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External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar with US Secretary of State Antony Blinken in Washington. AP/PTI

## EAM takes up China border crisis with top US officials

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NEW DELHI, MAY 29

The partnership between the US and India was vital, strong and increasingly productive, said US Secretary of State Antony Blinken while listing India-China border situation as one of the major topics discussed with External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar during his visit to Washington.

Security issues were high on Jaishankar's US visit and the Quad, the US-India defence partnership itself, Afghanistan and Myanmar were the common ground he

### GETS ASSURANCE ON COVID FIGHT

“In earlier days of Covid, India was there for the US, something we'll never forget. Now, we want to make sure that we're there for and with India.”

Antony Blinken, US SECRETARY OF STATE

covered with US Defence Secretary Lloyd Austin and NSA Jake Sullivan. The subject also figured in the External Affairs Minister's engagements with US lawmakers.

Sullivan, in his meeting with Jaishankar, reaffirmed the Biden administration's commitment to deepening the US-India partnership and discussed a broad range of issues, including Covid relief, efforts to strengthen Indo-Pacific cooperation through the Quad, and a shared commitment to combating the climate crisis and enhancing multilateral cooperation, including at the UNSC, said US State Department spokesperson Ned Price.

Jaishankar had travelled to the US against the backdrop of his stalled conversation

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## Refugees from 3 nations can apply for citizenship

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NEW DELHI, MAY 29

The Centre has issued a notification inviting applications from the immigrants belonging to minority communities from Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Bangladesh, residing in 13 districts of Gujarat, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Haryana and Punjab to apply for Indian citizenship.

According to the notification issued by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), the 13 districts in five states are Morbi, Rajkot, Patan and Vadodara in Gujarat; Durg and Balodabazar in Chhattisgarh; Jalor, Udaipur, Pali, Barmer and Sirohi in Rajasthan; Faridabad in Haryana and Jalandhar in Punjab.

### Move backdoor entry of CAA: Left

NEW DELHI, MAY 29  
The Centre's move to invite citizenship applications from members of minority communities from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh reveals the government's "fascist character" and is a way to give a "backdoor entry" to the CAA-2019, the Left parties alleged today.

"Subterfuge. Rules under CAA-2019 not framed, yet the Centre issues gazette notification to implement it. Petitions challenging validity of the CAA remain unheard. Hope the SC takes this up promptly & stops backdoor implementation," CPI general secretary Sitaram Yechury tweeted.

CPI general secretary D Raja said the move "exposes the fascist character" of the government. — PTI

### DIRECTIVE FOR 13 DISTS

The applications will be accepted in Morbi, Rajkot, Patan and Vadodara districts of Gujarat

Durg & Balodabazar in C'garh

Jalore, Udaipur, Pali, Barmer and Sirohi in Rajasthan

Faridabad in Haryana and Jalandhar in Punjab

Haryana and Jalandhar in Punjab. The collectors of these districts would have "the powers exercisable by the Centre for the registration as a citizen of India under Section 5, or for grant of certificate of naturalisation under Section 6 of the Citizenship Act, 1955, in respect of such applicants, it said.

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## Gangster's aides nabbed for killing 2 Punjab ASIs

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CHANDIGARH, MAY 29  
The Punjab Police have arrested two aides of a gangster accused of killing ASIs Bhagwan Singh and Dalwinder Singh at a grain market in Jagraon on May 15.

The accused — Baljinder Singh alias Babbi of Moga and Darshan Singh of Ludhiana, both associates of gangster Jaipal Bhullar — were nabbed from Dabba in Gwalior (MP) on Friday evening.

Their aide Harcharan Singh, who had allegedly given shelter to them, was also arrested. DGP Dinkar Gupta said the accused had gone to Jagraon in a Canter to pick Jaipal and another gangster Jaspreet alias Jassi Baba. The two ASIs cornered them on seeing some drugs in the Canter. Darshan opened fire at

Baljinder Singh Darshan Singh

HAD SHOT COPS IN JAGRAON ON MAY 15

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### IN BRIEF

Bail for Kalra in black-marketing case

NEW DELHI: A Delhi court on Saturday granted bail to businessman Navneet Kalra in the oxygen concentrator black-marketing case, saying he had clean antecedents and would not tamper with evidence. — TNS

2 civilians die in J&K as ultras open fire

SRINAGAR: Two civilians, Sanjeev Ah Paray (19) and Shan Bhat (35), were killed in firing by militants at Jabilpora in Anantnag district of Jammu and Kashmir on Saturday, the police said. — PTI

MeToo: Tamil lyricist 'returns' award

CHENNAI: Tamil lyricist Vairamuthu has announced 'returning' the ONV literary prize following protests against the award to a songwriter facing 'MeToo' charges. — PTI

## Didi asks Modi not to recall Chief Secy

Says ready to touch PM's feet for Bengal's sake | Accuses Centre of pursuing vendetta

SHUBHADEEP CHOUDHURY  
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KOLKATA, MAY 29

Maintaining that the meeting held by PM Narendra Modi in Kalaikunda on Friday to discuss cyclone relief was "stuffed with BJP representatives" and was not between her and the PM, as was notified, West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee on Saturday asked the Centre to withdraw its order recalling Chief Secretary Alapan Bandyopadhyay to Delhi.

Addressing the media here, she alleged the PM and Union Home Minister were trying to create problems for her government as they were yet to come to terms with the BJP defeat in the Assembly elections. The CM said she was

ready to touch Modi's feet, if told to do so, for the sake of West Bengal's development.

"Because you (Modi and Shah) cannot digest BJP's defeat in Bengal, you have started creating problems for us. Recalling the Chief Secretary amid the Covid crisis shows the Centre is indulging in political vendetta," the feisty TMC supremo said.

On her skipping the cyclone review meeting, Mamata explained: "It was originally decided that only the PM and CM would meet. Later, a revised list was given which looked like a big BJP team,"

Mamata said, accusing the PM of creating "confusion and confrontation" each time he visited Bengal. The CM said that accompanied by the

Chief Secretary, she met the PM and handed over the papers on cyclone losses. "I sought PM's permission to leave as the weather was bad and I had to visit Digha. There was no need for me to be there. Anyway, the chairs were too far from where the

PM was seated," she held. Mamata, reportedly upset over the PM's decision to invite Leader of the Opposition Suvenu Adhikari to the meeting, questioned him on not giving due recognition to the Opposition in Parliament. She also asked why Modi had

### LET HIM WORK FOR THE COVID-HIT

“I appeal to you to end this political vendetta, withdraw the letter (calling back CS) and allow him to work for Covid and cyclone-affected people.”  
West Bengal CM

not called the Opposition leader during his recent Gujarat visit. "The Opposition leader was not present at the Bhubaneswar meeting too," she pointed out. Bandyopadhyay, who was to retire on May 31, was given a three-month extension on state government's request. Mamata said the state government was not consulted prior to calling the CS back to New Delhi and that her government might explore legal options regarding the matter.

She said her government might explore legal options with regard to Bandyopadhyay's transfer. Bengal BJP chief Dilip Ghosh alleged the CM skipped meeting to avoid giving detail of her Rs 20,000 cr demand for cyclone relief.

## Free education, ₹10 lakh aid for Covid orphans

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NEW DELHI, MAY 29

The Centre today announced a number of welfare measures for children who had lost both parents to Covid, including ensuring a corpus of Rs 10 lakh when they turn 18 and providing for their education.

All such children who have lost both parents or surviving parent or legal guardian or foster parents will be supported under the 'PM Cares for Children' scheme. The announce-

### PM CARES: MONTHLY STIPEND FOR 5 YEARS

■ A ₹10 lakh corpus will be created for orphaned kids when they turn 18  
■ Corpus will be used to give stipend for five years till the age of 23  
■ At 23, the corpus will be given as lump-sum for per-



sonal or professional use  
■ Free education in Sainik Schools, Navodaya Vidyalayas, private schools  
■ ₹5 lakh health insurance till the age of 18 years  
■ All contributions to be made from PM Cares Fund

FAMILY PENSION FOR DEPENDENTS OF VICTIMS  
ment came following a meeting, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.  
The measures include a fixed deposit in the name of the children in which PM Cares will contribute through a specially designed scheme to

create a corpus of Rs 10 lakh when they turn 18 years old.

This corpus will be used to give a monthly financial support and stipend from 18 years of age, for the next five years to take care of the child's personal requirements during the period of higher education. On turning 23, the children will get the corpus amount as one lump-sum for personal and professional use.

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MODI 2.0 TOUGH ROAD AHEAD, P18

## Centre flags vaccination trend in hotels

NEW DELHI: The Centre has flagged the trend of certain big hotels offering Covid vaccinations in collaboration with private hospitals and asked state governments to initiate action against them. In a letter to the Principal Secretaries (Health), the Union Additional Secretary said it had come to light that certain private hospitals were offering vaccination in collaboration with hotels. — TNS

## Martyr's widow joins Army



Lt Gen YK Joshi at the piping ceremony as Nitika Kaul, widow of martyr Major Vibhuti Shankar Dhondiyal, gets the coveted stars.

## Pb positivity rate declines to 5.8%

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CHANDIGARH, MAY 29

Punjab's Covid positivity rate has dropped to 5.89 per cent from 13.51 per cent in nearly two weeks, pointing towards a possible downward curve of the pandemic.

According to the Health Department, the state was witnessing around 9,000 cases and over 200 deaths every day till about two weeks ago. The daily cases have come down to 3,000-4,000. However, the case fatality rate, which is

### HIGH FATALITY RATE REMAINS A WORRY

■ The case fatality rate in Punjab remains high at 2.4%  
■ Till about two weeks ago, the state was reporting around 200 deaths per day  
■ It is still witnessing around 150 deaths per day even as daily cases are down by 50%

2.4 per cent, continues to be a cause of concern, with the state still reporting around

150 deaths per day. The state's positivity rate was 13.51 per cent on May 12 with many districts, including Bathinda, Fazilka and Mohali, recording more than the average rate.

The positivity rate for the last week (May 22-28) was 5.89 per cent. It dropped to 5.12 per cent on Friday. With the situation getting better, it may decline further, say officials. The number of active cases too has dipped from 79,963 on May 12 to 44,964 on May 28.

(with PTI inputs)

## Cong panel's one-on-one meetings to end Pb unit rift start tomorrow

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NEW DELHI, MAY 29

The Congress panel on Punjab affairs will kickstart its proceedings from Monday with one-on-one meetings, starting with state unit president Sunil Jakhar.

The panel, led by Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge, met at AICC headquarters this morning for three hours. It decided to conduct meetings with state leaders, starting with the PCC chief, MLAs and

then ministers, MPs, past presidents and finally the CM. "The panel plans to wind up discussions with MLAs by the first week of June," AICC general secretary incharge of Punjab Harish Rawat said.

Asked under what category former minister Navjot Singh Sidhu would fall for the purpose of deliberations, he replied: "Sidhu is an important leader of Punjab. He can come as an MLA or separately as he wants. Harish Rawat Rahal calls up 3 ministers, including Channi

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# Oxygen demand drops, state heaves sigh of relief

Consumption down by 70 MT in past 10 days

NITIN JAIN

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LUDHIANA, MAY 29

In what appears to be a sign of gradual retreat and plateauing of the devastating second Covid wave, the demand of medical oxygen in the state has dropped considerably.

Giving a much-needed respite and a sigh of relief to the government, the consumption of life-saving gas for both Covid and non-Covid patients has come down by almost 70 metric tonne (MT) in the past 10 days, officials said.

Data compiled by the Health and Family Welfare Department revealed the medical oxygen demand had dipped to a record low of 236.8 MT on May 26 after touching its peak at 304.1 MT on May 17. This included 274.4 MT for Covid and 29.7 MT for non-Covid use on May 17 and 209.3 MT for Covid and 27.5 MT for non-Covid consumption on May 26.

With the constant decline in the daily cases and also the number of critical patients put on ventilator support during the past 10 days, the state has been witnessing a decrease in the demand of



Workers carry cylinders for supply to hospitals in Jalandhar. FILE

## SANITISATION DRIVE BY CONG IN ABOHAR

**Abohar:** With rapid antigen tests indicating Covid positivity in 15-20 per cent of people and 82 deaths being recorded in the district this month, the Congress on Saturday engaged 35 tractors for sanitisation of various localities here. oc

medical oxygen on a day-on-day basis. Official figures showed the consumption of life-saving gas fell to 303.4 MT on May 18, further to 296.8 MT (May 19), 286.9 MT (May 20), 281.5 MT (May 21), 278.7 MT (May 22), 268.2 MT (May 23), 263.6 MT (May 24), and 244.5 MT on (May 25).

With the projected daily demand of 235 MT, Punjab has been allocated 215 MT medical oxygen by the Central

tre from outside the state, of which only 90 to 100 MT was now being lifted on an average daily from outside in view of the decline in the oxygen consumption. Besides, the state was producing 32 MT life-saving gas from its own resources. The state was left with 450 MT excess life-saving gas after consuming 7,971.2 MT of the total available 8,421.2 MT stock from April 26 to May 24.

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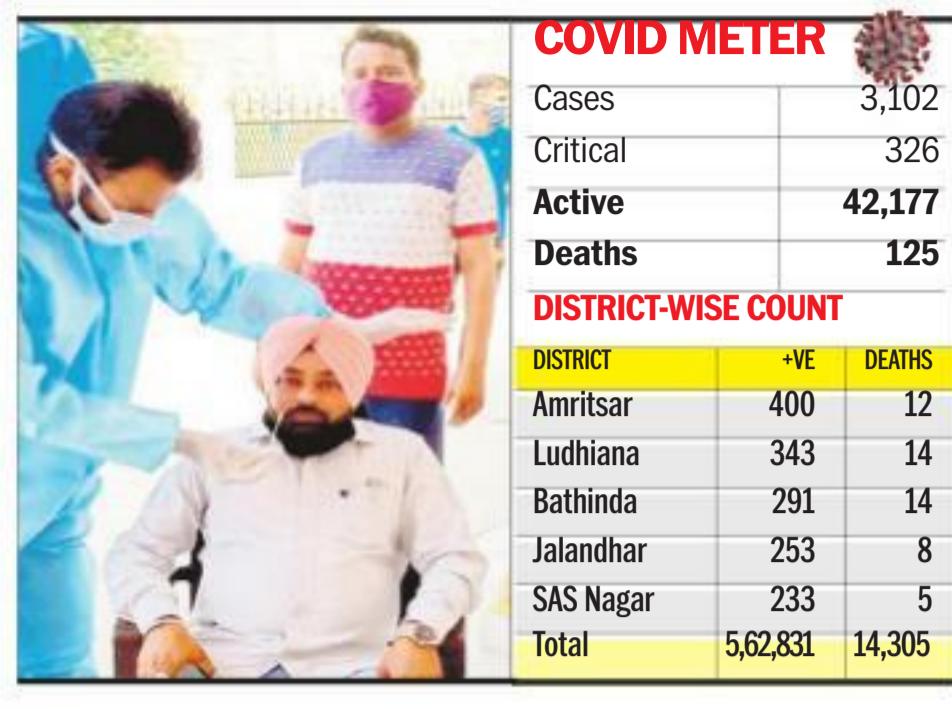
BATHINDA/MUKTSAR, MAY 29

After registering a spike in cases and mortality rate for the past few weeks, Bathinda district has shown signs of recovery. Both positivity and mortality rate have come down significantly in the district.

While around two weeks ago, 20 to 25 patients were dying of Covid daily, the number has come down to seven to 10 now as per records of the Health Department.

The recovery rate has improved and active cases have also come down. As per data, while 137 patients died of Covid between May 15 and

# Cases, fatalities on the decline across districts



May 21, the number halved this week with 80 deaths from May 22 to May 28. Similarly, active cases have also come down from 7,264 on May 15 to 3,746 on May 28.

Dr Tejwant Singh Dhillon, Civil Surgeon, Bathinda, said, "The combined efforts of people and administration resulted in reduction of cases and mortality. People

are more aware now. We have conducted testing on a mass scale in rural areas where the impact of the second wave was more intense. Every disease has its own pattern. There is overall decline in the number of cases everywhere now."

Meanwhile, the graph of fresh Covid cases and deaths has also come down in Muktsar district.

For instance, 1,626 people tested positive and 55 died between May 23 and 29 in the district. In comparison, 2,929 people had tested positive and 86 died between May 16 and 22 in the district. The maximum 19 deaths were reported in the district on May 16 and

18. Similarly, the maximum number of fresh cases — 619 — were reported on May 17. The minimum number of patients — 120 — were reported on May 29. Dr Ranju Singla, Chief Medical Officer, Muktsar, said, "Due to speedy Covid testing, vaccination, efforts of the staff and awareness among people, the number of Covid cases has come down in the district."

She said people should not trust rumours about the Covid testing or vaccination. "The tests and vaccines are safe, thus there is no need to worry. People should cooperate with the state government at this juncture," she said.

## 50 lakh vaccinated to date

CHANDIGARH, MAY 29

The state's Covid vaccination drive today crossed the 50-lakh dose mark.

State nodal officer for vaccination Vikas Garg said as on May 29, a total of 50,05,767 doses of vaccine had been administered in Punjab.

Garg said of the quota received from the Government of India for frontline, health workers and people above 45 years of age, as many as 45.53 lakh vaccines had been administered in the state while a

Includes those who have taken first dose



total of 4.52 lakh people in the age group of 18-44 years had been inoculated.

He said of the 45.53 lakh doses, 41.40 lakh people had got the jab of Covishield vaccine while as many as 4.13 lakh had been administered Covaxin. These include 38.01 lakh people getting the first dose and 7.52 lakh who got the second dose.

The 4.29 lakh Covishield doses had been purchased at the cost of Rs 13.25 crore and 1,14,190 doses of Covaxin were procured at a cost of Rs 4.70 crore, Garg said. —TNS

## Ambulance driver killed in mishap, one injured

FATEHGHAR SAHIB, MAY 29

An ambulance driver was killed and a co-driver injured in an accident on the Sirhind-Patiala road late last night.

The accident occurred when the driver, in a bid to save a stray cow, lost control of the vehicle and it hit a roadside tree. The driver, identified as Hardeep Singh (29),

referred to a Ludhiana hospital in a critical condition.

ASI Piara Singh said Hardeep and Labh, residents of Mullanpur Dakha and Ludhiana, respectively, were ambulance drivers with ESIC Model Hospital, Ludhiana.

They were returning to Ludhiana after dropping off a Covid patient at Rajindra hospital, Patiala, when their ambulance met with an accident around 1 am. —OC

## Bathinda sees four black fungus deaths in 3 days

SUKHMEET BHASIN

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BATHINDA, MAY 29

Seven fresh cases and four deaths due to black fungus in the past three days in the district have set the alarm ringing for the authorities.

As per official figures, 45 cases of the Covid-triggered infection have been reported in the district so far of which 25 are from Bathinda, while the rest are from outside the district.

Though the Civil Hospital is not equipped to treat the disease, the local unit of AIIMS has started the treatment after constituting a task force.

Bathinda AIIMS Director Dr DK Singh said: "We have started treating black fungus. Injections to treat the infection are being sup-

plied by the central government and now the state government has also assured us of the supply."

Covid has also started affecting eyes as cases of retinal haemorrhage and conjunctivitis are being reported in the district.

Dr Parul Gupta, an ophthalmologist, said: "We have seen patients with retinal haemorrhage. Conjunctivitis is also common among Covid-recovered patients."

She said: "Repeated reuse of masks without washing is one of the main reasons of black fungus. So, everyone should wash and air dry cotton masks daily and discard medical, surgical and N95 masks after using once."

