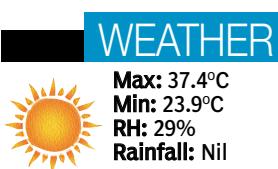


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Rainfall: Nil

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Zohar: 12.24 pm  
Asar: 4.39 pm  
Magrib: 6.40 pm  
Isha: 7.50 pm

SUNRISE TOMORROW 5.53 AM

SUNSET TODAY 6.34 PM

MOONSET 4.29 AM

MOONRISE 4.55 PM

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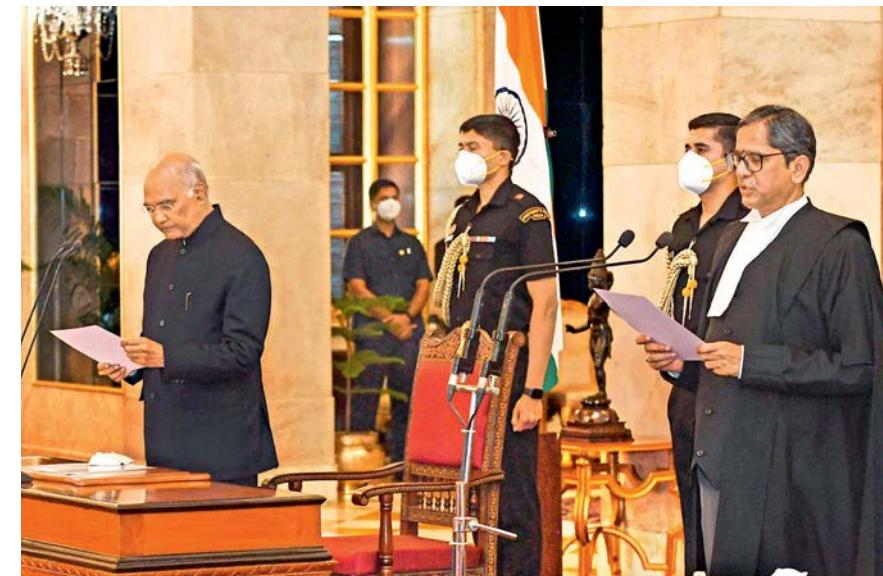
**SHORT TAKE**

**CM for check on safety of hospitals**

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**Justice Ramana sworn in as India's 48th CJI**



President Ram Nath Kovind administers the oath of office to Justice Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana (right), after he was appointed as the 48th Chief Justice of India at Rashtrapati Bhavan, in New Delhi on Saturday. ■ Report on Page 7

— PTI

## 20 critical patients die in Delhi as oxygen runs out

**BHASKAR HARI SHARMA | DC**  
NEW DELHI, APRIL 24

Twenty people died at Delhi's Jaipur Golden Hospital as medical oxygen supply was not replenished on Saturday, exposing the danger to critically ill Covid patients admitted in the national capital.

The hospital in southwest Delhi's Rohini locality had feared the worst and predicted a disaster could repeat itself a day after 25 patients died at the Ganga Ram Hospital.

"Next impending oxygen crisis in Jaipur Golden Hospital. Over 200 lives at stake if liquid medical oxygen is not supplied by 9 pm tonight," the hospital had tweeted at 7.15 pm.

Medical Director D.K. Baluja said, "Oxygen pressure has dipped as we are running out of stock."

The hospital officials added that over 80 per cent of the 200 patients in the hospital were on oxygen support and 35 were in the ICU.

At the Ganga Ram Hospital, authorities struggled to avoid a repeat of the earlier day's tragedy. The hospital

shortage of oxygen and the explosion in the number of cases in Delhi together stretched healthcare infrastructure to its limits, leaving hospitals big and small struggling and coming up with band aid solutions — limited supplies to see them through for the next few hours before placing another SOS call.

Outside the hospitals, scenes of despair played out with queues of ambulances, frantic relatives and patients gasping for breath as they waited for help and hospitals, overwhelmed and helpless, tried to deal with the multiple emergencies at their doorstep.

The story found echo in hospital after hospital.

"We are running low on oxygen and using our back-up now. We have alerted our patients about the situation, and are advising them to shift to another hospital. Things are really uncertain," P.K. Bhardwaj, medical director, Saroj Super Speciality Hospital, a mid-sized hospital in Rohini, said in the morning.

In a pincer effect, the

■ Page 5: Hospitals send out requests for oxygen

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■ Page 5: HC questions Covid tsunami preparation

**SHORT TAKES**  
**58,148 ACTIVE CASES IN TELANGANA**

From Page 1

Yadadri-Bhongir Warangal Rural, Wanaparthy, Vikarabad, Siddipet, Rajamahendravaram, Nirmal, Nalgonda, Nagarkurnool, Medak, Mahabubabad, Jagital, and Adilabad districts reported more than 100 cases each on Friday.

Meanwhile, the 'active cases' in the state on Friday stood at 58,148, while one out of every 13 from among the 98,634 tests for which results were available, according to the Covid-19 bulletin, tested positive for the disease. Results for 5,136 tests were awaited, the bulletin said.

**GHMC FAILED TO CONDUCT FEVER SURVEYS**

From Page 1

Under LB Nagar zone, Karpuram-1, Uppal-2, Hayatnagar-3, Sarooranagar-4 and LB Nagar areas have two containment areas each while Malakpet-6, Santoshnagar-7, Chandrayangutta-8, Charminar-9, Falaknuma-10 and Rajendranagar-11 also have two containment zones each under the Charminar zone.

Five areas in Kharibababu zone — Mehdipatnam-12, Karwan-13, Goshamahal-14, Khairatabad-17 and Jubilee Hills-18 — have two zones each while Yousufguda-19 and Chandanagar-21 under Serilingampally zone have three each. Apart from these, two other areas — Patancheru-22 and Serilingampally-20 under Serilingampally zone — have two containment zones each.

The corporation, in coordination with the health department, was to have conducted the fever surveys but it did not. It has also not deployed its staff to take up the sanitisation and spraying (sodium hypochlorite) activities. "It has not been keeping track of residential addresses of Covid-19 patients to curb their movement," a complainant said.

A senior official who kept track of the containment activities during last year said, "We were not asked to do it this time. The labeling of micro containment zones would simply remain on paper just to report this to the court. Residents and Covid-19 patients take the risk of stepping out."

There is some action too, though. For instance, the EVM wing has been spraying sodium hypochlorite over all public spaces, especially on the main roads and at commercial places.

**BIOLOGICAL E GETS NOD FOR PHASE III TRIAL OF VAX**

Hyderabad, April 24: Biological E. Limited (BE) on Saturday announced that it has successfully completed Phase I/II clinical trials of its Covid-19 subunit vaccine candidate in India and received the approval to start the Phase III clinical trial from the Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) — Subject Expert Committee (SEC).

BE started the Phase I/II clinical trials of its Covid-19 Vaccine candidate in the second week of November 2020, the vaccine maker said in a press release.

Its candidate includes an antigen developed by the Texas Childrens Hospital Centre for Vaccine Development and in-licensed from BCM Ventures, Baylor College of Medicines integrated commercialization team, along with Dynavax Technologies Corporations advanced adjuvant CpG 1018.

The Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) and the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) have provided support for the Phase I/II clinical trials and also for the upcoming Phase III trial of this vaccine candidate, it said.

BE's Phase I/II clinical trial evaluated the safety and immunogenicity of the vaccine candidate, consisting of the Receptor Binding Domain of the Spike Protein of SARS-CoV-2 at three-dose level adjuvanted with CpG 1018 plus alum, in about 360 healthy subjects in the age range of 18 to 65 years.

The vaccination schedule consisted of two doses for each study participant, administered via intramuscular injection 28 days apart.

BE's novel Covid-19 vaccine was found to be safe and well tolerated and immunogenic, the release said.

— PTI

# Covid's dance of death persists in TS

Doctors not in a position to reveal actual numbers; HC expresses concern over case data

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Telangana State on Friday reported 33 deaths due to the Covid-19 pandemic in the state. But this official number appears to hide the actual extent of the devastation the pandemic is causing here.

Frontline warriors on the Covid-19 front say there is more to it than meets the eye. The state health department, from day one, has been calibrated in reporting the extent of the Covid-19 impact. Doctors from different private and government hospitals do not believe in the figures the government is reeling out.

"Many more are dying due to Covid-19," they told Deccan Chronicle on Saturday.

The Telangana high court has repeatedly expressed its concern over the way Covid-19 case details are being reported by government agencies and it felt the state was not presenting the true picture of the extent of the disease spread and its impact on the people.

"The problem is, deaths are no longer being reported by private hospitals. District-level death-tracking panels are not insisting that they do so," a government doctor said.

"The actual number of daily deaths could be three to four times higher," doctors said. The head of a government hospital, when asked if the actual number of daily deaths could be revealed, said the hospital has not been allowed to do so.

In Nizamabad alone, on Saturday, at least 14 persons died of Covid-19 in one government hospital as per information gathered by DC from unofficial sources.

It is learnt that around 30 people died of the pandemic over the past few days in a few private hospitals in the state. All of them died due to the inability of those hospitals to maintain oxygen pressure at adequate level, sources said.

The state government's showpiece hospital at Gachibowli — the Telangana Institute of Medical Sciences — is bearing with the sight of a lot of deaths. TIMS is now an exclusive Covid-19 facility but patients are "dying in the wards" even



Due to heavy rush for Covid-19 tests, a woman waits for her turn to get tested and admitted at the King Koti Hospital, in Hyderabad on Saturday. — DEEPAK DESHPANDE

**GRIM SCENE IN TELANGANA**

**DEATHS IN 2020**

**1,544**

● Death toll in 2021 in TS has been 417 so far. The breakup is as follows:

<b>January</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>April up to 23*</b>	<b>260</b>

before they are shifted to an ICU.

"Normally deaths occur in ICUs where patients are rushed to when their health condition turns critical. In all, the department said it has issued no objection certificates (NOCs) to 112 hospitals in the state. The 23 hospitals

## 23 pvt hosps flout fire safety norms

DURGA PRASAD  
SUNKU | DC  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

found violating the norms were all issued notices in the past one year.

Regional Fire Officer V. Papaiah, said, "We found the violations during our inspections following which we issued prosecution orders for violation of fire safety measures."

"Out of 23 hospital buildings 18 prosecution proceedings have been issued against violation of fire safety measures noticed during surprise inspection and five prosecution proceedings issued on regular basis for violation of fire safety

measures."

As per the Telangana Fire Service Act, 1999, any hospital building, standing more than 15 meters in height, has to obtain a NOC, by following heights and setbacks as per local building bylaws and provide fire prevention and suppression measures as per the National Building Code, 2016.

Explaining about the measures taken at the hospitals where Covid-19 patients were being treated, Papaiah said, "We are closely monitoring the fire safety measures of

each and every Covid-19 hospital and quarantine centre. The department has deployed fire vehicles at Gandhi Hospital and TIMS (Telangana Institute of Medical Sciences, Gachibowli) to attend any fire/emergency call."

The department urged all hospital managements to ensure electrical safety and fire safety.

Every hospital must keep its fire-fighting equipment in working condition, and must train staff on emergency evacuation procedures and first aid fire fighting, it said.

## Last rites



Relatives of a person who succumbed to Covid-19 come out after completing the final rites at an electric crematorium in Ambedkar on Saturday.

**KCR ORDERS FIRE SAFETY REVIEW IN TELANGANA**

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao has directed the medical and health department to review the fire safety measures in all government and private hospitals in view of the recurring mishaps in health care facilities elsewhere in recent days.

The CM reviewed the matter with health minister Etala Rajender and senior health officials over phone on Saturday. He advised all hospitals to remain on high alert and take preventive steps at the earliest.

