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Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister, Shri Nitin Gadkari, conferred TIOL Business Legend Award 2025 on Sir Ratan Tata (Posthumous). Award was received by Tata Sons Chairman, Shri N Chandrasekaran.



Hon'ble Nitin Gadkari conferred TIOL Exemplary Businesswoman Award 2025 on Smt Shobhana Bhartia, Chairman & Editorial Director of HT Media. Award was received by Resident Editor, Hindustan Times, Mumbai.



Hon'ble Minister for IT & Digital Services, Dr P Thiaga Rajan, speaking about the contributions of recipients at the event.

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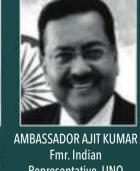


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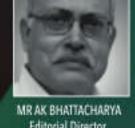


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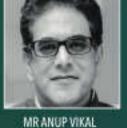
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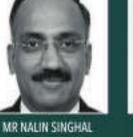


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# THE WORLD

# TEXAS-BASED FIRM'S LAST ATTEMPT WAS PARTIAL SUCCESS PRIVATE LANDER TOUCHES DOWN ON MOON

A privately owned lunar lander touched down near the moon's south pole Thursday, but as the minutes ticked by, flight controllers could not confirm its condition or whether it was even upright. The last time Texas-based Intuitive Machines landed a spacecraft on the moon, it ended up sideways. AP

# TOPOFTHE WORLD



Jimmy Lai in 2020. File

# **HONG KONG** Jimmy Lai completes testimony in security trial

Hong Kong: Hong Kong media tycoon and prodemocracy advocate Jimmy Lai finished testifying in court on Thursday in a landmark national security trial where he stands accused of colluding with foreign forces and sedition. Thursday marked day 144 of the trial against Lai and his 52nd day in the witness box, after which he thanked the judges and waved to his supporters. Lai, 77, founder of the Apple Daily newspaper that was forced to close after a police raid and asset freeze in June 2021, has pleaded not guilty to two charges of conspiracy to collude with foreign forces.

**REUTERS** 

# **THAILAND**

# **Govt: Uyghurs** sent back to avert China 'retaliation'

Bangkok: Thailand's deportation of 40 Uyghurs to China last week was in the Southeast Asian country's best interest due to the possibility of retaliation from Beijing if the group was sent elsewhere, a Thai minister said on Thursday. Thailand's government has repeatedly defended the secretive deportation, which came despite calls from United Nations human rights experts who said the Uyghurs would be at risk of torture, ill-treatment and "irreparable harm" if returned to China "Thailand could face retaliation from China that would impact the livelihoods of many Thais," he said, adding that sending the group to China was the "best option". REUTERS

# **ROMANIA**

# Six detained on suspicion of plotting coup

Bucharest: Six people suspected of colluding with Russia to plot a coup against the Romanian government have been detained, according to police in the European Union and NATO-member country. Romania's anti-organised crime agency, DIICOT, detained all six on Wednesday for forming a criminal group, which was initially set up in 2023 and had links to Russia. Two of them had allegedly travelled to Moscow in January this year, police said. AP

# WASHINGTON IN UNPRECEDENTED TALKS WITH DESIGNATED TERROR ORGANISATION

# 'Hell to pay': Trump warns Hamas as US holds hostage talks with group

**STEVE HOLLAND** & MATT SPETALNICK WASHINGTON, MARCH 6

THE UNITED States broke a longstanding diplomatic taboo by holding secret talks with Hamas on securing the release of U.S. hostages held in Gaza, sources told *Reuters* Wednesday, while President Donald Trump warned of "hell to pay" should the militant group not comply.

U.S. hostage affairs envoy Adam Boehler has the authority to talk directly with Hamas, the White House said when asked about the discussions, which broke with a decades-old policy against negotiating with groups that the U.S. brands as terrorist organisations.

Boehler and Hamas officials met in Doha in recent weeks, two sources briefed on the negotiations said. It was not clear who represented Hamas.

At the White House, Trump met a group of hostages who had been released recently under a Gaza ceasefire deal, and he issued a stark new threat against Hamas in a social media post.

He demanded that Hamas "release all of the hostages now, not later," including the remains of dead hostages, "or it is OVER for you."

"I am sending Israel everything it needs to finish the job, not a single Hamas member will be safe if you don't do as I say," he said. "Also, to the People of Gaza: A beautiful Future awaits.



Protesters demand release of hostages from Hamas captivity, in Tel Aviv on Thursday. AP

but not if you hold Hostages. If you do, you are DEAD! Make a SMART decision. RELEASE THE HOSTAGES NOW, OR THERE WILL BE HELL TO PAY LATER!"

Trump's warning echoed his "hell to pay" threat before his January 20 return to the White House, which was followed by the ceasefire and hostages deal in mid-January that he claimed credit for before then-President Joe Biden left office.

The Palestinian Mujahideen military group in Gaza condemned Trump's warning, saying it demonstrated his administration's intention "to proceed as a partner in the crimes of genocide against our people." Israel has denied accusations of genocide. "Trump's threats today clearly reveal the ugly face of the

United States of America and show its lack of seriousness and its renunciation of the agreement it mediated," the group said. The U.S. had long avoided di-

rect engagement with the Islamist group. The U.S. State Department designated Hamas a terrorist organization in 1997. One of the sources said the

effort includes an attempt to gain the release of Edan Alexander from Tenafly, New Jersey, believed to be the last living American hostage held by Hamas. To date, the U.S. has been dealing with Israel and

Oatari and Egyptian mediators, but without any direct communications between Washington and Hamas.

White House press secretary

Karoline Leavitt told reporters that Boehler "does have the authority" to hold direct talks with Hamas. Prime Minister Benjamin

Netanyahu's office issued a statement saying: "Israel has expressed to the United States its position regarding direct talks with Hamas." Taher Al-Nono, Hamas politi-

cal adviser, told Reuters: "I have no information about meetings with American officials, but any meeting with the American administration is beneficial for the stability of the region." **REUTERS** 

# Trump delays tariffs on most goods from Mexico for a month

Move after talks with Mexican President; Commerce Secy says levies on imports from Canada likely to be postponed

**JOSH BOAK & ROB GILLIES** WASHINGTON, MARCH 6

PRESIDENT DONALD Trump said on Thursday that he would offer a one-month exemption from tariffs for imports from Mexico that trade under the rules of U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement, the trade pact he signed in his first term.

The president wrote on Truth Social that he would give Mexican products an exemption until April 2 from the 25 percent tariffs that he levied on all products from Mexico and most goods from Canada earlier this week. The exemption would cover the vast majority of North American trade and follows days of turmoil in the stock markets.

"After speaking with President Claudia Sheinbaum of Mexico, I have agreed that Mexico will not be required to pay Tariffs on anything that falls under the USMCA Agreement." he wrote.

"Our relationship has been a very good one, and we are working hard, together, on the Border, both in terms of stopping Illegal Aliens from entering the United



The tariff postponement follows days of turmoil in the stock markets. Reuters file

States and, likewise, stopping Fentanyl," he added.

Howard Lutnick, the commerce secretary, made similar comments on Thursday morning, saying that the president would most likely exempt all products that trade under USMCA. Trump's announcement did not describe any ex-

emption for Canadian goods. Stocks nudged higher after Lutnick spoke but remained lower for the day. The change would significantly expand a one-month exception Trump offered vesterday to automakers who import goods under the rules of the pact which fell short of investors' hopes for reprieve.

Both Trump and Lutnick have implied that any relief from tariffs could be short-lived, since the administration is considering another raft of levies next month.

The president has said he will announce "reciprocal" tariffs on April 2, which will raise US tariffs to match the levels set by other countries, while also taking into consideration other practices that affect trade, like taxes and currency.

"My expectation is the president will come to the agreement today, and hopefully we will announce this today, that USMCA compliant goods will not have a tariff for the next month, until April 2," Lutnick said. Mr. Trump signed USMCA in 2020 to replace and revise the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Meanwhile, Trump is preparing to sign an order that would instruct Secretary of Education Linda McMahon to begin dismantling the agency, which he has previously described as "a big con job."

# Putin says any Ukraine peace deal must ensure Russia's security, vows no retreat



Russian **President** Vladimir

**REUTERS** MOSCOW, MARCH 6

RUSSIA WILL seek a peace deal in Ukraine that safeguards its own long-term security and will not retreat from the gains it has made in the conflict, President Vladimir Putin said on Thursday in comments to relatives of soldiers killed there.

Putin also took an indirect swipe at French President Emmanuel Macron, saying the West should not underestimate the Russian people and should keep in mind the fate of Napoleon Bonaparte, whose invasion of Russia in 1812 ended in disaster. "We must choose for ourselves a peace option that will suit us and that will ensure peace for our country in the long term," Putin told a group of Russian women who have lost loved ones during the three-year war in Ukraine.

Asked by the mother of one fallen soldier if Russia would retreat, Putin said he did not intend to do that. Russia currently controls just under a fifth of Ukraine

- or about 113,000 square km. In comments last summer setting out his terms for ending the war, Putin also said Ukraine must withdraw all its forces from the entire territory of four Ukrainian regions claimed and partly controlled by Russia.

# EU plans defence boost, backs Ukraine at emergency meet after US aid wanes



French President Emmanuel Macron with Ukrainian President **Volodymyr Zelenskyy in Brussels on Thursday.** *Reuters* 

### **BARTH. MEIJER** & ANDREW GRAY BRUSSELS, MARCH 6

EUROPEAN LEADERS Thursday said they would stand by Ukraine and spend more on defence in a world upended by Donald Trump's reversal of U.S. policies. "Europe must take up this challenge, this arms race. And it must win it," Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk said as he arrived at the summit in Brussels.

"Europe as a whole is truly capable of winning any military, financial, economic confrontation with Russia — we are simply stronger," Tusk said.

Leaders hailed the European Commission's proposals this week to give them fiscal flexibility on defence spending, and to jointly borrow up to 150 billion euros (\$160 billion) to lend to spend on militaries. "We are here to defend Ukraine," the chairman of the meeting Antonio Costa said as he and European Commission Chief Ursula von der Leven welcomed Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

Washington provided more than 40% of military aid to Ukraine last year, according to NATO, some of which Europe could not easily replace. "We must ensure... that US support is also guaranteed in the coming months and years, because Ukraine is also dependent on their support," Germany's out-

going Chancellor Olaf Scholz said. In a sign of the gravity of the moment, Macron said France was open to discussing extending the protection offered by its nuclear arsenal to its European partners. Poland said the idea was worth discussing while others, like Germany, stressed the need to keep the US involved. **REUTERS** 

A damaged house in South Korea's Pocheon village after Air Force jets mistakenly dropped bombs in the area during a live-fire exercise. Eight 500-pound bombs fell outside the shooting range during the exercise, leading to injuries to 15 people. Reuters

S Korean Jets Mistakenly Bomb Village

# 13 Syrian soldiers killed in clashes with Assad loyalists, says report

**REUTERS** 

DAMASCUS, MARCH 6 AT LEAST 13 members of Syria's

security forces were killed on Thursday in clashes with militants linked to Bashar al-Assad's ousted regime, a Syrian broadcaster reported, some of the worst violence the Islamist-led government has faced since toppling him in December.

Syria TV, which is aligned with the new Damascus administration, said the clashes were continuing in the Jableh region, part of the coastal area which

forms the heartland of the Alawite minority sect to which the Assad family belongs.

The coastal region has emerged as one of the main security challenges for interim President Ahmed al-Sharaa as his government works to consolidate control. Syria's state news agency SANA, citing a defence ministry source, said "remnants of Assad's militias" had attacked in several areas in a unified way. Reinforcements were on their way to the Jableh area, it said.

Earlier this week, two members of the defence ministry were killed in the city of Latakia by groups identified by state me dia as Assad militia remnants.

UK lifts sanctions on

Syrian oil firms

Britain on Thursday unfroze the assets of Syria's central bank and 23 other entities including banks and oil companies, reversing sanctions imposed during Bashar al-Assad's presidency, the Commercial Bank of Syria and the Agricultural Cooperative Bank, along with Syrian Petroleum Company, Syria Trading Oil Company and Overseas Petroleum Trading were among

those delisted.

# Nepal PM Oli challenges former King to contest in polls





Nepal Prime Minister K P Sharma Oli and former King Gyanendra Shah. File

**YUBARAJ GHIMIRE** KATHMANDU, MARCH 6

NEPAL PRIME Minister K P Sharma Oli Thursday challenged former King Gyanendra Shah to launch a political party and win the election if securing state power is his aim.

Oli threw the challenge, – his first after the former King's appeal to the people to support him to navigate the country out of its current circumstances on February 18 — amidst a palpable nervousness in the ruling coalition. "The constitution does not recognise the Monarchy, and if he is keen to get into power, he should contest election... the monarchy was thrown by the people long ago, and getting somebody back on the throne is

Oli's response so late comes after pro-monarchy rallies are taking place in different parts of the country, with participation of not only the pro-monarchy political forces, but the youth and students.

not possible."

"We have been trying to get all the pro-republic forces including the (CPN) Maoists-Centre together to defeat the promonarchial forces," a source in the central Cabinet told The Indian Express.

# FACTORIES WHICH FLATTEN AND STAMP COINS FOR CHILDREN FACE SHUTDOWN AS TRUMP ORDERS HALT TO MINTING PENNIES

# US penny costs nearly 4 times its value to make, but it's a living for souvenir sellers

MICHAEL WEISSENSTEIN & JOSEPH B. FREDERICK NEW YORK, MARCH 6

PRESIDENT DONALD Trump talks of big change in his second term of office. But he's not forgetting small change, either.

Trump ordered the Treasury Department to stop making pennies with a February 10 sentence on his social media account that followed years of conservatives pointing out that putting a copper-coated zinc disc in costs the government more than a cent – almost 4 cents today.

There is no sign that the US Mint will stop pressing pennies and Mint officials did not respond to requests for clarification this week.

But the presidential penny pledge is already being felt in one niche world.

It's a little-known world that depends on buying pennies wholesale, loading them into machines and persuading parents to feed a few dollars into machines that stamp designs on the pennies — Paw Patrol, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles as they are stretched between metal rollers at fun fairs.

Small orbits of collectors and craftsmen have developed around them. And without the penny, the whole thing faces an uncertain future.

New copper pennies vanished from circulation in 1982 — 73 years after the first Lincoln penny was minted — and were replaced by zinc-coated ones.

The old ones are more pliable and easier to stamp, making them hot items for kids at fun fairs.

"They'll clean 'em so when they elongate the dino or shark of the printed coin it maintains a ghost image of the printed



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Coins in a penny-press machine in New Jersey. AP

head of Lincoln," said Brian Peters, general manager of Minnesota-based Penny Press Machine Co. Jeweler Angelo Rosato worked for decades in the 1960's and '70s hand-printing pennies with scenes of their Connecticut hometown and historical and sentimental scenes. "We're big fans of the penny. Keep the penny," said Aaron Zablow of Roseland, New Jersey, who was with two of his sons at the American Dream Mall.

Some don't want the United States to stop making cents Critics say the rise of electronic commerce and the billions of

pennies in circulation mean the US could stop printing the copper coins tomorrow and see little widespread effect for decades. But some people are watching fearfully to see if Trump's public critique of the penny will affect their business. Alan Fleming, of Scotland, is

the owner of Penny Press Factory, one of a number around the world that manufacture machines that flatten and stamp coins.

"A lovely retired gentleman in Boston sold me over 1,00,000 un-circulated cents a couple of years ago but he doesn't have

any more," Fleming wrote. "I will need to purchase new un-circulated cents within the next 12 months to keep my machines supplied and working!" Regardless of what happens

to niche businesses like Fleming's.

penny defenders say they're an important tool for lubricating the economy even if they're a moneylosing proposition. "What this all tells you about

the United States as a country is that it's an incredibly conservative country when it comes to money," said Ute Wartenberg, executive director of the American Numismatic Society.

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Delhi Health Minister: 250 mohalla clinics in rented spaces to be closed

**ANKITA UPADHYAY** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

AROUND 250 mohalla clinics running from rented accommodations will be shut, Delhi Health Minister Pankaj Singh said Thursday.

Maintaining that these clinics existed only on paper and were generating rent expenses, Singh said, "Mohalla clinics are a fraud. More than 250 such clinics will be shut down as they don't work. We will work on our government land. An order has been passed to shut down such clinics to curb corruption."

He said one mohalla clinic in each district will be converted into a Jan Arogya Mandir within 30 days.

As many as 546 mohalla clinics were opened across Delhi as part of the previous AAP government's flagship scheme. The first mohalla clinic was opened in Peeragarhi in 2015 by then Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal along with Satvendra Jain, the then **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2** 

Manmohan Singh's family gives nod for his memorial site at Rashtriya Smriti Sthal



A 900 sq m plot at the Rashtriya Smriti Sthal complex has been chosen for Manmohan Singh's memorial. Anil Sharma

**RITU SARIN** NEW DELHI. MARCH 6

THE FAMILY of late Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh has given the government its written approval for his memorial on a 900 sq m plot in the middle of the complex of samadhis called the Rashtriya Smriti Sthal

near Delhi's Raj Ghat.

Following a visit to the Rashtriya Smriti Sthal by members of the family last week, Gursharan Kaur, the former Prime Minister's wife, is learnt to have sent a formal acceptance letter to the government. Last week, Singh's daughters

Upinder Singh and Daman Singh, CONTINUED ON PAGE 2



# PM In Uttarakhand

Prime Minister Narendra Modi during a visit to Harsil, in Uttarkashi district of Uttarakhand, on Thursday. The PM made a strong pitch for round-the-year tourism in the state. PTI PAGE 6

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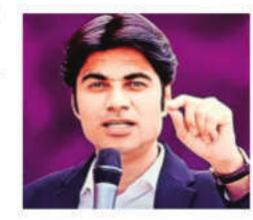
TEN INDIANS TRACED TO WEST BANK, BACK IN ISRAEL PAGE 7

Punjab pastor on the run after being named in sexual harassment case

**ANJU AGNIHOTRI CHABA** 

A SELF-PROFESSED miracle healer, a subject of many memes, and a preacher who claims to preside over 260 churches worldwide – Pastor Bajinder Singh is many things to many people. For the Punjab police, however, he is currently an accused in a sexual harassment case who is vet to turn himself in.

On February 28, Singh (42) was booked based on a complaint filed by a 22-year-old woman at the Kapurthala City police station. The head of the Church of Glory and Wisdom, headquartered in Jalandhar's



Pastor Bajinder Singh claims to have a global following

Tajpur village, Singh has been booked under sections of sexual harassment, stalking and criminal intimidation. The woman claims she first started visiting

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**REMARKS RATTLE ISLAMABAD** 

# **Kashmir solved** when part stolen by Pak returns, says Jaishankar

On China, says want relationship that respects interests, works for both

**SHUBHAJIT ROY** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

**EXTERNAL AFFAIRS Minister S** 

Jaishankar has said the Kashmir issue will be "solved" once the "stolen part of Kashmir which is under illegal Pakistani occupation" returns to India.

Speaking late Wednesday at Chatham House, the Londonbased think tank, Jaishankar, responding to a question on "solving" issues in Kashmir, said: "On Kashmir, actually we have done, I think, a good job, solving most of it. Removing Article 370 was step number one, restoring growth and economic activity and social justice in Kashmir was step number two, and holding elections with a very high turnout was step number three."

"I think the part we are waiting for is the return of the stolen part of Kashmir which is under illegal Pakistani occupation; when that is done, I assure you Kashmir will be solved."

This is in line with what has been said about Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) by BJP ministers in the past including Union Home Minister Amit Shah who, in May last year, said, "PoK is part CONTINUED ON PAGE 2



S Jaishankar at Chatham House, in London. ANI



JAISHANKAR'S REMARKS echo the unanimous resolution by both Houses of Parliament on February 22, 1994 that J&K (and Ladakh) is an integral part of India, and that Pakistan must vacate the parts under its illegal occupation.

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# 'World's costliest cow': Booming in Brazil, but dwindling in India

**NIKHILA HENRY** GUNTUR, MARCH 6

Memorable

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A SMALL group of veterinary interns stand huddled together at the opening of Shed No 9 in a cattle farm on the outskirts of Guntur, Andhra Pradesh. Minutes later, a calf tumbles out of her mother and there are cheers all around.

The group is witnessing the CONTINUED ON PAGE 2



Ongole cattle at the Livestock Research Station in Guntur





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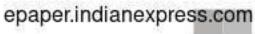






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# Good governance demands fiscal prudence: Dhankhar

**PRESS TRUST OF INDIA** MUMBAI, MARCH 6

GOOD GOVERNANCE demands fiscal prudence and not populism, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar said on Thursday. He said a national debate was required to take note of the shift from democracy to "emocracy", which he defined as "emotiondriven policies and discourses that threaten good governance".

Delivering the inaugural address at the first Murli Deora Memorial Dialogues on the theme "Leadership and Governance", the V-P asserted that "populism is bad economics" and emphasised that "once a leader gets attached to populism it is difficult to get out of the crisis".

"The central factor must be the good of the people, the largest good of the people, the lasting good of the people. Empower people to empower themselves rather than empower them momentarily because that affects their productivity," he said while expressing deep concern over the emergence of appeasement politics and placatory strategies across the political spectrum.

"If there is excessive spending on electoral promises, then the state's ability to invest in infrastructure is correspondingly reduced. This is detrimental to the growth scenario. Election is im-

LEADERSHIP

Vice-President Jagdeep Dhankhar delivers inaugural address at the first 'Murli Deora Memorial Dialogues' on 'Leadership and Governance' in Mumbai on Thursday. @VPIndia/X

portant in democracy but not the end of it," he said.

Dhankhar called upon the leadership of all political parties to review this trend since such electoral promises will come at the cost of capex expenditure of the state.

Some governments that took recourse to this appearement and placatory mechanisms are finding it very difficult to sustain in power, he pointed out.

However, the VP emphasised that the Constitution, while giving every citizen the right to equality, also has provisions for affirmative governance and affirmative action to bestow reservations for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and the economically weaker segments.

# Cabinet panel clears empanelment of 37 IAS officers for Secretary-level posts

HARIKISHAN SHARMA NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

**APPOINTMENTS** Committee of the Cabinet Thursday approved the empanelment of 37 IAS officers for holding Secretary or Secretary equivalent posts at the Centre. Among these are 27 IAS officers of the 1994 batch, including PMO Additional Secretary Atish Chandra, while 5 each are from the 1992 and the 1993 batches.

This is the first Secretarylevel empanelment list of 1994batch IAS officers.

As per the latest edition of the draft Civil List, there were 68 IAS officers of the 1994 batch at the beginning of this year.

As per the ACC order, the 27

officers of the 1994 batch empanelled are from 14 cadres — Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Manipur, Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu.

Among them, apart from Bihar cadre officer Atish Chandra, posted as Additional Secretary at PMO, is Madhya Pradesh cadre officer Vivek



Secretary Atish Chandra

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Aggarwal, who is posted as Additional Secretary in the Ministry of Finance.

The other empanelled 1994batch officers are: A P Das Joshi, Niraj Verma, Samir Kumar Sinha and L S Changsan (all four from Assam Cadre); Manoj Kumar Pingua, Nidhi Chhibber, Rich Sharma and Vikas Sheel (from Chhattisgarh cadre); Anuradha Thakur from Himachal Pradesh cadre; Sanjay Garg and Rajesh Kumar from Kerala Cadre; Arvind Shrivastava and Srivatsa Krishna from Karnataka cadre; Vennecaganti Radha from Maharashtra cadre; Rajesh Agarwal from Manipur; Hari Ranjan Rao and Pallavi Jain from Madhya Pradesh; Piyush Goyal from Nagaland; Ranjana Chopra and Santosh Kumar Sarangi from Odisha: Tejveer Singh from Punjab; Naresh Pal Gangwar and Roli Singh from Rajasthan; and P. Amudha and Kakarla Usha

from Tamil Nadu.

Rajya Sabha MP Laxmikant

President Babulal Marandi

in Ranchi on Thursday. ANI

On the delay in his appoint-

ment, Marandi said, "These things

take time, there is no other rea-

son." Marandi had won with over

35,000 votes from the Dhanwar

constituency in the 2024

mer Koderma MP Dr Ravindra

Kumar Ray and Dr Dineshanand

Goswami are being seen as the

front-runners to succeed Marandi

as the state BJP chief. "The empha-

sis will be on an organisational in-

dividual... the party's sole aim in

the state now is to ensure increas-

ing acceptability among the tribal

population," a source said.

According to BJP sources, for-

Jharkhand Assembly elections.

Bajpai with BIP State

# Jharkhand: BJP picks **Babulal Marandi as** legislative party leader

**JATIN ANAND** 

NEW DELHI, RANCHI, MARCH 6

FORMER JHARKHAND CM Babulal Marandi was on Thursday chosen as the BIP legislative party leader in the state Assembly, clearing the way for his elevation as the next leader of Opposition in the House.

Marandi was picked for the post unanimously in the presence of Union Minister Bhupender Yadav, central observer Dr K Laxman, BJP national vice president Dr Laxmikant Bajpai and state in-charge Nagendra Nath. Given the BJP's "one person, one post" practice, speculation is rife over Marandi's

successor as Jharkhand BJP chief. Marandi, the first Chief Minister of Jharkhand, said he will "raise the voice of the poor, Dalits, Adivasis and the youth" of the state. "The poor constitute 41% of Iharkhand population; it is the poorest population across the country. We will be the voice of the poor, the Dalit and Adivasi population, the youth; we will be the voice of the entirety of

Jharkhand," Marandi said.



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# Kashmir issue will be solved once part stolen by Pakistan returns: Jaishankar

of India and we will take it."

Jaishankar's remarks drew a sharp response from Islamabad Thursday. Pakistan Foreign Office spokesperson Shafqat Ali Khan said, "We reject the remarks made by the Indian External Affairs Minister on Jammu and Kashmir during an event held at Chatham House, London on March 5... India should vacate the large territories of Jammu and Kashmir under its occupation from the last 77 years." On US President Donald

Trump's approach, Jaishankar, who was in a conversation with Chatham House director Bronwen Maddox, said the Trump administration is moving towards multipolarity which suits India's interests, and the two nations have agreed on the need for a bilateral trade pact.

"We see a (US) President and an administration which, in our parlance, is moving towards multipolarity and that is something that suits India," he said.

"From President Trump's perspective, the one big shared

his church when she was 16-17

and was sexually harassed for

have formed a Special

Investigation Team, the state

Women's Commission has

sought a response from Singh.

and a Mohali court has issued

non-bailable warrants in a sep-

that while the charges are bail-

able, bail can only be granted

once he surrenders or is arrested.

According to police sources, the

pastor is believed to be in Nepal.

Rajvinder Kaur confirmed that

Singh has neither surrendered

chairman of the Tajpur church,

said Singh lives in Chandigarh

with his family and only comes

to Jalandhar for congregations.

He said the church has 260

branches worldwide. "Leveling

allegations and proving them are

two different things. If a case has

been registered, let the investi-

gation be completed, and every-

thing will be crystal clear. When

you rise, you have several ene-

Sanjiv Kumar Kaura, the

Officer

Investigating

nor been arrested.

A senior police officer said

arate rape case.

Since her complaint, police

enterprise that we have is the Ouad, which is an understanding where everybody pays their fair share... There are no free riders involved. So that's a good model which works," he said, referring to the Quad grouping of US, India, Australia and Japan.

On the issue of reciprocal tariffs, Jaishankar said that Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal is currently in Washington to discuss a bilateral trade pact, following discussions between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Trump at the White House last month.

"We had a very open conver-

sation about it (tariffs) and the

result of that conversation was

that we agreed on the need for a bilateral trade agreement," he On the Russia-Ukraine conflict, he said, "We have been one of the few countries who have been regularly talking to both

sense that India can do some-

mies." he told *The Indian Express*.

warrants issued by the Mohali

court in a separate case from

2018, he said the pastor was to

appear in court but could not do

Express, the woman said she ap-

proached the Kapurthala Senior

Superintendent of Police with

her complaint on February 20.

When the police allegedly did

not act, she approached the DGP

in Chandigarh on February 28,

and an FIR was registered, she

said. She alleged that police did

not charge the pastor under the

POCSO Act although she was a

minor when the alleged sexual

To the general public, Singh

is perhaps best known for his

ubiquitous presence on social

media, where his so-called mir-

acles have garnered him a fol-

lowing — both among believers

and those who mock him with

memes. Clips of him singing

*'Mera Yeshu Yeshu'* at gatherings

or dramatically "curing" diseases

harassment took place.

The rise from

anonymity

Speaking to *The Indian* 

so because he was unwell.

Asked about non-bailable

Punjab pastor on the run after being named in sexual harassment case

scribers.

Moscow and Kyiv at various levels... Wherever there's been a long," he said.

thing, we have always been open-minded about it. Our consistent position has been that they need to do direct negotia-During the conversation,

Jaishankar also expressed "cautious optimism" about the India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) negotiations after his ministerial discussions over the past few days. He met Foreign Secretary David Lammy and British Prime Minister Keir Starmer in London. "It's a very complicated

process. So, given the complexity, it's natural that it would take time... from my discussions with Prime Minister (Keir) Starmer, Foreign Secretary David Lammy and (Business) Secretary Jonathan Reynolds, I got a consistent message that the British side is also interested in moving forward. I had a few points to convey on behalf of my concerned colleagues as well. So, I am cautiously optimistic and hope that it doesn't take that

On China, Jaishankar noted

like cancer and AIDS are the sub-

ject of many reels on Instagram.

On YouTube, where he goes by

"Prophet Bajinder Singh", the

channel has 3.74 million sub-

Singh comes from a Jat family in

Haryana's Yamunanagar and

converted to Christianity more

than a decade ago, when he was

in jail in an alleged murder case.

a preacher in 2012, initially de-

livering sermons in Mohali be-

fore establishing the Tajpur

church. According to those asso-

ciated with his office, it has 23

branches in Punjab and several

outside, including in Canada, the

alleged rape case and arrested

from Indira Gandhi International

Airport while flying to London.

He was later released on bail, and

the case is being heard in a

Mohali court, which issued war-

with the National Commission

for the Protection of Child Rights,

which sought action against him

over a video involving a boy in

In 2021, he courted trouble

rants against him recently.

In 2018, he was booked in an

US, the UK and Dubai.

Upon his release, he became

According to close associates,

October 2024, including the opening of the Mount Kailash pilgrimage route in Tibet. "We have a very, very unique

some positive movements since

relationship with China as the only two billion plus populated countries in the world... We want a relationship where our interests are respected, sensitivities are recognised and works for both of us," he said.

Jaishankar, who has been in the UK since March 3, has discussed the Ukraine conflict, trade and technology during his meetings with the British interlocutors. With Lammy, he said, he discussed education, technology, mobility and people-topeople exchanges, and regional and global issues including West Asia, Bangladesh and the Commonwealth. He goes to Ireland from the

UK, which will be the first highlevel visit from India since Prime Minister Modi's visit to Dublin in 2015.

superstitious activities.

tually died of cancer.

— (With PTI inputs from Islamabad)

In 2022, he was accused by a Delhi family of taking money to

treat their daughter, who even-

and took away several docu-

day-long congregations on

Sundays and sometimes

Thursdays, where thousands

turn up in the hopes of finding a

cure for whatever ails them. The

congregations are broadcast live

or recorded on the church's

channel, and testimonies from

comes from donations and by

selling products such as oils and

his links in the entertainment in-

dustry, often sharing photos and

video clips in which prominent

actors are heard saying that at-

tending his congregations

monies is to convince the people

of his miracles," said a volunteer

associated with the church.

"The purpose of these testi-

brought them good luck.

The income, volunteers say,

The pastor is also known for

people are a key segment.

# Manmohan Singh memorial site

along with their spouses, surveyed the plot.

The Indian Express has learnt that as of date there are only two empty plots left in the samadhi complex. One was offered to the family of former President Pranab Mukherjee in January this year. The other plot, measuring 900 sq m, located towards the centre of the Rashtriya Smriti Sthal, was offered to Singh's family.

Upinder Singh confirmed the development to The Indian Express and said a formal acceptance has been sent by them.

"The land is to be allotted to a Trust and we will shortly set that up. The stipulation is that we can apply for a one-time grant of up to Rs 25 lakh for the construction of the memorial," she said. The Rashtriya Smriti Sthal

spots which are meant to have a similar architectural design for the Sources in Singh's family said

complex consists of 9 samadhi

the plot chosen by the government — and now approved by the family — has the samadhi of former Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar in front; that of former President R Venkataraman behind it; and those of former Presidents Giani Zail Singh and

Pranab Mukherjee on either side. In 2013, when Singh was Prime Minister, the Union Cabinet approved the proposal for creation of a "common" memorial ground near Raj Ghat – ironically, his family has now approved

what could be the last or among the last vacant pieces of land there The Cabinet decision, dated May 16, 2013, had, however, stated that the last rites of departed former Presidents, Vice Presidents, Prime Ministers would also be conducted at the Rashtriya Smriti Sthal, which was not done

in the case of Singh. His cremation was conducted at Nigambodh Ghat, on the banks of the Yamuna, on December 28 last year. The Ministry of Home Affairs issued a statement that it had acceded to the request received from the Congress for allot ment of land for the former Prime Minister's memorial.

The Ministry stated, "...it has been communicated to Congress President and the family of the late Dr Manmohan Singh that the Government will allocate space for the memorial. In the meanwhile, cremation and other formalities can happen because a trust has to be formed and space has to be allocated to it."

# 250 mohalla clinics to be closed

Health Minister.

The call to open mohalla clinics in rented accommodations was taken after the AAP government started facing significant challenges in finding space in desired areas.

In 2018, AAP had claimed it In 2023, the Income Tax was not getting land from the DDA – the city's biggest land Department raided his church owning agency which comes under the Centre – to construct mo-The church is known for its halla clinics.

A year later, construction of a mohalla clinic in Karol Bagh was stopped by MCD citing lack of permissions.

The AAP government then decided to set them up in rented accommodations to meet its goal of setting up 1,000 mohalla clinics by the end of 2019. In October 2019, the State

Health Society invited expressions of interest from people who wanted to lease out their ground floor premises for these clinics. The rent was capped at Rs 30,000 per month, as per the document. On Thursday, Singh said 10

dental health vans will be launched in Delhi's rural areas. Speaking to *The Indian* Express, he said an MoU will also be signed with the Centre under

the PM Janaushadhi scheme to

purchase medicines for Delhi

Rao, while the physical traits of the

cines at affordable prices to all citizens. Under the scheme, dedicated outlets known as Janaushadhi Kendras are opened.

pensaries.

government hospitals and dis-

promises quality generic medi-

The PM Janaushadhi scheme

"We will purchase medicines from PM Janaushadhi, where we will get good medicines, and financial losses will be covered as well. You will see a changed Delhi in the next 100 days," Singh said. He said the registration

process for the Ayushman Bharat scheme will begin after March 8, marking a significant step toward expanding healthcare access in

The Central government's flagship scheme was passed by the Delhi Cabinet on February 20 hours after new Chief Minister Rekha Gupta and her six ministers were sworn in.

Singh said the Delhi government would soon sign an MoU with the Centre to implement the scheme. Under the scheme eligible people – an estimated 6.54 lakh of the poorest families in Delhi – will get insurance coverage of Rs 5 lakh. The Delhi government will give eligible beneficiaries an additional coverage of

Rs 5 lakh.

# • 'World's costliest cow': Booming in Brazil, dwindling in India

birth of a purebred Ongole calf at the Livestock Research Station, LAM Farm, in Guntur – one of the few government-run farms in the country dedicated to the conservation of the indigenous cattle

As the cow licks her offspring, helping it to its feet, Dr M Mutha Rao, the officer in charge of the LAM Farm, tells The Indian Express, "This calf was born out of IVF-embryo transfer technology. With similar breeding techniques, we have been maintaining the purity of the breed over the past 30 years and eight generations of cattle.'

While it has so far been a long and lonely fight at the LAM Farm to conserve the Ongoles, one of the 53 indigenous cattle varieties in the country, the breed is having its moment under the Brazilian sun as "the most expensive cattle in the world". In February, an Ongole purebred cow, Viatina-19, was sold for a whopping 4.38 million USD (25.7 million Brazilian Real or INR 40 crore) in Brazil's Minas Gerais. It's a breed that thrives in Brazil — about 80 per cent of the country's 226 million cattle are Ongoles.

In Brazil, the world's top beef exporter where the cattle industry is a primary driver of its economy, the Ongoles are raised for their meat. As the country attempts to capture newer markets, Brazilian breeders are racing to raise bigger, meatier supercows such as the Viatina-19.

The snowy-white, muscular Viatina-19, weighing 1,100 kg, was bought at an auction by three breeders -- Casa Branca Agropastoril, Agropecuária Napemo, and Nelore HRO -- who will now use her to breed cattle with superior characteristics based on her genetic traits.

However, back in India, the original home of the Ongoles, the breed is facing the threat of extinction, its numbers halving from 15 lakh in 1944 to 6.34 lakh in the 2019 Livestock Census. In a country where the population of indigenous cattle has dropped by nine per cent between 2007 and 2012 and six per cent between 2012 and 2019, the fate of the Ongole breed is somewhat predictable. The price of the cattle, too, is relatively low in India – Rs 1 lakh a cow and Rs 10 to 15 lakh for a prized bull.

promote conservation and rearing of desi breeds through schemes such as the Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM), launched in 2014, farmers prefer exotic and

Despite government efforts to

crossbred cattle that yield more milk when compared to the indigenous varieties. This is reflected in the 29.5 per cent jump in the population of exotic and crossbred cattle – from 39.73 million in 2012 to 51.47 million in 2019.

On the need to conserve the indigenous breeds, Mutha Rao says, "They are the most farmerfriendly cattle. Their yield and characteristics suit our climate, soil and farmers. They are superior to several crossbred animals in more ways than one, including disease resistance and strength." The Ongoles, he adds, are also known for their heat tolerance and ability to survive on low fodder.

Rao says they focus on the Ongoles at the LAM farm because the breed is "India's pride". "It is this indigenous cattle which helped our farmers till the hardest of terrains to plant crops for the agrarian revolution in the country," he says, adding that the Nandi bulls in Shiva temples, with their distinct hump, are modelled on the Ongoles.

About 40 km from Guntur, in Vijayawada, an 88-year-old retired government breeder and researcher A Madhusudhana Rao sat in his two-bedroom home in Veterinary Colony to talk about

the breed – from folklore to hard facts. "We can date the history of the Ongoles back to the mid-19th Century, when British researchers took stock of this unique breed,' Rao says.

The researchers recorded the distinct physical traits of the Ongoles – an erect and "well-carried head", greater breath of forehead, a huge hump, and large and heavy dewlap. Back then, as Latin America's

indigenous breeds were smaller in stature, the Ongole bulls were exported with government permits to countries there. There are records of an Ongole cow and two bulls reaching Brazil's shores as early as 1885. "About 7,000 Ongole cattle have left India to be bred in South America," says Mutha Rao.

Director of Andhra Pradesh's Animal Husbandry Department, Dr Damodar Naidu, explains, "An Ongole cow's skin twitches where you touch it. In Brazil, when they were troubled by the TseTse fly infestation in cattle, the Ongoles were god-sent. They would just shirk off the flies". The export of the Ongoles,

however, was stopped in the 1960s due to restrictions imposed on the sale of cattle for meat. In India, says Madhusudhana

Ongoles have largely remained the same, their milking ability depleted over time as is evident from the writings of the British researchers – from being spoken of in the late 19th century as "excellent milkers who give 18 quarts (17 litres) of good rich milk per day", to giving 11 to 14 lbs (4.9 lt to 6.3 lt) per day by the early 20th Century and going down to 10.5 lbs (4.76 lt) by 1936.

The depreciation of the milking ability, according to him, had much to do with the kind of breeding Indian farmers did. "In India, the bulls were used for draught or heavy labour. In the Brahmini bull breeding system, which was developed by indigenous farmers, they promoted strength and stature over milking abilities while breeding," says Rao.

With slaughter for meat banned in most states and the cows never counted among the high-milkers, it's the Ongole bulls which were considered prized possession in India as they carried heavy loads and survived ploughing even when the sun beat down for hours. But that, too, changed when mechanisation took over the farms.

At Guntur's LAM farm, nine bulls lumber on, lugging iron bars as part of their exercise regimen. "The exercise is a must so that the

Rajasthan HC stays demolition of homes

of accused in Beawar blackmail-rape case

bulls produce good quality semen. We have 294 cattle in this farm now, including nine Ongole bulls. This is the result of continuous breeding efforts," says in-house veterinarian Dr K Sunny Praveen, stroking one of the cows.

The breeding efforts at LAM include Ovum Pick Up (OPU) Invitro Fertilisation (IVF) and Embryo Transplant – technologies used for advanced pure breeding

"Through these processes, we produce the best calves," says Mutha Rao. In many of the sheds are calves born through this rigorous selection process, each stamped with the letters ET (Embryo Technology). "Now, the majority of the calves in the farm are technology-born," says Rao.

Besides rearing the calves the farm also supplies superior bull semen and embryos to farmers who want to rear Ongole cattle. But in Andhra Pradesh, all six of the major farms rearing Ongole cattle are government-managed.

Mutha Rao says the LAM farm maintains records of lineage much like it's done in Brazil "There, it is possible to know the first sire and dam of any given cattle because they have been keeping lineage records for the past many decades. This should be replicated across India - a book of animal family trees," says Rao.

# Kerala's minority politics entering a new realm, says CPI (M) at state conference

**SHAJU PHILIP** THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, MARCH 6

TAKING NOTE of the "anti-Muslim sentiments" among Kerala's Christian population, the Communist Party of India (Marxist) said Thursday that the state's minority politics "is entering to a new realm".

Speaking to the media during the CPI(M) state conference, which began in Kollam Thursday, CPI(M) state secretary M V Govindan said an organisational report had been presented. In it, the party appreciated the second

Pinarayi Vijayan regime, saying that it gave shelter to people at the time of crisis, kept its promises and protected secularism, he said.

"The media unleashed a campaign that the government is facing anti-incumbency. But the recent by-election at Chelakkara (where the CPI(M) retained its seat in the November polls) showed that there is no anti-incumbency sentiment," he said.

Govindan also referred to the state of minority politics in Kerala. "In the past, the IUML (Indian Union Muslim League) had tried to join hands with religious organisations. Now, they are getting into alliance with... religious national-

ists... such as SDPI and Jamaat-e-Islami. Congress is the beneficiary of this extreme Muslim politics," he said. On the other hand, he said the RaSS "shaped" the Christian Alliance for Social Action (CASA), an outfit that "stressed on anti-

Muslim sentiment".

"CASA has announced the plan to have a political party... CASA is trying to create hatred of Muslims among Christians. It's part of a move to create a situation that's favourable for RSS. As part of encouraging identity politics in Kerala, the BJP is dividing the people by caste and then bringing them together communally," he said.

# **HAMZAKHAN** JAIPUR, MARCH 6

THE RAJASTHAN High Court Thursday stayed the demolition of homes of the Beawar rape accused while pulling up the state government for being "hellbent" on demolition.

Hearing a bunch of petitions by the families of the accused who face demolition of their homes, a Bench of Justice Mahendra Kumar Goyal said that Syed Saadat, the counsel for the petitioners, has submitted that upon the receipt of a showcause notice dated February 20,

seeking to demolish their construction, the petitioners filed their response well in time.

However, "the respondents are hell-bent to demolish their construction without taking a decision on their response," the court said. The Rajasthan government through the Local Self Government department, the Additional CS for Home department, the Beawar District Collector among others, has been made a party to the case. Additional AG G S Gill and Manoj

Kumar appeared on their behalf. Ali said he told the court, "All those who have been made an accused are arrested and that

notices have been pasted on their homes. But the homes do not belong to the accused but to their grandfather, father, uncle, etc. Not a single home is owned by the accused... and so they cannot be demolished." His second argument was that the local municipality did not follow the November 2024 guidelines set by the Supreme Court, wherein the court gave 10-15 instructions, "but not a single point was followed," Ali said.

Listing the matter for March 11, the court said that till the next date, "the status quo qua the subject property shall be maintained by the parties.'

# Data, not untested assertions, will drive criminal law forward, says CJI

SOHINI GHOSH NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

CRIMINAL LAW will be driven by data and not "untested assertions" about behaviour and social dynamics, Chief Justice of India (CJI) Sanjiv Khanna opined Thursday.

He was speaking at Delhi High Court during the launch of Ratanlal & Dhirajlal's new edition of Law of Crimes: A Comprehensive Commentary on Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, edited by former CJI and retired Justice U U Lalit.

CJI Khanna said, "...this is an era of super specialisation across disciplines and same is with the criminal law. But most laws, especially criminal law, must be based upon empirical foundations. Increasingly, we have embraced evidence-based approaches while drafting and deciding cases. The principle of proportionality... is primarily based upon data and empirical evidence. This is... not being taught in law schools, not being addressed even today."

"Criminal jurisprudence, I believe, in future, would not rely upon untested assertions about behaviour and social dynamics, it will increasingly rely upon data. Data exists, data speaks, analytical tools exist. What we need to do is let the evidence drive the criminal law forward," he added.

Delhi High Court Chief Justice D K Upadhyaya said he has seen the judicial philosophy of accessibility, efficiency and sensitivity to society's evolving needs, reflected in the new legal framework of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS).

CJ Upadhyaya said, "Our criminal justice system has long needed simplification, modernisation and a framework that understands the lived realities of our citizens, specially the vulnerable... In many ways, the approach taken in BNS echoes the judicial philosophy I have always believed in – justice must be accessible, efficient and sensitive to the evolving

needs of the society."

"Whether it's streamlining procedures to reduce delays, ensuring victims have a stronger voice or making investigations more technologically driven – these are principles that I have had the opportunity to apply and I see them reflected in this new legal framework."

Justice (retd) Lalit reminisced how he would turn to Ratanlal & Dhirajlal as a young practitioner "just to solve some of the fundamental ideas... whether Indian Penal Code crimes, criminal procedures, or torts". "These have been synonymous with growth as a lawyer. I have put in 40 years in the field of law but until now, I had not written a single article..."

Explaining the shift to writing, he identified the genesis in a lecture he was asked to deliver to some judicial members in Kerala last June. "In July (2024), these new (BNS, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam) legislations were supposed to come into effect, so they wanted to know my views... I keep teaching at various law schools, one of them is Galgotias (University), and I happen to be taking a course there on these new legislations."

"I had... interactive sessions with the professors and that's when this offer came (to edit the new edition of Ratanlal & Dhirajlal)... I said 'this happens to be a Godsent opportunity' and I lapped it up," he added.

Hailing the new criminal laws, Union Minister of Law and Justice Arjun Ram Meghwal said, "...when the Britishers were here... they wanted codification because they wanted to control as well as punish Indian citizens. They thus brought in the penal code. In PM (Narendra) Modiji's era, the sentiment is that Indians should get justice... punishment is a separate provision that will continue but citizens must feel they got justice and thus BNS was brought in."

# Tihar Jail gets Intelligence Cell, additional QRT

PRAGYNESH
NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

AN INTELLIGENCE Cell has been set up in Delhi's Tihar Jail to covertly gather information about possible supply of arms, drugs and communication systems inside the prison, jail officials said on Thursday

A superintendent-level officer and one deputy superintendentlevel officer have been made in charge of the cell, while multiple jail staffers are being deployed to carry out the work covertly, a senior Tihar Jail official said, adding that the process to set up the cell had started five months ago.

Maintaining that a raid is being conducted by the cell "almost every alternate day", the official said, "Inputs received from the cell are corroborated at the Tihar Jail headquarter and then a raid is conducted. As part of recent raids, charas, surgical blades, curtains to block the line of sight, and metal wires have been seized. Recently, based on a tip-off from the cell, a lawyer was apprehended trying to smuggle in charas for an inmate," the official added.

One of the most frequently seized items has been Kechaoda mobiles – tiny devices that work as phones due to their superb sound quality and reception in small-to-medium ranges.

"These devices, smaller than a human thumb, have been confiscated in the raids. The inmates use sticks to press the dial buttons to make calls... these are smuggled inside the jail in body cavities," a senior official said.

Meanwhile, to bolster the re-

sponse time in case of an emergency, an additional quick response team (QRT) has been deployed at Tihar Jail. The QRTs are to assist in emergency situations, such as when fights break out between inmates.

Officials said the main purpose of the new QRT is to ensure that if

there is a delay on part of the existing QRTs in reaching "high-risk wards", it can reach the affected area and take action. "The new

area and take action. "The new QRT will rule out any possibility of connivance between inmates and the already existing QRTs," a senior jail official said.

The new QRT, which would be

available round-the-clock, will comprise havaldar-rank officers from ITBP and CRPF as well as ASIlevel officers from the jail cadre. In the last five months, more than 500 articles, which are not al-

than 500 articles, which are not allowed inside jails, have been seized at Tihar jail. "In all these instances, action was taken according to the prison manual. Also,

from now on, FIR would be registered against anyone found in possession of any contraband inside the jail," a senior jail official said.

In 2024, Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena had approved the creation of 3,470 new posts in Tihar Jail. According to official documents, accessed by The Indian Express, the number of employees at Tihar before the said approval, till April 2024, was 1,799.

"It has now increased to 2,300 a year... though 1,170 of the approved posts are yet to be filled... Of the total staff, 1,800 are warders and matrons, 700 of whom would be promoted as head warders and head matrons in the next 2-3

months," said a jail official.

"Posts that have to be filled through the recruitment process would be filled in one-and-a-half years," the official added.

A former Tihar Jail official said that to break the syndicates operating inside the prison, the Intelligence Cell would need strict vigilance. "Previously, a band of two to three so-called petitioners used to roam around Tihar, covertly collecting information and reporting the same to DG (Prisons). But even inputs received in such a manner used to get compromised. So, several informers, across ranks, would be needed to make things better," he added.



# COVERED UP

At a Mohalla Clinic, where posters of AAP chief Arvind Kejriwal and other party leaders have either been painted over or covered with paper, in New Delhi on Thursday. *Tashi Tobgyal* 

# AAP holds meeting of its councillors, MLAs over organisational restructuring

EXPRESSNEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

THE AAP on Thursday held a meeting of its councillors and 22 MLAs to discuss the party's organisational

restructuring in Delhi.

The meeting was led by AAP
Delhi Convenor Gopal Rai, Leader
of Opposition Atishi, and
Municipal Corporation of Delhi
(MCD) in charge Durgesh Pathak.

(ICD) in charge Durgesh Pathak. Rai, after the meeting, told mediapersons that since the Delhi elections, AAP has been engaging with office-bearers of various organisations of the party to restructure its organisational framework.

"The party has held several meetings in different phases... In the first phase, meetings were held with state-level office-bearers of different organisations. In the second phase, discussions took place with office-bearers from all 70 Assembly constituencies. The third phase involved

meetings with office-bearers of AAP's frontal organisations and then deliberations with all candidates who contested the Assembly elections."

"On Thursday, the party held its fifth phase of the meeting with the councillors, seeking their suggestions for the organisational restructuring and discussing how they can effectively advance public welfare initiatives in their wards and strengthen their role within the MCD," Rai added.

# Ahead of Delhi Budget, CM Gupta meets traders and industrialists

उद्योग संगठनों से संवाद

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A DAY after a meeting with women's organisations and teachers, Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta met traders and industrialists and discussed several issues related to cleanliness, ease of doing business, and market development.

Earlier this week, the BJP government announced that it would present a 'Viksit Dilli'themed Budget, for which it sought suggestions from the general public and different stakeholders. The Budget session will be held from March 24 to 26.

Gupta said on Thursday, "We are happy that despite receiving the invitation at such short period, industrial organisations of Delhi shared their suggestions and aspirations with us to prepare a draft of the Viksit Delhi Budget... our industrial organisations play a key role in increasing the revenue of Delhi. Our government will try to take necessary steps on the issues raised during the dialogue. It is important that we work by understanding the expectations and needs of the industrial organisations of the city."

The meeting was also attended by Chandni Chowk MP

2025-26 और सुझाव v.h

Chief Minister Rekha Gupta during a meeting with business and industrial organisations on Thursday. PTI

Praveen Khandelwal.

Taking a dig at the Aam Aadmi Party, which was in power in Delhi for 10 years, the CM said the previous government only "propagated pain". "But the BJP government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, cured that pain. All the promises made in our Sankalp Patra will be fulfilled with full readiness and honesty," she said.

Gupta also remarked that "the objective of this dialogue is to improve living standards of the citizens of Delhi by discussing their problems, and

making the Budget according to the needs of all those sections".

