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Justin Trudeau

CANADA Liberals suffer major upset in Toronto polls

Toronto: Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's Liberal party has suffered a major upset in a special election for a Toronto district it has held for three decades, raising doubts about Trudeau's leadership ahead of next year's general election. Elections Canada reported the opposition Conservative candidate winning the Toronto-St. Paul's district by almost 600 votes, 42.1% over the Liberal candidate's 40.5% with all 192 polling stations reporting. The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation declared Conservative Don Stewart the winner early Tuesday. The Liberals had held Toronto-St. Paul's since 1993. It is one of 338 seats in Canada's House of Commons. **AP**

RUSSIA ICC issues warrants for 2 for war crimes

The Hague: The International Criminal Court issued arrest warrants for Sergei Shoigu, the former Russian defence minister, and leading Russian general Valery Gerasimov on Tuesday for alleged crimes committed during Russia's invasion of Ukraine. It brought to eight the number of arrest warrants issued against senior Russian suspects since Moscow sent troops into Ukraine in February 2022. They include Russian President Vladimir Putin. The court's move was welcomed by Kyiv, but dismissed as legally meaningless by Moscow. **PTI**

CHINA Knife attack at bus stop injures 3, suspect held

Beijing: A suspect has been detained in China after a knife attack at a school bus stop that injured three people, including a Japanese woman and her child, a spokesperson for the Japanese Embassy confirmed Tuesday. A man stabbed the woman and her child at a bus stop for a Japanese school, and then seriously injured a Chinese woman on the bus who tried to block him when he tried to get on. The motive for the attack was unclear. **AP**



People attend a demonstration against Kenya's proposed tax Bill in Nairobi on Tuesday. Reuters

Chaos in Kenya over tax Bill, protesters set parliament ablaze, police open fire

REUTERS
NAIROBI, JUNE 25

POLICE OPENED fire on demonstrators trying to storm Kenya's legislature on Tuesday, with at least five protesters killed, dozens wounded and sections of the parliament building set ablaze as lawmakers inside passed legislation to raise taxes.

In chaotic scenes, protesters overwhelmed police and chased them away in an attempt to storm the parliament compound, with Citizen TV reporting protesters had managed to enter the Senate chamber earlier in the day.

Police opened fire after tear gas and water cannon failed to disperse the crowds. A paramedic, Vivian Achista, said at least 10 had been shot dead.

Another paramedic, Richard Ngumo, said more than 50 people had been wounded by gunfire. "We want to shut down parliament and every MP should go



Protesters on the grounds of parliament in Nairobi, Tuesday. AP

down and resign," protester Davis Tafari, who was trying to enter parliament, told Reuters. "We will have a new government."

Police eventually managed to drive the protesters from the building amid clouds of tear gas and the sound of gunfire. The lawmakers were evacuated through underground tunnels, local media reported.

Protests and clashes also took place in several other cities and towns across the country, with many calling for President William Ruto to quit office.

Parliament approved the finance bill, moving it through to a third reading by lawmakers. The next step is for the legislation to be sent to the president for signing. Ruto won an election almost two

EXPLAINED Economic shocks & the Bill

KENYANS HAVE been struggling to cope with several economic shocks caused by the lingering impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, two consecutive years of droughts and depreciation of the currency. The finance Bill aims to raise an additional \$2.7 billion in taxes as part of an effort to lighten the heavy debt load.

years ago on a platform of championing Kenya's working poor, but has been caught between the competing demands of lenders such as the International Monetary Fund, which is urging the government to cut deficits to obtain more funding.

WIKILEAKS FOUNDER TO RETURN TO AUSTRALIA

After 14 yrs, Assange to be freed, enters into a pact with US

REUTERS
SYDNEY, WASHINGTON, JUNE 25

WIKILEAKS FOUNDER Julian Assange is due to plead guilty on Wednesday to violating US espionage law, in a deal that will set him free after a 14-year British legal odyssey and allow his return home to Australia.

Assange, 52, has agreed to plead guilty to a single criminal count of conspiring to obtain and disclose classified US national defence documents, according to filings in the US District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands.

The deal marks the end of a legal saga that has seen Assange spend more than five years in a British jail and seven holed up in the Ecuadorean embassy in London as he fought accusations of sex crimes in Sweden and battled extradition to the US, where he faced 18 criminal charges.

The US government viewed him as a reckless villain who had endangered the lives of agents through WikiLeaks' mass release of secret US documents.

But to free press advocates and his supporters, he is a hero for exposing wrongdoing and alleged war crimes, and was persecuted for embarrassing US.

On Wednesday, Assange is due to be sentenced to 62 months of time already served at a hearing in Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands. The US territory in the Pacific was chosen due to Assange's opposition to travelling to the mainland US and for its proximity to Australia.

Australian-born Assange left Belmarsh maximum security jail



Julian Assange on a plane at Bangkok airport as he heads to Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands. AP

in the early hours of Monday, before being bailed by the London High Court and later boarding a flight, his wife, Stella Assange said. He was currently on a stopover in Bangkok, she said. "I feel elated," said Stella, who flew to Australia from London on Sunday with the couple's two children. After the hearing in Saipan, Assange will fly to Canberra where he will arrive on Wednesday, she said. The Australian government, led by PM Anthony Albanese, has been pressing US President Joe Biden for Assange's release.

"Julian Assange endangered the lives of our troops in a time of war and should have been prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law," said Mike Pence, who served as US Vice President under Donald Trump when the charges were brought against Assange.

"The Biden administration's plea deal with Assange is a miscarriage of justice and dishonors the service and sacrifice of ... our Armed Forces..." he said on X.

Assange was first arrested in

WHO SAID WHAT

...the case has dragged on for too long. There is nothing to be gained by his continued incarceration and we want him brought home to Australia"

ANTHONY ALBANESE, AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER

I feel elated... I also feel worried... Until it's fully signed off, I worry, but it looks like we've got there....

STELLA ASSANGE, ASSANGE'S WIFE

Britain in 2010 after Swedish authorities said they wanted to question him over sex-crime allegations that were later dropped.

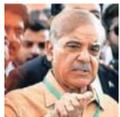
After criticism, Pak govt clarifies on new counter-terror op

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
ISLAMABAD, JUNE 25

AMIDST CRITICISM over a newly announced counter-terrorism operation without consulting Parliament, the Pakistan government has said that it would not be a kinetic large-scale military campaign, nor would it entail the mass displacement of the people.

"Operation Azm-i-Istehkam", announced by the government on Saturday, is the latest in a series of counter-terrorism operations launched by the Pakistan Army since the mid-2000s. The announcement came after the Central Apex Committee of National Action Plan meeting chaired by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif.

The Opposition parties, including the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf, Jamiat Ulema Islam-Fazl and Awami National Party have refused to support the new counter-terrorism operation. They demanded that Parliament be taken into confidence before any offensive against militancy was launched. Prime Minister Sharif on Tuesday clarified that the



Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif

planned counterterrorism campaign 'Vision Azm-i-Istehkam' would entail intensifying ongoing intelligence-based operations (IBOs) rather than a "new and organised" military offensive, Dawn newspaper reported. The clarification comes after the PM's Office (PMO) said that "Operation Azm-i-Istehkam" would not be a kinetic large-scale military operation, nor would it entail the mass displacement of the local population.

Meanwhile, Defence Minister Khawaja Asif has assured opposition parties that their reservations regarding the newly announced counterterrorism campaign would be addressed. "We will try to create consensus this time as well. We will address the reservations expressed by the JUI-F, ANP and PTI," Asif said.

"There are no political aims of this operation. We only want to challenge and end the rising wave of terrorism," he said.

Betting scandal: Sunak withdraws party backing for two candidates

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
LONDON, JUNE 25

ADDING TO the turmoil for an embattled Rishi Sunak, the British Prime Minister on Tuesday decided to withdraw his party's backing from two of his Conservative colleagues embroiled in a betting scandal over the date of the general election. The move comes just over a week before the July 4 polls after days of the row dominating the campaign headlines, with the Opposition demanding the suspension of those accused.

A Conservative Party spokesperson said Craig Williams and Laura Saunders will no longer have the party's backing to contest as MPs from Montgomeryshire and Glyndwr in Wales and Bristol North West in England respectively. Saunders is the wife of the Tory director of campaigns, Tony Lee, and Williams a close parliamentary aide to the Prime Minister.

While betting is legal in the UK, any bets placed with the advantage of insider information could fall within the purview of illegality.

Israel top court ends exemptions, rules military must draft ultra-orthodox Jews

It creates new trouble for Netanyahu as govt relies on 2 ultra-orthodox parties

REUTERS
JERUSALEM, JUNE 25

ISRAEL'S SUPREME Court ruled Tuesday that the state must begin drafting ultra-Orthodox Jewish seminary students into the military, a decree which creates new political strains for embattled Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Netanyahu's Likud party said the Supreme Court's ruling was "perplexing," given ongoing efforts in parliament to agree on a new conscription law that would address the problem.

The prime minister's coalition government relies on two ultra-Orthodox parties that regard conscription exemptions as key to keeping their constituents in religious seminaries and out of a melting-pot army that might test their customs. Leaders of those parties said they were disappointed with the ruling.

However, the prospect of the military, backed by Defence Minister Yoav Gallant, starting to draft seminary students could widen cracks in Netanyahu's increasingly brittle coalition.



Shlomi Ziv, one of the four hostages rescued by Israeli forces from Hamas, returns home, in Elkosh, Tuesday. Reuters

The ultra-Orthodox conscription waiver has become increasingly charged in Israel as its armed forces are over-stretched by a multi-front war with Hamas in Gaza and Hezbollah in Lebanon.

"At the height of a difficult war, the burden of inequality is more than ever acute," the court's unanimous ruling said. Israelis are bound by law to serve in the military from the age of 18 for 24-32 months. Members of Israel's 21 percent Arab minority are mostly exempt, though some do serve, and ultra-Orthodox Jewish seminary students have also been largely exempt for decades.

Gaza suffers breakdown of law and order: UNRWA chief

REUTERS
GENEVA, JUNE 25

CHAOS IS taking hold in Gaza as smuggling bands form and add to the difficulties in delivering aid, the head of the United Nations Palestinian refugee agency said on Tuesday.

UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini said it had become "excruciating" to

Airstrikes kill 24 in Gaza City

Cairo: Israeli forces killed at least 24 Palestinians in three separate airstrikes early on Tuesday on Gaza City and the dead included a sister of Ismail Haniyeh, the chief of Hamas. Israeli tanks also pressed deeper into western areas of Rafah.

deliver aid and voiced concerns that such conditions would impact efforts to counter the high famine risk confirmed by a global hunger monitor's report. "Basically, we are confronted nowadays with a near total breakdown of law and order," Lazzarini told reporters, blaming in part an increase in gangs who are attacking aid trucks in the hopes of finding smuggled cigarettes stashed among aid supplies.

'HOW TO MAKE MILLIONS BEFORE GRANDMA DIES' HAS BECOME A SURPRISE HIT; ITS THEME IS UNIVERSAL: BONDING WITH FAMILY

Why this Thailand movie is making people cry and think of their family

SUI-LEE WEE
BANGKOK, JUNE 25

DANIEL NICO Laudit says he does not cry easily. He decided to test his mettle this month in a movie theater in Manila, Philippines, and documented the experience for his 4.5 million followers on TikTok.

Before the screening, he filmed himself dancing and beaming and said to the camera: "Me before watching *How to Make Millions Before Grandma Dies*." About two hours later, he uploaded a very different version of himself: wiping tears from his eyes in a bathroom.

"I went straight to the rest-

room after the movie because I wanted to cry out loud," Laudit, 24, a content creator, said in an interview. He said he cried some more when he got back home.

Reactions like Laudit's have made the movie, which was filmed in Bangkok mostly in the Thai language, a runaway hit across Southeast Asia. In the Philippines, tickets were sold out on its opening day, theaters had to add more screenings to meet demand, and one chain started handing out tissues to viewers. In Singapore, it topped the box office from June 6-9. In Indonesia, it has drawn millions of viewers. In Thailand, it is the highest-grossing title of the year so far.

The plot revolves around an aimless and unemployed young man, M, whose sole ambition is to livestream his online games. He volunteers to take care of his maternal grandmother after he finds out she has Stage 4 cancer. His motivation is not filial piety; he hopes that he can inherit her house.

After M moves in with his grandmother, he develops a closer understanding of the complicated characters that make up his Thai-Chinese family: Chew, his long-suffering mother who feels that only she can step up to take care of her mother; Soei, the good-for-nothing youngest uncle who borrows and steals from the grandmother; and Kiang, the eldest



Pat Boonitipat, 33, the director of the film *How to Make Millions Before Grandma Dies*, in Bangkok. NYT

uncle who is preoccupied with his daughter and materialistic wife. "It talks about the thing that we all have in common, which is family," said Pat Boonitipat, the director of the film.

This part of the world is "familiar with many generations living in the same house. I think that kind of upbringing creates a unique feeling in your memory," said Pat, 33.

The movie explores the tensions that arise in a family before the impending death of one head of the household, and the gender biases that persist. In one memorable line, Chew says, "Sons inherit the house, daughters inherit cancer." The grandmother, or "Ah

Ma," played by first-time actress Usha Seamkhum, is brusque and bristly, although viewers soon get to see that underneath that tough exterior, she loves her family members, and that she is lonely. Many viewers said they loved the chemistry between Usha and her co-star Putthipong Assaratanakul (the grandson). Putthipong, known by his nickname Billkin, is famous in Thailand as a TV actor and pop star.

"The strength of this movie lies in the storytelling," said Angeline Kartika, 24, a content creator in Jakarta. Like many viewers, Joy Ni Ni Win, a digital marketing executive in Mandalay, Myanmar's second-biggest city, said she heard

about the movie on TikTok. "It roused my interest to see — 'OK, why are people crying so hard?'" said Win, 28. She quickly understood. A friend filmed her in the theater with tears streaming down her cheeks. Diana Setiawati of Indonesia said it made her think about how she spends too little time with her mother. After the movie was over, she immediately called her.

Ian Jeevan, 27, a financial consultant in Singapore, said the movie reminded him of his relationship with his grandmother. He uploaded a TikTok video of himself choking up, with the caption: "Running over to hug my grandma now!!" **NYT**

SETBACK FOR DELHI CM

As HC stays Kejriwal bail in ED case, CBI knocks on his door

Trial court granted bail without going through entire material on record: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

HOURS AFTER the Delhi High Court allowed the application of the Enforcement Directorate and stayed the June 20 trial court order granting bail to Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal in an alleged money laundering case, the CBI prepared the grounds to arrest him in the Delhi excise policy case it is investigating separately.

Sources said the CBI questioned Kejriwal in Tihar Jail Tuesday — arrested by the ED on March 21, he is currently lodged there — and will approach a

BUSINESS AS USUAL

By UNNY

Delhi has a declared, undeclared or an under-declared CM?



Delhi court Wednesday to seek his custody.

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'WILL FOSTER ADVERSE SENTIMENTS'

Citing faith, Mizoram & Nagaland write to Centre: Don't rename health centre as mandir

ANONNA DUTT
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

THE CENTRE'S decision to rename the flagship Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres as Ayushman Aarogya Mandirs (AAM) has faced a pushback from the North-eastern states of Mizoram and Nagaland. Citing the "sentiments" of so-

ciety and the church, these two states expressed concerns and requested exemption from this renaming exercise, show records. These states continue to use the previous nomenclature of a "health and wellness centre" as they await a word from the Centre on their objection.

Last year, the Union Health Ministry decided to rebrand its

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A CONTEST AFTER 26 YEARS, BOTH SIDES MOBILISE THEIR MPs

Birla vs Suresh for Speaker's post after NDA and Opp fail to reach consensus

For no contest, Opp sought Govt commitment on Dy Speaker post

LIZ MATHEW & MANOJ CG
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

PARLIAMENT APPEARED headed for a rare contest for the Lok Sabha Speaker's post Wednesday after the government and Opposition failed to build a consensus Tuesday.

The INDIA bloc, which demanded commitment from the government on choosing a Deputy Speaker from the Opposition ranks — as per convention — went ahead and announced its candidate for Speaker after the government pushed back on the issue.



Amit Shah with NDA partners during the filing of nomination in support of Om Birla. Rajnath Singh is seated behind. PTI

While the NDA renominated BJP MP Om Birla, who was Speaker in the 17th Lok Sabha, for the post, the INDIA bloc fielded eight-time Congress MP Kodikunnil Suresh.

With the numbers on the NDA's side, Birla is expected to win. Even the YSRCP, which has

four MPs and is the TDP's rival in Andhra Pradesh, has indicated that it is likely to support Birla's candidature.

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MUMBAI HOARDING COLLAPSE: IPS OFFICER SUSPENDED

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Days to go for new codes but official translations still pending, states wait

DAMINI NATH, KIRAN PARASHAR & SHAJU PHILIP
NEW DELHI, BENGALURU, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, JUNE 25

IN FIVE days, in a move that will overhaul the country's criminal laws, the Bharatiya Nyaya (Second) Sanhita, 2023 (the new IPC); the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha (Second) Sanhita, 2023 (the new CrPC); and the

NEW CRIMINAL CODE
THE COUNTDOWN

Bharatiya Sakshya (Second) Act, 2023 (the new Evidence Act), —

Rahul to be Leader of Opp in LS, says Cong

ASAD REHMAN
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

THE CONGRESS announced on Tuesday evening that senior party leader and MP Rahul Gandhi will be the Leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha.

Announcing the decision after a meeting of the INDIA bloc floor leaders at Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge's residence, party general secretary in-charge of organisation K C Venugopal said CPP chairperson Sonia Gandhi had written to protem Speaker Bhartruhari Mahtab, informing him about the decision. "Other office-bearers will be decided later," he said.

THE EXPRESS INTERVIEW
KODIKUNNIL SURESH
CONGRESS MP, SPEAKER CANDIDATE

This will be the first time in 10 years that the Lok Sabha will have a Leader of Opposition. The Congress failed to get the required 10 per cent seats (54) to

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U.P. CLEARS TATA SONS PLAN TO BUILD TEMPLE MUSEUM IN AYODHYA

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Russian President Vladimir Putin. File

Moscow, Delhi work on PM visit to Russia, his first since Ukraine war

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

NEW DELHI and Moscow are exploring a visit by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on July 8-9. Sources said preparations are underway for the possible visit, but there has been no official confirmation from either side about the visit.

The Tribune Tuesday reported that Modi will undertake a "quick day-long trip" to Moscow on July 8.

This will be Modi's first visit to Russia after it attacked Ukraine in February 2022, and is significant given India's tactful diplomacy on ties with Moscow and the West in the backdrop of their hostility.

Modi had last visited Russia in 2019, when he had gone to Vladivostok for the 20th India-Russia Annual Summit.

News agency PTI quoted a Kremlin official in Moscow who said active preparations are underway for the trip. "I can confirm that we are preparing a visit by the Prime Minister of India.

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Birla vs Suresh for Speaker's post

Given that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had spoken of "consensus" just a day earlier, sources said the BJP hopes to avoid a contest. If not, it expects to "expose" the Opposition's numbers, including the "cracks within its ranks".

On Monday night, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh first spoke to Congress president and Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge and several other leaders of the Opposition in a bid for consensus on Birla's name.

On Tuesday, senior Congress leader KC Venugopal and veteran DMK leader TR Baalu met Rajnath Singh in the presence of senior ministers Amit Shah, JP Nadda, Piyush Goyal and Rajiv Ranjan alias Lalan Singh.

On Wednesday, before Parliament meets, NDA MPs will hold a "breakfast meeting" where the voting process will be explained to them. Even as it prepared for a contest, the BJP is still reaching out to the Opposition to break the logjam, senior ministers in the government said.

EXPLAINED The divide deepens

THE STRAINED government and Opposition ties will take another hit in case of election to the Speaker's post. Only thrice has voting taken place for the post — 1952, 1967 and 1976.

used to accept it," the leader said. The Treasury benches had a different version.

Sources in the government said they had made it clear to Opposition leaders that the first priority was to elect the Speaker.

Goyal told reporters: "On Tuesday morning, Rajnathji wanted to speak to Kharge, but he was busy. Kharge said Venugopal will speak to him. But when we spoke to Venugopal and Baalu... the old mindset that we will dictate the terms... They showed the same mindset. They set a condition that who will be the Deputy Speaker should be decided first..."

then they would extend support for the Speaker's post."

His Cabinet colleague Lalan Singh said: "Venugopal saab ka kahna tha ki aap upadhyaksh ka pad aap abhi, isi samay usko sveekar karen (Venugopal wanted that we commit to a Deputy Speaker right then and there)."

The Defence Minister told him that we will certainly sit and talk at the time of election of the Deputy Speaker. But he (Venugopal) stuck to his condition... They want to do politics of pressure. That doesn't work in a democracy."

In the first half of Tuesday, after a meeting with the Prime Minister, Birla filed his nomination papers in the presence of senior ministers and NDA leaders. Minutes later, three sets of nominations were filed for Suresh.

Emerging from Parliament as the government and Opposition debated the matter, Congress senior leader Rahul Gandhi said the Opposition was willing to support the NDA's candidate for Speaker provided the government followed convention and gave the Deputy Speaker's post to them.

"The entire Opposition, we have spoken to everyone, has said that we will support (the NDA candidate) but the convention is that the Deputy Speaker is given to the Opposition," he said.

Rahul to be Leader of Opp in LS

secure the post in the last two elections. While it had 44 Lok Sabha members in 2014 and 52 in 2019, it now has 98.

In 2014, Kharge was made the Leader of the Congress party in Lok Sabha; in 2019, the post went to Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury.

As the Leader of the Opposition, Rahul will be the Opposition's voice in high-powered committees headed by the Prime Minister for appointment to key posts like the CBI Director, Central Vigilance Commissioner, Chief Information Commissioner, chairperson and members of the NHRC, and the Lokpal.

"In the 18th Lok Sabha, the House of the people shall truly reflect the aspirations of the last person standing, with Rahul Gandhi becoming their voice. As Congress president, I am confident that a leader who has traversed the length and breadth of the country, from Kanyakumari to Kashmir, and from Manipur to Maharashtra, shall raise the voice of the people -- especially the marginalised and the poor. The Congress party is strongly committed to protect democracy and the Constitution by upholding its eternal principles of justice, liberty, equality and fraternity," Kharge said on Tuesday.

As HC stays Kejriwal bail in ED case, CBI knocks on his door

AAP Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh, in a video post, alleged: "Just when there was a chance that CM Arvind Kejriwal was likely to get bail from the Supreme Court, the BJP-led Centre has hatched a conspiracy with the CBI... to file a false case and get him placed under arrest... The entire country is witnessing this crime, this atrocity by the Centre."

On Tuesday, Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain of Delhi High Court stayed the trial court order granting bail to Kejriwal, saying the vacation judge did so "without going through and appreciating the entire material brought on record by the rival parties which reflects perversity" in the June 20 order.

Justice Jain, who had reserved his verdict on June 21 on the ED application for a stay, made it clear that nothing in his order should be taken as an opinion or observation on the merits of the ED's main petition challenging the trial court order. That matter is listed for July 10. Kejriwal had moved the Supreme Court against the High Court decision to reserve its verdict on the stay application.

On Monday, the Supreme Court vacation bench of Justices Manoj Misra and S V N Bhatti had said it would wait for the High Court verdict and hear his plea on June 26.

In a 34-page order Tuesday, Justice Jain said, "The Vacation Judge while passing the Impugned Order (bail order) did not appropriately appreciate the material/documents submitted on record and pleas taken by ED and the averments/grounds as raised in the petition under section 439 (2) of the Code (of Criminal Procedure) require serious consideration while dealing with

the said petition. Accordingly, the present application is allowed and the operation of the Impugned Order is stayed."

Taking note of paras 16 and 36 of the trial court order, passed by vacation judge Niyay Bindu of the Rouse Avenue Court, the bench said, "It is not understandable that on one hand, the Vacation Judge has expressed her inability to go through entire documents stated to have been running into thousands of pages at the time of passing the Impugned Order, and on the other hand, how in para no. 36 the Vacation Judge has mentioned that relevant arguments and contentions raised on behalf of the parties are dealt with."

"The perusal of the Impugned Order is reflecting that the Vacation Judge has passed the Impugned Order without going through and appreciating the entire material brought on record by the rival parties which reflects perversity in Impugned Order. There is factual force in the arguments advanced by Sh. S V Raju (appearing for the ED) that the Vacation Judge has not passed the Impugned Order after due consideration of (the) entire material on record," it said.

The bench said the observations made by the vacation judge in the bail order were "uncalled for, unwarranted and out of context" and the trial court should "refrain from making such observations in the Impugned Order". It said the vacation judge was required to consider "every important and relevant document" at the time of passing the bail order.

It said paras 1 to 6 of the bail order mentioned the contentions of both the parties and the arguments advanced by

their respective counsel but a perusal of the order reflects that "the Vacation Judge did not discuss and consider the contentions and the arguments in Impugned Order".

It took note of the submission by Senior Advocate A M Singhvi, appearing for Kejriwal, that grant of bail and cancellation of bail are two different aspects -- he had also cited various judgments.

The bench said, "It is (an) accepted proposition of law that the rejection of the bail in a non-bailable case at initial stage and the cancellation of bail so granted have to be considered and dealt with on different basis and very cogent and overwhelming circumstances are necessary for an order directing the cancellation of bail already granted... whether the present main petition under section 439 (2) of the Code is maintainable or not maintainable has to be considered appropriately by the Roster Bench concerned while dealing with the main petition."

Regarding Additional Solicitor General S V Raju's submission that the vacation judge had not given appropriate opportunity to the ED to oppose the CM's bail plea as per the mandate of PMLA section 45, the bench said, "Every court is under an obligation to give sufficient and appropriate opportunity to represent their respective case before the court. ED ought to have been given adequate opportunity to advance arguments on bail application by the Vacation Judge."

The bench referred to the Supreme Court's 2022 decision in Vijay Madan Lal Choudhary v Union of India which observed that at the stage of consideration of application for grant of bail, it is expected to consider the ques-

tion from the angle whether the accused was possessed of the requisite mens rea (the intention or knowledge of wrongdoing) and the court is not required to record a positive finding that the accused had not committed an offence under the Act.

"It was further observed that the Court ought to maintain a delicate balance between a judgment of acquittal and conviction and order granting bail much before commencement of trial... However, the Vacation Judge, in the Impugned Order, has not discussed the requirement of section 45 of PMLA while passing the Impugned Order. The trial court should have at least recorded its satisfaction about fulfilment of twin conditions of section 45 of PMLA before passing the impugned order," it said.

On the observation in the bail order that there was "mala fide" on the ED's part, Justice Jain referred to the April 9 order of a coordinate single-judge bench of the High Court which, while upholding the CM's arrest by ED, had observed the "absence of any mala fide intention" on the part of the agency.

He said the bench cannot lose sight of the fact that the Supreme Court, while hearing the SLP against the April 9 order, had granted leave but did not stay the operation of the High Court decision.

On the ED's charge of the vicarious liability of Kejriwal as per PMLA section 70, the bench said, "The perusal of written note submitted by ED before the Special Judge/Vacation Judge reflects that the issue regarding the role of respondent for vicarious liability was taken by ED... but said issue did not find any place in the Impugned Order."

Days to go for new codes but official translations still pending, states wait

It is learnt that the Centre had written to states in March, three months after the laws had been passed, to translate them to scheduled languages. The Hindi and English versions of the law received the President's assent in December last year. Although criminal laws fall in the concurrent list, the three Sanhitas are a Central legislation.

While the three Sanhitas will be effective July 1, according to notification in the official gazette, several states told The Indian Express that it will take over six months to finish translation of the laws.

While a Law Ministry spokesperson did not respond to requests for comment, a senior Ministry official said that, usually, translations are done by the respective states and sent to the Centre for vetting. "If any

changes are to be made, they are incorporated and sent by the Ministry for the President's assent, following which it is sent back to the states for notification in their gazette," the official said.

This may take time. Said the official: "We had written to Chief Secretaries of states to facilitate translations of the laws and even sent a reminder last month... A few states sent their translations of the evidence act to the Ministry for vetting. However, the process may take over six months to complete for all states."

Of the 22 scheduled languages, translation of the laws will be required in 13 to start with, including Tamil, Kannada, Marathi, Gujarati, Bengali and Punjabi. Some of the official languages, including Dogri and Santhali, are not used in courts.

Anup Surendranath, Professor of Law, National Law University, Delhi said that local translations of the laws is crucial both as a democratic right and as a bureaucratic concern to implement the laws.

"Just having these laws in English and Hindi is not going to ensure effective access for the massive bureaucratic machinery in different parts of this country. For millions in this country, criminal law is wielded by that police constable on the street or the IO in the police station - it should be painfully obvious that thousands of such personnel are going to need these laws in their local languages as the first step towards understanding these laws," he said.

In Karnataka, the state Law and Parliamentary Minister HK Patil said that for now, the

Karnataka Police Academy (KPA) has translated them into Kannada and has come out with books for the police.

"The KPA version will not be considered official translation. The one that is issued in the gazette will be the final and official translated version," he said. In Punjab, Home Secretary Gurkirat Kirpal said that the government is in the process of getting the laws translated in Punjabi.

In Kerala, state Law Secretary K G Sanal Kumar said the state has written to the Union Ministry seeking their consent for translating the laws into Malayalam. "We need their consent for translating the laws into local language. Once we get the nod from the Centre, the state will proceed with the process of translation," he said.

Rebranding as mandir may foster adverse sentiments: Mizoram, Nagaland push back

flagship Ayushman Bharat health and wellness centres -- the network of 1.6 lakh primary health centres across the country. These centres are now known as Ayushman Arogya Mandir, bearing the tagline "Arogyam Parmam Dhanam" (health is the greatest wealth).

This change was first communicated to the states in November via a letter from the Mission Director of the National Health Mission, LS Changsan. Without much fanfare, the Centre, subsequently, made the changes to its website.

In January this year, Mizoram asked for an exemption. "I would like to express my concern regarding the instructions for rebranding of existing Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (AAM)," Principal Secretary Esther Lal Ruatkimi wrote to then Union Health Secretary.

"As you are aware, Mizoram is a Christian state with more than 90% of the population identifying as Christian. It is felt that in order to continue to garner public support for public health activities for health promotion, this rebranding may foster adverse sentiments among the populace towards the government. I, therefore, request you to kindly exempt Mizoram from this activity," Ruatkimi wrote.

In February, Mizoram reached out to the Centre once more, emphasizing: "It is again requested to exempt Mizoram from renaming of Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres as Ayushman Arogya Mandir."

In March this year, Nagaland, too, raised similar concerns. "... the state government has serious reservations about such a move since it will offend the religious sentiments of the people of the

State, and is likely to attract strong objections from the Church and Civil Societies... I am directed to convey the request of the state government that the State may be exempted from being required to rename the Ayushman Bharat and Wellness Centres," wrote V Kezo, the state's commission and secretary, Health and Family Welfare.

When asked about the current status, Kezo told The Indian Express: "We have not received any communication from the Centre on the request (to be exempted) from the re-branding exercise." The state continues to use the previous name, he confirmed.

A senior state health official in Mizoram, when contacted, confirmed there hasn't been any response from the Centre and the wellness centres in the state continue to operate under the earlier name.

A detailed query to the Union Health Ministry did not elicit any response.

Significantly, in February this year, former BJP Ladakh MP Jamyang Tsering Namgyal, had in the Lok Sabha sought details from the Union Health Ministry on the terminology behind the nomenclature of "Mandir" in Ayushman Arogya Mandir and whether it was permissible by the government to translate the word Mandir in local languages.

"Realizing the importance of Ayushman Bharat -- Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWC) as India's flagship programme to progress towards Universal Health Coverage, Government of India renamed all AB-HWCs as 'Ayushman Arogya Mandir' with the tagline 'Arogyam Parmam Dhanam' to realize the dream of Ayushman Bharat i.e. Healthy India," the then Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and

Family Welfare said, Dr Bharati Pawar, said in her reply to the unstarred question on February 9.

According to the Union Health Ministry, the existing Sub-Health Centres (SHC), Primary Health Centres (PHC) and Urban Primary Health Centres (UPHC) are being transformed into Ayushman Arogya Mandirs to deliver an expanded range of comprehensive primary health care services which include preventive, promotive, curative, palliative and rehabilitative services that are universal and free.

AAMs are also covered under the Free Diagnostics Service Initiative (FDSI) to reduce both direct costs and out-of-pocket expenditure. Such diagnostics include 14 tests at SHC level and 63 at PHC level. Similarly, 105 essential drugs free of cost to all patients at SHC level and 171 at PHC level are being provided under the Free Drugs Service Initiative.

Moscow, Delhi work on PM visit to Russia, first since Ukraine war

We cannot (say) the dates as yet, because the dates are announced by the parties in agreement," Yuri Ushakov, an assistant to Russian President Vladimir Putin, said, according to the news agency. "But we are actively preparing. I will emphasise once again, this visit will take place," he told reporters, replying to a question.

Over the last two years, New Delhi has maintained a diplomatic balancing act between Russia and Ukraine. While it has not explicitly condemned the Russian invasion, it has called for an international probe into the Bucha massacre and has expressed concern over nuclear threats issued by Russian leaders. At the UN Security Council, India has taken a nuanced position and abstained from voting against Russia in several resolutions.

This will be a standalone visit on the lines of the annual bilateral summit between the Indian

and Russian leaders, that have been going on since 2000. The Annual Summit between the Prime Minister of India and the President of the Russian Federation is the highest institutionalised dialogue mechanism in the strategic partnership between India and Russia.

So far, 21 annual summits have taken place alternatively in India and Russia; the 21st summit was in New Delhi in December 2021. Since then, Modi and Putin have maintained regular contact through at least 10 telephone conversations to review progress on bilateral cooperation and exchange views on regional and global issues of mutual interest: five telephone conversations in 2022, two in 2023 (June 30 and August 28) and three in 2024 (January 15, March 20 and June 5).

India has strategic ties with Moscow and a strong depend-

ence on Russia for defence supplies. Ever since the war began, India has also been buying Russian oil at discounted prices to cushion the inflationary impact of rising oil prices.

The last in-person bilateral meeting between the two leaders took place in Samarkand, Uzbekistan on the sidelines of the SCO Summit in September 2022. This was the time, when Modi had told Putin that "this is not the era of war" -- a line later used in the formulation at the G20 summit in Bali in November 2022 and by other western leaders and interlocutors to press on Russia to end the war.

Modi is, however, learnt to be skipping the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit to be held on July 3-4 in Astana, Kazakhstan. This sends a mixed signal about Delhi's commitment to the platform -- where Chinese President Xi

Jinping and Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif are expected to attend.

Modi's visit to Russia comes just after his visit to Italy for the outreach session at the G7 leaders' summit on June 13-14. He met top world leaders there -- US President Joe Biden, British PM Rishi Sunak, French President Emmanuel Macron, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz and Italian PM Giorgia Meloni -- and Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy on the sidelines of the G7 leaders' summit.

The Indian Prime Minister, however, did not go for the peace summit on Ukraine held in Switzerland. Top Indian official, Secretary (West) in MEA, Pavan Kapoor, went for the summit meeting, but India did not sign the joint communique since Russia was not present there.

Russia did not attend the Swiss summit, calling it a "waste

of time". On June 16, India decided to not sign the joint communique by saying that "only those options acceptable to both parties can lead to abiding peace" -- reflecting its diplomatic tightrope walk since Russia invaded Ukraine.

