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India-Myanmar border to be fenced, says Shah

Signals end to Free Movement Regime

SUKRITA BARUAH

GUWAHATI, JANUARY 20

MAKING IT official, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday announced that the Centre has decided to fence the entire length of the currently porous India-Myanmar border to stop free movement of people.

Addressing the passing out parade of newly appointed commandos of the Assam Police in Guwahati, Shah said: "Our bor-

der with Myanmar is an open border. The Narendra Modi government has taken a decision that the India-Myanmar border will be secure and the whole border will be fenced like the Bangladesh border. The government is reconsidering our Free Movement Regime (FMR) agreement with Myanmar, and is going to end this ease of coming and going."

While there have been reports that the Centre is planning

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E EXPLAINED
What is FMR?

THE FREE Movement Regime allows tribes living along the India-Myanmar border on either side to travel up to 16 km inside the other country without a visa and stay up to two weeks. It was implemented in 2018 as part of the Narendra Modi government's Act East policy.

'Land scam':
ED questions
Soren at his
residence



Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren addresses supporters after the ED questioning, in Ranchi on Saturday. PTI

ABHISHEK ANGAD
RANCHI, JANUARY 20

AFTER SKIPPING the Enforcement Directorate's summons seven times, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren was questioned for seven-and-a-half hours at his residence here on Saturday, amid a show of strength by his ministers and supporters.

The money laundering case against Soren pertains to an alleged land scam. It is linked to the ownership of a land parcel measuring 7.16 acres, in Bajra area of Ranchi, allegedly acquired through "proceeds of crime" involving illegal sale of Army land. IAS officer Chhavi Ranjan, also an accused in the case, is currently in judicial custody.

The ED officials arrived at Soren's residence at 12.30 pm and left a little before 8.30 pm.

Soon after the ED team left,



Prime Minister Narendra Modi takes a dip in the sea during his visit to Ramanathaswamy Temple in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu, on Saturday. PTI

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Citing Govt order, AIIMS shuts down OPD on Jan 22 until 2.30 pm

ANKITA UPADHYAY
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

DELHI'S ALL India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) will remain shut for half day on January 22 in view of the Ram Temple inauguration in Ayodhya, it said Saturday. Its out-patient department (OPD) will remain closed until 2.30 pm, though emergency and critical services will function normally.

Similar arrangements have been put in place at the other Central Government hospitals in the Capital, including the Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital.

This comes after the Centre Thursday ordered half day for all offices, institutions and industrial establishments under it across the country "to enable employees to participate in celebrations" in view of the Ayodhya event.

Citing the Centre's order, a memorandum issued by the AIIMS administration Saturday said, "The Government of India

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DECEMBER 21 KILLING OF FOUR SOLDIERS

Torture of 5 more slipped under radar in Poonch, cops seek medical records

ARUN SHARMA

JAMMU, JANUARY 20

A DAY after the December 21 terror attack in Poonch on an Army convoy in which four soldiers were killed, eight civilians were picked up and allegedly tortured by security forces – three of them died, five were admitted for treatment at Government Medical Hospital, Rajouri. There were five more civilians who have alleged torture and detention, *The Indian Express* has confirmed.

All are residents of Topa Pir village in Poonch and were ad-



During a patrol in Poonch after the Dec 21 attack. File

cial radar amid high-profile visits by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Army Chief Manoj Pande, both of whom flagged the excesses and assured the families of justice.

The Jammu and Kashmir Police is learnt to have asked the Army to provide medical records of these five men, identified as: Riaz (25) and his brother Farooq (19), Israel (20), Jameel (18), and Irfan (18).

Said a senior police officer: "Their records are needed as the injured have to be produced before a judicial magistrate to

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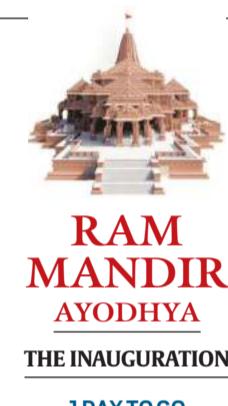
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MAULSHREE SETH
AYODHYA, JANUARY 20

LESS THAN 48 hours before the consecration scheduled for January 22, an elaborate and protracted set of rituals around the 51-inch idol of Ram Lalla were completed Saturday.

The new idol's eyes, still covered with cloth, underwent different "adivas" rituals, which involved draping the entire frame in a variety of flowers brought from locations across

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**RAM
MANDIR
AYODHYA**

THE INAUGURATION

1 DAY TO GO

Bhagwat: Jan 22 a beginning, end bitterness

VIKAS PATHAK
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

AHEAD OF the consecration of the Ram temple in Ayodhya, RSS Sarsanghchalak Mohan Bhagwat has called for an end to the "bitterness", "dispute" and "conflict".

"Now, the conflict that has

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New thaw:
Taliban envoy
is R-day guest
in Abu Dhabi

SHUBHAJIT ROY

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

THE INDIAN Embassy in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) has invited Taliban's envoy, Badruddin Haqqani, for the Republic Day celebrations in Abu Dhabi.

Badruddin Haqqani, one of the sons of Jalaluddin Haqqani, was appointed Ambassador in October 2023. His brother, Sirajuddin Haqqani, is the Interior Minister of Afghanistan.

Among the prominent leaders of the Taliban, the Haqqani network was involved in several terror attacks, including on the Indian Embassy in Kabul in 2008.

A copy of the invitation, issued in the name of Indian Ambassador to UAE Sunjay Sudhir, was tweeted by Afghan journalist Bilal Sarwary, who is now based outside of Afghanistan. *The Indian Express* verified the invite.

New Delhi's view is that the Indian government has been engaging with the Taliban ever since it sent a technical team and reopened the Indian Embassy in Kabul. So the invitation to Badruddin Haqqani is in sync with that approach, sources said.

Sources said the invitation was addressed to the envoy of the "Islamic Republic of Afghanistan". The Taliban represents itself as the "Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan"; the "Islamic Republic of Afghanistan" was represented by erstwhile President Ashraf Ghani.

Treading carefully on the issue, India has been engaging with the Taliban in Kabul, but has not yet granted diplomatic recognition to the Taliban regime.

The Indian government is following the same template as the

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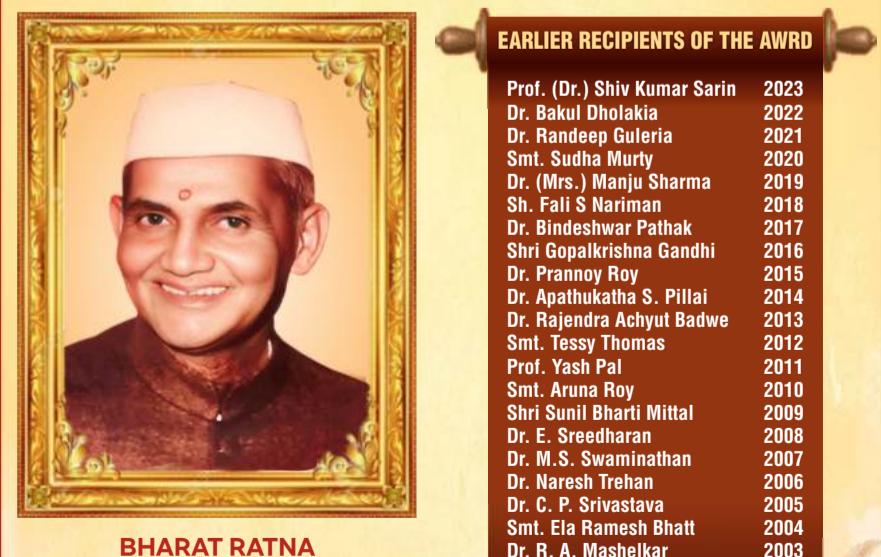
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A bridge collapsed in Morbi, Gujarat, in 2022, killing 135. File

Morbi victims move SC, seek panel to examine 'repeated negligence' by civic bodies, contractors

SOHINI GHOSH

AHMEDABAD, JANUARY 20

THE TRAGEDY Victims Association Morbi, comprising the next of kin of those who died in the Morbi bridge collapse incident of 2022, has moved the Supreme Court seeking the constitution of an expert committee to examine repeated instances of negligence on part of municipal bodies and contractors.

The body said the instances of negligence are leading to incidents like the Morbi bridge collapse and the Vadodara boat capsizing. In the latter, 12 schoolchildren, in the age group of 10-13 years, and two teachers had died after a boat overturned in Harni Lake during a school picnic on Thursday.

Listing 24 incidents from January 25, 2014, to January 18, 2024, the petition has cited instances of bridge collapses and boats capsizing in places like Andaman, Gujarat, Assam, Kolkata, Maharashtra, Bihar, Goa, Uttar Pradesh and Mizoram. The petition added that "hundreds of people have been killed and thousands injured" in the incidents.

It further said that a common thread in all the incidents is local bodies outsourcing the repair, upkeep and management of public facilities like lakes and bridges, among others, to private contractors, who in turn outsource the work to sub-contractors. The plea added that this system leads to contractors and sub-contractors not taking necessary safeguards to take care of an emergent situation. "When a mishap takes place, the municipality blames the contractor while the latter pleads ignorance on the ground that it has no technical knowledge or expertise. The police conduct a hurried and shoddy investigation, aggravating the injustice caused to the victims. The state, on the other hand, announces a paltry sum as compensation for the victims," the plea stated.

The plea sought the Supreme Court to issue guidelines to the effect that the investigations in all such tragedies is carried out by an independent agency and monitored by the high court concerned or the SC. The association also sought the court's directions to constitute a special investigation to probe the Vadodara boat tragedy.

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India-Myanmar border to be fenced: Shah

such a move, Shah's public announcement confirms the decision.

India and Myanmar share a 1,643-km border along the Northeastern states of Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh, a porous border of which only 10 km is fenced in Manipur.

The FMR with Myanmar, formalised in 2018 following the agreement between India and Myanmar on land border crossing, allows tribes living along the border on either side to travel up to 16 km inside the other country without a visa and stay up to two weeks.

With the end of the FMR and the fencing of the border, it will be mandatory for anyone coming into India from across the border to get a visa.

When the FMR was put in place in 2018, the Centre had referred to it as an "enabling arrangement for movement of people" which would "facilitate regulation and harmonisation" of the already existing free movement rights of people living along this border.

Acknowledging the custom-

ary fluidity of life along this border, the government had said that besides boosting economic and social interaction between the two countries, it would "safeguard the traditional rights of the largely tribal communities residing along the border which are accustomed to free movement across the land border."

While the Chin people living in Chian state of Myanmar, contiguous with Mizoram, are of the same ethnicity as the Mizos and the Kuki-Zomis of Manipur, there is also a sizeable Naga population in Myanmar, largely in the Naga Self-Administered Zone in Myanmar's Sagar region. The Mizo-Chins and Nagas on both sides of the border share close social, economic and day-to-day ties.

However, recent developments have prompted security concerns to take precedence over this. Sources told The Indian Express that the rationale for this move is to check the influx of illegal immigrants, drugs and gold smuggling, as well as to "stop the misuse of FMR" by insurgent groups to carry out attacks on the Indian

side and escape into Myanmar.

The India-Myanmar border and its fluidity had grabbed attention last year with the outbreak of the ongoing conflict in Manipur in May, when both the state government and Meitei civil society referred to "uncontrolled illegal immigration" of Chin people from Myanmar as the root cause of instability in the region.

Responding to these concerns during his visit to Manipur in May-end, Shah had said the Centre had undertaken the tendering process for fencing another 80 km of the border and begun surveys along the rest of the border.

Shah had also referred to immigration as the root of the conflict while speaking in Lok Sabha in August. He had said that "fears of a demographic change" had been triggered by the settling of "Kuki brothers" in the forests of Manipur, following the military crackdown against the Chin resistance movement in Myanmar.

In the light of the ongoing conflict, Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh had said last

September that he had asked the Centre to scrap the FMR, citing the influx of illegal immigrants and cross-border trafficking.

While the Manipur government has been actively advocating the sealing of the India-Myanmar border, governments and civil society in Mizoram and Nagaland have expressed their opposition.

Soon after reports emerged that the move was being planned, Mizoram Chief Minister Lalduhoma had met Prime Minister Narendra Modi and External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar in Delhi, after which he told the media that the Mizos consider the India-Myanmar border "an imposed boundary" and that fencing it is "unacceptable".

The government of Nagaland has refrained from commenting on the matter so far but Deputy Chief Minister Y Patton met Lalduhoma in Aizawl on January 8, following which the Mizoram government said that Patton had communicated that fencing the border would be "unacceptable for Nagas" given the significant Naga population in Myanmar.

• Stage set for temple opening

the country including Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Kolkata, sources involved in the rituals told *The Indian Express*. These flowers, an estimated 50 kg, include: lotus, rose, jasmine and chrysanthemum.

In a ritual called "snapan," that lasted about three hours, the sanctum sanctorum was also washed with water from 81 "Kalash" or urns, also sourced from a range of religious places and rivers across the country, including Sitamarhi in Bihar and Nepal, regarded as the birthplace of Sita. Some urns also had "medicated water with gau mutra" and juices of selected fruits.

Meanwhile, the hawan, which began Friday, continued into the evening around the Mandap, about 100 m away from the temple site.

Setting the stage for Monday,

• Jan 22 a beginning, end bitterness'

society never diminished, the society did not bow down, their struggle of resistance continued. Therefore, repeated attempts were made to take control of the birthplace and build a temple there. There were many wars, struggles and sacrifices for Him. And the issue of Ram Janmabhoomi remained ingrained in the minds of Hindus," he says.

Saying that the consecration of the Ram temple is the "beginning of the campaign for reconstruction of Bharatavarsh", Bhagwat adds: "In the devotional celebration of January 22, along with the reconstruction of the temple, all of us have resolved for the reconstruction of Bharatavarsh".

Recalling that Hindus and Muslims fought the British together in 1857, he says there was a chance for reconciliation through banning of cow slaughter and "liberation" of Ram Janmabhoomi. "Bahadur Shah Zafar also guaranteed a ban on cow slaughter. As a result, the entire society fought together. Bharatiya people showed bravery in that war but, unfortunately, this war of Independence failed.. British rule remained uninterrupted, but the struggle for Ram Temple did not stop."