Further, the CM said that "both the policy and intention of our government is clear. The Delhi government is determined to bring about all-round development of Delhi and Delhiites. Our aim is that this Budget should give many big gifts to the people of Delhi and bring more prosperity in their lives."

Last year, the AAP government presented a Rs 76,000 crore Ram Rajya-themed Budget for 2024-25. The Budget outlay was increased to Rs 77,000 crore in the revised estimates.



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# **DRIVE TO DETECT ILLEGAL BANGLADESHI IMMIGRANTS**

# Police come every few days, check same documents: Slum dwellers at Sangam Vihar after verification drive

**UPASIKA SINGHAL** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

NARGIS MANDAL (26) was at work on Thursday afternoon when she received a call from a neighbour that the police had come to Sangam Vihar's Block F to conduct checks. While it was not news to her — the police have allegedly been conducting checks frequently in her locality for the last two weeks — Nargis had to rush back home.

"(The checks) started two months ago, before the (Delhi Assembly) elections," she said. "It's only become worse after that. They come every few days and check our documents... the same documents they verify every time. I don't know what they want from us," she told *The* Indian Express.

On Thursday, the police held

Rs 10 lakh to

rape survivor

for rehab, life

term to convict

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A DELHI court Wednesday sen-

tenced a 31-year-old man to life imprisonment for kidnapping

and raping a minor in July 2021,

noting that it was the responsi-

bility of society as a whole to pro-

tect children from being ex-

on the suffering of the survivor?

No amount of compensation can

undo the trauma. The least that

can be done to help the survivor

is to get his/her life back on track,"

said Additional Sessions Judge

Susheel Bala Dagar of Rohini Court while granting the victim

a compensation of Rs 10.5 lakh

life imprisonment under Section 6

(aggravated penetrative sexual as-

sault) of the POCSO Act and was

awarded seven years in prison

each for kidnapping and criminal intimidation of the IPC. All of the

sentences will run concurrently. "A clear message that anyone

who violates the POCSO Act will be held accountable for their actions must be sent to society at large by imposing a penalty that

is proportionate to the act of sex-

ual assault or sexual harassment.

In the present case, the convict

is found to be having perverse

dent, not only the victim but her

entire family members have

been subjected to humiliation

and insult by the society and in-

cident has left grave impact on

her mental, physical and emo-

The minor victim had earlier

told the court that when she

went to buy some articles for

her younger brother, she met

by Additional Public Prosecutor

Yogita Kaushik Dahiya, argued in

court that the convict deserved no

leniency for the reprehensible act

and that he had earlier been con-

victed of rape by a court in UP.

The prosecution, represented

tional being...," it added.

the accused.

"As a result of the said inci-

lust for sex," the court said.

The convict was sentenced to

for her rehabilitation.

"How can there be a price tag

ploited by sexual abusers.

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a verification drive in Sangam Vihar's Block F — home to a large number of Bengali migrants who live in five slums — to check whether any illegal Bangladeshi immigrants are living in the area. According to the police, the documents of the residents would be deemed verified after their panchayats concerned confirm their personal details.

This comes on a day when the Delhi Police said that it has deported a Bangladeshi national and detained another for overstaying illegally in West Delhi after the expiry of their visas. The two, Sajal Mia and Mohammad Ali, resided at Punjabi Bagh.

"They were apprehended after a tip-off was received by the Madipur police post under the Punjabi Bagh police station. Both were apprehended subsequently. Following due procedure, one was deported while



The verification drive in Sangam Vihar, Thursday. Express

the other was sent to a detention centre," DCP (West District) Vichitra Veer said.

At Block F in Sangam Vihar, as had been the case in the past, police checked the slum residents' Aadhaar cards, voter IDs and PAN card details. However,

this time, they also asked residents to show bank passbooks and requested them to open social media apps, UPI apps and call logs on their phones.

"We have to check from where they are getting money and whom they are sending it to... We are also checking social media apps to see if they are following any Bangladeshi pages or calling any Bangladeshi numbers," said a police officer.

Most of the women living in the slums work as domestic help while the men engage in picking waste. Among the residents, there is equal parts annoyance and resignation. The elderly aunt of Arifa (27)

lives in Bangladesh and has not been keeping well. "I call her every day. The police saw that I was calling a Bangladeshi number frequently and took my husband, Khorshed, to the police station for questioning," she said. Arifa claimed her family had migrated to India a long time ago and had settled in West Bengal's Nadia district. However, a few of her relatives stayed back in Bangladesh.

Shahjamal Alsana (29), another resident, said, "If you show them the documents, they say we have made duplicates. If we don't show up for verification, they tell us we were hiding... People who actually are living here illegally don't live in jhuggis and do *kabadi* work. They live in high-rises."

The police, however, said such drives have become stringent since a syndicate facilitating illegal immigration of Bangladeshi nationals was busted in January. "The syndicate would smuggle people in through the Meghalaya border," said DCP(South) Ankit Chauhan.

He added that the current drive will specifically target newly set up slums in Sangam Vihar, Ambedkar Nagar, Neb Sarai and Tigri.

Police also conducted a similar verification drive in Mandir Marg on Thursday. DCP (New Delhi) Devesh Mahla said the drive will continue on Friday.

# Water supply to be hit in various parts of Delhi

New Delhi: The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has warned of temporary water supply disruptions in several parts of Delhi, including Rohini, Mangolpuri, Sultanpuri and Janakpuri among other areas, over the weekend. Next week on Monday and Tuesday, water will be available in low pressure in these areas, said the body.

"Due to the annual programme for flushing of the Underground Reservoir and Booster Pumping Station, water supply will be affected on March 8 and 9...," read a statement by the DJB on Thursday.

On Saturday, Mehrauli, Green Park, Munirka, Malviya Nagar, Dakshin Puri, Panchsheel, Pushp Vihar, Panchsheel Enclave, and GK-1 as well as adjoining areas will be affected. Meanwhile, water supply disruptions will hit parts of Dwarka on Sunday, said the DJB.

Water tankers will be available on request from water emergencies, it noted. ENS

# Delhi sees 0 'severe' air days since Jan

Best recovery rate since 2023: Experts

**SOPHIYA MATHEW** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

STRONG WINDS from the snowclad mountains over the northwest plains for three days in a row not only improved Delhi's air quality, but also led to belownormal temperatures.

With an AQI of 119 (moderate) on Wednesday, the city saw its cleanest air since September 29 last year when it was 76 in the 'satisfactory' category. On Thursday, the air remained 'moderate' at 124.

This year, from January to March 6, there have been zero 'severe' air days and 20 'moderate' air days (see box). An official from the Commission of Air Quality Management, who did not wish to be named, said, "Data shows this is the fastest rate of recovery in terms of air quality improvement, especially after mid-February, at least since 2023... In January, too, the recovery rate was better than previous years."

The average AQI of 121 for Delhi is the lowest during January to February in the last three years since 2023. Delhi also reported its lowest monthly average AQI in February at 214, according to data from the Central Pollution Control Board. The air quality is likely to be

subsequent six days, it is expected to fluctuate between 'moderate' and 'poor', as per the forecast by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune.

moderate till Sunday. For the

In its seasonal outlook, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) had forecast above-normal

temperatures and an above normal number of heatwave days over most parts of the country for the month of March. With the windy days coming to an end, the Met office has forecast a rise in temperatures reaching above normal for the next six days.

Delhi's maximum temperature was 28.4 on Thursday, which is a notch above normal, while the minimum was a notch below normal at 12.2 degrees Celsius.

A partly cloudy sky in the coming days also means temperatures will not rise significantly in Delhi. The Met Office has forecast the minimum to gradually increase from 13 degrees Celsius to 17 degrees Celsius by Wednesday. Meanwhile, the maximum will hover between 30 and 34 degrees Celsius. Mist conditions are forecast for the next six days.

Another official source said, "While long-term records of the CPCB show there has been a reduction in particulate matter concentration, this also has a flip side. The reduction in these aerosols leads to more radiation..., which leads to an increase in ozone levels. Western cities like San Francisco and Denver and European cities have cleaned their air from aerosols but struggle with this issue of high ozone levels, as all of this is interlinked. Delhi is also joining this direction, and it calls for a holistic approach... We need to control our VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds)."

CPCB data reveals that the hourly average ozone concentration surpassed 90 µg/m<sup>3</sup> for 37 hours this year. Ozone and PM 2.5 were the prominent pollutants on Thursday.

# **HOW CITY HAS FARED** ■301-400 (very poor AQI) ■ 101-200 (moderate AQI) 201-300 (poor AQI) ■ 401-500 (severe AQI) 2024 2023 Source: CPCB data

# DMRC's Golden Line sees a major tunnel breakthrough

Delhi's Metro network will soon be largest in any city in the world, says Khattar



Workers after the Tunnel Boring Machine broke through at Vasant Kunj Metro station, Thursday. Tashi Tobgyal

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THE CONSTRUCTION of Delhi Metro's Golden Line achieved a major milestone Thursday as the Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) broke through at the Vasant Kunj Metro station site after completing a 1.55-km tunneling stretch from Kishangarh. This underground corridor, which will connect Aerocity to Tughlakabad, is part of the 19.34-km underground stretch of the Golden Line — the 4th phase of the Metro network.

Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal

Khattar as well as Union Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu were pres-

ent on the occasion. The TBM used for this stretch measures 91 m in length and was excavated at an average depth of 23 m, with a minimum depth of 15.7 m and a maximum of 30.2 m. The tunnel has an inner diameter of 5.8 m, and 1,107 tunnel rings have been installed so far.

Another parallel tunnel is under construction on the same stretch and is expected to be completed by June 2025.

Speaking on the occasion, Khattar said, "We're going to make a very big record. Currently, the longest Metro line in a single city

is in New York, which is 399-km long. Only 5 km are left. Our next line, 12-km long, will be inaugurated in December. After that, the DMRC network will be the largest in any city in the world."

The tunnel has been con-

structed using the Earth Pressure Balancing Method (EPBM), a tunneling technique that ensures safe excavation in diverse geological conditions, including mica and hard rock, which were encountered along the route. The lining consists of precast concrete tunnel rings manufactured at a casting yard in Mundka.

The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) has been using TBMs for underground

tunneling since Phase 1. These machines, designed to bore through different types of soil and rock, are particularly effective for tunnel construction in densely populated urban areas. During Phase 3, around 50 km of underground sections were built using 30 TBMs. In Phase 4, 40.109 km of underground lines have been approved.

Anuj Dayal, Principal **Executive Director (Corporate** Communications) of DMRC said the breakthrough marks a significant advancement in the city's Metro expansion efforts, promising improved connectivity and reduced congestion in knowledge transfer, it added. South Delhi.

# NCRTC plans commercial & residential hubs along Delhi-Meerut RRTS corridor

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

TO DEVELOP commercial, residential and service hubs along the Delhi-Meerut Namo Bharat corridor, the National Capital **Region Transport Corporation** (NCRTC) — the agency that operates the Rapid Rail Transit System (RRTS) — has invited bids to set up a project management unit (PMU) for strategic planning.

The NCRTC aims to monetise land parcels, generate non-fare revenue and develop commercial, residential, and service hubs along Namo Bharat stations, it said in a statement. The selected consultants will be responsible for market research, transaction advisory, project management support, strategic planning and

Currently, Namo Bharat train

services operate along a 55-km stretch, connecting New Ashok Nagar to Meerut South via 11 stations. The entire 82-km corridor is expected to be complete this year.

"Identified land parcels for development include sites in Ghaziabad, Duhai Depot, Bhaisali (Meerut), and Modipuram Depot, which will be converted into retail and commercial spaces," the NCRTC said. It added that these locations will accommodate malls, retail-dining-entertainment hubs, integrated parking facilities with office spaces, rental housing, studio apartments, hospitals, and theme parks.

The land parcels identified include a 2.4-hectare (ha) plot in Ghaziabad, along with larger plots in Duhai Depot (31 ha), Bhaisali in Meerut (9.7 ha), and Modipuram Depot (31 ha). Smaller land parcels spanning 16 ha have been earmarked at Sarai Kale Khan,

New Ashok Nagar, Anand Vihar, Guldhar, Duhai, Muradnagar, Modinagar South and North Meerut South, Shatabdi Nagar

and Modipuram, the NCRTC said. The PMU will play a crucial role in ensuring the successful implementation of the property development plan, the statement said. "At the conclusion of the project, the consultant will provide documentation and handover reports to ensure seamless knowledge continuity. The last date of submission for

this is March 20," it added.

The development strategy will align with Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) principles and existing regulatory frameworks, the statement read. It said TOD promotes high-density, mixed-use development within walking distance of transit stations, reducing congestion in heavily populated areas.

# Two bookies betting on India-Aus Champions Trophy match arrested

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

CRICKET FANS rejoiced when India beat Australia in a semi-final clash in the ICC Champions Trophy — and so did two alleged bookies in Dwarka, albeit for a brief while. The two men, Praveen Kochhar and Sanjeev Kumar, were raking up bets for the game when they were nabbed by a Crime Branch team during a raid on March 4, the Delhi Police said.

According to police, the team, led by Inspector Rakesh Sharma and ACP Umesh Barthwal, were tracking a betting syndicate when they received a tip-off on March 4 about the accused taking bets during the India-Australia showdown. After the match had started, around 2.30 pm, the raid was conducted in Sector 23.

"During the raid, two individuals were caught live betting using laptops and mobile phones. Various electronic devices and betting materials were seized from the premises. At the time of the operation, the accused were betting on the semi-final match between India and Australia, which commenced at 2.30 pm," DCP (Crime) Aditya

Gautam said. Police said there were two ways of placing bets.

One was online; Kochhar had a 'master ID' with an online betting website via an associate and used it to sell betting IDs to 'punters' (small-scale bookies). Kochhar would receive a 3 per cent commission on every bet, police said.

The second way of taking bets was the 'traditional' offline system, police said, which meant the bets would either be made in-person or over calls. In this, the betting rate would be fluctuating, according to demand.

"The premises used for betting operations was rented by Kochhar under his name for Rs 35,000 a month. The syndicate had been running this illegal operation for the past two years. On match days, transactions amounted to approximately Rs lakh daily, with profits/losses ranging between Rs 30,000 and Rs 40,000 a day," DCP Gautam said.

Kumar and Kochhar, both aged 55, are residents of Subhash Nagar in Delhi and are childhood friends, police said.

While Kochhar had a factory in Mundka, Kumar used to have a transport business, which took a heavy financial hit during the Covid lockdowns. The two men had been expanding their betting networks in Delhi for the past two years, police said.

3 members of Band Baaja Baarat gang arrested

THEY ARRIVED dressed in their finest, blending effortlessly into the crowd. No one suspected that these so-called guests were trained to disappear with bags full of cash and jewellery before anyone noticed. For years, the Band Baaja Baarat gang targeted lavish weddings across North India and vanished without a trace. However, their luck ran out

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when the Delhi Police recently apprehended four members of the gang, including one juvenile, from the city, bringing to light a dark underworld where children were trained to steal in exchange for money.

Police said they had been receiving multiple complaints of jewellery and cash going missing



STOLE CASH AND JEWELLERY FROM WEDDINGS; A JUVENILE HELD

the theft, spent considerable pattern, they began analysing time at the venues, making CCTV camera footage of the wedthemselves familiar with the dings. "The videos revealed that guests. They were well dressed the suspects, before committing to mingle... never in a hurry, had

their dinner and patiently waited for the opportune time to strike. In a swift move, they would steal the bags containing the shagun, jewellery or cash and quickly vanish," said DCP (Crime Branch) Apoorva Gupta. For months, the Crime

Branch tracked the gang's movements, studying CCTV footage of high-profile weddings. The breakthrough came when officers received a tip-off.

Members of the gang were found at a bus stop near a Metro depot. Police believed they were attempting to flee Delhi, A raid was swiftly planned, and while three men were arrested, the juvenile was taken into custody. The police recovered Rs 2.14 lakh in cash, a mobile phone, and sil-

ver jewellery from them. During questioning, the men said they hailed from Madhya

Pradesh and would visit Delhi and other cities in North India during the wedding season to commit thefts. Police said the gang's leader allegedly admitted that he would recruit children — aged 9 to 15 luring their parents with Rs 10-12 lakh for a year-long "contract". The DCP said, "Once the deal

was finalised, the money would be handed over to the parents in two or more instalments and the child would be hired to commit crime for a year. After being brought to Delhi, the children underwent training for a month. They were also made mentally and physically strong to not divulge their identities in case they were apprehended." With these arrests, three

cases of thefts at weddings in Shastri Park, Swaroop Nagar and GTB Enclave have been solved, police said.

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# INVEST IN MADHYA PRADESH The Future of Growth & Innovation

Prime Minister Modi: "It is the Right Time to Invest in Madhya Pradesh. The state's momentum will define the next decade of India's growth"

# GIS 2025 MILESTONE: MP Secures Rs.30.77 Lakh Crore in Investments, Unlocking 21.40 Lakh Job Opportunities



he Global Investors Summit, 2025 held in Bhopal on 24-25 Februrary'25 has propelled the state into the spotlight, securing an unprecedented 30.77 lakh crore in investment commitments including RICs, Interactive Sessions and Road Shows transforming it into one of India's fastest growing industrial hubs. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while inaugurating the summit, called it a defining moment in Madhya Pradesh's transformation, positioning it as a critical engine in India's march towards a \$5 trillion economy. "Madhya Pradesh is no longer an emerging player—it is a powerhouse, a leader in investment, infrastructure and industrial growth", PM Modi declared, applauding the state's efforts to streamline regulations, develop world-class infrastructure, and create a robust industrial ecosystem. Prime Minister also congratulated Chief Minister Dr. Yadav for declaring 2025 as the "Year of Industry & Employment" to boost industrial growth in the state.

Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Madhya Pradesh has been achieving remarkable milestones. The Global Investors Summit has set a record by attracting investment proposals worth Rs 26.61 lakh crore within two days. The state has received a total of Rs 30.77 lakh crore in investment proposals over the past year. This includes contributions from regional industry conclaves, road-shows, and interactive sessions conducted over the year. These proposed investments are expected to generate over 21.40 lakh employment opportunities.

## **A Summit Of Unprecedented Scale**

Held at the Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya in Bhopal, the two-day event saw participation from over 25,000 business leaders, policymakers, and global investors, including more than 100 foreign delegates from 50 countries. The presence of corporate giants—including Adani Group, Reliance Industries, NTPC, Dabur, ITC, and Avaada Group underscored the state's rising stature as an investment hub.

Amit Shah, Union Home Minister, presided over the valedictory session, reinforcing the central government's commitment to developing Madhya Pradesh as a key pillar of India's economic ambitions. Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav hailed the summit's over- whelming success, stating: "This is not just an event; it is a declaration of Madhya Pradesh's arrival as an industrial powerhouse."

# **Over 85 MoUs Signed in Two Days**

During the two-day GIS event, more than 85 MoUs were signed across various sectors leading to the establishment of new industrial units and fostering sectoral growth. Encouraged by the success of the regional industrial conclaves, the state government is now strategizing future industrial conclaves focusing on sector-specific and regional industrial specialties. These efforts will strengthen Madhya Pradesh's industrial foundation and open new employment opportunities for youth. During the summit, MoUs worth Rs 1.30 lakh crore were



<b>Department Wise Investment Proposa</b>	ls Received	in GIS 2025
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Department	Proposed Investment (in Rs.)	Proposed Employment
Dept. of New and Renewable Energy	5.72 lakh crore	1.4 lakh
Dept. of Industrial Policy &	8.616 lakh crore	6 lakh
Investment Promotion		
Dept. of Mining and Mineral Resources	3.22 lakh crore	55,000
Dept. of Urban Development and Housing	1.97 lakh crore	2.3 lakh
Dept. of Energy	1.47 lakh crore	20,000
Dept. of Tourism	68,000 crore	1.2 lakh
Dept. of Science and Technology	64,000 crore	1.8 lakh
Dept. of Technical Education, Skill	43,000 crore	51,000
Development & Employment		
MSME	21,000 crore	1.3 lakh
Public Health and Family Welfare	17,000 crore	49,000
Dept. of Higher Education	7,000 crore	15,000
Dept. of Horticulture and Food Processing	4,000 crore	8,000
Dept. of Medical Education	3,000 crore	9,000
Dept. of Aviation	1,400 crore	1,000
PWD	1.30 lakh crore	4,000
Adani Group	2.10 lakh crore	1 lakh
Regional Industry Conclaves	2.34 lakh crore	2.74 lakh
Interactive Sessions	1.82 lakh crore	1.32 lakh
Grand Total	30.77 lakh crore	21.40 lakh

also signed between NHAI and PWD, which will significantly enhance the state's road and infrastructure development.

### **Discussions on Investment Possibilities** with Foreign Delegates

Several high-ranking diplomats and trade representatives from various countries participated in GIS-Bhopal. These included Shri Rajendra Modi, Deputy Minister, Industry & Commerce, Zimbabwe,

Dr. Shankar Prasad Sharma, Ambassador, Nepal, Shri Mohammed Raliki, Ambassador, Turkey, Ms. Stella N'Kera. Ambassador, Zimbabwe, Dr. Nizair Nifes, Ambassador, Burkina Faso, Shri Yaqi Kaji, Consul, Japan, and Shri Walter Ferrara, Consulate, Italy. These dignitaries praised Madhya Pradesh's investor-friendly environment and expressed their willingness to collaborate in the future. GIS-Bhopal has proven to be a milestone in the state's industrial

# **Growth Unleashed** announcements across renewable

**Multi-Sectoral** 

The summit saw large-scale investment energy, manufacturing, infrastructure, logistics, IT, and industrial corridors, promising to generate over 15 lakh jobs in the coming years.

**▼** Energy & Sustainability: NTPC Green Energy inked an MoU to develop 20 GW of solar and wind projects, securing an investment of Rs.1.2 lakh crore, while Avaada Group committed Rs. 50,000 crore to green energy. NTPC Nuclear announced Rs. 80,000 crore for nuclear power plants, further strengthening Madhya

Pradesh's push towards clean energy

### **▼** Infras & Connectivity

dominance.

journey, with over 100 representatives from more

than 60 countries participating. Nine countries—

Canada, Germany, Italy, Japan, Turkey, Poland, Rus-

sia, Rwanda, and the UAE—became country part-

ners, showing special interest in investment and

Over 25,000 Registrations and more

GIS received an overwhelming response from

investors, with over 25,000 registrations and more

than 600 Business-to-Government (B2G) meet-

ings. Additionally, more than 5,000 Business-to-

Business (B2B) meetings took place, where the

state government and entrepreneurs engaged in

For the first time, an Al-based business match-

making tool was used to connect the right part-

ners efficiently. These meetings played a vital role

in positioning Madhya Pradesh as a global in-

**Prime Minister Modi Launches 18** 

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi launched

18 new policies aimed at boosting industrial in-

vestment in Madhya Pradesh. These policies in-

clude Madhya Pradesh Industrial Policy 2025,

MSME Policy, Export Promotion Policy, Logistics

Policy, Startup Policy, Madhya Pradesh Animation,

VR, Gaming, Comics & Extended Reality Policy,

Global Capability Centers (GCC) Policy, Semicon-

ductor Policy, Drone Promotion and Utilization Pol-

icy, Film Tourism Policy, Tourism Policy, Pumped Hy-

dro Storage Policy, City Gas Distribution Policy,

Aviation Policy, Renewable Energy Policy, Health

Investment Promotion Policy, and Integrated Town-

Adani Group to Invest Rs 1.10 Lakh

Industrialists at the summit shared their in-

vestment experiences in Madhya Pradesh. Adani

Group Chairman Gautam Adani announced that

New Policies to Promote Industrial

in-depth discussions on investment proposals.

business cooperation with Madhya Pradesh.

than 600 B2G Meetings

dustrial hub.

Investment

ship Policy.

**Crore in MP** 

Major upgrades to airports, express ways, and railway networks were announced, including the electrification of the entire railway network and modernization of 80 railway stations.

# **▼** Manufacturing & Industry

Adani Group committed Rs. 1.1 lakh crore to projects in mining, cement, smart-meter technology, and infrastructure. Reliance pledged Rs. 60,000 crore for biofuel initiatives, while ITC and Dabur reinforced their long-term expansion in the state.

# **▼** Technology & Data Centers

Sundev Renewables announced a \$500 million investment to build a 750 MW green data center, positioning Madhya Pradesh as a new hub for India's growing digital infrastructure.

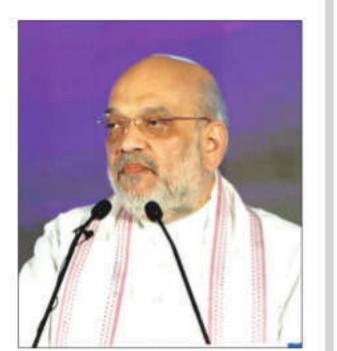
his company has already invested Rs 50,000 crore in the state and plans to invest Rs 1.10 lakh crore in cement, mining, and energy sectors, generating 1.20 lakh jobs by 2030. Discussions are also underway for multi-smart city and airport city projects. Avaada Group announces plans to Rs 50,000 crore investment in solar and wind power projects. Apart from ITC Group recognized MP as an agricultural powerhouse, Godrej Group highlighted MP's rapid development as a smart investment destination, Sagar Group & Shakti Pumps shared positive experiences of operating in the state.

### **Power-Packed Participation From NRIs** At the Pravasi Madhya Pradesh Summit, more

than 500 diaspora members were provided with a platform to connect more deeply with their home state, enabling them to actively participate in its progress. Proposals for investment in various sectors were presented by the Non-Resident Indians (NRIs). Ind projects to yield over 13 lakh jobs; Rs. 25,640 crore investments in tech alone.

# "Madhya Pradesh will play a key role in PM Narendra Modi's vision of making India a developed **nation by 2047**".

**Union Home Minister and Minis**ter of Cooperation Amit Shah, while addressing the closing ceremony, lauded the state's innovative approach of organising sector-specific investment summits, a move that not only showcases its industrial strengths but also sets an example for other states to follow. He emphasised that Madhya Pradesh is leveraging its industrial, sectoral, and global potential to drive holistic growth.



PM Narendra Modi envisions a developed India by 2047 and the world's third-largest economy by 2027, with Madhya Pradesh playing a key role. MP-GIS 2025 will create jobs for youth, supported by recently launched sectoral policies fostering a conducive business environment. Madhya Pradesh is also among the few states with a "Jan Vishwas Bill," aligned with central efforts to decriminalise outdated penal provisions and boost growth."

AMIT SHAH, Union Home Minister

**PM Boosts Confidence** 

of Industrialists to

**Invest in MP** 

# **GIS-Bhopal Revolutionising Digital Advancement**

rime Minister Modi, while addressing the GIS in Bhopal, stated that Madhya Pradesh is evolving beyond its traditional industrial identity and is rapidly transforming into a hub of technology and innovation in India. For the first time, an IT and Technology Summit was organized as part of GIS, marking a significant step towards the state's digital advancement. Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav said that this event would serve as a milestone in shaping Madhya Pradesh's digital future and firmly establishing the state as a new center for technology.

The state received investment proposals exceeding Ks 64,000 crore in the IT sector, which is expected to generate more than 1.8 lakh employment opportunities, with youth playing a key role in these jobs. Several leading tech companies, including Digital Convergence Technologies, Tholons, Alcina, Sritech, Kens Technology, and Beyond Studios, have invested in Madhya Pradesh. Additionally, global



technology giants such as IBM, Microsoft, and Barclays have expressed interest in investing in the state. MoUs have been signed with these companies to enhance Madhya Pradesh's technical infrastructure, fostering advancements in technology, skill development, and innovation. For the first time, six departmental summits were orga-

nized to enhance the effectiveness of GIS Bhopal. Additionally, four special sessions were held for entrepreneurs and start-ups as part of the IT and Technology Summit.

These sessions facilitated direct interactions between industry experts and the Department of Information and Technology, allowing for discussions on state policies and the exploration of new investment opportunities. The summit also focused on key emerging sectors, including Electronics System Design and Manufacturing, Global Capability Centers, Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics, Extended Reality, Semiconductor, and Drone Technology. Discussions were held to strategize the state's approach to these high-growth areas. The state government has undertaken significant initiatives to promote semiconductor and electronics manufacturing while also encouraging advancements in drone technology.

A new policy from the Science and Technology Department was introduced at GIS Bhopal, aimed at making Madhya Pradesh an investment-friendly hub for the IT sector. The Madhya Pradesh Animation, VR, Gaming, Comics and Ex-

tended Reality Policy-2025, GCC Policy-2025, Semiconductor Policy-2025, and Drone Promotion and Use Policy-2025 were launched. These policies include both financial and non-financial incentives to attract investment in IT and technology sectors. Designed with future opportunities in mind, these policies were crafted to be both comprehensive and visionary. Experts from the IT industry highly appreciated these initiatives during the departmental summit.

Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav announced the launch of new skill development programs to train youth in advanced IT and technology fields. These programs will focus on cutting-edge areas such as artificial intelligence, data science, cyber security, blockchain, and cloud computing. With a vision to contribute to the development of both Madhya Pradesh and India, the IT sector will play a crucial role in driving investment, innovation, and new opportunities in the state.

> foundation of the Ken-Betwa Link Project, worth Rs 45,000 crore, has been laid, which will increase irri-

### pected to boost the textile and food processing sectors. Madhya Pradesh: The Cot-

gation capacity across 1 million

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rime Minister Narendra Modi

encouraged industrialists at-

tending the Global Investors Sum-

mit to invest in Madhya Pradesh,

highlighting that the state boasts

over 300 industrial zones with im-

mense investment potential. The

state has a surplus energy capac-

ity of 31,000 megawatts, of which

30% is renewable energy. Recently,

the floating solar power project in

Omkareshwar was inaugurated,

showcasing the state's commit-

ment to clean energy. The energy

sector boom has significantly ben-

efited Madhya Pradesh, and the

ton Capital of India PM hailed Madhya Pradesh as India's Cotton Capital, noting that it is the largest producer of cotton and textile supply in the country. The state's Mulberry silk and Chanderi sarees are also widely admired. Additionally, Madhya Pradesh is home to one of the seven major textile parks being developed across India.

Madhya Pradesh's Progress

in Electric Vehicles

rapidly in the electric vehicle sector. PM recalled, how two decades ago, investors hesitated to invest in the state due to poor infrastructure. However, today, the state is making significant strides in electric mobility, with two lakh electric vehicles registered by January 2025. Investments are being promoted in lithium battery production and nuclear energy. The state has fully electrified its railway network, and 80 railway stations are being developed based on the model of Rani Kamlapati station. Gwalior and Jabalpur airports are also undergoing expansion to enhance air connectivity.

# **Textiles, Tourism, and Tech**nology to Drive Growth

According to PM Modi, the three key sectors—Textiles, Tourism, and Technology—will drive India's economic growth in the coming years. Madhya Pradesh has immense potential in medical tourism, and the government is promoting the health and wellness sector. MSME development is a priority, and supply chains centred on MSMEs are being established. Several obsolete laws have been scrapped to improve "Ease of Doing Business", tax structures have been restructured, and interest rates have been lowered by the Reserve Bank of India.

# **Driving MP Towards A Prosperous** And Self-Reliant State: CM, Dr. Mohan Yadav

he Global Investors Summit (GIS) 2025, held in ■ Bhopal, the capital of Madhya Pradesh, has attracted investment proposals worth Rs. 30.77 lakh crores. For me, this achievement is not just about numbers—it represents a mission and a vision for the state's growth. This milestone is a testament to my unwavering commitment to position Madhya Pradesh as the leading state in India. These investments have infused new energy into our journey of progress. The positive response from investors to the 18 newly introduced investment policies reminded me of the 18th chapter of the Srimad Bhagavad Gita, which

emphasises the importance of duty and action. The inauguration of GIS 2025 was graced by the esteemed presence and quidance of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, along with Hon'ble Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah, whose support has further strengthened investor

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the investors who have contributed to Madhya Pradesh's development journey. Your trust, commitment, and collaboration will play a pivotal role in unlocking new economic opportunities

for our state. I also express my deep appreciation for the people of Madhya Pradesh, whose relentless hard work, dedication, and self-reliance have been instrumental in driving the state's continuous progress.

Together, let us strengthen this journey, create new opportunities and work towards realizing the vision of a self-reliant Madhya Pradesh (Atmanirbhar Madhya Pradesh). To the 8.5 crore people of Madhya Pradesh, I reaffirm my promise: our government will deliver through performance, reform policies for growth, and transform the state through industrial development.

# Madhya Pradesh @2047: CII Report Sparks Hopes for a \$2.1 Trillion Economy rently contributes 43% to the state's

ccording to a report by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Madhya Pradesh's Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) is projected to reach \$2.1 trillion (Rs. 248.6 lakh crore) by 2047-48. The report anticipates a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 8.6% for the state's economy. Currently, Madhya Pradesh's GSDP stands at \$164.7 billion (Rs.13.6 lakh crore).

Titled "Envisioning Madhya Pradesh Economy @2047," the report identifies key sectors, policy interventions, and investment opportunities to drive the state's economic growth.

Commenting on the report, CII Director General Chandrajit Banerjee



stated that the Madhya Pradesh government's commitment to fostering investment and accelerating growth could increase the state's contribution to India's GDP from the current 4.6% to 6% by 2047-48. To transform the economic landscape, the state government must focus on the agriculture sector which cur-

contribute to the manufacturing sector must raise its share from 7.2% to 22.2% by 2047 to support sustainable development. Madhya Pradesh is at a crucial economic turning point. Structural reforms, enhanced investor confidence, and industrial capacity-building will be key drivers of growth. The state has already made significant strides in agriculture excellence through technological innovation, advanced farming techniques, and crop diversification. Similar strategic initiatives in manufacturing and services can unlock new avenues for progress, making Madhya Pradesh a leading economic powerhouse by 2047.

economy, the report suggests that to

Madhya Pradesh is progressing

# Defamation case: HC seeks ex-diplomat's reply to Gokhale plea of a July 2024 order in which the

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court on Thursday sought a response from former diplomat Lakshmi Murdeshwar Puri in a plea by Trinamool Congress's Rajya Sabha MP Saket Gokhale seeking condonation of delay in filing a recall application. Gokhale is seeking the recall

court directed him to apologise to Puri, a former assistant secretary general at the UN, and pay ₹50 lakh as damages in a defamation case. In her lawsuit, Puri had claimed that Gokhale had "tarnished her name and reputation by making false al-

legations" about her financial affairs in "context of an apartment she owns in Geneva".

Gokhale was directed to post the apology on his X handle, which should be retained for "six months", as well as publish it in a leading English daily in four weeks. The damages

should be paid within eight weeks, the HC had said.

Gokhale's counsel filed the plea seeking a recall of the July 2024 decision, along with condonation of a delay of over 180 days in seeking the relief, claiming the ruling was passed without hearing him.

### **EXPRESS NEWS** SERVICE

DEHRADUN, MARCH 6

**PRIME MINISTER** Narendra Modi Thursday said that tourism should be a year-round activity in Uttarakhand and that the state should have no "offseason".

The Prime Minister was participating in a programme to push winter tourism and flagged off a trek and bike rally at Harsil in Uttarkashi district. Addressing a gathering, he also condoled the recent deaths of eight workers in the February 28 avalanche in Chamoli district's Mana village.

During the trip, Modi also visited the winter seat of Gangotri Dham in Mukhwa.

Modi Uttarakhand provides opportunities for visitors to recharge and re-energise through yoga and Ayurveda. He also appealed to universities, private schools, and colleges to consider Uttarakhand for students' winter trips. He urged people to consider the state also as a

the year. destination for winter

weddings.

April to November, largely

attributable to the Char

Dham pilgrimage. Modi

pointed out that the num-

ber of tourists drops dras-

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PM Narendra Modi is presented a miniature of

Mukhwa temple by Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami in Uttarkashi on Thursday. ANI

PM calls for year-round tourism

in Uttarakhand: 'No off season'

land of Uttarakhand, known as There has been a con-Devbhoomi, is imbued certed effort by the government to open the state with spiritual energy and is blessed by the Char up for tourism throughout the year. Currently, Dham and countless other Uttarakhand gets its masacred sites," Modi said. jor influx of tourists from

Visiting Kedarnath in 2022, the PM had said that this would be the "decade of Uttarakhand". "Winter tourism is a

significant step in this di-

rection, aiding in harnessing Uttarakhand's economic potential," he said. "Visiting Uttarakhand during winter offers a true of Devbhoomi," the PM said, pointing out that many sacred sites in the state host unique rituals during this time. "The religious ceremonies in Mukhwa village are an integral part of the region's ancient and remarkable traditions."

glimpse of the divine aura

He said year-round tourism will "provide people with opportunities to connect with divine experiences and employment opportunities, benefiting the local population and the youth".

Listing out projects that the Centre and state governments are working on for the development of Uttarakhand, the PM mentioned the Char Dham highway, and the expansion of rail, airline, and helicopter services in the state. He also said the Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the Kedarnath ropeway project and the Hemkund

ropeway project. On the long-standing issue of migration out of hill villages, Modi said emptied-out villages like Jadung are being revamped.

FIR against minister, TMC leader

JU violence:

**PRESSTRUST OF INDIA** KOLKATA, MARCH 6

AN FIR has been lodged against West Bengal Education Minister Bratya Basu and professor and TMC leader Om Prakash Mishra in connection with the recent violence at Jadavpur University, a police officer said on Thursday.

The FIR was registered at the **Jadavpur Police Station on the** basis of a complaint by a student of the varsity who had suffered injuries on March 1.

The minister's driver, along with others, has also been named in the complaint.

Protests erupted following campus violence on March 1 when two students were injured after a car in Basu's convoy allegedly grazed past them amidst the chaos.

Basu, however, claimed that they suffered injuries when the protesters damaged his car's windshield. The minister had said while he was willing to discuss the students' demands, they instead attempted to create chaos and blocked his car.

The case against the minister was filed amid protests at JU. which continued for the fourth consecutive day on Thursday.

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# जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकार, पटना द्वारा आयोजित राष्ट्रीय लोक अदालत

दिनांकः-08.03.2025

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17	17	पिता- श्री जंगी भगत	चौळीदार	08,12,1941	01.07.1982		99	7.	श्री विनय कुमार ईः पिता–राजेन्द्र प्रसाद
18	18	मां० सरपद्दीन	आदेशपाल	16.12.1958	01.07.1982		<b>I</b> -		श्री वेवेन्द्र चीघरी
19	19	श्री अरविन्द्र पाण्डेय	लेखा सहायक	04.11.1954	01.07.1989		100	8	पिता-कृष्णानन्द चौ
20	20	श्री भावनाथ मिश्र	निजी सहायक	20.09.1952	17.09.1975				श्री राम प्रसाद राम
21	21	श्री उपेन्द्र प्रसाद सिंह	चालक	15,03.1953	01,07.1987		101	9	पिता-झोली राम
22	22	मो0 अखलाक अहमद	लेखा लिपिक	25,03.1957	01:07:1989		1		भी विश सा
23	23	स्य कृष्ण नन्दन पंडित	लेखा लिपिक	27.03.1953	05,10,1985		102	10	पिता-स्व० रीतनन्द
24	24	श्री प्रेम प्रकाश मृप्ता	लेखा सहायक	04.11.1958	01.07.1982		1		श्री कामेश्वर पासवा
			ई-सासाराम नियमि		0110717002		103	11.	पिता—बुधु पासवान
25	2	स्व0 जमाकान्त मिश्रा	लेखा लिपिक	07.08.1950	10.07.1985		104	12	श्री देव नारायण प्र
277			साराम (दैनिक वेत-	The state of the s	100011000		10000	22.50	श्री शक्रुधन राय
26	1	श्री गणेश सिंह	मैकेनिक	उपलब्ध नहीं।	22.08.1979		105	13	पिता- दरवारी राय
27	2	श्री राम इकबाल सिंह	जीपचालक	18,06,1955	21.07.1979		106	14	श्री जिलोकी प्रसाद
28	3	श्री विनोद कुमार	आदेशपाल	05,03.1961	01.04.1979		407	1450	श्री वंशी बैठा
29	4	श्री शैलेन्द्र ठाक्र	चपरासी	उपलब्ध नहीं।	उपलब्ध		107	15	पिता-स्वध-परमेश्य
30	5	श्री कृष्णकान्त झा	कार्यदर्शक	25.04.1954	नहीं। 01.11.1980		108	1	श्री अमरेन्द्र कुमार
31	6	श्री रवीन्द्र प्रसाद	चपरासी	18.03.1957	01.11.1978		1,000	1877	
32	7	श्री मन्द किशोर सिंह	आदेशपाल	05,09.1957	01.11.1978		109	2	औ मोला प्रसाद सि
33	8	श्री शंकर राय	आदेशपाल	23.04.1952	11,04,1978		1195	1	
34	9	श्री चंद्रिका महतो	आदेशपाल	20.01.1954	15.04.1979		110	3	श्री सुनीत कुमार वि
35	10	श्री वर्षेन्द्र प्रसाद	आदेशपाल	05.05.1958	01.05.1979		111	- 4	श्री रविन्द्र नारायण
36	11	श्री रामाकान्त राय	आवेशपाल	16.07.1953	27.09.1979		112	5	श्री विरेन्द्र सिंह
37	12	श्री तारकेश्वर राय	आवेशपाल	16.02.1954	17.02.1980		113	8	श्री देव नारायण झ
38	13	श्री मो० मुजफ्फर आलम	आर्दशपाल	21.08.1961	21.11.1978		114	7	श्री रामस्वरूप दास
39	14	श्री बद्दे आलम खान	आदेशपाल	21.05.1958	02.12.1978		115	8	श्री महेन्द्र प्रसाद गु
40	15	श्री उमेश तिवारी	आदेशपाल	24,04,1960	01,10.1978			1000	श्री वदी नारायण रि
41	16	श्री रामाधार सिंह	चौकीदार	01.09.1949	19.04.1979		116	9	
42	17	स्व0 सूर्य नाथ राय	थौकीदार	02.01.1956	01.05.1978		117	10	भी खुशी लाल
43	18	श्री राग सहाय चौबे	यौकीदार	19:10:1944	16.01.1979		118	11	श्री नागेश्वर प्रसाद
TV.			ाई-पटना-1 नियम <u>ि</u>	त			119	12	श्री शेष नारायण चं
44	1	स्व0 विश्वनाथ प्रसाद, पिता–स्व0 राम प्रसाद	कार्य दर्शक	05.01.1952	31.01.1978		120	13	श्री संजय कुमार व
45	2	श्री सुरेश प्रसाद, पिता—स्व0 मंगल रजक	आदेशपाल	16.01.1950	01.07.1989		121 122	14 15	श्री राधारमण सिंह श्री सुरेन्द्र साह
46	3	श्री ग्रमोद प्रसाद सिंह ,	आदेशपाल	26 12 1956	01.07.1982		162	15	Se dica sue
V.0:	158	पिता-स्व0 गणेश प्रसाद सिंह श्री सिता राम महतो.	I ACOUSTON	Nac Approved	atribuseum		123	1	श्री छंदी
47	4	पिता- श्री शिबू महतो	धौकीदार	15.01.1950	01.07.1982		124	13	श्री सरयुग राय पिता– श्री मोती रा
48	5	श्री लालू खान , पिता— अकबूल खाँ	आदेशपाल	31.12.1956	01.07.1982		125	2	श्री खुशहाल बहादुः
		श्री अमरनाथ सिंह ,					126	3	श्री रामेश्वर प्रसाद
49	6	पिता—स्वo विश्वनाथ प्रसाद सिंह	पत्राचार लिपिक	29.12.1951	10.04, 1990		127	:40	श्री परमेश्वर शर्मा पिता— महावीर ठाव
50	7	श्री बाबू लाल मिरन्त्री	चौकीदार	15.11.1943	01.07.1982		128	5	श्री कृत्यानंद मंडल
51	1	ईकाई   श्री कपिल देव नारायण त्यागी	पटना-1 (दैनिक वेतन १ पत्राचार लिपिक	(111) 01:01:1953	22.12.1978				पिता— स्व0 मिशर श्री सुखदेव राय
52	2	श्री अजित क्मार वर्मा	कार्य दशंक	12.04.1952	01.03.1979		129	6	पिता- स्व० मन्तु र
53	3	श्री विनोद प्रसाद सिन्हा	आदेशपाल	04.02.1956	21.12.1978		130	7	श्री लोरिक नोनिया
2311	1378	4	काई-घटना-३ नियमित	(A)			131	8	श्री नवीन प्रसाद रि
54	998	श्री सत्य नारायण मण्डल	कोणरक्षक	11.10.1959	30.01.1987		132	- 4	श्री त्रिवेणी साह
		,पिता-स्व0 जयजय मंडल	77		-		133	2	श्री वृज भार सिंह
55	2	श्री सुरेन्द्र प्रसाद सिंह, पिना- भी राम ग्रहाटर सिंह	आवेशपाल	31.01.1953	01,07,1989		134	3	श्री ललन सिंह
		पिता- श्री राम बहादुर सिंह	70				134	4	श्री लगान राग

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63	2	श्री बलिराम सिंह	कार्य दर्शक	-		
64	3	श्री रामजी भगत	खलासी	-		
65	4	श्री जवाहर लाल	खलासी	-	(2)	
66	5	श्री भगवान सिंह	खलासी	-		
67	6	श्री रामस्वरूप विश्वकर्मा	आदेशपाल	-	193	
68	7	श्री रमेक प्रसाद सिंह	आदेशपाल			
69	8	श्री हरिवश राय	आदेशपाल	-	198	
70	9	श्री लालजी कान्त नियोगी	आदेशपाल	1		
71	10	ंश्री नन्दु यादव	खलासी	-	98	
72	- 11	श्री रामग्रीत यादव	चीकीदार			
73	12	श्री अशोक कुमार	धौकीदार	040	143	
74	13	श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर	वीकीदार	-		
76	14	श्री हरीलाल सहनी	आदेशपाल			
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76	18	श्री दयानिधी प्रसाद यादव प्रिता—स्व0 कान्ति प्रसाद यादव	चौकीदार	01.01.1956	01.07.1982	
77	2	श्री प्रमोद कुमार यादव, पिता—श्री नागेश्वर प्रसाद यादव	चौकीदार	69.01.1962	01.07.1982	
78	3	श्री ओमप्रकाश ठाकुर	लेखा लिपिक	03.01,1954	01.07.1989	
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79	1	श्री विध्या नन्द चीरसिया	भीकीदार	01.07.1961	01.04.1979	
80	2	मीं0 नईम	खतासी	06.04.1951	01.01.1979	
81	3	श्री बच्चानन्द झा	आदेशपाल	10.09.1953	01.04.1978	
82	4	श्री गणेश प्रसाद साह	कार्य दर्शक	01.11.1950	01.12.1979	
83	5	श्री शंकर प्रसाद गुप्ता	डोजर ओपरेटर	The House	16.06,1988	
		ईक	ई-वीरपुर नियमि	a		
84	17	श्री बम शंकर ठाकुर, पिता—मधुसुदन ठाकुर	चौकिदार	09.09.1946	01.07:1982	
85	2	श्री सुकन साहनी, पिता—जगरूप साहनी	चालक:	11.11.1941	01.07.1982	
86	3	श्री हरेन्द्र साह, पिता—स्व0 शिवो साह	चौकिदार	01.11.1960	01.07.1982	
87	4.	श्री केलाश रावत. पिता—श्री बापूजी रावत	चालक	25.11.1943	01.07.1982	
		ईकाई-वी	रपुर (दैनिक वेतन	मोगी)		
88	10	श्री उपेन्द्र नाथ ठाकुर	खलासी	19.01.1938	20.06.1978	
89	2	श्री सोहन प्रसाद सिंह	आदेशपाल	05.09.1959	01.03.1980	
90	3	श्री दुख हरण कमती	सेल्पर	04.01.1955	06.03:1979	
91	4	श्री चन्द्रशेखर चौधरी	चौकीदार	03.02.1950	21.01.1979	
92	5	श्री मदन मिश्रा	चौकीदार	20.02.1960	01.12.1978	
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93	1	श्री शम्भू प्रसाद	आशुटकक		25.03.1965	
94	2	श्री अरूण कुमार वर्मा पिता—लक्ष्मी प्रसाद	मैकेनिक	04.12.1951	21.01.1987	
95	3	श्री झगरू पासवान चिता-पनीत पासवान	खलासी	25.01.1954	01.07.1962	

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98:	6	श्री लडमी राय	आदेशपाल		31,03.1975	ľ
99	878	श्री विनय कुमार ईश्वर पिता–राजेन्द्र प्रसाद ईश्वर	आदेशपाल	18.01,1960	01.07.1982	Ī
100	8	श्री वेवेन्द्र चीधरी पिता—कृष्णानन्द चौधरी	आवेशपाल	29.01.1957	08.01.1985	Ī
101	9	श्री राम प्रसाद राम पिता–झोली राम	आदेशपाल	26.07.1958	B8.01.1965	Ī
102	3100	श्री विगु झा पिता-स्वर्ण रीतनन्दन झा	आदेशपाल	27,11,1954	01,07,1989	Ī
103	113	श्री कामेश्वर धासवान पिता—बुध् धासवान	मशीन चालक	06.06.1951	21,01.1987	Ī
104	12	श्री देव नारायण प्रसाद	कोषरक्षक		21-01-1987	ľ
105	13	श्री शत्रुधन राय पिता— दरवारी राय	ट्रक चालक	19-07-1942	01-07-1982	Ī
106	14	श्री जिलोकी प्रसाद	लेखा सहायक	100	09-03-1977	Ī
107	15	श्री यंशी बैठा पिता–स्थ0–परमेश्यर बैठा	चौकियार	3	23-12-1989	Ī
		ईकाई	गेतिहारी (दैनिक वेतन	ा भोगी)		
108	1	श्री अमरेन्द्र युमार सिंह	कनीय लेखा लिपिक	=	-	

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١	109	2	भी मोला प्रसाद सिंह	कनीय लेखा लिपिक	8	15-07-1979	
1	110	3	श्री सुनीत कुमार मिश्रा	कार्यदर्शक	.e-	01-06-1978	
1	111	- 4	श्री रविन्द्र नारायण चौधरी	कार्यदर्शक	34	12-02-1979	
1	112	5	श्री विरेन्द्र सिंह	कार्यदर्शक		19-01-1978	
1	113	8	श्री देव नारायण झा	आदेशपाल	-	01-07-1980	
1	114	7	श्री रामस्वरूप दास	आवेशपाल	196	01-05-1978	
1	115	8	श्री महेन्द्र प्रसाद गुप्ता	बौकीवार	25	01-11-1978	
1	116	9	श्री वदी नारायण सिंह	चीकीदार	[92	01-04-1978	
1	117	10	भी खुशी लाल	आदेशपाल	7.5	01-08-1978	
1	118	11	श्री नागेश्वर प्रसाद राम	यौकीदार		100	
1	119	12	श्री शेष नारायण चौधरी	कनीय सहायक	S*	02-08-1980	
I	120	13	श्री संजय कुमार वर्मा	मशिन घालक	39	25-11-1978	Π
1	121	14	श्री राधारमण सिंह	मैकनिक		11-02-1979	
1	122	15	श्री सरेन्द्र साह	ऑपरेटर	65	133	

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# Collegium recommends elevation of Calcutta HC judge to top court only one judge from the High Court at Calcutta. Justice

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

THE SUPREME Court Collegium on Thursday recommended the elevation of Calcutta High Court judge Justice Joymalya Bagchi as a judge of the apex court.

According to an official statement, the Collegium on Thursday zeroed in on Justice Bagchi's name "after carefully evaluating merit, integrity, competence and also accommodating a plurality of considerations". If the Collegium's recommen-

dation is cleared by the Centre, Justice Bagchi would have a tenure of more than six years in the SC, during which he will also serve as the Chief Justice of India. He would assume the office

of CJI upon the retirement of Justice KV Viswanathan on May 25, 2031, and will hold office till October 2, 2031.

Justice Bagchi was appointed as a judge of the Calcutta HC on June 27, 2011 and transferred to

Joymalya Bagchi to be in line for CJI post in 2031

January 4, 2021. He was repatriated to the Calcutta HC on November 8, 2021, and has been working there since then. He served as a judge of the High Court for more than 13 years. "During his long tenure as a

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the Andhra Pradesh HC on

judge of the High Court, Justice Joymalya Bagchi has acquired significant experience in diverse fields of law. After the retirement of Justice Altamas Kabir on July 18, 2013 as CJI, there has not been any CJI from the High Court at Calcutta," said the Collegium statement. "The Collegium has also

taken into consideration the fact

present, the Bench of the Supreme Court is represented by

to recommend Justice Harish Tandon of the Calcutta HC as the Chief Justice of the Orissa High Court. The office of Chief Justice of

Orissa is currently vacant after the retirement of Chief Justice Chakradhari Sharan Singh on January 19, 2025. Justice Tandon was appointed as a judge of the Calcutta

HC on April 13, 2010. He ranks at serial number 7 in the All-India Seniority of High Court Judges, including Chief Justices.