The Indian position of not becoming a signatory to the joint communique was explained by Kapoor in his statement as Moscow -- one of the two warring parties -- had declined to attend the summit in Burgenstock in central Switzerland. The Russia-Ukraine war, which began on February 24, 2022, is in its third year now, with no end in sight.

Later this year, there is another possible opportunity for Modi to travel to Russia -- since Russia is hosting the annual summit of BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) in October -- it is scheduled to take place in Kazan from October 22-24.

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Install CCTV, pollution sensors at construction sites or invite fine: PWD

GAYATHRI MANI
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

INSTALL CCTV cameras and pollution sensors at construction sites, keep the construction material covered, and sprinkle water on unpaved areas: These are some of the instructions that firms working on Delhi Public Works Department's (PWD) projects will have to follow while carrying out construction work anywhere in the capital, failing which they will be fined to the tune of Rs 500 to Rs 2,000.

To control dust pollution at the construction sites across the city, the PWD has issued a slew of directions. According to a senior PWD official, the department, following the guidelines of CAQM (Commission for Air Quality Management), has prepared a strategy to tackle dust pollution at construction sites. The implementation of the rules will start at the sites soon, the official added.

"The fines have been announced for the first time and the key objective behind this is to ensure stricter implementation of the guidelines...because many of the contractors do not follow the rules..." said the official.

A fine of Rs 2,000 will be imposed on CCTV cameras being non-operational for longer than 48 hours at the construction site, Rs 500 each for lack of sprinkling on unpaved surfaces for more than four hours, uncovered C&D (construction and demolition) material for six hours or more, and unwashed wheels/vehicles exiting construction sites.

Some of the mandatory directions that the contractors had to follow were installation of PM2.5 and PM10 sensors, protective screens at the site, installation of anti-smog guns at the site and demarcation of enclosed spaces for grinding and cutting material.

"The department conducted a pilot study in collaboration with the Air Pollution Action Group (AAPG) on the enforcement of said safeguards at shortlisted PWD construction sites. It was observed that the sites were not fully compliant with this...following this, we have issued directions, including timelines, and have announced penalties for stricter implementation," said a senior official.

WILL CONTINUE AGITATION IN OTHER WAYS: SANJAY SINGH Atishi hospitalised after health deteriorates, fast called off

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

DELHI WATER Minister Atishi's indefinite fast to protest against the alleged reduced water supply to the Capital by the Haryana government came to an end after she was hospitalised in the early hours of Tuesday.

Atishi, who began her fast on June 21 at Jangpura's Bhogal, was rushed to the emergency ward of Lok Nayak Hospital after her blood sugar level dropped to 36 mg/dL.

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader and MP Sanjay Singh, addressing a press conference, said, "Since Atishi is admitted to the ICU, we must discontinue the *anishchitkalin anshan* (indefinite fast) for water. We will continue the agitation in other ways." He added that the party will write to the Prime Minister to consider Delhi's water crisis.

Atishi was later shifted to a private ward around 2.30 pm. Meanwhile, flouting hospital instructions, several visitors crowded in front of the emergency ICU ward during the day. "Her hands were cold yesterday... when I held them," recalled Anju Bala, an AAP functionary, among the visitors.

Bala, who came to see the Minister from 12 km away, said,



Atishi was rushed to the emergency ward of Lok Nayak Hospital in the early hours of Tuesday. PTI

"I was inspired by her to join politics... There is a sense of safety and trust that she has built..."

There were three more visitors from the party's women's wing, who said the Minister's health should be prioritised.

A senior party functionary said, "It took a lot of convincing (after midnight) to take her to the hospital. She was adamant about continuing the fast. Late at night, after her health worsened, she still said 'I am sitting for the satyagraha and I will fast until my last breath'."

According to Lok Nayak Medical Director Dr Suresh Kumar, Atishi's sugar was very low, there were ketones in the urine, and sodium levels were

low as well. Currently, her vitals are stable, he added.

A doctor who did not wish to be named said six doctors are on the medical team looking after the Minister. "The Minister's health is normal, her condition is such that she could be discharged. For the time being, coconut water is provided and food intake except for fluids is being avoided," the doctor said.

AAP MLA Durgesh Pathak, who visited the Minister at the hospital, said, "She was rushed in after her sugar level was found to be dangerously low... Her ECG levels were abnormal too."

According to the World Health Organisation (WHO), the "expected values for normal

fasting blood glucose concentration are between 70 mg/dL (3.9 mmol/L) and 100 mg/dL (5.6 mmol/L)".

A post on X from Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's official handle said the people of Delhi "will definitely give a reply to the injustice that the BJP government (at the Centre) is doing" to the national capital. "Delhi's Water Minister Atishi ji was on an indefinite hunger strike so the people of Delhi could get their rightful share of water. She has been admitted to the hospital after her health deteriorated last night. Today, every Delhiite is worried about her health... Every Delhiite is with her in this satyagraha. Posted by: Team Arvind Kejriwal," the post in Hindi read.

Meanwhile, wishing Atishi "good health and happiness", Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva, however, urged the minister to "stop misleading the public".

"We've been saying since June 21 that you can't do satyagraha because you have no connection with truth, Ms Atishi... From Mahatma Gandhi and Lala Lajpat Rai to Vinoba Bhave and Anna Hazare, satyagrahis fasted to reveal the truth, not to hide their administrative failures, as Ms. Atishi intended to do," Sachdeva alleged.

'Bail prayers not to be adjourned indefinitely': Top court asks HC to decide Satyendar Jain's plea

EXPRESSNEWSERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

STATING THAT bail applications are not to be adjourned indefinitely, the Supreme Court Tuesday asked Delhi High Court to take a call on the bail plea of former Delhi minister Satyendar Kumar Jain, who was arrested in May 2022 on money laundering charges.

"It goes without saying that bail prayers are not to be indefinitely adjourned and, therefore, we hope and trust that the High Court shall take its own call in the matter," a vacation bench of Justices Manoj Misra and S V N Bhatti said, disposing of Jain's appeal against a May 28 Delhi High Court order that adjourned his default bail plea to July 9, 2024.

Appearing for Jain, Senior Advocate A M Singhvi told the court that the question of law involved in the matter is already pending in another matter before the SC and urged the court to tag the instant plea with it, but the court was not inclined to do so.

"Dr Singhvi submits that the question of law which would govern the decision of the High Court is engaging the attention of a three-judge Bench of this Court and, therefore, it would be appropriate that this matter is tagged with that matter. We do not find any merit in the aforesaid submission because the High Court can decide the matter on its own merits... If the petitioner is aggrieved by the order of the High Court, he can always challenge the said order before this Court," said the SC.

Singhvi said the HC could not have adjourned the plea by six weeks and said the Supreme Court had held previously that such matters should be dealt with in a week.

But the bench said, "Let the High Court decide and then we will take a call." Singhvi then urged that some observation may be made so the High Court decides the matter on the next date fixed. Following this, the bench said in the order that bail prayers



Satyendar Jain

are not to be indefinitely adjourned and that it hopes and trusts that the HC shall take its own call on the matter.

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) had arrested Jain on May 30, 2022, under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).

On May 26, 2023, the SC had granted him interim bail on medical grounds and this was extended from time to time.

In March this year, the SC cancelled the interim bail and asked him to surrender forthwith.

In August 2017, the CBI had booked Jain and five others on graft charges. Subsequently, in August 2017, the ED registered an ECIR (Enforcement Case Information Report) against him and two others — Vaibhav Jain and Ankush Jain — on the charge that he, "with the help of his family members and other persons, had acquired disproportionate assets during the period from 14.02.2015 to 31.05.2017, while he was functioning as Minister of Govt. NCT of Delhi, and had laundered tainted cash amounts through Kolkata-based shell companies".

After investigation, the ED filed a prosecution complaint against them in July 2022, which is now pending at the stage of framing of charges.

Burger King shooting: Cop suspended for 'sharing' CCTV footage, inquiry ordered

ARNABJITSUR
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

THE DELHI Police has suspended a sub-inspector from Rajouri Garden police station for allegedly sharing CCTV footage of the shooting inside Burger King last week, where a 26-year-old man was gunned down allegedly by aides of gangster Himanshu Bhaiu.

Aman Joon had been lured to the spot by a woman, Anu Dhankar, who befriended him online three months ago.

In a June 21 order issued by

DCP (West) Vichitra Veer, the SI was suspended and a departmental enquiry was ordered.

Police said the SI collected footage of the incident as part of the probe. He was, however, later involved in allegedly sharing it with other persons which eventually got leaked to the media, said a senior police officer posted with the West district.

The footage was leaked when the case was with the West district.

On June 21, the case was officially transferred to the Special Cell's Counter-Intelligence Unit.

In February this year, the Delhi Police Commissioner had issued an order to District DCPs and unit heads that CCTV footage of crimes are not shared with anyone. In

case of any breach, he said officers "will be responsible for lapse of supervision on this account".

Pointing to several such instances in the recent past, the Commissioner, in his February 10 order, said it adversely impacts the privacy and sensitivities of victims of such crimes and, at times, provides an avoidable defense to the accused during test identification parade proceedings.

Don't agree with HC decision on CM's bail, says AAP; BJP welcomes verdict

EXPRESSNEWSERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

THE AAP has expressed disagreement with the High Court's decision to stay the bail granted to Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal by a trial court even as the BJP welcomed the development terming him the "main accused" in the liquor policy case.

AAP's Chief National Spokesperson Priyanka Kakkar said the trial court "found no evidence" linking Kejriwal to the case, noting that "not a single penny has been recovered in the



AAP's Kakkar, BJP's Sachdeva

two-year investigation".

"This entire alleged scam is fabricated and scripted in the BJP office. When you read the trial court order, it addresses all the relevant documents, leaving out what the court deemed as irrelevant documents after scrutiny," she told reporters. "The HC or-

dered stay without even looking at the trial court order. We do not agree with this decision; we will act as per legal advice," she added.

Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva said the AAP convener's "involvement" in the case had been established.

"The HC itself had a hearing on April 9, during which it stated that Kejriwal's arrest is legally valid..." he alleged.

"It is Kejriwal's prerogative if he wishes to approach the Supreme Court, as the beauty of the country's law is that every criminal gets multiple opportunities to go to court," he added.

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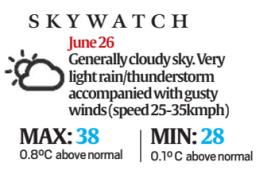
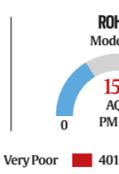
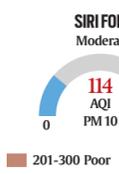
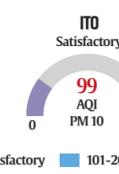
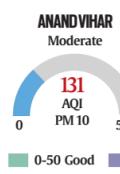
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A man set to marry, another his family's sole earner: Lives lost in STP mishap at Gr Noida firm

NEETIKA JHA
NOIDA, JUNE 25

HARGOVIND, 26, was to be married soon. Ankit, 21, was the lone source of income for his family: three sisters, a homemaker mother, and a "seriously unwell" father. Mohit, 22, was his father's favourite son.



Police outside the firm in Greater Noida, Monday. Express

These three young men were "maintenance workers" who were killed after falling into a septic tank of a Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at a multinational information technology company in Greater Noida Monday. The NIIT Coforge, the families said, paid them a monthly salary of Rs 10,000.

death due to negligence) against the firm. However, there was no section in the FIR relating to the Prohibition of Manual Scavenging Act, 2013.

"This isn't an accident," Mohit's brother, Rahul Kumar, said. "They (the three men) were killed because of the carelessness of the company that employed them. Had the firm provided them with safety gear, they would be alive today."

"Investigation is going on. If we find that provisions of the Manual Scavenging Act have been violated, it will be added accordingly," DCP (Greater Noida) Saad Miya Khan said.

Rahul said the men began their shift at 9 am. "Around 11.30 am on Monday, their head asked them to go to the site and check some issues," he said. "We don't know if they fell inside or were electrocuted. They were trapped inside the sewage till 7 pm. When the evening shift began, staff began searching for them and found them inside," he alleged.

"We have registered the FIR as per information given by the family of the deceased. Nowhere is it mentioned that it was related to manual scavenging," he added.

In his complaint to police, Rahul alleged the company did not provide the men any safety gear. "Despite that, the three of them were sent to work at the plant where they died after they drowned in the water," he said.

"My father suffers from a heart disease. I could not muster the strength to tell him that his favourite son was gone. But today

An FIR was filed at Ecotech 1 police station by Rahul Kumar under Section 304 A (causing

we had to tell him; his condition is now very serious," Rahul said. Pradeep Kumar, 36, Mohit's brother-in-law, alleged, "He died because of electric current in the water. The company had not provided any safety gear. People working with him told me that when they turned on the motor to filter out water, they could sense current in it."

Anil Kumar, 36, uncle of Hargovind, told *The Indian Express* he had visited Ganesh Ganj in Kanpur Dehat to meet a woman for his marriage and returned the same day. "We were planning for his wedding but received a call of his death," he said.

Sitam, 39, brother-in-law of Hargovind, said he was the only earning member in the family.

Ankit's brother-in-law, Harsh, 38, said, "His head was cracked and was oozing out blood continuously. We had been cleaning the blood in the ambulance while bringing the body for autopsy," he said.

"There is no one to look after his ailing father now," said Ankit's uncle Tekchand, 54.

UP CABINET APPROVES DPR OF AQUA LINE EXTENSION

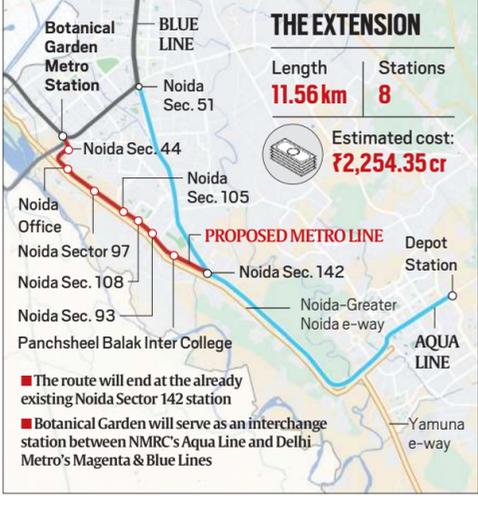
Soon, Delhi Airport to be a Metro ride away for Noida & Gr Noida residents

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NOIDA, JUNE 25

SOON, RESIDENTS of Noida and Greater Noida can expect better connectivity to the Delhi Airport, as well as other parts of the national capital, with an 11-km-long extension of the Aqua Line Metro corridor being approved by the Uttar Pradesh Cabinet Tuesday.

The Cabinet approved the Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the proposed extension, which will start from Sector 142 and go to the Botanical Garden in Noida.

Officials said this extension of the Noida Metro will provide convenient and hassle-free direct connectivity to the Indira Gandhi International Airport (Terminal 1) via the Magenta



Line of the Delhi Metro. It will also connect to major Indian Railways stations in Delhi through the Blue Line.

Lokesh M, Managing Director of Noida Metro Rail Corporation (NMRC) Limited, said this corridor will provide seamless connectivity to all commuters travelling from Noida-Greater Noida towards Delhi and vice-versa.

"It has an expected ridership of approximately 80,000 in the initial stage. The Botanical Garden station will become a big interchange station for three lines. Following this approval, the next crucial step involves forwarding the DPR to the Government of India for final approval and funding," he said.

A total of eight stations – Botanical Garden, Noida Sector

44, Noida Office, Noida Sector 97, Noida Sector 105, Noida Sector 108, Noida Sector 93 and Panchsheel Balak Inter College – will come up under the project (see map). The route will end at the existing Noida Sector 142 station.

Botanical Garden will serve as an interchange station between NMRC's Aqua Line and Delhi Metro's Magenta and Blue Lines.

It will cover a total length of 11.56 km and the estimated cost of the project is Rs 2,254.35 crore.

The new Metro corridor is also expected to address the growing demand for public transportation in the city.

The NMRC had entrusted the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation to prepare the DPR of the 11.56-km Metro extension corridor.

4 of family killed in fire; double locks on doors may have thwarted escape, say kin

ARNABJIT SUR & PRAGYNESH
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

A BLACKENED stuffed toy lies abandoned on the bed in one room; it was white not long ago. A teddy bear, this one brown in colour, hangs from a hook in the adjacent room. The walls are covered in soot, bedsheets are semi-burnt, crumpled. On the floor, the body of a man is on top of a mattress. Inside the wash-room, bodies of a woman and her children – two young men – are found facing the ceiling.

Until Monday night, this was a happy family living in the first floor of a house in Zblock at Prem Nagar, Chhawla, in Dwarka. However, a fire that likely broke out due to a short circuit in the inverter led to the death of all four by asphyxiation in the wee hours of Tuesday, said police.

The deceased have been identified as Heera Singh, 48, his wife Neetu, 46, and sons Chirag, 23, and Lakshay, 21.

A call to the fire department was made at 3.37am and the blaze, which was not of a major scale according to officers, was controlled in 15 to 20 minutes.

Then why could not a single member of the family escape?

The main door of the floor was locked from inside. "This is why nobody could open it from outside," said Gurmeh Singh, brother of Heera Singh, who lives in the back portion of the same building.

"Chirag suffered from epilepsy. He would often wake up in the middle of the night and attempt to unlock the doors. As a precaution, they used to put double locks: One an automatic lock, and a padlock. This was a daily practice before the family went to bed around 11pm."

He said the smoke suffocated them and they were unable to reach the main door and open it. Delhi Fire Services Chief Atul



At the family's home in Z block, Prem Nagar. Abhinav Saha

Garg said the fire started in the inverter and spread to the sofa.

The four victims were declared dead on arrival at Rao Tularam Memorial Hospital.

A senior fire officer said, "Heera's body was on a mattress, a little away from the bathroom where the other three bodies were found. Prima facie, it seems all four members of the family tried to save themselves by entering the washroom and splashing their faces with water. Simultaneously, Heera tried to rush towards the door to unlock it. He may have tried to reach out for the keys on the wall hanger, but failed due to the smoke all around. They eventually collapsed

due to asphyxiation."

According to fire officers, lack of ventilation in the house could have possibly made matters worse. "The hall had a small window to which a cooler was attached. The window in one of the rooms had an AC attached to it, hence, no ventilation. The attached bathroom too had neither ventilation nor exhaust fan. The second room and the kitchen also did not have any windows, which is why the whole house was filled with fumes from the fire," an officer said.

An FIR has been registered at Chhawla police station.

Heera Singh used to work as a freelance photographer while

MHA appoints new Principal Secy (Home); more transfers set to follow

JATIN ANAND
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

THE MINISTRY of Home Affairs Tuesday appointed 1991-batch AGMUT cadre officer Manish Kumar Gupta Principal Secretary (Home) – a post that holds immense significance in Delhi's administration in the current scenario where the Capital has dual power centres.

The post was held earlier by 1992-batch officer Ashwani Kumar, who was transferred to the MCD as Commissioner on June 18. Sources said Gupta's transfer was one in a series of crucial transfers and postings in the AGMUT cadre that were likely to be affected by the Centre over the coming days.

Principal Secretary (Home) is one of the two posts in addition to the Chief Secretary of Delhi reserved for Centre-appointed bureaucrats on the three-member National Capital Civil Services Authority that was created following the enactment of the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (Amendment) Act, 2023. The body, which is chaired by the Delhi CM, has the power to recommend transfer, posting and vigilance matters related to all IAS and DANICS officers in the Capital. However, given its composition, IAS officers appointed directly by the Centre hold more sway in it compared to its Chairperson.

Gupta, 57, was posted as Additional Chief Secretary Government, Land & Buildings, Industries & Labour Department in Delhi. According to sources, the MHA was likely to affect a significant bureaucratic reshuffle over the coming days across key departments in one of the last exercises of its kind before the 2025 Delhi Assembly polls.

Protests as MCD demolishes part of mosque boundary wall, says illegal

UPASIKA SINGHAL
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

PROTESTS BROKE out in Northwest Delhi's Mangolpuri after the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) demolished a portion of a boundary wall of a mosque, Tuesday. While the MCD claimed the wall was encroaching on the adjoining municipal park, the local councillor alleged the measure was aimed at "spoiling the atmosphere of the area".



At the spot in Mangolpuri, Tuesday. MCD claimed the wall was encroaching on the adjoining municipal park. Abhinav Saha

According to a police officer, MCD officials arrived at 6am with an earthmover to demolish the boundary wall and were met by protesting residents. "This initiative was part of our ongoing efforts to address unauthorised religious encroachments and uphold the integrity of public spaces," an MCD spokesperson said.

some tension and people were upset but we talked to them and sorted the situation out before it could escalate," the DCP said.

According to MCD officials, protesters formed a human chain to obstruct the entry of machines into the area. Additionally, women protesters sat on the structure to prevent the demolition from being carried out.

Questioning the MCD action, MLA of Sultanpur Majra, AAP's Mukesh Ahlawat, said permission for demolition should have been taken from the Religious Committee. This area falls under the Sultanpur Majra assembly constituency. "The mosque was around 30-35 years old, maybe older... generally in such cases, the Religious Committee is consulted on whether to carry out the demolition. It then recommends whether the structure shall be preserved or demolished, based on its age. In this case, the committee was not consulted," said

DCP (Outer) Jimmy Chiram told *The Indian Express* that the law and order situation was "not compromised because of the protests" and there was no incident of stone pelting. "There was

Ahlawat, adding, "They (MCD) gave a notice three days ago and were supposed to carry out the demolition between 10am and 11am today... but they came at 6am."

Mangolpuri councillor, Rajesh Kumar, too wasn't happy with the action. "Firstly the (MCD's) Horticulture Department officers (who came for demolition) had no documentation that showed any approval for the action... Secondly, who comes to a demolition with so many policemen? It was clear the intention was to spoil the atmosphere of the area," he alleged.

The demolition was temporarily halted, as per the MCD statement, on police advice. By the time it stopped, 20 metres of the structure had been razed.

'AIM TO BREACH MALE-DOMINATED FORCE'

Meet the four new women SHOs of Ghaziabad Police

NEETIKA JHA
GHAZIABAD, JUNE 25

IN A rare move, the Uttar Pradesh Police has posted four women sub-inspectors as Station House Officers (SHO) of different police stations in Ghaziabad with an aim to breach the "male-dominated" force.

"The police station is not like a bank. There is no defined place and no defined working hours," Ghaziabad Police Commissioner Ajay Kumar Mishra told *The Indian Express*. "It (police station) is male-dominated and there are certain institutional biases."

Mishra said there are 4,200 police personnel in Ghaziabad. "There are 58 women sub-inspectors and 600 women constables and head constables. Women always have to prove themselves in every role but

men are confined to their egos... they feel because they are men, they don't have to go that extra mile to prove themselves," he said.

"Since women (police) personnel do not get enough opportunities (in leadership roles), they start avoiding responsibilities. Most of them (women personnel) are confined to administrative work at police offices and headquarters," Mishra said. "But, if given a chance (on the field) women won't ever fail. This is from my own experience. Each time, they have fared even better than my expectations."

Ghaziabad has 25 police stations and till now, only the Mahila Thana (Women Police station) was headed by a woman officer. The posting of the women as SHOs in "general" police stations is, however, new.



(Clockwise from top) SHOs Ritu Tyagi, Preeti Garg, Ravita Chaudhary and Preeti Singh. Express

ties in their new role. RITU TYAGI SHO, MAHILA THANA Tyagi, was earlier heading

the Pink booth – an exclusive cell in a police station that deals with women-related issues – of Vijayanagar police station. She said she has "solved almost 400

women-related cases at the Pink booth" and now looks forward to this bigger responsibility.

She was recruited as a constable in 1998. She said she had participated in the All India Republic Parade as a National Cadet Corps cadet in 1993.

PREETI GARG SHO, CROSSING REPUBLIC SOCIETY POLICE STATION

"This is a new responsibility and I am thrilled," she said. "This is a new chapter in my career. Women are getting roles with responsibility."

Garg said she "will especially look into the matter of cyber-crime which is on the rise in Ghaziabad". "We have young children addicted to drugs and their lives are ruined. I will personally handle such cases," she added.

RAVITA CHAUDHARY

SHO OF NIWARI POLICE STATION

She was earlier in charge of the Pink booth at Muradnagar. She said she would work to bring down the crime rate, especially crimes against women in Niwari.

"We will try to solve cases related to crime at our level first. We will also provide women's counselling here. Niwari does not have a pink booth so I have more responsibility," SHO Chaudhary said. "I was hopeful but I didn't expect to be posted as SHO," she added.

PREETI SINGH SHO OF LINK ROAD POLICE STATION

"Cases of sexual assault against children is my first priority and I will ensure that the chargesheet is filed within seven days," she said.

"Robbery and snatching cases are rampant on Link Road and solving those cases is also my priority."

Former J&K Bar head arrested in 2020 murder of HC lawyer

BASHAARAT MASOOD
SRINAGAR, JUNE 25

THE STATE Investigation Agency (SIA) arrested lawyer and former president of Jammu and Kashmir High Court Bar Association, Mian Abdul Qayoom, in Srinagar on Tuesday in connection with the murder of advocate Babar Qadri in 2020.

"He (Qayoom) was arrested on Tuesday morning. He was summoned to the SIA office at Humhama in Srinagar and detained there," a police source said Tuesday. "The case pertains to Babar Qadri's murder and further details can be revealed only after his questioning," the source said.

In September 2020, Qadri, a lawyer at Srinagar High Court and a vocal critic of the High Court Bar Association, was killed inside his house at Lalbazar in Srinagar. Two unidentified men came to Qadri's house posing as clients to discuss a case with him. As Qadri came out, the men shot him and fled.

Police had registered a case under IPC section 302, 7/27 of Arms Act and section 13, 16, 18, 20 and 39 of the UAPA at Lalbazar Police station.

An SIT was formed and the police said that The Resistance Front (TRF), believed to be a shadow group of Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT), was behind the killing of Qadri. Police named a TRF militant, Saqib Manzoor, responsible for the killing. Manzoor was killed in a gunfight



Mian Abdul Qayoom

in 2021. Police also filed a chargesheet against five persons, including Manzoor in the case.

The case was later taken over by the State Investigation Agency, and in 2023, it announced a reward of Rs 10 lakh for any person providing information leading to the arrest of Qadri's killers.

In 2022, police raided the house of Qayoom and two other lawyers and conducted searches. Police had seized a digital device and some documents from their residences.

Qayoom, a senior advocate at the Srinagar High Court, was the president of the High Court Bar Association for several terms. As head of the Bar Association, he was previously detained by the police several times and booked under the Public Safety Act (PSA). He is the father-in-law of sitting High Court judge Justice Javid Iqbal. However, Iqbal has in the past represented the state against Qayoom in a Habeas Corpus petition.

Qadri was a strong critic of Qayoom, who was seen close to separatist patriarch Syed Ali Shah Geelani.

Revamped city housing scheme for EWS, LIG, MIG soon

DAMINI NATH
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

THE UNION Budget, slated for next month, will likely include a re-worked affordable housing scheme for economically weaker sections (EWS), the low income group (LIG) and the middle income group (MIG) in cities, the Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry sources said.

On June 10, the Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in its first decision in the third term approved three crore additional houses under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), out of which one crore houses were for cities under the PMAY-Urban. The additional one crore houses are likely to be implemented under a PMAY-U2, which would be funded in the Budget that is expected in July, sources said.

The new scheme would take into account the learnings from PMAY, which was launched on June 25, 2015 and will end in December this year, an official said. The modalities are still being worked out, but the new scheme would be focused towards better targeting of beneficiaries so all those who are eligible are reached and completed homes are disbursed in a timely manner.

The revamped scheme is likely to be launched before the PMAY-U's deadline of December 2024.

For the first version of the scheme, a demand assessment was carried out, for the new scheme, the target of 1 crore houses was indicative. In the nine years since its launch, 84 lakh houses have been completed and handed over to the beneficiaries under PMAY-U, the ministry said in a statement.

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FORM No. STK—6 PUBLIC NOTICE

[Pursuant to sub-section (2) and sub-section (4) of section 248 of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule 7 of the Companies (Removal of Names of Companies from the Register of Companies) Rules, 2016]

Public Notice ROC/C-PACE/STK-2/248/(2)/252

Reference:

Date: - 11.06.2024

(1) In the matter of striking off or removal of names of (81) companies in the state of DELHI under section 248 of the Companies Act, 2013 in respect of:

S.No.	Work Item	CIN	Company Name
1	AA6647993	U74999DL2016OPC308666	TRISU ADVISORS (OPC) PRIVATE LIMITED
2	AA7768641	U31909DL2022PTC399610	ABYANTEC ENGINEERS PRIVATE LIMITED
3	AA8013416	U74120DL2022PTC398367	CALOSOMA PRIVATE LIMITED
4	AA7898974	U65990DL2022PTC402410	UDAYAN FINVEST PRIVATE LIMITED
5	AA8052631	U72900DL2022PTC393191	AS2Y VENTURES PRIVATE LIMITED
6	AA7617063	U40106DL2021PTC386447	ELP SOLAR THREE PRIVATE LIMITED
7	AA8264060	U34300DL2021PTC382468	EXPLORE COMPONENTS PRIVATE LIMITED
8	AA7259569	U70109DL2021PTC385364	RAAS REALTY PRIVATE LIMITED
9	AA7150313	U70200DL2010PLC202570	CROCUS INFRA REALTY LIMITED
10	AA8024893	U73100DL2020PTC367491	CANNABOILER GREENTECH PRIVATE LIMITED
11	AA7184029	U74899DL1986PTC025437	AVS CHIT FUND COMPANY PRIVATE LIMITED
12	AA8133467	U27320DL2020PTC360128	IMPERIAL PRECOAT SYSTEMS PRIVATE LIMITED
13	AA8116796	U74300DL2019PTC350354	JUPITER FILMS PRIVATE LIMITED
14	AA8285247	U70100DL2016PTC291105	DEVOBHAWA REALTORS PRIVATE LIMITED
15	AA8099876	U72900DL2016PTC291994	PINK STAR ONLINE SERVICES PRIVATE LIMITED
16	AA8261082	U72400DL2006PTC151204	IRIS ODLAPS SOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED
17	AA8301765	U74994DL2014PTC271043	ESCHOOL BUDDY RETAIL PRIVATE LIMITED
18	AA7369051	U74999DL2019FTC350365	FOCUSPOINT GLOBAL RISK SERVICES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED
19	AA7804286	U33100DL2013PTC248436	VCARE MEDS PRIVATE LIMITED
20	AA7399883	U65990DL2021PTC385361	LALAJI FOREX PRIVATE LIMITED
21	AA8109812	U60300DL2013PTC253373	NDCG ROADLINES PRIVATE LIMITED
22	AA7419129	U65990DL2022PLN400682	KWALITY AKSHAYA NIDHI LIMITED
23	AA7990472	U64200DL2012PTC233690	DD TELE INFRASTRUCTURE PRIVATE LIMITED
24	AA7473824	U74899DL1986PTC010697	HEPTA DEVELOPERS PRIVATE LIMITED
25	AA8033758	U70101DL2010PLC211686	ALCHEMIST DEVELOPERS LIMITED
26	AA7481114	U51909DL2005PTC133118	RVS IMPEX PVT. LTD
27	AA7937540	U74140DL2005PTC142565	MEDALLION CONSULTING PRIVATE LIMITED
28	AA8172457	U74140DL2002PTC114461	TRIGUNSAI CONSULTANTS PRIVATE LIMITED
29	AA8171436	U18204DL1999PTC098040	EMBROIDERY SYSTEMS INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED.
30	AA7989403	U15491DL1999PTC103039	GOVINDAYA HEALTH FOOD PRODUCTS PRIVATE LIMITED
31	AA8128781	U30004DL1997PTC088499	CONCESSIONNAIRE DOCUMENTATIONS (INDIA) PRIVATE LIMITED
32	AA8246070	U74899DL1995PTC071947	GEETANJLI TRADEFINCAP PRIVATE LIMITED
33	AA8000765	U74899DL1982PTC013130	ANUJAY INVESTMENT PVT LTD
34	AA7548608	U74899DL1993PTC052582	HARMONY PSYCHIATRY CENTRE PRIVATE LIMITED
35	AA8228538	U45209DL2005PTC139442	C.A. CONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS PRIVATE LIMITED
36	AA8212854	U70109DL2006PTC151214	LEO INFRACON PRIVATE LIMITED.
37	AA8206296	U70102DL2006PTC149169	FUSION INFRASTRUCTURE PRIVATE LIMITED.
38	AA8183801	U74999DL2018PTC331903	VEDYA INFRA CONSULTANTS PRIVATE LIMITED
39	AA8180180	U45201DL2006PTC145658	LLUMAR REALTORS AND DEVELOPERS PRIVATE LIMITED
40	AA8177785	U85499DL20230PC417782	GROWITONE SOLUTIONS (OPC) PRIVATE LIMITED
41	AA8173437	U74999DL2016PTC304984	HOLIDAYPORCH PRIVATE LIMITED
42	AA8165966	U52590DL2015PTC287996	CUSTOMIZED GIFT KART PRIVATE LIMITED
43	AA7612766	U74900DL2012PTC246570	SANMARG FACILITY & ASSETS MANAGEMENT ENTERPRISES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED
44	AA8153632	U90001DL2013PTC260110	JOCHEN ENVIRONIS PRIVATE LIMITED
45	AA8146499	U74999DL2018PTC328076	SIEGER THERAPEUTICS PRIVATE LIMITED
46	AA8145728	U55101DL2021PTC390126	LLUXO HOTELS & SERVICES PRIVATE LIMITED
47	AA7630571	U74140DL2008PTC179760	GEMS CAPITAL ADVISORY SERVICES PRIVATE LIMITED
48	AA8143858	U72200DL2013PTC249982	OMTECH INFOSOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED
49	AA8130251	U24230DL2022PTC393178	TROUPER PHARMACEUTICALS PRIVATE LIMITED
50	AA8129109	U74899DL1995PTC066135	SHYAM KUMAR RAJ KUMAR PRIVATE LIMITED
51	AA8122626	U51300DL2011PTC224971	NAGPAL MARKETING PRIVATE LIMITED
52	AA7649465	U74900DL2014PLC265896	DIVINE STORES LIMITED
53	AA8119795	U24100DL2010PLC211217	SHARP HEMP LIMITED
54	AA8109480	U50300DL1998PTC095543	PREMIUM AUTOTEH PRIVATE LIMITED
55	AA8093104	U70101DL2016PTC290155	ANTRIKSH WORLD PRIVATE LIMITED
56	AA8083018	U27101DL1997PLC085107	HIMANI ALLOYS LIMITED
57	AA8078567	U72900DL2022PTC398434	SPAN AEROSPACE PRIVATE LIMITED
58	AA8074019	U74899DL1995PTC066555	DUROWIN PLASTICS PRIVATE LIMITED
59	AA8056562	U74999DL2016PTC302915	IPSUM INFOMEDIA PRIVATE LIMITED
60	AA8043343	U22100DL2015PLC277455	PUNJABKESARI TELEVISION NETWORK LIMITED
61	AA8042641	U92490DL2021PTC378684	ONE HIT ENTERTAINMENT PRIVATE LIMITED
62	AA8042263	U65923DL2015PLC277480	PUNJABKESARI FINCAP LIMITED
63	AA8006422	U72900DL2016PTC303708	SHABDVRIKSH PRIVATE LIMITED
64	AA8002374	U51909DL2006PTC145563	TRINITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED
65	AA7997944	U72900DL2022PTC407438	MAVERICK FINTECH PRIVATE LIMITED
66	AA7958359	U24299DL2020PTC407000	FYBERE CHEM-TECH (OPC) PRIVATE LIMITED
67	AA7952666	U80101DL2014PTC274739	EKDRISHT GYAN EARLY LEARNING PRIVATE LIMITED
68	AA7724868	U72100DL1999PTC101943	WAFT SYSTEMS AND RESOURCES PRIVATE LIMITED
69	AA7941870	U74999DL2016OPC299177	NEETYA DESIGNS (OPC) PRIVATE LIMITED
70	AA7920854	U74900DL2009PTC189464	KB IMPORTS PRIVATE LIMITED
71	AA7916379	U24100DL2007PTC166236	SHREE KRISHNA DECORATIVE COATING PRIVATE LIMITED
72	AA7914310	U32300DL2011PTC225272	SANTRON TELECOM PRIVATE LIMITED
73	AA7903938	U74999DL2018PTC332660	RIJASA SOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED
74	AA7899963	U74140DL2006PTC145275	FOSTER BLACK EXIM PRIVATE LIMITED
75	AA7876919	U70200DL2013PTC251405	PAKHI REALTORS PRIVATE LIMITED
76	AA7783260	U72300DL2014PTC273099	ZCORE TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED
77	AA7875595	U70102DL2013PTC259028	SUNRAYS LANDCON PRIVATE LIMITED
78	AA7792459	U74999DL2016PTC306398	LIBELLY INFOMEDIA PRIVATE LIMITED
79	AA7873686	U70109DL2013PTC258853	SURYA LANDCON PRIVATE LIMITED
80	AA7795939	U18109DL2021PTC383851	TICH BUTTONS PRIVATE LIMITED
81	AA7853180	U40106DL2010PTC206507	ZNA POWER PRIVATE LIMITED

(2). Notice is hereby given that the Registrar of Companies had received applications from the above-mentioned companies under section 248(2) of the Companies Act, 2013 for removal of its/their name (s) from the register of companies either on the ground that they have failed to commence business within one year of their incorporation or on the ground that the company(ies) is/are not carrying on any business or operation for a period of two immediately preceding financial years and has/have not made any application (s) within such period for obtaining the status of a dormant company under section 455 of the Companies Act, 2013 or the company(ies) have obtained the status of dormant company/subscribers to the memorandum have not paid the subscription which they had undertaken to pay at the time of incorporation of a company and a declaration to this effect has not been filed within one hundred and eighty days of its incorporation under subsection (1) of section 10A/ have not been carrying on any business or operations, as revealed after the physical verification carried out under sub-section (9) of section 12, but it/they do not wish to continue its/their registration as companies and have, therefore, requested for removal/strike off of its/their names from the register of companies.

