



ED summons TMC MP Nusrat Jahan on Sept 12 for questioning in a case related to swindling people in the name of apartment sale. She was earlier a director of a co that allegedly duped 429 people of ₹5.5L each

Ace South African wicketkeeper-bat Quinton De Kock will retire from ODIs after the upcoming World Cup. De Kock has played 140 matches so far and scored 5,966 runs, P 25

Southeast Asian leaders decide that Myanmar won't take over the rotating leadership of regional bloc Asean as scheduled in 2026, in the latest blow to its ruling generals, P 24



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Punjab PCC says no tie-up with AAP; BJP to go solo

Contradicting Punjab finance minister Harpal Cheema's claim, a section of the state Congress committee has opposed a tie-up with AAP in the state for the 2024 LS polls. In the rival camp, BJP ruled out the possibility of realigning with the Shrimani Akali Dal for the polls and said it would go solo. P 16

Bikru killings case: 23 get 10-year jail

A special court in Kanpur on Tuesday sentenced 23 people to 10 years in jail under the Gangster Act in connection with the massacre of eight policemen in Bikru village of Kanpur Dehat during a raid against gangster Vikas Dubey and his men on July 2, 2020. Seven people were acquitted. P 13

BJP twisting my words: Stalin Jr

► Statement of Udayanidhi Stalin that Sanatan Dharma should be eradicated like Hitler's call against Jews, says BJP's Amit Malviya
► No reference or inference to genocide in my speech, BJP twisting my words, says Udayanidhi. Adds he is only repeating what Periyar and Ambedkar have said
► Samajwadi Party distances itself from controversy, calls the remarks 'individual opinion'. Senior leader Ram Gopal Yadav says respecting all religions is the 'honourable' thing to do
► I am from Sanatan Dharma... We should respect each other's religion and not speak wrong against it, says Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal P 18

Prez, PM engagements say 'Bharat', spark buzz of India name change

Also Used During Modi's Visit To SA And Greece

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New Delhi: President Droupadi Murmu's invite to G20 delegates for a dinner along with an official communication identifying Narendra Modi as the 'Prime Minister of Bharat' sparked speculation on whether the government was moving to drop 'India' as the country's name.

This wasn't the first time the government favoured use of Bharat. It transpires that MEA had used 'Prime Minister of Bharat' in protocol doco

FULL COVERAGE FLAP OPP, 4, 14 & 22

cuments related to Modi's visit to South Africa and Greece but this went unnoticed.

This time, there was no way it could've escaped attention as the preference for Bharat appeared to be by design.

It was education minister Dharmendra Pradhan who first made it public. "This gives great satisfaction to the mind. 'Bharat' is our introduction. We are proud of it. The President has given priority to 'Bharat'. This is the biggest statement to come out of the colonial mindset," he said on X. His social media handle was deluged with endorsements when he posted the 'Bharat Bhagya Vidhata' line from the national anthem along with a screenshot of Murmu's invite.

BJP spokesperson Sambit Patra soon shared an official note on Modi's visit to Indonesia in which he was referred to as the 'Prime Minister of Bharat', making it clear that Murmu's dinner invite was not a one-off improvisation.

While all this — and the proposed five-day special session of Parliament — gave rise to the possibility that the government was making a serious effort to substitute 'India' with 'Bharat', there was no clarity about how and when

AMBEDKAR PROPOSED 'INDIA, THAT IS BHARAT'

'INDIA' VS 'BHARAT' IN CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY

► The name 'Bharat' didn't figure in 1st draft of India's Constitution introduced by B R Ambedkar on Nov 4, 1948, in Constituent Assembly. Debate on it took place almost a year later when the text was being finalised
► On Sept 18, 1949, Ambedkar moved the amendment to draft Article 1, which mentions country's name: 'India, that is Bharat, shall be a Union of States'
► Member H V Kamath said it was a clumsy construction & suggested 2 alternatives: 'Bharat, or, in the English language, India, shall be a Union of States' or 'Hind, or, in the English language, India, ...'
► Assembly voted by show of hands with 38 ayes & 51 nos. Kamath's amendment was rejected and the original wording stayed

On the occasion of G20 Summit

VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER OF BHARAT SHRI NARENDRA MODI TO THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

The President of Bharat
The change was first noticed in President Murmu's G20 dinner invite, followed by BJP spokesperson Sambit Patra tweeting a note on the PM's visit to Indonesia

“ Republic of Bharat – happy and proud that towards Amrit Kaal – Himanta Biswa Sarma, BJP

What is the objective of INDIA parties? It is BHARAT – Bring Harmony, Amity, Reconciliation And Trust. Judgea BHARAT Jeetega INDIA – Jairam Ramesh, Cong

Just because oppn has formed an alliance & called it INDIA, will Centre change country's name? If alliance name is changed to Bharat, will they change the name of Bharat to BJP?
– Arvind Kejriwal, AAP

'Bharat' use legal but doing away with 'India' entirely requires statute change: Experts

L legal and constitutional experts said there was no illegality in the use of 'Bharat' in place of 'India' in official communication as it was part of the Constitution that reads "India, that is Bharat". This can be done by a government order that doesn't need Parliament's ratification, report Pradeep Thakur & Amit Anand Choudhary. However, they were also unanimous that a change in the Preamble to replace 'India' with 'Bharat' would require a constitutional amendment to be passed by two-thirds majority in the two Houses of Parliament and ratified by at least half of the states. FLAP OPP

the government plans to translate the idea into practice.

BJP and senior members of the government welcomed the message sought to be put across through the embrace of 'Bharat' in official communications — Bharat figures in many of the G20 documents too. However, they appeared to be in the dark about how the switch was going to happen.

► Moment of triumph, P 18

BJP's fear of INDIA behind move: Oppn

BJP is rattled by the INDIA alliance, prompting opposition parties said, reminding BJP that it had come up with slogans like 'New India'. Congress said it was yet another bid to divide people, while NCP's Pawar said "there is no need to change the country's name". "BJP is altering the country's history," said Mamata Banerjee. P 14

Marks country's 'civilisational march', says BJP

BJP reacted with elation to a G20 dinner invitation which described Droupadi Murmu as "President of Bharat", saying the use of the Hindi name for the country underscores its "civilisation march" even as it dismissed the opposition's objections to the move. Two Union ministers posted the invite on X. P 14

INDIA parties agree to 'agenda' for spl session

Leaders of 24 INDIA parties met at Congress chief Kharge's residence Tuesday and agreed to a 10-point agenda for the special session. Sonia Gandhi is set to write to the PM on behalf of INDIA demanding that issues related to China, the latest Adani report and Manipur, among others, be taken up at the session. P 16

SEARCHES IN DELHI

► FIR against 5 people, including executive director K B Singh and a businessman based in Vadodara

► The accused was giving undue favour in connection with 2 projects of GAIL, a senior official said

► Searches at premises of accused in Delhi, Noida, Vizag and Vadodara led to recovery of incriminating documents, the official said

suspects were arrested at the time of exchange of bribe amount. The money was seized. "Searches were conducted at the premises of the accused, including in Delhi, Noida, Visakhapatnam and Vadodara, which led to the recovery of incriminating documents and digital evidence etc," the official added.

After registration of an FIR, a trap operation was subsequently carried out to apprehend the suspects. The

Stock trades to be settled in 1 hr from March 2024

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Beneficial owner rules tightened

To clamp down on benami activities and operations of shell companies, the Centre has further amended PMLA rules, changing the definition of "beneficial owner" as any person having 10% stake or less in a company and "controlling" the entity. P 16

Shares bought reflect in the demat account the next day. Ditto proceeds of stock sales in the bank account.

► Sebi is ready, P 21

NSG's fury K-9 squad will provide spl security ring around G20 venues

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New Delhi: This weekend, 20 specially trained security members will be on duty at the G20 venues. Karan, Google, Zoro and their colleagues will be equipped with specialised gear such as night vision, glasses, cutely called doggles, and even walkie talkies. And every time they sniff out hidden explosives or neutralise hostage takers, they will likely wag their tails because they are four-legged soldiers of the National Security Guard's elite K-9 squad.

The dog unit will be strategically deployed in key summit locations such as Rajghat, ITPO and the Pusa campus besides accompanying house intervention teams during a hostage operation. The Labradors, German shepherds, Belgian Malinois and cocker spaniels have been waking up at 4 am and following a rigorous routine to be able to stand paw-to-toe with NSG commandos. They have been taught to navigate urban terrains and have undergone enhanced odour training for explosive materials and trained to follow LED light-guided instructions to secure the venues.

► Urban warfare, P 7

Snarls stall traffic on Delhi roads

Commuters on Tuesday faced traffic snarls in central Delhi due to the carcade rehearsals and special traffic arrangements. Traffic Police through X informed people that congestion was expected in some areas till 2 pm. P 7

► Agree with India!, P 20

Will help India on it communique, consensus tough: UK envoy on G20

New Delhi: The UK is working to help India land a joint communique at the Delhi summit, but reaching a consensus would be difficult, said British high commissioner Alex Ellis, while citing that the 2022 G20 Bali Declaration, which was issued after a last-minute consensus on the Ukraine war, was not an easy compromise to accept for many countries, reports Sachin Parashar.

Amid efforts by G20 Sherpas to break the deadlock over the war, Ellis said in an interview to TOI that the UK agreed with India's position that G20 was meant to address developmental, and not geopolitical, issues, but the war was hurting global economy and the group's focus on SDGs. "We will support India's ambition to get a joint communique, given the issues the world is facing at the moment—obviously the Russian invasion of Ukraine, but also some of the issues around food security, sustainability, global health," said Ellis, ahead of PM Rishi Sunak's India visit.

► Agree with India!, P 20

Ex-UP judge tops U'khand judicial exam, dismissed

The Uttarakhand HC has rejected the plea of a former UP judge, Rahul Singh, to appoint him in Uttarakhand after he secured first rank in the judicial exams in the neighbouring state "for hiding crucial facts about his earlier stint as magistrate in Auraiya district", reports Pankul Sharma.

Singh had not revealed while applying for the Uttarakhand judicial services in 2019, which he topped, the fact that he had been dismissed from the UP judicial services in 2014 following a brawl. He was selected in the UP judicial services in 2013 and worked as judicial magistrate in Auraiya during the probation period. P 19

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Woman, daughter killed by in-laws

A 55-year-old woman and her adopted daughter (22), both residents of Delhi's Janakpuri, were beaten to death, allegedly by her in-laws over a property dispute, at Kaimthal in Aligarh district's Gonda, less than a week after her husband's death. Police are looking for seven accused. P 7

Pay ₹1L for 1 biscuit less in packet: Court

A consumer court has ordered ITC Ltd to pay Rs 1 lakh to a Chennai consumer as compensation for having packed one biscuit less in its 16-biscuit 'Sun Feast Marie Light' pack. The consumer who had bought 12 packets claimed in his complaint that ITC cheated the public of over Rs 29 lakh daily. P 13

WORLD CUP SQUAD: HOPING FOR THE BEST

Rohit Sharma will lead India's 15-member squad, announced on Tuesday. The selectors played safe, with no major surprises. But they seem to have relied on past performance rather than present form

THE SQUAD: Rohit Sharma (capt), Shubman Gill, Virat Kohli, Shreyas Iyer, KL Rahul (wk), Ishan Kishan (wk), Suryakumar Yadav, Hardik Pandya (vice-capt), Rayinda Jadeja, Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Shardul Thakur, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohd Shami, Muzahir Siraj

STRENGTHS: On paper, batteing is India's strongest asset. ICC currently ranks Gill as world no. 1, Kohli no. 9 and captain Rohit no. 11 in ODIs. But dig deeper and the picture changes. On this day in 2019, Kohli was world no. 1 and Shami no. 2. Jasprit Bumrah's return is a much-needed boost to the attack, which also has quality pacers in Siraj and Shami. Pandya's and Jadeja's all-round skills are also an asset.

WEAKNESSES: Fielding and catching a major worry. Since the 2019 World Cup, the Men in Blue have dropped 1 of every 4 chances. India have less depth in batting than rivals like England and Australia. None of the top batters can chip in with a

few overs. No left-handed bowlers to add variety to attack. Absence of an off-spinner (Ashwin or Sundar) could hurt against a lefty-heavy lineup

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BJP lauds use of Bharat, AAP says plan to drop India

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New Delhi: Delhi BJP president Vinod Sachdeva has said that citizens of Delhi were delighted to see the words "The President of Bharat" written on the invitation of a G20-related programme.

"Bharat is the ancient name of our country and India was affixed by the British rulers. All scriptures too mention Bharat Bhumi as the country's name and we always proudly raise *Bharat Mata ki jai* slogan on all auspicious occasions."

Sachdeva said, "I would like to ask other party leaders who are objecting to writing Bharat as our country's name to note that all Prime Ministers have raised this slogan after their Independence Day addresses," he added.

DR Ambedkar so much? BJP and RSS have always worked to spread hatred, but Dr Ambedkar wrote the Constitution of the country after rising from the oppressed society."

Rajya Sabha member and Aam Aadmi Party leader Sanjay Singh alleged that "the Modi government wants to remove the word 'India' from the Constitution. It was started by RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat."

He added, "Why do these people hate

Notification issued to regularise motor movement for G20

New Delhi: The transport department has issued a gazette notification under Section 115 of the Motor Vehicle Act to regulate movement of vehicles in view of the G20 Summit.

The traffic regulations will come into effect from the midnight of September 7 to the midnight of September 10.

The New Delhi district will be considered as Controlled Zone-I, where only the bonafide residents and authorised vehicles and staff of hotels, hospitals and other important installations will be allowed. The roads in close vicinity to controlled zone I will be treated as Controlled Zone II. It added that the area inside Ring Road will be considered Regulated Zone, where only certain categories of vehicles will be allowed movement. TNN



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23-Storey Vikas Minar Lit Up With Tricolour For G20

Decoration To Continue Even After Summit, Says DDA Official

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New Delhi: Vikas Minar, the 23-storey building at ITO, is grabbing attention after Delhi Development Authority's (DDA) vivacious lighting arrangement for the building and a huge G20 logo at the top.

A senior DDA official said that the authority had planned to install LED lights with a programmed theme two months back. "DDA has finally issued a tender for the project. The lights are covering all floors vertically. The building will be lit up in India's tricolour shades (one by one), followed by other colours. We did testing for two days (Monday and Tuesday) at the building and from Wednesday onwards, the lights will operate permanently," the official said.

The official informed that these lights will not be restricted to the G20 Summit. They will stay permanently. "Considering this is the tallest building in the area, it will catch everyone's attention," the official said. Also, 984 LED linear wall washers will be installed on the four faces of the building.

DDA has completed all beautification related to the summit. It has completed maintenance and greening initiatives in 47 parks and prepared 1 lakh potted plants. "The authority has displayed



Neeraj Paul
DDA has completed all its beautification work related to the G20 Summit

A DDA OFFICIAL SAYS

Though we have a minimal role to play, unlike other agencies during the summit, we are making sure that areas around all hotels and prime venues are taken care of

Swarn Jayanti Park. Though we have a minimal role to play, unlike other agencies during the summit, we are making sure that areas around all hotels and prime venues are taken care of," the official said.

In the Dwarka sub-city, a spruce-up has been done with installation of LED boards/strips, trees have been pruned, potted plants placed, streetlights painted, road repaired, signage installed and intersections beautified.

"Near Vivanta Hotel, we have done streetscaping and other beautification work," the official said. Preparations are on at Baansera (portion of the Yamuna bank) opposite Sarai Kale Khan. A musical fountain, installed by metro rail at the water body, has been made operational. The fountain shows a lotus pattern and summit logo, the official added.

Crafts Bazaar at Pragati Maidan to present India's heritage to delegates

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: From Nagaland's loin loom to Telangana's Telia rumal, and Manipur's kauna craft to shell craft from the shores of Andamans, India will showcase its rich heritage from 30 states and Union territories on the sidelines of the G20 Summit in the capital.

Light on the pocket, low on perishability and easy to carry was the mantra for the Centre as it assembled state representatives to prepare for the special display at what will be the Crafts Bazaar in one of the halls in Pragati Maidan. The facility will be accessible to all delegates.

Also on display will be some of the GI-tagged products with homegrown payment tools to enable delegates to pay.

"Through the exhibition cum-sale, we are enhancing

WHAT'S ON OFFER

J&K Papier mache
HP Chamba rumal
Uttarakhand Nettle fiber
UP Brocade, chikankari
Bengal Kantha embroidery
TN Kanchipuram saris, Thanjavur painting
Karnataka Kasuti embroidery
Rajasthan Pichhwai paintings



Leaders' are due to visit the Pusa campus, where they will get a glimpse of millet products and dishes, at the National Gallery for Modern Art, their second port of call, there will be a sale counter of sorts as they will not be spending



too much time in Bharat Mandapam, where they will visit only to attend the dinner hosted by President Draupadi Murmu.

Apart from the states, Khandvi Village & Industries Commission, TRIFED, Saras Ajeevika and North-Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Development Corporation (NEHHDC) have also been roped in.



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BY THE DOOR: The 27-foot-tall statue was made in the traditional lost-wax casting process following canons and measurements as mentioned in the Shilpa Shastra, which has been followed since the 9th century AD

VVIPs To Alight Near T1 & Drive To Hotels

Move To Avoid Congestion On Active Runway

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New Delhi: VVIP aircraft will not taxi one by one to the Palam Technical Area after landing at Indira Gandhi International Airport to drop off dignitaries for the G20 Summit. They will stop at the apron in front of Terminal 1—which is between runways 28 (old main airstrip) and 27 (closest to the technical area)—and the leaders will alight there.

Their motorcades will drive them to hotels using the Palam side gate after a traditional welcome at the completely redone ceremonial lounges in the technical area. The aircraft will then taxi to its designated parking stand, making way for the next VVIP.

This decision, say multiple people in the know, has been taken as a large number of VVIP planes—almost 50—are expected for the summit, and to avoid nose-to-tail jams of planes in the technical area waiting to drop off dignitaries. This protocol has been devised for handling the largest gathering of the world's biggest leaders in India.

"Barring one or two exceptions, this is being done to avoid situations where aircraft drop off VVIPs at the Palam



"Vehicles coming for dignitaries are fully sanitised from the security point of view. VVIPs will alight using stepladders at the midpoint common area and will be driven to their hotels in motorcades," an official said. While the two runways on the Gurao side of the Northern Access Road (that links T3 and Mahipalpur) will be available, it is unlikely that VVIP aircraft will opt for them, given the long taxi time between them and the technical area.

Clearly the attempt is to avoid what is a common scene even at top VVIP Big Fat Indian weddings—a long line of cars at the venue porch for dropping and then picking up people.

The government has ensured adequate parking at Delhi airport for the large number of aircraft expected for this summit. A significant number of regular commercial flights have been cancelled to and from IGI Airport so that the airlines don't need to get more planes to Delhi and leave room for parking dignitaries' aircraft. During this period, no charters, business jets or other non-scheduled flights (except those coming for G20 delegations) will be allowed. Special arrangements have been made for Air Force One and other key dignitaries' planes.

"Every agency concerned is putting in 120% to ensure Delhi plays the perfect host. Mega events like these have a multiplier effect for inbound tourism from abroad. Post-Covid, while domestic travel has touched an all-time high, foreign inbound (tourism)—minus the visiting friends and relatives given the huge Indian diaspora—is yet to reach 2019 levels. The G20 Summit and cricket World Cup are expected to be the trigger for that," a leading hotelier said.

Airlines draw up Plan B for flyers hit by G20 restrictions

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Airlines, which have cancelled some flights to make room for parking the large number of VVIP aircraft expected for the G20 Leaders' Summit, are now taking steps to factor in traffic restrictions in Delhi for the event this week and is likely to impact people headed to and from IGI Airport.

