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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2020

Talks inconclusive, next round tomorrow

Farmers reject Centre's offer to set up expert panel | Adamant on rollback of 'black laws'

VIBHA SHARMA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

The much-anticipated third round of talks between farmer outfits, including 32 from Punjab, and Union ministers Narendra Singh Tomar, Piyush Goyal and Som Parkash ended inconclusively today with farmer leaders rejecting the Centre's proposal to constitute a five-member committee to look into their grievances.

The unions told the government that "such panels had failed to yield the desired results in the past" and "that the time for committees was over as they now only wanted concrete action".

A government statement said Agriculture Minister Tomar had proposed the setting up of the expert committee "to look into the issues of farmers so as to resolve them with mutual consent". "The union representatives said they will attend the further round of discussions with the government to resolve the matter amicably," the statement said.

Various issues related to "farm Acts were discussed in a cordial atmosphere," officials said. However, Punjab unions said they rejected the offer of tea during the talks and instead asked the ministers to join them for

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DEJECTED! Farmer leaders outside Vigyan Bhawan after holding talks with Union ministers in New Delhi on Tuesday. MANAS RANJAN BHUI

Demands unmet, farmers to intensify agitation

PARVESH SHARMA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SANGRUR, DECEMBER 1

After the failure of their talks with Union ministers today, farmer leaders have decided to harden their stance and intensify their agitation in the coming days.

"Helplessness was writ large on the face of Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar. The ministers

BITTU HINTS AT PRESENCE OF KHALISTANIS

From some Khalistani elements to protesters who sat at Shaheen Bagh, all kinds of people have penetrated the farmers' agitation, it is getting out of hands... Home Minister Amit Shah should intervene. Ravneet Bittu, LUDHIANA MP

6 RAF, 5 IRB COMPANIES DEPLOYED AT TIKRI BORDER

did not have proper answers to our questions. Tomar kept insisting on a small committee, but we rejected that proposal," said BKU (Ugrahan) chief Joginder Singh Ugrahan on the phone.

"We made it clear that we will end our protest only after a complete rollback of black laws. Now, it's their choice," he said. BKU leader Balbir Singh Rajewal said the Centre would have to resolve the issue as the protest was gaining strength by the day.

"Non-farming organisations should also join our protest. We have started mobilising urban support for it," said social activist Dr AS Mann.

DIALOGUE 'THE WAY OUT'

Proposed to constitute a committee but unions suggested they will attend further round of discussions to resolve the matter amicably.

NS Tomar
AGRICULTURE MINISTER

OPEN HEARTS, NOT JUST DOORS, SAYS CONGRESS

New Delhi: Congress chief spokesperson Randeep Surjewala said the government should either suspend the three farm laws or announce legal guarantee for the MSP regime. "Please talk to all farmer outfits... Opening doors is not sufficient, open your hearts too," he said. TNS

SPORTSPERSONS TO RETURN AWARDS

Chandigarh: Several former sportspersons, including Padma Shri wrestler Kartar Singh and Arjuna awardees Sajjan Singh Cheema (basketball) and Rajbir Kaur (hockey), have decided to return their awards to protest the use of "brute force" on farmers en route to Delhi. PTI

Shaheen Bagh's Bilkis Dadi turned away from Singhu border
Bhim Army chief joins farmers at Delhi-Ghaziabad border

JJP toughens stance, seeks early resolution

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CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 1

With the imbroglio between farmers and the Central Government continuing in the Capital, the Jannayak Janta Party (JJP), BJP's ally in Haryana, has toughened its stance and sought an early resolution of the issue, giving jitters to the one-year-old ML Khattar government.

Even as the farmer leaders were holding talks with the Union ministers, Haryana Deputy CM Dushyant Chautala's younger brother and JJP leader Digvijay Chautala said the party's future course would depend on the outcome of the meeting.

The 90-member Haryana Assembly has 40 BJP MLAs and the support of 10 JJP legislators is crucial for its survival. Meham Independent MLA Balraj Kundu has already spoken against the government on the issue while Dadri Independent MLA Sombir Sangwan withdrew support to the govern-

WHY NOT A WRITTEN ASSURANCE ON MSP?

When PM Modi and Union Agriculture Minister are repeatedly assuring that the MSP will stay, there is no harm in adding that line in the laws.

Ajay Chautala, JJP

ment today. The Congress has 31 MLAs in the House. Claiming to be a "party of farmers", the JJP has been under pressure from its support base ever since the farmers began their agitation against the new farm laws.

The party's MLA from Barwala, Jogi Ram Sihag, who had earlier rejected the offer of chairmanship of Haryana Housing Board, has already criticised the Khattar government. Earlier, JJP national president Ajay Chautala suggested that the Centre

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TRUDEAU SPEAKS IN SUPPORT, MEA HITS BACK

New Delhi: The MEA has called "unwarranted" and "ill-informed" the comments by Justin Trudeau, Canadian Prime Minister, on the farmers' stir made during a virtual interaction to mark Gurmurb. "The situation is concerning and we are all very worried about family and friends and I know that is a reality for many of you. Let me remind you, Canada will always be there to defend the right of peaceful protest," he said. TNS



Senior BJP leader Gosain no more

LUDHIANA, DECEMBER 1

Senior BJP leader and former Punjab Health Minister Satpal Gosain passed away at a hospital here today, hours after being admitted there following breathing issues. He was 85.

Survived by his wife, a son and two daughters, Gosain had slipped in the washroom at his house about two months ago. He was briefly hospitalised and his condition had been deteriorating since, though he was brought home. He remained the Punjab Assembly Deputy Speaker twice from 2000 to 2002 and 2007 to 2011. — TNS

IN BRIEF

BrahMos tested 4th time in a week

NEW DELHI: The Navy on Tuesday test-fired a BrahMos missile from a warship, hitting the target at sea with pinpoint accuracy. It was the missile's fourth launch in a week. "All the launches have precisely hit the target. Never has such a feat been accomplished by any other weapon," a spokesperson said. BACK PAGE

HP Cabinet calls off D'sala session

SHIMLA: The Himachal Cabinet on Tuesday called off the Vidhan Sabha's winter session that was scheduled to be held in Dharamsala from December 7-11. The decision was taken in view of the sudden spike in Covid cases in the state even as the announcement has left the Opposition Congress fuming. INSIDE

SC rejects Chanda plea against ouster as CEO

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

The Supreme Court on Tuesday rejected Chanda Kochhar's petition challenging a Bombay High Court order dismissing a plea against her termination as the managing director and CEO of ICICI Bank.

"Sorry, we are not inclined to interfere with the HC order. This falls within the realm of private banks," said a Bench headed by Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul.

Kochhar had challenged the March 5 order of the High Court that dismissed her plea against termination as managing director and CEO of ICICI Bank, while noting that the dispute arose from a contract of personal service.

"I (Kochhar) was the MD of ICICI Bank, but the bank recalled my earlier resignation and converted it into termination. This was wrong as it was against the norms," senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi submitted on Kochhar's behalf. — TNS



CHANDA KOCHHAR
CAN'T INTERFERE

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Supreme Court Bench

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Never spoke of vaccinating all: Centre

Says aim is to snap transmission chain by inoculating high-risk groups

ADITI TANDON
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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

Amid hectic planning for the rollout of a potential Covid-19 vaccine in India, the government today said it had never spoken of inoculating the entire country against the virus. Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan and ICMR chief Balram Bhargava, both members of the National Taskforce on Covid-19 Vaccine Administration, said the purpose of vaccination was to break the chain of virus transmission and the same could be done by inoculating a critical mass of people.

"There has never been any talk of inoculating the entire country," Bhushan said.

Adding to the issue, ICMR chief Bhargava noted, "The purpose of vaccination is breaking the chain of Covid



PUNJAB, HP, HRY SEE HIGHEST SPIKE IN NOV

Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Haryana are among five states to report the highest spike in active cases between November 1 and December 1, the other two being Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan.

LOWER COVID TEST COST, CENTRE TELLS STATES

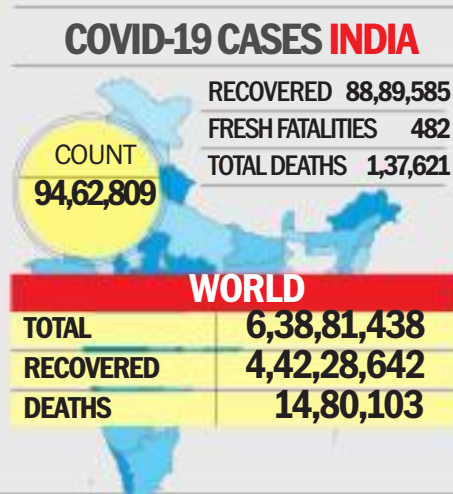
The Centre has written to states to lower the cost of Covid testing citing how the cost of RTPCR kits had declined from nearly ₹1,800 per kit in March to ₹100 currently.

transmission. We may not have to vaccinate all the people if we can break that chain by inoculating a critical mass of people. But even after that,

masks would have to be worn." The government also made it clear today that the ongoing vaccine trials in India were safe. Bhushan said an adverse

GETTING FACTS STRAIGHT

There has never been any talk of inoculating the entire country. It is important to get factual information about these things. Rajesh Bhushan, HEALTH SECY



event reported during the Serum Institute's Covid vaccine trial in October was unrelated to the vaccine and CONTINUED ON BACK PAGE

BSF SI killed in ceasefire violation by Pak in Poonch

JAMMU, DECEMBER 1

A BSF Sub-Inspector was killed on Tuesday in a ceasefire violation by the Pakistan army along the LoC in Poonch district of J&K.

In November, 15 persons, including nine security personnel, were killed in multiple ceasefire violations by Pakistani troops in various sectors.

Hailing from Maphoukuli village in Imphal, Sub-

Inspector Paotinsat Guite attained martyrdom while bravely retaliating to the enemy fire in the Tarkundi area of Mendhar in Poonch district, the BSF said. The latest casualty took place on a day when the BSF was celebrating its Raising Day. — PTI



Paotinsat Guite

Two HP depts report mismatch of over 1 crore boxes in apple sales

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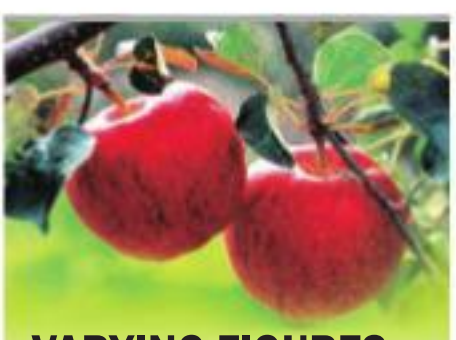
SHIMLA, DECEMBER 1

There's a staggering difference of 1.12 crore in the data of the Horticulture Department and the HP State Agricultural Marketing Board as regards the number of apple boxes sold this season.

While the marketing board says 2.73 crore boxes were sold, the Horticulture Department puts the number at 1.61 crore.

Horticulture Department Director JP Sharma said, "We are in the middle of sorting it out. Efforts are on to ascertain whether we have missed some boxes or the marketing board has counted these twice."

On the face of it, the number



VARYING FIGURES

2.73 CRORE is the number of sold apple boxes, as per the marketing board

1.61 CRORE is the number put forth by the Horticulture Department

put out by the marketing board seems more credible because it collects data from six barriers, as against the three put up by the Horticulture Department.

"We have crosschecked our

data and there's no question of any double counting or any other error," said marketing board MD Naresh Thakur.

In case the Horticulture Department's data is proved wrong, it will bring into question the data released by it in the past too.

The growers are also stunned at this mindboggling variance in the numbers put out by the two government agencies.

Fruit, Vegetable and Flower Growers' Association chief Harish Chauhan said, "The numbers released by the Horticulture Department form the basis for various plans and policies. Any glitch in this will confuse both policymakers and farmers."

Delhi SCO meet sent positive signals: China

BEIJING, DECEMBER 1

China said on Tuesday that the virtual meeting of the Council of Heads of Government of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) hosted by India had sent "many positive signals" with leaders reaching consensus on several issues.

Chinese Premier Li Keqiang on Monday attended the virtual meeting of the eight-member bloc, which was also addressed by Vice President Venkaiah Naidu.

Asked how China viewed the SCO meet, Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying told a media briefing here that the meeting was about implementing the outcomes reached at the recent SCO Summit. — PTI

Court orders framing of charges against Hooda in Manesar scam

BHARTESH SINGH THAKUR
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 1

The CBI Special Court, Haryana, today ordered framing of charges against former Chief Minister and Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda and 32 others, including former IAS officers ML Tayal, Chatter Singh and SS Dhillon, in the multi-crore Manesar land scam.

The scam pertains to purchase of land from farmers at meagre rates and then earning huge profits by getting it released in connivance with bureaucrats and politicians. CBI Special Judge Jagdeep Singh also summoned present Home Secretary Rajeev

Rajeev Arora, Home Secy, summoned

4 MORE ADDL ACCUSED

- DR Dhingra, former IAS officer
- Surjit Singh, former HSIIDC Chief Town Planner
- Dhare Singh, former TCP Dept Chief Town Planner
- Kulwant Singh Lamba, former Dy Spdt of TCP Dept

Arora, along with former IAS officer DR Dhingra, former Chief Town Planner (CTP) of Haryana State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (HSIIDC) Surjit Singh, former CTP in Town and Country Planning (TCP)

Department Dhare Singh, and former Deputy Superintendent of TCP Department Kulwant Singh Lamba, as additional accused in the case. There is prima facie evidence of their involvement in a criminal conspiracy and cheating, ruled the court.

"For Arora, who was the HSIIDC Managing Director at the time of the alleged scam, the CBI has been instructed to submit prosecution sanction obtained from the state government. Dhingra was the Director, Industries, when scam dealings were being conducted," said SPS Parmar, counsel for Hooda.

The court also dismissed discharge applications of CONTINUED ON BACK PAGE

New batches leave for Delhi protest

Farm leaders say will ensure ‘decisive battle’ against Centre doesn’t lose steam

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FAIRIDKOT/SANGRUR DECEMBER 1 With the talks with the Centre remaining inconclusive, farm leaders have hardened their stand on the farm laws. They said their protest would intensify further with the joining of residents and various non-farming organisations along with more farmers from the state.

In Fairidkot, the farm unions of the area have now started sending new batches to replace protesters stationed near the national capital.

Many farmers, who are participating in the protest for the past week, will return home to tend to their wheat crop and also take care of their family needs.

“So that our fight for a ‘decisive battle’ against the Union Government does not lose steam and also to



UP IN ARMS: Farmers protest the Central agriculture laws at the Singhu border. TRIBUNE PHOTO

take care of those who have already given one week of their time to the agitation, we are sending new batches of farmers from the rural area to Delhi,” said Binder

Singh Golewala, district president, Bhartiya Kisan Union (Rajewal).

The leaders are organising meetings at village-level, calling upon farmers

to reach Delhi as replacement for those who want to return home, said Sukhdev Singh, a leader of BKU (Krantikari).

While addressing a gather-

A LONG-DRAWN FIGHT

“It is going to be a long-drawn fight. We need to prepare new batches of protesters so that they take turns in participating in the dharna and there is no fall in the number.

Binder Singh, BKU (RAJEWAL)

ing of farmers at Golewala on Tuesday, the farmer leaders said those reaching Delhi need not carry ration with them as there was more than enough food stock with the teams, camping there.

“As it is going to be long-drawn fight, we need to prepare new batches of the protesters so that they take turns in participating in the dharna and there is no fall in the number of the protesting farmers,” said Binder Singh.



Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee members protest at Jandiala Guru on Tuesday. TRIBUNE PHOTO

KMSC boycotts talks with Centre

AMRITSAR, DECEMBER 1

Farmers under the banner of the Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee (KMSC) rejected to be part of the talks held with the Centre on Tuesday.

They argued that the agrarian crisis had affected the entire farming community and that the representatives of all farm unions from across the country should have been called up to hold a dialogue.

Meanwhile, their ‘rail roko’ protest near Jandiala Guru

Say govt adopting divide & rule policy

track entered the 61st day.

Committee’s state general secretary Sarwan Singh Pandher said the Centre had been adopting a divide and rule policy by extending invitation to 32 Punjab-based farm unions and ignoring those of UP, Haryana and other parts of the country.

“This is the reason why we boycotted the invite. Moreover, the Centre was not inclined to create conducive environment to hold dialogue. The PM and the Home Minister never cared to attend the meeting with the farmers’ representatives. Farmers are being thrashed by the police and cases are being registered against them. How could the talks yield positive results under such circumstances?” he said. — TNS

BJP MLA speaks against farm laws, backtracks

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MUKTSAR, DECEMBER 1

BJP MLA from Abohar Arun Narang, who was gheraoed by some farmers at Tarmala village in the Lambi Assembly segment here on Monday, had told them that the farm laws passed by the Modi government were affecting Punjab and the Centre should call farmer representatives to resolve the issue at the earliest.

A video of him has gone viral on social media in this regard. However, when contacted in this regard today, Narang backtracked from his statement and said the farm laws were pro-farmers and the farmers could not yet explain any demerit.

While speaking over the phone today, the BJP MLA said, “I want the issue to be resolved at the earliest. However, I did not say that the laws were anti-farmers or harming the state.”

Take stir seriously, Congress urges PM

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CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 1

Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee (PPCC) chief Sunil Jakhar on Tuesday warned the BJP of dangerous repercussions for not taking the farmers’ agitation seriously. He said Prime Minister Narendra Modi was indulging in “jumlebaazi” by invoking the sacred Ganges to swear by the farm laws.

By allowing the agitation to peak, the saffron party was giving enough time to the wrong forces to hijack the focused agitation by the farmers. So far, the peasants had been maintaining discipline to take forward their cause. In Punjab, the state government had ensured that no anti-social elements mixed with the agitating farmers to diffuse the protests. But at Delhi borders, there was every chance of such people trying to sneak into farmer groups to bring a bad name

Youth Congress plans march against Khattar

to the agitation, said Jakhar, as he reminded the PM of his election promise to clean the Ganges.

Ludhiana Congress MP Ravneet Bittu also targetted the BJP for delay in solving the farmers’ issues. “A prolonged agitation is not in the interest of the state,” he said. Bittu also urged the agitating farmers to ward off any attempt by anti-social elements to defame their agitation.

