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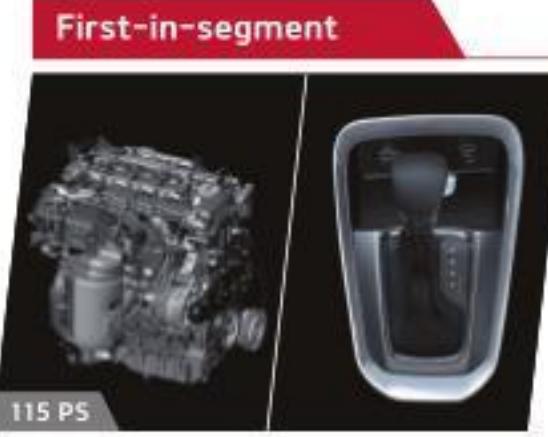
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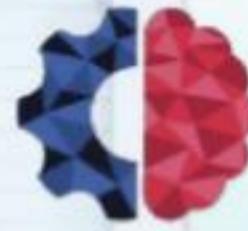
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## SWACHH SURVEKSHAN 2020

# State retains top spot in North Zone

Moves a notch up in national rankings | Fares better on waste mgmt, citizen participation

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20

Moving up a notch, Punjab has been placed sixth in the country in this year's Swachh Survekshan. Punjab's national ranking last year was 7 — a major improvement from 2017 when it was among the 10 bottom states.

At the same time, the state, for the third consecutive year, has retained the top spot in the North Zone, which comprises Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh.

The Swachh Survekshan 2020 was conducted at the national level in 4,242 urban local bodies by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs from January 4 to 31. It was conducted to assess cleanliness i.e. the management of solid waste, ODF status, including citizen feedback and involvement.

Another achievement of the state in the national cleanliness survey is the selection of the Ludhiana Municipal Corporation among the best big cities in innovation and practices category and the Nawanshahr Municipal Council, ranked fourth among the cleanest cities in the North Zone, scoring a hat-trick by retaining the first position in cleanliness in the population category in the North Zone, said Local Government Minister Brahmin Mohindra.

Special Chief Secretary, Local Government, Satish Chandra said in comparison to the 2017's baseline survey, 12 of 16 Punjab cities with more than 1 lakh population had improved their rankings. Not only this, in the zonal ranking for smaller cities, of the total 1,009 urban



The Swachh Survekshan was conducted in 4,242 urban local bodies of the country. FILE PHOTO

#### CM LAUDS RESIDENTS

Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh hailed the state's efforts in improving the overall ranking in the Swachh Survekshan. Terming it an outcome of large-scale citizen participation, he credited the achievements to the behaviour change campaign and trained manpower.



local bodies in three different categories, 59 had figured in top 100 in their respective categories.

Meanwhile, Mission Director Ajoy Sharma said the innovations made by Punjab had led the municipal councils of Nawanshahr, Mansa and Ferozepur emerge as low-cost decentralised models of solid waste management. The municipal councils of Nawanshahr, Mandi Gobindgarh and the Hoshiarpur Municipal Corporation had emerged as the model of low-cost legacy waste remediation, he said.

## Bathinda cleanest in Punjab, but slips to 79th ranking

BATHINDA, AUGUST 20 Three Punjab cities — Bathinda, Patiala and Ferozepur — featured in the list of top 100 clean cities of India in the Swachh Survekshan report released today.

Bathinda scored an all-India rank of 79 and number 1 rank in Punjab. Chief Minister Capt Amarinder's hometown Patiala bagged the 86th position in India and number 2 rank in Punjab. Bathinda city has got the first place in the state and has been ranked 79th among 4,041 cities in the survey, conducted by the Union Ministry of Urban Development.

The results were announced in New Delhi. Followed by Bathinda and Patiala, Ferozepur has been ranked 96th (3,389 points), Jalandhar 119 (3,096), Muktshar 135 (2,962), Moga 148 (2,836), SAS Nagar 157 (2,790),

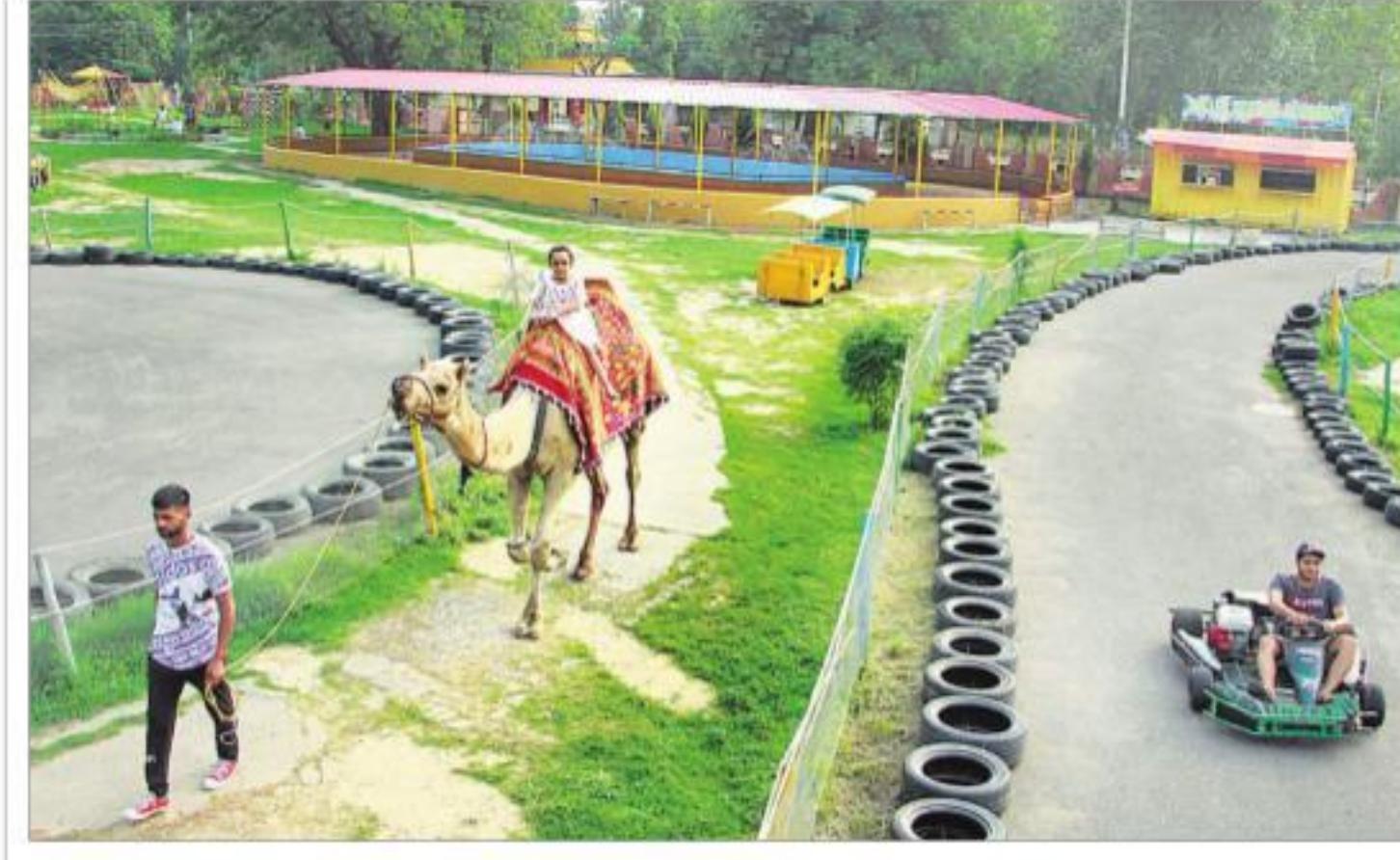
Was at 31st spot last year; Patiala, Ferozepur also in top 100

Hoshiarpur 207 (2,379), Malerkotla 208 (2,372), Pathankot 257 (2,063), Batala 286 (1,909), Barnala 317 (1,676), Khanna 333 (1,517) and Abohar 380 (965).

In last year's survey also, Bathinda had topped the state and was placed at the 31st rank in the country. This year, Bathinda has been able to maintain its first rank in the state but has slipped to 79th rank in the country. Several steps in solid waste management were taken by the Bathinda Municipal Corporation (MC) ahead of the survey and it scored well in collection and transportation, processing and disposal, sustainable sanitation, innovation and best practices. The MC also

#### OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- The Ludhiana Municipal Corporation has been selected among the best big cities in innovation and practices category
- Jalandhar Cantonment has been placed first in the country in the cantonment boards category
- The Nawanshahr Municipal Council has been ranked fourth among the cleanest cities in North Zone
- Special Chief Secretary, Local Government, Satish Chandra said in comparison to the 2017's baseline survey, 12 Punjab cities with over 1 lakh population had improved their rankings



Strictness on using plastic bags and awareness drives helped in improving Jalandhar Cantt's ranking.

## Eco-friendly measures push Jalandhar Cantt to top slot

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JALANDHAR, AUGUST 20

From the 12th rank among 62 cantonments across the country last year, Jalandhar has sprung a surprise by getting the top position in the Swachh Survekshan 2020, conducted by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

By implementing eco-friendly initiatives, such as segregation of waste from houses, use of compost, rainwater harvesting and ban on plastic strictly, the cantonment board managed to score the highest 3,670 points this year. A team of the Central Government had visited various pockets of the 15.2 sq km cantonment area in November last year and verified all factors and parameters set for the survey.

Jyoti Kumar, CEO, Jalandhar Cantonment, attributed the recognition to the hard work of the sanitation staff and the joint efforts of residents and NGO Green Hearts, who are working for the

#### AWARENESS IS KEY

“Our sensitisation programme on waste segregation was carried out in an effective manner. Residents who could not understand how segregation was to be done were given demonstrations on their doorsteps.

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Jalandhar city placed at 119th rank against 166th in last survey

cause with dedication. “Our sensitisation programme on waste segregation was carried out in an effective manner. All those residents who could not understand how segregation was to be done were given demonstrations outside their homes. The garden waste was managed within the garden, with aerobic and anaerobic pits for green and dry foliage,” he said, after attending an

online ceremony of the department in Delhi.

In the cantonment, there has been much strictness over carrying plastic bags and awareness drives have also been carried out in the residential areas. Jute handbags have been distributed and the residents have been urged to carry them along when going to markets. Fines have also been imposed on violators.

All residents here have been given blue and green dustbins, with strict orders to hand over the green waste separately to sanitation employees engaged in the door-to-door lifting of garbage.

As the sale of compost could not be possible, the same was used in hospitals, schools and government buildings. All government buildings also got rainwater harvesting systems installed for recharging groundwater. While Jalandhar Cantt made a mark, Jalandhar city remained far behind at 119th rank. It was placed at 166th rank last year.

## HC lists remedies for victims of police inaction

SAURABH MALIK

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20 The Punjab and Haryana High Court has made it clear that a complainant or a victim of a crime was not without remedy against deliberate inaction, unreasonable delay, failure to collect evidence, shielding of offenders and undue sympathy of police officers towards them.

Justice Arun Kumar Tyagi also made it clear that the complainant/victim could apply to the Judicial Magistrate, empowered to take cognisance of the offences in question on a police report, for monitoring of investigation.

The Magistrate, in turn, could issue appropriate directions for expeditious completion of investigation. The complainant/victim could also file a complaint under Section 166A (b) of the Indian Penal Code, dealing with punishment for non-recording of information, against the investigating officer for knowingly disobeying any direction of the law regulating the manner in which he was required to conduct the investigation.

Referring to Section 197 (1) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, Justice Tyagi asserted sanction was not required in case of a public servant accused of any offence alleged to have been committed under Section 166A of the IPC.

Justice Tyagi added the complainant/victim could alternatively file a petition in the High Court for transfer of investigation to an independent agency such as the Central Bureau of



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HIGH COURT

Investigation. “However, it may be observed here that in a substantial number of such cases, the complainant/victim of a crime is not able to pursue these remedies due to the lack of awareness and legal aid at the initial stages,” Justice Tyagi added. Dismissing as withdrawn two petitions filed for grant of anticipatory bail in a case registered for extortion and other offences under the provisions of the IPC and the Information Technology Act, Justice Tyagi asserted the Supreme Court in its judgments observed that the investigation was required to be fair, transparent and judicious as it was the minimum requirement of rule of law and justice might become a victim if the investigation was unfair.

“It follows that investigation has to be fair, prompt, transparent and judicious to both victim as well as the accused. Ineffective, unfair, obscure, inexpedient and delayed investigation negates and is the antithesis of the rule of law affirmed by Article 21 of the Constitution,” Justice Tyagi added.

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## Bootleggers having free run, cops hand in glove, allege residents

GURBAXPURI

TARN TARAN, AUGUST 20 The tall claims of the police on curbing the illegal liquor trade, following the tragedy that left more than 100 people dead, have “fallen flat” as residents of various villages claim that the business is flourishing with impunity.

Tarn Taran SSP Dhruman Nimbale, however, claimed that stringent measures were taken to curb the illicit liquor trade after the Pandori Gola village hooch tragedy though he admitted that it would take time to stem the problem. “The illegal trade has been running for many decades and it is not possible to end it within 15 days,” he added.

During a visit to Jodhpur village, a resident said the



AAP workers protest against the illicit liquor trade in Tarn Taran.

#### 2ND SUSPECT IN HOOCH TRAGEDY HELD

- The police on Thursday arrested the second suspect, Karanbir Singh, allegedly involved in the death of two residents of Pandori Gola village
- His accomplice Joga Singh was nabbed on Wednesday. Dilbag Singh and Heera Singh had died after consuming illicit liquor on Tuesday

only difference today was that people had to travel a certain distance for procuring country-made liquor

while it was available on the doorstep earlier.

Meanwhile, CPI leaders

Prithipal Singh Mari Megha

and Devinder Sohal said the supply chain of illegal liquor had not broken as claimed by the administration. The duo alleged that the border area of Algon Khurd village was the main source of illegal liquor supply to the nearby market, where it was sold to customers. Challenging the police, Gurbhej Singh, former sarpanch of Palasaur village, said there were 150 points in his village where illicit liquor was being sold. He said he was ready to show these places to the administration but with the assurance that action would be taken against the accused.