Air India has offered passengers a one-time free date or flight change in case they wish to alter their travel plans in and out of IGI Airport. "There will be traffic restrictions in Delhi between September 7 and 11. As a measure of goodwill, passengers with confirmed tickets to fly to or from Delhi on these dates are being offered a one-time waiver of applicable charges, if they wish to change their date of travel or their flight routes to IGI Airport," the airline said on X. The company said it has "made some adjustments to our flight operations to and from Delhi. We have cancelled selected flights while some others have been rescheduled. All Vistara customers scheduled to travel between September 8 and 11 are requested to kindly check the Vistara website for their flight status in advance to avoid any inconvenience. We are also offering a waiver of the change fee for one-time rescheduling for bookings on the aforementioned dates. We are also assisting the impacted customers with rescheduling or refunds, as applicable," Vistara tweeted.

Vistara said it has "made some adjustments" to its flights by cancelling and rescheduling a few of them. "Elaborate regulations on vehicular movement... expected to impact approach

Medicos warned of action for neglecting G20 Summit duties

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Delhi government on Tuesday issued a stern warning to doctors and healthcare workers of strict action if anyone was found deliberately neglecting their duties in providing healthcare services to the foreign delegates during the G20 Summit.

Health minister Saurabh Bharadwaj said misconduct will not be tolerated and will be dealt with severely. During a meeting attended by over 150 doctors and paramedical staff assigned to manage the health system for incoming guests from abroad, he instructed them to fulfil their responsibilities diligently, as any lapse in duty could lead to serious consequences.

He said, "we have a golden opportunity to enhance the pride of our nation. We must work in such a way regarding the healthcare system for the foreign delegates that when they return to their respective countries, they carry back wonderful and beautiful memories."

Bharadwaj called upon all

AIR INDIA SAYS

Passengers with confirmed tickets to fly to or from Delhi between September 7 and 11 are being offered a one-time waiver of applicable charges, if they wish to change their date of travel or their flight

"Woman shot in Noida: A woman, 30, was allegedly shot dead on Tuesday by two men who knocked on her door, asked for water and then fired three bullets at her. TNIN

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Nataraja statue graces Bharat Mandapam for G20 delegates

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New Delhi: The 27-foot-tall Nataraja statue, brought from Tamil Nadu last month, was installed at the entrance of Bharat Mandapam for the G20 Summit in the city.

The statue shows Lord Shiva as the lord of dance, Sachidanand Joshi, member secretary of Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, said. The height of the idol is 27 feet, including the pedestal. The idol is of ashtadhatu or eight metals—copper 87%, zinc 10% and lead 3% with traces of tin, silver, gold and mercury, with iron for support. It cost about Rs 12 crore.

The statue was made by the sons of the legendary sculptor Devasenapathy Stathathi in Swamimalai district of Tamil Nadu.

Joshi said that this form of Shiva is a synthesis of religion, philosophy, art, craft and science. The statue was made in the traditional lost-wax casting process following canons and measurements as mentioned in the Shil-

pa Shashtra, followed since the Chola period.

It has four hands, artistically constructed with a specific purpose. The arch around the figure represents his cosmic theatre and the drum in his raised right hand symbolises creation as it causes vibration. The lower right-hand shows a sign of protection and assurance of well-being. The raised left hand holds fire symbolising dissolution (not destruction). It relates to the Hindu principle of Karma (action) and Janma (reincarnations). In other words, it denotes the cycle of birth and death.

The lower left hand is stretched across the chest towards the right side (technically called Kari hasta, like the trunk of an elephant), with the fingers pointing to the raised left foot on the right side. This raised foot is the ultimate home of tired souls released from earthly bondage. In other words, it is the final refuge (Moksha). The right foot is seen crushing a demonic dwarf, who symbolises human depravity caused by ignorance leading to ego.


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For Justice, He Kept Reliving Horror Of Murders For 8 Yrs

Took Loan To Fight Case, Battled Threats, Attended 150 Hearings

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New Delhi: On the morning of September 21, 2015, a 30-year-old man entered his house with bags of sweets and fruits. He had returned home to Khyala in west Delhi from Jaipur after a stint at the weekly cloth market there. He switched on the lights to be welcomed by a grisly scene — his wife lay in a pool of blood with the lifeless bodies of two of their children, 6 and 7 years old, nearby.

While chasing justice for his family for eight years, the man constantly relived the trauma of that nightmarish visual. He finally got closure on Monday when a Tis Hazari court pronounced the death sentence for the killers of his family members. The court of additional sessions judge Aanchal observed that the killers had "behaved as if uncontrolled animals were uprooting the fields lovingly cherished and cultivated by a farmer".

The first to report the award of the death penalty, TOI spoke to the woman's husband on Tuesday. "Us haadse ne poora barbad kar diya (The incident ruined us)," he said. "I had gone to Jaipur for the Sunday market. I had bought fruits and sweets for my kids. I had never imagined that I would one day see the bodies of my wife and children in such a state."

His three other children asked him about their mot-

'MERCY CAN'T BE SHOWN TO MERCILESS'

THE CRIME

- > A 27-year-old woman was stabbed to death and raped in her house
- > Two of her children were strangled to death

CONVICTS

Rafat Ali, Mohammad Akram and Shahid | ARRESTED

WHAT THE COURT ORDER SAYS

- > The postmortem report is not showing that the deceased was stabbed multiple times before or after her death, but it was a single stab. The convicts did not stop even at this point. She was again strangled with her chunni despite her death
- > Motherhood is the most cherished emotion in the world. Innocence of children is appreciated by all. The face of God is seen in children. But the crime committed by the three convicts against them... patently only with a view to not leave any probable evidence of commission of crime against the woman... so mercy cannot be shown by the court to the merciless

WHEN | Sept 20, 2015,
WHERE | Khyala in
west Delhi

HUSBAND SAYS

I had gone to Jaipur for the Sunday market. I had bought fruits and sweets for my kids. I had never imagined that I would one day see their bodies in such a state. Those men took away the mother from their kids. Why should I have let them off so easily?

Whatever he earned from selling old clothes at the weekly market, he spent most of it on the legal case. "Like other kids, my children used to demand chocolates and toys, but I had to tell them that I didn't have much money," he said. The three surviving children are today 11, 10, and 9 years old.

The court noted the cruelty of the three men in killing a mother, especially someone whom they called a sister and whose suckling baby lay nearby. In the order on Monday, the court noted, "Motherhood is the most cherished emotion in the world. Innocence of children is appreciated by all. The face of god is seen in children. But the crime committed by the three convicts against them was only with a view to not leave any probable evidence of commission of crime against the woman. So, mercy cannot be shown by the court to the merciless."

her and he was hard put to explain to them her death. Amid all this, he persevered with the case. "I took a loan to continue my fight for justice," he said. "I attended more than 150 hearings." He also

said he received threats during the eight trying years but he never backed down. "Those men took away the mother from their kids. Why should I have let them off so easily?" he asked.

COURT SAYS

Menu cards shall specify in bold that no further tip is to be paid to the establishment

Another body, National Restaurant Association of India, which has around 1,100 members, however, contended that the term service charge is the accepted terminology which cannot be replaced and

there was no confusion with respect to its use.

"The matter would require hearing. In the meantime, it is directed that the members of the FHRAI shall use the term 'staff contribution' for the amount of service charge that they are charging," the court said.

"Menu cards shall specify in bold that no further tip is to be paid to the establishment," the court further directed as it clarified it was only an interim order which is subject to the final outcome in

Traffic crawls in central Delhi, late info irks many

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Commuters on Tuesday faced traffic snarls in central Delhi due to the carcade rehearsal and special traffic arrangements made by police for an event. The traffic was severely affected on Outer Ring Road near Indraprastha Park, C-Hexagon and Sardar Patel Marg. A similar rehearsal is likely to take place on Wednesday too.

Around noon, Delhi Traffic Police tweeted that congestion was expected in some areas till 2 pm. "Due to carcade rehearsal and special traffic arrangements, some congestion is expected on Bhairon Marg, Bhairon Road-Ring Road, Mathura Road, C-Hexagon, Sardar Patel Marg and Gurgaon Road till 2 pm. Commuters are advised to plan their journey accordingly," the traffic police wrote on X.

Commuters, however, said that the advisory should have been released in the morning itself. A person wrote on X that "Why can't you inform in advance. It is all choked. Many ambulances are stuck. This is pure insensitivity."

Another court noted the cruelty of the three men in killing a mother, especially someone whom they called a sister and whose suckling baby lay nearby. In the order on Monday, the court noted, "Motherhood is the most cherished emotion in the world. Innocence of children is appreciated by all. The face of god is seen in children. But the crime committed by the three convicts against them was only with a view to not leave any probable evidence of commission of crime against the woman. So, mercy cannot be shown by the court to the merciless."

The double murder took



Traffic jam near Indraprastha Metro Station on Tuesday evening

Rajesh Mehta

said, "You could have tweeted this in the morning, 2 hours to reach central Delhi."

Traffic congestion was witnessed in several other areas, including Africa Avenue Road and Sarita Vihar. Traffic movement from Gurugram/Parade Road cut to Dhaula Kuan was affected from 1:30 pm till 4 pm due to road repair work. Breakdowns of vehicles near Club Road T-point and Bharat Darshan Park also inconvenienced commuters.

Meanwhile, Delhi Police has asked a travel company to retract its email, which claimed that Delhi is closed from September 8 to 10. "In the wake of the G20 summit, there will be restrictions in New Delhi district," police said. "Although commercial activities remain banned on September 8 to 10, all essential services such as Mother Dairy/Safal booths, medical shops, hospitals, etc., will remain functional in the New Delhi area," police wrote on social media.

Rai said under the Plan, an immediate and long-term plan will be implemented. "The major goal is to create a coordinated action plan in the fight against Delhi's pollution. Based on the key points outlined in the Plan, specific responsibilities will be given to various departments during the meeting scheduled for September 14," said Rai. He added that Delhi government's efforts to curb pollution has resulted in PM10 and PM2.5 levels decreasing by 42% and 46%, respectively.

Woman, daughter beaten to death by kin over property

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Agra: A 55-year-old woman and her adopted daughter, 22, both residents of Janakpuri in Delhi, were allegedly beaten to death by her in-laws over a property dispute in Aligarh district, barely a week after her husband's death.

At the ritual, Mukesh Devi was attacked by her brother

place at Kainthal under the district's Gonda police limits on Monday when Mukesh Devi was attending her husband's 'teravirat' along with daughter Priyanka at her in-laws' place. Mukesh Devi's husband, Surender Singh, had died of a heart attack in Delhi on August 31.

The double murder took

in-law and others with a stick and heavy objects. When her daughter tried to save her, she was also brutally assaulted. Both suffered head injuries and were declared dead at a nearby hospital, police said.

An FIR has been registered against seven accused - Dharmveer Singh, Mona Singh, Dubla Singh, Ramesh Singh, Neeraj Singh, Sonu

Singh and Rakesh Singh -- under IPC sections 302 (murder) and 147 (rioting) following a complaint by the woman's brother Bhola Singh.

SP (Aligarh rural) Palash Bansal said on Tuesday, "Five police teams have been formed to arrest the accused. We are investigating the matter in detail and action will be taken soon."

Use 'staff contribution' instead of 'service charge' for now: HC

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: In an interim arrangement, Delhi High Court on Tuesday asked the members of a restaurant body to use the term "staff contribution" for "service charge" and cap it at 10% of the bill.

Justice Prathiba M Singh, while dealing with petitions against guidelines prohibiting hotels and restaurants from automatically levying service charge on food bills, directed The Federation of Hotels and Restaurant Associations of India

(FHRAI) to clearly specify the imposition in their menu cards and not charge more than 10 per cent of the bill.

"They will make it clear that it is not a levy by the government," the judge observed after FHRAI informed the court they have over 3,300 establishments as its members but there is no uniformity on levy of service charge amongst its members. The senior counsel for FHRAI said some of its members were imposing a service charge as a mandatory condition.

COURT SAYS
Menu cards shall specify in bold that no further tip is to be paid to the establishment

there was no confusion with respect to its use.

"The matter would require hearing. In the meantime, it is directed that the members of the FHRAI shall use the term 'staff contribution' for the amount of service charge that they are charging," the court said.

"Menu cards shall specify in bold that no further tip is to be paid to the establishment," the court further directed as it clarified it was only an interim order which is subject to the final outcome in

the petitions.

The court directed that the matter be listed for hearing on October 3, observing that "this affects the entire country."

The petitioners had moved the high court last year by filing two separate petitions challenging guidelines prohibiting hotels and restaurants from automatically levying service charge on food bills. The guidelines, issued by Central Consumer Protection Authority on July 4 last year, were stayed by the high court later that month.

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Winter Action Plan: Experts' meet on Sept 12

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Delhi environment department will organise an environment experts' meet on September 12 to take inputs from 24 organisations on a Winter Action Plan. Delhi environment minister Gopal Rai on Tuesday said the departments concerned have been asked to submit their inputs by September 14.

Rai said that this year's Winter Action Plan will be based on main points, including stubble and garbage burning, vehicular and dust pollution, hotspots, dialogue with the central government and neighbouring states, green war room and green apps etc.

Rai said under the Plan, an immediate and long-term plan will be implemented. "The major goal is to create a coordinated action plan in the fight against Delhi's pollution. Based on the key points outlined in the Plan, specific responsibilities will be given to various departments during the meeting scheduled for September 14," said Rai. He added that Delhi government's efforts to curb pollution has resulted in PM10 and PM2.5 levels decreasing by 42% and 46%, respectively.

Man found dead in Rohini showroom, police probe

The body of a man identified as Sonu was found under mysterious circumstances at a showroom in Budh Vihar in Rohini. Police said they suspect that the

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Tender Notice
Assistant Engineer, Kolkata South Sub-Divisional Housing Directorate, Inviting e-Tender for & on behalf of Government of West Bengal, e-NIT ID : 023-24-A/E/NSPD-II/EE/H.Distr. Tenzing L.D. 2023_HSD_562730_1_to_3. Last Date of submission: 18.09.2023 Up to 4:00 P.M. For Details please visit wbtders.gov.in or contact in the Office of The Assistant Engineer in any working day. Sd/-Assistant Engineer, Kolkata South Sub-Divisional Housing Directorate.

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Tenzing Norgay Road, Pradhan Nagar,
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What inspires employees? Knowing their work matters

By Prabir Jha

What retains employees? What motivates them? And most of all, what inspires them? While compensation, career progression, appreciation and learning help them with the first two, few organisations are seen as inspiring by many. How many corporations inspire their members apart from ensuring basic livelihood and stability?

Beyond PR campaigns, building an inspiring work-



place is not always about scale, size or financial success. It is also not about the avalanche of pedestrian awards. Rather, it is about making its members feel truly proud of what the institution does. It is about drawing in the right talent and ensuring they stay inspired beyond their bread and butter.

Inspiring companies have a pattern. Here are some ways to start building one:

Purpose: Most inspiring companies have a deep purpose behind their being, something that goes beyond their economics. This purpose can be uplifting and con-

nects every employee with the essence of the unit. It may have a deeper ESG (environmental, societal, governance) logic, beyond semantics. But there is a community service that makes an otherwise salaried job inspiring.

Articulation: Many organisations have their combinations of mission and vision statements. Unfortunately, most are a political scramble of different wordsmith efforts by the leadership. They are long-winded, almost impossible to recall, understand or connect an average employee's daily work with. Employees go home just clocking hours, rarely under-

standing how their day actually makes a difference.

Bigger Picture: Storytelling is a rare leadership virtue today. Many leaders do not even believe there is merit in helping every associate understand the larger story. Most employees do not see how their little bit adds to the perfect final picture and even more, how it makes a difference to the end consumer, the community or the planet. It is the job of managers to share this. Impact stories are not just about the wins of a sales team, but about the purpose of much wider internal and external te-

ams coming together to make a better tomorrow.

Authentic Leadership: Much of the inspiration, or its denial, comes from displayed leadership. People often consider their managers their role models, learning behaviours from them and not from presentations or posters. If people find their leaders honest, fa-

ir, selfless, empathetic, trusting, collaborative, and empowering, they do not just feel inspired — they practice the same with other colleagues. Many companies, unfortunately, still remain leader-obsessed rather than leadership-centred. Then, the relationship is just a mercenary transaction and that surely does not build inspiring workplaces.

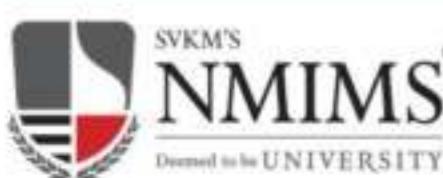
Look beyond skills: Your strategic talent thinking should look beyond acquiring or promoting a pair of hands. Hire and advance people who draw inspiration with what the entity does and how it does that. If your people do not believe in the institution's inspiration, their indifference will show. And irrespective of how skilled they are, the corpo-

ration will then start losing its inner self-belief. Do not lower the talent bar, just add riders.

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(The writer is founder & CEO, Prabir Jha People Advisory)

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| | Engineer | 16 | 30 | 3 |
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| | Sr. Engineer | 6 | 30 | 3 |
| | Engineer | 6 | 30 | 3 |
| | Deputy Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
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| | Deputy Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
| | Sr. Engineer | 3 | 30 | 3 |
| | Engineer | 4 | 30 | 3 |
| Information Technology | Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
| | Deputy Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
| | Sr. Engineer | 3 | 30 | 3 |
| | Engineer | 4 | 30 | 3 |
| Human Resources | Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
| | Deputy Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
| | Sr. Engineer | 4 | 30 | 3 |
| | Engineer | 3 | 30 | 3 |
| Finance | Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
| | Deputy Manager | 1 | 40 | 7 |
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| | Engineer | 3 | 30 | 3 |

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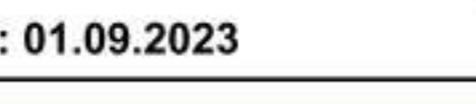
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Navy may allow traditional Indian attire in messes, wardrooms, institutes

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New Delhi: The Navy may soon allow officers and sailors to wear specified traditional Indian attire in messes, wardrooms and institutes. Apart from operational issues and combat readiness, the ongoing naval commanders' conference is considering a "national civil dress for messes & functions" as an option for its personnel.

Options for the "national civil dress" displayed on side-lines of the three-day conference, shown to junior defence minister Ajay Bhatt on Monday, include a short kurta with a formal waistcoat and narrow pyjamas as well as a band-gala suit.

"The matter is still under deliberation by the top commanders. If a decision is taken to allow a national civil dress, it will be with strict specifications and guidelines... it will be formal wear, in addition to the existing mess uniforms like the 'Red Sea Rigs' and formal western attire like lounge suits," an officer told TOI.



DISCARDING VESTIGES OF COLONIAL ERA

Kurta-pyjamas or other traditional Indian clothes for male personnel as well as guests are strictly not allowed in the Army, Indian Air Force and Navy messes till now. Over the last several months, however, the Navy has been at the fore-

front of the drive to discard "vestiges of the colonial era" in the military arena in line with the government's directive.

In December last year, Navy chief Admiral R Hari Kumar had said, "The PM articulated 'Panchar Pran' from the ramparts of the Red Fort, which included 'Gulami ki Mansikta se Mukti'. In pursuance of that end state, the Navy will continue to proactively identify redundant or archaic practices, processes or symbols that could either be discontinued, or modified in consonance with modern day realities."

Towards this end, PM Modi had "unveiled" a new "swadeshi" Ensign for the Navy, which included the removal of the St George's Cross from the flag, during the commissioning of indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant on September 2 last year.

The Navy also got a new President's Standard and Colour as well as Crest in line with the "swadeshi" drive. Last month, the Navy had also put a stop to the practice of its officers carrying batons.

One biscuit less than mentioned in packet, ITC asked to pay compensation of ₹1 lakh

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TIMES VIEW: The error was technical but was an error nonetheless. It is the responsibility of giant corporations to be true to both to the letter and spirit of what they promise. Hopefully, the judgement will make others see the point.

cuits though the wrapper mentioned that it was a 16-biscuit packet. There was no proper response when Dillibabu approached the store, as well as ITC for an explanation.

Pointing out that the cost of each biscuit is 75 paise, he said in his complaint that ITC Ltd manufactured close to 50 lakh packets a day and back-of-the-envelope calculations would suggest that the company cheated the public of over Rs 1 lakh every day.

In its response, the firm argued that the said product was sold only based on the weight, and not on number of biscuits. The advertised net weight of the biscuit packet was 76 grams. However, when the commission examined it, they found out that all unwrapped biscuit packets (containing 15 biscuits) were only 74 grams.