Meanwhile, the Punjab Youth Congress today announced to take out a protest march from the Congress Bhawan to the official residence of Haryana CM ML Khattar for using force against farmers on way to Delhi. Barinder Dhillon, Punjab Youth Congress president, said atrocities afflicted on farmers by the Haryana Government were condemnable.



More farmers arrive by tractors to join the stir at the Singhu border in New Delhi on Tuesday. PTI

Standoff could have grave fallout: Ex-MP

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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

Former Rajya Sabha MP from Punjab Ashwani Kumar today said the face-off between the farmers and Centre over the farm laws was fraught with grave consequences for law and order and internal security.

“The sight of farmers being bombarded with water can-

Says use of force on farmers shameful

nons on a cold November night must put the country to shame. The nation’s sensitivities are entirely with the farmers and in the best tradition of democracy, the Centre should accommodate the farmers’ concerns in the law

ostensibly enacted for their welfare. There is no justification whatsoever for the government to stand on prestige. The price of obduracy in terms of weakening of the federal structure, alienation of farmers and national security must not be paid by the nation. It is absolutely necessary to remove the farmers’ sense of insecurity and to restore their pride,” Kumar said.

AAP’s stand on farm laws exposed: Capt

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CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 1

Punjab Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh on Tuesday hit out at the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) over its “double standards on the controversial farm laws while pretending to be standing with the farmers”.

The Chief Minister said even as AAP was claiming to be supporting the agitating farmers, the Arvind Kejriwal government in Delhi had implemented the black laws through a gazette notification on November 23. He said the notification would spell the death-knell for the ‘annadattas’ in the national capital.

SHOCKED TO SEE DELHI GOVT NOTIFIED ACTS

“First AAP failed to pass any amendment Bill in the Delhi Assembly to negate the farm Acts, as was done in Punjab. Now they have officially notified the laws. It’s shocking! Capt Amarinder Singh, CHIEF MINISTER



“First it failed to pass any amendment laws in the Delhi Assembly to negate the Central laws, as was done in Punjab. And now they have officially notified the agricultural legislations in Delhi. AAP’s true intent and affiliation has been utterly exposed,” Captain Amarinder noted.

Responding to AAP’s criticism of his handling of the

situation and for taking on his Haryana counterpart ML Khattar, the CM said while he was busy fighting for the rights of his farmers, Kejriwal was preparing to pull the rug under the feet of the farmers, who had been braving atrocities by the Haryana Government in their quest for justice.

“Not once did AAP criticise

the brutality inflicted on farmers. The party had failed to even condemn the Akalis for their role in the legislation of the agricultural ordinances,” he said.

Captain Amarinder also lambasted AAP for its suggestion that the Punjab Government should pass a Bill in the state Assembly to make minimum support price (MSP) a statutory right for farmers in the state. “It is obvious that AAP either does not understand the problems of farmers or simply does not care,” he said, asking that “even if the state has the money to buy all foodgrain, which it simply does not, where would it sell the same?”

CM defaming Delhi Govt: AAP

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CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 1

The Aam Aadmi Party’s Punjab unit today alleged CM Capt Amrinder Singh and the BJP had joined hands to make false allegations against the Delhi government to defame it.

It said the Modi government had made a grand plan to arrest the protesting farmers, but Kejriwal government’s rejection to convert stadiums into jails ensured that the plan failed. The BJP in collusion with Capt Amrinder was trying to defame Kejriwal and spread false allegations that the Delhi govt notified the farm laws.

CAPTAIN TARGETING KEJRIWAL AT MODI’S BEHEST

“It is a serious question as to why Capt Amarinder Singh is targeting Arvind Kejriwal today? How can the Kejriwal govt notify these laws? The truth is that PM Modi is clearly asked Captain to target Kejriwal. AAP

The entire Punjab knows how Capt Amrinder and the SAD supported the BJP in passing these black laws.

Meanwhile, AAP Punjab president and Sangrur MP Bhagwant Mann said Prime Minister Narendra Modi was being misled on the draconian farm laws, and not the farmers.

He alleged the government led by him was hell-bent on sacrificing the interests of the

country’s ‘annadattas’ to appease the corporate houses, forcing farmers to sit on the national capital’s borders and wage a grim battle to save their livelihood.

Mann said the PM had been insensitive to the people of the country, especially Punjab. He said if the new agricultural laws were in the larger interest of farmers, protesters would have openly supported them.

FIR sought against Kangana Ranaut

AMRITSAR, DECEMBER 1

The youth wing of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), headed by Ved Parkash Bablu, today submitted a complaint to Police Commissioner Sukhchain Singh Gill against Bollywood actor Kangana Ranaut for allegedly making objectionable remarks against women participating in the farmers’ agitation in Delhi.

In the complaint, Bablu alleged that the actor had said that the women in the farmers’ protests had taken money for their participation. It was an insult to the farming community and women farmers. Kangana should apologise for her objectionable remarks. — TNS

What’s cooking?



Farmers relax at the Delhi-UP border during their ‘Delhi Chalo’ protest at Ghazipur. PTI

Elders busy in Delhi stir, youth in fields

PARVESH SHARMA

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SANGRUR, DECEMBER 1

Youngsters outside IELTS and PTE coaching centres and discussing plans to go abroad is a common sight in Punjab, but what’s uncommon is to see them on fields and don the role of farmer. With most elders in the family holding the fort in the national capital against the farm laws, the responsibility of tending the fields has fallen on young shoulders.

“My father is in New Delhi to participate in the protest. Now, it’s my responsibility to take care of our fields. I have been regularly visiting my fields since the start of the ‘Delhi Chalo’ agitation. Earlier, I was not regular as my father had been here,” says Lakhwinder Singh from Ealwal village. He is a graduate

A RARE SIGHT

“It’s a rare sight for us. We are happy to see youngsters doing all kinds of jobs in fields. Earlier, they had no interest in taking to agriculture, but things are changing. Sukhdeep S Goldy, BANIHAIURA SARPANCH

and a government job aspirant. Kamandeep Singh, who has got 6.5 bands in IELTS, says earlier Covid delayed his flight to Canada, now the agitation has applied brakes for an indefinite period.

“My grandfather and other members are in Delhi. I have started helping my uncle in farming. I do not think that I will be able to go abroad till the end of this agitation,” he says.

Another youngster Jatinder Singh, who has got 66 points in PTE, says he has been looking after their fields ever since the agitation began. “Many youth, who have cleared IELTS and PTE, are working in the fields as they understand their elders are busy securing the future of the farming community. We must play our part. We can go abroad later,” says Amit Alisher, who runs an IELTS institutes at Sangrur.

Happy to see the winds of change, villagers say the protest against the farm laws has made youth more concerned about agriculture and their land. Now the youth want to contribute to the cause and what better than tending their fields in the absence of their elders, they stress.

A youth works in a field in Sangrur. >>



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I, Nirmala Devi Wife of Shri Mukesh Sharma (Who is serving with Indian Army number 2500935P Lance Naik Mukesh Sharma) and presently residing at Village Danai, P.O. Hanipur, Tehsil Solan, District Solan Himachal Pradesh have changed my name from Nirmala Devi (Wrong Name) to Nirmala Devi (Correct Name) vide affidavit dated 23.11.2020 before SDM Office, Solan. (CL20068635)

I, Mansha Handa, w/o Ajay Handa, aged 53 years, residing at 143-C, Model House - Ludhiana-141002, Punjab, changed my name from Kiran Handa to Mansha Handa vide affidavit 20.11.2020 sworn before notary Ashwani Jolly. (CL20068640)

I Harleen Kang Daughter of Paramjeet Singh Grewal St.No. 10/8 Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Bathinda have changed my name to Harleen Kang Grewal (CL20068650)

I, Om Parkash S/o Krishan Lal 89-B, Nasib Bagh, Ambala Cantt, disown my son Amit Walia, his wife Garima Walia from my moveable/ immovable properties as they are out of my control. Anyone deals them at their own risk. Concerned note. (CL20068664)

I, Kunal Singh s/o Pratap Singh r/o Nayian Wala Mohalla, Lalru, Ward No. 13, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) Punjab-140501 declare that I belong to Sikh Rajput religion vide affidavit No. AM 282022 Dt. 01.12.2020 before Notary, Derabassi. (CL20068675)

I, Darbara Singh alias Dalwara Singh s/o Hari Singh, Village Bhari Panecan (Patiala) have changed my name as Darbara Singh. (CL20068728)

I, Service Number 3995702A, Rank L/Naik Sanjay Kumar son of Laik Ram, Village Bhanai, PO Makrahan, Tehsil Jawali, District Kangra (HP) declare that my son's name in my Army record has wrongly entered Aniket Choudhary whereas his correct name is Aniket Choudhary. Concerned note. (CL20068729)

I, No. 13753660Y Ex- Hav. Ranjeet Kumar Sharma r/o Gohju, PO Basnoor, Tehsil Shahpur, Distt. Kangra (HP), declare that my daughter's name in my Army service record wrongly entered as Sakshi. Whereas her correct name is Sakshi Sharma. Concerned note. (CL20068731)

Ensure potable water in villages: DC to sarpanches

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

BARNALA, DECEMBER 1

Deputy Commissioner Tej Partap Singh Phoolka has directed sarpanches to work to ensure 100 per cent potable water to villages. He also offered help from the government in it.

The Deputy Commissioner said this while holding a meeting with sarpanches under the Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana on Tuesday. He said nine villages of the district had been selected under the scheme and they would be given Rs 20 lakh grant to initiate and complete various developmental works.

The selected villages include Draka, Dhaner, Naiwala, Patti Sohla, Pandori, Bhaddalwad, Kharakh Singh Wala, Kirpal Singh Wala and Amla Singh Wala. These villages have more than 50 per cent Scheduled Caste population.

“During the meeting, I asked the sarpanches of the villages to give priority to the drinking water projects,” the Deputy Commissioner added.

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ADMISSION NOTICE

GGS Public School, Sangrur Nursery Admission 2021- 2022. Prospectus are available at School counter from 07 December 2020 to January 08, 2021. Draw will be held on January 22, 2021 at 11:30 am. Contact: 0172-250588, Director. (CL20068726)

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COURT NOTICE

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of Anshu Shukla Additional Principal Judge, Family Court, Karnal, Tarun Singh Vs. Shivangi Singh CNR No.: HRKR01-006815-2020 Next Date: 19.01.2021

Publication issued to: Shivangi Singh Father:- N.P. Singh H. No. R-9, Raj Kunj Raj Nagar, Ghaziabad, Kavi Nagar, Ghaziabad (UP).

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/ respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/ respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 19.01.2021 at 10:00 a.m.

For details login to: https://highcourthd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=karnal

Dated, this day of 27.11.2020. Sd/- Additional Principal Judge, Family Court, CL20068696 Karnal.

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HC stays counselling for 5-year law course

SAURABH MALIK

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NOTICE OF MOTION

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 1

A day before the counselling for Panjab University's BA LLB (Hons.) 5-year integrated course was scheduled to be held, the Punjab and Haryana High Court today directed that the process based on the revised merit list would be kept in abeyance.

The direction by the Bench of Justice Jaswant Singh and Justice Sant Parkash came on a petition by Malayika Verma through counsel Sandeep Moudgil and after it was told that the decision to award four marks weightage for “Legal Studies” had been withdrawn.

Appearing before the Bench through videoconferencing, Moudgil submitted the petitioner was a candidate for admission to the integrated course for session 2020-21 against the 90 seats in the general category of the total 180. The admissions were based on the marks obtained in the qualifying 10+2 examination.

Issuing notice of motion for December 3, the Bench asserted: “In the meanwhile, the conduct of the counselling based on the revised merit list fixed for December 2 shall be kept in abeyance”.

But the petitioner's grievance was that the revised merit list for counselling to be held on December 2 for the course was uploaded by withdrawing the award of four marks assigned for passing “Legal Studies” in the 10+2 examination. As a result, the petitioner's rank was reduced from 86 to 690, beyond the assigned 90 seats in the general category.

The Bench observed the decision to award weightage of four marks each, subject to a maximum of 16, to certain subjects for determination of final merit was taken after the issuance of the prospectus for BA LLB (Hons) and BCom LLB 5-year integrated course. It was further evident that a

writ petition “Samriti versus PU and others” was filed, challenging the weightage of four marks for “Legal Studies” for admission to the course as it was not provided in the prospectus. “It is, perhaps, in the wake of the writ petition filed, PU has withdrawn the award of four marks in the present case, without according similar treatment to weightage for subjects, including ‘Legal Studies’, for determination of merit for admission to BCom LLB integrated course,” the Bench asserted.

It also took note of Moudgil's contention that the respondent-varsity could not pick and choose, while extending the benefit of weightage for the subjects. As such, the action was discriminatory and arbitrary. That apart, the sanctity of the prospectus stood diluted in view of the varsity's subsequent decision for admission by abandoning the entrance examination as originally stipulated in the prospectus.



Locals protest against land acquisition in Sangrur. TRIBUNE PHOTO

Sangrur locals oppose land acquisition for expressway

SANGRUR, DECEMBER 1

Villagers of the district are opposing the proposed acquisition of their farm land for the Katra-Delhi Expressway. They have blocked both gates of Sangrur DC's office and announced to intensify their agitation in coming days.

“We have requested the authorities that we won't give our land. The state and Central governments have failed to repair the present roads and now they want to construct another one, which won't serve any purpose. We don't need more road,” said

Sukhdev Singh Dhillon outside the DC office.

Protesters from various villages first organised a protest march in the city and then at the main gate of the DC office. Later, when officers did not give them any satisfactory reply, they blocked the back gate of the office also.

“We are trying to convince the villagers as building the Katra-Delhi Expressway is the Centre's decision. Some residents also want higher rates and we have recommended it to the government,” said Ramvir, DC. — TNS

Kin of former British Columbia minister ‘denied’ ambulance

RAVI DHALIWAL

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

GURDASPUR, DECEMBER 1

Covid-infected elder brother of former Health Minister of British Columbia province of Canada was denied an ambulance by health officials here on Monday.

When reports of the incident reached DC Mohammad Ishfaq, he held an informal probe in which officials revealed that ambulances were not available because of the “CM's visit” to Dera Baba Nanak for the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev.

The DC has now launched a comprehensive probe to identify and nail the guilty.

Health officials cite vehicle shortage due to CM's visit

Senior citizen Dilbagh Singh Lally Cheema (69) is brother of Gulzar Singh Cheema, who remained the Health Minister of British Columbia from 2001 till 2004. Lally Cheema complained of acute respiratory problem in the morning. Suspecting that he might have contracted the virus, he asked his family to shift him to Amritsar's Fortis Hospital.

His relative, Manjit Singh

Dala, got in touch with the SMO who told him to “take the patient to Civil Hospital from where he could be shifted to Amritsar”.

ADC (Development) Tejinder Pal Sandhu got in touch with the Civil Surgeon who assured him help, but nothing tangible happened.

The DC rubbished the claims of health officials and said: “We have nearly 20 ambulances in the district. One could have easily been requisitioned,” he said.

In Amritsar, he was tested and confirmed Covid-positive. Health Minister Balbir Sidhu could not be contacted.

APPOINTMENT NOTICE

Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for Water Quality Laboratory infrastructure of Department of Water Supply and Sanitation for the following posts on purely contract basis initially for a period of one year & likely to be extended annually considering the performance of the candidate & requirement of the Department:

Sr. No.	Respective Circle Offices	Laboratory	Posts		
			Senior Chemist	Chemist	Microbiologist
1	S.E. WSS Circle, Chandigarh	State Laboratory (RAWTL) S.A.S. Nagar	1	3	1
2	S.E. WSS Circle, Patiala	Multi District Water Testing Lab S.A.S. Nagar	1	1	1
3	S.E. WSS Circle, Sangrur	High Tech Multi Distt. Laboratory Patiala	0	0	1
4	S.E. WSS Circle, Amritsar	Multi District Water Testing Lab Sangrur	1	2	1
5	S.E. WSS Circle, Hoshiarpur	High Tech Multi Distt. Laboratory Amritsar	1	3	1
6	S.E. WSS Circle, Faridkot	Multi District Water Testing Lab Hoshiarpur	1	2	1
		Multi District Water Testing Lab Moga	1	1	1
		Total	6	12	7
		Consolidated Pay per month	56000/-	48000/-	48000/-

Interested candidates will have to apply for each post separately wherein they can give order of preference of maximum two locations which can not be altered afterwards. The selected candidates will be given final posting on the basis of given preference and merit. A Screening Test for each post will be held for short listing 5 times the advertised posts. The shortlisted candidates will be required to appear in an interview at respective circle head quarters. These posts are non transferable except in rare cases due to administrative reasons.

The job profile, qualification, experience, other conditions and prescribed application form may be downloaded from the Department website www.pbdwss.gov.in. w.e.f. **02.12.2020**. Last date for filling up applications online (http://www.pbdwss.gov.in/dwss/left_menu/career.html) is **17.12.2020 up to 5.00 p.m.** Only online application submitted on department's website will be accepted.

Note: Date of screening test, any other information & any corrigendum(s) to the appointment notice shall be published on above website only.

Admn. Officer, O/o Head, Department of Water Supply & Sanitation, Punjab, Water Works Complex, Phase 2, S.A.S. Nagar, Phone No. 0172-4330329, 4330352.

DPR/Pb/111128

In the Court of Marriage Officer-cum-Addl. Deputy Commissioner(G), Bathinda. (Head Registration Branch)

Smt. Swarn Kanta W/o Rajinder Kumar R/o # 22336-C, Street No. 2, Shant Nagar, Bathinda in her application dated 07.09.2020 has said that her Son Tushar Bawa born on 21.01.1998 is un-married till date. The applicant has sought issuance of an 'Un-married' certificate to him.

Through this notice the general public is informed that if any one has any objection to the issuance of this certificate, then within 30 days of the publication of this notice he can file his objection in this office either personally or through a lawyer. After the expiry of this period no objection shall be entertained and as per the request of the applicant, 'Un-married' certificate shall be issued to her Son Tushar Bawa S/o Rajinder Kumar R/o # 22336-C, Street No. 2, Shant Nagar, Bathinda.

Sd/- Marriage Officer-cum-Addl. Deputy Commissioner (G), Bathinda.

DI-15205

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION KARNAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Schedule for emptying of septic tanks or other containment systems at an interval of 2-3 years recommended by CPHEEO Sewerage & Sewage Treatment Manual and the MoUHA Advisory Recommendation (2013).