However, most of the villagers preferred to remain tight-lipped fearing that the trade was running under the shelter of the ruling party leaders and the police.

In city for the launch of a campaign against the SAD over the sacrilege issue, Dhillon said his party had failed to keep a tab on the mafias. “We still have more than a year in hand and if our government does not act even now, we will surely face adverse consequences in the 2022 elections,” he said.

On the outbursts by Bajwa and Dullo against whom the party leaders had demanded action, Dhillon said: “Unlike them, I have not used any public forum to express my views. I opened up only after you asked me a question. It is only during meetings with the CM that we express our views.”

## MGNREGA funds siphoned off: Akalis

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20

Shrimani Akali Dal (SAD) president Sukhbir Singh Badal today alleged that Rs 1,000 crore MGNREGA funds had been siphoned off by Congress legislators in connivance with government officials. He demanded that an independent inquiry be held into this issue to nail the culprits.

In a statement here, the SAD president alleged it was shocking that Central funds meant for the poor had been embezzled by Congress legis-

lators. He said an inquiry by a Central team had already detected gross irregularities in two districts of the state and requested Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Tomar to forward the case to the CBI for a thorough probe.

Sukhbir claimed that as per the modus operandi, material component was billed to companies owned by cronies of Congress legislators. He said material worth crores in each case was shown to the purchased from the firms on paper only. — TNS

## 6 booked for arms smuggling

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FARIDKOT, AUGUST 20

Five years after the police gave a clean chit to six persons from whom it had recovered eight illegal foreign-made weapons, the Faridkot police today booked all these persons on the recommendations of the Organised Crime Control Unit (OCCU) of the Punjab Police.

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#### OWN GUN HOUSES

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The buyers of illegal weapons have been booked under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471, 472 and 392 of the IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act. The accused are Satish Kumar of Chandigarh, Raj Chopra of Karnal, Pankaj Bansal

of Moga, Bhupinder Singh of Muktsar, Amit Goyal of Delhi and Rohit Chabra of Kotkapura.

With the arrest of two notorious gangsters, Ranjit Singh Dupla and his associate Gurcharan Singh, alias Rinka, who were facing 18 criminal charges, including kidnapping, attempt to murder and smuggling weapons in UP and Punjab, in October 2014, the police had recovered eight foreign-made weapons which the gangsters had sold to the influential persons in Chandigarh, Punjab, Haryana and Delhi.

In a joint statement, Mann and Leader of Opposition Harpal Singh Cheema said the meeting would send out a message to the Union and state governments that Punjab was united on the issue and did not have a single drop of excess water to share with any other state. — TNS

Call all-party meet on SYL, says AAP

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) state president Bhagwant Mann today demanded that Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh should immediately convene an all-party meeting on the issue of SYL. In a joint statement, Mann and Leader of Opposition Harpal Singh Cheema said the meeting would send out a message to the Union and state governments that Punjab was united on the issue and did not have a single drop of excess water to share with any other state. — TNS



Barinder Dhillon, Punjab Youth Congress chief

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# Survey finds antibodies in 27% people in containment zones

Prevalence highest at 40% in Amritsar, followed by Ludhiana

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20

A total of 27.7 per cent people in Punjab's containment zones are found to be positive for Covid antibodies, indicating that they have already been infected and recovered from the virus.

The survey findings, submitted to Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh during a Covid review meeting on Thursday, showed that the SARS-CoV2 antibodies' prevalence in the containment zones to be the highest at 40 per cent in Amritsar district, followed by 35.6 per cent in Ludhiana, 33.2 per cent in SAS Nagar, 19.2 per cent in Patiala and 10.8 per cent in Jalandhar.

This was Punjab's first exclusive survey, which was conducted in five containment zones from August 1 to 17, in a systematically selected random sample population of 1,250. The earlier surveys were more generalised and were conducted by the state government in coordination with the ICMR.

The survey report came on the day when Delhi released its second sero survey find-



A rush of commuters at a busy locality in Amritsar. FILE PHOTO

## SERO-PREVALENCE IN AFFECTED AREAS

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| 35.6% Ludhiana | 33.2% SAS Nagar |
| 19.2% Patiala  | 10.8% Jalandhar |



ings, which showed nearly 29 percent seroprevalence in the national capital.

For this exclusive Punjab survey, the selected containment zones, which had reported the highest number of Covid cases, were located one each in Patiala, SAS Nagar, Ludhiana, Jalandhar and Amritsar districts. The sample included 250 people from each zone, and from each selected

household, one adult above the age of 18 was randomly chosen for the survey. Rapid antibody testing kits were used during the survey.

Overall, the seroprevalence of SARS CoV-2 antibodies was found to be 27.7 per cent in the containment zones where the highest number of Covid-19 cases had been reported. However, in the remaining parts of the cities, prevalence of the SARS CoV-

2 would be lower and in the rural areas the prevalence would be even lower, as per the report of the survey.

Dr KK Talwar, head of the health advisory expert group, said a team of trained field assistants and laboratory technicians collected the data under the supervision of a medical officer. ASHA/ANM facilitated the survey by identifying the households in the zone.

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**Former UT cops record statements****MULTAN CASE****Tribune News Service**

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20 In the disappearance case of Balwant Singh Multani, the two former UT cops who have turned approvers recorded their statement before the Judicial Magistrate-cum-Duty Magistrate at a Mohali court today.

Two days ago, the former UT cops, Inspector Jagir Singh and Assistant Sub Inspector Kuldeep Singh, had moved court to turn approvers and were pardoned in the case, involving former Punjab DGP Sumedh Singh Saini.

They had moved court to turn approvers

Before getting their statements recorded, the Judicial Magistrate asked the two cops whether there was any pressure on them to turn approvers. They said it was their own decision.

Now, the SIT is all set to add Section 302 of the IPC to the FIR registered against the former DGP and others at Mataur police station in the alleged disappearance of former CITCO employee Multani. The case is expected to be taken up tomorrow.

As per the court orders, the SIT will have to give prior notice to Saini after adding Section 302 to the FIR. Saini is out on bail in the case.

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**I, Baljeet Kaur Rai d/o S. Harcharan Singh Rai and w/o Gundeep Singh Cheema resident of House Number 336/1, Beni Darwaja Dhuri Pind, Tehsil Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur (Punjab) declare that I have changed my name from Baljeet Kaur Rai to Baljeet Kaur Cheema. (CL20031169)**

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The waterlogged premises of the Abohar Civil Hospital after heavy rain on Thursday. TRIBUNE PHOTO

**Rain havoc in Abohar**

Fresh spell leaves Muktsar farmers worried

**Tribune Reporters****Admin unprepared**

We are worried about waterlogging. The administration has not made any arrangements in this regard yet. Even last month's rainwater was drained out from the fields after a long time. — Farmer from Muktsar

Arya Nagar, Thakur Abadi and Jain Nagari were among the most-affected localities.

The sub-divisional administrative complex, office of the Superintendent of Police, City police stations, fire brigade office and Civil Hospital were also inundated. In some offices, old records were also damaged.

The fresh rainfall has increased the worries of farmers in Muktsar district, who

had suffered huge losses due to rain last month.

The Agriculture Department officials said special gir-dawari was underway, but as per the preliminary report,

nearly 8,500 acres were affected.

"There is no fresh loss due to today's rain, but the last month's rainfall had caused loss to crops in nearly 8,500 acres.

The farmers in some villages have sown paddy crop.

However, nearly 4,000 acres are still unsown," said Jalour Singh, Chief Agricultural Officer, Muktsar.

Some farmers said there was forecast of more rain in the next 24-48 hours. "We are worried about waterlogging.

The administration has not made any arrangements in this regard yet," a farmer said.

Some roads were also inundated in the town today.

**Protesters seek arrest of rape accused****MUKTSAR, AUGUST 20**

A large number of people under the banner of the Punjab Khet Mazdoor Union today staged a protest outside the Lambi police station, demanding the arrest of accused in an alleged rape case.

They claimed that the police had not even regis-

tered the case under relevant Sections of the IPC. Tarsem Singh Khundu Halal, a farm labourer activist, alleged that some persons of Mithri Budhgar village had raped a girl and made the video viral, but the police did not take appropriate action.

"We demand arrest of the

accused and registration of a case under relevant Sections of the IPC," he said.

The police had yesterday arrested Lachman Singh Sewewala, general secretary, Punjab Khet Mazdoor Union, in an old case. The protesters demanded his release as well. — TNS

**Youth killed over property dispute****ABOHAL, AUGUST 20**

Pramod Kumar (24), a farmer, was allegedly killed over a property dispute in Rajanwali village near here.

On the basis of Sanjay Kumar's statement, the Wahabwala police on Thursday registered a case under Sections 302, 307, 148 and 149 of the IPC and 25, 54, 59 of the Arms Act.

Rajinder Kumar Delu, Sunil Kumar, Amit Kumar Delu, Sanjeev Kumar, Ved Prakash, Birbal, Ajay Kumar and Manoj Kumar Jhurarkhera are among the 15 people named in the FIR.

The police said Sanjay Kumar's son Om Prakash had earlier expressed apprehensions that Amit and Rajinder might attack him due to an ongoing land dispute. DSP Bhupinder Singh had reportedly tried to get the rival factions to settle the dispute amicably but to no avail.

Last night Amit, Rajinder and others fired indiscriminately at their rivals during which Pramod died on the spot and Sanjay was injured. — OC

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## Three killed in gang war

OUR CORRESPONDENT

GURUGRAM, AUGUST 20  
Three persons were killed in a gang war that erupted in Basai village here today.

A group of gangsters first shot youth at Basai village and later entered the Wing Enclave Society in Sector 9, where two more persons were killed. One of them got injured, while others fled the spot.

The police reached the spot and took the bodies and injured into custody.

According to the police, the deceased have been identified as Sameer, Sunny and Anmol, residents of Basai village.

The incident took place after six armed men riding on a motorcycle and scooty intercepted Sameer at Basai village around 5.30 pm and shot him.

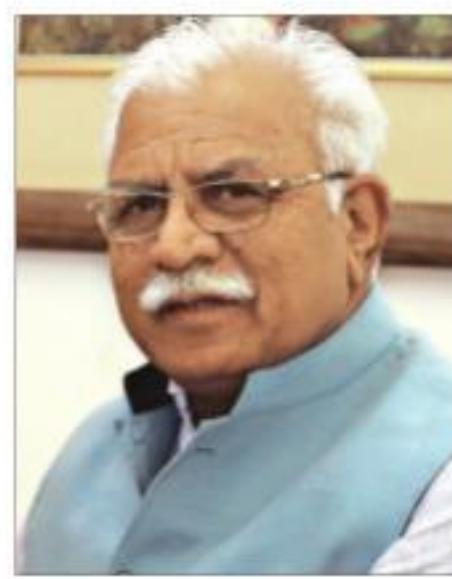
Sunny, Angrez and Anmol, who were nearby Sameer, fled the spot on a motorcycle and barged into the society. The armed men followed them and during shooting Anmol and Sunny were also killed, while Angrez got critically injured. The accused managed to flee the spot.

No FIR was registered till the filing of the report.

"We suspect that the Pawan Nehra group of Bhudka Kalan is behind the crime," said Preet Pal Singh Sangwan, ACP, Crime.

# CM in 3-day quarantine after Union Minister tests positive

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE



Though I have gone for the test and the report is negative, I have decided to go into quarantine for three days as a precautionary measure. — Manohar Lal Khattar, CHIEF MINISTER

Tuesday, one of which was on the Sutlej-Yamuna Link canal issue. Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh virtually attended the meeting while Khattar was physically present along with Rattan Lal Kataria, Shekhawat's deputy in the ministry, and senior officials.

Kataria was also present in another meeting alongside Shekhawat in a virtual conference with Tamil Nadu Chief Minister EK Palaniswami, said sources.

## Tally crosses 50K

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20

The state recorded 996 fresh cases, which is the highest so far in 24 hours, taking the Covid-positive tally to 50,926. Eleven deaths were reported — three from Karnal, two each from Panipat and Faridabad, and one each from Panchkula, Kurukshetra, Kaithal and Jind.

A 50-year-old man of Mohindpur village, a 64-year-old man of Char Chaman and 61-year-old man of Sector-13 in Karnal died of Covid in the past 24 hours. A 66-year-old woman from Nai Colony and 77-year-old man from Sector 8 in Faridabad were also among the casualties.

A 65-year-old woman from Shahabad also died of Covid in Kurukshetra.

Today, the maximum fresh cases (114) were recorded from Panchkula followed by Gurugram (111), Panipat (98), Ambala (92) and Faridabad (88).

In Ambala district, 49 cases came from Ambala City, 18 from Ambala Cantonment, 12 from Chaumastpur, six

### COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

| DISTRICT      | +VE           | DEATHS     |
|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Faridabad     | 11,403        | 159        |
| Gurugram      | 10,650        | 131        |
| Sonepat       | 3,622         | 40         |
| Ambala        | 2,863         | 24         |
| Rewari        | 2,742         | 16         |
| Panipat       | 2,486         | 36         |
| Rohtak        | 2,372         | 26         |
| Karnal        | 1,873         | 21         |
| Hisar         | 1,452         | 12         |
| Panchkula     | 1,427         | 9          |
| Palwal        | 1,345         | 10         |
| Mahendragarh  | 1,284         | 1          |
| Kurukshetra   | 1,104         | 19         |
| Bhiwani       | 1,054         | 8          |
| Jhajjar       | 1,027         | 14         |
| Yamunanagar   | 880           | 14         |
| Sirs          | 830           | 9          |
| Nuh           | 651           | 13         |
| Fatehabad     | 604           | 4          |
| Kaithal       | 568           | 4          |
| Jind          | 423           | 7          |
| Charkhi Dadri | 266           | 1          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>50,926</b> | <b>578</b> |

from Mullan, five from Barara and one each from Naraingarh and Shahzadpur.

