers the option of civil marriage also to parties belonging to the same community if they wish to avail its multifarious benefits.

In the current case, the parties decided to get married under the SMA without either changing their religion. As per the procedure laid down in the Act, they jointly gave notice of the intended marriage to a marriage officer of the competent jurisdiction who duly published the notice to wait for objections, if any. Section 7 of the Act clearly specifies that objections can be filed only if the objector believes that it will be against any of the mandatory conditions for the validity of marriage under the Act laid down in Section 4 — that the parties should not have a spouse living, should not be mentally incapable of giving valid consent, should have completed the prescribed minimum age, and should not be within the "degrees of prohibited relationship" as specified in a Schedule.

The woman's relatives, knowing they would not be able to stop the marriage by raising any legally tenable objection, began dissuading the parties from pursuing their case before the marriage officer. They threatened filing several criminal cases — against the woman for having stolen their precious jewellery and cash, and against the man for forcibly kidnapping her. Frightened, the prospective bride and groom jointly approached the HC, seeking relief and police protection for duly proceeding with their case before the marriage officer. The woman's father vehemently opposed the petition claiming that, since the man belonged to a different religion, if the desired marriage took place "he and his family would be boycotted by the society". The learned judge did mention this ridiculous plea in his judgment, but kept mum about its *prima facie* inadmissibility under the law.

In the case of an interfaith marriage desired under the SMA, provisions of their respective personal laws on the validity or invalidity of such a marriage would obviously be absolutely irrelevant. It does not require any special legal acumen to understand this clear legal position, yet the judge chose to decide the case on the basis of the rules of Muslim law (personal law of the man, the second petitioner). Although such a marriage is also prohibited under Hindu law (personal law of the woman, the first petitioner), he chose not to speak about it. Taking pains to emphasise the invalidity of the desired marriage under Muslim law, and giving a bizarre twist to the condition under the SMA that the parties to an intended marriage should not be within the degrees of prohibited relationship, he ruled that since the desired marriage was prohibited under Muslim law, it could not be solemnised under the Act either.

Based on wholly misconceived premises, the decision was conspicuously erroneous. It resulted in grave injustice to two innocent citizens who had sought the court's help for peacefully exercising their constitutionally protected right to live together as husband and wife. The Supreme Court (SC)'s *Mohammad Salim* decision of 2019, which the judge extensively cited, related to inheritance rights of the child of a Hindu-Muslim marriage and had hardly any relevance to the matter before him. The petitioners had specifically invoked the SC's dictum in the *Lata Singh* case (2004) — "this is a free and democratic country and once a person becomes a major he or she can marry whosoever he or she likes" — but the learned judge chose not to say a word about it. Nor could he recollect the apex court's emphatic verdict that it is the parties to an intended marriage "who decide best on whether they should accept each other into a marital tie" and that the "society has no role to play in determining our choice of partners" (*Shafin Jahan*, 2018).

The judge thought it fit to point out that the parties had not shown interest in a live-in partnership without marriage, nor had indicated that the girl "would accept Muslim religion". Did he mean to say that had the parties done so he could have granted the desired relief? The wisdom of making these concluding remarks before finally dismissing the petition was indeed bewildering.

THE MAY 27 JUDGMENT SMACKS OF A CONFUSED UNDERSTANDING OF THE SPECIAL MARRIAGE ACT. IN THE CURRENT CASE, THE PARTIES DECIDED TO GET MARRIED UNDER THE SMA WITHOUT CHANGING THEIR RELIGION

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I hope that when the time comes, men and women who have been able to say no to extremes... will put themselves in a position to build a shared, sincere project

After declaring snap elections in France



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Urban planning needs to be climate sensitive

The recent extreme heat in North India and the cyclonic event in the Bay of Bengal underscore India's particular vulnerability to the climate crisis. India's cities bear the brunt of this, with their large concentration of people, infrastructure, and economic activities heightening their vulnerability. While developing countries continue to struggle to recognise the climate crisis as an issue to integrate into their spatial plans and policies, a few developed nations have made it obligatory.

Cities are also significant contributors to greenhouse gas emissions. Addressing this crisis requires aligning India's urban planning with climate-sensitive approaches to build resilient cities. Kochi, Mumbai, Delhi, and Port Blair have incorporated climate crisis concerns into their spatial planning. While Gujarat created a climate cell at the state level, Ahmedabad did this at the city level to implement its Climate Action Plan and prepared its first heat action plan in 2013. On the other hand, many Indian cities continue to lack safeguards in their local policies. Cities like Panjim, Visakhapatnam, and Coimbatore, for instance, are extremely vulnerable geographies but are not conducting vulnerability assessments.



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In India, spatial planning policies are under the purview of Union, state, and local governments. The 74th Constitutional Amendment mandates state and local governments to create development plans based on policies laid down by, and with funding from, the Union government. However, planning has been relegated to the sole purview of state governments and their agencies, despite the 74th Amendment mentioning local municipal governments. This is largely due to limited capabilities and understanding. These development plans include long-term (20-25 years) focus on socio-economic aspects and spatial distribution of land uses, and short-term (5-7 years) city development plans focusing on urban infrastructure, service delivery, and community participation. These plans are supported by the Urban and Regional Development Plans Formulation and Implementation (URDPFI) guidelines. However, worsening climate crisis impacts necessitate updating these policies to integrate climate-sensitive elements effectively. Action is required at all levels — Union and state for policy development, determining technical and structural standards, and ensuring implementation by relevant agencies specified under the 74th Amendment.

Planning for climate resilience changes continuously and needs review. Improving the skills of city-level stakeholders is necessary to incorporate climate data into planning procedures. This entails making climate data accessible and developing the ability to use it. Given the scale of planning, master plans by themselves cannot address environmental challenges. For effective change, local area planning, and citizen involvement must be integrated. Further, a one-size-fits-all strategy won't work. To illustrate, Mumbai prioritises managing housing density, Chennai focuses on flood mitigation measures, and inland cities like Delhi, on heritage preservation, green cover or urban expansion and urban heat island management.

The significance of public consultation processes cannot be overstated in climate-sensitive planning. While horizontal coordination between governments and stakeholders is frequently mentioned, the voices of communities for resilience are occasionally disregarded. The preparation of master plans include public engagement procedures. However, they usually take place after the plan is created. Community input must be considered from the beginning. Establishing cross-sectoral arrangements is essential. The implementation of climate-resilient projects can be facilitated by paving the way for more integrated and effective governance structures by breaking down silos and promoting cross-sectoral collaboration.

The language of the planning laws needs to be changed fundamentally as physical infrastructure is the focus. Other factors related to industry, such as transportation, street patterns, and mobility, should also be taken into consideration. Addressing capacity gaps in climate-sensitive planning initiatives and the need for institutional frameworks remains crucial for climate-proofing cities.

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Macron tells centrists to unite against Far-Right

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PARIS: French President Emmanuel Macron urged on Wednesday moderate politicians from the left and the right to regroup to defeat the far right in the upcoming national legislative elections he had called for after his party's crushing defeat in the European parliamentary vote.

A sombre-looking Macron addressed French voters for the first time since his stunning decision on Sunday to dissolve the National Assembly, France's lower house of parliament.

His move triggered an early legislative election that will take place in two rounds on June 30 and July 7, three weeks after the far-right National Rally party of Marine Le Pen triumphed at the election for the European Union Parliament.

During a press conference on Wednesday, Macron said he decided on the risky move because he could not ignore the new political reality after his pro-European party was handed a chastening defeat and garnered less than half the support of the National Rally with its star leader, Jordan Bardella.

Unlike in his recent national addresses in which Macron focused on Russia's war in Ukraine and ways Europe should forge a common defence policy, independent of the United States, and shore up trade protections against China, the French president stuck to his country's internal issues favoured by the surging right, including curbing immigration, fighting crime and Islamic separatism in France.

Macron, who has three years left of his second presidential term, hopes voters will band together to contain the far right in national elections in a way they didn't in European ones.

He called on "men and women of goodwill who were able to say 'no' to extremes to join together to be able to build a joint project" for the country.

"Things are simple today: we have unnatural alliances at both extremes, who quite agree on nothing except the jobs to be shared, and who will not be able to implement any programme," Macron said during his opening address at a press conference in Paris.

As for his own centrist alliance, Macron said: "We're not perfect, we haven't done everything right, but we have results... and above all, we know how to act." The decision to send to the polls voters who just expressed their discontent with Macron's politics was a risky move that could result in the French far-right leading a government for the first time since World War II.

Potential alliances and France's two-round voting system in national elections make the outcome of the vote highly uncertain. Macron was adamant in his faith in the French voters' intent to refuse to choose the extremes of both sides of the political spectrum.

He assured that he is not failing into defeatism and said he will serve out his second presidential term regardless of the outcome of the legislative vote.



Burnt-out cars seen on Plum Pass, a key route in New Caledonia, on Monday.on Monday. AFP

Macron halts New Caledonia reform plan after deadly riots

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PARIS: President Emmanuel Macron said on Wednesday that a voting reform that triggered deadly riots in French Pacific territory New Caledonia would be "suspended" in light of snap parliamentary polls. Instead he aimed to "give full voice to local dialogue and the restoration of order" after weeks of unrest in which nine people died, Macron told reporters at a Paris press conference.

The reform would have allowed people resident in New Caledonia for at least 10 years to vote in local ballots -- unfreezing electoral rolls that have gone unchanged since 2007. Indigenous Kanaks feared the change would dilute their vote among the 270,000-strong population, putting hopes for eventually winning independence definitively out of reach.

Although approved by both France's National Assembly and Senate, the reform was waiting on a constitutional congress of both houses to become part of the basic law.

"I have decided to suspend it, because we can't leave things ambiguous in this period," Macron said.

Violence broke out in New Caledonia on May 13 in response to parliamentary votes backing the reform.



French President Emmanuel Macron AFP

Hamas rejects key points of US's ceasefire plan for Gaza

Egypt and Qatar said they had received Hamas' response to Biden's proposal on May 31 but did not disclose its contents

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JERUSALEM/CAIRO: Hamas formally responded on Tuesday to a US ceasefire proposal for the eight-month-old war in the Gaza Strip, and Israel said the response was tantamount to a rejection while a Hamas official said the Palestinian group merely reiterated longstanding demands not met by the current plan.

Egypt and Qatar said they had received Hamas' response to a proposal outlined by US President Joe Biden on May 31 but did not disclose the contents. The Hamas official, who declined to be identified, told Reuters the response reaffirmed its stance that a ceasefire must lead to a permanent end to hostilities in Gaza, withdrawal of Israeli forces, reconstruction of the Palestinian enclave and release of Palestinian prisoners in Israel.

"We reiterated our previous stance. I believe there are no big gaps. The ball is now in the Israeli courtyard."

The United States has said Israel accepted its proposal, but Israel has not publicly said this. Israel, which has continued assaults in central and southern Gaza, among the bloodiest of the war, has repeatedly said it would not commit to an end of its campaign in Gaza before Hamas is eliminated.

An Israeli official said on Tuesday the country had received Hamas' answer from the mediators and that Hamas "changed all of the main and most meaningful parameters."

The Israeli official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Hamas "has rejected the proposal for a hostage release that was presented by President Biden." Earlier a non-Israeli official briefed on the matter, who declined to be identified, said Hamas proposed a new timeline for a permanent ceasefire with Israel and withdrawal of Israeli troops from Gaza, including Rafah.



Men walk among debris in the aftermath of Israeli strikes at the Nuseirat refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip on Sunday. REUTERS

UN probe accuses Israel, Hamas of war crimes

A UN investigation concluded on Wednesday that Israel had committed crimes against humanity during the war in Gaza, including that of "extermination", while Israeli and Palestinian armed groups had both committed war crimes.

The independent Commission of Inquiry's report is the first in-depth investigation by United Nations experts into the events of the war that erupted on October 7.

The report found Israel committed "war crimes, crimes against humanity," and noted a "systematic attack on Gaza's civilian population." The commission found evidence of crimes against humanity, including extermination, murder, gender persecution, forcible transfer, and torture. However, Israel rejected the findings, accusing the commission of "systematic anti-Israeli discrimination".

Hezbollah fires rockets at Israel hours after commander killed

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BEIRUT: Hundreds of rockets were fired from Lebanon toward northern Israel on Wednesday, hours after Israeli airstrikes killed a Hezbollah militant commander — the most senior member of the group killed since fighting began eight months ago.

The Israeli military said that about 215 projectiles were detected, of which some were intercepted, and that several fires were caused by the strikes.

The death of Taleb Sami Abdullah, 55, who was known within Hezbollah as Hajj Abu Taleb, came amid escalating clashes across the Lebanon-Israel border. US secretary of state Antony Blinken said on Wednesday that mediators would keep trying for an elusive US-backed cease-fire deal after Hamas requested several changes, some "workable" and some not.

In message to Russia, US, Ukraine to sign a security agreement at G7

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WASHINGTON: US Joe Biden and his Ukrainian counterpart Volodymyr Zelensky will sign a bilateral security agreement between the US and Ukraine on Thursday when they meet on the sidelines of the Group of Seven summit in Italy, aiming to send a signal to Russia of American resolve in supporting Kyiv, the White House said as Biden was headed to Europe.

National security adviser Jake Sullivan said the agreement would not commit US troops directly to Ukraine's defence against Russia's invasion — a red line drawn by Biden, who's fearful of being pulled into direct conflict between the nuclear-armed powers. Announcement of the agreement comes as Biden heads to the summit of the world's leading democracies with an urgency to get big things done, including turning frozen Russian assets into billions of dollars to help Ukraine fight Russian President Vladimir Putin's war machine.

"We want to demonstrate that the US supports the people of Ukraine, that we stand with them and that we'll continue to help address their security needs," Sullivan said.

This year's meeting comes three years after Biden declared at his first such gathering that America was back as a global leader following the disruptions to Western alliances that occurred when Donald Trump was president. Now, there's a chance this gathering could be the final G7 for Biden and other G7 leaders, depending on the results of elections this year.

Biden and his counterparts from Canada, Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Japan will discuss challenges related to artificial intelligence, migration, the Russian military's resurgence and China's economic might.

Pope Francis, Zelenskyy and Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan are joining the gathering at the Borgo Egnazia resort in the Puglia region of southern Italy.



Volodymyr Zelensky (left) and Joe Biden AFP

BOAT CARRYING 270 PASSENGERS CAPSIZES IN CONGO, OVER 80 KILLED

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KINSHASA: A boat carrying more than 270 passengers has capsized on a river near Congo's capital of Kinshasa, leaving more than 80 dead, President Félix Tshisekedi said on Wednesday. It was the latest deadly boat accident in the central African country where overloading is often blamed, including in February when dozens lost their lives after an overloaded boat sank.

The statement quoting President Félix Tshisekedi says the locally made boat capsized late on Monday in Maï-Ndombe province along the Kwa River.

The boat was carrying 271 passengers to Kinshasa when it broke down due to an engine failure, according to the UN-backed Radio Okapi, citing Ren Maker, the water commissioner in the Mushi district where the accident happened.

Eighty-six of the passengers died and 185 swam ashore near Mushie after the boat struck the riverbank and broke up, Maker said.

Bangladesh court indicts Nobel laureate Yunus for embezzlement

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DHAKA: Bangladeshi Nobel peace laureate Muhammad Yunus was indicted in a corruption case on Wednesday, the latest charges to proceed against the respected economist that supporters say are politically motivated.

Yunus, 83, is credited with lifting millions out of poverty with his pioneering microfinance bank but has earned the enmity of longtime Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, who has accused him of "sucking blood" from the poor.

Hasina has made several scathing verbal attacks against the internationally esteemed 2006 Nobel Peace Prize winner, who was once seen as a prospective rival.

Wednesday's indictment, brought by the national anti-corruption agency, accuses Yunus and 13 others of embezzling $2.1 million from Grameen Telecom, one of several firms he founded.

Yunus's lawyer Abdullah Al Mamun told AFP that the indictment was the most serious Yunus had faced so far.

"If found guilty, Yunus could face up to a life term in prison," Mamun told AFP.

Yunus told reporters after the hearing that he was innocent and had devoted his life "to serve the people, not to embezzle money".

He said that being forced to spend the hearing sitting inside one of the cages recently introduced into Bangladeshi courtrooms to hold defendants had been "humiliating".

"We don't know why we have to go through this harassment," he said.

Grameen Telecom, created to offer cheap mobile phone services in rural areas, is one of Bangladesh's richest companies. It owns a 34% stake in the country's largest mobile phone network, worth billions of dollars.

Yunus and three colleagues from Grameen Telecom were sentenced to six months in jail in January after they were found guilty of violating labour laws. All four denied the charges, which supporters and rights groups denounced as politically motivated, and have been bailed pending appeal.

Yunus was ousted from the telco's board a month later and employers locked out of its office after the government-installed chairman of its parent company appointed new directors. Yunus is facing more than 100 other charges over labour law violations and alleged graft.

"Those cases are made on flimsy grounds," he told AFP in an interview in the capital Dhaka in February.



Nobel Peace Prize winner Muhammad Yunus AP



Elon Musk REUTERS

ELON MUSK WITHDRAWS LAWSUIT AGAINST SAM ALTMAN, OPENAI

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NEW YORK: Billionaire entrepreneur Elon Musk on Tuesday moved to dismiss his lawsuit accusing ChatGPT maker OpenAI and its CEO Sam Altman of abandoning the startup's original mission of developing artificial intelligence for the benefit of humanity and not for profit.

Attorneys for Musk asked the California state court to dismiss the lawsuit, originally filed in February, without giving a reason for the move, according to a filing in San Francisco Superior Court.

A Superior Court judge there was prepared to hear OpenAI's bid to dismiss the lawsuit at a hearing scheduled for Wednesday.

OpenAI and Musk's attorney did not comment. Musk dismissed his case without prejudice, allowing for a future refiling. The lawsuit reflects Musk's ongoing opposition to OpenAI, which he co-founded and has since grown with substantial Microsoft funding.

Musk last July founded his own artificial intelligence startup, xAI, which raised $6 billion in series B funding in May to reach a post-money valuation of $24 billion.

The lawsuit claims Altman and Brockman initially proposed an open-source, non-profit company to Musk, but OpenAI now focuses on profit. It alleges OpenAI breached its founding agreement by releasing GPT-4 and asks a judge to mandate OpenAI to make its research public and stop using assets like GPT-4 for financial gain.

Man arrested after precious icon stolen from Serbian monk

BELGRADE: Police in Serbia have arrested a man suspected of stealing a precious religious icon from a well-known monk, the interior ministry said on Wednesday. Father Simeon, a Serbian hermit who lives on Mount Athos in Greece, was receiving hospital treatment in the southern Serbian city of Nis.

"The suspect took advantage of the serious state of health of Father Simeon," said Minister of Internal Affairs Ivica Dacic. The icon, over two centuries old, is valued at 82 million Serbian dinars ($760,000), Dacic said. The suspect was arrested overnight from Monday to Tuesday in the southern town of Leskovac. AFP

Armenian police detain dozens at anti-govt protest

YEREVAN: Police in Armenia on Wednesday detained dozens of demonstrators who rallied outside parliament to demand Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan's resignation over land concessions to arch foe Azerbaijan.

Officers used stun grenades and detained 60 after thousands rallied outside parliament while Pashinyan was answering questions from lawmakers. Yerevan protests erupted in April over territory returned to Baku. Last month, Armenia returned to Azerbaijan four border villages that it had seized decades earlier -- a move Pashinyan has defended as aimed to secure peace with Baku. AFP

{ GREECE } TEMPERATURE SOARS TO 43°C

Heatwave shuts down Athens Acropolis during peak hours

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ATHENS: The Athens Acropolis, Greece's most visited tourist site, was closed to the public during the hottest hours of on Wednesday as the season's earliest-ever heatwave swept the country, prompting school closures and health warnings.

The Unesco-listed archaeological site closed from midday to 5pm (local time), with temperatures topping 43 degrees Celsius in central Greece.

Temperatures of up to 44 degrees Celsius are expected on Thursday as the phenomenon peaks, with up to 43 degrees forecast in the capital.

Meteorologists have noted this is the earliest heatwave -- which for Greece is temperatures exceeding 38 degrees Celsius for at least three days -- in recorded history.