"In 1949, the martyr (idol) of Bhagwan Shri Ramchandra appeared at the Ram Janmabhoomi. In 1986, the temple was unlocked as per the court order. In the coming period, the struggle of Hindu society continued through many campaigns and karseva. In 2010, there was a clear judgment of the Allahabad High Court. The efforts had to be sustained for final resolution of the issue at the earliest. On November 9, 2019, after 134 years of legal struggle, the Supreme Court gave a balanced decision after examining the truth and facts... Now, Paush Shukla Dwadashi Yugabdi 5125 (reference to Hindu calendar), on January 22, the installation and Pran Pratishtha ceremony has been organised," he says.

"The occasion of construction of Shri Ram Temple in Ayodhya marks the reawakening of national pride. This also signifies the acceptance of the vision of life behind the character of Shri Ram by the modern Bharatiya society," Bhagwat writes.

Calling upon people to inculcate Ram's values in their lives, Bhagwat says: "Integrity, forgiveness with strength and bravery, sincerity and humility, compassion and care in dealing with everyone, gentleness of heart, and strictness towards oneself in performing duty etc - these are the qualities of Shri Ram that everyone should emulate... Efforts to bring it into everyone's life will have to be made with honesty, dedication and hard work."

• Torture of five more slipped under radar in Poonch

record their statements as part of the enquiry into the death of three civilians... These five are eyewitnesses since they were picked up alongside the three from Topa Pir who died."

Wazir Hussain, the father of Riaz and Farooq, told The Indian Express that his family had received, for each son, Rs 2.5 lakh in compensation - Rs 1 lakh from the civil administration and Rs 1.5 lakh from the Army when the men were discharged.

The former sarpanch of Topa Pir, Mehmood Bhat, confirmed that he had helped the families get the cheques from the civil administration.

The Army spokesperson did not respond to queries about the five men.

The ambush of the Army convoy took place on Mughal road between Dehra Ki Gali and Bufliaz. The next morning, eight civilians were picked up from Topa Pir in Poonch district's Bufliaz area, and five from Rajouri district's Thanamandi area.

• New thaw

international community - they engage with the Taliban, but have not granted them official recognition as per the UN.

With Afghanistan's Consuls General in Mumbai and Hyderabad declaring in November last year that they would keep the Afghan Embassy in New Delhi open and functional - its closure was announced by Farid Mamundzay, the ousted government's Ambassador to India, who called the Consuls General representatives of the Taliban - the Indian government, it is learnt, is looking at three broad indicators that do not, in any way, amount to de facto recognition of the Taliban regime by India.

First, the new leadership team will continue to hoist the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan tricolour flag, and not the Taliban white flag with the Shahada inscription in black in the centre. Second, the Embassy will continue to use the old nomenclature - the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, instead of Taliban's Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan. Third, new diplomats from the Taliban regime will not be sent to be part of the Afghan Embassy in Delhi or the consulates in Mumbai and Hyderabad.

India has been treading carefully, not labelling them as Taliban representatives if they adhere to these commitments.

shifted to an Army camp where he regained consciousness at night.

"When I opened my eyes, I saw some Army officials. They asked me not to worry as they were shifting us to a hospital," Israel said, adding that they were finally admitted around midnight.

Israel, too, said each of them was paid Rs 1 lakh each by the Poonch District Collector, and Rs 1.5 by the Army the day they were discharged.

Wazir Hussain alleged his sons' skin had darkened due to the assault. He said he purchased clothes and shoes for them from Surankote before visiting them at the hospital as the men had been stripped before being tortured, and had no clothes on them when they arrived there. "Whatever they are wearing at the hospital was provided to them by others," he added.

On December 27, Defence Minister Singh along with Chief of Army Staff, General Pande,

• AIIMS shuts down OPD on Jan 22 until 2.30 pm

has declared 22nd January, 2024 half day closing till 14:30 hrs... as Ram Lalla Pran Pratishtha at Ayodhya will be celebrated across India.

"Since AIIMS Delhi is on high alert for one month till February 21, critical clinical services will remain functional, the memorandum added.

The memorandum, signed by AIIMS Administrative officer Rajesh Kumar, did not mention whether OPD services will be hit, but Dr Rima Dada, the professor in-charge of AIIMS Media cell, said "all OPD appointments are being rescheduled".

Elective surgeries will also be

deferred, Dada said. "Critical clinical services will be functional. If any patients come, we will try to accommodate them. Evening OPDs will be functional," she added.

On an average, around 15,000 patients visit the AIIMS OPD daily. AIIMS officials said the hospital's patient care coordinators will be informing patients with scheduled appointments of the revised dates through SMS.

At Ram Manohar Lohia (RML) Hospital, all routine services including OPD, lab tests, administrative work will remain shut till 2.30 pm and emergency services will function, its admin-

• 'Land scam': ED questions Soren at his residence

Soren stepped out to address his supporters. Alleging a BJP conspiracy to topple his government, he said: "An Adivasi has become the Chief Minister with your support, with the blessings of Adivasis and Moolvasis..."

These people (BJP) can't do anything politically, therefore they are trying to do things behind a veil... (but) whoever tries to topple this government will get toppled themselves... I urge everyone to reach out to every village and tell the people that there is a plan afoot to loot the

state, the Adivasis and Moolvasis... and we will give a befitting reply."

The ruling coalition MLAs also met Soren after his questioning. "The CM said the ED gave him 18 questions, of which seven questions were repeated. He said he gave all the answers and directed us to be prepared in our respective constituencies. He advised us to be on war footing since this is election year, and assured that he would handle the ED problem on his own," said an MLA who attended the

meeting.

Sources in the ED said Soren may be called for questioning again.

Earlier in the day, in a show of strength, Soren's Cabinet ministers, including Congress's Rameshwar Oraon, JMM's Babu Devi, Jobha Manjhi, Champai Soren, and MLAs like Irfan Ansari, Rajesh Kacchap, Dipika Pandey Singh gathered at his residence and remained there during his questioning.

A crowd of supporters, including some from the Adivasi

community carrying bows and arrows, also gathered outside, raising slogans in protest.

About 4 pm, Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel came in buses, conducted a recce of the area and left. Asked if the state government had sought CRPF deployment, DGP Ajay Singh said: "No, we had not asked for any security, the CRPF came on its own." CRPF sources said the ED had asked for the security personnel.

Earlier, while skipping the

ED summons, Soren had said he was being called for questioning because "he doesn't belong to any political party in power at the Centre".

"Issuance of repeated summons is actually malice and part of a political conspiracy to destabilise a democratically elected government," he had said.

The ED, in its response, had said "the issue is not about disclosure of personal assets... but about investigation of the assets representing proceeds of crime (from another case)."

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Cancel allotment of 101 nursery schools flouting land norms: DoE to DDA

'Schools didn't admit EWS kids, not recognised or traceable'

ABHINAYA HARGOVIND
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

THE DIRECTORATE of Education (DoE) recently wrote to the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) to cancel the allotment of land to a total of 101 societies that are running nursery schools without ensuring admissions for students in the EWS (Economically Weaker Section) category, or where schools were found to be unrecognised, or not traceable.

The DoE has asked the DDA to allot these sites to the DoE instead to run government schools. A DDA spokesperson did not respond to questions.

In 2017, the DDA provided a list of 176 sites to the DoE that were allotted for setting up nursery schools on the condition that 25% of the students admitted would be from the EWS category.

In eight of these cases, the land allotment has already been

cancelled or withdrawn by the DDA, according to an affidavit submitted by the DoE to the Delhi High Court earlier this week.

In 2013, a case was filed before the High Court alleging that nursery schools allotted land by the DDA are not complying with the conditions for land allotment. The HC had asked the DoE in 2014 to ensure on a yearly basis that all schools, including nursery schools, which have been allotted land on the condition of admitting 25% students from the EWS category, are complying with the norm.

The court order had said then that if schools are found not complying, the DoE will inform the DDA, which would immediately initiate the process of cancelling the lease of land.

A petition filed in 2019 in the matter had sought initiation of contempt proceedings for not complying with this order of the High Court.

In October last year, the HC directed the Delhi government to comply with the 2014 order, failing which contempt proceedings would be initiated.

The HC had then listed the matter for January 23 this year.

According to the DoE affidavit in the case submitted this week, it conducted inspections in 2018 and 2019. It wrote to the DDA in 2019 and in December 2023 asking the land agency to cancel the allotment of land to 52 societies, and allot the site to the DoE instead for running government schools.

In these 52 cases, the societies were found to be running unrecognised schools in violation of land allotment conditions.

Another 91 sites were inspected in December 2023, and of these, 39 were found not complying with EWS criteria for admissions, while six were untraceable.

Inspection of the remaining sites is under way.

2020 DELHI RIOTS CASE

Charges framed against ex-Congcillor Ishrat Jahan, 12 others

NIRBHAY THAKUR
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20



Ishrat Jahan

A DELHI court Friday framed charges of rioting and attempt to murder against ex-Congress councillor Ishrat Jahan, activist Khalid Saifi along with 11 others in a 2020 Delhi riots case.

Additional Sessions Judge Amitabh Rawat, however, discharged offences of criminal conspiracy along with offences under the Arms Act against all

prosecution that Jahan, Saifi, who is the founder of United against Hate organisation, and other accused abetted the crowd not to leave the area and resorted to stone pelting at the police.

The FIR stated that a hand stable got injured in the melee.

Both Jahan and Saifi were arrested in the riots 'larger conspiracy' UAPA case. While Jahan was granted bail in the UAPA case, Saifi remains in judicial custody and his bail plea is pending in the Delhi High Court.

the 13 accused.

The crowd, involving the accused, refused to disperse during their flag march on February 26, 2020, in Khureji Khas despite police orders. It was alleged by the

'5TH KILLING IN GANG WAR; GANGSTER KAPIL PLANNED MURDER TO AVENGE DAD'S DEATH'

Man gunned down in Noida market: Two from Kapil Mann gang arrested

DHEERAJ MISHRA
NOIDA, JANUARY 20

FIFTEEN YEARS ago, a dispute over a 100-yard wall between two families in Delhi's Kheda Khurd village in Narela morphed into a 15-year-long violent rivalry between the Parvesh Mann and Kapil Mann gangs and claimed several lives on both sides. The latest victim, the fifth such killing, was Parvesh's brother, Suraj.

On Friday, Suraj, an Air India crew member, was shot dead in broad daylight at an upscale market in Noida's Sector 104 — he had finished his workout at Anytime Fitness gym and was sitting in his car when three men on a bike pumped bullets into him. Police said the murder was orchestrated by gangster Kapil alias Kallu as revenge for Parvesh killing his father.

Police Saturday arrested two men in connection with the case — Dheeraj Mann (28), Kapil's cousin and a resident of the same village as the deceased, and Arun alias Mannu Mann, who lives in Rohini's Sector 39 — who 'hired' contract killers to carry out the killing. The shooters are yet to be arrested.

Police said to track the accused, a total of four teams were sent to different parts of Delhi.



The arrested accused, Dheeraj and Arun; (left) the victim, Suraj Mann. Express

NCR while footage from around 200 CCTVs was scanned. Dheeraj was arrested from Delhi's Shabbad Dairy and Arun from Narela.

DCP (Noida) Harish Chander said, "The men arrested were not involved in the shooting, but they gave a contract for the killing. Three people were involved in the shooting, they will be arrested soon. Kapil's father and uncle were murdered and Pravesh was accused of this. Kapil was looking for revenge. Initially, there was a dispute and fight between these two groups over the

construction of a 100-yard wall, which later took a violent turn. This is the fifth murder between these two gangs. There are 19 cases registered against Kapil and 14 against Parvesh."

He further said, "A bullet-proof vehicle was recovered from the possession of the arrested accused, as well as cartridges and pistols. Police are investigating all angles. Others involved are also being tracked. The arrested men are being sent to judicial custody and a demand for police custody will be made in court. Since both gang leaders are in the same jail, we are inves-

tigating to see if they have any contact there. We have sought help from the Delhi Police."

Parvesh and Kapil are currently lodged in Delhi's Mandoli jail for a series of cases under the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act and IPC sections related to murder, robbery and Arms Act.

'Murder planned six months ago in court'

Police believe Kapil planned the crime when he was presented in a Delhi court with his gang members.

As part of their plan, set into motion around six months ago, police said the accused did a reconnaissance for a few days, noted down Suraj's car number, and followed him every day from his gym to his residence in Noida.

During questioning, Dheeraj told police that Suraj was helping Pravesh legally and financially. The deceased had also allegedly ridiculed Kapil that he could not avenge his father's death. Mannu was allegedly attacked by Pravesh in the past and had narrowly escaped. Police said Dheeraj and Arun were also witnesses in the murder of Kapil's father, Brahmpakash.

According to police, Suraj had moved to Noida's Sector 110 due to the gang rivalry.

Delhi govt offices to stay closed for half a day on Jan 22

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

DELHI GOVERNMENT offices will remain closed for half a day on January 22 on the occasion of the Ram temple consecration ceremony in Ayodhya, the government announced on Saturday.

L-G House officials said that Lieutenant Governor VK Sasikala has approved a half-day holiday for all Delhi government offices, civic bodies and other undertakings on January 22 on account of the "Pran Pratishta" ceremony.

Government officials said that Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has issued an order for the closure of government offices till 2.30 pm on January 22. The consecration ceremony of the Ram Lalla idol in Ayodhya will be held on January 22 with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and several other dignitaries in attendance.

PUBLIC NOTICE

In continuation to our earlier notice dated 20.12.2023 In this regard we hereby again notify that Whiteland Corporation Private Limited has come across certain advertisements made by some of channel partners regarding upcoming proposed group housing project located at Sector-103, Gurugram for which HRRA registration is pending, we have advised all our channel partners to refrain from advertising, still we come to know that some channel partners have advertised on some of digital platforms and otherwise. This notice is to clarify that Whiteland Corporation Private Limited has not authorized such advertisements and the channel partners are solely responsible for any consequence resulting from all such advertisements.