Sd/- Executive Officer, for Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Karnal.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION KARNAL SERVICE LEVEL BENCHMARK

Sr. No.	Indicators	MoUHA Benchmark	SLB
Water Supply Services			
1	Coverage of water supply connection	100%	100%
2	Per capita supply of water	135 lpcd	135
3	Extent of metering of water connection	100%	100
4	Extent of Non-Revenue Water (NRW)	20%	20
5	Continuity of Water Supply	24 hours	24 hrs
6	Quality of Water supplied	100%	100
7	Efficiency in redressal of customer complaints	80%	80
8	Cost recovery in water services	100%	100
9	Efficiency in collection of water supply related charges	90%	90
10	Coverage of Water supply connection	100%	100
Sewage Management			
1	Coverage to Toilets	100%	100
2	Coverage of Sewage network services	100%	100
3	Collection efficiency of the sewage network	100%	100
4	Adequacy of sewage treatment capacity	100%	100
5	Quality of sewage treatment	100%	100
6	Extent of reuse and recycling of sewage	20%	20
7	Efficiency in redressal of customer complaints	80%	100
8	Extent of recovery in sewage management	100%	99
9	Efficiency in collection of sewerage charges	90%	90
Solid Waste Management			
1	Household level coverage of solid Waste Management services	100%	100
2	Efficiency of collection of Municipal solid waste	100%	100
3	Extent of segregation of Municipal solid waste	100%	100
4	Extent of Municipal solid waste recovered	80%	100
5	Extent of scientific disposal of Municipal solid waste	100%	100
6	Efficiency in redressal of customer complaints	80%	80
7	Extent of cost recovery in SWM Services	100%	100
8	Efficiency in collection of SWM Charges	90%	100
Storm Water Drainage			
1	Coverage of Water supply (24x7) in all Public/ Community Toilets	100%	100
2	Percentage of waste being processed scientifically	0%	0

Sd/- Executive Officer, for Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Karnal.

PRDH/46094

IN THE COURT OF MARRIAGE OFFICER-CUM-ADDL. DEPUTY COMMISSIONER(G), BATHINDA (HEAD REGISTRATION BRANCH)

Sh. Major Singh S/o Nand Singh, R/o H.No. 1135, Phase-3, Urban Estate, Bathinda in her application dated 19.06.2020 has said that his son **Rajdeep Singh** born on **21.04.1993** is un-married till date. The applicant has sought issuance of an 'Un-married' certificate to him.

Through this notice the general public is informed that if any one has any objection to the issuance of this certificate, then within 30 days of the publication of this notice he can file his objection in this office either personally or through a lawyer. After the expiry of this period no objection shall be entertained and as per the request of the applicant, 'Un-married' certificate shall be issued to his son **Rajdeep Singh S/o Major Singh, R/o H.No. 1135, Phase-3, Urban Estate, Bathinda.**

Sd/- Marriage Officer-cum-Addl. Deputy Commissioner (G), Bathinda.

DI-15212

E-mail:- eomcrakot@gmail.com Phone & Fax:- 01624-264227

Office of the **MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, RAIKOT (LUDHIANA)**

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਰਾਏਕੋਟ (ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ)

ਨੋਬਰ: 564 ਮਿਤੀ: 27.11.2020

ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨੋਟਿਸ

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਰਾਏਕੋਟ ਵੱਲੋਂ 71.94 ਲੱਖ ਰੁਪਏ ਦੇ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਦੇ ਕੰਮਾਂ ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਮੰਗ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ:-

(A) Date and Time schedule

Sr. No.	Last Date for Online Sale Of Bidding Document	Last Date Of Online Submission Of Bidding Document	Opening Of Technical Bid Document
1	15.12.2020 17.00 PM	15.12.2020 17.00 PM	16.12.2020 11.15 AM

ਸਹੀ:- ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨਕ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਰਾਏਕੋਟ

ਸਹੀ:- ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਰਾਏਕੋਟ

ਸਹੀ:- ਸਹਾਇਕ ਮਿੰਿਸਟਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਰਾਏਕੋਟ

DPR/Pb/11214

ਨਗਰ ਨਿਗਮ, ਪੰਚਕੂਲਾ

Municipal Corporation Panchkula

Fight against COVID-19

ਸਾਰਵਜਨਿਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ

ਨਗਰ ਨਿਗਮ, ਪੰਚਕੂਲਾ ਦੀ ਸੀਮਾ ਮੇਂ ਸਥਿਤ ਸਾਰੀ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਧਾਰਕਾਂ ਦੀ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਣਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਵਰਤਮਾਨ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤੇ ਗਏ ਅਧਿਸੂਚਨਾ ਦਿਨਾਂਕ 31.10.2020 ਦੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਦਿਨਾਂਕ 31 ਦਿਸੰਬਰ 2020 ਤਕ ਏਕਮੁਖਤ ਪੂਰਾ ਕਰਕਾ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਜਮਾ ਕਰਵਾਨੇ ਪਰ ਵਰ੍ਹੇ 2010-11 ਦੇ ਵਰ੍ਹੇ 2019-20 ਤਕ ਸ਼ਤ ਪ੍ਰਤਿਸ਼ਤ ਬਿਜਲੀ ਪਾਵਰ ਕੰਪਨੀ ਦੀ ਜਾ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ ਵ ਵਰ੍ਹੇ 2010-11 ਦੇ ਵਰ੍ਹੇ 2016-17 ਤਕ ਦੇ ਕਰਕਾ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਪਰ 25 ਪ੍ਰਤਿਸ਼ਤ ਦੀ ਛੂਟ ਪ੍ਰਦਾਨ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸਕੇ ਅਧਿਕਾਰਿਤ ਨਗਰ ਨਿਗਮ, ਪੰਚਕੂਲਾ ਦੀ ਸੀਮਾ ਮੇਂ ਸਥਿਤ ਸਾਰੀ ਗਾਂਵਾਂ ਦੀ ਲਾਲ ਡੋਰੇ ਮੇਂ ਸਥਿਤ ਰਿਹਾਯਸ਼ੀ ਸੰਪਤੀਯੋਂ ਦੀ ਦਿਨਾਂਕ 31 ਦਿਸੰਬਰ 2020 ਤਕ ਏਕਮੁਖਤ ਪੂਰਾ ਕਰਕਾ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਜਮਾ ਕਰਵਾਨੇ ਪਰ ਵਰ੍ਹੇ 2010-11 ਦੇ ਵਰ੍ਹੇ 2019-20 ਤਕ ਦੇ ਕਰਕਾ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਪਰ 50 ਪ੍ਰਤਿਸ਼ਤ ਦੀ ਛੂਟ ਦੇਣੀ ਜਾ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ। ਅਤ: ਸਰਕਾਰ ਦੀ ਆਮ ਮਾਫੀ ਸਕੀਮ ਕਾ ਫਾਇਦਾ ਉਠਾਨੇ ਦੇ ਲਿਏ ਅਪਨਾ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਸਮਧ ਕਰ ਜਮਾ ਕਰਵਾਏ। ਸਾਰੀ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਦਾਤਾ ਨਗਰ ਨਿਗਮ, ਪੰਚਕੂਲਾ ਦੀ ਵੈਬਸਾਈਟ ਯਾਨੀ www.mcpnanchkula.org ਪਰ ਆਨਲਾਈਨ ਸੰਪਤਿ ਕਰ ਜਮਾ ਕਰਕਾ ਸਕਨੇ ਹੈ। ਇਸਕੇ ਅਧਿਕਾਰਿਤ ਰਾਸ਼ੀ ਨਗਰ ਨਿਗਮ, ਸੈਕਟਰ-4, ਨਾਗਰਿਕ ਸੁਵਿਧਾ ਕੇਂਦਰ ਮੇਂ ਕਿਸੀ ਥੀ ਕਾਰਯੋਵਿਸ ਪਰ ਸੁਬਹ 9 ਵਜੇ ਤੋਂ ਸਾਧੰ 4 ਵਜੇ ਤਕ ਜਮਾ ਕਰਾਏ ਜਾ ਸਕਨੇ ਹੈ।

ਆਯੁਕਤ, ਨਗਰ ਨਿਗਮ, ਪੰਚਕੂਲਾ।

PRDH-84088

HIMACHAL PRADESH JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

The Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division No. II, Una, on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh, invites the offline bids from the eligible contractors on or before 09/12/2020 up to 17.00 Hrs IST (GMT + 5:30 Hrs) which shall be opened on 10-12-2020 at 11:30 AM.

Sr. No.	Description	Estimated Cost	Bid security	Time	Cost of Bid
1	Aug. of water supply scheme Takaria-Surt Road under Jal Shakti Sub-Division Bhanwain in Tehsil Amb Distt. Una HP (SH)- Finishing wall painting on wood and steel Barbed wire fencing pumping machinery and writing letter/ figures of WSS AKRAT JE Office WSS Badoh Basuni Twell Takaria, Twell 49 Takari, Twell Dhandri, Twell Behar Jaswan, Twell No. 73 Behar Jaswan Twell No. 42 Kalour, WSS Bhanwain Samoli Ph-II etc.)	3,09,897/-	6,198/-	Three Months	250/-

Ind MLA withdraws support to BJP-JJP govt

HISAR, DECEMBER 1
Independent MLA Sombir Sangwan withdrew support from the BJP-JJP government on Tuesday in light of the farmers' agitation against the three controversial farm laws.

He had resigned from the post of the chairman of the Haryana Livestock Development Board on Monday.

In a statement, Sangwan said, "I can no longer remain associated with the government in the present circumstances. So, I decided to part with it."

He is among seven Independent MLAs elected in the Assembly elections held last year. Dadri MLA Sangwan had backed the minority government of BJP.


One of the Independents, Ranjit Singh Chautala, was made a Cabinet Minister, while four other Independent MLAs, including Sangwan, were appointed chairmen of boards and corporations. — TNS

ANOTHER JOLT

“I can no longer remain associated with the government in the present circumstances. So, I decided to part with it.”

Sombir Sangwan,

IND MLA FROM DADRI



Support for agitating farmers swells

Singers, arhtiyas, students, theatre artistes join dharna; call for continued battle

RAVINDER SAINI & MUKESH TANDON
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JHAJJAR, DECEMBER 1
Farmers continued their dharna on the Tikri-Bahadurghar border on Tuesday. They were disappointed at not getting any fruitful result from a meeting with Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Tomar in Delhi.

"Farmers are not satisfied with the meeting as it remained inconclusive. Our top leaders will decide further course of action. Till then, the dharna will continue," said a farmer leader.

Inderjit Singh, vice-president of the All India Kisan Sabha, said they had decided to double their strength as the Centre was on the defensive.

The Janvadi Mahila Samiti, led by national vice-president Jagmati Sangwan, took out a march from Bahadurghar to the Tikri border and joined the dharna.

A group of arhtiyas from Rohtak led by Harsh Girdhar reached the dharna spot and distributed vegetables among farmers. He said grain markets across the state remained shut in support of farmers.

Gurmeet Singh, a local factory owner, and his team distributed free medicines and provided dressing to those suffering from minor injuries. Dadri MLA Sombir Sangwan and Meham MLA Balraj Kundu reached the dharna spot.

The protesters blocked the main road outside the Civil



Farmers protest against the agricultural laws at the Singhu border on Tuesday; and (below) Punjabi singer Harbhajan Mann addresses the gathering in Bahadurghar. TRIBUNE PHOTOS

EMPLOYEES TO PROTEST

Chandigarh: Close on the heels of 130 Haryana khaps throwing their lot with the agitating farmers, the Sarv Karamchari Sangh (SKS), a representative body of three lakh state government employees, announced their decision of state-wide protests in solidarity with the farmers on December 3. TNS



STAND FIRM

“We will win the battle. Stay put with the same spirit. Not only I, but all of Punjab stands with you and wait for your victory. You will be called for meetings repeatedly. You should not break communication as it is needed to resolve the issue.”

Harbhajan Mann, PUNJABI SINGER

Hospital in Bahadurghar for over two hours to exert pressure for giving status of martyr to Gajjan Singh of Ludhiana, who died on Sunday night.

Punjabi singer Harbhajan Mann reached Bahadurghar to express solidarity with farmers. "We will win the battle. Stay put with the same spirit and devotion. Not only I, but Punjab stands with you and eagerly wait for your victory. You will

Sonepat: Farmers continued their protest at the Singhu border on the NH-44 for the fifth consecutive day on Tuesday amid the biting cold. They remained adamant, saying it was a do-or-die situation for them.

The Singhu border resembled a big village, with thousands of farmers staying put in their tractor-trolleys. Around 30,000 farmers were staging a

Union Minister, Ambala MP shown black flags at function



Minister Rattan Lal Kataria and MLA Aseem Goel at a foundation stone laying ceremony in Ambala on Tuesday. PRADEEP MAINI

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AMBALA, DECEMBER 1
Union Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Ambala MP Rattan Lal Kataria and Ambala City MLA Aseem Goel faced opposition from a group of protesters, who are residents of Kola village, today.

The BJP leaders had gone to lay the foundation stone for a railway under-bridge project near Jandli level

crossing in Ambala City on Tuesday. The railway under-bridge will be constructed at a cost of Rs 7 crore.

The protesters raised slogans 'Kisan ekta zindabad', showed black flags to the BJP leaders and raised slogans against them.

The protesters said they are farmers and the farm laws introduced by the BJP were the only reason behind their protest.

Reacting angrily, Kataria said, "A seven-decade-old demand for an RUB is being fulfilled. Some people are raising slogans and showing us black flags. If nothing else, these people should at least think about the development of their area. They should have protested somewhere else as we are here for developmental work. I request God to give some sense to these people. The new laws are farmer-

friendly. The Opposition is trying to mislead the farmers."

City MLA Goel said, "The farmers have the right to protest. If a politician can hear the slogans raised in his favour, he should also be ready to hear the slogans raised against him. But they should have welcomed the work being done here with a big heart. I am grateful to the Railway Minister for giving approval to the project."

13 honour killing cases pending in eight districts: DGP

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 1
A total of 13 criminal cases involving honour killing are pending in eight district of Haryana. Information to this effect is expected to be given to the Punjab and Haryana High Court on Wednesday, when the case on honour killings comes up for hearing.

In an affidavit to be placed before the Bench during resumed hearing of the case, DGP Manoj Yadava has stated that investigation or trial is pending in these cases. In one case, judgement convicting the accused was pronounced by the trial court on September 9. One of the accused had been declared proclaimed offender and supplementary charge sheet would be submitted after his arrest.

According to the affidavit, five cases are fixed for prosecution evidence, challan or final investigation report has been submitted in five others with charges yet to be framed and two are under investigation.

The affidavit has pointed out that Haryana has framed a scheme for placing heinous crimes in the category of 'chinhit apradh', in which investigation and progress of trial is closely supervised by a district-level committee headed by the Deputy Commissioner, with the Superintendent of Police (SP), district

Police expected to submit affidavit in HC today

attorney and Superintendent of Jail as its members.

So far, four of the 12 remaining cases have already been included in the list of "chinhit apradh". Recommendations for including two more cases have been made by the Sonepat and Hisar SPs to the district committees. Kaithal, Rohtak, Karnal and Fatehabad police chiefs have been requested to consider recommending the remaining six cases to the district committees for inclusion in the list.

All field units had been told that every case related to honour killing in the future would be investigated by a special investigation team headed by a DSP-rank officer and should be considered for inclusion in the list to ensure speedy investigation and trial.

The DGP was on October 26 initially asked to file his affidavit by November 10 by Justice Arun Kumar Tyagi. Taking up a petition against Haryana by Ravi Kumar, Justice Tyagi had asked the DGP to specify steps taken for securing fast-track investigation and fast-track trial of such cases. He was also asked to specify steps initiated for protection of survivor spouse and other important witnesses.

Accused's kin fail to join probe

NIKITA MURDER



TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

FARIDABAD, DECEMBER 1
The parents and uncle of Tausif, key accused in the murder of Nikita Tomar, have failed to join the inves-

tigation in connection with the 2018 kidnapping case.

The SIT had issued a notice to Tausif's father Zakir, uncle Javed and mother last week to join the investigation, but they failed to respond, police officials said. When a police team went to their house in Gurugram, no one was found. They were absconding, the police said.

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3.	Young Professionals-II - Four	19.12.2020 Time 10.00 AM
4.	Young Professionals-II - One	19.12.2020 Time 3.00 PM
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‘Love jihad’ law

Crackdown on conversion reeks of prejudice

A MONTH after the Allahabad High Court observed that religious conversion for the purpose of marriage is unacceptable, the Uttar Pradesh Government has enforced an ordinance ostensibly aimed at curbing forcible or fraudulent conversions, including those for the sake of tying the knot. The onus to prove that the conversion has not been done forcibly will lie on the accused and the convert, which implies that the former will be considered ‘guilty until proven innocent’ and not the other way round. The UP law, which strikes at the root of personal liberty and individual choice, runs the risk of being misused to the detriment of a legally recognised union between consenting adults.

The first case under this legislation, which intends to crack down on ‘love jihad’ but doesn’t mention the controversial term, has been registered in Bareilly district on a man’s complaint that a youth from his village lured his daughter and was now forcing her to convert. ‘Love jihad’ is touted as a grand conspiracy under which Muslim men are out to convert Hindu women to Islam on the pretext of marriage. However, lack of clinching evidence in most cases has largely rendered it a figment of paranoid imagination. In 2009, the Kerala High Court had directed the state police chief to find out whether there was any organised movement to convert Christian and Hindu girls to Islam by dangling the marital bait. The probe found no conclusive proof to establish the existence of such a movement or the veracity of the allegations.

Marriage is primarily a social and legal institution rather than a religious one. Unleashing the law on an inter-faith couple that duly completes the formalities for the registration of marriage reeks of prejudice and vendetta. The fact that the governments of some other BJP-ruled states are preparing to jump on to the anti-conversion bandwagon has fuelled speculation that the common objective is to demonise a minority community and criminalise conversion even by choice. Such draconian provisions are eventually an assault on our Constitution, which equally entitles all citizens to freely practise any religion. And love is meant to be celebrated, not sacrificed at the altar of religion.