Tourists visit the 5th century BCE Parthenon at the Acropolis, central Athens, on Wednesday. AP

"This heatwave will go down in history," meteorologist Panos Giannopoulos said on state TV ERT.

"In the 20th century we never had a heatwave before June 19. We have had several in the 21st century, but none before June 15," he said.

The climate crisis and civil protection ministry has warned of a very high risk of fires in the Attica region around Athens.

Schools stayed closed in several regions of the country on Wednesday and will do so again Thursday, including in the capital, while the labour ministry has advised public-sector employees to work from home.

The ministry also ordered a pause from midday to 5 pm for outdoor work including food delivery, to Thursday.

'Too risky'

Sheltering under a parasol, electrician Fotis Pappous said he had started his workday a few hours earlier, at 6 am (local time), on orders from his employer.

"With this kind of heat, it would be too risky otherwise," said the 46-year-old as he tinkered with an electricity metre near Athens's central Syntagma Square.

But for staff working over the grill in Greece's already-buzzing tourist Plaka district, there was no room for respite.

"We have no choice, it's the start of the tourist season," said kebab store owner Elisavet Robou. "We have air-conditioning and fans, and staff are allowed to take breaks, but unfortunately the climate crisis is here. "Heatwaves came earlier this year and the season will be difficult," she said.

Greece's Red Cross said it had handed out some 12,000 bottles of water in the centre of the capital and at the Acropolis.

The Acropolis was forced to close in July last year during a two-week heatwave that was unprecedented in its duration.It was followed by fires which according consumed nearly 175,000 hectares of forest and farmland.

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ई-निविदा सूचना शासनादेश सं0-3890 / नौ-5-149सा / 2019 नगर विकास अनुभाग - 05 उ0प्र0 शासन लखनऊ दिनांक 20 सितम्बर, 2019 के अनुपालन में ठेकेदारों से निर्माण कार्यों हेतु निविदायें टू बिड पद्धति (तकनीकी एवं वित्तीय) के माध्यम से निम्न प्रकार से आमंत्रित की जाती है। ई-निविदा से सम्बनिधत प्रपत्र उत्तर प्रदेश की ई - प्रक्योरमेन्ट की वेबसाईट http://etender.up.nic.in व नगर निगम की बेवसाइट www.nagarnigambareilly.com पर देखी जा सकता है।

उ0प्र0 इलैक्ट्रिक वाहन विनिर्माण एवं गतीशीलता नीति-2022 के तहत चिन्हित भूमि पर चार्जिंग स्टेशन स्थापना हेतु पुनः ई-निविदा आमन्त्रण हेतु

Uploading of RFP	13-06-2024-TIME (03:00 PM)
Pre-Application meeting	28-06-2024 - TIME (01:00PM)
Issuance of Clarification/addendum	03-07-2024-TIME (03:00 PM)
Receiving of RFPs	17-07-2024 - TIME (04:00 PM)
Technical evaluation, shortlisting of Technically compliant bidders	22-07-2024 - TIME (03:00PM)
Receiving of Financial proposals, public opening & evaluation of financial proposals & Recommendation by bidder bid evaluation Committee	27-07-2024 - TIME (04:00 PM)

कार्यों का विवरण, नियम व शर्तें नगर निगम बरेली के वेबसाइट www.nagarnigambareilly.com पर ई-निविदा लिंक एवं ई-पोर्टल http://etender.up.nic.in पर उपलब्ध है। किसी परिवर्तन, संशोधन व अतिरिक्त सूचनाओं के लिये उक्त वेबसाइट पर देखी जा सकती है।

मुख्य अभियन्ता
नगर निगम, बरेली।

पावर ट्रांसमिशन कारपोरेशन ऑफ उत्तराखण्ड लि०

(उत्तराखण्ड सरकार का उपक्रम) कारपोरेट आई.डी. U40101UR2004SGC028675
अधीक्षण अभियन्ता (जानपद) परि0एवंअनु0 कार्यालय
"विद्युत भवन", नजदीक आई.एस.बी.टी. क्रासिंग, सहारनपुर रोड, माजरा देहरादून-248002 दूरभाष सं.: 7088117360

निविदा सूचना

इस कार्यालय द्वारा पिटकुल में जानपदीय कार्यों हेतु पंजीकृत इच्छुक फर्मों से निम्नलिखित कार्यों हेतु ई0-निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती है।

क्र. सं.	निविदा विशिष्टि संख्या	कार्य का नाम	निविदा प्रपत्र कार्यालय में जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि	आनलाईन ई-निविदा जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि	ई-निविदा खोलने की तिथि
1.	**01/SE(C) O&M/E-Tender/ PTCUL/D.Dun/ 2024-25**	**Construction of buildings and associated work for establishment of Oil Test Laboratory at Ramnagar Roorkee.**	09.07.2024 समय 17:00 बजे तक	09.07.2024 समय 17:00 बजे तक	10.07.2024 समय 15:00 बजे

निविदा सम्बन्धित अन्य विस्तृत विवरण ई-निविदा वेबसाइट **www.uktenders.gov.in/PTCUL** एवं ई-निविदा सूचना पिटकुल वेबसाइट **www.ptcul.org** से डाउनलोड किये जा सकते हैं।
ई-निविदा से सम्बन्धित जानकारी हेतु अथवा किसी भी सहायता के लिए PH.No- +91-8899890000, +0120-4200462, 0120-4001002, 0120-4001005, 0120-6277787 से सम्पर्क स्थापित करें।

पत्रांकः- 221/अधी0अभि0(जानपद)परि0एवंअनु0/पिटकुल/दे0दून0/टी-1
दिनांकः- 11.06.2024

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OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (CIVIL), ODISHA

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NIRMAN SOUDHA, UNIT-V, BHUBANESWAR
E-mail ID:cebuildings_orissa@yahoo.com, cebuildings@rediffmail.com, Tel. -(0674)- 2391523
INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)
File No. B-I-Home-42/2023 Lr. No. 24063 Dt. 10th June 2024

Invitation for Bids
Bid Identification No. C.E.-CUM-ADDL. SECY. (B) 01 / 2024-25

1.	The Chief Engineer-cum-Addl. Secretary, Works Dept., Odisha, Bhubaneswar, on behalf of Governor of Odisha, invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in ONLINE MODE only, for the work **"Improvement to erstwhile OAT Building, Cuttack along with Construction of 4th Floor for shifting of the District Court Complex, Cuttack" amounting to Rs.40,00,00,000/- (Approximate) as detailed below.**		
2.	Nature of work	:	Building Work
3.	No. of work	:	01 No.
4.	Bid Cost.	:	Rs. 10,000/-
5.	Class of Contractor	:	**Special / Super Class**
6.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	:	**From dt.26.06.2024 to 17.00 Hours of dt.10.07.2024**
7.	Date of Opening of Bids	:	**Dt.11.07.2024 at 11:30 AM.**
8.	The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website :https://tendersodisha.gov.in. Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.		

Chief Engineer-cum-Addl. Secretary, Works Dept., Odisha
OIPR - 34117/11/0002/2425

DAKSHINANCHAL VIDYUT VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED
(A Govt. of UP Undertaking)
(Urja Bhavan, NH-2(Agra-Delhi Bypass Road), Sikandra, Agra-282007)

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Sr. No.	Particulars	FY 2022-23 True-up	FY 2023-24 APR	FY 2024-25 ARR
1	Energy Purchase at Discom Periphery (MU)	28,307	28,460	29,213
2	Sale of Power (MU)	22,195	23,593	25,065
3	Approved Distribution Loss (%)	10.90%	10.52%	10.15%
	Actual/Projected Distribution Loss (%)	21.59%	17.10%	14.20%
4	Intra-State Transmission Loss (%)	3.27%	3.22%	3.18%
	Expenditure (Rs Crore)			
5	Power Purchase Expenses including PGCIL charges	14,492.63	13,653.42	14,713.43
6	Transmission Charges (UPPTCL)	717.90	751.62	771.53
7	Total O&M Expenses (net of capitalisation)	2,031.52	1,951.55	2,075.12
8	Smart Metering OPEX	46.11	54.45	282.27
9	Interest & Finance Charges (net of capitalisation)	619.26	774.13	869.39
10	Depreciation	516.95	638.91	744.79
11	Bad and Doubtful Debts	248.96	262.61	286.86
12	**Gross Expenditure**	**18,673.33**	**18,086.69**	**19,743.39**
13	Return on Equity	592.71	669.60	760.84
14	Less: Non-Tariff Income including DPS	99.12	99.12	99.12
15	**Annual Revenue Requirement**	**19,166.92**	**18,657.17**	**20,405.10**
16	Revenue from Tariff (Payable)	2,447.81	13,130.34	14,342.83
17	GoUP Subsidy	3,604.21	3,716.72	3,716.72
18	**Revenue (Gap)/Surplus**	**(3,114.90)**	**(1,810.10)**	**(2,345.55)**
19	Power Purchase Cost at (Ex-bus) (Rs./Unit)		5.01	5.24
20	Average Power Purchase Rate (BST) (Rs/ Unit)		5.31	5.49
21	DBST Rate (Rs/Unit)		4.80	5.04
22	ABR (Excluding Subsidy) Rs /Unit		5.57	5.72
23	Average Cost of Supply (Rs /Unit)		7.91	8.14
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CROSS SUBSIDY SURCHARGE PRPOSED FOR FY 2024-25

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पत्रांक-532-प्र0नि0/द0वि0वि0नि0लि0/मु0अभि(वा0)/सी-317/(आर0ए0यू0) दिनांक 12.06.2024

Managing Director
Dakshinanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd.

Online Tender Document for M.P. Police

POLICE HEADQUARTER, M.P., BHOPAL

No. PHQ/15/GPC/2486-4/2024 **Bhopal, Dated : 10.06.2024**

"ONLINE TENDER NOTICE"

Online tender are invited by Police Head Quarter, Bhopal on website **https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**

S. No.	Item	Qty.	EMD Paid Online Through mptenders.gov.in	Tender Fees (Rs.)
1	SOUND LEVEL METER	55 Nos.	4,13,000/-	10,000/-

1. Cost of tender document (Tender Fee) is non-refundable and cannot be exempted in any condition & **must submit online through website https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**.
2. Tender document can be download from the website of MP Police **(www.mppolice.gov.in)**.
3. Bids shall be submitted online only at MP Tenders website : **https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**
4. **Critical Date Sheet :**

Published Date	**10/06/2024 Time 18:00 PM**
Bid Document Download Start Date	**11/06/2024 Time 12:00 PM**
Pre Bid Meeting Date	**18/06/2024 Time 16:00 PM**
Bid Submission Start Date	**25/06/2024 Time 12:00 AM**
Bid Submission End Date	**01/07/2024 Time 14:00 PM**
Bid Opening Date	**02/07/2024 Time 16:00 PM**

5. Intending Bidders are advised to visit this website regularly till clossing date of submission to keep themselves updated as any change/modification in the tender will be intimated through this website only by corrigendum/ addendum/ amendment.
6. Bids will be opened as per date/time as mentioned in the Tender Critical Date Sheet. After online opening of Technical-Bid the results of their qualification as well Price-Bid opening will be intimated latter.

(Sunil Kumar Pandey)
D.I.G. (Provisioning)
G-11584/24 **For : Director General of Police M.P.**

Government of Union Territory Jammu & Kashmir
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MECHANICAL & HOSPITALS
Division Handwara
Email ID: xenmhdhandwara@gmail.com

Gist of e-tender

NIT No: -MHDH/TS/2024-25/02/e-tendering **Dated: 11.06.2024**

On the behalf of Lt. Governor of J&K Union Territory, e-tenders invited from registered, reputed and experienced firms for the below mentioned work.

Name of Work	Est. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Time of completion (in Days)	AA Accorded vide No.	TS No	Earnest Money (in Lacs)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Providing/installation of Central Heating (including Boiler) for 200 Bedded District Hospital Handwara	229.00	2500.00	04 months	Accorded	Accorded	4.58

1. **Downloading of Bids:-** The NIT consisting of qualifying Information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of quantities (B.O.Q), set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen from the departmental website **www.jktenders.gov.in** can be download from **11.06.2024 (1800 hrs)**
2. **Uploading:** The bidders shall deposit their bids in electronic format on the above website from **12.06.2024 (1000 hrs)** in two covers up to **01.07.2024 (1400 hrs)**.
3. Opening of Bids: The bids received up to due date and time shall be opened on **02.07.2024 (1400 hrs)** or any date convenient to the department in the office of Superintending Engineer Mechanical & Hospitals Circle Kashmir.

M&HDH/TS/597-604 Sd/-
Dated: 11.06.2024 **Executive Engineer**
DIPK-1278-24 **M&HD Handwara**

निदेशालय उद्यान एवं खाद्य प्रसंस्करण विभाग, उ0प्र0,
उद्यान भवन, 2-सप्रू मार्ग लखनऊ-226001
दूरभाष-0522-4044414, 2623277, फैक्स नं0-2621382
Web. www.uphorticulture.gov.in, E-Mail-dirhorti@rediffmail.com

पत्रांक :-54 /आई0टी0सेल/2024-25/273/लखनऊ : दिनाँक : **12 जून, 2024**

-: अभिरूचि की अभिव्यक्ति :-
(अल्पकालीन)

वित्तीय वर्ष 2024-25 हेतु विभाग में संचालित विभिन्न योजनाओं के अन्तर्गत प्रदेश में चयनित कृषकों को उच्च गुणवत्तायुक्त निर्धारित विभागीय मानक के अनुसार टिशूकल्चर केला पौध डी0बी0टी0 के माध्यम से उपलब्ध कराये जाने के सम्बन्ध में फर्म/कम्पनी/संस्थाओं के इम्पैलनमेंट हेतु ऑन-लाइन अभिरूचि की अभिव्यक्ति (ई.ओ.आई.) राज्य सूचना केन्द्र (एन.आई.सी.) की वेबसाइट www.etender.up.nic.in के माध्यम से आमंत्रित की जाती है। फर्म/कम्पनी/संस्थाओं के इम्पैलनमेंट से सम्बन्धित अभिरूचि की अभिव्यक्ति (ई.ओ.आई.) उक्त वेबसाइट पर दिनांक 18.06.2024 से डाउनलोड हेतु उपलब्ध रहेगा। वेबसाइट पर उपलब्ध अभिरूचि की अभिव्यक्ति (ई.ओ.आई.) नोटिस में ई.ओ.आई. प्रपत्र फीस, धरोहर धनराशि, ई.ओ.आई. डालने सहित अन्य महत्वपूर्ण तिथियों का विवरण निम्नवत् है:-

कार्य का नाम	टिशूकल्चर केला पौधों की आपूर्ति का कार्य
ई-ई.ओ.आई. की अनुमानित लागत	रू0 1610.00 लाख
ई-ई.ओ.आई. डाउनलोड करने की तिथि	दिनांक 18.06.2024 मध्यान्ह 12:00 बजे से दिनांक 28.06.2024 अपरान्ह 2:00 बजे तक
प्री-बिड मीटिंग	दिनांक 20.06.2024
ई-ई.ओ.आई. जमा/अपलोड करने की अन्तिम तिथि	दिनांक 28.06.2024 सायं 3:00 बजे तक
तकनीकी ई-ई.ओ.आई. खोलने की तिथि	दिनांक 28.06.2024 सायं 04:00 बजे तक
अर्नेस्ट मनी	रू0 2.00 लाख
ई-ई.ओ.आई. प्रपत्र का शुल्क	रू0 1500/- (जी.एस.टी. सहित)

उक्त कार्य हेतु इच्छुक फर्म/कम्पनी/संस्थाओं से अनुरोध है कि वे नियमित रूप से वेबसाइट www.etender.up.nic.in का अवलोकन करते रहें, क्योंकि समय-समय पर ई-ई.ओ.आई. के सम्बन्ध में कोई परिवर्तन अथवा अतिरिक्त सूचना शुद्धिपत्र के रूप में वेबसाइट पर ही उपलब्ध करायी जायेगी।

(विजय बहादुर द्विवेदी)
निदेशक।

उ0प्र0: 205994 दिनांक: 12.06.2024
Website: www.upgov.nic.in

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1	Energy Purchase at Discom Periphery (MU)	39,043	40,865	43,141
2	Sale of Power (MU)	33,437	35,371	38,188
3	Approved Distribution Loss (%)	10.63%	10.26%	9.90%
	Actual/Projected Distribution Loss (%)	14.36%	13.44%	11.48%
4	Intra-State Transmission Loss (%)	3.27%	3.22%	3.18%
	Expenditure (Rs Crore)			
5	Power Purchase Expenses including PGCIL charges	20,525.50	23,061.60	25,362.91
6	Transmission Charges (UPPTCL)	988.70	1,079.24	1,139.36
7	Total O&M Expenses (net of capitalisation)	2,148.77	1,936.38	2,055.99
8	Smart Metering OPEX	18.01	35.59	403.03
9	Interest & Finance Charges (net of capitalisation)	566.53	604.04	680.39
10	Depreciation	411.87	485.36	575.53
11	Bad and Doubtful Debts	429.67	442.97	488.10
12	**Gross Expenditure**	**25,089.04**	**27,645.17**	**30,705.31**
13	Return on Equity	598.66	647.01	724.84
14	Less: Non-Tariff Income including DPS	178.79	178.79	178.79
15	**Annual Revenue Requirement**	**25,508.92**	**28,113.39**	**31,251.37**
16	Revenue from Tariff (Payable)	21,483.30	22,148.62	24,405.19
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BIHAR STATE POWER TRANSMISSION CO. LTD., PATNA
(GST No. :- 10AAFCB2393H1Z1, CIN -U74110BR2012SGC01889)
Head Office, Vidyut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna- 800021
(Department of Project-I of BSPTCL)
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Tender Notice (NIT) NO.-16/PR/BSPTCL/2024
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Description of work	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	E.M.D. (Rs.)	Cost of B.O.Q.(Non-Refundable)(Rs.)	Bid Processing Fee (Rs.)	Completion period
Construction of 03 nos. MD+6 tower with pile foundation for shifting the existing 33KV Baruar line, 33KV Nepal (Sirha) line & 11KV Hanuman Nagar line	**8.46 Cr**	**8.46 Lacs**	**11,800**	**5900**	**09 (Nine) months) from N.O.A.**

Bid submission Start Date and Time	From 15:00 Hrs. of 26.06.2024
Date of Pre-bid meeting	On 11:00 Hrs. of01.07.2024
Bid submission End Date and Time	Up to 15:00 Hrs. of 16.07.2024
Date of opening of Techno-Commercial Bid (Part-I):	After 16:00 Hrs. of18.07.2024

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(A Govt. of UP Undertaking)
(4A, GOKHLE MARG, LUCKNOW-226010)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 64 of the Electricity Act 2003, the State Government owned Distribution Company Madhyanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. submitted True-Up for FY 2022-23, APR for FY 2023-24 and ARR petition for FY 2024-25 on 30.11.2023 before UP Electricity Regulatory Commission.
The Hon'ble Commission admitted the above petition by its order dated 10.06.2024 In compliance to the said order, the stakeholders, electricity consumers and general public at large are hereby informed about the salient features of the Petition as under: -

Sr. No.	Particulars	FY 2022-23 True-up	FY 2023-24 APR	FY 2024-25 ARR
1	Energy Purchase at Discom Periphery (MU)	27,347	28,842	30,434
2	Sale of Power (MU)	23,228	24,448	26,112
3	Approved Distribution Loss (%)	10.63%	10.26%	9.90%
	Actual/Projected Distribution Loss (%)	15.06%	15.23%	14.20%
4	Intra-State Transmission Loss (%)	3.27%	3.22%	3.18%
	Expenditure (Rs Crore)			
5	Power Purchase Expenses including PGCIL charges	15,677.33	15,535.54	16,613.13
6	Transmission Charges (UPPTCL)	692.73	761.70	803.76
7	Total O&M Expenses (net of capitalisation)	2,114.95	2,218.19	2,354.60
8	Smart Metering OPEX	24.19	28.89	325.23
9	Interest & Finance Charges (net of capitalisation)	613.48	726.90	816.79
10	Depreciation	440.67	528.73	622.18
11	Bad and Doubtful Debts	274.16	296.41	321.86
12	**Gross Expenditure**	**19,837.50**	**20,096.37**	**21,857.56**
13	Return on Equity	525.46	581.22	662.09
14	Less: Non-Tariff Income including DPS	272.42	272.42	272.42
15	**Annual Revenue Requirement**	**20,090.54**	**20,405.17**	**22,247.23**
16	Revenue from Tariff (Payable)	13,707.75	14,820.62	16,092.90
17	GoUP Subsidy	3,692.08	3,840.02	3,840.02
18	**Revenue (Gap)/Surplus**	**(2,690.71)**	**(1,744.52)**	**(2,314.30)**
19	Power Purchase Cost at (Ex-bus) (Rs./Unit)		5.01	5.24
20	Average Power Purchase Rate (BST) (Rs/ Unit)		5.31	5.49
21	DBST Rate (Rs/Unit)		5.39	5.46
22	ABR (Excluding Subsidy) Rs /Unit		6.06	6.16
23	Average Cost of Supply (Rs /Unit)		8.35	8.52
24	Wheeling Charges (Rs/Unit)			1.14

CROSS SUBSIDY SURCHARGE PRPOSED FOR FY 2024-25

S. No.	Categories	(Rs./kWh)
1	HV-1 (Supply at 11 kV)	1.48
2	HV-1 (Supply above 11 kV)	2.87
3	HV-2 (Supply upto 11 kV)	0.20
4	HV-2 (Supply above 11 kV & upto 66 kV)	0.62
5	HV-2 (Supply above 66 kV & above 132 kV)	0.47
6	HV-3 (For Metro Traction)	1.70
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Managing Director
Madhyanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd.