Place: Gurugram
Date: 21.01.2024

Science City to be set up in Gurgaon-Faridabad: Khattar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
FARIDABAD, JANUARY 20

ANNOUNCING A Science City on 50 acres in Faridabad-Gurgaon districts, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar stated that there is a committed effort to enhance education in science

and technology in the state. The search for a suitable site is currently underway.

The Chief Minister was speaking at the closing ceremony of the 9th India International Science Festival held at THSTI Biotech Institute, Faridabad Saturday.

Speaking about Prime

Minister Narendra Modi, Khattar remarked on his dedication to science and said the mantra of 'Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan, Jai Vigyan, and Jai Anusandhan' sets a new direction for India to progress.

To promote science education, the establishment of science clubs is underway in 10 government senior secondary

schools in each district in Haryana. These clubs will play a crucial role in fostering scientific thinking and awareness among young students, the CM said.

He further stated that to promote science education among students, the Department of Science and Technology also gives scholarships to students.



Extract of Audited Financial Results for the period ended 31.12.2023 (₹ in Crores)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended December 31, 2023	Quarter ended September 30, 2023	Quarter ended December 31, 2022	Nine Months ended December 31, 2023	Nine Months ended December 31, 2022	Previous Year ended March 31, 2023
		(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)
1.	Total Income from Operations	1,253.20	1,176.96	868.98	3,573.65	2,446.73	3,483.04
2.	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	386.14	379.90	234.70	1,205.57	850.87	1,139.25
3.	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	386.14	379.90	234.70	1,205.57	850.87	1,139.25
4.	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	335.54	284.73	200.75	914.85	611.01	864.63
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	424.69	265.41	308.23	843.44	535.66	825.89
6.	Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face Value of ₹ 10/- each)	2,687.76	2,284.60	2,284.60	2,687.76	2,284.60	2,284.60
7.	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	5,446.80	4,296.01	3,306.40	5,446.80	3,306.40	3,650.57
8.	Securities Premium Account (net)	863.63	-	-	863.63	-	-
9.	Net worth	8,134.56	6,580.61	5,591.00	8,134.56	5,591.00	5,935.17
10.	Paid up Debt Capital/Outstanding Debt	41,700.70	39,850.19	31,885.71	41,700.70	31,885.71	40,165.28
11.	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares	-	-	-	-	-	-
12.	Debt Equity Ratio	5.13	6.06	5.70	5.13	5.70	6.77
13.	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -						
14.	Capital Redemption Reserve						
15.	Debenture Redemption Reserve	432.69	421.12	386.40	432.69	386.40	397.97
16.	Debt Service Coverage Ratio				Not Applicable		
17.	Interest Service Coverage Ratio				Not Applicable		

Notes:

- a) The above results have been recommended by the Audit Committee of Directors and approved by Board of Director in their respective meetings held on 20.01.2024 and have been audited by the Statutory Auditors of the company.
- b) The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly and year-to-date financial results filed with stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 and 52 of the LODR Regulations. The full format of the said financial results are available on the website of the company www.ireda.in and on the websites of stock exchanges www.bseindia.com & www.nseindia.com.
- c) The company has completed its Initial Public Offering (IPO) of 67.19 Cr equity shares of face value of Rs.10/- each, consisting of fresh issue of 40.31 Cr equity shares and an offer for sale of 26.88 Cr equity shares by the selling shareholders i.e. Government of India, at an Offer issue price of ₹ 32/- per equity share (including premium of ₹ 22/- per equity share). The equity shares of the Company were listed on BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited on 29th November 2023.
- d) For the other line items referred in regulation 52(4) of the LODR Regulations, pertinent disclosures have been made to stock exchanges and can be accessed at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com respectively.

For and on Behalf of the Board of Directors

Sd/-
Pradip Kumar Das
Chairman & Managing Director
DIN No. 07448576

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01.01.2024 - 31.03

DWARKA-SECTOR 8

Very Poor



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PUSA

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RK PURAM

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S K Y W A T C H

FORECAST: January 21

Clear sky. Shallow to moderate fog in the morning. Cold day.

AQI: Very poor

MAX: 18 | MIN: 9

2.3°C below normal | 1.5°C below normal

HARDLOOK

Capital clean-up

Last year, the Municipal Corporation of Delhi started a mega cleanliness drive at 158 points prone to garbage being dumped. In light of the Swachhta rankings released last week, in which the MCD ranked 90th among 446 cities, *The Indian Express* visited 8 such points to check how they fare



JAHANGIRPUR



RK PURAM

A look at some of the 'Garbage Vulnerable Points' identified across 12 civic zones in the capital. Photos: Amit Mehra

SAMAN HUSAIN
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

DURING ITS poll campaign and since coming to power, cleanliness has remained the cornerstone of the Aam Aadmi Party-led Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD). To this end, the civic body had launched a mega cleanliness drive, 'Ab Dilli Hogi Saaf', at 158 'Garbage Vulnerable Points' (GVPs) across the Capital's 12 civic zones last year on August 12.

In a statement on Thursday, the Mayor said all GVPs have been cleared. "In the coming one to two years, the sanitation system of Delhi will be better than before," she said.

During its spot check of the eight sites, *The Indian Express* found discrepancies between the official version and ground reality — while four sites had been cleared, the remaining four sported heaps of garbage.

The plan was to clean them by the first week of August.

However, the deadline was extended on numerous occasions. As of October 24, only 50% of GVPs were cleaned. The deadline was then extended till Diwali. As of January 9, 80% of GVPs were cleaned.

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4. JAHANGIRPUR, NEAR MCD PRIMARY SCHOOL, EE BLOCK

The garbage at the site had been lifted and the locality was clean. "There are no issues with this locality except for the lack of car parking space," Suniel Chaudhary, a resident of DDA Flats in Munirka, said.

2. VASANT KUNJ, NEAR THE TRANSFORMER, ARUNA ASAF ALI MARG

The recently released Swachhta Survekshan rankings also put the MCD in the 90th spot among 446 cities. For Mayor Shelly Oberoi, this was a step up from last year. "The average rank was 157 in the category of cities with a population of more than 1 lakh last year... This (ranking) clearly shows the cleanliness system of Delhi has improved to a great extent," she said, adding that the civic body aims to secure the 15th rank in the next two years.

Has the ranking improved and did the campaign pay off? *The Indian Express* hit the ground, visiting eight GVPs to find out:

Site visit

In the run-up to the G20 Summit, the municipal corporation had decided to identify points where trash is dumped and clear them promptly. "Garbage vulnerable points are open places where trash is found dumped regularly. The idea is to identify such points, clean them up, and place flower pots there so people won't dump garbage there again," Oberoi had said.

3. RK PURAM, NEAR PINK TOILET

Out of the 158 GVPs recognised by the MCD, 11 were in the Central Zone; 15 in Shahdara; 13 in Karol Bagh; and 10 each in Shahdara North, Keshav Puram, Nafqar, Narela, West and South Zone. Meanwhile, a maximum of 37 GVPs were found in Rohini zone, and 22 in Civil Lines zone.

5. MALKAGANJ, ANAR WALI KOTHI

When *The Indian Express* visited the spot, no garbage was found here either. However, the RWA complained of a lack of dhallas in the area due to which the garbage keeps getting accumulated. "The MCD comes and cleans the area every morning, however, garbage accumulates throughout the day; Sector C8 is in particularly bad condition," said Savita Soni from the Vasant Kunj RWA.

6. MUKHERJEE NAGAR, MOHALLA CLINIC

At the meat market near Malkaganj Chowk, a GVP was identified opposite the popular Anar Koti. Despite efforts to regularly clean the area, garbage accumulation remains a persistent issue.

Some residents said the lack of door-to-door garbage collection in nearby areas contributed to the problem. "Residents dispose of their waste in the area due to the lack of door-to-door waste collection. The market faces challenges in managing waste effectively, as there is a need for larger dumpsters,

7. MALKAGANJ, ANAR WALI KOTHI

On a vacant plot near the MCD school, close to a fish market and adjoining an area under Metro construction, a mini-dumping yard had sprung up with polythene bags strewn across. Local fishermen alleged that trucks from a contracted garbage collection agency were responsible for the continuous dumping. "No initiative to clean the area has taken place," alleged Hansal, a fisherman.

8. JAMA MASJID, GATE 12

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9. RAKESH KUMAR, NEAR THE JAMA MASJID

At the area adjoining the gate, the area adjoining the gate had small piles of garbage.

10. RAKESH KUMAR, NEAR THE JAMA MASJID

According to Ali Kasim, who sets up his stall near gate 12, sanitation staff cleans the area daily. However, he complained that the garbage is left in heaps at the side of the roads, as daily collection does not take place. The masjid's gate number 12 was where the garbage was collected after sweeping, he said.

Official speak

When asked why some spots were not clean, officials in the MCD pointed to lack of resources due to the non-formation of the standing committee which has made the achievement of cleanliness initiatives harder.

11. RAKESH KUMAR, NEAR THE JAMA MASJID

However, officials also said non-corporation by people was leading to problems. "Many areas lack sanitation staff and garbage production is sometimes very high; this often leads to accumulation of waste. But cleanliness campaigns also require massive public support... we are making humongous efforts to eliminate GVPs and we will be able to reach the 100% target if the public consciously helps in keeping the city clean," a senior MCD official said.

The Mayor's office did not respond to queries seeking comment.

Shahdara hit-and-run: Cops arrest truck driver

ARNABJIT SUR
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

DAYS AFTER a 39-year-old physically challenged woman was killed in a hit-and-run by a truck in Shahdara's Geeta Colony, police scanned nearly 200 CCTVs and questioned a dozen truck drivers to solve the case. Eventually, it was faded yellow paint on the back of a dumper truck and a malfunctioning headlight seen in CCTV footage that led them to the accused.

On January 18-19, police received a PCR call regarding the accident near a crematorium. A police team rushed to the spot and shifted the woman to SDN Hospital, where she was declared dead on arrival.

A case under IPC sections pertaining to rash driving and causing death due to negligence was lodged and a probe initiated. A police team led by SHO Geeta Colony, Inspector Satyawan, along with ASI Anoop, scanned through information of all trucks plying on the Geeta Colony flyover.

The accused driver, Firoz (36), a resident of Moradabad, was ar-

rested and the dumper truck seized. "The victim was a beggar at a nearby temple and couldn't walk properly... while she crossing the road, the truck hit her and fled the spot," said DCP (Shahdara) Surendra Choudhary.

"The team scanned nearly 200 CCTVs over 10-12 km from Shastri Park, Usmanpur, Akshardham and Nirmal Vihar, we eventually thought that since the Geeta Colony-Gandhi Nagar expressway construction is being carried out by a firm, we searched the parking lot where the company's dumpers are parked," an officer said. However, they could not locate the offending truck.

Finally, footage from a CCTV showed a truck passing by the area around the time of the accident — it had the letters 'RN' (originally HORN) painted in yellow on the back. The vehicle also had a dim headlight on the right side.

A police team was deployed on the flyover. "We began searching for the truck with partially visible letters on the back and a dim right headlight and eventually saw it approaching the flyover," the officer added.

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12 DU colleges to face inquiry over 'fund misuse', says Atishi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

EDUCATION MINISTER Atishi Saturday ordered an inquiry against the 12 Delhi University colleges, fully-funded by the government, for "misusing" government funds. She stated that "one of the biggest procedural irregularities committed by these colleges is with respect to the creation of teaching and non-teaching posts and appointments without the government's approval".

In a statement, she said, "The pattern of assistance of these colleges very clearly stipulates no post will be created... without the approval of the government of NCT of Delhi."

She also pointed out that "... the Directorate of Audit, Government of NCT Delhi, in its report, included a special audit of 6 of these 12 colleges, conducted in 2020... (it) found several instances of serious irregularities and procedural lapses committed by these colleges. These lapses involve expendi-

titure worth hundreds of crores from public exchequer."

In a letter to the secretary (higher education), she pointed out that "there are 939 illegal teaching posts and 958 illegal non-teaching posts in these colleges currently. Since these posts are ad initio illegally created, therefore, all appointments (ad-hoc or permanent) done on these posts are illegal".

Atishi reiterated that as a consequence of irregularities by these colleges, 1,897 teaching and non-teaching employees — for no fault of theirs — have been

appointed illegally.

The minister directed the secretary to identify and take strong action against the principals and officials responsible for creating illegal posts, including recovering salaries since 2015 of illegally appointed staff members. "These colleges are funded by the public exchequer and, therefore, must be held accountable for any misuse of funds," she said.

Meanwhile, a DU official, on condition of anonymity, said, "We have found out about this through the media. We will deliberate on the contents of this letter and then give our comments."

Last week, the Delhi government had said it will only provide funding to the 12 colleges once they are de-affiliated from DU and become part of one of Delhi's state universities. The statement came even as DU Vice-Chancellor Yogesh Singh wrote to Atishi saying the colleges will remain with it and the state should continue funding them. He had reiterated that "the question of de-affiliation of these colleges does not arise".

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Education Minister Atishi

further read out the parcel's delivery number. When the com-

'Digital arrest' fraud: Four held for duping retd Air India official

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

FOUR PEOPLE were nabbed in a case of 'digital arrest' fraud, where they duped and extorted victims by posing as CBI and FedEx officials, by the Delhi Police Intelligence Fusion and Strategic Operations Unit (IFSO).

According to DCP (IFSO) Hemant Tewari, the complainant in the latest case was a retired senior manager of Air India, Anjana Chakravarty.

The DCP said Chakravarty stated she received a call from someone who said he was a DHL/FedEx official; he claimed a parcel she had sent in the name of one 'John David' from Cambodia had been seized by the Mumbai Customs. The caller further told her the package contained 20 passports, credits cards, and 150 grams of MDMA, said the DCP.

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plainant asked for verification, he showed her a cabin where two police officer were present. Police said the accused then pretended to be CBI officers and the complainant paid Rs 35 lakh.

Following raids, police arrested the accused — Sanjay Choudhary, Khushbu Khan, Asif Khan and Abhay Singh.