K. Chandrashekhar Rao said the chances of fire mishaps would be more during summer as the system carried heavier loads; and officials should be more alert in May when the season will be at its peak.

He advised health officials to coordinate with the fire service department and ensure safety of the systems. Officials must, in special, do stocktaking in dedicated Covid hospitals like Gandhi and TIMS where substantial numbers of Corona patients are under treatment.

"Keep the fire engines ready at these hospitals round-the-clock," the CM asked fire officials.

He also wanted officials to form joint teams of health and fire departments to inspect hospitals on their existing fire safety statuses and take immediate steps to meet the requirements.

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## Two arrested for fake news on KCR

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

● BASED ON the complaint from Akshay of the TRS party, the Hyderabad cybercrime police booked a case.

A 16-year-old intermediate student and another youth who spread a fake news that Chief minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao passed away due to Covid-19 have been arrested by the north zone task force on Saturday, police said.

The juvenile is studying Intermediate second-year at Vanasthalipuram. He created a WhatsApp group with the name "Theenmaar Mallanna Fans" on March 14 last and shared posts in the social media.

Another youth, Bhemanapalli Shekar, circulated the post without verifying the information to different WhatsApp groups and added.

## FIGHT AGAINST VIRUS 39 medical staff, 1 lawyer discuss the challenges in emergency health care

## Docs give 20-point action plan to KCR

BALU PULIPAKA | DC  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

A slew of senior doctors, many of them with distinguished service and recognition for their work, have written a letter to Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao outlining a 20-point action plan to improve Telangana's Covid-19 management policy making and implementation.

The letter said that a group of 39 medical professionals, and one lawyer,

met recently to discuss and understand the challenges and policy responses in emergency health care, across all departments of the government. The doctors said they identified several areas that the government should act on to build a more resilient management of the crisis across various levels of administration.

With the virus now believed to be airborne, the letter called on the Chief Minister to ensure manufacture, sale, and use

most effective preventative measures for this pandemic.

The government should issue an ordinance and take control of all oxygen plants and channelise the distribution of the gas through a single window system. The government should provide good quality masks to people in the lower socio-economic strata, and ensure mask compliance as "this seems to be one of the

most effective preventative measures for this pandemic".

The government should issue an ordinance and take control of all oxygen plants and channelise the distribution of the gas through a single window system. It also called for creating community oxygen centers for easy access of mild to moderately ill patients. "This will reduce the burden on the hospitals. The oxygen production and supply should be regulated by the government immediately," it said.

The group of senior doctors also said that the daily Covid-19 bulletin must be "transparent" and display test positivity, daily active cases, deaths, and discharged; and also an active dashboard of bed availability of isolation beds with oxygen facility, ICU/non ICU beds in both public and private health sector for patients to easily choose their care based on their budget, location and bed availability. Among the doctors who took part

in the discussion were Dr Lakshmi Lavanya Alapati, a consultant endocrinologist, and Dr Sanjeev Singh Yadav, vice president of Indian Medical Association, Telangana.

The letter also suggested many other measures including checking exploitation of patients by private hospitals, increasing genetic sequencing of virus samples, and various administrative measures that the government can enforce.

## IN BRIEF

## CHAIN SNATCHER HELD DESPITE BID TO MISLEAD COPS

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Jubilee Hills police nabbed a chain snatcher on Saturday. Although the accused changed his shirt to mislead the police, the latter got the better of him.

The accused was identified as Sheriguda Shiva Kumar who was involved in six chain snatching offences under the Narsangi police station limits.

According to the police, while the complaint Alivelu is waiting for a bus at Dadu's sweet shop bus stop under Jubilee hills police station limits on Wednesday early morning hours.

The accused Sheriguda Shiva Kumar snatched her gold chain weighing 2 1/2 tolas and sped away from the spot on a white colour Activa vehicle which was already parked in some distance.

After receiving the information police formed four teams to trace out the unknown accused.

"During the investigation police analysed CCTV footages, from Jubilee Hills to APPA Junction in which we found that the accused has changed his shirt to mislead police," said Anjanji Kumar Hyderabad City police commissioner.

After analysing the Modus operandi of the accused police suspect that he was a previous offender looking at the way he conducted the theft, added the police.

"Along with the CCTV footages and the local information we have identified the accused as Sheriguda Shiva Kumar, a native of Tanguturu Village, Moinabad Mandal. We immediately went to that place and caught the accused Sheriguda Shiva Kumar along with the Activa which was used in commission of the offence and also recovered the case property," said Joint commissioner of police West zone A.R. Srinivas.

Jubilee Hills police arrested the accused and sent to judicial custody.

## ASSOCIATION FOR MARGINALISED SEEK COVID PLAN

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Association for Socio Economic Empowerment of Marginalised (ASEEM) has requested the state government to constitute a high-level committee at the state level to review and monitor the Covid-19 situation throughout the state.

It wanted the high-level committee to have representatives from districts comprising public representatives, government agencies and NGOs. This would help the government get a realistic view of the situation, so that it can provide the required help to people.

ASEEM said people at large are suffering due to acute shortage of medicines, oxygen cylinders, ICU beds, and Remdesivir injections in the GHMC area. The most affected are the poor from unorganised sector - daily wage labour, petty traders and migrant workers, who are unable to earn any income, association honorary secretary S.Q. Masood said.

He alleged that there is a thriving black market in medicines and oxygen cylinders. Private hospitals are even charging ₹50,000 to ₹1 lakh per day for treatment of Coronavirus in violation of government orders.

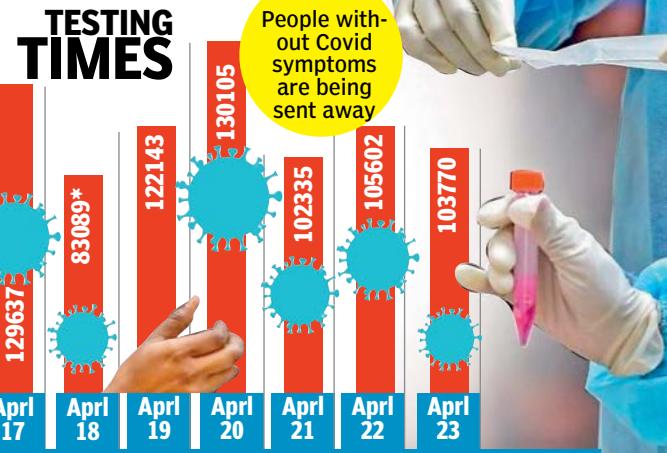
## TS running out of testing kits

Staff instructed to 'judiciously' use kits while testing symptomatic people

BALU PULIPAKA | DC  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Earlier in the day, a note circulated by the office of health minister Etela Rajender said the minister was to write a letter to the Union health minister to "airlift" testing kits from anywhere in the world to Telangana state. With more and more people turning up to get tested, the government is taking steps to ensure there are no shortfalls, the minister was quoted by the note as saying.

The turning away of people from testing centres comes at a time when Telangana is reporting an explosion of fresh Covid-19 cases and increasing number of deaths each day.



Union minister of state for home G. Kishan Reddy inspects the hospitals treating Covid patients in Hyderabad on Saturday.  
— BY ARRANGEMENT

## Minister reviews Covid wards in Gandhi, Koti

DC CORESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Union minister of state for home G. Kishan Reddy on Saturday visited Gandhi Hospital in Secunderabad dedicated to treatment of Covid-19 patients. He inspected all the wards and took stock of facilities being provided and required for speedy recovery of patients. He also reviewed availability of oxygen, vaccines and other essential drugs at the hospital.

Gandhi Hospital superintendent, senior management and doctors joined the review meeting of the union minister aimed at ensuring

coordinated and concerted efforts for efficiently tackling the pandemic.

Kishan Reddy also inspected the in-situ oxygen plant, which is supported by the central government. The plant continuously generates oxygen from the surrounding air.

He later visited District Hospital, King Koti, and inspected facilities being extended to Covid patients. He interacted with the medical fraternity and appreciated their efforts in dealing with the situation. At this hospital too, the union minister inquired about the vaccination drive, apart from oxygen and availability of medi-

cines.

After his visit of the two hospitals, Kishan Reddy said there is urgent need to further improve facilities at the Gandhi and King Koti hospitals for dealing with increasing cases of Coronavirus. He maintained that the present infrastructure and facilities will be unable to cope if Corona cases continue to increase at the current rate. The two hospitals are currently witnessing heavy rush of patients from districts throughout Telangana.

Kishan Reddy said he will speak to union health minister and state health minister in this matter.

## HC fines colleges for defying fire rules

VUJJINI VAMSHIDHARA | DC  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

The Telangana High Court on Saturday imposed a fine of ₹25,000 each on colleges belonging to nine trusts and groups of institutions running around 40 Intermediate colleges without obtaining NOC from the state disaster response and fire services department for their buildings. The amount should be paid by management to the state legal services authority within two weeks.

Group educational institutes like Narayana, Sri Chaitanya, Gayatri, the Gouthami College for Girls at Nalgonda, the Sri Vyshnavi and others had approached the court challenging the closure notices issued by the fire safety department and non-grant of affiliation by the board of intermediate studies to the colleges which did not submit the NOC.

The colleges claimed that they were running classes in these buildings for years and got affiliations from the intermediate board without them being asked to produce any NOC from fire department. These buildings were constructed before fire safety norms were made mandatory for commercial buildings, they said.

In the light of these, they pleaded with the court to allow them run these complexes.

The court rejected the plea and made it clear the safety of students is important. Hence, it imposed costs on each of the nine petitions.

## Teachers seek early summer vacations

HARLEEN MINOCHA | DC  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

State government is yet to decide on government teachers' plea to advance summer vacations in view of the rapidly rising Coronavirus cases in the state.

Telangana State United Teachers' Federation (TSUTF) had submitted a representation in this regard to the Education Department on April 19, which is still pending with the office of chief secretary Somesh Kumar.

Government school teachers, who are attending schools physically even after cancellation of SSC

examinations, have been demanding that schools be closed as hardly any students are attending classes since past one week.

"We are still awaiting a decision, though we were told it would be taken in the next few days. We are hopeful that schools will be shut by April 27 or May 1. Many teachers have already tested positive for Covid-19. We are worried about the safety of other teachers," said TSUTF general secretary Chava Ravi.

This Deccan Chronicle correspondent tried reaching the chief secretary's office. However, there had been no response from it till the time of publication.

## Cops nab 4 for IPL betting, seize ₹7.2L

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Those arrested in the raid on Vijaya Sai Apartments, Sainathpuram, are bookie Maddali Sai Kumar and three punters Puli Kishore, Konduurthi Sandeep and Kishore. A sum of ₹7.2 lakh has been seized from them, apart from 10 mobile phones.

The arrested have been handed over to the Neredmet police. Further investigations are underway.

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## Police launch free cabs, ambulances for public

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Rachakonda police have launched a free cab service for pregnant women, senior citizens and non-critical medical emergencies.

Commissioner Mahesh M. Bhagwat said, "The service may be availed by senior citizens who need to go for vaccination to the nearest vaccination center, pregnant women or for medical attention for infants."

He appreciated Alyte services of Mahadeva Logistics, which had

**SAJJANAR WARNED**  
ambulance operators against fleecing patients by asking abnormal charges.

come forward to provide the service round the clock service in areas of Malkajgiri zone, like Kuchipudi, Neredmet, Nancharam, Malkajgiri and Uppal. The services will be available even during night curfew timings.

Meanwhile, Cyberabad police and Society for Cyberabad Security Council (SCSC) have launched 12 ambulances for rendering services during the ongoing second

wave of Coronavirus. Cyberabad commissioner V.C. Sajjanar and SCSC general secretary Krishna Yedula flagged off all the 12 ambulances at a function held at the Cyberabad Police Commissionerate in Gachibowli.