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Kamal Kishore Soan takes over the charge of Director General, ESIC



Kamal Kishore Soan, a senior IAS officer from Jharkhand Cadre (Batch: 1998) currently serving as an Additional Secretary and Director General, Labour Welfare in the Ministry of Labour & Employment, took over the additional charge of Director General of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) under Ministry of Labour & Employment, on May 31. He has vast experience in the governance and management of various depts in the state of Jharkhand.

Dr Jitendra Singh assumes charge as Minister of State

Dr Jitendra Singh assumed charge as Minister of State for the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances, and Pensions for the third consecutive term on June 11 at 10 am in North Block, New Delhi. After taking charge, Dr Jitendra Singh said, "The last 10 years have witnessed a series of revolutionary governance reforms happening under the leadership of PM Modi, and these will continue during this term." He thanked PM Modi for his faith in him and giving him the responsibility for the third consecutive term.

The month-long summer internship of the NHRC, India begins

The month-long highly coveted Summer Internship Programme of the NHRC began on June 10 in New Delhi. For this sought-after programme, out of more than 1,400 applicants, 80 students from diverse academic backgrounds across the country got the opportunity to attend the programme. While inaugurating the programme Bharat Lal, Secretary General, NHRC encouraged the students to embrace the Indian ethos of empathy and compassion to protect and promote human rights for which sensitivity and responsiveness are most crucial.

CWC celebrates World Environment Day with sapling plantation drive

Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) celebrated World Environment Day with a significant green initiative aimed at promoting sustainability and environmental consciousness. The event saw the participation of CWC's Managing Director, Amit Kumar Singh, along with Director (Finance) Anuj Kumar, Director (Personnel) Sangeeta Ramrakhyani, and Chief Vigilance Officer Aprajita Sharma, alongside enthusiastic CWC staff members. In a collective effort to enhance the office premises' greenery the CWC team planted saplings.

Ashwini Vaishnaw takes charge as Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting



Ashwini Vaishnaw assumed charge as Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting on June 11 in New Delhi. Speaking with media on the occasion, Vaishnaw said that the Government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is dedicated to the upliftment of the poor. The Minister reiterated the Cabinet decision for the construction of 3 crore rural and urban houses yesterday and said that the first Cabinet decision on the first day of the Government is devoted to the empowerment of the poor. He further stated that the Government will continue to serve the people of the country. The Minister expressed his gratitude to the Prime Minister for this opportunity to serve as the Minister of Information and Broadcasting.

Coal Ministry conducts workshop for mining clearances



Coal Ministry conducted a day-long workshop on Environmental and Forest Clearances for coal mining. The event, held in New Delhi, in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), was attended by over 175 officials from the Ministry of Coal, MoEFCC, Coal India Ltd, SECL, BCCL, ECL, NLCIL, SCCL, NTPC, Coal Controller Organisation, private coal companies, and other experts from the sector. Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Amrit Lal Meena was the Chief Guest and Additional Secretary & Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal, M Nagaraju was the Guest of Honour.

26 Allen students secured All India Rank-1 in NEET-UG



Allen Career Institute made history in NEET-UG 2024. Director, Dr Maheshwari said that Allen has the best results in NEET-2024. It has the highest number of top All India Rank-1, top-100 AIR Ranks and qualified students in NEET UG 2024 results.

Secretaries for I&B and AYUSH review Yoga Day prep



The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting (I&B) and the Ministry of AYUSH initiated the preparations for the organisation of International Day of Yoga (IDY) 2024. Sanjay Jaju, Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting (I&B) and Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha, Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH reviewed media and outreach activities for the upcoming IDY 2024 celebrated annually on June 21. The Media Units of the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting are to organise a variety of program activities to create awareness about the Common Yoga Protocol (CYP) along with awareness about the benefits of practising Yoga.

Allen Kota Student tops JEE-Advanced 2024

Allen Career Institute delivered historic results in JEE-Advanced exam. Ved Lahoti, a student from Kota, secured All India Rank 1. Ved achieved the highest score in the history of IIT JEE, scoring 355 out of 360 marks with a 98.61 per cent score. The director of IIT Madras personally called Ved Lahoti and Dwija Patel to congratulate them. The release of the results created a wave of excitement in Career City, Kota. The directors of Allen Career Institute, Rajesh Maheshwari, Naveen Maheshwari, and Dr Brajesh Maheshwari, congratulated the students .

Safdarjung Hospital integrates yoga

The Yoga and Naturopathy OPD & Lifestyle Intervention Centre at Safdarjung Hospital, under CCRYN, Ministry of AYUSH, Govt of India, successfully organised a seminar titled "Integrating Yoga into Medical Practice to Enhance Well-Being of Patients and Healthcare Providers." The seminar brought together distinguished experts from the fields of yoga, healthcare, and research to explore the multifaceted benefits of incorporating yoga into medical practices. The event was attended by around 85 medical professionals from Safdarjung Hospital.

QCI celebrates World Accreditation Day across cities

Quality Council of India (QCI) celebrated World Accreditation Day across more than 20 cities in India. The event held in New Delhi, with the theme "Accreditation: Empowering Tomorrow and Shaping the Future," was inaugurated by Secretary, DPIIT, Rajesh Kumar Singh. The event was graced by the presence of the Director of AIIMS, New Delhi, Dr M Srinivas; Chairperson, Quality Council of India, Jaxay Shah along with several industry leaders, Government officials, and company heads, who discussed the role of accreditation in shaping the quality of life in all spheres. Addressing the event, Rajesh Kumar Singh emphasised the need to develop processes that make us stand out from the crowd. He mentioned that strengthening the accreditation body and the entire quality system is not just a necessity but a strategic move towards excellence.

Both NABL and NABCB constitute the accreditation infrastructure in India and are signatories to the Multilateral Recognition Arrangements of the IAF and ILAC.

Pepsi celebrates its new visual identity in Delhi

Pepsi recently unveiled its new logo and visual identity system across the world, the first update of the iconic Pepsi globe logo in 14 years. The new look rolled out across the market, celebrated the brand's 125th anniversary and marked the brand's next era with an eye towards the future. The new design has evolved Pepsi to represent its most unapologetic and enjoyable qualities and spans all physical and digital touchpoints. The new logo and visual identity pay homage to the brand's rich heritage while taking a big leap towards the future.

IRCTC offers discounts on Buddhist Tourist Package

IRCTC presented one of its flagship products, the Buddhist Circuit Special Tourist Train tour package which earned many accolades for the company in the travel and tourism world. IRCTC is offering a special Buddhist Circuit Tour of 7 nights and 8 days from Delhi Safdarjung covering the various important destinations associated with the life of Lord Buddha such as Bodhgaya, Nalanda (Rajgir), Varanasi (Sarnath), Lumbini, Kushinagar and Shravasti while the tour ends with a spectacular visit to the world famous Taj Mahal.



The Central Cottage Industries Corporation of India Ltd celebrated World Environment Day on June 5. Manoj Lal, MD, CCIC India Ltd led a tree plantation drive by planting tree saplings on the premises. He stated, that it is our collective responsibility to take care of the environment.



Sanjay Kulshrestha, Chairman & MD, HUDCO signed MoU with Dr Padmanabhan Raja Jaishankar, MD, IIFCL, on June 6, to collaborate for extending Infrastructure Co-Financing, Refinancing, Project Management Consultancy Services and Capacity Building activities, as per mandates.



NCRTC celebrated World Environment Day with engaging activities. Pledge boards were installed at RRTS stations, encouraging riders to commit to a sustainable future. In collaboration with the National Book Trust, NCRTC also organised a drawing competition and a storytelling session for children.



NDMC celebrated World Environment Day by promoting sustainable practices and environmental awareness. The initiatives were graced by the presence of Chairman NDMC – Amit Yadav, VC – Satish Upadhyay and various collaborators dedicated to fostering a greener New Delhi.



The Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal took charge of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways on June 10 in New Delhi. Addressing the office bearers and the staff, the Minister evoked confidence in the team for delivering goals and objectives with a vision to serve the people of this country.



'Sindhu Shikhar' car rally from Delhi to Leh and back was flagged off by VAdm Sanjay Bhalla, the Chief of Personnel on Jun 10 from New Delhi. The objective of the expedition was to spread awareness about the maritime heritage of India and maritime consciousness in the northern states.



In a landmark initiative on World Environment Day, RGU announced its ambitious goal to achieve a waste-free and carbon-neutral campus by 2027. This commitment aims to align with India's vision of achieving net-zero emissions by 2070.



NBCC inked an MoU with OIL on June 11, for the construction of OIL's centralised core repository with advanced lab facilities in Assam, which is valued at Rs 100 crore approx. The MoU was signed by Saloma Yomdo, ED (E&D), OIL and Pradeep Sharma, ED (Engg), NBCC in the presence of senior officials.

बिहार लोक सेवा आयोग
15, नेहरू पथ (बेली रोड), पटना-800001

आवश्यक सूचना

विज्ञापन संख्या– 23/2024, भवन निर्माण विभाग के अन्तर्गत सहायक वास्तुविद् के कुल 106 पदों पर नियुक्ति हेतु एकल परीक्षा का आयोजन दिनांक– 18.07.2024 (गुरुवार) को संभावित है।
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Government of Maharashtra
Public Works Division, Parbhani
E-Tender Notice No. 02 (SBD) of 2024-2025

Online Tender (e-tenders) in SBD for 2 work are invited by the Executive Engineer P.W. Division, Parbhani (Phone No. 02452-222708) on Government of Maharashtra Electronic Tender Management system. https://maharashtra.etenders.in from registered contractors in appropriate class with Public Work Department of Maharashtra State.

The details can be viewed and download online directly from the Government of Maharashtra e-tendering portal https://mahatenders.gov.in or www.mahapwd.com

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Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Public Works Division
Parbhani

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Age :** About 40 years, **Height :** 5'4", **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Identification:** Mole on neck wearing red & blue colour checkdar shirt black colour pant was found dead on 27.05.2024 on footpath near CRPF Camp, Tilak Nagar, Delhi . In this regard DD No. 146A dated 27.05.2023 has been lodged at P.S. Tilak Nagar, New Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone numbers.

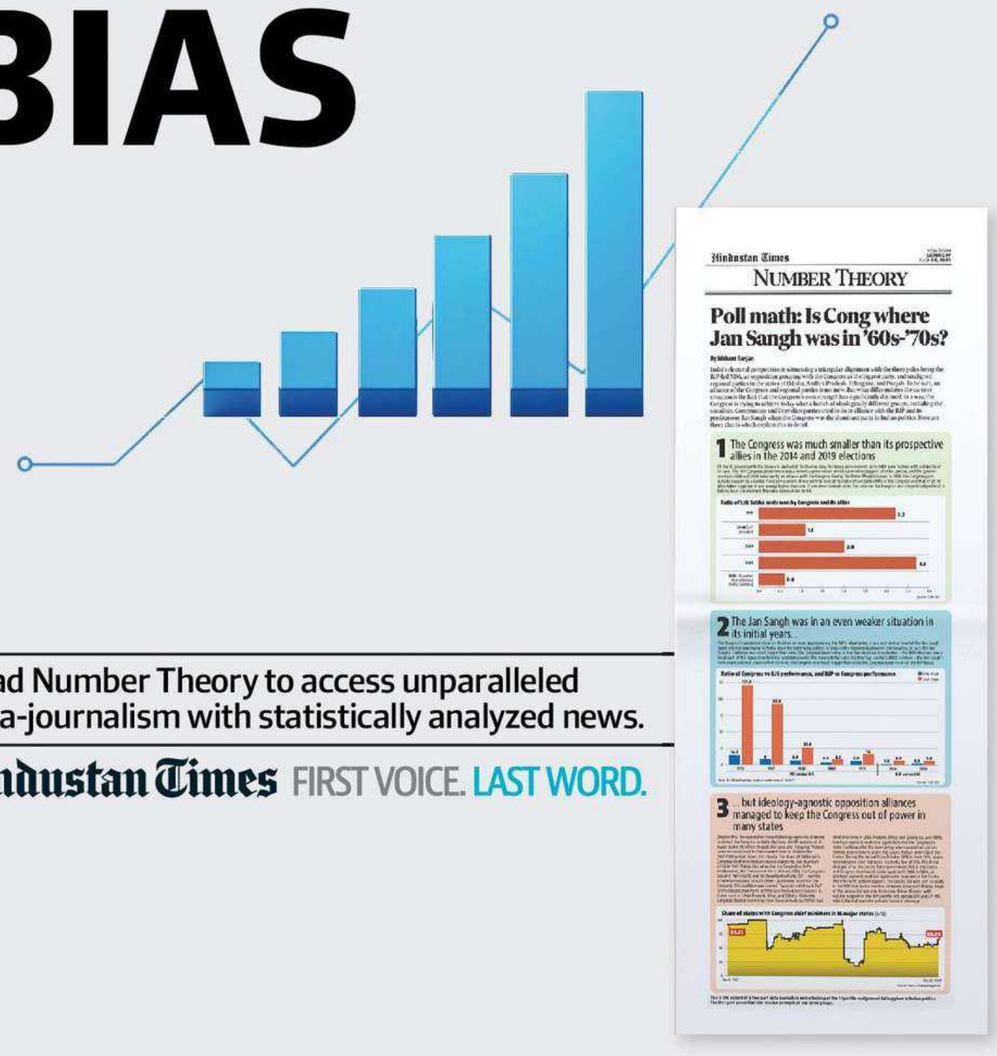
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पत्रांकः 717/E-Tender/113
दिनांकः 12.06.2024

ई-निविदा सूचना

उत्तर प्रदेश जल निगम (नगरीय), की ओर से अधोहस्ताक्षरी द्वारा **Construction of Kalyan Mandap Bhawan At Chinaur Nagar Nigam Shahjahanpur (U.P.)** अनु.लागत **₹357.09 लाख**, हेतु दिनांक **03.07.2024** की अपरान्ह **15:00 बजे** तक ई-निविदाएं आमन्त्रित की जाती हैं। उक्त कार्य हेतु ई-निविदा प्रपत्र दिनांक **13.06.2024** से दिनांक **03.07.2024** के मध्य उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार की **e-procurement** वेबसाइट **https://etender.up.nic.in** से डाउनलोड किये जा सकते है तथा ई-निविदा दिनांक **03.07.2024** को अपराह **17:00 बजे** कार्यालय परियोजना प्रबन्धक, यूनिट-30, सी.एण्ड डी.एस., उ.प्र. जल निगम (नगरीय), शाहजहाँपुर में खोली जायेंगी। ई-निविदा प्रपत्र का मूल्य **₹10,000+GST (18%)** अतिरिक्त देय होगा। निविदा से सम्बन्धित विस्तृत विवरण विभाग की वेबसाइट **www.cdsupjn.org** एवं प्रोक्योरमेन्ट पोर्टल **https://etender.up.nic.in** पर उपलब्ध है। समस्त शुद्धि-पत्र **(Corrigendum) https://etender.up.nic.in** पर ही अपलोड किये जायेंगे, **इनका पृथक से कोई प्रकाशन नहीं किया जायेगा**। निविदादाताओं को सलाह दी जाती है कि वे उक्त वेबसाईट का समय-समय पर अवलोकन करते रहें।

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U. P. Jal Nigam (Urban) online e-tenders on turn-key percentage rate basis in Two bid system are invited for execution of **"Nagar Palika Parishad Kasganj Water Supply Scheme Under AMRUT 2.0 Programme"** are invited in two bid system on percentage basis from eligible, reputed and experienced bidder. E-bid documents will be available for download **from 14.06.2024 by 17:00 Hrs.** Pre-bid meeting will be held on **dated 18.06.2024 at 15:00 Hrs.** in undersigned office and Last Date and Time for submission of queries **till 21.06.2024 up to 17:00 Hrs.** E-Bids can be submitted **till 27.06.2024 up to 17:00 Hrs.** and technical bid shall be opened on **28.06.2024 at 13:00 Hrs.** in the **Office of the Superintending Engineer, Construction Circle, U. P. Jal Nigam (Urban), Aligarh** in presence of contractor or their authorized representative. **E-tender cost is Rs 20000.00+GST @18%** for tender. Details are available on U. P. Govt e-procurement portal **http://etender.up.nic.in** & U.P.Jal Nigam

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Rating firms press for RBI action on cos hiding info

At present, over 60% of rated companies are estimated to be non-cooperative

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Discussions with the RBI were initiated by the AIRA to better manage the issue of non-cooperative issuers. HT

MUMBAI: Credit rating agencies are looking to the central bank for a decision on their demand to penalise banks that do not share no-objection certificates (NOCs) required to withdraw ratings of companies that withhold key information, two rating agency officials said.

The issue gains significance considering that at present, more than 60% of all rated issuers or companies are estimated to be non-cooperative, and rising, they added.

According to the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, discussions with the RBI were initiated by the Association of Indian Rating Agencies (AIRA) to better manage the issue of non-cooperative issuers.

The officials said rating agencies are yet to hear from the regulator on their proposal to raise risk weights on loans where companies are not cooperating with rating agencies, adding that the problem of non-cooperation was more prevalent with smaller companies than the bigger ones.

The Economic Times had reported in June 2023 that RBI sought details of companies withholding information.

Banks use ratings from external agencies to decide the risk weight on loans as per regulatory guidelines. These risk weights determine how much capital will be consumed for a specific loan. The higher the perceived risk, the higher its risk weightage.

"We have to spend time and resources on these ratings even as the companies do not respond to requests for data," said the first person.

The second person said that the agencies had approached both markets regulator Sebi and RBI, but given that most of these non-cooperative ratings pertain to loans and not bonds, they are now focused on convincing the central bank.

Bankers denied they are holding back withdrawal of ratings. According to two senior bankers who also spoke on condition of anonymity, many companies want to change their rating agency in search of better rating since it allows them to raise cheaper funds. They said banks give NOCs on a case-by-case basis.

Emails sent to Crisil Ratings, Care Ratings, India Ratings and Research, RBI and Sebi remained unanswered. A spokesperson for Icra declined to comment.

Sankar Chakraborti, managing director and chief executive officer, Acuité Ratings & Research, said a rating agency cannot stop covering a rating even when the issuer is not cooperating. "Both rating industry and banks need to work closely to find a solution to this problem," he said.

Experts said Sebi guidelines mandate rating agencies to carry out periodic review of the securities they have rated. "In case of non-cooperation by the issuer, CRA (credit rating agency) is required to carry out the review on the basis of best available information," said Shrishail Kittad, a partner at law firm IndiaLaw LLP.

Retail inflation eases in May, food costs soar

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NEW DELHI: Retail inflation was at 4.75% in May from 4.83% in April, almost flat, according to data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO) on Wednesday. The headline number, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), changed from 4.83% to 4.75% between April and May in line with a Bloomberg poll of economists which had predicted a number of 4.85%. What is keeping the overall inflation print outside the RBI's target of 4% is high food inflation which continues to be above 8%.