Health expert Dr Vitul K Gupta said: "Probable reasons for the surge in black fungus cases are being studied. The probable causes may be unhygienic way of delivering oxygen, that too industrial, indiscriminate use of steroids, unsanitary use of masks, contaminated humidifiers,

low oxygen, diabetes, high iron levels, immunosuppression, prolonged hospitalisation with mechanical ventilators and excessive use of zinc."

Bathinda Civil Surgeon Dr Tejwant Singh Dhillon said: "As many as 45 cases of black fungus have been reported here so far but most of them have recovered. There is no shortage of injections, but black fungus is a priority-based treatment. An injection will only be given to those who need it."

He said: "We are fully supporting AIIMS and have asked them to increase the beds for the black fungus patients. We have also provided them with injections and other support for the benefit of patients."

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## Varsity to recruit 143 paramedics

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FARIDKOT, MAY 29

Amid growing pressure on medical and paramedical staff in government medical colleges of the state, the Baba Farid University of Health Sciences (BFUHS) is going to conduct a written test to recruit 143 paramedics on Sunday here.

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Govt plans to hire specialist doctors too



has also been set up for the Covid-positive candidates. As per the latest information from the BFUHS, six candidates have tested positive, so they would appear for the test at the isolation exam centre.

Other than making recruitment of the paramedical staff, the Department of Medical Education and Research is going to hire services of specialist doctors.

Post-graduate doctors in microbiology and anaesthesia are in a high demand in the medical colleges in the wake of the Covid-19 outbreak. Amritsar and Patiala medical colleges have a demand of 22 anaesthetists.

After the outbreak, anaesthetists are required by hospitals, especially for intubating Covid patients on ventilators at the intensive care units.

"They insert intravenous injection lines, food pipes, intubate ventilator patients and manage extremely critical cases," said Dr Raj Bahadur, Vice Chancellor, BFUHS.

## SSP plays Good Samaritan, takes vendor to hospital

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BARNALA, MAY 29

Krishan Kumar, who is suffering from various ailments, had been lying in the grain market here for the last eight months without food and clothes.

However, after the PCR cops saw him, they informed Sandeep Goel, SSP, Barnala, who got him admitted to the Civil Hospital for treatment.

"After suffering from various ailments, I had been lying in the grain market. I am thankful to the SSP who got me admitted here for treatment," Krishan said.

Doctors are trying to treat his multiple problems, including avascular necrosis hip and rheumatoid arthritis.

"Krishan was in good health one-and-a-half years ago and was earning his livelihood by selling vegetables, but after his rehire was hit by a vehicle, he suffered fracture in the back bone. Later, due to financial issues, he couldn't get proper treatment. We have started his treatment," said Dr Harish Kumar.

The SSP said he had asked doctors to provide the best treatment to Krishan. "We will arrange the required money for him," he added.



Women activists at a farmers' protest in Patiala on Saturday. TRIBUNE PHOTO: RAJESH SACHAR

## Give financial relief to kin of Covid victims: Farmers

PATIALA, MAY 29

Hundreds of farmers under the aegis of the Bhartiya Kisan Union (BKU Ugraj) today continued with their three-day protest in Patiala alleging the Centre and state government had failed to act against the spread of Covid-19.

On the second day of the agitation, 1,500 farmers gathered at the PUDA ground ensuring social distancing. They wore masks, carried sanitiser and water bottles.

General secretary

Question state govt over 'non-functional' ventilators

Sukhdev Singh Kokrikalan said: "The Punjab Government should tell us where the money allocated to the Health Department was spent. Last year, they got Rs 1,000 crore, but no one knows where it was spent. Why all available ventilators in Punjab are still non-functional? They should answer why out of 2,010 lev-



Summer camps go online; storytelling art projects in offing

MOGA, MAY 29

At a time when the second wave of Covid is at its peak and children are studying from home, the government is organising online summer camps for government school students.

In these camps, the emphasis is being laid on English and social studies subjects. The Education Department claims efforts have been made to make summer vacation useful. The activities of various subjects have been listed under the project 'Padho Punjab' by the State Council of Education Research and Training.

Education officials said a total of 13 activities had been suggested for English subject, including handwriting, public speaking, show and tell, storytelling, poem recitation, newspaper/book review and scrap book preparation. Media research officer Dr Davinder Singh Chhina said: "Under social studies, students have been asked to prepare a map of school/village/home, to make scrapbooks from different types of soils, to collect scrapbooks by collecting pictures of historical buildings and patriots." —TNS



Extramarital relation no ground to deny child's custody to mother: HC

SAURABH MALIK

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CHANDIGARH, MAY 29

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has ruled that extramarital relationship of a mother was no ground to deny the child's custody in case of a marital dispute. Justice Anupinder Singh Grewal asserted it did not indicate she was not a good mother.

Justice Grewal also ruled that modern times were replete with instances of children, raised by the single parent, growing up to become responsible adults contributing to nation-building in various fields. "It is fairly common to cast aspersions on the moral character of a woman. More often than not these allegations are made without any basis or foundation. Even assuming a woman is, or has been, in an extramarital relationship, the same by itself cannot lead to the conclusion that she would not be a good mother to deny her the custody of her child," Justice Grewal asserted.

The assertion by Justice Grewal came on a habeas corpus petition by a mother settled in Australia for the release of her four-year-old daughter from her estranged husband's custody. The husband had alleged during the hearing that the petitioner was in an extramarital relationship with his relative.

Justice Grewal asserted the allegations were wholly unsubstantiated and could not be considered relevant to adjudicate the issue. The child would require mother's love, care and affection for her development in the formative years. The mother's support and guidance would also be imperative during adolescence. The mother, in any case, was the child's natural guardian till the age of five in terms of Section 6 of the Hindu Minority and Guardianship Act, 1956.

"In the facts and circumstances, especially when there is an order of the Australian court, the child is under five years of age, she is an Australian citizen and the petitioner is fairly well settled in Australia, I am of the view that it would be in the best interest of the child if her custody is handed to the petitioner-mother," Justice Grewal added.

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**IN BRIEF****Man shot over land dispute**

Gurdaspur: A man was killed, while his wife and a nephew were seriously injured in alleged firing by a villager over a land dispute at Khokhar village on Saturday. While some villagers claimed the crime had its genesis in political rivalry, senior police officers discounted the theory, claiming a decade-old land dispute was the reason. TNS

**DC offices' staff on strike**

Chandigarh: Work in the DC offices across the state has come to a halt as the Punjab Deputy Commissioners' Employees Union has gone on an indefinite strike over unfulfilled demands. State general secretary Joginder Kumar Zira and state chairman Om Parkash Singh said their main demands were filling of vacancies, more promotion channels for the steno cadre and clerks, etc. TNS

**Road after Baba Meenah Singh**  
Chandigarh: PWD and School Education Minister Vijay Inder Singh on Saturday said the government had decided to name the Malaud-Butahari Pul road after Sant Baba Meenah Singh (Riar Wale). He said local leaders led by Payal MLA Lakhbir Singh Lakha had sent a representation seeking naming of the road after the religious leader. TNS

**Tribune News Service****FAIRDOT, MAY 29**

The special investigation team (SIT) of Punjab Police, probing sacrilegious incidents, today moved court seeking production warrant of two dera followers—Sukhjinder Singh and Baljit Singh—in a case relating to pasting of derogatory posters near a Bargari gurdwara in 2015.

This came as the court of judicial magistrate remanded

## SIT seeks production warrant of two dera men

**SACRILEGE CASES: 'REPENTANCE DAY' ON JUNE 1**

**BATHINDA:** Sikh organisations on Saturday decided to stage a protest at Bargari on June 1, which would be observed as 'Day of Repentance', over the desecration of Guru Granth Sahib. SAD (Amritsar) leader Jaskaran Singh Kahan Singh Wala said seven years had elapsed since the desecration but the Sikh community had not received justice yet. TNS

ed two other Dera Sacha Sauda followers—Shakti Singh and Ranjit Singh—in judicial custody. On May 16, six dera men, including the four, were arrested by the

**NO CABLES FOR MAINTENANCE WORK**

■ A senior engineer claims there are no cables to carry out maintenance work in many districts

■ Ajay Pal Singh Atwal, general secretary, PSEB Engineers Federation, says: "Distribution

transformers, insulators, cables and cable boxes are in limited supply"

■ The management says it's due to lockdown, but engineers say the management has failed to procure the material in time

**TARIFF CUT EYEWASH**

■ The govt is projecting ₹1 cut in tariff of those who have 2-kW connection for first 200 units, which must be free as was the case under SAD. The truth is tariff has been increased.

Sukhbir Singh Badal, SAD CHIEF



The PSPCL Chief Managing Director recently asked all superintending engineers not to approach him for any material and instead coordinate with the chief engineer concerned. The CMD has also sought an explanation from senior engineers in Gurdaspur and Ludhiana who wrote to him directly, citing shortage.

Engineers fear manhandling in villages in case of power failure during peak season in the

absence of essential material. "This year, the situation is even worse. Distribution transformers, insulators, cables and cable boxes are in limited supply in many districts," said Ajay Pal Singh Atwal, general secretary, PSEB Engineers Federation.

Vinod Gupta, spokesman, All India Power Engineers Federation, said the non-availability of critical material and lax decision making was detrimental to energy securi-

ty of the state. "Putting onus on field engineers for on-the-spot purchase shows they will be held accountable in case of power pangs," he said.

Denying the allegations, PSPCL CMD A Venu Prasad said: "There is no financial problem and sufficient material is available. Problems are due to lockdown. We have allowed spot purchase to meet any urgent demand and have extended existing tenders."

## Drug seizure: Himachal unit 'owned' by politico

**PK JAISWAR****Tribune News Service**

**AMRITSAR, MAY 29** A day after the Amritsar (rural) police seized over 30 lakh tablets of tramadol and alprazolam from a firm, Unique Formulations, in Paonta Sahib of HP, it is learnt that the building from where these were seized belonged to a ruling party leader in the state.

Munish Mohan, proprietor of the company, told the police that he was a partner in the firm. The leader suspected to be involved in the case belongs to a prominent political family who had switched to the BJP during the 2017 Assembly polls.

"A thorough probe is underway to ascertain the role of each and every person," said Amritsar rural SSP Dhruv Dahiyा. Besides Munish, the police have



Sales credited to Delhi store, raided

booked three others, including a Chandigarh-based broker, and raids are on to nab them.

Meanwhile, the police today raided Mansi Medicos in Delhi as several receipts, including e-way bills, showed drug sales were credited to it. However, the police learnt that its proprietor Prem Kumar Jha was in the Kurukshetra Police custody in a similar case. He would be brought on production warrant.

## Girl pregnant after rape, uncle booked

**Bathinda:** A 19-year-old girl from a poor family has accused her maternal uncle of repeated rape. The matter came to light after she was found seven-month pregnant. The family lodged a complaint at the Model Town police post on Saturday. The police have recorded the victim's statement and registered a case against the suspect. The victim claimed her uncle visited them during Diwali last year to enquire about her ailing brother. He stayed there for a few days. When her mother took her brother to hospital, her uncle allegedly raped her and recorded a video, she claimed. After days of repeated rape, he threatened to upload the video on the social media if she raised the alarm. A few days ago, the victim fainted in the market and her mother took her to the hospital, where doctors said she was seven-month pregnant. ASI Baljit Singh said efforts were on to arrest the suspect. TNS

## 3 women of family end life in Sangrur

**Sangrur:** Three women of a family allegedly died by suicide after consuming a poisonous substance at Kuthala village here late on Friday. The police suspected that the maternal grandmother, her daughter and granddaughter allegedly took their life owing to poor financial condition of the family. The deceased have been identified as Harmale Kaur, 65, her widowed daughter Sukhwinder Kaur, 43, and her granddaughter Amarjeet Kaur, 19. Sukhwinder was married to Gurpreet Singh, a retired Army man. Gurpreet had passed away some time ago and his pension was the only source of income for the family. A local resident noticed the three bodies and informed the police, who shifted these to a hospital for post-mortem. "We have recovered an empty bottle of cephos. It has come to light the family was under financial crisis. We are conducting a thorough probe," said Malerkotla SP Amandeep Singh Brar. TNS

## Remembering **SRI ARUT JI MAHARAJ** Founder of the Arora Samaj



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led by  
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**Capt. Amarinder Singh**  
greets people on his  
Birth Anniversary

Department of Information & Public Relations, Punjab

## HC stays admission sans transfer certificate order

**Tribune News Service**

Petitioner calls previous ruling illegal

**CHANDIGARH, MAY 29**

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has stayed the operation of instructions permitting admission to government schools without producing a transfer certificate.

The direction by Justice Sudhir Mittal came on a petition filed by the Recognised Affiliated Schools' Association and another petitioner against the State of Punjab and other respondents. Appearing before the Bench, senior advocate Rajiv Atma Ram and DS Gandhi submitted that the order dated April 20 and another order dated September 8, 2020, were illegal and arbitrary.

Elaborating, they submitted that the Punjab School Education Board (PSEB) was insisting upon submis-

sion of transfer certificate/marks sheet/result card before a student could be admitted to another school as was evident from certain instructions.

All government schools in

Punjab were affiliated with the board and there could not be different set of instructions for government schools as done vide instructions dated September 8, 2020, and April 20. The instructions permit admission to government schools without producing a transfer certificate.

Fixing July 9 as the next date of hearing, the Bench asserted: "Meanwhile, operation of instructions dated September 8, 2020, and April 20 shall remain stayed."

## 3 Army men booked for abetting suicide

**SRIGANGANAGAR, MAY 29** The police have booked three Army men for alleged abetting of suicide by soldier Prabhdayal Singh (24) from Burj Hari village in Mansa. Prabhdayal's body was found hanging at Birdhwal camp gate in Suratgarh, Rajasthan, on May 24.

Mansa soldier had killed self on May 24

Investigation officer Om Prakash Mann said a case had been registered under Section 306 of the IPC on the statement of Navdeep Singh, uncle of the deceased. Those named in the FIR were Lt Col Paramjeet Singh, Capt Vinod Tapre and Havildar Major Uddham Singh. They had been accused of harassing Prabhdayal by forcing him to clean pots, utensils and toilets. On refusal, he was physically and mentally tortured, he claimed. — OC

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Total Availability in Covid Care Facilities	3529	530	4059

24x7 Oxygen Control Room monitoring oxygen supply

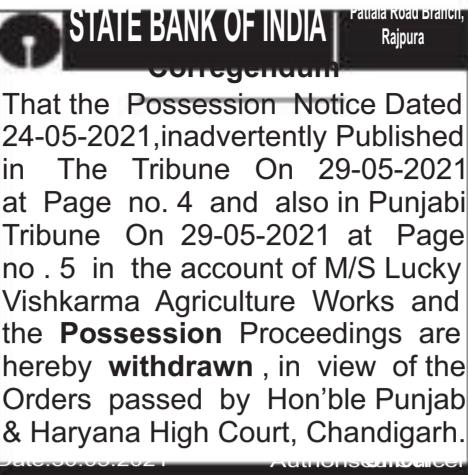
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2	Foundation Tags (White Colour) on Handmade paper	Rs. 8,000/- (Rupees Eight Thousand only)	12,00,000	

The interested firms will have to get themselves registered with <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>, and will have to obtain User ID and password for participating in the e-Procurement process. For participating in the e-Procurement process, digital signatures are essential. For more details regarding e-procurement notice and terms and conditions etc., our website <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in> can be accessed. Tenderers are required to deposit Earnest money, Tender form fee and processing fee (as mentioned on the portal) through online mode only. No other way of depositing fee will be acceptable.

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**NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION & RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.**

All of you under mentioned parties are hereby informed that the Bank has initiated proceedings against each of you under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, that the notice under Section 13(2) of the Act sent to each of you separately by Regd. Post Acknowledgement has been returned unserved. Hence each of you is hereby called upon to take notice to pay jointly and severally the outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the Bank will proceed against the below mentioned properties to realize its dues with interests and costs as contemplated under the Act. Needless to mention that the notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Bank.

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Mortgaged/ Hypothecated Assets

Date of Notice

Date of NPA

Amount Outstanding

1. Mr. Sat Pal Sidhu S/o Sh. Shadli Lal, Equitable Mortgage of House property [13.04.2021] 31.03.2021 Rs. 11,40,669.04

2. Mrs. Sonia W/o Sh. Sat Pal Sidhu, with further interest w.e.f. 31.03.2021

3. Mr. Manish Sidhu S/o Sh. Sat Pal Sidhu, thereon @ 8.80 % p.a. compounded with monthly rests and all the costs, charges & expenses incurred by the Bank, till repayment

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Mr. Pardeep Banwali S/o Mr. Subhash, no. C-197 situated at Gali No. 7, Juhar Nagar, Village Behlopur District Mohali Land measuring 12/640 share i.e. 3 Biswa comprising in Khetw/Khatoni No. 291/355, Khasra No. 856/4-0, 857 (4-0), Kite 2, total area 8 Biswa. Biswa situated at Village Behlopur, Juhar Nagar, District Mohali, owned by Mr. Ranjit Singh & Mr. Pardeep.

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**IN THE COURT OF CALA-cum-S.D.O. (C ) PAONTA SAHIB, DISTRICT SIRMAUR, (H.P.)****PUBLIC NOTICE**

Whereas the land mentioned in the below noted schedule, situated in village Bokala

Pab, Tehsil Kamrau, District Sirmaur, has been vested in the Central Government, free from

all incumbrances, for construction/widening etc. of NH-72B (New-707) (Paonta-Gumma

Section), from the date of publication of Notification, under section 3D, in the Official Gazette

i.e. on 07-05-2021. In pursuance of section 3G(3) of the National Highway Act. 1956, it is

hereby informed to all concerned right holders that claim for compensation in respect to

schedule published under section 3D of the ibid Act. Now, therefore, compensation of the

land, payable to the owners/interested persons, is to be determined by the undersigned.

Hence, all the interested persons are hereby informed to appear personally or by an

agent or by legal practitioner to submit their claims regarding compensation in my office at

Paonta or in the office of the Tehsildar, Kamrau, within ten days from the publication of this

Public Notice, failing which the compensation will be determined and announced, as per

the norms fixed by the Government, on 10th June, 2021, in Tehsil Office Kamrau.

**SCHEDULE****State: HIMACHAL PRADESH****District : Sirmaur**

Sr. No.	Survey No.	Type of land	Nature of land	Area In Hectare	Name of the Land Owner/Interested Person
1	2	3	4	5	6

**Taluk Kamrau****Village: Bokala-Pab**

1.	807/661/1	Private	Agriculture land	0.0084	Total 100 shares, Siya Ram etc.
2.	809/662	Private	Non Agriculture land	0.0168	Total 30 shares, Balbir Singh etc.
3.	933/811/679/1	Private	Non Agriculture land	0.0084	Shiva Nand s/o Rati Ram
4.	685/3/1	Private	Agriculture land	0.0464	Total 552027840 shares Puran Singh etc.

Issued under my signature and seal of the court on this 29th day of May, 2021

**Illegal casino busted****Mucormycosis cases rise to 756**

**CHANDIGARH, MAY 29** A total of 756 mucormycosis cases have been reported in Haryana so far and out of them, 58 patients have recovered. As many as 648 people are under treatment.

A technical committee today approved 975 injections of Amphotericin B for about 515 patients. A spokesperson said that out of 577 patients whose clinical data has been analysed, 442 are males and 135 are females. As many as 508 such patients were found to be suffering from diabetes.

On analysing the patients, it was found that about 86 per cent had proven history of Covid infection. He said that 498 patients had tested Covid positive and 79 patients revealed no history of the infection.