There are 187 critical patients across the state with 23 on ventilator and 164 on oxygen support.



Members of a youth organisation protest against the district administration in Panipat on Thursday.

## Protest against 'inaction' in fraud case 'involving' BJP leader

PANIPAT, AUGUST 20  
government had ordered an investigation into the property registration of the past three years.

However, the police

allegedly did not register a case against BJP councillor's husband for his alleged involvement in a property fraud case for the past two-and-a-half months even after a naib tehsildar's complaint.

The protesters also burnt an effigy of the district administration and submitted a memorandum to City Magistrate Anupma Malik.

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tion led by president Shashi Kapoor gathered under the

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tion" of the administration.

Kapoor alleged that the

During investigation, it was revealed that the registry produced in the tehsil office was of May 22, 1982, and the shop was in the name of Nebraj of Ram Nagar and not in Daulat Ram's name, but Vijay had scanned his father's name in place of Nebraj and produced the copy of registration in the tehsil office and on the basis of the fake registration, the property was transferred in his name.

He added that naib tehsildar Anil Kaushik had sent a complaint to the city SHO to lodge a case against Vijay Sehgal and his father Daulat Ram for fraud in plot registration.

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According to the records, Daulat Ram had made a transfer deed of a shop on 25 sq yards in Ward No 12 on March 17, 2020, in the name of his son Vijay, he said.

Despite regular attempts,

BJP leader Vijay Sehgal did not respond. — TNS

## HC: Don't finalise selection to IAS from non-HCS quota

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 20

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has asked the Union of India and Haryana not to finalise the selection of candidates for Indian Administrative Service (IAS) from non-HCS quota.

The direction by the Bench of Justice Rakesh Kumar Jain and Justice Ashok Kumar Verma came on a petition filed against the Union of India, the state and

other respondents by Surender Singh Dahiya, a Class I officer posted in the Agriculture Department in Haryana.

Dahiya had moved the High Court, challenging the order of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) on August 7. The Bench was told during the course of hearing that the petitioner was aggrieved by the decision of the government dated June 9, through which the Haryana Public Services Commission (HPSC) was

asked to hold a written examination for the selection to the IAS from non-state civil services officers' quota.

In his plea before the CAT, the petitioner argued that the decision to conduct the written examination was

against the All-India Service Act, 1951, and the Rules and Regulations framed thereunder.

Before parting with the order, the Bench also issued notice of motion to other respondents, including the HPSC.

## Sex test racket busted, 2 held

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

MAHENDRAGARH, AUGUST 20

A team of health and police officials today unearthed a sex determination racket with the arrest of a quack and an operation theatre assistant working at a private hospital in Narnaul.

The duo, identified as Jitender of Nihalpura village and Vinod of Hamidpur village, used to conduct the ultrasound test in a car while connecting it to a cell phone. The team recovered three cell phones, a bottle of jelly, Rs 30,000 and the car.

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## Family stuck in flooded fields for 12 hrs, rescued

GURUGRAM, AUGUST 20

A civil defence team rescued a family, which used to rear chicken in the fields, got stuck after yesterday's waterlogging. Despite making rafts of empty water bottles here this morning.

The rescue operation took two hours as the water was

over 7 ft. The family, which used to rear chicken in the fields, got stuck after yesterday's waterlogging. Despite making rafts of empty water bottles here this morning.

The alarm in the morning. The villagers called the administration and a team of civil defence warriors rescued them. "The civil defence team has been aggressively rescuing those stuck in waterlogged areas and even aiding police in

traffic management," said Gurugram DC Amit Khatri.

Meanwhile, several parts of Gurugram remained waterlogged on the second consecutive day as rains continued to drench the city on Thursday. — OC



Family members of the deceased at the KCGMC in Karnal, on Thursday. TREBUNE PHOTO

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that the court should be vigilant that the defence counsel should not adopt the strategy of continuous questioning of the prosecutrix on rape detail, while conducting cross-examination. Justice Arvind Singh Sangwan asserted that such queries, in opinion of the High Court, could not have been asked to a rape victim to prove the innocence of the accused.

Justice Sangwan also asked the High Court Registrar-General to circulate among all presiding officers and designated courts dealing with cas-

es of crime against women in Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh the observations regarding lewd, filthy and indecent questions to the prosecutrix, which could not be allowed by the trial court in violation of the directions given by the Supreme Court. Justice Sangwan also referred to the apex court judgment in the case of "Punjab vs Gurmit Singh".

Justice Sangwan also quoted the judgment as saying that there had lately been a

lot of criticism regarding the treatment of victims of sexual assault during cross-examination. The provisions of the Evidence Act regarding relevancy of facts notwithstanding, some defense counsel adopted the strategy of continual questioning of the prosecutrix on details.

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## New recruitment agency

Reform timely, job creation a challenge

FOR the security they offer, government jobs are a huge draw in the country despite the limited openings. An estimated 2.5 crore to 3 crore aspirants appear for about 1.25 lakh vacancies in the Central government every year. That number is bound to increase manifold as the pandemic continues to tear through the private sector, triggering massive job losses. The Union Cabinet's approval to set up a National Recruitment Agency is a timely reform to streamline the hiring process and reduce the multiple examination cycle — saving both time and resources of candidates. Test centres in each district would reduce the financial strain of travel and stay, and the option of several languages to choose from is a step towards equal opportunity. The curriculum would be common.

A preliminary examination is proposed to shortlist candidates for Group B and C non-technical posts. In place of the current model of several exams by different agencies, a candidate would be able to apply for a vacancy with the respective agency based on the NRA common eligibility test score. The test will be conducted for three levels: graduate, higher secondary and matriculate candidates. The final selection shall be made through separate tiers of examination conducted by the respective recruitment agencies.

Conservative figures put at 61 lakh the number of salaried employees set to lose jobs this year. The unemployment rate among youngsters below the age of 25 could touch 32.5 per cent. These are not merely numbers, these are human stories. The pandemic-induced layoffs in the travel, tourism, food and services sectors have been on a massive scale. Employees once sacked are unlikely to be re-hired anytime soon, given the slow takeoff of the economy after the lockdowns. The governments have not done anything significant to help the private sector keep businesses afloat to save as many jobs as possible. Creating jobs is a challenge staring the Central and state governments in the face.

## Accountability for 120 deaths

More lives lost, yet Punjab's parallel liquor network intact

SURIOUS liquor, which claimed over 120 lives in three districts of Majha early this month, continues to wreak havoc on unsuspecting consumers. Two residents of Pandori Gola village in Tarn Taran district died after having poisonous booze on Tuesday. The law-enforcement authorities are zeroing in on the local players, even as the big fish running the parallel liquor network with impunity across Punjab remain elusive. The ongoing inquiry into the illicit liquor trade doesn't seem to be scrutinising things at the macro level. Instead of striking at the root of an organised racket that draws strength from political patronage, the hydra-headed problem is being reduced to a one-off deal involving a Ludhiana-based paint shop owner, an industrial dealer in Delhi and a Moga businessman.

There are gaping holes in the story about how denatured spirit reached Tarn Taran from Delhi after changing hands in Ludhiana and Moga. It especially needs to be explained how the businessman, apparently without any authorisation, managed to buy the harmful substance for purportedly preparing hand sanitiser and then in turn sold it to makers of illicit liquor. In recent months, *The Tribune* has red-flagged not only the pilferage of denatured spirit from distilleries but also the rampant use of lethal methanol for manufacturing adulterated sanitisers. However, the state authorities have been slow to put two and two together.

Any attempt to shift the focus away from ascertaining the complicity of excise officials and distillery operators will only defeat the purpose of the probe and increase the likelihood of another major tragedy. Punjab can take a leaf out of Haryana's book if it is really keen to stem the rot. The indictment of an Excise and Taxation Commissioner and a police officer by a special inquiry team probing the liquor scam in the neighbouring state demonstrates zero tolerance to dereliction of duty. The Punjab government has now decided to use GPS technology to monitor the transportation of extra neutral alcohol and ethanol by distilleries. Such a high-sounding move might come a cropper as long as the nexus between officials, manufacturers, suppliers and vendors continues to flourish. The buck has to stop here.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build bridges even when there are no rivers. — Nikita Khrushchev

### ON THIS DAY...100 YEARS AGO

# The Tribune.

LAHORE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1920

### Punishing the Guilty.

IT has now been about three months since the Hunter Report was published, but the Government unfortunately appears to be in no hurry to take any action in regard to the officers whom even the Majority report was constrained to condemn. Leaving apart Dyer's case, so far only Frank Johnson and Bosworth-Smith have gone, although even in their case no public pronouncement has so far been made. This delay, coupled with the previous policy of the Government of India in regard to the Martial Law, has created a most unfortunate impression on the Indian public mind. The Punjab Government have during these months, more than once, emphasised the need for the rehabilitating of normal relations between the rulers and the ruled. The only way this can be done is if both the Government as well as the people undertake to do their duty, and it cannot be said that in the matter of the punishment of the guilty officials, the authorities have acted with the thoroughness which the occasion demanded, which does not inspire any confidence. The publication *New India*, whom no one will accuse of extremism, has this to say about the matter in a recent issue:— *The remedy lies in Lord Chelmsford's hands. It is becoming increasingly difficult to appreciate his hesitation in carrying out the Cabinet's decision with regard to those who have been guilty of various excesses in the administration of the Martial Law. He should either obey the Government of Great Britain or resign, instead of following Mr. Gandhi's policy of Non-co-operation.*

# Chouhan's poll stunt

He seems to be looking to turn the curve when peers remain in background



RADHIKA RAMASESHAN

SENIOR JOURNALIST



STATE MATTERS: The MP CM has promised government jobs 'only' for locals.

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offered incentives to those industries that promised to employ 70% locals. The gesture, which never took off, was compared with the Shiv Sena's age-old demand to reserve jobs for the Marathi-speaking population. It was a demand out of depth with the variegated demography of urban Maharashtra, which for long drew migrants from across the country. The Sena's accent on the 'Marathi manoo' manifested in aggressive street protests, fights and strikes that jeopardised the lives and properties of the migrants until its former ally, the BJP, dealt a reality check and forced the Thackerays to soften the rough edge of their chauvinism.

Nath would not countenance a likeness with the Sena. His contention was that the local economy should pander to MP's young people, the population aspiring to a life better than the one handed out to their fathers and grandfathers. Ironically, at that time, the BJP celebrated MP's place as the 'heart of India' and reminded Nath that people from all over the country had made it their home.

Indeed, the tourism ads created in Chouhan's earlier regimes pitched MP as 'Hindustan ka dil dekho'. Histori-

cally, the Hindi heartland, considered the cradle of the pre-Independence struggles, identified itself with the nationalist spirit and had little use for regionalism of the genres that evolved in the West, South and the Northeast of India. There were sporadic linguistic movements and disputes over river water sharing but these never led to full-blown regional confrontations. Chhattisgarh was carved out of MP but it was not conceived in violence.

The Congress and BJP are for long the poles of MP's polity. There were occasional 'intrusions' by the Gondwana Ganatantra Party that was formed to speak for the Gondi tribe but it never got too far. Occasionally—and when the Congress or BJP feel like—a call to create Bundelkhand state is flagged but the clamour is not underpinned in the classic definition of what spurs regionalism: ethnicity, language, sub-regionalism, border and river water discords, 'anti-outsiders' or an onslaught on federalism by the Centre. At best, the Bundelkhand issue can be characterised as a 'secession of the rich', to quote Aratnra Gochhayat, a political science professor, who says that when the rich

MP's growth continues to be driven by the primary sector which includes mining and quarrying and agriculture. Their share in the gross state domestic product rose from 33% in 2012 to 38% in 2018. Agriculture continues to be its economic mainstay, with 72% of its population living in rural areas. It is the hinterland that needs a serious relook if Chouhan wants to develop the local human resources and not a modest-sized government principality.

## Saved, in the nick of time!

RS DALAL

THE incident happened after the Emergency had been lifted and I was posted as SSP of a district. Students gave the police a notice to take out a procession through the town to celebrate the first anniversary of lifting of the Emergency. The JP movement of the early '70s had well groomed the demonstration skills of the college students of that time.

I went into a huddle with my police officers to plan a proper deployment of men and material for the smooth passage of the event. Intelligence inputs indicated some mischief by students to provoke the police for a confrontation. We, therefore, reviewed the likely flash points and put on duty officers

known for their stable handling of surcharged situations. One of the DSPs volunteered to handle one such point. Since he had recently come on transfer, one had no inkling about his behaviour under high-voltage stress-full law and order situations.

The students gathered to the usual accompaniment of sloganising and shouting. Everything seemed to be moving as anticipated. However, around 3 pm, the wireless system was abuzz that a group of students was trying to break into the bus stand. I immediately rushed there with a posse of force and quickly lathi-charged and dispersed them before they could enter the bus stand.

As we tried to gather our wits, a message flashed about the police firing near

the college gate, a kilometre away. Instantly, we drove off to that location. I saw the particular DSP with a revolver, firing into the air, and a few constables joining him with their 303 rifles. A mob of students stood about 80 yards apart, reacting by yelling, shrieking, some even pelting stones and daring the DSP to fire at them! 'What the hell are you doing? Stop firing!' I shouted. The firing stopped. The DSP was sweating in the wintry January evening, trembling with anger, agitated, and totally beside himself. 'Sir, they are calling us the filthiest of names and making vulgar gestures. They have to be taught a lesson,' he replied. 'Go and sit in your vehicle. Let me handle it,' I shouted in the midst of the war-like chaos.

I quickly summoned the tear gas

squad and repositioned police platoons. We had to finish the job before darkness fell. The evening shadows had already started lengthening. I asked the squad commander to check the wind direction and order a 'volley fire'. Dozens of tear gas shells were fired towards the students, and a bit later, the police charged at them with lathis. Thankfully, the dispersal was over in about an hour's time.