(3) Accordingly, the Registrar of Companies proposes to remove or strike off the names of the above-mentioned companies from the Register of Companies.

(4) Any person objecting to the proposed removal or striking off name of the companies from the register of companies may send his or her objection to the office address mentioned here above within thirty days from the date of publication of this notice.

Irkan Tirkey
Assistant Registrar

CBC 07123/11/0157/2425

Centre for Processing Accelerated Corporate Exit

केनरा बैंक **Canara Bank**
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[Rule 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) [Section 13 (4)]

Whereas : The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower to repay the below mentioned amount in the notice to repay within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers/ guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on following date.

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank** for below mentioned amount. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name of Branch / Name & Address of Borrower	Date of Demand Notice/Amount Dues & Date of Possession	Description of the Immovable Property
GB PS Darbhanga Branch (17441) M/s M. S. Agro Traders Prop. - Sahinawaz Ahemad, Borrower/ Proprietor/ Mortgagee- Sahinawaz Ahemad S/o- Late Nazir Ahemad, Guarantor- Khurshid Alam S/o- Lata Akbar Ali	05.04.2021 Rs. 31,18,198/- plus Int. & other charges 20.06.2024	All that part and parcel of the property consisting in the name of Sahnawaz Ahemad S/o- Late Nazir Ahemad All that part and parcel of property situated at Mohallah- Senapat, PS- Town, Po- Darbhanga Lal Bagh, Sub Division & Dist- Darbhanga, Municipal Khesara No-17949, 17951, 17952, 17953, 17915, 17916, 17997, 17998, Tazui No-3331, Naka No-4, ward No-21 Jamabandi No-48, Naka No- 4 Ward No-21. Area- 1 katha Boundary :-North- Mohammad Hasnain, South- Gali, East- Self Purchaser, West- Self Purchaser
GB PS Darbhanga Branch (17441) M/s Paramount Mobile Agency Prop. - Sahinawaz Ahemad, Borrower/ Proprietor/ Mortgagee- Sahinawaz Ahemad S/o- Late Nazir Ahemad, Guarantor / Mortgagee- Bibi Mariyam Khatun W/o Sahinawaz Ahemad	05.04.2021 Rs. 32,64,980/- plus Int. & other charges 20.06.2024	All that part and parcel of the property consisting in the name of Bibi Mariyam Khatun W/o- Sahinawaz Ahemad . All that part and parcel of the property measuring 4 dhur, Municipal Khesara No-17949, 17951, 17952, 17953, 17915, 17916, 17997, 17998, Tazui No-3331, Jamabandi No-54, Ward No-20/18, Pargana Haweli Darbhanga, Senapat Kilaghat. Boundary:- North - Girija Nand Jha, South- Rasta, East- Najir Ahmad, West- Nij

Place : Darbhanga **Authorised Officer (Canara Bank)**

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NOTICE

28th Annual General Meeting - Election of One Shareholder Director

List of Valid Candidates

Notice is hereby given in respect of 28th Annual General Meeting of the Bank inter alia for the Election of One Director from amongst Shareholders other than the Central Government, that after scrutiny of nominations and determination of their 'Fit & Proper Status', nominations of the following candidates have been found to be valid and in order:

Sl. No.	Name & Address	Age (Years)	Educational / Professional Qualifications
1	Shri Sanjay Kapoor H. No. 296, Sector 15, Panchkula, Haryana - 134 112	57	BSC , FCA (Chartered Accountant)
2	Shri Kartar Singh Chauhan 70-71, Scindia House, Connaught Place, New Delhi - 110 001	60	M.Com, FCA (Chartered Accountant) Certificate Courses on Concurrent Audit of Banks, Forex & Treasury Management and Goods & Service Tax.
3	Shri Suresh Chand Garg House No B136-A, Gopalpura, By pass Scheme 10B, Jaipur-302 018	58	M.Com, Chartered Accountant and Insolvency Professional
4	Shri Vijay Dube A-306, Kendriya Vihar, Sector 56, Gurgaon, Haryana - 122 011	60	MBA, MSC (Statistics), CAIIB and Certificate in Risk in Financial Services (CISF), London.
5	Shri Rameshwar Prasad Vijay 70-B Heera Nagar, "A" Ajmer Road, Jaipur - 302 021	64	B.Com HON (ABST), M.Com (ABST), LLB, FCA, DISA, CCV, IFRS,CCA, FAFD (ICAI)

Accordingly, the election of One Shareholder Director will be held at the 28th Annual General Meeting of the Bank scheduled to be held on 05th July 2024 through VC / OAVM and Remote E-voting / e-voting at AGM will be held as per the schedule already announced in the Notice. Shareholders attending the meeting through VC / OAVM, who have not cast their votes through Remote E-Voting shall be able to cast their e-votes during the meeting.

Any of the aforesaid candidates desirous of withdrawing his candidature may do so by sending a letter in writing duly signed addressed to Chief General Manager (Operations), Bank of Baroda, 7th Floor, Baroda Bhawan, R.C.Dutt Road, Opp. Centre Point, Alkapuri, Vadodra 390 007 / The Company Secretary, Bank of Baroda, 7th Floor, Baroda Corporate Centre, C-26, G-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra East, Mumbai 400051 or sending scanned and signed letter over e-mail at sm.ops.ho@bankofbaroda.com; OR alternatively companysecretary.bcc@bankofbaroda.com, so as to reach before **4.00 p.m. on 29th June 2024**

For Bank of Baroda
P K Agarwal,
Company Secretary (39/24-25)

Place: Mumbai
Date: 26.06.2024

6 IN PARLIAMENT 18TH LOK SABHA

RELIGIOUS SLOGANS, ARGUMENTS ON SOCIALISM AS U.P. MPs SWORN IN

Jai Shri Ram, Jai Samvidhan, Inquilab Zindabad: LS oath-taking turns into sloganeering slugfest

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

RELIGIOUS SLOGANS were countered with waving of the Constitution. Tributes to Hindutva icons were responded to with arguments on Socialism. Amid slogans reflecting their political allegiance or ideology, Tuesday's oath-taking of Lok Sabha MPs from Uttar Pradesh turned into a slugfest between the Treasury and the Opposition benches.

It started with Congress MP from Saharanpur, Imran Masood, taking his oath holding a copy of the Constitution and ending it by chanting "Jai Hind, Jai Bheem". The slogan was later repeated by many Samajwadi Party MPs who also chanted "Samajwadi Zindabad" and "PDA Zindabad".

An acronym coined by the SP, PDA stands for "pichhde" (backward classes), Dalit and "alp-sankhyak" (minorities). In a Lok Sabha where the Mayawati-led BSP has no presence this time, the chant underlined the SP's recognition of the support it got from Dalits as the INDIA bloc won 43 seats against the NDA's 36.

For a change, the Opposition benches appeared to have more heft and more noise than the



(From left) BJP MP Arun Govil, Samajwadi Party MP Akhilesh Yadav, ASP MP Chandrashekhar Azad in Lok Sabha, Tuesday. PTT



Treasury when the UP MPs were taking oath. This was also because West Bengal MPs too were sitting in the House as they had to take oath after UP members.

When the BJP MP from Meerut, Arun Govil, was called to take oath, the Treasury benches broke into chants of "Jai Shri Ram". Govil, who took his oath in Sanskrit, himself ended his oath with the slogan.

To this, the Opposition benches responded by shouting "Jai Awadhesh". It was a reference to SP MP Awadhesh Prasad who shot to political prominence fol-

lowing his victory from the Faizabad seat, which includes Ayodhya, where PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the Ram temple in January. Prasad, who was seated in the front row with SP chief Akhilesh Yadav, stood up with folded hands to greet the recognition.

There was massive cheer from the Opposition when Rae Bareilly MP Rahul Gandhi and Akhilesh Yadav were called to take oath.

While Gandhi held a red copy of the Constitution, Yadav held a blue one. SP's Etawah MP Jitendra Dohare borrowed both copies

from the two leaders when it was his time to take oath.

As Gandhi went on the podium to take oath, Congress MPs broke into loud slogans of "Bharat Jodo, Bharat Jodo". Curiously, when Gandhi spoke, the Treasury benches did not interrupt him even once despite his waving the Constitution at them and ending the oath with "Jai Samvidhan".

In contrast, when Modi took oath on Monday, the Opposition shouted slogans of "Save the Constitution".

Loud cheers were also heard

when Amethi MP K L Sharma, who defeated former Union Minister Smriti Irani, came to take oath. Gandhi particularly looked very pleased to see him and thumped the desk enthusiastically.

First-time MP and Dalit youth leader Chandrashekhar Azad too did not shy away from some political messaging. In a House full of pristine white kurta-pajamas, Azad came dressed in a blue bandhgala suit, the kind that B R Ambedkar has been associated with. Holding a copy of the Constitution with

Ambedkar's picture on the cover, he ended his oath with chants of "Namo Buddhaya, Jai Bheem, Jai Bharat, Jai Samvidhan, Jai Mandal... Bharatiya Loktantra Zindabad".

At least two BJP MPs tried to invoke Hindutva while taking oath. BJP MP from Bareilly, Chhatrapal Singh Gangwar, ended his oath with "Jai Hindu Rashtra", triggering strong protests from the Opposition, which said it was against the Constitution to do so. The chair, Fagga Singh Kulaste, said he would look into the matter.

Ghaziabad MP Atul Garg was hooted at when he ended his oath with an ode to Hindutva icons such as Syama Prasad Mookerjee, Deen Dayal Updhyaya and chanted "Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zindabad, Narendra Modi Zindabad". As he was leaving, amid a chorus of protest, he returned to add: "Dr Hedgewar Zindabad".

When two SP MPs, from Rampur and Sambhal, read out their oath in chaste Urdu and one of them ended it with "Inquilab Zindabad", BJP ally Apna Dal MP Anupriya Patel urged the chair to stop such sloganeering during oath-taking. At this, SP's Dharmendra Yadav said the treasury had started it all and must "now listen".



Opposition MPs in Lok Sabha on Tuesday. PTT

TMC cold, INDIA bloc may not press for division in Lok Sabha Speaker vote

Growing sense a division may expose Opp does not have adequate numbers

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY & RAVIK BHATTACHARYA
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

WITH THE Trinamool Congress (TMC) keeping the INDIA bloc on tenterhooks over supporting its candidate for the Lok Sabha Speaker's post, claiming it had not been "consulted", there was a sense at a meeting held by the alliance on Tuesday evening to not push for a division on the vote and to agree to a voice vote.

Sources said it was SP leader Ram Gopal Yadav who suggested that the issue must not go to voting as the INDIA bloc does not have the numbers - a view said to be shared by the TMC.

At the meeting, which was attended by TMC MPs Derek O'Brien and Kalyan Banerjee, a consensus was also reached among INDIA bloc members for better coordination on such issues. Congress MP Rahul Gandhi had a 20-minute-long telephonic conversation with TMC supreme Mamata Banerjee.

However, till late Tuesday, the TMC had not made its stand on backing the INDIA candidate clear, with sources saying the party will take a decision only by 9.30 am Wednesday.

Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge and general secretary K C Venugopal were present at the meeting, along with representatives of other alliance parties.

Earlier Tuesday, after the NDA renominated Om Birla, who was the Speaker in the 17th Lok Sabha, for the post, INDIA announced it was putting up eight-time Congress MP K Suresh. After Suresh filed his nomination papers, just before the deadline ended, TMC leaders suggested that the party had not been consulted on the issue.

The Congress denied this, saying it had called the TMC before making the move.

Taking a dig at Rahul, a senior TMC leader said: "We won 29 seats on our own in West Bengal... we were not a part of the INDIA alliance then. So, Rahul Gandhi shouldn't have made a *khata khat* announcement, without consulting us."

Sources said the TMC felt that a contest for the Speaker's post would expose the Opposition's inadequate numbers and the chinks in the INDIA armour.

The NDA, too, is learnt to have reached out to Mamata. Sources said Defence Minister Rajnath Singh called Mamata Tuesday afternoon. "The two spoke about the issue of the Speaker and about the Opposition fielding a candidate against the BJP's nominee," a TMC leader said.

On Congress claims that a call had been made to the TMC leadership before the announcement, the leader said it came around 11.50 am - 10 minutes before the filing of nomination for the Speaker's post was to end. "If you wish to invite me for your daughter's wedding, you can't be calling me on the morning of the wedding," the leader said.

TMC leaders in Bengal slammed the "unilateral decision" by the Congress and said Mamata was "upset". Sources close to the CM said she was taken by "surprise".

In the afternoon Tuesday, TMC national general secretary and MP Abhishek Banerjee held a meeting of all party parliamentarians at Parliament House where the Speaker issue was discussed, with the final decision left to Mamata.

In the Lok Sabha, Rahul personally reached out to Abhishek. Rahul was engaged in a chat with him lasting 15 minutes.

Recalling Emergency, BJP targets Cong: Has no right to profess love for Constitution



BJP chief J P Nadda at the party office on Tuesday. Praveen Khanna

VIKAS PATHAK
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

WITH THE Opposition using the Constitution to target the government, the BJP on Tuesday recalled the imposition of Emergency to hit back at the Congress.

In posts on X to mark the 49th anniversary of Emergency, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said "those who imposed the Emergency have no right to profess their love for our Constitution".

"These are the same people who have imposed Article 356 on innumerable occasions, got a Bill to destroy press freedom, destroyed federalism and violated every aspect of the Constitution... The mindset which led to the imposition of the Emergency is very much alive among the same party which imposed it. They hide their disdain for the Constitution through their tokenism but the people of India have seen through their antics and that is why they have rejected them time and again," he said.

"The Congress crushed the spirit of our Constitution several times for the sake of maintaining a certain family in power. Indira Gandhi unleashed ruthless atrocities on the people of India during Emergency." Union Home Minister Amit Shah posted on X. Targeting Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, Shah said the "yuvraj" had forgotten that his grandmother, Indira Gandhi, had imposed the Emergency and his father, Rajiv Gandhi, said in Parliament that "there is nothing wrong with an Emergency".

Addressing party workers, BJP president and Union Health Minister J P Nadda praised the role of the RSS and Jana Sangh in the anti-Emergency movement. "When it came to defending the country, our swamyasevaks, our people of the Rashtriya Swamyasevak Sangh, did their utmost," he said. "As many as 1,40,000 people were arrested under MISA and Defence of India

Rules. Among them, 75,000-80,000 people were from our ideology - RSS and Jana Sangh. There are lakhs of such families that sacrificed everything."

His acknowledgement of the RSS's role comes close on the heels of his earlier comments in an interview to *The Indian Express*. Asked how RSS-BJP relations had changed over time, Nadda had said: "Shuru mein hum aksham honge, thoda kam honge. RSS ki zaroorat padti thi... Aaj hum badh gaye hain, saksham hai... toh BJP apne aap ko chalaati hai (In the beginning, we would have been less capable, smaller and needed the RSS. Today, we have grown and we are capable. The BJP runs itself). That's the difference."

After the Lok Sabha election results, RSS Sarsanghchalak Mohan Bhagwat had flagged the loss of maryada (decorum) in the campaign, saying that a true sevak does not have ahankar (arrogance) and works without causing hurt to others.

Recalling the Emergency, Nadda said: "Because of sacrifices made at that time, our democracy stands strong today... As many as 9,000 people were arrested in one night. No prominent Opposition leader was spared, be it Morarji Desai, Mohan Dharia, Vajpayee ji, Advani ji. They stayed in jail for 19 months, only for raising their voices for democracy."

"People were scared to even talk inside their homes. Colleges looked like cantonments. My entire class was arrested twice for raising the slogan of 'Inquilab Zindabad'. Entire cricket and football teams were picked up from college and dropped 20 kilometres away from the city for raising such slogans. But nobody broke ranks. There were satyagrahas each day. The media faced censorship... We used to quietly circulate pamphlets at night so as to know what was happening... Rahul (Gandhi) has read very little history... In 1977, democracy was restored and the autocratic government lost," Nadda said.



IN THE HOUSE

Congress Lok Sabha MP Rahul Gandhi arrives as Trinamool Congress MPs look on and (right) Independent MP Pappu Yadav at the Parliament House complex on Tuesday. PTT



If govt gives post of Dy Speaker or a clear assurance, contest can be averted: Suresh

WITH THE INDIA bloc nominating the Congress's KODIKUNNIL SURESH, the MP from Kerala's Mavelikkara, the stage is set for a rare contest for the Lok Sabha Speaker's post. He spoke to MANOJ C G about the Opposition's decision to have a contest for the Speaker's post rather than choose a consensus candidate, and how the move is linked to the Opposition's play for the Deputy Speaker's post. Excerpts:

What prompted you to contest for the post?

We did not want to force a contest. It is the government's irresponsible attitude that has created this situation. We have been saying for some days that the government should follow convention and give the post of Deputy Speaker to the Opposition. They did not give the post to the Opposition both in 2014 and 2019 on the technical ground that there was no Opposition party with the requisite numbers to claim the



Leader of Opposition post. But the situation is different now.

Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh spoke to Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge seeking support for the NDA's Speaker candidate. Kharge

clearly told him that the government should follow parliamentary convention and give the Deputy Speaker's post to the Opposition, which is its right. Singh told Kharge that he would get back. But there was no word from the government's side.

Congress MP K C Venugopal and the DMK's TR Baalu then met (Rajnath) Singh and reaffirmed the position. All the senior ministers, including Amit Shah and JPNadda, were in that room. But Singh once again sought the support of Opposition and said the Speaker be elected first and the issue of Deputy Speaker could be discussed later. That response was not satisfactory for us.

The government may not have given an assurance but it has also not said it will not give the Deputy Speaker post to the Opposition. Why this trust deficit?

Our experience has been like that. What happened in the case

of the pro-tem Speaker? I was the senior-most MP. But they did not consider me.

Look at the track record of this government. They kept the Deputy Speaker post vacant in the 17th Lok Sabha. In 2014, they appointed an MP from one of the friendly allies as the Deputy Speaker. The BJP government has been trying to ride roughshod over the Opposition for the last 10 years. So it is the government that has forced this contest. Had they treated the Opposition with the dignity it deserves, this situation would not have arisen.

Will you withdraw your nomination if government gives an assurance on the Deputy Speaker post?

If government gives the post of Deputy Speaker or a clear assurance, then I think a contest can be averted. But it is the Congress leadership and INDIA bloc that will take the call. FULL REPORT www.indianexpress.com

NDA's Dy Speaker under UPA, Atwal recalls tough times from Opp

KAMALDEEP SINGH BRAR
AMRITSAR, JUNE 25

THE LAST time a member of the Opposition front was Lok Sabha Deputy Speaker was under the two Manmohan Singh-led UPA governments. While Charanjit Singh Atwal, a leader then BJP ally Akali Dal, was the Deputy Speaker in 2004-09, the BJP's Kariya Munda held the post 2009 to 2014.

Under the first Narendra Modi government, 2014-2019, M Thambidurai of the AIADMK, a party seen as friendly towards the BJP, was the Deputy Speaker. Throughout Modi's second term,

Parliament did not have a Deputy Speaker.

Now 87 and in the BJP since last year, Atwal says that what he remembers of his tenure, 20 years ago, was facing a tough time from the Opposition - despite being an MP from the Opposition front.

Atwal recalls that the Akali Dal had eight MPs in the Lok Sabha in 2004, while the BJP had 138. "Former Punjab chief minister Parkash Singh Badal (the late Akali Dal chief) asked former PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee and ex-home minister Lal Krishna Advani to push my name as Deputy Speaker. Badal Senior told BJP leaders that it would send a good message as



Charanjit Singh Atwal

the Congress had a Sikh, Manmohan Singh, as the PM."

After the NDA put forward his name, Atwal told *The Indian Express*, "The Congress also supported me. I was elected Deputy Speaker unanimously."

position, hurled a sheaf of papers at the Speaker - when Atwal was in the Chair - when she was not allowed to raise the subject of illegal Bangladeshi migrants.

Says Atwal: "Then Lok Sabha Speaker Somnath Chatterjee had denied Mamata Banerjee the opportunity to raise some questions. She tried to raise the same questions when I was in the Chair. But it would have set a bad precedent if I had allowed her as it had been denied by Chatterjee. So I didn't allow her and she walked out after throwing the papers at the Chair. The next day, the press praised me for my conduct."

He adds that Mamata too "would have suffered conse-

quences politically in her state if I had taken action". "I ignored her behaviour and didn't lose my temper."

Atwal again faced tempestuous moments in July 2008 when Opposition MPs suddenly flashed bundles of currency notes, claiming these were being distributed by government supporters to bribe MPs ahead of the trust vote against the Manmohan Singh government. Atwal was presiding over the House when Ashok Pradhan of the BJP walked to the table of Parliament staff, accompanied by a colleague, and went on to place two leather bags on the table and pull out bundles of Rs 100 notes. He claimed they were

part of the bribes. "It was Rs 3 crore... It was a very difficult situation. But I managed to resume the House soon after," Atwal says.

Atwal recalls another incident when then Finance Minister Pranab Mukherjee asked him if he would rather have someone else in the Chair as the Budget debate happened. "He asked if I foresaw any problem. I assured him there would be no issue and the Budget was passed while I was in Chair."

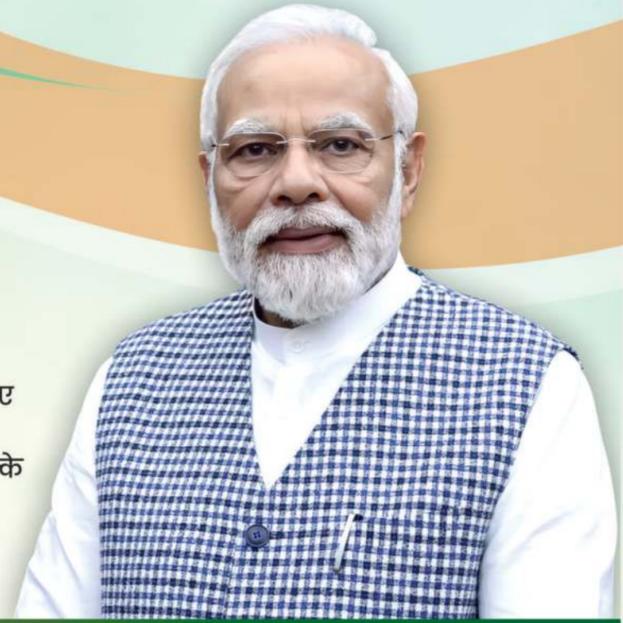
On whether the Modi government should follow suit like in his case and pick a member from the Opposition to be Deputy Speaker, Atwal steers clear of the question. "It is not any legal compulsion (to do so), but a convention," he says.



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Badal faces rebellion, section of leaders asks him to quit as chief

ANJU AGNIHOTRI CHHABA & NAVJEEVAN GOPAL
JALANDHAR, CHANDIGARH, JUNE 25

A SECTION of senior SAD leaders Tuesday revolted against Sukhbir Singh Badal, and passed a resolution demanding that he should step down as party chief following the Akali Dal's debacle in the Lok Sabha elections.

The rebel leaders met in Jalandhar when Badal met district presidents and other leaders in Chandigarh to review the party's show in the Lok Sabha polls.

After a five-hour meeting at AS Farm in Jalandhar, the rebels announced that a "SAD bachao" movement would be launched from July 1. The party, however, called the rebel leaders "frustrated elements sponsored by the BJP" to weaken the Akali Dal.

After the meeting in Jalandhar, senior Akali leader Prem Singh Chandumajra urged Badal to acknowledge the sentiments of party workers and resign and hand over the post to a person who can strengthen the



At a meeting of SAD rebel leaders in Jalandhar, Tuesday. Express

Akali Dal and maintain a balance between politics and religion.

Other senior leaders present at the meeting included former Shiromani Gurdwara Prabandak Committee chief Bibi Jagir Kaur, former minister Parminder Singh Dhindsa, former MLAs Sikander Singh Maluka and Surjit Singh Rakhra.

The meeting in Jalandhar Tuesday was the third such where voices of rebellion were raised. Sources said that the demand for a change of leadership was first raised during the core

committee meeting in Chandigarh on June 14.

Chandumajra said, "Today, we have united to address serious concerns over the Akali Dal's recent poll debacle. It's imperative to implement changes that will revive our former stature. Akali Dal *Ash ton Faraste aa Gaya* (The Akali Dal has plummeted from the heights to the ground). We will seek forgiveness for the past mistakes and shortcomings at the Akal Takht on July 1," he said.

Maluka added, "We discussed the party's position from

2017 to 2024 and decided that Badal should voluntarily step down from the post."

In Chandigarh, Badal chaired a simultaneous meeting where a resolution hailing him and reposing full faith in his leadership was passed.

Badal loyalists Balwinder Singh Bhunder, Maheshinder Singh Grewal and Daljeet Singh Cheema turned the heat on disgruntled leaders, trashing the chorus for removal of Badal as Akali Dal chief as of "no value".

After the meeting, Cheema read out a resolution in which party leaders hailed Sukhbir Badal for his "clear-headed, far-sighted and resolute leadership".

When asked, Badal said, "I had categorically clarified to core committee before the Lok Sabha elections that I can't be a party to an unprincipled alliance with the BJP. As president of a party the Sikh community has always called its own, I couldn't have betrayed the Panth, the farmers, the poor and the deprived. Those ready to betray the Panth, Punjab, farmers and the deprived sections are free to follow their course."

CRPF plans to raise mountain battalions to fight terror in J&K

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

AGAINST THE backdrop of an uptick in terror attacks, the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) plans to raise Mountain Battalions in J&K, starting with training the existing battalions in mountain warfare to improve their operational efficiency, *The Indian Express* has learnt.

On June 16, Union Home Minister Amit Shah had chaired a high-level meeting at North Block to review the security situation in J&K and take stock of preparedness for the Amamath Yatra, set to begin on June 29. National Security Advisor Ajit Doval and Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha were among those in attendance.

The CRPF is learnt to have highlighted during the meeting its proposal to create 659 posts for their Mountain Battalions. "After monitoring their (terrorists') regular activities, it has been observed that over a period, they have moved from urban areas to the terrain of forests at higher reaches. Since they are changing their modus operandi, security establishments also have to reinvigorate their plans as per the current scenario," a senior official said.

J&K Zone is one of the largest zones under the CRPF's jurisdiction, comprising six sectors where 80 operational battalions are deployed.

On June 24, in a communication to the J&K range, it was informed that the CRPF DG has instructed that work begin on

raising Mountain Battalions to conduct operations in higher reaches. "For a start, an existing battalion may be trained in mountain warfare. For strengthening of intelligence setup, the proposal of creation of 659 posts is under active consideration in the Ministry of Home Affairs and once approved, will address the concerns. Furthermore, proposals for long term - four to five years - community engagement programmes should be prepared by the zones, which would be forwarded to the MHA for approval," an official said, citing the communication.

The meeting at North Block follows a spurt in violence in Jammu. On June 9, nine pilgrims were killed and 33 injured when a bus ferrying them was attacked in Reasi. Later, a CRPF jawan and two militants were killed and seven security personnel injured in three separate encounters in Doda and Kathua districts.

At a meeting later, PM Narendra Modi directed senior officials to ensure the "deployment of the full spectrum" of "counter-terror capabilities".

Sources said that during the meeting in Jammu, it was decided that apart from generating robust intelligence and strengthening the anti-infiltration grid on the Jammu border (most recent attacks in Jammu have been carried out by terrorists from Pakistan), there needs to be a greater presence of police and security forces on the ground. "A comprehensive plan has been prepared to increase boots on the ground and have more patrolling," said a senior official.

'SELECTIVE' OPPOSITION?

HIS SLOGAN during oath-taking expunged from House records, AIMIM chief Asaduddin Owaisi told reporters outside Parliament that he had hailed Palestine. BJP members had protested Owaisi's slogan but the party's MP and former Tripura chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb had a different complaint against it. When he came to the podium to take oath, Deb extended greetings to all the newly elected MPs. Some Opposition MPs protested against this and asked the Chair to direct Deb to stick to his oath only. Later, the BJP leader pointed out that the Congress MPs remained silent when Owaisi raised slogans. He said he now plans to "expose the hypocrisy" of the Congress in Parliament.

RAISING THE BAR

AN ATTEMPT by a counsel to seek a fresh date in a case by invoking the Bar president irked a Supreme Court bench comprising Justices A S Oka and Rajesh Bindal Tuesday. As the bench was dictating its order, the counsel urged it to give a fresh date saying the Bar president will argue the matter. Clearly annoyed, Justice Oka asked if he was under the impression that the court will be deterred by his submission that the Bar president is going to argue? The judge said when he was a member of the Bar, he was told that one should study the judge before making any statements. Justice Bindal wondered if the counsel was threatening the bench. The court eventually dismissed the plea.

OPP BONHOMIE

AFTER TAKING oath as a Lok Sabha member on Tuesday, Azad Samaj Party (Kanshi Ram) chief Chandrashekhar Azad first shook hands with Samajwadi Party (SP) president Akhilesh Yadav, who was sitting in the front row with other Opposition members. The exchange of greetings between the two leaders is significant as Azad had earlier wished to contest the Lok Sabha election from Nagina seat in alliance with the INDIA bloc, but the SP had denied his request. He then contested from the seat on his own and defeated candidates of the SP, the BJP and the BSP. His efforts for an alliance with the SP had failed during the 2022 UP Assembly polls too. Azad had then accused Akhilesh of "insulting" him and "sidelining" the Scheduled Castes.

Dhami urges PM to greenlight forestland transfer proposals

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
DEHRADUN, JUNE 25

AMID CONCERNS raised by Uttarakhand residents over the ongoing tree felling for development projects in the state, CM Pushkar Singh Dhami Tuesday requested PM Narendra Modi to approve current forestland transfer proposals. This approval is crucial for to proceed with the compensatory plantations required for development.

Dhami requested the PM to consider the special geographical condition of Uttarakhand, where the Central government and its agencies are struggling to find suitable land for compensatory plantations necessary for road construction projects.



Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami and Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi, Monday. ANI

The current Forest Conservation and Development Rules and Guidelines, 2023 stipulate only non-forest land can be used for construction purposes. Also, these

rules allow for compensatory plantations on twice the forestland area recorded by the revenue department but not under the forest department's control.

Before he could vacate premises, demolition at govt quarters of former BJD MLA

SUJIT BISYOI
BHUBANESWAR, JUNE 25

OFFICIALS OF Odisha government's general administration department Tuesday inspected the premises of a government quarters in Bhubaneswar allotted to former BJD MLA Pranab Prakash Das, following which two structures there were demolished.

Sources said the quarters, located in the heart of the city, was allotted to Das, who was also BJD's organisational secretary.

Das, who wielded influence in the previous BJD government, is learnt to have constructed two multi-storey structures, including an underground floor, at his official residence. After the BJD's defeat, he was asked by the government to vacate the quarters. However, the demolition, involving 20 people, started before he could vacate the premises.

"We have inspected the quarters. There have been no changes in the construction of the original quarters. Two large steel structures were constructed within the premises, which have been razed. It's not clear whether he had taken permission from the state government to build such structures within the official residence. We will have to verify," said Sangram Rai Sardar, additional director, GA department.

The official said if the construction is illegal and unauthorised, steps will be taken as per law.

Responding to the allegations, Das, in a video message, said, "As I was the organisational secretary of the BJD, many party workers and leaders would visit the quarters to meet me. A temporary structure was built to accommodate them respectfully."

MP ministers to pay own income tax, govt won't do it for them

ANAND MOHAN J
BHOPAL, JUNE 25

THE MADHYA Pradesh Cabinet on Tuesday decided that state ministers would pay their own income tax on salaries and allowances, striking down a 1972 rule under which the state government paid it for them.

Urban Administration Minister Kailash Vijayvargiya said the move was suggested by CM Mohan Yadav during the Cabinet meeting.

"The CM proposed that ministers should pay their own income taxes on allowances, rather than the state government covering these taxes. The Cabinet has decided to end the provision allowing the state to pay these taxes," Vijayvargiya said.

The Congress criticised the move, with party's state president Jitu Patwari saying the government should actually be curbing wasteful expenditure on "purchasing aeroplanes, decorating official bungalows, and buying luxury cars."

According to section 9K of the Madhya Pradesh Ministers (Salary and Allowances) Act, "No income tax shall be levied on any Minister, Minister of State, Deputy Minister, or Parliamentary Secretary for all allowances payable to them, for

the facility of a furnished residence provided without payment of rent, and for other perquisites permissible to them under this Act." "The income tax, as applicable, shall be payable by the State Government at the maximum rate payable by a Minister, Minister of State, Deputy Minister, or Parliamentary Secretary," the Act read.