Besides this, 462 patients had been given steroid therapy, 254 had been given oxygen therapy and 61 patients had other immuno-compromised conditions. — TNS

**Overcharged by private hospitals, 3 get refund**

Hisar Civil Hospital biologist instrumental in getting the excess money back

**DEEPENDER DESWAL**

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

**HISAR, MAY 29**

A Covid-19 patient from Hanasi town was recently admitted in a private hospital in Hisar for six days. The hospital charged him Rs 1.85 lakh.

After the intervention of an official of the Civil Hospital here, the private hospital had to refund the patient Rs 1.07 lakh.

Another patient, a 55-year-old woman from Bhiwani, was admitted to the hospital on May 11 and discharged on May 22. The hospital issued a bill of Rs 1.20 lakh to her. The patient deposited Rs 1.08 lakh and the hospital demanded Rs 12,000 more from her. But, when the patient's attendants took up the matter with officials, the hospital termed the "steep charges" as a mistake by a hospital personnel and refunded her Rs 36,000 instead of asking her to deposit the "pending amount" of Rs 12,000.

According to reports, some private hospitals are indulging in fleecing patients during the pandemic in Hisar, known as the medical hub

**COVID METER**

Cases 1,868

Recovered 3,752

Active 23,094

Deaths 97

**DISTRICT-WISE COUNT**

DISTRICT +VE DEATHS

Hisar 168 15

Gurugram 126 9

Jind 121 8

State total 7,54L 8,132

« A man receives a jab at a drive-through camp on MG Road in Gurugram. s CHANDAN

**IMA FOR AUDIT OF COVID HOSPITALS IN HISAR**

■ Dr JPS Nalwa, Hisar IMA chief, said he had got some complaints of overcharging by hospitals and that he got the excess amount refunded after an inquiry

■ Dr Nalwa also issued a press release stating that the accounts of every Covid hospital should be audited to look into overcharging by some hospitals

■ "I advise all hospitals to prepare accounts and details and make it transparent so that hospital works are not affected," he said in a statement on Saturday.

of Haryana. Sources said during

the extreme surge of Covid-19, the hospitals charged exorbitant amount from the patients as there was shortage of beds and oxygen. Significantly, nearly 35% of the patients hailing from the National Capital Region and Punjab had got admission in Hisar hospitals till

about two weeks ago.

# 30 Covid cases, locals block entry to five Chhota Bhagal villages

RAVINDER SOOD

PALAMPUR, MAY 29 Residents of Bara Gram panchayat in Chhota Bhagal of Kangra district have blocked the entry and exit points of five villages after over 30 persons tested Covid positive in adjoining Luhardi and Kothi Swar villages.

Bara Gram is situated 100 km away from Palampur. Chhota Bhagal is the worst hit by the pandemic where the positivity rate crossed 40 per cent last week with two deaths. A large number of Covid patients are in home isolation.

As soon as the villagers of Bara Gram came to know about the rising number of cases in the adjoining villages, the panchayat, in a general house, passed a resolution and sealed all five villages under its jurisdiction and put up barriers. Volunteers have been deputed to keep a check on the visitors.

A report said last week no one was allowed to enter the village. A team of the Forest Department on inspection was also sent back with a request to come again when the pandemic gets over.

SDM, Palampur, Dharmesh Ramotra said



Bara Gram village panchayat in Chhota Bhagal. TRIBUNE PHOTO

## FOREST TEAM SENT BACK

A team of the Forest Department on inspection was sent back with a request to come again when the Covid pandemic gets over

Chhota Bhagal had been hit hard in the second wave of the pandemic.

He added that he had visited the villages last week and advised the villagers to follow Covid protocols.

He also distributed medicines to the affected persons. He appreciated the villagers for banning the entry of outsiders.

## 100% vaccination in Spiti

SHIMLA, MAY 29

The Spiti valley has achieved the 100 per cent target in vaccinating people above 45 years for which the district administration and the Health Department deserve appreciation, Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur said today.

He said that in Komik, the highest village connected with the motorable road, all above 18 years had been vaccinated, which was a matter of pride for not only the people of this landlocked dis-

trict, but also for the state as a whole.

He also appreciated the role of Army personnel in protecting the frontiers of the nation. Interacting with the officers of the ITBP, the Dogra Scouts and the 15th Bihar Regiment at the Army helipad, Samdoh, today, Thakur said it was due to their commitment that they were safe.

He said the state had participated in the National Ice-Hockey Championship for the first time and won the bronze medal. —TNS

# 1,262 fresh cases; 30 deaths, 11 in Kangra

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, MAY 29

As many as 1,262 Covid cases were reported in the state today, taking the tally to 188,604. Besides, 30 persons died of the virus in the past 24 hours — 11 in Kangra, five each in Mandi and Solan, four in Sirsa, three in Shimla and two in Kullu.

The highest number of 290 cases was reported in Kangra, followed by 181 in Mandi, 120 in Solan, 119 in Sirsa, 111 in Shimla, 109 in Chamba, 95 in Hamirpur, 67 in Kullu, 65 in Bilaspur, 60 in Una, 33 in Kinnaur and 12 in Lahaul and Spiti. The number of active cases reduced to 16,989.

## COVID METER

Samples tested	19,02,322
Recovered	168,524
Active	16,989
Positive	188,604
Deaths	3,070

## DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Bilaspur	11,908	66
Chamba	9,668	118
Hamirpur	13,314	222
Kangra	43,040	909
Kinnaur	2,905	35
Kullu	8,234	141
Lahaul & Spiti	2,551	16
Mandi	25,236	335
Shimla	23,670	552
Sirmaur	14,448	185
Solan	21,388	276
Una	12,233	215
Total	188,604	3,070

## 27-yr-old biker dies in accident

NURPUR, MAY 29 Shubham (27) of Dhaneti village was killed on the spot when his motorcycle collided with an Army vehicle at Raja ka Bagh on the Pathankot-Mandi highway last night. The deceased was coming back from Pathankot. —OC

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4. Experience:
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## Experts to counsel patients, families

SHIMLA, MAY 29

Mental health experts will provide psycho social support to Covid patients and their families through the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru.

An official spokesperson said here today that the

Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, in collaboration with NIMHANS, Bengaluru, had setup a 24X7 Psychosocial Support Helpline (80-46110007). Mental health professionals from 19 states and UTs were providing their services through this helpline. —TNS

## Differently abled, elderly to get priority

SHIMLA, MAY 29

Elderly and differently abled people will no longer need to travel long distances for the Covid vaccine. On the instructions of the Central Government, vaccination centres will now be set up near the homes of such people.

"A District Task Force under the DC concerned will decide the location of the near to home Covid vaccination centres (NHCVCs) to maximise the reach of the services based on the listing of the target population," said a government spokesperson. "The NHCVCs will be linked to the existing Covid vaccination centres (CVCs)," he added.

He said that as per the strategy, the vaccine would be more accessible to elderly and differently abled citizens, who may not be able to travel to the existing CVCs.

"An NHCV follows a community-based approach where sessions can be conducted nearer home, for example at a community centre, residents welfare association centre, group housing society centre, panchayat building, school building," he said. —TNS

## Hoteliers seek relief, threaten to protest

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

By June 21, most hotels will be declared non-performing assets

holders were finding it difficult to support and feed their families and bear household and business expenses. Gandhi added that the government had announced an interest subvention and working capital loan scheme for the stakeholders last year but because of the stringent norms hardly anyone could avail of the facility. The Tourism Department organised video conferences meeting with the hoteliers on April 19 for taking their feedback on the scheme and reassured them that it would be modified for the benefit of the stakeholders but even after one and a half month nothing had been done.

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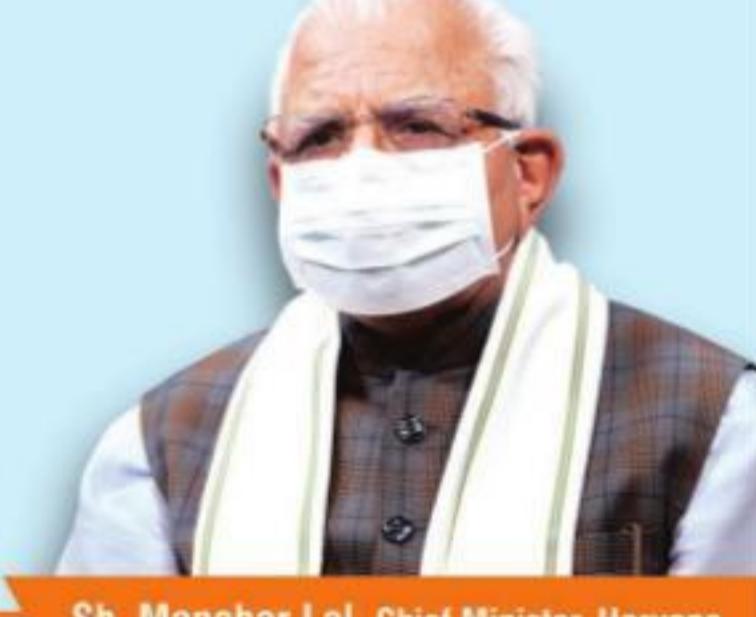
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## Haryana Government's Initiatives to Combat COVID-19



Sh. Manohar Lal, Chief Minister, Haryana

## Don't Panic During Covid-19, Help is Just a Call Away

For Any Information Related to Covid-19, Contact on District-level Helpline Numbers

Sr. No.	District	Helpline Number
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2	Bhiwani	01664242130
3	Charkhi Dadri	01250222333
4	Faridabad	8882916056
5	Fatehabad	01667230201
6	Gurugram	01242300108, 7015663108
7	Hisar	9416495690
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## MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

## NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 24th May, 2021

S.O. 1976(E).—In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building (widening)/two lane with paved shoulder/four laning etc.), maintenance, management and operation of NH21A in the stretch of land from Km. 4.200 to Km. 18.000 in the district of PANCHKULA in the state of HARYANA, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section(1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, District Revenue Officer in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

Any order made by the Competent Authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the said Act shall be final.

The land plans and other details of the land to be acquired under their notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

## SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling NH21A in the stretch of land NH21A from Km. 4.200 to km. 18.000 in the district of PANCHKULA in the state of HARYANA.

State: HARYANA District: PANCHKULA

Sl. No.	Survey/ Plot Number	Type of Land	Nature of Land	Area (in Local Unit)	Area (in Hectare)
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Taluk: Kalka

Village: Basaula (125)

1	130	Private	Chahi	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
2	136	Private	Chahi	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
3	150	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
4	198	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
5	269	Private	Bajra kadm	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
6	270	Private	Bajra kadm	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
7	313	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
8	314	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
9	316	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
10	320	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
11	321	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
12	326	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
13	331	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
14	332	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
15	333	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
16	335	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
17	432	Government	Gair Mumkin	0.1054000(Hectare )	0.1054000

Village: Charaniya (128)

1	119	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0464000(Hectare )	0.0464000
2	132	Private	Gair Mumkin cool	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
3	143	Private	Gair Mumkin Chahi & Dukan	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
4	650/140	Private	Gair Mumkin Makan & Dukan	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
5	71	Private	Gair Mumkin Panchayat Deh	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
6	75	Private	Gair Mumkin cool	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
7	84	Private	Gair Mumkin Panchayat Deh	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
8	857/124	Private	Gair Mumkin Factory	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
9	902/652/140	Private	Gair Mumkin Banjar Dom	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
10	989/117	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0464000(Hectare )	0.0464000
11	990/117	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
12	992/117	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000

Village: Gariran (126)

1	10	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
2	12	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
3	13	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
4	14	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0380000(Hectare )	0.0380000
5	19	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
6	21	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
7	22	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
8	23	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0590000(Hectare )	0.0590000
9	37/2/2	Private	Gair Mumkin Banjar Awal	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
10	419/3	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
11	443	Private	Gair Mumkin	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
12	454	Private	Gair Mumkin cool	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
13	472/13	Private	Gair Mumkin Bangar Awal	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
14	474/1	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
15	474/2	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
16	474/3	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
17	474/4	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
18	474/5	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
19	475	Private	Gair Mumkin Banjar kadm	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
20	499	Private	Gair Mumkin cool	0.0422000(Hectare )	0.0422000
21	506	Private	Gair Mumkin Banjar kadm	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
22	509	Private	Gair Mumkin cool	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
23	51	Private	Gair Mumkin Banjar Awal	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
24	617/535/460/5/1	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
25	617/535/460/5/2	Private	Gair Mumkin Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
26	700/445	Private	Gair Mumkin Petrol Pump	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
27	701/445	Private	Gair Mumkin Banjar Awal	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
28	702/445	Private	Gair Mumkin Banjar Awal	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000

Village: Gorakh Nath (97)

1	102'	Private	Gair Mumkin Satsang Ghar	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
2	103	Government	Gair Mumkin Johedi Panchayat Deh	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
3	104	Government	Gair Mumkin Sadak PWD	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
4	106	Private	Baag Chahi	0.0464000(Hectare )	0.0464000
5	109/2	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
6	110	Government	Gair Mumkin Rasta Panchayat Deh	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
7	111	Private	Kul	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
8	113	Private	Kul Dukan	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
9	344	Private	Kul	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000

Sl. No.	Survey/ Plot Number	Type of Land	Nature of Land	Area (in Local Unit)	Area (in Hectare)	Sl. No.	Survey/ Plot Number	Type of Land	Nature of Land	Area (in Local Unit)	Area (in Hectare)


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Sl. No.	Survey/ Plot Number	Type of Land	Nature of Land	Area (in Local Unit)	Area (in Hectare)
45	497	Government	Gair Mumkin Rasta Panchayat Deh	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
46	499	Private	Gair Mumkin Dukan	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
47	567	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
48	576/1	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
49	580	Private	Kul	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
50	581	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
51	582	Private	Kul	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
52	592	Private	Kul	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
53	605	Government	Kul Panchayat Deh	0.0590000(Hectare )	0.0590000
54	970	Private	Banjar Avval	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
55	971	Government	Gair Mumkin Sadak PWD	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
56	972	Government	Gair Mumkin Sadak PWD	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
57	973	Private	Gair Mumkin Chahi	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
<b>Village: Nanakpur (91)</b>					
1	1210	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
2	1213	Private	Banjar Kadim Gram Panchayat	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
3	1220	Private	Cool	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
4	1834	Government	Gair Mumkin Cho Gram Panchayat	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
5	1891	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
6	1905	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
7	1991/604	Private	Cool	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
8	1992/604	Private	Cool	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
9	2102/1914	Private	Petrol Pump Banjar Awal	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
10	2237	Private	Chahi	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
11	2278/716	Private	Cool	0.0590000(Hectare )	0.0590000
12	2279/716	Private	Cool	0.0422000(Hectare )	0.0422000
13	2345/1071	Private	Chahi	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
14	2346/1071	Private	Chahi	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
15	582	Private	Chah Abadi Gram panchayat	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
16	585	Private	Cool	0.0337000(Hectare )	0.0337000
17	598	Private	Banjar Awal	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
18	601	Private	Banjar Awal	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
19	709	Government	Gram Panchayat	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
20	712	Private	Banjar Awal	0.0380000(Hectare )	0.0380000
21	713	Private	Banjar Awal	0.0633000(Hectare )	0.0633000
22	715	Private	Cool	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
23	717	Private	Cool	0.0337000(Hectare )	0.0337000
24	728	Private	Cool	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
25	742	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0633000(Hectare )	0.0633000
26	743	Private	Cool	0.0801000(Hectare )	0.0801000
27	746	Private	Chahi	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
28	747	Private	Chahi	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
29	791	Government	Gair Mumkin Cho Gram Panchayat	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
30	792	Private	Gair Mumkin Cool	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
31	799	Private	Chahi	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
32	800	Private	Chahi	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
33	813	Private	Niyayi	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
34	814	Private	Niyayi	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
35	822	Government	Gair Mumkin Cho Gram Panchayat	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
36	827	Private	Gair Mumkin Abadi	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
<b>Village: Nawa Nagar (98)</b>					
1	335	Private	Chahi	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
2	358	Private	Kul	0.0211000(Hectare )	0.0211000
3	402	Private	Banjar Kadim	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
4	405	Private	Gair Mumkin	0.0021000(Hectare )	0.0021000
5	408	Private	Jakhira Darkhatan	0.0801000(Hectare )	0.0801000
6	422	Government	Banjar Dom Panchayat Deh	0.2066000(Hectare )	0.2066000
7	423/1	Government	Banjar Kadim Panchayat Deh	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
8	424	Government	Banjar Kadim Panchayat Deh	0.0801000(Hectare )	0.0801000
9	587/352	Private	Banjar Kadim	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
10	589/352/2	Private	Gair Mumkin Makan	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
11	590/352/2	Private	Gair Mumkin Makan	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
12	592/352/2	Private	Banjar Dom Makan	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
13	642/336	Private	Chahi	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
14	653/418	Private	Nivai	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
15	654/418	Private	Nivai	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
16	666/332	Private	Chahi	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
17	667/332	Private	Kul	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
<b>Village: Rampur Jangi (92)</b>					
1	100	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
2	102	Private	Banjar Dom	0.2615000(Hectare )	0.2615000
3	120/2	Private	Cool	0.0548000(Hectare )	0.0548000
4	148	Government	Gair Mumkin Sarak Gram Panchayat	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
5	226	Private	Cool	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
6	227	Private	Cool	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
7	229	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0337000(Hectare )	0.0337000
8	245	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
9	250	Private	Chahi	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
10	261	Government	Gair Mumkin Cho Panchayat Deh	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
11	265	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
12	361	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.1856000(Hectare )	0.1856000
13	596/264	Private	Gair Mumkin Cho	0.2657000(Hectare )	0.2657000
14	661/243	Private	Cool	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
15	662/243	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
16	87	Government	Cool Panchayat Deh	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
17	92	Private	Jakhira Darkhan	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
18	93	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
19	94	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
<b>Village: Situ Majra (96)</b>					
1	10	Private	Jakhira Darkhan	0.0337000(Hectare )	0.0337000
2	11	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
3	12	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
4	13	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
5	140	Government	Gair Mumkin Choi Panchayat Deh	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
6	141	Private	Banjar Kadim	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
7	149	Private	Kul	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
8	152	Private	Banjar Avval	0.0464000(Hectare )	0.0464000
9	155	Private	Kul	0.0127000(Hectare )	0.0127000
10	21	Private	Kul	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
11	23	Government	Gair Mumkin Rasta Panchayat Deh	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
12	317	Government	Gair Mumkin Rasta Panchayat Deh	0.0042000(Hectare )	0.0042000
13	329	Private	ku	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
14	336	Private	Kul	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
15	342	Private	Banjar Avval	0.0380000(Hectare )	0.0380000
16	343	Private	Banjar Avval	0.0295000(Hectare )	0.0295000
17	347	Private	Banjar Avval	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
18	348	Private	Banjar Avval	0.0253000(Hectare )	0.0253000
19	374	Government	Gair Mumkin Choi Panchayat Deh	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
20	4	Private	Kul	0.0169000(Hectare )	0.0169000
21	7	Private	Banjar Dom	0.0084000(Hectare )	0.0084000
			Total	11.6450	11.6450

**MATRIMONIALS****BRIDEGROOMS WANTED****IAS / ALLIED SERVICES**

**IAS/IPS tall match posted North for tall slim beautiful girl in Civil Service, 30 yrs. Caste no bar. WhatsApp: 78374-04945. (CL21017513)**

**Hindu Saini girl, Gated Officer in Central Govt. 33, 5'-3", seeks boy in Govt. job working in Tricity/Ambala, upper caste welcome. Contact: 94631-87927. WhatsApp: 99887-30077. (CL21018264)**