What a nerve-racking, testing day! I shuddered to think of the students' casualties in police firing. Thanked my stars that I could reach in the nick of time to control the DSP on 'short fuse', else the consequences could have been disastrous. A volatile, tinderbox personality, ready to fly off the handle in a pressure-cooker environment!

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### One nation, one exam

In a historic decision, the Centre has approved the creation of the national recruitment agency (NRA) to conduct an online eligibility test for candidates applying for government jobs. It will save the job-seekers' time and money. The NRA will set up examination centres in every district of the country, which will help the youth, especially women who are from rural areas. A common eligibility test is a boon for 2.3-5 crore candidates who appear for these exams. Candidates applying for one exam will get an opportunity to compete for many posts. There will be no restrictions on the number of attempts by the candidates. It is a good initiative.

ASHWINI PARMAR, DELHI

#### Uniform recruitment

The national recruitment agency (NRA) is an exceptional step taken by the Modi government, as it will create a uniform, transformative recruitment process. The government has sanctioned over Rs 1,517 crore for the agency. By ensuring transparency, this initiative will be a boon to crores of youngsters. It would ensure equal opportunities to all sections of society and better access to rural and underprivileged candidates, and women also.

It would cut the cost and save time and resources too.

KHUSHBU VED, GURUGRAM

#### Will aid job process

Apropos of 'National recruitment agency for Group B, C posts' (Aug 20), the setting up of the agency is a crucial stride towards progression in the recruitment process. It is a commendable move by the government to streamline the process by having a common eligibility test in central and public sector banks. It will help young job-seekers across the country to push their ambition towards reality. Giving more importance to non-technical posts for graduates, higher secondary and matriculate candidates will help young people become self-reliant, irrespective of their age and qualification.

ASHU ARORA, CHANDIGARH

#### Jobs for locals

This refers to the editorial 'Govt jobs for locals in MP' (Aug 20). Though reserving state government jobs for locals is unconstitutional, there is no stopping chief ministers who pursue such policies. Shivraj Singh Chouhan's announcement is a retrograde step. The failure of the governments, be it Madhya Pradesh, and women also.

Maharashtra or Andhra Pradesh, to create job opportunities for the burgeoning unemployed youths is being covered up through such reservation, with no jobs to offer. This kind of politically motivated decision would encourage other states to follow suit, thus imposing restrictions on the movement of talented and meritorious job-seekers, and eventually create barriers between states. Lack of freedom to recruit workforce could hit productivity in the private sector. The net loss to the unemployed youths would only increase due to the short-sighted policies of the governments.

N SADHASIVA REDDY, BENGALURU

#### Online Covid results

Karnataka has come up with an online service that allows people to check their Covid test results by entering the Specimen Referral Form (SRF) ID. The portal has been developed by the Karnataka State Covid-19 War Room. The Government of Karnataka can be in touch with people through their mobile numbers. The ID contains the health details of patients. A similar process of online service is going on in Tamil Nadu, where citizens can download a PDF copy of their report. With the help of this

online service, the rush in hospitals will decrease. Other states should follow suit.

SANJANA SONI, CHANDIGARH

#### GPS in trucks

With respect to Punjab news relating to GPS being made mandatory in trucks carrying ethanol, spirits etc, this will make it easy to track the trucks and get details in case of any scam. Also, rules like no stopping except in the case of a breakdown will help in checking liquor smuggling and prevent cases like the Majha liquor tragedy.

HARDIK GUPTA, SOLAN

#### CBI gets Sushant case

Reference to the news regarding the commissioning of a CBI probe into Sushant's case (Aug 20); the whole nation was waiting for the SC judgment on the transfer of the case. It is perhaps for the first time that there has been the involvement of the SC in such a case. There was widespread outrage among the public and everyone is anxious to know the real cause of Sushant's death. Finally, the case has been handed over to the CBI. Hope the agency will go into the depth of the case and the late actor and his family will get justice.

SHUBHAM BISHT, BY MAIL

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# Farming can't be sacrificed at altar of trade



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the entry of infant formula, cheese, cream, butter and other products.

Mexico, too, allowed the import of certain US cheeses but otherwise remained firm on not opening up any further. Meanwhile, Kenya is under a lot of pressure to allow US dairy products under the proposed US-Kenya FTA under negotiation.

It is now the turn of India. To fix the problem created by the swelling corporate milk output, India too is under pressure to open its dairy sector to American imports. Just like accusing Canada of protectionist policies, President Trump has repeatedly called India 'tariff king' and often expressed his dissatisfaction by saying, "We're not treated very well by India." He had been particularly harsh on the high import tariffs on Harley Davidson motorcycles. India had obliged, and Prime Minister Narendra Modi informed the US President of the duty cut offered.

Since then, America has upped the ante, which was quite evident when President Trump announced before departing for India in February: "We are doing a very big trade deal with India. We'll have it. I don't know if it will be done before the election, but we'll have a very big deal with India." He was referring to the US-India Free Trade Agreement (FTA) which has been under negotiation for quite some time. But, in the meanwhile, a 'quick trade deal' for an early harvest is almost ready. "We can do an early harvest in terms of 50 to 100 products and services," Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal had told a virtual meeting of the US-India Business Council.

While a 'quick deal' or a bilateral trade agreement does not have to strictly conform to any World Trade Organisation (WTO) obligations, the attack on the Indian agriculture and dairy sectors appears to be on both the fronts. To meet the WTO commitments, India had in June allowed the import of five lakh tonnes of maize and 10,000 tonnes of milk and milk products at a lower import duty and that too when farmers cultivating maize and those producing milk were faced with depressed prices. The proposed US-India trade deal, too, has agriculture and dairy placed high on the agenda with America seeking an increased market access for its highly subsidised farm produce.



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Although 93 per cent of the small dairy farms in America have closed down since the 1970s, the consolidation of big dairy farms in the US in tune with its policy of 'get big or get out' has turned it into the world's sec-

ond largest milk producer.

In India, there are 8-10 crore dairy farms. Even though a large number of dairy farmers have an average of two to five head of cattle, India is at present the world's largest milk producer. Over the years, the number of families owning 15-30 cows has been steadily on the rise. Although between 2000 and 2016, as per a study, India has seen almost 52 lakh small farmers quitting dairy, the country can't afford any more closure of dairy farms. Any further opening up should be a matter of concern given the extent of agrarian distress that prevails.

Further, the three ordinances that form a part of the marketing reforms in agriculture too are aimed at the commercialisation of Indian agriculture: bringing in corporate agriculture and consolidating production in the years to come. These autonomous

reforms appear to be in sync with the WTO policy that restricts the product-specific support under minimum support price (MSP), keeping it within the agreeable limit of 10 per cent of the total value of production.

Already, the US, Canada, Australia and a host of other countries have questioned India for breaching the price support in wheat, rice, cotton, sugar and pulses. Although India has defended the higher MSP under a 'peace clause' exemption it enjoys till a permanent solution is arrived at, sooner or later, this will be under the chopping block.

In 2010, the then US Trade Representative (USTR) had said: "We are exploring every alternative and every enforcement tool available to us to get India to open up their markets on a number of agriculture issues."

Four years later, 14 US agricultural commodity export organisations had written to the USTR expressing displeasure at the temporary safeguard accorded to India by way of 'peace clause' which would dampen the export possibilities. All eyes are, therefore, on getting more market access into India.

So far, India has also done remarkably well by refusing to open up to American farm commodity exports, especially soybean, poultry and dairy. Last June, in retaliation, India raised tariffs on 28 products, including walnuts, almonds, apples, Bengal gram and *masur dal*.

Later, in November, India walked out of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) treaty, realising that the country would be flooded by imports, mostly in agriculture. With *Atmanirbhar Bharat* being the new vision, agriculture cannot be sacrificed at the altar of trade.

## Standard system needed to check identity fraud

**N**EWSPAPERS carry 'public notices' about change of name or date of birth. It would appear from these 'notices' that changing one's name or date of birth is a simple procedure, where all that is required is an affidavit sworn before a notary public and insertions in the newspapers. One can become a few years older or probably even younger by just making an affidavit and issuing a notice! It would be interesting to know whether this would be accepted for a government servant who is on the verge of retirement.

The first legal record of a person's name and date of birth is the record with the Registrar of Births and Deaths after the birth of that person is registered officially. The law that covers these matters is the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969, and every state has notified rules under this Act. This law does not provide for changing the name or date of birth, except for correction of errors. Certainly, changing the date, month and year of birth would not qualify to be called 'correction' by any stretch of imagination.

This law requires that every birth should be registered at the place where it occurred, within a period of 21 days. Since sometimes, a child's name is not finalised within this time, the law allows the name to be added to the register at any time in the next 15 years. Many state governments have provided facilities for registration in the hospitals itself.

If the registration is delayed for any reason, it can still be registered with documents from the hospital where the birth happened, or other proofs of birth at the offices of the local Registrar of Births and Deaths at the place where the birth took place.

For a delayed registration, a nominal late fine would need to be paid and an affidavit produced if the delay is of more than a month. However, for any birth to be registered after a year, an order from a First Class Magistrate will be needed.

As fifty years have passed since the Act was implemented in most parts of the country, one would expect that registrations delayed by more than a year are rare. It is interesting to see how many such 'delayed registrations' happened during the last couple of years for which figures are available



**LOOPOLE:** Newspaper notices (personal details redacted) make no mention of the office of the Registrar of Births and Deaths.

in the report, 'Vital statistics from civil registration system' released by the Registrar General of India.

The delayed registrations form less than one per cent of the total registrations in Kerala while it is as high as 88% in Arunachal Pradesh and 95% in Nagaland. Unfortunately, data from two of the biggest states — Bihar and Uttar Pradesh — are not available from the reports.

Rajasthan registered about 17 lakh births in a year. Of these, 2.3 lakh in 2017 and 2.8 lakh in 2018 were those registered late by more than a year. These accounted for 13.6% in 2017 and 15.9% in 2018.

Delhi registers over 3.6 lakh births a year. In 2017, more than 40,000 (13.6%) and in 2018, more than 27,000 (7.5%) were those registered

late by more than a year.

If we assume 300 working days in a year, we find that about 900 orders must have been issued every day for delayed registration in Rajasthan. In Delhi, with about 30 sub-divisional magistrates (SDMs) who would issue these orders, each SDM would be issuing about three orders every day. It is difficult to imagine how these number of orders can be issued after 'due verification of the correctness of birth' as provided under the law.

It is possible that some of the delayed registrations are being made to avoid practical difficulties. These may include problems in procuring birth certificates from the place of birth or getting admission to preferred schools meeting all the admission requirements. It may be that the birth

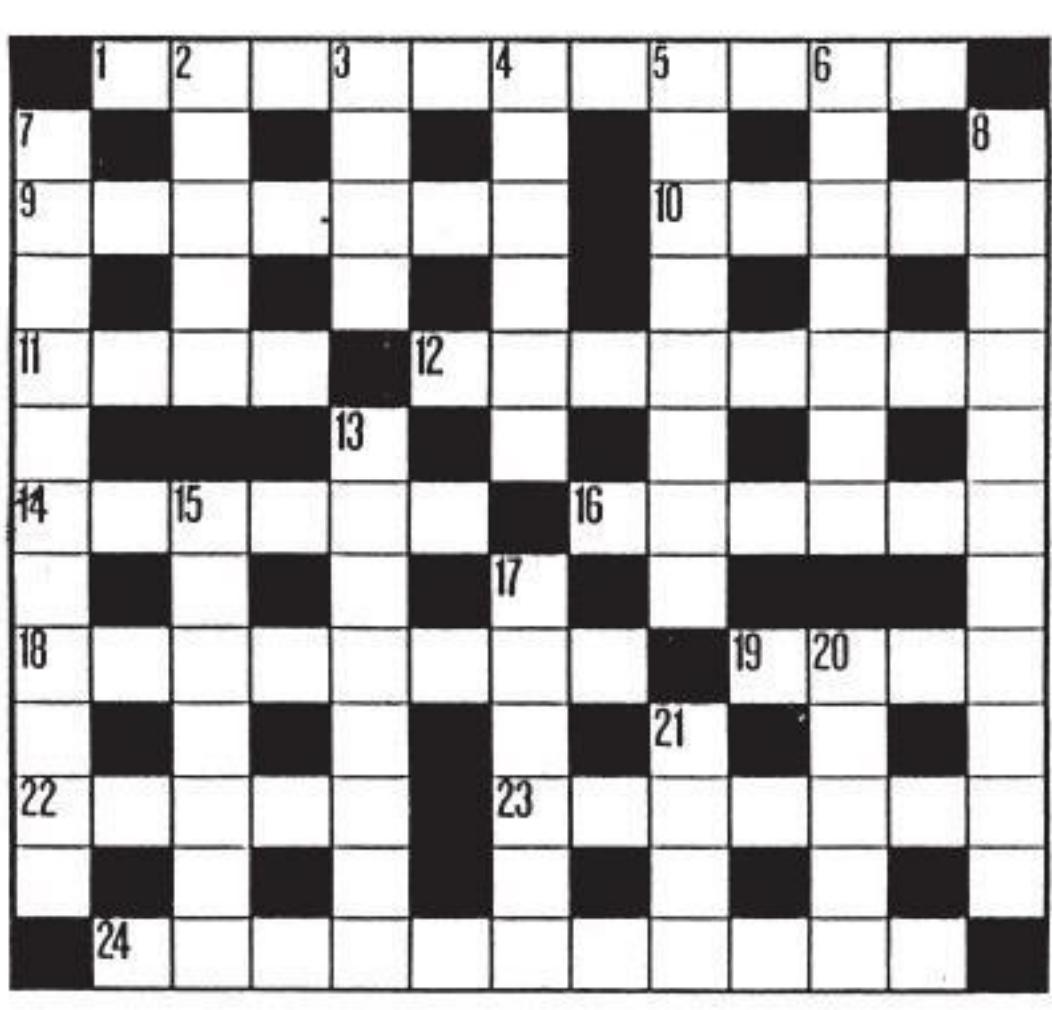
registration records have a name different from the one that the family wishes to use. However, it has to be recognised that the route of affidavits and newspaper advertisements exposes those who follow it to avoid legal complications in future. It also defeats the very purpose of birth registration as a basis for creating a legal identity for a child.