Women at the helm

In many firsts, White House doors opened wide

THE doors to the White House seem to have opened for women, scripting a fair and historic tale. The story began when Democrat presidential candidate Joe Biden picked Kamala Harris as his running mate. Now, with their election, his tenure will be remembered for having the first woman Vice-President in the country’s politics of more than two centuries. Kamala has many other firsts to her credit: she is the first Black, Indian-American, of South Asian descent, and daughter of immigrants (Indian mother and Jamaican father) to have been elected to a national office. Considering the strides that women have made in most fields, it is high time the barrier was broken at the highest political levels. That the barrier came down battling both sexism and racism at once is inspirational and strengthens the belief in diversity.

Reinforcing this mindset is Biden’s building of his team to run the government. The announcements in the past couple of days point towards a trend in setting the gender balance right and making it more reflective of the country that is today home to a vast and multicultural set of demographics. These five women represent the growing empowerment and recognition of the abilities of the fair sex in varied fields: Janet Yellen as Treasury Secretary, Avril Haines as Director of National Intelligence, Linda Thomas-Greenfield as Ambassador to the United Nations, Cecilia Rouse as chairwoman of the Council of Economic Advisers and Neera Tanden as Director of the Office of Management and Budget. That they are among the initial lot and not the only ones to be trusted with strategic posts was clear as the septuagenarian President-elect declared another first: an all-women senior White House communications team led by Jen Psaki as press secretary and Kate Bedingfield as communications director.

As the gritty and talented women leaders go on to prove their worth, hopefully, this trend will spiral till their rightful representation becomes the new normal. Marking the centenary of US women gaining the right to vote, this presidential election shows that though the doors to corridors of power have been slow to open for women, they are surely widening.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen. — Winston Churchill

ON THIS DAY...100 YEARS AGO

The Tribune.

LAHORE, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1920

Swaraj and the Depressed Classes.

IN the same issue of *Young India*, from which we have quoted, Mr. Gandhi has written a beautiful article under the heading “More Difficulties,” in which he has something both interesting and stimulating to say on the relation between the depressed classes’ problem and Swaraj. “The depressed classes’ problem,” he writes “is a vital part of the cause. Swaraj is as inconceivable without full reparation to the depressed classes as it is impossible without real Hindu-Muslim unity. In my opinion, we have become pariahs of the Empire because we have created “pariahs” in our midst. The slave-owner is always more hurt than the slave. We shall be unfit to gain Swaraj so long as we would keep in bondage a faith of the population of Hindustan”. One might ask, if one were so minded, whether when Mr. Gandhi promised to win Swaraj for us in one single year, he really expected that this curse of centuries would disappear in a day and why, if he did so, he did not make it a part of the very first stage of his programme. But it would be trifling with a serious subject to ask such a question. Nor do we agree with Mr. Gandhi that Hindu society must be purged of this custom before Swaraj, in the sense in which that word is usually understood, can come. If Swaraj means the control of the Indian government by representatives of the Indian people, then not only can Swaraj come before this and other evil customs have wholly disappeared from our midst, but in all human probability, it will come before that time. Yet it is perfectly true that Swaraj in the sense of the government of the whole people, necessarily involves the disappearance of these pernicious, soul-killing institutions. It is true that if the fight for Swaraj is to be carried on with that vigour which is to carry everything before it, it must be participated in by men who are conscious that the freedom that they claim for themselves is the same that they have extended to all.

Tightrope walk in the Gulf

India must be proactive in recalibrating its moves as tensions escalate



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NOT long ago, Indian foreign policy was credited with successfully navigating the multiple contestations in the Gulf and West Asia by maintaining positive engagement with all key actors in the region, in particular Israel, Saudi Arabia, the UAE and Iran. This was no mean feat considering the rising level of confrontation between Saudi Arabia and Iran and Israel and Iran. The US posture towards the region was another complicating factor. Washington abandoned even the pretence of playing honest broker on the Israel-Palestine issue and ratcheted up pressures on Iran. Nevertheless, it would be fair to say that while maintaining the rhetoric of friendship and collaboration with Iran, India has had to dilute its level of engagement with the country. Running with the hares and hunting with the hounds can only take you so far and no further. Iran is no longer a key supplier of oil and gas to India. The strategically important Chabahar port project has faced repeated delays, both from US sanctions as well as roadblocks on the Iranian side. It has also been reported that Iran will no longer invite Indian participation in the rail project linking Chabahar with Central Asia to the north. China with its Belt and Road project and substantial resources is now in pole position as far as these proposed infrastructure projects in Iran are concerned. And now the assassination of Iranian nuclear scientist Mohsen Fakhrizadeh on November 20 in a terror attack, which is suspected to have been carried out by Israeli intelligence, raises the risk of a more gener-



STAKEHOLDER: It is in India’s interest to see the Iran nuclear deal revived.

India must condemn the killing of Iran’s nuclear scientist since it is a terror attack. Otherwise, its outrage over terrorism would be seen as selective.

al conflagration in an already tense and troubled region. Whatever gains India may have made with its deft tactical and transactional manoeuvres so far could well run aground. Iran will watch for India’s reactions. When the US carried out the assassination of Qassim Suleiman, the head of the powerful Islamic Revolutionary Guards in September 2019, India refrained from criticising Washington, confining itself to expressing the hope that all sides concerned would exercise restraint. This would not have sounded reassuring at all in Tehran. No comment has been made by a government spokesman on the latest incident. There should be condemnation since this is clearly a terror attack and India has itself called for zero tolerance on terrorism. Otherwise its outrage over terrorism would be seen as selective.

This is not the first time that Iranian nuclear scientists have been targeted. Between 2010 and 2015, four scientists were assassinated and there

have been more than oblique hints that Israel was behind them. On this occasion, too, Israeli intelligence is suspected to be the perpetrator. The timing and motivation are clear. Incoming US President Biden has announced his intention of reviving the nuclear deal concluded in 2015 between Iran and the five permanent members of the UN Security Council, Germany and the European Union.

President Trump walked out of the deal in 2017 and reinstated sanctions against Iran. Iran has retaliated by resuming uranium enrichment beyond the threshold allowed under the agreement. Biden has said he would be willing to take the US back into the agreement if Iran strictly observes its commitments under it. This would be anathema to Israel and Saudi Arabia who had welcomed Trump’s repudiation of the deal. The assassination of Fakhrizadeh and possible Iranian armed retaliation would make it impossible for Biden to follow through on his intention. If Iran exercises restraint despite the

attack, then there are still nearly two months left for further hostile acts against Iran. With Iranian elections due in June, the call for revenge attacks against Israel and Saudi Arabia would probably become irresistible. It has been reported that just days before the attack, Israeli PM Netanyahu travelled to Saudi Arabia, together with US Secretary of State Pompeo for an unprecedented meeting with Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman. The assassination of Fakhrizadeh may well have been offered as proof of Israel’s value as a de facto ally of the kingdom against its chief adversary Iran. This is a dangerous game which could unleash a destructive action-reaction process which could get out of hand. This would severely damage India’s substantial interests on its western flank, in terms of energy security, the safety and well-being of its 6 million citizens living and working in the Gulf and the possible fallout in India itself of a deepening Shia-Sunni conflict. Let us not forget that India has the largest number of Shias after Iran.

It is in India’s interest to see the Iran nuclear deal revived and implemented because this would open up prospects of closer India-Iran partnership in the energy sector; energise cooperation in building infrastructure in Iran that would open up an alternative and efficient route into Afghanistan and Central Asia and help India in managing an acutely adversarial Pakistan and a resurgent Taliban. This is a strategic interest which tactical considerations must not be allowed to undermine.

While Indian engagement with Iran has been diminishing, China’s profile has been expanding. It has continued buying Iranian oil and at discounted rates. It has emerged as a major weapons supplier to Iran despite its parallel and growing relationship with other Gulf countries and Israel. A China whose power is entrenched both in Pakistan and Iran is a disturbing prospect. In recalibrating our next series of moves on our western flanks, these important considerations must be kept in mind.

Miracles at the potter’s wheel

DC SHARMA

RECENTLY, an interesting news story published in *The Tribune* pleased me immensely. Sadhaiv Rajan, a person from Kanpur, had come to Dharamsala in 2018 as a tourist, and started teaching local youth the art of black pottery. Such a constructive step can not only go a long way in reviving an antique, unique dying art of wonderful black pottery, but would also enable the young people to become self-reliant. The more I thought about the potter’s wheel at work, the more wings my imagination started growing.

I remember how while going to school, I would intently watch

the vastly open house of a potter who would be working at his wheel, giving wonderful shape to the pots coming out of his wet mud at the wheel. He would even prepare attractive toys for children. Sometimes, when not seen at his wheel, he was busy kneading the clay into a fine dough, exactly the way my mother would do with the wheat flour to make appetising *chapatis* which our family would relish.

Even the vivid scene of the function where I had won the first prize in clay modelling, flashes across my mind. Those days, our art and craft teacher would teach us how to make clay models. While teaching us how to knead the wet clay to

make excellent clay models, he would give us a beating, too. Yet, we all loved him, simply because he would inspire us to strive for a good cause. He would even teach us the art of book binding, which turned into a hobby for me. This was the reason that I formed the habit of collecting rare books, thus building a library of my own.

The potter’s wheel refreshed memory of my college days. I felt as if Amarjit Singh Hayer, the professor, was teaching us pre-university students the *Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam* with the same gusto with which he would teach then, though I know that he must have grown old by now. Yes, in literature, the potter’s wheel has a

tremendous significance. The potter is like God and the clay is the material of which we humans are made. *The Rubaiyat* frequently makes use of the metaphor of the potter’s wheel, and a number of quatrains are collected in *Book of Pots*, in which the pots engage in theological speculation thus: ‘And, strange to tell, among that earthen lot/Some could articulate, while others not/And suddenly, one more impatient cried/ Who is the potter, pray, who is the pot?’

How true it is! Is not human life always at the potter’s wheel? Though each one of us tries to do one’s best, yet how many among us succeed? Doesn’t the miracle lie at the potter’s wheel?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Farm laws to stay

Refer to ‘Time for fruitful talks’; there is a significant trust deficit between the Centre and farmers’ representatives. It is time for wiser counsel to prevail. But the government shouldn’t back down from the farm legislation as it promises to boost agriculture. Agricultural markets needed to be liberalised. Most states have headed in that direction over the past few years through legislative changes. Therefore, there can be no going back. The Centre should hold talks with farmers and come out with some concrete proposals to mitigate their anxieties. Also, the farmers need to understand that rhetoric and action alone wouldn’t suffice. The government must recognise the depth of the sentiment of farmers, reach out sensitively and find a mechanism to assure farmers that their incomes will be protected.

N SADHASIVA REDDY, BENGALURU

Can’t stop farmers

Reference to ‘Talks fine but no precondition, say farmers’; the ball is now in the Centre’s court. Right from the beginning, the government has mishandled the farmers’ agitation. Even the promulgation of the farm ordinance during the pandemic was not appropriate. An ordinance is meant for most urgent matters when Parliament

is not in session. What was the urgency? How can the government stop the agitation of farmers, when all political parties in the country are born out of movements? The government is ready for talks, but with preconditions. It should remember, ‘Never hit a man on the head when you have your fingers between his teeth.’

NARESH MOHAN JOHAR, AMRITSAR

Don’t malign protest

It is mischievous on the part of BJP leaders to brand the farmers’ agitation as Congress-inspired or Khalistani-backed, or identify it with any other group. It is true that the agitators include all shades of people, but they are there as farmers or their sympathisers. They should not be defamed, without evidence. Rather, it is the adamant attitude of the Centre that is giving politicians opposed to the BJP an opportunity to use the agitation for their narrow political ends. It goes to the credit of the farmer leaders that they are keeping political leaders of all parties at an arm’s length. The government should immediately concede the demands of the farmers. Does an intended beneficiary ever resist any measure sincerely meant for his good?

SADHU S PANAG, FATEHGARH SAHIB

PM not true ‘sewak’

Apropos of ‘Guru Nanak’s influence worldwide’, quoted by PM Modi, I would like to request him to introspect whether he is serving like a ‘sewak’ or pretending to be one. India lives in villages and not in palaces or malls of corporate houses. His government’s stand is self-contradictory. On the one hand, it has been issuing advisories of social distancing, and on the other, it is compelling the poor farmers’ community to camp around Delhi in lakhs, causing them to suffer not only from cold and hunger, but the imminent threat of community spread of Covid. One fails to understand why the Centre is adopting such a tough stand in favour of agriculture laws, purportedly meant to double the income of farmers, who themselves don’t want such change.

VK SYAL, SANGRUR

Working hours

Refer to ‘Proposal to increase working hours for labourers from 10 hours to 12’; workers need to work hard for money; however, the authorities also need to take care of the mental and physical health of the workers and their overall safety. The government can consider the option of recruiting staff in greater numbers, thereby creating more opportunities for the youth and paying them appropriate wages

rather than merely increasing their working hours.

MAHAH ARORA, CHANDIGARH

Will to learn

I read ‘A Brigadier’s love for Urdu’ with interest. To earn a Master’s degree in Urdu is a Herculean task. I salute him for his efforts and success. I am no match for Brigadier saheb, but I also made efforts to learn. I was posted as a physical education teacher at a school in Patiala district. A teacher mocked my little knowledge of English. I vowed to learn the English language, and graduated in English from PU. Age is no impediment in the way of knowledge. A man is a learner till his last breath.

BANSI RAM RAHUL, HOSHIARPUR

Play with determination

With the omission of opener Rohit Sharma from the Australia tour, it was clear that the Indian team would not be so formidable, yet it was unthinkable that the results would be so startling (‘Just two good!’). India’s bowling has become a matter of concern since Australia set up a gigantic score. The Australian team must be looking for a clean sweep after wrapping up the ODI series. The Men in Blue ought to play with absolute determination to secure their pride.

TUSHAR ANAND, PATNA

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ਪਬਲਿਕ ਨੋਟਿਸ

ਹਰ ਆਮ ਅਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਮਾਨਸਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਬਸਾਤਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਨੌਂ ਡਿਮਾਂਡ ਪੀਰੀਅਡ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਐਸ.ਟੀ.ਪੀ. ਦੇ ਟਰੀਟਡ ਪਾਣੀ ਨੂੰ ਸਟੋਰ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਕਮਿੰਟੇਵਾਲਾ ਪਿੰਡ ਵਿਖੇ ਕੁਮੀ ਰੱਖਿਆ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਦੇ ਪੀਰਿੰਗ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਦੇ ਨਜ਼ਦੀਕ ਤਕਰੀਬਨ 7 ਏਕੜ ਜ਼ਮੀਨ ਦੀ ਖ਼ਰੀਦ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤਾਂ ਦੀ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ। ਬਿਨੈਕਾਰ ਦੀ ਜ਼ਮੀਨ ਹਰ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਝਗੜੇ/ਕੋਟਡ ਕੇਸ ਤੋਂ ਮੁਕਤ ਹੋਣੀ ਚਾਹੀਦੀ ਹੈ। ਜ਼ਮੀਨ ਦੀ ਬਣਦੀ ਅਦਾਇਗੀ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਰੂਲਾਂ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਜੇ ਕੋਈ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਆਪਣੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਵਾਲੀ ਜਗ੍ਹਾ ਇਸ ਮੰਤਵ ਲਈ ਦੇਣਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ। ਉਹ ਆਪਣੀ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਸਮੇਤ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਦਾ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼, ਜ਼ਮੀਨ ਦਾ ਨਕਸ਼ਾ ਆਦਿ ਇਕ ਸੀਲਬੰਦ ਲਿਫ਼ਾਫ਼ੇ ਵਿਚ (ਟੈਕਨੀਕਲ ਬਿੰਡ) ਅਤੇ ਦੂਜੇ ਸੀਲਬੰਦ ਲਿਫ਼ਾਫ਼ੇ ਵਿਚ ਆਪਣੀ ਜ਼ਮੀਨ ਦੇ ਹੋਰ ਪ੍ਰਤੀ ਏਕੜ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ (ਫਾਇਨਾਂਸ਼ੀਅਲ ਬਿੰਡ) ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਮਾਨਸਾ ਦੀ ਸੈਨੇਟਰੀ ਸ਼ਾਖਾ (ਕਮਰਾ ਨੰ. 9) ਵਿਖੇ ਮਿਤੀ 10.12.2020 ਤੱਕ ਦੇ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਈਆਂ ਟੈਕਨੀਕਲ ਬਿੰਡਾਂ ਦੀ ਪੜਤਾਲ ਕਰਨ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਰੂਲਾਂ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਸਿਰਫ਼ ਟੈਕਨੀਕਲ ਤੌਰ 'ਤੇ ਯੋਗ ਜ਼ਮੀਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਹੀ ਫਾਇਨਾਂਸ਼ੀਅਲ ਬਿੰਡ ਬੋਲੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਇੱਥੇ ਇਹ ਵੀ ਸਪਸ਼ਟ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਰਕਬਾ ਮੁਬਤਰਕਾ (ਸਾਂਝਾ) ਹੋਣ ਦੀ ਸੂਰਤ ਵਿਚ ਸਮੂਹ ਮਾਲਕਾਂ ਦੀ ਸਹਿਮਤੀ ਵਜੋਂ ਹਲਕ਼ੀਆ ਬਿਅਨ ਜਾਂ ਸਵੈ-ਘੋਸ਼ਣਾ ਪੱਤਰ ਨਾਲ ਸ਼ਾਮਲ ਕਰਨਾ ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਹੈ। ਅਧੂਰੀਆਂ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤਾਂ 'ਤੇ ਕੋਈ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ। ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਜਾਂ ਸਾਰੀਆਂ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਸਟੇਜ ਉਪਰ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨ ਜਾਂ ਹੋਰ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਕ/ਕਾਰਜਸ਼ਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਮਾਨਸਾ ਪਾਸ ਰਾਖਵਾ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਵਧੇਰੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੌਮ-ਕਾਜ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਮਾਨਸਾ ਦੀ ਸੈਨੇਟਰੀ ਸ਼ਾਖਾ ਵਿਚ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੀ ਹੈ।

DPR/Pb/111240 ਸਹੀ/- (ਵਿਸ਼ਾਲਦੀਪ), ਕਾਰਜਸ਼ਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਮਾਨਸਾ।

OFFICE OF EXCISE COMMISSIONER, PUNJAB EXCISE BHAWAN, SECTOR 69, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar (Mohali) Tender Document No: Excise/01

**Request for Proposal (RFP) for
SELECTION OF LOGISTICS SERVICE PROVIDER FOR
SETTING UP AND OPERATION OF TECH ENABLED
LOGISTICS OF PUNJAB MEDIUM LIQUOR IN PUNJAB, INDIA**

E-Tenders are invited from reputed agencies for setting up and operation of tech enabled logistics for Punjab medium liquor in the State of Punjab. Request for Proposal document (RFP) will be available along with terms and conditions at <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in/nicgcp/app> from 02.12.2020. For the participation in the e-tendering process, the bidders need to register themselves on e-tendering website <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in/nicgcp/app>. Bids submitted through any other mode shall not be entertained. Pre-bid meeting will be held in Excise Bhawan on 18.12.2020 (through video conferencing). The Link of Video conferencing will be uploaded on the e-tendering website. Last date of submission of bid application is 08.01.2021 at 15:00 hrs. For further addendum/corrigendum/ reply to pre-bid queries, the bidders are requested to visit the above website regularly. For any clarification for e-tendering process please contact e-procurement help desk, Ph. No: 0120-4001062, 4001002, e-mail: support-eproc@nic.in or Mr. Rajpal Singh Deputy Excise Commissioner, dcex.pta@punjab.gov.in or **9875961105**.