**MAHAJAN**

**Govt. employee/well settled businessman match for Mahajan Manglik girl, 6.891, 8:25 pm, Ludhiana, 5'-5", MA (Sociology). Parents: Govt. employee, 90233-36480, 99886-72662 (CL21016860)**

**SM4 for Oct/91 born beautiful Mahajan girl, 5'-2" born Jammu BE, MBA loc Bangalore, salary 30k plus reputed upper middle class family. Contact: 83604-76284. (CL21018226)**

**SM for Himachali girl, Feb, 85 Doctor in PGI Chandigarh, Tricity preferred. 97815-68966. (CL21016843)**

**Suitable match for Mahajan beautiful, slim, non manglik girl, 5'. B.Com, Chandigarh born 02.11.1991, 09:26 am. Call: 98556-61010, vikrammehajan1976@rediffmail.com (CL21017657)**

**AGGARWAL**

**Aggarwal smart Jain girl 5'-4", MBA, 17.07.1995, 6.10 a.m., (Bathinda), requires high status industrialist/businessman boy. Contact: Jain 98140-96124. (CL21014688)**

**Suitable match for Aggarwal Mittal beautiful, slim, non issueless divorcee girl 5'-5", time 2:30 p.m. Barnala, M.Sc. Chemistry, B.Ed., Canada PR near completion. Needs Aggarwal well settled boy (India or Canada). Contact 7900611000. (CL21016110)**

**Match for healthy Chandigarh based Goyal girl 02.06.88, 5.20 pm Chandigarh, 5'-5", BA, B.Ed., PGDPM adhoc Haryana Govt. employee, 98146-93827, 70096-29505. (CL21018213)**

**Suitable match for Jindal beautiful Manglik girl, 28 years, 5'-2", M.Sc. (Statistics). Father: Business Brother, sister unmarried. Patiala based family. Contact: 94782-78830. (CL21016186)**

**SM4 Garg girl, 1994, 5'-1", Govt. Maths Teacher. Preferred Govt. Employee. 94650-76576, 94177-28454. (CL21016308)**

**PCS SDM girl 1990, looking for Officer/ Doctor/ Industrialist. 94643-87508. (CL21016408)**

**Singla girl, 6.10.94, 12:55 p.m., 5'-3", M.Com. Patiala. Qualified and well settled match required. 9814904698. (CL21016312)**

**Professionally qualified suitable match for Anshik Manglik Mittal beautiful, Issueless, short time Divorcee 29-12-91, 03:35 pm, Ambala 5'-6", M.Sc (Maths) B.Ed. Contact 99910-74221. (CL21016337)**

**SM for Mumbai based Punjabi Gupta business family invite proposal for their well cultured qualified daughter 31/5'-6". arvind337@hotmail.com 98194-48400. (CL21016371)**

**Match for a beautiful, slim, fair girl 27, 5'-4". Post Graduate in Library and information Science, B.Com, employed in MNC preferred. Contact: kiranpreet7 0 @ g mail .com (CL21016389)**

**PQM for Jindal girl, 26.02.1994, 5'. B.Com, PGDCA, LL.B, Company Secretary, working on contract basis. Contact: 98557-19548. (CL21016548)**

**Garg girl, M.A. (English), B.Ed., 13.02.1993, 12.50 A.M. Bathinda, 5'-2". Govt. Teacher. WhatsApp: 98148-64444. (CL21016702)**

**Match for beautiful talented Aggarwal MBA girl shortly divorced issueless born 1990, 5'-3", from well reputed family. Contact: 98150-91091. (CL21016765)**

**Tricity Officer for Gupta girl. Working in Nationalised bank, Chandigarh. Beautiful, fair, 5'-3", 1993 born, lost parents, convert educated. +91 99917-49696. (CL21016834)**

**PQM4 Delhi based Goyal girl 28 yrs, 5 ft, B.Tech, working MNC Gurgaon, Pkg. 12+ LPA. Preference NCR or Chandigarh. Contact: reenigoyal10@gmail.com , 99904-4879. (CL21016861)**

**Canada PR Manglik Garg girl, 18.10.86, 11:02 p.m., 5'-3", B.Com, Digital Marketing Consultant. 9815507910, 991554397. (CL21016456)**

**Status business/job educated match for 88 born, BDS, 5'-4", beautiful business family. girl, 95305-55417. (CL21016962)**

**SM4 Mittal girl 24.7.1985, 8 a.m., Raikot, Ph.D education, M.N.R. Assistant Professor in Education college, serviceman prefer. Contact: 97817-21222. (CL21016983)**

**SM4 Garg B.Tech, 32 years, 158 cm, beautiful girl from well qualified family. Working in IT MNC Gurgaon CTC 35 Laes. Contact & WhatsApp: 99530-51409. (CL21017346)**

**Wanted SM for Garg girl 12.12.93, 9.00 p.m. Patiala, 5'-4", working MNC, 40+LPA. WhatsApp: 85449-36794. (CL21017036)**

**Aggarwal 1983, 5', SBI Officer, Chandigarh, issueless divorcee, upper caste no bar. Required Govt. employee Tricity. 94663-67420, WhatsApp: 84478-48732. (CL21017048)**

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**KHATRI/ARORA**

**Match for Manglik/ non manglik beautiful girl, 5'-5", 07.09.1988, 7:10 am, Nabha. Working as English Teacher, Patiala Govt. job Patiala preferred. Whatsapp: 78149-58200. (CL21016620)**

**Wanted a teetotaller vegetarian match for Hindu Arora girl, 26.04.92, 12:15 pm, 5'-1", Chandigarh born CA, CS, MBA (Finance), working in MNC at Panchnkula, 15 lakh per annum. Contact after matching kundli. 98686-36688, 98782-55688. (CL21018286)**

**Educated Khatri match for 30/5'-3", B.Sc Fashion Designing, 16.12.1990, 12.10 a.m., Ambala, kundli must. Contact: 81990-45999. (CL21016687)**

**Suitable PQM for non-Manglik Khatri girl MS (Software Engg.) 21.12.1990, 1.30 p.m. Amritsar. Contact No.: 62398-76240. (CL21016738)**

**Hindu Khatri girl 18.12.1986 Ludhiana, 5'-6", Ph.D. qualified regular College Professor in Panchnkula, 97808-48505. (CL21016760)**

**Landlord businessman family pursuing Ph.D., 13.3.1989 birth place Dist. Sangrur, 5'-3". Contact: 93162-87900. (CL21017217)**

**Handsome, convert/ well-educated, Doctor, CA business/ serviceman, only Tricity match for Manglik Garg 5'-6", 03.04.1992, Panchnkula, B.Tech, MBA girl from respectable Panchnkula based business family. Decent marriage, Contact: 98153-60106. (CL21017519)**

**Match for beautiful Jindal girl 30.07.1991, 6.30 p.m., Mansa (Pb), 5'-4", wheatish, B.Tech from Delhi University, working in MNC, 35 LPA, residence Delhi, seeks groom India/NRI, marriage bureau excuse. 85951-63567. (CL21017056)**

**Match for Garg girl, M.Tech, pursuing Ph.D., 13.3.1989 birth place Dist. Sangrur, 5'-3". Contact: 93162-87900. (CL21017217)**

**Arora unmarried beautiful girl PG teacher (Govt.) KVS (Karnataka), 1979, 5'-4" MCA, M.Phil, M.Tech, (CS), transferable job. 87089-25796. (CL21016890)**

**Professionally qualified match for fair, beautiful Hindu Arora girl, 1989, 5'-1", CA, working MNC Gurugram. Decent family. 94667-15917. (CL21017418)**

**Fair, beautiful, Khatri Arora girl 35/5'-3", Ph.D. Zoology, NET qualified, working as Asstt. Professor (regular) in reputed P.U. University. 97977-02091. 97939-46458. (CL21017516)**

**Hindu Khatri Non- Manglik 5'-4", 21.12.89, 12.40 pm, Panjab, MCA working in Gurugram 9+ LPA, wanted Non- drinker Non- smoker Veg. boy. 98964-26560. (CL21017681)**

**PQM for Hindu Punjab Arora/ Khatri girl, 01.11.1991, 11:55 pm, Tapa (Punjab), 15 LPA, boy working in MNC Noida, Bangalore preferred. 98430-33828. (CL21017759)**

**Singla (Jain) fair, BBA, MBA, 5M'-3", 26 December 1994/10.50 p.m., Chandigarh. Girl working in HR in Reliance. Tricity preferred. 85680-05000. (CL21017836)**

**PQM for NM Mittal vegetarian girl 06 Mar 93, 4:57 am, Ambala, 5'-3", MCA, working MNC Chd. 94163-67618. (CL21017892)**

**Suitable match for beautiful, slim Aggarwal issueless divorcee girl 5'-5", 2019.01.11.99, MO dental, posted in Haryana Govt. Upper caste no bar. Email: spmittal07@gmail.com 99880-32029. (CL21017898)**

**SM4 slim beautiful 5'-4" 1989 born, BDS (Doctor) Chandigarh working girl, boy from Tricity preferred. Contact No: 98159-07163. (CL21018021)**

**PQM for Goyal girl, 5'-4", Feb, 92, 11LPU post Ph.D. business family. Job/ Buss pref. Con: 93151-72000. (CL21018103)**

**Aggarwal girls, Chandigarh 1993, CA, 1992 B.Tech, required rich status Tricity. 84271-23150, 86993-72414. (CL21018107)**

**Garg fair girl 1991, 5'-4", B.Ed., ETT, PSTET, cleared, NTI Art & Craft, MA (Sociology) appeared, 94789-68656, 98760-64183 (Muktsar). (CL21018165)**

**Aggarwal girl USA based (HIB) born September 1990, 5'-4", B.Tech (IIT), Ph.D. (USA) based only Aggarwal, Khatri boy. Contact: 97483-85778. (CL21018169)**

**Goyal girl 20.12.1993, Ferozepur 4:15 am, 5'-0", B.Sc., B.Ed., fair complexion. Dowry seekers please excuse. Contact: 98140-45842, 62841-88241. (CL21018215)**

**Bansal girl, 1984 born, 5'-2", MCA, Web Developer. Send boy's particulars on: 98884-11611 (WhatsApp) Bureau excuse. (CL21018219)**

**Match for smart, fair Garg girl B.Tech, (CS), 5'-3", 9.6.92, Ludhiana at 9 am. 99918-04045. (CL21018169)**

**Looking for a professional/ businesswoman Hindu Khatri match for 5'-3", very fair and smart, 41 year (29 Nov. 1979, 11:55 pm, Delhi), Harvard (UK) Trained, presently Teaching in International School in Delhi. Mobile: 98149-29297. (CL21018246)**

**Jan 1987 Hindu Arora girl, 5'-4", MA Sociology, seeking business class match preferably only from Chandigarh, Panchnkula or Mohali. Marriage bureaus excuse. Whatsapp: 98140-14436 , Email: harryk058@gmail.com (CL21018292)**

**KHATRI**

**Match 4, Punjabi Khatri girl, 5-07/95/ 5'-1", 06.00 p.m. Rajpura, 59657. (CL21018178)**

**Professional match for Hindu Arora girl, 5'-5"/11.01.1991, 9.00 am, Ludhiana, 5'-3", 1991 born to March 1994. Preferred Tricity. 90568-82795, 88721-6777. (CL21018059)**

**Match for beautiful Arora girl 86 born, 5'-5", 12.40 pm, Panjab, MCA working in Gurugram 9+ LPA, wanted Non- drinker Non- smoker Veg. boy. 98964-26560. (CL21018160)**

**Seeking well educated match for beautiful girl, 08.06.1995, 6:19 pm, 5'-4", 17.04.2015 p.m. Chandigarh, M.Tech, working as Asstt. Professor in Panchnkula, 98146-67666, 07862-45178. (CL21018078)**

**Professionally qualified match for 5'-3", July 1991, 12.45 pm, Panjab, M.Tech, working as Asstt. Professor in Panchnkula, 98146-67666, 07862-45178. (CL21018079)**

**Suitable match for Khatri Manglik girl 34, 5'-4", working in Panchnkula, 98146-67666, 07862-45178. (CL21018080)**

**Match for Arora girl 32/ 5', Sr. Engineer, Job in Sweden/ Europe. Seeks Engineer boy in USA green card or PR in Europe. 78889-40848. (CL21017346)**

**Arora Iress divorcee girl 1982/ 5'-2", Govt. Lecturer in School. Pref. job. 90341-15516, 70154-90137. (CL21017841)**

**SM4 Punjabi Chhabra, beautiful girl 01.01.1990, 5'-4", B.Tech, doing family business. Seeking smart, educated boy from business background. M: 94783-34100. (CL21018308)**

**Beautiful girl 10 Aug. 92, 6 p.m**

**MISC**

**Chaudhary 38 years Himachali girl, MBA, 5'-3", seeking teetotaller match.** Tricity NCR preferred. 8872668444. (CL2101334)

**Match for Parjapat fair girl 1993, 5'-2", MA English (Hon's) B.Ed, CTET cleared, working in Chandigarh. Preferred Chandigarh. 96446-25300. (CL21016370)**

**Suitable Radha Soami match for Hindu Kumhar, beautiful girl, 1990 born, 5'-5", MBA, B.Com., B.Ed., Assistant Credit Manager. Contact: 79676-67272, 98152-76951. (CL21016638)**

**Suitable match for Nai M.Com, CA, 17-08/1994- 5'-2", fair girl looking for smart boy. Govt. Job/ Businessman/ NRI preferred. 79739-65905, 99884-12317. (CL21016807)**

**Professionally qualified for Hindu Punjabi/ Parjapat girl 18-10-94, 5'-5", B.Tech (CSE) working Accenture Bangalore, 8 lac, Preferred IT sector. (Ambala) 90340-34734 (CL21017505)**

**Christian girl 5'-2", M.Com., 1992, required suitable match for marriage. 73408-17822. (CL21017548)**

**Suitable match for working Punjabi Govt. Clerk, 5'-2", 23.11.1992, B.Com. Kanjoji girl (Dhobi). Preferred Tricity. WhatsApp: 94177-55477. (CL21017563)**

**Match for slim, beautiful Parjapati (Nurse) girl 5'-6", 23.05.1992, Chandigarh. Preferred Canadian PR boy. 93579-29292. (CL21017798)**

**Suitable match for Megh Sikh girl, June 92/ 5'-0", B.Sc. IT, PDPET, B.Ed/ Teacher in KVS (Central Government). Preferred Chd and around Govt. employee. Caste no bar. Contact: baryam23@gmail.com (CL21018075)**

**Match for Hindu Arora girl, 15.7.1993, 5'-2", BBA. Required business man. Caste no bar. Mobile: 6239014759. (CL21018115)**

**Nai Sikh girl 27, 5'-6", B.Tech., Govt. job required govt. job boy. Contact: 89687-00648, 73408-02716. (CL2101818)**

**Suitable match for Manglik girl 5'-2", 3.7.1990, 9:55 am, MBA (Fin. & HR), qualified Makeup Artist. Father retd. Bank Officer. Send particulars on WhatsApp 99966-13310. (CL21018311)**

**NRI**

**30/ 5'-4", beautiful girl working in US, seeks suitable match. 91110-89897. (CL21017631)**

**Perferrably Canada settled, M.Tech, India, handsome match for Ramdasia Sikh Mohali based, good looking girl, Dec. 1989, 5'-4", M.Sc. Chemistry, B.Ed., living Canada. 99888-02534. (CL21018207)**

**Suitable match for Arora girl, 29Y, 5'-5", very fair, beautiful, B.Arch, M.Arch(Germany), doing job in Germany. Mail resume with photograph. ibwin101@gmail.com (CL21016162)**

**Alliance invited from well-settled decent cultured Khatri Hindu family for our daughter 25.12.1991, 9.47 am, Ludhiana, height (5'-9"), fair complexioned, (BHIM) Graduate with MBA, residing in Ludhiana moving to Canada shortly. Caste no bar. Boys settled in Canada only contact 70876-82559. (CL21016305)**

**Looking for for PQ, spiritual, vegetarian, teetotaller and non-smoker boy for 26/ 5'-2", beautiful Aggarwal girl, MS (USA), working in facebook (US). 9417243190, 8847352398. (CL21016338)**

**Hindu Khatri educated girl, Australia (Sydney) born 1994, 5'-6", PR boy required. 98887-44809. (CL21016542)**

**Suitable match for beautiful Jatt Sikh girl, 32, 5'-4", tall, Canadian permanent resident working in CPA firm in Canada, well qualified, CA from India and pursuing CPA in Canada, innocently divorced (issueless) after short marriage. Correspond with detailed biodata and latest pics. Email: asinghpreet8891@gmail.com or WhatsApp: 64727-15985. (CL21016582)**

**Match for Chandigarh based girl, 25.9.1991, 9.25 p.m., Amritsar, 5'-4", B.Com. (Hons), D.E.Ed., MA English, working private school Chandigarh. Tricity preferred. WhatsApp: 62847-25422, 99887-73460. (CL21018301)**

**Himachali/ Brahmin girl Manglik Non- Manglik, Serving HAS Class-I Officer, 5'-2", 25.8.66, Bilaspur. Preferred HAS/ HPS/ HJS/ Doctor/ Engineer/ Professor/ (Scientist) or equivalent Class-I. Himachali/ adjacent area Himachal preferred. Kundli matching must. 94180-53873. (CL21003103)**

**Match Punjabi Saraswat Brahmin homely fair girl, Jan 1983, 5'-3", Delhi, MBA. Mobile: 80761-19570. (CL21013738)**

**Seeking 34-37 well-settled NRI divorce/ unmarried Sikh Khatri boy for my well-qualified smart daughter 33/ 5'-5", who lives in Australia. Interested please send biodata 94161-4348. (CL21016623)**

**Australia PR Ravidasia Sikh girl, 4'-11", 1980, M.Sc. IT. Preference Australia, New Zealand. 76580-52241 (CL21016669)**

**Looking for a suitable groom from Sikh family for 93 born, 5'-6", Chawla (Agora) girl, completed PG Diploma in Human Resources Learning and Development in Winnipeg Canada. Completed Post Graduate Diploma in child guidance and family counselling (2017). Masters in Human Development and family relations (2016) from Chandigarh, will apply for PR in coming week. Parents residing in Chandigarh, permanent resident of Canada preferred. Please WhatsApp details on 0091 8427604121. (CL21016588)**

**Suitable match for Scheduled Caste New Zealand PR girl, 1990/ Height 5'-4", only New Zealand work Visa/ PR required. 94637-97779. (CL21016882)**

**Sikh Khatri dentist PR Canada girl 30/5'-3", sees compatible Gursikhi vegetarian Canadian resident match. 98155-40433. (CL21016935)**

**Cleanshaven, financially sound Doctor/ Engineer match required for Sikh Rangmohar beautiful girl, 27, 5'-1". BDS (Government College) she is on work permit after completing her study in Canada. Father is retired Class I Gazetted Officer, mother is homemake. Send bio-data WhatsApp: 81461-22951. (CL21017026)**

**Canadian PR Mazhab Sikhs 1992, 5'-5", B.Tech. Post Graduate. Preferred PR/ Work Permit/ M.Tech. Well settled. 62805-46687. (CL21017236)**

**NRI match for working Khatri girl 1987, 5'-1", M.Sc. IT, issueless, divorcee short marriage. Caste no bar. 98761-38960. (CL21017407)**

**USA settled beautiful software engineer Brahmin girl 1988/ 5'-3". Looking for professionally qualified Boy in USA. WhatsApp: 99725-27870. (CL21017666)**