During questioning, police said the accused revealed they are part of an organised gang headed by Khan, who is from West Bengal; she allegedly arranged fake SIM cards and bank accounts forged names and siphoned the cheated money to foreign-based fraud accounts.

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Refurbishment of 2nd runway at Delhi airport complete: DIAL

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

DELHI AIRPORT operator DIAL Saturday said it has completed refurbishment work of runway 10/28. The final work on the technical integration of runway RWY 10/28, also known as the second runway, is underway and will be completed very soon, according to a release.

In the past few weeks, there has been a significant impact on flight operations due to dense fog resulting in low visibility conditions. Against this backdrop, there were also concerns expressed about RWY 10/28 being non-operational.

Post refurbishment, the runway was scheduled to be operational on January 19 but due to some unforeseen technical issues, system integration could not be completed. It is expected to be completed in 8-10 days. DIAL is working diligently with its partner Honeywell to complete the process soon," it said.

Modi in TN: Takes a holy dip, prays at temple

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
RAMESWARA (TN), JAN 20

EXTENDING HIS visits to temples in the South with a Ramayana connect, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday worshipped in the Sri Ranganathaswamy and Ramanathaswamy temples in Tamil Nadu and took a holy dip at the Rameswaram 'Angi theerth' beach.

On Saturday, Modi prayed at the famed Sri Rangan temple in Tiruchirappalli district and later worshipped at the Ramanathaswamy shrine in southern Ramanathapuram district. While the former is a Vaishnavite temple, the latter is dedicated to Lord Shiva.

His visit to the Vaishnavite and Saivite shrines comes just two days ahead of the panch pratishtha (consecration) of the grand Ram Temple at the Lord's birthplace Ayodhya in Uttar Pradesh. Modi had earlier in the week offered prayers at temples in Andhra Pradesh and Kerala.

On Saturday, Modi listened to 'Kamba' Ramayana recitation by scholars at Sri Rangan, an ancient shrine linked to the



PM Narendra Modi during a roadshow in Tamil Nadu's Tiruchirappalli on Saturday. PTI

Ramayan. The first prime minister to visit the Srirangam temple, Modi wore a spotless veshti (dhoti) and an angavastra (a shawl) to the Lord Vishnu temple. Modi prayed to Sri Ranganathaswamy and he was blessed with sadari (crown, symbolising Lord Vishnu's blessings) by temple priests. On his arrival, he was accorded a ceremonial poorna kumbha welcome amid Vedic chanting by priests.

He also fed the temple elephant, which blessed him. Earlier this week, Modi had offered prayers at Andhra Pradesh's historic Veerabhadra temple, which has immense significance in Ramayan with its Jatayu episode, in that state's Satya Sai district. Later, he prayed at Thriprayar Sree Ramaswamy Temple in Kerala's Thrissur.

Modi was accorded traditional honours by priests and he

also took part in bhajans performed in the shrine. The Srirangam temple has a religious and Tamil literary connect to Ramayan.

According to religious scholars, the idol of Sri Ranganathaswamy — a form of Vishnu — was originally worshipped by Lord Ram and his ancestors. When Vibhishana sought a precious gift from Ram, the God presented this idol to

him and asked him to worship it.

Under Vibhishana's watchful eyes, the Lord Ranganatha idol was installed at Sri Rangan temple in accordance with divine will. In effect, it is being seen as Modi having sought the blessings from Ranganathaswamy, worshipped by Shri Ram for the consecration of Ram Mandir in Ayodhya.

Epigraphist S Ramachandran said, "Rameswaram is an ancient coastal town and there is a reference in Sangam literature Akanooru which speaks of Lord Ram staying in Dhanushkodi while preparing to wage a war against Ravana. The temple is one of the 12 Jyothirlinga shrines and in 1897, Swami Vivekananda prayed at the temple."

Earlier, Modi was accorded a rousing reception in both towns, as BJP supporters and local people lined up either sides of the roads, showering flower petals and cheering him with 'Jai Shri Ram' chants at points. A smiling Modi was seen waving at the people and greeting them with folded hands, at times standing on the footstep of his car.

Modi will stay at the Ramakrishna Matam, and is set to visit Dhanuskodi on Sunday.

Amid buzz on tussle with RJD, Nitish rejigs team, axes MPs close to Lalan

While RJD, JD(U) have been publicly dismissive of growing tensions, their one-upmanship game continues to play out

SANTOSH SINGH
PATNA, JANUARY 20

A DAY after RJD chief Lalu Prasad along with his son and Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Tejashwi Yadav called on CM and JD(U) president Nitish Kumar at his residence in Patna, the relations between the two camps seem to have come under fresh strain, even as Nitish moved to revamp the JD(U).

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JD(U) president Nitish Kumar; ex-party chief Lalan Singh

are due in October-November 2025. While the RJD and JD(U) leaders have been publicly dismissive of rising tensions between the two major Mahagathbandhan (grand alliance) partners, their game of one-upmanship continues to play out in the state.

The Bihar government Saturday put out a full-page advertisement in local newspapers about the state health department's key initiatives, which did not make any reference to Deputy CM Tejashwi, who holds the health portfolio among other ministries. On their part, RJD workers have also put up a large poster near the party's headquarters in Patna, which claims that Tejashwi has fulfilled all of their promises including giving jobs to six lakh people, ensuring a caste survey, and rolling out Rs 2 lakh dole to 94 lakh poor families in the state.

In his new team, Nitish brought in his close aide and Rajya Sabha MP Bashista Narayan Singh as a vice-president replacing former MP Mangani Lal Mandal, who is now among 11 party general secretaries. Former MP KCT Yogi, who was the JD(U) advisor and its national spokesperson, has been named as the party's political advisor and national spokesperson. Nitish also appointed six new secretaries.

Viksit Bharat vision resonates the belief that the youth would transform India, he added.

"Government medical colleges have grown in 10 years from 145 to 260. ITIs have grown from 16 to 23, and IIMs from 13 to 21. AIIMS have grown from seven to 22," Nadda said.

He added that Chandrayan-3 and Aditya L1 Mission proved India's technical excellence.

"Internet growth was 200% between 2015 and 2021, and UPI transactions reached 83.75 billion in 22-23 from 920 million in 2017-18," he said.

In the 243-member House, the RJD is the single largest party with 79 MLAs as against the BJP's 78. The JD(U) has just 45 MLAs. The next Assembly polls in Bihar

there should have been a mention of the health minister. Even during the recent distribution of appointment letters to 94,000 teachers, there was no mention of Deputy CM. This is when RJD had made 10 lakh jobs promise its key agenda and Nitish government only borrowed our idea", said an RJD leader, admitting unease in the alliance.

On the other hand, the RJD poster alleges "Modi guarantees fail", while duly carrying a photograph of Nitish along with Tejashwi. It says, "Tejashwi ne jo kaha wo kiya (Tejashwi did what he promised)". It also claims how Tejashwi had given appointment letters to six lakh teachers, state employee status to another four lakh teachers and also raised the job quota. An RJD leader said: "Whatever is happening from Nitish Kumar's end could be part of pressure tactics to get a share in the seats for the coming Rajya Sabha and MLC polls besides a bit of bargaining for Lok Sabha seats. We do not see BJP warming up to Nitish who has been playing his old twin-track politics". He said Nitish had been urging the RJD leadership for simultaneous polls because several JD(U) MPs had been "insisting on contesting Lok Sabha polls with BJP".

The RJD leader also said, "Nitish looks desperate for simultaneous polls because he is afraid of exodus in his party. But why should we force Assembly polls on the state one-and-a-half years before schedule?"

Nadda to NRIs: Will launch 'Know BJP' programme for global outreach

VIKAS PATHAK
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

A CIVIL court in Bengaluru has provided interim relief to the Janata Dal-Secular (JD-S) party of former prime minister H D Deve Gowda by restraining a breakaway group led by its former state president C M Ibrahim from claiming the party symbol and acting like its head.

"The court has directed C M Ibrahim not to use the party symbol and letterhead and also not to appoint any office-bearers and hold press conferences," JD-S sources said on Saturday.

The civil court was approached by the party general secretary A P Ranganath to declare the breakaway group 'illegal'.

"In an interim application in the court, the JD-S sought orders to restrain Ibrahim and associates 'from using the name, logo, symbol, letterhead and any other representation for or on behalf of the Janata Dal-Secular party pending disposal of the suit'.

"Declare all orders issued by Ibrahim after his suspension and expulsion as being illegal," the plea by the JD-S stated.

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development is not merely a catchphrase. It is a guiding principle that defines our governance," Nadda said, adding that the Pradhan Mantri Gharib Kalyan Anna Yojana expends Rs 1.18 trillion, reflecting that the PM ensures food for people.

Viksit Bharat vision resonates the belief that the youth would transform India, he added.

"Government medical colleges have grown in 10 years from 145 to 260. ITIs have grown from 16 to 23, and IIMs from 13 to 21. AIIMS have grown from seven to 22," Nadda said.

He added that Chandrayan-3 and Aditya L1 Mission proved India's technical excellence. "Internet growth was 200% between 2015 and 2021, and UPI transactions reached 83.75 billion in 22-23 from 920 million in 2017-18," he said.

In the 243-member House, the RJD is the single largest party with 79 MLAs as against the BJP's 78. The JD(U) has just 45 MLAs. The next Assembly polls in Bihar

Joint polls will damage democracy, federal polity: AAP to Kovind panel

JATIN ANAND
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

STRONGLY OPPOSING the idea of 'One Nation One Election', the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) on Saturday wrote to the One Nation One Election high-level committee seeking to argue that the move would damage the idea of parliamentary democracy, the basic structure of the Constitution and the federal polity of the country.

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who was the election campaign committee chief of AAP in the state, had resigned on Thursday, citing the "current political scenario" and "Arvind Kejriwal's alignment" with the Indian National Congress" as a key factor behind his move.

Saying that it was his "good fortune to join the BJP ahead of the Ayodhya consecration ceremony", Tanwar added that "people were impressed with the work done by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to improve India's standing and lift the living standards of crores of people." "We will all work to ensure that all records are broken

in touch. The saffron party is hopeful that Tanwar's joining will boost its efforts to consolidate its votes in the state where Jats are the most populous caste and are seen to be leaning towards the Congress in most parts.

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THE INAUGURATION

AYODHYA, JANUARY 22

The break of new dawn in Ayodhya



YOGI ADITYANATH

and the celebratory atmosphere that now permeates the entire nation is unparalleled in recent centuries.

The convergence of diverse spiritual traditions — Shaiva, Vaishnav, Shakta, Ganapatiya, Patya, Sikh, Buddhist, Jain, Dashnam Shankar, Ramana, Ramanuj, Nimarka, Madhva, Vishnu Nami, Ramsamehi, Ghisapanth, Garibdasi, Akali, Nirankari, Gaudiya, Kabirpanthi — representing a myriad of schools, sects, worship methods, and traditions, alongside saints from over 150 traditions, as well as prominent figures from more than 50 communities, including forest-hill dwellers, tribal groups, and luminaries from various fields such as politics, science, industry, sports, arts, culture, and literature, all converging under one umbrella is truly unprecedented and rare.

Tomorrow, the Hon'ble Prime Minister will eloquently convey the sentiments of 140-crore Indians in front of Shri Ram Lalla, transforming Ayodhyadham into a symbolic 'Mini India'. This momentous occasion is a source of immense pride, and on behalf of the 25-crore people of Uttar Pradesh, extend heartfelt greetings to everyone in the sacred Ayodhyadham.

Following the Pran Pratishtha ceremony, Ayodhyadham stands poised to extend a warm welcome to devotees, tourists, researchers, and inquisitive minds from across the globe. With a dedicated focus on this objective, Ayodhyapuri is undergoing meticulous preparations in alignment with the visionary plans of the Hon'ble Prime Minister. The city now boasts of an international airport, an expanded railway station, and a well-connected network of 04-06 lane roads converging from all directions. Additionally, heliport service and a range of convenient hotels and guest houses have been established to cater to the diverse needs of visitors.

In New Ayodhya, the preservation of ancient culture and civilisation is coupled with the integration of cutting-edge urban facilities, meticulously designed to meet the demands of the future. As part of this initiative, there is a rapid rejuvenation of religious, mythological, and historical sites within the radius of Panchkosi, 14 Kosi, and 84 Kosi Parikrama of Ayodhya. These concerted efforts are not only contributing to the preservation of cultural heritage but are also poised to boost tourism, foster cultural promotion, and generate new employment opportunities in the region.

The establishment of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Temple stands as a profound spiritual ceremony, marking a cultural renaissance in India — it is not merely a temple but the National Temple. The consecration of the Shri Ram Lalla is a momentous occasion that swells the heart of the entire nation with pride. Through the benevolence of Lord Ram, the sanctity of the traditional parikrama of Ayodhya is now secure; no disruptions shall mar its sacred path. In the lanes of Ayodhya, bullets will not echo, Saryu will not bear the stain of blood, and curfew will not unleash havoc. Instead, a jubilant celebration will reverberate, echoing the resonance of Ramnaam Sankirtan.

The conservation of Ram Lalla in Awadh purifies the land, heralding the proclamation of the establishment of Ram Rajya in India — an embodiment of the ideal where 'Sab nar karhi parapsar preeti chalhi swadhamneerat shruti neeti' becomes a living reality. The 'Bal-Roop Vigraha' of Shri Ram enshrined in the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi temple serves as a guiding light, paving the way for every Sanatan believer to follow their religious principles. Congratulations to 140-crore fellow citizens on this auspicious occasion! We take immense satisfaction in witnessing the fulfilment of our commitment to build the temple where our ancestors had solemnly sworn to establish. May the blessings of Lord Shri Ram envelop everyone in their warmth and grace.