DPR/Pb/11131 **Excise Commissioner, Punjab**

TENDER NOTICE
WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Divn. No. 1, Bathinda on behalf of Chairman of concerned GPWSC of following Villages District Bathinda invite online bids for the following works **Under Punjab Rural Water & Sanitation Sector Improvement Project - (Sub Component 1A).**

Sr. No.	Item	App. Cost (Rs. in Lacs)	Bid Security	Date and Time of Technically Opening
1	Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme Jeeda Block Bathinda District Bathinda (Under PRWSSIP-1 A (ii) Construction of S&S Tank Av. Size 38.56 x 72.37 x 3.66 mtr. after dismantling the one side of old S&S Tank & extending the existing sides, High Level Tank, Filter Bed, RCC Clear Water Tank & Repair of S&S well, Existing RCC OHSR 150 Cum, Pump Chamber, Filter Beds, Clear Water Tank etc., Installation of Chlorination Plant, Pumping Machinery, Providing, Stringing, UPVC 6 Kg cm2 pipe 63mm, 90mm, 110mm, 160mm 200mm, 250mm & DI Pipe 200mm i/d, CI Sluice valve & chamber, Construction of brick masonry Boundary wall 0.90 mtr. height & Operation and Maintenance for 3 months of water supply system and all other works contingent thereto.	19147709/-	3,82,954/-	05.01.2021 at 12:00 A.M.

Date and Time of Start of Sale of Bid Document: 02.12.2020 at 11:00 A.M.
Last Date and Time of Receipt of Bid: 04.01.2021 at 17:00 hrs.
Bid Processing Fee: As per Site.
Completion Period of each Villages: 11 Months + 3 Months O&M Period.
Pre-Bid Meeting at Circle Office Bathinda on Date: 15.12.2020 at 11:00 A.M.
Terms and conditions:

- The detail of work can be seen on website www.eproc.punjab.gov.in & Corrigendum, if any, will be uploaded on website.
- For any enquiry, please contact the **Helpline No. 0164-2212380**.

On behalf of Chairman
GPWSC,
Village Jeeda Block & District Bathinda.
Sd/- Executive Engineer,
W/S & Sanitation Division No. 1, Bathinda.

DPR/Pb/111244

DISTRICT HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE SOCIETY, YAMUNA NAGAR

DH&FW Society, Yamuna Nagar invites the applications from the eligible Candidates for the following post, purely on contractual basis under NHM up to **31.03.2021 or till the completion of the project whichever is earlier**. The Screened candidates on the basis of eligibility and written test will be eligible for interview.

Sr. No.	Name of Post	Name of Programme	Nos. of Vacant Posts	Date and Venue of written tests/Interview
1.	Anesthetist	Maternal Health	01	Walk-in-Interview on every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. (till the posts get filled) at O/o CS YNR
2.	AYUSH Medical Officer	RBSK	03 (1 Male, 2 Female)	
3.	Audiologist-cum-Speech Therapist	RBSK	01	
4.	Psychologist	RBSK	01	
5.	District Adolescent Health Officer	RKSK	01	
6.	District Programme Coordinator	NPCDCS	01	15.12.2020 at O/o Civil Surgeon YNR
7.	Clinical Psychologist	DMHP	01	
8.	Psychiatric Social Worker	DMHP	01	
9.	Urban Health-Consultant	NUHM	01	
10.	Emergency Medical Technician	RT	01 (Re-advertised)	NA

Note: The candidates who had applied earlier for the post of EMT against the advt. published on 08.07.2020 in various newspapers, does not need to apply again. Their previous application will be considered automatically.

Important Instructions:

- (1) The interested candidates should apply on the prescribed Proforma from website addressed to the undersigned giving full detail of his/her bio data, with attested photograph and attested photocopies of the certificates, experience & testimonials and the applied documents should reach to this office by **11.12.2020 up to 05:00 p.m.** sharp i.e. last date of document submission. (2) The incomplete/unsigned applications will be rejected without any information. (3) All candidates (except for the posts mentioned at Sr. No. 1) must submit a fee of Rs. 200/- in the form of Bank Draft in favor of **District Health & Family Welfare Society, Yamuna Nagar** payable at **Yamuna Nagar**. (4) The candidate should reach for written test/interview as per **Schedule given** above along with original certificates at 9:30 a.m. posts. (5) No TADA shall be admissible for attending the interview. (6) Shops may increase/decrease and these posts may be discontinued at any time depending upon the workload, requirement or validity of the project. (7) Department will not be responsible for any postal delay. (8) All the selected candidates will have to maintain his/her Head Quarter. (9) Reservation will be applicable as per Haryana state Govt. policy. (10) If selected, candidates will not be allowed to do private practice. (11) Service Bye Laws of NHM, Haryana-2018 will be applicable. (12) For application form, **Academic Qualifications, required experience, salary details** and any other updates kindly visit Website: www.yamunanagar.nic.in & <http://nrhmharyana.gov.in>

Sd/- Member Secretary-Cum-Civil Surgeon,
District Health & Family Welfare Society,
Yamuna Nagar.



Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur presides over the Cabinet meeting in Shimla. TRIBUNE PHOTO

Winter session called off, Congress fumes

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 1

In the backdrop of a grim Covid scenario, the winter session of the Vidhan Sabha — which was scheduled to be held at Dharamsala from December 7 to 11 — has been called off, leaving the opposition Congress fuming.

The Cabinet, at its meeting held here today, decided to call off the five-day winter session and urge the Governor to issue a fresh order, cancelling the session, which had already been notified. “Since, there has been a spike in Covid cases, necessitating stricter curbs, the Cabinet has decided to call off the winter session of the Vidhan Sabha,” confirmed Suresh Bhardwaj, Urban Development Minister.

Four districts of Himachal are among the top 10 in the country in terms of the highest positivity rate, forcing the imposition of night curfew in Shimla, Kullu, Mandi and Kangra. Himachal has been ranked at the 19th position among 20 states in Covid management.

No new dates or venue for holding the session has been decided by the Cabinet. The

TIME NOT APPROPRIATE

The Cabinet, after deliberating on the Covid situation, felt that the time was not appropriate for holding the session, said sources. They said since the state government had imposed a cap of 50 persons at social gatherings, the Cabinet felt that it would not be correct to convene the session as the number would exceed the prescribed norms, inviting public criticism.

‘AFRAID OF OPPN’

“This is a government that likes to take U-turns by changing its decisions daily. Having failed to tackle the Covid pandemic, it is scared to face the Opposition.”



Mukesh Agnihotri, LEADER OF OPPOSITION

decision has majorly upset the Congress. “This is a government that likes to take U-turns by changing its decisions daily. Having failed to tackle the Covid pandemic, it is scared to face the opposition,” said Mukesh Agnihotri, Leader of Opposition.

The Congress and the CPM had demanded that the session be held but the venue be changed to Shimla instead of Dharamshala, as is the tradition.

“The CM should not bother with about what the Congress is saying. He should explain the miserable failure of his government in making Himachal the worst-managed state vis-a-vis Covid, with four districts having the highest positivity rate in the

country,” said Agnihotri.

He rubbished the charge that the Congress was a divided house. “The Opposition wants serious discussion on Covid and it is the CM who is calling up MLAs to ask them to demand cancellation of the session,” he alleged. He alleged that the government had confused people with new notifications daily, which are withdrawn within the next two or three days.

The government has already pointed out that there was no urgency in holding the session as the six months’ mandatory period was to get over on March 18, 2021, the winter session could be postponed. The monsoon session of the Vidhan Sabha got over on September 18.

Decision in public interest: BJP chief

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 1

The Cabinet decision to defer the winter session of the Assembly at Tapovan in Dharamsala has been taken in public interest and in view of the surge in the Covid cases, said state BJP chief Suresh Kashyap here today.

“The state government is sensitive regarding the pan-

demic, working at the ground level and taking necessary decisions, as and when required, after reviewing the situation,” he told mediapersons.

Kashyap said Covid patients were being contacted through the CM’s helpline to enquire after their well-being and information was also being sought about the facilities made available to them.

Department of Agriculture, H.P. e-Procurement Notice for Gunny Bags

E-tenders are invited for the supply of Gunny Bags by the Director of Agriculture, H.P Shimla-5 for packing of seeds. The detailed tender document can be downloaded from website <https://hptenders.gov.in> from 01.12.2020 to 15.12.2020 up to 1.00 PM. and same shall be opened on 15.12.2020 at 3.00 P.M. in the presence of tenderers or their authorized representatives who may like to be present. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders offered without assigning any reason.

Shimla
Dated: 01.12.2020
Director of Agriculture
Himachal Pradesh Shimla-05
DPR/HP/4694

NOTICE FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR IDENTIFYING EPC/HAM AGENCIES

HARYANA IRRIGATION AND WATER DEPARTMENT (HIWRD) INTENDS TO :

- Identify Agencies for Engineering, Execution and O&M of Community Based Solar/Grid Powered Micro-Irrigation Scheme in the Proposed Commands of the Existing STPs of various Towns in various Districts of Haryana - on EPC mode under Hybrid Annuity based PPP Model (HAM).
- Hand holding of Farmers for construction of pond/sump at farm level duly funded by Horticulture department and procurement as well as installation of On-Farm Micro Irrigation System (Drip & Mini Sprinkler) as per the operational guidelines of Per Drop More Crop (Micro Irrigation) Component of PMKSY2017-Government of India, Norms & Guidelines 2018-19 of Haryana Horticulture Department.

The Eol document and details can be downloaded from: www.etenders.hry.nic.in Agencies with adequate resources, experience, and good track record having qualification as per requirements in the Eol document and interested in the Project are requested to submit their respective EOI before 2 PM on 18th December, 2020

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Procurement & Disposal Division, Irrigation Deptt., Sinchai Bhawan, Sector-5, Panchkula (Hry)
PRDH/84110

Office of the
Nagar Panchayat, Bilga (Jalandhar)
ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ, ਬਿਲਗਾ (ਜਲੰਧਰ)
ਸਥਾਨਕ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਵਿਭਾਗ, ਪੰਜਾਬ
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ਬੀ-ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨੋਟਿਸ: 12/2020

ਨਗਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ, ਬਿਲਗਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਅਰਬਨ ਇਨਫਰਾਸਟ੍ਰਕਚਰ ਡਿਵਲਪਮੈਂਟ ਪ੍ਰੋਗਰਾਮ, ਫੇਜ਼-2 ਅਧੀਨ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਈ ਗਰਾਂਟ ਰਾਹੀਂ 128.00 ਲੱਖ ਰੁ. ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰਿੰਗ ਪ੍ਰਣਾਲੀ ਅਧੀਨ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਵੈੱਬਸਾਈਟ eproc.punjab.gov.in 'ਤੇ ਭਰੇ ਤੇ ਦੇਖੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਹ ਟੈਂਡਰਾਂ ਲਈ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਵਾਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਵਿਕਰੀ ਮਿਤੀ 02.12.2020, ਸਮਾਂ ਸਵੇਰੇ 09.00 ਵਜੇ ਤੋਂ ਮਿਤੀ 23.12.2020 ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ 09.00 ਵਜੇ ਤੱਕ ਖਰੀਦੇ ਅਤੇ ਭਰੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਣਗੇ। ਟੈਂਡਰ ਭਰਨ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਡਾਕੂਮੈਂਟ, ਰਕਮ ਬਿਅਨ ਪ੍ਰੈਸਿੰਗ ਫੀਸ ਅਤੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਵਾਰਮ ਕੀਮਤ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਡਾਕੂਮੈਂਟ ਮਿਤੀ 23.12.2020 ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ 09.00 ਵਜੇ ਤੱਕ ਆਨਲਾਈਨ ਜਮਾਂ ਕਰਵਾਉਣਗੇ ਹੋਣਗੇ। ਇਹ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਮਿਤੀ 23.12.2020 ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ 10.00 ਵਜੇ ਤਕਨੀਕੀ ਬਿੰਡ ਅਤੇ ਮਿਤੀ 23.12.2020 ਨੂੰ ਬਾਅਦ ਦੁਪਹਿਰ 01.00 ਵਜੇ ਵਿੱਤੀ ਬਿੰਡ ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰਿੰਗ ਪ੍ਰਣਾਲੀ ਅਧੀਨ ਖੋਲ੍ਹੇ ਜਾਣਗੇ। ਕੰਮਾਂ ਸਬੰਧੀ NIT, ਤਪਨੀਆ ਅਤੇ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੌਮ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਜਾਂ ਉਕਤ ਈਮੇਲ ਵੈੱਬਸਾਈਟ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਦੇਖੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਜੇਕਰ ਉਕਤ ਈਮੇਲਾਂ ਮਿਤੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਛੁੱਟੀ ਘੋਸ਼ਿਤ ਹੋ ਜਾਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਸਾਰੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਅਗਲੇ ਕੌਮ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ। ਕਰੀਜ਼ਮਸ, ਅਡੀਡਮ, ਦਰੁਸਤੀਆਂ ਜੇਕਰ ਹੋਣਗੀਆਂ ਤਾਂ ਵੈੱਬਸਾਈਟ 'ਤੇ ਪਬਲਿਸ਼ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣਗੀਆਂ।

ਸਹੀ:- ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ, ਨਗਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ, ਬਿਲਗਾ। ਸਹੀ:- ਸਹਾਇਕ ਨਿਊਸਪੇਸ਼ਿਅਨ, ਸਹੀ:- ਜੇ.ਐ. ਨਗਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ, ਬਿਲਗਾ। ਨਗਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ, ਬਿਲਗਾ। ਨਗਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ, ਬਿਲਗਾ। DPR/Pb/111220 ਨਗਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ, ਬਿਲਗਾ।

Cops conduct surprise checks at weddings

ABHINAV VASHISHT

KULLU, DECEMBER 1

The police have launched awareness drives and also keeping a vigil on social functions to ensure adherence to the government order restricting attendance at all social, religious and political gatherings to 50.

Superintendent of Police (SP), Kullu, SP Gaurav Singh said a fine of Rs 5,000 was imposed on the host of a marriage function at Dadka village in the Lug valley in which people were found violating the Covid safety norms.

He said people were not maintaining social distancing and some of them were without masks. Legal action was taken and a challan was issued to the host under Sections 111 and 115 of the HP Police Act. The SP said a police team found 30 persons at a wedding function at Hurcha village in the Sainj valley and they were instructed to

follow the guidelines.

Police personnel also inspected marriage functions at Kachaini, Vakshal and Varmadi villages in the Sainj valley and apprised the gathering of safety norms. Less than 50 persons were found attending these functions and they were adhering to the norms.

The SP said a team of the Anni police and the Tehsildar checked a marriage ceremony at Kungash village and found that Covid protocols were followed by the organisers. He said the public was generally adhering to the norms. The SP said the hosts should inform the administration before conducting social, political, cultural, religious or any other gathering. The police were coordinating with the naib tehsildars and tehsildars and those organising social functions were being pre-informed to ensure adherence to the norms.

21 lose battle, 709 test +ve

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 1

As many as 709 fresh Covid cases were reported today, taking the tally of the infected persons to 41,227. As many as 21 persons succumbed to the virus in the last 24 hours. The death toll stands at 656.

The highest number of 200 cases was reported in Shimla, followed by 159 in Kangra, 85 in Mandi and 75 in Solan. — TNS

DISTRICT-WISE COVID COUNT		
DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Una	2,156	25
Solan	5,060	54
Kangra	5,392	134
Chamba	2,003	33
Hamirpur	2,103	27
Sirmaur	2,641	21
Mandi	6,697	84
Bilaspur	2,108	16
Shimla	7,456	168
Kullu	3,698	72
Kinnaur	849	13
Lahaul & Spiti	1,087	9
Total	41,227	656

CITU lends support to farmers’ stir

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 1

The Centre of Indian Trade Unions (CITU) today held statewide protests to show its solidarity with the farmers protesting against the three farm laws in Delhi.

The protests were staged in Shimla, Chamba, Dharamsala, Hamirpur, Una, Mandi, Kullu and a few other places. Asking the protesters to prepare to head to Delhi to support the agitating farmers, CITU state president Vijender Mehra said Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Haryana Government were determined to suppress the farmers, which was very unfortunate. “The way they have dealt with the farmers, it has become clear that the government is on the side of the corporates and want to suppress the farmers,” said Mehra. Mehra urged the labourers to join the fight and stand with the farmers.

He said the new laws would destroy agricultural institutes such as APMCs, there would be no MSP and would promote black marketing.



An HRTC bus plies on the Manali-Keylong road. PHOTO: JAI KUMAR

Bus service resumes on Keylong road

MANDI, DECEMBER 1

Himachal Road Transport Corporation resumed its bus service on the Manali-Keylong road today, which delighted the residents of the Lahaul valley.

Since last week, residents of the Lahaul valley had been cut off from the road facility because heavy snowfall had blocked the Manali-Keylong highway. The Border Roads Organisation had restored this road two days ago for traffic movement. Yesterday, the HRTC authority at Keylong had conducted a bus trial on this road successfully to resume the bus service for the convenience of residents of the Lahaul valley.