ITC's counsel said the Legal Metrology Rules of 2011 allowed a maximum permissible error of 4.5 grams in case

of pre-packaged commodities. Not accepting this, the forum said such exemptions were applicable only to products volatile in nature. It is not applicable to items like biscuits, which can't lose weight over time, it said.

The defence that the product was sold not in terms of "numbers" but of "weight" was also turned down for the reason that the wrapper highlighted the number of biscuits.

On August 29, the consumer court ordered ITC to not only pay Rs 1 lakh to Dillibabu as compensation for adopting unfair trade practices, but also discontinue sales of the particular batch of biscuits.

Balaji as mantri doesn't augur well for good governance: HC

Leaves Minister's Future To Chief Minister Stalin's Wisdom

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Political compulsion cannot outweigh public morality, requirements of good/clean governance and constitutional morality, the court observed

Chennai: While holding that having a minister without a portfolio is a 'constitutional travesty', Madras high court on Tuesday declined to interfere with the status of Tamil Nadu minister V Senthil Balaji, saying his continuation in the state cabinet is better left to the wisdom of Tamil Nadu chief minister M K Stalin. Senthil Balaji has been in judicial custody since June 14 following his arrest in the cash-for-job case.

"The chief minister may be well advised to take a decision about the continuance of Senthil Balaji as a minister without portfolio, which serves no purpose and which does not augur well with the principles of constitutional ethos on goodness, good governance and purity in administration," said the first bench of Chief Justice Sanjay Vijaykumar Gangapurwala and Justice PD Audikesavalu.

The court passed the order and made the observations while disposing of a batch of public interest writ petitions challenging Senthil Balaji's continuance in the Tamil Nadu cabinet as a minister without portfolio.

"In the absence of any statutory disqualification, it would not be permissible for the court to issue certain directions to the governor to take a decision in a particular manner," the court said.

As to the contention of the petitioners that a person who cannot discharge his duties as a minister should not be allowed to continue at the cost of exchequer, the court said, "He is a minister without portfolio, meaning thereby,

no work is allotted to him." "He is a minister for the name sake. In other words, a minister without any work. Such a person certainly will not be entitled for any allowances because he will not be officiating any work, nor any work is allotted to him. Certainly, no purpose is served by just ceremonially retaining him as a minister without portfolio."

They added that it would also be a matter of debate as to whether the governor can unilaterally disqualify a person officiating as a minister, though he has not incurred any disqualification under the Constitution of India or under any statute.

Even if the governor chooses to withdraw his pleasure in respect of a minister, he must exercise his discretion with the knowledge of the chief minister and not unilateral, they said.

"In the present case, the chief minister had never consented for the exercise of discretion by the governor," the bench pointed out.

JANMASHTAMI SPECTACLE



LITTLE KRISHNAS RADIATE JOY: Students of a Mumbai school on Tuesday take part in dahi-handi festivities ahead of Janmashtami, celebrated to honour Lord Krishna's birthday

Manipur CM remark against our team 'intimidatory': EGI

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

The Guild also said the CM's labelling of the journalists' body 'anti-state' and 'anti-national' was deeply disturbing

ed, "The Guild had received several representations from civil society as well as the Indian Army raising concerns that the media in Manipur was playing a partisan role in the ongoing ethnic conflict between the majority Meitei community and the Kuki-Chin minority."

The fact-finding report released on September 2 had attracted the ire of the Biren Singh-led government and led to an FIR being lodged against the Guild president and the three members of the fact-finding team that had visited Manipur to study and document media's coverage of ethnic clashes in the state," its statement said.

Reiterating that the underlying idea of the report was to enable introspection and reflection on the media's conduct in such a sensitive situation, the statement add-

Farmers dying by suicide to claim compensation, says K'taka minister

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Basavaraj Maralihalli | TNN

There have been cases where farmers have died due to alcohol addiction, heart failure, and heart attacks. But greedy relatives reported them as suicide to claim compensation. It's human nature to try and get compensation by reporting false reasons

SHIVANAND PATIL | KARNATAKA MINISTER

nataka chief minister Siddaramaiah to drop minister Patil from the cabinet for his "irresponsible statement".

Following widespread flak, Patil later performed a U-turn, saying he did not mean to say farmers were committing suicide for compensation. "I did not make any statement to hurt the sentiment of farmers," he said. "I was only advising members of the media, in the larger interest of the community, to be responsible and wait for the FSL report before

reporting farmer suicides." Earlier, Patil, who is also minister in charge of Haveri district, told reporters that farmer suicides have increased since 2015 after the then Congress government hiked compensation from Rs 2 lakh to Rs 5 lakh. He added: "Farmers commit suicide for distinct reasons. If you (the media) go by the FIR filed by police, you will find you are always wrong. You should wait for the forensic science laboratory (FSL) report and know the real cause

of death before reporting." Quoting recent cases, the minister said, "There've been cases where farmers have died due to alcohol addiction, heart failure, & heart attacks. But greedy relatives reported them as suicides to claim compensation. It's human nature to try and get compensation by reporting false reasons."

The minister said in "genuine" cases where farmers died by suicide due to debt or crop failure, their kin would not have a problem getting compensation.

Taking objection to a series of media reports on farmer suicides, Patil said farmer suicides are not new in the state as cases have been reported for the past two decades. "In 2020, about 500 farmers died by suicide, 595 in 2021, 651 in 2022, and this year 412 have died so far," he said.

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They hailed Digital India & Start-Up India, but now scared of INDIA: Oppn

Questions
Sudden Need
To Change
Country Name

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Congress on Tuesday led the opposition in arguing that PM Narendra Modi is worried about the opposition alliance INDIA gaining traction, which prompted him to decide to change the name of the country to 'Bharat'. The opposition parties also highlighted the INDIA alliance's slogan of "Judega Bharat, Jeetega INDIA", arguing the two names are interchangeable.

Congress' K C Venugopal said, "BJP's destructive mind can only think of how to divide people. Once again, they are creating a rift between Indians and Bharatiyas... This is potty politics because they are scared of INDIA (alliance)."

Party MP Shashi Tharoor hoped that the government will not be foolish enough to "completely dispense with 'India' which has incalculable brand value".

The parties also reminded BJP that the government had come up with the slogans and schemes like "Digital India", "Start-Up India", "New India".

West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee questioned the need to "suddenly use only Bharat". "We all say 'Bharat', what is new in this? The world knows us as India. What happened suddenly that the name of the country needs to be changed?" she asked. "They (BJP) are altering the country's history. One fine day, they will change the name of Rabindranath Tagore," he added.

NCP chief Sharad Pawar said no one has the right to change the country's name. "My stand is clear that there is no need to change the country's name... I fail to fathom why the Union government is so perturbed by the name the opposition parties have given their coalition," Pawar told reporters in Jalgao.

CPM leader Sitaram Yechury, on the other hand, said,

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Text of President's dinner invite was finalised by MEA: Rashtrapati Bhavan

The President's dinner invite to G20 delegates, describing her as 'President of Bharat' instead of the customary President of India, was finalised by the ministry of external affairs, the programme's host, and not Rashtrapati Bhavan.

Usually, the text of invitations extended by Rashtrapati Bhavan for programmes held at President House are prepared by the President's secretariat. However, in the case of the G20 summit, the MEA, as host ministry, has been overseeing preparations and invites. As a result, the text of the invite was issued by the ministry on behalf of the President, the RSVP of which, as the invite says, is also to be directed to the MEA's protocol division. This is the first instance when 'President of Bharat' has replaced the customary 'President of India' communication by Rashtrapati Bhavan. Sources could not confirm whether the change was permanent, and all invites from Rashtrapati Bhavan would, henceforth, prefer the new usage over the way the President has been addressed so far.

"This is the destruction of the Constitution of India... It is a very immature reaction."

CPI Rajya Sabha MP Binoy Viswam said, "In the name of promoting India, they are making it a nameless, faceless country before the world. When the invited G20 leaders arrive in India, they will find that there is no clarity on the name with which to address the country."

JD(S) Tejaswi Yadav said, "If the PM has an objection to the word INDIA, he should have an objection to Bharat as well since our slogan carries both the names in the tagline."

the opposition. During the elections, 'India' will chase BJP out of power! #IndiaStaysIndia."

Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal said the country belongs to 140 crore people and not to one party. "If INDIA alliance rechristens itself Bharat, will they change the name of Bharat as well?" he asked.

DMK president and Tamil Nadu chief minister M K Stalin said, "BJP is rattled by a single term called 'INDIA' because they recognise the strength of unity within

BJP: Use of 'Bharat' marks country's 'civilisational march'

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: BJP on Tuesday reacted with delight to a G20 dinner invitation which described Droupadi Murmu as "President of Bharat", saying the use of the Hindi name for the country underscores its "civilisation march" even as the party dismissed the opposition's objections to the move.

Union ministers Dharmendra Pradhan and Giriraj Singh later posted the pictures of their invite on X. Sharing a picture of his invite, Pradhan said, "Jana Gana Mana Adhinyakay Jagha He, Bharat Bhagya Vidhata."

Assam chief minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said, "Republic of Bharat - happy and proud that our civilisation is marching ahead boldly towards Amrit Kal."

Rejecting the opposition's criticism, he said, "The name Bharat is mentioned in the Constitution and the country has been known by it for thousands of years... In this Amrit Kal people want that their country's name should be known as Bharat. Why should it have an English name. What is the problem of Congress?"

In a sarcastic reference to Rahul Gandhi, Sarma said the Congress leader had named his foot-march as "Bharat Jodo Yatra".

Asked if the government is planning to do away with 'India' as the country's name during the coming special session of Parliament, Union minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar said he cannot react to speculation.

BJP leader Tarun Chugh said, "Bharat word is not new. It has been used since ancient times. Bharat Mata and Vande Matram is in our blood and nothing will happen by your opposition. Bharat word is mentioned in the Constitution. New Khiljis and new Mughals want to remove Bharat."

BJP president J P Nadda took a swipe at Congress after the opposition party shared an apparent image of the Indian Constitution's preamble with several errors, wondering if one can expect anything from a party which does not even know the country's preamble. "Can we expect anything from a party which does not even know India's Preamble... Congress equals to lack of respect for Constitution and Dr Ambedkar. Shameful," he said on microblogging site X.

The BJP leader was reacting to the Congress' post claiming that it is impossible to erase India, an apparent reference to the row over a G20 invite which referred to the President as "President of Bharat" and not "President of India" as is mostly done.

However, the image of the 'preamble' Congress posed had typos. The word 'belief' was written as 'brief' and the word 'solemnly' was also misspelled, as highlighted by Nadda's post, among other errors.

In 2004, Mulayam had vowed to replace 'India' with 'Bharat'

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Lucknow: Amid a raging debate over Rashtrapati Bhavan sending out invites for the G20 dinner in the name of the "President of Bharat" instead of the usual "President of India", an old SP manifesto has surfaced in which the then party president, Mulayam Singh Yadav, had promised to replace "India" with "Bharat" in the Constitution if voted into government.



While some members of the newly formed opposition alliance INDIA have come out to oppose the use of "Bharat" in the presidential invite, forging unity among the ranks may be difficult because of this 2004 SP manifesto and the now deceased Mulayam Singh's subsequent speech in the UP assembly that "India be replaced by Bharat".

SP politicians told TOI that Mulayam, as then CM of UP, had also addressed the issue and expressed his reservation over the use of the word "India" in the Constitution.

vestiges of colonial rule. Lo-hia always preferred Hindi over English as the official language of India as he believed that English created a distance between the educated and the uneducated public. He would often say that the use of English acts as a hindrance in the way of original thinking and creates a sense of un-belonging among the uneducated class.

The SP manifesto, released before the 2004 Lok Sabha polls in Lucknow, said that the mention of "India" in the Constitution was a flaw and underlined the need to change it to "Bharat" to protect the dignity of the country. "India should become Bharat," the manifesto said. "Our country was always known as Bharat. However, during the 200 years of British rule it was named India," the manifesto had said.

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BJD MP: 'India' should be removed from Constitution

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was coined during the British rule with no such meaning," Mahtab said.

He justified his argument by citing examples of other countries that have shed their colonial names. "Myanmar and Sri Lanka have dropped their colonial names of Burma and Ceylon, respectively. It is high time we also did," he said, suggesting that even if the name is not officially changed, everyone should be encouraged to use "Bharat" instead of "India".



Former Union minister and BJD MP Pratap Chandra Sarangi said continuing with "India" is akin to maintaining a colonial mindset. "The name India is a gift from the British, which doesn't properly fit any definition of the country," he said.

PM to attend Asean, East Asia meets in Jakarta tomorrow

New Delhi: India will look to further expand trade and maritime cooperation with Asean countries as Prime Minister Narendra Modi pays a day-long visit to Indonesia for India-Asean and East Asia summits.

Official sources said a new initiative to boost maritime security cooperation is likely to be announced after the talks in Jakarta on September 7.

Modi will leave for Indonesia on the night of September 6 to attend the 20th Asean-India Summit and 18th East Asia Summit.

Saurabh Kumar, secretary (East) in the ministry of external affairs, said at a media briefing that Modi will review the progress in Asean-India relations and provide them further direction at the summit. "Given that the G20 summit follows shortly after the Asean summit, it will be a short visit," he said.

Asked whether the issue of China's release of the so-called "new standard" map would figure in the summit talks, Kumar said, "It is difficult to anticipate what would be discussed when the leaders meet, but issues which are of mutual concern — regional and international — would all come up." TNN

China-India ties stable on the whole: Beijing

New Delhi: Claiming that China supports India's G20 presidency, Beijing said on Tuesday China-India relations had been stable on the whole and the two sides had maintained dialogue and communication at various levels.

Asked if President Xi Jinping's decision to skip the G20 summit in Delhi reflected tensions between India and China, the Chinese foreign ministry said that "the continued improvement and growth of China-India relations serves the common interests of the two countries and two peoples".

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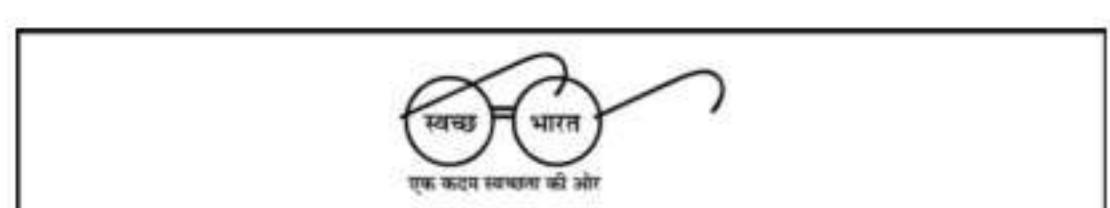
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State Mission Directorate, Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban is inviting EoI (Expression of Interest) for **Empanelment of agencies for O&M of Material Recovery Facility (MRF) along with IEC activities in different ULBs of Uttar Pradesh from 05.09.2023 to 09.10.2023 till 11:00 PM**. Interested Bidder(s) can download the EoI document after the payment of EoI Tender Fee of **Rs. 5000/- Non-Refundable** in the form of DD/NEFT/RTGS. Bidder(s) can submit their bid online through <https://etender.up.nic.in> along with their experience records. Bid document will be opened on **date 10.10.2023 at 04.00 PM**. Other details can be seen in the EoI document.

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**Government of Jharkhand Department of School Education and Literacy
(Jharkhand Education Project Council, Ranchi)**
JSCA Stadium Road, Sector- III, Dhanbad, Ranchi-834004
Phone: 0651-2444501, E-Mail: jepcranchi@gmail.com

e-Procurement Notice

JEPC invites Separate Technical & Financial Bids through e-procurement method from eligible and interested contractors registered in appropriate class for Construction and Strengthening of Public Library located in 05 different Districts of Jharkhand. Interested and eligible bidders are requested to submit their proposal latest by 2:00 PM on 28.09.2023.

The details of tender documents can be seen and applied through website <https://jharkhandtenders.gov.in> only. Tender notification & Tender document can also be seen (read only purpose) from departmental website <https://jepc.jharkhand.gov.in>.

Ref. No.: JEP/CIV/03/637/2021/3456 Ranchi, Dated : 04.09.2023
Sd/
(Kiran Kumari Pasri) State Project Director
PR.NO.306223 Jharkhand Education Project Council(23-24):D
Jharkhand Education Project Council

**GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION, NASHIK****E-Tender Notice No.31 for 2023-24 (Online)**

Online E-Tenders in "B-1" Form for the following works invited by Executive Engineer, P.W.Division, Nashik Phone No. (0253/2583761-64, 2575324) for and on behalf of Governor of Maharashtra State From Capable of P.W.Deptt. Registered / Unregistered Contractor or International Contractor whose Sub company / branch in India and also complete terms and conditions mentioned in tender document.

Tender document download on our website <https://mahatenders.gov.in> Right of rejection of E-tender / cancellation of E-tender reserved by The Executive Engineer, P.W.Division, Nashik. *Conditional Tender will not be accepted.

Note:- Above mentioned E-Tender Notice including Total 02 (Two) (Costing upto Rs.500.00 Lacks) Works And details of mentioned E-Tender Notice available on below website.

1. www.mahapwd.gov.in
2. <https://mahatenders.gov.in>

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------|---------------|
| Tender Document Sale | 06.09.2023 | 20.09.2023 |
| Start and End Date Time | From 11:05 | to Upto 17:00 |

Blank E-Tender form Fees (Non refundable) and EMD amount will be accepted Online only.

- Post Qualification criteria condition included in tender document
- All eligible/intrested Contractors are required to be enrolled on portal <https://mahatenders.gov.in> before down loading tender documents andparticipate in e-tendering
- The information of E-Payment Gateway available on E-Tendering website <https://mahatenders.gov.in>

Please Note this to all Registered / Unregistered Contractors.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Public Works Division, Nashik

DGIPR/2023-2024/3306

ICFRE-Forest Research Institute

P.O. New Forest, Dehradun – 248 006, INDIA

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

NT No. 23-2/2023-24/Head/Engineering Cell/Civil

The Head, Engineering Cell, FRI, Dehradun invites on behalf of Director, FRI Dehradun online item rate bids from approved and eligible contractors of CPWD, MES Railway, P & T, State PWD & other Govt. and Semi- Govt. Department including local bodies etc:

| Sl. No. | Description | Tender ID No. | Earnest Money Rs. | Tender fee Including GST Rs. | Time of contract | Last date and time of online submission of the bid |
|---------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--|
| 1. | ARC(2023-24) Building Material. | 2023_ICFRE_761313_2 | 50,000/- | 590/- | One Year | 25.09.2023 up-to 3.00 P.M. |

1. The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> and www.fri.res.in

Head
Engineering Cell,
ICFRE-Forest Research Institute
Dehradun



FOR
Selection of Master Developer for Development, Operation and Maintenance of PM MITRA (Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel) Park on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer (DBFOT) basis in Vansi, Navsari, Gujarat
GIDC intends to develop a greenfield Mega Textile and Apparel Park spanning 1142 acres in the Vansi, Navsari city, under the PM MITRA Scheme of the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. This ambitious project seeks private sector collaboration, offering a range of incentives/grant to potential Master Developers. Interested parties are invited to submit their Expression of Interest (EoI) in accordance with the guidelines outlined in the EoI document. The EoI document can be accessed and downloaded from the GIDC website www.gidc.gov.in from 06-09-2023 up to 17:00 Hours of 22-09-2023. For inquiries and clarifications related to this EoI, please reach out to: Chief Engineer on email id ce@gidcgujarat.org. GIDC looks forward to partnering with enthusiastic and visionary entities in this remarkable journey towards successful Design, Build, Finance, operate, and Transfer (DBFOT) basis of PM MITRA Park.

Date: 6 September 2023

Vice Chairman and Managing Director
GIDC,Gandhinagar

Place: Gandhinagar,



CORRIDING

WORKS

Tender No.: 70/23/1134, Date: 02/09/2023. Following corrigendum is prepared against the T/CASE No. 70/23/1134 which is re-schedule to be open on 20/09/2023. Date of Tender Opening (TOD) : 20/09/2023.