The latest inflation number, when read with last week's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) resolution suggests that unless food inflation eases significantly RBI is unlikely to cut rates anytime soon. Food prices, at least in the next few months, will depend critically on the performance of the monsoon. On Wednesday, India Meteorological Department (IMD) said that, as of now, the south-west monsoon had lost momentum after covering western parts of the peninsula ahead of schedule. To be sure, the IMD was non-committal on whether this will have an impact on rainfall for the entire season.



Vegetables (27.3%) and pulses (17.1%) continued to be the biggest drivers of inflation. AP

The uncertainty on food price outlook notwithstanding, a further moderation in core inflation – it measures the non-food non-fuel part of the food basket – would give some comfort to policy makers. Core inflation, according to the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE) database was at 3.12% in May 2024, 13 basis points down from its previous all-time low of 3.25% in April. One basis point is one hundredth of a percentage point.

At 4.75%, the headline CPI number for May 2024 has been falling, even though marginally, for the fifth consecutive month. Food inflation, however has been hovering on the upside for 8% for this entire period and has remained virtually unchanged between April and May at 8.7% and 8.69%. Among food items, vegetables (27.3%) and pulses (17.1%) continue to be the biggest drivers of inflation despite a continuing disinflation in edible oil and significant moderation in inflation for milk products. Among non-food items, disinflation in fuel prices also played a role in keeping the overall inflation print in control.

May 2024 numbers do nothing to change the RBI's prognosis about the inflation situation in the country. "Inflation continues to moderate, mainly driven by the core component which reached its lowest level in the current series in April 2024. The deflation in fuel prices is ongoing. Food inflation, however, remains elevated", Governor Shaktikanta Das had said in written statement released on June 6 after the MPC meeting.

Rajani Sinha, chief economist at CareEdge Ratings said, "Growth in India's industrial output moderated to 5% in April from an upwardly revised 5.4% in the previous month. While growth in electricity and mining output accelerated, the manufacturing sector growth moderated constraining the overall IIP performance."

US CONSUMER INFLATION EASES AHEAD OF FED RATE DECISION

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WASHINGTON: Fresh US consumer inflation data published Wednesday is unlikely to sway the Federal Reserve's plans to leave its key lending rate unchanged, but could alter how many rate cuts policymakers pencil in for this year.

The annual consumer price index (CPI) came in at 3.3% in May, down 0.1 percentage point from April and unchanged on a monthly basis, the Labour Department said in a statement -- slightly below expectations.

"Prices are still too high, but today's report shows welcome progress on lowering inflation," US President Joe Biden said in a statement after the inflation data were published. The Republican Party, which is challenging the Democrats in November's elections, took a longer-term view of inflation, writing on X that "prices have now risen by 20.1% since Biden took office."

Despite the small drop last month, inflation remains stuck firmly above the Fed's long-term target of two %, making it almost certain that the US central bank will vote to hold rates at a 23-year high of between 5.25 and 5.50% later on , and wait for additional clarity on inflation. "For the Federal Reserve it's very nice," Allianz Trade North America senior economist Dan North told AFP. "That's what they would like to see after almost two years now of restrictive monetary policy."

But, he added, "CPI has basically gone sideways for 12 months, so going from 3.4 to 3.3 (%), it doesn't give us much."

The US Fed has a dual mandate from Congress to tackle inflation and unemployment, and recent data suggest it remains broadly on track to manage both without pushing the United States into recession.

With cuts almost certainly off the agenda for this meeting, 's action is likely to center around the economic forecasts from the 19 members of the Fed's rate-setting Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC), which will be updated for the first time since March.

Yes Bank, IDFC First seek to revive corporate lending

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Prashant Kumar, managing director and chief executive of Yes Bank. MINT

MUMBAI: Two former large corporate lenders, Yes Bank and IDFC First Bank, are making a comeback to their old business after a gap of almost four years. While both banks target strong corporate loan growth in the coming quarters, they also claim that this is not a shift in strategy.

The two private sector lenders had earlier burnt their fingers by lending aggressively to the corporate sector, before diversifying. With legacy corporate loans being cleaned up, these banks are now more keen to increase such advances, albeit gradually.

Prashant Kumar, managing director and chief executive of Yes Bank, explained that while new loans have been disbursed over the past few months, legacy corporate loans also had been repaid at the same time, which resulted in lower corporate loan growth.

The bank's corporate loans increased 5.9% at the end of March, compared with a drop over the past three years. With the existing book being run down, the bank hopes corporate loan growth will pick up.

"As guided earlier, we expect that within advances, the ratio of retail + SME (small and medium enterprises) segment advances to wholesale segment advances (mid-corporate and large corporate) would remain at the similar level of 62:38 from here on over the near-to-medium term," Kumar said on a call with analysts.

"Within advances, while we would continue to drive a steadfast growth in the SME and mid-corporate segment and further enhance our focus on profitability improvement within retail, we would expect corporate advances segment to grow in high single digits."

During founder Rana Kapoor's tenure four years ago, Yes Bank used to give 60% of its loans to companies. After the Reserve Bank of India superseded the bank's board in March 2020 and put in place a reconstruction or amalgamation scheme, the lender's loan book diversified to more retail and small business loans.

IDFC First Bank too is looking at a healthy mix of retail and corporate loans, which currently stand at 83:17.

Almost 90% of its loan book was focussed on corporate lending and infrastructure financing five years ago, when IDFC Bank and Capital First announced a merger to form IDFC First Bank.

However, the bank made a conscientious decision to reduce its corporate loan exposure because it had turned bad after the merger. Over the years, the bank's corporate loan exposure reduced, falling to 17% at the end of March.

"With commodity cycle recovering from their recent lows, we expect working capital needs of both manufacturers and trading service providers to grow over FY25," said Paritosh Mathur, wholesale banking head, IDFC First Bank. "We had credit costs in the last cycle in corporate banking, so we have conservative credit risk exposure norms and look at cash flows closely."

EV, electronics boom fuels rush for apprentices

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NEW DELHI/MUMBAI: Large electronics and electric vehicle (EV) manufacturers are recruiting apprentices at an unprecedented pace to address talent gaps in these booming sectors, often going beyond state-mandated quotas. According to staffing firm Teamlease, for some high-demand roles, these firms are offering as much as 70% higher stipends than mandated by states.

In the EV space, employment through apprenticeship programmes is doubling each year, while for the electronics sector, the growth has been more than tenfold in the past four years, according to Teamlease's degree apprenticeship program. The electronics sector, on the other hand, has witnessed a rise in apprentice participation from 7,500 apprentices in 2019-20 to a staggering 91,900 apprentices in 2023-24, marking a 12.2-fold increase.

"This surge in apprenticeship engagement not only strengthens the industry's capacity but also underscores the efficacy of policy reforms, particularly under the 'Skill India' initiative," Sumit Kumar, chief executive, Teamlease degree apprenticeship said. "Moreover, the tangible return on investment offered by apprenticeships has instilled confidence within the industry, providing a vital avenue for youth to secure formal employment."

EMPLOYMENT VIA APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMMES IS DOUBLING PER YEAR IN THE EV SPACE

Currently, there are more than 550,000 vacancies available under the apprenticeship portal of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

Atul Kumar Tiwari, secretary of ministry of skill development and entrepreneurship, said till date, more than 3.2 million youth have been engaged as apprentices across 36 sectors.

"We are currently working with more than 110 industry clusters, encompassing one-third of India's districts," said Tiwari. "The direct benefit transfer of stipends has significantly enhanced the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS), with more than ₹350 crore disbursed to apprentices' accounts since its launch last year. The next phase of the scheme will undoubtedly see an increased percentage of apprentices receiving hands-on training across establishments."

An apprenticeship is a system of training where 'apprentices' learn a trade or profession through a combination of on-the-job training and classroom instruction. Apprentices can be graduates or non-graduates. Students who turn apprentices can use the stipend to fund their education.

Organ donations may not be just a family affair any longer

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Plans are also afoot to allow health insurance for donors. ISTOCKPHOTO

NEW DELHI: There may be relief at hand for those in the long-winded queue for organ transplants, with the Union government planning to open up organ exchange between unrelated individuals.

Currently, most organ donations happen within families; however, two blood groups often do not match, and the patient has to wait indefinitely for availability. Now, the health ministry is planning to allow one family to exchange with another if there is a match. Plans are also afoot to allow health insurance for donors, to fix legal loopholes, and to facilitate organ harvesting from the deceased, a government official aware of the plans said.

The move assumes significance given that as per health ministry data, India conducts only 6,000 kidney transplants every year against a requirement of about 200,000. Heart transplant rates are even worse—about 10 to 15 transplants every year, even as 50,000 persons die of heart failure. Similarly, an estimated 200,000 Indians die of liver failure or liver cancer annually, about 10–15% of which can be saved with a timely transplant.

The health ministry has kicked off virtual brainstorming sessions with subject experts who will present their findings during the so-called chintan shivir, the official cited above said on the condition of anonymity. Non-government organizations, state government officials, transplant surgeons and legal experts are among those attending the 10 sessions, the official said.

"We are also in discussions with the insurance regulator to make provision for health insurance for organ donors. Right now, these insurance companies do not offer health insurance to such individuals," the official added.

Queries sent to the health ministry spokesperson remained unanswered till press time.

Swaps among close relatives such as mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister and spouse are already permitted in law.

"However, we are getting demands for other-than near relative donors to be given permission for swap donations," the official said, adding all these issues will be discussed at the chintan shivir. All transplants in India have to be mandatorily approved by an official authorisation committee.

Dr Anup Kumar, head of urology and kidney transplant department at Delhi's Safdarjung hospital said, "Near relatives are first-degree family members who are approved as per law for organ donation, and other-than near relatives like friends or any other family are not permitted in law for organ donation.

A special committee is constituted to look after this, which is still not allowed for swap donations.

Govt set to sign FTA with Oman in its first 100 days

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NEW DELHI: India is set to sign a free trade agreement (FTA) with Oman in the first 100 days of the third term of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who on Tuesday said that strategic ties between the two countries are destined to scale new heights and the matter figured in commerce minister Piyush Goyal's review meeting.

Two officials aware of the matter said negotiations between India and the Sultanate of Oman were almost over during Modi's previous term. However, the FTA deal could not be signed with the enforcement of the model code of conduct on March 16 following the announcement of dates for the Lok Sabha polls. The officials, who requested anonymity, said the deal is likely to be concluded soon. "The India-Oman FTA is almost finalised, awaiting [formal] political nod from both sides," one of the officials said.

Days before the elections, India on March 10 signed an FTA with a group of four European countries—Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, and Switzerland. The four countries committed to invest $100 billion in India to create one million direct jobs over 15 years.

Indian and Omani Officials have prepared the required draft documents and it is a work in progress, the second official said and added the Oman ruler spoke to the Prime Minister congratulating him for his third term.

"Thank His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tarik of the Sultanate of Oman for his call and



The FTA with Oman will be the first important bilateral deal of Modi's third term. GETTYIMAGES

deeply appreciate his warm felicitations and words of friendship. The centuries-old India-Oman strategic ties are destined to scale new heights," Modi said in a post on X on Tuesday.

When signed, the FTA with Oman will be the first important bilateral deal of Modi's third term and the fourth since 2022. India signed an FTA with the United Arab Emirates on February 18, 2022, followed by another deal with Australia on April 2 of that year. India is negotiating FTAs with the United Kingdom, Peru, and the European Union.

The proposed deal with Oman is expected to help India in its energy security and ensure a cheaper supply of fertilisers, besides boosting foreign investments, the second official said. It will help reduce prices of Indian imports to Oman such as rice, tea, coffee, spices, dairy produce, meat, apparel, steel products, and machinery, he said.

The FTA talks got a boost after bin Tarik and Modi met in New Delhi on December 16, 2023. The proposed FTA—Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)—figured prominently in the discussions between the two leaders.

The second official said the proposed CEPA will boost both trade and investments. On the sidelines of the Sultan's state visit in mid-December, Goyal and Oman's trade minister Qais Bin Mohammed Al Yousef held discussions on bilateral trade and investment relations. The ministers decided to create an Oman desk in Invest India to boost investments and an India desk in Invest Oman.

India and Oman share a long-standing cooperation built on people-to-people ties dating back centuries. The two countries are strategic partners. They have had bilateral trade and investment relationships since diplomatic relations were established in 1955.

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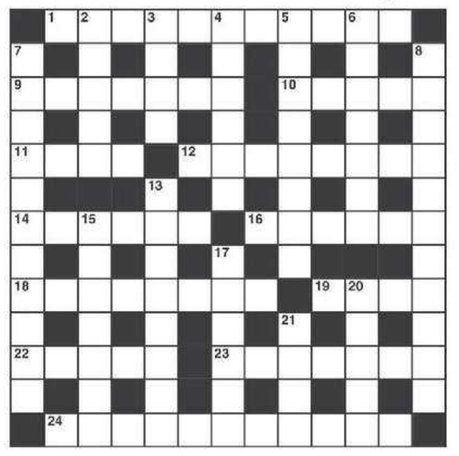
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14 Some direct orders for the parson (6)
16 Go over a fault (6)
18 Back at sea (2,6)
19 No handy measure (4)
22 Ten is about all right as a symbol (5)
23 One task the fewer for the unemployed (7)
24 Distinctive character is only a priest perhaps (11)

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2 Go round twice at speed (5)
3 Bird in the wilderness (4)
4 Boring chap perhaps, but he keeps us going (6)
5 Watched a repeat on TV maybe and was critical (8)
6 Father's wise to make the crossing (7)
7 Question of treating one in a new way (11)
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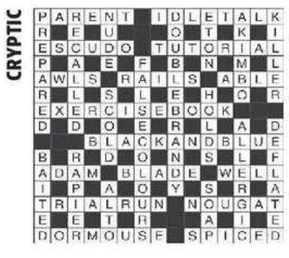
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2 Reasoned argument (5)
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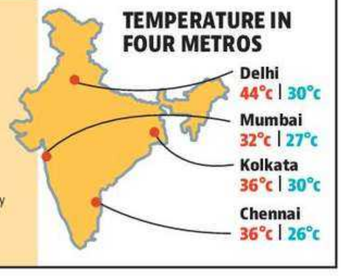
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NOTIFICATION
Prayagraj, the 3rd June, 2024

S.O. 2172(E).-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 20A of the Railways Act, 1989 (24 of 1989) (hereinafter referred to as the said act), the Central Government after being satisfied that for the public purpose the land the brief description of which has been given in the schedule annexed hereto is required for the purpose of execution, maintenance, management and operation of Special Railway Project namely, **"Construction of ROB in lieu of LC-75-A at Km 1253/25-27 in Tundla-Ghaziabad Section"** in the district of Agra in the State of Uttar Pradesh, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land;

Any person interested in the said land may within a period of thirty days from the date of publication of this notification in the official Gazette, raise objection to the acquisition and use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section (1) of section 20 D of the said Act;

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority namely, **Add. District Magistrate/L.A., Agra,** Uttar Pradesh in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard either in person or by legal practitioner and may, after hearing such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any as the Competent Authority thinks necessary by order either allow or disallow the objections;

Any order made by the Competent Authority under sub-section (2) of section 20 D of the said Act shall be final;

The land plans and other details of the land covered under this notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired, with or without structure, for the Special Railway Project, namely **"Construction of ROB in lieu of LC-75-A at Km 1253/25-27 in Tundla-Ghaziabad Section"** under Etmadpur Tehsil of Agra District in the state of Uttar Pradesh.

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ई-निविदा सूचना

संचालनालय खेल और युवा कल्याण, मध्यप्रदेश, द्वारा **''खिलाड़ियों हेतु चिकित्सा उपचार उपकरण प्रदाय/स्थापना कार्य हेतु''** निर्माता अथवा उनके अधिकृत प्रतिनिधि से ई-निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। निविदा प्रपत्र व निविदा की विस्तृत शर्तें **www.mptenders.gov.in** पर उपलब्ध है। ई-निविदा प्रकाशन उपरांत निविदा में कोई संशोधन व परिवर्तन किया जाता है तो वह मात्र उपरोक्त उल्लेखित ई-टेण्डर पोर्टल पर ही उपलब्ध रहेगा।

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA)
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 2018/Track-I(P)/RSP-EUR/Vol. I Date: 12.06.2024

CORRIGENDUM NO. 3 & 4

Sub : E-Tender No. TKP-1-2024 for Supply of Long rail exchange (unloading and loading) System and its Annual Maintenance Contract for 05 (Five) years (Existing EURs to be provided by Indian Railways).

The interested tenderers are advised to visit the website **http://ireps.gov.in** for Corrigendum details

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NORTHERN RAILWAY

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OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE

Name of work with location	1. PNP-Annual Zone Work for Repair and Maintenance of Staff Quarter and Service Buildings etc., in the Jurisdiction of SSE/W/PNP, under ADEN/PNP for the Period Ending 30.06.2025. 2. KUN-Annual Zone Work for Repair and Maintenance of Staff Quarter and Service Buildings etc. in the section of SSE/W/KUN under ADEN/KUN for the Period Ending 30.06.2025. 3. SNP-Annual Zone Work for Repair and white washing, painting of Staff Quarter and Service Buildings for Period Ending 30.06.2025 in the section of SSE/W/SNP under ADEN/PNP for period of ending 30.06.2025. 4. KKDE-Annual Zone work for repair and maintenance of staff quarters & service buildings etc. in the jurisdiction of Section Engineer (W) N.Rly., Kurukshetra on DUK section under Assistant Engineer, N.Rly., Karnal for the period ending 30.06.2025. 5. NK-Annual Zone Work for Repair and Maintenance of Staff Quarter and station service building etc. on NRW-KKDE section in the section of SSE/W/KKDE Assistant Engineer N.Rly. KUN for the period Ending 30.06.2025. 6. JP-Annual Zone Work for Repair and Maintenance of Staff Quarter and Service Buildings etc. on JHI-PNP section, in the Jurisdiction of Section Engineer (W) N.Rly. PNP, under Assistant Engineer N.Rly., PNP for the Period Ending 30.06.2025.
Approx. Cost	1. ₹99,99,330.23 2. ₹99,99,328.73 3. ₹98,84,126.83 4. ₹99,24,139.23 5. ₹79,99,508.33 6. ₹79,99,508.33
Earnest Money	1. ₹2,00,000.00 2. ₹2,00,000.00 3. ₹1,97,700.00 4. ₹1,98,500.00 5. ₹1,60,000.00 6. ₹1,60,000.00
Completion Period	For S.No. 1 to 6 12 Months
Date and time of submission of tender and opening of tender	Upto 15:00 hrs. on 05.07.2024 opening of e-tender at 15:00 hrs. on 05.07.2024.
Website particulars, published-tender, notice location etc. complete details of tender can be seen and website where the tender form can be downloaded	Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in
Similar Nature of work	For S.No. 1 to 6 Any civil work other than track work.

Note: All attachments must be self attested by the tenderers and the affidavit should be submitted in the new format attached with tender conditions as per Annexure-XXIII is compulsorily.

No.: 128-W/280/Tender Notice/24-25/W-I (NIT-09, 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14)
Dated: 11.06.2024 1801/2024

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NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY — SUPPLY OF STORES ITEMS

"THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT TENDERS"

TENDER NOTICE No.: S/2024/61 **Date: 10.06.2024**

The Principal Chief Material Manager, North Western Railway, headquarter 3rd floor, Near Jawahar circle, Malviya Nagar, Jaipur-302017 for and on behalf of the President of India invites Open E-tenders on **www.ireps.gov.in** site as follows. All the E- tenders will be closed at 14.25 hrs.