Officials from the Finance department said the law was enacted to ensure "ministers from poor backgrounds did not have to bear income tax burden".

With an end to this practice, officials said there would be "direct financial savings for the state", leading to "better allocation of resources towards development projects and public services".

An official said, "Ministers paying their own taxes fosters a culture of responsibility and aligns with public expectations of transparency in governance. This will also reduce unnecessary expenditure from the state Budget."

There are other states that have in the past amended provisions exempting ministers from paying tax. In 2019, the UP Cabinet decided to amend the law that exempted the CM and other ministers from paying their own income tax.

UP clears Tata Sons proposal for temple museum in Ayodhya

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
LUCKNOW, JUNE 25

THE UTTAR Pradesh government Tuesday approved a proposal from the Tata Sons to build a museum of temples in Ayodhya from its corporate social responsibility (CSR) fund.

To be called the Indian Temple Museum, it will be built at a cost of Rs 650 crore in Manjha Jamthara village in Sadar tehsil of Ayodhya. Another Rs 100 crore will be spent on developing basic infrastructure at the site.

Providing details of UP cabinet approval of Tata Sons proposal, state Tourism Minister Jaiveer Singh said land for the museum will be provided on a 90-year lease by the tourism department at Re 1 a year. According to the UP government, the state cabinet approved the proposal to sign a tripartite MoU involving the Union Ministry of Culture, UP government and Tata Sons to build and run the temple museum.

The UP Principal Secretary, Culture, has been authorised to sign the MoU on behalf of the state government.

The cabinet also decided that the CM will take further decisions related to the project.

According to the state government, the involvement of Tata Sons will help build the museum under skilled observation. An estimated 2-4 lakh tourists have been visiting Ayodhya daily ever since the January 22 consecration ceremony at the Ram temple.

PTI adds: Other proposals approved during the cabinet meeting included the launch of helicopter services in Lucknow, Prayagraj and Kapilvastu under the PPP model by building helipads, Singh said.

The cabinet also cleared a proposal to develop dormant heritage buildings into tourist spots, the minister said. Kothi Roshan Dulha in Lucknow, Barsana Jal Mahal in Mathura and Shukla Talab (pond) in Kanpur were selected for development as tourist spots, he said.

Union Agri Secy repatriated to Odisha cadre

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

THE APPOINTMENTS Committee of the Cabinet Tuesday approved the repatriation of 1990-batch Odisha cadre IAS officer and Union Agriculture Secretary Manoj Ahuja to his parent cadre. In February 2022, Ahuja was appointed OSD in the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. He took over as Secretary on March 31, 2022.

The DoPT order said: "The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved repatriation of Shri Manoj Ahuja, IAS (OR:90), Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare to his parent cadre on the request of Government of Odisha."

Sources said he may be named Odisha Chief Secretary.

Ahead of SCO meet, Modi speaks to Kazakh President

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

AHEAD OF the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit in Astana, Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke to Kazakhstan President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev Tuesday, conveying India's full support for the success of the event.

There is no official word yet on India's representation at the summit, which is being hosted by Kazakhstan on July 3-4.

"Had a good conversation with President of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev. Thanked him for warm wishes on the success in the elections. Reiterated the commitment to advance our Strategic Partnership with Kazakhstan," Modi said in a post on X Tuesday.

"Conveyed India's full support for the success of the upcoming SCO Summit," he said.

During the conversation, the two leaders reiterated their commitment to continue to work together to advance bilateral strategic partnerships, said a statement by the PMO following the conversation over the phone. Tokayev also extended his wishes to PM for getting re-elected for a third consecutive term. "President Tokayev warmly congratulated the Prime Minister on the successful conduct of the largest democratic exercise in the world and his re-election for a historic third consecutive term. The Prime Minister thanked him for his warm felicitations," said the PMO release.

"Reiterated the commitment to advance our Strategic Partnership with Kazakhstan," said the PMO statement, adding the two leaders agreed to remain in touch.

Jaishankar, Chinese envoy hold talks on bilateral ties, common interest in stabilisation & progress

DIVYAA
NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

CHINESE AMBASSADOR Xu Feihong called upon External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar Tuesday, exchanging views on bilateral ties that have been strained for four years in the wake of the LAC transgressions and Galwan clashes in 2020.

"Received Ambassador of China Xu Feihong this evening. Discussed our bilateral relationship and our common interest in its stabilisation and progress," Jaishankar posted on X after the meeting. Besides discussing India-China relations, Feihong said that discussions were also held on other issues of common interest while adding that the aim is to push forward the devel-



External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and Chinese Ambassador Xu Feihong in New Delhi, Tuesday. PTI

opment of bilateral relations in the right direction. Feihong was sent to India last month, after 18 months of China not having an Ambassador in India.

"Honoured to call on External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar today," said Feihong Tuesday. "We exchanged views on China-India relations and other issues of

common interest..."

Last week, China had expressed "strong concern" over the visit of a high-level US Congress delegation to Dharamshala to meet the Dalai Lama. A bipartisan US Congressional delegation, led by House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Michael McCaulis, had visited India to strengthen bilateral ties and meet the Tibetan spiritual leader.

However, India reiterated its stance on His Holiness' position, emphasising his "revered" status and the respect accorded to him by the Indian people.

Earlier this month, after PM Modi won his third successive term, the Chinese Foreign Ministry had protested the exchange of messages between Taiwan President Lai Ching-te and Modi after the poll results.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning had said India "has diplomatic relations with China. China opposes all forms of official interactions between the Taiwan authorities and countries having diplomatic relations with China."

With an estimated 50,000-60,000 troops posted on either side of the India-China border in eastern Ladakh for almost four years now, India has advocated finding a fair and reasonable outcome to the issue, which doesn't change the status quo at the LAC.

Speaking at the *Express Adda* in March, Jaishankar had said the situation is "very tense and dangerous" and that it's in the common interest of both countries to not have "that many forces on the Line of Actual Control (LAC)".

Govt: Britannia not leaving Bengal, politically motivated propaganda

ATRI MITRA
KOLKATA, JUNE 25

IN THE wake of Britannia Industries Limited announcing that all 120-odd permanent employees at its Taratala factory in Kolkata have accepted the VRS (voluntary retirement scheme) offer, the West Bengal government on Tuesday said talks of the leading Indian multinational food products company leaving the state were unfounded.

"Britannia is not leaving West Bengal. It is politically motivated propaganda that the food company is leaving the state. They (Britannia Industries) are very much in West Bengal and soon their delegation will come and talk with the government on how to increase their strength here," former Finance Minister



Chief Economic Advisor to CM Amit Mitra. File

and Chief Economic Advisor to the West Bengal government, Amit Mitra, said Tuesday.

At Nabanna, Mitra said he spoke with MD of Britannia Industries, Varun Berry, who told him the company was "fully committed" to West Bengal.

"The company told me Britannia as a company is fully committed to West Bengal and they have not stopped production. Today itself, the company produced biscuits worth Rs 1,200 crore," Mitra said.

"Its (Britannia's) registered office will stay in Kolkata. The shareholders' meetings will continue to

take place in Kolkata," he added.

Britannia's Taratala factory, established in 1947, was one of the oldest in the company's portfolio.

At its Taratala factory, which reportedly ceased production in May this year, 122 permanent employees and approximately 250 contractual staff worked, many of them have been with the factory for over a decade.

Sources said the Britannia Industries management has offered Rs 13 lakh to employees with up to 5 years and 11 months of remaining job tenure, Rs 18.5 lakh for employees with 6 to 10 years of remaining tenure, and Rs 22.25 lakh for those with more than 10 years remaining.

While the 120-odd permanent staff have accepted the VRS offer, the company has not stated what will be the fate of the factory after their exit.

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Woman and two nieces 'run over by drunk official' in Uttarakhand

AVANEESH MISHRA
DEHRADUN, JUNE 25

A WOMAN and her two nieces died and her daughter was injured after an Assistant Block Development Officer (ABDO) allegedly ran them over with his car in Uttarakhand's Tehri Garhwal on Monday.

Police said alcohol was found in the blood sample taken from Jakhnidhar ABDO Devi Prasad Chamoli. Chamoli was subsequently suspended on the instruction of Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami.

"It is confirmed that the accused was drunk behind the wheel when he hit the victims. The blood samples of the accused were found positive for alcohol," said New Tehri Police SHO Yogendra Gusain.

A police complaint filed by the husband of the deceased woman said, "On Monday around 7.30 pm, my wife Reena Negi (34), my daughter Aradhya (10) and nieces Agrima (10) and Anvita (7) were walking on the roadside near the house at Bouradi, New Tehri, when a person named Devi Prasad who is ABDO of Jakhnidhar, in a drunken state... driving his car very fast and carelessly, intentionally hit my wife, daughter and nieces with his car."

Following the complaint, an FIR was registered under IPC sections 279 (rash driving or riding on a public way), 304 (culpable homicide not amounting to murder), and 337 (causing hurt by endangering life or personal safety of others). Reena's daughter who was also injured in the mishap was later released from hospital.

11 arrested over namaz offered on govt land in Uttar Pradesh

MANISH SAHU
LUCKNOW, JUNE 25

ELEVEN MEN, including the head of a village, were arrested in Kushinagar district of Uttar Pradesh recently after a video purportedly showing a group of people offering namaz on government land in Turkaha village on Eid surfaced on social media. The prayers were offered despite directions from the Kushinagar district administration and police prohibiting any activities on the property.

Among the arrested, nine are Muslims, and two others, including the 46-year-old village pradhan Kedar Yadav, are Hindus.

Kushinagar SP Dhawal Jaiswal confirmed the incident. Neeraj Rai, the then SHO of Khadda police station (the jurisdictional police station), Om Prakash Yadav, Sub-Inspector, and Mohan Singh, Constable, were removed on charges of negligence and attached to the Reserved Police Lines, he added.

Yadav's son Shiv Kumar said a dispute over the government land was ongoing and the district administration and police had prohibited any activities on the plot concerned. "Without our knowledge, a group of people held a prayer session on Eid (June 17). We found out about it when a video went viral online. The police arrested my father for not stopping them from offering the prayer," he said. The case against the accused was filed under Section 153-A (promoting enmity between different groups) of the IPC, said SHO Jitendra Tandon.

UP Cabinet clears Ordinance against paper leaks: Up to life term, ₹1 cr fine



SP student wing members protest over irregularities in NEET, in Lucknow on Tuesday. Express

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THE UTTAR PRADESH government on Tuesday passed the proposal for promulgation of an Ordinance that provides for jail terms ranging from two years to life imprisonment, and fines of up to ₹1 crore for those involved in question paper leaks.

The proposal for the Ordinance to prevent paper leaks and other such offences was passed in a Cabinet meeting Tuesday.

All offences under the Uttar Pradesh Public Examination (Prevention of Unfair Means) Ordinance have been made cognizable and non-bailable. The of-

fences will be tried by sessions courts and will be non-compoundable. It also has strict provisions for bail.

Apart from jail terms and fines, provisions have also been made under the Ordinance for property of those found involved to be attached.

The Ordinance covers exams conducted by Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission, UP Subordinates Service Selection Board, UP Board, state universities, and authority, bodies, or agencies nominated by them, a government spokesperson said. It will also cover exams for regularisation and promotion in government jobs. Under the Ordinance, offences including distributing fake question papers

and making fake employment websites are also punishable. Besides, the spokesperson said, if an exam is affected, then the financial burden caused due to this will be recovered from those found to be involved. Under the Ordinance, provisions have been made to forever blacklist companies and service providers found guilty in adversely affecting examinations. Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath had announced soon after Lok Sabha elections that a law would be brought to prevent paper leaks with strict provisions to bust the gangs involved in such activities.

In February, an exam for the recruitment of over 60,000 police constables was cancelled due to a paper leak.

After headmaster, teacher from Maharashtra held in NEET-UG 'paper leak'

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MUMBAI, JUNE 25

A DAY after Latur police arrested a 34-year-old headmaster of a Zilla Parishad school for his alleged links to the NEET-UG paper leak case, the police early Tuesday arrested a 40-year-old teacher.

The police said the teacher, identified as Sanjay Jadhav, was a mediator between the Delhi-based mastermind, Gangadhar Munde, and two accused from Maharashtra — headmaster Jalil Khan Pathan and one Iranna Kongalwar, who is absconding.

An officer said, "We have learnt that Jadhav, along with Pathan and Kongalwar, promised students that they will ensure that they get sufficient marks to get admission in medical colleges in exchange for money. Through Jadhav, the two other accused sought help from Gangadhar."

The investigators believe that the accused, who were in possession of admit cards of several students, would get the answer sheets after submissions at the centre and accordingly fill the answers on their behalf.

The teacher was produced before a court in Latur and police listed 23 grounds for Jadhav's 10-

HIGH-LEVEL PANEL HOLDS FIRST MEETING

New Delhi: The first priority of the high-level committee set up by the Education Ministry to look into the matter of entrance exams and the National Testing Agency will be to elicit concerns and suggestions from parents and students, said K Radhakrishnan, former ISRO chairman and head of the panel. The seven-member committee, constituted on Saturday, had its first meeting on Monday.

"Our next priority is to build a robust system for starting the tests. We are also looking at the future, especially to develop a tamper-proof system, a system with zero error, and a system that will lessen the difficulties of the students with adequate flexibility built into it," Radhakrishnan told DD News. **ENS**

day custody.

However, when his advocate Shrikant Borade told the court that he was previously interrogated jointly by the ATS and the local police, the court remanded him in police custody till July 2.

Nearly 50% Indians less active than recommended: WHO

More Indian women (57%) than men (42%) fail to meet WHO norms, as per findings published in Lancet

ANURADHA MASCARENHAS
PUNE, JUNE 25

ALMOST HALF of the adult Indian population does not meet the World Health Organization's (WHO) guidelines on sufficient physical activity, according to new data published in the Lancet Global Health.

More women (57%) than men (42%) are physically inactive in India, says the study. Most alarmingly, the prevalence of insufficient physical activity among Indian adults has risen sharply from 22.3% in 2000 to 49.4% in 2022. If this remains unchecked, 60% of our population would be unfit by 2030 and at risk of diseases linked to inadequate physical activities, according to the study. Estimates indicate that India has the 12th highest prevalence of

insufficient physical activity among 195 countries. Worldwide, nearly one-third (31%) of adults — approximately 1.8 billion people — did not meet the recommended levels of physical activity in 2022.

The WHO recommends at least 150 to 300 minutes of moderate aerobic activity per week (or equivalent vigorous activity) for all adults. Insufficient physical activity is defined as not doing 150 minutes of moderate-intensity activity, 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity activity, or an equivalent combination per week. According to the WHO, lack of physical activity puts adults at greater risk of cardiovascular diseases such as heart attacks and strokes, Type 2 diabetes, dementia and cancers of the breast and colon.

Dr Rüdiger Krech, director of health promotion at WHO, said, "The findings point to a worrying trend of physical inactivity among



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adults, which has increased by about five percentage points between 2010 and 2022." The highest rates of physical inactivity were observed in the high-income Asia-Pacific region (48%) and South Asia (45%). In other regions, it ranged from 28% in high-income Western countries to 14% in Oceania. The status sheet is of

particular concern in India, as people here are genetically more prone to developing non-communicable diseases such as heart problems and diabetes at least a decade earlier than others. "Lack of physical activity means that you are just aggravating your risk factors," said Dr K Srinath Reddy, public health expert and top cardiologist. "The goal to increase levels of physical activity in populations across the world was set with the expectation of many health benefits: reduced risk of heart disease, diabetes, obesity and some types of cancer; improved mental health and a stronger immune system," he said. Dr Reddy said he fears that increasing levels of global warming, manifesting as extreme weather, would pose greater challenges to outdoor physical activities of people. "Though the estimates of physical activity in 2022 may have

been affected by Covid in many parts of the world, the trend of reduced physical activity is likely to persist, unless effective interventions are made by urban planners to create space for physical activity and people are willing to make behavioural changes," he said. He said that several studies in India had shown low levels of physical activity at the population level, particularly women, who wrongly believe that household chores are a good form of physical exercise.

Insufficient physical activity among women in India, Pakistan, Afghanistan is a worry as they lag behind men by over 14-20 percentage points. However, women in Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal are more active and on track for achieving the global target — 15% between 2010 and 2030 — of prevalence of women with insufficient physical activity.

Suraj Revanna booked in 2nd sexual assault case

Bengaluru: A second case of sexual assault case was registered against JD(S) MLC Suraj Revanna — the elder brother of sexual assault-accused Prajwal Revanna — based on a complaint by one of his close associates in Holenarasipura rural police station in Karnataka's Hassan on Tuesday, said police.

The 30-year-old complainant is a worker of JD(S) from six years. Significantly, the complainant is also an accused in the first sexual assault case filed against Suraj Revanna by a 27-year-old worker of the party.

According to the complaint, the victim was allegedly sexually



Suraj Revanna

assaulted for the first time during Covid-19 lockdown at a farm house belonging to Suraj Revanna. "I had not told this to anyone as Suraj Revanna is an MLC and also belongs to an influential political family. I feared that I would be killed," he said in the complaint. On Monday, the court remanded Suraj Revanna to eight days' police custody in the first case. **ENS**

Senior IPS officer suspended for approving illegal Mumbai hoarding

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OVER A MONTH after 17 people died in a hoarding collapse in Ghatkopar on May 13, the Maharashtra government Tuesday suspended senior IPS officer Quaiser Khalid, who was Commissioner of Government Railway Police at the time when approvals were given for the massive hoarding that crashed.

The state Home department initiated the disciplinary action against Khalid for alleged 'admin-

istrative lapses', 'irregularities' and 'misuse of power' by allowing the massive hoarding without approval from the office of the DGP. Khalid is currently posted as Additional Director General of Protection of Civil Rights (PCR).

The order reads, "The Maharashtra government has decided to initiate disciplinary proceedings against Md. Quaiser Khalid, IPS... Additional Director General of PCR, Maharashtra, the then CP, Railways, Mumbai, in respect of administrative lapses and irregularities in sanctioning the hoarding, on his own, without ap-

proval of the DGP office and in respect of the misuse of powers by allowing massive hoarding size of 120x140 sq ft deviating from the approved norms as pointed out in the report of Director General of Police, Maharashtra."

"Now therefore, in exercise of power conferred under the sub-rule (1) of Rule 3 of the All India Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1969, the Government of Maharashtra hereby place the said Md. Quaiser Khalid... under suspension with immediate effect from the date of this order, until further orders," it further read.

Pune Porsche case: HC orders release of minor, says remand order is 'illegal'

OMKAR GOKHALE
MUMBAI, JUNE 25

THE BOMBAY High Court Tuesday ordered release of the minor accused in Pune Porsche crash case and allowed a habeas corpus plea seeking the quashing of remand orders sending him to an observation home.

Observing that the custody or remand orders were passed in "absolutely illegal and mechanical manner" and without jurisdiction, the High Court said the minor shall be under the supervision of his paternal aunt who shall ensure compliance of directions issued by the Juvenile Justice Board (JJB) to rehabilitate him. "We allow the habeas corpus and order his release," the court said.

"The outcry, as a knee-jerk reaction to the accident, resulting into a clarion call of 'see the accused's action and not his age', will have to be overlooked upon assimilating that the Child in Conflict of Law (CCL) is a child under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 being under 18 years and regardless of his crime, he must receive the same treatment, which every other child in conflict with law is entitled to receive, as the purpose of the Act of 2015 is to ensure that children who come in conflict with law are dealt with separately and not like adults," the bench observed.

It added, "Though the accident caused by the CCL is the most hapless incident and a demand is made by the prosecution to accuse him of 'heinous offence' and try him as adult, which may receive due consideration as per law, we are bound by the scheme formulated by the legislature, for ensuring that all

resources are mobilised... for promoting the well-being of children by facilitating their development and by providing an inclusive...environment, to reduce the vulnerabilities they may face, and also the need for intervention under this Act."

In light of this, the court said that it "permitted benefit conferred by the special legislation to be availed by the CCL" and allowed the habeas corpus plea allowing his release from observation home, where he was detained, "despite being released on bail by a validly passed order by the JJB on May 19."

The HC quashed the impugned orders of May 22 and June 4 passed by the magistrate, JJB, Pune sending the CCL in observation home.

The court clarified that as the "rehabilitation and reintegration of the child in the society is a primary object of the Act of 2015" and because of orders passed being in an observation home, if he is referred to a psychologist or undergoing therapies with the de-addiction centre, same shall be continued and he shall participate in such sessions. The court said he shall continue to remain in his home or any safe place as per conditions imposed in May 19 bail order. The bench said that "though the manner in which the entire situation has been handled by the respondents including the investigation wing," it can "only express dismay...by describing the whole approach as an unfortunate incident." It said the "future course of action to be chartered shall be in accordance with existing provisions of law..." In the early hours of May 19, the juvenile was allegedly driving a Porsche at a very high speed in an inebriated state when the vehicle crashed into a bike, killing two people in Pune.

Woman's brother and cousin held in Haryana 'honour killing' case

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CHANDIGARH, JUNE 25

A DAY after two youths allegedly shot dead a newly married couple in Haryana's Hisar in a suspected honour killing case, the state police Tuesday arrested the woman's brother and her cousin.

The accused had called their sister Meena (22) and her husband Tejbir (24) to a park in Hansi Monday for talks and shot them dead, police said. Police identified the accused as Sachin (21), Meena's brother and Rahul (21), her cousin (maternal uncle's son).

Sachin, who studied up to Class XII, has been doing a computer course at an institute, while Rahul is a school dropout, who left his home long back, police said, adding Rahul has two FIRs registered against him — one in connection with a firing incident and another related to the alleged seizure of a weapon from his possession. Police said two months after they married against the wish of their families, Tejbir and Meena — both distant relatives — were shot dead Monday.

Additional Director General of Police (Hisar Range) Matta Ravi Kiran said, "This is a case of honour killing. The arrested accused

persons have given their statements to the police that they were against the marriage." Police said the couple had taken police security on May 1, but returned just three days later. During the post-mortem, it was found that five bullets were pumped into Tejbir's body and two into Meena's, police said. Hansi SP Maqsood Ahmed said, "A few days ago, Sachin started talking to his sister on the phone and tried to convince her to break the marriage and return home. On Monday, during their meeting at Hansi Park, when she refused to end the marriage, the accused shot the couple dead. We will also verify the role of the other accused in the matter."

Against the wishes of their families, the couple solemnised their marriage at an Arya Samaj Mandir in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh, on April 22, police said, adding that several meetings took place between relatives to resolve the matter, but in vain.

Based on a complaint lodged by Tejbir's father, police registered an FIR against 11 people — all members or relatives of Meena's family — under sections 302 (murder), 120-B (conspiracy), 147 (rioting) and 149 (unlawful assembly) of the IPC and relevant sections of the Arms Act.

Death on melon farm sheds light on hard lives of illegal Indian migrants in Italy

SUNANDA MEHTA
PUNE, JUNE 25

ALL THROUGH last weekend, Gurmukh Singh, 52, was busy finalising the details of a protest march he is organising on Tuesday, at Lazio, a region in Central Italy. The march is both to pay tributes to Satnam Singh, a 31-year-old Indian farm labourer who died in an accident at a melon farm on June 19, and to highlight the hazardous work conditions of undocumented Indian migrants in Italy.

Gurmukh, head of the Indian community in Lazio, had appealed to immigrant farm labourers in the region to stop work after 2 pm on June 25 and assemble at the main bus stand in the city of Latina for the protest march.

Gurmukh says he sees his own story in Satnam's. For, it was some three decades ago that Gurmukh arrived in Italy from Jalandhar as an undocumented labourer and was soon trapped in a quagmire of debt and exploitation. Little has changed since then or in the 50-odd years since Indian immigrants started making their way to the dairies and farmlands of Europe in the hope of a better life.

"Things were even worse then because we had no means of communicating with our families or with each other. We lived inside our homes — mostly discarded caravans — and didn't dare to venture out for fear of being found out. I was luckier than most as I had a better owner who got my papers sorted out and in six years, I became a legal immigrant. Fifteen years ago, I left the farm and set up my own shop," says Gurmukh.

It's the kind of reversal of fortunes that Satnam Singh, too, would have hoped for himself when he arrived in Napoli three years ago through the illegal route, lured by agents with stories of a life of plenty in one of the



Sikh workers at a dairy farm at Calabria in Italy. Alessandra Corrado

most developed countries of the world.

But it ended disastrously for Satnam. On June 17, while working on his owner's farm in Agro

Pontino, a rural part of Lazio, he was caught in the grip of a machine that's set up to gather the swathes of cloth used for covering the harvested melon. As the

machine sucked him in, Satnam's arm was wrenched off and his legs were crushed.

"Writhing in pain, he called out to his fellow labourers. The owner panicked, ordered Satnam to be put into one of the crates, but his severed arm in another crate and drove him towards his house. He then dumped him in front of the gate with the crate of severed arm and sped away. His wife ran screaming to her neighbours for help. By the time an air ambulance arrived and he was airlifted to hospital, he had lost a lot of blood. Two days later, he died in Rome," recounts Gurmukh.

Police have filed a case against the Italian owner over

potential charges of manslaughter and failure to assist a person in danger. For now, Satnam's wife has been given special residence permit.

"Satnam is the 100th migrant worker who has died in Italy this year," says Carlo Caprioglio, researcher and aggregate lecturer of the Legal Clinic on Migration and Asylum at Roma Tre University in Rome, who has been studying and working with migrants. "Every year, thousands of men come from India to Italy. There is a high degree of exploitation due to the lack of solidarity networks," Caprioglio said.

Alessandra Corrado, professor at the University of Calabria,

who has been researching on migrant labour in Italy, says most farm labourers work 8 to 12 hours and are paid about 3 to 4 Euros (around Rs 350) an hour. About 30,000 Indians live in Agro Pontino, a hub for greenhouse farming of olives and melons that sees high labour demand.

"By the end of 2022, there were almost 362,000 foreigners in the agriculture sector, which is almost 32% of the farm workforce. If we also consider the undocumented workers, the numbers become much higher (with estimates of up to 50%)," she says.

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Security and ecology

Making Andaman & Nicobar a maritime bastion is long overdue. Environmental concerns must be addressed



ARUN PRAKASH

AS FAR BACK as 1945, India's visionary historian-diplomat Sardar K M Panikkar had warned that, "the active control of the Indian Ocean and defence of the coastline is possible only by having islands as advanced bases. The A&N archipelago is admirably placed to secure control of the Bay of Bengal."

Manifold preoccupations with the western Indian Ocean expanse had, however, led India to neglect its eastern waters, including the strategic Andaman & Nicobar (A&N) archipelago. These included a perennially adversarial Pakistan, our huge diaspora and trading links with the Persian Gulf, as well as traditional ties with Indian Ocean island nations and the East African littoral. Notwithstanding these pulls, the strong compulsion of economic opportunities in Southeast Asia and the ASEAN region, coupled with growing seaborne trade and energy interests at stake in the Asia-Pacific region did, eventually, give rise, in succession, to the Look East and Act East policies.

New Delhi's complacency vis-à-vis the A&N islands had other reasons too. Few were aware of our tenuous hold on the A&N. In 1947, Britain had seriously considered retaining them as a Crown possession post-Indian independence, and during the 1965 conflict, Indonesia had offered to annex them on behalf of a fraternal Pakistan. A major reason for the lack of focus was their maritime remoteness. Great Nicobar Island — southernmost of the A&N group — is a mere 140 km from Indonesia, but almost 2,000 km from Chennai.

Any long-term vision for the A&N islands must focus on two major components. The defence of these strategically located insular territories and their vital role in India's national security matrix. The second, and equally important issue, is their economic development, which will make the islands as self-sustaining as possible and bring prosperity to the islanders.

Panikkar's advice was heeded only in the aftermath of the near-disaster of Kargil when a joint/tri-service, the A&N Command (ANC), was established in Port Blair, in 2001. For over two decades, the ANC has languished through neglect by the services — an indicator of the

resistance faced by "jointness" or inter-service integration within the military. Of late, however, encouraging signs are emerging of efforts to adequately fortify the ANC. From Shibpur in the extreme north to Port Blair, Car Nicobar, Kamorta and Campbell Bay in the GNI, the 800-km long north-south span of the A&N will be guarded by navy and air force airfields/bases. Plans are, hopefully, afoot to invest them with adequate defensive and offensive capabilities so that these strategic islands become India's eastern maritime bastion and sentinels of the Malacca Straits.

The rich maritime resources of the Andaman Sea offer a huge scope for sustainable growth. The Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of the islands adds up to 6,00,000 sq km or 30 per cent of India's total EEZ. The waters of the islands abound in marine life, comprising an abundant repository of edible fish, and there is said to be considerable potential for finding hydrocarbons in the Andaman Sea. Far more important than the natural resources of the A&N is their anthropological wealth. The Onge, Jarawa and Sentinelese tribes of the Andamans and the Shompens of the GNI need to be protected.

With limited scope for industrial and agricultural activity in the islands, and given the need to protect indigenous people and preserve their pristine ecological environment, tourism and fisheries had, so far, been considered the most sustainable avenue for their development and revenue/employment generation. However, in the news, recently has been a plan for the "Holistic Development of Great Nicobar Island".

Conceived by the NITI Aayog and promoted by the media as a "mega-infrastructure project" and a "strategic masterstroke", this Rs 75,000 crore project is said to be of "importance for defence, logistics, commerce and industries, and eco-tourism". The project includes an international container transshipment terminal, an international airport, a gas and solar power plant, two greenfield cities, a coastal mass rapid transport system and a free trade zone.

Despite environmental clearances, said to have been accorded by an Expert Appraisal

Committee of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, there have been protests and appeals by conservationists, naturalists, various political parties and civil society groups, seeking a halt to the project on environmental grounds. They point to the potentially devastating impact on the Shompens, the tribe of hunter-gatherers, who live in a tribal reserve as well as the many species of flora and fauna, which are exclusive to the two national parks of India and the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in GNI.

While the NITI Aayog must have undertaken due diligence and a feasibility study before embarking on this project, a few issues need to be re-visited, if necessary, especially in view of the ongoing protests.

One, the security capabilities of ANC need to be addressed separately and must have no linkage with the developments contemplated for GNI. Two, lying equidistant (1,300 km) from established transshipment hubs and bunkering ports of Singapore, Port Klang (Malaysia) and Hambantota (Sri Lanka), the viability of yet another transshipment terminal in GNI becomes doubtful. Moreover, India has recently commissioned, with hope and fanfare, its own transshipment terminal in Vizhinjam in Kerala. Three, aspiring to replicate Singapore/Hong Kong duty-free ports/free trade zones on remote GNI (2,000 km from Chennai and Kolkata) without a hinterland, resources or industrial backup seems unrealistic. In this context, the travails of Sri Lanka's Hambantota port/airport projects would be instructive.

Finally, the Nicobar group has, apart from GNI, many other islands — Little Nicobar, Nancowry, Kamorta and Katchall — which could accommodate most components of such a project, without risking environmental, ecological and anthropological damage on this scale. These islands are, no doubt, smaller than GNI, but as Chinese civil engineers have demonstrated in the South China Sea, perseverance and ingenuity can transform mere rocks and shoals into artificial islands.

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CEREAL CONTROL

Stock limits on wheat don't square with record output figures. If supply is an issue, government should scrap import duty

IF THE UNION Agriculture Ministry is to be believed, Indian farmers have harvested an all-time-high wheat crop of 112.93 million tonnes (mt) this time, surpassing last year's record output of 110.55 mt. Against this background, the Narendra Modi government's decision to impose stock limits on the cereal with effect from June 24 and applicable until March 31, 2025, "in order to manage the overall food security and to prevent hoarding and unscrupulous speculation" is inexplicable. Wholesalers and big-chain retailers will not be allowed to hold more than 3,000 tonnes, with the corresponding stock limits set at 10 tonnes for individual stores and at 70 per cent of the installed milling capacity for processors. All these entities have been directed to declare their stock position and update them regularly on the department of food and public distribution's portal created for this purpose.

The stocking limits on wheat were first clamped in June last year, with these fixed at 2,000 tonnes (for wholesalers/big retailers), 10 tonnes (single outlets) and 75 per cent of installed capacity (processors), before being progressively lowered to 500 tonnes, 5 tonnes and 60 per cent respectively by February 2024. The limits were lifted from April 1 with the commencement of the new harvesting season, though the private trade was informally told to "avoid" buying any wheat brought by farmers at least for a month. That was meant to enable the government to shore up its own stocks. But now, with the marketing of the harvested crop completed, the stock controls have been formally reinstated. The reasons are probably three-fold. The first is retail cereal inflation ruling at 8.69 per cent year-on-year in May. The second is wheat stocks in government godowns, which, at 29.91 mt on June 1, were the lowest in 16 years for this date. The third is a not-so-great monsoon so far, which going forward can impact the production of rice as well, notwithstanding its reasonable stocks position for now.

The question to ask then is: How do stocking controls, along with restrictions and even bans on exports of non-basmati rice and wheat respectively, reconcile with official estimates of back-to-back record cereals output? The Modi government cannot be projecting one thing through the agriculture ministry (bumper crops) and another through the ministry of consumer affairs, food and public distribution (curbing hoarding). Why should cereal inflation be elevated, in spite of production touching new highs, and curbs on exports and stock limits placed on the domestic trade? If the government feels that the supply situation isn't as comfortable as its production estimates suggest, it should simply scrap the 40 per cent duty on wheat imports. With elections over and farmers already selling their produce, there isn't any political reason not to do so.

HOLDING THE SPOTLIGHT

Julian Assange is finally set to walk free. His work, reaction to it represents a fundamental tension of the internet age

IN ONE FORM or another, sooner or later, the citizen's right to know comes up against a sealed envelope. Governments and bureaucracies — by design and intent — seek to make their functioning opaque. To his admirers, Julian Assange, arguably the most influential whistleblower of the 21st century, put a spotlight on people, events and practices that some of the world's most powerful entities would rather hide. However, the WikiLeaks founder's tale — he is set to be a free man for the first time since 2012 — is not a simple parable of personal suffering and the triumph of the principles of free speech and information.

Assange, an Australian citizen and ethical hacker, rose to prominence and for some, notoriety, in 2010 after WikiLeaks put out material obtained by former US soldier Chelsea Manning. Among the leaks was a video of a helicopter attack by American forces in Baghdad in which two Reuters journalists were killed. The same year, WikiLeaks also released a dump of over 2.5 lakh diplomatic cables and in 2016, ahead of the presidential elections, it published the emails by Democratic Party operatives that are widely believed to have hurt Hillary Clinton in the polls. Assange was accused of two instances of sexual assault in Sweden (the charges were dropped in 2017), and the US charged him under several counts of espionage. Assange, then in the UK, sought asylum at the Ecuador embassy, where he resided till five years ago. Since then, he has been in a British prison. Assange is now reportedly set to plead guilty to one count of espionage under US law — for which his imprisonment will count as time served — and return to Australia, a free man.