Goa has a law regarding change of name (Goa Change of Name and Surname Act, 1990). This law provides for a certificate of change of name linking it with the name entered in birth register. Probably, a similar legislation at the national level can be helpful in resolving the issue of change of name. It would provide a standard system for change of name, by linking it to the birth register, ensuring that the date of birth is not changed.

The newspaper announcements regarding a change in name and date of birth do not appear to have been done with any processes at the office of the Registrar of Births and Deaths, as the advertisements do not refer to them. It is next to impossible to provide any sort of proof to change the date of birth, unless the processes of verification are being wilfully compromised.

Identify fraud is a real threat in India as it is in other parts of the world. The general public needs to be informed that mere newspaper announcements cannot be the basis of changing names and the date of birth and the agencies concerned should be alerted to dangers involved in large-scale delayed registration processes in some states.

### QUICK CROSSWORD



YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

**Across:** 1 Second, 4 Spectrum, 9 Molten, 10 Wide open, 12 Tame, 13 Queer, 14 Undo, 17 Matter-of-fact, 20 Pestilential, 23 Goel, 24 Hence, 25 Wily, 28 Intrepid, 29 Mikado, 30 Markedly, 31 Listen.

**Down:** 1 Sometime, 2 Calamity, 3 Need, 5 Pride of place, 6 Chef, 7 Repent, 8 Mentor, 11 Run-the-mill, 15 Sever, 16 Scant, 18 Militant, 19 Play down, 21 Egoism, 22 Barter, 26 Cede, 27 Kiwi.

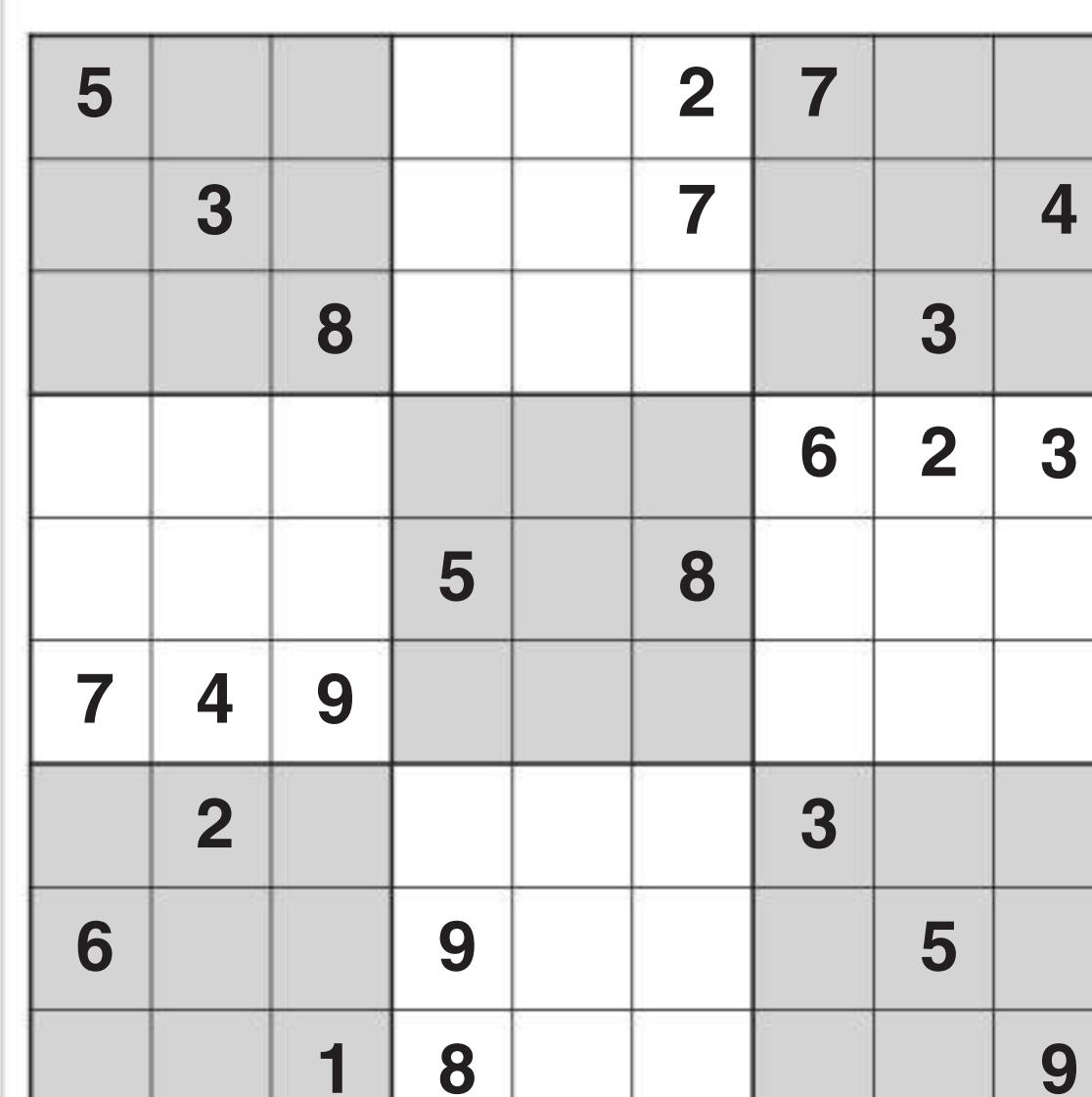
**ACROSS**

- 1 Perfectly sound (5,2,4)
- 9 Insult openly (7)
- 10 Battle in France, 1916 (5)
- 11 Deserve (4)
- 12 Large marsupial (8)
- 14 Obsequious subordinate (3-3)
- 16 To champion (6)
- 18 Apt (8)
- 19 Exasperate (4)
- 22 Reconnoitre (5)
- 23 Loud and hoarse (7)
- 24 Obstinate perverse (5-6)

**DOWN**

- 2 Deduce (5)
- 3 Owl's cry (4)
- 4 Existing in fact (6)
- 5 Acquiescent (8)
- 6 Plunge into liquid (7)
- 7 Motto advising caution (6,5)
- 8 Treated as inferior (6-5)
- 13 Country of south Asia (8)
- 15 Help in time of need (7)
- 17 Quest (6)
- 20 Unaccompanied (5)
- 21 Russian legislature (4)

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### CALENDAR

AUGUST 21, 2020, FRIDAY

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| ■ Vikrami Samvat                        | 2077 |
| ■ Shaka Samvat                          | 1942 |
| ■ Shravan Shaka                         | 30   |
| ■ Bhadrab Parvishte                     | 6    |
| ■ Hijari                                | 1441 |
| ■ Shukla Paksha Tithi 3, up to 11:03 am |      |
| ■ Siddha Yoga up to 2:01 pm             |      |
| ■ Uttrapalguni Nakshatra up to 9:29 pm  |      |
| ■ Moon in Virgo sign                    |      |
| ■ Muharram                              |      |

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SUNSET: FRIDAY 18:58 HRS  
SUNRISE: SATURDAY 05:53 HRS

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| CITY       | MAX | MIN |
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| New Delhi  | 32  | 25  |
| Amritsar   | 28  | 24  |
| Bathinda   | 32  | 24  |
| Jalandhar  | 28  | 24  |
| Ludhiana   | 31  | 25  |
| Bhiwani    | 33  | 25  |
| Hisar      | 33  | 23  |
| Sirsia     | 32  | 25  |
| Dharamsala | 28  | 18  |
| Manali     | 28  | 14  |
| Shimla     | 25  | 18  |
| Srinagar   | 31  | 20  |
| Jammu      | 33  | 25  |
| Kargil     | 18  | 13  |
| Leh        | 30  | 18  |
| Dehradun   | 32  | 24  |
| Mussoorie  | 20  | 16  |

TEMPERATURE IN °C

# Spike continues as 127 found infected, 2 succumb to Covid

Tribune News Service

**SHIMLA, AUGUST 20**  
A sharp increase in the number of positive cases in Himachal continued with 127 new cases being reported today. Besides, two more patients succumbed to Covid, taking the tally to 21 deaths.

**Baddi villager dies**

A 45-year-old man hailing from Malkhumajra village in the Baddi industrial area tested positive for Covid-19 after death. He was admitted to the CHC, Nalagarh, with an acute respiratory infection (SARI) around 11.50 pm yesterday.

Block Medical Officer Dr KD Jassal said that the villager was referred to the PGI, Chandigarh, as he suffered from a severe breathing problem. He, however, collapsed before he could board an ambulance and

died. He later tested positive for Covid. His family members have been isolat-

ed and would also be tested for coronavirus, he added.

**Shahpur lawyer loses life**

A 41-year-old advocate of Shahpur, who was staying at Shyam Nagar in Dharamsala, succumbed in the Zonal Hospital yesterday. He later tested Covid positive.

GD Gupta, CMO, said the advocate had symptoms of flu and was feeling breathlessness. He had a recent travel history to Shimla. He was brought to the Dharamsala Zonal Hospital yesterday where he was declared brought dead. Later, he turned out to be Covid positive. After the death, the emergency ward of the hospital was sealed this morning.

**64 cases in Solan**

Sixtyfour positive cases, including a 45-year-old man and two policemen, were detected in Solan district.

**VIRUS TRACKER**

|                            |              |        |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------|
| Samples tested             | 1,88,334     |        |
| Recovered                  | 3,085        |        |
| Active cases               | 1,390        |        |
| <b>Positive cases</b>      | <b>4,538</b> |        |
| Deaths                     | 21           |        |
| <b>DISTRICT-WISE COUNT</b> |              |        |
| DISTRICT                   | +VE          | DEATHS |
| Una                        | 349          | -      |
| Solan                      | 1,097        | 1      |
| Kangra                     | 639          | 3      |
| Chamba                     | 312          | -      |
| Hamirpur                   | 427          | 4      |
| Sirmaur                    | 561          | 1      |
| Mandi                      | 371          | 6      |
| Bilaspur                   | 210          | -      |
| Shimla                     | 253          | 2      |
| Kullu                      | 244          | -      |
| Kinnar                     | 69           | -      |
| Lahaul & Spiti             | 6            | -      |
| Total                      | 4,538        | 21     |

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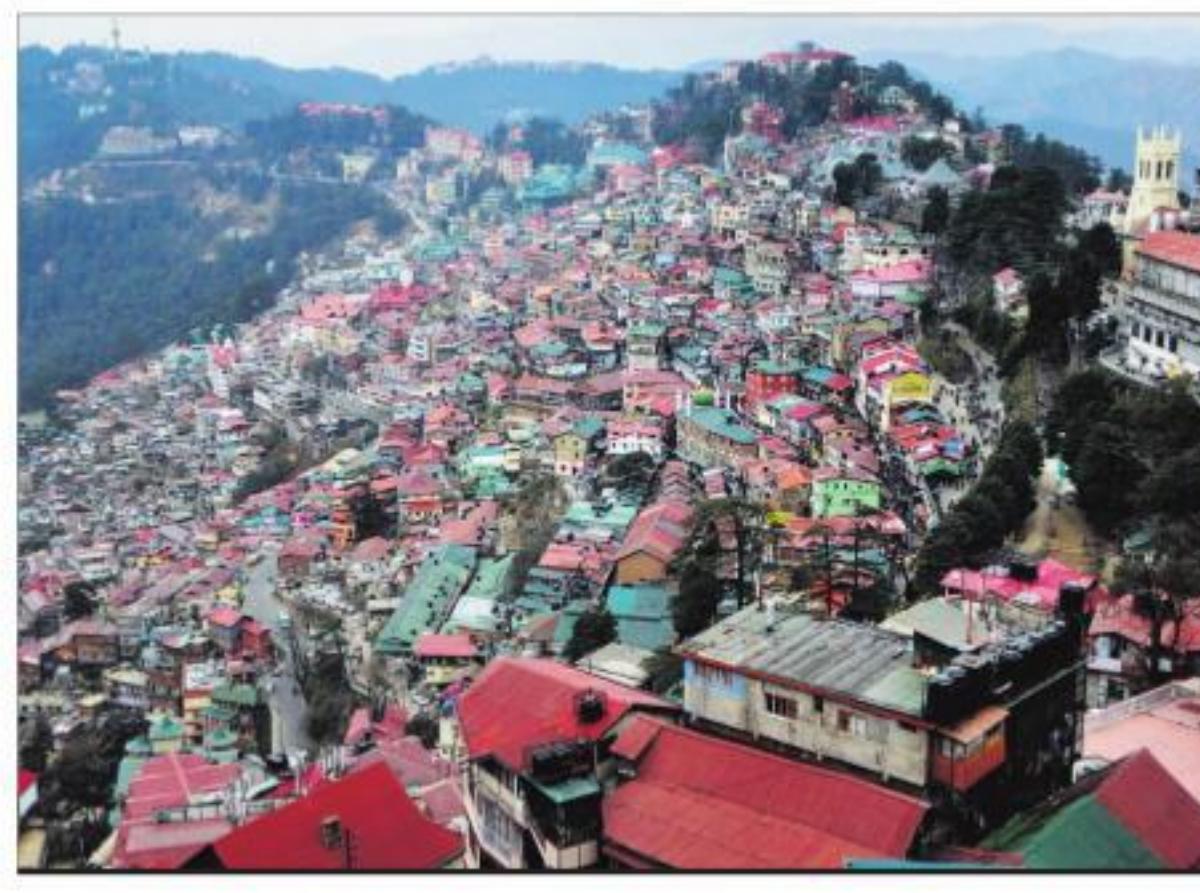
**SHIMLA, AUGUST 20**

The Municipal Corporation (MC) Shimla has secured the 65th place in the Swachh Survekshan 2020 out of 382 cities having population between one lakh and 10 lakh.

The ranking is a significant improvement from last year's 128th rank.