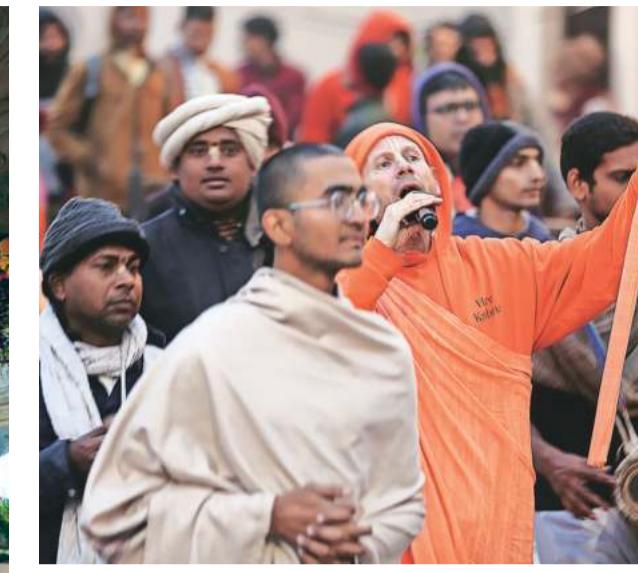
*Shree Ram sharnam mum
Jai-Jai Shree Sita Ram*

(The writer is the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh)

Since the announcement of Shri Ram Lalla's consecration in the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi temple, the anticipation among every Sanatan believer has been palpable, building towards the eagerly awaited date of January 22. The sheer magnitude of collective joy



THE CELEBRATIONS BEGIN



(Clockwise from left) Inside view of the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya; devotees take part in a procession ahead of the temple consecration ceremony scheduled for January 22; a girl takes a selfie on the temple premises; an artist paints a mural on the wall of a housing complex in Pune's Erandavana. Express, Vishal Srivastav, Pavan Khengre

In Yadav belt, temple is a triumph, but demands from govt much more

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
MAINPURI, ETAWAH, JAN 20



Aman Kushwaha, a flower-seller in UP's Etawah town, says he is doing brisk business selling Shri Ram flags. Express

THE MARKET at Kurawali, a small town in Mainpuri district of Uttar Pradesh, is being decked with lights and Shri Ram flags. Ajaypal Singh, 28, from Ashokpur Village adjacent to the town, is beaming with excitement. Munching peanuts next to a fire to beat the biting cold, Singh says, "People's faith has been associated with Ram for centuries and, on January 22, decades of tapasya (penance) will come true. For us, under Yogi-Modi, this is Ram Rajya. Post-January 22, all deities will come on Earth, it is our faith."

Singh and his friends who are fellow Lodhi Rajputs (an OBC caste), say they are happy that the mosque was demolished under the BJP and that the temple is also coming up under the party's rule.

The Mainpuri-Etawah belt in central UP is regarded as a bastion of the Samajwadi Party (SP), home to its late founder Mulayam Singh Yadav and dominated by Yadavs.

Mulayam's daughter-in-law Dimple Yadav is currently the MP from Mainpuri. Mainpuri and Etawah districts also have a sizeable population of Lodhi Rajputs and Shakya-Kushwahas — the former being traditional voters of the BJP, and the latter gravitating to

wards the party under Modi.

In UP politics, if the BJP is the party of the temple, Mulayam is the man under whose rule as chief minister, kar sevaks advancing towards the Ram Janmabhoomi site on October 30 and November 2, 1990, were fired upon, leaving more than 20 dead. Under the BJP government that followed in the state, led by Kalyan Singh, the Babri Masjid was demolished. The BJP wants the people to never forget this, but 30 years down the line, as a new generation takes over, these facts are blurred by history, with the hard line drawn by

Mulayam itself faint under the SP's brush with Hindutva politics.

In the run-up to the temple inauguration, Dimple said that "if invited, we will go". Husband and SP chief Akhilesh Yadav kept his options open till the very end, before finally declaring that while he was very happy about the temple coming up, he would visit later. On the SP turf too, there is ambivalence. In the Yadav-dominated Mahadeva village, two kms from Kurawali, Shailendra Yadav scoffs at the mention of the temple.

"What's the point of the Ram Temple. Is it going to give us jobs?"

Look at the money being spent. If that money was spent on the poor, it would do good," Shailendra, who is unemployed, says.

However, others in the village are not as dismissive. Sippu Yadav, 30, who runs a computer centre and has an SP flag on his house, says, "Muslims have Mecca-Madina. Hindus should also have some place like that. We all worship Ram. Ab Ram temple Hindustan mein nahin banega, toh kya Pakistan mein banega? (If not in India, will Ram temple be built in Pakistan)?" But even Sippu does not agree with the hype around the event, and backs Akhilesh's decision to skip the inauguration.

While Anuj Yadav, a 32-year-old tutor, is not so sure about Akhilesh's move — "People don't feel good about it. Ram is above party politics" — he agrees that the call for celebrations of the scale of Diwali is misplaced. "We didn't beat thaalis either (when the government called for it during Covid). Sentiments are there, but we are not blind followers."

Aman Kushwaha, a 22-year-old flower-seller in Etawah town, who claims to be doing brisk business selling Shri Ram flags, finds nothing wrong with Modi and Yogi inaugurating the temple. Having booked a vehicle to go to Ayodhya after the consecration event, he says, "The temple wouldn't have been built without them."

AYODHYA DIARIES

Sanjay Raut hits out at BJP after Uddhav gets invite via speed post

SHIV SENA (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray on Saturday received an invite to attend the Ram Mandir temple consecration ceremony on January 22 via speed post. The move has further angered Sena workers and leaders who have been expressing their displeasure over not sending the invite to Uddhav. Sena (UBT) MP Sanjay Raut said, "You are giving a special invitation to the celebrities and film stars. They had nothing to do with Ram Janmabhoomi. But you are treating the Thackeray family this way? The Thackeray family had played a major and important role in the Ram Janmabhoomi agitation. Lord Ram will not forgive you and will curse you for this. You are praying to Lord Ram but running the government like Ravana."

ENS

Centre warns media, social media against publishing fake news

THE CENTRE on Saturday issued an advisory to media outlets and social media platforms cautioning them against publishing any false or manipulated content related to the Ram Mandir consecration ceremony in Ayodhya on January 22. The advisory, by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, said it was observed that "unverified, provocative, and fake messages were being spread, especially on social media, which can disturb communal harmony and public order". It asked newspapers, private satellite TV channels, and publishers of news and current affairs on digital media to refrain from publishing and telecasting any content that may be false or manipulated or has the potential to disturb communal harmony or public order. ENS

Uttarakhand Cabinet to visit temple after consecration

UTTARAKHAND CHIEF Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami on Saturday said after the Ram Mandir consecration ceremony, the entire Cabinet will visit the Ram Temple in Ayodhya. Speaking at the 'Ram Rajya Shobhayatra' event by Shri Ram Mandir Pran Pratishtha Utsav Committee at Dehradun's Parade Ground, Dhami announced that the request to provide land (about three-acre) near Ayodhya Dham to build 'Uttarakhand Sadan' has been accepted.

ENS

Field hospitals, first-aid booths among facilities set up as devotees throng town

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FIRST-AID TESTS, field hospitals and an indigenously developed portable disaster hospital — these are some of the measures that the Union Health Ministry and the UP government have deployed in Ayodhya ahead of the Pran Pratishtha ceremony on January 22.

Officials estimate that hundreds of thousands of devotees and 8,000 invitees will attend the event on Monday.

There will be two fully equipped field hospitals — a 20-bed facility at Tulsi Udyani and a 10-bed facility at Tent city — and 16 first-aid booths to ensure proper health facilities for the devotees. A control room will also be set up in the mela area.

A team from the trauma cen-

tre associated with the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi, has also conducted training in basic life support, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and triage techniques for all healthcare workers deployed in Ayodhya.

The Union Health Secretary and the Director General of Health Services recently visited Ayodhya to assess and fortify the medical infrastructure.

The government has also instituted vector control and disease surveillance measures to prevent any outbreak during the event. While mosquito-borne diseases such as dengue do not usually spread during winter months, an increase in respiratory infections caused by Covid-19 and seasonal influenza has been seen across many cities in India.

In addition to the medical fa-

15 couples from across India to be 'yajmans' for pran pratishtha

LALMANI VERMA
AYODHYA, JANUARY 20

A TOTAL of 15 couples from different castes and sections from across the country will perform the duty of "yajmans" (hosts) during the "pran pratishtha" of Ram Lalla in Ayodhya on Monday.

The couples will include Dalits, tribals, OBCs (including Yadav) and other castes.

The Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust on Saturday shared a list of 14 names, saying that another name will be announced later. As yajman, these couples will perform rituals during the Ram temple consecration ceremony in the presence of other dignitaries, including Prime Minister Narendra Modi, RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat, trust president Nrtiya Gopal Das, UP

Kaveendra Pratap Singh are the other two names from Varanasi.

Other names on the list are Ram Kui Jemi of Assam, Sardar Guru Charan Singh Gill (Jaipur), Krishan Mohan (Hardoi, from Ravidasji samaj), Ramesh Jain (Multani), Adalarasan (Tamil Nadu), Vitthalrao Kamble (Mumbai), Mahadev Rao Gaikwad (Latur, Ghumantam samaj trustee), Lingraj Vasavaraj Appa (Kolaburagi in Karnataka), Dilip Valimiki (Lucknow), and Arun Chaudhary (Palwal in Haryana).

RSS leader Anil Mishra, member of the organisation's Awadh wing, and wife Usha are the "pran pratishtha" (main hosts) who will perform the rituals leading up to the consecration event. Mishra is one of the 15 trustees of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra that was formed in 2020 to oversee the construction.

A team from the trauma cen-

cilities at the venue, the bed strength of Rajarshi Dashrath Rajaika Medical College has also been increased from 350 to 550 as a back-up facility.

The Centre's indigenously developed portable hospital for emergencies, which has mini Cubes with different equipment, medicines and consumables — called Arogya Maitri Disaster Management Cube - BHISM — is likely to be at ready if needed.

Hospitals in Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, and other neighbouring states have also been asked to remain on alert in case of any unforeseen emergency situations. A designated team is ready for rapid deployment in the event of emergencies, according to the Health Ministry.

The International Health Division of the ministry is also enhancing health facilities at the Ayodhya airport.

'Strudcom' celebrates glorious 40 years of Integrity, Stability, Strength and Performance



Left to right: Jagdeesh Babu, C.E. Godse, Nikhil Inamdar, Prof. Bonde, Jayant Inamdar, Nilesh Laddad



Founder Director Mr. Jayant Inamdar, Directors Mr. Nikhil Inamdar, Mr. Kiran Mohite, Mr. Pratyush Khandekar along with associate directors Ms. Sunila Shende, Mr. Sunil Bhutkar, and Mr. Bhushan Kasar, along with Mr. Abhinav Hapse, Mr. Karan Dumbre, Mr. Sameer Deshpande and all other senior engineers from Strudcom were present on the occasion. Eminent speakers included ER. Nilesh Laddad & Mr. Jagadeesh Babu among others.

A corporate video presentation, a unique 'Sand Art Video' and dance performances narrating the journey and success of 'Strudcom' along with speeches from experts made the program a perfect blend of Knowledge, academics and entertainment.

The man behind this path breaking endeavour 'Strudcom'

Mr. Jayant Inamdar was felicitated on the occasion at the hands of his mentors Mr. Chandrakant Godse and Mr. Bonde.

Mr. Jayant Inamdar said Strudcom is the first consultant in the city which started site visit memos in triplicate- one to site engineer, one to our office and one to the architect all signed by the site engineer and by me. This was way back in 1982. I used to write notes not in technical language but in simple language which could be understood by people onsite including fitters and carpenters. He added that there is no alternative to quality, safety, hard work, honesty and

dedication. Instead of working for individual goals, we should work as a team for the development and progress of the industry and our country.

Delivering the vote of thanks Mr. Nikhil Inamdar expressed his gratitude to all the customers who have been with the company for past four decades and are an extended family. He added that we have been designing Building Information Modeling (BIM) inhouse since 2013, structural steel design inhouse and now Steel Tekla modelling inhouse. By adopting latest technologies, our focus is on doing innovative things to better quality, precision and efficiency.

Experts hail their association with 'Strudcom'

Various experts from the field of real estate and architecture hailed their long association with the team at 'Strudcom' attributing the strong bond to the promptness, responsiveness and ability to take on any challenge and deliver quality work in time. In his keynote address Nilesh Laddad, Managing director Planedge Consultants Pvt. Ltd. said that designing the right structure, designing the right elements in the structure to fulfill the requirements of architect is crucial and the Strudcom team is able to achieve it which brings the desired look and design to the structure.

Mr. Jagdeesh Babu Ramanathan, Director Operations, Phoenix Group in his key note address said that 'Strudcom' was instrumental in changing the way we look at business. Referring to a steel project, Mr. Ramanathan narrated how Nikhil Inamdar, backed by experience from Mr. Jayant Inamdar took up the challenge and showed how project can be executed.



Left to Right: Prof. Bonde & C.E. Godse with Jayant Inamdar

'Strudcom'- a trusted name ensuring stability for happier spaces

Headquartered in Pune, Strudcom Consultants Pvt. Ltd is one of the leading structural engineering companies in India. Whether it is conventional structures or modern commercial and residential structures, the company has been adopting latest technologies and delivering with speed and scale. With a rich legacy of four decades, a strong foundation built on client trust through world class services, 'Strudcom' is leading the way into future. While sustainability is becoming the buzz word with climate change, role of structural engineers is also becoming dynamic taking into consideration the new realities and 'Strudcom' has been in the forefront of this change.

Leading the way into future.... with cutting edge technologies

In most of the developed nations, the focus is more on mechanized activities as labour is more expensive. So a significant number of buildings are modular whether it is wood, structural steel or precast. This means most of the work is done in factories and only assembling is done onsite. Whereas in India, the activities are labour intensive and in-situ construction as it is more cost effective. But with rapid economic progress of India, availability of skilled labour is becoming challenging and the change to modular technique is inevitable. 'Strudcom' has been pioneering this change with structural steel as a solution in India, so that same structure can be manufactured in factory with better quality, time and accuracy with only assembly happening at the site.