**Jatt Sikh girl, 31 years, Master in Public Health from California, Govt. University BDS from India, Convent educated, USA Citizen family settled in Vancouver Canada preferred educated & well settled boy in Canada or USA. Divorcee, no kids. Contact: +12363328135 or pnvancover116@gmail.com (CL21017785)**

**Match for Hindu Arora girl, 1990, Height 5'-2", 11.05 p.m. Amritsari, convent educated, B.Com, Teaching profession. Parents retired, brother settled Canada. 98781-76989. (CL21016791)**

**Match for Brahmin girl, 1985/ 5'-4", Post Graduate Teacher, legally divorced after few days. 97739-63796. (CL21016796)**

**Match for good looking slim Brahmin girl, 5'-1", BA, NITT, 1 Jan. 1984, 11:37 pm, Hoshiarpur. 987292626. (CL21016832)**

**Suitable match for Brahmin girl, 1990, Height 5'-2", Qualification M.A. Hindi. Ph: 99880-75256. (CL21016852)**

**Gaur Brahmin girl 1985 Ambala 5', MBA, job in Gurgaon. Upper caste welcome. 99968-32355 78894-5723. (CL21016866)**

**Suitable match for Brahmin girl 5'-3", 19 Nov. 93, Yamunanagar, 12.03, p.m. LLB working in MNC as Legal Adviser preparing for Judiciary Ludhiana based working family. WhatsApp: 98555-12504, 98766-92496. (CL21016875)**

**Beautiful slim, Saraswat Brahmin girl, 35 (looks 25-26), 5'-4", MA, B.Ed, Govt. job, contact near Patiala District. 73472-24645. (CL21016899)**

**Suitable match working Delhi/ NCR Punjabi Saraswat Brahmin vegetarian fair girl 28/ 5'-6", B.Sc. IT. Preferred PR, work visit in Newzealand, Australia. 88472-35355. (CL21016785)**

**Highly qualified match preferably from USA for US citizen Jat Sikh girl, Dec. 1982, 5'-1", done BBA from USA. Contact: 98725-06444. (CL21018162)**

**Suitable match for Nai Kaushik girl, M.A., B.Ed., 5'-3", 02.01.86, 09.00 p.m. Preferred Patiala only. Mob: 98792-45200. (CL21017369)**

**Punjabi Government School Teacher, Punjabi Saraswat Brahmin girl 5'-1", 18.1.1983, Ludhiana. No birth time, MA (Eng). M.Ed. Send biodata with photo. WhatsApp: 84275-75782. (CL21017402)**

**QM4 12 Jan. 1984, 8:52 am, 5'-3" girl, MBA Finance, Chief Accountant. Brother Permanent Canada. Khatri also consider. 9780270077, 9914705355. (CL21017449)**

**Suitable match for Canada PR B.Com., Goldsmith, Manglik 17.9.1985, 9:10 pm, 5'-4", vegetarian girl. Doaba Canada TR/ PR preferred. WhatsApp: 82849-22466. (CL21018161)**

**Match for beautiful Sikh general category girl working in Australia, 95, 5'-5", BDS did masters Australia PR Jat Sikh preferred. 79864-38081. (CL21018176)**

**MANGLIK**

**PQM BE DCE, MBA IIIMC Manglik Rajat Rajput girl, 35+ lakh annually, 5'-6", 8 Oct. 90, 7.39 am, Delhi # 98104-76472, 98724-39358. (CL21018156)**

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**Match for Manglik working Khatri girl, 19.05.86, 6:32 am, Jalandhar, height 5'-6". Contact: 98885-70881. (CL21018177)**

**Manglik beautiful Bhalla girl 3.12.1993, 5'-2", M.Sc. (Botany) pursuing Ph.D. Wanted educated boy Tricity. 97799-55123. (CL21018203)**

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**Required suitable match for repated Saraswat Brahmin 26 year, ht 5'-4", smart, beautiful girl professionally Architect and Interior Designer work in Distt Jalandhar prefer advance and open minded reputed business family. Contact No. 88729-00549. (CL21017539)**

**Professionally qualified working match for beautiful girl 5'-4", 12.30 pm, 20.9.92. Mohali working as CA at (Gurgaon) MBA, CA, in job preferred. Contact after kundi match. 82199-29607, 76968-19903. (CL21017574)**

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# Toll in Aligarh hooch tragedy rises to 22

ALIGARH (UP), MAY 29

The death toll in the Aligarh hooch tragedy went up to 22 on Saturday with 28 more still in critical condition, an official said here. Seven persons have died since Friday night, he said, adding that the condition of 28 undergoing treatment at Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College Hospital, AMU, and Balkhan Singh District Hospital was critical.

Local BJP MP Satish Gautam, however, told the media that the death toll had "crossed 30", citing information he has received from the ground.

District Magistrate Chandra Bhushan Singh, while confirming the death toll of 22, said, "Exact figures would be available after the post-mortem examination of the bodies lined up at the mortuary."

Locals fear the death toll may rise further as reports



Villagers mourn the death of their kin following the consumption of spurious liquor in Aligarh. PTI

from several villages are still trickling in. A cursory count of the bodies lined up at the district hospital mortuary suggests the death toll could

be considerably higher than the official figure.

On Friday, Additional District Magistrate (Finance) Vidhan Jaiswal had said 15

persons had died in villages falling under three police stations — Lodha, Khair and Jawan — after consuming spurious liquor. Senior

Superintendent of Police (SSP) Kalanidhi Naithani said five persons had been arrested so far, including Anil Chaudhary, the alleged kingpin of the spurious liquor racket.

The police have booked 12 persons in three cases till now. A reward of Rs 50,000 each has been announced on the arrest of Rishi Sharma and Vipin Yadav, associates of Anil Chaudhary, the SSP said.

The district magistrate has recommended Rs 5 lakh ex gratia to the kin of the deceased. To a question as to whether those who had been reportedly cremated in their villages without any post-mortem examination would also be given the relief, BJP MP Gautam said teams of local officials had been deputed to contact the village pradhans for confirming such deaths. — PTI

In the January-31 edition

of his 'Mann ki Baat', the PM had called upon youngsters to write about freedom fighters and their saga of valour as a way to celebrate 75 years of Independence.

As many as 75 authors will be selected through an all-India contest and the winners will be announced on August 15.

Young authors will be

# Centre launches Yuva scheme to mentor budding writers

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## ALL-INDIA CONTEST

- 75 authors to be selected through all India contest from June 1 to July 31

- The winners will be announced on Aug 15

- Will be trained by eminent authors

- Manuscripts to be readied for publication by December 15

- Published books to be launched on January 12, 2022, on National Youth Day (Yuva Diwas)

- Scholarship of ₹50,000 per month to be paid to winners for six months



publication by December 15. The published books will be launched on January 12, 2022, on National Youth Day (Yuva Diwas).

YUVA is part of India@75 Project (Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav) to bring to the fore the perspectives of young writers on themes like unsung heroes, freedom fighters and their role in the national movement, and other related themes in an innovative and creative manner. The scheme will thus help develop a stream of authors who can write on a spectrum of subjects to promote Indian heritage, culture, and knowledge system, the Education Ministry said.

The books prepared under the scheme will be published by National Book Trust and will also be translated into other Indian languages to ensure exchange of culture and literature. The selected young authors will interact with some of the best authors in the world and participate in literary festivals.



Congress workers protest against shortage of Covid-19 vaccines in Mumbai on Saturday. PTI

## Mumbai Cong protests vax shortage

MUMBAI, MAY 29

The Mumbai unit of the Congress on Saturday protested against the reported shortage of Covid-19 vaccines and claimed it was a result of the Narendra Modi government exporting doses.

Speaking at the protest venue near Mahalaxmi Temple in the southern part of the metropolis, Mumbai Congress chief Bhai Jagtap said countries across the world were vaccinating their citizens free of cost while in India people were

having to pay for jabs.

"India is the biggest vaccine manufacturer, but people are facing shortage of doses as they have been dispatched to other countries by Prime Minister Narendra Modi," he told the media. — PTI

## Pondy BJP team meets Nadda over govt expansion

PUDUCHERRY, MAY 29

A two-member team from the Puducherry unit of the BJP called on party's national president JP Nadda in Delhi today to end the stalemate in the expansion of the AINRC-led NDA government. The team comprised legislature party leader A Namassivayam and state general secretary 'Embalam' R Selvam.

Only the AINRC leader, N Rangasamy, assumed office of CM after he was sworn in at a simple ceremony in Raj Niwas here on May 7. The formation of a full-fledged ministry faced a near-crisis with the BJP reportedly insisting that the posts of Speaker and Deputy CM be allotted to the party besides a ministerial post. Rangasamy is reportedly not inclined to accept the demand, AINRC sources said. — PTI

"The sentiments expressed by the actor are that of the Kerala society... Prithviraj expressed it in the right way," the CM told the media in response to a question.

Opposing the reform measures adopted by the island

## Kerala CM backs actor under attack for tweet

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, MAY 29

Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan on Saturday came out in support of Malayalam film actor Prithviraj Sukumaran, who is facing cyber attacks allegedly from right-wing outfits over his statement opposing reforms in Lakshadweep by the island's administration.

"How does disrupting the way of life of a centuries-old peaceful settlement become an acceptable means of progress? How will threatening the balance of a very delicate island ecosystem with no regard for the potential consequences pave the way for sustainable development?" he had asked. — PTI

## Class X UP board exams scrapped

LUCKNOW, MAY 29

The UP Secondary Education Council on Saturday cancelled board examinations for Class X in view of the Covid-19 pandemic and proposed to take a 90-minute test of each subject for Class XII in the second week of July, if possible.

The detailed examinations scheduled for Class XII board examinations would be announced soon, Uttar Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Dinesh Sharma said.

He said the council's decision to cancel Class X examinations would benefit over 29.94 lakh students. — PTI

### TEMPORARY CANCELLATION / DIVERSION / PARTIAL CANCELLATION / RE-SCHEUDLING / REGULATION / SKIPPING OF STOPPAGE OF TRAINS DUE TO TRAFFIC BLOCK

It is notified for the information of passengers that Ambala Division of Northern Railway will undertake the Non-Interlocking work of Sirhind Station for commissioning of Electronic Interlocking in connection with Pilkhani - Sanehwal Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFCCIL) work. To execute this work Ambala Division will take suitable traffic blocks of different durations from 31.05.2021 to 30.06.2021. During this period following trains will be cancelled/diverted/partially cancelled/re-scheduled/regulated & stoppage of some trains at Sirhind station will be skipped on dates shown against each:-

#### CANCELLATION OF TRAINS

Train No.	Train Name	Date of Cancellation (from originating station)
05252	Jalandhar City - Darbhanga Jn Special Express	on 27.06.2021
05251	Darbhanga Jn - Jalandhar City Special Express	on 26.06.2021
02238	Jammu Tawi - Varanasi Jn Special Express	on 27, 28, 29 & 30.06.2021
02237	Varanasi Jn - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 26, 27, 28 & 29.06.2021
04132	Udhampur - Prayagraj Jn Special Express	on 27 & 30.06.2021
04131	Prayagraj Jn - Udhampur Special Express	on 26 & 29.06.2021
02054/53	Amritsar Jn - Hardwar Jn - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 26, 27, 28 & 29.06.2021
05212	Amritsar Jn - Darbhanga Jn Special Express	on 26, 28 & 30.06.2021
05211	Darbhanga Jn - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 24, 25 & 28.06.2021
02920	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Dr Ambedkar Nagar Special Exp.	on 27 & 30.06.2021
02919	Dr Ambedkar Nagar - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Special Exp.	on 25 & 28.06.2021
04650	Amritsar Jn - Jaynagar Jn Saryu Yamuna Special Express	on 26, 28 & 30.06.2021
04649	Jaynagar Jn - Amritsar Jn Saryu Yamuna Special Express	on 25, 27 & 29.06.2021
04674	Amritsar Jn - Jaynagar Jn Shaheed Special Express	on 25, 27 & 29.06.2021
04673	Jaynagar Jn - Amritsar Jn Shaheed Special Express	on 26, 28 & 30.06.2021
02380	Amritsar Jn - Sealdah Jaliawala Bagh Special Express	on 27.06.2021
02379	Sealdah - Amritsar Jn Jaliawala Bagh Special Express	on 25.06.2021
02026	Amritsar Jn - Nagpur Special Express	on 28.06.2021
02025	Nagpur - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 26.06.2021
04672	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Banda Terminus Swaraj Special Exp.	on 26, 29 & 30.06.2021
04671	Banda Terminus - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Swaraj Special Exp.	on 25, 27 & 28.06.2021
04675	Gandhidham Jn - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Special Express	on 26.06.2021
04676	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Gandhidham Jn Special Express	on 24.06.2021
04678	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Hapa Special Express	on 28.06.2021
04677	Hapa - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Special Express	on 29.06.2021
04679	Jamnagar - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Special Express	on 30.06.2021
04680	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Jamnagar Special Express	on 27.06.2021
02356	Jammu Tawi - Patna Jn Special Express	on 27 & 30.06.2021
02355	Patna Jn - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 26 & 29.06.2021
02422/21	Jammu Tawi - Ajmer Jn - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 26, 27, 28, 29 & 30.06.2021
04652	Amritsar Jn - Jaynagar Jn Special Express	on 25, 27 & 30.06.2021
04651	Jaynagar Jn - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 25, 27 & 29.06.2021
04654	Amritsar Jn - New Jalpaiguri Superfast Special Express	on 30.06.2021
04653	New Jalpaiguri - Amritsar Jn Superfast Special Express	on 25.06.2021
02318	Amritsar Jn - Kolkata Special Express	on 29.06.2021
02317	Kolkata - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 27.06.2021
02358	Amritsar Jn - Kolkata Special Express	on 28.06.2021 & 01.07.2021
02357	Kolkata - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 26 & 29.06.2021
05098	Jammu Tawi - Bhagalpur Special Express	on 29.06.2021
05097	Bhagalpur - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 24.06.2021
04145	Kanpur Central - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 28.06.2021
04146	Amritsar Jn - Kanpur Central Special Express	on 29.06.2021
04646	Jammu Tawi - Jaisalmer Special Express	on 24, 26, 28 & 29.06.2021
04645	Jaisalmer - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 26, 28, 30.06.21 & 01.07.21
04662	Jammu Tawi - Barmer Special Express	on 23, 25 & 27.06.2021
04661	Barmer - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 25, 27 & 29.06.2021
01078	Jammu Tawi - Pune Jn Special Express	on 27, 28 & 29.06.2021
01077	Pune Jn - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 25, 26, 27 & 28.06.2021
03006	Amritsar Jn - Howrah Jn Special Express	on 26, 27, 28, 29 & 30.06.2021
03005	Howrah Jn - Amritsar Jn Special Express	on 25, 26, 27, 28 & 29.06.2021
02332	Jammu Tawi - Howrah Jn Special Express	on 27 & 28.06.2021
02331	Jammu Tawi - Jammu Tawi Special Express	on 25 & 26.06.2021

## DIVERSION OF TRAINS

Train No. & Train Name	Diversion Route	Date of passing (from originating station)
02426/02425 Jammu Tawi - New Delhi - Jammu Tawi Special Express	Diverted via Gill - Dhuri Jn - Jakhai Jn	on 26, 27, 28 & 29.06.2021
02408 Amritsar Jn - New Jalpaiguri Special Express	Diverted via Sanehwal - Chandigarh	on 25.06.2021
02407 New Jalpaiguri - Amritsar Jn Special Express	Diverted via Chandigarh - Sanehwal	on 16.06.2021
04652 Amritsar Jn - Jaynagar Special Express	Diverted via Gill - Dhuri Jn - Rajpura Jn	on 11, 13 & 25.06.2021
02920 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Dr Ambedkar Nagar Special Express	Diverted via Sanehwal - Chandigarh	on 11 & 25.06.2021
00464 Amritsar Jn - Howrah Jn Special Express	Diverted via Gill - Dhuri Jn - Rajpura Jn	on 25.06.2021
02278 Jammu Tawi - Tirupati Special Express	Diverted via Gill - Dhuri Jn - Rajpura Jn</td	



Who said fruits are to be just a snack? Here is a lowdown on how to turn your favourite summer fruits into sumptuous main course dishes **FOOD, ETC page 14**



In the battles of Basantar and Chakra-Dehlra, 17 Horse earned one PVC, two MVCs and four Vir Chakras. One MVC and three Vir Chakras were earned by 4 Horse **TRIBUTE page 15**



Much of the richness of modern Bengali literature is attributable to the Ray family. A book becomes the bridge between the authors and their hitherto unreached readers **BOOKS page 16**

From a stop-gap arrangement that saw teachers struggling with technology and constantly reworking methods to engage students, online teaching now has well-defined SOPs, even bridging the govt-private school divide

SEEMA PATHELA SACHDEVA

**P**ANKAJ KUMAR SHARMA hasn't stopped beaming with joy since a science project on a low-cost air purifier by one of his students won the 'Inspire' award this year. The competition was conducted by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. This is no mean achievement for this science teacher at Government Middle School at Bhoewali, a village in Ajnala, Amritsar. While he's happy that the award money of ₹10,000 has already reached the student's bank account, the prize also meant recognition of his hard work and the efforts he made to remain connected with his students during the pandemic. Near the border, network connectivity remains erratic and with physical presence in schools not a possibility, he ensured that the creative lab material reached the students at their homes and guided them online. Unlike him, however, many teachers have not been able to get such a favourable response despite their best efforts.

According to Kulwinder Singh, maths and science teacher at Government School, Mundi Chohlian, Shahkot, Punjab, "When the pandemic struck last year, initially only three to four students out of 44 started attending the online classes. Most of the students in rural areas didn't have smartphones then. It did take a while for the children as well as parents to understand that online teaching was going to be the way forward."

From calling them up to going door-to-door, he says the teachers tried to convince the parents that they should ensure that their children attend the classes regularly. "This helped a little but the numbers still were not very encouraging. Only 20 students had rejoined the virtual classes. This year too, the figures don't appear very encouraging," he adds.

When Covid-19 struck, technology was the only option available for teachers to connect to students, confined to homes due to the lockdown. From familiarising themselves with virtual teaching methods such as using apps like Microsoft Classrooms, Google Meet, Zoom, besides engaging students on WhatsApp groups and recording videos and giving virtual lectures, it has been a unique learning experience for the educators. The chalk-and-talk teaching method they were used to had been replaced at short notice. Taking virtual classes, checking assignments online, besides keeping track of the students' progress, was the new normal they had to get used to.

Many teachers went beyond the call of duty in reaching out to students, with some even helping them in getting the resources needed for their studies. Some recorded their lectures for students who had missed out due to the non-availability of phones at home while their classes were being held. A few teachers even uploaded the lectures on YouTube. 'Science in rural areas' is one such initiative in Punjab.