The figure of Assange — and equally, Edward Snowden — represents a fundamental tension between the nation-state's control over certain aspects of information on the one hand and those who believe, in the internet age, in a decentralised model of universal transparency. The former's justification has relied strongly on a national security argument. Revealing the identity of covert operatives, for example, constitutes a threat to their lives. They also argue that "data dumps" without context or editorial intervention can be misused by nefarious actors. There is some merit to this argument. However, in an era where technology is used to violate privacy and free speech is besieged in many quarters, sunlight continues to be — more often than not — the best disinfectant. Unfortunately, the vigour with which governments have gone after Assange and others like him could deter future whistleblowers.

FOLLOWING DODOL

Food as a product is served well by things like GI tags, but food as culture needs a wider lens

DODOL, WITH ITS rich, caramelly sweetness, may not be as well-known outside Goa as its multi-layered distant cousin Bebinca, but that may just change with the state government's application to get the dessert a Geographical Indication (GI) tag. The All Goa Bakers and Confectioners Association, which has filed the application, hopes that the GI tag will help standardise the recipe and technique for preparing Dodol, safeguard its cultural identity as a "unique" dish of Goa and ensure its "authenticity". This is certainly a worthwhile goal from the perspective of those in the business of making and selling the sweet, but it also brings up questions about what terms like "authenticity" and "cultural identity" mean when it comes to something as migratory and adaptable as food.

The idea of GI, in the original European sense, is connected to the idea of "terroir" — a term most often used in the context of wine, but which broadly means that a food grown or developed in a particular region draws its unique flavour and texture from the natural environment (soil, water, climate) of its origin. The GI lens thus becomes a helpful way of tracing the provenance of certain kinds of comestibles, like wine and cheese. But what this approach, with its narrow focus on the idea of "origin", often misses is that food, like language, grows richer at the intersections where different cultures meet, whether now or in the past.

Take Dodol: The sweet — even the word "Dodol" itself — can be traced all along the route from South to Southeast Asia, popping up in India, Sri Lanka, Malaysia and Indonesia. Who took it where? How? One food, in other words, has so much to say about the currents of history and the people, words and food that travelled on them. Food as a product is served well by things like GI tags, but food as culture needs a wider lens.

THE FERTILITY MYTH

Reproductive health rights, not propaganda, must drive debates on population



SAROJINI NADIMPALLY AND KEERTANA K TELLA

ON JUNE 13, the Supreme Court stayed the release of the film *Hamare Baarah* (Our Twelve), originally called *Hum Do, Hamare Barah* (Two of Us, Our Twelve), and directed the Bombay High Court to take a final decision. On June 19, the Bombay High Court allowed the film's release, provided the filmmakers removed certain scenes and inserted disclaimers. Many political leaders in the past have used the slogan "Hum Paanch, Hamare Pachchees" (Five of Us, Our 25) to target the Muslim community. The slogan reinforces the myth about Muslim men having many wives and children, leading to rapid population growth among Muslims, which will eventually result in Muslims surpassing the Hindus. It is important to reiterate data that challenges portrayal of Muslim fertility as a threat.

The latest National Family Health Survey, 2019-20 (NFHS-5) shows that many states have already attained a replacement level of fertility, and there is a steady decline in India's total fertility rates (TFR). According to the data, the TFR in India is 2.0 children per woman up until 2021, which is slightly lower than the replacement level of fertility of 2.1 children per woman. The Economic Survey 2018-19 and the Sample Registration System (SRS) data from 2017 also had similar findings on the deceleration of India's population growth.

According to the 2011 Census, the growth rate of the Muslim population was higher than that of Hindus. The controversy surrounding this single interpretation obscured the fact that the gap between the two growth rates had significantly reduced between 2001 and 2011.

When comparing the fertility differentials between the communities using the 2001 and 2011 data, this convergence of fertility between Hindus and Muslims is evident. It comes with the caveat that since different states and groups are at different points in this transition, there are variations between regions — a fact evidenced by earlier studies.

Another recent analysis taking into account the drop in fertility and the rate of decline in population growth found that the drop in Hindu fertility was five per cent less than the drop in Muslim fertility in the last two decades, where Muslim population growth declined at a faster rate than that of Hindus. This analysis suggested that there may be "absolute convergence" in Hindu-Muslim fertility rates by 2030.

Data from the NFHS show that the fertility rates of all religious communities have declined over the two decades. The sharply decreasing family size of Muslims, particularly, is evident since the fertility rate for Muslims has decreased by almost half from 4.4 in 1992-93 to 2.4 in 2020-21.

The Population Foundation of India observed that education, healthcare and socio-economic development significantly impact fertility rates with states like Kerala and Tamil Nadu showing lower TFRs than Bihar that had less access to these resources. Thus, what influenced levels of fertility rates was not religion, but rather better socio-economic status.

The NFHS-5 data also shows that the higher the level of the mother's education, the lower the fertility. Across religious groups,

Muslims are the most disadvantaged economically, with poorer education and health levels — evident from their lower enrollment in higher education. The Sachar Committee Report in 2006 emphasised such socio-economic disparity among Muslims. The population growth debate should focus on investments in education, economic development, food, nutrition, healthcare, sexual and reproductive health services, and gender justice. Furthermore, women, particularly from marginalised communities, have limited freedom to make fertility decisions and controlled access to contraception and reproductive care.

The rhetoric about the fertility of the Muslim community directly affects Muslim women's right to have or not have children. This not only violates their right to life and dignity but also affects their subjectivities. Hence, the discussion concerning population growth and fertility must shift focus and centre on sexual and reproductive health rights, individual choice, and resist attempts at co-optation for politically motivated propaganda. To vilify a community through misinformation and then compound their experiences of unjust treatment through the normalisation of this rhetoric is unacceptable, discriminatory, offensive and misleading. As feminists, it is critical to challenge and resist broader attempts at polarisation by foregrounding facts, data, and a commitment to protect the right to determine reproductive outcomes.

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JUNE 26, 1984, FORTY YEARS AGO

TERRORIST KILLED

FIVE INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING a four-month-old child, were killed in a terrorist attack in Punjab on June 25. Several were left injured. One extremist was killed in an encounter with security forces who were on patrol duty in the Jhalab area of Amritsar. During sweeping operations, more arms have been seized from the Akal Takht and the Nanak Niwas in the Golden Temple complex.

CURFEW IN HUBLI

NIGHT CURFEW HAS been imposed in five parts of Hubli, as the death toll rose to five.

They were all stabbed to death, while other reports of stabbing have received no official confirmation yet. The DIG Belgaum said that while the situation is tense, there is adequate police force to maintain order. A peace committee has also been put into place to restore peace between the two warring factions.

PAKISTAN'S VIEW

THE CRISIS IN Punjab with the revolt of Sikh extremists and the storming of the Golden Temple, continues to make headline news in Pakistan. The turmoil in the neighbouring border state has evoked diverse comments from national leaders, particularly in the National

Press Trust papers, where the rights of the Indian minority to "a separate entity" are discussed and Sikh-Muslim talks on the eve of Partition are discussed. However, Islamabad's official line of thought remains unknown.

ASSAM BANDH

ROAD TRAFFIC WAS disrupted on June 25 in the Brahmaputra valley as Assam agitators called for a 24-hour long, state-wide bandh. The agitators are protesting against the Centre's inaction over the question of foreign nationals in the state. Bomb explosions, tampering with train tracks and incidents of stone-throwing have been reported.



THE IDEAS PAGE

A strategic window

The churn triggered by growing interdependence of European and Asian theatres is accompanied by the rise of middle powers with influence across Eurasia. India can use this to increase national power



RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR Putin's visit to North Korea and Taiwan last week and this week's presidential debate in the US between Joe Biden and Donald Trump highlight the complex and deepening interconnections between European and Asian security that offer new strategic opportunities for middle powers like India. Four dimensions of the new "Eurasian" geopolitics stand out.

For one, Asia is no longer a passive adjunct to the European theatre. During the colonial era, Asian resources were critical in shaping the economic and geopolitical destinies of European imperial powers. Recall the large contribution of Indian military resources in reinforcing the primacy of Great Britain in the Indian Ocean from the early 19th century to the mid-20th century. Indian armed forces made major contributions to the military success of Britain and its Western allies in the First and Second World Wars.

Unlike in the imperial era, when the decisions on using colonial resources were made in the European chancelleries, the Asian states are now able to make choices that shape the balance of power in Europe. Note how both Russia and Western Europe are courting Asia in shaping the narrative on the war in Ukraine. The Ukraine peace conference last month was a major attempt by Kyiv and its Western backers to win political empathy and diplomatic support from the non-Western world in reversing the Russian occupation. Moscow, in turn, pressed key nations of the Global South to avoid attending the conference.

Conference diplomacy and the mobilisation of non-Western public opinion have indeed become important in the first major war in Europe since the Second World War. Even more important is the fact that Asia has now emerged as a major supplier of arms in a European conflict.

Consider the Korean Peninsula's new role in Ukraine. While North Korea has become a major supplier of ammunition to Russia, South Korean arms have been flowing towards Ukraine. While China is not said to be sending arms to Russia, it is supporting Moscow's war effort in other ways. Washington is pressing Tokyo to ramp up joint production of missiles and liberalise the export controls so that arms made in Japan can flow towards Ukraine and other zones of contest.

Two, the Asian agency in dealing with great powers has grown in the current conflict. No better evidence than Putin's visit to Pyongyang and Hanoi. Moscow had stepped back from its intensive partnership with Pyongyang after the end of the Cold War and focused on improving ties with Seoul which has emerged as an economic power. Russia is now eager to rebuild ties with the North. Putin travelled to North Korea last week, for the first time in 24 years, and signed a treaty on mutual security assistance and several other agreements to boost Kim Jong-un.

You could certainly argue that Putin has



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played the "North Korea Card" to challenge the West.

You could assert with equal veracity that Kim Jong-un has played the "Russia Card" to vastly improve his room for manoeuvre between China, Japan, South Korea, and the US. This, in turn, is likely to result in South Korea becoming an even more important partner for the US and Europe. If Russia helps North Korea to boost its nuclear arsenal, the resistance in the US to visualising a nuclear-armed South Korea is likely to diminish.

In the last couple of years, the Biden Administration has focused on strengthening the bilateral alliance with South Korea and has developed a new trilateral arrangement with Seoul and Tokyo. China, meanwhile, has revived its own trilateral cooperation with Japan and South Korea.

Asia's agency is also visible in Vietnam's decision to host President Putin. Vietnam is the only country that has hosted Joe Biden, Xi Jinping and Vladimir Putin on bilateral visits over the last nine months. Vietnam is already in a high-wire strategic act as it simultaneously expands its economic ties with China and the US and explores security cooperation with Washington. Hanoi is betting that renewing strategic ties with Russia improves Vietnam's balancing act between China and the US.

Three, as Asian manoeuvrability increases, Western dilemmas are sharpening. One of the major fault lines in the American debate on foreign policy is squaring the competing imperatives in Europe and Asia. (The political divisions on the question of American support to Israel appear less salient).

After the Second World War, the US-dominated both European and Asian theatres. Thanks to the Russia-China alliance unveiled just days before Putin invaded Ukraine in February 2022, and the scale of the challenge presented by the two powers in Europe and Asia, America is under some pressure to define the source of its primary challenge.

An important section of the Republican foreign policy establishment argues that the US should not waste its energies on the Ukraine war and concentrate its military power in Asia. The Biden Administration agrees that China is the principal challenge but is not in a position to disentangle itself from supporting Ukraine. The arguments on this question might be heard in the debate between Trump and Biden this week.

Europe is utterly anxious about Russia but divided on how to deal with China. Europe does not see eye-to-eye with the US on the best strategic responses to the China challenge. Although Europe is wary about Chinese support for Russia, it also hopes that Beijing can be persuaded to restrain Moscow. Deep economic interconnections developed over the last four decades between Europe and China's industrial heartland on the eastern edge of Eurasia make its leaders hesitant in confronting Beijing.

Four, the real answer to the question lies in Europe taking a larger responsibility for its own defence — a principle that both Biden and Trump agree on. In other words, Washington wants the Eurasian nations to do more to balance Russia and China and relieve some of America's burdens. While Europe is struggling to get its defence act together, many Asian states, including Australia, India, Japan, and South Korea are willing to contribute a lot more to the reconstruction of the regional security order.

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The great churn triggered by the growing interdependence of the European and Asian theatres is accompanied by the rise of middle powers whose influence is growing across Eurasia. The US is eager to build strong security partnerships with the middle powers to balance China and Russia. The new American emphasis on "integrated deterrence" gives the middle powers like India an unprecedented opportunity to enhance their comprehensive national power, including military capabilities.

This strategic window is unlikely to last forever. The question is whether the Indian bureaucracy can move fast enough to seize the current international possibilities for the urgent modernisation of India's defence industrial base and the rapid expansion of arms production at home. Self-sufficiency in arms production, after all, is the essence of the much-vaunted "strategic autonomy".

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A test that can be trusted

As technology continues to shape education, it offers solutions that can ensure efficiency and credibility of competitive exams



IN RESPONSE TO mounting concerns about the integrity of competitive examinations, the government has taken swift, decisive action to rectify the issues. Instances such as the postponement of the NEET-PG exam and allegations of paper leaks during NEET-UG retests across six cities, along with the recent UGC NET paper leak, have understandably raised serious doubts among students nationwide about the fairness and reliability of these crucial exams. However, the Indian government's proactive steps, which include implementing leadership changes at the National Testing Agency (NTA) and establishing expert committees, demonstrate a clear commitment to restoring trust and ensuring the integrity of the examination process. These actions are not just about addressing immediate challenges but also signify a long-term strategy to rebuild confidence and ensure fairness for all students.

To ensure transparent, smooth, and fair conduct of the exam, the Ministry of Education has established a High-Level Experts Committee. This committee aims to deliver within two months actionable recommendations that will reform examination processes, enhance data security protocols, and potentially restructure the NTA to better safeguard against future breaches. Furthermore, the involvement of the CBI signifies a commitment to a thorough, impartial inquiry that will not only identify those responsible but also uncover systemic weaknesses that allow such breaches to occur. Additionally, the government has introduced the Public Examination Act to curb unfair practices and deter potential wrongdoers. This act imposes stringent penalties, including fines up to Rs one crore and imprisonment for up to 10 years for those found guilty of compromising examination integrity. These measures are essential to send a strong deterrent message and ensure the sanctity of public examinations.

While the immediate actions are robust and necessary, further steps are crucial for the long-term security and integrity of the examination system. For online examinations, implementing cutting-edge encryption techniques and multi-factor authentication can protect against unauthorised access. Blockchain technology can be employed to track and secure examination papers from creation to evaluation, ensuring that any tampering is immediately detectable.

For traditional, offline examinations, stringent security measures are vital at every stage. This includes tamper-evident packaging for examination materials, secure transportation, and rigorous checks at all handling points. Employing real-time GPS tracking for logistics and using digital watermarking can also significantly reduce the risk of leaks. Employing AI-powered proctoring systems can enhance the monitoring of examinations, reducing the chances of cheating. Biometric verification can ensure that candidates are who they claim to be, adding another layer of security to the examination process.

Additionally, conducting frequent, thorough audits by independent bodies can help identify vulnerabilities within the examination process. Transparent and regular reviews make sure that security protocols are adhered to and any discrepancies are swiftly addressed. To prevent future failures of digital locks leading to the manual opening of examination booklet boxes and delays in distributing question papers, rigorous maintenance schedules and backup protocols must be implemented. Regular maintenance checks should ensure digital locks are fully functional before exams. Additionally, staff should be trained in emergency procedures for secure manual overrides under supervision. These measures will help minimise disruptions and uphold examination integrity.

Integrity workshops emphasising the virtues of fairness and integrity, alongside regular dialogue involving students, parents, educators, and policymakers, represent proactive measures that could significantly enhance examination integrity. Engaging stakeholders in these discussions would cultivate a vigilant community, thereby safeguarding against any unauthorised access to answer keys. These initiatives not only address immediate concerns but also lay the groundwork for long-term improvements in the examination process.

With over 10 million students registering annually for various exams under the NTA and a remarkable 12.3 million candidates in 2023 alone, the NTA stands as a global leader among examination-conducting bodies. This substantial participation underscores the influential role examinations hold in shaping the aspirations of India's youth. In light of these numbers and India's renowned education system, the government's proactive measures are commendable and far-reaching, aimed at ensuring long-term integrity and reliability. These actions will not only address immediate challenges but also lay a robust foundation for safeguarding the dreams and aspirations of millions of students. This approach promises to strengthen trust in the educational system, promoting fairness and transparency for generations to come.

Looking ahead, the future of Indian competitive exams hinges on innovative strategies geared towards ensuring fairness and efficiency. As digital technologies continue to shape education, the adoption of robust digital security measures emerges as a critical imperative. Implementing state-of-the-art encryption protocols and rigorous authentication mechanisms for online examinations will be a strong defence against cyber threats and unauthorised access. This proactive approach not only safeguards the integrity of assessments but also develops trust among stakeholders. Embracing advancements in data analytics and predictive modelling can further optimise exam logistics and resource allocation, ensuring smoother administration and reduced operational challenges.

With the convergence of technological advancements and educational priorities, the trajectory of Indian competitive exams could lead to streamlined processes and heightened credibility. By adhering to these forward-thinking strategies, the educational landscape can uphold its commitment to fairness, transparency, and excellence, ultimately supporting the aspirations of students and enhancing the integrity of the nation's educational system.

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Putting manufacturing on track

Government must improve value addition and export competitiveness



THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR'S share in the GDP has stagnated as per the National Accounts Statistics. In 2014-15, the share was 16.1 per cent at current prices. It fell by three percentage points by 2022-23. At constant prices (net of inflation), the share declined marginally to 15.6 per cent. Make in India, initiated in October 2014, was one of the first policy measures of the then-incoming government. It aimed to raise the manufacturing sector's share in the GDP to 25 per cent and create 100 million jobs by 2022 (in addition to the existing 60 million at the time).

Achieving the goal required substantial investments. Policymakers reasoned that investors were wary of setting up factories and firms. India suffered from excessive capital and labour regulation, requiring a reduction of the "regulatory cholesterol", to use popular policy jargon. The government sought to credibly and measurably reduce the regulatory burden by benchmarking them against the globally accepted yardstick of the World Bank's Ease of Doing Business Index (EDBI) ranking. India's EDBI rank improved from 142 in 2014-15 to 63 in 2019-20. Alas, it failed to boost industrial investment or output growth. The annual growth rate of GDP manufacturing plummeted from a peak of 13.1 per cent in 2015-16 to a negative 3 per cent in 2019-20.

What went wrong? India chased a technically dubious and politically motivated index whose ranks (improvements in them) were not associated with increased investments anywhere. Incidentally, WB scrapped the index in 2021, as it became a

professional embarrassment. The real gainers of the EDBI are perhaps the employers, as the reforms replaced state-mandated regulation with self-certification of labour law compliance. For instance, the boiler inspectorate's annual mandatory certification of industrial boilers — a critical industrial safety requirement — is replaced by voluntary, private, third-party inspection. Its compliance is reportedly zero in Maharashtra as of 2023.

After the border clashes in Galwan in June 2020, India launched the *atmanirbhar abhiyan* (self-reliance campaign) to augment domestic production — with a budget of up to one per cent of GDP — to reduce dependence on critical industrial imports such as active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) or fertilisers for agriculture. In 2021, the government launched the Production-linked Incentive (PLI) scheme to boost the manufacturing of 14 highly imported and strategic industrial goods.

None of these have worked, at least as yet. The much-publicised boom in production and exports of mobile phones has merely shifted the imports from the finished good to its underlying components with modest domestic value-addition. India needs to invest in component manufacturing. The industrial (gross value added) growth rate, at constant prices, was a mere three per cent per year during 2014-22, as per the Annual Survey of Industries — credible estimates based on the production accounts of registered factories — compared to the GDP growth rate of 6-7 per

cent. As industrial production was not growing fast enough to meet domestic demand, net imports, especially from China, ballooned to over \$70 billion in 2021-22, and increased to over \$100 billion in 2023-24, with China emerging as India's largest trading partner.

According to national accounts data, policy efforts failed to augment the aggregate fixed investment rate (gross fixed capital formation), which hovers around 30 per cent of GDP at current prices. Its composition has shifted towards services (mainly telecom and infrastructure), with its manufacturing share stagnating at 18 per cent (or declining marginally).

However, the lack of industrial investment is far graver than the national account figures reveal. The manufacturing sector's performance was overstated in the current series of NAS — as brought out in the unresolved debate on the GDP estimates. As the ASI data up to 2021-22 is available, it is possible to compare the NAS and ASI investment estimates for manufacturing to get a reality check.

As per the NAS, gross fixed capital formation (GFCF) and net fixed capital formation (NFCF) grew on average at 5.3 and 6.9 per cent annually from 2014-15 to 2021-22 at constant prices. The comparable ASI estimates are (-) 1.6 per cent and (-) 9.6 per cent per year. The Covid pandemic may have contributed to the high negative figure of NFCF. If we restrict the estimate to 2019-20, the NFCF growth is still (-) 1.6 per cent. Hence, the bottom line is that since 2014-15, there has practically been no expansion of the net fixed investment rate,

thus leading to a stagnation in manufacturing capacity. India's industrial imports have boomed to meet the demand-supply gap, mainly from China — a national strategic threat. Moreover, the share of labour-intensive exports has dwindled, hurting employment growth.

Why did policymakers fail to notice the abysmal investment growth? They seem to have followed the NAS's estimates, whose fault lines are now well documented ("Revisiting the GDP Estimation Debate", *Economic & Political Weekly*, October 30, 2021). Hopefully, the National Statistical Office will correct the shortcomings in the revised series, whose preparation is expected to commence shortly.

If the preceding arguments and evidence are valid, there is an urgent need for a well-designed industrial policy to address the problem of lack of net investment growth in manufacturing. Such a policy must prioritise productive investment over speculative property development promoted by physical infrastructure in metros and highways to nowhere. The government must align trade and industrial policies to augment domestic investment, improve domestic value addition and export competitiveness. Small industry requires localised, context-specific, and "last-mile" interventions to boost productive employment.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LEVEL THE FIELD

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'A breach of trust' (IE, June 25). The NEET paper leak has endangered the future of those who have done well, after investing a lot of labour, funds and time into this exam. The reputation of the National Testing Agency (NTA) has come crashing down and so has the faith of our youngsters in competitive exams, where a good performance used to mean a secure future for them. How the government makes amends for this disaster is yet to be seen. It will take more than mere cosmetic changes to make the examinees believe that the competitive exams they have been preparing for have a level-playing field.

Vijai Pant, Hempur

A NEW MODI

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'BJP's coalition challenge' (IE, June 24). This time, PM Narendra Modi's political longevity was boosted by the BJP's political allies in the NDA, the JD(U) and TDP. However, the June 4 verdict will now have a bearing on the functioning of Modi 3.0, as the BJP will be heavily dependent on its allies to run the union

government. This will result in compromises and the dilution of the BJP's core agenda, both in Parliament and outside of it. It will be difficult to brush aside the sensitivities and priorities of its key allies. But given PM Modi's centralised and top-down style of governance, it is to be seen whether he will be able to adjust to the reality and politics of a coalition government quickly.

SS Paul, Nadiya

FIX THE SYSTEM

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Why exam scams happen' (IE, June 24). The corruption in the recent NEET exam must prick our collective conscience, but it must, more importantly, make our policymakers investigate the causes. There is no dearth of hardworking youth in our country, but they do not find enough opportunities to prove themselves. Those who manage to pass the fiercely competitive exams are lionised by society and coaching institutes. But the majority are left frustrated. Expanding quality educational and employment opportunities could help to end the menace of exam fixers. Concerted efforts, involving all stakeholders and society at large, could definitely eradicate the education mafia.

SH Quadri, Bikaner

In IIM Mumbai first batch, 47% female students, 26% jump from last NITIE batch



Of 518 students admitted this year at IIM-Mumbai, 152 are non-engineers. File

PALLAVI SMART MUMBAI, JUNE 25

AS THE Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Mumbai, formerly National Institute of Industrial Engineering (NITIE), welcomed its first batch earlier this month, female students have more than doubled compared to last year or the years before that. This year, the proportion of female students has jumped to 47.1 per cent against 21 per cent last year.

Out of 518 students who took admission this year, the number of female students stand at 245, a significant milestone in the institute's history, mostly dominated by male students until now.

Last year, when it was still NITIE, out of 497 students who took admission, only 108 were female, accounting for 21 per cent of the entire batch.

According to the institute, apart from several initiatives taken to encourage gender diversity on the campus, changed eligibility criteria for admissions — allowing non-engineers to apply — has been a significant contributor to this jump in ratio of female students.

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mission is not restricted to only engineers. These courses are — MBA (General), MBA in Sustainability and Management, and MBA in Operations and Supply Chain Management.

According to data shared by the institute, with 177 women out of a total 315 students, MBA (General) has the biggest share of female students on the campus. While MBA in Operations and Supply Chain Management has 55 female students of a total of 173 admissions; MBA in Sustainability Management has 13 women out of 31 students.

According to IIM Mumbai, it was a result of their series of strategic initiatives under its "Diversity Attraction Strategy" aimed at encouraging more women to apply. These include targeted outreach programmes, scholarship opportunities patronised by industry, and mentorship schemes to support female applicants.

Institute Director Prof Manoj Tiwari said, "While a new hostel is in the making, currently there is one hostel for girls apart from two floors in a boys hostel dedicated to girls. Earlier, PhD Scholars and defence professionals would stay in the building which is now entirely made available to girls."

After gaining the status of IIM in August last year, the institute from this academic year is offer-

Sanatan Dharma remarks: Udayanidhi Stalin gets bail



TN minister Udayanidhi Stalin

Bengaluru: A special court for elected representatives in Bengaluru on Tuesday granted bail to Tamil Nadu Minister Udayanidhi Stalin in a case filed by a local activist for hurting religious feelings of followers of Sanatan Dharma through his alleged provocative statements.

Udayanidhi presented himself before the court of the 42nd additional chief metropolitan magistrate Tuesday and filed a bail application in the case. The court observed that the

'Custodial torture': 2 brothers die by suicide in UP

Meerut: The Uttar Pradesh Police has taken action against an inspector and a sub-inspector in Hathras after two brothers allegedly died by suicide in an Agra village over alleged custodial torture.

Sanjay Singh, 45, was found dead on June 22, and his brother Pramod Singh, 50, a home guard, was found dead on June 24. Pramod left a suicide note in which he accused the cops of "torturing" him and his brother in custody. ENS

Kerala HC grants bail to 17 accused PFI members in RSS leader murder case

SHAJU PHILIP THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, JUNE 25

THE KERALA High Court Tuesday granted bail to 17 activists/leaders of banned Popular Front of India (PFI) who were charged under UAPA in the 2022 murder of A Sreenivasan, an RSS leader in Palakkad.

"While arriving at the belief that the accusation against the accused person is prima facie true, the court has to lean in favour of the fundamental rights of the accused and not in favour of the restrictions that can be imposed on those rights," said a bench of justices A K Jayasankaran Nambiar and Syam Kumar VM.

The bench, however, denied bail to nine of the accused, all PFI men allegedly involved in the

murder of Sreenivasan. Of the 51 accused, only 44 could be arrested so far. A few of the arrested, according to the NIA, had been part of giving arms training for PFI cadres to commit terrorist acts.

Granting bail to 17 accused, the High Court imposed stringent conditions on them. They have been ordered to share their mobile numbers and real-time GPS locations with the investigating officer. Besides that, the accused shall not leave Kerala, shall surrender their passports and keep their mobile phones charged and active round-the-clock, the High Court said.

Sreenivasan was murdered on April 16, 2022, a day after the murder of a PFI worker, A Subain. The RSS worker's murder was one of the cases that led to the ban of PFI by the Centre in September 2022.

15 'barge into Goa house, demolish it after abducting residents', 2 held

Panaji: Goa police have arrested two persons in connection with the partial demolition of a house in North Goa's Assagao over an alleged property-related dispute.

Police said a Mumbai-based woman has also been booked. In the police complaint, the complainant Prinsha Agarwadekar, said that on Saturday, at around

11.30 am, at least 15 people barged into the house in Bairo Alto Assagao, where she has been living with her family for over two decades, and told her that there is an order to demolish the house.

They demolished the house with an earth-mover, and her husband and son had been abducted during the demolition. ENS

IN THE COURT OF SH. NARESH KUMAR MALHOTRA, LD. DISTRICT JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT-06), WEST DISTRICT, ROOM No. 403, EXTENSION BUILDING (NEW), FOURTH FLOOR, TIS HAZARI COURT, DELHI.

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Govt. of Bihar BIHAR STATE POWER TRANSMISSION CO. LTD., PATNA (A subsidiary company of Bihar State Power (Holding) Company Ltd., Patna) CIN - U74110BR20125GC018889 Head Office, Vidyut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna- 800021 Email address-operation.maint@bspctl.bihar.gov.in Mob. No.7763817721 Website- www.bspctl.in Tender Notice (NIT) NO.- 20/PR/BSPTCL/2024 (Through e-procurement mode only - www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) Online-Tenders are invited by Chief Engineer (O&M) for the followings:-

Table with 6 columns: Description of work, Estimated Cost (Rs.), E.M.D. (Rs.), Cost of B.O.Q. (Non-Refundable) (Rs.), Bid Processing Fee (Rs.), Completion period. Row 1: Design, Manufacture, Supply and Delivery of 18sets of Portable High end Thermovision Camera- (640X480Pixels). Estimated Cost: 5.09Cr, E.M.D: 10,18,330, Cost of B.O.Q: 11,800, Bid Processing Fee: 5,900, Completion period: 4 (Four) Months from NOA.

Govt. of Bihar South Bihar Power Distribution Co. Ltd, Patna Bihar Registered Office: Vidyut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna-21 A Govt. of Bihar undertaking CIN No. U40109BR20125GC018890 (Department of Stores & Purchase) Short Tender Notice NIT No. 50/PR/SBPDC/2024 (Through e-procurement mode only - www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) South Bihar Power Distribution Co. Ltd. (SBPDCL), a Government of Bihar Undertaking, invites online tender for procurement of HT & Brass Stud for SBPDCL in Two-tier (Techno-Commercial & Price) online bid from eligible and experienced Original Manufacturer as detailed below:-

Table with 5 columns: Name of material, Quantity, in set, Cost of tender Documents including GST@18%, Rs, Estimated Cost including GST@18%(Rs), Earnest Money Deposit, Rs. Row 1: HT Brass Studs (1/2") with Complete Fitting, 6,982, 11,800/-, 88,64,131/-, 1,77,300/.

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Govt. of Bihar North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (Regd. Office : VidyutBhawan, Baily Road, Patna) (Department of Stores & Purchase) CIN No: U40109BR20125GC018920 Contact No. : 7763815015/7763815119, Email- cesnp4.nb@gmail.com NIT No:-26/PR/NBPDC/2024 North Bihar Power Distribution Co. Ltd. (NBPDC), a Government of Bihar Undertaking, invites online Tender for Supply of 200 Kg, 8 Meter Long PSC Pole, in Two-tier (Technical and Financial) from eligible and experienced Original Manufacturer registered under company act 1956 or any other act in this regard for NBPDC & SBPDCL.

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Govt. of Bihar WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER HEAD WORKS DIVISION, BIRPUR Short Term Tender Notice No - 01/2024-25 (CIVIL WORKS) (Through e-Procurement mode only www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) Letter No.- 1045/Birpur

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Why the success of China's sample return lunar mission matters

ALIND CHAUHAN
 NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

CHINA'S CHANG'E-6 on Tuesday became the first spacecraft to bring back samples from the far side of the Moon — the part that the Earth never gets to see.

The lander descended on the Moon's surface on June 1, and spent two days collecting rocks and soil from one of the oldest and largest of lunar craters — the 2,500 km-wide South Pole-Aitken (SPA) basin — using a robotic arm and drill.

The lander then launched an ascent module that transferred the samples to the Chang'e-6 orbiter that was orbiting the Moon. On June 21, the orbiter released a service module that brought back the samples to Earth.

Is this the first time a spacecraft has brought lunar samples to Earth?
 No. Back in July 1969, the US Apollo 11

mission brought 22 kg of lunar surface material, including 50 rocks, to Earth. In September 1970, the Soviet Luna 16 mission — the first robotic sample return mission — too, brought pieces of the Moon to Earth. In recent years, Chang'e-5, the predecessor of Chang'e-6, brought back 2 kg of lunar soil in December 2020.

All these samples, however, came from the near side of the Moon. Difficult terrain, giant craters, and the difficulty in communicating with ground control made it technically challenging to land a spacecraft on the side that never faces the Earth. The Moon is tidally locked with Earth; thus we see only one side of our nearest space neighbour.

Chang'e-4 overcame these difficulties in 2019, putting the Yutu-2 rover on the far lunar surface. Now, Chang'e-6 has not only landed on the far side, but also returned with samples from there. "This is a great achievement by China... Recovering any samples from the Moon is difficult, but doing so from the far side, where communications are par-

ticularly difficult, is a step taken by no other agency. A real technological feat," Martin Barstow, a professor of astrophysics and space science at the University of Leicester, told *The Guardian*.

But why are sample return missions significant in the first place?

A sample return mission such as Chang'e-6 aims to collect and return samples from an extraterrestrial location like the Moon or Mars to Earth for analysis. The sample can be rocks or soil — or even some molecules.

In situ robotic explorations — in which landers, orbiters, and rovers carry out experiments in space or on heavenly bodies — can carry only miniature instruments that are not very sophisticated or accurate, and answer only certain types of questions. For instance, they can't determine the origin or age of a rock.

If the samples can be brought to Earth, on

the other hand, scientists can examine them using extremely sensitive laboratory instruments. They can study the "chemical, isotopic, mineralogical, structural, and physical properties of extraterrestrial samples from the macroscopic level down to the atomic scale, frequently all on the very same sample," Lori S Glaze, director of NASA's planetary science division, wrote in January 2020.

Also, returned samples can be preserved for decades, and can be examined by future generations using ever more advanced technology. The samples brought back by the Apollo missions in the 1960s and 1970s are still being studied by scientists, who are extracting information on the history of the Moon, Earth, and the inner solar system.

India's Chandrayaan-4 mission, which is currently under development by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), will also be a sample return mission. Chandrayaan-3 landed about 600 km from the South Pole of

the Moon last year.

What can the lunar samples brought by Chang'e-6 reveal?

The lunar far side is geologically different from the near side. It has a thicker crust, more craters, and fewer plains where lava once flowed. But scientists do not know why the two sides are so different — and an examination of the Chang'e-6 samples could throw up some answers.

Samples collected from the SPA basin can also reveal the timeframe for lunar cratering. The collision that created the basin may have excavated enough material from the Moon's lower crust and upper mantle, which could give insights into the Moon's history and, possibly, its origins.

The samples can also suggest ways to use lunar resources for future lunar and space exploration. For instance, lunar soil could be used to produce bricks to build future lunar research bases through 3D printing. Scientists are also interested in the potential presence of

ice at the Moon's poles. Ice can be harvested for water, oxygen and hydrogen — and the latter two can be used in a rocket propellant.

Why is there a new 'race' to the Moon?

In 2023, India, China, Japan, the US, and Russia launched lunar missions. By 2030, more than 100 Moon missions by both governments and private companies are expected, according to the European Space Agency.

Countries such as China and the US also want to put astronauts on the Moon by 2030. The success of Chang'e-6 is seen as an important step towards achieving this goal by China.