Mangal Manepa, Regional Manager of the HRTC depot at Keylong, said the bus service had been resumed

Atal Tunnel reopens for tourist activity

- The Kullu administration on Tuesday reopened the Atal Tunnel for tourist activity.
- SDM, Manali, Raman Gharsangi said the movement of tourists would be allowed only between 11 am and 3 pm.

between Manali and Keylong today. He said from Keylong, the HRTC bus would move to Kullu at 10 am and return to Keylong from Kullu at 2 pm. Similarly from Kullu, the bus will move to Keylong at 8.30 am and move back to Kullu from Keylong at 2 pm. He said the availability of bus service would depend on weather and road conditions in the region in the coming days.

Yatri niwas to come up at Sissu soon

MANDI, DECEMBER 1

With Sissu witnessing a huge influx of tourists following the opening of the Atal Tunnel, the state government has decided to construct a yatri niwas in the tribal district of Lahaul-Spiti in the coming days. After the opening of the Atal Tunnel, tourist activities have increased in the region.

The government has directed the Lahaul-Spiti administration to identify a tract of land at Sissu for the construction of the niwas.

The authorities are expecting more tourists in the Lahaul valley in the summers. Currently, the district is not equipped to handle the tourist rush owing to a limited number of hotels and homestays in Lahaul-Spiti. Technical Education Minister Ram Lal Markanda said, “The state government is planning to construct a yatri niwas at Sissu. As soon as the land is identified, funds will be allocated for the construction.” He said their aim was to promote tourism in the tribal district, which was blessed with the bounty of nature. All efforts would be made to provide the basic infrastructure for the promotion of adventure tourism. — TNS

PROBE FINDINGS

- The panchayat took quotations for the purchase of 15 solar lights in April 2016 but took ‘approval’ for the quotation in a gram sabha meeting in July 2016 after making the purchase
- In another violation of rules, the gram panchayat did not enter purchase bills of the solar lights in the panchayat’s measurement book before releasing payment to the supplier

<< Solar lights in the Sidhpurghat gram panchayat have come under the scanner of authorities.



ing purchase bills of the solar lights in the panchayat’s Measurement Book (MB) before releasing payment to the supplier, which was mandatory. In this connection, Ashwani Sharma, DPO, Kangra, said he had received the inquiry report and pradhan and panchayat secretary of the Sidhpurghat gram panchayat were being issued show-cause notices and the next action would be taken as per department rules.

Meanwhile, Dinesh Katoch, Sanjay Kumar and Amar Singh, local RTI activists, who had procured copies of



People wait in a queue to cast their votes at a polling station in Kupwara on Tuesday. PTI

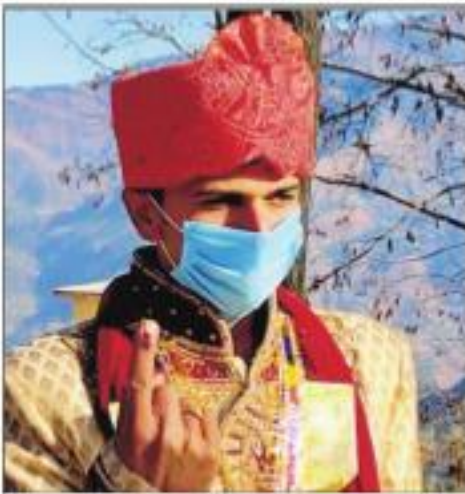
48.62% turnout in 2nd phase of DDC elections

Voting percentage low in south Kashmir, high along LoC

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

The second phase of the District Development Council (DDC) elections in Jammu and Kashmir witnessed an overall voting percentage of 48.62. The hotbeds of terrorism in south Kashmir — Anantnag, Pulwama and Shopian — had a low turnout. With 8.67 per cent voting, Pulwama witnessed the lowest percentage. Anantnag and Shopian saw a turnout of 16.09 and 17.28 per cent, respectively. The Jammu division witnessed 65.54% of votes getting polled while the figure in the Kashmir division was 33.34 per cent, State Election Commissioner KK Sharma said. In Kashmir, several parts have received snowfall. Notably, voting was high along the areas abutting the



A bridegroom after casting his vote in Udhampur. PTI

Covid norms ignored

- According to reports, physical distancing norms were thrown to the wind at several polling stations
- In the second phase, 43 out of 280 constituencies went to the polls.
- Election is also being held for 83 sarpanch and 331 panch constituencies.

749-km Line of Control (LoC) with Pakistan. Reasi, Rajouri, Poonch, Samba and Kathua, located along the LoC, saw 69.27, 60.21, 75.07, 66.38 and 60.10 per cent voting, respectively.

These are the first major political exercise taking place after the abrogation of Article 370. “We are thankful to the people for turning up in large num-

bers to cast their ballots. This shows the people’s faith in democracy,” senior BJP leader and former minister Chander Prakash Ganga said after casting his vote at a polling station set up in the Government High School at Meen Sarkar in Samba district. Many people were seen flouting social distancing guidelines. *(With PTI inputs)*

BJP: Won’t tolerate Pak policy of bloodshed

JAMMU, DECEMBER 1

Stern action will be taken against leaders who have “bled” Jammu and Kashmir at the behest of Pakistan, Jammu and Kashmir BJP president Ravinder Raina said on Tuesday. “We will not tolerate Pakistan’s policy of bloodshed.... Anyone whether a terrorist, separatist, politician or Tukde Tukde gang leaders like Shehla Rashid will be dealt with sternly” ■ J&K BJP president Ravinder Raina says anyone “whether a terrorist, separatist, politician or Tukde Tukde gang leaders like Shehla Rashid will be dealt with sternly,” Raina said in a statement. The BJP leader’s remarks came a day after Abdul Rashid Shora, the estranged father of student activist Shehla Rashid, levelled serious allegations against her, demanding that a probe be initiated into her NGOs and also accused her of having taken a huge amount of money for joining politics in Kashmir, a

Accuses Hurriyat of bleeding Kashmir

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- Hurriyat Conference, Tukde Tukde gang’s Shehla Rashid, Engineer Rashid among others ran “shop of death” for three decades, he adds

charge denied by her. Shehla termed her father’s statement “absolutely disgusting and baseless” and said this was his reaction after a court barred him entry into their Srinagar house on November 17 in response to a complaint filed by the family against him for alleged domestic violence. — PTI

Minimum temperature goes up

SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 1

The night temperature improved further in Jammu-Kashmir and Ladakh on Tuesday. Sonam Lotus, director of the local MeT department, said, “Mainly dry weather is expected till December 6. A spell of rain and snow is likely during on December 7 and 8.” With further improvement in minimum temperature, the night temperature rose above the freezing point in Srinagar and other places except Gulmarg where the minimum temperature was minus 1 on Tuesday. Srinagar recorded 1.0 and Pahalgam 0.2 as minimum temperatures. Leh town of Ladakh recorded minus 3.7 and Kargil minus 4.2 as the lowest temperatures. Jammu recorded 10.4, Katra 10.6, Batote 8.1, Bannihal 4.2 and Bhaderwah 5.4 as the minimum temperatures. — IANS



454 new Covid cases, 8 deaths

SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 1

Jammu and Kashmir recorded 454 fresh Covid cases on Tuesday. Eight deaths occurred due to the disease in the last 24 hours. With this, the infection count stands at 1,10,678, including 1,702 deaths, officials said. Of the new cases, 217 are from the Jammu division and 237 from the Kashmir division. The number of active Covid cases has now fallen below 5,000 as 503 patients recovered from the infection in the past 24 hours. While 1,04,068 patients have recovered from the infection so far, there are 4,908 under treatment. — PTI

MHA order on land purchase challenged

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

Veteran CPM leader Mohammed Yusuf Tarigami has approached the Supreme Court challenging an October order of the Union Home Ministry which allows people from across the country to buy land in Jammu and Kashmir including that meant for agriculture purpose. He sought a stay on the order till his petition is heard. The petition moved under Article 32 submitted that the October notification “is illegal” as it is issued in pursuance to the August 2019 reorganisation of Jammu and Kashmir which has been challenged by several people and that the top court is aware of the matter. It said that the ministry had amended sections of the JK

Land Revenue Act, 1996 which pertains to management of agricultural land and the JK Development Act, 1970 which deals with zonal development plans determining land use for buildings, roads housing recreation, industry, business, markets, schools, hospitals and public and private open spaces. Pointing out the amendments, the petition said that while the fresh laws prohibits the sale of agricultural land to a non-agriculturist, but it “authorises the government or an officer appointed by it to grant permission to an agriculturist to alienate the land to a non-agriculturist by way of sale, gift, exchange or mortgage or for such agreement on such conditions as may be prescribed”. — PTI

BSF men walked 200 m into Pak to unearth tunnel

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

A BSF team, probing the intrusion of four Jaish-e-Mohammed terrorists killed recently at Nagrota in Jammu, had gone 200 metre inside the Pakistani territory to find the mouth of a cross-border underground tunnel used by extremists to enter into India, top officials said on Tuesday. Immediately after the four Jaish terrorists were shot dead in a gunfight on November 19, the BSF, which mans the International Border in Jammu region, formed the crack team to explore the pos-



The tunnel was found on November 22 in Samba. FILE

Proof of Pak hostility, says Union minister

The recovery of underground tunnels and drones along the India-Pakistan border is a proof of the hostility of the neighbouring country towards India, Union Minister Nityanand Rai said on Tuesday. Addressing Border Security Force personnel on 56th raising day event, he said there was uncertainty along the border. PTI

sible route taken by them. The team followed its structure to unearth the opening of the tunnel on the Indian side and during the search operation, electronic and geo-

graphical data found on a mobile device recovered from the terrorists was also used, the officials said. After detecting the mouth of the tunnel, the BSF team found itself 200 metres inside the Pakistani territory, they said, adding it entered through the tunnel and recorded the visuals inside it on the Pakistani side as part of collecting evidence, before they returned to the Indian side. The operation was “swift and intelligence-based action”, they said. The four Kashmir-bound Pakistani terrorists were killed in the gunfight after the truck, in which they were travelling, was stopped for checking at Ban toll plaza on the highway. It appears that proper engineering effort had gone in digging the tunnel which shows the hand of the establishment, the force said. The nearest Pakistan posts are Chak Bhura, Rajab Sahid and Asif Sahid. “The detection of the tunnel resulted due to the well coordinated operation among the BSF, JK police and intelligence agencies,” it had said. — PTI