Speaking on the occasion, Sajjanar warned ambulance operators against fleecing patients by demanding abnormal charges. He asked people to complain about such operators. Immediate action will be taken against them, he assured.

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## Contractors shortchange GHMC

MADDY DEEKSHIT | DC  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

While the city is reeling under Covid-19 crisis since last year, private agencies, which have been executing infrastructure projects within Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) limits, have taken advantage of the crises to do shoddy work.

Following this, the corporation's quality control (QC) wing has recovered ₹1.55 crore from private contractors executing projects and maintenance and repairs of roads, flyovers and other infrastructure in the city limits.

Highly placed sources said lack of field inspections by engineers has resulted in contractors committing the irregularities. From January to December, GHMC executed works worth ₹1,500 crore, including nala widening, construction of skyways, under passes, storm water drains, road repairs works under Comprehensive Road Development Plan (CRDP), and construction of double bedroom houses, among others. The civic body has been relying on two third-party quality control agencies in ensuring standards.

The GHMC QC wing suspects that executive engi-

**CORPORATIONS QUALITY**

control (QC) wing has recovered ₹1.55 crore from private contractors executing projects and maintenance and repairs. neers and third-party agencies have been hand-in-glove with contractors, resulting in substandard quality of all civil works.

QC Wing of the corporation inspects all works during their implementation and after completion. It then provides its reports to field executive engineers pointing out the deficiencies in quality, if any. Concerned executive engineers get the particular deficiency rectified or

recover the amount for deficient work.

The total amount recovered by all engineering wings – maintenance, projects and housing – from January 2020 to December 2020 is ₹1,55,56,395. ₹1,34,97,110 has been recovered from general works, ₹6,74,379 through CRMP, ₹10,60,475 from projects and ₹3,23,931 from 2BHK housing scheme.

A senior GHMC official,

on condition of anonymity, said this is just a tip of the iceberg. More recoveries could be made if inspections are carried out in peripheral zones too.

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## IN BRIEF

## TRS, BJP POACH LEADERS FOR ADILABAD ZPTC

PILLALAMARRI SRINIVAS | DC ADILABAD, APRIL 24

The TRS and BJP parties are poaching each other's leaders and joining the activists and leaders of opponent party into their parties to strengthen their base before the elections to be held for the Adilabad rural ZPTC seat.

Every day, party joining programmes are being held in several places in the Adilabad rural. Leaders of both the TRS and BJP are focusing on luring the leaders of the opponent party into their party to give an impression that people and leaders are with their party. The leaders of these parties are planning to lure the Adivasis vote bank.

The leader of both the parties took the winning Adilabad rural ZPTC election as a prestige issue and spending huge money on the campaigning. It is surprising to note that these two parties have started arranging feasts to the voters to influence them.

People are saying in the villages that, party supporters and leaders and activists were seen in election campaigning in the villages in the day time and the same were seen in the camps, where feasts with liquor and meat arranged in the Adilabad town in the night-time.

It is said that even political leaders are bearing auto charges for their transportation to come to the camps from their villages and dropping them home after the celebration.

TRS MLA Jugu Ramanna is campaigning in the villages by highlighting the welfare and development schemes being implemented in the villages by the state government.

While BJP leaders including Adilabad MP Soyam Bapura, party district president Payal Shankar are campaigning highlighting the failure of the state government in the implementation of various schemes and problems faced by the farmers.

## TRS FIELDING GOONS IN GWMC POLLS: BANDI

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"The TRS realised that the BJP will win the Greater Warangal Municipal Corporation and is afraid that the BJP will put a check on the land-grabbing business of its leaders. If good people are made corporators, they will not do anything. Hence, rowdy sheeters who hack heads, hands and legs are being fielded," alleged BJP state president Bandi Sanjay.

Taking part in a roadshow in Warangal on Saturday for election campaign, he said Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao gave coaching to all MLAs on land grabbing. In practicality, the MLAs from Warangal came out as toppers with the highest marks in the coaching, Sanjay said.

Addressing the Rampur dumping yard issue, which is troubling the surrounding villages, he said the garbage is reaching Waddepalli lake which is one of the drinking water sources of the city. He said the BJP will see to it that the lake is not polluted if voted to power.

Sanjay said the BJP lead Central government has allocated crores of rupees for oxygen plants in hospitals across the country. Oxygen plants have been sanctioned in 5 hospitals in Telangana but the state government has not set them up.

"While Prime Minister, Narendra Modi has reviewed the second wave of the pandemic situation twice, KCR has not done it even once," he pointed.

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## Urban, rural areas get growth sops, says CM

On PR Day, KCR reveals money being given every month

DC CORRESPONDENT  
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## ● K. CHANDRASEKAR

Rao said that Telangana's new Panchayat Raj Act has strengthened the administrative set-up in villages by enabling everyone to develop villages.

said a state can march towards progress only when people participate in governance. He underlined that soon after Independence, social engineer Surender Kumar Dey, well known as S. K. Dey, had launched the Panchayat Raj system with the loft aim of making people partners in administration. The system took a decisive shape as part of cooperative movement for self-rule.

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**SHORT TAKES**  
**B'LURU REASON FOR RISE IN CASES IN RAYALASEEMA**

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Lack of restrictions and preventive measures at border check posts along the Karnataka border have led to a substantial increase in the number of cases reported in Rayalaseema region.

While passengers entering into borders of Bangalore are required to carry a Covid-19 negative certificate, no such measures are there when it comes to people entering Rayalaseema from neighbouring Karnataka.

A 25-year-old youth working as a software engineer in Bengaluru tested positive a few days ago after returning home in Anantapur. The youth had to be treated at a private hospital for more than a week.

Saturday saw 1,066 positive cases being reported in Anantapur district, 215 from Hindupur town, which is closer to Bengaluru city. 549 cases have been witnessed in Kadapa, 1,306 in Chittoor and 820 in Kurnool district. Four deaths have been reported in Anantapur district.

**AP TARGETS VAX FOR 1.5 CRORE YOUTH**

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VIJAYAWADA, APRIL 24

The Andhra Pradesh government aims to administer Covid-19 vaccine free of cost to nearly 1.5 crore youths aged above 18 years from May 1. State health authorities are getting some 1,400 vaccination centres ready for the purpose.

From the start of the vaccination in the state on January 16, some nine lakh persons have been given the jabs so far. These included frontline warriors including health care staff and those above 45 years, the original target being 11 lakh persons.

"A good number of people aged above 45 years, out of a total of nearly 80 lakh, have been vaccinated so far while vaccination of both the first and second dose is going on for the remaining targeted beneficiaries," officials said. Though the state has big plans for administering the jabs to those between 18 and 45 years, the coverage will be based on the quantum of vaccine doses that are available to the state.

The state has set a record by administering 6.2 lakh doses of the jab in a day thanks to the presence of a strong health infrastructure backed by the commitment of the health care personnel to fight the menace.

"The health department is planning to administer nearly five lakh doses per day subject to availability of doses in order to vaccinate all the targeted beneficiaries in an expeditious manner," officials said.

**DATE-EXPIRED DRUGS GIVEN TO COVID PATIENTS**

DC CORRESPONDENT  
KURNOOL, APRIL 24

The Kurnool Government General Hospital has, for the past one month, been administering Remdesivir injections whose shelf-life had expired – by a few weeks, though.

About 520 patients are undergoing treatment in the Corona wards specially kept outside of the general medicine wards. The second wave of Covid is so severe that the district reported an average of 1,000 positive cases every day for the past nearly a week.

Covid patients undergoing treatment at the GGH are worried as to whether the Remdesivir doses given to them as a life-saving drug would cause more harm to them than good. An attendant of a patient undergoing treatment in the Male medical ward-1 found that the Remdesivir injection given to his relative was having an expiry date of 13/3/2021.

The KGGH continues to administer the expired Remdesivir doses to Coronavirus patients as they have a stock of 3,000 vials, said hospital superintendent in-charge Dr Bhagawan.

Another story doing the rounds is that date-expired drug is given to KGGH patients while the fresh stocks are being sold in the market at high price. Dr G Narendranath Reddy, an ophthalmologist, is the hospital superintendent and he is down with Coronavirous infection.

Kurnool Government General Hospital has been administering Remdesivir injections for the past one month and their shelf-life has expired.

# Covid hits Old City business

Night curfew dampens hopes of good business during Ramzan season

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come out of homes after the Taraweeh prayers," the faithful said.

A reason for shopping at night is that women are busy during the day with preparations for the Iftar and dinner meals. "Muslims deck their homes with new furniture and accessories for the Id and spend more on home décor, buying a lot of things from carpets to kitchen appliances apart from clothes and shoes. The night curfew will hurt their earnings the worst as this is the time a lot of business usually takes place at night.

"The people of the Old City prefer to shop in the night hours, particularly in the month of Ramzan. Usually in this season, Muslims would come out at night and do shopping with all the family members. They avoid shopping in the daytime and

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changed the way Muslims here observed Ramzan and celebrated Id.

"With many people remaining tight at home for fear of the pandemic, we doubt any good business will happen this season. With the imposition of night curfew, the situation has further worsened."

Mohammed Suhail of Fiza Exclusive, Lad

Bazaar said the peak shopping season normally starts by the middle of Ramzan.

"This is an enormous opportunity for the bangles business to woo shoppers by offering affordable, unique and fresh stock. However, the situation in this Ramzan will not be different from the last year's, and could be worse than that of the previous year due to the night curfew."

Women spend much time on purchases and they have time for shopping at night only.

Mohammed Ashfaq, a hawker who sold ornaments on a cart, said, "We were hoping that

this Ramzan, we will make up for the losses we suffered last year this season and be able to clear the debts. The sudden lockdown last year was terrible for us. But, the night curfew during this season would wash away all our hopes. We will simply starve now."

Minhaj Kousar of Moghalpura said: "Last year, we could not celebrate Id and avoided purchasing clothes. There was no furnishing due to the lockdown. We had planned to celebrate Id this year with fervour and gaiety. Ladies prefer to shop at night hours. The night curfew has disappointed them."

## Delhi hospitals still send out requests for oxygen

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He said the hospital hadn't received an oxygen refill in 44 hours and that it has been getting just one metric tonne of oxygen instead of the three it needs.

Batra Hospital in Tughlaqabad Institutional Area received emergency oxygen supply from the Delhi government moments after it exhausted its stock, officials said.

Executive director Sudhanshu Bankata said the facility exhausted its oxygen stock around 9 am. "We received an emergency supply from the Delhi government. It will last another one-and-a-half hours. Our supplier has not been responding to calls," he said.

There are around 350 patients admitted in the hospital, of which 265 are Covid positive and 30 are in the ICU.

The Fortis Hospital in Shalimar Bagh also sent out a desperate appeal.

"#SOS Fortis Shalimar Bagh is running out of oxygen. Patients' lives are at risk. We are running on backup, waiting for supplies since morning. We are currently



A woman breaks down after her husband died due to Covid-19 at Jaipur Golden hospital, Rohini, in New Delhi, on Saturday. — PTI

suspending admissions.

Request immediate assistance," the hospital tweeted at 12.28 pm, tagging the Prime Minister's Office and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal among others.

"We are keeping patients and attendants informed of the critical situation and trying to manage admitted patients to the best of our abilities," it added.

"SOS — Less than 2 hours! Oxygen supplies at Max Hospital Gurugram and attached Dedicated Covid Centre. Over 70 covid pts admitted across. Supplies expected at 10am diverted," Max Healthcare said

left.

"We are desperate and have tried all the nodal officer numbers but unable to connect. Have over 135 Covid patients with many on life support," it tweeted.

In a ripple effect, Max Hospital in Gurgaon said it too was running out of oxygen.

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on Twitter at 11.20 am.

The medical director of Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narayan Hospital, Suresh Kumar said the facility's oxygen stock can last up to eight hours. It is likely to be a few days before the crisis is resolved, he said.