Five other cities of the state — Nahan, Solan, Mandi, Baddi, Paonta Sahib — have made it to the top 200, said Urban Development Minister Suresh Bhardwaj.

There are four components of the Swachh Survekshan ranking — direct observation, citizen feedback, service-level progress and certification. All components are of 1,500 marks each. The Shimla Municipal Corpora-



tion has scored 1,214.87 marks in direct observation, 500 in certification, 930.64 in service-level progress and 1,049.52 marks in citizen feedback.

According to MC Joint Commissioner Ajit

Bharadwaj, the city could not get as good marks in garbage-free city certification as it got on other parameters, and this affected its overall ranking.

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**Lost points on bins availability**

“Shimla scored well on parameters such as door-to-door garbage collection, segregation and disposal of garbage but lost some points on the availability of dustbins in commercial areas, which were removed due to the monkey menace.”

Ajit Bharadwaj, MC Joint Commissioner

<< An aerial view of Shimla.

the monkey menace,” he added.

MC Commissioner Pankaj Rai said that they were committed to working hard and taking the city to among the top 10 next year.

## Soldier cremated with honours

Tribune News Service

**SOLAN, AUGUST 20**

RR jawan Prashant Thakur, who was martyred while fighting insurgents in Jammu and Kashmir on Monday, was cremated with full military honours along the Giri

river, near his native village Thakur Gwana, in Renuka Ji subdivision of Sirmaur district this afternoon.

The martyr's body was brought to Sirmaur from Dehradun this afternoon and then taken to his native village by Army personnel from

29 RR. His mother Rekha, father Surjan Singh and brother Vishal received the body at their residence. The family was inconsolable at the loss of their son. Prashant's elder brother Vishal Thakur lit the pyre amid a gathering of locals.

Gandhi in Shimla on his 76th birth anniversary.

The Chief Minister said the late Rajiv Gandhi laid down his life for the integrity and unity of the nation. He said his contributions to the nation would be remembered by the people.

Tribune News Service

**SHIMLA, AUGUST 20**

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur along with Urban Development Minister Suresh Bhardwaj today paid floral tributes to former Prime Minister Rajiv

The Congress also held a virtual workshop which was addressed by AICC in-charge for Himachal Rajni Patil on the occasion.

She said it was the vision of Rajiv Gandhi which led to grant of voting right to the youth at the age of 18.

**TENDER NOTICE****E-PROCUREMENT NOTICE****INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

The Divisional Forest Officer, Nahan on behalf of Governor of H.P. invites the online bids in electronic tendering system from the eligible bidders/firms having following eligibility criteria:-

- I. Registration under HP General Sales Tax Act, 1968/GST Registration Act, 2016.
- II. Should be a registered firm with experience of such works with at least three works of similar nature executed during the last three years.
- III. Should have GST No., PAN No. and Bank Account in the Nationalized Bank.

Detail of Work:

| Sr. No. | Name of Work  | Nos./Unit | Estimated Cost | Starting Date for download-Bid | Earnest Money @3% | Deadline for submission of Bid |
|---------|---|-----------|----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1.      | Development of Camping site at Bhullah Site-I:  | 10        | 1200000        | 22.08.2020                     | Rs. 36000/-       | 28.08.2020 up to 10.20 a.m.    |
| 2.      | Development of Camping site at Bhullah Site-II:   | 10        | 1200000        | 22.08.2020                     | Rs. 36000/-       | 28.08.2020 up to 10.20 a.m.    |
| 3.      | Development of Camping site at Deodkanda:   | 5         | 600000         | 22.08.2020                     | Rs. 18000/-       | 28.08.2020 up to 10.20 a.m.    |
| 4.      | WORK OF DISMANTLEMENT OF 11 KV D/C OVERHEAD LINE AND PROVIDING UNDERGROUND HT CABLE IN FRONT OF MAIN ENTRANCE GATE OF RVNL IN PHASE-III AT IE BARI DISTT. SONIPAT |           |                |                                |                   |                                |

The bidders are advised to note other details of tenders from the department website [www.hptenders.gov.in](http://www.hptenders.gov.in). claimant.

Divisional Forest Officer, Nahan Forest Division, Gohar.

DPR/HP/2383

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA

**DIPENDER MANTA**

Tribune News Service

**MANDI, AUGUST 20**

The journey on the Chandigarh-Manali highway has become risky, as frequent landslides have been witnessed between Mandi and Kullu due to heavy rains.

The landslides have become a threat to travellers.

The work to widen the Chandigarh-Manali highway to four lanes is going on between Mandi and Kullu. Due to deep cutting of the hillside, the area has become prone to landslides during the rainy season.

Last week, two persons were killed on the spot and three others critically injured when big boulders rolled down the hillside and hit their vehicle at the Hanogi Mata temple while they were travelling on the highway between Mandi and Kullu. Another landslide occurred near Mandi town yesterday, which blocked the highway for more than 45 minutes.

The district administra-

tions of Mandi and Kullu districts have urged people to travel carefully on the highway, especially at night during the rainy season.

The hoteliers of Kullu and Manali are also concerned about the delay in the completion of the road project, which would boost tourist influx.

They rue that the delay in completion of this ambi-

tious project has adversely impacted the tourism industry of Kullu and Manali. They say that poor road connectivity makes the journey tedious and risky.

Anup Thakur, president of Hoteliers Association Kullu-Manali, said the delay in the completion of the Chandigarh-Manali highway four-laning work was a cause for concern.

“It has been observed in the past that frequent landslides on the Chandigarh-Manali highway create fear among tourists. Hence, they avoid visiting Kullu and Manali during the rainy season. So, there is need to speed up the work on the road project and complete it in time,” he said.

Meanwhile, the gang-rape has evoked a strong reaction from Congress leaders.

Former minister and senior leader GS Bali and district president Ajay Mahajan, while talking to The Tribune, said the law and order situation was deteriorating.

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Office Sub Divisional Magistrate-cum-Land Acquisition Collector, Nangal, District Rupnagar

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Award No. 1 was announced on 03.12.2013 for Construction of Bhanupali-Bilaspur-Beri New BG Rail Link Project. It is to bring to notice to the concerned landowners of the acquired land for Construction of Bhanupali-Bilaspur-Beri New BG Rail Link Project in Tehsil Nangal for 05 Villages Bhanupali, Daroli, Nangal, Jandla and Bhalowal under Land Acquisition Act, 2013 on 03.12.2013.

The landowners of the land acquired under the said award are hereby informed that the landowners whose land has been acquired for the said project, and who have not yet received the amount of compensation for any reason, can visit the office of the undersigned on any working day to get the amount of compensation till 30.09.2020.

It may also be mentioned here that this public notice is the final notice issued by this office. Concerned landowners whose payment is outstanding are given one last chance to receive the payment.

This notice has been issued on 19.08.2020 by the Sub Divisional Magistrate-cum-Land Acquisition Collector, Nangal, District Rupnagar under her signature and seal.

(Kanu Garg, PCS)

Sub Divisional Magistrate-cum-Land Acquisition Collector, Nangal

Place : - Nangal

Date : - 19.08.2020

PRDH/82371

Directorate of Film Festivals

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Government of India

**51st INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL OF INDIA, GOA****CALL FOR ENTRIES****for INDIAN PANORAMA, 2020****Feature & Non-Feature Films****Eligibility**

- Films produced between 1st August, 2019 and 31st July, 2020 are eligible.
- Last date for submission of ON LINE applications is 31st August, 2020 till 6 P.M. and for receipt of the other requisite documents is 7th September, 2020.
- Screenings of the films would be in physical and virtual format.

For Regulations and Entry Form please visit : [www.dff.gov.in & www.iffgoa.org](http://www.dff.gov.in & www.iffgoa.org)

# Jammu 224th in Swachh survey

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 20

For the fourth successive year, Jammu, the winter capital of Jammu and Kashmir, has been declared one of the dirtiest cities of the country by the Union Ministry of Urban Development under the "Swachh Survekshan-2020".

The city got the 224th position among 382 cities and towns of the country, having a population of less than 10 lakh. While Ambikapur of Chattisgarh tops the list with 5428.31 points, Jammu got 2284.16 points.

"Last year, we were at the 318th position from where we jumped to 224th position this year. Hopefully, things would improve in the coming years," Mayor of the Jammu Municipal Corporation, Chander Mohan Gupta, told *The Tribune*. He, however, said the cleanliness drive in Jammu had got a severe setback due to the Covid pandemic.

Gupta said unlike other



Garbage scattered on a road at Shakti Nagar in Jammu. FILE PHOTO

## STAFF CRUNCH, COVID SETBACKS

"We don't even have permanent staff. Without empowering urban local bodies, it is not possible to deliver on the expectations of the people. Also, the cleanliness drive here got a severe setback due to the Covid pandemic."

Chander Mohan Gupta, Mayor, JAMMU MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

parts of the country, urban local bodies (ULBs) in J&K were powerless. "We don't even have permanent staff. Without empowering these bodies, it is not possible to deliver on the expectations of the people," he said.

As the BJP has an absolute majority in the Jammu Municipal Corporation, the Opposition has stepped up its attack on the former for its "failure" to

implement the Prime Minister's "Swachh Bharat Abhiyan" in Jammu.

"The Bharatiya Janata Party has done nothing for people of the Jammu region who had voted overwhelming in its favour in successive elections," Pranab Shagota, Congress leader, said, adding that "instead of focusing on ensuring cleanliness in the city, the BJP leadership was

befooling people on irrelevant issues".

Sources said although the city had improved its rank from 318 to 224 this year, the declaration of Jammu as one of the dirtiest cities had landed the BJP in a difficult situation since the party had been claiming that the city would be declared "Smart City" very soon as it fulfilled the criteria for the same.

# Jammu-Srinagar NH closed after landslides, 500 vehicles stranded

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 20

The Jammu-Srinagar national highway was on Thursday closed for traffic following multiple landslides on the vulnerable Ramban-Banihal stretch in Ramban district following heavy rains, leaving over 500 vehicles stranded.

According to officials, the highway was closed for traffic around 8.30 am after multiple landslides took place in the Marog, Monkey Morth, Battery Chashma, Panthal and Trishul Morth areas.

"Stones continue to fall at Panthal and hence clearance operations cannot start. Traffic will remain suspended till stones stop falling and clearance can take place," the Deputy Commissioner, Ramban, said.

"Over 500 vehicles have been stranded at different places due to blockades," a traffic police official said.

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## FALLING STONES POSE DANGER

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Ramban Deputy Commissioner

closed for two days due to a massive landslide triggered by heavy rains in the Mehar area of Ramban district.

The NHAI, which has been executing the four-lane project in J&K, has submitted a detailed project report of Rs 2,000 crore to the Centre for the realignment of 14-km four-lane road stretch on the treacherous Ramban-Banihal section to bypass half-a-dozen "killer spots" to make it all-weather road.

# BSF Comdt acquitted, 10-yr term for 4 upheld

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 20

With six more deaths, all from Kashmir, during the past 24 hours, the Covid toll in J&K reached 578.

Fortyone patients have lost their lives in the Jammu province, while 537 deaths have been reported from the Kashmir valley.

The UT recorded 683 new cases, 114 from the Jammu division and 569 from the Valley during the same period, taking the total number of cases to 30,717.

Moreover, 728 more patients recovered and were discharged from various hospitals, 117 from the Jammu division and 611 from Kashmir.

According to the official bulletin issued on Thursday evening, out of the 30,717 positive cases, 6,941 were

376 of the RPC.

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Taking suo motu cognisance of the matter in May 2006, the J&K High Court had asserted: "What makes the reports alarming are allegations that some persons highly placed in different spheres are directly involved."

The trial of the case was later transferred to Chandigarh by the Supreme Court of India.

Justice Sangwan asserted that the prosecutrix was proved to be a minor at the time of the alleged incident. The trial Court also rightly recorded the finding that the pornographic clip was of the prosecutrix.

Justice Sangwan added that he was falsely implicated in the case. As such, the trial court findings were reversed and Padhi was acquitted of rape charge under Section

# Six more deaths take J&K toll to 578

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

## COVID-19 PANDEMIC



### UT TRACKER

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active positive, 23,225 had recovered and 578 persons had died, 41 in the Jammu division and 537 in the Valley.

The bulletin further said out of the 8,33,403 test results available, 8,02,686 samples had tested negative.

Meanwhile, health experts from the Central Government, who were on their visit to take stock of the preparedness of J&K in fighting the pandemic, met Financial Commissioner, Health and Medical Education, Atal Dulloo.

The team assessed the situation here by visiting different health facilities to guide the UT for any improvement and assistance for further streamlining the healthcare.

Keeping in view the mortality rate in the Valley, the team suggested that the home isolation facility and providing pulse oximeters could be the game changer.

# Don't keep people waiting for basic services, says L-G Sinha

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 20

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha today expressed dismay over the sluggish performance in the online issuance of domicile certificates and said the people should not be kept waiting for basic services.

Reacting to the complaints about slow pace in the issuance of various certificates, the Lieutenant Governor also directed the officers for on-the-spot issuance of SC and ST certificates.

Sinha passed these directions in a meeting at Reasi, where he took an extensive review of the developmental projects and overall functioning of the district administration.

He reiterated the instructions regarding prompt delivery of public services and institutionalised mechanism for the redress of public grievances. "People should not be kept waiting for basic services like category certificate, domicile certificate, etc, which can be issued promptly. Further, redress of public grievances should not be merely a paper work. Rather, public should

feel that their grievances are redressed in a time-bound manner," he said.

Regarding online issuance of domicile certificates, Sinha asked the revenue officers to achieve the targets and clear the pendency within days.

Deputy Commissioner, Reasi, Indu Kawal Chib gave a detailed power-point presentation on the overall developmental scenario in the district.

## Will reveal agenda once leaders set free: Farooq

SRINAGAR, AUGUST 20

National Conference (NC) president Farooq Abdullah today said they would not "remain silent" but would chalk out a political agenda after the Centre's decision to revoke Article 370.