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE						
SR. NO.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT/EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	PWD B&R, AMBALA	CONSTRUCTION OF 2 SPAN 5.80 MTR. EACH RCC BOX TYPE BRIDGE ON JAGADHARI ROAD AT RD 850 IN AMBALA DISTRICT (ROAD ID 218)	25.11.2020 09.12.2020	97.40 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2977224 pwd-eeepd1-ambala@hry.nic.in
2	PWD B&R,NARWANA	RENEWAL COAT:- 1. NH-52 (DANODA)-SURBRAH-DAROLI KHERA-SEDHA MAJRA- KHERI MASANA-UCHANA (MC)-KHAPRAN ROAD IN JIND DISTT (ID 6820, 6828, 6829, 6831) 2. KALAYAT(MC)- MATOR- KALASER- MANDI KALAN-SANDIL-KITHANA ROAD IN KAITHAL DISTT. (ID 6770)	CLOSING DATE 17.12.2020	657.13 LACS	https://www.pmsgsyndershry.nic.in	01684-244833 pwd-eeepd-narwana@hry.nic.in
3	PWD B&R, NARWANA	CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM DILLUWALA -HASSANPUR ROAD TO MANDI KHURD IN JIND DISTT. + 9 OTHER WORKS	26.11.2020 07.12.2020	1899.16 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01684-244833
4	PWD B&R, KARNAL	CONSTRUCTION OF IOCL, REFINERY SAHBHAGI SPECIAL SCHOOL IN DISTT. PANIPAT (PDG. 1 NO. 8 PASSENGER LIFT). RECALL 2020_HRY_149794. 2 + 6 OTHER WORKS	27.11.2020 09.12.2020	53.25 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0184-2265696 pwd-eeed-karnal@hry.nic.in
5	PWD B&R, FARIDABAD	SPECIAL REPAIR/ RENOVATION OF LABOUR ROOM IN B.K. HOSPITAL, NIT FARIDABAD (RE-INVITED)	CLOSING DATE 09.12.2020	8.78 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0129-2288187 pwd-eeepd1faridabad@hry.nic.in
6	PWD B&R, BAHADURGARH	WDG/STG.-: CHUDANI TO REWARI KHERA, MANDOTHI TO KHARAR AND NEW BADLI BYE PASS ROAD IN JHAJJAR DISTRICT.	27.11.2020 10.12.2020	376.19 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	8901333000/ pwd-eeepd-bahadurgarh@hry.nic.in
7	PWD B&R, ROHTAK	SUPPLY OF MAN POWER ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE FOR DAY TO DAY MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION INCLUDING STREET LIGHT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING AND HOSPITAL AREA IN UHS, ROHTAK. (FROM 01.12.2020 TO 31.03.2021) CH. TO- CH. TO- MAINTENANCE FOR VARIOUS BUILDING IN POIGMS, ROHTAK. + 2 OTHER WORKS	26.11.2020 04.12.2020	58.22 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01262-282871 pwd-eeepd4-rohtak@hry.nic.in
8	PWD B&R, KARNAL	UP-GRADATION OF ROAD FROM RAIPUR TO LADWA ROAD KM. 0 TO 13.350, KHERA VIA MAKHALI ROAD LENGTH KM 0.00 TO 12.530 & GT ROAD (NH-1) TO KARNAL KACHHWA SAMBLI KAUL ROAD VIA ROB TARAORI SONKRA SAGGA IN KARNAL DISTRICT (UNDER PMGSY SCHEME)	27.11.2020 18.12.2020	425.31 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0184-2251029 pwd-eeepd karnal@hry.nic.in
9	PWD B&R, HISAR	PDG. CENTRAL OXYGEN PIPELINE IN CIVIL HOSPITAL CHARKHI DADRI. + 5 OTHER WORKS	02.12.2020 16.12.2020	55.99 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01662-225651/ pwd-eeed-hissar@hry.nic.in
10	PWD B&R, AMBALA	CONST. OF HARYANA ROADWAYS DEPOT LEVEL WORKSHOP AT INDUSTRIAL AREA PHASE-II, PANCHKULA (PDG. 11KV SUB STATION, HIGH MAST AND MOTOR POWER WIRING ONLY). + 2 OTHER WORKS	01.12.2020 15.12.2020	104.51 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2630877 pwd-eeed-ambala@hry.nic.in
11	PWD B&R, JHAJJAR	BALANCE WORK FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERINARY HOSPITAL AT SILANI IN DISTRICT JHAJJAR (ON RISK & COST)	26.11.2020 10.12.2020	25.32 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01251-252085
12	PANCHAYATI RAJ, AMBALA	PDG E.T. IN VAT. DISPENSARY AT VILLAGES PULEWALA, JATWAR, FATEHGARH, PATVI, RACHHERI AND BADI BASSI DISTT AMBALA + 1 OTHER WORK	26.11.2020 04.12.2020	6.92 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	98020-58718/0171-2980510/ prexeengelec.amb@hry.nic.in
13	PWD B&R, SONIPAT	SPECIAL REPAIR/RENOVATION OF SENIOR MESS IN MOTI LAL NEHRU SCHOOL OF SPORTS, RAI DISTT. SONIPAT. + 1 OTHER WORK	25.11.2020 16.12.2020	843.30 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0130-2200575 pwd-eeep2-sonapat@hry.nic.in
14	PWD B&R ROHTAK	ANNUAL REPAIR ESTIMATE FOR 7-J TYPE HOUSES (1 TO 4) 8-J TYPE HOUSES (1 TO 4) SDE HOUSES NO. 1, 13-JB TYPE HOUSES 1 TO 16 (16 NOS. HOUSES), 12-J TYPE HOUSES (H.NO. 1 TO 64), 11-J TYPE HOUSES, D.P RESIDENCE, 9-J TYPE HOUSES 40 NOS., 14-J TYPE HOUSES & 13-J TYPE HOUSES 57 TO 112 NOS. (56 NOS.) IN POIGMS ROHTAK FOR THE YEAR 2020-21.	27.11.2020 17.12.2020	12.00 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01262-282871 pwd-eeepd4-rohtak@hry.nic.in
15	PWD B&R, KAITHAL	CONSTRUCTION OF BOUNDARY WALL OF BUS STAND AT GUHLA IN KAITHAL DISTRICT	CLOSING DATE 09.12.2020	15.94 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-234087 eeep2.pwd.kli-hry@hry.nic.in
16	PWD B&R, SIRSA	DNIT FOR PROVIDING IPB IN KM. 0.00 TO 0.195, 0.67 TO 0.74, 0.815 TO 1.015, 3.94 TO 4.40, 4.48 TO 4.65, 6.12 TO 6.32 AND WIDENING AND STRENGTHENING IN KM. 1.015 TO 3.840, 4.65 TO 6.12, 6.52 TO 11.60 ON KHAIREKAN TO DHOTTA ROAD (ROAD ID 5658) IN SIRSA DISTRICT (C.M. ANNOUNCEMENT CODE NO. 25410 DATED 08.03.2020) + 1 OTHER WORK	24.11.2020 08.12.2020	539.46 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01666-220530 pwd-eeepd1-sirsa@hry.nic.in
17	PWD B&R, NARNAUL	ANNUAL REPAIR TO LIG & MIG RENTAL COLONY (RESIDENCE) NEAR OLD COURT AT NARNAUL IN MOHINDERGARH DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR 2020-21 (RE-INVITED) + 1 OTHER WORK	CLOSING DATE 10.12.2020	22.29 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01282-251267/ pwd-eeepd-narnaul@hry.nic.in
18	PWD B&R, AMBALA	PROVIDING AND LAYING OF 80MM THICK PAVR BLOCK ON BALANCE PORTION BETWEEN METALLED ROAD AND DRAIN ON NH-65 (NEW NH-152) FROM KM. 0.00 TO KM. 4.500 (AMBALA CITY PORTION) AMBALA HISSAR ROAD IN HARYANA STATE. + 1 OTHER WORK	24.11.2020 14.12.2020	1217.56 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2977224 pwd-eeepd1-ambala@hry.nic.in
19	PANCHAYATI RAJ, PALWAL	CONSTRUCTION OF PARK-CUM-VYAYAMSHALA AT VILLAGE RIBBER BLOCK HATHIN DISTT. PALWAL	28.11.2020 07.12.2020	28.93 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	palwalprexeeng.pw@gmail.com 01275-298060
20	PANCHAYATI RAJ, FARIDABAD	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVT. VETTY HOSPITAL AT VILLAGE NARIYALA BLOCK FARIDABAD DISTT. FARIDABAD + 1 NOS. OTHER WORK	28.11.2020 07.12.2020	33.17 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	faridabadprexeeng.fbd@hry.nic.in 0129-4313645
21	PANCHAYATI RAJ, BLOCK DEVELOPMENT & PANCHAYAT OFFICER, BERI.	SUPPLY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN VARIOUS VILLAGES OF BLOCK BERI & DISTT. JHAJJAR.	04.12.2020 22.12.2020	0	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	9896341140
22	PANCHAYATI RAJ, FARIDABAD	CONSTRUCTION OF VILLAGE KNOWLEDGE CENTRE AT VILLAGE-DADASIYA BLOCK-FARIDABAD DISTT. FARIDABAD + 7 NOS. OTHER WORKS	02.12.2020 11.12.2020	1.82 CRORE	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	faridabadprexeeng.fbd@hry.nic.in 0129-4313645
23	BLOCK DEVELOPMENT & PANCHAYAT OFFICER, THANESAR	CONSTRUCTION OF TOILET IN GSSS AJRANA KALAN, GSSS DHURALA & GSSS HATHIRA	28.11.2020 14.12.2020	7.80 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	94165-66927 bdpo.thanesar@hry.nic.in
24	BLOCK DEVELOPMENT & PANCHAYAT OFFICER, THANESAR	CONSTRUCTION OF COMMUNITY SANITARY COMPLEX	28.11.2020 14.12.2020	14.50 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	94165-66927 bdpo.thanesar@hry.nic.in
25	PANCHAYATI RAJ, AMBALA	PDG E.T. IN VILLAGE KNOWLEDGE CENTER AT VILLAGES KUNGER, PUR, DHANANA-I, MUNDHAL KHURD, DEVRALA, ALAMPUR, DHANI MAHU, DULHERI, PIKOKHERA, AND NIGANA KALAN DISTT. BHIWANI + 3 OTHER WORKS	27.12.2020 03.12.2020	32.42 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	98020-58718/0171-2980510/ prexeengelec.amb@hry.nic.in
26	PANCHAYATI RAJ, AMBALA	CONST. OF IPB STREETS & DRAINS AT VILLAGE SOHANA BLOCK BARARA + 9 OTHER WORKS	01.12.2020 15.12.2020	162.12 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2551368/ prexeeng.amb@hry.nic.in
27	PANCHAYATI RAJ, JHAJJAR	CONST. OF 2 NOS. GOVT. VETERINARY HOSPITAL, 1 NO. VETERINARY DISPENSARY, 1 NO. PIPE LINE AND 1 NO. RASTA.	01.12.2020 15.12.2020	106.86 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01251-254118/ prexeeng.jjr @hry.nic.in
28	PANCHAYATI RAJ, BLOCK LEVEL E-TENDERING COMMITTEE, BLOCK JIND	SUPPLY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN VARIOUS GROUP OF VILLAGES OF BLOCK JIND DISTT. JIND	29.11.2020 13.12.2020	50000/- (FOR EACH GROUP)	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	bdpo.jind@hry.nic.in, sdcorp.jind@gmail.com 94164-84910
29	PANCHAYATI RAJ, NARNAUL	CONST. OF GVD (RE-CALL)	01.12.2020 07.12.2020	21.42 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	8708577177, 01282-260296/ prexeeng.nr@hry.nic.in
30	IRRIGATION AND WATER RESOURCES DEPTT., KARNAL	REPLACEMENT/RENOVATION OF PUMPING SETS WITH ALLIED ACCESSORIES IN W/S MECH. SUB-DIVISION, JIND FOR THE YEAR 2020-21.	03.12.2020 24.12.2020	165.70 LACS	hid.gov.in	0184-2261462 xen-wsmnrl.in@gov.in
31	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT BAHADURGARH	1.RETROFITTING WORK AT JAHANGIRPUR PUMP HUSE. 2. REPAIR OF HEAD REGULATOR OF 1-R JAHANGIRPUR MINOR. 3. DEHYDRATION OF 400 KVA TRANSFORMER OF JAHANGIRPUR PUMP HOUSE	CLOSING DATE 04.12.2020	NIL	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01276-230518/ wsdivisiongarh@gmail.com
32	IRRIGATION AND WATER RESOURCES DEPTT., NARNAUL	RENOVATION OF R-8 KOTHI IN CANAL COLONY, NARNAUL (RE-INVITED) + 7 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 05.12.2020	210.03 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01282-251214
33	IRRIGATION AND WATER RESOURCES DEPTT., JIND	REPLACING PIPES CULVERTS INTO V.R. BRIDGE AT RD 26225 ON JAMNI KHERA MINOR + 1 OTHER WORK	21.12.2020 22.12.2020	33.92 LACS	hid.gov.in	xenconstdivjind@gmail.com
34	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT BAHADURGARH	1.MEASUREMENT/DEMARCATION OF GOVT. LAND OF MUNGESHPUR DRAIN FROM RD 80500 TO 109500 (BOTH SIDES) COMPLETE IN ALL RESPECT.	CLOSING DATE 04.12.2020	NIL	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01276-230518/ wsdivisionbgarh@gmail.com
35	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING, KAITHAL	KAKHERI-PROVIDING 509 NOS. FUNCTIONAL HOUSEHOLD TAP CONNECTION IN VARIOUS STREET AT VILLAGE KAKHERI AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERE TO" (UNDER JAL JEEVAN MISSION PHASE-1) + 7 OTHER WORKS	27.11.2020 02.12.2020	81.43 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-222348/ ee2kaithal@phedharyana.gov.in
36	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DIVISION GOHANA	TENDER NO. 2020_HRY_151882. 1 (2ND RECALL) BHAWAR-DNIT FOR WATER SUPPLY SCHEME BHAWAR- " PROVIDING FUNCTIONAL HOUSEHOLD CONNECTION WITH BALANCE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO. + 3 OTHER WORKS	27.11.2020 07.12.2020	132.32 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01263-258417/ ee1gohana@gmail.com/ ee1gohana@phedharyana.gov.in
37	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING, KAITHAL	NARAR - PROVIDING 414 NOS FUNCTIONAL HOUSEHOLD TAP CONNECTION IN VARIOUS STREET AT VILLAGE NARAR AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERE TO" (UNDER JAL JEEVAN MISSION PHASE-1) + 2OTHER WORKS	28.11.2020 03.12.2020	31.26 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-222348/ ee2kaithal@phedharyana.gov.in
38	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGG. SIRSA	TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FOR PROVIDING INDEPENDENT CANAL BASED WATER WORKS AT VILLAGE KELNIA DISTT. SIRSA	30.11.2020 08.12.2020	70 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in TENDER NO. 2020_HRY_151911	01666-221925/ ee2sirsa@phedharyana.gov.in
39	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DIVISION, SIWANI	SUKH DEV SINGH KA BASS-PROVIDING FUNCTIONAL HOUSE HOLD TAP CONNECTION (FHTC) AND LAYING OF DI PIPE LINE IN REMAINING STREETS UNDER JMD CATEGORY (JMD) IN VILLAGE SUKH DEV SINGH KA BASS, LAYING OF DI PIPE LINE AND MAKING FHTC CONNECTIONS IN VILLAGE SUKH DEV SINGH KA BASS AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO." + 2 OTHER WORKS	26.11.2020 09.12.2020	8.04 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in Tender ID 2020_HRY_151763_1+ 2 OTHERS	01255-277066 eesiwani@phedharyana.gov.in
40	FOREST DEPARTMENT JHAJJAR	GUARD HUT AT BAHADURGARH RANGE	26.11.2020 07.12.2020	9800/-	http://etenders.hry.nic.in TENDER NO. DFCO/JJR/12020_HRY_151732	01251-257258 dfojajjar@rediffmail.com
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AUSTRALIA TOUR After being smashed in two games, India might test Natarajan or Thakur

CANBERRA, DECEMBER 1
Left chasing shadows in the first two One-day Internationals against Australia, India would most certainly tweak their bowling combination in order to avoid a second successive clean sweep when they take on the hosts in the in third and final ODI here tomorrow.

A 3-0 defeat by Australia would be their second rout in consecutive ODI series as they suffered the same fate in New Zealand earlier this year.

“We are very much determined to go out there to win the next match and see that it’s not a clean sweep,” top-order batsman Shreyas Iyer today said when asked what his team would do to prevent being whitewashed by Australia for the first time in 20 years. “Our bowlers are really positive with their work ethic and we could see that during training, a few of the bowlers practising with certain plans.”

The first two games turned out to be run-fests in which Australia out-batted Virat Kohli’s men and before they switch over to the T20 series, a win at the picturesque Manuka Oval could do their confidence a world of good.

Outplayed

Kohli admitted his team had been “outplayed” in the first two games, and it is expected that some corrective measures would be taken in order

Desperate relief measures



Shardul Thakur (3rd from left) could replace Navdeep Saini (right), who has looked clueless, in the third ODI on Wednesday. In case Virat Kohli decides to rest both Jasprit Bumrah and Mohammed Shami (below), rookie left-arm pacer Thangarasu Natarajan could make his debut. AP/PTI, REUTERS



to get their campaign back on track. Navdeep Saini, India’s quickest bowler, has looked clueless. Such has been Saini’s plight that after he gave away 70 runs in seven overs,



Kohli was forced to bring on Hardik Pandya — not yet completely fit for bowling — and even Mayank Agarwal. Saini could well be replaced tomorrow by either

Shardul Thakur — who has played 27 international games — or rookie left-arm pacer Thangarasu Natarajan, who won acclaim for his yorkers during the IPL. If he makes his international debut, Natarajan would get a chance to test himself in an inconsequential game before the start of the T20 series, in which he is sure to play a part.

In case Kohli decides to rest both Jasprit Bumrah and Mohammed Shami, who need to remain fit and



fresh for the Test series, both Thakur and Natarajan could play tomorrow.

Natarajan, with his clever variations and change of pace, could provide a different dimension to the bowling attack at a venue that might aid swing bowling.

Smashed

Never before has an Indian bowling attack looked so out of sorts as it did in the first two games, getting hit for 69 fours and 19 sixes. Kohli said that switching

from the T20 format in the IPL to ODIs here can’t be an excuse for a team whose core has remained pretty much the same for a considerable period of time.

The bowlers had no idea where to bowl to Steve Smith, who tormented them with back-to-back 62-ball-hundreds. Glenn Maxwell’s power-packed finishing at the end of the innings gave Australia those extra 30 runs that made a big difference, as the margins of the defeats (66 and 51 runs) suggest.

The Indian captain’s hasty bowling changes, including a two-over opening spell to key man Bumrah, invited criticism from one of his staunchest critics, Gautam Gambhir.

The spinners have compounded Kohli’s worries with their inept performances. Yuzvendra Chahal has been the most expensive bowler in the two games, conceding 160 runs in 19 overs for only one wicket. Ravindra Jadeja has looked flat despite a decent economy rate of 6.15.

In batting, Kohli and Rahul looked in good touch during the second game but the inability of Rahul to rotate the strike during the second Powerplay was glaring. Still, India can take solace from the fact that in both matches, the batting looked the part and maybe, a target of 335 to 340 could have been chased on both occasions. — PTI

Hamilton gets Covid, to miss Sakhir GP

I’d followed all regulations, says ‘devastated’ world champion

MANAMA, DECEMBER 1

Formula One champion Lewis Hamilton has tested positive for Covid-19 and will miss the upcoming Sakhir Grand Prix in Bahrain, the sport’s governing body, the FIA, said.

Hamilton, who has already wrapped up his seventh world title and picked up his 11th win of the season at Sunday’s Bahrain Grand Prix, was isolating with mild symptoms but otherwise fit and well, his Mercedes team said in a statement.

“Lewis was tested three times last week and returned a negative result each time, the last of which was on Sunday afternoon at the Bahrain International Circuit,” the Brackley-based team said. “However, he woke up on Monday morning with mild symptoms and was informed at the same time that a contact prior to arrival in Bahrain had subsequently tested positive. Lewis therefore took a further test and returned a positive result. This has since been confirmed by a retest.”

“I am devastated that I won’t be racing this weekend,” he said in a statement. “Since we started the season in June my team and I have been taking all the precautions we possibly can and following the regulations everywhere we have been in order to stay safe.”

By missing Sakhir, the penultimate race on the calendar, Hamilton will not be able to match the record for the most wins in a single season. Michael Schumacher and Sebastian Vettel share that mark with 13



Lewis Hamilton won the Bahrain Grand Prix on Sunday for his 95th career win. REUTERS

wins — Schumacher from 18 races in 2004 and Vettel from 19 in 2013.

The season will end with the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix at the Yas Marina track on December 13. It is unclear whether Hamilton will take part. Mercedes said they would announce a replacement driver for the Sakhir race in due course.

Belgian Stoffel Vandoorne, who races for the Mercedes Formula E team and had been scheduled to fly to Bahrain even before Hamilton’s positive result, and Mexican Esteban Gutierrez are the team’s reserve drivers.

They also have Briton George Russell, who races for Williams, on their books. Mercedes team boss Toto Wolff said in October that every precaution was being taken to shield Hamilton and teammate Valtteri Bottas from the pandemic, with internal debriefs and engineering meetings also taking place via video call. Hamilton, 35, has been staying in his motorhome at most circuits. — Reuters

BRIEFLY

BAMBOLIM (GOA)

Le Fondre stars as Mumbai crush SC East Bengal 3-0

Adam Le Fondre struck twice as Mumbai City FC outplayed SC East Bengal 3-0 in their Indian Super League clash here today. Hugo Boumous assisted all three goals as a brace from Le Fondre (20th, 48th minutes) and a strike from Hernan Santana (58th) saw Mumbai register their second straight win, with SCEB yet to open their account.

LONDON

West Ham ride their luck to beat Aston Villa

West Ham United climbed to fifth in the Premier League with a 2-1 victory over Aston Villa on Monday as for the second successive home game they benefited from a missed penalty. Goals by Angelo Ogbonna and Jarrod Bowen at the start of each half earned West Ham the points, although Villa will rue an Ollie Watkins penalty that rattled the crossbar. Watkins thought he had made amends in stoppage time but his close-range goal was ruled out by VAR for a marginal offside decision. Jack Grealish had levelled in the 25th minute. In another match, Fulham defeated Leicester City 2-1. AGENCIES

TODAY ON TV

THIRD ODI
INDIA VS AUSTRALIA
SONY SIX 9:10AM

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HYDERABAD VS JAMSHEDPUR
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CHAMPIONS LEAGUE
MAN UNITED VS PARIS SG
DORTMUND VS LAZIO
FERENCVAROS VS BARCELONA
JUVENTUS VS DYNAMO
SEVILLA VS CHELSEA
1:30AM (THURSDAY)
SONY SIX, SONY TEN

Punjab’s former players to return awards

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FARMERS’ PROTEST

JALANDHAR, DECEMBER 1

Upset over the treatment being meted out to the farmers by the Central Government, some of Punjab’s former sportspersons have decided to return their national awards. Former sportspersons, including Arjuna awardee and Padma Shri wrestler Kartar Singh, Arjuna awardee hockey player Rajbir Kaur and Arjuna awardee basketball player Sajjan Singh Cheema, have come forward to show their support for the farmers.

Kartar said that the former sportspersons will go

to Delhi on December 5 and join the farmers in the protest. “Around 50 former players will go to Delhi from Jalandhar district alone,” Kartar said.

“The farmers provide food to us, and water cannons and teargas is not what they deserve in return,” he added.

Kaur said, “There are several young players too who want to go with us to support the farmers. We were shocked to see the farmers suffering. What will we do with the awards if our farmers are forced to face such torture?”



BCCI secretary Jay Shah (centre) visits the upcoming cricket stadium at Mullanpur on Tuesday. Shah was accompanied by Punjab Cricket Association president Rajinder Gupta and secretary Puneet Bali. TRIBUNE PHOTO: VICKY

Messi rested again for Barca game at Ferencvaros

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

BARCELONA, DECEMBER 1

Lionel Messi will be rested for the second Champions League game in a row in missing Barcelona’s trip to Hungarian side Ferencvaros but will not sit out any more games after that, coach Ronald Koeman said today.

Barca’s captain had played in every match of the season plus four World Cup qualifiers with Argentina before being rested for last week’s 4-0 win in Dynamo Kyiv and has also been left out of the squad for tomorrow’s game.

With the Catalans already qualified for the knockout stage, Koeman said it was more important that Messi was feeling fresh for Saturday’s trip to Cadiz as Barca hope to rise up the La Liga standings

following a poor start.

“I understand that it’s not normal for Messi to rest but in this schedule there were only two moments where Messi could rest, the game in Kyiv and tomorrow’s game,” Koeman told a news conference.

“We have to give opportunities to other players and Saturday’s game is very important. We need to win. There were only two opportunities to rest him but after tomorrow he won’t rest any more.”

First-choice goalkeeper Marc-Andre ter Stegen and record signing Philippe Coutinho were also absent from the squad, although Frenkie de Jong, who was left at home last week alongside Messi, was included.

Barca have won all four Champions League games

but may need to beat Ferencvaros and avoid defeat in their final game at home to Juventus, who trail them by three points, to clinch top spot in Group G and be seeded for the last-16 draw.

“The most important thing was to qualify and we’ve done that already but when you’re at Barca you need to win every game and play well too,” he added.

French defender Clement Lenglet was named in the squad after limping off in Saturday’s 4-0 win over Osasuna, along with 21-year-old Oscar Mingueza who made his league debut in the game.