Rapidly expanding network to serve diverse clients across geographies

While the company has established strong relationship with its customers, the demand for company's services has been growing rapidly from clients across geographies. The company has handled a volume of 70+ cr sq ft in more than 15 cities in India with 15+cr sqft in ongoing projects. Currently the company has offices in Pune, Hyderabad & Nashik, but keeping in mind the growing needs of the clients, 'Strudcom' will soon open offices in Delhi & Bhuvaneshwar. 'Strudcom' Vision and Mission to become a significant player in the construction industry across India, adding values to projects through sound engineering, ensuring customer satisfaction and empowering employees is ably backed by its core values including safety of people and projects, respect for individuals and stakeholders, integrity, enterprise and excellence.

Humble beginning with a robust structure of trust and reliability..

In 1983, Jayant V Inamdar, a visionary man with high values and pursuit for excellence, started practice as an independent structural consultant. Soon what began from a small outhouse at Prabhat Road, Pune, evolved into a portfolio of one of the leading engineering companies in India.

Back in 1984, the humble beginning marked the first project of Masulka Colony at Pimpri Chinchwad. The well-earned reputation for dedication and work standards earned Mr. Jayant Inamdar, some prestigious projects. From then on, there has been a series of successful projects ranging in the diverse arena of Residential Buildings, Townships, IT Parks, Factories, Institutes, Public Premises, Multiplexes and Shopping Malls to Bridges, Mobile Towers, Chimneys, ESR Balancing Tanks and Water Treatment Plants for

major promoters, developers and corporates across India.

Strudcom Consultants Pvt. Ltd came into being with a single-minded mission: "To create structures that offer "more than what meets the eye". Services that not only appeal to the eye, but extend experiences across all touch points. With this as the founding principle Strudcom excels on all parameters going beyond customer satisfaction, building structures that everybody can be proud of!

Today the second generation- Mr. Nikhil Inamdar is at the helm of the company with a vision of embracing technology as the motto and winning mantra for Strudcom. Under his leadership the company's strength is fuelled by systematic process approach, and latest software to achieve detailed analysis and design solutions. The indigenous in-

house developed software aids at different stages in designing the structural elements. In 2003 the prestigious ISO 9001: 2001 certification from RINA further propelled the company's efficiency and quality standards. Over the years, Strudcom has grown significantly to become a strong team of 110+ professionals under valuable guidance of Directors - Mr. Pratyush Khandekar & Mr. Kiran Mohite and Associates - Mr. Sunil Bhutkar, Ms. Sunila Shende and Mr. Bhushan Kasar.

With the legacy of rich experience, gained through the drive to excel, Strudcom intends to be the "Most Reliable Partner" for structure in terms of Safety, Stability, Speed, Efficiency and End-User Satisfaction. Coming together, working incessantly, to build spaces and accomplish dreams, Strudcom Consultants

Pvt. Ltd has come a long way from its humble beginning.

Today, one of the leading structural specialists, the company takes pride in having designed magnificent structures that are strong and inherently safe. It is the knowledge of cutting edge technology experience and values fueled by passion that has enabled the brand to deliver quality work, and enjoy a preferred position over the competition within reputed developers and government bodies.

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BIM Approach

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- 1998-99: Vikas Ratna Award
- 2000-01: AESA Award (Residential Category)
- 2007-08: Vikas Ratna Award
- 2008: AESA Kumar Award (Group Housing Woods)
- 2009: Dr. J M Mulay Structural Design Award
- 2017: Vikas Ratna Award
- 2018: BAI Award (Institution Category)



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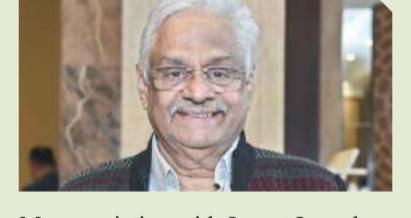
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J&K approves increase in cadre strength of judges

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
JAMMU, JANUARY 20

JAMMU AND Kashmir has raised the cadre strength of district judges by approving a proposal that supported the recommendations of Second National Judicial Pay Commission (SNJPC).

The Administrative Council (AC), which met here under the Chairmanship of Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, approved increasing the cadre strength of District Judges (Selection Grade) to 35 per cent from existing 25 per cent and District Judges (Super Time Scale) to 15 per cent from existing 10 per cent retrospectively from January 1, 2020, an official spokesman said.

Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Lieutenant Governor, and Atul Dulloo, Chief Secretary to LG, attended the meeting. The proposal of law department was approved by government to implement the SNJPC recommendations, which has been accepted by the Supreme Court in case titled All India Judges Association Vs Union Of India and Ors, he said. The Ministry of Law and Justice has also conveyed the approval of the competent authority regarding implementation of the recommendations of Second National Judicial Pay Commission.

Goa hotel staffer kills wife on beach, tries to fake it as 'accident': Police

PAVNEET SINGH CHADHA
PANAJI, JANUARY 20

A 29-YEAR-OLD restaurant manager of a luxury hotel in Goa was arrested for allegedly killing his wife at a beach in South Goa on Friday.

Police said after murdering her, he tried to portray it as an "accident", claiming his wife had drowned when he was purchasing ice-cream nearby.

Police identified the deceased as Diksha Gangawar (27) of Sharda Nagar, Lucknow. Her husband, Gaurav Katiyar, also from Lucknow, is a restaurant manager at a luxury hotel oper-

"After the incident, he cre-

ated a commotion, claiming his wife drowned in the water. A bystander informed the police and a team from the Cuncolim police station reached the spot. During questioning, the behaviour of the victim's husband was found suspicious. In a video, purportedly shot by a local, he could be seen coming out of the water and then going back in, possibly to confirm if she was dead. Her body had injury marks on the chest area, suggesting signs of struggle," said a police officer privy to the investigation.

Police said the accused later claimed that his wife had accidentally drowned when he had gone to purchase ice-cream.

"After the incident, he con-

fessed to killing her. "The couple got married one year ago. In the past few months, there was some friction in the relationship. As per preliminary probe, it appears that the accused was having an extra-marital affair and planned to murder his wife. It seems she died of suffocation from drowning in the water. The exact cause of death will be ascertained after the post-mortem," said the police officer.

Police said on the complaint of sub-inspector Tejash Kumar Naik, a case was registered against the accused under Section 302 (murder) of the IPC at Cuncolim police station.

BOAT CAPSIZE
2 more booked; operator hired non-swimmers as helpers: police

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
VADODARA, JANUARY 20

THE SPECIAL Investigation Team (SIT) of the Vadodara city police, which is investigating Thursday's boat tragedy that left 12 schoolchildren and two teachers dead, on Saturday booked two more persons for allegedly "administering and managing" the day-to-day activities at the Lake Zone at Motrath lake in Harni.

The police identified the two men booked as Paresh Shah and Nilesh Jain. Officers said that one of them ran a company that operated the boating service at Lake Zone – a facility that includes boats, food court, banquet hall and other amenities – and appointed persons who "did not even know swimming" as helpers on boats.

Vadodara city Police Commissioner Anupam Singh Gahlaut said the SIT has begun the process to appoint a special public prosecutor for "safe keeping" the documentary evidence that the team has been collecting.

He added that during primary interrogation of the six accused arrested so far, it has come to light that two persons – Paresh Shah and Nilesh Jain – administered the activities at the Lake Zone on a day-to-day basis though their names did not feature on the list of directors of Kotia Projects, which had been awarded the contract by the Vadodara Municipal Corporation (VMC) to renovate and operate Lake Zone.

The police said that Jain ran a company named Dolphin Entertainment and Amusement Park and had been appointed by Kotia Projects to operate the boating service at Lake Zone.

The police had on Friday arrested six persons, including three partners of Kotia Projects – Bhimsinh Yadav, Vedprakash Yadav and Rashmikant Prajapati. The others who were arrested on Friday were Lake Zone manager Shantilal Solanki and the two men who were operating the boat that capsized -- Nayan Ghohil and Ankit Vasava.

Creator of Rashmika's deepfake held; he wanted followers: cops

Engg graduate traced to Guntur, Andhra Pradesh; learnt skill on YouTube: Police

ARNABJIT SUR
NEW DELHI, JANUARY 20

OVER THREE months after a deepfake video of actor Rashmika Mandanna was circulated online, the Delhi police on Saturday said they have arrested a 24-year-old engineering graduate from Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, for allegedly creating the video and posting it on social media.

The accused, Eeman Naveen, allegedly created the deepfake for increasing the followers on his Instagram fan page on Mandanna, said the police. Officers of the Intelligence Fusion and Strategic Operations Unit (IFSO) of Delhi Police, which is investigating the matter, said Naveen had allegedly created two more fan pages of South-based actors, which have followers in lakhs. All three pages are running online but the deepfake video has been deleted from Mandanna's fan page, the police said.

The accused, Naveen, completed his B.Tech from Adhi College of Engineering and Technology in 2021. He also pursued a digital certification course in Digital Marketing from Google Garage in 2019, said the police.



The accused, Eeman Naveen, in police custody, Saturday. Express

"He is a big fan of the actress (Mandanna) and was running a fan page in her name. He created two more fan pages of South-based actors and he had been managing the fan pages and uploading clean and original videos on them. Followers of his other two fan pages were in lakhs but that of Mandanna was only 90,000," said DCP (IFSO) Hemant Tiwari.

In order to increase the followers on that page, Naveen allegedly created the deepfake video. "Due to this video, the following of his page increased to

more than a lakh in two weeks," said the DCP.

"Later, when the accused realised that the video was garnering a lot of attention and was being criticised by various celebrities on social media, he got scared and deleted the post and also changed the name of the fan page," said DCP Tiwari.

The accused has been brought to Delhi and will soon be produced in court, said the officer, adding that

"It is a bailable offence but we will seek his police custody as we have to retrieve deleted digital

data from his devices".

During the preliminary analysis, it was found that the original video was uploaded by a British-Indian girl on her Instagram account on October 9, and four days later, the deepfake video of Mandanna was created and circulated on various social media platforms, said a senior police officer.

"We questioned several youths, including one from Bihar and a few from Punjab and other states, who had uploaded the deepfake video as a reel on other social media accounts like Facebook," said the officer.

DCP Tiwari said the police analysed more than 500 social media accounts and interrogated several account holders before finally tracing the accused's Instagram account URL to Guntur.

A Delhi police team was subsequently sent to Andhra Pradesh, which arrested Naveen from his home. "He had deleted the video from his Instagram account but we managed to digitally backtrack and recover his account details from Meta," said an officer.

On how did he make the video, an officer said, "He learnt it on YouTube and then used a website to merge another face into the original video..."

CEO death: Ramoji Film City mgmt booked for negligence

RAHUL V PISHARODY
HYDERABAD, JANUARY 20



Sanjay Shah, founder-CEO of Illinois-based Vistex died in a freak accident on Thursday

proved; the police have written to experts concerning the machinery used and are awaiting a response. "It is a stunt usually seen during dance performances on stage. The 6mm iron cable used here (to support the cage) snapped. We feel it was substandard and safety precautions were not in place but we will wait for a report from experts. We have booked the management of Ramoji Film City and others involved in the event. No arrests have been made so far and the investigation is on," he said.

Shah and Datla, both US citizens, had come for a two-day trip to celebrate the company's 25 years with employees of the Hyderabad branch. "It was just the beginning of the event. The father, mother, wife and brothers of the deceased were present in the audience. Around 680 people from the Hyderabad branch were in the audience," the SI said.

Shah had set up Vistex as an Enterprise resource planning solutions firm in 1999 and moved to the US about 20 years ago. Today, the company has 20 global offices and over 2,000 employees. Shah also founded Vistex Foundation and Vistex Institute for Executive Learning and Research at Lehigh University. Datla had been with Vistex since 2000.

responsible for the safe conduct of the event have been booked.

In a short video clip of the accident, the two executives can be seen waving at the audience as they are being lowered onto the stage. Suddenly the iron structure gives way and the two men fall on the stage. They were immediately rushed to a nearby hospital and then to a corporate hospital. Shah succumbed to his injuries at the hospital at 12.10 am Friday; Datla is undergoing treatment for grievous injuries and remains critical, said doctors.

Speaking to *The Indian Express*, sub-inspector D Karnakar Reddy said the police were informed of the incident by one of the staff members at 8.40 pm, almost an hour after the accident. He said as part of the investigation negligence has to be

Kerala BJP leader murder: 15 PFI men convicted

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
ALAPPUZHA, JANUARY 20

A KERALA court on Saturday found 15 men guilty of killing a BJP OBC wing leader in the district in December 2021.

The convicted persons are associated with the now-banned radical Islamist group, Popular Front of India (PFI).

Ranjith Sreenivasan, the BJP OBC Morcha state secretary, was brutally attacked and killed at his

house on December 19, 2021, in front of his family, allegedly by activists affiliated with PFI and Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI).

The verdict was delivered by Mavelikkara Additional District judge V G Sreedevi. The quantum of punishment will be pronounced on Monday.

According to special prosecutor Prathap G Padickal, the court found that out of the 15 people, accused one to eight were directly involved in the case.

The court also found four

people (accused number nine to 12) guilty of murder because they, along with those directly involved in the crime, came to the spot armed with deadly weapons. Their objective was to prevent Sreenivasan from escaping and stop anyone entering the house after hearing his screams.

The court accepted the prosecution's argument that they were also liable for the common offense of murder under IPC Section 149 (every member of unlawful assembly guilty of of-

fence committed in prosecution of common object), Padickal said.

The court also found three persons (accused number 13 to 15), who hatched the conspiracy for this crime, to be convicted of murder. As a result, the court found all the 15 accused in the case guilty of murder, Padickal said. They were also found guilty under various other sections of the IPC.

The family of Sreenivasan ex-

pressed hope that the guilty would be given the maximum punishment.

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As per the powers conferred under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and under Section 13(12) of the Securities Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 read together with Rule 8, the Authorized Punjab National Bank. The undersigned as an officer issued demand notice as mentioned in the table below, asking the borrowers/guarantors to pay the amount specified in the respective notices against their names in the table within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said intimation in writing. As per the powers conferred under the said Act, the undersigned has asked the following borrowers/guarantors to pay the amount specified in the respective notices issued under section 13(2) within the stipulated time, the aforesaid borrowers/guarantors and the general public are hereby informed that the undersigned has made payment against the property concerned have taken symbolic possession of the properties (guaranteed assets) mentioned in the following table in compliance with the powers conferred on them under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on the date mentioned. In particular the aforesaid borrowers/guarantors and the general public are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned in the following table and any transaction with the said properties shall be effected on the amount mentioned in the relevant column of the table and thereon. The interest will be subject to the charge of Punjab National Bank.