Some hospitals reduced their hospital beds. The GTB Hospital cut the number of beds from 986 to 700 but did not give any reason. On Friday, the Rajiv Gandhi Super Speciality Hospital had reduced beds from 600 to 350 citing oxygen shortage.



A vintage model of Humber Super parked within the premises of MCEME in Hyderabad on Saturday.

## Vintage Humber Super Snipe roars at MCEME

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HYDERABAD, APRIL 24

Military College of Electronics and Mechanical Engineering (MCEME) in Secunderabad is still maintaining 1941 vintage model of Humber Super Snipe car.

The car was brought to Secunderabad in 1977 and kept with the Mechanical Engineering Department of MCEME. It had been showcased there for a long time, with young officers relishing the old classic. Over time, the mechanical and physical condition of the car started deteriorating. In 1994, MCEME's Mechanical Engineering Department decided to completely overhaul the vehicle.

As part of it, the vintage car was initially taken to 515 Army Base Workshop, Bangalore, in October, 1938, driven by combining four-litre inline six-cylinder engine from

the larger Humber Pullman with chassis and body of Humber Snipe, which was normally powered by a three-litre engine. The result was a car of enhanced performance and a top speed of 75 miles per hour, quite fast for its day.

The vintage car was packed by British Army and ferried to India in 1943. It got assigned to 'A' Pl of Army HQ Transport Company. After Independence, the car was used by then serving General K. M. Cariappa. In 1958, the car was given its marching order and was declared unserviceable. It was sent to Barracks of Equipment and Vehicle Depot in Avadi after its stock transfer inspection. Subsequently, MCEME's Mechanical Engineering Department decided to completely overhaul the vehicle.

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## HC questions Covid 'tsunami' preparation

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● THE MINISTRY of home affairs (MHA) officials informed the Delhi HC that because of a high number of cases across the country, there is a shortage of tankers. They also said that the state governments are working very hard.

"We are going to hit peak in mid-May. It's a tsunami actually. How are we going to build capacity? How are we preparing as on date about the situation of mid-May? What are the numbers we are looking at? Some people will eventually die. It's inevitable. Those who could be saved, we are losing those persons too. Those people who can fight it are saved, we need to look at that. Our mortality will otherwise go up. We should be able to reduce mortality," the Delhi High Court said.

Senior advocate Rahul Mehra, appearing for the Delhi government, said that out of the allocated 480 MT, Delhi is getting only 350-380 MT. "On Friday, we received 295 MT. Instead of increasing, the quantity gets reduced," Mr Mehra told the court. "This entire functioning will collapse in 24 hours if we do not put our house in order," he said.

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Earlier in an affidavit, the Centre told the Delhi high court that in order to increase the capacity of medical oxygen in Delhi, the hospital, situated in Rohini, has also started discharging all old patients.

These plants would enhance the capacity of medical oxygen by 14.4 metric tonnes. As of now, one plant at Burari Hospital in Kaushik Enclave has been installed. The other four plants are expected to be installed by April 30. The site readiness certificate for one site was received on April 19 while the remaining are yet to be received from the Delhi government.

Meanwhile, several hospitals in the national capital have been flagging oxygen shortage. Delhi's Saroj Super Speciality Hospital on Saturday stated that they have stopped admitting new patients due to lack of oxygen supply. Facing acute shortage of oxygen, the hospital, situated in Rohini, has also started discharging all old patients.

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Sucheta Dasgupta

Off the beaten track

## Hope and sorrow in the time of C-virus

**A** ghost lives in my body and watches over the state of my heart. It does not take up space. It refuses food and drink, and speaks only when spoken to. I consult it when I need to identify my feelings. For my benefit, it keeps a record of them. For some reason, strange or otherwise, I alone was never an adept at that.

The only time the ghost speaks to me of its own accord is when I am tired. Whenever I expend myself beyond my lung capacity, it tells me: This is how it felt for him, too, when, for instance, he resumed breathing for your sake, twice coming out from under ventilation. And the cold finger of guilt grips my heart.

The first time I heard the ghost speak was when I was perspiring over the griddle a full year after Baba died.

Baba went under ventilation three Marches ago, in the late spring of 2018. The lone tree tucked away at the back of the interstate bus terminus was full of stars.

Baba did not die of the coronavirus. Following cardiac and kidney failure, he died of septic shock. Between the two illnesses, the pneumonia was the common factor.

Baba, a doctor, has missed out on the whole pandemic plus the vaccine conversations.

I have given up exercising for fitness. There is no one to perform for, vie against, show off. It puts me on a better footing than the children in my neighbourhood, fretting because they want to but cannot play. Less than a month ago, I saw a desi mother supervising their games in the park as I silently applauded her. To me, she was the pith of society, salt of the earth. That was then, though. This is now. In-between, the coronavirus has exploded and is now spreading furious and fast.

Despite its no-pussyfooting bravado and stupendous majority, the government did not declare a lockdown on Holi. The Kumbh continued uninterrupted. The virus, meanwhile, reached the interiors and the second wave has since surpassed the first one. The daily case count is over three lakhs. Experts say the peak is many weeks away. India is notorious for its non-existent chains of primary and secondary medical infrastructure. My husband held that these omissions on the part of the government — failing to declare a curfew, call off the Kumbh and so on — fell on its policy blindsight.

Well, one didn't. The decision to hold an eight-phase legislative assembly election, ongoing in the present, was deliberate. My home state, West Bengal, was chosen for this singular punishment.

Our leaders thus dropped the ball when our severely constrained health workers had almost won the match. The latter slogged away alone. Many did not return home in days. The hospitals were full of despair.

A young man asked a photographer to click the smoke coming out of his mother's pyre. She was there.

The high courts stepped in. They bore upon the Centre to direct uninterrupted transport of oxygen across state borders. India is the world's largest producer of industrial grade oxygen. But earlier, state governments had refused to come on the same page on this simplest of measures.

Even though I am his eldest, I am not going to my hometown to perform Baba's annual rite. My younger sister will fill in for me. The coronavirus is a factor. But what made the decision for me is my awareness from the start that I have not been a good child. While he never needed me to, I did not help Baba take care of the family. No one took care of him, on the other hand. I spurned his wish for me to become a doctor. For the sake of my journalistic quest, I abandoned him.

My rishtirin to Baba will be paid when I complete my memoir of our differences. Baba was a flawed man. But no one, including a never-genuinely exceptional me, had a mind like Baba's.

Periodically, the seed of my guilt bursts on my skin in angry hives. When I work very hard and accomplish a minuscule amount of good it goes away. I risk losing a bit of my memory of Baba whenever that occurs.

The young child I know in our condominium has started school. But school is online and she does not speak a word, and I worry that the lack of physical contact with classmates and peers will further rob her of that incentive. Whenever we meet, I am infected by her boundless energy. But she is more poised than I ever will be and never exposes her weak spots. Like her inability to articulate. Her absence of vocabulary.

I, too, had once chosen certainty over sharing, but I had been pushed to do that.

I dream of her growing up. To being from nothingness, darkness to light. Like Vak, daughter of Ambhrin, she will give a name to all existence, one by one, that will, in turn, give rise to noun, thought, knowledge and identity. That day, should I be around, she will probably look into my eyes with those great big ones of hers and there will be a reckoning. Or there will be not.

Pradeep S. Mehta  
and Prashant Tak

## Haryana law a bad example: Populism won't create new jobs

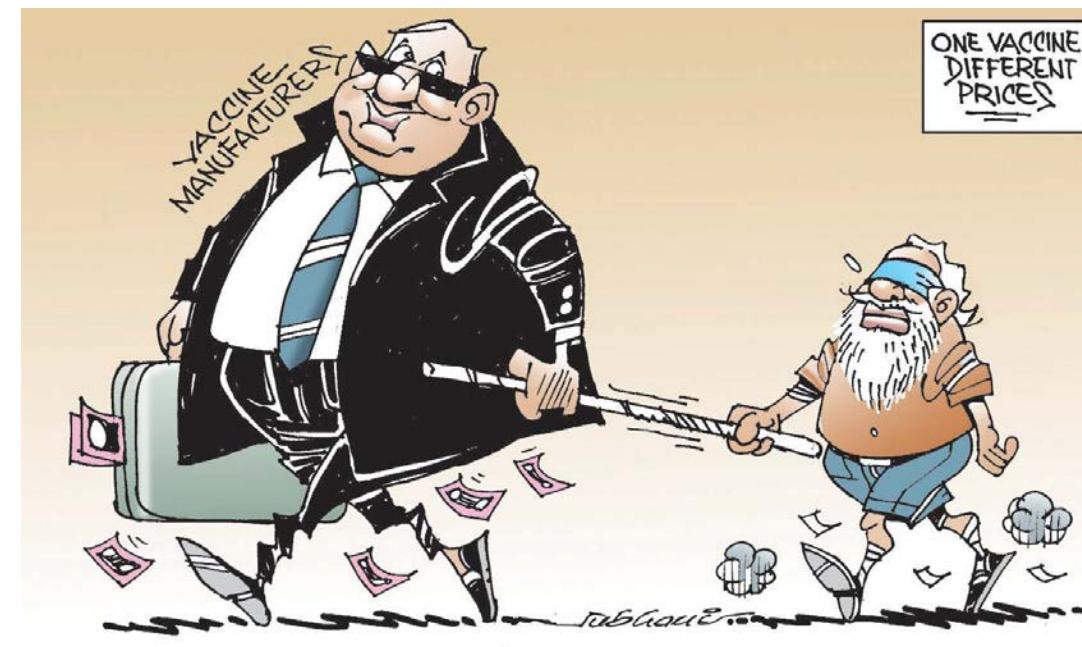
**H**aryana is the latest addition to the growing phenomenon where Indian states are formulating laws and policies to reserve jobs for locals in the private sector. Other states that have undertaken such measures, though with negligible implementation, include Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra. Is it a race to the top or the bottom? It is certainly petty, immoral and may not achieve its objectives.

The Haryana government recently enacted the Haryana State Employment of Local Candidates Act 2020, which requires private establishments that employ 10 or more workers to reserve 75 per cent of new jobs with a monthly salary of less than ₹50,000 for domiciles of Haryana.

It has resulted in a rift between the state government and the private sector, as evident from the backlash it has received from private entrepreneurs and industry bodies. Many private sector firms have threatened to move out.

This practice of regional protectionism has a ripple effect that is likely to push other states to follow suit due to populist considerations, or a race to the bottom. It will end up restricting the freedom of workers to migrate and access better employment opportuni-

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## An AWOL government



Manish Tewari

State of the Union



**L**ess than a month ago, I saw a desi mother supervising their games in the park as I silently applauded her. To me, she was the pith of society, salt of the earth. That was then, though. This is now. In-between, the coronavirus has exploded and is now spreading furious and fast.

**I**t is like a nightmareish déjà-vu moment for me. Opening the debate on the demands for grants for the ministry of health and family welfare in the Lok Sabha on March 17, 2021, I, at the outset, stated: "Mr Speaker Sir, this discussion is taking place at a point in time when the world is being engulfed, if not overwhelmed, by the second wave of coronavirus infections." These words have unfortunately proven to be prophetic in the case of our nation.

The last two weeks have been a nightmare for India as the second wave of Covid-19 hit the nation in all its fury. Overflowing hospitals, oxygen scarcity, hoarded life-saving drugs being sold on the black market, diagnostic centres stretched to a breaking point and hospitals approaching the courts to maintain oxygen supplies. The worst is even cremation and burial grounds not being able to cope with inflow of dead bodies and death numbers literally being fudged. People are being cremated on makeshift platforms set up on public pavements — denied dignity even in death.

The imagery of the past fortnight could not have been more bizarre. On one hand, the Prime Minister and home minister were addressing frenzied supporters in West Bengal and, on the other hand, sick and even dying people were being turned back from hospitals for lack of space.