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Bihar State Power Holding Company Limited

(Regd. Office: Vidyal Bhawan, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Patna)

GST No. 10AACFB2394AZZ CIN No. U4010BR2012SGC018495

Website: www.bspchl.co.in; E-mail: dba@bspchl@gmail.com

Contact: +9131515666

Department of Information Technology

TENDER NOTICE

NIT No.: 19/PR/BSPHCL/2023

Bihar State Power Holding Company Limited (BSPHCL), a Government of Bihar Undertaking, invites Bids for Design, Development & Implementation and Support & Maintenance services of web-based Payroll and Pension system in all the offices of BSPHCL & four Subsidiary Company for two years and AMC for one year after contract period subject to satisfactory performance. Online bids are invited from eligible and experienced Agencies / Firms / Companies/ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP).

| Sl. No. | Particulars | E.M.D. (Rs.) | Cost of B.O.Q. (Rs.) |
|---------|--|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. | Tender for Design, Development & Implementation and Support & Maintenance services of web-based Payroll and Pension system in all the offices of BSPHCL & four Subsidiary Company for two years and AMC for one year after contract period subject to satisfactory performance | Rs. 3,00,000/- | Rs. 10,000/- (Non-Refundable) |

Estimated cost Rupees 1.5 Crore

Date & time of start sale of tender 14.09.2023 (10:30 AM) through website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in

Date & time of pre-bid meeting 20.09.2023 (11:30 AM)

Date & time of tender closing 05.10.2023 (03:00 PM)

Date of opening of Technical & Commercial Part 1: 05.10.2023 (04:00 PM)

Date of opening of Price Part 2: To be notified after Technical Bid Evaluation (www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)

1. "Bid Processing Fee is mandatory to be paid through online mode i.e. Internet Payment Gateway Credit/DebitCard), Net Banking, NEFT/RTGS".

2. The Cost of EMD may be paid through Online or in form of Bank Guarantee before the date & time specified in the NIT failing which the tender shall be summarily rejected. For online submissions of Cost of EMD, bidder must submit details of intimation/receipt of EMD to this Office by 01:00 PM of 05/10/2023.

3. "Bid along with necessary online payments must be submitted through e-payment portal [https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in](http://eproc2.bihar.gov.in) before the date & time specified in the NIT. The department doesn't take responsibility for the delay/ Non submission of Tender/ Non Reconciliation of online Payment caused due to Non-availability of Internet Connection, Network Traffic/ Holidays or any other reason".4. Eligibility Criteria, tender documents along with General/Special condition, bids and any corrigendum/addendum of the tender are available only at website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in This information is available on state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar also

PR- 008062 (Ni Ni) 2023-24

Chief Engineer (IT), BSPHCL

**OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL,
MEDICAL EDUCATION & TRAINING, U.P.**6th Floor, Jawahar Bhawan, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Lucknow Dated 05 September, 2023

**TIME SCHEDULE FOR MOP-UP ROUND ONLINE
COUNSELING OF UP NEET UG-2023**

The schedule of online counseling for admission to undergraduate courses (MBBS/BDS) of Government/Private Medical/Dental Colleges/Institutions/Universities is as follows:-

| S. No. | Description | Date | Total Days |
|--------|--|--|------------|
| 1. | Date of Online Registration | 8 th September 2023 (From 11:00 AM) To 11 th September 2023 (Till 5:00 PM) | 04 Days |
| 2. | Date of deposition of Registration & Security money | 8 th September 2023 (From 11:00 AM) To 12 th September 2023 (Till 11:00 AM) | 04 Days |
| 3. | Date of on-line Document verification | 8 th September 2023 to 12 th September 2023 (Till 05:00 PM) | 05 Days |
| 4. | Date of Merit List Declaration | 12 th September 2023 | 01 Days |
| 5. | Date of on-line Choice filling | 13 th September 2023 (From 05:00 PM) to 15 th September 2023 (Till 05:00 PM) | 02 Days |
| 6. | Date of Allotment Result Declaration | 16 th /17 th September 2023 | 01 Days |
| 7. | Date for downloading the allotment letters and admission | 18 th September 2023 to 21 st September 2023 | 04 Days |

- 1 Candidates should assess their eligibility on their own according to the G.O (Government order)/Brochure of UP NEET UG 2023.
- 2 Only those candidates will be eligible for the mop-up round, who have not been allotted any seat through the first and second round of counseling of UP NEET UG-2023
- 3 Candidates allotted through first or second round of counseling of UP NEET UG-2023 and candidates allotted/admitted through all India quota and any round of other state counseling will not be eligible for the Mop-up round.
- 4 To participate in counseling, it will be mandatory for all eligible candidates to register themselves online on the website <https://upneet.gov.in> by depositing the registration fee of Rs. 1000/- (Rs. One Thousand only).
- 5 Security Money Rs. 30,000/- (Rs. Thirty Thousand Only) for Govt. Medical Colleges, Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rs. Two Lakhs Only) for private medical colleges and Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only) for Private dental colleges is mandatory to be deposited online by the candidates.
- 6 Such unallotted candidates whose Security money has already been deposited are not required to deposit the Security money again for the Mop-up Round Counseling.
- 7 Candidates whose original documents have been verified at

Haryana mantri wasn't honest about ties with coach: Cops

Chandigarh: Chandigarh Police's 700-page chargesheet against Haryana minister and ex-national men's hockey captain Sandeep Singh in a sexual harassment and assault case filed by a junior athletics coach mentions that their relationship went beyond professional interaction, and that the former was "not being honest" about it, reports **Ajay Sura**.

The chargesheet lists 45 witnesses, several of whom are said to have corroborated the junior coach's complaint about being harassed by the minister. It also mentions that Sandeep couldn't explain why he would meet the complainant beyond official work hours, including late at night.

Some contents of the chargesheet are based on a report by the Central Forensic Science Laboratory, which examined the junior coach's mobile phone. The police had sent three phones, including two belonging to the minister, for analysis. According to the chargesheet, the minister claimed that the complainant only visited his office cabin. The woman, on the other hand, "was able to identify the main office (in his residence), an adjacent side room, the bedroom and attached bathroom, and all the connecting passageways".

This, it says, "clearly show that the victim had visited the said rooms where she claimed to have been molested".

After nikah row, couple to wed under special marriage Act

Kanpur: An interfaith couple whose purported nikah video caused an uproar in Kanpur's Chaukpur neighbourhood and led to their families disowning them, will now legalise their union in accordance with the Special Marriage Act under state security. UP Police said on Tuesday.

DCP (West) Vijay Dhul said the couple, a Hindu man and a Muslim woman, had applied in court for registration of their marriage, but the process didn't take place as scheduled on Tuesday because of a strike by advocates.

"We have provided adequate security to the couple as their respective families are not threatening by them," he said.

The couple is believed to be under threat ever since the purported video went viral, fuelling rumours that the groom had converted to marry the woman he loves and paid Rs 51,786 as mehr (dowry to the bride). After the nikah in front of three witnesses, the couple moved to Punjab, the video claims. Police said, quoting residents of the area, that the couple eloped four months ago, first going through a Hindu marriage and then a nikah.

The groom has since released a video to clarify that he never converted, but went through a nikah.

In blow to INDIA, Punjab Cong netas oppose poll ties with AAP

2 Ex-Ministers Threaten To Leave Party

Vinod.Kumar3@timesgroup.com

Chandigarh: Two days after Punjab finance minister Harpal Singh Cheema said Aam Aadmi Party would contest 2024 Lok Sabha elections in

Punjab LOP Partap Singh Bajwa will relay the feedback from the state unit to the party high command during the Congress Working Committee meeting in Hyderabad on September 15-16

the state in an alliance with Congress, a huge section of Pradesh Congress Committee leaders have opposed any such tie-up, delivering a blow to INDIA bloc's show of unity.

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Punjab PCC chief Amrinder Raja Singh Warring in this file photo. In a series of meetings that Warring held with party members, Congress leaders warned against any alliance with AAP, saying such arrangement would damage the party's electoral prospects in the state

No SAD tie-up, BJP to go solo for LS polls

Dismissing any possibility of realigning with Sukhbir Singh Badal-led Shiromani Akali Dal, BJP national secretary Manjinder Singh Sirsa on Tuesday said his party will go solo in the 13 Lok Sabha seats in Punjab. His statement puts an end to speculation that BJP and SAD would forge an alliance once again before the next year's general elections. SAD, which was one of the oldest allies of BJP, had walked out of NDA in 2020 in protest of the three farm laws. TNN

dents, MLAs and an MP to take their feedback on Cheema's remark. Congress members warned against any tie-up with AAP, with two former ministers even threatening to leave the party on this issue.

All seven Congress MPs from Punjab were invited for the meeting, but only one, Muhammad Sadiq, attended. Sadiq expressed his sentiments against such an alliance, sources said.

Punjab leader of opposition Partap Singh Bajwa will

relay the feedback from the state unit to the party high command during the Congress Working Committee meeting in Hyderabad on September 15-16.

While interacting with media after the meeting, Warring said they have been told to make preparations for contesting the elections on all 13 Lok Sabha seats in the state.

Party sources revealed that during the meetings on Tuesday, the PCC leadership was reminded of AAP's actions after forming the government in Punjab, which included a "witchhunt" against Congress members and attempts to portray the party as corrupt in the state. There was also a consensus that Congress is in a strong position in Punjab and forming an alliance with AAP would only damage its electoral prospects.

A party member said, "Congress is the main opposition party in the state. It would be morally wrong to jointly contest polls with AAP, which currently is in power in the state." He also expressed concern about the party's ability to keep its flock together after polls if an alliance between Congress and AAP was to materialise.

GURUS AND GULAABS



President Droupadi Murmu interacts with teachers from various states who visited 'Amrit Udyam' at Rashtrapati Bhavan on the occasion of Teachers' Day in New Delhi on Tuesday

Teacher who didn't miss school for a day in 11 yrs among 75 feted

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: A teacher who drove library automation, and another who made door-to-door visits to enrol students, a teacher who did not miss school even a single day for 11 years and one who personally cleaned the school campus and toilets—they were among 75 teachers recognised for their efforts by President Droupadi Murmu on Tuesday. The awardees included faculty members of IITs and IIITs as the eligibility criteria was expanded to include the higher education and skill sector this year.

Mujib Rahiman from Kendriya Vidyalaya in Kerala's Palakkad developed a software in 2007, which provides free access to many school libraries in India.

Neta Chandra Dey from Ramakrishna Mission school in Arunachal Pradesh attended school on all working days for the past 11 years.

Ningthoujam Binoy

luru who has developed an innovative UPSC virtual reality interviewing platform. Builder of India's first-ever Microfluidics Lab, IIT Kharagpur professor Suman Chakraborty, also bagged a National Award.

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that elementary education has fundamental importance in anyone's life. She added that many educationists speak about the three-H formula for the balanced development of children in which the first H is Heart, the second H is Head and the third H is Hand. She shared that heart is related to sensitivity, human values, strength of character and morality. The head or brain is related to mental development, reasoning power and reading and the hand is related to respect for manual skills and physical labour. She said that all-round development of children would be possible only by emphasising on such a holistic approach.

The awardees include 50 school teachers, 13 from higher education institutions and 12 from the ministry of skill development & entrepreneurship

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Holidays not in kids' interest, says RJD neta after criticism

Patna: The decision by the Bihar education department to withdraw its August 29 notification, which aimed to curtail holidays in state-run schools, has sparked controversy and criticism. RJD national vice-president Shivanand Tiwari expressed concern that this reversal is not in the best interests of students and could negatively impact their studies, reported **Manoj Chaurasia**.

The state government's decision to backtrack appears to have been influenced by pressure from teachers and opposition parties, which framed the earlier holiday reduction as an "anti-Hindu mentality".

Tiwari questioned the logic behind declaring a holiday for worshipping Lord Vishwakarma. "Similarly, students hardly keep fast on Krishna Janmashtami, though some teachers do. So, there is no reasonable justification for suspending classes on this day too," he said.

The controversy arose because the circular had reduced the number of holidays for upcoming festivals like Durga Puja, Diwali, and Chhath, leading to protests from teachers.

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CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL EDUCATION & RESEARCH,
GOVT. MEDICAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL, CHANDIGARH

E-TENDER NOTICE

The e-tender (Online Tenders) is invited for Licensing out JANAUSHADHI GENERIC DRUG STORE, GMCH SOUTH CAMPUS, SECTOR - 48, CHANDIGARH as per detail given below:-

| Location | Area | Reserve License fee | Earhest Money | Last date & time for uploading e-tenders | Last date & time for depositing EMD in physical shape | Date and Time for opening of tenders in IT Cell, Block 'B' GMCH, Chandigarh |
|--|--------------|---------------------|---------------|--|---|---|
| GMCH South Campus, Sector-48 Chandigarh. | 147.81 Sqft. | Rs. 29,852/- | Rs 30,000/- | 03.10.23 Upto 5.00 PM | 04.10.23 Upto 12.00 Noon | 04.10.23 at 03.00 PM |

Note: For more details please see Tender Document which should be downloaded from the Website of GMCH <http://www.gmch.gov.in>

Superintendent (Estate)
For Director Principal

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION, BEED
E-TENDER NOTICE NO BEED/ 07 OF 2023-24

E-Tenders for (10) Works in B-1 form is invited by the Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Beed (Phone No. 02442-222474) from the registered Contractors in appropriate class of Public Works Department of Govt. of Maharashtra for the improvement roads/repair of buildings/construction of new buildings in Tal. Beed/Georai/Wadwani Dist. Beed. Right is reserved to reject any or all tenders without any reason thereof.

The details can be viewed and downloaded from following website. www.mahapwd.com. <https://mahatenders.gov.in>

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Public Works Division Beed
DGI/PR/2023-2024/3282

CAD-1949

File No. HO/P&C/EST/E-1634/01/2020/8/04 Dt. 02.09.2023

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER (CIVIL) IDCO, IDCO TOWER, BHUBANESWAR.

Bid Identification No. Civil/EST-21/2023-24

NOTICE INVITING TENDER UNDER NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDING

THROUGH eProcurement

1. Name of the Work : 06(Six) Nos. of Road Works
2. Total No. of works: 06 Nos. of Road Work under TRIP for the year 2023-24
3. Estimated Cost of the work: Varies from Rs.238.22 lakhs to Rs.645.80 lakhs
4. Class of Contractor :
- a)Estimated cost more than Rs. 20.00 lakhs up to Rs. 3.00 Crores. B Class (of Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authorities
- b)Estimated cost more than Rs. 1.00 Crore up to Rs. 20.00 Crores. A Class (of Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authorities
- c)Estimated cost more than Rs. 6.00 Crores up to Rs. 50.00 Crores. Special Class (of Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authorities
5. Period of completion : As mentioned in Column-7 of Annexure
6. Offered rates by bidder : The offered rate by the contractor shall be excluding GST.
7. Other details :

Further details can be seen from the web site www.tendersodisha.gov.in

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
Central Rural Works Circle, Bhubaneswar
OIPR-25082/11/0024/23-24

A-524

Office of the Chief Engineer & Basin Manager
Rushikulya-Bahuda Vansadhara Nagaval Basin, Brahmapur - 760004

e-mail: ce_rvn@yahoo.co.in

e-Procurement Notice No. - CE & BM, RBVN-07/2023-24

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'Fake godman': Udhayanidhi mocks UP seer over ₹10cr bounty to behead him

Security Upended Around House, But Mantri Says 'Don't Need It'

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Madurai: Tamil Nadu sports minister Udhayanidhi Stalin dismissed on Tuesday the announcement of a bounty on his head by an Ayodhya seer by calling him a "fake godman", although police protection was beefed up for his Chennai residence following a raging row over his recent remarks about "eradicating Sanatan Dharma".

Speaking at a DMK youth wing meeting in Tenkasi, the movie star-turned-politician expressed confidence in the protection offered by the party's youth wing. "I won't be needing it (security) when I have the youth wing cadre of DMK," Udhayanidhi said.

The minister was reacting to the bounty offered by the headpriest of Ayodhya's Tapasvi Chhawni Temple. Mahant Paramahans Das, who had offered a cash reward of Rs 10 crore for anyone who would "behead" Udhayanidhi over his "anti-Sanatan Dharma" remarks.

Responding to BJP's accusations that he had called for a "genocide of Hindus", Udhayanidhi pointed out that a "Sanatan abolition" conference had recently been planned in Chennai, but that didn't imply a plan for genocide any more than a "Dravidian eradication" conference suggested harm to DMK members. He stressed that the term "eradication" didn't equate to genocide, much like "poverty eradication" didn't mean eliminating a specific group of people.

He claimed that the BJP government at the Centre has been unsettled by the opposition's INDIA alliance gaining



Police deployed heavy security at Udhayanidhi's Chennai house following threats issued to him over his recent remarks on Sanatan Dharma

BJP: Comment similar to Hitler's call against Jews

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Continuing its attack on Tamil Nadu minister Udhayanidhi Stalin for his remarks seeking eradication of Sanatan Dharma, BJP on Tuesday said there was an eerie similarity between how Hitler characterised Jews and Udhayanidhi described Sanatan Dharma.

"We know how Nazi hate culminated in the Holocaust, killing approximately 6 million European Jews and at least another 5 million Soviet prisoners of war and other victims," BJP functionary Amit Malviya said as reactions continued from various other leaders. Malviya said Udhayanidhi's comment was "unadulterated hate speech and a call for genocide of 80% population of Bharat", who follow Sanatan Dharma. "Congress and INDIA support for Stalin's bile is most disconcerting," he added.

Referring to Congress leader Karan Singh expressing strong objection to Udhayanidhi's remarks, Union minister Hardeep Singh Puri said, "The letter in which senior leader and philosopher Dr Karan Singh articulates his concern for the frightening statement by an INDIA partner is proof how every law abiding, spiritual and god fearing human is shocked and concerned at the call for eradication of Sanatan Dharma."

Support and hence, it was planning to rename the country as "Bharat". He criticised BJP for failing to fulfil its promises, such as bringing "back black money from abroad and their demonetisation exercise (of 2016) was a colossal failure".

Udhayanidhi mentioned the controversial allocation of government properties such as airports to businessman Gau-

tam Adani. He criticised the decision of Rahul Gandhi, saying he "was disqualified because he raised the Hindenburg report in Parliament".

Udhayanidhi cited the CAG report that exposed alleged scams of the BJP government, including the waiver of Rs 16 lakh crore of bank loans to corporate companies and the silence of Modi on the Manipur strife.

FOOTBALL TO CUT CARBON FOOTPRINT



CELEBRATING SPORT, EMBRACING SUSTAINABILITY: Situated at 11,000 feet in Ladakh's high-altitude desert, a first of its kind 'climate-friendly' football tournament gets underway. The 'Climate Cup' aims to minimise its carbon footprint by featuring electric buses, ban on plastic usage, and providing reusable sippers. The tournament aims to raise awareness about Ladakh's challenges, from melting glaciers to changing weather patterns, representing a humble start in addressing climate change in the pristine region

There will be 'economic blockade' if VCs follow guy orders: Didi to univs

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Kolkata: Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee threatened an "economic blockade" on Tuesday against state universities whose vice-chancellors take orders from governor C V Ananda Bose, with whom she is engaged in a running battle over his alleged attempts to "demolish" the state's education system.

Mamata, whose latest gripe against the governor is the midnight appointment of officiating vice-chancellors of 16 state universities, warned of a sit-in outside Raj Bhavan if Bose continued "meddling" in

Jadavpur University's internal probe panel has recommended expelling four students involved in ragging a 17-year-old fresher, who tragically died from a fall in the boys' main hostel on August 10, and suspending 31 students for either engaging in ragging or indirectly supporting the rampant "ragging culture", reports Dipawali Mitra & Subrata Chatterjee. This development coincided with the Calcutta HC directing the university on Tuesday to check each room of the hostels to determine how many ex-students still reside in the dorms, and ask anyone found staying there to leave within 24 hours. The HC directed the university to file an affidavit by September 26, outlining measures for anti-ragging committees and squads.

matters of education.

At a Teachers' Day event in south Kolkata's Alipore, she sought to spell out who's the boss by reminding the governor that the state government pays the bills.