However, unlike the US-USSR space race of the 20th century, which aimed for technological and intellectual superiority, today's lunar missions are about exploring ways to stay for long on the Moon and to use its resources in situ. It is also expected that the Moon can be used in the near future as a launch pad to travel deeper into space and to other extraterrestrial bodies.

EXPLAINED GLOBAL

WHY IS JULIAN ASSANGE FLYING TO THE PACIFIC ISLAND OF SAIPAN?

BETTER KNOWN for its sandy beaches and World War II wrecks, the tropical Pacific island of Saipan will soon host the final act of Julian Assange's 14-year legal odyssey. Assange is en route to a courtroom on the island, where he is expected to plead guilty on Wednesday to a single criminal charge in a plea deal that will see him walk free and return home to Australia.

Where is Saipan?
 Saipan is the capital of the Northern Mariana Islands (NMI), a US commonwealth in the western Pacific, which begins roughly 70 km north of Guam and stretches across 14 islands.

Like territories such as Guam or Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands are part of the US without the full status of a state.

The roughly 51,000 residents are US citizens but cannot vote in presidential elections. Crucially, some, like Saipan, also host US district courts.

The US took control of Saipan during World War II. After decades under US control, residents in 1975 voted to join the US as a territory. The territory has a permanent delegate in the US House of Representatives.

Tourism is the mainstay of Saipan's economy — the island and its surroundings are dotted with World War II memorials and wrecks popular with divers. Saipan, which is home to most of the Northern Mariana's residents, is popular with Korean and Chinese tourists. It is the only part of the US that Chinese citizens can enter without a visa.

That unique status has opponents in Congress, who worry about the risk of espionage by Chinese nationals.

Why is Assange heading there?
 US prosecutors said Assange wanted to go to a court close to his home in Australia, and not in the continental United States.

Saipan has the advantage of being relatively close to Assange's home — it is roughly 3,000 km away. Hawaii is more than twice as far away.

"He has to front up to charges that



WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange on Tuesday. Reuters

have been brought under US law," said Emily Crawford, a professor at the University of Sydney's law school.

"It had to be US territory but it had to be the US territory closest to Australia that wasn't a US state like Hawaii."

What happens next for Assange?

US prosecutors said Assange has agreed to plead guilty to a single criminal count of conspiring to obtain and disclose classified US national defence documents in exchange for a sentence of 62 months already served.

If the judge approves his plea, Assange is expected to return to Australia after the hearing, US prosecutors said.

REUTERS

EXPLAINED POLITICS

Post of the Deputy Speaker

This constitutional post was vacant from 2019 to 2024. Opposition wants it now — election is scheduled to be held after the Speaker is elected today. How often has an Opposition leader been Deputy Speaker?

LALMANI VERMA
 NEW DELHI, JUNE 25

WITH THE Opposition's increased strength in Lok Sabha, its members are hoping to get the post of Deputy Speaker. There was no Deputy Speaker for the 17th Lok Sabha (2019-24). M Thambi Durai of the AIADMK, a BJP ally at the time, was Deputy Speaker of the 16th Lok Sabha (2014-19).

Congress MP Rahul Gandhi said on Tuesday that the Opposition was willing to support the NDA's candidate for Speaker provided the government followed parliamentary convention and gave the Deputy Speaker's post to the Opposition. The Opposition had the post of Deputy Speaker continuously from 1990 through 2014.

The government has sought support from the Opposition for Om Birla, its candidate for Speaker, but has been unwilling to extend any assurances on the post of Deputy Speaker. The INDIA bloc has, therefore, forced a contest by nominating K Suresh of the Congress as its candidate for Speaker. It is unclear, however, whether the Trinamool Congress will support Suresh.

What does the Constitution say about the Deputy Speaker?

According to Article 95(1), the Deputy Speaker performs the duties of the Speaker if the post is vacant. The Deputy Speaker has the same general powers as the Speaker when presiding over the House. All references to the "Speaker" in the Rules are deemed to be references to the Deputy Speaker as well for the times when he or she presides.

Both the Speaker and Deputy Speaker must be appointed "as soon as may be". Article 93 states that "The House of the People shall, as soon as may be, choose two members of the House to be respectively Speaker and Deputy Speaker".

Article 178 contains the corresponding provision for the Speakers and Deputy Speakers in the state Assemblies.

Is it mandatory under the Constitution to have a Deputy Speaker?

The Constitution does not specify a time frame for making the appointments. It is this gap in the provision that sometimes allows governments to delay or avoid appointing a Deputy Speaker.

However, constitutional experts have pointed out that both Article 93 and Article 178 use the words "shall" and "as soon as may be" — indicating that not only is the election of the Speaker and Deputy Speaker mandatory, it must be held at the earliest.



(Left) BJP's Munda was Dy Speaker during UPA II; P M Sajeed held post when Vajpayee was PM. File

DEPUTY SPEAKERS SINCE THE FIRST LOK SABHA

Deputy Speaker	Tenure	DY Speaker's party	Status in LS
M Ananthasayanam Ayyangar	1952-1956	Congress	Ruling
Hukam Singh	1956-1957	Congress	Ruling
Hukam Singh	1957-1962	Congress	Ruling
S V Krishnamoorthy Rao	1962-1967	Congress	Ruling
R K Khadilkar	1967-1969	Congress	Ruling
G G Swell	1969-1970	APHLC*	Opposition
G G Swell	1971-1977	APHLC*	Opposition
Godey Murahari	1977-1979	Congress	Opposition
G Lakshmanan	1980-1984	DMK	Ruling
M Thambi Durai	1985-1989	AIADMK	Ruling
Shivraj V Patil	1990-1991	Congress	Opposition
S Mallikarjuniah	1991-1996	BJP	Opposition
Suraj Bhan	1996-1997	BJP	Opposition
P M Sajeed	1998-1999	Congress	Opposition
P M Sajeed	1999-2004	Congress	Opposition
Charanjit Singh Atwal	2004-2009	SAD	Opposition
Kariya Munda	2009-2014	BJP	Opposition
M Thambi Durai	2014-2019	AIADMK	Ruling

*APHLC: All Party Hill Leaders Conference
 Source: Lok Sabha and Election Commission of India

What are the rules for the election of the Deputy Speaker?

Generally speaking, the practice in both Lok Sabha and state Assemblies has been to elect the Speaker in the first session of the new House — usually on the third day, after the oath-taking and affirmations have taken place over the first two days.

The election of the Deputy Speaker usually takes place in the second session, even though there is no bar on having this election in the first session of the new Lok Sabha or Assembly. But the election of Deputy Speaker is generally not delayed beyond the second session unless there are some genuine and unavoidable constraints.

In Lok Sabha, the election of Deputy Speaker is governed by Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business. Accord-

ing to Rule 8, the election "shall be held on such date as the Speaker may fix". The Deputy Speaker is elected once a motion proposing his or her name is carried. Once elected, the Deputy Speaker usually continues in office until the dissolution of the House.

Under Article 94 (and Article 179 for state Assemblies), the Speaker or Deputy Speaker "shall vacate his office if he ceases to be a member of the House of the People". They may also resign (to each other), or "may be removed from office by a resolution of the House of the People passed by a majority of all the then members of the House".

Has a Deputy Speaker ever had to fill in for an absent Speaker?

After the first Speaker, G V Mavalankar, died in 1956 before his term ended, Deputy

Speaker M Ananthasayanam Ayyangar filled in for the remaining tenure of Lok Sabha from 1956 to 1957. Ayyangar was later elected as Speaker of the second Lok Sabha.

Again, after G M C Balayogi of the Telugu Desam Party, the Speaker in the 13th Lok Sabha, passed away in 2002, Deputy Speaker and Congress MP P M Sajeed became acting Speaker for two months until Manohar Joshi of the Shiv Sena was elected Speaker.

How often has the Opposition had the post of Deputy Speaker of Lok Sabha?

During the Congress-led UPA-I (2004-09) and UPA-II (2009-14) governments, the Deputy Speaker's post was with the Opposition — first with Charanjit Singh Atwal of the Shiromani Akali Dal, and then with Kariya Munda of the BJP.

When Atal Bihari Vajpayee was Prime Minister from 1999 to 2004, Sajeed held the post. Sajeed was also Deputy Speaker during the BJP government from 1998 to 1999. There was no Deputy Speaker during the United Front government led by I K Gujral from 1997 to 1998. Between 1996 and 1997, the BJP's Suraj Bhan held the post when H D Deve Gowda was Prime Minister.

In the 10th Lok Sabha (1991-96), when P V Narasimha Rao was PM, S Mallikarjuniah of the BJP was Deputy Speaker. When Chandra Shekhar was PM (1990-91), Shivraj Patil (Congress) was Deputy Speaker. M Thambi Durai first became Deputy Speaker in the 8th Lok Sabha (1984-89) when Rajiv Gandhi was PM. The DMK's G Lakshmanan held the post from 1980 to 1984 in the Indira Gandhi government. Each of these parties was a Congress ally at the time.

Godey Murahari of the Congress held the post from 1977 to 1979 when the Janata government was in power. Between 1969 and 1977, G G Swell of the All Party Hill Leaders Conference served as Deputy Speaker.

The first four Deputy Speakers, from 1952 to 1969, were from the ruling Congress.

Why India needs to build disaster resilience in its critical infrastructure



AMITABH SINHA

THIS PAST month, amidst relentlessly high temperatures, electricity demand in Delhi repeatedly broke records. The unusually high demand also led to frequent power cuts in Delhi and neighbouring areas. Several places in central and eastern India faced similar or worse situations. The lack of electricity, combined with abnormally high night temperatures, made lives miserable, and could have even contributed to several heat-related deaths.

The unprecedented surge in electricity

demand is just a glimpse of the kind of stress that critical infrastructure faces from extreme weather events and resultant disasters. Power systems are not the only ones that are vulnerable. Telecommunications, transportation, health services, and even cyber systems face disruptions due to disasters, complicating an already difficult crisis situation. The breakdown of essential and emergency services not only hampers relief, rescue and recovery, but also amplifies the risks and sometimes adds to the devastation.

Making critical infrastructure resilient to extreme events and disasters is, thus, a crucial component of climate change adaptation.

Mounting losses

While early warnings and quick response have significantly reduced human casualties in disasters, economic and other losses from extreme weather events and disasters have been rising. This is mainly due to the increase in frequency and inten-

sity of such events. Government data show that in the five years between 2018 and 2023, states together spent more than Rs 1.5 lakh crore on dealing with the aftermath of disasters and natural calamities.

This is just the immediate expenditure. Long-term costs, in terms of livelihood losses for example, or because of a reduction in the fertility of agricultural land, are much bigger and projected to worsen over time. A 2022 World Bank report projected that the decline in productivity due to heat-related stress could take away around 34 million jobs in India by 2030. Just the food wastage, on account of transporting food items in non air-conditioned trucks and containers, was already worth about \$9 billion annually, the report said.

The damage caused to critical infrastructure like transportation, telecommunications, and power supply by disasters and

extreme weather events is often not counted in government figures, particularly when these services are privately owned. But this damage causes massive disruptions and makes the disaster worse.

Incorporating resilience

Almost all the infrastructure sectors now have disaster management plans in place to prepare and respond to these events.

For instance, hospitals in disaster-prone areas are equipping themselves with backup power supplies, airports and railways are taking steps to avoid, or quickly drain out, waterlogging, and telecommunication lines are being taken underground. But progress on this front has been slow and a bulk of India's infrastructure remains extremely vulnerable to disasters.

In the first of its kind exercise in any Indian state, the Coalition for Disaster

Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI), an international organisation set up on India's initiative, carried out a study of the electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure in Odisha, a state at high risk from cyclones. It found that the state's infrastructure was extremely fragile.

The study, which was published last week, revealed that more than 30 per cent of the distribution substations were located within 20 km of the coastline, and 80 per cent of the electricity poles were susceptible to high wind speeds. Also, more than 75 per cent of distribution lines were installed more than 30 years ago, and do not have the capacity to withstand cyclonic winds. The situation is unlikely to be very different in other coastal states.

CDRI, as the name makes it evident, was created in 2019 with the express objective of making critical infrastructure resilient to natural disasters. An international body headquartered in India, CDRI is supposed

to develop into a knowledge hub for implementing these transitions. More than 30 countries are now part of this coalition and are working with CDRI to strengthen their infrastructure. But only a few states in India have so far sought the expertise and collaboration of CDRI.

India is still in the process of developing its infrastructure. Most of the infrastructure that has been proposed to stand in India by 2030 is still to be built.

It is much easier, and cost-effective, to incorporate disaster resilience at the time of building than to retrofit these features at a later stage. All the upcoming infrastructure projects need to be climate smart — not just sustainable and energy efficient, but also resilient to disasters.

Having taken the initiative to create CDRI to serve the entire world, India needs to build the right templates for the most resilient infrastructure, ones that can withstand multi-hazard disasters.

EXPLAINED CLIMATE



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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, P.H. DIVISION, BALANGIR. NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement Invitation for Bid (IFB) Dtd.21.06.2024

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PERSONAL

I, Rajnikant S/o Suresh Chauhan R/o Village-Sadarpur, Sec-45, Noida, G.B.Nagar, UP-201301, have changed my name to Rajnikant Chauhan for all future Purposes. 0070909650-1

I, Rajendra Prasad Sharma S/o Banwari Lal R/o RZG-23, West Sagarpur, South West Delhi, Delhi-110046, have changed my name to Rajinder Sharma. 0040735353-5

I, RANI DEVI W/O SUDHEER KUMAR, R/O 53, SHIV RAM PARK, EXTN.-2, NANGLOI, WEST DELHI-110041 HAVE CHANGED THE NAME OF MY MINOR SON KRISH KUMAR ALIAS KRISH AGED 17 YEARS AND HE SHALL HEREAFTER BE KNOWN AS KRISH KUMAR. 0040735258-1

I, RANI DEVI W/O SUDHEER KUMAR, R/O 53, SHIV RAM PARK, EXTN.-2, NANGLOI, WEST DELHI-110041 HAVE CHANGED THE NAME OF MY MINOR DAUGHTER KITTU ALIAS KAVYA SINGH AGED 15 YEARS AND HE SHALL HEREAFTER BE KNOWN AS KAVYA SINGH. 0040735259-1

I, RAJ KUMAR KANOJIA S/o Shri Gyan Chand R/O B-11, DDA Janta Flats, Kalkaji, South Delhi, Delhi-110023, declare that I have changed my name from Raj Kumar to RAJ KUMAR KANOJIA. Raj Kumar and Raj Kumar Kanojia are names of the same person. Henceforth, I will be known as RAJ KUMAR KANOJIA for all future purposes. 0040735328-1

I, RADHIKA SHARMA W/O Gantavya Sharma R/O 59, Jupiter Apartment, Vikas Puri, Delhi-110018, changed my name after marriage is RADHIKA SHARMA. 0040735303-2

I, Prity Priya w/o Manoj Kumar, R/O F-78, DDA Flats, Bindapur, Pkt-3, New Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Prity Priya permanently. 0040735303-3

I, Prianka Chopra W/o Sachin Wahli R/o J-71, Ground Floor, Ashok Vihar, Phase-I, Delhi-52 have changed my name after marriage to Priyanka Wahli for all purposes. 0040735338-1

I, Parveen Kumar, S/O Sh. Ramesh Chander, R/O HN 52, Rajpur Khurd Extn, ND-68, have changed my name from Parveen Kumar to Praveen Kumar Dogra for all future purposes. 0040735296-1

I, Naseem Khatoon W/o Sabir Khan R/o 21-A, Street-No.7, Sarojini Park, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-110031, have changed my name to Nasima Khatoon. 0040735353-7

I, Naresh Kumar S/O Mahabir Prasad R/O A-47, Ganesh Nagar, Tilak Nagar, Delhi-110018 have changed my name to Naresh Kumar Choudhary 0070909607-1

I, Manisha W/o Tarun Mahajan R/O EK-45, Sector-9, Eklaya Vihar, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201012, have changed my name to Manisha Mahajan. 0040735353-3

I, Madan Pal Thakur, s/o Jagdish Chand Thakur, residing at S-424, School Block, Shakar Pur, East Delhi, Delhi-110092, solemnly affirm that my correct name is Madan Pal Thakur. However, my Driving License (No. P07122004327016) lists my name as CAPT M P THAKUR. I confirm that Madan Pal Thakur and CAPT M P THAKUR refer to the same person, as sworn before Notary Public IN-DL07301279817527W on 24-Jun-2024. 0070909585-1

I, Lotan Khan S/o Abdulla Khan R/O C-194, C-Block, Mangolpuri, Delhi-110083, have changed my name to Samiula Khan. 0040735303-6

I, Jagdish S/o Raghunath R/O G-29/222, Sector-3, Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name to Jagdish Kumar for all purposes. 0040735303-9

I, Kundan Lal, S/O Sh. Ramesh Chander, R/O HN 52, Rajpur Khurd Extn, ND-68, have changed my name from Kundan Lal to Kundan Lal Dogra for all future purposes. 0040735296-3

I, Jyoti Dhayani D/o Shivender Kumar Dhyan R/O S-390/A, 1st Floor, School Block, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092, have changed my name to Jyoti Dhyan. 0040735343-1

I, Indu, W/o Anil Sharma, r/o K/41 B, Lajpat Nagar, Ghaziabad, have changed my name from Indu to Indu Sharma. Henceforth, I would be known by the name of Indu Sharma for all future purposes. 0070909587-1

I, Isha W/o Gourav Kumar Manchanda, R/O 52, Madan Park, East Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-110026, have changed my name to Isha Manchanda. 0040735263-2

I, Vipul Kumar Aggarwal, S/o Brij Mohan, House no-J-6/115, 2nd floor, Rajouri garden -110027, changed my name to Vipul Kumar. 0040735293-6

I, Satish Kumar S/o Hukam Chand Sharma R/o 375 Shahpur Jat Village, Delhi-110049, have changed my name to Satish Sharma. 0040735303-8

I, Rambhot, W/o Amit Kumar Address-30, village daulat pur dwarka delhi 110043, changed my name to Ram bhot Ritu. 0040735341-1

I, Draksha Wajid alias Darakshan Khanam W/o Wajid Ali Khan R/o/H.No.151, Tant-Upper Kote, Bulandshahr, U.P.-203001, have changed my name to Draksha Khanam. 0040735353-4

I, Bimla Devi w/o Om Prakash Jindal and D/o Banarasi Das Agarwal, R/o H.No.19, Road No.26, East Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-110026, also known as Vimla and Vimla Devi. All are same person. 0040735299-1

I, Bhavleen Kaur, D/o Lakhvinder Singh, R/O-145/2, second Floor, Street No.6, Ramesh Park Laxmi Nagar, Delhi-110092, have changed my name to Bhavleen. 0040735343-3

I, Awadh Nath Chaubey S/o Late Chandra Shekher Chaubey R/O 12/15, Mousliir Road, Shipra Suncity, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, UP-201014 have changed my name from Avadhnath Choubey to Awadh Nath Chaubey for all future purposes. 0040735272-1

I, Anil Kumar, S/o Prem Prakash Sharma, r/o K/41 B, Mahaveer Chowk, Lajpat Nagar, Ghaziabad, have changed my name from Anil Kumar to Anil Sharma. Henceforth, I would be known by the name of Anil Sharma for all future purposes. 0070909588-1

I, Amit Goel S/o Ram darshan Goel R/O-174, first floor, Vani vihar, Uttam Nagar, Delhi-59 have changed my minor son name from Ankit to Ankit Goel permanently. 0040735331-1

I, Akash alias Nikash alias Akash S/o Ravi Prakash, R/O Plot-No.28, First Floor, A-1 Block, Mohan Garden, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, have changed my name Akash Sihmar. 0040735353-6

I, AMRITA KHURANA W/o Samrinder Singh Claire, R/o H.No.3, F.F., Ashoka Enclave Part-I, Sector-34, Faridabad, Haryana-121003, have changed my name to AMRITA CLAIRE for all future purposes. 0040735270-1

I, Rohan S/o Pradeep Kumar Malik R/O 1415, Sector-7, Karnal, Haryana-132001, have changed my name to Rohan Malik 0070909624-1

INikita D/O, Gulshan Khera R/o B1/273, 3rd Floor, Janakpuri, New Delhi-110058 have changed my name to Nikita Khera. 0040735335-1

INarender Grewal S/O Tirath Singh Grewal Adrrs-G-394, J J Colony, Shakur pur, Saraswati vihar-110034, changed my name to Narender Singh. 0040735293-3

IMunni Devi W/o Ram Kumar R/O G-101, 2nd Floor, Gali No-5, Near Ektta Group, Ashok Vihar, Phase-3, Gurgaon, Haryana-122001, have changed my name to Meena Devi 0070909645-1

IManuraj Singh Teotia S/O Late Raj Kumar Singh R/O 14 Sushila Vihar-2 Bhoor, Bulandshahr U.P. have changed my Name to Manuraj Singh for all Future Purposes. 0070909649-1

IMEHRAJ FARIDI S/O SIRAJUDDIN R/O S-66 STREET NO 24 BRAHMUPURI NEW SEELAMPUR DELHI 110053 HAVE CHANGE MY NAME TO MERAJ FARIDI 0070909571-1

IBhim Singh Ahuja S/o Sh. Bahadur Singh Ahuja R/O Darvesh Asthan, Baba Sindhri Mandir, Aruna Nagar, Majnu Ka Tilla, Civil Lines, Delhi-110054 have changed my name to Bhim Sain Ahuja for all purposes. 0040735256-1

I, Antima Tripathi, wife of Satish Shukla, R/O Plot no- 550, Niti Khand-1 Indirapuram, Ghaziabad have changed my name to Antima Tiwari. 0070909572-1

I, Amit Khullar S/o Ram Das Khullar R/O J4/40 Flat, No.-B-18, 3rd Floor, Khirki Extn, Malviya Nagar, South Delhi, Delhi-110017, have changed my name to Pravin khullar 0070909644-1

ITirath Singh, S/o Bhag Singh, Adrrs-WZ-283/182, Maddi wali gali no-7, Vishnu garden -110018, changed my name to Tirath Singh Grewal. 0040735293-4

It is for general information that I, Md. Riyasat Ali, S/o Md. Esrail Ali, R/o A-110/8A, Phase-II, Vijay Vihar, Delhi-110085, declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as Md. Reyasat Ali in my minor son namely Rahmatulla aged 15years in his 10th-class educational documents. The actual name of mine is Md. Riyasat Ali, which may be amended accordingly. 0040735344-1

It is for general information that I, Chintamani Pandey S/o Lalmani Pandey R/o Tulsi Sadan, Sanjay Colony, Near Judgee Court, Bhotia Parao, Haldwani, Nainital, Uttarakhand-263139, declare that my name has been wrongly written as Chinta Mani in my Pension Payment Order (PPO) Number 347198200132. The actual name of mine is Chintamani Pandey, which may be amended accordingly. 0070909605-1

I, hitherto known as Kiran Kumar, S/o Shri Ram Employed as Stenographer grade-D in Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, Government of India, New Delhi, R/O H.No.-184, L-Block, J.Colony, Wazir Pur, North-West-Delhi, Delhi-110052, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Karan Kumar. 0040735342-6

I, Viteek Goel S/o Lajpatrai Goel R/O Flat-1255A, Tower-3B, Floor-13, Golflinks, NH-24, Ghaziabad(U.P) have changed my name to Viteek Lajpatrai Goel for all purposes. 0040735267-2

I, Angel Fiza Zaidi, D/o Ali Kausar Zaidi, R/O F-104, Taj Enclave, Geeta Colony, Delhi-110031, have changed my name to Angel Fiza. 0040735343-4

I, Vikash Chauhan S/o Dharm Dutt R/O Gali-3, Chhalera Banger, Sector-44, Noida(U.P) have changed my name to Vikas Chauhan for all purposes. 0040735265-2

I, Vandana Goel W/o Vivek Lajpatrai Goel R/O Flat-1255A, Tower-3B, Floor-13, Golflinks, NH-24, Ghaziabad(U.P) have changed my name to Vandana Vivek Goel for all purposes. 0040735267-1

I, Trilochan Singh, S/o Dalip Singh, R/O WZ-168, Plot-379, Chand-Nagar, New Delhi, declare that my father name has been wrongly been written as Deep Singh in Passport no. N2104252. My father's actual name is Dalip Singh. 0040735342-4

I, Talat Parveen, W/o Izhar Ahmad Siddiqui, H.No-3/17, J-extension, street.no-7, Murti wali Gali, Laxmi-Nagar, Delhi-110092, have changed my name to Talat Perveen for all future purposes. 0040735344-3

I, TUSHAR GOEL S/O ANIL KUMAR GOYAL R/O G-23-D, BLOCK-BH, EAST SHALIMAR BAGH, DELHI-110088, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO TUSHAR GOYAL. 0040735293-7

I, Rekha W/o Farooq, R/o C/523 Madanpur Khadar New Delhi-110076, have changed my name to Raisha Begam, for all future purposes. 0040735344-4

I, RHYTHM D/O ARVIND KUMAR ARORA, R/O-1-5/81, SECOND-FLOOR SECTOR-16, ROHINI, DELHI-110089, have changed my name to RHYTHM ARORA 0040735344-1

I, Rashna Pesi Edulji Mehta D/o P.E Mehta, R/O D-18, First-Floor, Maharani Bagh, New Delhi-110065, have changed my name to Rashna P Mehta. 0040735343-8

I, Ranabir Mustafa S/o Jagadindra Nath Mustafa R/O RA-35, Inder Puri Delhi-12, have changed my name to Ranbir Mitra Mustafa. 0040735293-2

I, Raju S/o Laxman Dass R/o Flat No.1116 GH-131, Paschim Vihar Delhi-110087, have changed my name to Raju Kotiya Permanently 0040735343-6

I, PUSHPA DHAKER, W/O BALU LAL DHAKER, R/O-FLAT, NO.-101, RZF-1/290, FIRST-FLOOR, GALLI, NO.-2A, KH.NO-86/21/1, MAHAVIR ENCLAVE-1, PALAM VILLAGE, DELHI-110045, have changed my name to PUSHPA DEVI DHAKER, all future purposes. 0040735303-1

I, POOJA ALIAS ARCHNA GUPTA, D/O-TARA CHAND GUPTA, W/O-AMIT KHANDELWAL, H.NO.-27, POCKET-1, PASCHIM-PURI, PASCHIM-VIHAR, DELHI-110063, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as ARCHNA GUPTA. 0040735341-4

I, PAWAN DEEP KOUR, W/O RAMNEEK SINGH, ADD:192A, 2ND-FLOOR, ARJUN NAGAR, SAFDARJUNG ENCLAVE, NEW DELHI-110029, CHANGED MY NAME TO PAWANDEEP KAUR RAINA. 0040735344-6

I, Noopur W/o Rahul Mishra, R/o Apartment No.E-335, Gaur Cascades, Noor Nagar, Ghaziabad U.P.-201017, have changed my name to Nupur Mishra, for all future purposes. 0040735293-1

I, NISHA GOEL W/O ANIL KUMAR GOYAL R/O G23-D, BLOCK-BH, EAST SHALIMAR BAGH, DELHI-110088, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO NISHA GOYAL. 0040735341-8

I, Mohd Rizwan s/o Mohammad Haroon, R/O H.NO.2283/A, Gali Mir Mali, Turkman Gate, Delhi-110006, have changed my name to Mohammad Rizwan, permanently. 0040735341-10

I, Manish Kumar Aggarwal, S/o Vipul Kumar, House no-J-6/115, second floor, Rajouri garden -110027, changed my name to Manish Aggarwal 0040735293-5

I, MOHID AHBAB KHAN, S/O UMAR MOHAMMED KHAN, residing at G-42, FIRST-FLOOR ABUL-FAZAL ENCLAVE PART-1, OKHLA, DELHI-110025, changed my name to MOHAMMAD AHBAB KHAN, all future purposes 0040735293-7

I, KRIPAL SINGH RAINA, S/O LATE SH.KAHAN SINGH, ADD:192A, 2ND-FLOOR, ARJUN NAGAR, SAFDARJUNG ENCLAVE, NEW DELHI-110029, changed my name to KIRPAL SINGH. 0040735344-5

I, Jyotsna Talla, W/o Sunny Tally, R/O B-120, First Floor, Near-Vardaan Hospital, Malviya Nagar, Delhi, have changed my name to Jyotsna Arora, for all purposes. 0040735341-5

I, Inder Kumar, S/O Shri Prasad Mandal, R/O W-1543-A, SAINIK FARM DELVI-GAON Huz Khas, South-Delhi, Delhi-110062, have changed my name to Inder kumar Mandal, for all future purposes. 0040735344-8

I, Hur Chaman, W/o Mohd Umar, R/O 1792 2nd-floor Hauj Suwalan, Darya Gani Delhi-110002, have changed my name to Hoor Chaman Permanently 0040735342-3

I, Gajendra Singh, S/o Late Sh. Ramdutt R/O-606/14, Krishna Gali, No.9, Majupur, Adarsh-Mohalla, Delhi-53, declare that my name has been wrongly written as GAJENDRA BHATI in my son RAKSHIT BHATI 10th Marksheet (Roll.No.14117576) aged 17-years. My correct name is GAJENDRA SINGH, which will be amended accordingly. 0040735293-10

I, G J ABHISHEK, S/O-GOPALAN JANARDHANAN PILLAI, resident of, J32 SECOND FLOOR, BK-DUTT COLONY, JORBAHG-ROAD, NEW-DELHI-110003, have changed my Name, from G J ABHISHEK to GOPALAN JANARDHANAN ABHISHEK, vide-Affidavit dated-24.06.2024. 0040735293-9

I, Dharmendra Kumar, S/o Shanti Prakash Batra, R/O Flat, No.C-1/402, 4th-Floor, Block-C1, Parsvanath-Exotica, Golf Course Road, Sector-53, Gurgaon (Haryana), have changed my name to Dharmendra Batra. 0040735344-9

I, ANIL GOEL/ANIL KUMAR S/O SHRAVAN KUMAR GOYAL R/O 623-D, BLOCK-BH, EAST SHALIMAR BAGH, DELHI-110088, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO ANIL KUMAR GOYAL. 0040735341-9

I, ANCHAL S/O VISHV/NATH R/O-288 P.H.No.-2, Near Society, Yenkheda, Betul, Madhya Pradesh-460557, have changed my name to ANCHAL GHORSE. 0040735343-5

I, N-7783291P Rank-HAV REDDI SEKHAR REDDI NALE, R/o-Vill-VUSUVURI PALLI, PO-BOMMAIAHGARI-PALLE, TEII ROMPICHERLA, DISTT-CHITTOOR, ANDHRA PRADESH-517192, have changed my father's name from SREERAMLU REDDY to N SREERAMLU REDDY and my mother's name from VASUNDHARA to N VASUNDRA, for all future purposes vide affidavit, dated-01/06/2024, before-Notary Public, Delhi. 0040731846-8

I, Avdesh Chander Dhoundiyal, S/o Chakra Dhar Dhoundiyal@Chakar Dhoundiyal@Chakradhar Prasad, R/O-706, Konark-Enclave, Sector-17, Vasundhara Ghaziabad, U.P.201012, confirm & affirm that my father's correct name is Chakrdhar Dhoundiyal. 0040735303-5

I, Shama Parveen W/o Shafi Ur Rahman R/O Flat No.8130, Tower-9, Block-A, GH-07, Crossings Republik, Ghaziabad, UP-201016 have changed my name from Shama Rahman to Shama Parveen for all future purposes. 0040735272-2

I, Jyoti Dhayani D/o Shivender Kumar Dhyan R/O S-390/A, 1st Floor, School Block, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092, have changed my name to Jyoti Dhyan. 0040735343-1

I, Indu, W/o Anil Sharma, r/o K/41 B, Lajpat Nagar, Ghaziabad, have changed my name from Indu to Indu Sharma for all future purposes. 0070909587-1

I, Isha W/o Gourav Kumar Manchanda, R/O 52, Madan Park, East Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-110026, have changed my name to Isha Manchanda. 0040735263-2

I, Dharmadatta Chauhan S/o Prem Raj R/O Gali-3, Chhalera Banger, Sector-44, Noida(U.P) have changed my name to Dharm Dutt for all purposes. 0040735265-1

I, CHETAN VERMA, S/O DHARAM SINGH VERMA, R/O-SKF-508, SHIPRA KRISHNA VISTA 14, AHINSA KHAND, INDIRAPURAM, GHAZIABAD U.P.-201014, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO CHETAN KUMAR VERMA, FOR ALL FUTURE PURPOSES. 0040735353-2

I, AKSHAY Jain, S/O Ashok Kumar Jain, R/o F-34, Preet Vihar, Shakarpur East-Delhi Delhi-110092, have changed my name to AKSHAY Kumar Jain, for all future purposes. 0040735344-2

I, LASHOK KUMAR, S/O MAHAVIR SINGH, R/O H.NO-J-77, M2K COUNTY HEIGHTS, SECTOR-05-DHARUHERA REWARI (HARYANA)-123106, have changed my name to ASHOK KUMAR YADAV. 0040735353-1

I, ALAMGIR MIRZA, S/O Saleem Mirza, R/O-1710, Gali Jahangir Wali Pahari Bhojia, Turkman-Gate, Delhi 110068, have changed my name to ALAMGEER MIRZA Permanently. 0040735342-2

I, shafique Khalid, S/o walliuddin, R/o plot no 51/6004 nawab road, basti harphool singh, Sadar bazar Delhi 110046 have changed my name to shafiq khalid 0070909570-1

I, Vinod Singh, S/o-Gandharv Singh jasrotia, H no-103 S/F, gali no-34, som bazar road raja puri uttam nagar dwarka 110059, changed my name to Vinod Singh Jasrotia. 0040735341-2

I, Vinay s/o Bijender Singh r/o D-36, Block-D, Swaran Park, Mundka, Delhi-110041 have changed my name VINAY SINGH permanently. 0040735268-1

I, Barkha W/o Raju Kotiya R/o Flat No.1116 GH-13, Paschim Vihar Delhi-110087, have changed my name to Barkha Kotiya Permanently 0040735343-7

I, Ved Prakash R/O Mangalpur, Etmadpur, Agra, UP-283202, have changed my Daughter's name from Alpita Kumari to Aripita for all future purposes 0070909611-1

I, URMILA DEVI W/O SURESH KUMAR R/O H.NO.-61, 313/63F, ANAND NAGAR, INDERLOK, DELHI-110035 HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO URMILA GOEL FOR ALL FUTURE PURPOSES. 0070909609-1

I, Surjeet Kumar, S/O Sh. Ramesh Chander, R/O HN 52, Rajpur Khurd Extn, ND-68, have changed my name from Surjeet Kumar to Surjeet Kumar Dogra for all future purposes. 0040735296-2

I, Sunita Devi W/o Kamlesh Kumar R/O GF-2, Plot no 125, Media Enclave, Sector-6, Vaisali, Ghaziabad-201012 U.P. I have changed my name from Sunita Devi to Sunita Patel for all future purposes. 0040735337-1

I, Suman Sharma W/o Surender Sharma R/O WZ-600, Second Floor, Rishi Nagar, Rani Bagh ND-110034 have declare that Suman Sharma and Suman Rani is both name of one and the same person. That I am also known as Suman Rani. 0070909654-1

I, Shiipi, D/o Anil Sharma, r/o K/41 B, Mahaveer Chowk, Lajpat Nagar, Ghaziabad, have changed my name from Shiipi to Shiipi Sharma. Henceforth, I would be known by the name of Shiipi Sharma for all future purposes. 0070909586-1

I, Shelly Chowdhary w/o Anjul Kumar, R/O 25/17, East Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-110026, have changed my minor daughter name AHANA, aged 05 years and she shall hereafter be known as DEVSHREE. 0040735263-1

I, Mithu Das W/o Sh. Rathin Chandra Das R/O I-B, Rani Garden, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-110031 have lost my Original Sale Deed executed on 02.05.2012 by Kailash Rani in favour of Anjali Grover & Saroj (2) Payment Receipt executed on 21.12.1982 by Daya Rani Kakkari in favour of Kiran Kakkari all W.R.T Plot No.(1B-1), Rani Garden, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-110031. Finders may contact at above address. 0040735256-2

I, Hargumrit Singh, S/o S Jawahir Singh, Permanent R/O E-15 Masjid Mohn, New Delhi 110048 state that I have lost my Indian School Certificate in the Examination held in November/December 1976 and Statement of Marks issued by the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination in April 1977. My roll number for the exam was A 002 / 161. 0040735269-1

I, K.S Sheoran, S/o- Kirpa Ram Sheoran, Have Lost Original Possession Letter Of Flat No-521, Indian Airlines Apartment, Plot No.-5, Sector-23, Dwarka, New Delhi-110045 Finder Contact: 97726 20000 0070909653-1

LOST Original Reconveyance Deed, Freehold of DDA, H.NO. KP-360, Pitampura, New Delhi. If owned-Contact:- 8700536092 Founder-S.K. Aneja/ Rohit S Aneja 0040735303-11

WESTERN RAILWAY - VADODRA GATI SHAKTI VISHWADYALAYA (A Central University under the Ministry of Railways, Government of India) Lalbagh, Vadodara, Gujarat 390004

GSV/REG/ADM/FP/RECTT/01 Date : 25.06.2024 EXTENSION OF LAST DATE FO APPLICATION TO FACULTY POSITIONS Ref: Advt. No. GSV/REG/ADM/FP/RECTT/01 dated 21.05.2024 (published in all major newspapers across India)

The closing date for submission of online application has been extended to 31.07.2024 (earlier 30.06.2024). All other requirements for the various positions as advertised remain unchanged. For details and to apply, please visit https://gsv.ac.in/careers/

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I, Dharmadatta Chauhan S/o Prem Raj R/O Gali-3, Chhalera Banger, Sector-44, Noida(U.P) have changed my name to Dharm Dutt for all purposes. 0040735265-1

I, CHETAN VERMA, S/O DHARAM SINGH VERMA, R/O-SKF-508, SHIPRA KRISHNA VISTA 14, AHINSA KHAND, INDIRAPURAM, GHAZIABAD U.P.-201014, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO CHETAN KUMAR VERMA, FOR ALL FUTURE PURPOSES. 0040735353-2

I, AKSHAY Jain, S/O Ashok Kumar Jain, R/o F-34, Preet Vihar, Shakarpur East-Delhi Delhi-110092, have changed my name to AKSHAY Kumar Jain, for all future purposes. 0040735344-2

I, LASHOK KUMAR, S/O MAHAVIR SINGH, R/O H.NO-J-77, M2K COUNTY HEIGHTS, SECTOR-05-DHARUHERA REWARI (HARYANA)-123106, have changed my name to ASHOK KUMAR YADAV. 0040735353-1

I, ALAMGIR MIRZA, S/O Saleem Mirza, R/O-1710, Gali Jahangir Wali Pahari Bhojia, Turkman-Gate, Delhi 110068, have changed my name to ALAMGEER MIRZA Permanently. 0040735342-2

I, shafique Khalid, S/o walliuddin, R/o plot no 51/6004 nawab road, basti harphool singh, Sadar bazar Delhi 110046 have changed my name to shafiq khalid 0070909570-1

I, Vinod Singh, S/o-Gandharv Singh jasrotia, H no-103 S/F, gali no-34, som bazar road raja puri uttam nagar dwarka 110059, changed my name to Vinod Singh Jasrotia. 0040735341-2

I, Vinay s/o Bijender Singh r/o D-36, Block-D, Swaran Park, Mundka, Delhi-110041 have changed my name VINAY SINGH permanently. 0040735268-1

I, Barkha W/o Raju Kotiya R/o Flat No.1116 GH-13, Paschim Vihar Delhi-110087, have changed my

New Okhla Industrial Development Authority
Administrative Building, Sector-6, Noida-201301 (U.P.)
Website : www.noidaauthorityonline.in

Selection of Tax Consultant for various items of work for Noida
New Okhla Industrial Development Authority (Noida) invites RFP for Selection of Tax Consultant for various items of work for Noida
Job No. 01/CFAO/Tax Consultant/2024-25

Uploading of Bid	03.07.2024 at 15:00 hrs. at Noida Authority CFAO Office
Pre-bid Meeting	24.07.2024 18:00 hrs.
Last date of bid submission	24.07.2024 at 18:00 hrs.
Opening of Technical Bid	25.07.2024 at 11:00 hrs.