Before his elevation as an HC judge, Justice Tandon practised

in civil matters at the Calcutta High Court.

# After family court denied Jains relief under Hindu Marriage Act, 28 petitions reach MP High Court

**ANAND MOHAN J** 

BHOPAL, MARCH 6

SEVERAL MEMBERS of the Jain community have knocked on the Madhya Pradesh High Court's doors after a family court in Indore denied them relief under the Hindu Marriage Act.

First Additional Principal Judge, Family Court, Dhirendra Singh recently refused to grant divorce to a couple who practice the Jain religion under provisions of the Hindu Marriage Act, observing: "Jainism is a religion that opposes the fundamental Vedic traditions and beliefs of Hinduism and is not based on Vedic tradition, whereas Hinduism is entirely rooted in Vedic tradition."

The lawyer for one of the applicants, Pankaj Khandelwal, told The Indian Express: "We have approached the High Court and apprised that there are around 28 similar petitions dismissed by the family court which are now under appeal."

Khandelwal had argued that Jainism "currently lacks its own enacted personal law, (and)

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denying a follower of Jainism relief under Hindu law would leave them without a judicial forum to establish their statutory rights concerning marital disputes." The family court, while deal-

ing with the question of whether followers of a minority community can be granted relief under the Hindu Marriage Act, dealt with the differences between the two religions. The court said Hinduism encompasses various castes and classes, whereas Jainism does not recognise divisions based on caste or class.

"In Hinduism, texts such as the Vedas, Upanishads, and Smritis are considered sacred. However, Jainism does not accept the Vedas or other Hindu scriptures and has its own distinct sacred texts, such as the 'Agamas' and 'Sutras'," the court said.

In Jainism, the "primary purpose of marriage is to maintain the continuity of humanity related to one's religion, and no religious purpose is considered inherent in this concept", while in Hinduism, "marriage is regarded as a sacred religious sacrament," the court said.

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Pune bus rape: Court rejects victim plea for restraining order on comments

**CHANDAN HAYGUNDE** & SUSHANT KULKARNI PUNE, MARCH 6

**JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE first class** (JMFC) T S Gaigole on Thursday rejected the application filed by the survivor in the Pune bus rape case, seeking a "restraining order" against "statements uttered in public and on social media" leading to her "character assassination". Gaigole said the court was not empowered to decide

on the application. Advocate Asim Sarode, who represented the woman, said they have moved a similar application before the Pune district collector, who is also the district magistrate and has the authority to issue a "restraining order" against the statements causing "character assassination" of the survivor.

Sarode said district collector Jitendra Dudi is likely to hear the application on Friday. When contacted, Dudi said he would look into the matter.

The 26-year-old woman was allegedly raped twice by the accused in a government-operated bus stationed at the Swargate depot in Pune in the early hours of February 25. The woman lodged the FIR at the Swargate police station under Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) sections 64, 351 (2).

The police arrested the accused, Dattatraya Ramdas Gade (37), on February 28.

Earlier, during the arguments over police custody, the defence lawyers had submitted before JMFC Gaigole that he did not rape the victim and that they had "consensual physical relation". Some family members of the accused also claimed that "it was a case of consensual sex".

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# Israel brings back 10 'missing' Indians from West Bank

Construction workers, rescued from al-Zaayem, were stranded for weeks

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

THE INDIAN Embassy in Tel Aviv said on Thursday that Israeli authorities have traced 10 missing Indian construction workers to the West Bank and have brought them back to Israel.

"While the matter is still under investigation, the Embassy is in touch with the Israeli authorities & have requested to ensure their safety & well-being," the Indian embassy posted on X.

Earlier in the day, the Israeli media had reported quoting the Population and Immigration Authority that "10 foreign workers from India were rescued overnight from a West Bank village where they had been held for over a month".

The Times of Israel quoted the authority saying: "Palestinians

had lured the workers to the West Bank village of al-Zaayem with promises of work and then taken their passports and tried to use them to cross into Israel."

"The workers, who had originally come to Israel to work in construction, were rescued in an overnight operation led by the authority together with the IDF and the Justice Ministry. They have been transferred to a safe location until their employment status is determined. The IDF had identified the illicit use of the passports and later returned them to their owners," it said.

About 16,000 labourers have come to Israel from India in the last year as part of an Israeli government effort to fill a void left when tens of thousands of Palestinian construction workers were barred from entering Israel after Hamas's October 7, 2023, attack.

# Mauled body found in Amreli raises suspicion of another lion attack

**BRENDAN DABHI** AHMEDABAD, MARCH 6

TWO DAYS after a lioness mauled a Gir Somanth-based farmer to death, the forest department officials on Thursday found a partially-eaten body of a man, suspected to have been killed in a wild big cat attack, in Amreli district's Savarkundla taluka. The officials found the pug marks of a lion at the incident spot.

During the previous Tuesday incident, the lioness had dragged the farmer's body to the border of Amreli where it sat on it, refusing to let it go. The authorities had to intervene to retrieve the body.

According to officials, the victim found on Thursday was identified as 34-year-old Nazim Qureshi afternoon. His body was found in Gir-East Division of the Junagadh Wildlife Circle, which

**NEETIKA JHA** 

SAMBHAL, MARCH 6

AN INTER-STATE insurance fraud

gang, busted by the Sambhal

Police last month, would tamper

with the Aadhaar cards of victims

to show that they were below the

age of 50 when they applied for

life insurance under a govern-

ment scheme and claim the in-

surance payout of ₹2 lakh after

their deaths, police said Thursday.

relied on unsuspecting victims

and their families, alongside in-

surance agents, bank officials

and several others, was first re-

ported by *The Indian Express* on

March 2. The police said 19 peo-

ple, including an ASHA worker,

were arrested in the case so far.

arrested 34-year-old Vinod.

On Thursday, Sambhal Police

"The accused changed the

date of birth of his father in the

Aadhaar card to show he was be-

This insurance racket, which

encompasses the last natural habitat of the Asiatic Lion.

"In the afternoon we got the news that this man was found dead and the lower part of his body was suspected to have been consumed by an animal," said **Deputy Conservator of Forest** (DCF) Vikas Yadav. "We don't know the exact cause of the death and have sent the body for a postmortem examination," said Yadav.

The DCF said the lion movement was suspected to be near the area and the forest department had put out cages to catch the animal.

A joint operation between Gir-East and Shetrunji Divisions of the Forest Department continued till late on Thursday night to track the animal and capture it. In the last 16 days, three deaths in lion attacks have been reported in Amreli district, forest officials told *The Indian Express*.

low the age of 50 to claim the

benefits of ₹2 lakh under the

Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti

Bima Yojana," said Additional

Superintendent of Police

of 18 and 50 can enrol under the

scheme. The assurance on life ter-

minates after a person turns 55.

states, including in UP, Rajasthan,

Delhi and Jharkhand, police said.

gating cases where life insurance

policies were taken in the names

of those who had died or were

about to die. The gang would pay

the premium...later claim the in-

surance amount. But this time

we have witnessed a new

modus operandi," Sharma said.

rested the accused, they found

photos of two Aadhaar cards of

his father on his phone. Both

cards had different dates of birth.

She said that when they ar-

Only those between the ages

The gang operates in 12

"Until now, we were investi-

(Sambhal), Anukriti Sharma.

says will be tortured because of 'Pak origin' **PRESS TRUST OF INDIA** 

NEW YORK, MARCH 6



Rana, 64, a Canadian national of Pakistani origin, is lodged at a metropolitan detention centre in Los Angeles. He is known to be associated with Pakistani-American terrorist David Coleman Headley, one of the key conspirators of the 26/11 attacks. Rana has filed an "emergency

application for stay" with the Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and Circuit Iustice for the Ninth Circuit. President Donald Trump last

month announced that his administration approved the extradition of "very evil" Rana, wanted by Indian probe agencies for his



Rana is an accused in **26/11 terror** attack

Tahawwur Rana seeks stay on extradition,

role in the 26/11 attacks, "to face justice in India". This followed the rejection of Rana's review petition by the SC in January. Rana is seeking a stay of his

extradition and surrender to India pending litigation (including exhaustion of all appeals) on the merits of a petition he filed on February 13. Rana argued that his extradi-

tion violates United States law and the United Nations Convention Against Torture "because there are substantial grounds for believing that, if extradited to India, petitioner will be in danger of being subjected to torture". "The likelihood of torture in this case is even higher though as petitioner faces acute risk as a Muslim of Pakistani origin charged in the Mumbai at-

tacks," the application said. The application also cited medical records from July 2024

showing he has multiple "acute and life-threatening diagnosis", including multiple documented heart attacks, Parkinson's disease with cognitive decline, a mass suggestive of bladder cancer, stage 3 chronic kidney disease and a history of chronic asthma, and multiple Covid-19 infections.

"Accordingly, petitioner certainly has raised a credible...case that there are indeed substantial grounds for believing he would be in danger of torture if surrendered to Indian authorities," the application said. "Further, because of his Muslim religion, his Pakistani origin, his status as a former member of the Pakistani Army, the relation of the putative charges to the 2008 Mumbai attacks and his chronic health conditions, he is even more likely to be tortured than otherwise would be the case and that torture is very likely to kill

him in short order."

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# Cong urges Goa Gov for probe into BJP leader's bribery claim

Panaji: The Congress Thursday wrote to Goa Governor P S Sreedharan Pillai, demanding an inquiry into BJP leader Pandurang Madkaikar's claim that he had paid a bribe to get a file cleared by a minister. Madkaikar, a former minister, had made the bribery claim Tuesday. "I have personally paid a bribe of ₹15-20 lakh to a personal assistant of a minister to get my file cleared," he had said. Before that, he had met BJP general secretary B L Santhosh in Panaji. Goa Pradesh Congress Committee vice president Sunil Kawthankar said he had written to the governor demanding a high-level inquiry into the BJP leader's bribery claim. Kawthankar questioned the "silence" of the government on the matter. He said the chief minister should have ordered an investigation based on his party colleague's assertion. The Congress leader said his party would approach the court for an investigation if the governor fails to take

The US Supreme Court denied Rana's petition for a writ of certiorari relating to his original habeas petition on January 21. The application said on the same day, newly-confirmed Secretary of State Marco Rubio had met with External Affairs Minister S

arrived in Washington on February 12 to meet with Trump, Rana's counsel received a letter from the Department of State, stating that "on February 11, 2025, the Secretary of State decided to authorize" Rana's "surrender to India", pursuant to the "Extradition Treaty between the

Rana's Counsel requested from the State Department the administrative record based on which Secretary Rubio authorized Rana's surrender. "The government declined to provide any information in response to these requests," the application said.

deadline ends looted from state armouries during the course of the conflict which began in May 2023. Twenty-one months later, there are still sporadic attempts to

seize weapons from these armouries. According to the last

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Manipur as Gov's

surrendered in

**SUKRITA BARUAH** 

GUWAHATI, MARCH 6

course of the conflict.

nounced by Governor Bhalla on

February 20, promising no puni-

tive action against those who

would surrender looted and ille-

gally held weapons during this

period. However, he had stated

that "strict action" will be taken

for the possession of such

The Indian Express, of the total

1,044 surrendered arms, 767 were

handed over in the central valley

districts of Imphal East, Imphal

West, Bishnupur, Thoubal and

Kakching. Another 38 were

handed over in the mixed popula-

tion Jiribam and 239 arms were

handed over in the hill districts of

Churachandpur, Kangpokpi,

The largest handover took

place on February 27 in the com-

plex of the 1st Manipur Rifles

battalion by members of armed

Meitei group Arambai Tenggol.

While the group had handed

over 253 weapons that day, it

was found that only 106 were so-

phisticated weapons while the

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IN THE two weeks of Manipur

Governor Ajay Kumar Bhalla's

announced amnesty for the surrender of arms in the state, a toupdate by Security Advisor tal of 1,044 arms and 14,779 am-Kuldiep Singh in September munition had been surrendered 2024, only 1,200 of the looted to security forces as of 7 pm of weapons had been recovered. Thursday. However, a security Police said it is likely that wideofficial said it would take more spread combing operations time to verify how many of these would be conducted after the are from among over 6,000 lapse of the period stipulated by the Governor, particularly with weapons that have been looted Union Home Minister Amit Shah's from state armories during the directions to security forces to en-Thursday, March 6, was the able free movement on all roads last date of the amnesty anin the state. The directions were

> Imphal valley, especially to board flights out of the state. Through the course of the conflict, members of either commu nity have been unable to safely

meant to ensure that Meiteis are

able to pass through the hill areas

and that Kuki-Zos can come to

venture into each other's areas. However, this directive is being met with stiff opposition by Kuki-Zo groups even as a Meitei group has announced a 'march' into hill areas on March 8. A group called the Federation of Civil Society Organizations has announced that it intends to travel "in hundreds" to the Naga majority Senapati district on March 8, which will involve travelling through Kuki-Zo majority Kangpokpi. Kuki-Zo groups have voiced their opposition not only to this announcement too.

"We oppose tooth and nail the movement of the Meitei community...passing through our areas. Before fulfilling our demand for separate administration, they are trying to impose what is better for the Meitei community. If it was just the central government's decision, we could consider it but they are executing our opponent's demands..." Thangtinlen Haokip, leader of the Kangpokpi-based Committee on Tribal Unity, said

GENERAL MANAGER

# Rahul Gandhi visits Dharavi, interacts with leather workers

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** MUMBAI. MARCH 6

SENIOR CONGRESS leader and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, Thursday visited Dharavi in Mumbai, where he interacted with workers and artisans from the leather industry. The master plan for the

Dharavi redevelopment project — that is being formalised by the Adani-owned Navbharat Mega Developers Private Ltd., which is also undertaking the project will be completed in a month's time, said officials.

Gandhi led the attack against Adani over its alleged close ties with the ruling BJP, accusing the party of extending undue favour to the Adani group.

Among the manufacturing units Gandhi visited is Chamar Studio, set up by Sudheer Rajbhar. "Sudheer Rajbhar of Chamar Studio encapsulates the life and journey of lakhs of Dalit youth in India. Extremely talented, brimming with ideas and hungry to succeed but lacking the access and opportunity to connect with

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tained the information from

UIDAI's official website," she said.

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age related change was made in

the deceased's Aadhaar on June

29 of 2024," said Sharma. His fa-

ther died on December 1, 2024.

for the scheme.

police said.

This change made his father

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Insurance fraud gang fudged victims' Aadhaar

to show lower age, claimed payout after death



Congress leader Rahul Gandhi with workers at the leather hub of Dharavi in Mumbai on Thursday. Ganesh Shirsekar

the elite in his field," Gandhi posted on X. "However, unlike many others from his community, he got the opportunity to build his own network... he created a brand that is recognised in the most esteemed corridors of fashion globally."

"Chamar Studio's success highlights how traditional artisanship and modern entrepreneurship can work together... While working with Sudheer and his team in Dharavi today, I

"This came to light after a vic-

tim, Chandrasen, a resident of

Bahroli Taharpur reached the

Bahjoi police station to file a

complaint against Vinod and

Pravesh. Chandrasen said his son

underscored the importance of inclusive production networks that uplift skilled workers across various sectors," Gandhi posted. "...I spoke in the Lok Sabha

about how a prosperous India can only be built through 'production and participation'. Chamar Studio's success shows this model works — and I hope we can replicate such a model all over India," Gandhi said. Gandhi will visit Gujarat on

Friday.

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MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT

# Gehlot hits out at Aiyar over remarks on Rajiv Gandhi

**HAMZAKHAN** JAIPUR, MARCH 6

FORMER RAJASTHAN chief minister Ashok Gehlot Thursday said the former Union minister Mani Shankar Aiyar is a "sirfira (crazy)" person following the latter's remarks on former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi.

Gehlot told reporters: "Frustration ki parakastha hai. Isiliye maine kaha ye koi sirfira aadmi hi bol sakta hai. Agar itna zyada frustration aa chuka hai, toh phir who vyakti kya bolta hai usko khudko samajh mein nahi aata hai. Isliye maine kaha koi sirfira aadmi aesi bhasha bol sakta hai Rajiv Gandhi ke baare mein. (This is the height of frustration. That is why I said that only a crazy person can say this. When there is so much frustration, the person speaking himself does not understand what he is speaking. That is why I said that only a crazy person can say such words about Rajiv Gandhi).'

In the video shared by BIP leader Amit Malviya, Aiyar is heard saying said: "When Rajiv Gandhi became the Prime Minister... I thought, how could a person who was an airline pilot, and had failed twice, become the Prime Minister?"



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Dinesh was suffering from a serious illness for two years. Vinod used to visit their house and later bought an insurance policy in his son's name along with a tractor and a motorcycle, for which he had taken documents from

"After Dinesh's death on February 4, 2023 he kept the money under the PMIJBY scheme and also kept the vehicles," Chandrasen told the police.

Bahjoi police on March 2 under BNS sections pertaining to cheating, breach of trust, forgery and use of forged documents, forgery with intent to fraud, breach of peace, criminal intimidation and relevant sections of The Aadhaar

An FIR was registered with

Dinesh's wife," police said.

49 years old — eligible to enrol "Following the death of his father, Vinod encashed his fa-

ther's PMJJY policy in Indian Post Payment Bank. He told us that he had paid someone ₹3,000 to change his father's date of birth,"

Sharma also said the gang would buy vehicles in the name of people who died and would "In one Aadhaar card, the date then sell them to someone else."

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Mos External Affairs Pabitra Margherita receives The Honorary Order of Freedom of Barbados on behalf of Prime Minister Narendra Modi from President of Barbados Dame Sandra Mason in Bridgetown, Barbados.

# SPECIAL HONOUR

TOWARDS THE end of his extensive four-nation visit, Minister of State for External Affairs Pabitra Margherita on Thursday landed in Bridgetown to accept Barbados' national honour on behalf of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The Honorary Order of Freedom of Barbados was announced during PM Modi's visit to Guyana in November 2024 for the CARICOM summit. The award recognises the PM's "strategic leadership and valuable assistance" during Covid-19 pandemic. After Barbados, Margherita is set to visit Nicaragua.

# SPIRITUAL SURGE

MANY EMINENT personalities, including politicians, were present at the recent wedding reception of the daughter of poet and former politician Kumar Vishwas, but Dhirendra Shastri, the chief priest of Bageshwar Dham, became the centre of attention as soon as he arrived at the event. People were seen rushing to see him up close, making it impossible for some of the guests to even have a chat with him.

# PROMPT ACTION

HOURS AFTER Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while addressing an event at Harsil in Uttarakhand on Thursday, made a strong pitch for round-the-year tourism in the state, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami directed different departments, including finance, tourism and Uttarkashi district administration, to chalk out their action plan to develop wedding destinations, wellness spa, winter wildlife sanctuaries and other tourist attractions in higher altitude areas which see heavy snowfall. Dhami is among those BJP CMs who have remained in the good books of the party's central leadership for following their directives promptly, said sources.

# 'BSP has been BJP-ised': Congress on Mayawati expelling her nephew

**ASAD REHMAN** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

DAYS AFTER BSP president Mayawati expelled her nephew Akash Anand from the party, the Congress Thursday spoke against the former CM, saying that the BSP has been "BJP-ised". Addressing a press conference

in Delhi, Congress leader Udit Raj said: "Mayawati ji would not have taken such a suicidal step without pressure... Akash Anand said there should be a compromise with the Congress-Samajwadi Party in the upcoming assembly elections; otherwise, we (BSP) will remain at zero. This has troubled BJP internally. BJP's vote bank is not going to increase from anywhere else. Even raising the issue of Pasmanda Muslims did not help. BSP remains the only party whose vote can be dented by BJP, and this would have been difficult if Akash Anand was there.'

According to Raj, "the rise of BSP is different from other parties" as "it started with a social movement and later became a political party".



Akash **Anand was** expelled from BSP on Monday

"Those who think about social justice and equality may have belonged to any community or party, their sympathy has been with this movement," he said. "For the last four decades, allegations have been made against Congress, but the party did not respond. Congress gave a share to Dalits, tribals and backward classes and was attacked by being called anti-Ambedkar and anti-Dalit. Now that BSP has been BJP-ised, we cannot remain silent."

"The movement which arose on the basis of Dr Ambedkar's ideas has today started moving in the opposite direction," he said.

The statements come at a time when Congress has been trying to gain the support of the Dalit community in UP. Dalits in UP have traditionally voted for the BSP, but the support has been dwindling.

# RSS leader sparks row with 'Marathi not needed' remark, then backtracks

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** MUMBAI, MARCH 6

A DAY after his remark on Marathi language that "Mumbai does not have one language... and any individual coming to Mumbai may not necessarily learn Marathi", sparked a huge controversy, with Opposition parties demanding clarification from the ruling BJP in the Assembly, senior RSS leader Bhaiyyaji (Suresh) Joshi on Thursday said his statement was misunderstood.

In a written statement on Thursday, Joshi said, "My yesterday's statement has created some confusion. I was speaking about the co-existence of different languages. Still I wish to clarify that Marathi is the language of Mumbai and Maharashtra, and all living here must learn Marathi."

The RSS leader's remark at a function at Vidyavihar on Wednesday put the BJP on the backfoot as Opposition parties — Shiv Sena (UBT) Congress and NCP (SP) — seized the opportunity to whip up the emotive language

arrest, ED raids

Thiruvananthapuram: The ED on

Thursday raided several loca-

tions as part of a money launder-

ing investigation against SDPI,

the political outfit of the banned

PFI. The searches came a day af-

ter the agency arrested SDPI na-

searches at the SDPI's state com-

mittee office in Thiruvan-

anthapuram and the district

committee office in Malap-

puram. The agency seized several

documents and digital devices.

were part of "BJP's politics of

we have been campaigning

against the BJP government's

Wakf Amendment Bill. We had

already conducted protests in 22

states and the events had created

a big impact. The arrest of the na-

tional president and the raids are

Minister Kiren Rijiju said all the

actions by the enforcement

agencies are based on "certain

facts and figures which I can't

**DEEPTIMANTIWARY** 

OVER FIVE years ago, amid na-

tionwide protests against the

Citizenship Amendment Act

(CAA) and the proposed National

Register of Citizens (NRC), Prime

Minister Narendra Modi said at

a public meeting in Delhi on

December 22, 2019, that his gov-

ernment had not discussed NRC

since returning to power earlier

that year. Since then, the govern-

ment has reiterated this stand on

to be making a return to the na-

tional political discourse, with

NRC likely to be among the key

agenda for the annual meeting

However, the issue appears

several occasions.

NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

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Speaking to reporters, Union

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The SDPI said the ED raids

SDPI's Kerala president C P A Latheef said, "Across the country,

In Kerala, the ED conducted

tional president M K Faizy.

**SDPI** offices

plank to paint BJP as anti-Marathi. Joshi had said Wednesday, "Mumbai does not have any one language. It has many languages. Here certain areas have their own language. The language of Ghatkopar is Gujarati. Whereas in Girgaon, you will have fewer

necessarily learn Marathi." His statement created a political storm. The issue was also raised in the ongoing Budget Session of the state Assembly and council, following which Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis clarified the BJP-led

Mahayuti government's stand

on Marathi language.

Hindi speakers and more Marathi

speakers. So it is that any individ-

ual coming to Mumbai may not

Addressing the Assembly on Thursday, Fadnavis said, "I have not heard what Bhaiyyaji has said, but the language of Mumbai and Maharashtra is Marathi. Everyone should learn and speak the language. If you love and respect your own language, you do the same to other languages. I am sure Bhiayyaji will agree with me."

Adopting an aggressive

EXPLAINED The debate in Mumbai

> migrants from across the country, there is a growing debate over the importance of Marathi in the state's social and political life. The Census pegged the number of people who identified Marathi as their mother tongue in Mumbai at 44.04 lakh in 2011, down from 45.23 lakh in 2001.

WITH MUMBAI drawing

stand, Shiv Sena (UBT) president Uddhav Thackeray said, "Bhaiyyaji Joshi should be booked for treason."

Addressing the media, Thackeray alleged that Joshi's comment reflected the hidden "agenda of the RSS and the BJP to divide Mumbai". He said, "It has been a long time since they raked up the India-Pakistan issue... but it is 'batenge toh

katenge'. It's not just a Marathi vs non-Marathi issue, but also Maratha vs non-Marathas and the formula to capture the state by them (BJP)."

Challenging Joshi to make such statements in Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala or West Bengal and return safely, Thackeray said, "Just because the 'Marathi manoos' are welcoming does not mean anyone can thrash them."

Congress leader Nana Patole said the the RSS and BJP deliberately makes controversial remarks to divert the real issues in the ongoing Budget session. "The farmers are reeling under agrarian crisis. Why can't the RSS give suggestions to the government on addressing problems of farmers. By raking up language controversy, they are diverting the main issues confronting the people and the state."

NCP(SP) leader, Rohit Pawar said, "When such remarks come from the top RSS leadership, it gives grounds to question the motive behind undermining the importance of the state and its mother tongue."

# **INDIA, UK CONDEMN**



Pro-Khalistan supporters protest outside Chatham House in London on Wednesday. ANI

# **Pro-Khalistan** activists breach EAM's security

Outside Chatham House in London as Jaishankar was leaving the think-tank

**SHUBHAJIT ROY** NEW DELHI. MARCH 6

AS A pro-Khalistan protester attempted to breach the security perimeter outside Chatham House in London when External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar was leaving the think-tank, India on Thursday condemned the incident and said it "deplored the misuse of democratic freedom by such elements". It also called on the "host government... to fully live up to their diplomatic obligations".

The UK, too, strongly condemned the security breach, saying such attempts to "intimidate, threaten, or disrupt" public events are "completely unacceptable". The incident took place when

Jaishankar was leaving Chatham House on Wednesday evening. A purported video of the incident shows a man carrying the Indian flag rushing towards Jaishankar's vehicle. Even as he was restrained and taken away by police personnel, a group of protesters with pro-Khalistan flags can be seen shouting slo-

"We have seen the footage of a breach of security during the visit of the External Affairs Minister to the UK. We condemn the provocative activities of this small group of separatists and extremists," the Ministry of External Affairs' official spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal

"We deplore the misuse of democratic freedom by such elements. We expect the host government in such cases to fully live up to their diplomatic obligations," he said.

A spokesperson of UK's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) said: "We strongly condemn the incident that took place outside Chatham House... during the External Affairs Minister's visit to the UK. While the UK upholds the right to peaceful protest, any attempts to intimidate, threaten or disrupt public events are completely unacceptable. The Metropolitan Police acted swiftly to address the situation and we remain fully committed to ensuring the security of all our diplomatic visitors, in line with our international

obligations.' A PTI report from London quoted a Metropolitan Police spokesperson as saying: "As the minister left the event, a protester ran in front of his stationary car waving a flag... He was quickly intercepted by officers and moved out of the way. He did not get close to the minister who was able to leave the area without further incident. There

were no arrests." In January, a group of pro-Khalistan activists had gathered outside the Indian High Commission in London to stage a protest. In 2023, pro-Khalistan supporters had attacked the Indian High Commission.

WITH PTI, LONDON

# Day after leader's Who's stopping you? Reclaim PoK, also part with China: Omar to Govt

**ARUN SHARMA** JAMMU, MARCH 6

**REFERRING TO External Affairs** Minister S Jaishankar's recent remarks on Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, J&K Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Thursday asked who was stopping the Centre from reclaiming PoK.

Jaishankar, while answering a Pakistani journalist's question at an event in London Wednesday, had said the Kashmir issue would be solved when the "stolen part of Kashmir, which is under illegal Pakistani occupation," is returned.

At the J&K Assembly on Thursday, Abdullah asked, "Who stopped you (from reclaiming PoK)?" "Chaliye, ek hissa Pakistan ke pass hai. Humne kabhi kaha ki mat lao (One part is with Pakistan. Did we ever say don't reclaim it)?' he asked. "Reclaim it if you can."

He pointed out that it could have been reclaimed during the Kargil war, but was not. "It's okay that it could not be done then, but if you can reclaim it today, then who among us will say don't get it back?" he asked.

Pratinidhi Sabha (ABPS), which

is its highest decision-making

body. The meeting this year will

be held in Bengaluru from March

21 to 23. Sources said the ABPS

was likely to discuss the imple-

mentation of NRC across India

and deliberate on how it should

"The demography of several

be carried out in certain states.

states in the country has

changed because of illegal immi-

gration. In Jharkhand, even the

Christian population is declining

when compared to Muslims. The

demography of even strategi-

cally sensitive states, such as

Arunachal Pradesh, is fast chang-

ing because of the influx from

Bangladesh. We all know what

has happened in Assam and

West Bengal. It is the Union gov-



J&K CM Omar Abdullah in the Assembly, in Jammu. PTI

He also mentioned that a part of Kashmir was with China. "...While a part of Kashmir is occupied by Pakistan, a part of it is with China as well. Why is there no mention of that part?"

"When you will reclaim PoK, please do us a favour by reclaiming the part of Kashmir that is with China," Abdullah said.

Concluding the debate on the Motion of Thanks to the L-G's address in the Assembly, Abdullah accused the BJP of having destroyed the legacy of the last Dogra ruler, Maharaja Hari Singh, by dividing his erstwhile state into two UTs and abrogat-

gal immigrants and deport

them," said an RSS office-bearer.

tionary, the ABPS will likely dis-

cuss how NRC should be imple-

mented so that no "Indian

citizen" feels threatened. Sources

said the ABPS might also discuss

if NRC should be conducted in

pass a resolution on at least "two

issues of national importance"

during the meeting. It is not yet

clear, however, whether there

will be a resolution on NRC.

"Whether a resolution should be

passed on an issue is decided

during the meeting and not be-

forehand. It will depend on what

the senior leaders decide on how

the issue should be taken up fur-

The ABPS is also expected to

specific states.

According to the Sangh func-

ing laws that gave protection to locals on land and employment. Asking the BJP what im-

proved after abrogating J&K's special status under Article 370 in 2019, the CM said it ended neither militancy nor corruption. He also said that incidents of terror attacks were being reported in areas like Jammu and Reasi, which had been made militancy free much before 2019.

He also said "some people are trying to intimidate, threaten and silence us (NC legislators)" from discussing Article 370 but his party will "continue to fight for the rights of the people of J&K".

The ABPS summit is the most

important meeting of the RSS

where all its top leaders, including

its sarsanghchalak or chief Mohan

Bhagwat and second-in-com-

mand Dattatreya Hosabale, will be

in attendance. The BJP president

and other senior leaders of the

decisions taken not only give di-

rection to the Sangh for the follow-

ing year but also send a signal to

the government on what it wants

government has not made any

move or significant statement on

NRC, with the issue perceived to

have been relegated to the back-

burner. Even the BJP, which had

the issue in its manifesto for 2019

Since the 2019 protests, the

implemented at policy level.

The issues discussed and the

party may attend the meeting.

NRC that 'threatens none': Likely back on agenda at RSS annual meet

2024 poll manifesto. BIP leaders, however, have, off and on, made noises on the issue. Ahead of the Jharkhand Assembly elections last year, Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said the government would ensure the implementa-

tion of NRC in the state.

The Sangh has always maintained there should be a nationwide NRC. In October 2019, then RSS general secretary Suresh Bhaiyyaji Joshi said after the Sangh's Karyakari Mandal baithak in Bhubaneshwar, "It is the job of every government to prepare an NRC. Many types of infiltration have happened. Hence, it is important to prepare an NRC once and identify all those who are not Indian citidecide what should be done about them."

In July 2021, Bhagwat tried to allay concerns, claiming at an event in Assam that a certain section of people had lent a communal colour to the issue to derive political mileage. "It has become a Hindu-Muslim issue

when it's not even one," he said.

Bhagwat said NRC was a way to determine genuine citizens residing in India. "Such exercises are followed in many countries across the world. What to do with them (those left out) is another matter but at least let us first find out who the citizens in the country are," he said. He has also said that "demographic imbalance" in India was not just due to the higher birth rate of a particular community but also undocumented migration.

### zens, and then draft a policy to of the RSS's Akhil Bharatiya ernment's duty to identify illether," said another RSS leader. elections, dropped it from the Former aides of BSP chief Mayawati 'pained' at party decline, but 'not surprised'

LALMANI VERMA NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

"IT HURTS to see the house you collapsing," says Nasimuddin Siddiqui, once a prominent BSP face and its tallest Muslim leader. At the same time, he is not surprised.

For leaders like him who have left the BSP or been thrown out by Mayawati over the years, her latest round of firings and expulsions is typical of her style of functioning — and to blame largely for the party's steady de-

While the BSP remains the preeminent party of Dalits, it does not have a single Lok Sabha seat currently, getting only 2.06% votes nationally despite contesting 488 of the 543 seats last year. In the 2022 UP Assembly elec-

tions, the party got just one seat, with a vote share of 12.88%, a drastic fall from the 20%-plus it would get in the state.

Mayawati's former lieutenants, spread out in the Samajwadi Party, BJP and Congress now, expressed regret at the state of the BSP. Speaking to The Indian Express, they also accused Mayawati of moving away from the ideals of B R Ambedkar and the movement started by Kanshi Ram, "under the influence of money, family and a few select leaders".

Among BSP founders and Mayawati's confidants, Siddiqui was expelled by Mayawati in 2017, five years after she lost power in UP. Mayawati expelled Siddiqui along with his son, accusing him of "anti-party activities" and corruption. In 2018, Siddiqui joined the Congress.

While he has no connection with the BSP any more, Siddiqui told The Indian Express, "I feel pain that the party that was founded by Kanshi Ram ji... that movement is getting weaker." Hinting at Mayawati's unbridled control, he added: "The excess of anything is a cause for downfall."

Siddiqui went on to name Ashok Siddharth as one of the reasons the BSP finds itself in a mess. Last month, Mayawati expelled Siddharth, whose daughter is married to her nephew Akash Anand, from the BSP. Later, while expelling Akash, once named by her as her political heir, Mayawati held

Siddharth as the reason. The BSP could still be revived if it went back to Kanshi Ram's strategy of "standing firm on principles and not being in a haste", Siddiqui added. "To get



Mayawati has been the BSP president since 2003. File

something, one has to be ready for sacrifices. *Ab yahan sirf paane*paane ka chal raha hai (Now, everyone only wants to make gains)."

Siddiqui said the BSP also gained by including in its ranks leaders from different castes and communities, which was no longer the case. However, he

said, he continued to respect "Behanji (Mayawati)" for what she had done to strengthen the party along with Kanshi Ram. "I still call her iron lady. She is a tall leader. She was my leader." One of the leaders outside

the BSP's core base of Jatavs who rose under Mayawati was Swami Prasad Maurya, seen as

its biggest OBC face. In 2016, he quit the BSP accusing Mayawati of "auctioning party tickets" for the 2017 UP Assembly polls.

Maurya told *The Indian Express* that the BSP's decline started when it moved away from Kanshi Ram's core slogan of "Jiski jitni sankhya bhaari, uski utni bhaagidari (Representation in proportion to population)" to, what he dubs, "Jiski jitni tayyari, uski utni bhaagidari(Representation as per preparation)".

"That led to a surge of thailishah (moneybags) in the party... One by one, workers and leaders left," Maurya, who moved from the BJP to the SP and is not with any party now,

Indrajeet Saroj, a BSP veteran and Dalit leader, who was a minister in the Mayawati government, was among those expelled

by her after the 2017 UP defeat. He joined the SP, and is currently an SP MLA.

Saroj said things were fine in the BSP till 2003, when Kanshi Ram was in control and Mayawati his deputy. "But after 2003 (when she became BSP president), Behanji made a series of wrong decisions, there were allegations of money being demanded for tickets, and she stopped giving representation to different communities."

According to Saroj, one leader to blame for this change in the BSP was Satish Chandra Mishra, the party's Brahmin face and a lawyer, who has survived Mayawati's many purges.

"Even the media once described the BSP as 'Brahmin Satish Party'. MLAs and old-time party cadres were ignored while unelected people were made

Cabinet ministers," Saroj said. "A mission can't be run by dictatorship, but only by bhaichara (brotherhood). But Behanji kept removing leaders who had a support base." The result was that "a big

movement — the Bahujan movement — has finished", Saroj said. "Kanshi Ram used to say, 'Satta-viheen samaj intezar nahin karta (A powerless society does not have patience)'." Another BSP founder-mem-

ber now out of the party is R K Chaudhary, once a close associate of Kanshi Ram and now an SP MP. According to Chaudhary, "Kanshi Ram's movement and Baba Saheb Ambedkar's Mission" is "drowning under the leadership of Mayawati and S C

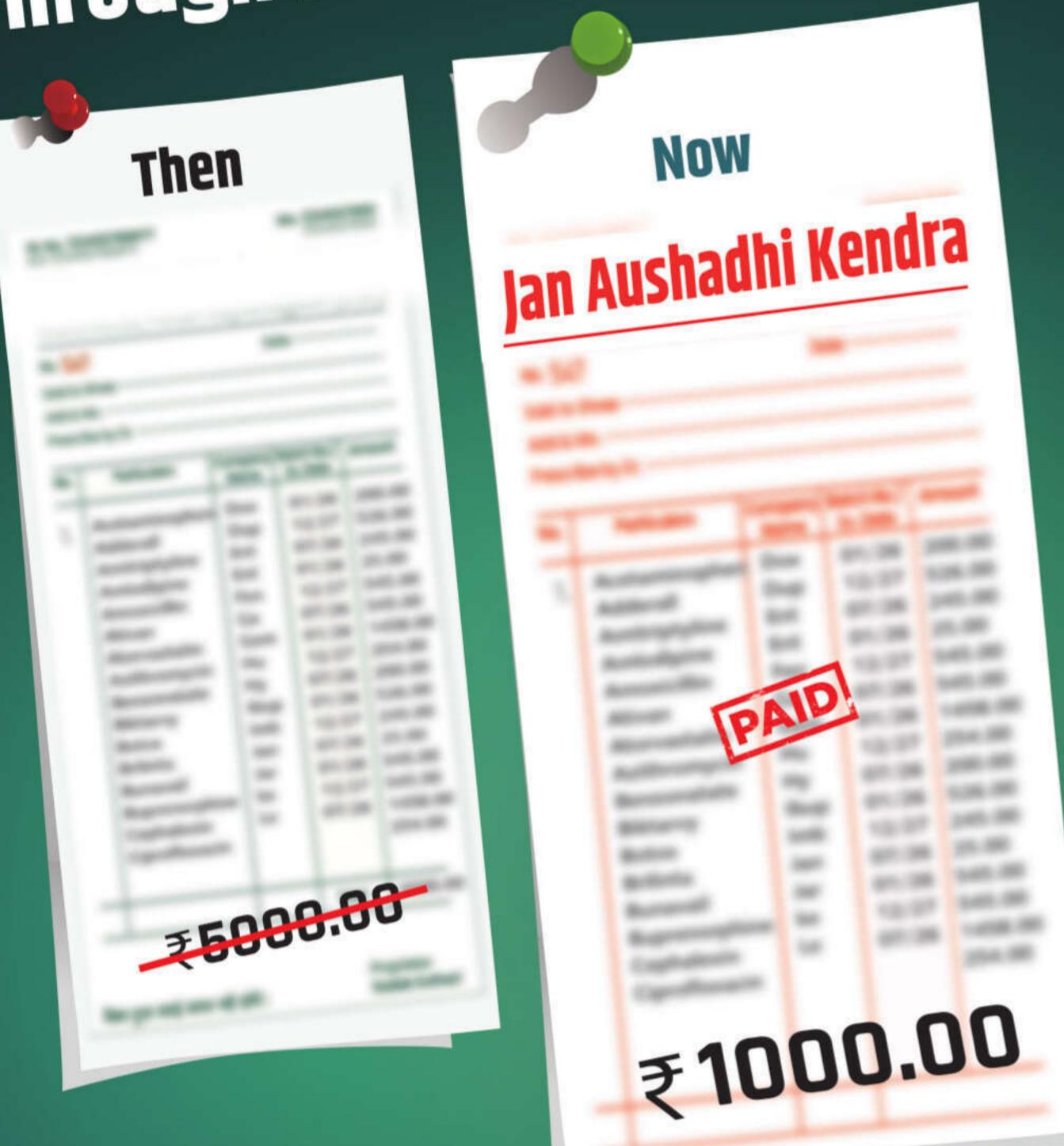
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# WIDEN THE FRAME

Stalin fires first shot but delimitation should not be framed as North vs South or a show of report cards — that's the challenge

HE CURRENT FLARING of the debate on delimitation takes place in a fraught political context. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin has fired the first shot when the rumble of next year's election is already beginning to make itself heard. By all accounts, CM Stalin is laying claim to leadership of a push-back by the "South" against a BJP-led and "North"-dominated Centre, on all-India projects ranging from the entrance exam, NEET, to the National Education Policy and the threelanguage formula. On delimitation, a state-level all-party meeting called by him in Tamil Nadu has led to a resolution that asks the Centre to extend the 1971 Census-based delimitation framework for another 30 years beyond 2026, to ensure fair representation for states that have effectively controlled their population. Stalin's moves also coincide with a perceived BJP drive to spread into states of the South, having reiterated its dominance in the country's north in recent polls. They seek to stoke apprehensions, real and imagined, about Hindutva's homogenising ambitions. The political context, then, encourages the framing of the issue in warring spectres and tidy binaries — North vs South, an all-conquering, winner-takes-all BJP/Hindutva vs the rest, representation vs federalism. The reality is much more complicated. The issue is also too important to be left to short-term political interests and agendas of the moment.

The thing about spectres is that they seldom withstand a reality check. For instance, the North and South are internally differentiated. And the claims of a "better developed" South getting short shrift in comparison to a "less developed" North are reductive — they paper over many of the vital geographical, historical, political and policy factors that underlie the phenomenon of some states overtaking others. The BJP's bid to expand into the country's south also means a nuancing and leavening, and even softening, of its political project. Similarly, the pitting of representation against federalism deserves closer scrutiny. At one level, it borrows the majoritarian arguments that have become the common sense on other issues for instance, the demand for a caste census, Congress leading the charge, has been raising its head. But what also needs to be kept in mind is this: Even as the Constitution's guarantee of political equality is shored up by the principle of one-person-one-vote, the constitutional letter and spirit also holds out protections for minorities (not necessarily defined by religion) and safeguards for federalism. That is, it also addresses predicaments in ways that don't go by a mechanical application of the majority principle alone.

Clearly, a solution needs to be found to the delimitation puzzle. In the past, the can has been kicked down the road. Stalin wants that to happen again. The challenge is to forge a new path, through deliberation and dialogue, which ensures that no one loses and everyone wins. For, it goes far beyond carving out new constituencies. Only one thing is certain: This is not something that should be resolved by an order imposed by the Centre from above. To endure, it will require a federalism that's collaborative and cooperative, not competitive. Every political party, every citizen, has a stake in this for it's about reinforcing the very bedrock of democracy — representation, in both number and spirit.

# MOVEMENT TO PARTY

In Bangladesh, Jatiya Nagorik Party enters at a time when the dust hasn't settled, and people seek stable governance

OLLOWING THE LIBERATION War in 1971, a secular nation-state based on linguistic nationalism was established in Bangladesh. It was, in many ways, a rejection of the religious nationalism that continues to define Pakistan. Since its inception, however, Bangladesh has navigated a dual identity where Bengali linguistic nationalism has coexisted, often uneasily, with the influence of orthodox Islam in its political culture. Since Sheikh Hasina's ouster in August 2024, the latter has been regaining prominence. A stark example of this was visible in an incident in January when a women's football match was cancelled after students from a religious school vandalised the venue. Earlier, in November, a mystic sect promoting religious inclusivity had to cancel their music festival after Islamist threats. Post-Hasina, emboldened Islamist groups have been returning to the mainstream after facing crackdowns for years. Against this backdrop and ahead of the elections expected to take place this year, the student-led movement that spearheaded the protests that led to Hasina's downfall has launched the Jatiya Nagorik Party or the National Citizens' Party (NCP)

The NCP's promise of a "second republic" reflects a determination to reshape Bangladesh's political framework. The immediate challenge for the country is safeguarding its democratic credentials, which hinge on free and fair elections. Hasina's Awami League has been isolated. However, the support that the interim government initially enjoyed has also begun to fade, as Muhammad Yunus now faces pressure to deliver tangible results. Since Hasina's ouster, Bangladesh has been gripped by political turbulence and economic hardship, along with a deteriorating law-and-order situation. The NCP is entering the political scene at a time when the dust hasn't fully settled, and the people seek a strong and stable governance.

The transformation from an anti-establishment movement into a mainstream force is never easy. The NCP has made a strong start, with its display of religious inclusivity at its rally, where recitations from both the Quran and Bhagvad Gita sought to deliver a message of unity — significant, given concerns over the security of Hindu minorities in post-Hasina Bangladesh. If it pursues multiculturalism and secularism, it could pose a formidable threat to the rightwing Bangladesh Nationalist Party. The true test for the NCP will be whether it can fight for a more just, inclusive, and democratic Bangladesh.

# LOVE, ALTERED

Is a sonnet rewritten for the 1640s still Shakespeare – and still for lovers?

OVE IS NOT love which alters when it alteration finds — but what if these lines themselves find alteration? William Shakespeare's Sonnet 116, which speaks of the "marriage of true minds" and love as "an ever-fixed mark", is dear to romantic hearts today. A generation after the poet's death, however, it was subject to cavalier treatment. Literally — think of the Cavaliers, the royalist faction that fought and ultimately lost to the Roundheads, or parliamentarians, in the English Civil War of the mid-17th century. It turns out that an unidentified person wrote a Cavalier version of Sonnet 116, in which "ever-fixed" love means unshakeable loyalty to the king and the royalist cause.

This version of the poem was hiding in plain sight in a manuscript in Oxford's Bodleian Library — with even the initial lines altered, and no mention of Shakespeare in the 19thcentury catalogue describing its contents — until it was discovered by a doctoral researcher. It was found amid a collection of royalist literature from the 1640s, rebelling against a puritan-dominated age when Christmas was banned and toasting the king was illegal. To anyone familiar with the original sonnet, it's a shocking genre shift: Stand aside, lovers, let's talk "heretics", "true scripture" and "flaming martyrs". From the grave, Shakespeare was dragooned into fighting for the Cavalier cause even as a much-alive John Milton rooted for the other side and wrote panegyrics to the parliamentarian general and later dictator Oliver Cromwell,

The discovery sheds light on the reception of Shakespeare in the early days and speaks to the living nature of texts and the irrepressible inventiveness of propagandists. Is it still Shakespeare? In an era before intellectual property, an author could be more than himself. Whether it's still good poetry is quite another question.

# Seize the delimitation



Let's expand the scope of democracy to incorporate federal interests over and above mere numbers

Suhas Palshikar

THE DELIMITATION DEBATE has begun to make news and like most political controversies, it skirts the foundational issues. Exactly like some policy wizards of the Hindutva variety, chief ministers from the southern states have suddenly found virtue in large families and having multiple babies. Before the latest statements of the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister, similar sentiments were expressed by the Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister, when he questioned the two-child policy to draw attention to the demographic imbalance that marks the North-South divide.

These remarks underscore the better performance of the states of South India both in terms of the human development index and economic parameters. The blatant attempt by the Centre and Hindutva votaries to push Hindi is another irritant that has re-ignited the "North-South" conflict. The possibility of the next delimitation exercise and the hanging sword of a mechanical application of the population criterion that will reduce the current strength of the South in the Lok Sabha have further fuelled tensions.

The irrationality of the "more children" plank apart, the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister has made a specific plea — to freeze the current strength of each state in the Lok Sabha. In effect, this demand seeks to continue the earlier policy of avoidance. Since the mid-1970s, for the past half-century, India has allowed the ratio of population-to-representative to remain unreasonably high. Freezing the current strength of each state in the Lok Sabha may allow us to retain the current balance of numeric power among states. But it would also mean a huge distortion because in most of the states, every representative would continue to represent an impossible population of about 20 lakh.

Most parties would find the proposal of freezing the current arrangement more convenient but that may not solve the problem, only postpone it again.

For a genuine debate on the delimitation question, it is necessary to avoid two tempting tropes. First, there is a temptation among politicians from the South and many intellectuals to set an alarm about the domination of North India over the South. It is true that often a certain North Indian imagination is circulated as the idea of the Indian na-

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tion, but that has nothing to do with the relative strength of the states in Parliament. Already, the Lok Sabha has a larger number of representatives coming from the states of North India. It is not clear whether any injustice to the "South" has happened on account of the numeric disadvantage it has in the Lok Sabha (and Rajya Sabha too). The North-South prism is only likely to persuade people and parties of the North to push for a delimitation that would give them an advantage. Such a counter-mobilisation in the North can make it impossible to arrive at any negotiated settlement.

The North-South prism presupposes that multi-state and all-India parties would be unable to take any stand on this issue one is either a votary of the South or a supporter of the North. This will practically exclude both Congress and the BJP from any serious debate on the issue; their state units will be forced to take contrary positions making a compromise even more difficult.

Secondly, in the present party-political arena, there is a temptation to see the issue through the prism of the BJP's dominance. While the BJP and Hindutva historically always saw the northern normative universe as constitutive of national identity and while they have always been uncomfortable with India's pluralism and in particular with Dravidian claims, it will be a mistake to posit the current delimitation debate within an anti-BJP framework. The BJP would be pulled internally in contrary directions. In particular, when the BJP is poised to expand in the South, it will not openly counter the claims of southern states. The recent statement by the Union Home Minister that states of the South will not lose any seats marks the limits of anti-BJPism on this issue.

How, then, should we address the vexed issue? At one extreme, an argument may be made that if population is the basis of representation (at least in Lok Sabha), then, there is nothing wrong in a skewed strength of the states. This is the formalist democratic argument. Such an argument may also appear to have constitutional legitimacy, because this is how the Constitution would expect the delimitation process to unfold.

In a draft paper for the Pune International Centre, Sanjeer Alam and I have argued that

India needs to transcend the formalist argument and employ democracy in a broader sense to inform the method for delimitation. Following the leads of Milan Vaishnav and Alistair McMillan, we argue that there are two routes to resolving the issue (not necessarily mutually exclusive). While the idea of reforming the Rajya Sabha is indeed useful, it would require a greater consensus and more wide-ranging amendments to the Constitution, whereas there is more merit in exploring the other possibility of expanding the Lok Sabha wherein the current strength of any state will not be adversely affected even as more populous states will get additional seats.

On the surface, it does look like a mere compromise, but in doing so, the representation debate can be taken a step further. The Constitution does mandate the application of the democratic principle as the basis of delimitation, but we need to pause and ask what that principle means. So far, a simplistic understanding has informed the debate and apprehensions around the issue, but given the ideological context of diversity in crafting the Indian nation-state and the later political ethos of consolidating democratic politics, it is necessary that being democratic must be understood as also being federal.

As a matter of fact, delimitation exercises already appreciated this in an implicit manner: Allocation of seats to states would begin by first allocating a minimum representation to "smaller" states to ensure that howsoever small a state is in terms of size and/or population, it will at least have one member in the Lok Sabha. In doing so, the principle of state-based representation overrode the principle of population.

It would be a great step if leaders like CM Stalin seize the moment and expand the scope of democracy to incorporate federal interests over and above mere numbers. In other words, the proposal to expand the size of the Lok Sabha and to ensure that no state loses its current strength should be seen not only as a politically prudent step, but as a step to enrich the idea of democracy in the Indian context.

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# AN UNFILTERED GAZE

For Himmat Shah, art was not about finality but about the act of creation itself

# Mamta Singhania

"TO SAY THAT we don't know with entire certainty where we are going is a proof of lucidity...The target is unreachable. We are surrounded by infinity" — Octavio Paz on Group 1890's debut

Himmat bhai's Garhi studio in Delhi, where I first met him 20 years ago, was a world of its own — filled with sculptures, drawings, and works in various stages of becoming, each holding the quiet hum of his process. The space reflected his way of thinking — alive, exploratory, and always in motion. His gaze was intense, broken only by the glint of mischief in his eyes, and his words moved between sharp clarity and abstract ideas, always circling back to art. There was an openness to his approach, an instinctive understanding that art was not about finality but about the act of making itself.