"We are not going to remain silent once all party leaders are set free. You can grill us on that day when we have a political meeting, but today our basic aim is to check whether our people who have been locked for 12 months can come out and move freely. We will also have a meeting on the Gupkar declaration, it is our core issue," Farooq told reporters after a party meeting at his Gupkar residence.

The NC president batted for the release of the Peoples Democratic Party president Mehbooba Mufti, adding that they were "in constant touch" with her.

On the "U-turn" of some leaders that were now demanding statehood only and the decision of Shah Faesal to quit politics, Farooq said: "If someone's faith is weak, Farooq Abdullah is not responsible. He is gone, so what!"

Farooq also expressed concern over day-to-day problems faced by people. "People are in miserable condition. There is hardly any drinking water for them, businesses are all zero, tourism is zero. There is suffering everywhere. On top of that, there is Covid and we have a situation where security is very tight," he said. — TNS



Lt Governor Manoj Sinha chairs a meeting in Reasi on Thursday. PTI

after the abrogation of Article 370 last year on August 5. "Right from August 4 last year, Congress leaders were placed under house arrest. Later we held several meetings but for the first time since August 4 we invited the media to the JKPPCC headquarters," said a Congress leader.

Meanwhile, Mir said the Congress had given "alert calls" to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and advised it against entering into an alliance with the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

— TNS

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, AUGUST 20

J&K Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC) president GA Mir today alleged that Jammu and Kashmir was being turned "economically and culturally backward" as part of a conspiracy hatched in New Delhi.

"JK has been turned into a football stadium where different captains come for training. People from the entire world are being brought here but those who are the real residents are

troubled. If you look at any sector...be it political or developmental...be it health or tourism...in every manner, J&K is being pushed towards economic blockade. Sources of income are being stopped. First, there was a law and order issue and now Covid-19 has been made an excuse. Youth, traders, hoteliers and daily wagers and those associated with agriculture and horticulture are affected. As part of a planned conspiracy, people of J&K, especially Kashmir, are being turned backward — economically

and culturally as well." Mir told reporters on the sidelines of a function held here to pay tributes to former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on his 76th birth anniversary.

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**MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, PATIALA**  
**LOCAL GOVT. DEPTT., PUNJAB**  
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDERS (21 Days E-TENDER NOTICE)  
www.eproc.punjab.gov.in

E-Tender No. MCP/2020/599 Date: 19.8.2020

Municipal Corporation, Patiala invites E-Tenders on two bids system (Technical and Financial) for Operation and Maintenance of 46 MLD & 10 MLD STPs including 2 No. MPS at Shermana & Abloval Patiala work includes O&M of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical Installations & Green area etc, for five (5) years mentioned at www.eproc.punjab.gov.in from the enlisted contractors and Cooperative L&C Societies as per latest instructions issued vide notification No. 5/82/2018-2lg4/1892 dated 02.08.2018. Time to time instructions issued by Govt./CVO will be followed for bidding as well as execution of works. All the bidders should comply with the latest instructions issued vide notification No. 5/82/2018-2lg4/1892 dated 02.08.2018.

| Sr. | Pre-bid meeting date and time | Last date of online submission of bidding document | Opening of bidding documents |
|-----|-------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| 1   | 02.09.2020 at 15.00 hrs.      | up to 14.09.2020 at 17.00 hrs.                     | 15.09.2020 at 11.00 a.m.     |

Estimated tender cost:- Rs. 73680040.00 (Total work 01 No.)

Sd/- Corporation Engineer,  
Municipal Corporation, Patiala.  
DPR/Pb/66055

**Himachal Pradesh**  
**Jal Shakti Vibhag e-tendering**

The Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Vibhag Division Nalagarh invites online tenders on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following work(s) through e-tendering process:-

| Sr. No. | Description of Work  | Estimated Cost | Earnest Money | Cost of Tender Forms | Stipulated Time Period |
|---------|--|----------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1       | Retrofitting and improvement of LWSS Chharchi Brahma in Tehsil Nalagarh, District Solan (HP) (Sh:- Providing and installation of house service connection 176 Nos.) Under JJM 2nd Shelf. | 586080/-       | 11725/-       | 250/-                | 3 Months               |
| 2       | Construction of Kangwan and Dhang Upperi in JJM in Tehsil Nalagarh, District Solan (HP) (Sh:- Providing and installation of house service connection 217 Nos.) Under JJM 2nd Shelf.      | 994485/-       | 19900/-       | 250/-                | 3 Months               |
| 3       | Retrofitting and improvement of LWSS Nand in Tehsil Ramshahar, District Solan (HP) (Sub Head:- Providing and installation of house service connection 188 Nos.) Under JJM.               | 952220/-       | 19045/-       | 250/-                | 3 Months               |

1. Last date of filing/uploading the tender through e-tendering:- 25.08.2020 up to 11:00 A.M. The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website www.hpiph.org.

Executive Engineer,  
JSV Divn. Nalagarh,  
Distt. Solan (HP).

DPR/HP/2336 HIM SUCHNA AVAM JAN SAMPARK

**HIMACHAL PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT**  
**AUCTION NOTICE**

An open auction for the sale of Condemned Government Vehicles will be held in the office of Chief Conservator of Forests (Finance) Cum Estate Officer, O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF) HP Tallaand Shimla on 31.08.2020 at 3.00 p.m. **"AS IT IS, WHERE IT IS AND IN WHATSOEVER CONDITION IT IS"** BASIS. The interested purchasers are requested to inspect the vehicle parked at Office Complex Tallaand on any working day between 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. in their own interest. The particulars of the vehicles are as under:-

|   |                                      |                         |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Place where Vehicle presently Parked | Office Complex Tallaand |
| 2 | Type of Vehicle                      | HP-03-2249 (Gypsy)      |
| 3 | Maker's Name                         | SALOON                  |
| 4 | Type of Body                         | F 10 AIN 4912           |
| 5 | Year of Manufacturing                | MAY,1996                |
| 6 | Chassis No.                          | SJ41IN172133            |
| 7 | Engine No.                           | F10AIN224912            |
| 8 | Registration No.                     | HP03-2249               |
| 9 | Date of Registration                 | 14.05.1996              |
| 1 | Place where Vehicle presently Parked | Office Complex Tallaand |
| 2 | Type of Vehicle                      | HP 34A-4974(Sumo)       |
| 3 | Maker's Name                         | TATA MOTORS LTD.        |
| 4 | Type of Body                         | SALOON                  |
| 5 | Year of Manufacturing                | 5/2005                  |
| 6 | Chassis No.                          | 446152 CUZ 9115189      |
| 7 | Engine No.                           | 483DL51CUZ708688        |
| 8 | Registration No.                     | HP34A-4974              |
| 9 | Date of Registration                 | 08.06.2005              |

The interested purchasers will have to deposit Rs. 5000/- (Rupees Five thousand) only for each vehicle in cash or in the shape of Bank Draft pledged in favour of CCF (Finance) cum-Estate Officer, O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF) Tallaand Shimla as earnest money to become eligible for offering bid which will be refunded to the unsuccessful bidders after the auction is over. The highest bidder will have to deposit 50% amount of the sale amount in cash on spot at the fall of Hammer after adjustment of earnest money. The remaining 50% amount with applicable taxes will have to be deposited within 7 days. The auctioning authority reserves the right to reject all or any of the bids without assigning any reason whatsoever. The terms and conditions of the auction will be announced on the spot before starting auction.

Chief Conservator of Forests (Finance)  
cum-Estate Officer  
O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF) HP Tallaand Shimla.

DPR/HP/2368

**Himachal Pradesh**  
**Jal Shakti Department**  
**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

Online item rate bids are invited by the Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division, Kaza on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh in electronic tendering system in two covers for the undermentioned work from the contractors/Firms of appropriate class registered with any department/Government undertaking as per his/her enlistment is allowed with the condition that he has got himself registered in appropriate class with Jal Shakti Department before award of work.

| Sr. No. | Name of work  | Estimated cost (Rs.) | Earnest Money | Cost of tender form | Time Period |
|---------|---|----------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 1       | Providing LIS to Village Khurik in G.P. Khurik in Tehsil Kaza Distt. L&S (HP). Providing Erection and Commissioning of P/Machinery with allied accessories and Supplying installation testing and commissioning of 160 KVA Kirloskar green air cooled silent DG set                               | 4361917/-            | 72930/-       | 800/-               | Six Months  |
| 2       | Providing LWSS to Chomo Gompa village Kawang in G.P. Kaza in Tehsil Kaza Distt. L&S (HP). (Sh:- Laying, Jointing & Testing in Trenches of G.M.S. Pipe in R/Main and Laying, Jointing, Testing in Trenches of H.D.P.E Pipe of various dia in distribution system)                                  | 539411/-             | 10790/-       | 250/-               | Six Months  |
| 3       | Providing LWSS to village Pangmo Chomo Gompa in G.P. Hull in Tehsil Kaza Distt. L&S (HP). (Sh:- C/o Pump House, C/o Attached Toilet with P/House, C/o R.C.C Main S/Tank of 20,000 ltrs Capacity, Providing & Fixing Barbed wire fencing around civil structures C/o boundary wall around P/House) | 1308137/-            | 26170/-       | 400/-               | Six Months  |

1. Tender document and other instructions can be downloaded or viewed online from the portal <http://htenders.gov.in> by the firm/individual registered on the website, which is free of cost.

2. As the bids are to be submitted online same are required to be encrypted and digitally signed, the bidders are advised to obtain Digital Signature certificate (DSC) from suitable vendors or from any authorized agency at the earliest.

3. Key Dates:-

Date of online publication 14.08.2020 5.00 P.M.

Downloaded of e-tender documents 14.08.2020 from 5.00 P.M. to 21.08.2020 up to 5.00 P.M.

Submission of bid along with documents 14.08.2020 from 5.00 P.M. to 21.08.2020 up to 5.00 P.M.

Physical submission of documents i.e. cost of tender and earnest money in EE Jal Shakti Division Kaza office On or Before 22.08.2020 At 11.00 A.M.

Date of opening of tender 22.08.2020 At 11.30 A.M.

Cover 1 Eligibility Criteria

Cover 2 Financial Bid Shall be intimated after scrutiny of eligibility criteria, Technical bid

The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website <http://htenders.gov.in>

Executive Engineer,  
Jal Shakti Division, Kaza.

DPR/HP/2368 HIM SUCHNA AVAM JAN SAMPARK

# Russian Oppn leader 'poisoned'

Putin critic Navalny in coma 'after having tea at airport'

MOSCOW, AUGUST 20

Russian opposition politician Alexei Navalny is in a coma and on a ventilator in a hospital intensive care unit after falling ill from suspected poisoning that his allies believe is linked to his political activity.

The 44-year-old foe of Russia's President Vladimir Putin fell unwell on a flight back to Moscow from Tomsk, a city in Siberia, and was taken to a hospital after the plane made an emergency landing in Omsk, Navalny's spokeswoman Kira Yarmysh said on Twitter.

She told the Echo Moskvy radio station he must have consumed something from tea he drank at an airport cafe before boarding the plane early Thursday.

During the flight, Navalny started sweating and



asked her to talk to him so that he could "focus on a sound of a voice." He then went to the bathroom and lost consciousness.

"Looks like Putin is doing really badly — was handed some data on protest sentiment growing explosively —

## WAS HOSPITALISED LAST YR

Alexei Navalny has been frequently detained by law enforcement agencies

In 2017, he was attacked by several men who threw antiseptic in his face, damaging one eye

Last year, he was taken to hospital from prison, where he was serving a sentence, with what his team suspected was poisoning

<< Anti-Putin protester in Moscow, Russia, on Thursday. REUTERS

## ALEXEI NAVALNY

### 'PRESIDENT SCARED'

Putin is scared. He is sending a message to his own people not to try do at home what they see on TV from Belarus. An EU diplomat

remain tight-lipped about his diagnosis.

Navalny is currently being treated at the Omsk ambulance hospital. He is in a coma in grave condition. Doctors at the hospital

remain tight-lipped about his diagnosis.

Navalny was rushed to a hospital from prison where he was serving a sentence following an administrative arrest, with what his team said was suspected poisoning. — AP

## Manchester bomber's brother jailed for 55 years

LONDON, AUGUST 20

The younger brother of the Libyan-origin suicide bomber who killed 22 persons in a terrorist attack on an Ariana Grande concert in the English city of Manchester three years ago, was jailed for at least 55 years on Thursday.

Earlier this year, a jury took less than five hours to find 23-year-old Hashem Abedi "just as guilty" as his older brother Salman Abedi of 22 counts of murder, one of attempted murder in relation to those who survived, and one of conspiracy to cause an explosion.

"Hashem effectively worked hand-in-hand with his brother," said Jenny Hopkins, head, Special Crime and Counter Terrorism Division, Crown Prosecution Service. — PTI

## Trump hasn't grown into job because he can't, says Obama

NEW YORK, AUGUST 20

In his most blistering attack on Donald Trump, former President Barack Obama has accused his successor of treating the presidency like a "reality show" and said the top Republican leader "hasn't grown into the job because he can't." Obama, the country's first Black president, spoke on the third night of the virtual Democratic National Convention on Wednesday just before Senator Kamala Harris of California became the first Black person to be formally nominated for vice-president by a major party.

Former vice president Joe Biden is already the Democratic presidential nominee.

## 'SIKHS, MUSLIMS MADE TO FEEL SUSPECT'

New York: Minority communities like Sikhs and Muslims have been made to "feel suspect" for the way they worshipped, former US president Barack Obama has said as he tore into Donald Trump's presidency and warned American voters that his administration would "tear our democracy down" to get re-elected. — PTI

Obama said that both Biden and Harris have the experience needed to get things done and they have concrete policies that will turn their vision of a better, fairer,

## BUSINESS

# Govt plans further stake sale in IRCTC

Invites bids from merchant bankers by Sept 10

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 20

The government is planning to sell part of its stake in Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corp (IRCTC) in the current fiscal, and has invited bids from merchant bankers for managing the sale process. "The GoI intends to disinvest a part of the paid-up equity capital of IRCTC out of its shareholding through 'Offer for Sale method of shares by promoters through the stock exchanges' as per SEBI Rules and Regulations," DIPAM said while inviting Request for Proposal.