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Date - 17.01.2024
Place - Bhagalpur
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Punjab National Bank

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Description of the Secured Assets

1. Amount of Demand Notice

2. Date of Demand Notice

3. Date of Possession

Authorised Officer
Union bank of India

PR No. 015044 (I&PRD) 2023-24

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JJB sentences man to 2 years in jail for raping minor in 2002

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
LUCKNOW, JANUARY 20

THE JUVENILE Justice Board in Banda, Uttar Pradesh, has handed down two years of imprisonment to a man for raping a minor girl in 2002 and slapped a fine of Rs 10,000 on him. The convict, now 34 years old, was 13 when he raped the minor girl (then 11) and threatened her 10-year-old brother with dire consequences. He was out on bail.

Banda prosecuting officer CP Gautam said, "On Friday, the accused appeared before the board which convicted him of rape and criminal intimidation. Besides handing down imprisonment, the Board also imposed a fine of Rs 10,000 on him."

Six prosecution witnesses, including the victim's brother, were examined. After the judgment, the convict moved a bail application which was allowed, Gautam added. The convict is a private taxi driver and has three children.

The case dates back to April 10, 2002, when the girl and her brother were on their way home when the incident took place.

"The accused caught the girl and tried to drag her to an isolated place. When her brother tried to stop the accused, he thrashed and threatened him after which the brother fled the spot. The complainant stated that the accused then raped the girl," the prosecution said.

Pritam Singh Bhinder — controversial but ace police officer

KANCHAN VASDEV
CHANDIGARH, JANUARY 20

OFTEN DESCRIBED as a "controversial but an ace police officer", former Delhi Police commissioner Pritam Singh Bhinder passed away recently in the Capital at the age of 88.

A Haryana-cadre IPS officer, Bhinder was the inspector general of Punjab Police during Operation Bluestar — which was launched to remove terrorists from the Golden Temple in Amritsar in 1984.

Considered close to Congress leader Sanjay Gandhi and former prime minister Indira Gandhi, who was instrumental in getting him posted in Punjab during the trouble-torn days of militancy, Bhinder is known for having recruited several Punjabi youths, especially from Gurdaspur, in the Delhi Police. He was lodged in Tihar jail after the "encounter" of dacoit Sunder, who had threatened to eliminate Sanjay Gandhi during the Emergency.

His wife Sukhbans Kaur Bhinder was a Congress leader and a six-time woman MP. She passed away in 2006.

Neeraj Malhotra, former chairman of Improvement Trust, Gurdaspur, and a Congress leader, who was close to the Bhinder family, said, "It was during Bansi Lal's tenure as chief minister of Haryana that Sanjay Gandhi had asked him to suggest a tough police officer who could be posted in Delhi. Thereafter, Bhinder was posted in Delhi; he is known for having carried out a

At heart of Himachal DGP's court case, a business feud and allegations of threats

VARINDER BHATIA
PALAMPUR, CHANDIGARH,
JANUARY 20



Businessman Nishant Sharma with wife Jessica in Palampur, Himachal Pradesh. Kamleshwar Singh

A BUSINESS feud between shareholders of a Kangra Valley-based company is at the heart of a controversy involving some of the most high-profile names in Himachal Pradesh, including Director General of Police Sanjay Kundu.

Earlier this month, the Supreme Court stayed the order of the Himachal Pradesh High Court for Kundu to be moved out of his current post to ensure a fair probe into a complaint by businessman Nishant Sharma. Sharma had accused Kundu of allegedly intimidating and threatening him on behalf of KD Shreedhar, a leading lawyer who is a stakeholder in his company.

Sharma is the Managing Director of Shri Chamunda Laboratories and Projects Private Limited, a hospitality and real-estate company that his family set up in the 1990s. Among the prime properties the company owns is a plush hotel in Palampur and a commercial complex in Bhagsunag near McLeodganj.

While Sharma and his family members control 50 per cent of the shares, Shreedhar holds the remaining 50 per cent. Shreedhar's wife Sarita is among the six directors, with Sharma, his father, mother, and two sisters as the other five directors.

Speaking to *The Indian Express*, Sharma said the discord began in June 2022. "Shreedhar and Sarita forced us to sell the company. We objected because the company is doing well, there are no outstanding liabilities. Shreedhar even quoted a price and suggested to us buyers who were interested in taking over our company. We did not agree. He was offering us Rs 80 crore while the value of our properties is not less than Rs 150 crore."

Shreedhar, however, dismissed Sharma's allegations, saying he has "never pressured Nishant or any other directors to sell any assets." Shreedhar also contested Sharma's claims of the company being a profitable one, saying "it had been registering losses since 2012-13, except for one year, 2016-17".

"I hold 50 per cent shares. Without the Board of Directors' approval, no shareholdings can

be sold by any of the directors. There is no question of pressuring anybody. As far as selling the company's assets are concerned, I have evidence to prove that it was, in fact, Nishant (Sharma) who offered to sell this company in the past," Shreedhar told *The Indian Express*.

As differences over the company spun out of control, it culminated in a series of FIRs. Two of these FIRs are based on Sharma's complaints that he was attacked on two separate occasions — in Gurgaon, at his parents' home, on August 25; and then, on October 27, while he was on his way from McLeodganj to Bhagsunag.

In the second case, Sharma alleged that the assailants allegedly threatened him to withdraw his earlier complaint. The same day, hours earlier, Sharma got 15 missed calls from DGP Kundu's office's landline number, followed

by a WhatsApp message from Palampur SHO Sandeep Sharma asking Sharma to call back on the landline number "because the DGP wanted to talk to him".

Sharma says he called back and spoke to Kundu, who asked him to come to Shimla and meet him. While Sharma said Kundu's tone was "intimidating", the DGP told the High Court that he "only requested Nishant to come to Shimla" and that the businessman refused, saying he was going to Malaysia. Kundu added in court that the conversation between both of them was "cordial" and there were no calls exchanged between them henceforth.

DGP Kundu did not respond to calls by *The Indian Express* seeking his version.

Sharma alleges a delay in the registration of FIRs based on his complaints and says the matter came to light only after he sent emails to the Chief Justice of the Himachal Pradesh High Court and the Chief Minister accusing Kundu of intimidating him on the behest of Shreedhar.

"It was only when the High Court took note of the email I sent and initiated proceedings that the FIRs were registered at McLeodganj (November 16, 2023) and Gurgaon (November 27)," says Sharma, who accused Shreedhar and Sachin Shreedhar (a former IPS officer) of carrying out the attacks on him and his family members.

While Sachin wasn't avail-



ART FEST BEGINS

Visitors at the Kala Ghoda Arts Festival, in Mumbai, Saturday. PTI

Fresh FIR against Azam's son for 'illegal plotting of river land'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
LUCKNOW, JANUARY 20

A FRESH case was registered on Friday against former Uttar Pradesh MLA Abdullah Azam Khan in Rampur over allegations that "he and some others got illegal plotting done of river land".

In October 2023, SP leader Azam Khan, his wife Tanzeen Fatima, and Abdullah Azam Khan were convicted and sentenced to seven years in jail in a 2019 case of alleged forgery of Abdullah's birth certificate. While Azam is lodged at Sitapur jail, Abdullah in Hardoi prison, and Tanzeen in Rampur jail.

Speaking about the case, Rampur Additional Superintendent of Police AK

Srivastava said, "A complaint was submitted at Kotwali police station by Halka Lekhpal Sanjay Kumar. He wrote that following orders from Rampur SDM, a probe was conducted in which it was found that river land was plotted by Abdullah and some others by 'defrauding people by hiding facts.' Due to this, the protection and conservation of the river has also been affected and the chances of flooding have increased. We are gathering facts and evidence and further action is underway."

The case has been registered against Abdullah, Anwaar, Mohammad Saleem, Mohammad Parvez, and other unidentified people. The others are all residents of Rampur.

Kashmiri Pandit murder: J&K SIA files chargesheet against 12 accused

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
SRINAGAR, JANUARY 20

THE STATE Investigation Agency (SIA), Jammu and Kashmir Police, has filed a chargesheet against 12 people for their alleged involvement in the murder of Kashmiri Pandit Sanjay Sharma in Pulwama (Bijbehara); Aamir Hussain Wani, Zaffar Hussain Bhat, Towseef Ahmad Pandith and Sahil Bashir Dar (Anantnag); Jazim Farooq Wani, Shameem Ahmad Bhat, Ubaid Ahmad Paddar and Danish Ahmad Thokar (Shopian); and Sharjeel Ahmad Bhat (Kulgam).

Sharma, who was a bank se-

curity guard, was shot at from less than a 100 m from his house, while he and his wife, Sunita, were on their way to buy medicines from the local market. While his wife escaped unharmed, Sharma was severely injured in the attack and "declared dead on arrival" by the doctors. Sharma is survived by his wife and three children — two daughters and a son.

After taking over the case, the SIA conducted extensive searches across South Kashmir and "unearthed vital physical and technical evidence", which exposed the involvement of the accused, including harbouring them, providing logistical support, and concealing evidence.

The story of Guddi, Rani and country's first 'HIV village' in Maharashtra

who live with HIV. His aim is to ensure that these children get the best possible education.

Eight-year-old Guddi, one of the residents of Bapatle's Sevalay Margdnya Hostel, has an emotional reunion with her mother, Rani, every weekend. Rani, who is HIV-positive, lives in the Happy Indian Village, which Bapatle set up in 2006 in Latur's Ausa tehsil. Her weekly visits to the hostel always conclude with a pep talk, when she encourages Guddi who dreams of becoming a doctor to treat people with HIV.

Over the years, the village in Latur has become a haven for those abandoned by their families due to the stigma surrounding HIV. It now has around 110 residents with HIV.

Rani was the first girl to be brought to the village, after she was abandoned by her family in

2007 at the age of 15. She not only found a new life in the village, but also found a companion, eventually marrying another HIV-positive resident of the village.

"This village became my refuge without stigmatisation. It was here that I found my husband. We grew up together and later got married and had Guddi," she told *The Indian Express*.

Like Rani and her husband, another 24 HIV-positive couples from the village have married, and many have even moved out to start new lives.

The choice to have their own children was a delicate one for these couples amid fears that they would pass on the virus. However, medical interventions like antiretroviral therapy, pre-exposure prophylaxis, and assisted reproductive technologies

enabled six HIV-positive couples to welcome seven healthy babies born without the virus.

Rani's daughter Guddi was the first among them. "I never

thought that I would become a mother one day, but the doctor assured me that through proper prenatal treatment, it was possible to have an HIV-negative

Along with a cook and care-



Children on their way to school. Special arrangement

child. When Guddi was born, and the doctor said she is free of the virus, it was the happiest moment of my life," Rani said.

For Bapatle, it was important to make sure that these children get the best possible education so that they can fulfil their potential. Despite facing two challenging years amid the Covid-19 pandemic, Bapatle secured a three-story building in Pune with the help of generous donors, and transformed it into a residential hostel — Sevalay Margdnya.

"Even after so many years, despite being HIV-negative, these children face stigma and humiliation," Bapatle said, adding, "Hence, we had to make separate arrangements for these seven children in Pune, where the standard of education is also significantly higher."

Along with a cook and care-

taker, Ravi has also hired a 23-year-old Ankita Yadav, who not only keeps an eye on the girls and takes them to school, but also helps them with their studies.

Currently, there are three girls in the hostel, including Guddi. The other two girls are four and seven years old. Soon, four more children will be brought from the village to the hostel.

The children have actively showcased their talents at school functions. During an annual day event at their school, Guddi, a class 2 student, sang the Marathi song 'Amchya Papani Ganpati Anla', while the seven-year-old class 1 student captivated the audience with renditions of 'Vittal Vittal' and 'O Mari Fundi'. They both attend the same school and share a keen interest in dancing and drawing. The four-year-old is in nursery school and delights

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Rajasthan HC rejects 11-yr-old rape victim's abortion plea

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THE RAJASTHAN High Court has turned down a 11-year-old rape victim's plea to terminate her 32-week pregnancy, saying that abortion at such an advanced stage could "endanger" her life and that a fully developed foetus also has a right to life under Article 21 of the Constitution.

After the High Court took note of the matter, Shimla's Superintendent of Police Sanjeev Gandhi filed a status report in the court, and highlighted that nine calls were exchanged between K D Shreedhar and DGP Kundu in September, October and November — the longest one, of 256 seconds, made on October 25, two days before Sharma alleges he was attacked in McLeodganj.

While "setting aside" the High Court's directions of transferring DGP Kundu out of his post, the Supreme Court directed the state government to consider constituting a Special Investigation Team (SIT) comprising Inspector General of Police-rank officers and also added that the SIT shall not report to DGP Kundu. The Supreme Court also directed the state government to provide adequate security to Nishant Sharma and his family members and "to continue to do so based on its evaluation of the threat perception".

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There is no material available on record on the basis of which this Court may differ with the opinion expressed by the Medical Board, hence under these circumstances, if any direction is issued for termination of the pregnancy, at this advanced stage, the same would endanger the life of the minor victim," the court said.

The court cited a 2023 Supreme Court case, where a woman was 28 weeks pregnant, as well as two matters before the Punjab and Haryana High Court where it declined to grant permission for termination of pregnancy, to minor rape victims, who were of similar age to the 11-year-old, to conclude that "this Court has no valid reason to take a different view.

While her father the accused and mother suffering from intellectual impairments, the court said that the child can stay at a Balika Grah till she becomes an adult. The court also directed the state government to ensure her well-being, including directions to incur the costs of delivery and that she be permitted to study and stay at Balika Grah till she becomes an adult. The court also directed the superintendent of the hospital where she was examined and has been asked to deliver the child, to retain and preserve the tissue, cord and blood sample of fetus for the purpose of DNA analysis by Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL)

and the same be handed over to the Investigating Officer as and when required.