Among the many challenges that teachers in the region faced was when many bright students from poor families discontinued school since they could not afford the smartphones or devices needed to attend

# CLASS ACT



## 'PARENTS SATISFIED'

It was initially difficult for teachers but they have risen to the occasion. Parents, too, are happy as we are training the children in activity classes to help in household chores like laying the kitchen table. **Rashmi Vij, PRINCIPAL, JALANDHAR**



## 'HARD WORK VALUED'

Teachers are under immense pressure. The good thing is that there has been a change in perception about government teachers. Parents understand the hard work and effort we put in. **Kulwinder Singh, TEACHER, SHAHKOT**



## 'EXAM UNCERTAINTY'

With Class XII exams getting postponed, students are losing interest in their studies. They hardly join the classes, though we try to counsel them to keep in touch with their studies. **Seema, TEACHER, UNA**



## 'EARLY & LATE CLASSES'

In some families, the smartphone remains with the head of the family, who carries the phone when leaving the house. So, I schedule the classes mostly before 8 am and after 7.30 pm. **Pankaj Kumar Sharma, TEACHER, AJNALA**



## 'NO PERSONAL TIME'

There's hardly any time for myself. Sometimes students call up even at 10 pm to understand a concept. While we do understand that they only have us to resolve their queries but it takes a toll on us. **Shamita Sharma, TEACHER, KANGRA**



## 'IMPRactical FOR US'

In a practical subject like fine arts, making a correction is not possible verbally. Even if there's a ready painting, it becomes difficult for us to make a student understand where the flaws are. **Mala Chawla, TEACHER, AMRITSAR**



and ladders. "I have been teaching for the past 14-15 years but when virtual classes started, we too were students, learning many new things. The wide range of online resource material has been an eye-opener. I have developed a special bond with my students and their parents." The only thing she rues is that all this leaves very little time for her family. "I hardly get time to see how my two daughters are doing in their classes since our timings clash most of the time," she says.

Online teaching has helped in creating a bond between the parents and teachers. Narrating an interesting incident, Malika recalls, "I had called up a mother to check a student's progress when she started crying. The poor woman, who was a momos seller, mentioned that her child was always on the phone playing games, and the data pack would finish off soon. It took much effort to console and calm down the mother as well as counsel the child."

For Raj Deep, who teaches senior classes at a private school in Chandigarh, the experience has been both good and bad, in equal parts. The good part is the control over the class and the bad part is the lack of control over the narrative. "We started with the students feeling more powerful because they were much more at ease with technology. Initially, there were many incidents of mischief-makers entering the virtual classroom (with complicity of the students) and disrupting the teaching process. That novelty soon wore off and we settled into an uneasy truce.

The students demanded more attention, and got it. They demanded a more human approach in this mechanical process, and got that too. They rebelled, protested against uncaring attitudes from the teachers, and they won. Overall, it has been a wonderful experience."

A teacher of a private school revealed that while she enjoyed teaching, sadly the teachers have not had a vacation since last November. "The children had their summer and winter breaks but the teachers had to organise online camps during the holidays. Although the camps were being organised by activity teachers, the presence of class teachers and educators too was mandatory," she said, adding that they can't say 'no' since their jobs are at stake.

Too much onscreen time has also been responsible for many health issues such as dry eye and cervical pain, she adds.

A new session has already started, and with the pandemic refusing to halt its march, the standard operating procedures in virtual classrooms offer a ray of hope to students, parents as well as teachers. Nearly a complete year without physical classes is rewriting the rules of teaching. One thing is for sure, teaching will never be the same.

Sandhya Kheterpal, a teacher at a private school in Rohtak, compares the experience of teaching online to a game of snakes

# Peaches 'n' plums, summer bliss

Who said fruits are to be just a snack? Here is how to turn them around into main course dishes



## FOOD TALK

PUSHPESH PANT

**R**ECALL the good old nursery rhyme that refers to Tom Tucker who, sitting in a corner, put in his thumb and pulled out a plum from the X-mas pie and burst out in self-praise? Well, we in the subcontinent don't have to wait till Yuletide to savour the luscious fruit. It is part of summer bounty. There are many varieties (including imported ones) that tease and tempt.

Dr Javed Ashraf, maverick scientist and a former colleague at JNU, had studied the history of horticulture in medieval India and enlightened us that plums, apricots and peaches travelled from Central Asia to South Asia. True to form, the Chinese claim that all of them originated in the periphery of Middle Kingdom and dispersed, therefore, to the West, South and East.

### PLUMS

Plum is called *aloobukhara* in Hindi and several other Indian languages. When sun-dried and pitted, it becomes a prune. In Kashmir, dried plums are used to prepare a fruity sweet and sour *aloobukhara kofta* and in Hyderabad Deccan, a non-vegetarian version can be encountered. The Kashmiri *aloobukhara qorma*, too, enjoys patronage.

When it comes to exotic dishes relying on plums, we must thank Sneha Saikia, the gifted home chef, for treating us to the most sinfully satisfying roast duck with plum sauce. This is a dish belonging to the Anglo-Indian repertoire, traditionally cooked at tea estate managers' bungalows; it continues to be a favourite of the epicurean 'Calcutta Club Crowd'. If duck *musallam* appears daunting to you, enjoy the same flavours in braised/pan-grilled duck breast or chicken.

### APRICOTS

The ultimate accolade to apricots is paid by an old Turkish saying, "Nothing tastes better than this except, maybe, the apricots of Damascus!" Incidentally, Turkey is the largest exporter of dried, deseeded apricots that have a lighter colour and milder flavour than the Indian variety with a coarser texture. The Chinese system of medicine prizes apricots for their beneficial properties. The botanical name of this fruit links it with Armenia, but that small country hasn't been able to press its claims as the fruit's birthplace. They are a valued ingredient in Parsi kitchen. *Jardaloo* (dried apricots) are

key to some chicken and mutton dishes.

### PEACHES

Peach is perhaps the most delicate of summer fruits. It doesn't travel well, spoils easily and the skin is blemished by the lightest touch. But what joy it is to bite into a just ripe thin-skinned Alexander! An Afghan folk song compares the beauty of a downy-cheeked adolescent boy with the evanescent perfection of a peach. Cooking it can only ruin it but there is a recipe, peach *paneer* stew, created by an NRI foodie, that does justice to it. You may substitute *paneer* with tofu, if you so desire.

### PEARS

Homer's Odyssey tells us that pears grew in the sublime orchard of Alcinous. "Therein grow trees, tall and luxuriant, pears and pomegranates, apples with their bright fruit, and sweet figs and olives." The pear, like its cousins, is not a child of this soil. It goes by many names — *naakh*, *nashpati*, *babbugosha*, *amrit phal*, *seb-e-samarkand* — but is seldom used in cooking. It is mostly enjoyed fresh or stewed as a dessert. We have long wondered why no one has tried to make a guacamole from the Indian pears.

### APPLES

Comparatively the new kid on the Indian fruit block, apples have for long enjoyed a privileged position. Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh are the two states known for their produce. Not many know that apples were brought to India by Americans like Satyanand Stokes who planted orchards here. When biting into a juicy apple, few remember that this was the forbidden fruit that caused Adam's fall from the Garden of Eden. But let's not digress. Our friend Ashok Ogra introduced us to *bamsoot ki sabzi*, prepared with quince. Ninja Mattoo, teacher, author and cook, opened our eyes to variations in recipes for this delicacy.

### AND THERE'S MORE...

Among our acquaintances, Chef Nishant Choubey is most enthusiastic about experimenting with fruits. He created a wonderfully refreshing *jamun chaat* while working at the Roseate in the Capital and has improvised tantalising tandoori sticks in cashewnut gravy at his vegetarian restaurant Street Storeys in Bangalore. Credit is also due to him for a mesmerising *tarbooj ka shorba* tempered with *hing* and *kalonji*. And, how can one forget the *kaleji pav* with *shahtoot* that wowed guests at the Michelin-plated Indus in Bankok? Inspired by Meera jal Haq's original *litchi kebab*, he has also attempted a *litchi*-laced risotto.

Space and time constraints forbid us to include more of our favourite things. Like *jamun* or Malabar plum that gives Indian continent its name Jambo Dvipa. The fruit is experiencing a kind of rebirth in salads and soups. *Phalsa pulav*, which is mentioned in 'Bida-e-Zafar', has alas become extinct. Few have access to the recipe and fewer still have the skill to pull it off. Editor-publisher and peerless hostess Atiya Zaidi from Jaipur, now based in Delhi, is the only one we know who can conjure up this bewitching delicacy. Shukran-e-Nemat!



### RECIPES

#### ALOOBUKHARA KOFTA

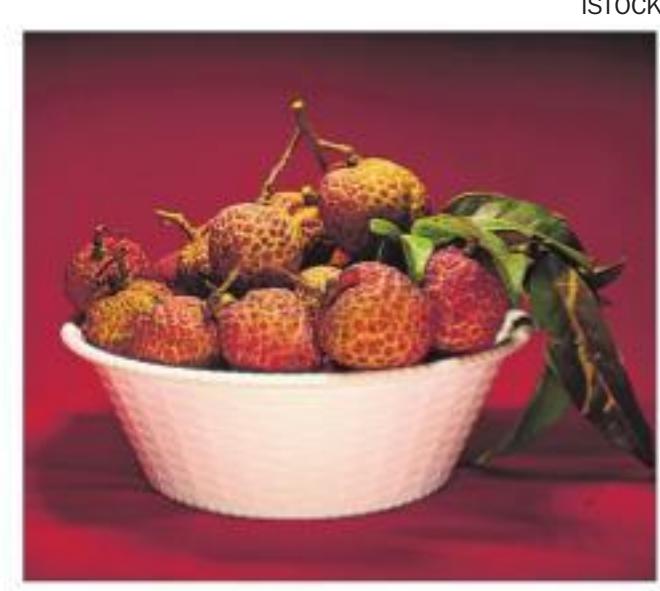
##### INGREDIENTS

Lauki (peeled, grated and blanched)	1 cup
Boiled potato (mashed)	1
Paneer (crumbled)	50g
Dried aloobukhara (rehydrated and stone removed, slit carefully)	8-10
Almonds (soaked in rose water and skin removed)	8-10
Gram flour	1 tsp
Tomatoes (pureed)	1 cup
Onions (sliced fine or grated)	2
Green chillies (slit, deseeded and chopped)	2
Garlic-ginger paste	1 tbsp
Green cardamom powder	1/4 tsp
Fennel powder	1/4 tsp
Turmeric powder	1/2 tsp
Kashmiri red chilli powder	1 tsp
Cumin powder	1 tsp
Coriander powder	1-1/2 tsp
Salt to taste	
Oil	1/2 cup
Fresh mint	10-12 leaves



### METHOD

- Squeeze all the water from the grated *lauki*. Put it into a bowl and blend with paneer and mashed potato. Sprinkle gram flour and mix well. Sprinkle a little salt, Kashmiri red chilli powder, green cardamom and fennel powders. Shape into small balls, flatten into patties and make a hollow in the middle. Place an almond and an *aloobukhara* inside it. Reshape it into a round *koftha*.
- Heat oil in a pan and deep fry the *koftha* till it is evenly golden. Remove with a slotted spoon and drain the excess on kitchen towels. Reheat oil in a pan and stir fry onions in it on medium flame until they turn light golden. Add ginger-garlic paste and stir fry for another minute. Put in the powdered spices along with salt and stir for 30 seconds. Then pour in the tomatoes, grated or pureed. Add chopped green chillies. Keep stirring lightly till the fat separates. Reduce the flame to low.
- Slide the *kofthas* into the gravy and simmer for 2-3 minutes. Switch off the gas, garnish with mint leaves and serve with steamed rice, *parantha* or *phulka*.



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### METHOD

- Line a non-stick pan with a thin film of oil and pan grill the *paneer tikka* in it. Peel the peaches, remove the stone and cut into large, bite-sized pieces. Blanch for not more than 30 seconds in boiling water and immediately refresh in ice cold water.
- Heat a little oil in a pan and put in the *paneer* and peaches along with apricots, powdered spices, salt and sugar. Pour in 1/4 cup of water and cover and cook on low flame for 3 minutes. Uncover and sprinkle the dried mint leaves.
- Keep in mind that appearances can be deceptive. This is a main course savoury dish, not a fruit salad.

#### TARBOOJ SHORBA WITH HING KALONJI LAVASH

##### INGREDIENTS

Tarbooj or watermelon	1 piece
Coriander seeds	1 tbsp
Dry red chilli	2-3
Cumin seeds	1/2 tbsp
Bay leaves	2
Ginger-garlic paste	1 tsp
Turmeric powder	1/2 tsp
Coriander powder	1/4 tsp
Garam masala powder	1/4 tsp
Red chilli powder	1/4 tsp
Black peppercorns	3-4
Oil	1 tbsp
Curry leaf	1 tsp

#### HING KALONJI LAVASH

Refined flour	100g
Water to make dough	
<i>Hing</i>	1/6 tsp
Kalonji	1/4 tsp
Red chilli powder	1/6 tsp

##### METHOD

- Prepare a marinade by mixing vinegar, sesame oil, soya sauce, a little salt, sugar and the powdered spices. Place the chicken and duck breasts in it. Coat them evenly and keep aside overnight. Prepare plum sauce by chopping the plums and mashing them in a mixer. Melt sugar in a pan and as soon as it liquefies, add semi-pureed plums to it. Cook on low flame till the desired consistency is achieved. Remove from flame.
- Heat a grilling pan or a non-stick pan and sear the marinated chicken/duck breast on medium-high flame, pressing lightly with a spatula, for 2-3 minutes on each side. Remove and keep aside on a platter.
- Reheat the plum sauce on low flame. Add rest of the marinade, cook on low flame and pour over grilled breast.

#### PEACH-PANEER QUICK FIX FRUIT STEW

##### INGREDIENTS

Panner/paneer (cut into large tikka-like chunks)	300g
Peaches (not overripe but neither unripe nor hard)	300g
Apple (medium-sized, cored and diced; with or without skin)	1
Apricots 100g (preferably fresh, halved and deseeded)	
Turmeric powder	1/4 tsp
Red chilli powder	1/2 tsp
Cumin powder (obtained from freshly roasted seeds)	1 tsp
Dried mint leaves (crushed)	1 tbsp
Salt to taste	
Sugar to taste	
Oil	1 tbsp
Lemon juice (optional)	1 tsp

##### METHOD

- Peel and discard the skin. Churn it in a blender to get the juice out of *tarbooj*.

Take a pan and heat it. Add oil. Once hot, add a bay leaf, coriander seeds, cumin seeds, curry leaf, dry red chilli and black pepper. Let them clatter and then add ginger-garlic paste. Stir fry for 3-4 m. Add turmeric powder, coriander powder, red chilli powder and cook for another 3 minutes. To that, add watermelon juice and let it cook for 3 mins. Add garam masala powder, season the soup and strain.

To make lavash, pre-heat the oven at 200 degree centigrade. Make a dough with refined flour, salt, red chili powder, *hing* and *kalonji*. Roll it and bake it for 3 mts.

Serve *shorba* with *lavash* on the side.

# When patients are left gasping

Not informing kin well in advance about the oxygen shortage is negligence



## CONSUMERS BEWARE!

PUSHPA GIRIMAJI

**My wife, who was admitted to a private hospital in Delhi for the treatment of Covid-19, died on account of shortage of oxygen. What makes me so angry is that the hospital did not inform me about the shortage. If they had, I would have got a cylinder. She was improving and I was looking forward to having her home when I was suddenly told one morning that she had died. Later, I came to know that this happened on account of oxygen shortage. Can I seek compensation from the hospital?**

I am really sorry to hear about your wife's untimely death in these tragic circumstances. The doctors, nurses and other health workers are really working hard to save lives. Unfortunately, lack of oxygen supply has led to the death of a large number of people in different hospitals across the country.

It is truly shocking that neither the Central government nor the states nor the hospitals prepared for the second wave, leading to untold suffering, with kin of patients running from pillar to post for a hospital

bed or oxygen or life-saving medicines. It is even more horrifying that some of the private hospitals that charge exorbitant amounts from patients had neither invested in their own oxygen plants, nor made arrangements for additional supplies to meet the steep demand during the second wave. They well know that medical oxygen comes from far-off places and cannot be secured at short notice.

The Delhi High Court has now directed all hospitals, existing and new ones, to set up their own oxygen plants. The Bombay High Court has also issued similar directions. Hopefully, at least in the third wave, we will not have patients gasping for breath in the absence of medical oxygen.

I must also mention that the Supreme Court and the Delhi HC have asked the Centre and the states to treat the public interest litigations seeking compensation to the victims of oxygen shortage in hospitals as a 'representation' and come up with a policy for grant of compensation to the families of such victims.

Coming specifically to your question, yes, you can file a complaint against the hospital, asking for compensation for damages. However, in order to do that, you have to collect the most crucial evidence that your wife died on account of depletion in oxygen supply at the hospital. Will they tell the truth? A committee

constituted by the Delhi Government (at the behest of the court) to assess the number of oxygen shortage-related deaths reported, following checks in one of the hospitals, that there was no mention of 'shortage of oxygen' in the case files and that 'respiratory failure' was specified as the cause of death.

Since respiratory failure can occur on account of oxygen level in the blood going too low, it may well be a pointer to the hospital not providing oxygen to the patient. So you will have to collect all the papers pertaining to her treatment and examine them. You may even be required to do your own investigation to ascertain the correct cause of death. Some of the hospitals, while seeking the court's intervention in securing oxygen, had themselves spoken about deaths caused on account of such shortage. You will have to check all such evidence.

It might be better for you to join others who have lost their family members in similar circumstances. Collectively, you can gather more information and seek expert opinion to buttress your arguments. In your case, the hospital's negligence is compounded by their failure to inform you well in advance about the oxygen shortage. That amounts to negligence. But to make that point, you will have to first prove the cause of your wife's death.

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₹200, ₹150 and ₹100, respectively. Each caption must be accompanied by a clipping of the caption contest and its number. Photocopies of the caption photo will not be accepted. Please mention the pin code in your address.



# The masterly rendition by 3 generations of Rays

AMITABHA BHATTACHARYA

A keen primordial lunar chill,  
The nightmare's nest with bouncy frill  
My drowsy brain such glimpses steep,  
And all my singing ends in sleep.