Sr.No.	Tender No.	Brief Description	Qty.	Unit	Due date
1	30243329	ELASTOMERIC PAD	181	Set	20.06.2024
2	30242151	KIT FOR SELF LUBRICATED POLYSTER RESIN (SLPR) BUSHES/ HIGH PERFORMANCE POLYMIDE (HPPA) BUSHES	427	Set	24.06.2024
3	37242953	Knuckle pivot pin with washer for BCNHL, BOXNHL wagon.	7847	Nos	26.06.2024
4	30242269A	Foot step complete for LHB coaches	883	Nos	26.06.2024
5	37243044	Yoke to RDSO drg. no.SK-62724 Alt-30, item-3.	3826	Nos	27.06.2024
6	30242246	Rubber pad for primary suspension for fiat IR bogie	7290	Nos	01.07.2024
7	30243379	OVER HAULING KIT FOR BRAKE CYLINDER PBEC 254-160 FTRTIPL PART NO 139800 FOR LHB COACHES	1055	Set	01.07.2024
8	60245024	DOUBLE ENDED CARTIDGE TPAER ROLLER BEARING MOUNTING MACHINE FOR CLASS E CTRB.	01	Nos	01.07.2024
9	30243190	CIRCUIT BOARD PB03 A FOR WSP SYSTEM OF LHB COACHES	32	Nos	01.07.2024
10	30242171	Secondary vertical damper	631	Nos	01.07.2024
11	30240118	Air brake hose pipe coupling for feed pipe BG to RDSO	13187	Nos	01.07.2024
12	30242178	Traction center elastic joint.	2200	Nos	01.07.2024
13	10240644	BEARING ASSEMBLY PE TO BHEL CAT No.428430001 AND BHEL DRAWING No.04394328002V00 OR EQUIVALENT FOR TRACTION MOTOR TM 4303 DY FOR 1400HP DEMU/DPC	49	Nos	01.07.2024
14	30242197	Ball joint roll link to fiat	8963	Nos	02.07.2024
15	30243186	CIRCUT BOARD MB 04B FOR WSP SYSTEM OF LHB COACHES KBI PART NO. STN 28339/00000	42	Nos	03.07.2024
16	37242854A	Side bearer top for BCN wagon.	2709	Nos	03.07.2024
17	30240175	BRAKE CYLINDER PBAC 254-130 FTRTIPL-PART NO 4 F-125156 FOR LHB COACHES.	11	Nos	04.07.2024
18	30240334	ELASTOMERIC PAD (TPE SPRING PAD) COMPLETES SET	255	Set	08.07.2024
19	30242187	Lateral bump stop to FIAT	3159	Nos	08.07.2024
20	30241264	Mirror assembly	9755	Nos	08.07.2024
21	30242181A	Secondary lateral damper	376	Nos	08.07.2024
22	20231384A	SET OF LOCK NUT F.S. ALL STEEL	60	Set	08.07.2024
23	30242203	Set of 35 mm Non Asbestos based organic brake pads for LHB coaches.	32683	Set	09.07.2024
24	30240172B	Hanger for bolster suspension	9333	Nos	15.07.2024
25	30242177	Secondary spring for LHB coaches	221	Nos	15.07.2024
26	30243089	OVERHAULING KIT FOR COCK DH7 FOR LHB COACHES	861	Set	15.07.2024
27	30242247	Water tank (2 x 685 Ltrs.) Assembly with lower frame for LHB type coaches	17	Nos	15.07.2024
28	37241966	Narrow jaw adapter.	32650	Nos	16.07.2024
29	37242820	Lock bolt (22.2 mm)	38629	Nos	16.07.2024
30	37242770	Guard chair	609	Nos	22.07.2024
31	30240103A	DISTRIBUTOR VALVE WITHOUT COMMON PIPE BRACKET WITH RELAY VALVE FEATURE	84	Nos	22.07.2024
32	85242079	CONE ROLLER AND CAGE ASSEMBLY FOR CTRB CLASS-E (6" x 11") FOR FREIGHT STOCK 22.3/22.9 T. AXLE LOAD MAKE NEI - TO DRG. NO. PESD-6085 (NARROW) REV. D. STR NO. AB/RB39-2002 REV.4 OF FEB. 2018 (EACH CONE ASSEMBLY SHALL CONSIST CONE-01 NO, CAGE, 01 NO, ROLLER SET 1 OF 24 NOS ROLLER DULY ASSEMBLED CONDITION)	590	Set	29.07.2024
33	81241186A	HFC REFRIGERANT GAS R-407-C, IN CAPACITY OF 45KG CYLINDER EACH.	6390	Kgs	05.08.2024

CORRIGENDUM

Sr.No.	Tender No.	Description	Nit No.	Opening Date	
				Existing	To be read as
1	50245063	Running contract for power cable size 2cx25 sq.mm. for a period of one year	S/2024/58 dtd. 07.05.2024	24.06.2024	10.07.2024

NOTE- Another tender condition has been added in tender document, details may be seen on site of IREPS

Note:- (1) Interested tenderers may visit the website **ireps.gov.in** for Full details/ description/Specification/EMD & tender cost etc. All tenderers are requested to obtain digital signatures and get them registered on above site and quote electronically only. **(2)** For viewing and participating in other tenders such as open tender costing below Rs. 25 Lakh, limited tenders, special limited tenders and low value tenders, please visit **www.ireps.gov.in** 679-AD/24

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सार्वजनिक सूचना

निम्नलिखित भूमि यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण द्वारा आपसी सहमति के आधार पर काश्तकारों से क्रय किया जाना प्रस्तावित है। क्रय हेतु काश्तकार, गाटा संख्या, क्षेत्रफल व काश्तकार का हिस्सा निम्नलिखित तालिका में अंकित है –

क्रम सं.	खाता संख्या	खसरा संख्या	गाटे का कुल क्षेत्रफल (हे0 में)	तहसील की आख्यानुसार काश्तकार का भाग	तहसील की आख्यानुसार काश्तकार का हिस्सा	काश्तकार का नाम
(सैक्टर–21, ग्राम रबूपुरा, फिल्म सिटी, चंक–01)						
1	871	408म/1	0.6320	में से	0.0421	मेघपाल पुत्र लीला अटल नगर, हासिंघ बोर्ड, निम्बहेरा, राजस्थान
	871	407	1.0070		0.0671	
2	707	760	1.1020	में से	0.0843	कैलाशी देवी पत्नी वीरपाल नि0 रौनीजा
3	1028	722	0.1270	में से	0.0254	रामनिवास पुत्र हरस्वरूप, बल्लभगढ, हरियाणा
4	1028	722	0.1270	में से	0.0254	मंजू उर्फ मंजू देवी पत्नी जगपाल नि0 मौहम्मदाबाद खेडा
5	373	573	0.2550	में से	0.0637	रामभूल पुत्र हरीचन्द सै0 27 नोएडा
6	288	587मि	1.0960		0.0843	लोकेश कुमार पुत्र मुरारीलाल नि0 रबूपुरा
(ग्राम रबूपुरा, फिल्म सिटी, चंक–02)						
7	786	912	0.5190	में से	0.0433	हरिशंकर पुत्र भगवत नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
8	852	1477	1.0770	में से	0.3590	लटूर पुत्र सिब्बा नि0 मौहल्ला मीना ठाकूरान, रबूपुरा
	852	1479	1.4500		0.3990	
9	580	837	1.2840	में से	0.1070	हरीदत्त पुत्र रघुवीर नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
10	1188	865	5.8660	में से	0.2095	चिंतामणी पुत्र रघुवीर नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
11	1188	865	5.8660	में से	0.2095	नरेन्द्र पुत्र रघुवीर नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
12	1188	865	5.8660	में से	0.2095	राजकुमार पुत्र रघुवीर नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
13	242	864	3.1835	में से	0.1768	ललित कुमार शर्मा व तरूण कुमार शर्मा पुत्रगण प्रतिपाल शर्मा व
	786	912	0.5190		0.0433	संजय कुमारी शर्मा पत्नी प्रतिपाल शर्मा नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
14	948	1134	2.1290	में से	0.2661	आनन्द व नन्दकिशोर व दयानन्द शर्मा व मनोज भारद्वाज पुत्र
	948	1208	0.2770		0.0347	जगदीश व कैशवती पत्नी जगदीश नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
	948	1207	1.7200		0.2150	
	949	783	1.7930		0.2242	
15	407	841	1.2787	में से	0.0645	हिमांशू शर्मा पुत्र मूलचन्द शर्मा नि0 रबूपुरा
16	580	837	1.2840	में से	0.3437	श्रीमती भूलो पत्नी मंगतू व पुत्री चुन्नी नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
17	719	598	0.8580	में से	0.0858	डी0वी0 सेठ एण्ड सन्स एच0यू0एफ0 कर्ता डी0वी0 पुत्र वी0जी0 सेठ नि0 दिल्ली
18	719	598	0.8580	में से	0.0858	पी0 वी0 शेठ एंड सन्स एच.यू.एफ कर्ता पी0 वी शेठ पुत्र वी0 जी0 शेठ नि0 दिल्ली
(ग्राम रबूपुरा, फिल्म सिटी चंक–03)						
19	289	1335/2	0.1510	में से	0.0504	अलताफ पुत्र आलम अली उर्फ आजम खॉ नि0 रबूपुरा
	289	1334म/1	0.4870		0.1624	
20	289	1335/2	0.1510		0.0503	गफार पुत्र आलम अली नि0 रबूपुरा
		1334म/1	0.4870		0.0780	
21	27	1022	6.2760	में से	2.0920	अब्दुल वसी खॉ पुत्र अब्दुल रहीम खॉ हाल
	27	1049/2	0.0250		0.0083	नि0 दिलशाद कालोनी, अलीगढ
22	1054	991	0.4930	में से	0.0843	तनुजा शर्मा पुत्री रामकिशन शर्मा नि0 जनता फलैट्स ए–16/16 सै0 71 नोएडा
23	291	989	1.5560	में से	0.0843	मनोज पुत्र रामकिशन शर्मा नि0 जनता फलैट्स ए–16/16 सै0 71 नोएडा
24	1053	1082	1.3390	में से	0.2000	आशुतोष सिंह चौहान पुत्र फतह सिंह चौहान नि0 ममूरा सै0–66, नोएडा
25	1182	679	1.3180	में से	0.1043	जयन्ती पत्नी विशम्भर नि0 रबूपुरा
26	1182	679	1.3180	में से	0.0878	सवित्री पत्नी महेन्द्र नि0 रबूपुरा
27	1182	679	1.3180	में से	0.0879	राहुल व गौरव व वरूण पुत्रगण घनश्याम नि0 रबूपुरा
28	156	1076	1.1830	में से	0.3943	अशोक पुत्र भिक्कीमल नि0 रबूपुरा
29	983	685	1.0960	में से	0.2811	श्रीचंद पुत्र कान्हा उर्फ कान्हाराम नि0 रबूपुरा
30	321	687	2.4410	में से	0.0843	फूलवती पत्नी संजय कुमार नि0 रबूपुरा
31	560	969	1.7070	में से	0.0843	तारावती पत्नी राकेश नि0 लखनावली, नोएडा
सैक्टर–21,(चंक 04) ग्राम रबूपुरा, फिल्म सिटी, कॉर्मशियल, ट्रान्सपोर्ट एरिया व ग्रीन एरिया						
32	523	529	0.3540	में से	0.0885	मिथलेश पत्नी हरिशचंद नि0 रबूपुरा
	523	476	0.3290		0.0823	
33	244	546	0.2640	में से	0.0880	सोविन्दर कुमार व धर्मेन्द्र पुत्रगण होरीलाल व सत्यवती पत्नी होरीलाल नि0 मौहम्मदाबाद खेडा
34	720	605	0.1850	में से	0.0617	राजू पुत्र सगुवा नि0 रबूपुरा
35	293	421	0.6280	में से	0.1570	रणवीर पुत्र मोहनलाल नि0 मौहम्मदाबाद खेडा
	294	422	0.1460		0.0365	
36	607	1323	0.9230	में से	0.2234	महावीर पुत्र रामचन्द्र नि0 रबूपुरा
37	25	657	1.2280	में से	0.0500	राजू, मनीष पुत्रगण नरेश व शिवानी पुत्री नरेश व सुनीता पत्नी नरेश व हरपाल ब्रजेश पुत्रगण सुक्कन नि0 रबूपुरा
38	278	914	0.8740	में स	0.2185	पप्पू पुत्र यामा नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
39	543	832	0.6110	में से	0.2444	आशुतोष सिंह चौहान पुत्र फतह सिंह चौहान,
	1039	1307	0.3350		0.1675	ममूरा सै0 66 नोएडा
	942	1066	3.8210		0.1686	
40	488	907	1.2880	में से	0.0716	सुशीला पत्नी धर्मेन्द्र कुमार, व दीपान्शू ना0बा0 आयु 09 वर्ष सर0
	489	1176	0.5250		0.0292	माता सुशीला पुत्र धर्मेन्द्र कुमार, व हिमाशू ना0बा0 आयु 8 वर्ष सर0 माता सुशीला पुत्र धर्मेन्द्र कुमार, व परी ना0बा0 आयु 3 वर्ष सर0 माता सुशीला पुत्री धमेन्द्र कुमार व सरोज पत्नी गोपीचंद नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
41	226	908	0.2020	में से	0.2020	गिर्राज उर्फ गिरिराज पुत्र मुशी नि0 भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
42	269	542	1.0010	में से	0.1369	रमेश पुत्र ननुआ नि0 रबूपुरा
43	269	542	1.0010	में से	0.1019	राजकुमार पुत्र छत्रपाल व देव व बिंदिया पुत्र व पुत्री राजेन्द्र नि0 रबूपुरा
44	269	542	1.0010	में से	0.1528	शिवकुमार व छोटू पुत्रगण जयप्रकाश नि0 रबूपुरा
45	269	542	1.0010	में से	0.0764	ओमकार पुत्र ताराचंद नि0 रबूपुरा
ग्राम– सैक्टर–28, डाटा सेन्टर पार्क, कॉर्मशियल व फ्यूचर यूज						
46	826	2284	0.5690	में से	0.0632	तारा देवी पत्नी मदनलाल व रितिका ना0बा0 पुत्र मदनलाल व रितू ना0बा0 व माही ना0बा0 पुत्रियां मदनलाल मौ0 मैना ठकुरान, रबूपुरा
47	826	2284	0.5690	में से	0.1580	राधा पुत्री हरवीर नि0 दिल्ली 33
48	141	888	3.7820	में से	3.7820	जयभगवान पुत्र करन सिंह नि0 ग्राम भाईपुर ब्रहमनान
49	95	1551	0.2450	में से	0.0613	सतीश चन्द पुत्र मुरारी नि0 ग्राम रबूपुरा
50	650	1385	1.0780		1.0780	मुरारीलाल पुत्र भजनलाल नि0 रबूपुरा
		1384	0.1770	में से	0.1770	
	653	1355	0.4170		0.2085	
		1010	0.5710		0.2855	
51	1050	1087	4.6780	में से	0.2530	सलमा पत्नी सलीम नि0 रबूपुरा
52	1050	1087	4.6780	में से	0.0843	महेश शर्मा पुत्र तेजवीर शर्मा नि0 नोएडा
53	1050	1087	4.6780	में से	0.9356	आदिल व आरिफ पुत्रगण सद्दीक व संगीरन पत्नी सद्दीक नि0 रबूपुरा
54	1050	1087	4.6780	में से	0.5558	मासूक अली पुत्र वसीर नि0 रबूपुरा
ग्राम– भुन्नातगा						
55	19	15	2.8140	में से	0.0950	पुनीता दिवेदी पत्नी अजय दिवेदी नि0 बीटा–2, रामपुर जागीर गौ0 बुद्धनगर
56	19	15	2.8140	में से	0.0950	सुनीता पाठक पत्नी महेन्द्र कुमार नि0 बीटा–02
57	165	432स	0.2530	में से	0.2530	रतनलाल पुत्र सुक्खी नि0 ग्राम
58	110	430स	0.4010	में से	0.1107	लक्ष्मण सिंह पुत्र रामचरण सिंह नि0 बी0 1203ए, सै0 75 नोएडा
59	247	401	4.1400	में से	1.3800	सुरेशचंद पुत्र नौबतराम नि0 भुन्नातगा
60	20	378	1.7690	में से	0.0630	सुखदेव शर्मा पुत्र मुरारीलाल नि0 भुन्नातगा
61	20	378	1.7690	में से	0.0970	सुखपाल सिंह पुत्र फूल सिंह नि0
	19	15	2.8140		0.1876	भुन्नातगा
	22	429	0.2360		0.0157	
62	243	380	1.5720	में से	0.2620	राजेन्द्र सिह पुत्र मुशीलाल नि0 भुन्नातगा
63	247	401	4.1400	में से	1.3800	महेशचन्द पुत्र नौबत नि0 भुन्नातगा
64	19	15	2.8140	में से	0.1765	शकुन्तला देवी पत्नी कान्तीप्रसाद नि0 भुन्नातगा
65	19	15	2.8140	में से	0.0469	चन्द्रपाल पुत्र फूल सिंह नि0 ग्राम भुन्नातगा
	22	429	0.2360		0.0158	
66	243	380	1.5720	में से	0.1355	जुगेन्द्र सिह पुत्र मुशीलाल नि0 भुन्नातगा
67	243	380	1.5720	में से	0.2620	लखपत सिह पुत्र मुशीलाल नि0 भुन्नातगा
68	102	472स	0.2530	सम्पूर्ण	0.2530	पन्नालाल पुत्र नत्थी सिंह नि0 भुन्नातगा
69	99	386	0.5420	में से	0.1806	अनिश, इकराम, निजामुद्दीन पुत्र हकीमुद्दीन नि0 ग्राम भुन्नातगा
70	87	477	0.7600	में से	0.0475	कृष्ण कुमार, मुकेश, रूपेश पुत्र हरिशचन्द व सुमित्रा पत्नी हरिशचन्द नि0 भुन्नातगा
71	87	477	0.7600	में से	0.0475	सतीश चन्द, हरीश कुमार, प्रवीन कुमार पुत्र रामगोपाल व रामवती पत्नी रामगोपाल नि0 भुन्नातगा
72	1	432स	0.2530	में से	0.1265	सोनपाल पुत्र झन्डी नि0 भुन्नातगा
73	1	432स	0.2530	में से	0.1265	अमर सिंह, छोटेलाल पुत्र भोलाराम नि0 भुन्नातगा
74	235	433	1.0600	में से	0.0948	भारती सिंघल पत्नी मुकेश कुमार नि0 मौ0 शान्ती नगर
	209	400	2.4810		0.1898	कस्बा रबूपुरा
75	235	433	1.0600	में से	0.2214	शशी सिंघल पत्नी अमोद सिंघल नि0 मौ0 विलोचान कस्बा रबूपुरा
76	209	400	2.4810	में से	0.1265	महेशचन्द पुत्र रामचन्द्र नि0 ग्राम दादरी जिला गौतमबुद्धनगर
77	120	409	1.0590	में से	0.0816	नरेश पुत्र राजपाल नि0 ग्राम रबुपुरा
ग्राम– रबूपुरा (सै0 21 व 34 के मध्य 100मी0 चौडी सडक के अन्तर्गत)						
78	685	946	0.6140	में से	0.2046	नाजरीन पत्नी शाहिद नि0 रबूपुरा
79	685	946	0.6140	में से	0.2047	शाहिद पुत्र गफूर नि0 रबूपुरा

MAHARASHTRA JEEVAN PRADHIKARAN
e-Tender Notice 05 for 2023-24 (Third call)

MJP Invites e-Tender Notice for the work of Designing, Providing, erecting commissioning and testing of 11 KV HT Line for Headworks at Khadakpurna Dam, Khandalgavhan Tq. Jafrabad Dist. Jalna & WTP at Tembhurni (Near Govt. Rest House) including RSJ Pole, PSC Pole, AAAC, ACSR 11/0.415 KV Transformer substation, Meter, with all accessories for availing power connection through HT Line for pumping machinery For Tembhurni Water Supply Scheme Tq. Jafrabad Dist. Jalna Under Jal Jeevan Mission programme in the state of Maharashtra, Cost valued at **Rs.10,95,735/-** the E-tender details are available on **www.mahatenders.gov.in** from Dated 13/06/2024.