"If you think you are

more powerful than the CM, you are welcome to think so. But please remember that the state frames policies, not you. If you keep interfering, and if any college and university follows your directives, we want to see how you pay professors and vice-chancellors," she said.

Sources said, as a first step, the government could start using "Bharat" as the country's description in all communications by a government order.

The BJP's preference for 'Bharat' as the country's name can also be traced to Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee, founder of Bharatiya Jan Sangh, the saffron party's previous avatar, who pushed for the country to be named sowing the debate on the subject in the Constituent Assembly.

Sources, however, refused to confirm this, pointing to the difficulty in dropping 'India' from the Preamble as it would entail a constitutional amendment to be carried out by 'super majority' that would include ratification by

the special session of Parliament, to be

'Individual opinion', says SP, distances itself from remark

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Lucknow: Samajwadi Party on Tuesday distanced itself from DMK leader Udhayanidhi Stalin's call for "eradication" of Sanatan Dharma and termed the comments "an individual opinion".

Senior SP leader Ram Gopal Yadav, who is a key strategist of the party, said nobody should comment on anyone's religion and belief, but refrained from making a direct comment on Udhayanidhi's remarks, saying he was not aware of what exactly had been said. Respecting all religions

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and honouring the belief of everyone was the "honourable" thing to do, he said, adding that before blowing up the issue, one should also see if the remarks were made in any specific context. People add their own interpretations, because of which the "very essence of what was originally said often gets lost", Yadav said.

SP chief Akhilesh Yadav is yet to react on the controversy.

Both SP and DMK are part of the INDIA alliance. While DMK has remained unapologetic about Stalin junior's comments, other parties of the bloc have been in a quandary. They have refrained from condemning the remarks to avoid any discord within the alliance.

Must respect each other's religion, says Kejriwal

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: In his first reaction to Tamil Nadu minister and DMK leader Udhayanidhi Stalin's "eradicate Sanatan Dharma" remark, Delhi chief minister and AAP national convener Arvind Kejriwal stressed on respecting every religion and made it clear that it was not right to speak anything wrong about anyone's religion.

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"During the Congress-led UPA government, former PM Manmohan Singh gave a statement that minorities have the first right to the country's treasury. Congress was submerged in appeasement of minorities," Shah claimed.

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UP judge axed for brawl tops U'khand exam, ousted again

Candidature Cancelled For Hiding Facts

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The Uttarakhand HC rejected the man's plea to review cancellation of his judicial exam candidature

Dehradun: Uttarakhand HC rejected the plea of an ex-judge in UP, Rahul Singh, to appoint him in Uttarakhand after he secured first rank in the judicial exams in the neighbouring state "for hiding crucial facts about his earlier stint as magistrate in Agra district".

Singh had not revealed while applying for Uttarakhand judicial services in 2019, which he topped, the fact that he was dismissed from UP judicial services in 2014 following a brawl. He was selected in the UP judicial services in June 2013 and worked as a judicial magistrate in Agra during the probation period.

On September 2014, Singh, along with a group of fellow probationers, went to a resort in Lucknow where he consumed alcohol and allegedly manhandled a fellow probationer. Eleven probationers were dismissed after that incident. Singh then started practicing as a lawyer.

A few years later when Uttarakhand HC had invited applications for state higher judicial service in April 2019, Singh applied and was placed first on the merit list. At that time, he had mentioned that he served as a judicial magistrate in UP from June 4, 2013 to September 27,

Aditya-II performs 2nd Earth-bound manoeuvre to reach its destination

TIMES NEWS NETWORK



The satellite will spend its entire mission orbiting around L1

Bengaluru: Scientists from Isro Telemetry, Tracking, and Command Network (Is-trac) successfully conducted early on Tuesday the second Earth-bound manoeuvre of the Aditya-L1, necessary for the spacecraft to reach its orbital destination and help study the Sun.

"Isstrc/Isro ground stations in Mauritius, Bengaluru, and Port Blair tracked the satellite during this operation. The new orbit attained is 282km x 40,225km," Isro said. The next manoeuvre, the third of the scheduled five Earth-bound operations, is set for 2:30am on September 10.

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| 3 | | Office No. A & B, Ground Floor, Mrudual Tower, Opp. H.K.House, Opp. Bata Showroom, Ashram Road, Ahmedabad, Gujarat 380009 | 4W Wealth Management Private Limited | SEBI/WRO/S/J/OW/32267/3 | September 12, 2023 at 2.30 pm | SEBI Bhavan 2, C7, G Block, Bandra Kuria Complex, Bandra East, Mumbai 400051 |
| 4 | Shri Bhavesh P. Bhensdadia | Director: 4W Wealth Management Private Limited, 15, Greenland Society, Surat 395004, Gujarat | SEBI/WRO/S/J/OW/32267/4 | | | |
| 5 | Shri Rinkalkumar Mohanbhai Chopda | Director: 4W Wealth Management Private Limited, Takhad Gadh, Tal - Prantij, Dist - Himmatnagar 383210, Gujarat | SEBI/WRO/S/J/OW/32267/5 | | | |
| 6 | | Director: 4W Wealth Management Private Limited, Signal Farm, At - Amrigadh, Dist. B.K. | SEBI/WRO/S/J/OW/32267/6 | | | |
| 7 | Shri Vivek Laxmanbhai Patel | Palanpur, 385130, Gujarat | SEBI/WRO/S/J/OW/32267/7 | | | |
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भवन निर्माण विभाग, भवन प्रमण्डल, समस्तीपुर
शुद्धि-पत्र सं 12/2023-24

आवश्यक सूचना

एतद् द्वारा सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि इस कार्यालय के ई० निवादा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या-20/2023-24 जिसका पौँजीत्रा नं 005485 (BCD) 2023-24 है में निनवत संशोधन किया जाता है-

| क्रम सं | कार्य का नाम | संशोधित कार्य अधिकारी |
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| 1. | समस्तीपुर जिलानगरत जिलानगरत हनुमपुर में 100 असन वाले राजकीय कल्याण छात्रावास भवनों का निर्माण कार्य। | 09 माह |
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| 1 | प्रौ-बीड मिटिंग की तिथि, समय | 3 | 5 |
| (क) | दिनांक- 16.08.2023 को 3:00 बजे आरामान, मुख्य अधिकारी (उत्तर), भवन निर्माण विभाग, विहार परामर्श के कार्यालय कक्ष में। | दिनांक- 18.09.2023 को 3:00 बजे आरामान, मुख्य अधिकारी (उत्तर), भवन निर्माण विभाग, परामर्श के कार्यालय कक्ष में। | |
| (ख) | दिनांक- 18.08.2023 को 3:00 बजे अधिकारी (आरामान) भवन अंतर्गत, दरमणग के कार्यालय कक्ष में। | दिनांक- 20.09.2023 को 3:00 बजे अधिकारी (आरामान) भवन अंतर्गत, दरमणग के कार्यालय कक्ष में। | |
| 2 | निवादा कागजात प्राप्त करने (डाउन लोड करने) की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय। | दिनांक- 16.08.2023 से | दिनांक- 18.09.2023 से |
| 3 | निवादा जारी करने (अपलोड करने) की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय। | दिनांक- 07.09.2023 के 5:00 बजे अरामान तक। | दिनांक- 09.10.2023 के 5:00 बजे अरामान तक। |
| 4 | निवादा जारी करने (अपलोड करने) की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय। | दिनांक- 08.09.2023 को 3:30 बजे अरामान। | दिनांक- 10.10.2023 को 3:30 बजे अरामान। |
| 5 | आवश्यक कागजात मूल में जारी करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय। | दिनांक- 08.09.2023 को 3:00 बजे अरामान तक। | दिनांक- 10.10.2023 के 3:00 बजे अरामान तक। |

कंडिका के क्रमांक-21 के स्थान पर- "मानवीय उच्च न्यायालय पटना द्वारा C.W.J.C. NO.-9941/2022 विहार संसदावार पर भवन विहार परामर्श को Dismissed कर दिया गया है। यह निर्माण विभाग, विहार, पटना के डाय়েক्स-5768 (H). दिनांक-18.07.2023 हारा न्यायालय के आदेश को अनुपालन सुनिश्चित किया जाता है।

कंडिका के क्रमांक-30- कार्य पूर्ण होने के पश्चात पाठ्य पंथ (05) वर्ष तक Maintenance करना होगा।

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विज्ञान, प्रावैधिकी एवं तकनीकी शिक्षा विभाग

प्रेस विज्ञप्ति

विहार लोक सेवा आयोग, पटना द्वारा आयोजित विज्ञापन संख्या-20/2020 के अन्तर्गत विज्ञान, प्रावैधिकी एवं तकनीकी शिक्षा विभाग, विहार, पटना के अधीन राजकीय पोलिटेक्निक संस्थानों में व्याख्याता (स्ट्रोयन) के पद पर अनुशासित उम्मीदवारों की नियुक्ति हेतु निम्नलिखित अनुक्रमांकों का शैक्षणिक प्रमाण पत्र/जारीत प्रमाण-पत्र एवं अन्य संगत प्रमाण पत्रों की जीवं विह

CRPF man held for smoking in flight

A 37-year-old CRPF head constable was arrested for smoking beedi in the toilet of a Kolkata-Bengaluru flight on Sunday. According to a complaint filed by Puneeth BM, duty manager of InterGlobe Aviation Ltd, with KIA Police, the cabin crew of IndiGo flight 6E-487 found Karunakaran J, deployed in Jharkhand, smoking in the aircraft's toilet. TNN

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Due to unavoidable circumstances BRPL has annulled RfO no- HOD (PMG)/2022-23/1429 dated 30.8.2022 and subsequent addendum thereof. The corrigendum is uploaded on website mentioned below.
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NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement**Procurement Notice for India - P162679 West Bengal Major Irrigation & Flood Management Project****3rd Corrigendum/ Addendum Notice for****Name of Work : Engagement of Service Provider for irrigation services under WBMIFMP in Damodar Valley Command area for Civil Work Package (CWP) – 1****: Durgapur Branch Canal****RFB No. : WBMIFMP/APD/NC/23-24/ISP/CWP1, Tender ID : 2023_IWD_554651_1 &****Name of Work : Engagement of Service Provider for irrigation services under WBMIFMP in Damodar Valley Command area for Civil Work Package (CWP) – 3****: Damodar Branch Canal****RFB No. : WBMIFMP/APD/NC/23-24/ISP/CWP3, Tender ID : 2023_IWD_554736_1****For detailed 3rd Corrigendum/Addendum to above works, please visit <https://wbtenders.gov.in>****Sd/-****Additional Project Director-III****DPMU-I, WBMIFMP, Government of West Bengal****Agree with India's stand on sovereignty: Ellis****UK Envoy: What Russia's Doing Is Affecting World****Sachin.Parashar**

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New Delhi: British high commissioner Alex Ellis, in an interview to TOI, said the UK is working to help India land a joint communiqué at the G20 summit.

"(Russian President) Putin has made it that much harder but we want the world to come together. We have an eye on efforts to get a text which will support global progress but it will be tough," said Ellis, ahead of Rishi Sunak's maiden visit to India as UK Prime Minister. UK NSA Tim Barrow is currently in India to participate in the G20 Sherpa talks, ahead of the leaders' summit.

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Rs 3.5 lakh crore now. We have set a target of doubling the trade by 2030 and FTA is a way of helping that and also supporting investment," said Ellis, adding that the UK would also like to do a bilateral investment treaty with India parallel to the FTA.

"There is also a big prize strategically because India and the UK are the 5th and 6th biggest economies in the world and India is on its way to becoming the third biggest. Both are also democracies. FTA would send out a powerful signal to a very geopolitically contested world," he added.

Sunak is expected to engage with businesses and investors on issues related to the FTA under discussion.

So far 12 rounds of negotiations have been completed with the next one scheduled later this month.

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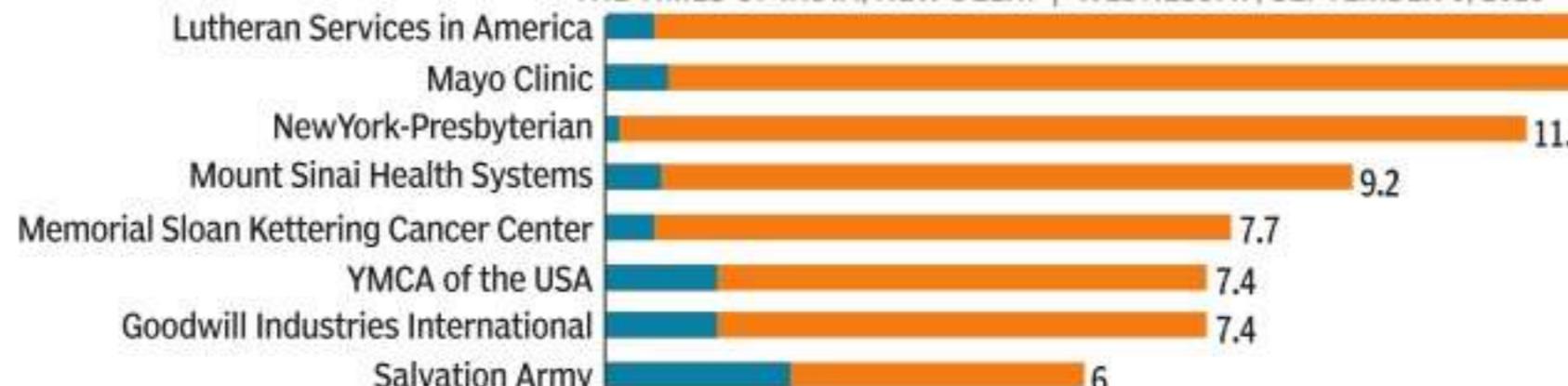
The UK's top diplomat here also didn't think the absence of Chinese President Xi Jinping would in any way affect the agenda of Sunak who is scheduled to arrive here for the sum-

mit on September 8.

"China will be represented and it's for each country to decide how it would want to be represented but

With revenues of \$23bn in 2022, Lutheran Services tops the list of the highest-earning non-profits in the US, according to an analysis by Forbes. The network of 300 Lutheran organisations is one of only three non-profit firms bringing in over \$10bn annually.

Source: Statista



Private support
Govt support & other income



FM: Ensure nomination to tackle unclaimed deposits

Asks Banks, Fin Cos & Startups To Update Customer Records

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Mumbai: Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman has urged banks and capital market institutions to ensure all accounts have a nomination to address concerns over rising unclaimed deposits and investments due to death of individuals. The FM's statement comes four months after she proposed a drive to settle unclaimed bank deposits, which have been steadily increasing every year.

As of February 2023, about Rs 35,000 crore of unclaimed bank deposits were transferred to RBI. Similarly, around 117 crore unclaimed shares — estimated to be worth around Rs 40,000 crore — are held by the Investor Education and Protection Fund.

"I want the banking and market system to remember that when handling finances, organisations should consider the future and ensure there are designated beneficiaries... Of course, individuals can change their nominations any number of times. However, it is the responsibility of the organisation to ensure that a designated nominee is in place," said Nirmala Sitharaman | FM

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"Of course, individuals can change their nominations any number of times. However, it is the responsibility of the organisation to ensure that a designated nominee is in place," she added. She also suggested that startups could assist the government in this area.

Sitharaman asked fintech companies to take a leading role in the cross-border payments system, given the size of India's market. She

ring on national experiences and international initiatives related to the interoperability of national fast payment systems to ensure smooth flow of funds.

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New Delhi: Pepperfry has appointed co-founder Ashish Shah as the new chief executive officer, following the untimely demise of former CEO

Ambardeesh Murty Shah, who founded the company with Murty in 2012, had held the position of COO before the commencement of this new stint. Murty passed away on August 7 in Leh after suffering a cardiac arrest.

Pepperfry, which runs an online furniture marketplace, said it has raised a fresh \$23 million in funding from existing investors, including institutional investors and family offices. The firm, which aims to go public, indicated that it is close to achieving profitability.

"In the past few months, Pepperfry has undertaken several initiatives that have set the company towards a sustained path to profitability, a milestone that is now within close reach," the company said in a statement on Tuesday.

The fresh capital infusion will help Pepperfry to strengthen its supply chain and invest in technology-led innovation.

In a competitive space, while rival Reliance Laddar was acquired by Reliance, Pepperfry managed to survive.

The firm claims to cater to more than 10 million customers currently.

"Pepperfry remains focused on its mission to provide a wide array of well-designed products to help customers create functional living spaces," Shah said.

In race against time, cos look at 85% rule

As Pre-Pandemic 'Normal' Returns, Execs Want Staff To Optimise Time For Peak Performance

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Is spending long hours at work directly proportional to productivity? Are lengthy meetings necessary for churning out the best outcomes?

As organisations return to the pre-pandemic normal, time has once again become a scarce commodity.

Those working from home find more time for personal pursuits and recreation while meeting workplace targets than those in office. This has made leaders optimise time for maximum productivity, both individually and collectively, linking performance to productivity and not the number of hours clocked in at work.

For the 25th straight month, the headline figure was above the neutral 50 threshold. In Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) parlance, a print above 50 means expansion while a score below 50 denotes contraction.

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**A thought for today**

Mental effort, I would argue, is relatively rare. Most of the time we coast

DANIEL KAHNEMAN

Sanatan Facts

Religion will always engender different interpretations, political rhetoric around religion will always be shallow

Following a couple of days of controversy over Udhayanidhi Stalin's remarks on 'Sanatan Dharma', it's clear that positions on both sides have hardened, and that within opposition ranks, Stalin Junior's remarks have come as an unwanted controversy for some. None of this is a surprise. A highly emotive force like religion never lends itself to a uniform interpretation. A common thread running through major religions is the heterogeneity of interpretations. In most democracies religion sometimes gets entangled with another emotive force, politics. When that happens people on different sides of divides talk past each other. As is the case now.

Arguably, barring Europe, which was home to the Enlightenment, a 17th century movement that prioritised reason in forming worldviews, politics elsewhere still has an uneasy equation with religion. More so in democracies when political parties hunt for emotive issues to craft electoral blocs. However, cause and effect never run in a straight line. In India, one can say that just a handful overtly religious or social movements have had a lasting political impact. The Ayodhya movement is the most consequential one as the impact has had a large geographical footprint. The Mandal movement was also consequential but didn't have as big an impact on areas outside the Hindi-speaking belt, which had a long history of reservations.

Going back to DMK and the trajectory of TN politics, Periyar was a hugely consequential influence. But here too the reality is more complex than social media's outpourings suggest. For example, in the watershed 1967 assembly election that ushered in the phase of Dravidian political dominance, it was Rajaji who played a key role in stitching a coalition anchored by DMK that toppled Congress, which had Periyar campaigning for them. DMK since then has been in national coalitions with both BJP and Congress. Straight lines in the real world have little explanatory power. Indeed, the same logic applies to religion. It's hard to miss the number of key functionaries of both Dravidian parties who are conspicuously religious.

Reactions outside TN to Udhayanidhi's remarks on 'Sanatan Dharma' show that the label triggers a diversity of emotions. So is the case with a lot of other labels. Politics around labels is always high-pitched and the rhetoric is distinctively shallow. And in election season, these attributes get sharper. Expect more such kerfuffle as the weeks and months roll by.

Truth Isn't An Enemy

FIR against Editors Guild should be withdrawn. Such actions by Manipur CM, police won't help end violence

A significant element feeding the cycle of distrust and violence in Manipur early May, has been siloed information flows. Communities have tended to get divided into separate echo chambers, each vulnerable to fake news and disinformation. It is against this backdrop that an Editors Guild of India fact-finding team has documented how "competing and diametrically opposite narratives were spun out by the two sides." If the FIR against the team is strange and disquieting, even stranger is how CM Biren Singh held a presser to publicise the police action and personally decry the EGI's report. At a time when his government has so much to answer for, in terms of extensive failure to maintain law and order, the message it is sending is that it won't take kindly to being questioned.

To be clear, no report is above criticism. Or disagreement. But a CM peremptorily branding some journalists as "anti-national and anti-establishment" does the opposite of facilitating better reportage. Police action of this kind is intended to intimidate independent and critical reporting. After all, there is a fundamental conflict of interest in the state playing both judge and jury.