The government is AWOL — absent without leave. What is, however, even far more felonious if it turns out to be true is that the Indian-origin double mutant strain, B.1.17, that is responsible for the cur-

rent rampage, was first detected as way back on the 5th of October 2020. Since both earlier mutations, E48Q and L425R, were discovered in the virus' crucial spike protein its devastation potential should have been sequenced on a war footing. Instead, it was consigned to the back burner and never taken seriously because Covid infection numbers had started declining.

How could we have missed the second wave of Covid-19 with all the empirical evidence of hundred years of history staring us straight in the face? Downright negligence, coupled with hubris, made the governments, both at the Centre and some in the states, let their guard down.

Surprisingly, when the Prime Minister addressed the nation on Tuesday night, he said lockdown should be used as a measure of the last resort. On March 23, 2020, when India was at 341 cases and only seven dead, he was the most enthusiastic champion of a national lockdown.

All through the whole of last year, ministers and spokespersons of the NDA/BJP alliance kept touting it as the magic bullet that had saved millions of lives. *Jan Hai To Jahan Hai* (If there is life there would be paradise) — they sang in chorus. One year later, the Prime Minister and his band of not-so-merry men are singing an entirely different tune.

With a 32 lakh crore hole in the Union budget spread over two fiscal years 2020-21 and 2021-22, and no cushion to fall back upon, for the economy has been grossly mismanaged, livelihoods are now being prioritised over lives

now being prioritised over lives. If the wheels of the economy do not keep ticking, the Union government stares at the spectre of bankruptcy.

It is, therefore, not trite that even in times of a raging pandemic, the allocations in the Union budget for health in the current fiscal are at best tardy. I had pointed this out during the Parliament debate.

In 2020-21, the ministry received an allocation of ₹67,112 crores. This is an increase of a measly 3.9 per cent over the revised estimates of 2019-20 — ₹64,609 crores. In 2019-20, the cumulative public health expenditure of all the states put together was a meagre ₹1,96,659 crores. The Union government's performance was even worse at ₹36,339 crores.

We all know India's health system is in shambles. Last year in these columns, I had argued that what we need is a new health deal for India. I had calculated that India requires an infrastructure investment of ₹6 lakh crores to rebuild its public health system bottom upwards. The human resource cost to staff it is separate.

Given this state of play, a second wave meant that it would be each to their own. One would be primarily responsible for saving one's own life and those of one's loved ones.

Had we not experienced the same a year back? The disadvantaged sections of our society — the millions of internal migrants who keep the wheels of our economy turning — were compelled to walk home as they were doused with

with chlorine water, caned and made to suffer for a million other ignominies by a callous state to prevent them from reaching their home and hearth. Once again, as states announce lockdowns and curfews, you see the same stampede at bus stands and railway stations as people make a beeline back to their villages. The clock has turned a full cycle.

It, therefore, begs a question: Should people themselves not have come together to enforce Covid-appropriate behaviour during the lull when cases had come down? But given our intrinsic sense of fatalism — it is all in God's hands — we threw all caution to the winds. This, even when it is known that there is never a government when it is required the most.

Maybe, given the hand-to-mouth existence of the bulk of our people who need to migrate to urban agglomerations to keep their body and soul together, it is not even humanly possible to think beyond the next meal. They are thus destined to play the Russian roulette, for the choice is a really a binary between death by hunger or death by virus.

Will this situation ever change? Can we build a state-of-the-art education and healthcare system for our people? The answer is yes. However, it would first and foremost require population control. With 135 crore people and growing by the minute, it is just not possible for any system to provide even the basic level of amenities required for a decent living. A broad national consensus regarding the need to contain population needs to be created at the earliest. How many more tragedies would it take to understand this?

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## LETTERS

### VACCINATION

My father is 45 years old and he should be vaccinated, but the CoWin app is not working for vaccination. We saw that many hospitals are not providing dates for vaccination and now it is being open for all above 18 years from May 1. This is unfortunate.

Pooja Harshitha Innani  
Hyderabad

There is absolutely no communication from the state government about availability of vaccine. Many senior citizens who booked slots for second dose were informed that their slots were cancelled due to non availability of vaccines. Telephone queries to hospitals get the standard reply "We have no information when the stocks will come". The CoWin portal shows only a handful of UPHCs, most of which again show limited availability. The public needs to know if the government is trying to get vaccine stocks and by when they expect to get.

L. Prabhakar  
Secunderabad

### SECOND WAVE

The Centre and state governments have failed citizens of the country by throwing all caution to the winds. They did not prepare for the second wave, or stock up on essentials like drugs, oxygen, etc. What was the need to allow the Kumbh mela when the Markaz in Delhi, which was a much smaller gathering, was criticised so vehemently, even attributing a conspiracy theory. This is an emergency, and it would not have been imprudent to postpone the elections in multiple states and opt for governors rule for six months where elections were due. The common people are just pawns to satiate the thirst for power hungry politicians.

M. Rajendar Reddy  
Nizamabad

It is very disappointing to see the CM of Delhi pleading with the PM for Oxygen. Though there were warnings of a second Covid wave, we could not prevent it. Governments failed to reach out to people or guide them on how to go about this.

S. Venkateswara Rao  
Hyderabad

Hiding data with regard to a pandemic leads to wrong planning, wrong results and costs human lives (*HC raps state for fudging Covid data, DC, April 24*). How can patients get cured if they hide their health issues from the doctor?

Kshirasagara Balaji Rao  
Hyderabad

### 50 YEARS AGO IN DECCAN Chronicle

#### Russia's 2-year lead over U.S.

HOUSTON, April 24 American space officials today conceded that Russia would have atleast a two-year lead over the United States if its Soyuz-10 cosmonauts were preparing to man an orbiting space station.

America's first prototype space station, basically a converted Apollo rocket called Skylab, is not due to be launched until 1973. It will house teams of three astronauts for an initial period of 28 days followed by two 560day missions.

ties. It may also push employers to leave places where such laws are applicable. Most critically, it will lead to the erosion of national unity.

The perceived economic rationale of such laws — to generate jobs for locals and boost local industrial ecosystems — seems to get defeated.

To govern a commercial ecosystem, the state government is entitled and mandated to enact laws concerning land, labour, capital and energy.

These laws are meant to ensure smooth commercial activity. Each or both of the objectives forms the economic rationale towards formulation of a law. Additionally, under the new paradigm of stakeholder capitalism, the government, private sector, labour and civil society need to work in a compact over each other's actions for inclusive and mutually beneficial governance.

While enacting this law, the Haryana government failed to do adequate pre-legislative exercises to test its economic rationale. It also undermined its compact of cooperation with the private sector. The law restricts the opportunities of migrant workers and disrupts the industrial ecosystem of Haryana. It seems like an expression of the state government's insecurity towards unemployment and a classic example of ad hominem in law.

making, driven by populism. There already exists a trust deficit between the government and private sector, as each has avoided accountability towards the other on various occasions.

The private sector knowingly failed to adequately distribute its acquired wealth and institutionalise precarious jobs. The government has overregulated the private sector, leading to a high compliance burden.

The world is debating stakeholder capitalism vs shareholder capitalism: to ensure that every enterprise works for society, not just its owners.

In both instances of state supervision of business, however, labour has borne the brunt of the adverse consequences. What is unfortunate is that self-interest, rather than mutual interest, drives the solution of modern economic problems.

There is nonalignment between the problem statement specified in the statement of objects and reasons of the Haryana law and its objectives. The statement specifies the influx of migrants competing for low-paid jobs as the prime reason for the adverse impact on local infrastructure and housing, and proliferation of slums. It further attributes these factors to the rise of environmental and health issues, thus affecting the quality of life and livelihood.

It's true there is migrant influx for low-paid jobs in Haryana or the entire National Capital Region as it is in Mumbai or Kolkata. There can be two possible reasons. First, availability of abundant work opportunities under different industry segments; and second, lack of work in the states where the workers migrate from.

However, the primary reason for the burden on local infrastructure, housing and proliferation of slums is not the presence of migrants. It can be attributed to factors like lack of state capacity in undertaking welfare measures, non-availability of decent jobs in the private sector. Further, the quality of life and livelihood is affected for the same reasons.

Therefore, the solution to address this doesn't lie in reserving jobs for locals but in enhancing the investment on local infrastructure, welfare measures and strengthening skill development initiatives. The solution also demands ensuring decent work for low-paid workers in particular. Decent work implies that the primary needs of workers, including health, food, shelter and clothing, are fulfilled. It also places a worker in a position where monetary savings are ensured and there is an opportunity for skill enhancement.

Ensuring decent work is a goal in

itself and has an economic rationale of increased productivity and development of human beings. Working towards it requires the efficient performance of the compact between the government, labour and the private sector.

The state governments also need to realise such quota enabling measures are accompanied by newer compliances for enterprises. The proliferation of compliance responsibilities dilute the state's agenda of facilitating the "ease of doing business" and also reduces the governance deficit.

The policies enabling employment quotas for locals is driven by populism. It has far-reaching consequences which goes beyond the direct impact on labour, the government and the private sector. It adversely affects the investment prospects for a commercial ecosystem, urban mobility of workers and has an immense opportunity cost. Therefore, any state action towards enhancing employment must be anchored through an economic rationale. This will be clear when the compact between the government, labour and the private sector is evidently functional.

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## Justice Ramana had ensured end of internet ban in Kashmir

**PARMOD KUMAR | DC**  
with agency inputs  
NEW DELHI, APRIL 24

Justice Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana on Saturday was sworn as Chief Justice of India. He was administered the oath of office by President Ram Nath Kovind. He is the 48th Chief Justice of India with a term of a little over one year and four months until August 26, 2022.

The swearing-in ceremony of Justice Ramana, amongst others dignitaries, was attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Vice-president M. Venkaiah Naidu, Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad and his predecessor Sharad A. Bobde.

Justice Bobde had his last working day in the top court on April 23. Justice Ramana was elevated as a judge of the top court on February 17, 2014.

Born in an agricultural family on August 27, 1957, in Ponnavaram village, Krishna District, Justice Ramana did his B.Sc., B.L and was enrolled as an advocate on February 10, 1983.

Justice Ramana began his career as a journalist of a leading Telugu newspaper for a short while before turning to legal practice in 1983.

During his student days, he was known as an activist, involved in the issues concerning farmers and industrial workers.

Justice Ramana was appointed

He was also a part of a five-judge constitution bench of the top court that had in a landmark verdict in 2016 ordered restoration of the Congress government in Arunachal Pradesh. The bench had said the "clock should be turned back" as it quashed all decisions of the governor that precipitated its fall in January, holding them "violative" of the Constitution.

tion of Article 370 provisions has been hailed by many as one of the progressive verdicts.

It held that freedom of speech and conducting business on the internet are protected under the Constitution and had directed the Jammu and Kashmir administration to immediately review curb orders.

The bench had directed the authorities in the Union territory to immediately review all orders suspending internet services and said orders not in accordance with the law must be revoked.

A five-judge constitution bench headed by Justice Ramana had in March last year declined to refer to a larger seven-judge bench a batch of pleas challenging the constitutional validity of the Centre's decision to abrogate provisions of Article 370.

He was part of a five-judge constitution bench that had held in November 2019 that the office of the CJI was a public authority under the Right to Information Act.

In the November 2019 verdict, the top court had also said "judicial independence has to be kept in mind" while disclosing information in "public interest".

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He will demit office on August 26 next year and have to deal with key task of ensuring smooth functioning of apex court amid resurgence of the coronavirus pandemic. The judgement pended by Justice Ramana in the Anuradha Bhasin case related to internet ban in Jammu and Kashmir following the abroga-



Covid patients getting free oxygen, by a Sikh organisation at Indirapuram Gurdwara in Ghaziabad on Saturday.