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

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
MJP Jalna

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OFFICE OF THE
SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER ELECTRICAL CIRCLE (R&B)
NIRMAN SOUDHA BHUBANESWAR
E-mail seec.bbsr2010 @ gmail.com
Bid Identification No.S.E.E.C (R&B) 01/2024-25

No. 1758 / Date 11.06.2024 /

The Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle (R&B) Odisha, Bhubaneswar on behalf of the Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bids for EA. works which are to be received through online bidding, double cover system as detailed in :https://tendersorissa.gov.in. The details of bid documents will be available in the above website from dt.18.06.2024 at 05.00 P.M. to dt.02.07.2024 up to 05.00 P.M. The bidders must possess compatible Digital Signature Certificate of Class II or III. Bids received online shall be opened dt.03.07.2024 at 11.30 A.M. in the Office of the Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle (R&B) Odisha, Bhubaneswar. Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal **www.tendersorissa.gov.in**.

Addendum / Corrigendum, if required, will be available only in the Website

Superintending Engineer
Electrical Circle (R & B) Odisha, BBSR

OIPR - 34006/11/0001/2425

PUBLIC NOTICE
GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA
EXCISE & TAXATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE FOR INVITING e-TENDERS FROM GENERAL PUBLIC FOR ALLOTMENT OF REMAINING RETAIL LIQUOR ZONES IN TWENTY-ONE (21) DISTRICTS IN THE STATE OF HARYANA FOR THE EXCISE POLICY YEAR 2024-25.

1. It is notified for the information of general public that e-tenders for allotment of 361 retail liquor zones of country liquor and Indian Made Foreign Liquor vends (L-2/L-14A) in 21 districts in the State of Haryana are hereby invited for the excise policy year 2024-25. The district wise detail of zones available for e-bidding is as under:-

Sr. No.	Name of District	Zone Code					
1.	Ambala	ZAMB01	ZAMB04	ZAMB07	ZAMB08	ZAMB09	ZAMB10
		ZAMB11	ZAMB15	ZAMB21	ZAMB22	ZAMB27	ZAMB29
		ZAMB33	ZAMB34	ZAMB36	ZAMB37	ZAMB38	ZAMB39
		ZAMB43	ZAMB44	ZAMB46	ZAMB48	ZAMB49	ZAMB50
		ZAMB56	ZAMB58	ZAMB59	ZAMB60		
2.	Bhiwani	ZBWN01	ZBWN02	ZBWN04	ZBWN05	ZBWN06	ZBWN07
		ZBWN08	ZBWN09	ZBWN10	ZBWN12	ZBWN13	ZBWN16
		ZBWN17	ZBWN18	ZBWN20	ZBWN22	ZBWN23	ZBWN24
		ZBWN25	ZBWN26	ZBWN29	ZBWN33	ZBWN34	ZBWN35
		ZBWN36	ZBWN37	ZBWN38	ZBWN39	ZBWN40	ZBWN41
		ZBWN42	ZBWN43	ZBWN44	ZBWN45	ZBWN46	ZBWN47
		ZBWN48	ZBWN49	ZBWN50	ZBWN51	ZBWN52	ZBWN53
		ZBWN54	ZBWN55	ZBWN56	ZBWN57	ZBWN61	ZBWN63
		ZBWN64	ZBWN65				
3.	Faridabad	ZFBD02	ZFBD03	ZFBD08	ZFBD13	ZFBD16	ZFBD21
		ZFBD22	ZFBD23	ZFBD26	ZFBD27	ZFBD29	ZFBD43
		ZFBD53	ZFBD56	ZFBD57	ZFBD73	ZFBD102	ZFBD112
4.	Fatehabad	ZFTB02	ZFTB03	ZFTB05	ZFTB06	ZFTB07	ZFTB09
		ZFTB12	ZFTB13	ZFTB14	ZFTB15	ZFTB16	ZFTB17
		ZFTB18	ZFTB19	ZFTB20	ZFTB21	ZFTB22	ZFTB24
		ZFTB25	ZFTB26	ZFTB27	ZFTB28	ZFTB29	ZFTB31
		ZFTB32	ZFTB35	ZFTB36	ZFTB37	ZFTB38	ZFTB40
		ZFTB41	ZFTB42	ZFTB43	ZFTB44	ZFTB45	
5.	Gurugram (East)	ZGRE01	ZGRE08	ZGRE24	ZGRE26	ZGRE29	ZGRE31
		ZGRE46	ZGRE48	ZGRE52	ZGRE55	ZGRE68	ZGRE77
		ZGRE78					
6.	Gurugram (West)	ZGRW08	ZGRW77				
7.	Hisar	ZHSR01	ZHSR02	ZHSR05	ZHSR07	ZHSR08	ZHSR12
		ZHSR18	ZHSR20	ZHSR21	ZHSR29	ZHSR34	ZHSR37
		ZHSR38	ZHSR41	ZHSR44	ZHSR47	ZHSR48	ZHSR49
		ZHSR50	ZHSR51	ZHSR52	ZHSR53	ZHSR58	ZHSR64
		ZHSR71	ZHSR74				
8.	Jagadhari	ZJAG03	ZJAG06	ZJAG41	ZJAG42	ZJAG43	
9.	Jhajjar	ZJHA04	ZJHA10	ZJHA15	ZJHA19	ZJHA22	ZJHA24
		ZJHA29					
10.	Jind	ZJND03	ZJND05	ZJND06	ZJND08	ZJND09	ZJND10
		ZJND13	ZJND15	ZJND16	ZJND17	ZJND20	ZJND21
		ZJND22	ZJND26	ZJND27	ZJND28	ZJND29	ZJND31
		ZJND33	ZJND34				
11.	Kaithal	ZKTL02	ZKTL06	ZKTL09	ZKTL11	ZKTL23	ZKTL27
		ZKTL29					
12.	Karnal	ZKNL03	ZKNL10	ZKNL15	ZKNL18	ZKNL19	ZKNL21
		ZKNL22	ZKNL24	ZKNL25	ZKNL26	ZKNL31	ZKNL34
		ZKNL35	ZKNL37	ZKNL38	ZKNL41	ZKNL50	ZKNL51
		ZKNL52					
13.	Kurukshetra	ZKKR01	ZKKR06	ZKKR19	ZKKR21	ZKKR28	
14.	Mewat	ZMWT06	ZMWT08	ZMWT09			
15.	Narnaul	ZNNL10	ZNNL18	ZNNL19	ZNNL22	ZNNL23	ZNNL28
16.	Panchkula	ZPKL04	ZPKL06	ZPKL08	ZPKL09	ZPKL10	ZPKL21
		ZPKL22	ZPKL23	ZPKL24	ZPKL25	ZPKL26	ZPKL31
		ZPKL33	ZPKL34	ZPKL36	ZPKL39		
17.	Panipat	ZPNP04	ZPNP08	ZPNP09	ZPNP10	ZPNP14	ZPNP15
		ZPNP16	ZPNP17	ZPNP21	ZPNP22	ZPNP23	ZPNP24
		ZPNP25	ZPNP28	ZPNP29	ZPNP30	ZPNP31	ZPNP32
		ZPNP34	ZPNP38	ZPNP40	ZPNP44		
18.	Rewari	ZRWR01	ZRWR04	ZRWR05	ZRWR12	ZRWR14	ZRWR19
		ZRWR22	ZRWR25	ZRWR27	ZRWR29	ZRWR31	
19.	Rohtak	ZRTK04	ZRTK05	ZRTK08	ZRTK10	ZRTK11	ZRTK12
		ZRTK15	ZRTK16	ZRTK18	ZRTK19	ZRTK24	ZRTK27
		ZRTK29	ZRTK31	ZRTK32	ZRTK38	ZRTK40	ZRTK41
		ZRTK42	ZRTK44	ZRTK46	ZRTK47	ZRTK48	ZRTK49
		ZRTK50	ZRTK51	ZRTK53			
20.	Sirsa	ZSRS09	ZSRS14	ZSRS15	ZSRS17	ZSRS29	ZSRS31
		ZSRS32	ZSRS37	ZSRS39	ZSRS41	ZSRS43	ZSRS44
		ZSRS45	ZSRS46	ZSRS47	ZSRS49	ZSRS52	ZSRS55
		ZSRS56	ZSRS57	ZSRS58	ZSRS59	ZSRS61	ZSRS62
		ZSRS63	ZSRS65	ZSRS66	ZSRS67	ZSRS69	ZSRS70
		ZSRS71	ZSRS73				
21.	Sonepat	ZSNP39	ZSNP49	ZSNP50	ZSNP51	ZSNP61	ZSNP66
		ZSNP68	ZSNP72	ZSNP73			

2. The schedule for submission of e-bids for these zones and evaluation thereof shall be as under:-

Starting date and time for placing e-tenders	From 14th June, 2024 (9.00 AM)
Closing date and time for placing e-tenders	Till 14th June, 2024 (04.00 PM)
Evaluation of e-tenders	14th June, 2024 (5.00 PM)

3. The reserve price and quota of these 361 zones for the purpose of e-tendering has been decided as per the provisions of clause 2.16 and other relevant provisions of the Haryana Excise Policy 2024-25.

The zone-wise detail of reserve price and quota of these 361 zones shall be displayed in the excise arrangement.

4. The e-tenders for these zones can be submitted online through the official website of the department i.e. **www.haryanatax.gov.in**. The remaining terms and conditions of e-tenders and allotment of zones shall be same, as informed vide the Public Notice, published in leading newspapers on 18th May, 2024, for inviting e-tenders for allotment of retail liquor zones of all districts in the State of Haryana. The copy of Public Notice dated 18th May, 2024 is also available on the official website of department i.e. **www.haryanatax.gov.in**. The detailed procedure of registration for participation in the allotment process and submission of e-tenders is also available on the official website.

5. The excise arrangements of these zones containing number of vends, liquor quota, location of vends, command area as applicable and reserve price thereof, as well as the venue for evaluation of e-tenders shall be conspicuously displayed in the office of DETCs (Excise) and DETCs (ST) of the districts concerned. These details shall also be available on the official website i.e. **www.haryanatax.gov.in**.

6. All allotment(s) and grant of licence(s) shall be subject to the provisions of the Haryana Excise Act, 1914, the rules framed thereunder, orders/instructions issued by the competent authority and the Excise Policy for the year 2024-25. Any clarification regarding the procedure may be obtained from the office of DETCs (Excise) in any of the districts. The copy of Haryana Excise Policy for the year 2024-25 is available on official website of the department.

7. All allotments of licenses are subject to the approval of the Excise and Taxation Commissioner (Financial Commissioner). The ETC (FC) may reject, without assigning any reason, any allotment in public interest as the case may be, within 10 days of the date of allotment. In case no decision of Excise and Taxation Commissioner (FC) is conveyed within the stipulated period of ten days, the allotment shall be deemed to have been approved by the ETC(FC).

Excise and Taxation Commissioner
Haryana

RO No. 1037/11/210/2025/26677/19/7

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

SR. No.	NAME OF BOARD/CORP./ AUTH	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT/EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/ EMAIL
1.	BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION HARYANA, BHIWANI	FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION AND DATA PROCESSING OF VARIOUS WORKS	10.06.2024 18.06.2024	80 LACS	http://www.bseh.org.in	8168476169 asmm@bseh.org.in

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT : www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in

RO No. 13/2025/40/26671/I/19/7

MAHARASHTRA JEEVAN PRADHIKARAN
e-Tender Notice 04 for 2023-24 (Third call)

MJP Invites e-Tender Notice for the work of Designing, Providing, erecting commissioning and testing of 11 KV HT Line for Headworks at Banegaon Dam & WTP at Rajur (Near Ganpati Temple) including RSJ Pole, PSC Pole, AAAC, ACSR 11/0.415 KV Transformer substation, Meter, with all accessories for availing power connection through HT Line for pumping machinery For Rajur Water Supply Scheme Tq. Bhokardan Dist. Jalna Under Jal Jeevan Mission programme in the state of Maharashtra, Cost valued at Rs. 25,23,495/- the E-tender details are available on **www.mahatenders.gov.in** from Dated 13/06/2024.

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

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
MJP Jalna

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U.P POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
SHAKTI BHAWAN, 14- ASHOK MARG, LUCKNOW
(A Govt. of U.P. Undertaking)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant of Section 64 of the Electricity Act 2003, the State Government owned Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Limited (UPPTCL) submitted its Petition (2044/2023) for ARR & Tariff of FY 2024-25, Annual Performance Review for FY 2023-24 and True Up for FY 2022-23 before the Hon'ble U.P. Electricity Regulatory Commission, Lucknow.

The Hon'ble Commission admitted the aforementioned petition by its order dated 10.06.2024 In compliance with the Hon'ble Commission order dated 10.06.2024, all stakeholders and general public are hereby informed about the following salient features of the petition (2044/2023) for ARR & Tariff of FY 2024-25, Annual Performance Review for FY 2023-24 and True Up for FY 2022-23 as under:-

Summary of True Up for FY 2022-23:

(Rs. in Crore)

Particulars	ARR (as per Order dt 20.07.2022)	As per Audited Accounts	As per the True-up Petition
Gross O&M Expenses	**1,106.71**	**1,224.34**	**1,558.57**
Employee cost	*655.95*	*677.58*	*1,089.39*
A&G expenses	*55.69*	*75.49*	*62.44*
R&M expenses	*395.07*	*471.26*	*406.73*
Interest on Loan Capital	1,312.24	1,211.33	1,222.92
Interest on Working Capital	44.50	-	59.86
Finance Charge	-	0.06	-
Depreciation	1,271.11	1,827.19	1,694.24
Gross Expenditure	**3,734.57**	**4,262.93**	**4,535.59**
Less: Employee cost capitalized	447.27	256.28	256.28
Less: Interest Capitalisation	186.86	166.01	166.01
Net Expenditure	**3,100.44**	**3,840.63**	**4,113.29**
Provision for Bad & Doubtful debts	-	24.80	-
Deferred Taxes & Comprehensive Incomes/Expenses	-	18.84	-
Net Expenditure with provisions	**3,100.44**	**3,884.28**	**4,113.29**
Add: Return on Equity	192.29	-	1,540.49*
Less: Non-Tariff Income	145.55	382.37	178.76
Less: Other Income$	-	6.07	4.25
Less: Discount on Return on Equity @12.50%#	-	-	1,328.01
Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR)	**3,147.17**	**3,495.84**	**4,142.77**
Less: Estimated ARR for UPSLDC	**50.00**	-	-
ARR for UPPTCL	**3,097.17**	**3,495.84**	**4,142.77**
Revenue from Operations pertaining to FY 2022-23	3,097.17	3,445.85	3,445.85
Net Gap / (Surplus) [Actual/Anticipated]	-	**49.99**	**696.92**
Total Energy Billed (MU)	1,25,638.50	1,37,731.21	1,37,731.21
Transmission Tariff per unit (Rs./kWh)	0.2465	0.2538	0.3008
Transmission Losses (%)	3.27%	-	3.30%

** As per MYT Regulation, 2019, ROE permissible is @14.5%,*
 # However UPPTCL has claimed ROE @2% only , after providing discount of 12.5%, t o reduce burden on the discoms/consumers.
$ Revenue by OPGW leasing

Summary of Annual Performance Review for FY 2023-24 and ARR & Tariff of FY 2024-25:

(Rs. in Crore)

Particulars	FY 2023-24		FY 2024-25
	ARR (as per Order dt. 23.05.2023)	APR Petition	ARR Petition
Gross O&M Expenses	**1,279.35**	**1,645.20**	**1,740.39**
Employee cost	*743.41*	*1,146.92*	*1,206.66*
A&G expenses	*66.21*	*59.30*	*63.52*
R&M expenses	*469.73*	*438.98*	*470.21*
Interest on Loan Capital	1,313.44	1,231.48	1,136.71
Interest on Working Capital	57.43	68.18	71.79
Finance Charges	-	-	-
Depreciation	1,417.79	1,876.13	2,001.03
Gross Expenditure	**4,068.01**	**4,820.99**	**4,949.91**
Less: Employee cost capitalized	308.34	433.80	456.40
Less: Interest Capitalisation	177.43	167.18	154.31
Net Expenditure	**3,582.24**	**4,220.02**	**4,339.21**
Provision for Bad & Doubtful debts	-	-	-
Deferred Taxes & Comprehensive Incomes/Expenses	-	-	-
Net Expenditure with provisions	**3,582.24**	**4,220.02**	**4,339.21**
Add: Return on Equity	207.54	1,657.34*	1,712.34*
Less: Non-Tariff Income	114.59	178.76	178.76
Less: Income from other Business$	10.41	10.64	11.17
Less: Discount on Return on Equity @12.50%#	-	1,428.74	1,476.16
Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR)	**3,664.80**	**4,259.22**	**4,385.46**
Less: Estimated ARR for UPSLDC	**58.22**	**00.00**	**0.00**
Annual Revenue Requirement for UPPTCL	**3,606.58**	**4,259.22**	**4,385.46**
Total Energy Billed (MU)	**1,36,559.84**	**1,43,530.01**	**1,50,753.06**
Transmission Tariff per unit (Rs./kWh)	**0.2641**	**0.2967**	**0.2909**
Transmission Losses (%)	**3.22%**	**3.22%**	**3.22%**

** As per MYT Regulation, 2019, ROE permissible is @14.5%,*
 # However UPPTCL has claimed ROE @2% only, after providing discount of 12.5%, to reduce burden on the discoms/consumers
$ Revenue by OPGW leasing

The above mentioned petition, response of the deficiency notes and related data are available at UPPTCL's website (www.upptcl.org)

Further, the stakeholders and general public are also advised to regularly check the website of UPPTCL for the updates on subsequent submission made in respect of such proceedings.

All concerned stakeholders and general public may send their views/comments/ suggestions/objections/ representation if any, along with notarized affidavit in Six copies (Four copies may sent to Secretary, U.P. Electricity Regulatory Commission, Vidyut Niyamak Bhawan, Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow and Two Copies to Director (Planning & Commercial), U.P. Power Transmission Corporation Ltd., 5th Floor, Shakti Bhawan, Lucknow-226001 within 15 days from the date of publication of this Public Notice.

Managing Director
UPPTCL

R.No: 290, Dt., 12-06-2024

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General Public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male Namely Unknown **S/o** Unknown, **R/o** Unknown, **Age:** about 30 years, **Height:** 5'6", **Complexion:** Shallow, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Thin, **Wearing:** Black coloured shirt & Black coloured printed underwear, was found on 08.06.2024 from Towards Geeta Colony Jamuna Bridge, Daryaganj & admitted in LNJP Hospital vide MLC No.116338990/24, during the treatment Doctors declared him brought dead. The dead body has been preserved for 72 hours at MAMC. In this regard a **DD No.02A dated 09.06.2024 u/s 174 Cr.PC** has been lodged at P.S. Daryaganj, Delhi.

If any one having any clue about deceased male may kindly inform the undersigned and contact on following numbers.

SHO
P.S. Daryaganj, Delhi
Ph. No.: 011-23274683, 23279331
DP/7214/CD/2024 Mob.: 8750870421, 9717459540

Rajasthan State Road Development And Construction Corpoation Ltd., JAIPUR
निविदा सूचना/2024-25

निम्नलिखित परियोजनाओं पर राजस्थान राज्य सड़क विकास एवं निर्माण निगम लि० (RSRDC Ltd.) में पंजीकृत टोल कलेक्टशन ठेकेदारों से पथकर वसूली हेतु ई-टेन्डरिंग पद्धिया से ऑनलाइन निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है:-

कार्य का विवरण	आगणित राशि (रु०)	निविदा सूचना संख्या
Collection of Toll Tax on following Road for a period of 02 years:-		
(1) "Dungargarh-Sadarshahar-Rajgarh(SH-06) Road Km. 71/0 to 231/0" **UBN: RRC2425SLOB00021**	**6981.51 Lakh**	ई-007/24-25
(2) "Fatehnagar-Dariba Mines & Mangalwar-Nimbahera Raod" **UBN: RRC2425SLOB00022**	**5098.17 Lakh**	
(1) "Udaipur-Salumber (SH-32) Road." **UBN: RRC2425SLOB00020**	**3086.16 Lakh**	ई-008/24-25

निविदा से संबंधित प्रपत्र में निविदा शुल्क, धरोहर राशि, डाउनलोड करने व खोलने की तारीख सहित सम्पूर्ण विवरण एवं संशोधन वेबसाइट: http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.nic.in तथा http://roads.rajasthan.gov.in/rsrdc पर देखा जा सकता है। इच्छुक संवेदकों को अपने डिजिटल हस्ताक्षर के माध्यम से वेबसाइट http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in पर रजिस्टर्ड करवाना आवश्यक है।

महाप्रबंधक

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

No.F.5-II(1)/Store/Med/DHS/2023-24(Sub-2) Dated, Agartala 04/06/2024

A medicine Tender is hereby invited on behalf of the Director of Health Services, Government of Tripura from resourceful, experienced and bona fide, renowned licensed Manufacturer or Importer for procurement of "Medicine" (Rate contract valid up to 5th December 2025) under the HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA.,"

The details of tender are available on website (http://tripuratenders.gov.in). The last date/time of submission of the tender documents by online is 25/06/2024 up to 4:00 pm.