No Manipuri has found a place in the SC-appointed committee to assist in ensuring the basic needs of strife-hit Manipuris, because of fears of partisanship. The state government itself has asked officials to quit social media groups amid reports of bureaucracy and police being split on ethnic lines. Difficult trust-building is needed to move beyond such disunion. Bitter truths must be aired and negotiated. Full lifting of the communication blockade and full access to media from outside the state, are very important too. Singh's government should begin course-correction by working to withdraw the FIR against EGI members.

**DIY India**

The government's ₹13,000cr proposal to train artisans is a step towards self-reliance

Jug Suraiya

If you're in need of a good plumber to come and fix a leaky faucet or a defective flush, or a reliable electrician to sort out the wiring that keeps short-circuiting the bijli, or a carpenter to repair a broken sofa, your search is likely to prove frustrating, for such skilled workers have become a species almost as extinct as the dodo.

For it seems that all the experienced plumbers, electricians and carpenters, along with a great many trained cooks and other domestic helpers, have migrated en masse to greener pastures in the Gulf, or in parts of the world, where their expertise is more highly regarded and better rewarded.

So while we have lots – some would say too many – property dealers, and marketing consultants, and insurance salespeople, and others in the service sector which has become the largest contributor to the national economy, there is a dearth of workers accomplished in manual tasks.

To make matters worse, middle-class India lacks a DIY, or Do It Yourself, culture which is common in the West, where people have become accomplished at carrying out all manner of minor domestic repair work without having to call for outside help, which is both expensive and tardy.

secondopinion In this context, the government's proposed plan to set up a ₹13,000cr scheme to train artisans in all kinds of manual crafts, including carpentry and similar skills, will be widely welcomed.

The five-year project is to be launched, appropriately enough, on Vishwakarma Jayant on September 17.

In its first year, the plan will cover six lakh families, one member of which will get a subsidised loan of ₹2 lakh to learn a specific craft.

It is hoped that these modern-day Vishwakarmas, taking the name of the deity of craftsmen, will not only help to supplement the country's trained workforce, but also revive the Gandhian ideal of investing dignity in manual labour, instead of viewing it as a distasteful and demeaning chore.

The problem, of course, is that once all these artisans have been trained, there's little to prevent them from departing in droves to greener pastures as so many of the alumni of IITs and other institutions have done, leading to the anathemised 'Brain Drain'.

So perhaps in the end we'll all learn that if you want a job done you have to learn to DIY. Like charity, Atmanirbharata begins at home.

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India Or Bharat: Why Not Both?

Two commentators, approaching the issue of name change for the nation from different directions, arrive at the same conclusion: We should be comfortable with two names, the duality allows diverse ideas of nationhood

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Ever since the opposition alliance made a pre-emptive claim to the acronym INDIA, BJP has been in a quandary. For the party that claims nationalism as its middle name, this appropriation by the opposition has rankled. The opposition tagline for the next election is Judega Bharat, Jitega India (Bharat will unite, India will win).

At first, BJP tried to debunk this branding by calling it a "ghamandiya" (arrogant) alliance. The PM made negative references to it by pointing out that the "India" label was claimed even by communal outfits like the Popular Front of India or Indian Mujahideen.

Now, BJP seems to have decided that it cannot do without owning at least one of the interchangeable names of the country: Bharat. There is a buzz in the national capital and TV channels that one of the reasons for calling a special session of Parliament from September 18 to 22 is to rename India formally as Bharat. The buzz got louder when President Murmu's G20 dinner invite to world leaders referred to her as "President of Bharat".

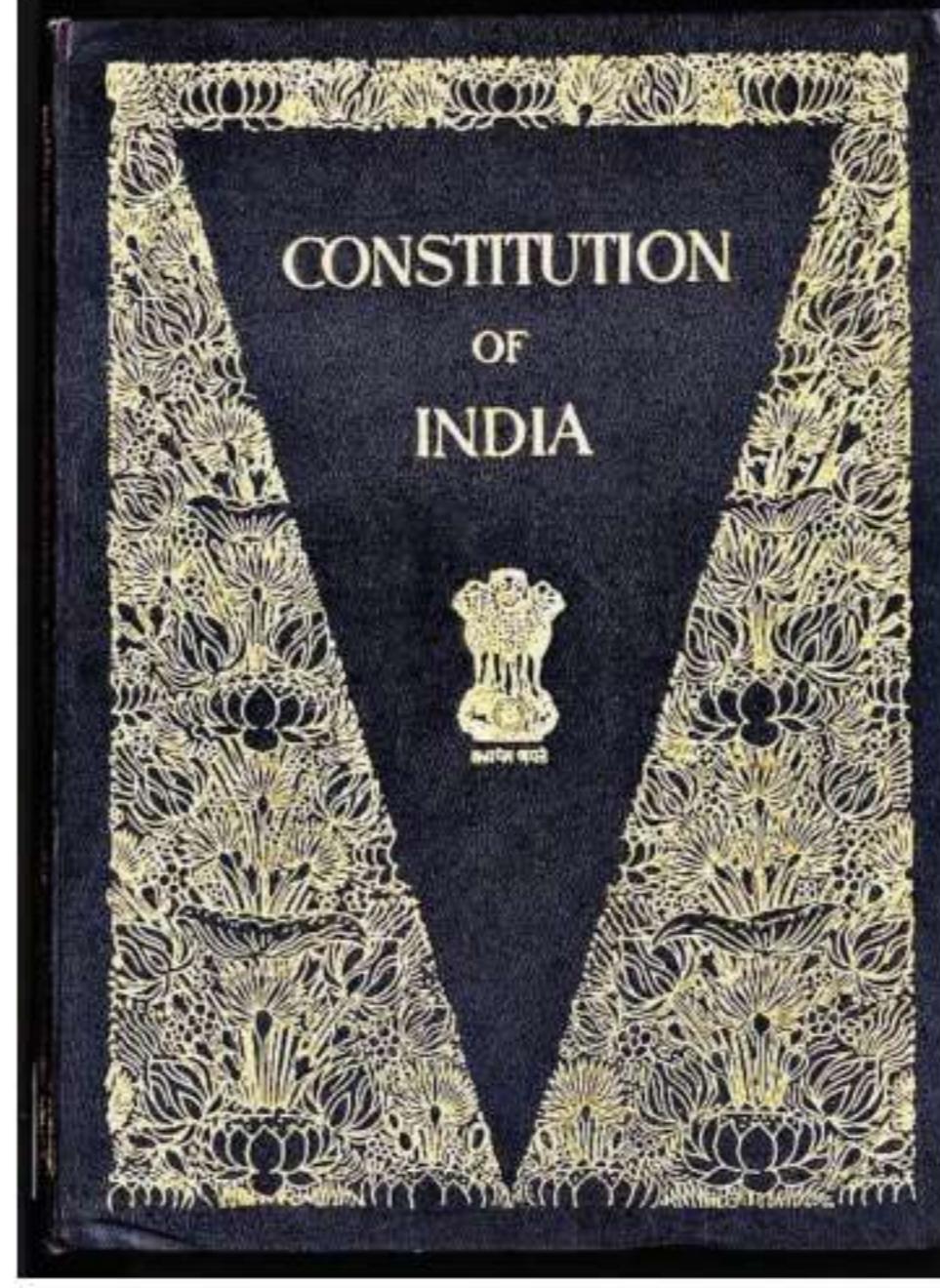
To be sure, the names India and Bharat have always been used interchangeably, with India usually chosen in English language official communications, and Bharat in Hindi and some regional languages. Broadly speaking, Bharat is more widely used in the northern, western and eastern regional languages, and India in southern and north-eastern India.

The implied move to make Bharat the default name of India is significant for a simple reason: Modi sees the modern Indian state as inheritor of the civilisational heritage of ancient Bharat, while

amendment. What would require an amendment is any decision to delete India from the Constitution. It would also require a whole raft of renamings everywhere, from government documents and institutions to corporate and non-corporate nomenclatures.

The chances are that there will be no constitutional change, only a change in usage in official communications as long as BJP is in power. This could change if the political formation governing the Centre changes after May 2024.

The most banal explanation for the brouhaha over Bharat could be the simplest: It is meant to grab the headlines and get the opposition parties all worked up. However, discerning observers will also have noticed that Modi has been making caustic references to India, and this has



been more pronounced after the opposition alliance grabbed the INDIA acronym. If Bharat is now the counter to INDIA, the opposition can also claim a quiet victory and point out that the name is beginning to worry BJP.

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the English-speaking secular elite thinks of India as a geographical entity created by the British raj, and built upon by Jawaharlal Nehru. For Modi and BJP, Nehru personifies this denial of the link between the modern Indian state and its past. They are irritated with the assumption that there is something called the Idea of India, when everything about our plurality and diversity is already embedded in our cultural heritage that is thousands of years old.

But those who think that calling India Bharat would need a constitutional change are mistaken. Article 1 of the Constitution clearly states that they are one and the same: "India, that is Bharat, shall be a Union of states." In practice, Bharat can be used to the exclusion of India whenever a political party so chooses without any constitutional

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Once upon a time, there was a princess called Indu (the moon) or Indumati (the full moon). Her brother was Bhoja, king of Vidarbha. She chose Aja, king of Ayodhya, as her husband. They had a child called Dasharatha. But then, one day, she died, startled by a flower that fell from heaven. Aja could not bear to live without her, and so died soon after; passing on the mantle of the throne to their young son. Dasharatha's eldest son was Ram, born of the senior queen Kaushalya. His second son was Bharat born of his favourite queen Kaikeyi.

Shakuntala's son, born in the forest, as his father, Dushyanta, is unable to remember his mother and accept her as a queen. Dushyanta belongs to the lunar line of kings. Shakuntala's father, Kaushika, belongs to the solar line of kings. Bharata thus marks the confluence of the lunar and solar lines of kings through his father and maternal grandfather. That is why the clan is called Bharavamsa and their land is called Bharavarsha, the expanse of Bharat.

Bharat also happens to be the name of the sage who wrote the Natya-shashtra, the treatise on theatre and drama. But kings usually take precedence when naming a country.

Hindu texts refer to Bhaarat-khand, the portion of the subcontinent occupied by Bharata kings. But for Megasthenes who visited the court of Chandragupta Maurya, 2,300 years ago, the land he was visiting was India, watered by the Indus, which is how the Greeks pronounced the land Sindh watered by the river Sindh. The name Bhaarat-varsha was only carved 200 years after Megasthenes wrote his Indica, in 100 BCE, in Odisha, in the Hathigumpha caves, by the Jain king Kharavela.

For him, Bhaarat-varsha is simply the Gangetic plains, west of Magadha (today's Bihar). For Persians, the land watered by the river Sindh and beyond, was known as Hind. This when written in Chinese became Tianzhu. Both Bhaarat and India referred to Arya-desa, which as per earliest dharma-shashtra was located between the Himalayas and the Vindhya and was the land of the blackbuck. Neither

India nor Bhaarat referred to south India (Dravida-desa), south of the Narmada river, or east India (Prachidesha), east of Ganga river.

Unless we accept the story of Indumati, India is effectively a name by which the outsider saw India: the land

How should we identify ourselves in the 21st century? By a name given to us by north Indian elites of ancient India or by a name given to us by foreigners such as Europeans who traded with us and eventually colonised us?

of cotton, iron and spices. Bhaarat then is the name given by Sanskrit-speaking Brahmin elites of the Gangetic plains, who value the Manusmriti.

How should we identify ourselves in the 21st century? By a name given to us by north Indian elites, who defend patriarchy and untouchability? Or by a name given to us by foreigners such as Persians and Europeans who admired us, traded with us and eventually colonised us?

No one decides their own name. We are given names by parents, by elders, by teachers. People change their names when they change their religion or wish to break ties with an imagined past. But a land of Ram can surely make room for his brother, Bharat, who never fought over property, and his grandmother, Indumati, radiant as the moon, who was much loved by his grandfather.

Sacredspace

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Serve any society, ashram, mutt, or
religious institution for two hours
daily... with nishkamya bhava.
This will purify your heart... the
whole world is the manifestation
of the Lord, Virat Rupa. If you serve
with atma bhava, you will have a
changed angle of vision. You will
have heaven on earth.*

Swami Sivananda

Calvin & Hobbes

WHATCHA DOING?
DAD WANTS TO MOW THE LAWN, SO HE'S MAKING ME PICK UP STICKS.

HE SAID I MIGHT LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT THE SATISFACTION THAT COMES FROM A JOB WELL DONE.

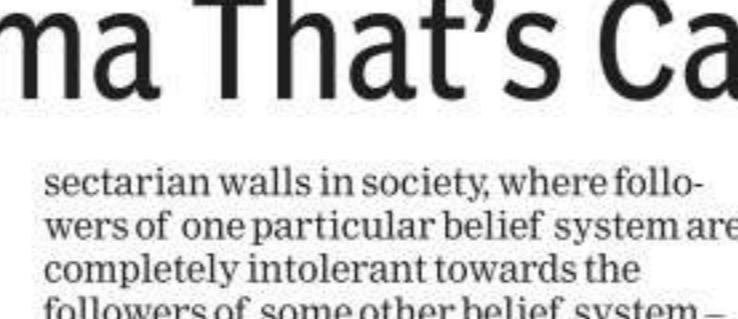
AND DID YOU?
I SUPPOSE SO.

I THINK HE'S TRYING TO TELL ME THERE IS NONE.

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THE SPEAKING TREE



sectorial walls in society, where followers of one particular belief system are completely intolerant towards the followers of some other belief system – so much so that communal clashes have become a common occurrence.

Speaking at the General Conference of Unesco, Beirut, November 1948, Radhakrishnan, as the leader of the Indian delegation, said: "The threat which hangs over human civilisation is the symptom of a desperate moral need. There can be no stable future for the world without a spiritual revolution – without a transformation of human motivation. A good world cannot be built on pride or selfishness, hatred or injustice, greed or lust for power... A spiritual renewal is necessary if the world is to be saved."

According to Radhakrishnan, the Hindu philosophical thought, which adopts the perennial approach to religion, lays more emphasis on direct spiritual experience rather than any kind of creed where rituals are performed in an insipid, mechanical manner. It is precisely for this reason that the Hindu religion is referred to as Sanatan Dharma, Eternal Religion, which, by accepting different kinds of religious and mystical experiences and beliefs of other religions, adopts an inclusive and magnanimous attitude.

If religion is to serve as the basis of the new world order, it must become more inward and more universal. The Perennial Philosophy of Religion presented by Radhakrishnan not only eliminates all the religious conflicts and divergent viewpoints but also brings together under one umbrella the different religions of the world, weaving them into a thread of unity.

He further asserts that instead of adhering to an insipid dogmatic theology, the seeker should endeavour to get connected with the Light of Pure Consciousness, by directing the mind inwards through regular meditation. It is important to consciously realise that the Supreme Spirit dwells in the hearts of all creatures and that each soul is filled with the same divine essence. This sublime experience will help the seeker in getting firmly anchored in the non-dual state of consciousness and in bringing about love and harmony among people owing allegiance to different religious belief systems. True religion, said Radhakrishnan, is one that is devoid of dogmatic sentiments, bigotry, creed and parochial attitude.

We may conclude with the following words by Radhakrishnan, "The Hindu attitude to religion is interesting. While fixed intellectual belief marks off one religion from another, Hinduism sets no such limits. Intellect is subordinate to intuition, dogma to experience, and outer expression to inward realisation."

The Dharma That's Capable Of Embracing All

Anup Taneja

Scholar of comparative religion and philosophy Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, in his philosophy of religion, synthesises the non-dual philosophy of Shankara's Advaita Vedanta and the idea of Absolute Idealism of the western tradition. Thus, by presenting a refined amalgamated philosophy comprising the finest elements of the East and the West, Radhakrishnan succeeded in bridging the gap between the eastern and western spirituality. He was an exponent of a dynamic Hinduism which, true to its original character as a synthesis of diverse faiths and philosophies of life, is now presented as a universal doctrine capable of embracing humanity – as a Sanatan Dharma, Perennial Philosophy.

TECH I'D LIKE TO SEE

TRANSCENDING BORDERS WITH QUANTUM

I envision a world of unencumbered travel. I envision a world where quantum computing, harnessed with massive processing power, can propel travel into uncharted territories of simplicity and convenience. Mind-bending algorithms could seamlessly blend with neural networks and enable instant recognition and verification of identities through neural signatures, surpassing the limitations of mere facial recognition. A mere thought triggers a holographic projection, revealing an inventory of belongings encoded within your consciousness – an ultra-



Binu Jacob | MD & CEO, EXPERIAN TECHNOLOGIES

Engineers have to reimagine roles as the world speeds up

Tools like data analytics and gen AI will help in this

Sujit John & Shilpa Phadnis | TNM

Most of us today get bored easily with what's already there. We want new things at the time. And, like persistent children, we want them now. That puts big pressure on businesses. Their offerings become stale very quickly. So, in the language of business and technology, they have to accelerate value delivery.

In the engineering world, this means companies and engineers have to work at a speed they have never done before. Lakshminarayanan Raghavan, GVP of technology at digital transformation & consulting company Publicis Sapient, says companies must create a "fail-fast platform" where they can test their ideas, how their outreach to customers, test how they are appreciating, or not appreciating whatever new is put in front of them. And if it's not working, quickly go back and start again.

Such agile functioning is also not compatible with centralised operating structures. Smaller teams move faster, and can release products faster on demand. Goldy Samra, technology platform director for digital at Lloyds Banking Group, one of the UK's largest banks, says the increasing focus on customer outcomes has made them move to a more federated model, where teams are autonomous, but one where collaboration is encouraged to ensure teams don't work in silos.

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MULTI-YEAR PROGRAMMES ARE DEAD, COS MUST BUILD FAIL-FAST PLATFORMS



"In the past, we've seen multi-year programmes that run for years. That trend has dramatically changed. Now people are looking for accelerated value delivery and things to be in production as soon as possible."

Ravi Shankar | GVP - TECHNOLOGY, PUBLICIS SAPIENT



We're not now thinking about projects and programmes, or building widgets or components or applications. Everything we do is around customer outcomes, how do we get a great customer outcome, and give the customer a kind of end-to-end value proposition.

Goldy Samra | TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM DIRECTOR - DIGITAL, LLOYDS BANKING GROUP

What we really need today is to create a platform where we can test and learn, a fail-fast platform where we can test not just pieces of software, but also our ideas, our outreach to customers, test how they are behaving, how they are appreciating, or not appreciating whatever we put in front of them.

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engineers will have to move out of the confines of coding and development, and try to also understand the customer, so that they can accelerate the development process. Traditionally, he says, engineers have been stuck in the 'how' and the 'when' part of building a product. They have to now get into the 'why' and the 'what', he says. "Those chasms need to break. There's the industry standard term for this, full-cycle development. This essentially means engineers get involved right from the time when some-

thing, like a feature, gets envisioned, and then they are there through designing and grooming and developing it and taking it to production, and then post that, getting customer feedback, and very quickly addressing that feedback into the product," he says.

This multi-dimensional quality is one of those behaviours that Publicis Sapient believes will allow an engineer to perform at a level 10 times higher than their peers. Another is to be a polyglot – well-versed in multiple programming languages, allowing engineers to approach

problems from a broader perspective. "This will make sure you are not thinking in just one way or one language or one tech stack, but that your thinking is independent. I myself on a daily basis code in three languages – JavaScript, Java, and Python," Shankar says.

Kalyan Mangalapalli, director of emerging technologies at Nasscom, says open-source software and APIs are other areas developers need to get intensely familiar with, given the extent to which these are now becoming important in enterprise. "You definitely need to ask the why and the how quite a bit before you actually dive deep into doing the core engineering work," he says.

Shankar notes the growing importance of ensuring continuous excellence, through the principles of reducing waste, reusing as much as you can, not inventing if there's no need for it, and being always available to be a mentor in your area of expertise to others around you.

Data & Gen AI

Data is seen by everyone as a big enabler for much that is expected of today's engineer. Data analytics can give, for instance, good insights into customers. Raghavan notes that while data is important, what is also important is democratising that data. "Cutting the silos across the enterprise, having end-to-end knowledge of the customer journey is very important. It should no longer be like a finance department versus a customer experience department versus retail," he says.