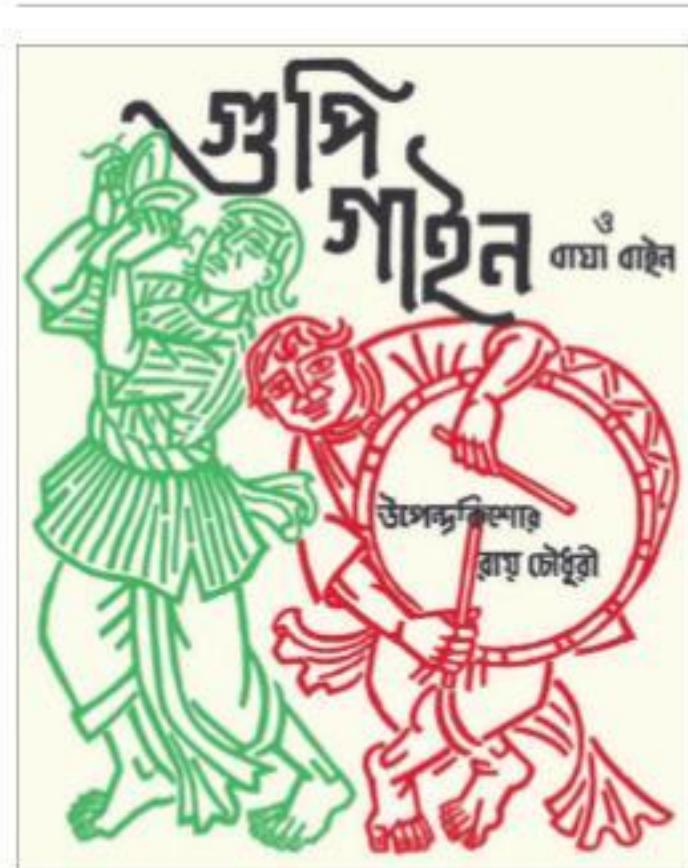
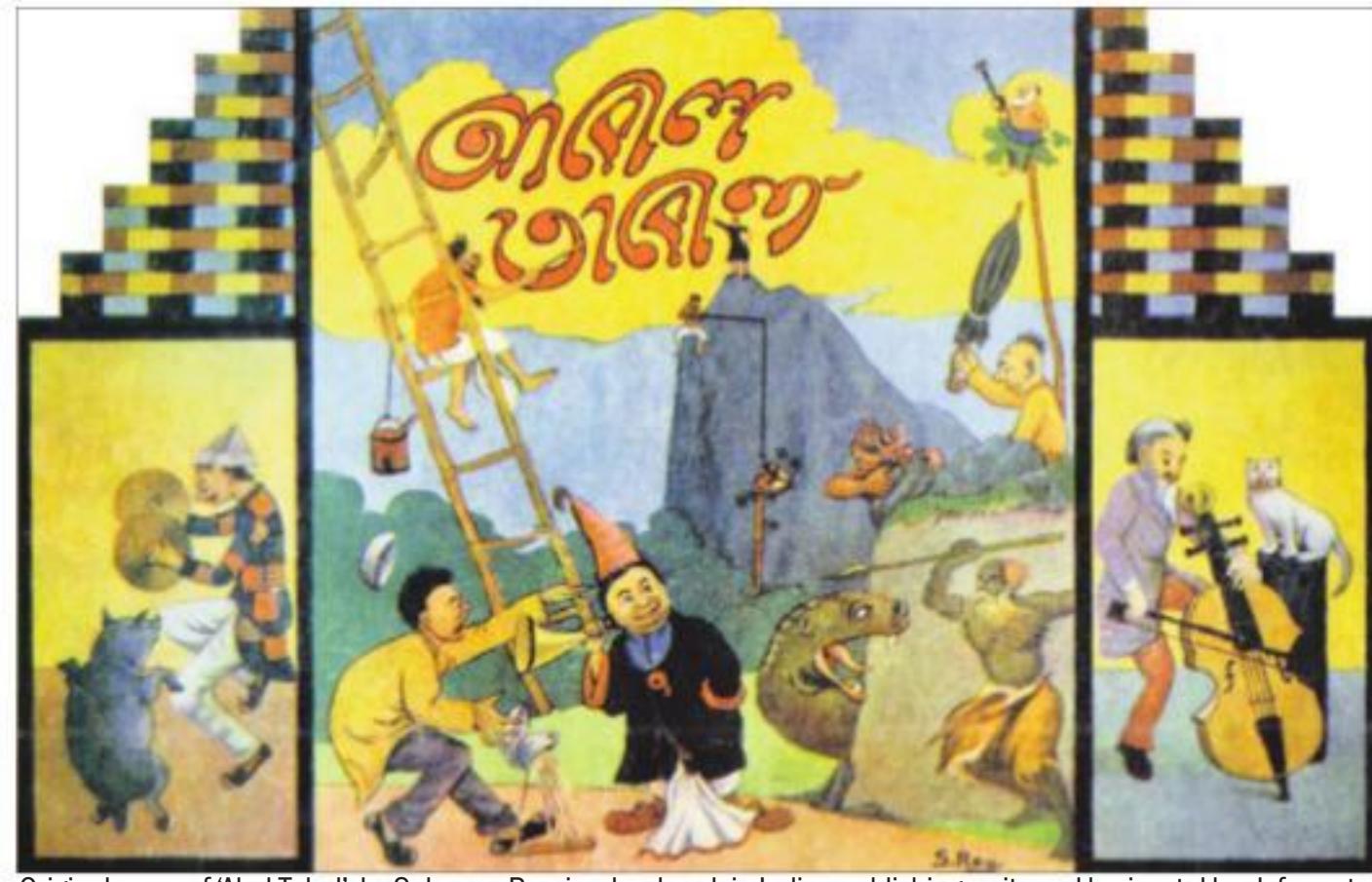
**T**Hese were the last lines of a poem by Sukumar Ray about which his son Satyajit observed, "I do not know of any other humorist who could jest in this spirit at the meeting-point of life and death."

Much of the richness of modern Bengali literature, especially for children and young adults, or children of all ages, is attributable to three generations of a single family —

Upendrakishore (1863-1915), Sukumar (1887-1923) and Satyajit (1921-1992). Upendrakishore is better known for folk tales, Sukumar for nonsense rhymes and Satyajit for science and detective fiction and stories of fantasy and macabre, sometimes bordering on the supernatural. All of them were also gifted illustrators and contributed substantially to printing and typography. Understandably, they continue to be very popular among Bengali readers.

Outside the Bengali world, however, Satyajit's renown as a film-maker has eclipsed his major achievements in literature and other fields. This book of stories and rhymes by the three Rays, translated by Satyajit, would serve to correct that perspective, acting as a bridge between the authors and the vast hitherto unreached book lovers. It provides a fair glimpse of their writings, illustrations and cover designs, and is a comprehensive text in English of representative outputs of the three legends.

Fortunately, Satyajit, with his command over both Bengali and English, was also a grand translator. He translated in rhyme his father's poetry, conveying the sense of fun and the absurd. According to Satyajit's son Sandip, "Baba started translating Sukumar's nonsense rhymes quite unexpectedly, while waiting at an airport lounge due to a long flight delay..." and "during the post-recovery period from his heart ailment, Baba turned to translation once again because he was stuck for original story ideas, and thus there was a phase when he translated quite a few of his own stories at one stretch".



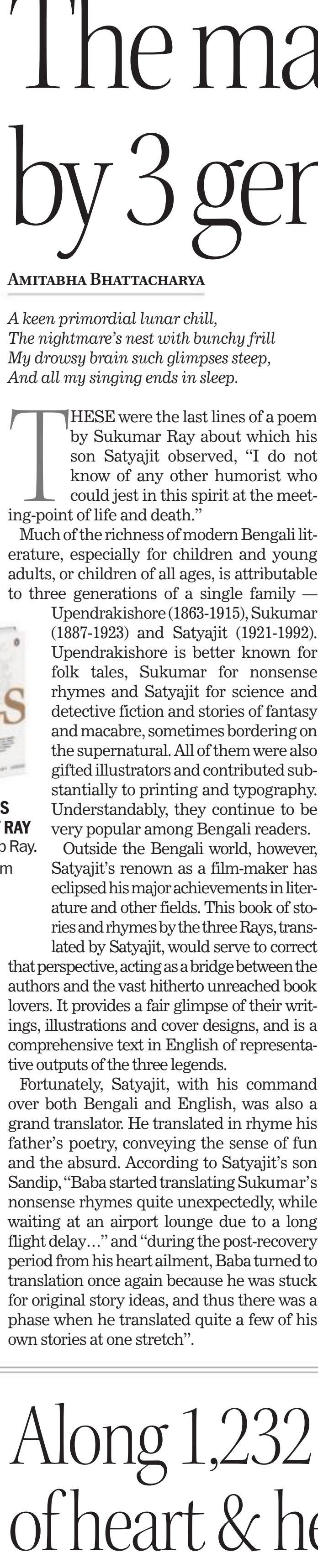
This book is more than a compilation of some well-known works of the three Rays, though mainly of Satyajit. For example, it has Satyajit's film treatment of his grandfather's story published in 1915 in the children's magazine 'Sandesh' (founded by Upendrakishore and later revived by Satyajit). Based on it, Satyajit made the fantasy-musical film 'Goopy Gyne, Bagha Byne' (Goopy The Singer, Bagha The Drummer,

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1969), which turned out to be a blockbuster. The story 'Bonkubabu's Friend', originally published in 1962, about a benign alien creature descending on a bamboo orchard in a Bengal village and establishing friendly contact with a primary schoolteacher, the humble Bonkubabu, is a precursor to Ray's proposed film 'The Alien', with Peter Sellers in the lead. The film never got made, but this idea of a loveable alien was influential. Satyajit's stories are full of original ideas. Why Ashamanjababu's Dog laughed? Was Bipin Choudhury's Lapse of Memory real? Why was Patolbabu, Film Star disappointed? The intriguing Life and Death of Aryashekhar!

Arousing the curiosity and sustaining readers' interest till the end are hallmarks of good literature. When Einstein was a child, his father presented him with a magnetic compass that ignited his imagination. This veritable treasure trove from one of India's most creative families, produced brilliantly, would surely enthuse the readership it is intended for. A companion for unalloyed delight.

It can perhaps have a sequel that would comprise translations by other notables, such as Sukanta Chaudhuri, who did so for the poem quoted earlier. The National Translation Mission may well use this volume to get some of the writings translated into various Indian languages. That would be a fitting gesture during Ray's birth centenary celebration.



SARIKA SHARMA

**I**N INDIA witnessed two kinds of exodus after the lockdown was announced on 24 March 2020. The first wave was triggered by uncertainty, and the second by a lack of trust," writes Vinod Kapri. His book traces the second through the unimaginable 1,232-km cycle journey seven young men undertook out of sheer desperation a month after the country was pushed into a pandemic-induced lockdown at a barely four-hour notice last year.

The book, however, isn't just a tragic daily diary of the seven days that they cycled from Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh to Saharsa in Bihar. It is a critique of the social system that seems to build new walls of prejudice for the poor, not to be broken, not to be negotiated, but just there to be seen and felt; the education system that often brings them nowhere; the non-existent health system; and an ever-absent government. It is a telling of the tales of drudgery and helplessness and poverty that pull them down, no matter which part of the country they come to. And for most, life back home refuses to change.

As millions of migrants (mostly from UP and Bihar) walked home between March and June, Kapri, an award-winning documentary filmmaker, set out to make a film on these men who were forced out of the glittering cities by deprivation, "the virus of mistrust" and the oppression by state authorities. While there has been enough coverage of several journeys, Kapri felt the need to make people understand just how hard these journeys had been. And he realised: "They were difficult, life-threatening and almost impossible — as much as for these men as for the millions others who undertook."

The film was subsequently made and released on Disney+Hotstar in March to coincide with the anniversary of the lockdown. A moving portrayal, it touched many. Kapri decided to turn the film into a book when he felt there was so much about that journey that still remained untold, undocu-

mented. Crying over the long phone calls home, the fear of not making it home, desperate measures like foraging for food amid leftovers too... All this had to be told to bring home the message that all the lofty talk on TV should have been followed up with better planning and action on ground.

Kapri thus became a diarist, his iPhone taking the notes on what the camera was not to record. For those who have seen the film, the book plays out like an extension of the same. You can relate to the characters because they aren't just characters. These are people whose lives you have seen across seven days packed into 1 hour 26 minutes. You have seen up-close their toughest challenges, their tiniest of joys, their despair, anguish, tears, smiles.

What the book also does is show a mirror to society — in all its beauty and ugliness. If there were policemen belittling the migrants going hungry for two days, there was a cycle mechanic who opened his shop at midnight to repair their vehicles. For every dhaba owner who refused to feed them for fear of cops, there was one that went an extra mile by waking up his staff at midnight to feed them.

Kapri seems to have done a fine job by maintaining his distance as a storyteller, a documentary filmmaker, but rising to the occasion when things began to seem slipping out of hand. You understand his anguish when he is told one morning about the encounter they had with armed goons (who apparently turned out to be faking it with a toy gun, pushed to the hilt because of pandemic-induced joblessness).

Once home, the men's joy knows no bounds. The journey eventually ends, but how long can this joy last? With families having nothing to eat, with the earnings having dried up and no job in sight, a future full of struggle lay ahead. As Ritesh, the youngest and brightest group member, says: "...labourers have a single destiny. Suffer hardships throughout life and then just die."

More books will be written, better ones too, but Kapri's account will remain an honest tribute to the many who died along the way and all those who made it home, only to return the very cities that deserted them when they needed them the most.

# Her point of view, straight and simple

RANJIT POWAR

**T**HAT world continues to fall on my mind like sunlight in geometrical shapes falling on the ground."

Ambai (pen name of CS Lakshmi) uses metaphor and allegory with consummate skill to fly effortlessly like a bird through barriers of the real and the surreal. A researcher in women's studies and a celebrated fiction writer in Tamil, her creative works are empowering stories about women, narrated as lucid and realistic accounts of the contemporary world, exploring human emotions, sexuality, political and corporate exploitation.

The stories in 'A Red-Necked Green Bird' too are all about women. Women who flutter their wings, women who sing the songs of birds, women who soar past boundaries. She talks of young women, middle-aged women and older women. Nevertheless, her take is clearly different from feminist or patriarchal issues. Flavoured with the all-pervasive charm of nature and endearing allegories of birds, Ambai's stories straddle many dimensions. They are not restricted to women's personal or domestic experiences. Of course, she writes of bitter-sweet relationships, searing emotions and tender feelings. But her vast canvas also embraces significant socio-political events like the Partition, Sikh genocide of 1984, communal oppression, corporatisation, existential issues and their effects on women.

"The Pond" is a shoutout for men to put themselves in a woman's place to know the trauma of sexual violation. Ambai conjures up a mythical experience where a dip in a pond transforms a man into a woman. He suffers rape during the brief period of being a woman, experiencing the brutality and devastation firsthand.

Ambai's stories are close to real life with everyday women protagonists who are neither heroines, nor shattered and battered. They could be the woman next door or your colleagues at work. Written in Tamil, the stories portray characters and situations from the South. Each story asks the reader to look at situations from the woman's point of view. Each narration gives a voice to women. The translation is honest to the original cultural flavour.

Despite the differences in places, customs and traditions, every woman will relate to the urgent and essential issues of female existence that Ambai has focused on so naturally and dexterously, without too much high drama. A must-read.



A RED-NECKED GREEN BIRD  
by Ambai.  
Translated from Tamil by GJV Prasad.  
Simon & Schuster.  
Pages 200.  
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1232 KM: THE LONG JOURNEY HOME

by Vinod Kapri.

HarperCollins.

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# How imperialism shaped Britain

SANDEEP DIKSHIT

**T**HE old adage of never judging a book by its cover holds true as a British Sikh embarks on a personal and public journey to unravel how the past of an empire — held by brutality, guile, plain loot and partial accommodation of the natives — has shaped modern-day Britain's impulses and wealth.

The 12 delectable chapters call for focused reading since Sathnam Sanghera liberally quotes his primary sources in telling both sides of the imperial story. From Charles Dickens to Tony Blair, there is a long line-up of eminent Britishers who weighed in on this side of the empire or that.

Leavened in an all-angle examination of the after-effects of the empire is the author's coming of age as a Sikh boy, living under the shadow of brown bashing by skinheads, and Olaudah Equiano of Benin and the Indian Deen Mohammed, who followed their masters to Britain, married white women, wrote evocatively of the slave trade and racism before being forgotten.

Sanghera declares in the fine-print that the "moral right of the author has been asserted". Yet, it is a complex story. There is always a yin and yang in his chapters. Nearly 100 pages of bibliography, notes and index — almost one-third of the book — prove the maxim that all events exist as inseparable and contradictory opposites.

Take the railways. There is a general consensus that it today serves the ex-colonised nations though it was originally meant to supply the empire's garrisons and suck out the target country's raw materials. Sanghera finds out that there was no charity involved. There was no effort to ensure the health and safety of workers. Over 25,000 Indians died in constructing just two railway sections crossing the Thal and Bhor Ghats, which possibly made it the deadliest railway project ever undertaken in the world. Whites enjoyed first-class luxury funded by the taxpayer even as Bengal reeled under a famine triggered by the British prioritising the transfer of resources



Opium was an important source of revenue for the colonial rulers in India, second only to land taxes.

for the Second World War. If charity was the underlying principle, the British would not have uprooted railway lines to fuel the First World War.

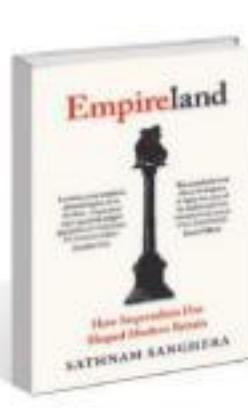
In recalling previous and similar-sounding rationalisations for the unwelcome ramming of imperial Britain into alien civilisations, Sanghera punctures the moral justification for Britain's modern-day crusaders. He nevertheless brings out two worthy aspects that usually go missing on a controversial subject as the empire. One is to give voice to those who backed the entire enterprise. He also brings in the picture of the array of men and women from Britain itself who had opposed many of the excesses wrought on the colonised.

The intense research throws up surprises on almost every page. History also gets corrected along the way: the first acquisition of East India Company was an island full of nutmegs in the South Pacific. Or that slavery didn't die just because enlightened Britons turned against it. And once that phase ended, another inhuman one of transporting Indians, Chinese and the Africans to sugar plantations began. Or that the British, who rail so much against China laying claim to islands in its backyard, hold at least 20 islands

of which half a dozen are money-laundering hubs also called tax havens.

But this book is also due to the inculcation of values of fair play, courage and resilience taught in British public schools. The system was to breed personnel to amass wealth for the British Isles. It also gave birth to a long line of contrarians who helped temper and apologise for some of the excesses.

A similar, self-critical book is unlikely to see the light of the day in other ex-empires of Russia, China and Iran. Now that statues of men believed to have made their fortunes from slave trade are being torn down in the UK, this uniquely western outlook of uncritically examining their own warts compels Sanghera to suggest that such actions also invite counter-campaigns. More has been achieved by erecting a 40-foot fountain that explores the trans-Atlantic slave trade. More than being brilliant, it confirms truism. The more you read from as many original sources as is possible, the image that emerges is grey, although the abandoning of morality remains a constant thread.



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# The divided union of India



THE INWARD EYE

GURUBACHAN JAGAT

Our country for the past decade has been caught up in politics of hate and divisiveness, which is gradually sucking the life blood out of it. Borders, both physical and virtual, have come up within the nation-state where none existed — be it Singh, Tikri, ruling party states versus Oppn-ruled states. It's a growing list of categories where the underlying theme is one of mistrust and hate. These leaders advocating divisive politics have made us look more like the theocratic state in our neighbourhood.

**W**HAT better place to start than UP to study the politics at play today. It is at the heart of divisive politics and the state which had given solid majorities in the Assembly and Parliament. Yogi as the leader represents the very epitome of this polity. He is an iron-fisted man with his own vision of India who firmly believes that his word is the last word on any subject under the sun and in the furtherance of his project, he is ably assisted by his 'yuva vahini' and other similar organisations. The first important experiment was the anti-beef programme which targeted Muslims suspected of killing cows or carrying cows for slaughter, or transporting beef, or storing beef in their homes. Vigilante groups of political storm-troopers who had been recruited, trained and indoctrinated earlier checked vehicles on roads, stopped those with beef and dealt summary 'justice'. Even in the face of proper papers, they were not spared. Their belongings were looted and they were lynched in many cases. Reporting to the police only resulted in cases against the complainants. A shroud of fear descended upon the land and travelling at night became hazardous, even for non-Muslims. A plan long in the making had started bearing fruit.

The next items on the agenda were the formation of "anti-Romeo" squads and "love jihad". The state discovered a great conspiracy hatched by the Muslim youth to entice young Hindu girls in order to forcibly convert and then marry them. Again, the squads were out to teach a lesson to these "criminals". As this was a "serious matter", the state stepped in to enact a law to make such acts a crime and stringent punishments were proposed. The popularity of this law soon became visible when states like MP and Gujarat also followed suit, with more waiting to do so. Again, fear engulfed the youth and they went running to the courts for help.

The ruling establishment, which had come to power by propagating divisive politics, continued with this agenda and had little else to offer its electorate in terms of administration, development and fulfilling the basic

needs of education, health and security, which happen to be the fundamental duties of the state. A few days ago, I was watching NDTV News 24x7 where a discussion was taking place on the Indian response to the pandemic in general and the reliability of the data being provided by the state and the Central agencies. For a change, the panel consisted of three brilliant professors — Dr Vincent Raj Kumar from Mayo Clinic, Rochester; Dr Menon from Ashoka University and one more whose name I forgot. On being pointedly asked regarding the veracity of the data, Dr Vincent answered that the actual figures of the infected and dead were at least double the numbers given and went on to say that some put these at five times higher. He was fully supported by Dr Menon and in a more muted manner by the third panellist (this data has been further supplemented by articles appearing in the western media). This set the tone for the rest of the discussion, which focused on the shortage of vaccines, oxygen, etc. The fact that came out was that the entire health system was in a shambles in the face of the onslaught.