- PTI

## Centre says Delhi got more oxygen than they asked for

On ground, people continue to beg for oxygen beds in hospitals

**VINEETA PANDEY | DC**  
NEW DELHI, APRIL 24

The harrowing times for Covid-19 patients and their families continues despite several high level meetings by the Centre for the last couple days as hospitals in Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Punjab, Gujarat continued sending SOS messages for Oxygen to the Centre and state governments and patients died due to lack of O<sub>2</sub>.

While Delhi Chief Minister Mr Arvind Kejriwal wrote to all States requesting them to divert their spare Oxygen reserves to Delhi, Punjab CM Capt Amarinder Singh ordered shutdown of operations of some of the state's industries to divert Oxygen for medical use as five patients died at a hospital in Amritsar due to shortage. On his part Union

Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan said Delhi has been allotted more than the Oxygen quota they had asked for and UT government has to now rationalise the quota in a timely manner but on ground people continue to beg for Oxygen beds as Delhi hospitals kept pleading for Oxygen.

On Saturday, Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi held another round of meeting on measures to increase supply of Oxygen and related equipment. The government has announced to waive off basic customs duty and health cess on Oxygen and equipment related such as Oxygen concentrator and cylinders, ventilators and ventilator masks and all other devices that can be used for Oxygen generation.

Besides, Covid-19 related vaccines will also be exempted from basic customs duty. Centre feels these measures will boost availability of these crucial items and make them cheaper. The exemption is for three months.

India on Saturday recorded 3,46,787 new cases and 2,624 deaths.

At the same time, over

2.19 lakh recoveries have been registered in the last 24 hours and Case Fatality Rate has come down to 1.14%.

Eleven States/UTs

have not reported any Covid deaths in the last

24 hours. Ten states - Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Karnataka, Kerala, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat and Rajasthan - reported 74.15% of the new cases in the country. While Maharashtra reported the highest daily new cases at 63,818 and 676 deaths, there was some respite in Mumbai where major decline in fresh cases were noticed.

Mumbai reported 5,888 new cases and 71 deaths while 8549 people got cured.

The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation released the third Serow survey data, in which 36.30% of residents of Mumbai were found to be positive. The survey was carried out on blood samples of 10,197 people.

During the meeting, Prime Minister emphasised the immediate

need to augment the supply of medical grade oxygen as well as equipment required for patient care both at home and in hospitals.

It was suggested that import of equipment related to providing Oxygen to patients needs to be expedited.

This will boost availability of these items and make them cheaper.

Senior officials in the Centre said the Government is taking a lot of measures to improve supply of Oxygen and medical supplies.

IAF planes are bringing in cryogenic oxygen tanks from Singapore and transporting oxygen tanks in the country to reduce travel times. Railways Oxygen Express has delivered nearly 150 tonnes of Oxygen in the last 24 hours in Maharashtra and UP.

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### FOUR WHEELERS

**BMW** 520 D Hyderabad Regn 2015, 55,000kms, Marine Blue, No Accidents, Excellent Condition, Immediate Sale, Call: 981433104 (HYMM/2122/C0052)

**TOYOTA INNOVA** Crysta 2.4v (7s) 2019, July 8200km Silver Showroom Track Next to New (Dealers Excuse) Contact: 9247497850/ 9533263823 (HYMM/2122/C0080)

**RENTAL DUSTER** - 2014 RXL DCI-HS-1500CC-135PS1, White Colour, accidents, Excellent condition. Expecting 5.25 lakhs. Contact: Santosh 984043169 (HYMM/2122/C0082)

**DUSTER BROWN** RXL-DCI-45PS, Airbags, Jan 2014, 91,000kms, showroom serviced, well-maintained, neat& good condition, 60% tyres, single owner. Rs.5,50,000/- Ph:812662213. (HYMM/2122/C0087)

**HYUNDAI EON** Elite+ Model 2018 Registration 2019, Excellent Condition Color Fiery Red Dealer Excuse Price: 35,000. PH:8919573487 (HYCL/2122/C0025)

**SKODA OCTAVIA** diesel automatic 2007, single owner, hyderabad showroom, excellent condition. Diamond Silver. 9391015374. (W/2122/AT000120)

### FOR SALE PROPERTY

### AGRICULTURE

**7.5 ACRES** land for sale at Janwada near Kokapet financial dist gachibowli contact singh directly 9666613361. (W/2122/AT00082)

**TWENTY GUNTHAS** Agriculture Land facing to Jakkur Road, Madraswaram, Near Wargal Mandal, 1.8km near proposed RRR is for immediate sale. Rs.2.8 lakh Guntha (negotiable) only genuine buyers call: 9849466176, 9842861919. Brokers excuse. (S/2122/C00190)

**COMMERCIAL** Badi Chowdi- Sultan Bazar Pillar No. 1193, Commercial Property G+3, Total Bulidup Area 3476 Sq.Ft. East Facing Shop On Main Road, Available For Sale. Ph: 9934561311 (HYMM/2122/C0070)

**BANJARAHILLS** ROAD no.1 900 yards Brand New Commercial Building, JubileeHills 300, 720, Road no.45, 1000, Road No.36 1200 yards & Ground floor, 700sqft, Main Road, Ground Floor 300sqft. Kondapur main road 1400, Jayabheri 934 yards N/E & Rental Income Properties 5 to 5 Cr. Ref 996691449, 994922449. (W/2122/AT00010)

**BANJARAHILLS ROAD** 12, S/F 120sqfts, Plot Ref. No. 45/N/1450sqfts, N/F 990sqfts, N/F 1200sqfts, N/F 2400sqfts, Road#1, W/F 1350sqfts, Road#36, N/F 1100sqfts, Madhapur N/F 500sqfts, N/F 1000sqfts, more semi commercial and residential rental income. Property on rent. Ref 9866602396. (HYMM/2122/C00575)

**INDEPENDENT BUILDING** Sale/ Lease @Gachibowli Mainroad, Opposite Central Mall, Beautiful glass & Mable Elevation, Total 12700sqft, s/bp area, 9500sqfts, G+3, 1st floor office space, Ready to use, 2 side roads & Entrance, Lift, 400Sqfts land, 9Cr&10.2 Wheeler parking. Suitable Restaurants, Software, Furniture, lights, Jewellery showroom/mall concept, Hospitals, Clear title. Ph:9502032226. (HYMM/2122/C00915)

**1 COMMERCIAL SPACE** for sale prime location Gachibowli 3700sqft first floor E/F 44 GDS USF road facing 2 Commercial Properties, 1st floor, 3rd floor, 3 Jhulelals, also available for 2400sqft E/F 3BHK with 100sqfts UDs brokers excuse contact: 9949353553, 9550563343. (HYMM/2122/C00378)

**GOWLIGUDA COMMERCIAL** Property 1600sqft, 3 floors building North facing, cellar parking, 18,000/- Rate per sqft (Negotiable). Ph:8309259281. (HYMM/2122/C00686)

**JUBILEE HILLS** plots for sale at 6600 Sqyds Prime Land at Isnapur, Mumbai Road for Sale. Interested parties Contact: 9700047474. (HYMM/2122/C00751)

**JUBILEE HILLS** commercial plots, Road number 45, 1450 Sq.yards North Facing, Road number 10, 13th Street, Near Kondapur, Komally main Road 3000 Sq.yards East Facing Contact: 970422345/ 852201555. (HYCL/2122/C00252)

**JUBILEE HILLS** for Sale/ Lease: Shop G-6, (Ground floor) in Empire Square, Kondapur, Hyderabad. Near Bank, Area 2450 sqft including 25% common area with 4 car parks & life time maintenance Corpus paid, no obstruction from Metro station or Pillars initial contact Ram: 9959325145. (B/2122/C0091)

**COMMERCIAL OFFICE** space for sale with rental guarantee plan in Kondapur. Contact: 9849309019. (A/2122/C00044)

**1500SQ.FT** 34000SFT Prime Rented Property with 15 yrs old Tenant is for Sale at L.B.Nagar, Hyderabad. Contact: 8008277452/ 9246367452. (HYMM/2122/C00336)

**COMMERCIAL BUILDING** at Lb Nagar, Opp Kamini Hospital, 17500Sft Floors, 6115sqyards, East Facing with Good Single Tenant, Getting Rs.4,60,000 Rent+Gst is For Sale. Contact: 984797998, 9652214887. (HYMM/2122/C00589)

**MADHAPUR NEAR** Medicover Hospitals, Patrikanagar, Sari Sari Apartments, 3 BH Flats, First Floor each 210sqft, Suitable for Office, Guest House, 9440185393. (VJ/22-00001) (S/2122/C00013)

**MADHAPUR** NEAR Medicover Hospitals, Patrikanagar, Sari Sari Apartments, Grade One Building 700sqft, Office Space for Sale/ Lease. Genuine Buyers only. Contact: 9908353456. (HYMM/2122/C00423)

**MADHAPUR** NEAR Location Near Cyber Towers Grade One Building 700sqft, Office Space for Sale/ Lease. Genuine Buyers only. Contact: 9908353456. (HYMM/2122/C00423)

**HITECH CITY** Madhapur 650, And 600, Sqyds Commercial Plots. For Sale, Residential 250sqyds, Ayappa Society 417Yards For Sale/Genuine Buyers Please Call: 9985648859 (HYMM/2122/C00794)

**OFFICE SPACE** 1000 sq ft for sale, Second floor, Chanderlok Complex, Defence Circle, Secunderabad. Price: 60 Lacs Negotiable. Contact: 9705749032. (S/2122/C0053)

**COMMERCIAL RENTED** property for Sale Main Road, Fully furnished 415 Yards, 32,000sqft, 1st floor, 2nd floor, 3rd floor, 4th floor, 5th floor, 6th floor, 7th floor, 8th floor, 9th floor, 10th floor, 11th floor, 12th floor, 13th floor, 14th floor, 15th floor, 16th floor, 17th floor, 18th floor, 19th floor, 20th floor, 21st floor, 22nd floor, 23rd floor, 24th floor, 25th floor, 26th floor, 27th floor, 28th floor, 29th floor, 30th floor, 31st floor, 32nd floor, 33rd floor, 34th floor, 35th floor, 36th floor, 37th floor, 38th floor, 39th floor, 40th floor, 41st floor, 42nd floor, 43rd floor, 44th floor, 45th floor, 46th floor, 47th floor, 48th floor, 49th floor, 50th floor, 51st floor, 52nd floor, 53rd floor, 54th floor, 55th floor, 56th floor, 57th floor, 58th floor, 59th floor, 60th floor, 61st floor, 62nd floor, 63rd floor, 64th floor, 65th floor, 66th floor, 67th floor, 68th floor, 69th floor, 70th floor, 71st floor, 72nd floor, 73rd floor, 74th floor, 75th floor, 76th floor, 77th 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## SHORT TAKES

**Zarif to visit Iraq, Qatar today**

Tehran, April 24: Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif is to visit Iraq and Qatar on Sunday, his ministry announced, following reported talks brokered by Baghdad between Tehran and regional rival Riyadh.

The talks in the Iraqi capital earlier this month, which have not been confirmed by either capital, were held at the level of officials not ministers and aimed at restoring relations severed five years ago, an Iraqi official and a Western diplomat said in Baghdad. Tehran has neither confirmed nor denied the reports saying only that it has "always welcomed" dialogue with Saudi Arabia.

**CHAUVIN TO BE SENTENCED ON JUNE 16**

Minneapolis, April 24: Sacked US police officer Derek Chauvin will be sentenced on June 16 for the murder of African American George Floyd in a case that sparked nationwide anti-racism protests. The Hennepin County District Court in the Midwestern city of Minneapolis, where handcuffed Floyd died last May, said in its online schedule that the white ex-cop will be sentenced at 1:30 pm (1830 GMT). The ex-officer — who knelt on Floyd's neck for more than nine minutes — faces up to 40 years in prison after being found guilty of all charges Tuesday over the death of the unarmed man.