Upon birth, the child may be handed over to the Child Welfare Committee which may put him or her up for adoption in accordance with law.

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PERSONAL

I, RENU GUPTA, W/O PRAVEEN GOEL R/O-1 RAM VIHAR VIKAS MARG EXTN DELHI-110095, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO RENU GOEL.
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I, khushboo Ganglesh w/o Ashish Gupta R/o J-9A phase-1, Ashok Vihar, Delhi-110052, have changed my name to Khushboo Gupta. 0040709468-1

I, Vinnee Dua W/o Tarun Kumar, R/o-B-166/1, Second Floor, Sainik-Nagar, Nawada, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059. Have Changed my name to Vinnee Arora, for all purposes
0040709453-3

I, VIJAY SINGH alias VIJAY KUMAR SHARMA S/O HARI RAM R/O RZ-29A, Gali No-3, Mohan Block, West Sugarpur, Delhi-110046, have changed my name to VIJAY KUMAR S
0040709459-7

I, K L Bhagyamma W/o K L RamaNaik/R/o Lakshmi Puram, Hindupur, Hindupur, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh-515201, have changed my name to K L Bhangari Bhai
0070884374-1

I, Pappy Kumar S/o Jaikaran R/o 491, Batnour, Mawana, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh-250401, have changed my name to Pranav Kumar Sagar
0070884483-1

I, Saazreen D/o Mohammed Yunus and W/o Mohd Kazim Siddiqui R/o D-295, Kh No 43/1, Ambedkar Colony, Chhattarpur, Delhi-110074, have changed my name to Aafreen Siddiqui
0070884494-1

I, Vibhuti D/o Har Parshad Grover R/o House No-2010/18, Near Bank of Baroda, Mohalla Rampura, Hisar, Haryana-125001, have changed my name to Vibhuti Grover
0070884485-1

I, I have changed my name from Pradeep Tiwari to Pradeep Kumar Tiwari for all future purposes. Pradeep Kumar Tiwari S/o Kaushal Kishor Tiwari R/o B-349, Prem Vihar, Khor Colony, Near Gupta Hospital, Ghaziabad, UP 201309
0070884511-1

I, AMOL PANKAJ S/O KAILASH KUMAR R/O 96, POCKET-1, SECTOR-22, ROHINI, DELHI-110085 HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO AMOL PANKAJ MANNAN FOR ALL FUTURE PURPOSES.
0070884513-1

I, Birendra Kumar Gupta S/o Har Narayan Gupta R/o Arya Nagar, Babupur, Ajitmal, Auraiya, UP have changed my name to Virendra Kumar Gupta for all purpose.
0070884506-1

I, Dharmender S/O, Jairam Singh R/o A140, Sector 40, Noida have changed my name to Dharmender Singh for all purposes.
0040709451-1

I, Gurmeet Singh Bonga,S/o Sewa Singh,R/o-WZ-22/1,Gali no.1,Road No.3, New Sahib Pura,Tilak Nagar, Delhi-110018, have changed my name to Gurmeet Singh
0040709479-2

I, Dilip S/o Brij Kishore R/o-461 Mohalla Peer Wala Village & Post Badoli,Faridabad,have Changed my name to Dilip Vats.
0040709435-1

I, Mahipal Singh S/o Laxman Singh R/o H-104, Aditya Celebrity Homes, Sector-76, Noida, U.P-201301, have changed my name to Mahipal for all future purposes.
0070884497-1

I, Kiran Bajaj,W/o-Ashok Dhingra,R/o-Flat No.113,1st-Floor, Sunehri Bagh Apartment, Sector-13, Rohini N.Delhi-110085,have changed my name to Kiran Dhingra permanently.
0040709459-1

I, MOHAMMAD YASEEN PATEL,FATHER OF ABDULLAH MUJAHID PATEL,R/O,M 21/6-7, SAILING,CLUB-ROAD, JAMIA NAGAR NEW-DELHI-110025, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME YASEEN PATEL TO MOHAMMAD YASEEN PATEL,PERMANENTLY.
0040709454-2

I, PRAVEEN KUMAR GOEL,S/O PRAMOD KUMAR GOEL,R/O-11, RAM VIHAR VIKAS MARG EXTN DELHI-110095, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO PRAVEEN GOEL.
0040709459-3

I, PRAVINDRA KUMAR SHARMA S/O SHYAM LAL SHARMA R/O-224,Gali.No-8 Bholanath, Nagar,Shahdara,Delhi-110032,declare that name,of mine,has been wrongly, written as PARVINDER SHARMA in my,minor son PIYUSH SHARMA aged 13 years in his,school records. The actual, name,of mine, is PRAVINDRA KUMAR SHARMA
0040709459-8

I, Kishan Swaroop S/o Sh. Chiddu Lal, R/o F-47, Street No. 10, Near Moni Baba Mandir, Bramhpuri, Delhi-110053 have changed my name to Kishan Swaroop Katyan for all purposes
0040709429-1

I, Jasmeet Kaur Bonga,W/o Ranjeet Singh Hanzra,R/o-289,291,First Floor,Pocket-6, Sector-25,Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name to Jasmeet Kaur
0040709479-4

I, Jitender Kumar S/o Shri Bal kishan R/o House No. 876, Sector-19, Faridabad (Haryana) - 121002 have changed my name to Jitender Goyal for all future purposes.
0040709383-1

I, PREETI RAJ KAUR,W/O VED PAKASH R/O - M-972, ASHYANA, SECTOR M,L,D A COLONY, LUCKNOW, UTTAR PRADESH - 226012, have changed my name to PREETI RAJ DIKSHIT.
0040709454-8

I, REETA W/O DINESH KUMAR R/O FLAT NO.903,TOWER-1, SUNSHINE COUNTY, SECTOR-63,BADH KHALSA(41), SONIPAT-131029,HARYANA CHANGE MY NAME TO REETA SRIVASTAVA.
0040709468-3

I, Ram Parkash,S/o Sh. Raghunandan Lal R/o-16/6, Shakti Nagar,Delhi-110007, have change my name to Ram Parkash Mittal.
0040709477-2

I, SAHDEV CHOUDHERY S/O RAJENDRA CHAUDHARY R/O Servant Quarters,11-Moti Lal Nehru Marg,Nirman Bhawan, Delhi-110011,have changed my name to SAHDEV CHAUDHARY
0040709459-6

I, UMRA IRSHAD,D/O IRSHAD ALI,R/O H-58 BATLA HOUSE JAMIANAGAR,NEW DELHI 110025,IN MY MARKSHEET MY FATHER NAME WRONGLY- MENTION IRSHAD KHAN CORRECT NAME IS IRSHAD ALI.
0040709454-3

I, Rajeev Kumar Gupta S/o Om Prakash Gupta R/o I-53, Ashok Vihar, Phase-1, Delhi-110052 changed my name to Rajeev Gupta for,all purposes.
0040709374-1

I, Bir Pal S/o Singh Raj R/o-5k/105 NIT-5, faridabad, have changed my name to Birpal Tanwar
0040709435-2

I, Bharati Khare,W/o Anil Kumar Khare,R/o Flat-No.503, Abhinandan apartment, Sector-51, South city-II, Gurgaon(Haryana),Have changed my name Bharti khare,for all Purposes.
0040709468-6

I, SURENDER MEDIRATTA,S/o BALDEV RAJ ARORA,ADD:171, LANE,N.O.E-1,AMAN VIHAR, SAHASTRADHARA-ROAD, DEHRADUN,UTTARAKHAND-248001, changed my name to RAMESH ARORA.
0040709454-4

I, SANTOSH KUMAR S/O, INDRALAL TIWARI R/o,WZ-485/12,Bali-Nagar Extension, Ramesh-Nagar,New Delhi-110015 & permanent-address, H.No.123 Gram-Unchi,Post-Dhera,Tahsil-Mauniganj, Distt. Rewa, Madhya-Pradesh-486333, have changed my name to SANTOSH KUMAR TIWARI.
0040709477-3

I, Gurjeet Singh S/o Tarkil Singh Manchanda B-49,MIG-Flats Phase-IV,Ashok Vihar Delhi, have changed name of my minor son Aseepsingh Manchanda to Aseepsingh Singh.
0040709459-9

I, SHAIDAW/o Muslehhuddin R/o 1379 Chatta Rajan Farash Khanha Delhi 110006 have changed my name & shall hear after be known as Shahida begum.
0040708675-1

I, ANITA MALIK alias ANITA MONGA D/o Sunder Lal Malik W/o Mukesh Monga R/o-127,Tagore Park Model,Town Delhi-110009,have changed my name to ANITA MONGA
0040709459-5

I, ABDULLAH MUJAHID PATEL,S/O MOHAMMAD YASEEN PATEL,R/O,M 21/6-7 SAILING,CLUB-ROAD, JAMIA NAGAR NEW-DELHI-110025, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME ABDULLA MUJAHID PATEL TO ABDULLAH MUJAHID PATEL, PERMANENTLY.
0040709454-1

I, hitherto known as JATHIYA DEVI ALIAS KAVITA D/O GENA SAHANI W/o RAN SAGAR R/O 1-254, SHAKUR PUR NORTH WEST DELHI, DELHI-110034 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as KAVITA.
00708844510-1

I, Vivek Anand Sharma, R/o 2nd Floor, H.no. 5, KA Block, Kaushambi, Ghaziabad have changed my minor son's name from "Satyansh" to "Satyansh Sharma" for all purposes.
0070884495-2

I, Suveb S/o Yadul Haq R/o Village Achheja, Hapur, UP have changed my name to Mohd Suvaib.
004070884509-1

I, Sudhanshu Tyagi S/o Sh. Devender Kumar Sharma R/o 1209 A, Tower-G, Uninav Heights, Raj Nagar Extension, Ghaziabad - 201017 have changed my minor daughter 's name from Sanghvi Tyagi to ArnikaTyagifor all future and legal purposes.
0040709368-1

I, Seema Chopra W/o Mr. Abhay Chopra R/o Flat No. 2032, Tower-D, Gaur Global Village, Crossing Republik, Dundahera, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201016 have changed my name from Seema Chopra to Seema Dogra.
0040709437-1

I, Raj Rani W/o Gulshan Rajoria R/o B-13, Shish Ram Park, Uttam Nagar, ND-59 have changed my name to MUSKAN RAJORIA.
0070884499-1

I, IRA D/O SURESH KUMAR AHUJA R/O FLAT NO.8,CHD AVENUE 71,SEC-71, GURGAON, HARYANA-122001,have changed my name to IRAAH AHUJA.
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I, Hardeep Kaur Bonga,W/o Gurmee Singh,R/o-WZ-22/1, Gali No.1,Road No.3, New Sahib Pura,Tilak Nagar,Delhi-110046,have changed my name to Hardeep Kaur
0040709479-5

I, Himanshu S/o Vedprakash Sharma,R/o-1482 A/3,Street No 6/8,Jain Nagar,Tirthankar Nagar,Karla, Delhi-110081, have changed my name to Himanshu Sharma
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I, VED PRAKASH S/O,ASHOK DIXIT R/O - H- 15/13,NEAR GOL CHAKKAR, MALVIYA NAGAR, DELHI-110017,have changed my name to VED PRAKASH DIKSHIT.
0040709454-8

I, VAIBHAV,S/O BISHAMBHER NATH SRIVASTAVA,R/O,F-114,VIKAS PURI,NEW DELHI 110018,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO VAIBHAV SRIVASTAVA.
0040709468-3

I, Udit Gadhop S/o Suman Kumar Gadhop R/o C-67,Kirti-Nagar, New Delhi-110015,have changed my name to Udit Gadhop.
0040709477-2

I, Sunil Kumar,S/o Basant Lal,R/O CJ-12/A Rajiv Gandhi Camp Railway Line Naraina Hrbrd,New west,Delhi-110028,have changed my name Sunil Kumar Verma,for all future purposes
0040709477-1

I, AS/ALLIED SERVICES Seeking Suitable Match for 30/5'-3", IRS (INCOME TAX) officer, Very Fair Beautiful Punjabi Girl (Vegetarian), Reputed Family Background, Marriage Bureau Please Excuse, Preference for Tricity Chandigarh and Government servants (Group A). Contact: 7986869601
0020470732-1

I, Subodh Kumar,S/o-Harish Sharma,R/o-RZ/4/211, Gali No.8,Block-I, West Sugarpur, Delhi-110046 have changed my name to Subodh Sharma
0040709479-3

I, Sonali,D/o Sh.Yudhishthir Dev Arya,R/o-16, Sanskrit-Nagar, Sector-14,Rohini, Distt-North West-Delhi,Delhi-110085,have changed my name to Sonali Arya,for all,future purposes.
0020470674-1

I, SWATI SHRIWASTAWA/KM SWATI SRIVASTAVA,WA/O, VAIBHAV SRIVASTAVA,R/O, 114/VIKAS PURI,NEW DELHI 110018,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO SWATI SRIVASTAVA.
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I, BHARTI DEVI,W/o Sh. Sujan Singh, R/o KA-390, Second Floor, Sector-12,Pratapvihar, Ghaziabad have lost my two original registry documents, no.2969,book.no.1, vol.no.3488 page.no.387/408 dated- 17/4/2013 and document no.183,book.no.1 Volno.2505 page.no.151/163,dated- 17/01/2011, near-Sector-12,Medical Chahraha, Pratapvihar, Ghaziabad.
0040709459-2

I, Legal Heirs on behalf of Pawan Kumar Advocate Punchayat Bhawan District, Gurugram

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I, Kultwant Kaur have lost Allotment Letter, Builder Buyer Agreement, Payment Receipt of property Flat No. 1102, Block-09, Unitech Fresco, Gurgaon
0040709438-1

I, Lost Original-Registered Sale Deed Dated-08/07/2005 in favour of Bhavesh Kumar Sharma S/o Inder Raj Sharma of Property No.H.No.200/9-A, Preet Nagar,Ladowali Gali, Jalandhar City, Founder May Inform, Bhavesh Kumar Sharma R/o-1/5980 Street No.4,Kabool Nagar,Shahdara Delhi-110032#7838363357.

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