Interest eligible bidders can submit the RFP along with the mentioned documents. RFP can be downloaded from the website: www.noidaauthorityonline.in, www.etender.up.nic.in last date of bid submission is Dt. 25.07.2024 at 18:00 hrs.

Chief Finance and Accounts Officer, Noida
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पुलिस विभाग आर.टी.सी. भौंडसी, गुरुग्राम।
पब्लिक नोटिस

आर.टी.सी. भौंडसी में रैकट वैन नं 90 की पार्सिंग आऊट परेड माह-जुलाई 2024 के द्वितीय सप्ताह में होनी सम्भावित है जिसमें पार्सिंग आऊट परेड के कार्यक्रम हेतु निम्नलिखित के लिए सामान के प्रबंधन की आवश्यकता है:-

- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड हेतु पी.ओ.पी. गार्ड में टैट व चारों तरफ तिरंगा बाल लगवाना।
- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड में आए हुए अधिकारियों व अतिथि हेतु कारपेट, सौफा व मेज का प्रबंध करना।
- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड में आए हुए अधिकारियों व अतिथि के लिए हाई टी, डिनर व लंच का प्रबंध करना कैटरिंग की सुविधा उपलब्ध करवाना।
- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड के लिए वाटर फुफ स्ट्रेज का प्रबंध करवाना।
- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड के लिए फ्लावर डेकोरेशन हेतु फूल, पौधे व गमलों का प्रबंध करना।
- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड के लिए साउंड सिस्टम का प्रबंध करना।
- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड में आए हुए अधिकारियों व अतिथि के लिए मोबाईल टायलैट का प्रबंध करना।
- पार्सिंग आऊट परेड हेतु POP गार्ड में व आर.टी.सी. ऐरिया में रंग-पेंट करवाना।

इच्छुक सप्लायर दिनांक 27.06.2024 तक आर.टी.सी. भौंडसी, गुरुग्राम में आयोजित पार्सिंग आऊट परेड के होने वाले कार्यक्रम के ऐरिया को देखकर अपनी कोटेशन बंद लिफाफे में पुलिस अधीक्षक आर.टी.सी. भौंडसी गुरुग्राम के नाम भेज सकते हैं। जिसके ऊपर फुटकर शाखा बंडार, कोटेशन लिखा होना अनिवार्य है। आर.टी.सी. भौंडसी में पार्सिंग आऊट परेड के कार्यक्रम की सूची व अन्य शर्तों के लिए इंचार्ज फुटकर शाखा बंडार, आर.टी.सी. भौंडसी, गुरुग्राम से सम्पर्क कर सकते हैं।
नोट:- उपरोक्त कार्यक्रम के प्रबंधन के बिल की अदायगी सरकारी नियमानुसार की जावेगी।

हस्ता./-
पुलिस अधीक्षक
आर.टी.सी. भौंडसी, गुरुग्राम।

The Ballabgarh Cooperative Milk Producers' Union Limited.
AN ISO 9001:2015 & ISO 22000:2018 Certified Unit
QUOTATION NOTICE

Sealed quotations are invited from the parties for Job work of the following items on Annual Maintenance Contract basis for the year 2024-25 as per detailed given below:-

S.No. Description of Job

- Repair & maintenance of Matrik EPABK System have 40 Lines incorporated with eight telephone lines.
- Repair & dressing of cables EPABX System.
- Repair of Phone instruments.
- Repair & maintenance of CCTV networking for 40 cameras

Detailed specifications of above item alongwith other terms & conditions can be held from this office free of cost on written request on any working day between 10.00AM to 4.00 PM. The interested parties may send their detailed offer, so as reach to this office on or before 05.07.2024 by 1.30PM in sealed cover superscribed with the word, "Quotation for (Name of the Items). "The Quotation will be opened on the same day at 2.30 PM at Milk Plant, Ballabgarh in the presence of the tender who may like to be present. The undersigned reserves the right to accept /reject any/all quotations without assigning any reason. Conditional quotations will not be accepted.

Sd/-
Chief Executive Officer.
Milk Plant, Ballabgarh

NO. 2716/HRY

U.P. RAJYA VIDYUT UTPADAN NIGAM LTD.
PARICHHA THERMAL POWER PROJECT
PARICHHA, JHANSI

E- TENDER NOTICE

- E-Tender- N-PAR/CMC1/CAD/6000005756** "Repairing and machining of various items of CT fan gear box., ACW, ETP pumps, various pumps installed in DM plant and items of gear box of clinker grinder of 2x250 MW, PTPP, Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.38,69,024.00 EMD Rs.40,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 11.07.2024 up to 14:00 PM.
- E-Tender- N-PAR/CMC2/PD01/6000005720** "Refilling and Hydraulic Testing of different capacity of CO2 fire Extinguishers and CO2 gas cartridges FFS TD PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.5,90,000.00 EMD Rs.7,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 15.07.2024 up to 04:00 PM.
- E-Tender- N-PAR/CMC2/6000005737_00** "Laying of CMR over filled pond ash in the vicinity of ash dykes at PTPP, Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.9,10,660.00 EMD Rs.18,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 06.07.2024 up to 12:00 PM.
- E-Tender- N-PAR/CMC2/6000005690_00** "Facility Cleaning Support services in 2x250 MW, 2x210 MW and 2x110 MW Power house area PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.11,66,874.00 EMD Rs.24,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 06.07.2024 up to 12:00 PM.
- E-Tender- N-PAR/CMC2/PD01/6000005334** "Supply of RJ assembly spares of mill XRP 803 for 2x210 MW PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.12,31,400.00 EMD Rs.23,500.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 15.07.2024 up to 04:00 PM.
- E-Tender- ET-02/SE/HQ/CEMD/PTPP/2024-26** "Round the clock routine., breakdown, and preventive maintenance of all H.T.-L.T. lines of Project and Colony area of PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.39,45,018.00 EMD Rs.60,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 11.07.2024 up to 04:00 PM.
- E-Tender- ET-03/CEMD/PTPP/2024-25** "Plantation of 8000 Nos and Three Years Long Maintenance work by PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.18,35,755.00 EMD Rs.37,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 29.06.2024 up to 03:00 PM.
- E-Tender- N-PAR/CMC3/IMD2/6000005742_00** "Retrofitting, Modification, Repairing and commissioning of two nos. AHU of 80 Tr. Centralized AC system of 2x210 MW BTPS Service building PTPP Parichha along with supply of material for AHU system." Estimated Cost Rs.11,45,845.00 EMD Rs.20,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 17.07.2024 up to 01:00 PM.

NOTE:- Total Quality of work, tender specification and other terms & conditions is as per tender document available on the e-tender portal our website www.etender.up.nic.in & uprvnl.org. Bidders are advised to visit the website regularly for updated information from time to time.

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CORPORATE BRIEFS

EDUCATION

INT'L YOGA DAY — AMITY UNIVERSITY
Amity University celebrated the 10th Int'l Yoga Day, on the Theme, "Yoga for Self & Society", with the aim to provide a major fillip to yoga in line with the vision of PM of India & M/o AYUSH to promote health & wellbeing. Highlighting the significance of World Yoga Day, Dr. Balvinder Shukla, VC, said, "Amity University has always encouraged its students & teachers to practice yoga every day."

KIET GROUP
KIET Group of Institutions, Ghaziabad, celebrated the 10th edition of int'l Yoga Day with great zeal & enthusiasm. The event began with the heartfelt wishes by the institute's Dean student welfare "Dr. Satish Kumar" who expressed his views on the theme of this year int'l yoga day viz "Yoga for women empowerment" and also highlighted how yoga has been a catalyst in keeping the citizens of India healthy.

JAMIA HAMDARD
On the auspicious occasion of Int'l Yoga Day, celebration was done in Jamia Hamdard by Yoga Club, Jamia Hamdard under the aegis of Dean Student Welfare. The programme started with the introduction of yoga day by Prof. Reshma Nasreen, Dean Student Welfare. Ms. Seema Rani, President, Yoga Club gave the insight about the activities organized by Yoga club since its inception.

SHARDA SCHOOL
Sharda School of Humanities & Social Sciences & Dean Student welfare jointly organized Int'l Yoga Day on campus. During this, foreign students & staff participated enthusiastically. The event featured a series of yoga sessions suitable for all levels, led by certified yoga instructors. With a variety of yoga styles to choose from, including Hatha, Vinyasa, & Yin, there was something for everyone. All participants got a holistic experience from the sessions.

PARTNERSHIP — GNIOT
GNIOT marks a significant milestone in the realm of educational collaborations as GNIOT Inst. of Mgmt Studies & Dynamic India Infonet Pvt. Ltd. have formalized a MOU to embark on a transformative partnership. This alliance aims to integrate comprehensive behavioral skills training into the academic framework of GIMS, facilitated by the expertise of Dynamic India Infonet Pvt. Ltd.

PROGRAM — I.T.S DENTAL COLLEGE, GHAZIABAD
A 3 day Zonal PG Convention in association with Indian Orthodontic Society was organized by the Department of Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics, I.T.S Dental College. The program had pre-conference course conducted by Dr Sunanda Roy Choudhury on day 1 along with paper & poster presentations. The quiz competition showed enthusiastic participation by students of different colleges.

CONVOCATION — IMS, GHAZIABAD
IMS proudly hosted its convocation ceremony for the PGDM Batch 22-24, celebrating the achievements & successes of its students. The event commenced with a warm welcome address presented by Dr. Prasoon M. Tripathi, Director, IMS - Ghaziabad, Dr. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary of AICTE, & Chief Guest, delivered a ceremonial address, emphasizing the importance of quality education.

SEMINAR — THE STUDY IAS
The Study IAS, institute which has set out to 'Simplify UPSC' Program for Civil Services Examinations, hosted a highly successful seminar on Career Guidance for students preparing for UPSC as well as UPPCS. The seminar was led by Manikant Singh, Director The Study IAS, who is renowned for his expertise in guiding UPSC aspirants to success. He emphasised the need of developing a "Thinking Creature" mindset, where understanding every concept based on interlinkages is easier than merely memorising facts.

M.O.P — VAISHNAV COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
A National Level 7 Days Faculty Development Program was organized by the Dept of Management Studies, M.O.P Vaishnav College for Women(Autonomous), under the able leadership of Principal Dr. Archana Prasad. The Program was inaugurated by Dr. Lalitha Balakrishnan, Management Consultant & focused on "Setting New Benchmarks in Management Education". In line with that Effective Pedagogical Tools such as Case Study Method, Simulation-Based Learning, Gamification, Story Telling & Application of Digital Tools.

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 239 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	ZAMB10	ZAMB11
		ZAMB21	ZAMB27	ZAMB37	ZAMB38	ZAMB39	ZAMB43
		ZAMB46	ZAMB56	ZAMB58	ZAMB59		
		ZBWN01	ZBWN02	ZBWN04	ZBWN05	ZBWN06	ZBWN07
		ZBWN10	ZBWN12	ZBWN16	ZBWN17	ZBWN18	ZBWN20
		ZBWN24	ZBWN25	ZBWN26	ZBWN35	ZBWN36	ZBWN37
2.	Bhiwani	ZBWN39	ZBWN40	ZBWN41	ZBWN42	ZBWN44	ZBWN45
		ZBWN46	ZBWN47	ZBWN48	ZBWN49	ZBWN50	ZBWN51
		ZBWN52	ZBWN53	ZBWN54	ZBWN57	ZBWN61	ZBWN63
		ZBWN65					
		ZFBD03	ZFBD08	ZFBD13	ZFBD16	ZFBD21	ZFBD23
		ZFBD26	ZFBD43	ZFBD53	ZFBD57	ZFBD73	
4.	Fatehabad	ZFTB17	ZFTB20	ZFTB21	ZFTB22	ZFTB24	ZFTB26
		ZFTB27	ZFTB28	ZFTB36	ZFTB37	ZFTB41	ZFTB42
5.	Gurugram (East)	ZGRE01	ZGRE08	ZGRE24	ZGRE26	ZGRE29	ZGRE31
		ZGRE46	ZGRE52	ZGRE55	ZGRE68	ZGRE77	ZGRE78
6.	Gurugram (West)	ZGRW08	ZGRW77				
		ZHSR01	ZHSR02	ZHSR05	ZHSR07	ZHSR08	ZHSR18
7.	Hisar	ZHSR21	ZHSR29	ZHSR34	ZHSR37	ZHSR38	ZHSR41
		ZHSR44	ZHSR48	ZHSR49	ZHSR51	ZHSR52	ZHSR58
		ZHSR64	ZHSR71	ZHSR74			
		ZJAG03	ZJAG06	ZJAG41	ZJAG42	ZJAG43	
		ZJHA04	ZJHA15	ZJHA22	ZJHA24	ZJHA29	
		ZJND03	ZJND05	ZJND06	ZJND10	ZJND13	ZJND15
10.	Jind	ZJND16	ZJND17	ZJND20	ZJND21	ZJND22	ZJND27
		ZJND28	ZJND29	ZJND34			
11.	Kaithal	ZKTL02	ZKTL06	ZKTL11	ZKTL29		
		ZKNL03	ZKNL15	ZKNL18	ZKNL19	ZKNL21	ZKNL24
12.	Karnal	ZKNL25	ZKNL26	ZKNL31	ZKNL34	ZKNL35	ZKNL41
		ZKNL51	ZKNL52				
13.	Kurukshetra	ZKKR01	ZKKR06	ZKKR21	ZKKR28		
		ZMWT06	ZMWT08				
15.	Narnaul	ZNNL10	ZNNL18	ZNNL19	ZNNL22	ZNNL23	ZNNL28
		ZPKL04	ZPKL08	ZPKL09	ZPKL10	ZPKL21	ZPKL22
16.	Panchkula	ZPKL23	ZPKL25	ZPKL26	ZPKL33	ZPKL34	ZPKL36
		ZPNP08	ZPNP09	ZPNP10	ZPNP15	ZPNP16	ZPNP21
17.	Panipat	ZPNP25	ZPNP28	ZPNP34	ZPNP40	ZPNP44	
		ZRWR01	ZRWR04	ZRWR05	ZRWR12	ZRWR14	ZRWR19
19.	Rohtak	ZRWR22	ZRWR25	ZRWR27	ZRWR29	ZRWR31	
		ZRTK04	ZRTK05	ZRTK08	ZRTK11	ZRTK12	ZRTK15
		ZRTK16	ZRTK18	ZRTK27	ZRTK29	ZRTK38	ZRTK41
		ZRTK44	ZRTK46	ZRTK47	ZRTK51	ZRTK53	
		ZSRS09	ZSRS14	ZSRS15	ZSRS17	ZSRS37	ZSRS39
		ZSRS41	ZSRS43	ZSRS45	ZSRS47	ZSRS49	ZSRS59
20.	Sirsa	ZSRS71	ZSRS73				
		ZSNP39	ZSNP50	ZSNP61	ZSNP72	ZSNP73	
21.	Sonapat	ZSNP39	ZSNP50	ZSNP61	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 27th June, 2024 (9.00 AM)
Closing date and time for placing e-tenders	Till 27th June, 2024 (04.00 PM)
Evaluation of e-tenders	27th June, 2024 (5.00 PM)

3. The reserve price and quota of these 239 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 239 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. 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.
NO. 27153/HRY

SPECIAL BRANCH
POLICE HEADQUARTER, M.P., BHOPAL
NO. SB/Store/2024-25 (203), Bhopal, Dated 19-06-2024
"ONLINE E-TENDER NOTICE"

E-tender are invited by Assistant Inspector General of Police, Special Branch (G) M.P., Bhopal on behalf of DGP MP Bhopal for the following item on website <https://mptenders.gov.in/nicegp/app/>:-

S. No.	Name of Item(s)	Qty.	Tender Fees (Rs.)		Tender No.
			Paid Online Through mptenders.gov.in	EMD (Rs.)	
1	Vehicle Mounted Baggage Scanner	07	10,000/-	10,50,000/-	1st Tender

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/nicegp/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/nicegp/app/>

4. **Tender Schedule:**

No.	Tender Activity	Date & Time
i	Submission of written queries through e-mail: sec25-sb@mppolice.gov.in	27/06/2024 up to 1700 hrs.
ii	Pre Bid Meeting along with written queries	28/06/2024 at 1100 hrs.
iii	Bid Submission Start Date	10/07/2024 at 1000 hrs.
iv	Last date of online e-Tender submission	18/07/2024 up to 1600 hrs.
v	Bid will be opened on	19/07/2024 up to 1600 hrs.
iv	Demonstration from	24/07/2024 at 11.00 hrs.

Sd/-
D.I.G. of Police
(Intelligence) M.P. Bhopal
Tel. No. 0755-2443654
G-12308/24

कार्यालय जिला परिषद, पलामू।
Email:- zilarparishad.palamu@gmail.com
अतिअल्पकालीन ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना।

ई- संख्या- DOPR/CEO/ZP/Palamu 11/2023-24 (Retender 2nd Call)

- विज्ञापन दाता का नाम :- उप विकास आयुक्त-सह- मुख्य कार्यपालक पदाधिकारी, जिला परिषद, पलामू।
- Website पर निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि :- दिनांक 27.06.2024 (पूर्वाह्न 10:00 बजे)
- ई-निविदा प्राप्त करने की तिथि :- दिनांक 27.06.2024 (पूर्वाह्न 10:00 बजे) से दिनांक 03.07.2024 (अपरान्ह 5:00 बजे तक)
- निविदा खोलने की तिथि एवं समय :- दिनांक 05.07.2024 (पूर्वाह्न 11:00 बजे)
- निविदा खोलने का स्थान :- कार्यालय जिला परिषद, पलामू।
- कार्य की विस्तृत विवरणी :-

शुप संख्या	प्रखण्ड	पंचायत	योजना का नाम	प्राकलित राशि	अग्रघन की राशि	परिमाण विपन्न का मूल्य	कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि	एनओआईटी/रेफरेंस सं०
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8	उँदारी रोड	लहरबंजारी	पंचायत भवन लहरबंजारी का निर्माण कार्य।	9999900.00	200000.00	10000.00	12 माह	08/2023-24 CEO/ZP/PALAMU

नोट-
1. केवल ई-निविदा ही स्वीकार होगी।
2. निविदा डबल बौड पद्धति से होगी।
3. जिला परिषद, पलामू में द्वितीय अथवा उससे उच्चतर श्रेणी में निर्बंधित संवेदक ही निविदा में भाग ले सकेगी।
4. परिमाण विपन्न की राशि घट बड़ सकती है तदनुसार अग्रघन की राशि देय होगी।
5. निविदा शुल्क एवं अग्रघन की राशि केवल Online Mode द्वारा स्वीकार्य होगी।
6. निविदा शुल्क एवं अग्रघन की राशि का ई-मुगतान जिस खाता से किया जायेगा, उसी खाते में अग्रघन की राशि वापस होगी। अगर खाता को बंद कर दिया जाता है तो उसकी सारी जवाबदेही निविदादाता की होगी।
निविदा की तकनीकी एवं सामान्य शर्तें www.palamu.nic.in एवं कार्यालय जिला परिषद, पलामू के सूचना पट्ट पर देखा जा सकता है। विस्तृत जानकारी के लिए **Website- www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in** पर देखा जा सकता है।

उप विकास आयुक्त-सह-
मुख्य कार्यपालक पदाधिकारी, जिला परिषद, पलामू।
PR 327682 District(24-25)D

Government of Jharkhand
Dr. Ramdayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Ranchi
Department of Scheduled Tribe, Scheduled Caste, Minorities and OBC Welfare Ranchi-834008
Phone No. 0651 -2551824, E-mail:- tri.directorate@gmail.com; dir-triran@gov.in

Ref no. 992 Ranchi, Dated: 25.06.2024
Re-Expression of Interest

Dr. Ramdayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute (TRI), Ranchi invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from interested Universities (all Colleges)/ Department of Universities/ Government Institutes/ Recognized Research Institutes for undertaking a Research Project of TRI, Ranchi during the financial year 2023-24.

Topic: A Study on Dedhujari Language

Interested agencies are hereby requested to submit Expression of Interest (EOI) duly forwarded by Director of the Institutes/ Registrar of Universities/ Head of Departments [applicable to Universities (all Colleges)/Department of Universities only] along with technical EOI giving relevant details of the organization/ Institute/ University necessary for evaluating the competencies on or before **12 July 2024**. The project cost should be all inclusive (inclusive of all requisite statutory taxes, if applicable) and not open ended.

The intending agencies may submit their EOI in sealed envelope on or before the due date. Technical proposal should be sealed in a separate envelope clearly marked in **BOLD A TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FOR "A Study on Dedhujari Language"** mentioned on the top of the envelope. These envelopes are to be addressed to the **Director, Dr. Ramdayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute (TRI), Morabadi, Ranchi-834008**. TRI will not be responsible for delay in transits or damages or loss of proposal document sent by post.

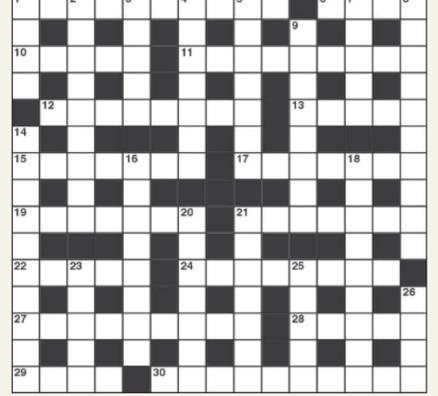
Only those agencies which fulfill technical criteria will be considered for presentation of project.

Terms of Reference (ToR) and other details can be obtained from the office of the TRI on any working day during office hours through the nodal officer (Mr. Vikas Dubey) and the same can also be downloaded from the Institute's website www.trijharkhand.in under tender/notice section.

TRI, Ranchi reserves all rights to accept or reject all or any of the EOI's at any stage without assigning any reasons. TRI, Ranchi also reserves the right to engage/empanel one or more agencies depending on requirements.

PR 327672 (Schedule Tribe, Schedule Caste, Minority and Backward Class Welfare Department) 24-25 (D)
Sd/-
Deputy Director

CROSSWORD 5400



- ACROSS**
- Uriah's mate is terribly unprofessional (10)
 - Pound note remains (4)
 - Restrictions for members in clubs (5)
 - Took the main course but possibly not a sweet (4,2,3)
 - Team not assumed to be of star quality (8)
 - Inter perhaps when lifeless (5)
 - Brings together a thousand donkeys (7)
 - Take a trip? (7)
 - Got down to making a proposal (7)
 - Playthings for unbalanced children (7)
 - They may be held in revulsion (5)
 - Settler in Panama? (8)
 - The paints set before us? (2,3,4)
 - The advantage in having good Latin (5)
 - Sovereign included in the takings (4)
 - One problem resolved about a sailor? Unlikely (10)
- DOWN**
- Eager to behead the king of Israel (4)
 - Detest having a crowd up in to tea perhaps (9)
 - Follow directions and engage in litigation (5)
 - Inexperience produces the wrong answers (7)
 - Records set in tennis matches (7)
 - Religious passage, a tissue of lies (5)
 - A flower will transform these areas (6-4)
 - It may be assumed it's struck theatrically (8)
 - Used by the teacher when correcting papers? (7,3)
 - Vendors possibly nameless (8)
 - Robs banks in order to get a door fitting (5,4)
 - Hold forth on medical reform (7)
 - One who shows rank subservience? (7)
 - Repress it in male offspring (3,2)
 - Article sent up by Robert, a rich man (5)
 - It has no earthly connection with the mainland (4)

Solutions Crossword 5399 Across: 1 Fatigue, 5 Ashes, 8 Limestone, 9 Moe, 10 Oafs, 12 Animated, 14 Essays, 15 Annual, 17 Exposure, 18 Thea, 21 Ass, 22 In the dark, 24 Theme, 25 Release **Down:** 1 Folio, 2 Torn, 3 Gala, 4 Engine, 5 Anthony, 6 Home truth, 7 Scandal, 11 Fishpaste, 13 Ayshire, 14 Elegant, 16 Grater, 19 Ankle, 20 Well, 23 Ada

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis



CALVIN & HOBBS by Bill Watterson



MARVIN by Tom Armstrong



JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given quip. ___ with strings is not ___; It is a deal. - Marya Mannes (10...10) (same word twice)

ERNES
[] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] []

AINNNT
[] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] []

ITIOS
[] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] []

ADGRGY
[] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] [] []

SOLUTION: SNEER, JOIST, TANNING, DRACGY
Answer: Generosity with strings is not generosity; It is a deal. - Marya Mannes

SUDOKU 5603

Difficulty Level 2s
Instructions
To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

		8		4	9	2		5
	5	2		3				
7								
7	1	9		5				
	4			2			5	
				6		9	7	3
								9
					8		6	1
3	7	6	9		5			

SUDOKU 5603

Difficulty Level
1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy; 3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard; 6s = Genius

SOLUTION SUDOKU 5602

1	3	6	9	5	2	4	8	7
8	7	5	4	6	1	9	2	3
4	9	2	3	8	7	6	5	1
3	4	8	2	7	9	1	6	5
6	2	1	5	4	8	3	7	9
9	5	7	6	1	3	8	4	2
2	8	9	7	3	6	5	1	4
5	6	3	1	2	4	7	9	8
7	1	4	8	9	5	2	3	6

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male named **Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown was found dead on 19.06.2024 Near Geeta Ghat Part, Rain Basera, Delhi.** In this regard DD No. 44 A, dated 19.06.2024 has been lodged at Police Station, Civil Lines, Delhi. Photo is not clear. The dead body has been preserved in Sabzi Mandi Mortuary for identified. Identification of unidentified dead body of male is as under:
Name: Unknown, Age: About 50 Years, Height: 5'7", Complexion: Shallow, Built: Medium, Face: Oval, Wearing: Chocolate Colour Pant.
If anyone have any information or clue about this male deceased may kindly be inform undersigned.

SHO
P.S. Hazrat Nizamuddin, Delhi
Ph. No.: 011-24355758, 8750870929

DP/7939/N/2024

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Age: Approx 60-65 years, Height: 165 cms", Complexion: Shallow, was wearing Check Shirt and Grey colour Lower, was found at Mathura Road in front of Valmiki Mandir, Jangpura, Bhogal, New Delhi at 11:56 Hrs.** In this regard a **DD No. 28A, dated 19.06.2024, has been lodged at P.S. Hazrat Nizamuddin, Delhi.**
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. Hazrat Nizamuddin, Delhi
Ph. No.: 011-24355758, 8750870929

DP/8112/SE/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.
Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Sonu Singh S/o Ranjeet Singh R/o H. No.-B 1/62, Vishnu Garden Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 589/2021, U/s 188/269 IPC P.S.: Rajouri Garden Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Sonu Singh**, cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Sonu Singh**, has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Sonu Singh**, accused of **FIR No. 589/2021, U/s 188/269 IPC P.S.: Rajouri Garden Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **16.08.2024.**

By Order
Sh. Shashank Nandan Bhatt
LD. MM Court Room No.356
Tis Hazari Court Delhi

DP/8061/WD/2024
(Court Matter)

SEARCH FOR MISSING

General Public is hereby informed that one Boy (depicted in the photo) namely **PRINCE S/o Raghvendra R/o A-197, Gali No.-3, Saket Block, Mandawali, Delhi, Age-13 Years** has been reported missing since 18.06.2024, 11.00 AM from his Residence vide **FIR No. 333/24 Dated 19.06.2024** registered at **Police Station Mandawali, Delhi-110092.** His physical description is as under:
Complexion: Shallow, Height: 4' Face: Long, Eyes: Brown, Build: Thin, Hair: Small, Clothing: Black Colour T-Shirt, Black Colour Lower and Red Colour Slipper in feet.
Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing boy but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing boy, please inform to the following.

SHO,
Police Station Mandawali, Delhi,
Ph.: 8750870628

Website : <http://cbi.nic.in> Police Station Mandawali, Delhi, DP/8083/ED/2024

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that one unidentified dead body of male **Namely: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: 50-55 years, Height: 5'5", Complexion: Wheatish, Built: Thin, Face: Round, Wearing: White colour Shirts and Grey colour pant and bare footed, who was found in unconscious in Shashri Park, Asaf Ali Road and he was admitted in Lok Nayak Hospital where doctor declared brought dead.** In this regard a case **FIR/DD No. 68-A dt. 10.06.2024** has been registered at **PS: Kamlia Market, Delhi.**
Any person having any information or clue about the above deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

Sd/- SHO
P.S: Kamlia Market, Delhi
Ph. 011-23230623, 23233743

DP/8100/CD/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF PERSONS ACCUSED

(See Section 82 Cr. PC)
Whereas complaint has been made before me that two accused persons namely (1) **Nakul Yadav** (2) **Wakil Yadav S/o Ram Dhani R/o C-2/850/851/852, Sector-27, Rohini, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 352/2014 at PS: Sahabad Dairy, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused (1) **Nakul Yadav** (2) **Wakil Yadav** can not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused (1) **Nakul Yadav** (2) **Wakil Yadav** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused (1) **Nakul Yadav** (2) **Wakil Yadav** of **FIR No. 352/2014 IPC of PS: Sahabad Dairy, Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before **31.07.2024.**

By order
Sarthak Panwar
Metropolitan Magistrate-05
North, Room No.114, First Floor
Rohini Courts, Delhi

DP/7761/ON/2024

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

The general public is hereby informed that an unidentified person about **40-45 years** of age whose name: unknown, residence, and family is unknown has found dead at near **Chameliyan Road, opposite Rain Basera, Sadar Bazar, Delhi on 19/06/2024.** In this regard, an information has been registered vide **DD No: 18A, dated: 19.06.2024 at PS Sadar Bazar, 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: 40-45 years, Height: 5'5", Complexion: Shallow, Built: Medium, Face: long, Wearing: light colour Khakhi Pant.** The dead body has been preserved at Sabji Mandi Mortuary, for 72 hours. If any one has any information about his relatives, kindly inform the SHO/ PS Sadar Bazar, Delhi.

SHO
PS, Sadar Bazar, Delhi,
Ph.: 011-23512412, 8750870124

DP/7844/N/2024

SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that a female namely **Saloni, W/o Vikram Pal, R/o C-377, New Seemapuri, Delhi** has been missing since **15.06.2024 at 09:30AM from B-638, New Seemapuri, Delhi.** In this regard **DD No. 005A, Dated 16.06.2024** has been lodged at Police Station Seemapuri, Delhi. The description of missing female is as under:
Name: Saloni, Age: 36 Years, Height: 5'4", Complexion: Fair, Face: Round, Built: Medium, ID Mark: Mole on Right Cheek, Wearing: Green Colour Suit & Salwar and Slippers in feet.
If anyone has any information about this missing female please inform P.S. Seemapuri, Delhi.