It was through working with him for his 2005 solo show at Anant Art that I came to understand the meticulous nature of his engagement with material — his deep consideration for every element, from the sculptures themselves to the pedestals that held them. His modernism was intuitive, not theoretical — what he once described as "a leap from the familiar to the unknown". His works carried that same spirit — his terracotta heads and bronze sculptures revealed an enduring fascination with form and texture, each surface bearing the weight of history and process.

His drawings were not blueprints for his sculptures but an extension of his exploration of form and movement. The textures, the architectural elements, the way material carried both weight and movement each piece reflected his engagement with form and surface, always searching for something beyond the tangible.

A defining aspect of Himmat bhai's artistic ethos was his deep love for clay, a material he believed held fundamental significance in the act of shaping the earth with one's hands. He often said everyone should work with it, that there was something essential in feeling the material transform through touch.

His impact on Indian art is undeniable. He was an artist's artist — admired not just for what he created, but for the way he thought and worked. During his book launch last year for Himmat Shah: Ninety and After — Excursions of a Free Imagination, his lively conversation with Gulam Mohammed Sheikh, filled with animated reminiscences, reflected his deep affection and respect for his contemporaries. The High Relief Mural at St. Xavier's Primary School, Ahmedabad (1968/1969) was a bold reimagination of public space at a time when monumental art was rarely seen outside of institutions. His drawings were not blueprints for his sculptures but an extension of his exploration of form and movement. The textures, the architectural elements, the way material carried both weight and movement — each piece reflected his engagement with form and surface, always searching for something beyond the tangible.

Himmat bhai was both a presence and an anchor for so many. Younger artists gravitated toward his studio, drawn to the way he saw the world — unfiltered, sharp, and entirely his own. He never held back his thoughts, offering critiques with honesty but never malice. Even when he had little, there was always tea, sometimes samosas, and always conversation. He shared freely — his time, his ideas, his way of seeing — which made being around him an experience in itself. His laughter was full and unrestrained, and whenever something captured his imagination, he would exclaim, "kya baat hai!" with sheer delight.

Even as time passed, his sense of wonder never dimmed. A plant, a texture, a line on a page — each thing revealed something new to him. "Adbhut", he would say, genuinely amazed, his joy never dulled by familiarity. His work was never about fitting into definitions, never bound by expectation. He created on his own terms, driven by curiosity and an insistence on discovery.

From him, I learned to approach artworks with an unfiltered gaze and to view each piece with a renewed perspective. Our conversations were always revealing — his pursuit of artistic excellence and his constant search for greatness in his work were relentless. These are the memories I will hold dear.

His legacy is not just in what he made but in how he approached making. It is a privilege to have known him, to have seen his world up close, and to share that with others.

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# POLL RESULTS

CONGRESS (I), WHICH routed its opponents in the Hindi belt, crashed to defeat in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Sikkim and barely secured a majority in Maharashtra as results poured in. At midnight, Congress (I) had been voted back to power in Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh and Orissa and was well set to attain massive majorities in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.

# Multi-Engine

CONGRESS (I)'S CAREFULLY articulated thesis of a one-party state has been rejected by the voter in this year's assembly elections. The theme that the states should be ruled by Congress (I) simply because it had been voted to power at the Centre was projected by the Prime Minister in his campaign speeches, mainly because Congress (I) got carried away with the massive vote it received in the Lok Sabha election.

# JANATA SWEEP

RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE HAS done it. Under his charismatic leadership, the Janata Party has virtually swept the polls in Karnataka, humbling the Congress (I) juggernaut as it stands on the threshold of a total tally of around 150 seats in the 224-member assembly. The Janata Party almost decimated the BJP, which had become a thorn in its flesh in its two-year rule.

# New Record

WITH HIS VICTORY, Minister of State Sanjay Singh has shattered all previous records not only in Uttar Pradesh but perhaps in the whole country. Singh has retained the Amethi assembly seat, part of the Prime Minister's parliamentary constituency, by 1,22,352 votes. He polled 1,24,017 votes against a paltry 1,665 for his distant BJP rival, Dr B C Misra.

# THE IDEAS PAGE

**DIS/AGREE** THE BEST OF BOTH SIDES

A fortnightly column, which offers not this-versus-that, but the best of both sides, to inform the debate



CR Sasikumar

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin has opposed the 'three-language formula'. Does it reflect genuine concerns over the Centre's Hindi push or is it the revival of a political spectre?

# A fig leaf for an imposition

That the third language being mooted is not Hindi does not fool anyone. Leaders' statements, government spending, highlight true intent

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PALANIVEL THIAGA RAJAN

EDUCATION IS THE beating heart of Dravidian political philosophy. It is vital to the movement's core principles of self-respect. social justice, and equitable access. Given education's prior exclusivity, the first Justice Party government of the Madras Presidency sowed the seeds for universal education by legislating compulsory elementary education — for boys and girls — in 1920.

A compulsory two-language formula our mother tongue, Tamil, and the global link language, English — in effect for decades, reflects these values. All parties that originated here have vociferously, and repeatedly aligned with this formula, and it has produced great results. With high literacy rates and a higher education enrolment ratio of 47 per cent (compared to the national average of 28.4 per cent) Tamil Nadu stands tall in India. Our educational, and consequent economic successes are documented and quantifiable. To be clear, this compulsory formula is only for the curriculum set by the State Board of Education, and in schools run by the state government. TN's commitment to educational choice is evident — even the Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha maintains its headquarters in Chennai.

It is in this context that one must view the extraconstitutional conditions imposed belatedly on TN by the Union government for the release of our state's allocation of the Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan funds (approximately Rs 2,152 crore) in the FY 2024-2025 Union Budget approved by Parliament.

The threat, stated in public by the Union Minister of Education, is simple: Implement the NEP in full through legislation in TN's assembly (including the compulsory three-language formula) or the Centre will not release the Parliament-approved, pre-allocated, funds.

Given the lack of a single example to show how this will improve outcomes, we see the threat as pure political extortion. Such an attempt to force the will of the Union government on TN's elected legislature is in flagrant violation of the Constitution.

In fact, adding a third language would impose costs — not only in staffing and logistics, but also by overloading students' learning capacity — with no evidence-based benefits to justify such curriculum dilution. In large parts of the country, even two languages have not been implemented adequately, for if they had been, we would have already had English as a link language and we would not be having this debate over 75 years after Independence.

There is also the justified fear that introduction of a third language corrodes the use of the native language, sometimes to the point of its practical demise. Hiding behind the fig leaf of the idea that the third language being mooted is not Hindi does not fool anyone. A cursory look at the Home Minister's statements every Hindi Day, and the multifold spending on Hindi promotion, as opposed to other regional languages, will highlight the true intent.

The threat of a similar outcome in Tamil Nadu is a dagger to our hearts, because of our existential love for our mother, Tamil — the core of our identity as Tamilians, and the high expression of our glorious culture and history. Our love is not just manifest in our eagerness to preserve the world's oldest living language, but also in our urgency to keep it refreshed to suit the changing times. We have undertaken many efforts to ensure our language remains vibrant and ever-youthful, from hosting a KaniTamil Manaadu (Conference on Tamil Computing) way back in 1999 (we ran its second iteration in 2024), and digitising ancient texts, to creating Tamil LLMs. Many of these efforts are undertaken by the Tamil Virtual Academy — an entity established by our leader, Kalaignar (M Karunanidhi), when he was chief minister which functions as part of my current ministerial portfolio of Information Technology and Digital Services.

This threat is consistent with the Centre's unconstitutional approach of using any means as a weapon for its political agenda. Beyond the politicisation of fund allocation and adding politically self-serving last-minute conditions for the disbursement of funds, the most troubling examples include: Unprecedented use of Article 293(B) to constrain state borrowing beyond their respective FRBM-equivalent legis-

lation; illegal, covert coercing of bilateral and Adding a third language multilateral lending agenwould impose costs with cies to adopt lending constraints to non-BJP governbenefits to justify such ment-ruled states, and worst of all, the intentional curriculum dilution. In appointment of obdurate governors to thwart the work of elected governments. As our Chief Minister languages have not been has stated, the Tamil people implemented adequately. can never be cowed down by such threats. History would have had English teaches lessons. Money alone cannot meaningfully as a link language. We alter employment or wouldn'tbe having this growth rates, if the prevaildebate over 75 years after ing social structures are not conducive to such improvements. For example, the bias towards Gujarat by the current government through

> the creation of Free Trade Zones like GIFT City and the allocation of mega projects have not resulted in any noticeable improvement in either employment or the quality of life for the average resident of Gujarat.

> People of ancient cultures like the Tamils cannot be subjugated, nor their identity altered, by coercive actions. Previous attempts at Hindi imposition were catastrophic failures. In Tamil Nadu, January 25 is designated as Language Martyr's Day, when we pay our respects to those who lost their lives in the struggles to preserve Tamil and oppose language imposition. We will not surrender our linguistic rights now or ever, and thereby allow their ultimate sacrifices to have been in vain.

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# Protect language, don't politicise it

Chief Minister Stalin's attitude is a recipe for turning diversity into divisiveness



VINAY SAHASRABUDDHE

TAMIL NADU CHIEF Minister M K Stalin's allegation that Hindi has eaten into smaller languages like Maithili, Santhali, etc, is false and a blatant attempt to pit one language group against the other. It's vote bank politics in the name of language. Note that no one from these smaller groups — but rather, the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu — is expressing concern about their languages facing an existential threat. Stalin has a difficult election to face in about a year and an issue as emotive as language is a low-hanging fruit. However, while the argument being made is unconvincing, the manner in which he has taken up the issue is highly irresponsible. Happily, Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has made it clear that there is no question of imposing Hindi and the three-language formula only promotes learning an additional language, besides English and the mother tongue.

CM Stalin has also talked about a monolithic Hindi identity. However, no monolithic identity could really be officially established in any language group. In Maharashtra, Karnataka and even Tamil Nadu, people in different regions speak different versions of the language. While no regional government can

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avoid the standardisation of their respective language, regional variations are bound to be there and there can be no "imposition" in this regard. Resilience and accommodation are fundamental features of Indian culture and straitjacketing is neither practicable nor desirable.

But since Stalin has raked up this issue, it is pertinent to ask why linguistic groups feel threatened. There are at least four key factors behind the existential challenge that languages apparently face. These are linguistic colonialism and its sinister impact, changing ideas of social and cultural status, inertia on the part of lan-

guage warriors and politics and policies about promoting or preventing the development of

During the Mughal era, Urdu and Farsi made inroads into many Indian languages. The level of adulteration was so alarming that Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj had to personally monitor the creation of a Marathi Rajya Vyavahar Kosh, or a dictionary of Marathi administrative terms. With this initiative, he ensured that foreign languages do not have place of pride at the cost of indigenous languages. Later, British rule ensured the needless but allpervading domination of English and prevented the development of several Indian languages as mediums of acquiring knowledge. As English was the language of the ruling

class, speaking it became a symbol of higher social status leading to an inferiority complex among those speaking their mother tongue.

Sadly, save for a few regional languages like Tamil, Bengali, Malayalam and some North Eastern languages, most other Indian language groups have inadvertently submitted to the "status-symbol phenomenon" and paved the way for linguistic adulteration. Many urban dwellers with their mother tongue being Hindi, Punjabi, Marathi or Kannada today are seen using more English terms colloquially. Ignorant of their rich linguistic traditions, many believe that our own languages are poor in vocabulary, and this is the most sinister impact of linguistic colonialism.

While give and take between languages is not entirely preventable and undesirable, the cause of a particular language is well-served only when the processes of coining new words and terms thoughtfully and utilising them keenly are carried out. The natural fusion of languages is not the same thing as needless adulteration. What makes way for linguistic adulteration is the popular mindset where using everything "foreign" is considered synonymous with enhanced social status. Hence, the delinking of languages from social status has to be given top priority if our mother tongues are to flourish.

Languages flourish only when they are used. A few years ago, Kazakh people demanded Hindi movies with Kazakh subtitles and not Russian ones. Similarly, a South Asian leader has expressed the desire to read the Gita Rahasya of Lokmanya Tilak provided it is made available in the language of their country and not in English. In this context, Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadanvis's move to ask officials to ensure that Marathi is given a place of prominence as a language of statecraft is welcome.

The third life-threatening factor for mother tongues is the inertia of their progeny. Many language warriors have not understood the importance of government efforts to provide medical and engineering education in mother tongues. If our languages have to compete with English and other global counterparts, they have to create meaningful terminologies for new and emerging technologies. Also, language warriors must understand that language is the vehicle of culture. When a language is threatened, the sustenance of the culture of the respective language-group becomes harder.

The antidote for the "politics of language" is a well-laid-

down formal policy of language development. For holistic and sustained development of any language, governments and language groups will have to fight together on multiple fronts. From education to entertainment, from literature to libraries and from event management to election campaigns, an emphasis on using mother tongues/regional languages alone will help them not just sustain but also grow.

CM Stalin must understand that raking up anger in the name of language is much easier than actually taking up the cause of any language. He must remember that politicising language matters in a partisan manner in fact hampers the cause of the respective language. Such politicisation is a recipe for converting diversity into divisiveness.

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# WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"Members of both parties have expressed worry about Mr. Trump's outrageous parroting of the Russian line on Ukraine. They are likely to be even more upset when Musk's cuts reach their states and when record-breaking measles -THE NEW YORK TIMES outbreaks happen."

# Well played, Steve Smith

# He had the unique gift, like the best in cricket, to make his game tick in every format



SANDIP G

SOME FAREWELLS ARE festivals. When paeans are penned on the departing legend, a river of tears is shed and statues erected. Some are merely mourned, for a career wasted, for a graph that never scaled its predestined peak, for the milestones left unachieved. Some are met with impassivity, with a sense of cosmic fatalism that everything that begins has to end. The emotions, or the lack thereof, that attended Steve Smith's one day international adieu, swims in the third category. There was neither shock nor awe, but a chilling acceptance that it was inevitable in the broader scheme of stretching his Test career, where he is arguably the greatest batsman of his time.

The larger theme of his career remains strikingly similar in Tests and ODIs — a fascinating irony. He came as an outlier in Test cricket, with a bewilderingly unorthodox technique that was presumed to fall apart in tougher climes, that was not endowed to collect 10k runs and 36 hundreds, shimmering at the fifth spot in the all-time batting charts in red-ball cricket. The preconception when he burst forth — as a leg-spinner who could bat, well a little — was that his unconventional methods would weave seamlessly into the limited-overs fabric. But Smith has made an industry of making a mockery of suppositions, of bowlers, pundits and coaches. In neither format, though, was he touted to conquer greatness.

In ODIs, he became something of a semi-great. The body of work is impressive -5,800 runs, 43.2 runs a game, a strike rate of 86.56, 12 hundreds, two-time World Cup champion. In another era, even a decade ago, these are numbers golden enough to grant access to the rarified space the regals of the game inhabited. But he played most of his cricket when the format itself was tussling with identity crisis, wondering whether it's a crunched five-day game or an elongated T20 version. It faced the classic confusion of a middle sibling.

Smith's plight was even more difficult, because his role was such that he had to bat in the past in a game that was leaping to the future. He embraced modernity, added deeper layers and gears into his batting, but with the phalanx of hitters around him, such as David Warner and Aaron Finch, Glenn Maxwell and Marcus Stoinis, he had to perform the anchoring duties for much of his career. He had the game to maraud as he exhibited in his whirlwind hundreds against India in Sydney 2020 (105 off 66 balls, 104 off 64 balls).

Had Smith's attacking inclinations remained unshackled by roles and responsibilities, his career could have been perceived differently. But a cricketer is often a product of his circumstances, of the team's nature, specifications, and the strengths and weaknesses of his teammates. In a different milieu, Sachin Tendulkar would have never opened, or MS Dhoni redefined the art of finishing.

Maybe, Smith was too gifted for his own good. He could enact roles his teammates could not. He performed what Warner and Maxwell could, but neither could duplicate Smith. Even if they sometimes functioned in the Smith role, their range was not as vast as Smith's. He had the unique gift, like the best, to make his fundamental game tick in every format. The contrast between Smith in Test and ODIs was not as vivid as day and night. In the limited-over versions, he would play some strokes more frequently than the others, pursue the aerial route more often and at times resort to the ramp and scoop. "I don't play different formats differently. The batting is a reaction to the bowling, the required run rate, the conditions and fields," he revealed in a cricket.com.au podcast.

He might not have been his white-ball teams' most important batsman, but he has ferried Australia to monumental achievements. A big-match player, he shares the greatest number of 50-plus scores (5) in World Cup knockouts with Sachin Tendulkar. India would painfully remember the sparkling 105 off 93 balls he reeled out at Sydney in the 2015 semi-final clash. Only Ricky Ponting (442) and Martin Guptill (346) have mustered more runs than him (345) in the World Cup knockouts. Among those who have batted at No 3, only five have averaged better.

But the thread of paradox continues, because unless you go fishing for Smith's greatness in ODI, you wouldn't comprehend it. At the edge of his dishevelled blond mop, you wouldn't spot the faint curves of a halo. He did not etch Smith moments in the game's pages; he didn't patent strokes. Even the twitches and shakes remained a novelty in Tests. The debates of function versus aesthetics he provoked, and his redefinition of beauty in batting, remain relevant to Test cricket.

Or, it could be that Smith, the Test cricketer, is so magnificent a spectacle that its radiance dims all other lights. It's like the understated short stories or poems of a masterful novelist. As good as the shortform works could be, the novel makes his name. Smith the Test cricketer would be immortal, the white-ball less so. The pattern spills into his captaincy numbers. For one of the finest leaders of this century, the Sandpaper gate incident apart, his numbers in white-ball remain humble (a win percentage of 53 and no big titles to show).

Or it could be that Smith did not love the white-ball formats less, but he loves the longer format more, where his farewell could be a festival and not viewed with the detachment that has marked his goodbye from 50-over cricket.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# ABUSE OF POWER

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Crime and accountability' (IE, March 6). Sarpanch Santosh Deshmukh was subjected to brutal torture, resulting in his death. All Deshmukh did was raise his voice against extortion in a windmill energy project. The horrific evidence that surfaced in the form of pictures and videos catalysed Minister Dhananjay Munde's resignation under the pretext of ill health. The fact that the murder occurred merely five days after his appointment as the Food and Civil Supplies Minister is a grave and alarming disclosure. The underlying issue necessitates various reforms to curb rampant lawlessness, which should include limiting the overreach of MPs and MLAs over law enforcement.

**Shaswat Jena,** *Ghaziabad* 

# UNEQUAL GROWTH

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Aiming high' (IE, March 6). While the editorial correctly asserts that India's path to sustainable growth requires extensive reforms by both the Centre and state governments, these must extend beyond purely economic measures and avoid an overreliance on per capita income as an indicator of progress, as it can mask significant income inequality, as evidenced by the Oxfam report which revealed that 73 per cent of wealth generated accrued to the top one per cent of the population in 2017, while the bottom 670 million saw only a one per cent increase. Further, India risks falling into the middle-income trap due to a premature shift from agriculture to services, bypassing the crucial development

of a robust industrial and manufacturing sector, which is essential for sustained economic expansion.

**Afsheen Rizvi,** *Lucknow* 

# Freeze, Again

THIS REFERS TO the report, 'TN parties oppose delimitation...' (IE, March 6). The 84th Amendment froze the Lok Sabha seats till 2026 and for good reason. The Modi government would do well to take a leaf out of the Vajpayee government's book so that no state feels wronged or alienated. Pro-rata representation on the basis of population will be heavily skewed towards the states that have seen uncontrolled population growth. The next 30 years will give sufficient time for the states in the Hindi belt to implement population control measures.

**G David Milton,** *Maruthancode* 

# SENSIBLE STEP

THIS REFERS TO the article 'At a global crossroads' (IE, March 4). Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's decision to set aside the unfortunate events at the Oval Office and to take a step in the direction of peace is sensible and diplomatic. Even though US President Donald Trump's belligerence during the meeting took diplomacy to a new low, he was correct about the Russia-Ukraine war. While there is no space for a breach of territorial integrity and sovereignty, the solution for lasting peace lies in addressing the cause of Ukraine's aspirations for NATO membership and Russia's concerns about the alliance's expansion.

**Tushar Anand,** Patna

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### SANATAN DHARMA REMARKS

SC orders no fresh cases be filed against Udhayanidhi without its nod

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

HEARING A plea seeking the clubbing of FIRs in different states against Tamil Nadu Deputy Chief Minister Udhayanidhi Stalin over his alleged remarks calling for eradication of Sanatan Dharma, the Supreme Court on Thursday directed that no fresh cases be filed in this regard without its permission.

A bench of Chief Justice Sanjiv Khanna and Justice Sanjay Kumar directed this after senior advocates A M Singhvi and P Wilson, appearing for Udhayanidhi, the son of Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin, said that a fresh case was registered against him in Bihar and an amendment application had been filed before the Supreme Court by the complainants in that case, seeking impleadment in the pending case.

The bench allowed the amendment and directed that notice be issued to the newly added respondents.

"...amendment application is allowed, issue notice to newly added respondents on steps taken by petitioner....liberty is granted to newly added respondents to file response within 15 days from the date of service, rejoinder if any after 15 days, interim order to continue and will equally apply to the cases mentioned in the amended Writ Petition. We also deem it appropriate to direct that no further cases be registered without the permission of this court," the bench said in its order.

At a conference in September 2023, Udhayanidhi had likened Sanatan Dharma to coronavirus, malaria and dengue, and said it should be eradicated.

# Court issues non-bailable warrant against RGV in cheque bounce case

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** MUMBAI, MARCH 6

A SESSIONS court in Mumbai on Tuesday issued a non-bailable warrant (NBW) against director Ram Gopal Varma for not appearing before it in connection with a cheque bounce case.

Varma had filed an appeal before the sessions court against a magistrate court's order in January which convicted and sentenced him to three months simple imprisonment.

Varma's lawyer sought an exemption from appearance, which was permitted.

The lawyer also filed for bail and a stay on Varma's conviction. The court rejected these pleas stating that Varma can file the applications by remaining present before it. The court issued the non-bailable warrant and sought a report on July 28.

# Actor tied 14 gold bars to thighs, made multiple trips to Dubai, Malaysia: Probe

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** BENGALURU, MARCH 6

KANNADA FILM actor Ranya Rao, who was nabbed at the Bengaluru International Airport on March 3 on charges of smuggling 14.2 kg of gold worth Rs 12.86 crore, had allegedly strapped 14 gold bars on her thighs with tape and bandages in an attempt to avoid detection by Customs officials, sources familiar with the investigation say.

Rao (33), the stepdaughter of a senior DGP-rank IPS officer in Karnataka, was arrested by officials of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI), who had information of her arrival, allegedly with the contraband, at the airport.

While there has been speculation that the gold consignment was smuggled in a jacket Rao wore, the DRI has indicated that the gold was found on the actor during a physical check. "Upon examination, gold bars weighing 14.2 kg were found ingeniously concealed on (her) person," the DRI said in an official statement on the arrest of Rao, who had arrived from Dubai on an Emirates

Rao had allegedly strapped 14 gold bars, each weighing 1 kg, on her thighs with tape and crepe bandages and then wore pants to conceal them, sources

The DRI, which called it "one of the biggest seizures of gold at Bengaluru International airport in recent times", is probing whether Rao has carried consignments in a similar manner

According to sources, her frequent travel to Dubai and Malaysia in recent months, within short intervals of five to 10 days, had aroused the suspicion of the DRI and eventually led to intelligence inputs on the arrival of a large gold consignment on March 3.

She reportedly used VIP channels to exit the Bengaluru airport on her arrival on international flights, with a protocol official being on hand to receive her and ensure smooth passage without the extensive checks done on regular passengers.

On her arrival at the Bengaluru International Airport on Monday, Rao was accompanied by her architect husband,



Ranya Rao was nabbed from Bengaluru airport on March 3

whom she had married four months ago.

Rao's stepfather, a senior IPS officer, has distanced himself from her, claiming that she had not been in contact for over four months since her wedding.

"Ranya and her husband got married in 2024, and since then, they have maintained complete independence and privacy. She stopped visiting the family home, and we were also not given opportunities to visit them

in their new home, resulting in a clear and definitive separation between us and them," said an unsigned statement attributed to the IPS officer.

However, Rao and her husband had attended the wedding of the police officer's stepson in February in Bengaluru.

Following Rao's arrest, a search by DRI officials at her residence led to the seizure of jewellery worth Rs 2.06 crore and Rs 2.67 crore in cash. The total seizure in the case stands at Rs 17.29 crore, according to the DRI.

"The lady passenger has been placed under arrest under the relevant provisions of the Customs Act. 1962 and remanded to judicial custody," the DRI said.

Rao, who was remanded to judicial custody until March 18 by a special court for economic offences, is expected to seek bail on Thursday.

Rao entered the Kannada film industry in 2014 when she was 22 and played the lead role in three films.

Several years ago, her stepfather was transferred following a suspicious robbery of cash and gold being transported to Kerala from Karnataka on a bus, though no official or legal action was initiated against him.

Last year, his stepson was questioned by a Karnataka Police special investigation team over his alleged association with international hacker Srikrishna Ramesh alias Sriki as part of investigations into the hacker's transactions. The DGP's stepson married the daughter of a renowned former Kannada film actor-turned-politician last month.

On Thursday, the DRI filed a plea in a special court for economic offences, seeking custody of the actor for three days starting March 9. The DRI also placed a copy of a statement obtained from Rao to indicate the need for custodial interrogation.

The DRI told the court that Rao travelled to Dubai 27 times in the last six months, and the purpose of these visits requires further investigation.

The advocate for the actor opposed the plea, saying the DRI had already seized electronic gadgets and other material required for its investigations.

The court posted the DRI request for custody for March 7 and postponed the hearing of a bail plea filed by the actor.

Two Indians executed in UAE buried in kin's presence: MEA

Nod awaited for burial of third Indian

**DIVYA A** 

NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

TWO INDIAN nationals — Shahiadi Khan and Muhammed Rinash Arangilottu — who were executed after being handed death sentences in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), were buried on Thursday in the presence of their family members, according to the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

Shahjadi and Arangilottu were buried following the regulations of the UAE, the MEA said.

The burial of a third Indian national, Muraleedharan PV, a Kerala resident sentenced to death in the UAE, will be held soon after the formalities are over, sources told *The Indian* Express.

Shahiadi, 33, a caregiver from Uttar Pradesh's Banda district was executed on February 15, months after a court found her guilty of allegedly murdering a four-month-old child. Rinash, from Kerala's Kannur, was working in a travel agency in Al Ain prior to his arrest for allegedly killing a UAE national. He was executed a few weeks ago. Muraleedharan was sentenced to death for the murder of an Indian immigrant.

"Burial of Shahjadi Khan, an Indian national, was conducted

today in Abu Dhabi as per regulations of the UAE authorities. the MEA said on Thursday. "Prior to her burial, the authorised representatives of Shahjadi's family paid respect to the mortal remains. They also attended the funeral prayers at the mosque as well as the burial at the Baniyas cemetery."

The UAE authorities had informed the Indian embassy on February 28 about the executions, after which the mission got in touch with their families. The MEA said the embassy had provided all possible consular and legal assistance to the Indian na-

"Embassy officials assisted the authorised representatives in this regard as well as attended the last rites," it said.

"The burial of Muhammed Rinash Arangilottu, an Indian national, also took place today. His family members were also present for paying their last respects and participating in prayers prior to his burial," the ministry said. Shahjadi was convicted on

charges of murder of her employer's child in 2022 and sentenced to death. The highest court of the UAE, the Court of Cassation, upheld the death penalty on February 28, 2024. Her family filed a mercy petition in May 2024, but it received no

# Target to limit global warming to 1.5°C is hanging by thread: IPCC chair

**NIKHIL GHANEKAR** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

THE WORLD'S aspiration to limit global warming to 1.5°C is still possible but "hanging by a slender thread", Jim Skea, chairperson of the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which assesses climate change science, said here Thursday.

Skea said that with warming having exceeded 1.5°C in 2024, the world is entering, even if temporarily, a zone with high risks of climate change. The impact could be limited by utilising available options in energy supply such as wind and solar energy and by turning to adaptation opportunities to cut risks of climate change.

"After the IPCC special report on the 1.5 degree warming was published in 2018, I was quoted as saying that limiting warming to 1.5 °C was possible within the laws of chemistry and physics, and that is still true. But that aspiration is hanging by a slender thread," Skea said at The Energy and Resources Institute's (TERI) World Sustainable Development Summit. Under the Paris Climate Accords, nearly 200 countries decided to keep the increase in temperatures below 2°C above the pre-industrial levels, and preferably limit it to 1.5°C.

The three-day TERI summit. which began Wednesday, is being held days after IPCC held a

crucial meeting in Hangzhou, China, to set the future course of action on producing the next set of reports on the latest state of earth's climate. The IPCC's synthesis report integrating the contributions of three working groups and its special report will be produced during the current seventh cycle and released in the second half of 2029.

The US did not attend the Hangzhou meet.

Skea said he will not comment on political decisions, but underlined that IPCC's science assessment is caught in "political crosshairs". "The IPCC is not a negotiating body but a science policy interface and we are required to not provide commentary on political matters. Although we are a science based body, the science that we assess is certainly caught in the political crosshairs," he said.

Dwelling on the three issues of "long-term temperature goal, the goal on adaptation and resilience, and the goal on improving finance flows", which are part of the Paris Agreement, Skea said that as per latest IPCC reports and global stocktake of climate action, the world was not on track to meet these goals. Global stocktake refers to the evaluation by countries on climate action.

The IPCC prepares crucial scientific reports on the state of the climate, which inform government policies and are also the basis for international climate



# Drug Crackdown In Punjab

A godown belonging to an alleged drug smuggler is demolished in Amritsar on Thursday. As part of a drive against drugs, Punjab Police Thursday demolished eight properties, raided 501 locations and arrested 75 alleged smugglers in Amritsar and Ludhiana districts. So far, more than 60 buildings linked to alleged drug dealers and smugglers have been razed. PTI

# 'Babbar Khalsa operative' held, STF says was planning attack at Kumbh

Lucknow: An operative of banned terror outfit Babbar Khalsa International (BKI) was arrested on Thursday from Kaushambi district of Uttar Pradesh. He was planning an attack on the recently concluded Maha Kumbh in Prayagraj, the state police's Special Task Force said on Thursday. Lajar Masih, a resident of

Ramdas area in Amritsar, had escaped from police custody in Punjab in September last year

when being brought to a hospital from jail where he was lodged in a drug-trafficking case, officials said. He was nabbed in a joint operation by the STF and the Punjab Police in Kaushambi's Kokhraj area in the early hours, they added. Grenades, gelating rods, detonators and a pistol were recovered from him.

The STF said Masih was in contact with his ISI handlers in Pakistan and the head of a Germany-based BKI module. ENS

# COP30 host Brazil calls for additional structures to ensure climate commitments are delivered

**AMITABH SINHA** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

BRAZIL, THE host of this year's annual climate conference, COP30, has called for setting up of "additional" multilateral mechanisms "complementary" to the Paris Agreement framework to ensure commitments by countries on climate action are fulfilled.

In an interaction with journalists here Thursday, Brazil's Minister for Environment and Climate Marina Silva acknowledged that the US pull-out from the Paris Agreement would hurt progress on climate action but

said multilateral process was still the only way to effectively deal with the climate crisis. "For over 30 years (of climate change negotiations), there have been commitments that have not been fulfilled... It is important, this issue of reforming the global governance. President Lula (da Silva) of Brazil has mentioned this a few times. It is important for the UN system to be more effective."

Minister Silva, who was in New Delhi to attend the annual World Sustainable Development Summit organised by TERI, said the idea is "to propose this discussion on (building)structures that could be complementary to the (UN)



Marina Silva process to follow up on the com-

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mitments that have been made".

"Of course, we understand that countries are sovereign, they establish their own climate commitments, construct and develop their own climate action plans.... However, we feel that there may be additional mechanisms or structures to monitor (the commitments) and go be-

farmers still prefer selling

through traditional wholesale

channels based in Hosur town,

where transactions are guaran-

teed, even if prices fluctuate, and

buyers come to collect the har-

underscores the advantages the

auction centre brings — better

price realisation for farmers,

transparency in sales, and a dig-

ital trading platform integrating

include buyer-seller meets, trade

shows, and outreach to florists

and exporters. Dedicated exten-

sion teams have been deployed

to educate farmers on quality

control and grading, while logis-

tical improvements, including

farm-gate collections, aim to

build trust with growers.

Efforts to promote the centre

However, a government note

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e-commerce.

yond what we already have (in terms of monitoring). For example, the NDCs (nationally-determined contributions) are reviewed every five years. Maybe this is not enough," she said.

She, however, clarified that this was not part of the negotiation agenda at COP30, scheduled to be held in November in the Brazilian city of Belem. "It is important to fully acknowledge that...no country can do this on its own, all parties of the UNFCCC (UN Framework Convention on Climate Change) must attend to it together. This (the discussion on this proposal) is something that will take place in the action

agenda of COP30... This is not part of the negotiations," she said.

Action agenda refers to discussions that happen on the sidelines of COP meetings. These are voluntary and meant to encourage countries to take additional measures to fight climate change Negotiations are the forma process through which decisions are taken by consensus. These decisions become international law

On the US withdrawal from the Paris Agreement, she said it was incumbent upon other countries — Brazil, India, China, the EU, the UK and others — to work more closely to strengthen the multilateral system.

# In TN's Krishnagiri, a flower industry blossoms — with some help



**ARUN JANARDHANAN HOSUR** 

AT THE picturesque Thally village near Hosur in Tamil Nadu's Krishnagiri district stands a centre dedicated to precision farming that is helping transform the area into a hub for high-value

floriculture. The Centre for Cut Flowers is

equipped with sensor-driven irrigation, advanced post-harvest handling, and greenhouse cultivation techniques. Farmers and horticultural officials have hailed the centre as a success story, citing its role in training cultivators in micro-irrigation, high-density planting, and post-harvest technology. Roses, chrysanthemums,

gerberas, orchids, and carnations – flowers that require precise temperature and humidity control — flourish in these conditions, with substantial government subsidies making the transition to protected cultivation more accessible.

At the heart of this success is a collaboration with Israel, leveraging its expertise in drip irrigation and automation. Farmers spoke of the transformation – drip systems that deliver water and nutrients based on real-time data, greenhouses that extend flower life by days and even weeks, and a robust post-harvest network ensuring that Hosur's flowers reach markets across India and abroad.

Roses dominate the landscape and the market, and their cultivation peaks around Valentine's Day and wedding season. A bunch of 20 stems can fetch between Rs 200 and Rs 400 in peak periods, making floriculture a lucrative business for large-scale farmers. The numbers are big — each acre houses about 36,000 rose plants, producing an estimated five lakh

Orchids, a relatively new introduction, promise long-term gains, with plants yielding flowers for up to five years before requiring replanting.

stems annually.

A few kilometres from the Centre for Cut Flowers, its sister project, the International Flower Auction Centre (IFAC), is located.

project envisioned to help farm-

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It is a government-backed online flower auction centre — a

Associate Partners



Farmers and horticultural officials have hailed the Centre for **Cut Flowers as a success story.** *Express* 

ers bypass middlemen and secure better prices.

The auction centre follows the Dutch clock system — a rapid-fire bidding process where buyers bid based on real-time

images of flowers displayed on screens.

While this is aimed at providing Tamil Nadu's floriculturists with a direct line to domestic and international markets, some

University

The region boasts around 1,946 acres under flower cultivation, yielding over 5 lakh bunches Knowledge annually. The government, Partner recognising the industry's export potential, is doubling down on pwc infrastructure, aiming to wean local farmers off dependence on Bengaluru's markets. Of the total live plants used in

the last two flower shows in Chennai. 50% were sourced from the Centre for Cut Flower, and the remaining from different districts such as Dindigul, Salem, Trichy and Ooty. "Some 8 lakh flower plants were used last year from the centre, and we supplied 15 lakh plants this year for the flower show. The centre prepared for about six months for the 20-day flower show. Some plants with 10-day lifespan were replaced after 10 days," said Suresh C, an assistant horticulture officer, at the

centre told The Indian Express. Standing amid rows of roses, a farmer with over 15 acres says the Centre for Cut Flower helps a lot. "They also bring Israeli experts who come once in six months with new ideas and technology, and we interact with them," the farmer said.

District Krishnagiri Magistrate K M Sarayu has been recognised for the initiative in the Excellence in Governance

Awards 2024, organised by *The* Indian Express, under the Agriculture category.

The initiative has led to the generation of ₹200 crore in export revenue and ₹25 lakh in revenue generated from IFAC.

"I want to work more for the people... The concept was to collect flowers from farmers and sell them to people. The infrastructure wasn't there at first, but we convinced farmers to sell to us. Several awareness sessions were held and we managed to many buyer... We created transport facilities to collect flowers from the farmers' doorsteps," Sarayu said.

The DM said it is important

for a bureaucrat to be a good team leader. "The first quality of a good bureaucrat is to listen to your team and take ideas from them. It is essential to take decisions quickly and without compromising integrity. In a stressful job, it's difficult to stay motivated sometimes, but we al came into the service to help people. Their happiness helps us go further," Sarayu said.

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Rs.2,079.21 Lakhs (including GST) Estimated Cost Completion Period 12 (Twelve) Months Earnest Money Deposit Rs.11,89,700/-

Cost of Tender Document (Non-refundable) NIL Tender Processing Fee (Non-refundable) Rs.3,540/- (inclusive all taxes & duties through e-payment 07.03.2025 (from 15:00 hrs.) to 27.03.2025 (upto 17:00 hrs. Date of sale of Tender (online) Date & Time of submission of Tender. 28.03.2025 up to 17:00 hrs. Date & Time of Opening of Tender. 02.04.2025 at 15:00 hrs.

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Executive Director (Projects) Phone No.:011-4122250

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POSSESSION NOTICE (As per Rule 8(1) and rule 8(2) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002) Loan Account No. MTCAG23010670.

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Centrum Housing Finance Limited, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 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 dated-26-11-2024 calling Ram Lakhan upon as Borrower and Dauji Kumar and Indrakali Devi as the Co-borrowers to repay the outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 15,36,755/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Thirty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Five Only) along with contractual interest, penal interest, charges, costs etc. within 60 days from the date

The borrower, having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, in particular and the public, in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interes (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 4th day of March 2025.

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 Centrum Housing Finance Limited, for an amount of along with the contractual interest thereon and penal interest, charges, costs etc.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY In The Rights, Piece And Parcel Of Immovable Property situated at Plot No. 51, Kh Noi. 427, adm. 454.65 Sq. Mts., Mauza Phoolpur Tehsil Fatehabad, Distt. Agra-283125, Uttar Pradesh, Boundaries:- East :- House of Dr. Devilal, West :- House of

Ashok Kumar, North :- 14' Kharanja, South :-House of Balmik Basti Date: 04-03-2025 Authorised Officer. Centrum Housing Finance Limited Place: Agra



# TRUCAP FINANCE LIMITED Registered Office: Register office at 3rd Floor, A Wing, D.J. House,

Old Nagardas Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400069, Maharashtra, GST No: 27AAACD9887D1ZC Corporate Identity Number: L64920MH1994PLC334457

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the Public that Auction of pledged Gold Ornaments will be conducted by TruCap Finance Limited on 24" March 2025 at Zira at 11:00 A.M.

Branch address: TruCap Finance Limited, C/O Malkit Singh Talwandi Road Near Clock Tower Zira Distt Firozpur Pin No: - 142047.

The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Loan Accounts of our various Customers who have failed to pay their dues. Our notices of auction have been duly

The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Overdue Loan Accounts of our various Customers mentioned below with branch name.

Faridkot: GL0000000290212, GL0000000203130, GL0000000257371 GL000000300655, GL0000000260142, GL0000000298587 Zira Branch: GL0000000258209, GL0000000327293, GL0000000260747

GL0000000262010, GL0000000298551, GL0000000298056 GL0000000299915, GL0000000180284, GL0000000171693 GL0000000172305, GL0000000182349.

For more details, please contact TruCap Finance Limited

### Contact Person: Satish Kumar Contact Number(s): 9560735444

TruCap Finance Limited reserves the right to after the number of accounts to be auctioned &/ postpone / cancel the auction without any prior notice

TruCap Finance Limited

### ADITYA BIRLA HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED Registered Office: Indian Rayon Compound, Veraval, Gujarat 362266

**Branch Office:** Aditya Birla Housing Finance Ltd, Unit No. 710 A | 7Th Floor | Corporate Park | B-109 | Sanjay Place | Agra -282002. . ABHFL: Authorized Officer Mr. Amandeep Taneja; Contact No- +91 97112 46064

. Auction Service Provider (ASP): - M/S e-Procurement Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (Auctiontiger) Mr. Ram Sharma - Contact No. 8000023297 & 9265562819

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Asset(s) under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited/Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited/Secured Creditor, will be put to sale by auction on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 29/3/2025, for recovery of Rs. 39,25,499.98/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Lac Twenty Five Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Nine and Ninety Eight Paise Only) and further interest and other expenses thereon till the date of realization due to Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited/Secured Creditor from the Borrowers namely RINKU SHARMA. OMVATI SHARMA & M/S S.R.D.R. CHAINS

The reserve price will be INR 45,21,600/- (Rupees Forty Five Lakh Twenty One Thousand Six Hundred Only) and the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) will be INR 4,52,160/-(Rupees Four Lakh Fifty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty Only). The last date of EMD deposit is 28/3/2025. The date for inspection of the said property is fixed on 27/03/2025 between 11:00 am to 04:00 pm.

### **DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY** All That Piece And Parcel Of House On Plot No. 17, Admeasuring Area 148.64 Sq. Mtrs.

Minjumala Khasra No. 931, Situated At Basant Kunj, Near Lord Khrishna Public School, Awadhpuri Road, Mauza Bodla, Lohamandi Ward, Tehsil & District: District: Agra, Uttar Pradesh-282007, And Bounded As:-East: Plot No. 16, West: Plot No. 18, North: Rasta 25 Ft. Wide, South: Plot No. 19.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited/Secured Creditor's website i.e https://homefinance.adityabirlacapital.com/properties-for-auction-under-sarfaesiact or i.e. https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net

Date:- 07-03-2025 Sd/- Authorized Officer **Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited** Place: AGRA



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Customers who have failed to pay their dues. Our notices of auction have been duly issued to these borrowers. The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Overdue Loan Accounts of our various

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GL0000000289663, GL0000000292333 For more details, please contact TruCap Finance Limited.

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# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

### See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Shyam Sunder Sharma S/o Sh. Sukhdev Nath R/o C-17, Sawan Park-I, Ashok Vihar, Phase-3, Delhi-110052 has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case registered vide CC No. 20835/18, U/S 138 NI Act, P.S. Sarai Rohilla, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said accused Shyam Sunder Sharma, can not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Shyam Sunder Sharma, has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Shyam Sunder Sharma, of CC No. 20835/18, U/S 138 NI Act, P.S. Sarai Rohilla, Delhi is required to appear before this court (or before me) to answer the complaint on or before the day of 09.04.2025 at 10:00 am. By Order

Judicial Magistrate, First Class(NI Act)-05, (Central), Room No. 02, Ground Floor, Annexe-I Tis Hazari Court, Delhi DP/2821/N/2025 (Court Matter)

Ms. Shreya Singh

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

### See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person Rakesh Kumar Katariya S/o Somnath Katariya, R/o 552, Mandawli, Delhi, has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in FIR No. 225/2017, U/S 324/451/34 IPC, P.S. Karol Bagh, Central Distt., New Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused Rakesh Kumar Katariya cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Rakesh Kumar Katariya has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant); Proclamation is hereby made that Rakesh Kumar Katariya the said accused of FIR No. 225/2017, U/S 324/451/34 IPC, P.S. Karol Bagh, Central Distt., New Delhi, is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 14.05.2025.

By Order Ms. Shipra Dhankar DP/2551/CD/2025 Metropolitan Magistrate-01 (Court Matter) Room No. 180, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

### NORTHERN RAILWAY **Tender Notice**

Invitation of tender through E-tendering (e-Procurement Systems)

Upto 15:00 hrs on 27.03.2025 Opening of Tender

725/2025

NIT No.	6-SEFile-281856Tender			
Name of Work and its location	Tender for "Provision for Electrical work in connection with regard CAMC of DG sets of capacity 250 KVA and 500 KVA with of associated works over RCNK/SNP for three years."			
Approx. Cost of work		/- including GST (Rs. Nine Lakh Seventy One Hundred Thirteen And Paise Forty Eight only)		
Earnest Money		Rs 19400/-		
Completion period of work  Cost of Tender document on cash/by post		36 months of date of execution of work		
		NIL		

Website particulars notice Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. board location complete www.ireps.gov.in details of tender can be seen

at 15:00 hrs.

Date and Time for submission

of tender and opening of tender

No: 6-SEFile-281856Tender Dated :- 06.03.2025 **SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE** 

# **PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE** APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

# See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Inder Kumar, R/o H.No. 270, PH-4, Shahabad Dairy, Near Lal School, New Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 472/2019, U/s 498A/406/34 IPC, dated 22.08.2019, P.S. Punjabi Bagh, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Inder Kumar cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Inder Kumar has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said Inder Kumar accused of P.S. Punjabi Bagh, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 07.04.2025. By Order

Ms. Shivli Talwar JMFC Mahila Court - 01 Room No. 358, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

DP/2623/WD/2025

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

# See Section 82 CrPC, 84 BNSS, 2023

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person Altaf S/o Sherdeen, R/o: H.No. 213, Gharoda Neemka Bangar, Patperganj Village, Delhi-91, (2) Rahul Kumar Singh S/o Tarkeswar Singh, R/o: Kudrhiya Chouk, KCTC College Road, Raxaul, Bihar, (3) Zakir Qureshi S/o Yunush Qureshi, R/o: Village-Nakched Bahuarwa, PS.-Purshottampur, Distt.-West Champaran Bettiah, Bihar, committed (or suspected to have committed) the offence in FIR No. 649/2022, Dt. 19.10.22, U/S 20/27A/29 NDPS Act, P.S. Pandav Nagar, East Distt., Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused (1) Altaf (2) Rahul Kumar Singh (3) Zakir Qureshi cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused (1) Altaf (2) Rahul Kumar Singh (3) Zakir Qureshi have absconded (or are concealing themself to avoid the service of the said warrant);

Proclamation is hereby made that (1) Altaf (2) Rahul Kumar Singh (3) Zakir Qureshi the said accused of FIR No. 649/2022, Dt. 19.10.22, U/S 20/27A/29 NDPS Act, P.S. Pandav Nagar, East Distt., are required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 02.05.2025. By Order

Sh. Alok Shukla DP/2086/ED/2025 ASJ-02/Special Judge (NDPS) East, (Court Matter)

Court No.311, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

# See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Harender Kumar, S/o: Sh. Har Prasad Sharma, R/o: B-27, Gali No. West Jyoti Nagar, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in Case FIR No. 950/2014 U/S 186/332/353/ 34 IPC, P.S.: Jyoti Nagar, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused Harender Kumar cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Harender Kumar has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said Harender Kumar accused of Case FIR No. 950/2014 U/S 186 / 332 / 353 / 34 IPC, P.S.: Jyoti Nagar, Delhi and is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 16.04.2025. By Order

DP/2829/NE/2025

(Court Matter)

Sh. Rahul Saini Judicial Magistrate, First Class-08

# Paschimanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. Victoria Park, Meerut.

E-TENDER INVITING NOTICE 1. Open tender is invited through e-tendering for the repair of damaged/burnt power transformer of assorted ratings 33/11 KV 40 no. 5 MVA against tender specification no. PVVNL-MT/MM/195/24-25, Tender Cost :- Rs. 5900.00 (with GST), Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) :- Rs. 4,02,000.00, Last Date of tender submission & Time:- 08.04.2025 at 2:00 PM, Date of tender opening (Part-Ist&IInd) & Time :- 08.04.2025 at 5:00 PM, Note:- In case of any amendment in tender specification or date of extension, the same shall be uploaded on e-tender website www.etender.up.nic.in and www.pvvnl.org Superintending Engineer (MM-I) "Help line Number For Information of Theft of Electricity: "1800-180-3002 (Meerut), & 9412207451" पत्रांक- 858 दिनांक-06-03-2025 Sd/- Superintending Engineer (MM-1)

# NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

### **Tender Notice** TENDER NOTICE No.06/2025/RS/JHS Date: 05.03.2025

For and on behalf of President of India, the Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (Rolling Stock) North Central Railway, Jhansi invites open tenders through online (E-Tendering) for the following work:

Description: Rehabilitation of N-32 Tap Changers (Ganz make) of conventional locos. Tender No. Tender Value Earnest Money JHS-RS-WC-T23-2024-25-RT1 ₹7079130.00 ₹ 141600.00

Closing date of tender 01.04.2025. Completion period from the date of issue of LOA: 12 Months. • Tenderer will submit the tender online upto 01,04,2025 (15.00 Hrs.). • Complete details & for submission of tenders can be seen in Indian Railway website http://www.ireps.gov.in North central railways 💢 @CPRONCR 🕮 www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in

# कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमंडल, खुँटी

# निविदा रद्द सूचना

एतत द्वारा सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि इस प्रमंडल द्वारा आमंत्रित अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना सं0- RDD/SD/KHUNTI/06/2024-25 जिसका पी0आर0 संख्या 346265 RURAL DEVELOPMENT (2024-25) D अपरिहार्य कारणों से रद्द किया जाता है।

यह आदेश तत्काल प्रभाव से लागू समझा जाय। कार्यपालक अभियंता PR 347997 Rural Development(24-25)#D ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमंडल. खँटी

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

# See Section 82 Cr.PC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Namely: Mrs. Mithlesh Pandey, R/o.: H. No.61, Block-A, Gali No.6, Anandpur Dham, New Delhi Also at: Plot No.1, Khasra No.103/11/2 Ground Floor, Block-A, Sher Singh Enclave, Near Village Begumpur, Near SBI ATM, New Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in a case vide Ct. Case No.12259/2017 U/s. 138 NI Act registered at P.S Mangol Puri, Delhi and it has been returned on a warrant of arrest thereupon issued stating that the said Mrs. Mithlesh Pandey could not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that accused Mrs. Mithlesh Pandey is absconded (or is concealing herself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Mrs. Mithlesh Pandey is required to appear before the court to answer the said complaint on or before 14.04.2025. By Order

Ms. Reetika Jain LD. Judicial Magistrate First Class. North West, Court No.105, Rohini Courts, Delhi

DP/2863/OD/2025

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE **OF ACCUSED PERSON**

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Sangeeta, W/o: Sh. Suresh, R/o: Near Shahdara Bus Depot, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in Case FIR No. 674/14 U/S 379/411/34 IPC, P.S.: Daryagani, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused Sangeeta cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Sangeeta has absconded (or is concealing herself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said Sangeeta accused of Case FIR No. 674/14 U/S 379 / 411 / 34 IPC, P.S.: Daryaganj, Delhi and is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 24.04.2025. By Order

Dr. Raj Kumar Singh Judicial Magistrate, First Class-05 (Central) DP/2877/CD/2025 (Court Matter) Room No. 241, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

# See Section 84 BNSS

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Mintu Kumar, S/o Sh. Om Prakash, R/o T-82, Gali No. 2, Tukmeerpur, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 304/2015, U/s 394/411/34 IPC, P.S. I.P. Estate, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Mintu Kumar cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Mintu Kumar has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said Mintu Kumar

accused of FIR No. 304/2015, U/s 394/411/34 IPC, P.S. I.P. Estate, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 19.04.2025. By Order

Ms. Preeti Judical Magistrate First Class-03 Central District, Room No. 150 Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

# BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer (Bangalore South Constituency)
Lakes Division, Room No. 309, 3rd Floor, New Building, BBMP, N.R.Square, Bengaluru-02.

No. EE-BSC(Lakes)/TN-12/2024-25 **CORRIGENDUM - 1** 

DP/2755/CD/2025

# (Only through GoK KPP Portal)

Tender is called vide Notification No. EE/BSC(Lakes)/TN-12/2024-25, Dated: 03.03.2025, due to technical reasons revised timelines as below has been issued. These following revised dates have been made.

Calendar of Events to be read as: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 10.03.2025, after 16.00 hrs. (2) Date of Pre-bid meeting: 24.03.2025 at 15.00 hrs. in the office of the CE (FECC), Room No. 307, 3rd Floor, Annex-2 Building, BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-560002. (3) Last date & time for receipt of tenders: 07.04.2025 upto 16.00 hrs. (4) Date of opening of Technical bid document: 09.04.2025 at 16.30 hrs.

The remaining terms and conditions of the tender remain unaltered.