The UP CM's response to the pandemic was typical of the Indian government's response at large i.e. a general denial of the severity of the pandemic in UP. The administration even went to the extent of threatening people with registration of cases against anyone who was seen to be maligning the image of the government. However, the numbers began to swell and the health system came under pressure — the response was to fudge the figures. However, the gap between reality and lies was too much and whatever chance of acceptance it had was blown away by the discovery of hundreds of bloated bodies in the Ganga flowing through Bihar and UP. Then hundreds of more bodies buried on the banks of the Ganga were found violated by wild animals. In all the religious practices in India, one common thread is that the dead should be sent off on their final journey with as much dignity as one's resources permit. The deafening silence of the leadership even after the discovery of the bodies and their subsequent abuse speaks volumes.

NDTV also showed some village dispensaries in the vicinity of Delhi — no doctors, no staff, no equipment, but these were being used as storage for cow dung cakes, dry fodder, etc. The camera moved from village to village but the visuals were the same. If this is the story in the vicinity of Delhi, what must it be like in the rural interior belts. For a moment, the thought came to me that maybe these dispensaries were real and the cow dung and the fodder were raw material for producing new miracle cures (*a la baba Ramdev*).

Let us now revert to areas of major worldwide concern. Foreign organisations like the ones in America are reporting that India is falling fast in its ranking of freedom to practice religion, freedom of the press and democratic values. The Centre's answer to this is that these agencies are biased against India and its rapid economic and military rise (I suppose they have an answer to how Bangladesh is now ranked higher on most economic parameters as well). Our country for the past decade has been caught up in politics of hate and divisiveness, which is gradually sucking the life blood out of it. Borders, both physical and virtual, have come up within the nation-state where none existed — Singh, Tikri, ruling party states versus Oppn-ruled states. It's a growing list of categories where the underlying theme is one of mistrust and hate. The ruling setup seeks to enforce its will on the entire dominion with an agenda whose misplaced values and ethos of a fundamental theocracy find no traction in the vast majority of this country. India is a union of states, a union whose foundation is 'unity in diversity'. We are a federal structure, the very division of states on the basis of language was an attempt to keep this diversity secure and alive. Any imposition of a uniform way of life kills the very soul of this nation. Elections, the bedrock of our democracy, are being contested like street battles with muscle, money and foul language, with the ruling party at the Centre leading the charge by deploying its vast resources.

These leaders advocating divisive politics have made us look more like the theocratic state in our neighbour-

hood and with whom we have fought multiple wars. A state which for the most part has been bankrupt and stricken with internal wars and unrest. A pariah state which we have long looked down upon but which for some reason our leaders seek to emulate now. Are we now going to be governed by a non-scientific approach led by myths and superstition? Our success so far has been the sound foundations laid in the plethora of scientific institutions, both educational and research, by our founding fathers — the IITs, IIMs, AIIMS, PGIs, the multiple universities both at the state and national level. The centres of research were not created overnight but by a continuous effort at nation-building, a nation which in these institutions saw the 'temples of modern India', a nation which sought its rightful place at the high table of democracy.

The deeper question is, where will this path lead us as we enter a period of internal conflict? India has always been weakened when divided and as Abraham Lincoln said, "A house divided against itself cannot stand." Today, we are in a deep territorial conflict with China and Pakistan, even Nepal which for the longest time has been our ally is raising disputes. China surrounds us both on land and on our coastline with ports in Sri Lanka, Myanmar and Iran. Afghanistan moves again towards Taliban rule (do remember Kandahar and Kargil the last time round the Taliban were in power. Current media reports are indicating that the Afghan army is surrendering in large numbers to the Taliban). Iran, with whom we had historic links, is estranged and so are Sri Lanka and Myanmar. The die is cast and the pieces move — will India dig deep and find the strength to fight this battle both internal and external? I, for one, believe in the resilience of the common man; he will stand up as we are witnessing in the march of rural India where rural folk have joined hands together in the peaceful farmers' protest against the farm laws. In the words of Iqbal, 'Kuch baat hai ki hasti mit-ti nahin hamari, sadiyon raha hai dushman daur-e-zaman hamaraa/ Saare'.

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## Nehru, our leader



TOUCHSTONES

IRA PANDE

## Remembering Chani

Today, I wish to remember a special friend: one who was so much a part of our family that it still hasn't really sunk in that that joyous, generous and dependable man is gone forever. Gurcharan Singh Chani first became known to us in 1976 through his subversive street plays. In those days, full of the terror of the Emergency and censorship, he would hold these brilliant performances in locations that were under the police radar. Some of us began to follow his work and the thrill of defying the state's repressive laws became a game that we participated in wholeheartedly. 'Dafa 144', 'Bulldoze Notice' were the two that I remember most clearly. His actors were young college students or little-known theatre artistes who went on to become known for their work later. Chani lived then in a *barsati* and soon became a regular presence in our lives: his love of *garam phulkas* smeared with ghee and his appreciation of the food in our home won him our utter love. From our Raju in the kitchen to my mum-in-law who loved him like a son, to our boys whose favourite uncle he became, Chani warmed himself into our lives and stayed there until we lost him recently to Covid.

In the decades that followed, Nehru's memory began to fade but after his daughter Indira Gandhi became the Prime Minister, many felt as if a part of him still looked after this country. How wrong that hope was and how quickly the fair name that was the very heartbeat of India was besmirched by the dynasts that followed. Today, Nehru has become everyone's favourite whipping boy: he was declared guilty of gifting away a chunk of India to Jinmah on the persuasion of the Mountbattens. He was responsible for the ruinous socialist policies that prevented free markets and individual enterprise to flourish. He was a Left-leaning Fabian whose political ideology was unfair to Hindus and so on. He was a trusting fool who was cheated by China's Panchsheel talk and died a defeated man.

The list of crimes he is said to have committed is long and now parroted by every two-bit political commentator. The 'chal' slogan of a Congress-mukt Bharat is shorthand for a country that needs to be purged of the pluralist, welfare state that Nehru dreamt of. Yet, how can we forget that whatever survives of the tatters of that legacy is what still keeps us Indian in the true sense. He was the one who made the world sit up and take notice of a country that was struggling to come out of the coils of a long colonial rule. Those who never saw that India and those who have been brainwashed into accepting uncritically that he is responsible for all our current problems need to be reminded that all that is still worthwhile in this country is his lasting legacy.

That world died a while ago and now as we lose all those friends who made Chandigarh for us are leaving too. Farewell Chani, our dearest friend.

## Operation Birsa Munda & raw courage



MILITARY MATTERS

BRIG SPS DHALIWAL (RETD)

When adrenaline is flowing one forgets one's safety near and dear ones. The young Lt was so charged up seeing one of his men getting injured that he took it upon himself to eliminate the militants, no matter the risk.

**T**HE Line of Control is intricately fenced with various day and night surveillance devices and sensors installed to keep a check on militants crossing over from Pakistan. Prior to 2004, it was largely porous and units laid ambushes along likely routes to check infiltration. On the night of September 25-26, 2001, an ambush party of 8 Bihar, comprising a Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO) and seven other ranks, spotted a group of 15 armed militants. The dilemma in the mind of the JCO was whether to open fire or ask for additional assistance. In case of the former, the chances were that the ambush party could get outnumbered and in the latter, they could lose the group into the thick jungles from where it would have been very difficult to reestablish contact. Not bothering about the numbers and personal safety, the JCO opened fire and so did the rest of the ambush party, and in the ensuing firefight

brought down three militants and injured the guide. The rest of the militants scattered in small groups.

Fortunately, we had a battalion in one of the bases which had concentrated to de-induct after completion of tenure. The troops were moved to cordon off the area and prevent escape of the infiltrators.

As day broke, 8 Bihar organised three parties under an officer each from three directions to locate and eliminate the militants. One such party was led by the young Lieutenant Alexander (Alex), who had recently come back from leave after getting married. This party came under fire from a rocky outcrop atop a hill. The lead scout was injured and the militants would not permit any movement forward for extricating him. A rocket launcher was called for and a few rounds of that silenced the militants enough to extricate him. However, intermittent firing continued.

I was monitoring the action on

the battalion radio net and heard Alex getting all exited and informing his Commanding Officer that he would "soon sort out these..." I didn't want this young blood to take any rash action so I got onto the air and told him to take it easy as we had the whole day available, and additional troops were being sent to tackle this group. Alex responded with "Wilco Sir", and was not heard thereafter.

I thought he had taken my advice seriously, but after an hour or so, he came on the air to announce, "Sir, I have eliminated all three of them."

Apparently, this youngster was so charged up seeing one of his men getting injured that he, along with his buddy, decided to go around the hillock from a difficult approach to get behind the militants. He crawled up to them, lobbed a grenade and the two charged at the militants and shot them.

When adrenaline is flowing, one forgets one's safety, one's near and dear ones, that you have recent-

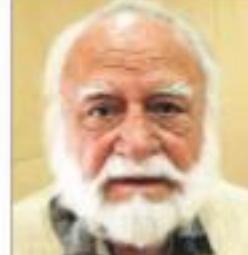
ly got married and there is a young bride waiting for your return home while she prays for your safety.

This operation carried on till late in the evening, as the other two parties of the battalion made good progress, resulting in the elimination of 12 militants. The three who had managed to escape were eliminated by another battalion the next day. The injured guide, however, managed to escape.

The operation was named after Birsa Munda, a folk hero and a tribal freedom fighter hailing from the Munda tribe. Just 25 when he died in 1900, he is known to have mobilised the tribal community against the British in the Bihar and Jharkhand belt. This is the area from where the troops of this valiant battalion come from.

The operation brought out the raw courage of the men led by fearless young officers who showed their true grit, *josh* and *paltan* spirit. They, like Alex, are the backbone of the Army, leading operations under such difficult conditions.

## Why 'sting' operations, though controversial, are crucial



MY TAKE

RAHUL SINGH

Governments hate them, even the public is divided, but these have helped nail corruption and exposed instances of malgovernance.

**T**WO recent events have not received the attention they warrant. Both are linked. They concern issues integral to our democracy. One is the need to eradicate corruption, and the other the importance of 'sting' operations.

First, corruption. On May 17, four senior leaders of West Bengal's ruling Trinamool Congress, including two ministers, were arrested by the Central Bureau of Investigation. They had been caught in a 2014 'sting' operation — which was only publicly revealed in 2016, prior to the Assembly poll — 'accepting' large amounts of cash to facilitate a fictitious project. Eleven other politicians were also entrapped in the same fashion, including some who belonged to the Bharatiya Janata Party. Prominent among them was Suvendu Adhikari, who switched from the TMC to the BJP in the run-up to the 2021 Assembly polls, and who also defeated Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in the just-concluded election.

Why did it take five years for the 'caged-parrot' CBI (a description given by the Supreme Court) to move against the politi-

cians, and more importantly, why have only those from the TMC been singled out and none from the BJP? The conduct of the West Bengal Governor, Jagdeep Dhankhar, also needs to be questioned, and if necessary, condemned. His sanction is required before such arrests can be made. The alacrity with which he gave his sanction for the arrest of the TMC members in question, within days of the election results, contrasts tellingly with his inaction against the allegedly culpable BJP members. Governors are meant to be impartial. This one, clearly, is not.

The 'sting' operation was conducted by journalist Mathew Samuel. The investigating authorities must have carefully studied the secret filming and taping that Samuel presented to them, and satisfied themselves before taking action. His name should ring a bell. He was one of the two men (the other was Aniruddha Bahal) behind the most famous Indian 'sting' operation of all — the Tehelka (meaning 'commotion') expose of the Ministry of Defence in 2001. Nicknamed 'Operation West End', painstaking research went into it, with

the 'sting' operators knowing exactly whom to target, and how. One of them was the president of the BJP, the late Bangaru Laxman, who was secretly filmed shovelling wads of cash into his drawer, for his assistance in the purchase of non-existent defence equipment. Others included senior officials and even Generals. The Defence Minister, George Fernandes, had to resign, and the Vajpeyi government tethered on the brink of collapse. Another casualty was Jaya Jaitley, a close companion of Fernandes. She tried desperately to erode the credibility of the incriminating evidence, claiming that the tapes were 'doctored'. But she failed. Last year, she was found guilty and sentenced to jail.

Meanwhile, the hugely embarrassed BJP government went after Tehelka with a vindictive vengeance. Income tax raids were followed by endless harassment. But this was not what eventually brought Tehelka down. That happened when Tarun Tejpal, its founder and editor, was accused of sexual assault by a junior colleague during a literary festival held in Goa, and helmed by Tehelka.

By then, from being primarily a digital portal, Tehelka had become a successful news magazine, exposing corruption and malgovernance.

'Sting' operations are admittedly controversial. Needless to say, governments hate them. Even the public is divided. In the Tehelka case, some of those who were targeted also asked for women to be provided, which was done. Many thought that this was ethically wrong of the journalists. However, all said and done, 'stings' are integral to the exposure of corruption and of malfeasance. They deserve the support of all those who want a cleaner public life. Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has asked the public to secretly record demands for bribes, on their cell phones. Many newspapers carry photos of civic inefficiency taken by readers. Remedial measures are usually taken straightforwardly.

Perhaps the most famous 'sting' was on best-selling author Jeffrey Archer. With a senior position in the British Conservative Party, he was a favourite to succeed Margaret Thatcher as Prime Minister. One fateful night, a Pakistan-origin

doctor, Aziz Kurtha, recognised Archer as he was going to meet a prostitute. Kurtha tipped off a popular tabloid, which used the prostitute to do a 'sting' on Archer. When the news of Archer frequenting the prostitute made headlines, he sued the tabloid for libel, realising his political career was on the line. He got a friend to lie that he (Archer) was elsewhere when he was supposed to have met the prostitute. Archer won his case against the tabloid, and was awarded one million pounds in damages. His political career was back on track. Then later, when the same friend who had lied was dying, he had pangs of conscience. He admitted he had lied. The case was reopened and Archer was sentenced to four years in jail for perjury, his political career, though not his success as a novelist, in utter ruins. Further investigations by the British Press revealed that Archer had all along been a consummate liar and was also involved in financial irregularities. And to think, had it not been for the 'sting' on him, he could have been British Prime Minister.

**The writer is a veteran journalist**

# Centre halts supply, states to buy remdesivir on their own; cases dip

Govt to maintain strategic stock of 50 lakh vials for emergency

Tribune News Service



## PRODUCTION UP

■ Minister of State for Chemicals and Fertilisers Mansukh Mandaviya said the production of remdesivir had been raised 10 times from 33,000 vials a day on April 11 to 3,50,000 vials a day currently.

■ The government has further increased the number of plants producing remdesivir from 20 to 60.

## Agencies told to check hoarding

receding and daily cases hitting a 45-day low of 1,73,790 today, the government said it

would continue using remdesivir. The Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers, however,

said it would discontinue central allocation of the injection as the production had hit a peak and the supply was more than the demand. Central allocations had been done to prevent black-marketing of the drug.

Minister of State for Chemicals and Fertilisers Mansukh Mandaviya said: "Now, the country has enough remdesivir," Mandaviya said, adding that the central allocation of remdesivir to states would discontinue. The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Agency and the Central Drug Standards Control Organisation have been told to check hoarding.

## India-Pak truce 1st step towards normalisation

NEW DELHI, MAY 29

The holding of the ceasefire between Indian and Pakistani armies along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir for the last three months has contributed to a feeling of peace and security and it is the first step towards a long road of normalisation of ties between the two countries, Chief

of Army Staff Gen MM Naravane said. An interview, Gen Naravane said, "The ceasefire does not mean that India's fight against terrorism has



come to a halt and noted that there was no reason to believe that the terror infrastructure along the LoC has been dismantled by the Pakistan Army."

The Army Chief also said consistency in the reduction in infiltration attempts and terrorist incidents in Jammu and Kashmir would go a long way in assuring India of Pakistani intent to foster good neighbourly relations. Adherence to the ceasefire pact contributed to the overall feeling of peace and security in the region. — PTI

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## Image dented, tough road ahead for govt

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PM Narendra Modi will complete two years of his second term in office tomorrow.

What made the first year of Modi 2.0 tough was the party's poor show in Maharashtra, Jharkhand, Delhi, and Haryana, and then there were protests over the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019.

Things went from bad to worse last year with the farmers protesting against the three farm laws and questions being raised over the handling/management of the second wave of Covid by the Modi government.

As the PM completes one more year in power amid what has been described as "once in a century pandemic", the going for him and his party is expected to get

## MODI 2.0

tough. In the past year, the BJP lost one state it had been politically investing in for five years, West Bengal, and is now facing an uphill task in one of the most crucial states in the country — Uttar Pradesh.

Restoring the confidence of people will be one of the biggest challenges before the PM. The future of BJP governments in poll-bound states like UP, Gujarat and Uttarakhand depends on how well he addresses the issues concerning the people, and compensates those who suffered due to the deadly second

wave. Observers say the pandemic has exposed huge gaps, denting the reputation of the PM and party. The BJP is not celebrating its seventh year in power with its usual blitzkrieg.

**OKAYAMA (JAPAN)**  
**Gangjee climbs to third spot in Mizuno Open**  
Indian golfer Rahil Gangjee shot a sensational six-under 66, his best round of the year, to climb to tied-3rd after the second round at the Mizuno Open here on Saturday. — AGENCIES

**BRIEFLY**

### NEW DELHI

#### IPL to be completed in UAE later this year

The Indian cricket board (BCCI) has announced that the remaining matches of the IPL, which was suspended earlier this month, will be completed in the United Arab Emirates in September and October.

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MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 17th May, 2021

S.O. 1911(E).—In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building/widening/two-lane with paved shoulder/four laning etc.), maintenance, management and operation of National Highway No. 205-K in the stretch of land from Ludhiana to Ropar (from Km. 66.000 to Km. 91.000) with Spur connectivity to Kharar (Km. 0.000 to Km. 19.500) (DC Office Roopnagar) in the District of Rupnagar in the state of Punjab, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land. Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under subsection (1) of section 3C of the said Act. Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, District Revenue Officer Roopnagar in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further inquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections. Any order made by the Competent Authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the said Act shall be final. The land plans and other details of the land to be acquired under their notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling in National Highway No. 205-K in the stretch of land from Ludhiana to Ropar (from Km. 66.000 to Km. 91.000) with Spur connectivity to Kharar (Km. 0.000 to Km. 19.500) (DC Office Roopnagar) in the District of Rupnagar in the state of Punjab.

State: PUNJAB District: RUPNAGAR

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## Establish live link' between dowry death, cruelty: SC

### Expresses 'concern' over false implication

NEW DELHI, MAY 29  
Expressing "grave concern" over family members of the husband being falsely implicated, the Supreme Court has said the prosecution must establish the existence of "proximate and live link" between the dowry death and cruelty or harassment

for dowry demand by the husband or his relatives.

Clarifying the legal position on dowry death and harassment, a Bench, led by Chief Justice of India NV Ramana,

however, said the penal provision on it must be interpreted by keeping in mind the legislative intent to curb the social evil of bride burning and dowry demand. Often, trial courts

recorded the statement of an accused in a "very casual and cursory manner" without specifically questioning the accused as to his defence" and sometimes family members of the husband were roped in, even though they had no active role, it noted. — TNS

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