Shankar notes that generative AI can do a lot of the boilerplate code and even do testing, so that the developer can focus on the richness of the business logic she's putting into the solution.

Engineers, Samra agrees, will remain the masters. "Engineers will evolve into integrators, configuring these tools to make sure they're delivering great outcomes," she says.

Roche's engrs in India personalise healthcare

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Swiss drugmaker Roche is the world's largest manufacturer of cancer drugs. Their technology centre of excellence in Pune, Roche Information Solutions India (RIS), is part of a global network of R&D centres that is finding ways to deliver personalised healthcare.

Raja Jamalamadaka, MD of the operations, says the work being done at the Pune centre involves developing software and data analytics solutions, and all of it is slowly helping usher in the personalised healthcare revolution. "It's cutting-edge work. Our people are being called to speak at industry events. We already have around five patents. A patent usually takes 4-5 years to file, sometimes even 10 years. But we've only been around for two years and already we're talking about patents," he says.

To provide personalised healthcare, Jamalamadaka says, there are at least three steps. The first relates to collecting and managing data from disparate sources. "Labs around the world generate a huge amount of data and if you have a solution where all this information can be collected and stored in one place, then it can be available even 15 years from now. So, we've built different kinds of solutions that can connect to various sources and extract data."

Once this information is collected and stored safely, the next step involves cleaning the data. "It's garbage in, garbage out. If it's not clean data, it doesn't work. Not only that, it might even produce the wrong results. You also need to anonymise the data – remove all links of the data to the individ-

ual, because that is dangerous; it's private data after all."

The third step involves developing data analytics solutions to generate insights from the cleaned and anonymised data. The clinician can then use these insights to diagnose and treat patients. "This entire process we do from the centre in Pune," Jamalamadaka says.

To build these solutions, the centre has software engineers, enterprise architects, computer vision professionals, as well as quite a few doctors on their roster. Since data analytics is a core part of the solutions, the centre also has data engineers, analytics professionals, business intelligence professionals.

Advantages for patients

Jamalamadaka says that if you do not have a method to collect and store the data in a centralised place, then every interaction between a patient and a healthcare professional runs the risk of being forgotten. "History is gold in healthcare, trends start pointing to very important points. If you have a more holistic data of pa-

tients, then the care is also holistic and so are the prescriptions."

The second big advantage of the digitisation of the healthcare space relates to preventive medicine. "All kinds of data in the world proves that prevention is better, cheaper, and less painful to the patient than curative, because you have to go through a lot of pain once you're already afflicted by the disease. Data gives you enough information to ensure that the right test can be prescribed to prevent something from happening."



Roche team in Pune

AGNISHWAR'S GARUDA IS SOARING ON AGRI, DEFENCE DEMAND



After engineering and law degrees from Anna university in Chennai, Agnishwar Jayaprakash

dabbled in several entrepreneurial initiatives, including helping with platforms for development of youth entrepreneurship. One of the initiatives, which he began in 2015, was a drone development venture. That venture, called Garuda Aerospace, has become Agnishwar's most high profile.

► It has raised nearly \$28 million in funding – including from former India cricket captain MS Dhoni – and was valued at \$250 million earlier this year. Last year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated Garuda's drone manufacturing facilities at Manesar in Gurugram and Chennai.

► Agnishwar founded Garuda with five people. Today, it is about 200 strong. It manufactures 30 different types of drones and offers over 50 types of services – agricultural surveys, reconnaissance, surveillance, industry 4.0 upgradation services, structural damage inspection, warehouse management and

Recently, Garuda and a wholly owned subsidiary of HAL (Hindustan Aeronautics) signed a joint development partnership that will enable Garuda to manufacture advanced precision drones that can carry payloads of around 25 kg.

► A farmer in Perambalur district in Tamil Nadu says they grow multiple crops in 60-70 acres of land each, and dealing with pests in, for instance, tall maize crops is a big challenge. "Spraying pesticides by hand is hard work, costs around Rs 900-1,000 per acre. With drones from Garuda Aerospace, spraying has become much easier; they save us time and money," he says.

► On Monday, the company launched a free programme, along with Bharat Drone Association and National Drone Pilot Association, to train people with disabilities on a range of drone related operations.

- Shilpa Phadnis

POLYGLOT & POLYGLOT PROGRAMMING

A polyglot in programming is someone who knows multiple programming languages. There's also the concept of polyglot programming, which is the practice of writing code in multiple languages to capture additional functionality and efficiency not available in a single language. A mobile development team, for instance, might use Java, JavaScript and HTML5 to create a fully functional application.

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Sunil Agarwal & Ian Baker



This Indian team's product for blind sells out in the US



(L to R) Co-founders Saif Shaikh (Director), Dilip Ramesh (CTO), Sanskriti Dawle (CEO), Aman Srivastava (CBO)

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We want to make Annie the gold standard for tactile learning materials for the visually impaired learners of India

Aman Srivastava | CO-FOUNDER, THINKERBELL LABS



ANNIE & POLLY IMPACT 5,000 LEARNERS GLOBALLY

► Annie Smart Class has been recommended as an intervention for replication by the NITI Aayog

► There are 106 Annie Smart Class learning centres in India

► Annie's US variant, Polly, has been featured in TIME's Best Inventions list of 2022 in the accessibility category

► Thinkerbell Labs has been generating revenue for around three years now

► It is backed by angel investors including Indian Angel Network and Anand Mahindra's family office

► Has won numerous awards in India and overseas, including the Infosys's Aarohan Social Innovation Award

staff. The project has been deployed at government schools across 16 states.

A new product variant, Polly, is being used in the US, thanks to a partnership with the American Printing House (APH), a non-profit creating accessible learning for the blind and visually impaired. "Polly has content geared towards American education," Aman says.

Polly's first shipments, which were sent in March, were sold out in 15 days. The team is scaling up assembly to meet the demand. "Around 700 orders for Polly have been placed till date, and the contract is for around 2,000. In contrast, we deployed 300 units of Annie in India in the whole of last year," Aman says.

Braille literacy levels are less than 10% globally, and less than 1% in India. The ecosystem urgently needs intervention of such tech-driven tactile devices. Traditional Braille devices are expensive and bulky, and cost upwards of \$4,000. Polly's priced at around \$999. Annie's self-learning model, Aman says, reduces the burden on special educators.

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The hardware includes sensors for Braille writing input, vibration, haptic feedback, and a compute engine powered by Raspberry Pi. The software is proprietary to Thinkerbell and comprises algorithms and modules to connect, monitor remotely, and give instantaneous feedback. Developing it took time, given the need to get feedback from users, the lack of prototyping facilities, and limited R&D support. But not only did the team succeed, they could also do it at relatively low costs by redefining the traditional Braille display technologies with new-age tech – thus optimising manufacturing processes – and leveraging the affordability of Raspberry Pi.

The learning content has been assembled with the help of special educators, and it can be auto-updated on the cloud. Thinkerbell's model is to set up Annie Smart Classes that consist of devices for students, a software called Helios for teachers and parents to track learning, and training for

WIDGET

A widget refers to a small, reusable software component or graphical element that serves a specific function within a larger application or user interface. They are typically designed to be easy to integrate into an application and can perform tasks such as displaying information, accepting user input, or controlling specific aspects of the software. A common example is a clock widget on your desktop. On websites, widgets are often used to add specific features or content to web pages. Common web widgets include social media sharing buttons, news tickers, and interactive maps.

GLOSSARY OF IN-GROUP TERMS USED ON THIS PAGE

COPILOT

A **AI copilot** is a term used to describe artificial intelligence systems or software tools that assist and collaborate with humans in various tasks or activities, similar to a human copilot in a vehicle or aircraft. These AI copilots are designed to complement human expertise, improve productivity, and enhance decision-making in a wide range of domains. The specific functionality and capabilities of an AI copilot can vary depending on the context and application.

RASPBERRY PI

Raspberry Pi is a series of small, single-board, very cheap computers developed by the Raspberry Pi Foundation, a UK charity, in association with Broadcom. It runs the open-source Linux operating system, and also provides a set of GPIO (general purpose input/output) pins. People use Raspberry Pi to learn programming skills, build hardware projects, do home automation, and even to implement more complex projects.

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MICK JAGGER-LED ROLLING STONES ANNOUNCES 'HACKNEY DIAMONDS', THE ROCK BAND'S FIRST STUDIO ALBUM IN 18 YRS

Putin's urgency to make gains in war puts spotlight on Kim

N Korean Leader's Likely Visit To Russia & Nations' 'Arms Deal' Raise US Concerns About Security In Europe & Asia

For Kim Jong-un, the leader of North Korea, a rare trip to Russia this month to discuss military aid for President Vladimir Putin's Ukraine war effort could provide two things the North has wanted for a long time: technical help with its weapons programmes, and to finally be needed by an important neighbour.

North Korea has not been used to getting a lot of attention other than global condemnation for its nuclear and intercontinental ballistic missile tests. But Russia's urgency to make new gains in the war is offering Kim a bit of the geopolitical spotlight — and a new way to both irk the US and draw closer to Moscow and Beijing. Though Russia has long been a crucial ally for the isolated North, relations between the two countries have at times grown tense since the disintegration of the Soviet Union. And Russia accounts for very little of the economic trade that North Korea needs. Now, common interests and worldview are bringing the neighbours closer.

The White House has repeatedly warned that North Korea was starting to ship artillery shells and rockets to Russia and negotiating for more arms deals. And Western officials' claims on Monday that Kim will travel to Russia soon indicate that they fear the process is moving forward with more intent. US national security council spokesperson Adrienne Watson said on Monday that arms negotiations between Russia and the North Korea are actively advancing.

'Gen Armageddon' seen in pic for 1st time since mutiny

Moscow: A new photo appearing to show Russian General Sergei Surovkin, who has not been seen in public since a brief mutiny by the Wagner mercenary group in June, was pub-

lished on social media on Monday by a well-known Russian media personality. "General Sergei Surovkin is our Alive, healthy, at home, with his family, in Moscow. Photo taken today," Ksenia Sobchak wrote in

a caption to the picture on Telegram. Reuters could not verify the authenticity of the photo, which showed a man in sunglasses and a cap walking alongside a woman resembling Surovkin's wife, Anna.

A second report, published by prominent independent Russian journalist Alexei Venediktov on his Telegram channel, said: "General Surovkin is at home with his family. He is on leave and available to the defence ministry."

Surovkin, who gained the nickname "General Armageddon" during Russia's military intervention in Syria's civil war, was in charge of Moscow's war effort before that role was handed in January to General Valery Gerasimov. REUTERS

Beijing: Two people have been detained after using an excavator to dig a hole in the Great Wall of China, state broadcaster CCTV said.

Police in Shanzhou province followed tracks made by machinery used to dig a shortcut through a segment of the wall — remains of the immense structure built by China's emperors to deter foreign invaders.

The suspects admitted under questioning that they had used a digger to create a shortcut in the wall in a bid to reduce local travel time.

Construction of the Great Wall first began in the third century BC and continued for centuries. The section of the Great Wall affected, situated about a six-hour drive west of central Be-

ijing, dates back to China's Ming Dynasty of the 14th through 17th centuries. Images on Chinese state TV showed the aftermath of the scene, where a dusty road had been cut through a long, raised section of ground that appeared to be the remnants of the ancient barrier. "Currently, the two suspects have been criminally detained in accordance with the law, and the case is continuing to be investigated," according to CCTV. AFP

Hong Kong: Hong Kong's top court partially approved on Tuesday a landmark appeal by an LGBTQ activist for recognition of same-sex marriages, calling for new regulations for gay couples to protect their basic social needs. The ruling by Hong Kong's court of final appeal followed a five-year legal battle fought by jailed democracy and LGBTQ rights activist Jimmy Sham. It was the first time that the court directly addressed the issue of same-sex marriage in the Asian financial hub. The judges dismissed Sham's appeal that he had a constitutional right to a same sex marriage in Hong Kong but effectively gave the government two years to ensure that rights, such as access to hospitals and inheritance, could be protected for same-sex couples. REUTERS

London: PM Rishi Sunak faced a mounting crisis over Britain's crumbling schools after a former government official said Monday that Sunak had refused to rebuild more schools while he was head of the Treasury, despite warnings that lightweight concrete used in hundreds of buildings was a risk to life. The former official, Jonathan Slater, who held one of the most senior roles in the Department of Education, said that in 2021, when Sunak was chancellor of the Exchequer, he cut in half an internal recommendation to rebuild 100 schools every year. "We were saying there was a critical risk to life if this program is not funded." For the Conservatives, who are burdened by a stagnant economy and lengthy waiting lists at hospitals, a crisis in schools poses an acute political risk. NYT

Paris: French schools sent dozens of girls home for refusing to remove their abayas — an over-garment from the shoulders to the feet worn by Muslim women — on the first day of the school year; a government minister said Tuesday. Defying a ban on the Muslim dress, nearly 300 girls showed up Monday morning wearing an abaya, Gabriel Attal said. Most agreed to change out of the dress, but 67 refused and were sent home, he said.

Peace Prize award money of Mikhail Gorbachev, the last Soviet president. Known for its investigations into the Russian government, the paper has long been under significant pressure. Six of its journalists have been killed since 2000. For a time, it was one of the few independent outlets that continued publishing in Russia after President Putin effectively criminalized independent reporting on his war against Ukraine. Muratov suspended the newspaper's operations in

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DREAM ARYNA

Sabalenka Works Her Way Up The Ladder; Formguide Goes For A Toss As Zheng Ousts Last Year's Runner- Up Jabeur; Third Seed Pegula Routed By Madison

TIMES AT THE US OPEN

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New York: It didn't quite go to plan for Aryna Sabalenka, but the world No.1 ranking is hers all the same, come Monday. Sabalenka, who put out Daria Kasatkina 6-1, 6-3 to advance to the US Open quarterfinals, had an accession plan. The 25-year-old told a capacity crowd at the Arthur Ashe stadium that she had hoped to play Iga Swiatek in a winner-takes-it-all affair on Saturday at Flushing Meadows.

"I thought she was going to make the final, I was going to do everything I can — possible and impossible — to reach the final to decide everything on the court," said the Belarusian, one of the sport's greatest competitors. "I didn't want to become World No.1 like this, I wanted a battle for it."

"I was sad," she said before quickly adding, "but at the same time I have to be happy because it's not like she just fell. All year I've been playing well, I put her under pressure." Nike's custom-made red and coral dress for her Big Apple outing called to attention Sabalenka's rising profile in the sport.

"I'm really happy that we have Iga on Tour; she's someone who motivates me, keeps pushing me to improve myself," said Sabalenka. "That's real sport, when you push yourself to the limits. It's great that we are pushing each other. I really hope we'll keep doing that and



70%

Sabalenka broke Kasatkina in seven of her eight service games and remained relentless on her own serve, winning 70% of her first-serve points (16/23).

we'll keep facing each other in the last stages of tournaments."

Sabalenka battled through a dark passage when she almost abandoned the dream.

For much of 2022 — a season in which she sent down 428 double faults in 55 matches — Sabalenka was in agony. She thought the problem was mental. In the lead-up to the US Open last August she figured the issue was biomechanics, a default setting being the trigger. Sabalenka didn't get off the Tour to work on her problem, she worked through the storm, tinkering with her action, fighting to gain control. "Last year when I was struggling a lot, I kind of lost this feeling," Sabalenka said.

Sabalenka's journey has

been unlike those of her rivals — Swiatek and Elena Rybakina — who announced their arrival with Grand Slam titles. The Pole was 19 and ranked 54 when she claimed the title at Roland Garros, Rybakina was 23 and ranked 17 when she won the Wimbledon title last year.

Sabalenka has been around the top-10 for the last six years, and in the top-five for the last three. It seemed like forever. Her maiden Grand Slam title came in January at Melbourne Park. "In 2018 when I broke through to the top-30 I was thinking maybe I can get to the top 10. It was step by step," she explained. "The first goal was to make the top hundred, then top-50, top-30, top-10, top-5. Maybe a few years ago I started thinking that I have a chance to become World No.1. At that time, I wasn't mentally ready," she said, "if you are World No.1, you have to be consistent. You cannot be up and down."

The two-time US Open semifinalist's first test will be on Wednesday when she faces China's Zheng Qinwen in the quarterfinals.

In the women's draw meanwhile, more seeds bit the dust a day after world No.1 and defending champion Iga Swiatek was sent packing in the fourth round. American third seed Jessica Pegula was routed in straight sets by compatriot and friend Madison Keys, while Tunisia's fifth seed Jabeur — beaten in last year's final — was ousted 6-2, 6-4 by China's Zheng Qinwen. Drenched in sweat.



23 Zheng Qinwen, who is seeded No. 23, becomes the first Chinese player to reach the US Open quarterfinals since Wang Qiang in 2019

Red-hot Zverev battles past Sinner

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New York: By the end of their US Open, four-hour 41-minute match which finished about 1.40 am local time, Alexander Zverev and Jannik Sinner looked like they might've been engaged in a water polo duel rather than a tennis match. Drenched in sweat.

Zverev's 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 victory put him in the quarterfinals where he'll face the world No.1 Carlos Alcaraz in the last-eight.

The fourth-round encounter had it all — a dog fight

in blistering conditions, heat and extreme humidity.

The 22-year-old Italian was struggling with cramps in both legs during the second set and by midway

through the third his condition worsened. Zverev approached his opponent to check on him. Sinner, doused over against his chair, said, he'd fight on.

The 26-year-old, who is coming back from an ankle injury that cost him most of last season, complained against a xenophobic spectator. "He just said the most famous Hitler phrase there is in the world," Zverev said, adding, "it's unacceptable."

The match was paused briefly, and the spectator was evicted. The men in the middle, however, weren't distracted by the scenes around them, and when Zverev broke the sixth-seeded Sinner in the second game of the fifth set, the German had finally taken control.

"I guess I can say I'm back, right?"

ZVEREV This is what I live for; this is what I absolutely love to do," said Zverev. "I wish

I could have played a little bit shorter, that's for sure, but last year when I wasn't able to play, these were exactly the moments I missed. Until 1:30 a.m. in front of a packed crowd. There's nothing better."

WEIGHT OF THE BALL WORRIES MARKETA

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Marketa Vondrousova is 'feeling' her arm more than she should, which forced the world No.9 to pull out of the women's doubles. The 24-year-old left-hander blamed her worries on the weight of the ball, while adding that the unreasonable scheduling at the US Open has only made things worse. The Czech, in the singles quarterfinals, is not the first player to raise these issues in New York and it is unlikely that she'll be the last.

"The balls are very heavy and the season is long," she said. "You just have to fight through it." Late finishes for the men and women, both at the Tour level and at majors, has been the talking point in locker-rooms. Vondrousova, the Wimbledon champion, was on court for her third-round match past mid-night on Saturday.

On Monday she was first on the Louis Armstrong Stadium and was out of her bed by 6.40 am.

"I feel like this (scheduling) is also the reason why this is happening," she said of her arm. "I played at midnight on Saturday. I slept just a few hours (that night), I didn't practice on Sunday because I was very tired. Then we woke up today at 6:40." It's very tough for our bodies to do that," she said. "You just have to adjust so many things if you're playing second after 7:00 pm. It's like I didn't sleep for two days."

ALCARAZ BRUSHES ASIDE WORRIES

Carlos Alcaraz came on court for his fourth-round match against Matteo Arnaldi with his left quadricep taped. The world No.1, however, downplayed injury worries.

"It's really tough playing in a Grand Slam. You play tough matches for two weeks. For me it's normal that some pains come to your body," 20-year-old said. "It's nothing serious, it's just for prevention."

Alcaraz added, "I felt a little bit of pain on the left leg, but as I said, nothing serious. Just taking care of it."

ROUND 4 RESULTS

Men: 1-Carlos Alcaraz (Esp) bt Matteo Arnaldi (Ita) 6-3, 6-3, 6-4; 8-Andrey Rublev (Rus) bt Jack Draper (GBR) 6-3, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4; 12-Alexander Zverev (Ger) bt 6-Jannik Sinner (Ita) 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3; 3-Daniil Medvedev (Rus) bt 13-Alex de Minaur (Aus) 2-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-2.