The crime was recorded by a bystander whose video shocked the world, triggering mass protests across the United States and beyond, while also prompting a national reckoning on racial injustice and police brutality.

Last year's killing of Floyd as he lay face down and handcuffed, saying repeatedly "I can't breathe" has prompted some police reforms, but advocates, including President Joe Biden, say more is needed.

## GAMES

## SHORT TAKES

**Nadal surges into Barcelona semis**

Barcelona: Rafael Nadal stepped up his bid for a 12th Barcelona Open title with a 6-1, 6-4 victory over Cameron Norrie in the quarter-finals on Friday, while Stefanos Tsitsipas will play Jannik Sinner in the last four.

Nadal, who captured his first Barcelona title as an 18-year-old at the 2005 tournament, will face Diego Schwartzman or Pablo Carreno Busta in Saturday's semifinals.

Tsitsipas swept aside Felix Auger-Aliassime 6-3, 6-3, the Canadian who recently teamed up with Toni Nadal, the uncle and former coach of the 20-time Grand Slam winner. Tsitsipas extended his winning run to eight matches. — AFP

**Barty battles past Pliskova in QFs**

Stuttgart, Germany: World number one Ashleigh Barty fought back to reach the semifinals of the WTA Stuttgart clay-court tournament with a 2-6, 6-1, 7-5 win over Karolina Pliskova on Friday. Barty faces fourth seed Elina Svitolina in Saturday's semifinal after the Ukrainian staged a remarkable comeback in her 6-7 (4/7), 7-5, 6-2 win over Petra Kvitova. Second seed Simona Halep is yet to drop a set in Stuttgart as she reached the semifinals with a 6-1, 6-4 win over Ekaterina Alexandrova. In her semifinal, Halep will face either fifth seed Aryna Sabalenka or Anett Kontaveit. — AFP

**Persepolis hammer FC Goa in return leg**

Margao: Starting with as many as eight fresh faces, FC Goa were thrashed 4-0 by Iranian champions Persepolis FC in their return leg AFC Champions League Group E match here on Friday. Shahriar Mohganlou (24th minute), Mehdi Torabi (43rd), Issa Alkasis (47th) and Kamal Kamyabkar (58th) scored for the winners in a completely one-sided match.

The result saw Persepolis, with 12 points from four games, extending their 100 per cent win record while FC Goa suffered their second consecutive defeat after the 1-2 loss to Yahiya Golmohammadi's side on Tuesday. — PTI

# Dispute over Russian pipeline tests Biden's Europe outreach

Pressure on Prez to act, stop Moscow getting leverage over US allies

Washington, April 24: Pressure is growing on President Joe Biden to take action to prevent the completion of a Russian gas pipeline to Europe that many fear will give the Kremlin significant leverage over US partners and allies.

Yet such action could provoke an enormous rift in trans-Atlantic relations, notably with Germany, at a time when Biden has made restoring good ties with Europe a priority.

As the Nord Stream 2 pipeline nears completion, US lawmakers from both parties have stepped up demands on a reluctant White House to impose new sanctions on Russian and European companies to halt the project.

But prospects of that happening would seem slim: Germany continues to support the project as it steps up consumption of natural gas, and the pipeline is roughly 95% finished.

Biden has said he opposes the pipeline, which is owned by Russian state company Gazprom, with

## Biden's Georgia rally next week to promote jobs

Washington, April 24: President Joe Biden is heading to Georgia next week to mark his first 100 days in office and promote his infrastructure and jobs plan with a drive-in rally in Atlanta.

The White House said the president and his wife, Jill Biden, will travel to the state on April 29, a day after he delivers his first address to a joint session of Congress. In his address, he's expected to tout the accomplishments of his first 100 days in office and lay out his agenda for

investment from several European companies.

He has been keen to portray himself as tough on Russian President Vladimir Putin while being a strong supporter of Eastern European countries like

the rest of his term.

One of his next top priorities is a massive \$ 2.3 trillion infrastructure plan, which provides funds to update the nation's infrastructure, shift to green energy and expand caregiving options for older and disabled Americans.

It will mark Biden's second visit to the state since becoming president. His first visit was to promote his Covid-19 relief package, but those plans were derailed by a series of shootings at Atlanta-area spas that killed eight people,

including six Asian women. Biden instead spent his visit meeting with community leaders and state lawmakers from the Asian American and Pacific Islander community to discuss the events, which came amid an outbreak of anti-Asian violence nationwide during the Coronavirus pandemic.

His second visit comes as Georgia's controversial new voting law has put the state's election system in the spotlight. Biden has called the law Jim Crow in the 21st century. — AP

Poland and Ukraine that are dead set against it as it bypasses both.

Of potentially greater concern to the US, the Russia-to-Germany pipeline would increase Western Europe's already heavy

dependence on Russian energy while US-Russian tensions are soaring over a number of issues, including Ukraine, election interference, cyber intrusions and the crackdown on opposition figure Alexei

Navalny and his supporters. At the same time, the administration is seeking broad European support, especially from Germany, the continent's economic powerhouse, for its planned withdrawal from Afghanistan, climate change measures and efforts to counter China's increasingly global assertiveness.

It's not clear if sanctions targeting businesses from Germany and elsewhere would undermine efforts to advance those goals and repair relations that were frayed during Donald Trump's presidency.

On Wednesday, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee unanimously signed off on legislation that would require the administration to either impose sanctions on 20 companies involved in the pipeline's financing and construction or explain why they deserve exemptions.

In January, the Trump administration hit several Russian firms and ships with penalties for their involvement, but Biden has not expanded the list. — AP

# Officer shoots man who had charged at him with knives

Nashville (US), April 24: A Tennessee police officer fatally shot a man who charged at the officer with knives during a traffic stop early Saturday, officers said.

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Royer was on patrol in his police car when he ran a license plate for a white Mercedes sedan, but the plate was actually registered to a green 1998 Chevrolet, Aaron said at a news conference.

The man died at a hospital, Aaron said. He was not immediately identified.

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After the officer stopped the Mercedes, the passenger ran out of the car holding a knife in each hand, Aaron said.

The passenger began running around and briefly entered the driver's side door of Royer's police car, police body camera footage released at the news conference showed.

The man then ran toward Royer, who retreated

about 25 yards from his police car, Aaron said. Royer could be heard on the video requesting backup, telling the passenger to drop the knives and saying, I don't want to shoot you.

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# Officials say carrier to help protect Afghan pullout

Washington, April 24: The Pentagon has decided to keep an aircraft carrier in the Middle East to help provide protection for American and coalition troops during their planned withdrawal from Afghanistan in coming weeks, United States defence officials said on Friday.

Also, two United States Air Force bombers will be

deployed to Afghanistan as part of the pre-pullout bolstering of security. The moves back up Pentagon officials' public assurances that United States forces will be prepared to meet whatever resistance the Taliban might present during the withdrawal of more than 10,000 United States and coalition troops starting after May 1.

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About 2,500 to 3,500 of those troops are American. I would advise the Taliban that we will be well-prepared to defend ourselves throughout the withdrawal process, Gen. Frank McKenzie, the head of United States Central Command, said Thursday at the Pentagon.

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United States officials said after Biden's announcement that extra military personnel would likely be positioned in Afghanistan to facilitate the pullout of troops and

equipment, and the Pentagon typically beefs up its military presence as a precaution when executing a sizeable withdrawal.

When the United States pulled troops out of Somalia in January it kept an aircraft carrier in the region as a precaution.

Officials spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss moves that had not yet been announced.

the Arabian Sea, will remain in the region.

Also, two United States bomber aircraft will be deployed to Afghanistan, along with hundreds of Army Rangers to provide security during the pullout, the officials said.

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— AP

# Toffees add to Gunners misery

Own goal from Arsenal goalkeeper gifts Everton first win in seven games



Everton's Richarlison (left) vies for the ball with Granit Xhaka of Arsenal in an EPL match in London on Friday. — AFP

## PAYET PROPELS MARSEILLE TO WIN AT REIMS

Paris, April 24: Dimitri Payet scored two goals and set up Arkadiusz Milik for another as Marseille came from behind to defeat Reims 3-1 away in Ligue 1 on Friday.

Reims took the lead when Nathanael Mbuku powered a header in at a corner, but Marseille levelled almost immediately as Payet swept in a pass from Pol Lirola.

Payet then delivered a fantastic low cross for Milik to tap in from close range in first-half stoppage time.

Marseille goalkeeper Steve Mandanda turned an effort from Senegal striker Boulaye Dia onto the post in the second half, while Reims were reduced to 10 men. Payet was denied a hat-trick by an excellent stop from Predrag Rajkovic, with Milik ruled offside as he poked in the rebound. — AFP

## SNAP SHOTS

**Hyderabad cricketer Ashwin no more**

Former Hyderabad fast bowler Ashwin Yadav died after suffering a cardiac arrest in Hyderabad on Saturday. He was 33 and is survived by his wife and three sons.

Ashwin played 14 first class matches and took 34 wickets after making his Ranji Trophy debut in 2007 against Punjab in Mohali. His best figures were 6 for 52 against Delhi at the Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium in Hyderabad in the 2008-09 season. Ashwin's last Ranji Trophy match was against Mumbai in 2009.

He, however, continued to play for State Bank of Hyderabad and then SBI in the local league. Ashwin played for the Evergreen cricket club for many years before he joined SBI.

Indian team's fielding coach R. Sridhar condoled Ashwin's demise. "Devastated to hear the news of #AshwinYadav passing away. A very jovial and fun loving guy, team man to the core, punched way above his skills as a fast bowler. I pray to God for strength to his family. #gone too early #OmShanti You will be missed," Sridhar said in a tweet.

**Women archers storm into WC final**

Recurve women's team of Deepika Kumari, Ankita Bhakat and Komalika Bari assured India of its first medal in the Archery World Cup Stage 1 after cruising into the final with a straight-set win over Spain in Guatemala City.

However, the men's team, which qualified as third seed, lost in the quarterfinals to their Spanish rivals 26-27 in a shoot-off after both teams were tied 4-4.

India are also in the medal hunt in three more events with newly-wed Atanu Das and Deepika advancing into the mixed pair bronze playoff. The duo will also vie for individual medals, having made the last-four in their respective sections.

In the women's semifinal, Spanish trio of Elia Canales, Ines De Velasco and Leyre Fernandez Infante were no match to the top seeded Indians, who drilled in consistent scores of 55, 56 and 55 to seal a 6-0 win and make their first World Cup final since Shanghai, 2016.

— PTI

# Man City look to end title drought

London, April 24: Treble-chasing Manchester City face a Tottenham side desperate to end their trophy drought in the League Cup final as two members of the failed European Super League clash at Wembley on Sunday.

Just seven days after the bombshell revelation that City and Tottenham were among 12 clubs plotting the breakaway Super League, they will contest the first major silverware of the English season.

Alarmed by the furious public backlash against the Super League, City's owners were the first to

lose their nerve when they pulled out on Tuesday.

City's exit sparked a chain reaction that saw Spurs withdraw along with fellow Premier League teams Liverpool, Chelsea, Manchester United and Arsenal. But amid grovelling apologies from owners, supporters remain furious at the cynical betrayal and there have been calls for sanctions against the six Premier League teams.

Against that backdrop, it is ironic the League Cup will be the focus of attention for two of the Super League founders this weekend. — AFP

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can be taken back now they no longer dominate a key UEFA committee.

Hours earlier around midnight on Sunday, the 246-member ECA lost 12 of the most influential — and most demanding — when they left to announce their own Super League.