(Sd/-)
I/C, Director of Health Services
Govt. of Tripura, Agartala

ICA/C-102/2024-25

PURVANCHAL VIDYUT VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED (A Govt. of UP Undertaking), (Purvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited, DLW Bhikharipur, Varanasi), **PUBLIC NOTICE -** Pursuant to Section 64 of the Electricity Act 2003, the State Government owned Distribution Company Purvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. submitted True-Up for FY 2022-23, APR for FY 2023-24 and ARR petition for FY 2024-25 on 30.11.2023 before UP Electricity Regulatory Commission. The Hon'ble Commission admitted the above petition by its order dated 10.06.2024 In compliance to the said order, the stakeholders, electricity consumers and general public at large are hereby informed about the salient features of the Petition as under:- Sr. No., Particulars, FY 2022-23 True-up, FY 2023-24 APR, FY 2024-25 ARR 1. Energy Purchase at Discom Periphery (MU), 31,133, 32,236, 33,912, 2. Sale of Power (MU) 25,714, 27,220, 29,171, 3. Approved Distribution Loss (%)10.93%, 10.55%, 10.18% , Actual/Projected Distribution Loss(%) 17.40%, 15.56%, 13.98%, 4. Intra-State Transmission Loss (%), 3.27%, 3.22%, 3.18%, Expenditure (Rs Crore), 5. Power Purchase Expenses including PGCIL charges, 15,241.11, 16,740.66, 17,827.23, 6. Transmission Charges (UPPTCL), 789.85, 851.35, 895.61, 7. Total O&M Expenses (net of capitalisation), 2,657.82, 2,344.13, 2,491.40, 8. Smart Metering OPEX, 39.12, 50.53, 362.34, 9. Interest & Finance Charges (net of capitalisation), 586.46, 727.41, 907.76, 10. Depreciation, 383.40, 486.08, 645.32, 11. Bad and Doubtful Debts, 273.22, 319.77, 348.56, 12. Gross Expenditure, 19,970.98, 1,519.93, 23,478.23, 13. Return on Equity, 540.34, 617.53, 754.31, 14. Less: Non-Tariff Income including DPS, 91.01, 91.01, 91.01,15. Annual Revenue Requirement, 20,420.32, 22,046.45, 24,141.52, 16. Revenue from Tariff (Payable), 13,660.98, 15,988.73, 17,427.95, 17. GoUP Subsidy, 3,224.44, 3,959.69, 3,959.69, 18. Revenue (Gap)/Surplus, (3,534.90), (2,098.03), (2,753.88), 19. Power Purchase Cost at (Ex-bus) (Rs./Unit), 5.01, 5.24, 20. Average Power Purchase Rate (BST) (Rs/ Unit), 5.31, 5.49, 21. DBST Rate (Rs/Unit), 5.19, 5.26, 22. ABR (Excluding Subsidy) Rs /Unit, 5.87, 5.97, 23. Average Cost of Supply (Rs /Unit), 8.10, 8.28, 24. Wheeling Charges (Rs/Unit), 1.14, **CROSS SUBSIDY SURCHARGE PRPOSED FOR FY 2024-25, S. No., Categories, (Rs./kWh),** 1. HV-1 (Supply at 11 kV), 1.48, 2. HV-1 (Supply above 11 kV), 2.87, 3. HV-2 (Supply upto 11 kV), 0.20, 4. HV-2 (Supply above 11 kV & upto 66 kV), 0.62, 5.HV-2 (Supply above 66 kV & above 132 kV), 0.47, 6. HV-3 (For Metro Traction), 1.70, 7. HV-4 (Supply at 11 kV), 1.42, 8. HV-4 (Supply above 11 kV upto 66kV), 1.87, The True-up, APR and ARR Petitions along with the responses to the deficiency notes are available on the website of Licensee at www.puvvnl.up.nic.in. Further, the stakeholders, general public and all concerned are also advised to regularly check the website of Licensee for updates on subsequent submissions made in respect of such proceedings. All concerned Consumers, Individuals, Organizations, Licensees, Stakeholders and Departments of Government may send their objections, if any, along with notarized affidavit in six copies. Four Copies may be sent to Secretary, U.P. Electricity Regulatory Commission, Vidyut Niyamak Bhawan, Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow and two copies to Managing Director Purvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (DLW Bhikharipur, Varanasi - 221004), within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. **Managing Director, Purvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd., 'Save electricity in the interest of Nation'**

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Ariarne Titmus. AFP

Titmus betters 200m freestyle world mark

BRISBANE: Ariarne Titmus shattered fellow Aussie Mollie O'Callaghan's 200m freestyle world record, touching in 1min 52.23secs weeks before defending her Olympic title in Paris. She won ahead of O'Callaghan, who also went under her previous world record of 1:52.85, surging home in 1:52.48.

Nagal wins thriller against Giannessi

PERUGIA: Sumit Nagal entered the quarterfinal of the Perugia Challenger beating unseeded local Alessandro Giannessi 0-6, 7-5, 7-6(7-5). Last week, Nagal won the Heilbronn Challenger in Germany.

Shardul undergoes foot surgery again

LONDON: Shardul Thakur has undergone a successful foot surgery and is expected to be out for three months.The 32-year-old shared a post-surgery photo on his instagram page. It was his second foot surgery after he had undergone the same in 2019.

Football coach Chathunni dies

KOCHI: TK Chathunni, former Indian football player and coach, died at a private hospital.Chathunni, 79, was undergoing treatment for cancer. As a coach, he helped Mohun Bagan win their maiden national league title, then NFL, during the 1997-98 season.

Indian men's boxing slide blamed on selection policy

For the first time in 40 years, India will send only two male boxers for Olympics

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NEW DELHI: Earlier this month, when World Championships silver medallist Amit Panghal defeated China's Liu Chuang in the 51kg quarter-finals of the second World Qualifier in Bangkok, he joined Nishant Dev (71kg) as the only Indian male pugilists to qualify for the Paris Olympics.

While that significantly boosts India's medal chances considering Panghal's stature — he is the only Indian to win a Worlds silver medal — it also marked a moment to ponder over what has gone amiss in Indian boxing in this Olympics cycle. The last time India sent fewer than three male boxers to the Olympics was at 1984 Los Angeles when Kaur Singh and Jaslal Pradhan went.

At the Covid-hit 2021 Tokyo Olympics, five men donned Indian colours in the ring. Although none among Panghal (52kg), Manish Kaushik (63kg), Vikas Krishan (69kg), Ashish Kumar (75kg) and Satish Kumar (+91kg) could win a medal, India being represented in five of the eight categories spoke well of a nation whose male boxers have just one medal to show at the Games.

For Paris, in line with IOC's aim for gender parity, the number of men's weight categories has been reduced to seven from the Tokyo Games while the number for women has gone up by one to six. The three-year Olympic cycle saw India's women boxers win seven medals across two senior World Championships — five of them gold — and three medals at the Hangzhou Asian Games. By contrast, the men managed only four medals across two senior Worlds and a solitary bronze in Hangzhou. "India has emerged as a solid force in women's boxing in this cycle and they deserve full credit for that. However, only two men making the cut speaks a lot about the system," said Venkatesan Devarajan, the 1994 Worlds bronze medallist.

At the heart of the system Devarajan alludes to is the much-debated evaluation-based method that replaced the practice of selection trials to pick the national team. Sparring sessions went down, tactical and technical training took a backseat, and the focus shifted to building speed and endurance.

"I won't say speed and endurance are secondary, but nothing can replace sparring. Boxers should be able to read their opponent's body language and pre-empt their moves. They must have the heart and the will to take the punishment and reply in kind. All those skills can only be developed in the ring. I feel that's one area where we could have done better," he added.

Boxing Federation of India (BFI) adopted the new policy in February 2023 — introduced by then Irish High Performance Director Bernard Dunne — and implemented it in a year of the senior men and women World Championships and the Asian Games, the latter serving as an Olympic qualifier. The policy also witnessed the number of boxers per weight class being cut down in the camp, further reducing sparring options for elite boxers.

A senior boxer who was a regular in the Patiala camp also pointed at the acute lack of sparring. "What use are sprints if I can't throw a good punch? There were hardly any technical inputs or tactical advice," said the boxer, who didn't wish to be named.

"That evaluation-based policy is the major reason for only two men making it to the Olympics," said 2006 Commonwealth Games gold medallist Akhil Kumar. "I don't think hiring the foreign coach (Dunne) was a great idea because understanding the Indian boxers is a big task for a foreigner. Our training patterns, routines and mindset are very different. You can't hammer in changes without taking everyone on board."

Dunne resigned in March after none of the nine Indian boxers qualified at the first World Boxing Olympic Qualification in Busto Arsizio, Italy. Devarajan, who watched the bouts closely, noticed glaring technical deficiencies in the Indian boxers.

"Clearly, the Irish HPD didn't know how to train a tall boxer or a short boxer. I doubt if he knew the strengths of our boxers. I saw very little intelligence in the bouts. It showed that they lacked proper technical and tactical insights. A coach should not be a team manager," Devarajan said. "As far as Amit and Nishant go, both have quality and can go deep. Lot depends on the draw. Amit needs to build his power while Nishant needs to mature as a boxer."

BFI is confident about the qualities of Panghal and Dev. "We would have liked 4-5 men to qualify, but those who are going are our best bets," said Col. Arun Malik, BFI executive director. "I don't see anything wrong in the policy. It was always very transparent. Lack of results shouldn't be blamed on it," Malik added.

Punching below the weight

For the first time since 1984 Los Angeles Games, India are fielding less than three male boxers at the Olympics. Amit Panghal (51kg) and Nishant Dev (71kg) will head to Paris along with Nikhat Zareen (50kg), Preeti Pawar (54kg), Lovlina Borgohain (75kg) as India hopes to break the 16-year medal duck at the Olympics.

KEY REASONS FOR FEWER SELECTIONS
(as per experts)

- Imposing evaluation-based system in national camps
- Foreign coaches' inability to understand the Indian system
- Fewer sparring sessions
- Lack of technical guidance
- Doing away with selection trials
- Tough qualification system

"We had hoped for at least 4-5 male boxers to make it to Paris, but Amit and Nishant are both capable of making India proud. Ultimately, it doesn't matter how many boxers travel, what counts is how many come home with a medal."
— COLONEL ARUN MALIK, Executive Director, BFI





India coach Igor Stimac at the Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium. REUTERS

Coach Igor Stimac unlikely to step down anytime soon

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KOLKATA: Igor Stimac is unlikely to step down as head coach of the senior India men's football team. A member of the India contingent in Doha quoted Stimac as saying that he was heartbroken after Tuesday's contentious 1-2 defeat to Qatar that ended India's chances of making the third round of the 2026 World Cup qualifiers but happy with the spunk the team showed in its first match after Sunil Chhetri retired.

"The confidence and the positive attitude the team displayed have made him feel that he should continue for now," the official, requesting anonymity, told HT on Wednesday. At the post-match press conference in Doha, Stimac said the result was an injustice to his players and that India "should have scored three in the first half to kill the game definitely. But there is something which is missing in Indian football, and that's clinical reactions inside the box."

On contract till June 2026, Stimac had said in March that if India didn't make the third round, he would quit. Travelling home on Wednesday, Stimac could not be reached for a reaction. Like the players, Stimac has gone on holiday.

All India Football Federation (AIFF) president Kaylan Chaubey told HT that as part of its commitment to utilise FIFA windows for the men's and women's teams, AIFF will try to host a three-nation tournament in September. "Hopefully, we will play the Merdeka in October," said Chaubey. The final FIFA window in 2024 is in November.

It is not clear if Stimac will be in charge then. If AIFF removes Stimac, it might have to pay nearly $360,000 (₹3 crore approximately) as severance package. That's a lot for a federation that has pruned its competitions budget this year. An AIFF official said the technical committee's inputs would be sought and a golden handshake is not ruled out, but for now Stimac stays.

"While referring to Qatar's equaliser, Stimac also pointed out how a goal was denied against Malaysia (Merdeka Tournament) and a dubious penalty awarded to Iraq in the King's Cup," said the India official mentioned above.

Trailing 0-1 till the 73rd minute, Qatar levelled through Youssef Aymen after Alhashmi Mohialdin pulled the ball back, after it looked to have crossed the goalline.

Chaubey has written to FIFA, Asian Football Confederation and the match commissioner pointing out a "grave supervision error". In his statement, Chaubey has "urged them (FIFA, AFC) to explore the possibility of sporting compensation to address the injustice."

Delhi and Tourism Transportation Development Corporation Limited
(A Government of Delhi undertaking)
18-A, DDA SCO Complex, Defence Colony, New Delhi-110024

e- Tenders invited for

1. Installation of hot (Tea, Coffee, Soup), Cold Beverages and Soft Drinks vending machines at Coffee Home Connaught Place. Tender ID No. 2024_DTTDC_257567_1

The tender documents containing detailed terms and conditions can be downloaded from the website **www.govtprocurement.delhi.govt.in** and DTTDC website. Online bid submission by **3:00 PM** on **27th June 2024**.

Dy. Manager (Catering)

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Admission to Master in Hospital Administration (02 years) course at the Department of Hospital Administration of the Institute for the academic year 2024-2025

Online applications are invited from eligible Indian national (irrespective of gender) for admission to the Master in Hospital Administration (02 years course) in the academic year 2024 at the Department of Hospital Administration of Sanjay Gandhi Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow. Details of seats are given below:

Total Open Seats	UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS
06	02	01	-	02	01

For Further details and application form please visit Institute website ***(http://www.sgpgims.org.in).*** Follow the instruction for making ON LINE payment of application fee of Rs 1,000/- (Rs One thousand only) & filling up the ON LINE application form . Director of the Institute reserves the right to reject any application without assigning any reason. All disputes will be subject to the jurisdiction of Hon'ble Courts at Lucknow.
The date of entrance examination is 29th July 2024 (Monday).

ADVT.No.: I/06/ER/ACAD/2024-25 **EXECUTIVE REGISTRAR**

MADHYA PRADESH POWER TRANSMISSION COMPANY LIMITED
(A Wholly Owned Govt. of Madhya Pradesh Undertaking)
(CIN) : U40109MP2001SGC014880
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TENDER EXTENSION NOTICE (4th Extension)

The tender for conduct of study to determine the power factor in respect of 5 Nos. Solar Captive Power Plants connected with MPPTCL grid were invited vide Tender Specification No. 04-01/CRA/F-177/8342 dated 14.03.2024 with due date of opening as on 04.04.2024 for qualifying bids and 05.04.2024 for price bids. The due date of opening of qualifying bids was extended first time up to 25.04.2024 and for price bids 26.04.2024 respectively. Further, due dates as aforesaid was extended second time up to 21.05.2024 and 22.05.2024 respectively. The due dates as aforesaid were extended third time up to 11.06.2024 and 12.06.2024 respectively. Now, the due dates are extended for fourth time and the tenders can be submitted up to 02:30 PM on 04.07.2024 which shall be opened on the same day at 03:30 PM (qualifying bids) and on 05.07.2024 (price bids) at 11:30 AM. All other terms & conditions of the tenders shall remain unchanged.

M.P. Madhyam/114860/2024 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (CRA)**

HARYANA STATE COUNCIL FOR SCIENCE, INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY (HSCSIT)
Directorate of Science and Technology,
Department of Higher Education, Haryana
Bays No. 35-38, Sector 2, Panchkula
Ph. 0172-2563439

Online Research & Development Project proposals for the year 2024-25 are invited in the field of Science & Technology having immediate socio-economic relevance to the people of Haryana. Detailed guidelines and procedure for online submission of project proposals are available at **https://dst.highereduhry.ac.in/**.

Secretary
Executive Committee

RO No. 1099/11/22/2025/26654/19/7

M.P. POWER GENERATING COMPANY LIMITED
Superintending Engineer (P&W), Office of The Chief Engineer (GEN.)
Sanjay Gandhi Thermal Power Station, Birsinghpur, Distt.-Umaria 484 552 (M.P.)
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No. 511-0100/SGTPS/P&W/E-NIT-02/843 **Birsinghpur, Dtd. 11.06.2024**

E-TENDER INVITING NOTICE

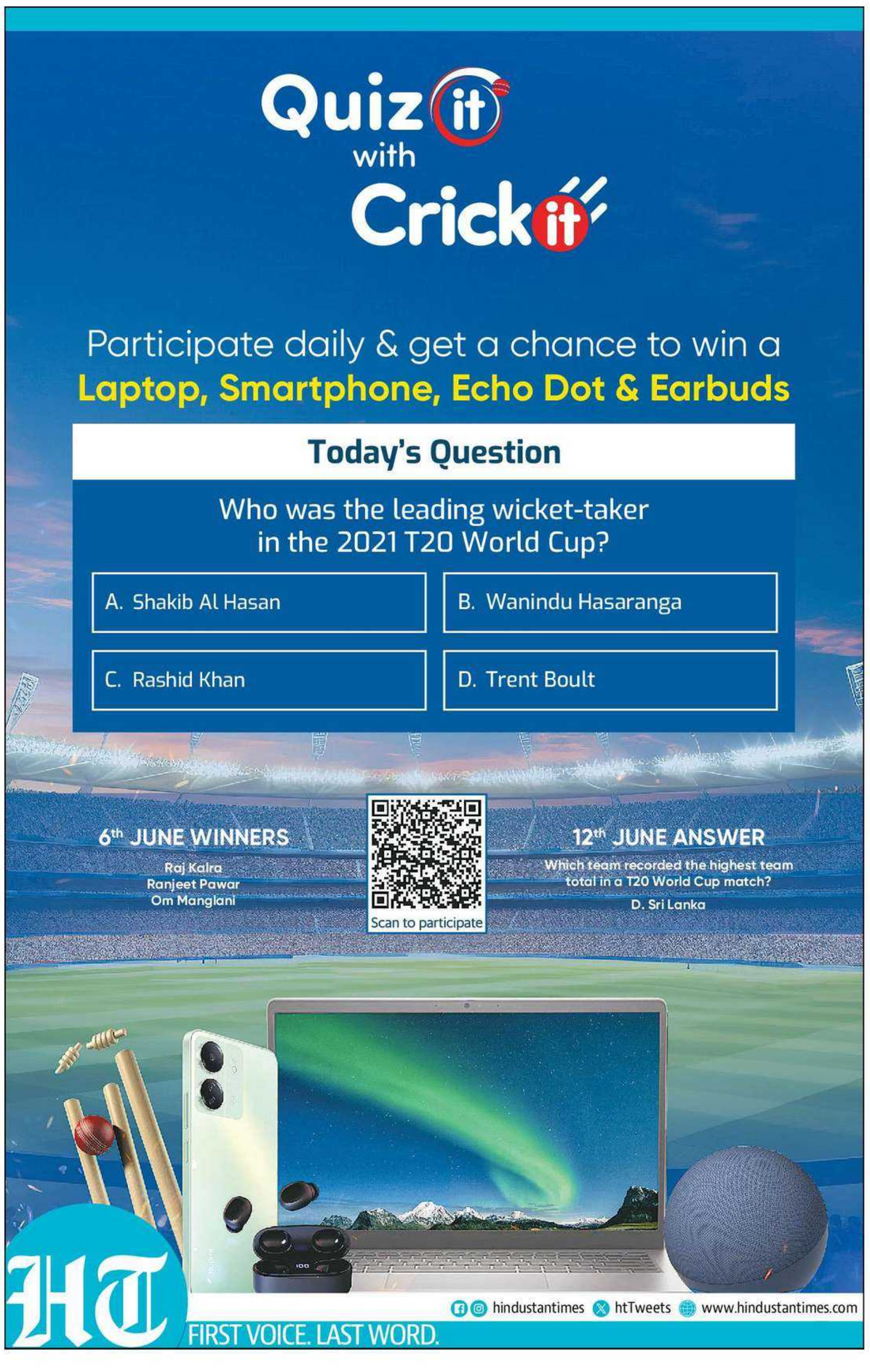
M.P. Power Generating Co. Ltd. invites Electronic tenders from manufacturer/reputed supplier/contractor, for the supply/works of following items for SGTPS, MPPGCL Birsinghpur.