Sd/- Executive Engineer Karkardooma Court Delhi anexpress.com

Bangalore South Constituency, Lakes Division, BBMP

Date: 06.03.2025

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

# See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Vijay Kumar Diwakar, S/o Hari Lal, R/o H.No. 262, Saidulajahe, Near metro station, Saket, New Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 558/14, U/s 394/384/34 IPC, dated 20/08/2014 P.S. Jaitpur, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Vijay Kumar Diwakar cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Vijay Kumar Diwakar has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 07.04.2025. Ms. Chhavi Bansal L.d, Judicial Magistrate First Class-01

Room No. 09.

DP/2841/SE/2025

C+NTRUM

Date: 05-03-2025

Contact Person: Satish Kumar

Place: Agra

(As per Rule 8(1) and rule 8(2) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002)

and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 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 dated-31/12/2024 calling Mukesh Sharma upon as Borrower and Priti Sharma as the Co-borrower to repay the outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 17,44,860/- (Rupees Seventeen lakh Forty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Only) along with contractual interest, penal interest, charges, costs etc. within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrower, having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, in particular and the public, in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 5th day of March 2025.

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 Centrum Housing Finance Limited, for an amount of along with the contractual interest thereon and penal interest, charges, costs etc The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of

No. 164/1) adm. 92.93 somts., Part of Kh. No. 196, Mauza- Nausehra, Tehsil-Shikohabad Distt. Firozabad-205135, Uttar Pradesh. Boundaries: - East :- 8' wide Rasta, West :- H/o others, North :- H/o Roopkishor, South:-H/o Ramprasad.

### Registered Office: Register office at 3" Floor, A Wing, D.J. House, Old Nagardas Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400069, Maharashtra, GST No: 27AAACD9887D1ZC

This is to inform the Public that Auction of pledged Gold Ornaments will be conducted by TruCap Finance Limited on 24" March 2025 at Pathankot at 11:00 A.M. Branch address: TruCap Finance Limited, Above State bank of India, Sailai Road,

issued to these borrowers. The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Overdue Loan Accounts of our various

Customers mentioned below with branch name. Pathankot Branch: GL0000000263315 . GL0000000250126 . GL0000000260209 .

GL0000000292362, GL0000000180187, GL0000000184995. For more details, please contact TruCap Finance Limited

Contact Number(s): 9560735444 TruCap Finance Limited reserves the right to alter the number of accounts to be

TruCap Finance Limited

Registered Office: Register office at 3" Floor, A Wing , D.J. House, Old Nagardas Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400069, Maharashtra,

Corporate Identity Number: L64920MH1994PLC334457

### This is to inform the Public that Auction of pledged Gold Ornaments will be conducted by TruCap Finance Limited on 24" March 2025 at Abohar at 11:00 A.M. Branch address: TruCap Finance Ltd 1st Floor, Meva Market Complex Circular Road

Street No.3 Abohar, Punjab - 152116. The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Loan Accounts of our various Customers who have failed to pay their dues. Our notices of auction have been duly

The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Overdue Loan Accounts of our various Customers mentioned below with branch name. Abohar Branch: GL0000000236098. GL0000000317929, GL0000000300955

GL0000000294751,GL0000000295429,GL0000000250001,GL0000000293121 Bhatinda Branch: GL0000000300277, GL0000000297648, GL0000000296107 GL0000000295617, GL0000000254690, GL0000000260213, GL0000000293746

GL0000000296823 For more details, please contact TruCap Finance Limited.

Contact Person: Satish Kumar Contact Number(s): 9560735444

auctioned &/ postpone / cancel the auction without any prior notice. TruCap Finance Limited

### TRUCAP FINANCE LIMITED Registered Office: Register office at 3rd Floor, A Wing, D.J. House, Old Nagardas Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400069, Maharashtra,

Corporate Identity Number: L64920MH1994PLC334457

Branch address: TruCap Finance Limited, R k Tower Haibowal Road situated at B-

The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Loan Accounts of our various Customers who have failed to pay their dues. Our notices of auction have been duly issued to these borrowers.

1461/1 ram Shamam Chowk Hambra Road Ludhiana Punjab: - 141001.

The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Overdue Loan Accounts of our various Customers mentioned below with branch name.

Jalandhar Branch: GL0000000254819, GL0000000254672, GL0000000141487 GL0000000136820 , GL0000000132301 , GL0000000203825 GL0000000255898 , GL0000000254288 , GL0000000257505

GL0000000240126 , GL0000000260562 , GL0000000257860 GL0000000289971, GL0000000261150 Sirhind Branch: GL0000000215631 . GL0000000256775 . GL0000000260684

GL0000000292107 , GL0000000292046 , GL0000000299965

GL0000000180506.

# Contact Number(s): 9560735444

TruCap Finance Limited reserves the right to alter the number of accounts to be auctioned &/ postpone / cancel the auction without any prior notice.

Proclamation is hereby made that the said Vijay Kumar Diwakar accused of P.S. Jaitpur, Delhi required to appear By Order

Saket Courts, Delhi

Corporate & Registered Office : Unit No. 801, Centrum House, CST Road, Vidyanagri Marg, Kalina, Santacruz (East), Mumbai - 400098, CIN No. U65922MH2016PLC273826

POSSESSION NOTICE

Loan Account No. MTCAG23013195. Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Centrum Housing Finance Limited, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets

Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY In The Rights, Piece And Parcel Of Immovable Property House No. 112/4 (present

> Authorised Officer, Centrum Housing Finance Limited

TRUCAP FINANCE LIMITED

Corporate Identity Number: L64920MH1994PLC334457 PUBLIC NOTICE

Pathankot, Puniab: - 145001. The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Loan Accounts of our various Customers who have failed to pay their dues. Our notices of auction have been duly

# auctioned &/ postpone / cancel the auction without any prior notice.

TRUCAP FINANCE LIMITED

# GST No: 27AAACD9887D1ZC PUBLIC NOTICE

issued to these borrowers.

TruCap Finance Limited reserves the right to after the number of accounts to be

**PUBLIC NOTICE** This is to inform the Public that Auction of pledged Gold Ornaments will be conducted by TruCap Finance Limited on 24° March 2025 at Ludhiana at 11:00 A.M.

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GL0000000254140 . GL0000000261046 . GL0000000294640 GL0000000295632 , GL0000000261188 , GL0000000258563 GL0000000257471 , GL0000000259912 , GL0000000262733 GL0000000262302 , GL0000000261660 , GL0000000260973

For more details, please contact TruCap Finance Limited.

GST No: 27AAACD9887D1ZC

Ludhiana Branch: GL0000000216499, GL0000000267619, GL0000000270014

GL0000000183367 , GL0000000183430 , GL0000000174469

Contact Person: Satish Kumar

TruCap Finance Limited

# राजस्थान उच्च न्यायालय, जोधपुर ई-निविदा सुचना

क्रमांक: एचसी / एसके / उपापन/2024-25/95 राजस्थान उच्च न्यायालय एवं अधीनस्थ न्यायालयों के उपयोगार्थ 1150 Nos. Licenses of Cisco Webex (as per approved specifications by office) की खरीद हेत दरों के क्रम में वस्त की उत्पादक/अधिकत विक्रेता / डीलर/स्टॉकिस्ट / अधिकृत शोरूम से ऑनलाइन निविदाएं दिनांक 11.03.2025 को सांय 05.00 बजे तक आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदा का विस्तृत विवरण एवं शर्ते http://www.hcraj.nic.in, https://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in एवं http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in की वेबसाइट पर देखी जा सकेगी। (निविदा का अनुमानित मुल्य रुपए 1,21,90,000/-) आजा से. UBN No. RHC2425GLOB00061

रजिस्ट्रार ( वर्गीकरण DIPR/3300/24-25



Date: 06.03.2025

Date Extension Notice No- 01

Due to unavoidable reason, the dates of bids invited against NIT No. 10/EE(Civil-I)/Galogi/2024-25 under the office of Executive Engineer (Civil-I), UJVN Limited, Srikot-Srinagar, Garhwal,is hereby extended as follows:

Last date for submission tender: 18.03.2025 up to 16:00 Hrs Time & date for opening of tender: 20.03.2025 at 14:30 Hrs All other terms & condition of the Bid document shall remain unchanged. For fuller & further details, kindly visit our Nigam's website "www.ujvnl.com" Executive Engineer (Civil-I)

"Avoid wasteful use of Electricity"

729/25

### NORTHERN RAILWAY **TENDER NOTICE**

The Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer/Gati Shakti Unit/Delhi, DRM Office, New Delhi 110055 invites e-tender for the under noted work:

Electrical work in connection to (A) Sahibabad-Ghaziabad: Replacement of work of automatic section with Distributed Electronic Interlocking (B) Delhi and its Sarai Rohilla - Replacement of signalling gears with Electronic location Interlocking (C) Replacement of signalling gear on age cum conditional basis with EI at 6 stations i.e. GRA, BZJT, KUN, BZK, SHDM & MOY

2	Tender Notice No.			24-DyCEE-GSU-DLI-24-25	
3	Earnest Money (to be deposited Online)			₹ 48,200.00	
4	Approximate cost of work			₹ 24,09,040.00/-	
5	5 Date & Time for submission of e-Tender and opening of tender		www.ireps.gov.in.	n date 07.03.2025 on IREPS website i.e., The bidders can participate in the r will be opened at 11:30 Hrs on	
6	Detailed	The de	etailed e-Tender notice is available on Northern Railway		

Tender website i.e. www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and tender document is Notice & available on www.ireps.gov.in. Above tender document will be Tender available for submission of offer on IREPS website i.e. www.ireps.gov.in Document from 14.03.2025 to 28.03.2025. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

No. 24-DyCEE-GSU-DLI-24-25 Dated: 05.03.2025 **SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE** 

### Bihar State Power (Holding) Company Limited (A Govt. of Bihar Undertaking)

(Department of General Administration) GST Number: 10AAFCB2394A2ZD, CIN Number: U40102BR012SGC018495 Job Contract Notice No. - 01 /2025 (Contract)

## Walk-In-Interview

Bihar State Power (Holding) Company Ltd. invites application for contractual engagement on one no. of post of GM (HR & Adm.) and one no. of post of DGM (HR & Adm.) Walk-In-Interview is scheduled to be held on 18.03.2025, (Tuesday), at 12:00 PM in

For application format & details kindly visit the company website: www.bsphcl.co.in. For further details please visit: www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar GM (HR & Adm.)

BSPHCL, Vidyut Bhawan, Jawaharlal Nehru Marg, Patna

PR-021106 (B & C) 2024-25 नशे से बचने का है एक ही उपचार, दुढ़ संकल्प और परिवार से प्यार

# Govt. 🌋 of Bihar



BIHAR RURAL LIVELIHOODS PROMOTION SOCIETY VIDHYUT BHAWAN, ANNEXE - II, BAILY ROAD, PATNA 800021 Telephone: 91-612-2504980, Telefax: 91-612-2504960 Email: info@brlp.in, website: www.brlps.in

### INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR PRINTING AND SUPPLY OF 5,370 SETS OF GOATERY BOOKS OF RECORDS (TWO ENVELOPES)

Bihar Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (BRLPS), a Government of Bihar Society invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for Printing and Supply of 5,370 sets of Goatery Books of records.

S N	Particulars	Date and time
1	Downloading of bidding document	07/03/2025 Through BRLPS website
2	Closing date and time for submission of technical and financial bid at BRLPS office, Patna (Bihar)	21/03/2025 at 15:00 hr
3	Opening of technical bid	21/03/2025 at 15:30 hr
4	Opening of Financial bid	To be notified later to all technically qualified bidder.

Bidding documents with detailed information may be seen/downloaded from www.brlps.in/Procurement/Tender.

PR-20767 ( B & C ) 2024-25 नशे की मार, बर्बाद करे सुखी परिवार।

(Chief Executive Officer cum Mission Director)

2025

# Govt. 🌋 of Bihar

**Co-operative Department** Bihar State Vegetable Processing and Marketing Federation Ltd.

2nd Floor, Vikas Bhawan, Patna - 800015, Bihar, India Email: vegfedbihar@gmail.com NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Through e-procurement mode only over https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in.

VEGFED, Cooperative Department, invites responses under two-bid system ("Tenders") to this Request for Proposal ("RFP") "Hiring of Agency for Branding and

Sn.	Schedule	Important dates
1	Title	Request for Proposal for Hiring of Agency for Branding and Media, communication of Bihar State Vegetable Processing And Marketing Cooperative Federation Ltd
2	Total Duration of Engagement	02 years
3	Bid Publishing date	04/03/2025
4	Start Date for Downloading RFP	04/03/2025
5	Last Date of submission of pre-bid query	11/03/2025 by 18:00 HRS on E-mail: vegfedbihar@gmail.com
6	Pre bid meeting date & address	12/03/2025 at 03.30 PM (Offline) VEGFED, 2nd Floor, Vikas Bhawan, Patna - 800015, Bihar, India
7	Last Date of submission of bid	27/03/2025
8	Bid opening date & Time (Technical) Bid opening date & Time (Financial)	Technical bid: 28/03/2025 Financial Bid: To be notified later on.
9	Tentative Presentation by the bidder	To be notified later.
10	Bid validity period	180 Days (One hundred and eighty days)
11	Contact Person	Managing Director
12	E-Mail	vegfedbihar@gmail.com
13	Website	https://tarkaari.in/site/
14	Website for Downloading RFP	https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in/
15	Mode of proposal submission	Submission through e-proc website-

For further details please visit website state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar

PR- 20768 (Co -operative) 2024-25 **Managing Director** नशे की मार, बर्बाद करे सुखी परिवार। VegFed, Bihar

https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in/



### **GOVERNEMNT OF ODISHA** DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER Rushikulya Bahuda Basin, Berhampur - 760004 e-mail id: se\_sicbam@yahoo.com

e-Procurement Notice No. ACE, RBB-15/2024-25 :- Road work

1. Type of Work 2. Total No of Works :- 01 (One) No.

3. Amount put to tender :- Varies from ₹ 726.71 Lakh

4. Period of completion :-11 (Eleven) calendar months 5. Paper Cost :- ₹ 10000/- per each 6. Class of Contractor :-'A' & 'Spl' Class of Contractor

SI. No.	Procurement officer	Bid Identification No.	Bid Amount (Rs. in lakh)	Availability & Submission of Bid On-line	Date and Place of opening of Technical Bids online
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Additional Chief Engineer, Rushikulya Bahuda Basin, Berhampur	ACE, RBB(CHID) - 30/2024-25	726.71	From 10.03.2025, 10.00 A.M. to 25.03.2025, 5.00 P.M.	26.03.2025 (11.30 A.M.) in the office of the Additional Chief Engineer, Rushikulya Bahuda Basin, Berhampur.

Bidders are to participate in online bidding only. Further details can be seen from the Govt. of Odisha e-Procurement Web-site www.tendersorissa.gov.in. Any addendum/corrigendum/ cancellation of the tender can be seen in the above website only.

> ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER. Rushikulya Bahuda Basin, Berhampur.

OIPR-32411/11/0022/2425

## BUILDING CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER **CONSTRUCTION DIVISION-1** 

**BUILDING CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT, PATNA** 

National Competitive bidding by e-tendering on website www.eproc.bihar.gov.in E-tender Notice

CORRIGENDUM

This is to inform to all that in E-tender notice No.-05/2024-25 whose PR No. is 018884 (BCD) 2024-25 published in daily news-paper and issued from this office by letter No-286enc. dated 05.02.2025 following modifications are being made.

Name of Work :- 60 सेंट ऑफिसर्स आवास एवं हॉस्टल परिसर, नेहरू पध, पटना का पुनर्विकास कार्य। SI.No. **Particulars** Last Modified Date and New Modified Date and

	SAMSSMAN.	Time	Time
1	Last date and time of sale (download) of BOQ	From Date 10.02.2025 to 04.03.2025 up to 15.00 hrs	Up to Date 27.03.2025 up to 15.00 hrs
2	Last date and time of submission (upload) of tender	Date 05.03.2025 up to 15.00 hrs	Date 28.03.2025 up to 15.00 hrs
3	Date and time of opening of tender (Technical Bid)	Date 07.03.2025 15.30 hrs	Date 29.03.2025 15.30 hrs
4	Date, Time & Place of Pre-Bid meeting	Date 25.02.2025 16.00 hrs at office of C.E. (Patna), BCD, Patna	Date 19.03.2025 16.00 hrs at office of C.E. (Patna), BCD, Patna
5	Date and time of opening of tender (Financial Bid)	After disposal of Technical bid from Departmental Tender Committee	After disposal of Technical bid from Departmental Tender Committee

All other conditions will remain unchanged.

**Executive Engineer,** Construction Division-1,

PR. No. 020924 (BCD) 2024-25 Building Construction Department, Patna उक्त सूचना www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar पर भी देखी जा सकती है।

# रक्त की आवश्यकता पड़ने पर लाईसेंस प्राप्त ब्लड बैंकों से ही रक्त प्राप्त करें।

# बिहार 🌋 सरकार



# परियोजना निदेशक का कार्यालय अजीमाबाद अंचल क्षेत्र

बिहार शहरी आधारमृत संरचना विकास निगम लि० (बडको) (A Govt. of Bihar Undertaking)

राजापुर पुल, पश्चिम बोरिंग कैनाल रोड, पटना – 800001 Website: http://buidco.in CIN - U45200BR2009SGC014600

निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना (ई-टेंडरिंग द्वारा www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)

निविदा संख्या:-03 / 2024-25 दिनांक-04.03.25 विज्ञापन दाता का नाम एवं

निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना निर्गत

की तिथि निविदा कागजात डाउनलोड करने की अवधि

प्री बीड मीटिंग का समय स्थान / तिथि

संवेदक द्वारा निविदा अपलोड करने की अंतिम तिथि / समय तकनीकी बीड खोलने की

वित्तीय बीड खोलने की तिथि / समय अग्रधन, सभी शपथ-पत्र,

Existing Committme nt (मूल में), परिमाण विपन्न के मृत्य का बैंक ड्राफ्ट जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि / समय एवं

परियोजना निदेशक, अजीमाबाद अंचल क्षेत्र, बुडको, पटना

दिनांक 20.03.2025 से 07.04.2025 के 15:00 बजे तक (on website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)

दिनांक-25.03.2025, समय 11:00 बजे पूर्वोहन स्थान-

कार्यालय कक्ष, कमरा संख्या-202, बेस्ट बोरिंग कैनाल रोड, राजापुर पुल, बुडको, पटना दिनांक- 07.04.2025 के 15:30 बजे तक (on website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) दिनांक- 09.04.2025 के 16:00 बजे के बाद

(on website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) तकनीकी बीड के निष्पादन के पश्चात सुचित किया (on website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) दिनांक-09.04.2025 के 15:30 बजे तक 1. मुख्य महाप्रबंधक, बिहार शहरी आधारभूत संरचना विकास

निगम लि॰ (बुडको) बेस्ट बोरिंग कै नाल रोड, राजापुर पूल, पटना-800001, बिहार, पटना का कार्यालय। 2. परियोजना निदेशक, अजीमाबाद, बुडको का कार्यालय। (कमरा संख्या-202, बिहार शहरी आधारभृत संरचना विकास निगम लि० (बुडको) बेस्ट बोरिंग कैनाल रोड, राजापुर पुल, पटना-800001, बिहार

कार्य का विवरण:--

क्र 0 सं 0	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित राशि (रूपये में)	अग्रधन की राशि (रू० में)	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य (अप्रत्यर्पणी य) (रू० में)	Processi ng Fee (Throug h online payment ) (अप्रत्यर्पणी य) (रू० में)	काय समाप्ति अवधि (इन्कुलिं डग मोनसून अवधि माह में)
1.	अशोक राजपथ से एल०पी० शाही कॉलेज कोयला घाट तक कबुतरी गली वालकिशुनगंज होते हुए पी०सी०सी० सड़क एवं नाला निर्माण कार्य।	1,08,52,1 06.00	2,17,100	17700.00	As per Eproc-2	06 माह
2.	महात्मा गाँधी सेतु टॉल टैक्स से पश्चिम बजरंगपुरी का मुख्य सड़क शिव मंदिर होते हुए किंड्जी स्कूल तक एवं शिव मंदिर से दक्षिण शहीद मगत सिंह पथ डॉ॰ ए०के॰ जायसवाल के अस्पताल तक सड़क एवं नाला निर्माण कार्य। (SBD आधारित)	2,28,63,9 50.00	4,57,300 .00	17700.00	As per Eproc-2	06 माह
3.	पथ निर्माण विमाग की सड़क सर्विस कम कॉलेज रोड स्थित बजरंगपुरी में शहिद भगत सिंह पथ ओम प्रतीमा अपार्टमेन्ट से पश्चिम सड़क पाटलीग्राम अपार्टमेन्ट होते हुए दक्षिण मौआर लेन ऑक्सिजन हॉस्पिटल जाने वाली सड़क एवं लल्ली देवी निवास के पूरब तक सड़क एवं नाला निर्माण कार्य।	1,69,51,4 62.00	3,39,100 .00	17700.00	As per Eproc-2	06 माह
4.	एन०एच०-30 से छोटी पहाड़ी मनोहर पंडित के घर होते हुए पाथीक महतों के घर होते हुए रामचन्देश्वर मुखिया जी के तक पी०सी०सी० सड़क एवं नाला निर्माण कार्य।	1,27,49,1 71.00	2,55,000	17700.00	As per Eproc-2	06 माह
5.	अशोक राजपथ स्थित प्यारे भटियारा का बड़ा नाला का निर्माण (अशोक चक्र गली से तरबन्ना, पार्टी गली, नवाब बहादुर रोड तक)	1,68,91,6 33.00	3,37,900 .00	17700.00	As per Eproc-2	06 माह
6.	अशोक राजपथ स्थित उमाशंकर लेन से चरखा स्कूल, पीपल तल होते हुए छोटी बाजार तक गली एवं नाला निर्माण कार्य।	1,34,85,2 95.00	2,69,800	17700.00	As per Eproc-2	०६ माह
7.	एन०एच०-30 कमलदह पथ स्थित दीपनगर रोड नं०-1,2,3,4,5 में पीसीसी सड़क एवं नाला निर्माण कार्य।	1,37,46,0 27.00	2,75,000	17700.00	As per Eproc-2	06 माह

10. विस्तृत निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना विभागीय वेबसाईट www.buidco.in एवं www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in पर देखा जा सकता हैं।

PR. No.21079 (B & C) 2024-25 नशामुक्त हो जाए बिहार, सुरक्षित रहे घर परिवार।

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परियोजना निदेशक,

अजीमाबाद अंचल क्षेत्र, बुडको, पटना।



# कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय

शोध एवं प्रशिक्षण प्रमंडल-2 शोध भवन, खगौल, पटना

email id-eetrd2khagaul@gmail.com

# आम सचना

एतद् द्वारा सूचित किया जाता है कि बिहार राज्य निर्माण निगम लिमिटेड के दो दशकों से अधिक अवधि से अकार्यरत रहने के कारण संबंधित अभिलेख जीर्ण-शीर्ण, अपर्ण एवं अपठनीय स्थिति में है। उक्त स्थिति में माननीय सर्वोच्च न्यायालय, नई दिल्ली द्वारा Writ Petition (Civil) No.- 932/2022 में दिनांक-03.09.2024 को पारित न्यायादेश के अनुपालनार्थ बिहार राज्य निर्माण निगम लिमिटेड में कार्यरत रहे कर्मियों (नियमित एवं दैनिक वेतनभोगी)/संबंधित उतराधिकारी द्वारा बकाया रहे लंबित देयताओं का भगतान प्राप्त करने निमित सक्षम प्राधिकार से निर्गत इस आशय का शपथ-पत्र समर्पित किया जाना आवश्यक होगा कि:-

"बिहार राज्य निर्माण निगम लिमिटेड में कार्यरत अवधि के लंबित देयताओं के भगतानोपरांत यदि भविश्य में यह पाया जाता है कि किसी निगम कर्मी / उतराधिकारी द्वारा अनुमान्यता से अधिक राशि का भूगतान प्राप्त कर लिया गया है, तो निगम/प्रशासी विभाग नियमानुकूल विधि सम्मत कार्रवाई करते हुए भूगतान प्राप्त करने वाले निगम कर्मी / उतराधिकारी से अधिकाई भूगतान की गई राशि की वसूली कर सकेगा"

उक्त सूचना state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar से प्राप्त की जा सकती है। कार्यपालक अभियंता

शोध एवं प्रशिक्षण प्रमंडल-2, खगौल, पटना PR- 020890 ( WRD ) 2024-25

नशे से बचने का है एक ही उपचार, दृढ़ संकल्प और परिवार से प्यार।

कार्यालय अधिशासी अभियन्ता, केन्द्रीय भण्डार, उत्तराखण्ड जल संस्थान, जलभवन, 'बी' ब्लाक, नेहरू कालोनी, पत्रांकः १९९९/ई-निविदा/२०२४-२५ ई-निविदा सूचना उत्तराखण्ड जल संस्थान की ओर से केन्द्रीय भण्डार, देहरादून द्वारा निम्न कार्यों हेतु ई—नियिदा, टू—बिंड शिस्टम (तकनीकी बिंड एवं कार्मिशियल बिंड) आधार पर नेम्मानुसार आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदा कार्य विवरण ई-निविदा सूचना घरोहर ई-निविदा प्रपत्र तकनीकी बिद्ध निविदा प्री-बिद्ध

डाउनलोड करने अपलोड करने की घनराशि क.सं. ७ अनुसार मूल खोले जाने मीटिंग प्रारंभ एवं अंतिम प्रपन्न विभाग में जमा करने की तिथि की तिथि एवं की तिथि वैधता तिथि व समय की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय एवं समय एवं समय 1 वार्षिक दर अनुबन्ध पर, ISI Marked G.I. Pipes conforming to IS: 1239 (Part-1)/2004 or its latest amendments (s) की आपूर्ति । 17.03.2025 11.03.2025 21.03.2025 120 01.04.2025 32,25,000.00 at 11:00 a.m. from 11:00 am. upto 5:00 p.m. at 11:00 a.m. days 20/ 11:00 a.m. to 28.03.2025 24-25 upto 5:00 p.m. अर्हता:- Only manufacturers of ISI marked G.I. Pipes Conforming to IS: 1239 (Part-1)/2004 or its latest amendment(s) who are registered in Uttarakhand Jal Sansthan, Jal Bhawan, 'B' Block, Nehru Colony. Dehradun, before date o invitation of tender notice, for this tender वार्षिक दर अनुबन्ध पर, ISI Marked Plain Ended M.S. ERW Line Pipe conforming to IS: 1978/1982 Grade YST-210

from days from 11:00 am. upto 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. to 28.03.2025 5:00 p.m. 24-25 upto 5:00 p.m. आहेता:- Only manufacturers of ISI Marked Plain Ended M.S. ERW Line Pipe having BIS license for IS: 1978/1982 Grade YST-210 (Replaced by BIS as IS/ISO 3183/2007 GRADE-L-210, PSL-1) or its latest amendment(s) who are registered in Uttarakhand Jal Sansthan, Jal Bhawan, 'B' Block. Nehru Colony. Dehradun, before date of invitation of tender notice, for

17.03.2025

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29.03.2025

this tender. ई--निविदा से सम्बन्धित समस्त जानकारियां व शर्ते उत्तराखण्ड की वेबसाइट www.uktenders.gov.in एवं विमागीय वैबसाईट http://ujs.uk.gov.in पर ऑन लाइन देखी / प्राप्त की जा सकती हैं। अधिशासी अभियन्ता

# JHARKHAND BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED

(CIN: U40108JH2013SGC001702) Regd. Office:- Engineering Building, HEC, Dhurwa, Ranchi-834004.

(Replaced by BIS as IS/ISO 3183/2007 GRADE-L-210, PSL-1) or its latest amendment(s) की आपूर्ति।

21.03.2025

11.03.2025

12.25,000.00

fax # 0651-2400483 e-mail: cesp.jseb@rediffmail.com/gmsp.jbvnl@rediffmail.com

Notice inviting tender for procurement through rate contract

JBVNL invites online e-tender from reputed, technically experienced and financially sound manufacturers/ authorized supplier only for supply of following Material through rate contract :-

Date of Document Online Bid Online Bid Technical bid publication of NIT/Tender notice No. and download Tender fee Submission Submission opening date description of item start date tender on start date end date and time website 348/PR/JBVNL/2024-25 07/03/2025 27/03/2025 Rs 10000/-07/03/2025 07/03/2025 28/03/2025 ISI Marked 11 kV XLPE from 13:20 upto 18:00 from 13:10 from 13:00 Hrs. at 18; 00 Hrs. UG/ Power Cable 300sqmm GST 349/PR/JBVNL/2024-25 07/03/2025 07/03/2025 27/03/2025 Rs 10000/-07/03/2025 28/03/2025 ISI Marked 33 kV XLPE from 13:10 from 13:20 from 13:00 Hrs. at 18: 00 Hrs UG/ Power Cable 400sqmm GST 27/03/2025 350/PR/JBVNL/2024-25 Rs 10000/ 07/03/2025 07/03/2025 07/03/2025 28/03/2025 ISI Marked ACSR Dog from 13:20 from 13:10 upto 18:00 from 13:00 Hrs. at 18; 00 Hrs GST Conductor 351/PR/JBVNL/2024-25 Rs 10000/-0/03/2025 10/03/2025 02/04/2025 10/03/2025 03/04/2025 ISI Marked ACSR Rabbit from 13:10 from 13:20 upto 18:00 from 13:00 Hrs. at 18; 00 Hrs GST Conductor Hrs. 352/PR/JBVNL/2024-25 0/03/2025 02/04/2025 Rs T0000/-10/03/2025 10/03/2025 03/04/2025 II KV metering unit of from 13:10 from 13:20 upto 18:00 from 13:00 Hrs. at 18: 00 Hrs. GST different capacity 353/PR/JBVNL/2024-25 Rs 10000/-10/03/2025 10/03/2025 02/04/2025 10/03/2025 03/04/2025 33 KV metering unit of upto 18:00 from 13:10 from 13:20 from 13:00 Hrs. at 18; 00 Hrs GST different capacity Rs 10000/-0/03/2025 10/03/2025 02/04/2025 354/PR/JBVNL/2024-25 10/03/2025 03/04/2025

Hrs. NOTE:- (i) Only e-tenders will be accepted. Further details can be seen on website <a href="http://piarkhandtenders">http://piarkhandtenders</a> gov.in and may be contacted on Mobile No. 9431135523/ 9430348596, NIC helpline No. 0651-2400178

from 13:00 Hrs.

from 13:20

upto 18:00

General Manager (S&P)

at 18; 00 Hrs.

(ii) Tender fee & EMD must be paid through online mode. (iii) Tender fee is non-refundable.

स्विहत एवं राष्ट्रहित में ऊर्जा बचावें। कृपया अपनी शकयतों को 18003456570(कॉल सेन्टर) पर दर्ज करायें

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PR.NO.347965 Jharkhand Bijlee Vitran Nigam Ltd(24-25):D

Office of the Ranchi Municipal Corporation (Ambient Air Quality Management Cell) Kutchery Rd, Deputy Para, Ahirtoli, Ranchi, Jharkhand 834001

E-mail: support@ranchimunicipal.com Notice No: 05 Date: 06/03/2025 Short Tender Notice

Ranchi Municipal Corporation invites online bids for Rate contract of Supply of various items, Manpower and liasoning work for IEC and Capacity building activities under National Clean Air Program (NCAP). More such as Scope of work, General Terms & Conditions etc. are provided in RFP, document which can be

seen & downloaded from website :- https://jharkhandtenders.gov.in Detailed Scheduled of Bidding Process: S. No. Description Method of Selection proposal required Technical Qualification & L1 based. 07/03/2025 2. Publication of Tender Sale/Download date 07/03/2025 Last date and time of Submission of proposal 17/03/2025 (Proposal Due Date) 18/03/2025 at 3:00 PM Opening of Technical Proposal Venue: Ranchi Municipal Corporation, Ranchi Opening of Financial Proposal To be communicated later. Venue: Ranchi Municipal Corporation, Ranchi Duration of Rate Contract Till completion of NCAP Project. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 25,000/- (Twenty Five Thousand Only) in the form of a crossed demand draft (refundable) in favour of Municipal Commissioner, Ranchi Municipal Commissioner, Ranchi on any schedule bank, payable at Ranchi, Rs. 5000/- + 18% GST = Rs 5900/- (Five Thousand Nine Cost of Bid Document Hundred Only) in the form of a crossed demand draft (non refundable) in the favour of Municipal Commissioner, Ranchi Municipal Commissioner, Ranchi on any schedule bank, payable at Ranchi. 10. Validity of Proposal 120 days from due date of submission of proposal. RMC shall award the contract to Successful Bidder after 11. Award of Contract technical and financial evaluation shall issue a letter of Intent ("Lol") to the Successful Bidder. RMC shall issue the Lol and the Successful Bidder would be required to submit signed LOA (Letter of Acceptance) as acknowledgement within 7 (seven) days of the receipt of the Lol by the Successful Bidder. In the event the duly signed LoA by the Successful Bidder is not received within the stipulated 7 (seven) days, RMC shall have the option to either extend such time limit for the receipt of the LOA or deduct from the Bid Security of such Successful Bidder an amount which at the sole discretion of RMC is believed to

is not capable of operations of bus services as per terms of this agreement, then the RMC reserves the right to split the quantity/work and to distribute it among other bidders if they consent to work at L1 rate and shall award part of work to the L2/L3 bidder at the evaluated price offered by the L1 Bidder and on the same terms and conditions as floated in RFP. 12. Name and Address where queries/ correspondence 
The Municipal Commissioner, concerning this request for proposal is to be sent

1. Ranchi Municipal Corporation, Ranchi reserves the right to cancel or modify the bidding criteria/ process without assigning any reasons and liability.

For further detail can be seen on Bid Document uploaded on https://jharkhandtenders.gov.in

PR 348000 Ranchi Municipal Corporation (24-25) D

Ranchi Municipal Corporation, Ranchi

obligation under this contract or the Authority finds that L1

be the loss and/or damages suffered by RMC as a result of the delay in providing the acknowledgement. In the event the Successful Bidder fails to submit the LoA, and the next eligible bidder may be considered by RMC on its sole

In the event that the Operator (L1) fails to perform its

Ranchi Municipal Corporation, Ranchi, Jharkhand-834001 13. Address where Bidders must submit proposal

Deputy Administrator

₹89,100

**⊗** ₹87.12

**871.09** 

Note: Gold, silver rates at Delhi spot market, gold per 10g, silver per 1 kg; Crude oil (Indian basket) per barrel as of March 4

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International market data till 1900 IST

Long-haul foray:

IndiGo to start

flights from July

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MANCHESTER AND Amsterdam

will be the first long-haul desti-

nations for India's largest airline

IndiGo, with flights expected to

be launched in July using the

wide-body Boeing 787-9 aircraft

that the carrier recently took on

damp lease from Norse Atlantic

(3x weekly) and Amsterdam (3x

weekly) are expected to com-

mence in July 2025, subject to

completion of all operational pre-

paredness and regulatory ap-

provals. With the arrival of addi-

tional aircraft from Norse later

this year, the frequencies could

further grow, and in parallel,

IndiGo is evaluating multiple

other important markets across

Europe to further expand its

long-haul footprint," the airline

leased aircraft that has already

been inducted by IndiGo, the air-

line will be taking three more

Boeing 787-9 jets from Norse

Atlantic on damp lease in the sec-

ing design which needs to go

alongside and we have to look at

how advanced packaging can be

supported through the design

linked scheme as well,"

tracted investment worth \$18 bil-

lion till date under the first phase

of the India Semiconductor

Mission. The Tata-PSMC fab, be-

ing built at a cost of roughly \$11

billion, is among the five semi-

conductor projects the govern-

ment has greenlit under the India

Semiconductor Mission. Apart

from the fab, four assembly and

testing plants by US-based

Micron Technology, the Tatas,

Murugappa Group's CG Power in

partnership with Japan's Renesas,

and Kaynes Semicon, are also un-

tered in the US, was the first com-

pany to receive government ap-

proval to set up a chip packaging

unit at Sanand in Gujarat. The as-

sembly, testing, marking, and

packaging (ATMP) plant will be

constructed at a total cost of \$2.75

billion, which include the invest-

ments to be made by the com-

pany as well as state and central

government's sops and incen-

(The reporter was in

Micron, which is headquar-

der construction.

The country had so far at-

Krishnan said.

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said in a release.

"The flights to Manchester

Manchester,

**Amsterdam** 

NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

Airways.

Petition No. 491/TL/2024

NOTICE UNDER CLAUSE (a) OF SUB-SECTION (5)

(the Act) has been made by POWERGRID Kurawar Transmission Limited, B-9. Qutab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi-110016 to establish the Inter-State Transmission system for evacuation of power from Rajasthan REZ Ph-IV (Part-2:5.5 GW) (Jaisalmer/Barmer Complex); Part H1" on a Build, Own, Operate and Transfer Basis (hereinafter referred to as "the Project") consisting of the following

Sr. Name of the Scheduled Element(s) No Transmission Element COD in

Establishment of 765/400 kV (2x1500 MVA), 400/220 kV (2x500 MVA) & 220/132 kV (3x200 MVA) Kurawar S/s with 2x330 MVAR

765 kV bus reactor and 1x125 MVAR, 420 kV bus reactor. 765/400 kV, 1500 MVA ICT - 2 (7 single units of 500 MVA

including one spare unit) 400/220 kV, 500 MVA ICT - 2 220/132 kV, 200 MVA ICT - 3

765 kV ICT bays-2

400 kV ICT bays-4 220 kV ICT bays - 5

132 kV ICT bays - 3

330 MVAR 765 kV bus reactor-2 125 MVAR 420 kV bus reactor-1

765 kV reactor bay-2

765 kV line bays-4 400 kV line bays-4

400 kV reactor bay- 1 220 kV BC-1

220 kV TBC-1 132 kV TBC-1

110 MVAR, 765 kV, 1-ph reactor (spare unit)-1 80 MVAR, 765 kV, 1-ph reactor

**Future Provisions:** Space for

(spare unit)-1

765/400 kV ICT along with bays-

765 kV line bays along with switchable line reactors - 8 nos.

765 kV Bus Reactor along with bay: 2 no.

765 kV Sectionaliser bay: 1 -set 400 kV line bays along with switchable line reactor - 8 nos.

400/220 kV ICT along with bays 6 nos. 420 kV Bus Reactor along with

bay: 3no. 400 kV Sectionalization bay: 1- set 220 kV line bays: 12 nos.

220 kV Sectionalization bay: 1set 220 kV BC and TBC: 1 no.

220/132 kV ICT along with bays:

132 kV line bays: 16 nos. 132 kV Sectionalization bay: 1 set

132 kV TBC-1 no.

STATCOM (±300 MVAR) along with MSC (2x125 MVAR) & MSR (1x125 MVAR) along with 400 kV

Mandsaur-Kurawar 765 kV D/cline

240 MVAR switchable line reactors on each ckt at both ends of Mandsaur-Kurawar 765 kV D/c line 240 MVAR, 765 kV switchable line reactor- 4 (2 for Mandsaur end

> and 2 for Kurawar end) Switching equipment for 765 kV line reactor- 4 (2 for Mandsaur end and 2 for Kurawar end) 80 MVAR, 765 kV, 1-ph reactor

(spare unit)-1 No. for Mandsaur 2 nos. of 765 kV line bays at Mandsaur S/s for termination of Mandsaur - Kurawar 765 kV D/c line

765 kV line bays - 2 Nos (for Mandsaur end) LILO of Indore - Bhopal 765 kV

S/c line at Kurawar Kurawar - Ashta 400 kV D/c (Quad ACSR/AAAC/AL59 moose

equivalent) line 2 nos. of 400 kV line bays at Ashta (MP) S/s for termination of Kurawar – Ashta 400 kV D/c line

400 kV line bays - 2 Nos. [for Ashta (MP) end]

LILO of one circuit of Indore - Itarsi 400 kV D/c line at Ashta

2 nos. of 400 kV line bays at Ashta (MP) S/s for LILO of one circuit of Indore – Itarsi 400 kV D/c line at

400 kV line bays - 2 Nos. [for Ashta (MP) end]

Shujalpur - Kurawar 400 kV D/c (Quad ACSR/AAAC/AL59 moose equivalent) line

2 nos. of 400 kV line bays at Shujalpur (PG) S/s for termination of Shuialpur-Kurawar 400 kV D/cline 400 kV line bays - 2 Nos.

[for Shujalpur (PG) end]

a) MPPTCL has confirmed availability of space for 2 nos. 400 kV bays at

Ashta (MP) S/s and for 2 nos. additional bays, MPPTCL has informed that adjacent land is private land and may be purchased by the project developer at their cost as per requirement

b) Implementation of A, B, C, D, E, F, H1 and H2 packages shall be

 TSP of the subject scheme shall implement Inter-tripping scheme on Mandsaur-Kurawar 765 kV D/c line (for tripping of the switchable line reactor at Mandsaur/Kurawar end along with the main line breaker).

 d) Switchable line reactors shall be implemented with NGR bypass e) Developer of Mandsaur S/s shall provide space for 2 Nos. 765 kV line bays for Mandsaur - Kurawar 765 kV D/c line along with space for 2 nos

of 240 MVAR switchable line reactor and space for spare 80 MVAR single phase reactor unit.

f) POWERGRID shall provide space for 2 Nos. 400 kV line bays at

Shujalpur S/s for Shujalpur – Kurawar 400 kV D/c line. g) Implementation timeframe: 24 months from date of SPV acquisition. 2. The Central Transmission Utility of India Limited, vide its letter dated

6.11.2024, has recommended for the grant of a transmission licence to the applicant to establish the proposed transmission system. Based on the material available on the record, the Commission, vide

order dated 28.2.2025 in Petition No. 491/TL/2024, has proposed to issue a transmission licence to the applicant for establishment of the transmission scheme as noted in para 1 above. A copy of the application, along with its annexures and enclosures

made by the applicant for the grant of an inter-State transmission licence to POWERGRID Kurawar Transmission Limited before the Commission can be accessed at the www.powergrid.in/subsidiaries or inspected by any person in the Commission's office by following the laid down procedure.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of clause (a) of sub-section (5) of Section 15 of the Act that suggestions or objections, if any, to the Commission's proposal to grant a transmission licence to the applicant, as aforesaid, be sent to the undersigned by 17.3.2025 at the above noted address. The suggestions or objections received after the specified date shall not be considered.

The application shall be taken up for the further hearing by the

Commission on 19.3.2025. Any person who files suggestions or objections may in his/her discretion attend the hearing, for which no TA/DA shall be paid by the Commission.

(Harpreet Singh Pruthi) Secretary

SENSEX: 74,340.09 ▲ 609.86 (0.83%) NIFTY: 22,544.70 ▲ 207.40 (0.93%) NIKKEI: 37,704.93 ▲ 286.69 HANG SENG: 24,369.71 ▲ 775.50 FTSE: 8,666.26 ▼ 89.58 DAX: 23,139.68 ▲ 58.65

# INDIAN REFINERS DIVERSIFYING SOURCES BY TURNING TO AFRICA & LATIN AMERICA

# As US sanctions hit India's Russian oil imports, smaller suppliers cash in suppliers and traders to adjust

**SUKALP SHARMA** 

NEW DELHI. MARCH 6

**RECENT AMERICAN sanctions** on Russia's oil trade have started impacting India's crude oil imports from Moscow, which fell to an over two-year low in February. To make up for the lost Russian volumes for now, Indian refiners are actively diversifying their crude oil sources by turning to relatively smaller suppliers from regions like Africa and Latin America, per vessel track-

In January, just before demitting office, the US's Joe Biden administration announced sweeping sanctions against Russia's oil trade. It sanctioned as many as 183 tankers—a sizable part of the so-called shadow fleet that had kept Russian oil flowing—apart from sanctioning two Russian oil majors and Russian insurance companies, among others involved in the Russian oil sector and trade. The sanctions have made it difficult for Indian refiners to secure enough cargoes of Moscow's crude, and they are being forced to look elsewhere to cover the gap.

In February, India's oil imports from Russia declined 14.5 per cent month-on-month to 1.43 million barrels per day

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NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

THE COUNTRY will develop its

own graphics processing units

(GPUs) within the next three to

four years, marking a major mile-

stone in technological advance-

ments, Electronics and IT Minister

Ashwini Vaishnaw said on

Thursday. "We are working on de-

veloping our own chipsets.

Extensive consultations with ex-

perts are underway. In the com-

ing three to four years, India will

have its own GPUs, competing

globally and securing a place

among the top five technology na-

tions in the world," Vaishnaw said

at the launch of the IndiaAI

Datasets – AI Kosha and AI com-

The initiative to build indige-

nous GPUs is significant as the

global AI chip industry is currently

dominated by US-based compa-

nies. Additionally, with potential

US restrictions on AI chip exports,

India's capability to develop in-

digenous GPUs will be crucial for

ing on developing its own foun-

dational AI models within the

next eight to ten months, a move

that will further strengthen the

Kosha, which was launched on

Thursday, will serve as a reposi-

sues that need policy interven-

'Auto retail sales

Frankfurt: Automobile retail

sales across categories wit-

nessed a drop of 7 per cent in

February amid declining de-

**European Central** 

Bank cuts rates

mand, FADA said.

drop 7% in Feb'

The datasets platform, AI

The government is also focus-

technological self-reliance.

country's AI infrastructure.

pute platforms.

(bpd), the lowest since January 2023, shows data from com-

modity market analytics firm Kpler. Russia's share in India's oil imports declined to around 30 per cent in February, down significantly from the 2024 average of around 38 per cent. But India's traditional West Asian oil suppliers failed to cash in on the opportunity, while a few smaller players collectively saw their oil supplies to India rise notably to make up for the shortfall in Russian oil volumes.

With the exception of Iraq, which is India's second-largest supplier of crude, oil imports from the other key West Asian suppliers—Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) declined sequentially. Oil imports from Iraq in February rose 5.5 per cent sequentially to 1.09

to be 'among top 5 tech nations'

**Enabling the Research** a

Minister of Electronics & Information Technology Ashwini

mission in New Delhi on Thursday.

tory of anonymous and non-per-

sonal data, providing crucial re-

sources for startups to train AI

models. The government has in-

vited private companies to con-

tribute to the datasets platform.

This is only the first version, with

more data expected to be added

by various government depart-

enable startups, researchers, and

academic institutions to access

GPUs at an affordable hourly rate.

"The IndiaAI mission was started

a year ago, and today, we have a

common compute facility with

14,000 GPUs up and running,"

Vaishnaw said. He added that

more GPUs would be added

every quarter by empanelled

companies. Currently, ten com-

The AI compute platform will

ments in the future.

Vaishnaw during the launch of initiatives under the IndiaAI

million bpd, while imports from Saudi Arabia declined over 6 per cent to 679,372 bpd. India's oil imports from the UAE fell over 22 per cent in February to

342,076 bpd. On the other hand, oil imports from relatively smaller sources of India's oil imports, like Brazil, Nigeria, Colombia, Venezuela, Mexico, Qatar, Oman, Alegria, Republic of the Congo, Libya, and Gabon, rose in February. Some of these smaller suppliers exported oil to India after a gap of a few months. February also saw Argentina appearing on the map of India's crude oil import sources by sup-

plying around 25,000 bpd. For instance, India's oil imports from Nigeria rose to around 76,000 bpd in February from around 40,000 bpd in

Ianuary, a jump of nearly 90 per cent. Oil import volumes from Colombia jumped 146 per cent sequentially to 71,500 bpd and those from Brazil rose 60.6 per cent to over 145,000 bpd. Imports from Qatar jumped nearly 60 per cent sequentially to around 74,000 bpd, and supplies from Venezuela were higher by 44.4 per cent at over 93,000 bpd.

Suppliers like Gabon, Libya, Algeria and the Republic of the Congo featured on India's oil import sources list in February after being absent for varying periods. India's oil imports from these countries ranged between 35,000 bpd and 55,000 bpd in February.

"India is actively diversifying its crude sources, increasing imports from (various countries including) Angola, Brazil, and West African producers to reduce dependency on Russia and mitigate geopolitical risks... India's crude imports have remained strong to meet rising domestic needs, reinforcing India's position as a key driver of refined product growth despite expectations of a slower pace compared to 2024," said Sumit Ritolia, senior oil refining analyst

at Kpler. Industry insiders expect Indian refiners and Russian oil

sanctions on India's Russian oil imports has been limited so far. And while Russian oil volumes could drop further in the coming months, industry watchers expect the slide to be range-bound, and Russia to remain India's largest source of crude in the medium term, unless there are more sudden disruptions or abrupt shifts in trade flows.

A lot will depend on the stance the new Donald Trump administration in Washington takes on Ukraine war-related sanctions on Russia, the discounts available on Russian oil, and how competitively other major suppliers price their crude. In the meantime, India's strategy of diversifying its source of crude oil is expected to gather steam. Indian refiners are also understood to be looking at raising oil imports from West Asia, provided the oil is competitively

to the latest sanctions and devise ways to buy Russian oil without any sanctions risk in the near to medium term. Indian refiners have stated that they are ready and willing to buy Russian oil as long as the transactions, suppliers, traders, shippers, and insurers involved are not under sanctions. The impact of the recent US

# Vaishnaw: India GPUs in 3-4 yrs, Next phase of chip incentive scheme in the works: IT Secy

**SOUMYARENDRA BARIK** 

GANDHINAGAR, MARCH 6

THE GOVERNMENT is currently working on the contours of the second phase of the India Semiconductor Mission, with the design and outline of the scheme finalised and discussions with the industry underway, a senior government official said Thursday.

"The next phase of the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) is currently in the works. We had preliminary discussions with many stakeholders as to how to design the programme. The design and the outline is currently ready and is undergoing detailed discussion internally within the government," IT Secretary S

PIB via PTI

panies, including Jio Platforms,

E2E, NxtGen, Yotta, and Tata

Communications, have been em-

panelled to provide AI compute

infrastructure. Vaishnaw said that

India's approach is unique as it in-

volves public funds to create a

shared compute facility, contrast-

ing with other countries where AI

computing power is concen-

trated within a few large corpo-

more accessible, the government

is offering a 40 per cent subsidy,

bringing down the cost of access-

ing GPUs for researchers and start-

foundational AI models, the gov-

ernment has received 67 propos-

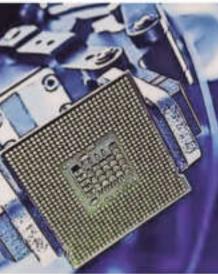
For building its indigenous

ups to under Rs 100 per hour.

To make AI compute even

Krishnan said at the Gujarat SemiConnect. Krishnan said that under the second phase of the ISM, the government will also look to provide some support to raw materials, equipment, gases and speciality chemicals needed in semicon-

ductor manufacturing. Last August, The Indian Express had reported that the Centre had created a fresh \$15 billion blueprint for the second phase of the India Semiconductor Mission. Under the renewed scheme, the government was planning to offer capital support for raw materials and gases used in chip man-



start India's chip industry. "We have to now figure out

Krishnan said.

through incentives, he said.

"There is also (chip) packag-

ufacturing, this paper had reported. The first phase had an outlay of \$10 billion, and was approved in December 2021 to kick-

how to make it a completely sustainable ecosystem and also how do we move up the value chain as time goes along. While the legacy nodes are important and they have considerable demand, there are also risks of over capacity and capacity from other geographies,"

The government is also making some changes to the design linked incentive scheme for chips in order to encourage more fabless semiconductor companies to join and more ambitious projects and innovations are supported

# extends rally as FII

*Mumbai:* After the 1 per cent gain on Wednesday, stock markets continued their upward momentum on Thursday, rising by 0.93 per cent as the selling pressure from foreign institutional investors (FIIs) subsided and domestic institutional investors (DIIs) remained net buyers. In a reversal, small-cap stocks, which had borne the brunt of heavy selling in recent weeks, regained some lost ground.

nies, have purchased stocks worth Rs 17,000 crore in March so far while FIIs pulled out Rs 13,466 crore in the last four sessions. While on March 3, FIIs sold Rs 4,788 crore stocks, their sales came down to Rs 2,895 crore on March 5 and Rs 2,377 crore on March 6. Led by the 2.6 per cent gain in

on Thursday.

# Over 30K taxpayers declare foreign assets worth ₹29,208 cr Compliance **ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU**

foreign assets worth more than Rs Rs 1,089.88 crore, they said.