Two wild cards for storied clubs is one gift that

lapsed amid a ferocious backlash from fans and domestic leagues, governments and Champions League organizer UEFA, handing the ECA a chance to restore trust.

"Over the past week, we have seen the worst but also the best of football," ECA chief executive Charlie Marshall said in a statement Friday.

"Ultimately, the best has triumphed."

The "worst" was done by clubs and people that were Marshall's bosses until the early hours of Monday. They led ECA through talks with UEFA to

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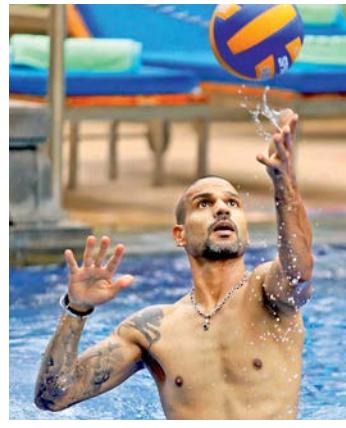
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## Off the field



Delhi Capitals opener Shikhar Dhawan plays volleyball in the pool.

— DC

## Sachin says he will donate his plasma

Former India captain Sachin Tendulkar on Saturday said he has recovered from COVID-19 and will donate plasma when he is eligible. Tendulkar celebrating his 48th birthday on Saturday, tested positive for the virus on March 27 and had to be briefly hospitalised as a precautionary measure. "Last year I had inaugurated a plasma donation centre and their message, if plasma is given at the right time, patients can recover faster. I personally, when permissible, will donate it and I have spoken to the doctors," Sachin added.

## Kumble all praise for leggie Bishnoi

Punjab Kings head coach Anil Kumble was all praise for the team's 20-year-old spinner, Ravi Bishnoi, who flummoxed the Mumbai Indians batsmen and took two crucial scalps in the nine-wicket win against the defending champions on Friday.

"I thought he was not the same bowler we had seen last year. I worked on his run-up and a few other things because he was drifting down the leg side even in practice games. That's why he didn't start the tournament earlier. But, I think, over the last week or so, his commitment, his focus is now sorted; he's back. It's wonderful to see him (bowl so well)," Kumble said.

## Stokes criticises Chepauk track

England all-rounder Ben Stokes has criticised the slow track of Chennai's Chepauk Stadium and hoped that teams competing in the IPL do not end up regularly scraping to low scores because of wickets that are "trash". Stokes feels that for an enjoyable T20 contest, a score in the range of 160 to 170 is paramount.

"Hope the wickets don't get worse as the IPL gets deeper into the tournament. 160/170 minimum not scraping to 130/140 cause the wickets are trash," Stokes tweeted after Mumbai Indians painstakingly reached 131 for 6 which was chased down by Punjab Kings.

Till Friday, Chennai has hosted nine IPL games and only twice has the team batting first scored in excess of 170.

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# MORRIS BARRAGE

Chris bombards Knights with 4/23 as Royals win by 6 wickets

**Mumbai, April 24:** Chris Morris (4/23) was effective at the death yet again as Rajasthan Royals thrashed Kolkata Knight Riders by six wickets in an IPL game on Saturday.

Royals pacers combined accuracy and guile to restrict Kolkata Knight Riders to 133 for nine.

Chasing the modest total, Royals skipper Sanju Samson (42 not out) played a responsible knock.

It was Royals' second win of the season in five matches while KKR have managed to get just one win under their belt, thus far.

Royals pacers, who were smart with change of pace pace, stifled the KKR batsmen who could not find a way to deal with it after being put in to bat.

KKR skipper Eoin Morgan said the batsmen let the team down. "We lacked a lot of intent throughout the whole innings. We were behind the eight ball right from the get-go. Possibly, we were 40 short which is a lot in a T20 game. The bowlers had too much to do. It's a stark contrast to the last game. The wicket hasn't been as good as it has been in the previous games and we couldn't overcome the challenge."

"It left us with a lot to do, which we couldn't do. Ultimately, one guy needs to play free-flowing cricket. Two sides struggling to gain momentum in the tournament and we missed big two points," added Morgan.

Morris, the most expensive player in the IPL auction history, proved his worth with a brilliant four-wicket haul.

The other pacers, Jaydev Unadkat (1/25), Chetan Sakariya (1/31) and Mustafizur Rahman (1/22), were also impressive.

KKR were not able to find rhythm in their underwhelming innings.

The highly rated Shubman Gill (11) disappointed yet again. He was dropped before his uncomfortable stay in the middle finally ended with a run out off a brilliant



Chris Morris (left) of Rajasthan Royals celebrates taking a KKR wicket with team-mate Chetan Sakariya during their match in Mumbai on Saturday. — IPL

direct hit from Jos Buttler. The Royals pacers were impressive with their variations and did not offer the batsmen any freebies in the powerplay as KKR laboured to 25 for one in six overs.

It became 45 for two in the eighth over when Gill's opening partner Nitish Rana (22) made room to cut a wide ball off Sakariya but the extra bounce led to his downfall as he ended up edging it to the wicketkeeper.

Skipper Eoin Morgan sent Sunil Narine ahead of himself to give the innings a much-needed boost but it did not work with the West Indian departing after hitting one boundary, leaving KKR at 55 for three in 10

overs.

KKR's troubles worsened after Morgan got run out without facing a ball following a bad mix-up with Rahul Tripathi (36 off 26).

Their most destructive batsman Andre Russell had to wait till the 16th over to get into the middle with the innings not going anywhere at 94 for five.

## SCORECARD

**Kolkata Knight Riders:** Nitish Rana c Samson b Sakariya 22, Shubman Gill run out (Buttler) 11, Rahul Tripathi c Parag b Mustafizur Rahman 36, Sunil Narine c Jaiswal b Unadkat 6, Eoin Morgan run out (Morris) 0, Dinesh Karthik c Sakariya b Morris 25, Andre Russell c Miller b Morris 9, Pat Cummins c Parag b Morris 10, Shivam Mavi b Morris 5, Prasidh Krishna (not out) 0. Extras (b 2, lb 1, nb 1, w 5) 9. Total (for nine wickets in 20 overs) 133.

FoW: 1-24, 2-45, 3-54, 4-61, 5-94, 6-117, 7-118, 8-133, 9-133.

**Bowling:** Jaydev Unadkat 4-0-25-1, Chetan Sakariya 4-0-31-1, Mustafizur Rahman 4-0-22-1, Chris Morris 4-0-23-4, Rahul Tewatia 3-0-24-0, Shivam Dube 1-0-5-0.

**Rajasthan Royals:** Jos Buttler lbw b Varun 5, Yashavini Jaiswal c sub (KL Nagarkoti) b Shivam Mavi 22, Sanju Samson (not out) 42, Shivam Dube c Prasidh Krishna b Varun 22, Rahul Tewatia c sub (KL Nagarkoti) b Prasidh Krishna 5, David Miller (not out) 24. Extras (lb 7, nb 1, w 6) 14. Total (for four wickets in 18.5 overs) 134.

FoW: 1-21, 2-40, 3-85, 4-100.

**Bowling:** Shivam Mavi 4-0-19-1, Pat Cummins 3.5-0-36-0, Varun Chakravarthy 4-0-32-2, Sunil Narine 4-0-20-1, Prasidh Krishna 3-0-20-1.

Dinesh Karthik (25) came up with some badly needed boundaries in his bid to improve the scoring rate. Russell smashed a straight six off Morris in the fifth ball he faced but that remained his only big hit of the night.

Morris removed both Russell and Karthik in the same over.

— Agencies

POINTS TABLE						
Teams	P	W	L	N/R	Points	Net RR
RCB	4	4	0	0	8	+1.009
CSK	4	3	1	0	6	+1.142
DC	4	3	1	0	6	+0.426
MI	5	2	3	0	4	-0.032
PBKS	5	2	3	0	4	-0.428
RR	5	2	3	0	4	-0.681
SRH	4	1	3	0	2	-0.228
KKR	5	1	4	0	2	-0.675

## Capitals to lock horns with SRH

**Chennai, April 24:** Rishabh Pant's brute power will be put to test against Rashid Khan's bagful of tricks in an IPL encounter where Delhi Capitals will start as favourites against Sunrisers Hyderabad due to their better bowling resources.

The much-criticised Chepauk track will host its 10th and final IPL game of the season in which both Pant and his opposite number David Warner would pray for a decent surface for their flamboyant batters.

With only a couple of first innings total in excess of 170 across nine games here, the slow and gripping surface at the MA Chidambaram Stadium tests the skills of the batsmen in a different manner.

Possibly, it's the ability to muscle the ball that will come in handy on this track and hence the DC skipper's role as a batsman will become all the more important.

While Shikhar Dhawan is in good form and Prithvi Shaw in not so great touch after the first game, the willow-wielders, who depend on sheer timing compared to power may struggle.

In fact, Hyderabad, after playing all its four games in Chennai, has only now started to crack the code of a slow track, evident during the team's comfortable victory over Punjab Kings after a hat-trick of defeats.

With Kane Williamson back in the mix, SunRisers seemed to have got a better balance in a set-up which is acutely short of quality India internationals.

With T Natarajan's death bowling unavailable for this season and Manish Pandey only able to manage a strike-rate of 112 odd,

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## Matches

**SRH 11 DC 7**

## FOR THE RECORD

• David Warner with 3,949 runs at an average of 51.28 in 91 innings needs 51 runs to become the first Sunrisers Hyderabad batsman to complete 4,000 runs in IPL.

• Shikhar Dhawan with 195 fours in 51 innings needs five more fours to become the second Delhi Capitals batsman after Virender Sehwag (266 fours in 79 innings) to complete a double century of fours in IPL.

## LAST YEAR'S MATCHES

• Sunrisers beat Delhi by 15 runs at Abu Dhabi.

• Sunrisers beat Delhi by 88 runs at Dubai.

• Delhi beat Sunrisers by 17 runs at Abu Dhabi (Qualifier 2)

STATS: S. PERVEZ QAISER

bulk of the responsibility is on overseas recruits Warner, Jonny Bairstow, Williamson and Rashid.

The wily Afghan has again been very consistent and his duel with Pant could be one of the most eagerly-awaited match-ups that can send the TRPs soaring. SRH's weak link is certainly its bowling attack with none among Sandeep Sharma, Siddharth Kaul or all-rounder Vijay Shankar inspiring any sort of confidence whatsoever. So DC will have 12 overs out of 20 on which they can feast upon if one takes away the eight bowled by Rashid and Bhuvneshwar Kumar.

— PTI



CSK head coach Stephen Fleming (from left), fielding coach Rajiv Kumar, opener Faf du Plessis and batting coach Michael Hussey during a training session in Mumbai. — CSK

## GAVASKAR SAYS BANGALORE CAN RELY ON MAXWELL

**Mumbai, April 24:** Former India captain Sunil Gavaskar has praised RCB's new signing Glenn Maxwell for easing the pressure off Virat Kohli and AB de Villiers.

"It's great that Maxwell has come good. It has taken the pressure off Virat Kohli and AB de Villiers. They know that they can rely on one more batsman to get the runs. Last time, there was Padikkal at the start of the innings who was getting the runs but this time, Maxwell has been batting extraordinarily," Gavaskar said.

"You could possibly say that now, RCB have another 360-degree player in Maxwell," he added.

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## Matches

**CSK 16 RCB 9**

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## FOR THE RECORD

• Devdutt Padikkal's century off 51 balls against Rajasthan Royals in the previous match was the fastest century by an uncapped player in IPL.

• Suresh Raina with 199 sixes in 192 innings needs just one more to become the seventh batsman to complete a double century of sixes in IPL.

## LAST YEAR'S MATCHES

• RCB beat CSK by 37 runs at Dubai.

• CSK beat RCB by 8 wickets at Dubai.

STATS: S. PERVEZ QAISER