Koeman said it was too early to risk Ronald Araujo and Samuel Umtiti but said the two centre backs were not far from returning. — Reuters



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Hope floats as Olympic rings back in Tokyo

TOKYO, DECEMBER 1

The five Olympic rings are back in Tokyo Bay. They were removed for maintenance four months ago shortly after the Tokyo Olympics were postponed until next year because of the Covid-19 pandemic. The rings arrived today after a short cruise from nearby Yokohama and are positioned on a barge in the shadow on Tokyo’s Rainbow Bridge. The rings — painted blue, black, red, green, and yellow — are



The giant Olympic rings are illuminated after being reinstalled at the waterfront area in Tokyo. REUTERS

gigantic, around 50 feet tall and 100 feet in length.

The rings were lit at night



to herald the coming of the Tokyo Olympics, which are to open on July 23, 2021, followed by the Paralympics on August 24. The rings made their first appearance early in

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2020, just a few months before the Olympics were postponed late in March. The reappearance of the rings is the latest sign that organisers and the International Olympic Committee are increasingly confident that 15,400 Olympics and Paralympics athletes can safely enter Japan during the pandemic. These Olympics are sure to be like no other. They will hinge partly on the availability of vaccines and rapid testing for Covid-19. — AP

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State-I (State)	Last Date for Submission of Application Form	To be notified by the respective State/ U.T. May vary from State to State.
	Examination in Mizoram, Meghalaya, Nagaland and A & N Islands	12th December, 2020 (Saturday)
	Examination in all Other States and Union Territories	13th December, 2020 (Sunday) (All other remaining States/UTs except above mentioned States/UTs)
State-II (National)	Examination in all States and Union Territories	13th June, 2021 (Sunday)

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BRIEFLY


Actor Urmila Matondkar joins Shiv Sena, attacks Kangana

Mumbai: Actor-turned-politician Urmila Matondkar, who unsuccessfully contested the 2019 Lok Sabha elections on a Congress ticket, joined the Shiv Sena on Tuesday. Immediately after joining the Uddhav Thackeray-led party, Matondkar took a swipe at actress Kangana Ranaut, saying “unnecessary importance” has been given to the latter. **TNS**

Nirav's remand extended

London: Nirav Modi, wanted in connection with the Punjab National Bank scam case, was further remanded in custody on Tuesday by a court in London hearing India's extradition request for the diamond merchant. He appeared on Tuesday from Wandsworth Prison, where the Chief Magistrate extended his remand until December 29. **PTI**

GST collections again breach ₹1 lakh cr mark

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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

GST collections in November 2020 were almost flat as compared to last year, but breached the Rs 1 lakh-crore-mark for the second consecutive month.

As compared with October, Central GST mop up rose by just Rs 4 crore, state GST by ₹139 crore, IGST fell by Rs 548 crore, while GST cess rose ₹231 crore.

Overall, the mop up was Rs 192 crore less than last month. Sources here said the month-on-month dip was minor and pointed to the six per cent “reasonably healthy” growth in GST collections in October and November.

The total number of GSTR-3B returns filed during November is 82 lakh as compared to 80 lakh in October. The November numbers were still one lakh short of the current year's high of 83 lakh in January.

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The Union Finance Ministry said the collection was in line with the recent trend of recovery in GST revenue.

It opted to compare the revenue in November with the same month last year, which was 1.4 per cent higher. It noted that the revenue from import of goods was 4.9 per cent higher. Revenues from domestic transaction, including import of services, are 0.5 per cent higher than the revenues from these sources during the same month last year.

The gross GST revenue collected in November is Rs

1,04,963 crore. Of this, CGST is Rs 19,189 crore, SGST is Rs 25,540 crore, IGST is Rs 51,992 crore (including Rs 22,078 crore collected on import of goods). The cess is Rs 8,242 crore (including Rs 809 crore collected on import of goods).

“It is flat as compared with last year despite huge positivism around recovery, festival season demand etc. It reflects that despite some recovery in some sectors others are languishing and the overall economy is still stalled,” said investor analyst Sandip Sabharwal.

SC frowns upon Covid notices outside homes

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

The Supreme Court on Tuesday disapproved of pasting posters outside Covid-19 patients' houses, saying once posters were pasted on their homes, they were treated as untouchables even as the Centre said the practice was not a part of protocol prescribed for the pandemic.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta told a Bench headed by Justice Ashok Bhushan that some states on their own were following this practice to prevent the spread of the virus and the practice has nothing to do with stigmatising Covid-19 patients.

However, the Bench said the ground reality is “something different” as once such posters are pasted at their homes, they are treated as untouchables.

Mehta said the Centre has filed a reply to a petition filed by Kush Kalra after the top court's direction to consider issuing nationwide guidelines to do away with practice of pasting posters outside the homes of Covid-19 patients. — **TNS**



Women wait to cast their vote at a booth during the GHMC poll in the old city of Hyderabad on Tuesday. **PTI**

After high-octane campaigning, low voter turnout in Hyderabad

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

HYDERABAD, DECEMBER 1

After hectic campaigning that brought big national leaders to Hyderabad, the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) polling witnessed a lackluster response. The State Election Commission (SEC) authorities reported fewer than 40 per cent polling in these civic polls that had attracted national attention.

The voting turned to be a photo opportunity for people to take pictures with Telugu cine stars and local politicians. The figures released by the SEC at 5 pm were just 35.8 per cent polling.

The polling was by and large peaceful barring some skirmishes between the Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS)

Civic polls Less than 40% cast their ballot

and All-India Majlis-e-Ittehad-ul-Muslimeen (AIMIM) supporters in the old city area. BJP state president Bandi Sanjay accused the opposition workers of damaging his car and preventing him from going to some polling stations. The SEC has announced re-poll in some wards of the Malakpet segment.

By 4 pm, when two hours of polling was still pending, the SEC reported only 30 per cent voting, it went up slightly till the end of the polling, but was still “disappointing” according to some politicians. The Covid-19 pandemic and series of holidays is said to have acted as a spoilsport in terms of

lower polling percentage.

According to reports tabulated so far, Bagh Amberpet division recorded the highest turnout of 64.82 per cent while the lowest 6.77 per cent polling was seen in Monda Market.

The elections were held through paper ballots instead of Electronic Voting Machines. For voters above 80 years of age, physically challenged and those who tested Covid-19 positive after November 1, postal ballot facility was offered.

Superstar Chiranjeevi and actor Nagarjuna were among the leading Telugu film personalities who cast their votes. Chief Minister K Chandrababhan Rao's daughter and TRS leader K Kavitha and her brother KT Rama Rao cast their votes in Banjara Hills. The counting of votes will be held on December 4.

India sees 18% fall in malaria cases: WHO

UNITED NATIONS, DECEMBER 1

India made “impressive gains” in the global fight against malaria, recording the largest reduction in cases in South-East Asia from 20 million in 2000 to about 5.6 million last year, according to the World Health Organisation (WHO).

The World Malaria Report, 2020, released on Monday, said in 2019 malaria cases globally numbered about 229 million.

Last year, the disease claimed about 4,09,000 lives, compared to 4,11,000 in 2018. “Countries in South-East Asia made particularly strong progress, with reductions in cases and deaths of 73 per cent and 74 per cent, respectively. India contributed to the largest drop in cases region-wide — from 20 million to



Largest reduction in South-East Asia between 2000 & 2019

about six million,” WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said.

Malaria cases reduced by 73 per cent in the region, from 23 million in 2000 to about 6.3 million in 2019. The WHO noted the “impressive gains” made by India in the fight against malaria, with reductions in cases and deaths of 18 per cent and 20 per cent, respectively, over the last two years. — **PTI**

Jaishankar dials Oz counterpart amid Canberra-Beijing tussle

SANDEEP DIKSHIT

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Tuesday spoke to his Australian counterpart Marise Payne as a mark of solidarity after clashes on the social media and on the trade front between Canberra and China.

China has turned the screws on a wide range of imports from Australia after its government backed a demand to probe Beijing's role in the Covid spread. Australia was backing a demand being made by the US and some of its allies. The tussle entered cyber space after the Australian military was accused of murdering 39 Afghan civilians.

The social media has erupted

Communist Party asserts 'leadership' over military

Beijing: China's ruling Communist Party has reinforced its “absolute leadership” over the country's two million-strong force, asserting that the PLA should function strictly under the party's command, as Beijing plans to build a fully modern military on par with the US by 2027. **PTI**

ed with western think tanks calling on Joe Biden's transition team to demonstrate solidarity. Jaishankar's conversation with Payne should be seen as standing by Australia, an important strategic partner for India in the post-Covid world, said sources.

Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison had called an

unscheduled press conference to demand an official apology from China after one of its wolf-warrior diplomats posted a picture of an Australian soldier threatening a young child with a knife.

On Monday evening, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying counter-attacked by saying, “The Australian side has reacted so strongly to my colleague's Twitter does that mean that they think the cold-blooded murder of Afghan innocent civilians is justified while other people's condemnation of such crimes are not justified?”

The Australians seemed to be at the receiving end after the editor-in-chief of *The Global Times*, Hu Xijin, also jumped in.

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Talks inconclusive...

‘kheer’ and ‘langar’ at the border. “We just want the black laws to be rolled back,” they told Tomar, who asked farmer leaders to “identify specific issues related to farm reform Acts and share them with the government for consideration”. These issues will be discussed during the fourth round of meeting to be held on December 3. “The Government of India is always committed to protecting the interests of the farmers and is always open for discussions for their welfare,” Tomar said.

Following the three-hour meeting, farmer leaders said the agitation at Delhi borders would continue. Representatives from UP and other states are also demanding an equal footing in consultations.

Union leaders claimed

Tomar told them that “statutes could have deficiencies and that the government is willing to look into objections and deficiencies pointed out by the unions and will consider changing the same”.

While farmers are willing to settle for nothing but a complete rollback of five laws (the three “black” laws, the newly enacted ordinance on air quality management in Delhi-NCR and the electricity Bill 2020), the government too is firm on its stance. Farmer leaders say the laws are “more than 90 per cent wrong”. “If the government wants new laws, it will have to first consult farmers. These are like a death sentence for the farmers and we will not allow corporates in Punjab.”

JJP toughens...

FROM PAGE 1

shouldn't have any problem in giving a written assurance to the protesting farmers on the minimum support price (MSP) when senior BJP leaders, including the PM, were giving this assurance verbally.

When asked that did his statement mean that the JJP could have a rethink on its alliance with the BJP in Haryana in case there was no positive outcome of the talks, Digvijay said he was not saying this, but certainly the senior leadership of the party was watching the developments with political aspects in mind.

Shirtless man during hearing earns SC ire

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court was on Tuesday shocked to see a shirtless man on screen during a virtual hearing. “This is not done... Even after seven-eight months of video-conferencing hearings, these things are happening,” a Bench headed by Justice L Nageswara Rao said after witnessing the unusual scene. This is not the first time such an incident has happened during virtual hearings in the top court which has been functioning in a restricted manner via video-conferencing due to the Covid-19 pandemic. **TNS**

Contempt action against comic artist overtweets

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 1

Attorney General KK Venugopal has granted consent to initiate criminal contempt of court proceedings against comic artist Rachita Taneja for her tweets allegedly scandalising the Supreme Court.

A law student, Aditya Kashyap, had sought Venugopal's consent as the consent of either the Attorney General or the Solicitor General is necessary, under section 15 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, for initiating contempt proceedings against a person in the SC.

Kashyap had sought the AG's consent to initiate contempt of court proceedings against Taneja citing a caricature that allegedly depicted a quid pro quo relationship between the judiciary and the government with regard to the Ayodhya verdict. — **TNS**

Centre: Neverspoke of vaccinating all

the Drug Controller General of India, after reviewing safety data from trials, did not find any cause to halt trials.

“Initial causality analysis of the reported adverse event did not necessitate stoppage of the Serum Institute Covid vaccine trial,” ICMR chief said maintaining that due processes laid down under the clinical trial framework were followed in respect of two adverse events reported so far.

“Both trials are in now phase 3,” the Health Secretary said. Asked if those already infected with Covid would get the vaccine, the ICMR said, “The WHO guidance says the vaccine, when ready, can be administered to anyone, including those who have already contracted Covid and have antibodies.”

Court orders framing of...

Dhillon, Tayal and Jaswant Singh, former Chief Town Planner of the TCP Department, for being devoid of merit.

Builder Atul Bansal, who allegedly earned maximum profits in the scam, has been declared a proclaimed offender.

“The court has ruled that Hooda and other accused would face trial in the case. The actual charges to be framed for trial would be decided during the next hearing,” said Amit Dudeja, one of the defence counsels.

Tayal, Chatter Singh and Dhillon served as Principal Secretary to the CM during the Hooda regime.

The next date of hearing in the case is December 17.

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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER - MCPH Division No. 1			
1.	Supply of PAC 2010 (Poly Aluminium Chloride) including carriage loading, unloading and stacking in the store at Water Works Sector-39 and Sector-12, Chandigarh for the period of 12 months (Ch to: Revenue Head). Re-invited Estimated Cost: Rs. 54,37,500/- Tender Fee: Rs. 3,000/-	28.11.2020 To 05.12.2020 upto 6.55 PM	07.12.2020 at 10.00 AM
2.	Dismantling of existing PSC pipe line and providing, fixing, laying and testing of 1200mm dia MS pipe line with cement mortar lining and coating for supplying raw water from Kajuli to Water Works Sector-39, Chandigarh coming under the widening stretch of Kharar-Ludhiana road (NH-95) near Village Mankheri, Punjab (Ch to: Deposit Work for NHA). Re-invited Estimated Cost: Rs. 10,78,880/- Tender Fee: Rs. 1,000/-	28.11.2020 To 05.12.2020 upto 6.55 PM	07.12.2020 at 10.00 AM
3.	Urgent plugging of leakage in 1200mm dia PSC line of Phase-III from Water Works Kajuli to Chandigarh under the jurisdiction of MCPH Sub Division No 1, Chandigarh (Ch to: Revenue Head) Estimated Cost: Rs. 9,09,000/- Tender Fee: Rs. 1,000/-	28.11.2020 To 05.12.2020 upto 6.55 PM	07.12.2020 at 10.00 AM
4.	Repair/recarpeting of paver block walkway around 04 No UGRs and other allied works at Water Works Sector-52, under MCPH Sub Division No 1, Chandigarh (Ch to: Revenue Head) Estimated Cost: Rs. 7,73,900/- Tender Fee: Rs. 1,000/-	28.11.2020 To 05.12.2020 upto 6.55 PM	07.12.2020 at 10.00 AM
5.	P/F of barbed wire, MS covers on ventilators / sluice valve haudies at UGRs brick work, cement concrete and other allied work at Water Works, Sector 26 and 32, Chandigarh (Ch to: Revenue Head) Estimated Cost: Rs. 6,99,400/- Tender Fee: Rs. 1,000/-	28.11.2020 To 05.12.2020 upto 6.55 PM	07.12.2020 at 10.00 AM
6.	Repair of CI pipe line cracks and plugging of leakages in rising mains of tubewell feeding to Water Works Sector-12, 26 and 32, Chandigarh (Ch to: Revenue Head) Estimated Cost: Rs. 6,92,000/- Tender Fee: Rs. 1,000/-	28.11.2020 To 05.12.2020 upto 6.55 PM	07.12.2020 at 10.00 AM
7.	P/F of LED street lights alongwith laying of 16mm2 cable passes through corrugated HDPE pipe, electrical installations and other allied works at Water Works Sector-52 under MCPH Sub Division No 1, Chandigarh (Ch to: Revenue Head) Estimated Cost: Rs. 5,39,200/- Tender Fee: Rs. 1,000/-	28.11.2020 To 05.12.2020 upto 6.55 PM	07.12.2020 at 10.00 AM
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8.	Op. and mtc. watch and ward of tubewells and booster pumping machinery and op. of chlorine dosing system at various installations in Manimajra alongwith Village Kishangarh, Manimajra, UT Chandigarh (under the charge of SDE MCPH Sub Division No.20, Chandigarh) (Ch. to 2215 (Revenue) A/mtc. of w/s and running of U/wells at Manimajra, Chandigarh) App. Amount: Rs 1,77,47,440/- Time Limit: 12 Months	27.11.2020 To 07.12.2020 at 01:00 P.M	07.12.2020 at 03:00 P.M
9.	Comprehensive operation, maintenance and watch ward of public toilets in various markets including the maintenance of civil, public health, electrical works complete in all respects under the MCPH Sub Division no. 9 & 15 Chandigarh (Ch. to: A/mtc. of toilet blocks) Revenue Head. App. Amount: Rs. 93,96,000/- Time Limit: 12 Months	27.11.2020 To 07.12.2020 at 01:00 P.M	07.12.2020 at 03:00 P.M
10.	Comprehensive operation, maintenance and watch ward of public toilets in various markets including the maintenance of civil, public health, electrical works complete in all respects under the MCPH Sub Division no. 8 & 14 Chandigarh (Ch. to: A/mtc. of toilet blocks) Revenue Head. App. Amount: Rs. 73,08,000/- Time Limit: 12 Months	27.11.2020 To 07.12.2020 at 01:00 P.M	07.12.2020 at 03:00 P.M
11.	Comprehensive operation, maintenance and watch ward of public toilets in various markets including the maintenance of civil, public health, electrical works complete in all respects under the MCPH Sub Division no. 20 Chandigarh (Ch. to: Sewerage System). App. Amount: Rs. 62,64,000/- Time Limit: 12 Months	27.11.2020 To 07.12.2020 at 01:00 P.M	07.12.2020 at 03:00 P.M
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12.	Shifting of existing water supply pipe line by providing and laying of 6" id & 16" id DI water supply line coming in the alignment of the power grid 220/66 KV GIS Sub Station adjoining village Hallomajra, UT, Chandigarh (Deposit work). App. Amount: Rs 11,46,842/- Time Limit: 01 Month	28.11.2020 To 04.12.2020 at 01:00 P.M	04.12.2020 at 03:00 P.M
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER - MCPH Division No. 4			
13.	Operation and maintenance of Sewage Treatment Plant Dhanas based on SBR Technology including upkeep of Machinery, Instrumentation, PLC, sensors etc. and also including all sorts of Data cables/control and cost of upkeep of live ware, software and hardware complete in all respects. Agency shall also ensure upkeep of PLC room including maintenance of display, demonstration databank of all parameters, labor component, operation and maintenance of laboratory and providing all sorts of consumables for laboratory and STP required therefor. App. Amount: Rs. 49,70,911/- Time Limit: 12 Months	27.11.2020 To 07.12.2020 at 05:00 P.M	08.12.2020 at 10:00 A.M
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