In addition, 6,734 taxpayers revised their residential status from resident to non-resident. Around 62 per cent of nudged taxpayers responded positively, voluntarily revising their ITRs to declare foreign assets and income,

In November last year, citing compliance with global disclosure norms, the Income Tax Department had urged them to disclose details of foreign assets closing foreign assets and income

EXPLAINED with global disclosure norms

global disclosure norms, the Income Tax Department had urged taxpayers to disclose details of foreign assets and income correctly in their income tax returns and file revised returns by a requirement to update the information.

and income correctly in their income tax returns and file revised returns by December 31, if there was a requirement to update the information. The Department had also started an e-campaign in the next few days to facilitate filing of details of foreign assets and income by taxpayers.

Department has trusted taxpavers first, giving them ample opportunity to make true and complete

conducted across the country.

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# on a voluntary basis has steadily grown from 60,000 in AY 2021-22 to 2,31,452 taxpayers in AY 2024-

RIL, the Sensex rallied by another 0.83 per cent to reclaim the 74.000 level at 74,340.09 and Nifty Index rose by 0.93 per cent to 22,544.70

### Frankfurt: The European Central Bank has cut interest rates by another quarter percentage point to boost growth, lowering credit costs for consumers and businesses. The ECB's rate-setting council lowered its benchmark deposit rate to 2.5%.

### Gadkari blames faulty DPRs, poor **GSTCouncil** civil engineering reconstitutes GoM for increasing New Delhi: The GST Council has reconstituted the Group of road accidents Ministers on GST revenue New Delhi: Union Road Transport analysis which will suggest is-

and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari on Thursday said that road accidents and fatalities in India are increasing and "the most important culprits are civil engineers", substandard detailed project reports (DPRs), consultants, and concessionaires. In his address at the two-day

Global Road Infratech Summit & Expo (GRIS), Gadkari said, "The most important culprits are civil engineers. I do not blame everybody, but after 10 years of my experience, I have come to this conclusion. Culprit are those who are making DPRs. Because of small civil engineering mistakes, there are hundreds of deaths." He said that even though there are mistakes, no body is held accountable. "Even small things like the road signages and marking system are very poor in the country. These can be copied from countries like Spain, Austria and Switzerland and implemented here," he said. **ENS** 

# NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

als from startups.

29,000 crore after a special nudge campaign by the Income Tax Department that began in November 2024, government sources said. About 24,678 taxpayers reviewed their income tax returns (ITRs) and 5.483 taxpavers filed belated returns for assessment year 2024-25, declaring foreign assets worth Rs 29.208 crore and additional foreign income of

OVER 30,000 taxpayers declared

sources said.

In November last year, citing compliance with

December 31, if there was

"The number of taxpayers dis-

### 25. This year, due to extensive outreach and awareness efforts, voluntary disclosures witnessed a significant 45.17 per cent growth compared to AY 2023-24," a source said, adding that the focus is on the 'Trust First' approach. "Instead of immediate verification or intrusive actions, the

Under the campaign, SMS and emails were sent to 19,501 taxpavers with high foreign account balances or significant foreign income from interest or dividends above a specified threshold. These communications urged taxpayers to revise their ITRs to reflect their foreign assets and income accurately. Also, 30 outreach sessions, seminars, and webinars were

disclosures of their foreign income

and assets." the source said.

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tially being used to operate flights between Delhi and Bangkok, and will be deployed for flights to Amsterdam and Manchester, most likely from July.

ond half of this year. The alreadyinducted wide-body jet is ini-

Gandhinagar at the invitation of the India Electronics Semiconductor Association)

# Market selling eases

DIIs, led by insurance compa-

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**Udyami: Building Resilience of** 

**Women Micro-entrepreneurs** 

South Asia Regional Energy

Partnership (SAREP)

energy in South Asia. **FUNDING:** \$5,196,278

O-RAN Research Labs

**FUNDING:** \$3,300,000

**BUSINESS** 

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**FUNDING: \$2,898,081** 

for Indo Pacific Region

connectivity, trade and

competitiveness.

**SCHEDULED END:** November 2027

**GOAL:** Improve access to affordable,

**SCHEDULED END:** September 2028

**GOAL:** To explore creation of a tech

to facilitate "free and open Indo-

GOVT & CIVIL SOCIETY

**Central Tibetan Administration** 

**Capacity Building & Sustainability** 

**GOAL:** Strengthen Central Tibetan

**SCHEDULED END:** August 2026

Administration for delivering services

to Tibetans and achieving community

OTHER SOCIAL STRUCTURE

**Development Partnership Activity** 

**GOAL:** Partnership between USAID

provide technical assistance to

and Indian development agencies to

countries in the Indo-Pacific region in

the areas of energy, natural resource

management, digital technology,

**FUNDING:** \$1,676,960 (2024),

\$962,488 (2023), \$881,455 (2022)

**SCHEDULED END:** August 2025

platform for secure and trustworthy

**SCHEDULED END:** September 2025

alternate 5G O-RAN; part of US efforts

secure, reliable and sustainable

**FUNDING:** \$3,000,000

**ENERGY** 

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# THIS WORD MEANS

# **IFTAR**

Breaking of the fast at dusk during the Islamic holy month of Ramzan

YASHEE

NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

MARCH 7 marks the first Friday of Ramzan (or Ramadan), the Islamic holy month. After spending dawn-to-dusk observing a *roza*, or a ritual fast, Muslims around the world break their fast with iftar during Ramzan.

The word "iftar" is derived from an Arabic term which refers to the breaking of the fast.

# What time of the day is it partaken?

Iftar or Iftari is the evening meal eaten immediately before the evening *namaz* (also called the *Maghrib*) and comes at the end of the fasting day. *Iftar* is one of the two meals eaten by people who fast during Ramzan, the other being sehri (or suhoor) that is eaten before dawn.

There are no set rules for the food items that should be consumed during iftar, with people consuming whatever is locally available and popular. However, the Prophet Muhammad is

believed to have broken his fast with dates, and so they are a popular and recommended choice for many.

The meal is often eaten with family, friends, and the larger community. Charity, or providing *iftar* for the needy, is another aspect of the meal.

### What is the spiritual significance?

The process of fasting is intended to remind the faithful that everything one has is given by God. Iftar is the time to express gratitude to Allah for the sustenance provided, and reflect on all the other blessings one enjoys in life.

The fast, and breaking it with only one meal, is also meant to inculcate discipline and self-control, so that one is mindful of what one consumes and enjoys, and can find the strength within to observe all the



A vendor in Srinagar arranges traditional Kashmiri snacks consumed at Iftar. PTI

tenets of Islam.

### What is the social significance?

Iftar is often a community affair, with people eating together or sending food to each other and the needy. It is part of the shared experience of obeying the commands of Allah, promoting a feeling of kinship, of being part of a larger whole.

In 2023, iftar was inscribed on UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

The UNESCO website says, "The evening prayer is followed by activities such as praying ceremonies, music, storytelling, games, preparing and serving traditional and local meals and marriage arrangements. For communities, it often takes the form of gatherings or meals, strengthening family and community ties and promoting charity, solidarity and social exchange. The ceremonies and rituals related to Iftar are also practised by people who do not necessarily fast during the month of Ramadan. The knowledge and skills are typically transmitted within families through oral instruction, observation and participation, and children and youth are often entrusted with preparing components of traditional meals."

# STUDY: GENE PRESENT IN MICE MAY HELP ARREST COGNITIVE DECLINE

NEW RESEARCH

RESEARCHERS HAVE found a gene in mice that rejuvenates female brains. Humans have the same gene. The discovery suggests a possible way to help both women and men avoid cognitive declines in old age.

The study was published on Wednesday in Science Advances. The journal also published two other studies on women's brains, one on the

effect of hormone therapy; another on how age at the onset of menopause shapes the risk of Alzheimer's disease.

Previous evidence suggests women's brains age more slowly than men's. To understand how, the researchers focused on the one factor that differentiates females and males: the X chromosome.

Females have two X chromosomes; males have one X and one Y chromosome. Early in pregnancy, one of the X chromosomes in females shuts down and its

genes go nearly silent. But while looking at the hippocampus, the brain's centre of memory and cognition, which deteriorates as one ages, the researchers found that the silent X chromosomes "woke up".

Their study was done in aging mice, but the researchers believe the finding is applicable to humans

because mice show the same age-related effects on brain functioning — with females performing better than males.

The researchers focused on a particular awakened gene, Plp1. When, using gene therapy, aging male mice were given a dose of Plp1 in their hippocampuses, they regained memory and cognition. And when the therapy was given to female mice, which were already making Plp1, their memories and cognition got even better.

THE NEW YORK TIMES



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# **EXPLAINED POLICY**

# What USAID gives, to whom

USAID has been a major contributor to health- and population-linked projects in India over the last two decades. Since 2001, USAID has disbursed a total \$2.8 billion in Official Development Assistance to India

**JOHNSON TA** 

BENGALURU, MARCH 6

A PROGRAM to explore the creation of a secure 5G Open Radio Access Network (O-RAN) for India as part of the United States' Indo-Pacific strategy, initiatives for clean air and water and sanitation, and dozens of health projects will come to a halt in India following an order of the Trump administration (January 20 Executive Order titled 'Reevaluating and Realigning United States Foreign Aid'). The order seeks to end foreign aid and all but disband the US Agency for International Development.

USAID has been a major contributor to health- and population-linked projects in India over the last two decades. In recent years, it has also focussed on building systems in India as part of a partnership strategy drawn up in 2022 to counter China in the Indo-Pacific.

In 2022, USAID was fourth among providers of Official Development Assistance to India with a contribution of \$228 million after Japan (\$2.97 billion), European Union institutions (\$383.5 mn) and Germany (\$235 mn), according to Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) data.

## **USAID** funding for India

Data on foreignassistance.gov, a joint website of USAID and the US Department of State that details US non-defence foreign assistance through governments and NGOs, show USAID disbursed \$2.8 bn in Official Development Assistance to India since 2001.

The largest aid packets came over 2022 and 2023 — \$228 mn and \$175 mn respectively. In 2024, \$151 mn had been disbursed to India until December 19, when the site was last updated.

A significant increase in USAID allocation to an economic support fund to India after the Covid-19 pandemic — \$148 mn in 2022 and \$81 mn in 2023 – was the main reason US aid to India reached all-time highs over the last three years.

These years were the first since the 2001-08 period when total annual disbursals to India exceeded \$100 mn. (The earlier peak of \$175 mn was reached in 2006.)

While the bulk of the annual USAID funding in 2001 and 2002 went to Food Aid and Commodity Assistance, the subsequent years saw a focus on the Health and Population category through allocations for polio eradication, maternal health, HIV/ AIDS and tuberculosis control programs.

# Funding over last 3 years

**2024:** \$80 mn of the \$151 mn disbursed to India by USAID in 2024 went to the Health and Population category — with \$42.99 mn

# USAID's India projects under threat

### HEALTH

**Momentum 3B for Overcoming Entrenched Obstacles in Routine Immunization** 

**GOAL:** Strengthen immunisation programs, remove bottlenecks in planning, delivery, demand, uptake of immunisation services. **FUNDING:** \$20,596,671

**SCHEDULED END:** June 2026

Reaching Impact, Saturation and **Epidemic Control (RISE) GOAL:** Five-year PEPFAR-USAIDfunded project to reduce new HIV infections, HIV-related morbidity & mortality.

**FUNDING:** \$7,163,483 **SCHEDULED END:** December 2025

### **Suwasi: Support To Water and** Sanitation in India

**GOAL:** Support sustainable sanitation and safe drinking water in pursuit of sustainable development goals. **FUNDING:** \$4,050,001

**SCHEDULED END:** March 2026

# **ENVIRONMENT**

**Strengthening Landscape Management and Conservation GOAL:** Five-year program that supports Government of India, other stakeholders in protecting landscapes, improving biodiversity conservation. **FUNDING:** \$2,695,142 **SCHEDULED END:** April 2028

**Cleaner Air and Better Health GOAL:** Improve air quality and reduce air pollution exposure in selected Indian locations. **FUNDING:** \$1,500,000

**SCHEDULED END:** October 2026

# **BASIC EDUCATION**

Scaling up Early Learning **GOAL:** Facilitate creation of reading rooms to improve basic education. **FUNDING:** \$2,115,879 **SCHEDULED END:** September 2025

for basic health programs, including \$16 mn for Covid-19.

The next highest allocation was to maternal and child health and family planning

tection programs (\$17.12 mn).

**2023:** Of the \$175 mn disbursed by US-AID to India, Health and Population got \$120

(\$20.94 mn), followed by environmental pro-

mn, with \$83.22 mn for basic health, including \$54 mn for Covid-19. Maternal and child health got \$16.28 mn,

HIV/ AIDS \$12.13 mn, and environmental protection \$9.62 mn.

**2022:** \$180 mn of the \$228 mn disbursed by USAID was for the Health and Population category, including \$140.7 mn for basic health (\$120 mn was for Covid-19 control). Around \$25.09 mn was given for maternal and child health, \$10.57 mn for HIV/AIDS, and \$7.18 mn for environment protection.

### When funds tap is shut

In its effort to stop the US economy from haemorrhaging resources amid growing debt, the Trump administration has gone after USAID and its funding initiatives with a sledgehammer. The impact will be felt in underdeveloped and developing countries in Asia and Africa, including India — especially in those health and social sector areas in which Indian government funding is limited.

**TUBERCULOSIS:** 'Breaking the Barriers' a program to increase knowledge about TB in the poorest regions of Karnataka, Telangana, Bihar, and Assam will be a key project that will be hit. Over the 2022-23 period, US-AID provided \$7 mn to the program.

HIV/ AIDS: USAID and PEPFAR (President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief) have been the major contributors to the global fight against HIV/ AIDS.

"[The mission] is currently under threat because of the Trump administration disbanding and abandoning USAID. We are unclear what will happen but the disruption that has already taken place will manifest itself in lives lost and prevention of onward transmission of HIV infections," German population health researcher Dr Till Barnighausen told The Indian Express recently.

The German Consul General in Bengaluru Achim Burkart said at a recent public lecture that the cutting of USAID funds "means losing lives". In Zambia alone 150,000 people are in desperate need of HIV medication, in the absence of which they will die, Burkart said.

"The rich countries have a responsibility to support the countries that are not able to support themselves. With at least 50% of the world's population having no access to safe, affordable, timely healthcare services, delivering healthcare remains an urgent task," he said

On February 13, a US federal court stayed the January 20 executive order to halt all foreign aid. The Trump administration appealed at the US Supreme Court and argued that 5,800 foreign aid awards had been evaluated and 500 had been retained. In a 5-4 verdict on March 5, the court rejected the government's request to cancel the February 13 order of the federal court.

# Pashu Aushadhi initiative for health of livestock

**HARIKISHAN SHARMA** NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

THE GOVERNMENT will open "Pashu Aushadhi" stores across the country to provide affordable generic veterinary medicines for livestock to people engaged in animal husbandry and dairying.

The Pashu Aushadhi initiative is part of the revised Livestock Health and Disease Control Program (LHDCP), which was approved by the Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday.

LHDCP has an overall outlay of Rs 3,880 crore for 2024-25 and 2025-26. Of this, Rs 75 crore has been provided for good quality and affordable generic veterinary medicine and incentive for sale of medicines under the Pashu Aushadhi component.

### Based on Janaushadhi Kendras The initiative has been conceptualised on

the lines of the existing Pradhan Mantri Bharatiya Janaushadhi Kendras, which provide "quality generic medicines at affordable prices" to "bring down the healthcare budget of every citizen of India". "Generic medicines" are non-branded

drugs, which are marketed under a non-proprietary or approved name rather than a proprietary or brand name. More than 10,300 Pradhan Mantri

Bharatiya Janaushadhi Kendras are currently functional, according to the Department of Pharmaceuticals under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers. March 7 will be celebrated as Janaushadhi Diwas.

### Why Pashu Aushadhi matters As per the 20th Livestock Census, India's

Livestock population stood at 535.78 million in 2019. This included a total bovine population (including cattle, buffalo, mithun and vak) of 302.79 million. According to the Ministry of Fisheries,

Animal Husbandry & Dairying, the "productivity of livestock is impacted adversely due to diseases like Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), Brucellosis, Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR), Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF), Lumpy Skin Disease, etc." While measures such as vaccination drives

have been taken proactively, much remains to be done. A significant portion of the outof-pocket expenditure of farmers goes into buying medicines to treat their cattle and other animals for illnesses. Implementing

even more turbulent airflow than the

shinier side, which can be further aggra-

vated with the help of the seam. This extra

turbulent airflow is not as sticky as the tur-

LHDCP can help reduce those losses through disease prevention, the ministry said.

### To be run by co-op societies The Pashu Aushadhi stores will be run by

cooperative societies and Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samriddhi Kendras. The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying will release guidelines for their functioning, a source said The Pashu Aushadhi Kendras will also sell

ethnoveterinary medicines, which are based on traditional beliefs and indigenous knowledge and practices. The National Dairy Development Board has compiled a list of ethnoveterinary formulations for major ailments in bovines, including treatments for mastitis, FMD disease lesions, fever, and worms. **LONGER VERSION ON** 

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# How does a cricket ball swing? How does saliva help in its movement?

**SRIRAM VEERA** MUMBAI, MARCH 6

INDIAN PACER Mohammad Shami on Thursday appealed to the ICC to lift the ban on using saliva to shine cricket balls that was introduced during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Since 2011, two balls have been used per innings in ODIs. This means that balls are not as scuffed up as they used to be. Add to this the prohibition on using saliva, generating reverse swing has gotten much more difficult.

not getting the use of saliva into the game," Shami told reporters in Dubai.

"We are trying to reverse, but you are

### What is swing? Why does a ball swing? Swing refers to the lateral movement of a cricket ball in the air, before it lands on the pitch. It is essentially a product of

an air pressure differential on either side

of the ball. A thin layer of air forms along the ball's surface after it is released by the bowler. But

the so-called "boundary layer" must separate from the surface at some point. Where this separation occurs on either side of the ball determines the air pressure on that side. Bowlers generally tilt the seam towards

one direction or the other. In a new ball, the raised seam disturbs the airflow on the side towards which it is tilted. This turbulent flow on the seam side sticks to the ball's sur-

face longer and travels faster than the smooth laminar flow on the other side. According to Bernoulli's

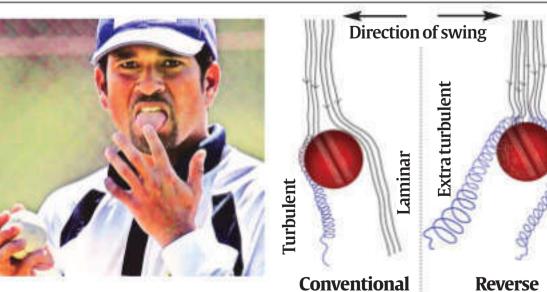
principle, faster travelling air on the seam side results in a decrease of air pressure on that side, making the ball swing in that direction. In theory, a new ball that is held straight — with the seam perfectly aligned to the direction it is travelling — will not swing because the airflow on both sides

### What is reverse swing? Why does it occur?

of the ball is even.

What has been discussed so far is conventional swing which generally occurs with a new ball. Things get more interest-

# **AIRFLOW AND SWING**



**Spit is used to shine the ball.** *Reuters* 

ball, the fielding team makes efforts to shine

the seam side.

one side. Consequently, as the ball gets ing when the ball gets older, its lacquer wears off, and its surface gets more abraolder, one side is smoother than the other. sive. This is when the ball starts to reverse, That said, the so-called shiny side is that is, move in the direction opposite to nonetheless rougher than a new ball. This means that this side still generates sticky, From the moment they are handed the

Swing

turbulent airflow.

However, the rougher side generates

**Swing** 

bulent airflow on the other side. It shears off — meaning that the point of separation for the boundary layer moves towards the front of the ball. As a consequence, the air pressure on the seam side is now relatively higher than on that on the shiny side. This makes the ball swing on the side opposite to the seam. To aid reverse swing, bowlers also try to

ensure that the shiny side is slightly heavier than the other side. This gives the ball a natural tendency to fall in that direction.

# Where does saliva figure in all this?

Cricketers have traditionally used saliva to shine one side of the ball, smoothen the surface, and make it a tad heavier on that side. The idea is to create as great of a contrast between the two sides of the ball as possible, which helps generate reverse swing. Cricketers have chewed on all kinds of mints and candy to aid the shining process — sugary saliva is heavier, and thus

considered more effective for shining a cricket ball. Can something else be used in saliva's

place? In theory, yes. But saliva is the most readily accessible shining agent that works the way cricketers want it to.

Take sweat, for example. Rubbing the ball with sweat is legal but sweat is not as good a polishing agent as saliva, presumably because it does not contain mucus.

Moreover, the ball tends to soak up sweat — too much sweat can soften the ball which is not something bowlers want. Softer balls do not bounce as much, they do not turn as quickly, or retain much pace after pitching. In short, they are easier for a batter to deal with.

Then there is the fact that unlike saliva, sweating is condition-dependent. Players simply do not sweat enough in cold conditions for it to be an effective shining substance.

Other substances like vaseline have also been touted, although they are not as effective. Notably, vaseline is lighter than sweat. As former Indian pacer Ashish Nehra once said: "Vaseline can help keep the shine, but it does not make the ball heavier on one side".

E-Tender Notice Following E- Tenders are invited by XEN/WS/All/NWR-Ajmer at 15.00 Hrs. on the mentioned date. 1. Tender no.: 23-Workshop-All -2024-25; Name of work: Construction of new Wards along with other infrastructure of the depot including IT, complete electrification, and heavy duty stacking system rake. Pallets, Electric stacker & Epoxy flooring etc in view of shifting of existing wards of wagon stores depot to old pattern shop. Approximate cost: Rs. 12472763.67; Earnest money/Bid Security: Rs.

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28.03.2025 at 15.00 Hrs. The detailed

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# NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY Open E-Tender Notice

NER-LJN-2025-13

On behalf of the President of India, Divisional Railway Manageri Engineering, North Eastern Railway, Lucknow, invites online tender for the following work, detail

of which is as given below: E-Tender No.: NER-LJN-2025-13 Name of work: LJN Div. - Provision for Construction of New Mechanized Laundry at Gomti Nagar, Estimated cost (₹): ₹ 1,67,01,497.82, Earnest Money (₹): ₹ 2,33,500.00 Completion Period: 12 Months.

Note: 1. The tender for the above tender number NER-LJN-2025-13 can be uploaded up to 15:00 hrs. on 27.03.2025 and this tender will be opened after 15:00 hrs or the same day, 2. All the information related minimum qualification complete details of terms and conditions of the above tender is available on North Eastern Railway website www.ireps.gov.in. Tenderer should read the corrigendum (if any) available on the website related to this tender information before uploading the tender form and be sure to take

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### NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY **OPEN E-Tender Notice** NER-LJN-2025-14

On behalf of the President of India, Divisional Railway Manager Engineering, North Eastern Railway, Lucknow, invites online tender for the following work, detail of which is as given below:

Sl.No.-1, E-Tender No.: NER-LJN-2025-14, Name of Work: NER-LJN-Division:- Carrying out leftover miscellaneous works between Malhaur-Daliganj doubling project in the section of SSE/Works/BNZ uner Sr.DEN/III/LJN of Lucknow Division in N.E. Railway, (Civil Work) Estimated cost (Rs.):₹4,78,21,472.33. Earnest Money (Rs.): ₹ 3,89,100/-Completion Period: 12 Months.

(1) The tender, for the above E-tender number NER-LJN-2025-14 can be uploaded up to 15:00 hrs. on 26-03-2025 and this tender will be opened after 15:00 hrs. on the same day. (2) All the information related minimum qualification, complete details of terms and conditions of the above tender is available on North Eastern Railway website www.ireps. gov.in. Tenderer should read the corrigendum (if any) available on the website related to this tender information before uploading the tender form and be sure to take into consideration as well.

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Divisional Railway Manager (Engg.)

# **BRIDGE WORKS**

E-Tender Notice No. KIR/Engg\_/08 of 2025 Dated: 05-03-2025, E-Tenders are invited by the undersigned for the following works: Tender No. 1. Brief Description of Item: (A) Hatwar-Malda Town (UP/DN)-TSR (P) Bridge Approach-13.400 Tkm under the jurisdiction of Sr. DEN/I/Katihar. (B) Hatwar-Maida Town (UP/DN)- Bridge Approach Sleeper- 66 Sets under the jurisdiction of Sr. DEN/I/Katihar. Tender Value: ₹3,79,00,913.91/-Bid Security: ₹3,39,500/-. Tender No. 2. Brief Description of Item: (A) TFR from Km 102.2 to 110.90, 115.0 to 116.20, 121.80 to 124.0 (DN line), Km 93.90 to 95.0, 96.0 to 99.0, 100.80 to 102.254, 108.10 to 109.46, 115 to 116, 133.10 to 136.10 (UP line) between section Kishangani Barsoi under the jurisdiction of Sr. DEN/I/Katihar (Total = 23.014 Km). (B) TFR from Km 148.90 to 149.0. 156.60 to 159.20, 164.0 to 167.0 (UP line) and from Km 33.4 to 34.40 (SL) between section Kishangani Kumedpur under the jurisdiction of Sr. ADEN/Barsoi (Total = 6.7 Km). Hatwar-Kumedpur Through SEJ renewal with Sleeper Total = 44 Sets. Tender Value: ₹58,27,836.90/-. Bid Security: ₹1,16,600/-. Tender No. 3. Brief Description of Item: Casual renewal of defective Glued Joint in different location by INSITU fabrication of Glued Joint under the jurisdiction of Sr. DEN/I/Katihar, Sr. DEN/II/Katihar & Sr. DEN/IV/Katihar. Tender Value: ₹71,86,444/-. Bid Security: ₹1,43,700/-. Tender No. 4. Brief Description of Item: (A) Provision of RUB at NC-87 between Kumedpur-Eklakhi Section (B) Provision of RUB at NC-93 between Kumedpur-Eklakhi section. Tender Value: ₹6,67,80,241,49/-. Bid Security: ₹4,83,900/-. Tender No. 5. Brief Description of Item: Track maintenance work and other ancillary work for the period of 2 years under the jurisdiction of ADEN/Purnea Jn. Tender Value: ₹4,62,28,559,31/-. Bid Security: ₹3,81,200/-. Tender No. 6. Brief Description of Item: Track maintenance work and other ancillary work for the period of 2 years under the jurisdiction of ADEN/I/Katihar. Tender Value: ₹3,42,88,745.77/-. Bid Security: ₹3,21,500/-. Date and time of closing of tender: 15.00 hrs. of

03-04-2025 & will be opened at 15.30

hrs. of 03-04-2025. The complete

information with the tender documents

of above e-tender will be available

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NOTICE INVITING OFFERS FOR REGISTRATION

**AND** SUPPLY OF FOREIGN LIQUOR IN THE STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

NO. RATE OFFER/2025-26/1034

R.O.No.242505747/2

Dated: 04/03/2025

Sealed offers are invited from Person/Firm/Company or Corporation lawfully engaged in manufacturing of IMFL/Malt (hereafter referred to as supplier) for registration and entering into rate contract with the Department of Excise, Chhattisgarh for supply of IMFL/FMFL/Malt for the FY 2025-26 01.04.2025 to 31.03.2026. Offers for FMFL are invited from manufacturers owning a Distillery/Brewery/Blending unit situated outside India. Such offers

on behalf of the Foreign Manufacturers may be submitted through a firm/ company registered in India (hereafter referred to as The last date for receipt of rate offers in the Office of the Excise Commissioner at Raipur (Chhattisgarh) is 19.03.2025 by 17:30 hrs. which shall be opened on 20.03.2025 at 11:00 hrs. The participating firms shall deposit a non-refundable fee of

Nationalised Bank/ Scheduled Commercial Bank payable at Raipur in favour of Excise Commissioner. Application form along with the terms and conditions governing the offers and other documents can be obtained from the office of Excise Commissioner, GST Bhawan, North Block, Sector-19, Nawa Raipur, Atal Nagar, Chhattisgarh on payment of nonrefundable fee of Rs. 23,600/-(20,000 + 18% GST) (Rupees Twenty-Three Thousand Six Hundred only) by demand draft of any

Rs. 59,000/- (50,000 + 18% GST) (Rupees Fifty-Nine Thousand only) towards registration by account payee Bank Draft of any

Nationalised / Scheduled Commercial Bank drawn in favour of Excise Commissioner payable at Raipur

R. SHANGEETHA **EXCISE COMMISSIONER** CHHATTISGARH

> FORM NO-22 [See Regulation 37(1)]

DATED: 11/02/2025

PROCLAMATION OF SALE

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, PATNA OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER A, B & F Wings, Karpuri Thakur Sadan, Ashiana Digha Road, Patna - 800 025

RP No. 654/2023

PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULES 38, 52(2) OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT 1961 READ WITH SECTION 29 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS AND BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993. Canara Bank, Saharsa Branch, Saharsa.

M/s Rehan Communication & Others

Whereas you has/have failed to pay the sum of Rs. 30,61,056.10 in respect of O.A.No.255/2022 dated 19/09/2023 payable by you/him issued by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Patna, which sum is recoverable together with interest, cost, charges, as per

And whereas the undersigned has ordered the sale of the property mentioned in the annexed schedule in satisfaction of the said certificate/decree

And whereas on the 24th April, 2025 (the date fixed for sale) there will be due thereunder a sum Rs. 30,61,056.10 (as per Recovery Certificate dated 19.09.2023) and as per current dues calculation submitted by Certificate Holder Bank Rs. 37,91,461.35 as on 31.12.2024 plus further cost and interest subject to final calculation. Notice is hereby given that in the absence of any order of postponement the said property mentioned in the schedule of the property shall

be sold on 24.04.2025 by e- auction and bidding shall take place through "On line Electronic Bidding" through the website https://baanknet.com (Certificate based) of M/s PSB Alliance (Baanknet) from 12.30 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. through E-auction as per details below:-Name of the Company: M/s PSB Alliance (Baanknet) Unit 1, 3rd Floor, VIOS Commercial Tower, Near Wadala Truck Terminal, Wadala East, Mumbai-400037.

Contact Person: Mr. Karan Modi, Mr. Vasu Patel, Mr. Kashyap Patel, Mr. Animesh Jain Contact No.: 7016716557,9510974587,6354604884,7046612345

Email id-support.baanknet@psballiance.com

cb17415@canarabank.com

Website Address: https://baanknet.com Name of the Contact Person of the facilitation Centre: (i) Office of Recovery Officer, DRT, Patna, A, B & F Wing, 2nd Floor, Karpuri Thakur Sadan, Ashiyana Digha Road, Patna 25 and (ii) Canara Bank, ARM Branch, Ground Floor, Luv Kush Tower, Exhibition Road, Patna 800 001 and contact person - Mr. Rajiv Kumar (Chief Manager) and Contact No.: 8102916048, email address:

ACCOUNT DETAIL FOR ONLINE MONEY TRANSFER

NAME	IFSC CODE
CANARA BANK, Luv Kush Tower, Exhibition Road, Patna	CNRB0017415

The sale will be of the property of the defendant above named will be on "as is whereis basis" as mentioned in the schedule below; and the liabilities and claims attaching to the said property, so far as they have been ascertained are those specified in the schedule against

The property will be put up for sale in the lots specified in the schedule. If the amount to be realized is satisfied by the sale of a portion of the property, the sale shall be immediately stopped with respect to the remainder. The sale will also be stopped if before any lot is knocked down, the arrears mentioned in the said certificate, interest and costs (including cost of sale) are tendered to the officer conducting the sale or proof is given to his satisfaction that the amount of such certificate, interest and costs has been paid to the

At the sale, the public generally are invited to bid either personally or by duly authorized agent. The offer for sale can also be sent directly to the Recovery Officer in a sealed cover at the above mentioned address. No officer or other person, having any duty to perform in connection with this sale shall however either directly or indirectly bid for, acquire or attempt to acquire any interest in the

The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in the Second Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961 and the rules made thereunder and to the following further conditions:

1. The particulars specified in the annexed schedule have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned but the undersigned shall not be answerable for any error, mis-statement or omission in the proclamation.

2. The reserve price: - below which the property shall not be sold for Rs. 10,93,500/-. (Rs. Ten Lacs Ninety Three Thousand Five Hundred Only)

3. The amount by which the biddings are to be increased shall be Rs.10,000/- In the event of any dispute arising as to the amount of bid or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once be again put up to auction.

4. The highest bidder shall be declared to be the purchaser of any lot provided that further that the amount bid by him is not less than the Reserve Price, It shall be in the discretion of the undersigned to decline/acceptance of the highest bid when the price offered appears

so clearly inadequate as to make it inadvisable to do so. The office of the Recovery Officer shall not be responsible, for non-receipt of correspondence sent by post/courier. The Recovery Officer reserves the right to withdraw from the process or any part thereof, to accept or reject any or all bids at any stage of the process and/or modify the process or any part thereof or to vary terms at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever.

6.To take part in auction; each bidder shall deposit earnest money @ 10% of the reserve price which shall be paid by electronic transfer to the concerned Bank's EMD Account or through DD/pay order drawn in favour of Recovery Officer, DRT., Patna. The bidders are also directed to submit their duly filled bid application form along with copy of PAN Card, Aadhar Card and Identity Proof, E-mail ID, Mobile No. and in case of company any other document confirming representation/attorney of the company and the receipt/counter file of EMD deposit in a sealed cover in the office of Recovery Officer on or before 21.04.2025 up to 4.00 P.M. EMD/Bid application form deposited thereafter shall not be considered for participation in the e-auction.

 The concerned Branch and for Zonal Office will arrange felicitation Centre for intending auction purchaser. All necessary technical support extended to the purchaser will be responsibility of Certificate Holder Bank.

 Successful/highest bidder shall have to pay by electronic transfer to the concerned Bank EMD account or through DD/pay order 25 % of the sale proceeds after adjustment of EMD on being knocked down by next date i.e. by 3.00 P.M. favouring Recovery Officer, DRT., Patna A/c R.P.No.654/2023 as per details mentioned above. If the next day is holiday or Sunday, then on next first office day, failing which the earnest money shall be forfeited.

 The balance 75 % of the purchase money payable along with poundage fee @ 2 % upto Rs.1,000/- and 1% on balance amount of purchase money shall be paid by the purchaser to the undersigned on or before the 15th day form the date of the sale of the property, exclusive of such day, or if the 15th day be Sunday or other holiday, then on the first office day after the 15th day, DD of Poundage fee in favour of Registrar, DRT., Patna.

10. In default of payment within the period mentioned above, the property shall be resold after the issue of a fresh proclamation of sale. The deposit, after defraying the expenses of the sale, may, if the undersigned thinks fit, be forfeited to the Government and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claims to the property or to any part of the sum of which it may subsequently be sold. 11. The property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY (In R.P. No.654/2023) Revenue, encumbrance and Details of scheme of Property claims etc., if any assessed, put forward to the property. All that piece and parcel of land in the name of certificate debtor no. 2 namely Saiyad Sabih Ahmad S/o Wakil Ahmad, bearing Deed No. 8895 dated 30.07.2021 and situated at Mouza Nariyar, Thana: Saharsa,

Given under my hand and seal at Patna this 11th day of February, 2025.

Circle Office-Kahra; Sub Registry Office -Saharsa, District-Saharsa, Thana No. 190, Tauzi No. 3763, Khata No. 89 (old), Survey Plot no. 1776(old) and 3143(new), Area of land 2.183 decimal (10 Dhur). Bounded and butted as follows: North: Niz, South: Kachchi Rasta East: Niz, and West: Pakki Sadak.



Purvanchal Vidyut Vitaran

Nigam Limited, Vidvut

**P.O.-**

BLW.

221004

Nagar,

www.etender.up.nic.in

Varanasi

Short Term E-Tender Notice Short

Term E- - tenders are invited for

the following materials. The

tenderer will be accepted up to at

15.00 hrs. Please visit website

details/download and for any

other corrections/ amendments/

modifications/extensions till the

date of submission of bids. SI.

No.: 1., Tender Specification

No.: EAV-120/2024-25, Name of

**Material:** Holographic Seal.

Quantity.: 400000 Nos., Earnest

**Money (Rs.):** 14,500.00, **Tender** 

**Fee (Rs.).:** 3,000.00 + GST @

18%, Last date & Time for

online submission of tender

**document:** 24.03.2025 15.00

Hrs., Date & Time for online

opening of tender part-I:

SUPERINTENDING

|Electricity in the interest of

Nation'' पत्रांक : 873/पू०वि०वि०नि०लि०

( वा॰ ) / सा॰प्र॰-I/विज्ञापन दिनांकः 06.03.2025

25.03.2025 17.00 Hrs.

ENGINEER (MM-I)

Bihar Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development Brahmyoni Parwat, Kushdihra, Gaya, Bihar-823001,

Website: http://bipard.bihar.gov.in/ e-Mail: bipardgayaeproc@gmail.com Govt. of Bihar

TenderNo: CCNA certification/2025/01/116 e-Tender Short Notice

Proposal for Expression of Interest (EOI) "Empanelment of Agency for Imparting of Digital Skilling in CCNA certification".

Schedule of Bid Process:-

S.No.	Information	Details
1.	EOI No. and Date of availability	EOI No: CCNA certification/2025/01/116 Available for download from 05 <sup>th</sup> March 2025. 08:00 PM
2.	Last date for submission of written queries for clarifications	8 <sup>th</sup> March 2025, 05:00 pm Email: bipardgayaeproc@gmail.com
3.	Date of pre-Proposal Meeting	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2025, 03:00 PM Google Meet meeting ID: https://meet.google.com/tfq-jxje-pua
4.	Release of response to clarifications	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2025, 5:00 PM
5.	Last date of submission of bid	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2025, 3:00 PM
6.	Opening of Technical Bids	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2025, 4:00 PM
7.	Contact person for queries	Shri Gautam Arya Senior Assistant Director, BIPARD, Gaya Email id: - bipardgayaeproc@gmail.com

The document should be purchased and submitted online via e-Proc portal

(https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in) only. e-Procurement Help Desk, Toll Free Number: 1800 572 6571 Email Id: eproc2support@bihar.gov

Assistant Director, PR. No. 021041 (B&C) 2024-25 BIPARD (Gaya, Bihar) This information is available on website www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar also

अपने जीवन साथी के प्रति वफादार रहें,

किसी अनजान स्त्री/पुरूष से असुरक्षित यौन संबंध से बचें।

बिहार सरकार शिक्षा विभाग प्रेस विज्ञप्ति बिहार लोक सेवा आयोग, पटना के विज्ञापन संख्या—22/2024 के आलोक

Sd/-

में विद्यालय अध्यापक के पद के लिए अनुशंसित अभ्यर्थियों के लिए आवश्यक सूचना। बिहार लोक सेवा आयोग, पटना के विज्ञापन संख्या-22/2024 के आलोक में विद्यालय अध्यापक पद के

लिए अनुशंसित अभ्यर्थियों को सूचित किया जाता है कि उन्हें दिनांक-09.03.2025 (रविवार) को नियुक्ति पत्र दिया जाएगा।

- नियुक्ति पत्र उन्हीं अभ्यर्थियों को वितरित किया जाएगा, जिन्हें जिला आवंटित है एवं काउन्सिलिंग में प्रस्तुत सभी कागजात / प्रमाण-पत्र सही पाए गए हैं।
- जिन अभ्यर्थियों को पटना, नालंदा, वैशाली, सारण, भोजपुर, जहानाबाद, मुजफ्फरपुर एवं अरवल जिला आवंटित है, उन्हें नियुक्ति पत्र का वितरण दिनांक-09.03.2025 को पूर्वाह्न 11:00 बजे गांधी मैदान में आयोजित "नियुक्ति पत्र वितरण समारोह" में किया जाएगा।
- इन 8 जिलों के अभ्यर्थी गांधी मैदान, पटना में दिनांक-09.03.2025 को अपने आवंटित जिला के स्टॉल में पूर्वाह 08:30 बजे उपस्थित होकर अपनी उपस्थिति दर्ज करेंगे एवं तत्पश्चात् पूर्वाह 10:00 बजे तक पंडाल में निर्धारित स्थान ग्रहण करेंगे।
- उपरोक्त 8 जिला के अतिरिक्त शेष 30 जिलों के अभ्यर्थियों को नियुक्ति पत्र का वितरण उन्हें आवंटित जिला में आयोजित "नियुक्ति पत्र वितरण समारोह" में किया जाएगा। इन 30 जिलों से संबंधित अभ्यर्थी भी आवंटित जिला में पूर्वाह 08:30 बजे रिपोर्ट करेंगे एवं वहाँ निर्धारित
- कार्यक्रम स्थल से नियुक्ति पत्र प्राप्त करेंगे। निदेशक, माध्यमिक शिक्षा

PR- 21171 ( Education ) 2024-25

नशे की मार, बर्बाद करे सुखी परिवार।

केनरा बैंक 🧀 Canara Bank ि सिडिकेट Syndicate

Notice for exercising the right of redemption under Section 13 (8) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

SI. No.	Contact No. of the Branch	Guarantor (s) / Mortgagor (s)	Date of Possession / Date of 13 (4) Publication	Outstanding in Rs.
1	Muzaffarpur II Branch	Branch Chaudhary, Panikal Chowk, Chandwara, Block- Mushahari,		Borrower No.1 Rs. 21,19,270.74 Borrower No.2
	Bihar	Muzaffarpur - 842001, Mob - 918292738811  Borrower No2 - Pramod Foods, Prop - Pramod Chaudhary, Lakri Dhai, Chandwara, Mushahari, Muzaffarpur - 842001,	20.02.2025	Rs.16,13,266.31 as on
		Mob - 918292738811, Proprietor/ Mortgagor - Pramod Chaudhary, S/o Ashok Chaudhary, Bandh Ke Niche, Shivpuri, Lakdidahi Chandwara, Muzaffarpur - 842001	26.02.2025	20.11.2024 + interest & Other Cos thereon till realization
2	Sheohar Branch	Borrower - Marko Infra Prop Shilpi Devi, At-PO - Jahangirpur, P.S. Shyampur Bhatahan, Dumri Katsari, Sheohar - 843329, Mob - 8340709457,	03.12.2024	Rs. 36,84,067.73 as on
	Singh, Guara Singh,	Proprietor/ Hypothecator - Shilpi Devi W/o Vijay Kumar Singh, Jahangirpur, Sheohar - 843329, Mob - 8340709457,	18.02.2025	03.12.2024 + interest & Other
		Guarantor/ Mortgagor - Shakuntala Devi W/o Rajiv Nayan Singh, Jahangeerpur, Dumri Katsari, Sheohar - 843329, Mob - 8340709457		Cost thereon till realization

As per Section 13(8) of the Act, you are entitled to redeem the secured Assets at any time before the date of publication of sale notice in Newspapers, failing which your Right to redeem the mortgaged property as per Section 13(8) of the Act shall stand extinguished.

This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the secured creditor under the subject Act/ or any other law in force

इंडियन बैंक 🙈 **Indian Bank**  Zonal Office, Patna, 1st Floor, Budh Marg, Patna-800001

**Show Cause Notice for Classification** 

Authorised Officer (CANARA BANK)

as Wilful Defaulter A/c: M/s Shyam Garments with NIT Patna Branch 🙇 इलाहाबाद ALLAHABAD Date: 09.12.2024

1. Shri Shyam Sundar Saw (Proprietor) S/o Nandlal Saw Village Mor Post Mor Mor (Part in Mokamah Patna Bihar 803302) M/s Shyam Garments (Borrower **Shop:** Shree Shyam Garmetns Shop no 48 2 nd floor City Centre, Near Patna Junction ward no 18 circle no 22. **|Workshop:** Mata Khudi Lane, Ashok Rajpath, Mahendru, Patna 800006 (Workshop) Dear Sir,

At your request, the Bank through its NIT Patna Branch has sanctioned credit facility of Rs.0.31 cr for manufacturing of readymade garments under sole banking to M/s Shyam Garments where 1. M/s Shyam Garments is Borrower Firm, 2. Shri Shyam Sundar Saw is Proprietor of the Firm. That the Borrower defaulted in meeting its payment/repayment obligations to the Bank as per terms of sanction and has failed to regularise the

account. As such, the above mentioned account (s) has/have been classified as Non-Performing Asset on 08,09,2023 as per RBI Guidelines, That the Wilful Defaulter Identification Committee (WDIC) of the Bank has observed number of financial irregularities in the conduct/operation of account (s) & non-compliance of terms & conditions of sanction and more specifically undernoted ones which fall within one or more of the features set out in para 3 (1)(t) of the Reserve Bank of India (Treatment of Wilful Defaulters and Large Defaulters) Directions, 2024.

Relevant clause of para 3 (1)(t) of the Reserve Evidence of wilful default disclosing the acts of omission or commission by the Bank of India (Treatment of Wilful Defaulters and Borrower/Proprietor/ Guarantor (s) based on which this show cause notice is issued for

Large Defaulters) Directions, 2024 the classification as wilful Defaulter Capacity to pay but unwilling to pay: As per the Asset & Liability Report dated 30.07.2022, the net worth of the borrower is as under: The unit has defaulted in meeting its payment it (Rs. in Crore) repayment obligations to the lender even when

Net worth as on 30.07.2022 Name it has the capacity to honour the said obligations Mr. Shyam Sundar Saw(Prop) 0.70

0.70 Total This clearly indicates that the borrower despite having capacity to repay the Bank dues, have

willingly not repaid the Bank's dues

Siphoning of Funds:

As per stock statement dated 04.04.2023 the Stock value was Rs 18 lac and as per the original The unit has defaulted in meeting its payment sanction dated 18.10.2022 Rs 14.90 lac was financed for machinery for the Unit. repayment obligations to the lender and has In the unit visit reports by Branch Manager dated 02.03.2024 it was reported that there is no siphoned off the funds so that the funds have∥sign board of the unit and it is closed permanently. Also the whereabout of the Proprietor Shri not been utilized for the specific purpose for Shyam sundar Shaw is not known. Hence it is clear that the borrower has disposed of the said which finance was availed of, nor are the funds machinery and stocks without the knowledge of the Lender/Bank.

available with the unit in the form of other assets The above evidence of wilful default on the part of the Borrower Firm and its Proprietor have been examined by the Bank's WDIC consisting of the following members: 1. Mr. Ashok Patnaik, Chief General Manager, Chairperson, 2. Mr. Himanshu Kansal, General Manager, Member, 3. Mr. S Senthil Kumar, General Manager, Member, 4. Mr. Amit Chaudhari, General Manager, Member

The committee is prima facie satisfied that there is possibility of an event of Wilful Default. As such, this Show Cause Notice is being issued calling you to make your submission against the evidence of wilful default mentioned above, within 21 days from the issuance hereof.

Please note that in case no submission is received within stipulated period of 21 days from the date of receipt of this notice or Wilful Defaulter Identification Committee of the Bank is not satisfied with the submission made by you, then Wilful Defaulter Identification Committee of the Bank shall proceed to make a proposal to the Wilful Defaulter Review Committee of the Bank for classifying you as Wilful Defaulter and on such classification by Wilful Defaulter Review Committee, your photograph shall be published and your name as wilful defaulter shall be reported to RBI, CIBIL and other Credit Information Companies in terms of RBI guidelines and the Bank may also take appropriate legal action as per applicable law. This SCN is issued with the approval of Wilful Defaulter Identification Committee of the Bank.

> Priya Parth Chandan, Senior Manager, Branch Mananger By Wilful Defaulter Identification Committee (WDIC)

Recovery Officer epaper.indianexpress.com

Not Known

# 18 CLASSIFIEDS & TENDERS

### **PERSONAL**

Classifieds

I, Ashu Ahuja R/o-B-18, First Floor, Jhilmil Colony, Delhi-110095, declare that my son name written on Mediclaim Policy No.2805203639987004 as HANSHIT AHUJA instead of SHOURYA AHUJA. My son correct name is SHOURYA AHUJA. 0040778235-

I, Anand Shekhar R/o Flat No.156, Gold Coast Platinum, Tower-12, Crossing Republik, Ghaziabad, UP-201016 have changed my minor son's name from CYRUS PREETHISH SHUKLAA to CYRUS PRITHISH MISHRA for all purposes.

I, Amit Dhiman S/o Rajinder Kumar R/o Flat No-7 F/F, Plot No-4/5, Kavita Colony, Nangloi. Delhi-110041 have changed my name to Amit Kumar Sharma for all purposes.

0070955019-1

I Yoganand Sharma S/o Shivji Sharma R/o WZ-13A/1. Gali No.4, Vashisht Park, Pankha Road, New Delhi-46 have changed my name from Yoganand to Yoganand Sharma for all purpose in future.

0040778293-1

I Sheh Rani Gupta D/o Hazari Lal Gupta and W/o Rai Kumar Gupta R/o 267, Street No-4, Govind Puri Kalkaji, Aali, PO-Ali, Dist-South Delhi, Delhi-110019, have changed my name to Sneh Rani Gupta 0070955040-1

I Sahil Ahmed S/o Habib Ahmed R/o H.No.365/108, Ground Floor, Ghaffar Manzil, Jamia Nagar, South Delhi, Delhi-110025 have changed the name of my minor son from Aarish Malik to Arham Malik for all 0040778217-3 purposes.

I Neerai Garg S/o-Raiender Prasad Gupta R/o-D-1, Pushpanjali Enclave, Pitampura, Delhi-110034 have changed my name to Neeraj Kumar Gupta for all purposes. 0040778240-1

I Devika Beniwal w/o Krishna

Singh r/o B-206, Ambey Residency, Sector-39, Gurgaon-122001 have changed my minor daughter's name from Janvi Diwan to JAHANVII SIINGH for all future purposes. 0040778272-2

I Ankur Choudhary S/o Sh.Surender Pal R/o House No.D-1/7, Gali No.19, Near Gyani Market, Khajoori Khas, Karawal Nagar, North East, Delhi-110094 have changed the name of my minor son from Vedish Chaudhary to Vedish Hooda for all purposes.

0040778217-1 I Ankur Choudhary S/o

Sh.Surender Pal R/o House No.D-1/7, Gali No.19, Near Gyani Market, Khajoori Khas, Karawal Nagar, North East, Delhi-110094 have changed the name of my minor daughter from Anaya to Anaya Hooda for all purposes. 0040778217-2

I,NEERAJ KUMAR,father of,YASHIKHA,Presently,residin g at, Village Jareliya, P.O. Bajna, Distt. Mathura. Uttar Pradesh, have changed my minor daughter's name from YASHIKHA to YASHIKHA SINGH.Vide-affidavit date-05.03.2025. 0040778329-10

It is for general information that I. DHAN BAHADUR GURUNG S/o Deo Bahadur Gurung, R/o Rabindra Sarani, Kadamtala, Ranidanga, Darjeeling, Kadamtala, West Bengal-734011, declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as D B Gurung in my minor daughter PAYAL GURUNG aged 15 years in her Birth Certificate and School Record. The actual name of mine is DHAN BAHADUR GURUNG, which may be amended accordingly.

0070955038-1

**I,hitherto** known as Kritika Aditya, D/o Rajendra Singh and, W/o Kulbhushan Jain, R/o Flat.No.9, Block-E2, Pocket-2, Rohini Sector-15, North West Delhi, Rohini Sector-15, Delhi-110089, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kritika Jain. 0040778331-7

**BHATT alias GANESH DATT** BHATT,S/O HARI RAM BHATT, R/O-PLOT.NO-904, UPPER GROUND FLOOR, DR.MUKHERJEE NAGAR.P.O DR.MUKHERJEE NAGAR, DIST-NORTH WEST DELHI.DELHI-

I.hitherto known as DR.G D

110009, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as GANESH DATT BHATT. 0040778331-12 I,Yash Raj,S/o:Baldev Raj,

Address:-658/16,3rd floor sector-16, Sector-16A Faridabad haryana 121002, changed my Name TO Yash Raj chandna 0040778331-1

I,Vidyawati W/o Satbir Rana R/o Flat No. 622, LIG, Sanjay Enclave, Jahangir Puri, North West Delhi-110033, have changed my name to Vidya Rana, for all Purposes.

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I.VINEETA GOEL W/O TARUN GOEL R/O 89.PUNJABI COLONY. NARELA, DELHI-110040. HAVE **CHANGED MY NAME TO** VINEETA FOR ALL PURPOSES.

0040778306-2 I, MANJIT SINGH KALSI SON OF SH. MALKIAT SINGH RESIDENT OF A-7A/10 FIRST FLOOR, RANA PRATAP BAGH DELHI-110007 HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM MANJEET SINGH KALSI TO MANJIT SINGH KALSI FOR

ALL FUTURE PURPOSES. 0040778285-2 I.VIDUSHI.DAUGHTER OF GAJANAND YADAVA, Presently residing at, Air Force, Station, Race Course-Road, New Delhi-110003, have changed my name, from VIDUSHI to VIDUSHI YADAV, vide-Affidavit,06.03.2025.