Sl. No.	MPPGCL Tender-ID	Particulars	Estimate (In Rs.)	Tender Cost (In Rs.)	E.M.D. (In Rs.)	Last Date of Closing of Online Submission	Due Date of E-Tender Opening
1	2024_MPPGC_347908_1	Annual Work contract for providing assistance in day to day routine preventive/breakdown maintenance work of electrical equipments including overhauling & bearing replacement of HT motors of unit No. 5, 1x500MW, at SGTPS, MPPGCL, Birsinghpur.	63,86,460/-	2,000/-	1,27,800/-	05.07.2024	09.07.2024
2	2024_MPPGC_345822_1	Annual work contract for providing assistance in day to day routine/breakdown maintenance of electrical equipments and HT/LT motors of unit Nos. 1 & 2, 2x210 MW, at SGTPS, MPPGCL, Birsinghpur.	66,65,815/-	2,000/-	1,33,400/-	04.07.2024	08.07.2024
3	2024_MPPGC_337770_1	Providing VTC trained persons on contractual basis at various loading sidings/mines of M/s SECL to witness work of 3rd party sampling carried out by third party agency at loading ends.	127.20 Lakhs	5000/-	2,00,000/-	09.07.2024	12.07.2024
4	2024_MPPGC_331977_2	Procurement of Spares of New Iskmatic modules of ATRS for Unit Nos. 3 and 4, PH-II at SGTPS, MPPGCL Brs	50,97,600/-	2000/-	102000/-	28.06.2024	02.07.2024
5	2024_MPPGC_347875_1	Providing assistance in day to day routine maintenance work of instrumentation and control system of unit Nos. 1 & 2, 2x210MW, at SGTPS, MPPGCL, Birsinghpur.	75,15,499/-	2,000/-	1,50,400/-	12.07.2024	16.07.2024

These tenders are being invited through e-tendering system. For viewing detailed E-NIT, downloading tender documents and participating in Electronic Tender, for any clarifications and/or due date extensions or corrigendum, please visit the website **www.mptenders.gov.in** regularly. Any clarifications and/or due date extensions or corrigendum shall be issued on the website **www.mptenders.gov.in** only.

"SAVE ELECTRICITY- SAVE POWER-SAVE MONEY"

M.P. Madhyam/114828/2024 **SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (P&W)**



{ NO AGENDA }



Sanjay Manjrekar

This WC better than usual T20 bowler bashing



Rishabh Pant. GETTY IMAGES VIA AFP

We all know T20 cricket is one of the most unpredictable formats across the sport, but who would have thought the T20 World Cup would throw us this kind of surprise?

T20s have completely turned on their head in the West Indies and the United States where a total of 120 runs is a winning score. India defended 119 versus Pakistan, who fell short by six runs, and South Africa defended 113 with Bangladesh falling short by four runs.

This T20 World Cup has stood in stark contrast to IPL (that concluded just six days before) where teams were still nervous after setting targets close to 270.

We are seeing two extremes of T20 cricket, the likes of which we have never seen before.

Both scenarios are not ideal, but I wonder – if the ICC is not able to achieve a middle ground in this T20 WC because of the conditions, which of these two extremes is the lesser evil?

A choice we often have to make in life, isn't it?

I might not be the most accurate representation of T20 fans, or cricket fans in general, but I have found the matches so far quite fascinating and more interesting than the bowler bashing that goes on in most T20 leagues.

For the first time in 17 years, I was a bit disillusioned by the IPL. I was commentating on one particular match at the Eden Gardens, which became somewhat of a reality check for me.

Karn Sharma of RCB hit Mitchell Starc for three consecutive sixes, all over point, on the off-side, essentially a difficult thing to do. What's more? The great Starc was now running for cover. And from whom? A No.9 batter in the team, selected only for his bowling.

For me, the balance between bat and ball had tilted too far in favour of the batters. I couldn't help thinking, "If Karn Sharma can bat like this — what's the big deal when other accomplished batters do the same?"

Bizarrely, albeit sporadically, I have seen excellence in T20 batting here.

All the T20 batters around the world who relied on certain conditions — flat pitches that allowed them to hit through the line without having to worry about the ball changing its line after pitching — are falling by the wayside. It's pitches like these, the kind we've been seeing in this WC, that are filtering out the ordinary.

India's best batter so far has been Rishabh Pant. In the warmup match against Bangladesh, Rohit Sharma and Sanju Samson struggled in their first foray onto the now infamous New York pitch. It was nothing like they were used to in T20s. Rishabh Pant walks in at 3 and on the same surface starts striking at 150.

I have huge respect for Pant. In a relatively short Test career, he may have already played three all-time great Indian innings. This rare ability he possesses has got Pant to be India's best batter on all three outings on this NY pitch.

Through sheer turn of fate because of the tricky pitches, I got to see some excellence in batting. There was the innings of Rishabh Pant versus Ireland and Pakistan, Roston Chase in a pressure run chase, and David Miller scoring 59 at a strike rate of 115 — an innings that visibly gave him great joy after SA were 12/4 versus Ireland.

Miller dug deep and changed his game to suit the conditions. It revealed Miller's character and felt like I got to know him better as a T20 batter.

It's also true that in extreme batting-friendly conditions, you get to see the bowling excellence of say a Rashid Khan or a Bumrah, but the 4-over limit also limits the time they can showcase their excellence, and the match-winning impact of their rare skills.

The 360 degrees power-hitting has now been mastered by most T20 batters around the world, but in the US and WI, only those who can keep that wicket-taking ball away with a still-bat defence — and bide their time before playing the big shot — are succeeding.

Pant has these qualities. He has the audacious power he is famous for, as well as the still-bat defence, and the soft hands — on pitches crying out for batters with the soft skills to court/face them.

Batters looking to score only through boundaries are mostly failing. It's reached a stage where not looking for boundaries may actually help teams get bigger scores than the 115s they are managing now. Pakistan would have beaten India if they had thought this way.

No hard hands

Hard hands are a gift at the Wankhede Stadium, but here it's a curse.

So even though conditions are as such, it is enjoyable to find out which batters have the mental toughness, ability to adapt, and general sharp thinking when faced with a new challenge.

Also, because of these difficult pitches, emerging teams have a better shot at beating the more senior teams. Upsets and close finishes have been an enthralling watch for all fans of the game. I often watch our staff in the studio thoroughly enjoying the nail-biting finishes, as well as the upsets. Now, this is a better indicator of what most cricket fans latch onto.

The viewership numbers of the first week of the ICC T20 WC will be interesting. It will reveal one very important fact – is it more sixes that fans want to watch or moments of excellence, and skill, with close finishes & upsets?



Arshdeep Singh celebrates the wicket of USA's Shayan Jahangir off the first ball of the innings. He returned figures of 4/9. AFP

Arshdeep, Surya take India to Super Eights

Pacer's 4/9 followed by batter's 50* give India a seven-wicket win over USA on another tricky pitch

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NEW DELHI: Arshdeep Singh kept running in his follow through with right arm raised, not bothering to look back at the umpire and lodge an appeal. So plumb in front was opener Shayan Jahangir, squarely beaten by a full delivery that swung into his pads.

It was the perfect way to start things off for India on Wednesday. The 25-year-old left-arm pacer maintained that intensity all through, claiming career-best figures of 4/9 to restrict United States to 110/8 and set up a seven-wicket victory at the Nassau County International Cricket Stadium in Long Island, New York.

India's effort with the bat suffered a few anxious moments, but an unbeaten fifty from Suryakumar Yadav, fortuitous to be dropped on 22, along with Shivam Dube (31*, 35b) got them over the line. This is India's third victory on the trot in Group A and confirms their Super Eight berth.

Having set the tone off the first ball of the day, Arshdeep ended his first over with a wicket too. This time, Andries Gous was rushed into a pull off a delivery that bounced more than he anticipated. The ball took the leading edge of his bat and lobbed to Hardik Pandya at mid-off.

Sharing the new ball with Arshdeep was Mohammed Siraj. He too found some movement, routinely beating stand-in skipper Aaron Jones (Monank Patel was absent due to injury) with deliveries shaping away. It was only when Siraj pitched short that Jones pulled for six over fine-leg.

With the USA duo of Jones and Steven Taylor not getting loose balls, the former's urge to break the shackles led to his downfall in the seventh over. Unlike the short ball he dispatched for six against Siraj, he wasn't quite in control of the pull against Hardik and holed out to Arshdeep at fine leg.

At 56/4, the hosts desperately needed a partnership. Having hit a boundary off the last ball to force a Super Over against Pakistan, Nitish Kumar again showed some spark with a knock of 27. He took a liking to Pandya in the 13th over. First, he backed away to the leg side and hit a length delivery towards the sightscreen for six. When Pandya took the pace off, Nitish picked it early and smashed the ball back past the bowler for four.

When Corey Anderson hit a six over midwicket off Axar in the next over, there was a sense that the Indian bowlers were under a little bit of pressure for the first time in the game. But India hit back soon enough thanks to their sharpness in the field. Nitish miscued a pull against Arshdeep for a well-judged catch by Siraj at deep square leg while Anderson's attempted slog off Pandya needed Rishabh Pant to run towards square leg before getting under the ball and completing a diving catch.

Arshdeep capped off an excellent spell with his fourth wicket in his final over. Having pitched the ball up and looked for swing in his initial burst of two overs, he pulled his length back later. The short ball got the better of all-rounder Harmeet Singh too.

The chase was far from straightforward for India. In the pre-match meetings, USA's plans for Virat Kohli would have revolved around getting their seamers to bowl outside off-stump and invite a loose push. Saurabh Netravalkar executed as desired, inducing Kohli's outside edge to dismiss him for a duck. In Netravalkar's next over, Rohit's intended flick took a leading edge, carried to Harmeet at mid-off and reduced India to 10/2. That became 39/3 when Pant fell victim to a ball from pacer Ali Khan that kept low and slid underneath his bat.

At 47/3 in 10 overs, with 64 needed off 60 balls, India now needed a few boundaries to ease the nerves. But with the pitch continuing to play tricks, Yadav and Dube struggled for fluency.

The blow on his right thumb when a delivery from Netravalkar reared off a length may have affected Yadav. He would have departed had his former Mumbai teammate held onto a chance running back from short third man. The hole they were digging for themselves seemed to dawn on them post that spilled chance, for Yadav and Dube showed far more urgency thereafter.

Helped by the addition of five runs to their total at the start of the 16th over to penalise USA for their slow over-rate – the hosts had taken more than a minute between overs three times – Yadav and Dube finished the job in the penultimate over.

SCORECARD

USA

S Jahangir lbw b Arshdeep	0 (1)
S Taylor b Patel	24 (30)
A Gous c Pandya b Arshdeep	2 (5)
A Jones c Siraj b Pandya	11 (22)
N Kumar c Siraj b Arshdeep	27 (23)
C Anderson c Pant b Pandya	15 (12)
H Singh c Pant b Arshdeep	10 (10)
S van Schalkwyk not out	11 (10)
J Singh run out	2 (7)
Extras (lb 1, w 7)	**8**
Total (20 overs, 8 wickets)	**110**

FoW 1-0, 2-3, 3-25, 4-56, 5-81, 6-96, 7-98, 8-110

Bowling Arshdeep 4-0-9-4, Siraj 4-0-25-0, Bumrah 4-0-25-0, Pandya 4-1-14-2, Dube 1-0-11-0, Patel 3-0-25-1

India

R Sharma c Harmeet b Netravalkar	3 (6)
V Kohli c Gous b Netravalkar	0 (1)
R Pant b Khan	18 (20)
S Yadav not out	50 (49)
S Dube not out	31 (35)
Extras (lb 1, nb 1, w 2, pen 5)	**9**
Total (18.2 overs, 3 wickets)	**111**

FoW 1-6, 2-15, 3-44

Bowling Netravalkar 4-0-18-2, Khan 3.2-0-21-1, Jasdeep 4-0-24-0, van Schalkwyk 4-0-25-0, Anderson 3-0-17-0

India won by 7 wickets

MATCH SCHEDULE

Group D: Bangladesh vs Netherlands; At **8PM**, **Venue:** Kingstown

Group B: England vs Oman; At **12:30** (Friday); **Venue:** North Sound

Group C: Afghanistan vs PNG; At **6AM** (Friday); **Venue:** Tarouba

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Australia thriving on Zampa factor in white-ball game

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NEW DELHI: He is the first Australian to take 100 wickets in T20Is. He is the leading wicket-taker for Australia across T20 World Cups. He is also only next to Shane Warne for the most wickets by an Australian spinner in ODIs.

Adam Zampa's white-ball career is growing in stature with every passing game. Against Namibia in North Sound, Antigua, on Tuesday night, Zampa got to the milestone of 100 T20I wickets with a four-for in his 83rd game, giving Australia a nine-wicket win and a spot in the Super Eight stage of the T20 World Cup.

Coming into the attack with Namibia on 17/3 after six overs, the 32-year-old leg-spinner was in a position to run through the side and hasten the end of proceedings. He did exactly that before Namibia folded for 72 in 17 overs. The final ball of his uninterrupted spell of 4-0-12-4, a big-turning wrong 'un that made No.9 Bernard Scholtz his 100th victim, was the icing on the cake. Zampa has been rewarded with the Player-of-the-Match award in successive games now. Against England in Bridgetown, Barbados too his spell of 4-0-28-2 proved to be decisive in Australia's 36-run victory.

"Over the past four or five years, he is probably our most important player. He loves the big moment, the pressure, and he is bowling beautifully at the moment," Australia skipper Mitch Marsh said at the post-match presentation.

In his first few years as an international cricketer, Zampa, who made his debut in 2016, was striving to find his way, perhaps weighed down by the pressure that has gripped every Australian leggie after Warne. It was only in 2019 that Zampa — he took his first four-wicket haul that year — cemented his place as Australia's frontline spinner in the shorter formats following impressive displays against India and Pakistan in back-to-back series just before the ODI World Cup. He hasn't looked back since.

He was integral to Australia's T20 World Cup triumph in the UAE in 2021 and also to their champagne-popping efforts at the ODI World Cup in India last year. That Australia's fortunes were intertwined with Zampa's at the 50-over event can be gauged from the fact that their only losses came in the first two games when Zampa was below par. Once his performances picked up, so did Australia's.

When he was introduced into the attack against England at this World Cup in Kensington Oval, for instance, the defending champions were coasting at 73/0 in seven overs in a chase of 202. How did Zampa react? He dismissed Phil Salt off his first delivery, with a skiddy leg-break that cramped the England opener for room, took the inside-edge and hit the stumps. Less than two overs later, he accounted for Jos Buttler too.

In the post-match press conference, Zampa was asked whether he found it hard to step out of Warne's shadow when he first entered the Australian set-up. "Never really thought of it that way, to be honest," he said. "I had to fight for my position in the team for a long time."

Brief scores: Namibia 72 all out in 17 ovs (Erasmus 36, Zampa 4/12). Australia 74/1 in 5.4 ovs (Head 34*). **Australia won by 9 wickets.**

POINTS TABLE (GROUP B)

Team	P	W	L	NRR	Pts
AUS	3	3	0	3.58	6
SCO*	3	2	0	2.164	5
NAM	3	1	2	-2.098	2
ENG*	2	0	1	-1.8	1
OMA	3	0	3	-1.613	0

POINTS TABLE (GROUP D)

Team	P	W	L	NRR	Pts
SA	3	3	0	0.603	6
BAN	2	1	1	0.075	2
NED	2	1	1	0.024	2
NEP*	2	0	1	-0.539	1
SL*	3	0	2	-0.777	1

*Match abandoned

IPL business value surges to $16.4 billion, says study

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MUMBAI: Indian Premier League's (IPL) brand value has continued its robust growth with a latest study assessing it to have increased by 6.3% to $3.4 billion over last year. The business value of IPL – it is the assumed value a buyer would currently pay – has surged to $16.4 billion, up by 6.5%, according to the study conducted by American investment bank Houlihan Lokey.

IPL's revenue model is heavily reliant on media rights proceeds. The big uptick in business value ($8.5bn to $15.4bn) came last year after Viacom18 and Disney Star picked up the 2023-27 digital and TV rights for a collective $6.2bn. This year's increase gets a boost from a positive revision in IPL title rights with Tata renewing its contract for ₹2500 crore for five years.

Delving on the brand value of IPL franchises, the study throws up expected findings. Riding high on the MS Dhoni fever that has been all-pervading in the past two seasons, Chennai Super Kings (CSK) continue to be No.1 on both brand value and business value indices. Despite yet another season where they unsuccessfully chased a maiden IPL title, Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) come No.2 on both the indices. The study highlights a fervent fan base, vibrant team identity and the Virat Kohli factor as reasons behind RCB's emotional connect with fans and why it translates into sponsorship revenue and ticket sales. It helped that RCB had a remarkable run of come-from-behind wins this year to qualify for the playoffs and Kohli was again the top-scorer, winning the Orange Cap as this edition's leading batter.

IPL 2024 winners Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) are ranked third in brand value and fourth in business value. "KKR capitalizes greatly on the brand equity of its renowned owner Shah Rukh Khan and is regarded as one of the best-managed franchises for turning profitable before others," the study says. For five-time winners Mumbai Indians (MI), their long-term goodwill helped negotiate the negative impact caused by fan outrage over the captaincy change from Rohit Sharma to Hardik Pandya and the resultant last place finish. The study ranks MI at No.3 and No.4 in business value and brand value respectively.

Rajasthan Royals' (RR) improving trajectory in terms of performances and player pool sees them rise to No.5 in brand value.

"The IPL as a product has always been highly investible," RR lead owner Manoj Badale is quoted as saying. "A closed league offers long-term security, a hard salary cap ensures a level-playing field, and an equitable commercial model in which central income is split equally amongst franchises secures contractual revenue for franchises.

"The first 10 years of IPL, as with any new sports property, can be thought of as the "proof of concept" stage. Fan affinity has strengthened whilst broadcasters and sponsors consider IPL to be a "must-have" property. This has provided a solid launchpad for the league to scale and simultaneously provided franchises with a new profile of investment that can unlock this new stage of growth and innovation."



NBA, Lakers legend Jerry West dies at 86

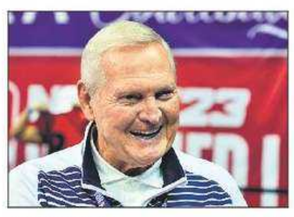
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LOS ANGELES: Jerry West, an iconic 1960s star guard for the Los Angeles Lakers who inspired the NBA logo, died Wednesday at age 86, the Los Angeles Clippers announced. West played for the Lakers from 1960 through 1974, winning his only NBA title in 1972, and was co-captain on the 1960 Rome Olympic US basketball gold medal squad.

In later years, West served as an executive on several NBA clubs, most recently the Clippers, his knowledge and guidance contributing to eight championship runs, six by the Lakers.

With impressive speed and quickness and a deft shooting touch, West was nicknamed "Mr. Clutch" for his skilled shotmaking under pressure. In the 1969 NBA Finals against the arch-rival Boston Celtics, he received the Most Valuable Player award even though the Celtics beat the Lakers for the title.

West was an NBA All-Star in all 14 of his league seasons and the NBA scoring champion in 1970.



Jerry West. AFP

His jersey number, 44, was retired by the Lakers. West was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1980.

In 1969, the NBA created its current logo, which was the silhouette of West dribbling a basketball, an image inspired by a photograph of West taken during a game.

"He was the league's first Finals MVP and made rising to the occasion his signature quality," NBA commissioner Adam Silver said.

For his career, West averaged 27.0 points, 5.8 rebounds and 6.7 assists a game. West, who coached the Lakers from 1976 through 1979, would capture eight titles as an NBA executive, five with the Lakers in the 1980s "Showtime" era with Magic Johnson and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.