Women: 9-Marketa Vondrousova (Cze) bt Peyton Starns (Us) 6-7 (3-7), 6-3, 6-2; Madison Keys (Us) bt 3-Jessica Pegula (Us) 6-1, 6-3; Zheng Qinwen (Chn) bt 5-Ons Jabeur (Tun) 6-2, 6-4; 2-Aryna Sabalenka (Blr) bt 10-Daria Kasatkina 6-1, 6-3.

QUARTERFINAL LINE-UP
(Men) 1-Carlos Alcaraz (Esp) vs 12-Alexander Zverev (Ger); 3-Daniil Medvedev (Rus) vs 8-Andrey Rublev (Rus); 10-Frances Tiafoe (Us) vs Ben Shelton (Us); 9-Taylor Fritz (Us) vs 2-Novak Djokovic (Srb).



Head-To-Head: Medvedev leads Rublev 5-2

(Women) Jelena Ostapenko (Lat) vs 6-Coco Gauff (Us); Sorana Cirstea (Rou) vs 10-Karolina Muchova (Cze); 9-Marketa Vondrousova (Cze) vs Madison Keys (Us); Zheng Qinwen (Chn) vs 2-Aryna Sabalenka (Blr).
(Prefix denotes seeding; selected scores)

INDIA FILES

Asian TT: Indian women sixth; mixed pairs out

Pyeongchang (South Korea): The Indian women's team finished sixth in the Asian Table Tennis Championships after being blanked 0-3 by Thailand here on Tuesday. The Indians beat Singapore 3-2 in a 5-8 positions match before going down to Thailand in the 5th-position showdowm. The mixed doubles pairs didn't fare well. G Sathiyam and Manika went down 2-3 (11-7, 10-12, 11-6, 8-11, 9-11) in the round of 32 to another Thai pair, Phakpoom Sanguansin and Orawan Paranang. Harmeet Desai and Sreeja Akula followed suit and lost to the top-seeded Japanese pair of Tomokazu Harimoto and Hina Hayata 6-11, 7-11, 8-11 in another round of 32 match.

Prannoy, Sen make first round exits: World Championship bronze medallist HS Prannoy made a shock opening-round exit from the China Open after going down in three games to Malaysia's Ng Tze Yong in Changzhou, China. Reigning Commonwealth Games champion Lakshya Sen also crashed out in the first round. Priyanshu Rajawat then went down 13-21, 24-26 to Indonesia's Shesar Hiren Rhustavito. With that, the Indian challenge ended in the men's singles. The women's doubles pair of Treesa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand lost to top seeds Chen Qing Chen and Jia Yi Fan of China 18-21 11-21.

India to field 11-member boxing team: An 11-member Indian boxing team, led by double World Championships bronze medallist Manish Kaushik, will compete in the 21st Mustafa Hajrullahovic Memorial tournament in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Indian team, announced by the Boxing Federation of India on Tuesday, has six men and five women pugilists. Besides 2019 and 2021 World Championships bronze winner Manish Kaushik (63.5 kg), the men's team also has Akash Kumar (57 kg), Satish Kumar (92+ kg), Naveen Kumar (92kg), Barun Singh (51 kg) and Nikhil Dubey (71 kg).

Artur Lucas joins Indian hockey as coach-cum-video analyst: Hockey India on Tuesday announced the appointment of Belgium's Artur Lucas as coach-cum-video analyst for its senior and junior sides. As per his contract, Lucas will work with all four Indian hockey teams -- senior men, senior women, junior men, and junior women at the SAI Centre in Bengaluru.

Shubham finishes 3rd; Mirabai withdraws after weigh-in: Making his debut at the World Championships, Indian weightlifter Shubham Todkar finished third in Group D of the men's 61kg event in Riyadh, UAE. The 26-year-old national champion from Maharashtra lifted a total of 269kg (119kg+150kg), which was six kilograms better than his Asian Championships effort (263kg) in May and 10kg heavier than his 259kg lift that fetched him a gold medal at the Commonwealth Championships in July. AGENCIES

Stimac left to pick just 2 players from a club for Asian Games

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Panaji: Igor Stimac has been forced to pick a maximum of two players from each club for the Asian Games 2023 due to their reluctance to release players outside the FIFA international match window and during the Indian Super League (ISL).

The national football coach had finalised a 22-member squad for the continental showpiece, essentially an under-24 tournament that allows fielding of three senior players. Captains Sunil Chhetri and Sandhu, there's Roshan Singh, Rohit Danu, N. Siva Sakthi and Suresh Singh. Missing six players for multiple games is a risk that no club would be willing to take, so the AIFF has now sought release of just two players — Chhetri and Suresh — from the club.

From Mumbai City, which initially had three players, Lalengmawia Ralte (Apulia) has been left out with Stimac in the list of players officially registered for the Asian

opting for Akash Mishra and Vikram Partap.

According to sources, Vinay Barreto (Chennaiyin), Ayush Chhetri (FC Goa) and Abdul Rabeeb (Hyderabad) are among those added to the list.

Mohun Bagan forward Liston Colaco is now one of the three senior players.

Even if AIFF goes ahead with a final squad that has just two players from each team, clubs are still unlikely to release players outside the window, unless the start of the ISL is delayed till the conclusion of the Asian Games.

"The AIFF has asked us to release the players in national interest," a senior club official told TOI on Tuesday. "How is it fine for clubs to lose key players when the league is in progress? They will miss three to four games. If anyone has a bad start, it would be difficult to fight back in a competitive season. If there are no games to play, the problem is solved."

Games, Bengaluru had six players. Besides Chhetri and Sandhu, there's Roshan Singh, Rohit Danu, N. Siva Sakthi and Suresh Singh. Missing six players for multiple games is a risk that no club would be willing to take, so the AIFF has now sought release of just two players — Chhetri and Suresh — from the club.

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IN FOCUS

Amrit Gope and Vikram Lakhbir Singh — are injured and unlikely to be available in September. That leaves the former champions with just one fit goalkeeper for the initial phase of ISL that kicks off on September 21, a direct clash with Asian Games that starts two days earlier.

In the list of players officially registered for the Asian

IOC prez Bach backs India's ambition to host 2036 Olympics

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New Delhi: International Olympic Committee (IOC) president Thomas Bach has backed India's bid to host the 2036 Summer Olympics in India, with the country's government projecting Gujarat's capital city of Ahmedabad as the likely 'host city'.

Bach's endorsement of India's ambitions to host the biggest sporting extravaganza on earth during his recent interview for CNBC-TV18. "We had dialogues sometimes and there were different indications from both the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and from the central government. This is great news for the entire Olympic movement. India is the most populous nation on this planet," Bach was quoted as saying by the news channel. "India, with let's say starting to flourish the sports movement — going beyond the more traditional sports and embracing more and more Olympic sports; it's a really welcome initiative by India."

In August last year, during an exclusive interview with TOI, union sports minister Anurag Thakur had revealed that India will bid for hosting the Olympic Games in 2036 and a roadmap will be presented before the full members of the IOC during its full session in Mumbai in October 2023. Thakur had said the government will back the IOA's bid for hosting the Games. TNN

Anand hopes for good Asiad show from youngsters

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Kolkata: Viswanathan Anand is no longer a regular player, but is wearing several hats now from being a mentor to an administrator.

The five-time World champion is enjoying every bit of it. "I'm happy to have stepped aside and find India still being well represented in these tournaments. The game is growing, this is all I can hope for really," he stated on the sidelines of Tata Steel Chess India tournament here on Thursday.

And his happiness grows seeing a crop of youngsters like D Gukesh, R Pragganandhaa, Arjun Erigaisi, Nihal Sarin and others making a mark in world chess. Although Prag's qualification for the Candidates and Gukesh overtaking him to be the India No. 1 player speak volumes of these youngsters' credentials, Anand feels they still have miles to go. "You need not be a tourist but live there (at the highest stage of the world stage). Making the Candidates is nice, but you have to be there consistently and establish yourself. You have to remember that the top players whom you have beaten will get back home, do their homework and come back stronger. So you need to keep raising your level," he stated.

Hima provisionally suspended by NADA

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New Delhi: India's star sprinter Hima Das has been provisionally suspended by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) after three whereabouts misses in 12 months. Hima will now have to plead innocence in front of a NADA hearing panel.

The sprinter, who had left the national camp earlier in the year, faces a maximum two-year ban which can be reduced to a minimum of one year depending on the degree of her fault.

Under the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) rules, any combination of three whereabouts failures — failing a test or missing a test — within a period of 12 months, constitute an anti-doping rule violation.

According to a source in NADA, Hima was sent the third and final whereabouts notice in August this year, but she didn't respond to that. The source also said that among the three failures, one is also a



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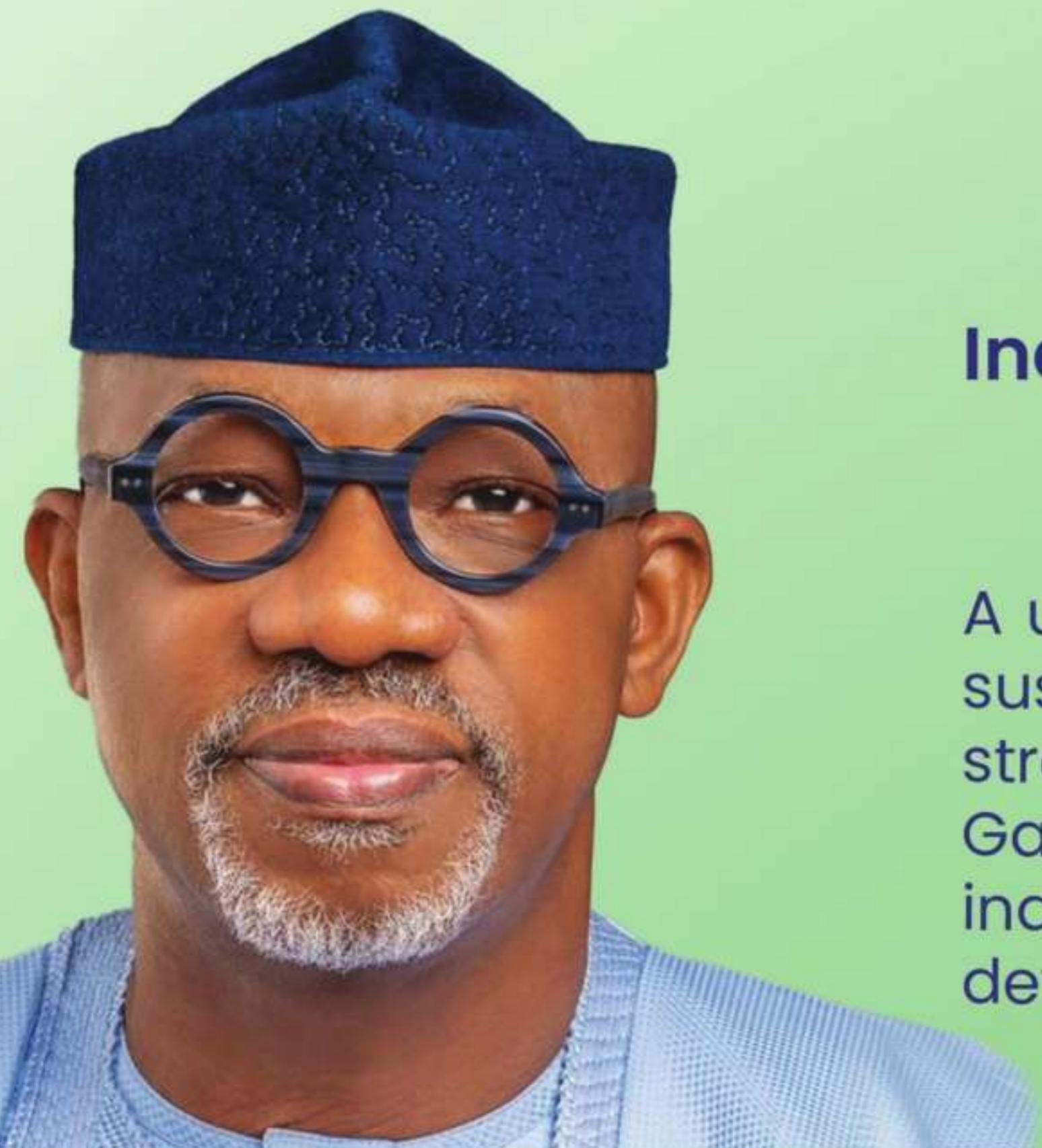
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How Bharat found a place in the Constitution, but came after India

Constitution's First Draft In 1948 Didn't Have Bharat At All, Ambedkar Introduced It Through An Amendment Just Before The Text Was Finalised

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The name 'Bharat' wasn't there in the first draft of India's Constitution introduced by the chairman of the drafting committee, BR Ambedkar, on November 4, 1948. Although some members flagged the omission of a native name, the debate on this took place almost a year later when the work on finalising the text was coming to an end.

On September 18, 1949, Ambedkar moved the following amendment to draft Article 1, which mentions the country's name: "India, that is, Bharat shall be a Union of States." But Assembly member HV Kamath said this was a clumsy construction and a constitutional slip. He suggested two alternatives: "Bharat, or, in the English language, India, shall be a Union of States" or "Hind; or, in the English language, India, shall be a Union of States".

Kamath cited the example of Ireland: "The name of the State is Eire, or, in the English language, Ireland." He wanted to specify "in the English language, India" because in many other countries India was still known as 'Hindustan', "and all natives of this country are referred to as Hindus, whatever their religion may be..."

Asked to pick one name for his amendment, Kamath chose "Bharat, or, in the English language, India, shall be a Union of States."

Then followed an intense debate in which members Seth Govind Das, Kamalapathi Tripathi, Kallur Subba Rao, Ram Sahai and Har Govind Pant passionately argued for Bharat.

Das said India was not an ancient word and was not found in the Vedas. It was only used after the Greeks came to India, while Bharat was to be found in the Vedas, the Upanishads, the Brahmanas, the Mahabharata and the Puranas, as well as in Chinese traveler Hiuen Tsang's writing.

Das suggested "Bharat known as India also in foreign countries". He said the name was not backward-looking but befitting India's history and culture. "If we do not arrive at correct decisions in regard to

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Constituent Assembly Agrees To Name Country "Bharat"

SECOND READING OF DRAFT CONSTITUTION IN OCTOBER

NEW DELHI, September 18.

THE Constituent Assembly today agreed to name the country by her ancient name "Bharat".

The decision was greeted in the House by shouts of "Bharat Ki-Jai!"

Kamath (C) continued

L. Krishnaswamy Bharati, Mr. R. N. Goenka and Mr. P. Ramayya says: "The people of Tamil Nad are perturbed by the propaganda that is being carried on by certain sections of the population."

Hargovind Pant said Bharat was used by Kalidasa to refer to the kingdom of the son of Dushyanta and Shakuntala, whereas India was a name given by foreigners and that clinging to it "would only show that we are not ashamed of having this insulting word which has been imposed on us by alien rulers".

SOME COUNTRIES THAT RENAMED THEMSELVES



these matters the people of this country will not understand the significance of self-government."

Kallur Subba Rao said the name India came from Sindhu or Indus, and the name Hindustan suited Pakistan more as it had the Indus river. While referring to India as Bharat, he asked Seth Govind Das and other Hindi speakers to rename the Hindi language 'Bharati', for the goddess of learning.

Ram Sahai supported the name Bharat, saying the name Bharat, Indore and Malwa called itself Madhya Bharat and "in all our religious scriptures and all Hindi literature this country has been called Bharat, our leaders also refer to this country as Bharat in their speeches".

Then Kamalapati Tripathi gave a rousing speech and said that "Bharat, that is India" might have been more proper and in accordance with the sentiments and prestige of the country". He claimed that during its "slavery for one thousand years", the country had lost its soul, history, prestige and form and name. He said Bapu's revolutionary movement had made the nation recognise its form and lost soul, and that it was due to his penance that it was regaining its name too.

Tripathi said that the mere uttering of the word conjured up a picture of cultured life. That despite centuries of prolonged slavery, the name persisted, that "the gods have been remembering the name of this country in the heavens" and have a keen desire to be born in the sacred land of Bharat.

"We are reminded that on the one hand, this culture reached the Mediterranean and on the other it touched the shores of the Pacific," he claimed. It reminded one of the Rig Veda and the Upanishads, of the teachings of Krishna, of the Buddha, of Shankaracharya, of Rama's bow and Krishna's wheel, he said.

As Tripathi rhapsodised over the past, Ambedkar asked, "Is all this necessary, sir... There is a lot of work to be done."

While Ambedkar was in a hurry, Assembly president Rajendra Prasad allowed another intervention from Hargovind Pant, who said he had suggested the name Bharat Varsha, which was "used by us in our daily religious duties while reciting the Sankalpa. Even at the time of taking our bath we say in Sanskrit, 'Jamboo Dwipay, Bharata Varshe, Bharat Khand, Aryavartay, etc... It means that I so and so, of Aryavart in Bharat Khand, etc."

Pant said Bharat was used by Kalidasa to refer to the kingdom of the son of Dushyanta and Shakuntala, whereas India was a name given by foreigners who were tempted by its wealth, and that clinging to it "would only show that we are not ashamed of having this insulting word which has been imposed on us by alien rulers."

The Constituent Assembly voted by show of hands with 38 ayes and 51 noes, so Kamath's amendment was rejected and the original wording stayed.

No illegality in using 'Bharat' in place of 'India': Legal experts

'Constitutional Amendment Will Be Needed Under Article 368 Only If Preamble Has To Be Changed Replacing India With Bharat'

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New Delhi: Legal and constitutional experts said there was no illegality in the use of 'Bharat' in place of 'India' in any official communication as it was part of the Constitution that reads 'India, that is Bharat'.

However, they were also unanimous that a change in the Preamble to replace 'India' with 'Bharat' would require a constitutional amendment to be passed by two-thirds majority in the two Houses of Parliament and ratified by at least half of the states.

At present, governments favour 'India' as the country's name but it can be substituted by 'Bharat' by a government order that will require no ratification by Parliament.

Delving into the constitutional history and situation prevalent at the time of Independence that led to the continuing use of 'India', senior lawyer Rakesh Dwivedi said the intent of the Constitution framers was also to use 'Bharat' and, therefore, there was nothing wrong in privileging Bharat over India. However, if India was to be dropped, a constitutional amendment would be needed under Article 368, he clarified.

Former law secretary PK Malhotra concurred. "Unnecessary controversy is being raised over the use of 'Bharat' instead of 'India' in the invite by the President, Article 1 of the Constitution,



GO, INDIA, GO! Cricket fans ahead of an ICC Champions Trophy match in London in 2017

Isro or Bisro? BRICS or BARBIECUES?

After the G20 dinner invite from the 'President of Bharat', netizens wondered if Isro (Indian Space Research Organisation) would become Bisro or if RBI would become RBB. Others put out lists of what other abbreviations could look like: IIM-BIM, IIT-BIT, IISc-BISc, AIIMS-ABIMS. "New abbreviation of BCCI would be Bharat Controlling Cricket Internationally," posted another.

Velina Tchakarova, a geopolitical strategist, posted on X, "The new abbreviation of BRICS, if India renames itself Bharat and the invited countries (Argentina, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia and UAE) join it next year, will be BARBIECUES." PTI

which prescribes the name and territory of the Union, specifically says, 'India, that is Bharat, shall be a Union of States'. In practise, we might be using 'India' but there is nothing which stops us from using 'Bharat' while describing our country," he said.

Malhotra said there was no conflict between the two descriptions. "It is a matter of choice, and it should be our choice to use 'Bharat'. Nothing needs to be done for using 'Bharat'", he said, adding that the government would be well within its

rights even in issuing an order or resolution making it mandatory to use 'Bharat' in all official documents.

Senior advocate Nidhesh Gupta said 'India' was synonymous with 'Bharat' and, therefore, could be used interchangeably. If 'India' has to be altogether deleted from the Constitution, then an amendment of the Constitution would be required, he said.

In 2016, the Supreme Court had dismissed a PIL that sought renaming 'India' as 'Bharat'. "Bharat or India? You want to call it Bharat, go right ahead. Someone wants to call it India, let him call it India," the bench comprising then Chief Justice TS Thakur and Justice UU Lalith had said.