110095, have changed my name

to UPENDRA VERMA

I,Suneeta,D/o Sh.Janardan

Floor, Sector-D-6, Santushti

Delhi, New-Delhi-110070, have

Suneeta to Sunita Kumari, for

Yadav R/o.6111/5.2nd-

Apartments, Near-Gate

Kuni, Dist.South West-

all, purposes.

Singh.

changed my name, from

I,Sarabjit Singh S/o Mohan

Singh R/o-1/186 Subhash

Nagar Delhi-110027, have

I.SUSHMA RANI SEHGAL W/O

DELHI-110085, changed my

I,SHAZAD S/o Mohd Sharif,R/o

Seelampur, Delhi-110053, have

SHAZAD to MD. SHEHZAD, for

Presently, residing at, 203, Sai

Prem-Apartment CHS Ltd., Ram

Station, Bhayander (West), Post

changed my name, from SAYAR

Date-05.03.2025. 0040778329-8

KUNWAR to SAYAR KUNWAR

RAJPUROHIT, vide-Affidavit

**I,SATYA** VIR SINGH,S/o Shri

No-17,Kh.No-30/1,Qutub

BANSI DHAR YADAV R/o Plot

Vihar.Phase-1.Chhawla.Delhi-

to SATYAVIR SINGH YADAV.

Prakash Singhal, R/o-F-8/24,

110051, declare that my DOB-

my Aadhar-No.618414323633

and Pan-No.AUZPS1332 G,My

Actual DOB is 04-01-1978 as My

10, Near-Gau Karan-Park Roop-

124001, have changed my name

Ram, H. No-175, Gali No-7, Hans-

Enclave, Near-Rajiv Chowk NH-

8, Naharpur Rupa, Gurgaon

changed my name to Ram

**I,Sonia,W/o** Anuj Bansal R/o C

3/111, Sector-11, Rohini, Delhi-

**I,Rakesh** S/o-Ram Kishor,R/o

110085, have changed my name

RZ-A-40A, Near Shiv Mandir, Old

Janki Puri, Uttam Nagar, Delhi-

110059, have changed my name

I,Rajesh,S/o Sh.Ved Prakash,R/o

Mohalla, Rajokari-Village, South

110038, have changed the name

of my minor son RAKSHIT aged

**RAKSHIT GUJJAR.** 0040778306-7

I,Rajesh Kumar,S/o Sh.Ravinder

Kumar,R/o,Flat.No.17,Venus

Apartment, Paschim Vihar.

New Delhi-110087, Inform that

My Minor Son's Name In School

Record wrongly-Written Rohan

Poddar Kumar Correct Name is

Rohan Kumar. 0040778261-11

I,RAJIV AGRAWAL S/O KAILASH

83, FIRST-FLOOR, PITAMPURA,

DELHI-110034, HAVE CHANGED

MY NAME TO RAJEEV AGRAWAL

Sudhir Kumar Sharma, R/o-203

Block-T3, Parsvanath Prestige-

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CHAND AGRAWAL R/o-TP-

I.Pushpa Rani Sharma W/o

201301, Have Changed My

Name To Pushpa Sharma.

I.PRIYANKA.wife of Amrit

Singh, Presently residing

Road, Near-Police Station,

CHS-Ltd., Ram Mandir-

Bhayander(West),Post

Bhayander, Distt.Thane,

changed my name, from

Maharashtra-401101, have

SINGH Vide-affidavit Date-

I, Nirbhay Sehrawat, S/o Shri

110039, declare that Nirbhay

Sehrawat and Nirbhay both

names are one and the same

I, Jagdish Sharan Bhardwaj, R/o

I-107, Gali No.15, Near Lalita

minor daughter's name from

SHRADDHA BHARDWAJ for all

SHRADDDHA BHARDWAJ to

Park, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi-

110092, have changed my

Rajender Singh, R/o C-

18, Shaheed Hawaldar

Marg,Bawana,Delhi-

person i.e. myself.

purposes.

Mukhtiyar Singh

05.03.2025.

PRIYANKA to PRIYANKA AMRIT

at,203,Sai Prem-Apartment

2, Sector-93A Noida-

about-14-years and he shall

(Haryana)-122001, have

04-10-1978 has been wrongly in

I,Rohtas Singhal,S/o Ved

Krishna Nagar, Delhi-

Passport No.K7273874.

I.Rohit S/o-Santra Devi

to Rohit Kaushik.

Babu Ambavta.

to Sonia Goel

to Rakesh Kumar.

Deepchand Pradhan

West Delhi, New Delhi-

hereafter be known as

I,Ram Babu S/o Gabdu

R/o,Flat.No.838,Ward.No.-

Nagar Rohtak (Haryana)-

110071, have changed my name

name to SUSHMA SEHGAL.

C-48/13B,F/F,Gali No.-

changed my name, from

I,SAYAR KUNWAR, mother

Mandir-Road, Near Police-

Bhayander, Distt. Thane,

Maharashtra-401101, have

4, Chauhan Bangar,

all, future purposes.

of, Amrit Singh,

**GANGASINGH** 

NO.65, VIDYA VIHAR

changed my name to Sarabjeet

ANIL KUMAR SEHGAL R/O FLAT

APARTMENT, SECTOR-9, ROHINI,

0040778261-5 I.UPENDRA KUMAR VERMA.S/o Jai Singh R/o H.No.G-59/F-2,U G F,Dilshad,Colony,Delhi-

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Sh.RAJIV WADEHRA,R/o H.NO.404, MAHAGUN 0040778306-4 MORPHEUS, BLOCK-E, SECTOR-50, NOIDA, GAUTAM-BUDH NAGAR, U.P201301, have changed my, Daughter's name from NAYANTARA WADEHRA to No.2, Vasant Kunj, PO: Vasant-NAYANTARA WADERRA, for

purposes.

all, future purpose. 0040778331-5

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**I,Mohd** Iqbal Ahmed,S/o-Harun Khan,R/oH.No.-78/A,Block No.-2, Ferozerpur Namak (156), Mewat (Haryana)-122107,have changed my name to Mohammad Igbal.

I,Neeraj,D/O-Suresh,R/o-Jhinjar

Dadri, Haryana-127307, Have

Changed My Name Neerai

I, Naveen Tyagi, S/o Subedar

Ghaziabad, UP-201014, am

changing, my son's name from

Kabir Tyagi to Leo Tyagi for, all

Singh Tyagi, R/o 1A-CX4,

G.C.Grand, Vaibhav

khand,Indirapuram,

I,NEERU WADEHRA,W/O

(151)Jhijhar Charkhi

Phogat.

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I.Meenu.W/o Surender Kaushik, R/o-838, Ward. No.-10, Near Gaukaran-Park Roop Nagar Rohtak Haryana-124001, have changed my name to Santra Devi. 0040778328-8

I,Mamta Devi,W/o Sh.Rakesh Kumar, R/o-C-4/3, Sector-6,Rohini,Delhi-110085,declare that Mamta Devi and Mamta Maurya both names are one and the same person i.e. myself. 0040778331-4

I,MOHAMMAD ADNAN,S/0-MANNAN, R/0-HOUSE/NO-73, MOHALLA SHEKHAN, SARDHANA, MEERUT UTTAR-PRADESH-250342,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO MOHD ADNAN. 0040778328-2

**I,Bhawna** D/o Gulshan Kumar R/o 16/159, Geeta Colony, Delhi-110031, have changed my name to Bhawna Chitkara.

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I,Jaya Agrawal,W/o Abhishek Goel R/o D-652, IInd floor, Saraswati Vihar, Pitampura, North West Delhi-110033.have changed my name to Jaya Ravindra Agrawal.

I.Hitherto known as Talib,S/o Tarik,R/o-H.No.42,Bagh-Ranap, Loni, Ghaziabad, UP-201102, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Veer. 0040778261-9

DHANANJAY YADAV,R/o Shri Appartment, Mahavir Enclave, Gali.no.1, New Delhi-110045, have changed by

I.GUNWANTI YADAV.spouse of

name, from GUNWANTI YADAV to GUNWANTI KUMARI vide-Affidavit IN-DL45510443743720X Dated-05/03/2025. 0040778329-5

I,GANGA SINGH, father of, Amrit Singh, Presently, residing at-203, Sai Prem-Apartment CHS Ltd.,Ram Mandir-Road,Near-Police

Station, Bhayander (West), Post Bhayander, Distt. Thane, Maharashtra-401101.have changed my name, from **GANGA SINGH to GANGASING** RAJPUROHIT, vide-Affidavit Date-5.03.2025.

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I.G.RAJA PRABHA.W/o KUNGITHAM MURUGAN, R/o-241, Ground-floor, DA-Block, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi-110088, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RAJAPRABHA

GOVINDARAJU. 0040778261-6 I,Farman Ali,S/o Mehar Ban Ali,R/o Flat.No-1102, Signature Global The Rosselia Sector-

95A, Wazirpur-115, Gurgaon (Haryana)-122505,have changed my Minor Son's name from Rehan Tyagi to Rihan Ali 0040778328-5

I,Deepika Sharma,W/o-Yogesh Sharma, R/o, H.No.-4/2839, Street No.-1, Bihari Colony, Shahdara, Delhi-110032, have changed my name to Deepali Sharma.for all.future 0040778326-1 purposes.

I,DIMPLE W/O ABHISHEK SINGHAL R/O 22/22, HINDU GIRLS COLLEGE ROAD, KATH MANDI, SONIPAT, HARYANA-131001.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO DIMPLE SINGHAL.

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I,DHRUV WADERA,S/O Sh.RAJIV WADEHRA,R/o H.NO.404.MAHAGUN MORPHEUS, BLOCK-E, SECTOR-50, NOIDA, GAUTAM-BUDH-NAGAR, U.P201301, have changed my, name from DHRUV WADEHRA to DHRUV WADERA, for all future 0040778331-6 purposes.

I.Bhavy Joshi S/O Preeti Joshi R/O, House. No-14, First Floor, Street No-4, West Chander Nagar, Krishna-Nagar.Delhi-110051.Have Changed my Name to Manan 0040778261-8 Rehani.

I,Afrah Nehal,D/o-Mohammad Nihal Alam Khan, R/o-B-63, Shaheen Bagh, Abul-Fazal Enclave, Jamia-Nagar, ND-110025 have changed my name to Afrah Khanam.

I, Rajesh, S/o Sh. Ved Prakash,R/o-Deepchand Pradhan Mohalla.Rajokari-Village, South-West Delhi, New-Delhi-110038, have changed the name of my-minor daughter PRANJAL CHOUDHARY aged about-13-years and she shall

hereafter be known as

PRANJAL GUJJAR.

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I, Pavneet Singh S/o Harvinder Pal Singh R/o E-46A, Second Floor, Mansarover Garden, Delhi have changed my name from Pavneet Singh to Pavneet Pal permanently 0040778279-1 I, Aashima D/o Surender Kumar W/o, Shubham Bansal R/o-WZ-48A, Street-No.8, Metro Pillar-No.668, Behind Canara-Bank, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Aashima Bansal.

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I,AJAY KUMAR DHIMAN,S/O-AMAR NATH, R/O PLOT NO-6/120 FLAT UG-5, SEC-2.RAJENDRA-NAGAR GHAZIABAD, U.P.-201005, HAVE **CHANGED MY NAME TO AJAY** KAUSHAL. 0040778328-1

I, hitherto known as SAROJINI PRABHA MINZ W/O MICHEL MINJ R/o FLAT NO 902,G2A, GOLFLINKS, RESIDENCY, SECTOR-18B, DWARKA, NEW DELHI- 110075. have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as SAROJINI PRABHA 0040778313-1 I, Tapish Kalra S/o Surinder kalra

R/o K-26A, Third Floor, Kalkaji, New Delhi-110019 have a Passport in which my Father's name spelled has been wrongly mention as Surendera Kalra instead of his correct name spelled as Surinder Kalra. 0040778233-1

I, Shailendra Arya S/o Yagya Pal Singh R/o A-335 New Panchvati Colony Near Bhatia More, G.T. Road Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201001 have changed my name to SHAILENDRA KUMAR ARYA for all future purposes

I, SUSHANT, S/O DEVRAJ, R/O T-HUTS NO.-E-80/625, RAJIVE CAMP, NEAR KRISHNA MARKET, JHILMIL COLONY SHAHDRA, DISY: EAST DELHI, DELHI-110095, have changed my name to SUBHASH for all future purposes. 0070955028-1

I, SUNEET KALSI SON OF SH. MANJIT SINGH KALSI RESIDENT OF A-7A/10 FIRST FLOOR, RANA PRATAP BAGH DELHI-110007 HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM SUNEET SINGH KALSI TO SUNEET KALSI FOR ALL FUTURE PURPOSES. 0040778285-1

Devender Sharma R/o House No.B-25/1, Gali No.3, Prakesh Vihar, Karawal Nagar North East, Delhi-110094 have changed my name to Neelam for all purposes. 0040778237-1 I, Jasvinder W/o Sushil Kumar

I, Neelu Sharma W/o.Shri

R/o-585A. Gali.No.6. Gobind Puri, Kalkaji, New Delhi-110019, have changed my name to Jasvinder Kaur 0040778226-2 I, JASPREET KAUR BHATIA, W/O

SAWARN SINGH, R/O D-54, DTC COLONY, MODEL TOWN, MODEL TOWN II, DR. MUKHERJEE NAGAR, NORTH WEST DELHI DELHI-110009, have changed my name to JASPREET KAUR for all future purposes. 0070954989-1

I, HARI LAL S/O SHANKAR BHAGWAN R/o,A-254, Jawahar Camp, Kirti Nagar, West Delhi, Delhi-110015, have changed my name to SUDARSHAN.

0040778329-1 I, Devika / Devika Beniwal w/o

Residency, Sector-39, Gurgaon-122001 have changed my name to DEVIKA SSINGH. 0040778272-1 I, Deepak Agarwal S/o Late Jai

Krishna Singh r/o B-206, Ambey

Bhagwan Agarwal R/o 164-A, Pocket A-2, LIG Mayur Vihar, Phase-3, East Delhi-110096 have changed my name from Deepak Kumar Aggarwal toDeepak Agarwal for all future purposes. 0040778150-1

I, DES RAJ, S/O SURAJ BHAN GUPTA, ADD: 1829 OUTRAM LINE, KINGS WAY-CAMP, DELHI-110009, changed my Name TO **DES RAJ GUPTA** 0040778331-2

I, BALDEV RAJ CHEEMA alias BALDEV RAJ, S/o SH.GURDAS RAM,R/o-G-235, THIRD-FLOOR, VIKAS PURI, NEW DELHI-110018, have changed my name to BALDEV RAJ CHEEMA, for all intends and purposes, and both the names pertain to one and the same person i.e. BALDEV **RAJ CHEEMA** 0040778226-1

I, Kavita Sharma w/o Naresh Kumar r/o 54-D. Pocket-1. Mayur Vihar, Delhi-110091 have changed my name to KAVITA.

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# LOST & FOUND

I, BALLEY DEVI W/O RAM CHANDER R/O 2418/182. GANESH PURA, TRI NAGAR, **DELHI-110035 HAVE LOST MY** PROPERTY DOCUMENTS VIDE PROPERTY 881/57, GROUND FLOOR, LEKHU NAGAR, TRI NAGAR, DELHI-110035. FIR NO-2637184/2025 DATED-3/3/2025, FINDER CONTACT-7011189783 0070955014-1

Sharma, R/o C-154, Sector Alpha-2, Greater Noida G.B. Nagar North I have lost my property documents in the form of allotment letter and Allocation letter. And the allotment number is AML0368021. Reference number PROP/AML03/14. Date of issue 22/08/2003. Allotment letter reference number PROP/RESI/AML03/298. Date of issue 10/05/2011. Using it anywhere else would be illegal. If found, return it to my address. 0070955016-1

I, Vicky Sharma, S/o Jai Prakash

PUBLIC NOTICE ral public are hereby informed that (1) Mrs. Simraniyot Kaur wife of Kanwar Bir Singh, (2) Ashish Garg son of Tara Chand & (3) Kapil Chaudhry son of On Prakash Chaudhry (M.no.9899074740) are the owners of the below mentioned schedule That the entire original chain of the below mentioned property has been lost/misplaced on 20.02.2025, when they were carrying original documents to showing someone for their personal purposes, FIR/NCR have been lodged vide LR No 2643696/2025, dated 05.03.2025. If anybody found the same kindly contact t my client on above mentioned Mobile Prop. No.2-Cr25, (268.75 sq.yds.), Plot No.25, in block no.2-C, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005.

ANAND SONI (ADVOCATE)

PUBLIC NOTICE

being done by Vibhor Gupts (8810608715)-F-203, 19th Floor Sector 143, Noida on behalf of Ban of India. Vide this notice it is declare hat Entire Built Up First Floor withou Roof Rights in the Property bearing No. XII/7998-7999 (New), situated a 'Kharian Mohalla", Dina Nath Road Roshanara Road, Subzi Mandi, Deli 110007 is being sold by Nexa Byt nnovation (OPC) Pvt. Ltd. in favour o roposed Mortgagors: Smt. Meer Sharma and Mr. Harsh Sharma Th History of Title Documents suggest hat Shri Sikander Lal was 50 share owner in the above sa property. His Legal Heir Certificate SMC has not been presented to Ban of India. The History reveals that egal heirs vide Relinquishme Deed LR's had given their share t Shri. Vijay Kumar Manocha and Sh Surinder Manocha vide Registe elinquishment Deed Docume as No.2926. Therefore, BOI is vid is Notice inviting objections from any Legal Heirs of Shri. Sikander Li who were owners prior to further sale of property to Nexa Byte Innovatio OPC) Pvt. Ltd who is the current seller to Proposed Mortgagors: Sm Meera Sharma and Mr. Hars sharma. If anyone has any objection kindly raise the same within 15 days or forever, remain silent Adv. Vibhor Gupta

PUBLIC NOTICE This is to apprise to the General

(BANK OF INDIA-Panel Advocate) Enrol. No: MAH/1792/2011

Public Notice at large that our Clients, Shri Prasannan Pillai, son of Late Falgunan Nair, & Smt. Suma Prasannan, wife of Shri Prasannan Pillai both resident of LIG Flat no. 82-C, Pocket-A-2, Mayur Vihar Phase-III, Delhi-110096 and owner of 1/3 Portion i.e. 14 Sq. mtrs.) of Flat no. 36-A, Pocket A-2, LIG Flat, DDA Property File No. L045 (715) 90/ KG/NP, Kondli Gharoli, known as Mayur Vihar, Phase-III, Delhi-110096 hereby declare that Mrs. Anita Taneja, W/o Shri Harish Taneja, is the owner of 1/3 Portion (i.e.14 Sq. mtrs.) of Flat bearing Flat no. 36-A, Pocket A-2, LIG Flat, DDA Property File L045 (715) 90/ KG/NP, Kondli Gharoli, known as Mayur Vihar, Phase-III, Delhi-However, she has already deluded the Appropriate Authority of DDA and obtained a FREEHOLD title for the entire property by submitting false, fabricated, untenable, vague, and frivolous documents, therefore, denote that this property is currently under dispute, and any individual or entity attempting to purchase it must be aware that Mrs. Anita Taneja will have no legal rights over the disputed portions of the property. Potential buyers are advised to exercise caution and verify the legal status before proceeding with any kind of transaction.

Ms. Barnali Paul (Advocate) EOS Chambers of Law (Advocates & Solicitors)

C-58, Nizamuddin East, South East Delhi-13, Ph.: 80766-63931

**PUBLIC NOTICE** t is notified to general public that my clients, Bijender Pal & Smt. Asharfi Devi W/o Sh. Bijender Pal, Both are R/o H.No.C-41/C Khasra No.13/14, Gali No.2, Swaroop Nagar, Delhi-42, have severed all their relations in al respects with their son Mr. Rinku Pal and his wife Neelam and debarred them from their all movable & immovable properties due to their misdeeds & acts. My clients and their family members shall not be responsible for their act & deeds done by them or any one dealing with them shall be doing so at their own risk and responsibility, my clients shall not be responsible for any of their act P.K. DASH (Advocate) Ch.821,

PUBLIC NOTICE Surinder Kumar Sabharwal S/O Chande Bhan Sabharwal R/O IA-19A, MIG Flat, Ashol

Rohini Court Complex, Delhi-85

Vihar, Phase-1, Delhi-110052 has lost the original DDA Site Possession Slip, NOC for electricity and Water Connection an nentioned flat address bearing Fi No.4(48)72/HB. In this regard a police complaint is also lodged, vide No:2646478/2025, dt. 06/03/2025 at P.S Crime Branch, Delhi. Any person claiming ar right, interest, having any objection or found i possession of original documents ma vrite/contact with the above named person bove address/ **Phone no. 9910037618** or **Dy** Director (LAB) Housing or Director (Housing). DDA Office Vikas Sadan. Nev Delhi, within 15 days from the date of

PUBLIC NOTICE

That, my client Kamla Bharti, Wife of Sl al Bharti, resident of NS-6, 3rd Floo Mianwali Ngar Paschim Vihar, Sunder Vih nereby notify that my original Docume Type, e.g. General Power of Attorney iss Sub Registrar Punjabi Bagh 9/08/1999 and Deed Of Will issued by St egistrar Punjabi Bagh on 09/08/1999 Property No.6, Block-NS, Road, Land Are suring 317.11, Sq.yds Situated in th yout plan of mianwali Distt. Co-op. Hou uilding Society Ltd. Known As Mianwa Nagar Delhi in the Revenue Estate of villag Vangloi- Iat Gari Peeran & Nangloi- Syee Delhi has been lost

Ch.No.T-51 B Tis Hazari Curts Delhi-54

LATESH KUMAF

PUBLIC NOTICE Subject: Transfer of ownership in respec area 133.33 Sq.yard in Urban Estat Faridabad, Haryana after death of Sh. Ran Sahai Bhatnagar S/o Late Sh. Vishnu Mittra Bhatnagar. Sh. Ram Saha Bhatnagar S/o Late Sh. Vishnu Mittra Bhatnagar R/o house No. 876, Sector-70 Caridabad, Haryana-121006, who was the subject cited property as per record of Haryana Shahri Vikas Pradhikaran (HSVP), Faridabad, Haryana. Sh. Ram Mittra Bhatnagar has died on 08.03.2007 and our grand parents Late Sh. Vishn Mittra Bhatnagar and Late Rajdular Bhatnagar both are already expired. He has no registered or un-registered will, leaving Bhatnagar (Wife Expired 11.04.2017) (2) Neeraj Bhatnagar (Son) (3) Sandee Bhatnagar (Son) (4) Bharti Shriyastay (Daughter) (6) Alka Bhatnagar (Daughter and there are no other legal heirs. Now Sh Neeraj Bhatnagar and Sh. Sandee Bhatnagar sons of Late Sh. Ram Saha Bhatnagar both R/o House No.876, Sector 7C, Faridabad, Haryana-121006, intend to apply for the transfer of 100% share of the said property in their favour being th legal heirs. If any person is having any objection against the transfer of ibid/abov house/property, he/she can submiobjections in writing to the Estate Office Haryana Shahri Vikas Pradhikam (HSVP) Faridabad, Haryana along with supporting documents within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, otherwise the Estate Officer, HSVP, Faridabad, Haryan may accord permission to transfer of the said property as per HSVP policy and may not entertain subsequent claim, if an Legal Heirs/Applicant Sh. Neeraj Bhatnagar and Sh. Sandeep Bhatnagar.

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# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** EATH OF SMT SHAKUNTLA MITTAL DIED ( EXECUTED REGISTERED WILL IN FAVOUR OF SN AANJU MITTAL., WHO ALSO DIED ON 17.05.2020 RESPECT OF FREEHOLD BUILT-UP PROPER BEARING NO. 67, OUT OF KHASRA NO. 949/51/11 SITUATED IN THE ABADI OF WEST GURU ANG. WAGAR, LAXMI NAGAR, IN THE AREA OF VILLA-CHUREJI KHAS ILLAQA SHAHDARA, DELHI-110 SUBSECTIVED SUBD. ND SELLER SHRI RAJIV MITTAL DOES N DSSESS THE DEATH CERTIFICATE AND NO OTH EGAL HEIRS. IF ANY OTHER CLAIMENT HAS A IGHT IN THE AFORESAID PROPERTY, HE/S. HOULD INFORM & GIVE INTIMATION TO T NDERSIGNED WITHIN 15 DAYS FROM THE DAYS FISSUE OF THIS NOTICE.

125, FIRST FLOOR ANAND NAGAR, INDERLO

PUBLIC NOTICE It is informed public at large that m clients namely 1. Devender Kumar Sic Bhule Ram Verma 2, Smt. Nirmala Devi W/o Devender Kumar both R/o G-12/132, Ratiya Marg, Sangam Vihar, New Delhi have disown their son Parvinder Singh and his wife Monika and their children from all their movable and immovable properties and severe all relation with them due to their misconduct and misbehavior. My clients and other family members shall not be responsible for their any transaction or any act committed by anyone in future in any manner whatsoever Sunder Lal (Advocate)

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Ch.No.887 Saket Court, New Delhi-17

Be it known to all that my client - M Rakesh Saraf S/o Pawan Saraf R/o H No.-39. 2nd Floor, Shyam Appartmen Near Kasturi Ram College, Ali Pu Road, Kureni, Delhi-110040 ha Surya Prakash R/o 1981/7/7, Railway Road, Narela, Delhi-110040 If anybody dealing with him, My client is no responsible for the same.

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e it known to all that my client - Mr. Pawa Kumar S/o Radheshyam R/o Nea hhotariya Dharamshala, Ward No.-34 Churu, Sardarshahar, Rajasthan-331403 ha vered his all relations with his son Sur-Prakash R/o 1981/7/7, Railway Road Jarela, Delhi-110040 My client h isowned, debarred and disinherited hi om his all movable and immovab roperties, If anybody dealing with him, My

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that our client, Smt. Yog Maya, daughter Ist Floor, RHS, Mahavir Enclave, Pala Village, South West Delhi-110045, single mother, has disowned her so purposes. Our client declares that Kartik and his wife Neetu have bee continuously harassing her, neglecting their responsibilities towards her and causing her mental distress. Henceforth anyone dealing with Kartik shall do so a their own risk and responsibility Ou client, Smt. Yog Maya, shall not be liable for any act(s), deed(s), or transaction(s undertaken by Kartik in the future.

> Abhilash Shukla (Advocate Ch. No. 325 Western wing Tis Hazari Courts Delhi-54

> > Name of work

1 E-TENDER FOR ENGAGEMENT

No.

### U.P. RAJYA VIDYUT UTPADAN NIGAM LTD. PARICHHA THERMAL POWER PROJECT **PARICHHA JHANSI**

E- TENDER NOTICE

 E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC4/EMD1/6000007138 "Rate contract for repair, rewinding and re-insulation of 6.6 KV motors ranging from 200 KW to 4600KW of units 3 and 4 of 2x210 MW and units 5 and 6 of 2x250 MW PTPP Parichha Jhansi." Estimated Cost Rs. 34,00,000.00 EMD Rs. 70,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 21.03.2025 up to 06:00 PM.

2. E-Tender- N-PAR///CMD2/6000007506 00 "Cutting of Old and dry/green trees and removal of their root at project premises at PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.27,003.00 EMD Rs. 1,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 11.03.2025 up to 12:00 PM. E-Tender- N-PAR///CMD2/6000007354 00 "Maintenance

and Repair of road in power house area at PTPP, Parichha. Estimated Cost Rs. 29,97,005,00 EMD Rs. 60,000,00 e-bid Submission dt.: 15.03.2025 up to 12:00 PM. E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC2/BMD2/6000007606 00 "Major overhauling of ID/FD/PA Fans/Repairing of Ducts/

Dampers/Servicing of various Guillotine gates and associated work of unit 6, 2x250 MW, PTPP, Parichha, Jhansi during major overhauling of unit 6 (45 Days)." Estimated Cost Rs. 13,73,654.00 EMD Rs. 21,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 21.03.2025 up to 12:00 PM. E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC2/BMD2/6000007623 00 "Replacement and Repairing work of Pulverized fuel pipeline

of milling system and servicing of hot air gates, cold air gates, hot air dampers and cold air dampers, other associated work of unit no. 6, 2x250 MW, CTPS." Estimated Cost Rs. 18.56,708.00 EMD Rs. 30,000.00 e-bid Submission dt. 21.03.2025 up to 12:00 PM. E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC1/AHD/6000007597 "Fabrication of bottom feed sump and stiffness of feed gate enclosure plate

Estimated Cost Rs. 2,41,872.00 EMD Rs. 3,600.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 19.03.2025 up to 01:00 PM. E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC1/AHD/6000007644 "Overhauling of ESP installed in unit no. 6 of 2x250 MW, PTPP, Parichha. Estimated Cost Rs. 17,48,323.00 EMD Rs. 26,000.00 e-bid

during overhauling of unit no. 6 of 2x250 MW PTPP Parichha."

Submission dt.: 25.03.2025 up to 01:00 PM. E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC1/AHD/6000007642 "Overhauling of bottom ash disposal system, air blowers along with its associated auxiliaries, removal casting of refractory and rotation of 200 250 NB CI MB ash slurry and fly ash pipelines during overhauling of unit no. 6, 2x250 MW PTPP, Parichha. Estimated Cost Rs. 11,45,488.00 EMD Rs. 19,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 21.03.2025 up to 01:00 PM.

E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC2/BMD1/6000007691 "Supply of insulation pads, G.P. Sheet and fixing the same over the outer surface of steam, feed water, drain, IBD tank, APH secondary, primary air ducts, flue gas path from boiler to ESP out let gate, outer surface of duct PA, FD, ID." Estimated Cost Rs. 15,07,364.00 EMD Rs. 20,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 27.03.2025 up to 01:00 PM. 10. E-Tender- N-PAR/C/MMC2/PD01/6000006589 "Supply of

one no. of Multipurpose fire Tender and one no. of DCP fire tender for PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs. 1,96,21,000.00 EMD Rs. 2,00,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 07.04.2025 up to 04:00 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 & uprvunl.org. Bidders are advised to visit the website regularly for updated information from time to time.

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# CANTONMENT BOARD AGRA 14, Fatehpur Sikri Road, Near Sadar Bazar, Agra Cantt.

Invitation of E-Tenders (Dual Bid System): Short Term E-Tender Second Tender Call Electronic Bids from eligible qualified architects, town planning engineers, urban planning agencies or expert agencies in the field of formulating building bye laws by determining various variable parameters specific to Cantonments, FSI alogori them and NBC 2005 guidelines etc., meeting eligibility criteria, are invited by Cantonment Board Agra for the under mentioned work to be executed during the year 2024-25, on dual bid system i.e. Technical Bid (cover-1) and Financial Bid (cover-2). Manual bids/offers will not be accepted. The interested contractors/firms may look up the website https://defproc.gov.in/nicgep/app. Terms/conditions, eligibility criteria and connected details may also be seen in the office during working hours.

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	OF EXPERT AGENCY FOR DETERMINING THE VARIOUS PARAMETERS SPECIFIC TO AGRA CANTT. REGARDING PREPARATION OF DRAFT BUILDING BYE LAWS OF AGRA CANTT., DURING THE YEAR 2024-2025.  (T/20/Exp Agn/Bldg Bye Laws/CE/2025)	1,00,000/-	3,000/-	value or Rs.7,000/-, whichever is maximum	2930/-
Cr	itical dates are as under;				
1	Date of Publication		07.03.202	25	(98)
2	Online document download start da	te	08.03.202	25 130	00 hours.
3	Bid submission start date (cover-1 &	3 2)	08.03.202	25 160	00 hours.
4	Bid submission end date (Cover-1 &	k 2)	25.03.202	25 160	00 hours.
5	Bid opening date (cover-1) Technica	al Bid	26.03.202	25 160	00 hours.

-sd-Chief Executive Officer, Cantonment Board Agra



**UNAIDED Total** Sr. Cadre No. **Posts Reserved for** No. of Posts SC **SEBC** OBC **EWS** OPEN (A) Director 01 01 01 2 Professor **Associate** 3 01 (SC/ST) 01 **Professor Assistant** 01 01 01 02 Professor

The posts reserved for the backward class candidates will be filled in by backward category candidates (Domicile of State of Maharashtra) belonging to that particular category only.

Reservation for women will be as per University Circular No. BCC/16/74/1998 dated 10th March, 1998. 4% reservation shall be for the persons with disability as per University Circular No. Special Cell/ICC/2019-20/05 dated 05th July, 2019. Candidates having knowledge of Marathi will be preferred.

The Educational Qualification, Experience & pay-scale for the post of Director,

Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor are as prescribed by the University of Mumbai, AICTE & DTE from time to time. Please refer University Circular No. मशिमाक/ विशिमाक/ तंत्रशिक्षण/११/२०२०-२०२१ दिनांक ११ जानेवारी, २०२१ for qualifications and experience at the time of interview.

Applicants who are already employed must send their application through proper channel. Applicants are required to account for breaks, if any in their academic career. Applications with full details should reach the President, PTVA's Institute of

Management, Chitrakar Ketkar Marg, Behind M.L. Dahanukar College of

Commerce, Vile Parle (E), Mumbai-400057 within 15 days from the date of

publication of this advertisement. This is University approved advertisement.

Sd/-President

# **Transport Department** Notice Inviting RFP

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NIT No: 07/STA (IWT)- 22-10/2024-1782

The State Transport Commissioner, Transport Department, Government of Bihar invites proposal for "Selection of Consultant for preparation of State Maritime and Waterways Master Plan for Bihar". The bid will be evaluated through the Least Cost Based Selection (L1) method.

The tender document will be available on e-Tendering website (https://eproc2.bihar. gov.in). The bidders are requested to submit the requisite Tender Fee, Tender Processing Fee and EMD along with the proposal through online (https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in) on or before the last date of bid submission. The tender fee and tender processing fee shall be non-refundable. Important dates of this RFP are mentioned below:

	Important Dates	
1.	Date of uploading of N.I.T. & other Documents (online) (Date of Publication)	04-03-2025
2.	RFP download Start Date (online) and Time	04-03-2025 at 05:00 PM
3.	Last Date and Time of sending the Pre-bid queries/ Clarifications (only through e-mail)	11-03-2025 at 11:00 AM
4.	Date of Pre-bid Meeting (offline)	12-03-2025 at 11:00 AM
5.	Last Date & Time of submission of proposals	11-04-2025 at 04:00 PM
6.	Date & Time of opening Pre-Qualification & Technical proposal(s) (online)	11-04-2025 at 05:00 PM
7.	Date & Time of Technical Presentation	16-04-2025 at 11:30 AM (only for qualified bidders)
8.	Opening of Financial proposals (online) and declaration of result	"Will be intimated later".
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PR-021146 (Transport) 2024-25 Government of Bihar नशे से बचने का है एक ही उपचार, दृढ़ संकल्प और परिवार से प्यार

For further details please visit: www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar

Date & time

of e-Auction

No.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

## NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION

Transport Department,

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager/Freight, Delhi Division, Northern Railway, in terms of Railway Board letter no. 2022/TC(FM)/10/04 dated 13.06.2022, invites bids through e-Auction (www.ireps.gov.in) for leasing of parcel space of SLR compartments and Parcel Vans (on round trip basis) for a period of two years as per detail and schedule given below: -

10.03.2025 | 12015 (F1), 12050 (F1), 12459 (F1), 14087 (F1, F2, R1), 14089 (F1, F2,

Assets to be auctioned

	at 10:30 am	R1), 14316 (F2), 15035 (F2), 15060 (F1, R1), 22472 (F1, F2, R1), 54076(F1, F2), 54076 (R1) (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday), 54076 R1(Monday).
2.	11.03.2025 at 10:30 am	12265 (F1), 12430 (F1), 12463 (F1), 12584 (F1), 12754 (F1), 14035 (F1, F2, R1), 14053 (R1), 14152 (F1), 14164 (F1), 14521 (F1, F2, R1), 14681 (F1), 20473 (F1, R1), 22168 (F1, F2), 22210 (F1), 22401 (F1), 22438 (F1), 22654 (F1).
3.	17.03.2025 at 10:30 am	12191 (F1 & F2), 12215 (F1), 12457 (F1, F2 & R1), 12628 (F1), 12963 (F1) (Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday), 12963 (F1) (Monday, Tuesday and Friday), 14041 (R1) (Sunday), 14507 (F1, F2 & R1), 15035 (F1 & R1), 19338 (F1), 20914 (F1), 22421 (F1), 22429 (F1), 22463 (F1)
4,	18.03.2025 at 10:30 am	12005 (F1), 12038 (F1), 12055 (F1), 12057 (F1), 12060 (F1) (Monday and Tuesday), 12191 (R1), 12274 (F1), 12506 (F1), 14014 (F1), 14331 (F1, F2 & R1), 14714 (F1), 20452 (F1), 22168 (R1), 22421 (F2 & R1), 22950 (F1), 22986 (F1)
5.	21.03.2025 at 10:30 am	12011 (F1), 12013 (F1), 12017 (F1), 12040 (F1), 12045 (F1), 12066 (F1), 12148 (F1, F2), 12428 (F1) (Monday), 12448 (F1) (Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 12448 (F1) (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday), 12455 (F1), 12481 (F1), 12612 (F1), 14041 (F1), 14053(F2), 14212 (F1),

e-Auctions, interested bidders are advised to visit https://www.ireps.gov.in/html/helpdesk/ learning\_centre.html. (e-Auction leasing section). 2. Following assets are again being floated on Revised Reserve Price (RP): a. 12265 (F1). b. 22401 (F1). c. 14041 (F1, R1). d. 54076 (F1, F2, R1). e. 22454 (F1, F2, R1). 3. Railway Administration reserves the full and absolute rights to short terminate these contracts at any point of time and/or for taking any decision regarding the discontinuation/continuation of these contracts with modified/ additional terms and conditions depending upon the continuation/discontinuation of these trains or commencement of new train services. 727/25

Important notes: 1. For more information, requirement and various aspects regarding these

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14305 (F1, F2, R1),14731 (F1), 20938 (F1), 20946 (F1), 22454 (F1, F2, R1)

कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय शोध एवं प्रशिक्षण प्रमंडल-2,शोध भवन,खगौल, पटना।

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एतद द्वारा सूचित किया जाता है कि माननीय सर्वोच्च न्यायालय, नई दिल्ली द्वारा Writ Petition (civil)

No.-932/2022बिहार राज्य अर्द्ध सरकारी अराजपत्रित कर्मचारी महासंघ एवं अन्य बनाम भारत संघ एवं अन्य में दिनांक-03.09.2024 को पारित अंतरिम आदेश के आलोक में बिहार राज्य निर्माण निगम लिमिटेड में झारखण्ड राज्य के अन्तर्गत कार्यरत रहे कर्मियों के बकाया दायित्व (वेतनादि एवं सेवांत लाभ) का भूगतान हेत् आवेदन अभी तक अप्राप्त है, वैसे Traceless कर्मियों द्वारा शोध एवं प्रशिक्षण प्रमंडल-2, शोध भवन, खगौल, पटना के कार्यालय में आवेदन विहित प्रपत्र में सभी अभिलेखों के साथ उपलब्ध कराया जाये ताकि भगतान की कार्रवाई

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2	2	श्री राजकिशोर प्रसाद पिता–स्व० रामदास राम	हेल्पर	12	18-11-1989	
	-2	श्री राम केवल राम			E01112675C1150-53	
3	3	पिता-बंशरोपन राम	स्वीपर	19-01-1954	01-07-1989	
4	4	श्री जयगोविन्द प्रसाद	हेल्पर		=	
5	5	श्री दुर्गी उरावं पिता—स्व0 मुखन उराव	चौकीदार	01-07-1958	01-07-1982	
6	6	स्व0 गया सिंह	चौकीदार	01-02-1953	11-07-1982	
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8	2	श्री रामजी तिवारी	कार्यदर्शक	03-01-1954	20-01-1978	
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i_	4	श्री इन्द्रनाथ झा	कार्यदर्शक	-	01-10-1980	
2	5	श्री नरेश प्रसाद	कार्यदर्शक	06-01-1955	12-08-1978	
3_	6	श्री मनसा उरॉव	ड्रीलमैन	=	01-03-1979	
_	7	श्री अब्दूल जब्बार अंसारी	मैकेनिक	-	01-03-1980	
5	8	श्री सुभाष सिंह	ऑपरेटर	25-01-1957	23-03-1975	
5	9	श्री दिनेश सिंह	मशीन चालक	5	E	
7	10	श्री राजेन्द्र प्रसाद गुप्ता	हेल्पर	-	11-01-1979	
8	11	श्री मिधिलेश शर्मा	चौकीदार	06-02-1958	01-06-1979	
9	12	श्री शिवाधार सिंह	चपरासी	16-10-1961	01-11-1979	
)	13	श्री भूषण प्रसाद चौरसिया	खलासी	06-07-1958	17-11-1979	
1	14	श्री लक्ष्मण शुक्ला	चौकीदार	5	01-09-1979	
2	15	श्री वैजनाथ सिंह	चौकीदार	2 2	01-01-1979	
3	16	श्री सत्येन्द्र सिह	चौकीदार		01-06-1979	
4	17	श्री मुदुक राम	चौकीदार	2	01-06-1980	1
5	18	श्री रफीक अंसारी	हेल्पर	-	01-12-1979	
6	19	श्री राज कुमार शरण	कार्यदर्शक	8	02-02-1979	
7	20	श्री कॅशलेन्द्र कुमार	कार्यदर्शक	War E.	01-10-1980	
3	21	श्री द्वारिका सिंह	खलासी	09-11-1958	01-07-1981	
9	22	श्री जोगेश्वर प्रसाद महतो	हेल्पर	-	28-02-1979	
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2	2	श्री शिव मूरत सिंह	लेखा लिपिक	28-01-1952	01-07-1982	
3	3	श्री मुलन राम	चौकीदार		31-01-2002	
4	4	श्री दूधनाथ राय पिता—श्री कैलाश राय	चौकींदार	01-08-1952	03-05-2000	
5	5	श्री भवानन्द सिंह	चौकीदार	23-10-1955	03-01-1985	

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# बिहार राज्य आपदा प्रबंधन प्राधिकरण

(आपदा प्रबंधन विमाग)

पंचम तल, सरदार पटेल भवन, पटना -800024 अति अल्पकालीन निविदा आगंत्रण सूचना

"बिहार दिवस 2025" के अवसर पर गाँधी मैदान, पटना में दिनांक 22,03,2025 से 24,03,2025 तक बिहार राज्य आपदा प्रबंधन प्राधिकरण के तत्वाधान में आपदा जोखिम न्युनीकरण (DRR) संबंधी विभिन्न कार्यक्रमों / गतिविधियों का आयोजन किया जाना है। इस संबंध में PR-017067 (Disaster) 2024-25 के माध्यम से 3D Holographic Presentation हेत् अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रित की गई थी। अपरिहार्य कारणों से तिथियों में संशोधन किया गया है। इस प्रदर्शन हेत् योग्य एजेंसियों / संस्थाओं से सीलबंद निविदा का आमंत्रण निम्नानुसार किया जाता है:-

 (क) निविदा जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि : 12 मार्च, 2025 को संध्या 04:00 बजे तक । (ख) निविदा खोलने की तिथि 13 मार्च, 2025 को संध्या 03:00 बजे से

2. अन्य सभी शर्ते यथावत रहेगीं। संदर्भित निविदा को इस हद तक संशोधित समझा जाए। विस्तृत जानकारी के लिए प्राधिकरण के वेबसाइट bsdma.org देखें।

(मो० वारिस खान)

सचिव बिहार राज्य आपदा प्रबंधन प्राधिकरण PR. No. 021222 (Disaster) 2024-25

उक्त सूचना www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar पर भी देखी जा सकती है।

रक्त की आवश्यकता पड़ने पर लाईसेंस प्राप्त ब्लड बैंकों से ही रक्त प्राप्त करें।

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पत्रांक 222

जल संसाधन विभाग कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय घोडासहन नहर प्रमण्डल, रक्सौल Email-ID: eegcdraxauf@gmail.com, Mob:- 7463889660

अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना सं0- 04/2024-25 (केवल ई-टेन्डर पद्वति के अनुसार वेबसाईट http://eproc2.bihar.gov.in पर)

1. कार्य का विवरण:-

PUBLIC NOTICE

CORRECTION OF NAMES IN

BAPTISM CERTIFICATE

Luis Salvador Lawrence Vaz. s

di Aleixo Caetano Francisco Va

and Pulqueria Ataide e Vaz. do

. That I was baptised on 17th July

1966 at Sacred Heart Cathedra

New Delhi, and the baptisr

certificate was issued under th

records of Sacred Heart Cathedra

That there are errors in the name

recorded on the said baptism

. My name is incorrectly recorde

as Louis Salvador Lauwrance Vaz.

should be corrected to Luis Salvado

My Fathers name is incorrect

recorded as Alexio Caitan

rancisco. It should be corrected to

· My Mothers name is incorrectly

recorded as Pulcheri. It should b

corrected to Pulgueria Ataide e Vaz.

3. That I request the authorities of

Sacred Heart Cathedral, New Delh to kindly make the necessar

corrections in my baptism

That this public notice is issued a

the request of the authorities of Sacred Heart Cathedral, New Delh

Luis Salvador Lawrence Vaz

certificate as mentioned above.

in the interest of general public.

Aleixo Caetano Francisco Vaz.

ereby declare as under:

ertificate as follows:

New Delhi.

Lawrence Vaz.

평0	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित शक्ति (लाख में)	अग्रधन का राशि (स्त0 में) (ऑनलाईन उथ्यवा फिजिकल/में नू अल मोड में मुगतेय)	परिमाण विधन्न का मूल्य (अग्रत्यपणीय रूपया) (केवल ऑनलाईन मोड में भुगतेय रूपया में)	बल्ट्रान का दय बीड प्रोत्तेसिंग की (अप्रत्यपणीय केंद्रल ऑनलाईन मोड में मुनतेय रूठ में)	जिला का नाम	कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि
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	घोडासहन शाखा नहर के फिठमीत 49  87 से 50.59 तक जंगल  सफाई / जलकुंभी सफाई कार्य, परशुरामपुर माईनर में संरचना का मरम्मति कार्य, खिरलिकिया माईनर में तटबंध मरम्मति एवं संरचना मरम्मति कार्य, बहादुरपुर उपवितरणी में तटबंध मरम्मति एवं संरचना मरम्मति कार्य, विश्वनपुरवा उपवितरणी में तटबंध मरम्मति एवं संरचना मरम्मति कार्य, लखौरा उपवितरणी में जंगल सफाई / जलकुंभी सफाई कार्य, मधुबन उपवितरणी में जंगल सफाई / जलकुभी सफाई कार्य, मजीरवा उपवितरणी में जंगल सफाई / जलकुंभी सफाई कार्य एवं निमुईया उपवितरणी में जंगल सफाई / जलकुंभी सफाई कार्य ।	63.80	1.27600	10000.00	590.00	पूर्वी एवं पश्चिम चम्पारण	31.06.2025

निविदा आमंत्रण सूत्रना निर्गत करने की तिथि:-03.03.2025

3. निविदा कागजात डाउनलोड एवं अपलोड करने वी तिथि:- दिनांक-12,03,2025 को 10.30 बजे पुर्वाहन से दिनांक 17,03,2025 के 3.00 बजे अपराहन तक की अविधि।

> दिनांक 18.03.2025 समय 3.00 बजे अपराहन (सिर्पा वेयसाईट http://eproc2.bihar.gov.in पर) सक्षम पदाधिकारी द्वारा बाद में घोषित की जायेंगी।

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निविदा की वैचला अवधि (निविदा प्राप्ति की अतिम तिथि से): 120 दिन

विज्ञापनदाता का पदनाम एवं पता-कार्यपालक अभियंता. घोडासहन नहर प्रमंडल एक्सील।

तकनीकी बीठ खोलने की तिथि एवं समय:-

विशेष जानकारी प्राप्त करने हेत् वेबसाईट http://eproc2.bihar.gov.in एवं वेबसाईट http://wrd.bihar.gov.in & www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar पर देखा जा सकता है। कार्यपालक अभियंता

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श्री विधिन कुमार मिश्रा

स्व0 ब्रजिकशोर प्रसाद

श्री महेन्द्र सिंह

श्री जोगेश्वर सिंह

श्री विद्यानन्द दास

श्री कमलेश्वरी यादव

खंठ नेम् दास

श्री बलदेव यादव

श्री जेटु मरांडी

श्री नुन् मरांडी

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श्री भुवनेश्वर शर्मा

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श्री रामाकान्त पोद्यार

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23 श्री नुरजमा असारी

25 श्री खुवलाल यादव

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श्री अखिलेश्वर राय

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श्री महावीर दास स्व० जादू

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**ELECTRICAL WORKS** 

E-Tender Notice No. Dy.CEE/CON/ RE-II/MLG/05/2025; Dated: 04-03-2025. Open tender through etendering system is invited from experienced and reputed contractor (s)/firm(s) having valid electrical contractor license for the following works. Tender No. ELC-DYCEE-MLG-6-24-25-L-F: Name of work: Shifting of 33 KV, 11 KV & LT OH lines for Clearing of electrical infringement and modification of 33 KV & 11 KV 7 LT track crosing by UG cables in connection with construction of DB line from Lumding to Furkating Jn. including Shifting-Carrying, loadingunloading of complete & Provision of power supply arrangement through 11 KV/LT OH line in connection with Outdoor Sub-station & Provision of 11/ 0.433 KV transformer with 11 KV Substation equipements & Proposed works for new & modification of electrical wiring in connection with construction of DB line from Lumding to Furkating. Tender Value: ₹15.02.31.823.60; Bid Security: ₹9.01.200.00. Date and Time of

Submission of tender: upto 25-03-2025 at 14.30 hrs.; Date and Time of Opening of tender: 25-03-2025 at 15:30 hrs. The complete information and tender document of e-Tender will be available at www.ireps.gov.in. DEE/CON/HQ/Maligaon

**Northeast Frontier Railway** (Construction Organisation) "Serving Customers with a smile

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice Divl. Rly. Manager, N.W.Rly. Bikaner for and on behalf of President of India invites open E-Tender for the following works up to 15.00 hours on 26.03.2025 as below: Tender No.: 234; Name of Work with its Location: Carrying out USFD testing of Flash Butt (FB) on all types of rails by using Phased array weld tester in jurisdiction of DEN/North/Bikaner under ADEN/ N.W.Rly/HMH-II. Approx. Cost of Work: Rs. 35234987.13; Earnest Money: Rs. 326200.00; Tender No.: 235; N a m e of Work with its Location: Ancillary works in connection with Bikaner Division (Loop Lines) - Through Rail Renewal (Secondary) - 55.110 Tkm. Approx. Cost of Work: Rs. 89050990.59; Earnest Money: Rs. 595300.00; Note: Other terms & conditions will be shown on the website www.ireps.gov.in 276-AN/25

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मध्यप्रदेश शासन, दिनांक : 18-02-2025 नगर पालिक निगम, ग्वालियर जनसंपर्क RO क्रमांक 180 दिनांक : 05-03-2025 //निविदा सूचना// निम्नलिखित कार्य हेतु केन्द्रीय प्रणाली में पंजीकृत ठेकेदारों से ऑन लाईन निविदायें आमंत्रित की जाती हैं निविदा का विस्तृत विवरण वेबसाइट http://gmc.mptenders.gov.in पर देखा जा सकता है कार्य का नाम कार्य की समयावधि निविदा प्रपत्र का निविदा की मूल्य एवं ई.एम.डी. अंतिम तिथि

क्र. टेण्डर क्र. जारी दिनांक वार्ड 45 की विभिन्न गलियों में सी सी 180 दिन 12500/-19.03.2025 403164 1 रोड एवं नाली निर्माण कार्य। 84383/-1,68,76,634/ 17.02.2025 2025 UAD 180 दिन 12500/-19.03.2025 403187 1 रोड एवं नाली निर्माण कार्य। 83906/-1,67,81,295/

नियम 92 (1) (क) (ii) ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना का प्रारूप

नोटः निविदा सम्बंधित किसी भी प्रकार के संशोधन का प्रकाशन ऑनलाईन http://gmc.mptenders.gov.in की वेबसाइट पर ही किया जावेगा, पृथक से समाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशन नहीं किया जावेगा। कार्यपालन यंत्री, नगर निगम, ग्वालयर



CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866. Website: www.ujvnl.com Tender Notice

पञ्चक स. 171 Office of the Executive Engineer (E&M), Vyasi Dam, Juddo, Dakpathar UJVN Ltd , invites sealed tender from interested parties. Summary of tender is given below: Tender No. 18/EE(E&M)/Vyasi Dam/2024-25

Name of work/supply/services etc. Making of 10 Ton capacity hydraulic

lift trolly at Juddo, Dakpathar, District Dehradun Estimated cost -Rs. 5.94.000.00 (Rs. Five Lac Ninety Four Thousand Only)+GST

Date of availability of bid document on website-07 .03.2025 at 16:00 Hrs Last date for submission of tender-27.03.2025 up to 16.00 Hrs.