SHO
Police Station Seemapuri, Delhi
Ph: 8130436430, 7065036030

Web: <http://cbi.nic.in>, E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Ph.: 011-24368638/24368641, Fax: 011-24368639

DP/7773/SHD/2024

SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL

General public is hereby informed that this girl namely **Sujata D/o Ramesh Kendera R/o H. No. 33, Kendera Basti Village Bakner, Narela, Delhi Age : 24 years, Height : 5', Built: Medium, Face: Long, Complexion : Fair, wearing pink colour suit and green colour chappal in feet** has been missing from her house since 18.06.2024. In this regard a DD No. 90A dated 18.06.2024 has been lodged at P.S. Narela, Delhi.
Any person having any information or clue about this missing girl may kindly inform to the following.

SHO : P.S. Narela, Delhi
Ph. : 011-27280435, 9315759395

E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in
Website : <http://cbi.nic.in>
Fax: 24368639,
Tel.: 24368638/24368641

DP/7906/ON/2024

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: 45-50 years, Height: 5'5", Complexion: Fair, Wearing: Black coloured Lining T-shirt, Brown coloured lower and Barefoot, was found dead on 19.06.2024 at 06:30 PM from Patri in front Mahila Park, Chandni Chowk, Delhi.** In this regard a **DD No.92A, dated 19.06.2024** has been lodged at P.S. Kotwali, Delhi.
If any one having any clue about deceased male may kindly inform the undersigned and contact on following numbers.

SHO
P.S. Kotwali, Delhi
Ph.: 011-23977100, 23921740
Mob.: 8750870121

DP/7914/N/2024

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: 40-45 years, Height: 5'5", Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Red-Blue colored T-shirt and Brown coloured pant, was found unconscious on 19.06.2024 at 10:30 AM from Gate No.4, Near Mortuary LBS Hospital & admitted in LBS Hospital by Emergency Housekeeping Staff vide MLC No.4279/24, during the treatment Doctors declared him brought dead.** In this regard a **DD No.38A dated 19.06.2024** has been lodged at P.S. Kalyan Puri, Delhi.
If any one having any clue about deceased male may kindly inform the undersigned and contact on following numbers.

SHO
P.S. Kalyan Puri, Delhi.
Ph. No.: 011-22772287, 22772251

DP/8066/ED/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

See Section 82 Cr. P.C.
Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Manjay Kumar Singh S/o Virender Singh R/o E-64, Block P-Extn. Gali No. 4, near Govt. Dispensary, Mohan Garden, Uttam Nagar, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 343/2017 U/s 33/58 Ex. Act, P.S. Dwarka North, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Manjay Kumar Singh** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Manjay Kumar Singh** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Manjay Kumar Singh** of case **FIR No. 343/2017 U/s 33/58 Ex. Act, P.S. Dwarka North, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **22.08.2024.**

By Order
Ms. Neetika Kapoor
Metropolitan Magistrate-06
Room No. 514, 5th Floor
Dwarka District Courts,
New Delhi

DP/7985/DW/2024(Court Matter)

19 SPORT

TODAY'S GAMES
EUROS: Slovakia vs Romania, Ukraine vs Belgium, 9.30 pm; Czech Republic vs Turkey, Georgia vs Portugal, 12.30am (THU)
 Live on: Sony Sports & Sony LIV

DRAMA-BALL

Oscar for playacting goes to Gulbadin Naib...

The Super 8 match, a virtual knock-out, between Afghanistan and Bangladesh transcended beyond a game of cricket and entered the realm of supreme entertainment. Right from the moment Rahmanullah Gurbaz put in a full-length dive off the first ball of the night at Arnos Vale Ground in St Vincent, just to complete a single, this match had elements of a classic.

AFGHANISTAN INNINGS

OVER 15.4
CRAZIEST SINGLE



Gurbaz, Omarzai at same end.

How much are you willing to work for a single? Rahamunullah Gurbaz tapped the ball to backward point and set off, then stopped halfway to turn back. But at this point, Azmatullah Omarzai also decided to keep going and both batters ended up running together towards the striker's end. Rishad Hossain, however, missed the direct hit, and then both batters start to run - together, once more - towards the non-striker's. Eventually, Omarzai stayed behind while Gurbaz ran through to complete a single.

OVER 19.3

RASHID'S POLLARD MOMENT

We can't be 100% certain if Australia pacer Mitch Starc and England's assistant coach Kieron Pollard were watching this match, but if they were, they'd have made a trip down memory lane to May 2014 when the MI star got so angry that he wanted to throw the bat at the RCB man, before it eventually slipped out of his hand. Here, however, it was the Afghanistan captain doing so at his own teammate. After a helicopter shot failed to take off, Rashid was trying to scamper back for a second run to retain strike off the last ball. But Karim Janat wasn't keen. Rashid lost his temper midway down the pitch and threw his bat at his partner in anger, before returning back. "I have never seen that before in any cricket!" came the booming voice of Ian Smith on air, the man who somehow finds himself describing some of the craziest moments in ICC events.

BANGLADESH INNINGS

OVER 7.6

THE TROTT ROLLERCOASTER

At the end of the 8th over in Bangladesh's run-chase, the usually calm Jonathan Trott lost his cool in the Afghanistan dugout. Nabi's over went for 12 runs as the Tigers showed glimpses of intent to chase it down in 12.1 overs. And head coach Trott kicked at something in disgust before entering the dressing room in apparent anger as Afghanistan were in trouble. It wouldn't be the last time we saw Trott wearing his heart on his sleeve. He would stoically watch the ebbs and flows, sink to the ground as a ball sped away to a boundary, and later in the night he would be, after some dramatic moments, hoisted by his fans.

OVER 11.4

NAIB'S HALL OF FAME MOMENT



Naib pulls his hamstring at slip

The DLS par score was 83 and Bangladesh were 81/6 as the rain started to get heavier. Trott realised what was up. "Slow it down, slow it down!" he yelled. Gulbadin Naib got the message, and perhaps for the first time in history, a cricketer went down with cramps while stationary at first slip. Eventually, Naib's little playacting didn't actually matter because the rain got heavy enough for the players to walk off, but wasn't heavy enough to cause a washout. Spirit of Cricket debate kicked started. Simon Doull wasn't pleased on air. R Ashwin tweeted "red card for Gulbadin". Of course, when play resumed, Naib came back to field after a short while, bowled a couple of overs, and picked up a crucial wicket too. And when Naveen picked up the last wicket, he joined his teammates in sprinting around the field.

— VINAYAKK MOHANARANGAN

I think the semi-final is going to be a massive, massive inspiration for the youngsters back home in Afghanistan.

RASHID KHAN, AFGHANISTAN CAPTAIN

Afghanistan's mass heroes

Bowlers, fronted by Rashid, script a dramatic win over Bangladesh to book team's first-ever ICC World Cup semifinal spot

VENKATA KRISHNA B
 JUNE 25

AS FAST bowler Naveen-ul-Haq trapped Mustafizur Rahman plumb in front, Rashid Khan sank to his knees in relief and joy. Gulbadin Naib offered *sajdaa*. Their head coach Jonathan Trott and bowling coach Dwayne Bravo embraced near the ropes.

In the stands in Kingstown the locals danced as if victory was theirs. After a four-and-a-half-hour edge-of-seat slug fest, Afghanistan pulled off a thrilling 8-run win (DLS) over Bangladesh to enter their first semifinal of a major ICC tournament.

History was written right to left in Dari and Pashto on cricket's tapestry in Afghan sweat, tears and pearls of laughter for those watching it unfold. Australians who weren't at the scene, will stay unseen, evicted from the T20 World by the Afghans. Afghanistan will back themselves to beat South Africa in the semis.

It was during the 2010 T20 World Cup in the Caribbean that Afghanistan made its entry onto the world stage. With tall fast bowlers sporting war paint bringing out theatrical celebrations, and players emerging out of refugee camps in Pakistan. Even as they kept producing magical wrist-spinners after wrist-spinners, their struggles off the field have been the most sought after tale. But 14 years later, it is their skills and fighting spirit that would be the talk of the cricketing world.

"It's a dream for us to be in the semi-finals. The way we started the tournament, the belief came when we beat New Zealand. It's unbelievable. We thought 130-135 was a good score but we fell 15 runs short. We knew they would come hard at us and we knew that is what we could take advantage of. We wanted to make people back home happy, that was the discussion we had and everyone did a wonderful job," Rashid, the captain, said.

Thanks to Australia's defeat at the hands of India earlier in the day, Afghanistan knew they could cap off a historic night. A win against Bangladesh is all that they needed. But still, the magnitude of what awaited Afghanistan should they cross over the line, clearly seemed to weigh them down especially when they won the toss and batted first. On these pitches, unless batsmen get closer to the pitch of the ball, the big hits have been hard to pull-off. And the Bangladesh attack kept dragging back the length as Afghanistan's batsmen kept swinging and missing. Out of the 120 balls they faced, there were 66 dot balls, that's 11 full overs.

In the first 10 overs alone, openers Rahmanullah Gurbaz and Ibrahim Zadran consumed 30 dot balls. Time and again they went for the cross-batted shots that weren't apt for this surface.

But the good thing was, they had wickets in hand to step on the gas. However, the loss of Azmatullah Omarzai, Gulbadin and Gurbaz in the space of three overs would peg them back before Rashid Khan's cameo gave them something to bowl at.

For Bangladesh to make the semifinals, they had to overhaul the target in 12.1 overs. The powerplay fetched them 46 runs for the loss of three wickets. Litton Das dropped anchor at one end but what added to their woes was none of the other batsmen unshackled. Litton finished unbeaten on 54 from 49 balls, Towhid Hridoy's 14 the next best.

Like his cameo with the bat, the 11th over bowled by Rashid proved to be the game-changer. With 37 needed off 13 deliveries to qualify, Rashid brought himself on. For Bangladesh this was a make-or-break moment



People in Khost province celebrating Afghanistan's semifinal berth. ACBofficial/X

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and by the end of that over, where Rashid dismissed Mahmudullah and Rishad Hossain off successive deliveries, Afghanistan sniffed a win.

Twists and turns

As the rain picked up and DLS came into play, there were theatrics also with Gulbadin suddenly going down in a heap at first slip, as Trott signalled to slow things down. A short rain-break later, there were more twists in the middle. With Bangladesh seven down, Afghanistan dripped up the boundaries as the run-rate, which was over 7 an over came down to 3.40 between the 11-15 overs. Still with Litton in the middle, Bangladesh were getting closer in singles and twos. Afghanistan needed

wickets. With Tanzim Hasan Sakib and Litton playing out the spinners, Rashid brought on Gulbadin, who had bowled them to victory against Australia.

And here trotting away as if nothing had happened a few minutes back, off his second delivery of the night, he made Tanzim go for a horizontal-bat shot and the resultant top-edge found Mohammad Nabi at cover to push Bangladesh to 8 wickets down.

With 12 needed off as many deliveries, Naveen returned to bowl the most important over in Afghanistan's history as the drizzle was picking up pace. After conceding three runs off the first three balls, he bowled a slower one that Taskin Ahmed managed to drag back onto the stumps. Off his next, Naveen was straight as an arrow to pin Mustafizur plumb in front as Afghanistan made it to the last four.

BRIEF SCORES: Afghanistan 115-5 in 20 overs (Rahmanullah Gurbaz 43; Rishad Hossain 3/26) bt Bangladesh 105 all out in 17.5 overs (Litton Das 54; Rashid Khan 4/23) by 8 runs (DLS method)

From Delhi's mini Kabul to Kandahar, new belief

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AFTER REACHING their first ICC semifinal and merrily dumping Australia out of the T20 World while at it, Afghanistan captain Rashid Khan posted a photo with the Sholay banger "ye dosti hum nahi todenge."

India's win over Australia on Monday opened the door for Afghanistan and they kicked it down in a rain-affected match. If it was India captain Rohit Sharma, who bludgeoned 92 off 41 balls to lead India to a 24-run win over Australia in St. Lucia, a day later at St Vincent, it was Rashid, who led from the front with his all-round brilliance.

"I don't have words. We are in the semifinals. We are among the top four teams in the world. It is something very special not only to the cricketers but for this whole country as well." Wakil Ahmad, a final year engineering student at Lucknow University, tells *The Indian Express*.

"The best thing that has happened with this is that Australia has been knocked out. They don't want to play cricket with us because of the decisions of the Taliban regime for not allowing women's teams to play. But they must understand, the only thing Taliban promote in Afghanistan is cricket and you never know if Australia will play with us, with time, they will let our girls play as well," he adds.

In Delhi's mini Kabul, Bhogal, Haseebullah Siddiqi, a childhood friend of Afghanistan opener Rahmanullah Gurbaz, can't wait to welcome his friend and team, when they come to India to play three ODIs and three T20Is against Bangladesh in Greater Noida, starting from July 25.

"Gurbaz has been the difference, isn't he? We always had good bowlers but my friend with his bat is making all the difference," says Haseebullah. He adds: "I was so happy with the way he batted against Australia."

Afghanistan assistant coach Raees Ahmadzai, who has played 5 ODIs and 8 T20Is for his country credited Afghanistan's success story to India and Indian Premier League (IPL).

'Not a fluke'

"It is not a fluke. We deserve to be in the top four. This is not a gift from anyone, we have earned it. We worked hard, we performed well, we executed our plans," Ahmadzai tells *The Indian Express*.

"To be honest, one thing that has helped Afghanistan cricket grow is the leagues around the world, especially the IPL. Playing in the IPL has given us immense confidence. Our bowlers getting the wicket of top batters of the world, our batters hammering sixes off world's best bowlers in the IPL has given them the self-belief that they can replicate that same thing for their country as well," he explains.

Out of the eleven that played against Bangladesh, eight cricketers have IPL contracts, including their captain Rashid Khan (Gujarat Titans), their veteran Mohammad Nabi (Mumbai Indians), team's run-scorer Rahmanullah Gurbaz (Kolkata Knight Riders), tournament leading wicket-taker Fazalhaq Farooqi (Sunrisers Hyderabad), player of the match against Bangladesh



Afghanistan will count themselves favourites against South Africa in the semifinal. AP

Naveen-ul-Haq (Lucknow Super Giants).

Ahmadzai says Afghan cricketers have indeed benefitted from the money that comes with the IPL but them playing in the top league has given kids across the country hope. "We Afghans don't think about money or the luxurious life. We never think about any of those things. People say that IPL is easy money, but is it? No one will pay you if you don't have talent. Our boys have that required skillset, which has forced the franchise owners to invest in them. It is a good message to all the kids in our country to dream big. The numbers in the academies in our country have increased massively after the way we performed in the 2023 ODI World Cup," he says.

Rashid Khan in his post-match presentation has said how the win against New Zealand in the group stage gave the side self-belief. Raees Ahmadzai shares his conversation with the Afghanistan captain after they qualified for the Super Eight stage.

In the last two games, Rashid, who generally looks like a very calm personality on the field was seen animated. Against Australia, he hurled a mouthful to his clone Noor Ahmad after he misfielded. Against Bangladesh, he literally threw the bat on Karim Janat in disgust after his partner refused to run the two and shouted at Gulbadin Naib after he faked his hamstring injury. Then there was the animated chat with Naveen-ul-Haq before he trapped Mustafizur Rahman.

'Rashid is like Sachin'

"He will never compromise on cricket. He absolutely hates mediocrity. He has brought that professionalism to our cricket, which was missing. The expectations from Rashid is massive. He is like Sachin to the Afghans. Every time he steps into the ground, people will expect him to win matches on his own," Ahmadzai says.

Ahmadzai also tips his hat off to Englishmen Jonathan Trott, who according to him has instilled that winning mentality.

In Kandahar, Rahmatullah Sherzad, a local cricket commentator explains what this victory means for the country.

"I can see kids, who can hardly afford food for two times, celebrating and dancing on the streets. I have literally tears in my eyes. I can't remember when was the last time people of this country had so much joy," he says.

DREAMER & DOER

Rashid: Talisman, inspirational leader and messenger of hope

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AFGHANISTAN'S MASTER of disguise Rashid Khan has taken too many guises in this T20 World Cup. He has been a talisman, inspirational leader, messenger of hope, voice of his nation and the googly-whipping spellcaster. Rashid defines his country's cricketing ethos and is the driver of this World Cup's dream run. His four-wicket spell against Bangladesh and his 14 wickets in the tournament gave his team a historic entry into the World T20 semi-final. He has scored runs too. Rashid's 10-ball 19 balls were worth its weight in gold. Till a month back, it didn't seem Rashid would play a pivotal role in Afghanistan's historic march.

Rashid struggled in this season's IPL. He struggled for rhythm, snared only 12 wickets in 10 games, bled 8.40 runs an over. But he didn't panic. Even if the wickets were not coming, he knew he was rediscovering his tunes. He could feel the energy in his fingers. "I know I am bowling well when I feel the energy in my fingers," he tells *The Indian Express*. His almond eyes gleam with a mystical shine when he talks about his biggest gift. "I happen to have strong fingers," he almost whispers, "Gift of nature," he re-emphasizes.

When he doesn't get the flow of energy in his fingers, he feels like someone else. "It is something that matters to me more than the



Rashid Khan (L) and Gulbadin Naib after the eight-run win over Bangladesh. PTT

numbers on the board. I get a feeling that it's not me, it's some other person because it is not coming out of my hand as I want it to, even if I had delivered the goods," he explains.

This World Cup, the ball has come out of his hands the exact way he wants it. He demolished Bangladesh with his staple wrong'uns; he kept Australia guessing with a cocktail of wrong'uns and top-spinner; he traded all three wickets against India with his leg breaks. You watch him bowl and you realise why he treasures his fingers more than most leg-spinners. "My grip is in the tips

of the fingers. It gives me more pace, control and the ball snaps out from the top of my fingers. It's the reason I am different from other leg-spinners."

Rashid is an antithesis. He does the opposite. He bowls both the leg-break and wrong one from the back of his hand. It means the release points are the same and the batsmen can't decode the variation by watching his wrists alone. His wrong ones are quicker than the leg-breaks and they also turn more.

Rashid's bowling has a striking influence of his idol Shahid Afridi. He holds the ball on

the tip of the first three fingers. The index finger, wrapped beside the seam, and middle finger, placed just above the seam like a molar, and the thumb acting like a backrest. The gap between the index and middle fingers is massive, more like an off-spinner.

Unlike the conventional legspinners, the ball rests mostly on his fingers rather than the inside of the palm. "It came naturally and then you try your best to practise on it and get better and better when I was a kid. Later I found it was unique, that you are opposite to all the leg-spinners who are traditional. But I realized I need to make it better and better," he says.

The first resort was the wrong one, now his most dreaded weapon. Paradoxically, his first experiments with it involved a lot of wrists into the release. "But I had little control and used to get hit. I realised I was using more of my wrists. So I tried bowling the wrong-un with the same leg-spin grip. And I worked really hard on it. Practise, practise and a lot of spot bowling, before I perfected it," he says.

Three subtler variations

Now, he flaunts three subtler variations of the googly. The staple one that's used most frequently, then the one delivered from a higher release point "so that there is more bounce" and the one that he releases from the back of the middle finger, which is slower than the other two and breaks more. He has a flipper as well, and a rarely-used seam-up ball that's released from the side of the hand.

Weave in his masterful change of pace, and he becomes an unhittable dimension. Around 50 per cent of his deliveries clock less than 85 kph; then nearly 30 per cent nudge in excess of 95 kph. Few spinners operate at such an extreme bandwidth. It makes him difficult to premeditate or uncork the horizontal bat shots. Most end up playing him straight. His economy rate of 6.45 from a gargantuan haul of 419 matches attests to this. He again credits his fingers and shrugs it off as natural.

Helping him gather the momentum into the crease is his brisk run-up. "If my run-up is not quick, I won't be able to get the ball coming out as fast. It gives me momentum through the crease with more energy on the delivery," he says.

But the enduring effectiveness of his bowling, he says, is his unflagging control. "Keep bowling an area again and again, make batsmen think what I should do. For me, it's bowling in one area consistently and mixing it up. That makes batsmen more careful and me more effective. The more consistent I am with my line and length, I think the more effective I am in the longer run."

Simple self-assessment but more complex he turns out to be for batsmen. But it's not just the craft that makes the man, but the energy, joie de vivre, the raw intensity and the sheer determination to expend the last drop of his sweat for the team's cause. And his eyes say it all.

What is the equation for Belgium to qualify?

FINELY POISED would be an understatement to describe the state of play in Group E at Euro 2024.

On Wednesday, Belgium take on Ukraine while Slovakia face Romania in simultaneous kickoffs, with all four teams on three points each after two games.

Only goal difference separates top to bottom going into the final set of matches.

Romania are currently top of the standings. World No 3 Belgium are second as they got their campaign up and running with a 2-0 win against Romania after being shocked by Slovakia.

Ukraine suffered a 3-0 defeat to Romania in their opener, but responded by beating Slovakia 2-1.

■ If both match witness outright winners, those two teams progress.

■ If both matches end in a draw, Romania and Belgium will qualify but the order will depend on how many goals were scored in the drawn matches.

■ If the two draws have the same scoreline, then the current order will be maintained.

■ It gets a lot more complicated if the draws are with different scorelines. Kevin de Bruyne and Co will finish in the top two and reach round of 16 if they avoid defeat against Ukraine. But they will exit if they lose and Romania avoid defeat.

■ Similarly, Romania will be through to the round of 16 if they avoid a draw, or win against Slovakia. If they lose and Ukraine avoid defeat, Romania will be out.

■ For Slovakia, the equation is to avoid defeat by Romania and they will be through to the round of 16 at least as a best third-placed team.

■ Ukraine will qualify in the top two if they beat Belgium, or as a best third-placed team if they draw and the other game has a winner. Ukraine will finish bottom if they lose and Slovakia avoid defeat, or if both games are drawn.

ENS

GROUP E	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Romania 2	1	0	1	1	1	3
Belgium 2	1	0	1	1	3	3
Slovakia 2	1	0	1	0	3	3
Ukraine 2	1	0	1	-2	3	3

Lion in winter

Luka Modric's glorious international career may have ended in cruellest fashion

SCORELINE	
Croatia	Italy
1	1
Modric 55'	Zaccagni 90+8'

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JUNE 25

ONE OF the more poignant moments on a night full of moving scenes came not on the football field but in a cramped room inside Leipzig's Red Bull Arena.

An Italian journalist took the mic and made more of a request to Luka Modric rather than asking him a question in the post-match press conference. "I'd like to ask you," he began, "to never retire from your playing career because you are one of the finest players I have ever commented on, thank you." His eyes still red from crying after Croatia drew with Italy, a result that all but knocks them out of Euros, Modric at last smiled. He winked at the journalist and replied: "I'd also like to keep playing forever but there probably will come a time when I have to hang up my boots..."

If that time is now, if this is the last time we see Modric in the famous chequered Croatia shirt, there wouldn't be a more heart-breaking farewell.

Like they have done in tournament football for the last six years, Croatia were coming out on top in a scrappy, stuttering tie. Neither they nor Italy had been particularly good in the group stage finale. But Modric—who else—had been the difference between the two sides.

Croatia had to win this one to progress out of the group, after being outclassed by Spain and frustrated by Albania. Briefly, when Modric saw his tired-looking penalty saved by Gianluigi Donnarumma in a game of few chances, the writing seemed on the wall. But instead of wallowing in self-pity and losing focus, Modric did what Modric does—staying alert and staying in the right position.

He asked for the ball when Josip Stanisic marched forward to launch another Croatian attack. Sprinted inside the box when he saw the pass being played wide towards Luka Susic, sensing a cross might be swung in. His reading was spot on, but the cross found Ante



Luka Modric, 38, may not return in a Croatia shirt after Tuesday's loss. Reuters

Budimir in front of Modric. Donnarumma saved Budimir's first shot. The Italian goalkeeper tried to catch the loose ball. But there he was—Modric ready to pounce on the rebound, turning and wrapping his left boot around the ball to put it past Donnarumma.

1-0, Croatia. If it remained like that, the perennial overachievers would once again sneak out of the group and jeopardise Italy's chances. Modric sprinted to the corner and collapsed to the ground, his teammates piling on top of him. Beneath that mountain, the goal scorer buried his face in his hands, hiding his tears; relieved that he had made it right seconds after missing the penalty half-a-minute ago. Then again, what's 30-something seconds compared to 18-plus years? That's how long Modric has been rescuing Croatia. That's how long he's been defying age with his untiring, relentless scheming in an international career that's older than some of the tournament's breakout stars.

The goal made Modric the oldest scorer at Euros at 38 years and 289 days. And at that

moment, it also felt like it would put him—and Croatia—on course for another fairytale.

Like the one at the 2018 World Cup, where Modric inspired Croatia to the final—the closest the tiny country of 38.6 lakh people has come to lifting the trophy. Modric's elegant ways of running the game—relying more on sensibilities, escaping tackles, passing and dribbling—saw Croatia reach the semifinal of the 2022 World Cup, a feat as improbable as them reaching the final four years earlier, and then the final of the 2023 UEFA Nations Cup.

Indeed, none of this translated into a trophy. But that doesn't mean Modric won't be counted among football's immortals. In the decade of complete dominance by two individuals, Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo, only Modric stood up to them gracefully and consistently. Those Croatian sides never got tired. They'd keep coming at you, outrun you and fight for the scraps. Never pretty, but always effective. And that is the big difference between then and now. Zlatko Dalic, who has overseen this golden era from the touchline, went with the same midfield of Modric, Mateo Kovacic and Marcelo Brozovic in the three group-stage matches. All three of them are in their 30s, and though Kovacic and Brozovic are much younger than Modric, they couldn't play two full matches in a row. Kovacic was subbed off in the 70th minute. A top-class ball carrier and a beautiful passer, the void he left was immediately felt as Croatia began to lose control of the midfield. And when Modric was substituted in the 81st minute, it felt like Croatia were happy to hold on to the slender lead they had.

The change in mindset allowed Italy, poor in almost all areas until then, to impose themselves for the first time in the match. And with his team's fate no longer in his control, Modric began biting his t-shirt in the dugout, anxiously waiting for the final whistle to blow.

The referee had already glanced at his watch when Riccardo Calafiori slalommed down the midfield, dragging Croatian midfielders towards him and opening up space for Mattia Zaccagni on the left. Calafiori slipped a pass towards his teammate, who cut into the box, dropped a shoulder and curled a stunning shot into the top right corner.

Like the goal he scored, Modric broke down after Zaccagni's goal too.

"I don't know what to tell you," Modric would later say "Football sometimes is cruel."

It indeed is, especially if a glorious international career ends in such cruellest ways.

Austria stun Netherlands to top group, France second

SCORELINE	
Netherlands	Austria
2	3
Gakpo 47'	Malen 6'
Depay 75'	Schmid 59'
	Sabitzer 80'

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BERLIN, JUNE 25

MARCEL SABITZER scored late for Austria to advance to the knockout stage of the European Championship as group winner with a 3-2 victory over the Netherlands on Tuesday. Austria topped Group D thanks to France drawing with Poland 1-1 in the other game. Both France and the Netherlands were already assured of progress thanks to results in other games.

The Austrians had needed a point to be sure of advancing and got off to a great start with Dutch forward Donyell Malen scoring an own goal in the sixth minute.

First-half substitute Xavi Simons set up Cody Gakpo to equalize two minutes after the break, but Romano Schmid headed Austria back in front in the 59th. Memphis Depay equalized with a brilliant finish in the 75th, though he had to endure a VAR check as referee Ivan Kruzliak felt he handled the ball. The check found Depay hadn't.

But Sabitzer restored Austria's lead two minutes later with a fierce strike from a difficult angle. It proved to be the winner despite a frenetic finale with chances at both ends. Netherlands coach Ronald Koeman made three changes to the team that drew against France. He had criticized Simons for not pressing enough in that match and subsequently dropped the young player in favor of Joey Veerman in midfield. Lutsharel Geertruida started for Denzel Dumfries at right-back, and Malen started in place of Jeremie Frimpong, who plays as a wing back for Bayer Leverkusen. But Koeman's team made a lethal start in contrast to the busy Austrians, who scored when Malen turned Alexander Prass' cross inside the left post.

Tijani Reijnders and Malen both missed good chances to equalize. Koeman berated his charges and told his substitutes to warm up. He sent Simons on for Veerman in the 35th. Simons' entrance gave the Dutch more urgency. Depay saw a header cleared off the



Marcel Sabitzer was on target with a late winner on Tuesday. Reuters

line before the break, and Simons set up Gakpo after Florian Grillitsch lost the ball in midfield. Koeman's side maintained its pressure and looked more likely to score until Grillitsch crossed for Schmid to head Austria back in front with his first international goal. Ultimately, the Austrians were more clinical.

France looking uninspired

Kylian Mbappé scored from the penalty spot on his return after breaking his nose before France conceded a spot kick by Robert Lewandowski in a 1-1 draw with Poland at the European Championship on Tuesday.

Mbappé removed his protective mask to celebrate in front of France's fans after converting his 56th-minute penalty for his first goal at a European Championship.

It wasn't enough to secure his team first place in Group D at Euro 2024, though. Lewandowski had his penalty saved in the 77th minute by France goalkeeper Mike Maignan, who was adjudged to have come off his line. The Poland striker found the bottom corner with his second attempt.

France finished as runner-up to Austria in the group and will play the runner-up in Group E, which could be Belgium, Romania, Slovakia or Ukraine, in the last 16 on July.

France has yet to score an open-play goal at Euro 2024, having beaten Austria 1-0 on an own-goal and then drawn 0-0 with the Netherlands—when Mbappé was missing after breaking his nose against the Austrians.

Brazil held to 0-0 draw by Costa Rica in Copa opener

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BRAZIL WAS held to a 0-0 draw by Costa Rica, with the international powerhouse inauspiciously failing to break through in its Copa America opener.

Although Brazil controlled play and out-shot Costa Rica 18-2, the Seleção was held scoreless by a defense led by goalkeeper Patrick Sequeira, who made three saves while recording the team's fourth consecutive clean sheet.

Brazil had an apparent goal by Marquinhos disallowed in the first half after a lengthy VAR check, but the team known for decades of sublime offensive play never got closer to a score—and never got a break on several questionable refereeing calls—in front of a lively crowd of 67,158 dominated by their yellow-clad fans at SoFi Stadium.

The result left Colombia on top of Group D after its 2-1 victory over Paraguay. Brazil has won the Copa America nine times, but its current transitional squad led by Real Madrid stars Vinicius Júnior and Rodrygo got off to a discouraging start.

Brazil coach Dorival Júnior said the result wasn't thoroughly poor, noting his team's wide advantages in possession and chances.

"I believe that in context, it was a well-played game," Dorival said through an interpreter. "We passed the ball well and we created good opportunities. We weren't happy with the finishes, I agree. But in general, I think we presented very positive things. Nowadays it will be like this. We have to find ways and solutions to score. We're always working on it, every moment." The draw was a monumental achievement for Costa Rica, an undermanned CONCACAF team with the youngest roster in the tournament but a reputation for overachievement and sturdy defending led by Sequeira, who plays for Ibiza in Spain's third division.

Costa Rica head coach Gustavo Alfaro, the Argentine veteran leading his first major tournament since his hiring last November, was pleased by his team's tenacity.

"I hope (opponents) start looking at us with respect," Alfaro said through an interpreter. "Everyone thought we were dead before the movie started. We are going to play all the games as if they were the final." Los Ticos had lost nine straight meetings with Brazil, but Alfaro's young group capably handled a night that could have left them starstruck.

"All this is a nice reward for these kids," Alfaro said. "When Vini greeted them, it meant a lot to them. He is someone who plays at the highest level, and for us who are starting out, it was a very big test." Brazil controlled from the start with 75% posses-



Brazil were not able to get a tune out of Vinicius Jr (R), who was subbed off in the 71st minute on Tuesday. USA TODAY

sion in the first half, but couldn't break through.

Vinicius was taken down in the box in the 22nd minute by a big hit from Haxzel Quirós, but got no whistle.

In the 30th minute, Rodrygo went low to head on Raphinha's free kick to Marquinhos, who banged it home at the far post. A 3 1/2-minute VAR review followed, and Mexican referee César Ramos eventually agreed with the assistant's decision to wave it off for offside by a minuscule margin.

In the 39th minute, a kick by Lucas Paquetá appeared to go off the hand of Juan Pablo Vargas in the penalty area, but Ramos made no call.

Paquetá ripped a shot off the post in the 63rd minute. Costa Rica then survived when Quirós nearly headed the ball into his own net before Sequeira smothered it. Sequeira then made a diving save in the 79th minute when Guilherme Arana ripped a shot on net.

Costa Rica survived a few more moments of chaos beginning in the 86th minute, with Rodrygo failing to capitalize on a pair of scoring chances and not getting a foul call against Jayland Mitchell in the box.

Bruno Guimarães then had a clean look at the net in the first minute of injury time, but pushed it just wide.

Dorival said he wants to see more "dirty movement" in Brazil's next match.

"We need to make life easier for whoever has the ball at their feet," the coach said.

Brazil's national team is in a transitional period—particularly without Neymar, who hasn't played since tearing a knee ligament in a match for Brazil last October. Neymar spoke to team Sunday before watching the match at SoFi Stadium, where he got massive cheers in the second half when his worried face appeared on the scoreboard

BRIEFLY

Judo: Maan secures Paris quota

New Delhi: Commonwealth Games silver medalist Tulika Maan on Tuesday secured a Paris Olympics quota for India in judo, according to the international body's list. International Judo Federation (IJF) on Tuesday published a list of judokas who have qualified for the Paris Games and 25-year-old Tulika's name featured in the +78 kg category. The Delhi girl was ranked 36th with 1345 points. The qualification period was between June 22, 2022 and June 23, 2024. "The next step will take place on July 2 when the NOCs will have to nominate which athletes will represent them, knowing that only one judoka per NOC can participate in the Games in each weight category," the IJF said on its website. PTI

Equestrian: Agarwalla gets Olympics nod

New Delhi: Asian Games medallist Anush Agarwalla will represent the country in the dressage event of the Paris Olympics after pipping close contender Shruti Vora on better average, the Equestrian Federation of India (EFI) said on Tuesday. Agarwalla, who bagged gold in team dressage and bronze in individual dressage events at the 2022 Hangzhou Asian Games, was picked ahead of Vora after a careful evaluation of the recent performances of the two contenders. It will be India's first ever entry at the dressage event of the Olympics as largely riders in past editions competed in eventing categories only. Agarwalla (with his horse Sir Caramello Old) has been consistent since the qualification period began last year and achieved Minimum Eligibility Requirement four times, while veteran Vora earned the required two MERs this month. PTI

Co-inventor of DLS, Duckworth, dies at 84

New Delhi: English statistician and one of the inventors of the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern (DLS) method, Frank Duckworth died at the age of 84, according to a report. Duckworth passed away on June 21, according to a report in ESPNcricinfo.com. The Duckworth-Lewis method, devised by Duckworth and fellow statistician Tony Lewis, was introduced to determine results in rain-affected cricket matches. The method was first used in international cricket in 1997 and was formally adopted by the ICC as the standard method for setting revised targets in truncated games in 2001. PTI

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