For fuller & further details, kindly visit www.ujvnl.com Executive Engineer(E&M)

Vyasi Dam Juddo

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107	51	श्री सरयू शरण मिश्रा	चतुर्थ वर्ग	07.01.1960	21.01.1979	_			
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113	57	श्री मुरारी प्रसाद	चौकीदार	08.06.1952	11.01.1979				
114	58	श्री निलकंत दुवे	चौकीदार	06.06.1950	01.12.1978				
115	59	श्री वैद्यनाथ यादव	डोजर चालक	01.01.1949	15.05.1980				
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117	1	श्री रंजन कुमार यादव	कोषरक्षक	-	-				
118	2	श्री अर्जुन प्रसाद रजक स्व० विन्देश्वर बँठा	खलासी	10.04.1960	10.04.1990				
119	3	स्व० शंकर दयाल पाण्डेय पिता– स्व० रामरूप पाण्डेय	चौकीदार / आदेशपाल	15.01.1969	01.07.1982				
120	4	श्री योगी जयसवाल पिता— स्वय गुलाब जयसवाल	चौकीदार/आदेशपाल	05.02.1960	01.07.1982				
121	5	श्री सत्येन्द्र कुमार झा पिता– श्री सिंहेश्वर झा	चीकीदार/आदेशपाल	20.11.1955	01.07.1982				
122	6	स्व० खदेरन बैठा पिता— श्री रामहकबाल बैठा	मृत चीकीदार / आदेशपाल	15.09.1952	01.07.1982				
123	7	श्री शंकर मुर्मु पिता– आशा मृर्मू	चौकीदार/आदेशपाल	15.06.1956	01.11.1989				
124	8	अक्षेश कुमार पिता— एस.डी. गिरी	पत्राचार लिपिक	09.06.1954	27.12.1989				
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129	4	श्री सकलदेव सिंह	कार्यदर्शक	20-07-1948	01-05-1979				
130	5	श्री सत्येन्द्र कुमार सिंह	कार्यदर्शक	20-01-1956	21-02-1978				

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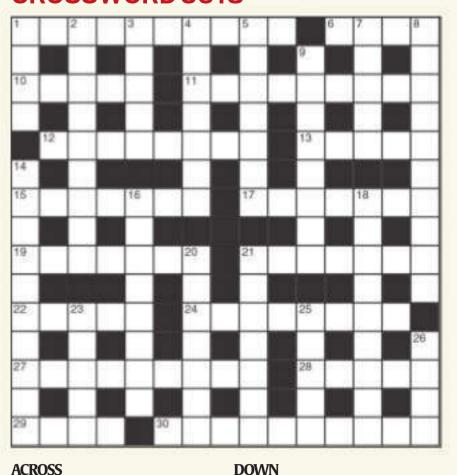
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# 20 CALENDAR

# **CROSSWORD 5618**



1 Pointing out dictionary error

**6** Make progress by crawling perhaps (4) **10** Creep about in soft rubber (5) 11 He has a heavy role at reading possibly(9)

12 Run out of stock? (8) **13** Uncommon Elgar variation (5) **15** Possibly flies in groups (7) **17** Cutting quite a figure in the garden?(7) 19 His mark was made in southern

21 Bird after a piece for another **22** Went on horse into the ring for

the show (5)**24** PM's diary sets out major points raised in Egypt (8) 27 No longer moody dear? (9) 28 Its happy ending comes as a relief(5) 29 Garbled tale passed on (4)

30 Well-known way in which Christmas is enjoyed (10)

1 Chin out, but not far (4) 2 Two players with the same score 3 Best substitute for shaving soap

**4** Scraps tart set badly (7) 5 It helps the analyst get near the confounded answer (7) **7** Audible call to help with the laundry(5) 8 Putting down some of the main dangers of war (10)

**9** Worn out form of pride etc(8) 14 Twisted killer bent on being Peter's fairy friend (6,4) **16** It's not simple to make up (8) 18 It makes a change (9) **20** A loathsome creature; repel it somehow(7) 21 Back massage to seem odd to

23 Largely drank up a store of supplies(5) 25 He keeps far too much to himself(5)

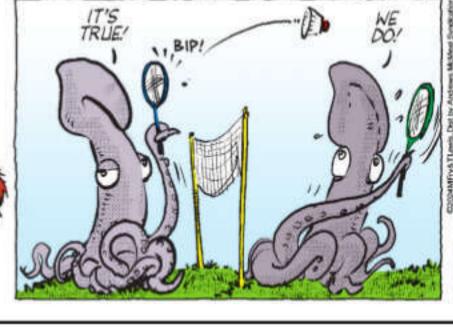
**26** Rush animal from below (4) Solutions Crossword 5617 Across: 1 Head off, 5 Anger, 8 Bandstand, 9 Ass, 10 Side,

these people (7)

12 Sheepdog, 14 Call in, 15 Across, 17 Advances, 18 Veer, 21 Tor, 22 Out of play, 24 Cadet, 25 Certain Down: 1 Hobos, 2 Awn, 3 Oust, 4 Flashy, 5 Audience, 6 Grandiose, 7 Resigns, 11 Delivered, 13 Signpost, 14 Chaotic, 16 Hectic, 19 Rayon, 20 Afar, 23 Lea

# **OVER THE HEDGE** by Michael Fry & T Lewis





# **CALVIN & HOBBES** by Bill Watterson









SQUID GAMES.

# **MARVIN** by Tom Armstrong

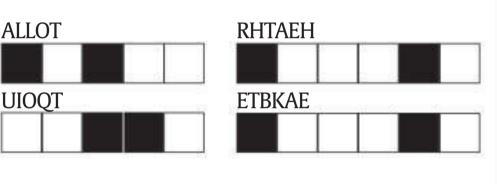






# **JUMBLED WORDS**

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. Hope is such a \_\_\_\_, it covers any \_\_\_\_. - Oliver Goldsmith (4,..,4)



Answer: Hope is such a bait, it covers any hook. - Oliver Goldsmith Solution: ATOLL, QUOIT, HEARTH, BETAKE

### Difficulty Level 4s 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 horizonta rows and in each of the

nine boxes.

SUDOKU

**Difficulty Level** 1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy;3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard: 6s = Genius

Place : Mumbai, Date : 07/03/2025

No:513/P&I-8/21-XXV

SPECIFICATIONS:

Corrigendum, if any.

following item on FOR basis:

Packing of Bakery Biscuits:-

OMSSIDC

**MAHARASHTRA SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES** 

**DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED** 

(A Government of Maharashtra Undertaking)

9-Krupanidhi, Walchand Hirachand Marg,

Ballard Estate, Mumbai-400001 Tel: 022-22620624

**RE-E-TENDER NOTICE NO.TENDER/2024-25/02** 

Re-E-tender is invited from the interested manufacturers for supply and

installation of coir processing machinery for the proposed coir processing and

training center **at Zolambe in Sindhudurg District** on Government of Maharashtra e-

tender website https://mahatenders.gov.in The detail schedule of the tender

s available on website from 07.03.2025. The last date for tender submissions

is 18.03.2025 (Tuesday) at 15.00 hrs. The Bidders already participated in the earlier tender, should also participate in this re-e-tender. MSSIDC reserves

the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

THE H.P. STATE COOPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS

**FEDERATION LIMITED TOTU, SHIMLA-171011** 

HP Milkfed invites annual rate contract for the online bids on Item

rate, in electronic tendering system, in 2 cover system for the

01. Annual Rate Contract for the PVC PLACTIC TRAY for the

A. Food grade milky/White PVC plastic tray having dimensions

95mm(L) x 75mm (W) x 20mm (height) with upper collar of 1.2mm &

Weight =2.3 gms to 2.5 gms for the packing of 100 gms Bajra biscuit,

B. Approximate Requirement: - 39000 kg, per annum( 13000 kg, per

The Bid Document is available/published online on dt. 13.03.2025

upto 04:00PM. Bidder would be required to register in the web-site

which is free of cost. For submission on bids, the bidder is required to

have Digital Signature Certificates (DSC) from one of the authorized

certifying Authorities (CA). Aspiring bidders should visit websites in

https://hptenders.gov.in & https://hpmilkfed.org for complete details.

Bidders should also check the website from time to time to note the

Thickness: - 230 to 250 Micron, Yield - 400 to 430 pieces per Kg.

Short term tender notice

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**Authorized signatory** 

**Managing Director** 

Labour Department for Maintenance of Parks.

Dated:

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# **DAY TODAY**

BY PETER VIDAL

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20) As far as a financial or business

arrangement is concerned, it is no use pretending that someone else is in the wrong or imagining that you've had a raw deal. Put the past behind you and make your fortune. Love is the greatest gift.

# **TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)**



# the experts first, otherwise you might come a real cropper.

you're out to impress, consult



a number of other planets, decrees that even chance meetings could lead to fascinating alliances. You might even meet someone who attracts you in previously unimagined ways.

### CANCER (June 22 - July 23) How about

becoming more broad-minded about personal or domestic issues? Before the week comes to a close, you must make a firm resolution to be more tolerant, otherwise

someone else will become

### more and more irritating until you finally want to scream. **LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)** Current planetary

activity is forcing you to conserve your energies, and about time, too. Remember the famous saving that we human beings do not live by bread alone. You must nurture your spirit if you are to feel truly satisfied and personally fulfilled.

# **VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)**

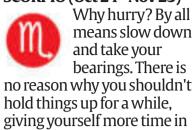


shining brightly, so you should have few worries on the personal score. Stick around and you may even share in a partner's good fortune.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23) A series of highly significant aspects to your sign are now drawing to a close. However, as the dust settles, I think you'll see that, all in all, you've done extremely well, at least better than you once feared. A loved one is beginning to appreciate

# SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)

the effort you've put in.



### giving yourself more time in the process. Others must now allow you greater leeway. If they don't, then you'll probably get fed up.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22) Hopefully the Moon has done a good job, and you should now

be able to detect a ray of hope on the work front. Only if you are determined to shoot yourself in the foot will you fail to prosper. By the same token you will succeed if you take all elementary precautions.

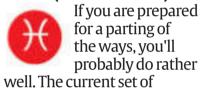
### CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20) Life hasn't always been kind to everyone. Recent developments may have left someone close

### to you feeling rather bruised emotionally. If you have any compassion, and I know that you have, help others. AOUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

### It is your own lack of selfconfidence which has prevented you

from going the whole hog over career or emotional matters. From now on, you should press ahead with confidence and faith in your own future. After all, if you don't believe in yourself, it will be difficult for give you full support.

## PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)



Venusian alignments falls in favourable regions of your horoscope, and there could be fun just around the corner. At the very least, you can begin to change your own behaviour.

## HE ANDHRA PRADESH STATE SEEDS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED D.No. 4-150, Prasadampadu, Ramvarappadu Post, Vijayawada - 521108. No.SSDC/Mrkt./G.P./G. Manure/12/06/e-Tender/2024-25

e- TENDER NOTIFICATION The APSSDC Ltd., Vijayawada invites e-tenders for supply of freshly

harvested Greenmanure (Dhaincha, Sunhemp & Pillipesara) T/L Seed during the year 2025-26. Last date for submission of e-tender is 18.03.2025 (1.00 PM). For other details please visit: www.apseeds.ap.gov.in and www.tender.apeprocurement.gov.in Sd/- V.C. & MANAGING DIRECTOR

# **NORTHERN RAILWAY**

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

On 15.02.2025 at about 20.45 hrs, an unfortunate incident occurred at New Delhi Railway Station of Northern Railway during the gathering of heavy passenger crowd on the occasion of Maha Kumbh, resulting in death and injury of passengers enquiry is underway by the committee constituted in this regard by the Railway Administration, Northern Railway.

The general public is informed that any information regarding this incident may be given in person or in writing to Shri Nar Singh Principal Chief Commercial Manager, Northern Railway and Shri Pankaj Gangwar, Principal Chief Security Commissioner Railway Protection Force, Northern Railway, Baroda House, New Delhi- 110001 at the address given below.

09.03.2025 (Saturday and Sunday) at 11.00 am at the office of Principal Chief Commercial Manager, Northern Railway, Baroda House, New Delhi to provide necessary information, evidence or record statements during the ongoing enquiry.

In this regard, you can personally appear on 08.03.2025 and

Nar Singh, Principal Chief Commercial Manager, Phone No.: 23387326, email: ccm@nr.railnet.gov.in

Pankaj Gangwar, Principal Chief Security

Commissioner/Railway Protection Force

Phone No.: 23388171, email: pcsc@nr.railnet.gov.in

Northern Railway, Baroda House, Room No.: 6G, New Delhi-110001 Circulated by

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# Office of The Chief Engineer, **Kanpur Municipal Corporation**

Total Estimated | Earnest

Money

Cost of Work

Ref no-D/888/C.E./24-25

Name of Work

No.

**E-Tender Notice** 

Date-05/03/25

**Duration of Tender Fee** 

**Construction** Including

Nagar Nigam Kanpur invites percentage rate bids on http://etender.up.nic.in from eligible bidders for the following works under the CM-VNY Scheme.

		With 18% GST (₹ In Lakh)	Deposit (₹ in Lakh)	Work (in Months)	18% GST (In ₹)
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Beautification work of Nehru Nagar Chauraha in	47.70	95400	03	2,923.00
	Zone-4, Kanpur Nagar.				
	Timelin	e for Tender			
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1	Availability of tender document on E-Tender port	al. 07/03/2025, 03	3:00 P.M.		
2	Date & Venue of Pre-bid meeting Online VC Lin	k 11/03/2025, 12	2:00 P.M. at	Meeting Hall,	Kanpur Nagar
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Sl. No.	Event	Date & Time
1	Availability of tender document on E-Tender portal.	07/03/2025, 03:00 P.M.
2	Date & Venue of Pre-bid meeting Online VC Link	11/03/2025, 12:00 P.M. at Meeting Hall, Kanpur Nagar Nigam, HQ. Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9405968108?pwd=LNIIsFDZ vbmyVq 3jutm18RMNJwF7Uz.1&omn=89442383924 Meeting ID: 940 596 8108 Passcode: 12345
3	Last date and Online for submission of bid on E-Tender Portal	26/03/2025, till 3:00PM
4	Opening of tender (technical bid)	26/03/2025, 4:00 PM or afterwards
Kanpur	Nagar Nigam has right to issue corrigendum/addend	um on e-tender portal which will not be published in any

newspaper. All bidders are advised to keep watch on E-tender portal on daily basis. Any corrigendum/addendum or any

other additional information related to the tender shall be available at Kanpur Nagar Nigam Website-kmc.up.nic.in and

tender can be seen at e-tender portal from 07.03.2025 i.e. http://etender.up.nic.in It will be mandatory to pay the Earnest Money and Tender Fee of the said tender online on e-tender portal. Any queries/complain related to tender can be sent to **chiefengineernagarnigam@gmail.com** & mckanpur@yahoo.com

before 24 Hrs. till date-10.03.2025 so that reply can be prepared for pre-Bid meeting. No queries/complain will entertained after 3.00 PM on 12/03/2025.

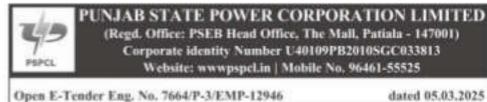
Chief Engineer, **Kanpur Municipal Corporation** 

### **Kulgaon-Badlapur Municipal Council** E-Tender Notice No. 52/2024-25

**KULGAON-BADLAPUR** Municipal Council Invites E-Tenders for the Construction Work of Main Nallah's for Storm Water Management under Nagrothan Maha Abhiyan Scheme in Kulgaon Badlapur Area. Valued at Rs.193.24 Cr.

Detailed information regarding the tender is available on the Municipal Council's web site http://kbmc.gov.in, the government's website http://mahatenders.gov.in, and on the Municipal Council's Notice Board. Chief Officer

Kulgaon-Badlapur Municipal Council



Dy. Chief Engineer: Headquarter (Procurement Cell-3) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. ID: 2025\_POWER\_ 135991\_1 for Procurement of Tube Bundles for Hea Exchangers of Unit V & VI for HP-803 mills without shell. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 05.03.2025/ 05.00 PM onwards Note: - Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online a https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

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PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LIMITED (Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala - 147001) Corporate identity Number U40109PB2010SGC033813 Website: wwwpspcl.in | Mobile No. 96461-55525

Open E-Tender Enq. No. 7663/P-3/EMP-12948 Dy. Chief Engineer/ Headquarter (Procurement Cell-3) GGSSTP. Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. ID: 2025 POWER 135980 1 for Procurement of 02 No. package ACs for panel area of Stage-III GGSSTP Rupnagar For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please

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### CENTRAL RESERVE POLICE FORCE 7 March 1988 Veer Balidani



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Constable N. Manikkam 28 Bn. 9-7-1962 To 7-3-1988

Amid escalating terrorist activities, 28 Battalion of CRPF was deployed in Sangrur, Punjab, to assist the state police in restoring law and order. On 7 March 1988, a police party,

accompanied by a CRPF section,

was ambushed near P.S. Dhuri. Braving the attack, Constable N. Manikkam fiercely engaged the terrorists, pinning them down and inspiring his comrades to fight back. Despite being gravely injured, he continued firing till his last breath, saving his colleagues' lives. For his exceptional courage and supreme sacrifice, he was posthumously awarded the President's Police Medal for Gallantry.

### **CENTRAL RESERVE POLICE FORCE** 7 March 1989

Veer Balidani CT/DVR Ravinder Kumar

32 Bn.

Constable Dvr Ravinder Kumar of 32 Battalion of CRPF was on an anti-terrorist operation in Punjab when terrorists opened fire on his vehicle. Despite being shot, he kept driving, ensuring the vehicle reached a safe

distance before it overturned. He made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty, exemplifying unwavering courage in service of the Nation.

# **CENTRAL RESERVE POLICE FORCE**



Veer Balidan Constable R. Hari Singh 24 Bn. 21-1-1966 To 7-3-1990



Date: 06.03.2025

Amid rising militant activity, 24 Battalion of CRPF was deployed in Srinagar. On 07 March 1990, while returning from duty in Chanapora, a patrol party was ambushed by armed militants. Despite retaliating, the attackers escaped into the densely populated area. Constable Kailash Chand and Constable R. Hari Singh Bhai sustained bullet injuries and made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty.

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# REIFFEL, ILLINGWORTH UMPIRES FOR FINAL

Australia's Paul Reiffel and England's Richard Illingworth will be the on-field umpires, while Sri Lanka's Ranjan Madugalle will be the match referee for the Champions Trophy final. Trinidadian Joel Wilson with Kumar Dharmasena of Sri Lanka will be the third and fourth umpire respectively.



Kiwi captain says India has an edge.

# Santner ready for Sunday showdown

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** DUBAI, MARCH 6

INDIA COULD be the favourites to lift the Champions Trophy—in terrific form and the beneficiaries of playing all their games at one venue, Dubai—but New Zealand skipper Mitchell Santner on Thursday stressed that the Black Caps are ready for 'a scrap."

"They've played all their games here in Dubai and know that surface. Obviously, the surface will dictate a little bit of how we want to operate. It might be a little bit slower than what we got in Lahore. It might be more of a scrap, but we're down to scrap," Santner said after landing in Dubai on Thursday evening.

An incredibly practical and resourceful side, they would have learned from the mistakes from the 44-run defeat at India's hands in the group game. The game was in the balance, until Varun Chakaravarthy wove his magic. "We've come against a good side. I think we'll be better for the run we had the other day against them. We've had a bit of a roll on. Hopefully, it continues," he said.

The frantic travelling—Santner and Co had to travel back and forth between Pakistan and Dubai for their last group match, semifinal and the final in a week's span—has not fussed Santner. "It's just the general feel of this tournament, moving around a lot. It's all part of the challenge. I think we've been to every place here. Obviously, in Pakistan and Dubai. I think the guys understand it's part of it these days. As long as you're ready to go for the game, it's fine," he said.

# Miller blasts scheduling

South Africa swashbuckler David Miller, though, criticised the scheduling and said he will be supporting New Zealand, who beat them in the semifinal, in the title clash. "I'll be honest with you. I think I'll be supporting New Zealand," Miller was quoted as saying by ESPNcricinfo.

"It's only an hour-and-40-minute flight, but the fact that we had to do that. It's early morning, it's after a game, and we had to fly. Then we got to Dubai at 4pm. And at 7.30 in the morning we had to come back. It doesn't make it nice. It's not like we flew five hours, and we had enough time to recover and recuperate. But it was not an ideal situation still," Miller detailed the logistical woes.

India's favourable draw has been a talking point in the whole tournament. Pundits and former cricketers had come own heavily on them. An exception was Steve Smith, the Australian captain who retired from the format after the semifinal defeat. "Yeah, look, I'm not buying into it. I think it is what it is. India obviously played some really good cricket here. The surface kind of suits their style with the spinners that they've got and the seamers that they have at their disposal for a wicket like that. They played well, they outplayed us, and they deserve the victory," Smith said in the postmatch press conference on Tuesday night.

With his typical bluntness, India coach Gautam Gambhir too lashed out at the critics. "Even if this tournament was held in Pakistan, we would have still gone with two spinners. The idea that we have some kind of edge in Dubai is completely unfounded," he said after the semifinal win.

Miller, though, predicts a close game. "They're both incredibly good teams. India have shown the world how really good they are. They've been playing some good cricket for a number of years now. It's going to be a great game," said Miller.

**INDIA VS CSK** 

# Black Caps in Yellow

The slow, sluggish conditions are akin to Chepauk, familiar territory for CSK boys Rachin, Conway, Mitchell, Santner, Henry



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**VENKATA KRISHNA B** DUBAI, MARCH 6

COME SUNDAY, apart from India which already feels at home in these 'neutral conditions', New Zealand too would feel they are in with genuine chance. These conditions, similar to Chepauk, is familiar territory for the likes of Rachin Ravindra, Devon Conway, Daryl Mitchell, Mitchell Santner and Matt Henry. Through their long stints with Chennai Super Kings, they would be familiar with the characteristics of the pitches.

This has been the theme of the pitches in Dubai in the in the four Champions Trophy games—slow and sluggish at times; getting slower and slower as the game progresses; a bit of turn to keep the batsmen guessing; low bounce and a decent carry where the wicketkeepers largely collect the ball around the midriff. If Stephen Fleming packs this square and places it at the MA Chidambaram Stadium later this month, CSK would look completely at home.

Prior to this season, which included Tests in Sri Lanka and India and a tri-series and the Champions Trophy, Rachin trained on similar pitches at the CSK Academy in Chennai. On the back of it, he enjoyed a productive outing everywhere and is second-highest run-getter (226 runs) with two centuries in this tournament. Before Rachin, fellow opener Conway trained in Chennai when the IPL was on before joining the Black Caps. "There is definitely some element to it," Sriram Krishnamurthy, the head coach of CSK Academy, tells The Indian Express.

"Ultimately, we have to understand sometimes the advantages of where they are from. The New Zealand cricket calendar is not as crowded as maybe the English calendar or an Australian one. So, from that perspective, some of these players have windows which they can dedicate to taking their games forward. Ultimately, adapting is only going to happen when you are going to get familiar with conditions," he explains.

Familiarisation is key, he emphasises. "Maybe like with almost 50 per cent of cricket being played in the subcontinent, they don't travel to these parts frequently. So, if you are able to familiarise yourself in between, nothing like it. IPL obviously gives some of these players the ability to experience these subcontinental conditions," says Sriram, who was earlier the coach of Northern Districts.

Once here, the likes of Rachin, Conway and Mitchell have ensured they are able to fit their game into what the conditions demand rather than looking for new solutions. While visiting batsmen to Indian shores usually rely extensively on sweeps against spinners, New Zealand have been different. Be it using their feet or covering both their edges and ensuring there is a fine line between attacking and defending, they have emerged successful

# **Diverse methods**

Each has different ways. For Conway, easily the best player against spin amongst them, the challenge according to Sriram has been to understand the conditions. During his time at CSK Academy, Rachin trained to get used to do it in slow, turning pitches while also learning to use his feet more to get down the pitch. In the absence of a conventional sweep, Rachin learnt to put slog sweep to good effect. Mitchell, with spinners knowing he enjoys the sweeps and reversesweeps, looked to come down the pitch more and hit them straight.

"There is a vast difference to how you play spinners in New Zealand to here. If you have the same game, you will get exposed. When you have multiple options against the same ball, it sort of empowers you to put more



If one team other than India can effortlessly get used to the conditions in Dubai, it is the New Zealand unit that has a number of CSK players.

pressure on the bowler and that's what is needed in these conditions. That is the laver they have added to their batting. I think all New Zealand cricketers, ultimately, all pride themselves on being smart. Alongside, they develop the requisite skills that are going to support that thinking," Sriram says.

Sriram, during his stint with the High Performance Centre in New Zealand, has also seen how creative the Kiwis get in terms of improving their game against the spinners even if it means they have to train indoors during the off season. "If they are coming just three-four days before a tour starts, they don't give it as an excuse. Their preparation starts with how they get creative with practice in that pre-camp in New Zealand. It might be as simple as just asking for the curators to leave very dry pitches so they can prepare, bat and bowl on dry pitches. If it is an indoor facility, they will spill some sand and gravel on the floor, maybe some nets and nettings too. So ultimately, they don't complain. They come prepared," Sriram says.

Of course, this is not just limited to batsmen. Their captain Santner, since the 2018 IPL season, has been Ravindra Jadeja's understudy. During the IPL months, in each of their training sessions, Santner would keep a close tab on how Jadeja goes about. In five seasons with CSK, he played only 18 matches, but every time he heads back to New Zealand, he has taken home valuable lessons that he has been putting to use here like the subtle variations in speeds.

"When somebody isn't playing they can easily get distracted and lose sight of the fact that they can still make it productive. When he isn't playing, his attitude is to see how best he can learn. And obviously having someone like Jadeja at CSK would have definitely helped him because they have similar skills. Previously, he was known to be more of a bowler who can bowl on the quicker side and was not a big turner. But when you look at him for the last 2 or 3 years, you can see he is able to slow the ball down now. He is able to get more turn," Sriram says.

Last Sunday against India presented the most challenging conditions they have encountered so far in Dubai. But going into the final against the same opponents, India know they have a real task in their hands. If one team other than India can effortlessly get used to the conditions in Dubai, then it is hard to look beyond New Zealand.

# Hardik, India's fear factor

Team will once again need Pandya the bowler as much as Pandya the batsman

**VENKATA KRISHNA B** DUBAI. MARCH 6

LET'S KEEP aside the numbers for a bit. In a second consecutive ICC tournament Hardik Pandya is showing what India exactly missed at the 2023 World Cup where despite being the stand-out team, they ended up as runners-up. As India now stand in the final of the Champions Trophy looking to add to the T20 World Cup title they won eight months ago, one aspect has again stood out behind their invincibility – the depth in batting and bowling, which wouldn't have been possible without the balance that Pandya provides.

Apart from doing their homework right in terms of what to expect here in Dubai, where spinners were expected to be their leader of the bowling pack, India's think-tank also realised depth in batting is absolutely necessary. In slow conditions, where they have to at times take necessary risks to keep the tempo going, losing wickets is inevitable. And in such circumstances, the batting depth becomes all the more essential where specific roles come into play.

As head coach Gautam Gambhir revealed after their win over Australia in the semi-final, as batting group India's plan has been simple. To get a rapid start and ensure they go unscathed in the middle-overs and keep wickets in hand when they enter the last 10 overs. In the World Cup final against Ahmedabad, India missed this depth, which meant after they lost Shubman Gill, Rohit Sharma and Shreyas Iyer by the 11th over, Virat Kohli and KL Rahul had to take the game deep by sacrificing a more intent-driven approach as they had Mohammed Shami coming in at No 8.

Here, the story is different. With Pandya to play the finisher's role, India now have Ravindra Jadeja slotted for No 8. It has directly empowered the middle-order to take due risks; a leeway that the likes of Shreyas Iyer have been gladly taking on these pitches.

When India have really needed Pandya to finish off the innings in this campaign, he has done with superb efficiency. First against



India missed Hardik Pandya in the 2023 World Cup final against Australia.

New Zealand, in the most difficult conditions and their seamers taking pace off the ball, he still used his power to score 45 runs that proved to make a huge difference in the end when India defended a total of 249/9. Then in the semi-finals, as Australia sensed a slight opening following the dismissal of Virat Kohli, he walked in at No 7 and scored a 24ball 28 with three sixes.

On pitches where batsmen have struggled for fluency, he has gone about acing the role. In the end overs, with softer balls and conditions making it difficult to get any pace to work around, Pandya has gone at a strikerate of 108, which is the highest among all batsmen. Like KL Rahul, even he has been practicing the big shots at the nets, but the difference has been the power.

# Pandya the bowler

Pandya's presence means India are also able to put their spin blueprint to good use. From the time they landed here, it has been evident that at some stage they could play their best four spinners. While their intention has remained the same, India's think-tank has also been wary of keeping the batting depth intact. And in the last two matches, they have managed to do so thanks to Pandya.

Before the limited-overs series against England, Pandya featured in the Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 and Vijay Hazare Trophy (VHT) to show where he stands in terms of his bowling. Though he didn't bowl his entire quota of 10 overs in the VHT, he bowled up to seven overs, which is the sort of number India were looking from him. Here, the moment they decided to drop Harshit Rana and include Varun Chakaravarthy, it showed how much India trusts in Pandya's bowling.

Against Pakistan, it was Pandya who cracked open the game, first by removing Babar Azam and then Saud Shakeel. Those two telling blows showed Pandya was the best seamer on the afternoon. Against New Zealand it was Pandya who once again gave the opening, removing Rachin Ravindra before the spinners capitalised. Then against Australia, he struggled a bit with his rhythm, but ensured he didn't end up conceding a big over that could potentially alter the course.

For a seamer who mostly hits the back of the length areas, which is the ideal area to bowl on these surfaces, Pandya has been managed to extract movement with the new ball. At the same time when he comes for his second spell, he has shown the maturity to use the cutters and slower balls, making it difficult for batsmen to score off. Eight months ago as India ended their ICC title drought, Pandya bowled two crunch overs, taking wickets of Klaasen and Miller.

On Sunday, India will once again need Pandya the bowler as much as Pandya the batsman. Without him. India isn't an India team that other teams fear.

# FILLING SHANE BOND'S SHOES

# Henry, the king in subcontinent that India has to play with caution

**LALITH KALIDAS** 

NEW DELHI, MARCH 6

THERE IS a smooth, unassuming nature to Matt Henry's efficiency in One-Day cricket. Even as his bristling action screams a Shane Bond likeness in the final motion at the crease, Henry was not gifted with the yards of extra pace as his Canterbury senior, one of his heroes growing up.

Henry would model his style on that of another bowling great from his boyhood days – an epitome of accuracy who sacrificed

pace for line and length, Glenn McGrath. He may not bear a flamboyant presence on the circuit. But Henry's impact, or the lack of it, will be grossly felt should he not be a 100 percent fit for New Zealand's ICC Champions Trophy final against India in Dubai after jamming his right shoulder on the field during the semi-final win over South Africa.

Featuring in his maiden Champions Trophy edition, Henry tops the charts with 10 scalps, building on from his best ODI season in 2023 when he scalped 25 wickets in 17 games. He's nearly achieved the same numbers this year in double-quick time – 24 in nine games with a wicket every 19 deliveries.

Having jolted India in Dubai last Sunday with a five-for and quite famously in the 2019 World Cup semifinal in Manchester, Henry, shoulder willing, is poised to recreate the newball menace again in Dubai. Numbers back him to do so and put him in the same bracket as his teenage heroes, "Pigeon" and "Bondy".

# Powerplay surge

Relegated to the shadows of Tim Southee and Trent Boult for nearly a decade since his ODI debut in 2014, Henry has subtly climbed up to 165 wickets in 91 matches with an impressive strike rate of 28.6. Only contemporaries Mohammed Shami (25.71) and Mitchell Starc (26.68) have acquired more



Matt Henry, an epitome of accuracy.

# **BEST ODI STRIKE RATES AMONG PACERS**

	M	<b>W</b>	SR	<b>5</b> w
Mohd Shami	107	205	25.71	6
Mitchell Starc	127	244	26.68	9
Matt Henry	91	165	28.69	3
Trent Boult	114	211	29.28	6
Brett Lee	221	380	29.43	9

The 33-year-old works his magic best in the first Powerplay, a phase where he has collected over 43 percent of his career wickets. Of the six bowlers who have picked up at least 50 scalps in that stage of a game since 2014, Henry's 72 wickets rank third behind

Boult (90) and Chris Woakes (74). His 22.56

ODI wickets at a better strike rate than Henry.

# **BEST ODI STRIKE RATES FOR VISITING PACERS IN ASIA**

	M	W	SR	Econ
<b>Matt Henry</b>	25	<b>51</b>	25.9	5.6
Allan Donald	27	50	27.1	4.32
Mitchell Johnson	46	84	27.6	4.75
Mitchell Starc	28	54	28.3	5.62
Kagiso Rabada	29	50	29	5.14

average in the phase ranks third-best (for

min. 50 wickets) among all bowlers since

2000, only behind McGrath (100 wickets at

that helped him cross the 50-wicket mile-

stone in Asia, Henry also uncannily matched

his compatriot Bond's numbers as an open-

With the two wickets in the semifinal

20.01) and Bond (65 at 21.29).

Asian expert As New Zealand hope to end the whiteball ICC trophy drought on Sunday, they have one of the finest visiting seam bowlers in Asia at their disposal. Of the 26 visiting bowlers who have picked up at least 50 ODI wickets in Asia, Henry's 25.9 strike rate stands dis-

While all 147 of Bond's career wickets

from 80 innings came as an opening bowler,

Henry picked up his 148th wicket in his 80th

innings as an opening bowler on Wednesday

in Lahore, sharing almost identical strike

rates with the former Kiwi quick!

ing bowler in ODIs.

tinctly clear at the top.

Henry has also had the wood over India's superstar top order. Having accounted for each of Rohit Sharma, Shubman Gill and Virat Kohli twice in the format at a combined average of 29.66, it is a no-brainer that India's first major hurdle with the bat in the final will be against New Zealand's new ball king, Henry.

# 'Time to protect female category'

Coventry, one of the candidates vying to succeed Bach, talks to Mihir Vasavda about various challenges faced by Olympic movement

IN 2004, Kirsty Coventry made history when she became the first from her country to win an Olympic gold. Twenty-one years later, the Zimbabwean swimming legend returns to the country of her famous exploits, Greece, hoping to rewrite the history books again by becoming the first woman to head the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

Ahead of the IOC elections on March 20, Coventry — one of the seven candidates in the race — speaks about the various challenges faced by the Olympic movement, from climate to gender issues and the possible impact of decisions taken by the Trump administration.

Excerpts from an interview:

### In a world as conflicted as we are living in right now, where do the Olympic Games stand?

They have to stand as a beacon of inspiration. The world is increasingly becoming more complex, more divided. You have very big conflicts on just about every continent. And we have to be able to showcase the best of humanity. And I do believe the Olympic Games does that. The reason why I wanted to run (for IOC presidency) was because it's changed my life. My country went through a lot of different things when I was competing, and I was able to see how my dream when I was nine years old - of going to the Olympic Games brought together an entire country. It united watching our cricket team in the late 1990s, early 2000s go out and win. It made us so proud.

### The outgoing president, Thomas Bach, was faced with decisions regarding

Israel, Palestine, Russia, Ukraine... It's the same situation that the next person will be inheriting. Do you have a plan on how to tackle those issues?

What I would like to do, if successful, is be able to set up specific working groups that are really going to look at some of the top priorities for our movement. One of those being conflict areas and how we are going to support and protect athletes from these areas. But at the end of the day, it's also about ensuring that when athletes come to the Games, we're not going to add additional pressure or additional potential for there to be big conflicts. We don't want an athlete feeling unsafe in the Olympic Village. So we have to take all of these



Kirsty Coventry is aiming to become IOC's first woman president.

things into consideration.

Given the current situation in the US, with some of the decisions taken by President Donald Trump, how challenging will it be to deliver a successful Los Angeles Olympics in 2028?

First and foremost, I think President Trump is a huge supporter of sport. He loves his golf. He loves his tennis. We just saw him at the Super Bowl. I don't believe any other sitting president has attended the Super Bowl. So that is very positive for us. He's also mentioned numerous times how he was proud to have been the President to be awarded the FIFA World Cup and the Olympic Games. And now, by a stroke of 'luck', I think those were his words, he's back there while these two important sporting events happen. That gives me a lot of confidence that we will be able to have conversations with him directly about our values and our principles and our host-city contract, which has been signed.

That this is what makes the Games unique, that everyone who is qualified for the Olympic Games, has access to the Olympic Games. These conversations will be

a top priority to have early on in my presidency. But I have a lot of faith that he is a huge supporter of sport and will want to see the success of the Olympic Games. And we will need to be, again, very strong that these are our values. These are our principles. This is what had been agreed. And we're going to work to ensure that all athletes who qualify for the Olympic Games in L.A. will be competing in L.A.

In terms of values and principles, is there any particular point that keeps you up at night, specifically when it comes to the LA Games?

I have no concerns they won't be respected, but I do think whenever we are approaching the Games, we have to be strong in ensuring that these values and principles are not ever going to be asked of us to compromise, because we're never going to compromise them. For me, anyway, they're not compromise-able.

An issue likely to be hotly debated in the build-up to the LA Games and beyond is the participation of trans athletes or

# Talks on Afghan women's cricket

KIRSTY COVENTRY raised the issue of the Taliban ban on Afghanistan's women cricketers during her meeting with International Cricket Council (ICC) chairman Jay Shah. The IOC Executive Board member met Shah on the sidelines of India's Champions Trophy semifinal against Australia in Dubai on Tuesday. Coventry called the meeting 'inspiring and productives.'

"We also spoke about the important and sensitive issue of the participation of Afghanistan's women's cricket team. Recognising the significance of this topic, ICC has proactively established a dedicated task force to engage constructively with the Afghan government," Coventry told *The Indian Express*. "Both Jay and I strongly align with the values of fairness, equality, and inclusivity. Together, we remain optimistic." ENS

### athletes with high testosterone levels in women's events. Where do you stand on those issues?

Initially we, as the IOC, had tasked that to the International Federations. That's how it sits right now. The International Federations, with their science and medical research teams and their qualification processes, decide on the genders that compete within their sports. I know and understand that for some sports, like equestrian, male and female athletes compete together, so this conversation is probably not super- relevant for them, but for the majority of Olympic sports. Summer and Winter, the conversation is very topical.

While it was the right decision at the time for the IOC to give that responsibility to the International Federations, now it's time to sit down with the International Federations and hear from them what their decisions are and how they made them.

Most of them did use medical and scientific research, but I believe it's time for us to take a bit of a stronger stance in saying that we are going to fully protect the female category. When I say that, it does not mean I

don't believe everyone should have access to sport. But when it comes to high-level competition and competing at the Olympic Games, right now there should only be two categories - male and female - and I believe the IOC should take a leading role based on conversations with the International Federations.

The IOC has said that for India to be successful in its bid to host the 2036 Olympics, it will be important that the **Indian Olympic Association gets its** house in order. What are your views on the situation in the IOA, if you have been following it?

It's been part of the role of being an Executive Board member, to keep a tab on all the NOCs (National Olympic Committees) and where they are and what's happening. At the end of the day, we need strong NOCs that have good governance and transparency and are working well for the development of their sports and for the Olympic movement within the country. There have been National Olympic committees that have gone through different times and hard times. And as the IOC, we are there to support them.

We're at a time when the world is witnessing record high temperatures and the last two Summer Olympics were negatively impacted because of it. Do you think the hosting window of the Games - currently set in July-August will need to be reconsidered going forward?

I think the Winter and the Summer Games, both are going to be impacted by climate. We are already seeing that. We should be proactive and have those conversations now about, are we going to look at having more flexibility with potential future hosts and the timing that they are able to deliver Games, especially when it comes to the Winter Games where climate is sadly impacting those Games a little bit more negatively than the Summer right now. But let's not wait for the traditional months in the summer to get so hot that we're trying to run around at the last minute. Let's have the conversation now and try and find sustainable ways to allow discussions around the flexibility of dates and the delivery of the Games. It's very important and we have to have it.

# Chhetri, 40, dragged out of retirement

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** 

MARCH 6

TWENTY YEARS after he debuted for India, and less than 12 months into his retirement last June, Sunil Chhetri has been summoned to join up with the Indian national team for the March international window.

Head coach Manolo Márquez announced his 26-member squad on Thursday, and it included Chhetri, who will be 40 years, 7 months and 16 days old when India play the Maldives in a friendly on March 19.

Dubbed the Blue Tigers, the team will then proceed to play the opening match of the AFC Asian Cup Saudi Arabia 2027 qualifiers final round against Bangladesh on March 25 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Shillong. India's qualification group includes Hong Kong (China), and Singapore for the Asian Cup, where the national team has never progressed past the group stage after losing all their matches in the previous edition.

All India Football Federation's official social media handle quoted Márquez as saying, "The qualification for the Asian Cup is very crucial for us. Given the importance of the tournament and the matches ahead, I discussed with Sunil Chhetri about making a comeback to strengthen the national team. He agreed, and so we have included him in the squad."

The news was greeted with some warmth as the talismanic player enjoys legendary status for scoring 94 goals in 150 matches on the international stage. He is fourth overall in the all-time international goal scorers' list, only behind Cristiano Ronaldo, Lionel Messi and Iran's Ali Daei in men's football.

Chhetri has continued to play for Bengaluru FC in the Indian Super League (ISL). However, his last game for the country was against Kuwait in the FIFA World Cup Qualifier at the Salt Lake Stadium in Kolkata on June 6, 2024.

## Bare cupboard of talent?

The recall, however, split opinion, highlighting India's desperation in the face of no ready replacements for the goal-poacher. Chhetri's inclusion comes at the cost of many young strikers who were staking a claim to step into his shoes. But Marquez chose to turn to the 40year-old instead of Edmund Lalrindika, Lalrinzuala Lalbiaknia and David Lalhlansanga.

A notable omission from Márquez's squad was custodian Gurpreet Singh, with Vishal Kaith, Amrinder Singh or Gurmeet Singh expected to man the goal.

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# WTA announces maternity benefits

*New York:* The WTA will offer players

up to 12 months of paid maternity leave for the first time, the women's tennis tour said on Thursday, part of a sweeping new family benefits programme sponsored by the Saudi Public Investment Fund. Under the plan, players will have access to grants for fertility treatment and other benefits. The WTA said it is the first time that maternity benefits are available to self-employed athletes. "It can be challenging to balance the physical and emotional demands of a professional tennis career with the complexities of motherhood and family life," WTA CEO Portia Archer said in a statement. "For some time, we have been exploring how we can increase our support for players to help them become parents at a time of their choice." **REUTERS** 

# Neymar returns to **Brazil squad**

Rio de Janeiro: Brazil have recalled Santos forward Neymar for this month's World Cup qualifiers against Colombia and Argentina after more than a year, the soccer federation announced on Thursday. The 33-year-old sustained a knee injury in Brazil's World Cup qualifier against Uruguay in October 2023 and has struggled to get back to his best and secure a spot in the squad. After a disappointing spell at Saudi Pro League side Al-Hilal, Neymar returned to his boyhood club Santos in January, scoring three goals and providing three assists in seven matches which has caught the eye of Brazil coach Dorival Junior. Brazil, who are fifth in the CONMEBOL table with 18 points from 12 games, host Colombia on March 21 and visit Argentina five days later. **REUTERS** 

# Matthews, Kerr star as MI beat Warriorz

Lucknow: Hayley Matthews smashed a 46-ball 68, while Amelia Kerr registered her best figures of 5/38 as Mumbai Indians stormed to a six-wicket win over UP Warriorz in the Women's Premier League here on Thursday. Mumbai chased down 151 in just 18.3 overs, boosting their net run rate and jumping to second in the table with eight points. BRIEF SCORES: UP Warriorz 150-9 in 20 overs (G Voll 55: A Kerr 5-38) lost to Mumbai Indians 153-4 in 18.3 overs (H Matthews 68, N Sciver-Brunt 37) by 6 wickets. **PTI** 

# Alisson the hero as Liverpool beat PSG

**REUTERS** MARCH 6

LIVERPOOL SUBSTITUTE Harvey Elliott scored a last-gasp winner 47 seconds after coming on to earn a fortunate 1-0 win against Paris St Germain who outplayed their visitors during Wednesday's Champions League last-16 first leg match.

Elliott slotted home in the 87th minute against the run of play after a layoff from fellow substitute Darwin Nunez for a scarcelydeserved victory in Paris after goalkeeper Alisson had kept Liverpool in the game with a string of magnificent saves.

Liverpool's goal was their first shot on target and second attempt compared to PSG's 28. "To go away with a win from here was

probably a bit more than we deserved," acknowledged Slot. Luis Enrique's PSG, who had won 18 and drawn two of their last 20 games, were left to

rue missed chances as they contemplate a tough return leg at Anfield next Tuesday. We're going to show the team we are, we're going to show our character. We're going to win there," said their midfielder Vitinha. "With the game we played, the win was more than deserved. We had plenty of chances ... we just

The aggregate winner will face either Aston Villa or Club Brugge in the Champions League last eight.

# **Dominant hosts**

couldn't score."

PSG got off to a strong start with Liverpool's attempt at a high press not lasting long.

The hosts had the first clear chance in the 16th minute when Joao Neves skied his attempt over the bar from Dembele's cutback after the France forward had outpaced two defenders.

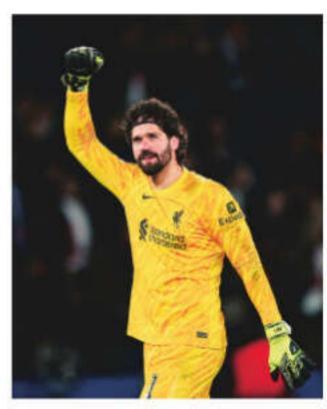
Alarm bells were ringing for Liverpool and they again escaped punishment in the 20th when Khvicha Kvaratskhelia's superb curled effort was ruled out for offside after a VAR re-

Bradley Barcola went down after a challenge from Ibrahima Konate, prompting another video check for a potential red card, but the visitors stayed with 11 men.

With Liverpool in survival mode, Alisson parried Neves' 25-metre strike before denying Dembele. The ball went into the path of Barcola, whose first strike was blocked before his second flew over.

The Brazilian keeper's firm hand was there again to stop Kvaratskhelia and he made saves left, right and centre early in a one-sided second half. "Without him, I don't know where we'd be," said goalscorer Elliott.

Slot sent Curtis Iones and Nunez on for Luis Diaz and Diogo Jota hoping to shift the momentum but PSG stayed a notch above. Alisson, again, stretched to tip away Desire



Liverpool's Alisson Becker kept Liverpool in the game with a string of magnificent saves. Reuters

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Bayern	3	0	Leverkusen
Benfica	0	1	Barcelona
PSG	0	1	Liverpool
Feynoord	0	2	Inter

Doue's missile 10 minutes from time and he also played a key role in the buildup to the goal.

With the clock ticking down, Nunez showed his strength to win Alisson's long ball and played perfectly into the path of Elliott, who calmly slid the ball past Gianluigi Donnarumma.

"You could see they (PSG) had become a bit tired at the end," added Elliott. "It was down to me to put the opportunity away and fortunately it went in."

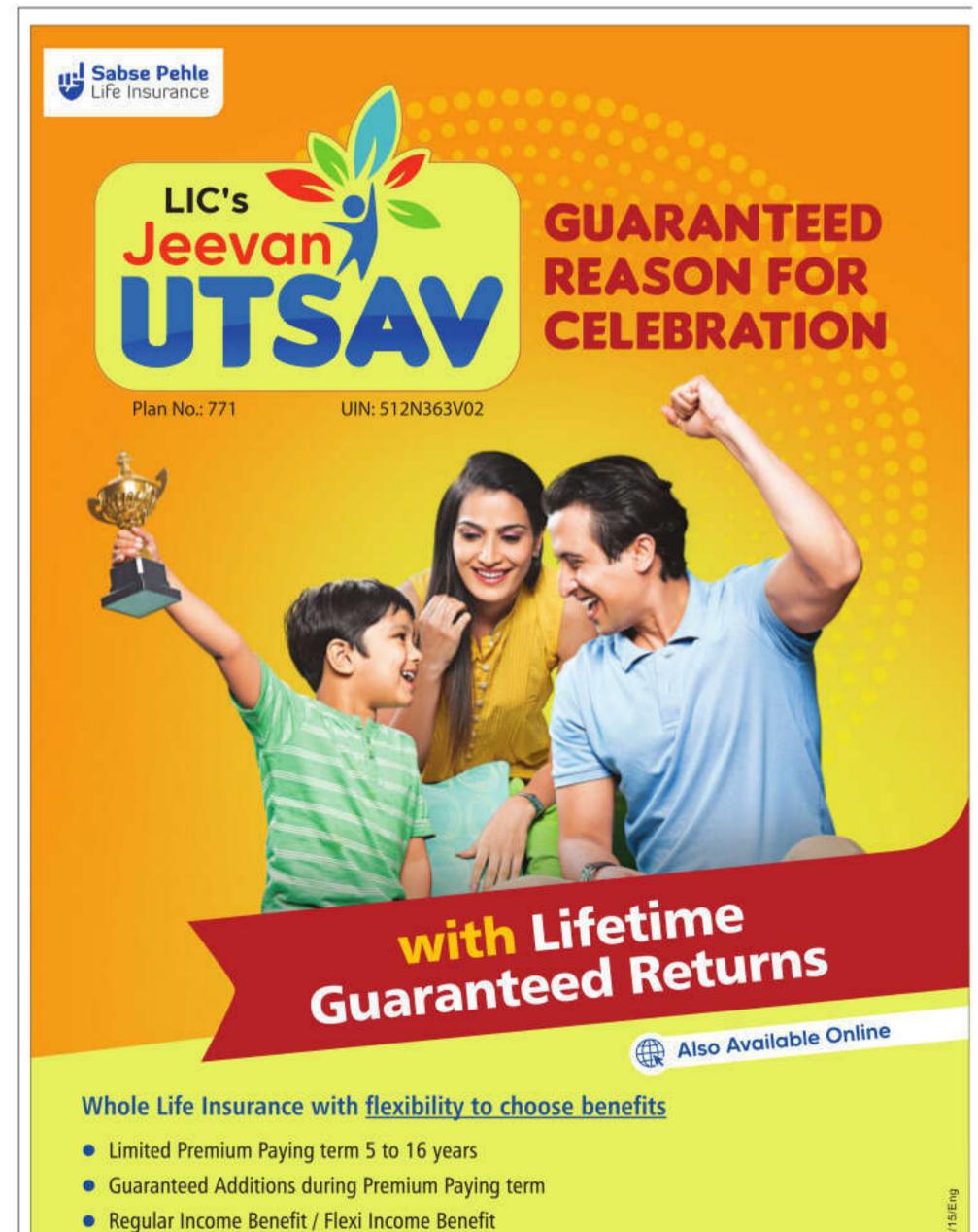
Alisson, who was named man of the match, said it was the performance of his life. "We had to be ready to suffer ... It was a tough night for us with a happy end," he said. "We worked hard. We gave away so many

chances ... And then at the end Harvev coming in and scoring the goal. It's unbelievable. A great story. A great night for us."

# 10-man Barcelona beat Benfica

Raphinha struck a second-half winner to give Barcelona a lion-hearted 1-0 victory at Benfica on Wednesday as they overcame a red card for Pau Cubarsi early in the game to steal an advantage in the first leg of their Champions League last-16 tie.

Barcelona's teenage defender Cubarsi was given a straight red card for a last-man foul on Vangelis Pavlidis in the 22nd minute, but the visitors hung on with goalkeeper Wojciech Szczesny putting in a brilliant performance.



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