The merchant bankers will have to submit their bids by September 10. IRCTC was listed on the stock exchanges in October 2019. The company had raised Rs 645 crore through the IPO.

IRCTC OFS will help the government inch forward in



## CURRENT SHAREHOLDING 87.40%

- The government currently holds 87.40% stake in IRCTC. To meet SEBI's public holding norm, the government has to lower its stake in the company to 75%
- IRCTC's Offer for Sale will help the government inch forward in meeting the ₹2.10 lakh-crore disinvestment target
- Of this, ₹1.20 lakh crore will come from disinvestment of public sector undertakings and another ₹90,000 crore from stake sale in financial institutions

meeting the Rs 2.10 lakh-crore disinvestment target. Of this, Rs 1.20 lakh crore will come from disinvestment of public sector undert

## BRIEFLY

CHENNAI

**Anand-led Indian team eyes medal in Chess Olympiad**

The Indian team, led by former world champion Viswanathan Anand, will eye a podium finish at the Online Chess Olympiad beginning tomorrow. China, Russia and USA will be among the favourites. The other members of the Indian team are P Harikrishna, Vinit Gujrathi, Koneru Humpy, D Harika and young talents R Praggnanandhaa and Nihal Sarin. India, seeded seventh, are placed in Pool A alongside top contenders China and Georgia.

CAPE TOWN

**2 South Africa cricketers test positive for Covid**

Two players of the South African men's cricket team have tested positive for Covid-19 and will miss a specially-arranged culture camp, Cricket South Africa (CSA) revealed today. However, CSA did not disclose the names of the two players. CSA had conducted tests on 50 players and support staff overall. The tests were carried out before the men's team culture camp comprising 32 players in Skukuza from August 18 to 22.

NEW YORK

**Bryan twins not in US Open doubles**

Bob and Mike Bryan were not on the entry list released for men's doubles at the US Open, possibly signaling the end of the 42-year-old American twins' record-breaking careers. Three-time champion Kim Clijsters received a wild-card entry in doubles to go along with the one she got for singles as she makes her Grand Slam comeback. Meanwhile, two players were dropped from the Western & Southern Open after they were in contact with someone who tested positive for Covid-19.

TOKYO

**Japanese firms don't want Tokyo Oly in 2021**  
A majority of Japanese companies among almost 13,000 surveyed oppose holding the Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics next year, according to an online study published today. The survey by a Japanese research company showed 27.8% want the games to be cancelled, and 25.8% said they should be postponed again. In the survey, 46.2% said they wanted the games to go ahead in some form and open on July 23, 2021. Japan is heavily invested in the Olympics and is spending officially \$12.6 billion, though a government audit says the number is twice that large.

NEW YORK

**NBA roundup: Mavs pull level with Clippers**

Dallas Mavericks earned a 127-114 victory over Los Angeles Clippers to even their opening-round Western Conference playoff series at one win apiece. Reigning champions Toronto Raptors beat Brooklyn Nets 104-99 to grab a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven Eastern Conference clash. AGENCIES

## TODAY ON TV

THIRD TEST  
ENGLAND VS PAKISTAN  
SONY SIX 3PMGOLF  
WOMEN'S BRITISH OPEN  
EUROSPORT 3PMEUROPA LEAGUE FINAL  
SEVILLA VS INTER MILAN  
SONY TEN 00:30AM  
(SATURDAY)

## No Arjuna for Sakshi, Chanu?

Sports Ministry likely to deny Arjuna Award to the two Ratna winners

VINAYAK PADMADEO

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 20

Past Khel Ratna award-winners Sakshi Malik and Mirabai Chanu may not get their hands on the Arjuna Award trophy and the benefits that come with it, after all.

The Justice (retd) Mukundakam Sharma-led committee had recommended 27 names for the Arjuna Award to the Sports Ministry on Tuesday. The list had two other names — Rio Olympics bronze medal winner Sakshi and 2017 world champion Mirabai — but the decision on the Arjuna for them was left to the discretion of Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju.

The committee felt their inclusion would have meant excluding two deserving applicants. However, it is learnt that the Sports Ministry has made a decision and it is highly likely that their names will be missing when the final list is released.

## No perks

Both Sakshi and Mirabai had put in their applications saying their state governments don't recognise the Khel Ratna when it comes to jobs and other perks that are given to Arjuna Award winners.

Both the ministry and the committee members have been criticised for the manner in which the awards were finalised. The 29 names in the Arjuna Award list included one athlete from kho-kho because the Sports Ministry insisted on one award to the indigenous sport. The com-



Rio Olympics bronze medal winner Sakshi Malik and 2017 world champion Mirabai Chanu (below) are Khel Ratna award winners. FILE



## Sushil, Ronjan criticise high numbers

The large number of recommendations has been criticised by past winners, including two-time Olympics medallist Sushil Kumar and 2013 winner Ronjan Sodhi.

Sushil said: "I feel people should maintain the dignity of these awards and this is not an Olympic year!"

Former world No.1 double trap ace Sodhi too felt that some of the decisions were out of line. "The number of awards given this year is not right. I think they should change the award from Khel Ratna to Khel Ratnas! On a serious note, the Khel Ratna was always given to the best athlete of the year and especially in a non-Olympics year. I understand when three people win Olympics medals then one has to give them

their due. But giving five this time in a non-Olympics year is bizarre," Sodhi said. "Twenty-nine Arjuna Award recommendations is unheard of, even in a year with events like the Commonwealth and Asian Games. I don't know what they (committee) were thinking. There was no sporting activity this year and still they gave out 29 awards! How many will they award next year?" he added.

However, Sodhi had some sympathy for Sakshi and Mirabai. "I know Arjuna Award winners get concessions in travel and are free to enter any stadium in India, while Khel Ratna winners don't get those perks. So the government needs to change the rules so that Khel Ratna winners get their due," he said.

Khel Ratna has raised doubts over the recommendations criteria. Batra was awarded the Arjuna Award in 2018 based on her exploits at that year's Commonwealth and Asian Games. Strangely, the Khel Ratna recommendation has been made on the

## Virtual ceremony

President Ram Nath Kovind will not be handing over the awards personally to the winners as this year's sports awards ceremony will be held virtually due to the Covid pandemic. The winners will be asked to come to Sports Authority of India's regional centres, where they will be handed over their trophy and certificate. It will be televised live on Doordarshan. Interestingly, there will be two sets of certificates — one with the President and other with the award winner. Once the President shows the certificates, the athlete will show his/her copy on live TV.

## Round 1: Aditi, Tvesa, Diksha struggle in tough conditions

WOMEN'S BRITISH OPEN

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

TROON (SCOTLAND), AUGUST 20

Indian golfers endured a rough time in the first round of the Women's British Open as difficult conditions at the Royal Troon Golf Club made it difficult for the players to break par.

Aditi Ashok carded a 7-over 78 at the par-71 course as she failed to make a single birdie in her round, ending up with five bogeys and a double-bogey. Gurugram girl Tvesa Malik was one stroke behind Aditi with a 79 that included three double-bogeys, three bogeys and a lone birdie at the links course. The third Indian in the field, Diksha Dagar of Haryana, started in the afternoon and shot an 8-over with nine bogeys, one double-bogey, one birdie and an exceptional eagle on the par-4 18th.

Only four golfers had sub-



Aditi Ashok carded a 7-over 78, failing to make a single birdie. FILE

## Disappointing start for Sharma and Kapur

NEWPORT (WALES): Indian golfers Shubhankar Sharma and Shiv Kapur made disappointing starts at the Wales Open here today. Sharma carded a 3-over 74, while Kapur shot an 8-over in the opening round. Sebastian Soderberg and Callum Shinkwin led at 3-under. PTI

par scores, with American Amy Olson leading at 4-under. Though several players were yet to finish their rounds, the positions of Aditi (Tied-108), Tvesa and Diksha (both Tied-125) in a field of 144 mean that they would have to play exceptionally well in the second round to make the cut in the year's first Major. — PTI



MS Dhoni leaves a CSK training session in Chennai on Thursday. PTI

## PM pays tribute to Dhoni via letter

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi has written a commendation letter to Mahendra Singh Dhoni, saying that "mere statistics are not enough" to assess the former captain's impact on Indian cricket. Modi heaped praise on the talismanic Dhoni, who announced his retirement from international cricket on August 15. "...the name Mahendra Singh Dhoni will not be remembered merely for his career statistics or specific match-winning roles. Looking at you as just a sportsperson would be injustice. The correct way to assess your impact is as a phenomenon!" the PM wrote in the letter, which Dhoni posted online today. "No matter what hairstyle you sported, your calm head remained the same in victory or defeat, which is a very important lesson for every youth," the letter added. PTI

## DEPARTMENT OF EXCISE GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB Invites

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FROM LOGISTICS SERVICE PROVIDER.

Department of Excise Government of Punjab has invited Expression of Interest from Logistics Service Provider by Public Notice Dated 05-08-2020 in major leading Newspapers. The last date for submitting logistic Model was 20-08-2020. Department has extended the last date for submitting Model upto 31-08-2020

Rajpal Singh,  
Deputy Commissioner Excise,  
Patiala Zone  
DPR/Pb/66074

## AUCTION NOTICE

It is informed to all general public that the auction of condemned buildings of following schools of district Karnal is to be conducted on date and time which is written in front of name of the school in the campus of concerned school. Interested people have to deposit Rs. 20,000/- (Rs. Twenty Thousand Only) as earnest money before the auction. The payment of failed bidders will be returned immediately. Successful bidders have to deposit 25% of bid amount on the spot and remaining 75% money must be deposited within three working days. In the case of failure, all money will be forfeited. Remaining terms & conditions will be announced at the time of auction.

| Sr No. | Name of School | Name of Block | Detail of Condemned Building | Date & Time of Auction   |
|--------|----------------|---------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1      | GHS Chogawan   | Indri         | 08 Room                      | 28.08.2020 at 10:00 a.m. |
| 2      | GHS Muradgarh  | Indri         | 08 Rooms                     | 28.08.2020 at 02:00 p.m. |
| 3      | GSSS Sanwat    | Nilokheri     | 04 Rooms                     | 29.08.2020 at 10:00 a.m. |
| 4      | GSSS Nigdhu    | Nilokheri     | 01 Room                      | 29.08.2020 at 02:00 p.m. |
| 5      | GSSS Padha     | Assandh       | 05 Rooms                     | 02.09.2020 at 02:00 p.m. |
| 6      | GSSS Pundrak   | Karnal        | 01 Room                      | 04.09.2020 at 10:00 a.m. |
| 7      | GSSS Tikri     | Karnal        | 05 Rooms                     | 04.09.2020 at 02:00 a.m. |

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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, RAIKOT (LUDHIANA)

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਲ, ਰਾਈਕਟ (ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ) ਮਿਤੀ 18.08.2020

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਲ, ਰਾਈਕਟ ਵਿੱਚ 454.39 ਲੱਖ ਰੁਪਏ ਦੇ ਸਹਿਮਤੀ ਪਾਸ ਸਾਰੀ ਅਸ਼ਵਰ ਜੀਵੀ ਸਾਡੀ ਹੈ।

(A) Date and time schedule:-

| Sr. No. | Last Date for Online Sale of Bidding Document                                 | Last Date of Online Submission of Bidding Document | Opening of Technical Bid Document |
|---------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1       | 02.09.2020 17.00 P.M.   | 02.09.2020 17.00 P.M.                              | 03.09.2020 11.15 A.M.             |
| 2       | ਸਾਹੀ- ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਕ, ਸਾਹੀ- ਕਾਰਜਾਕਾਰ ਅਫਸਰ, ਸਾਹੀ- ਸਾਰਵਿਸਪਲ ਐਂਗੀਜਿੰਗ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਲ, ਰਾਈਕਟ। | ਸਾਹੀ- ਕਾਰਜਾਕਾਰ ਅਫਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਲ, ਰਾਈਕਟ।               | ਨਗਰ ਕੌਲ, ਰਾਈਕਟ। DPR/Pb/65878      |

## PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Site No. 3, Sector 18-A, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Inviting suggestions and objections on the Staff Paper for adoption of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Tariff determination from Renewable Energy Sources) Regulations, 2020 and determination/fixation of levelised generic tariff for various Renewable Energy Technologies/Projects for FY 2020-21.

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 61 read with Sections 86 and 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003), the Commission proposes to adopt the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Tariff determination from Renewable Energy Sources) Regulations, 2020 and determine/fixation of levelised generic tariff for various renewable energy technologies for FY 2020-21.

A Staff Paper in this regard has been prepared and is available on the website of the Commission [www.pserc.gov.in](http://www.pserc.gov.in). Suggestions and objections of the stakeholders are invited on the same up to 04.09.2020. The Staff Paper does not necessarily represent the views of the Commission.

The Commission will hold a Public Hearing in this connection on 08.09.2020 at 11 a.m. in the office of the Commission. Persons/organizations interested in presenting their views in the matter before the Commission are invited to participate.

DPR/Pb/65941 Sd/- Secretary

## Walk-in Interview

Office of Lokayukta, Haryana, Sector 17, Chandigarh

Following posts are required to be filled up from retiree persons in this office under the Outsourcing Policy (Part-II) dated 06.04.2015 issued by the State Govt. and amended from time to time purely on contract basis for a period of one year at first instance:

1 Personal Assistant 1 Post

2 Senior Scale Stenographer 1 Post

Accordingly, the persons who retired from Haryana State Govt., or from Himachal Pradesh State Govt. or from Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh or from U.T. Chandigarh Administration, Chandigarh from the posts mentioned as above or equivalent or from higher posts are invited for walk-in interview for filling up of above said posts purely on contract basis for the period of one year at first instance from the date they assume the charge as such till their services are required by Lokayukta Organization, Haryana, whichever is earlier. However, this term is extendable on year to year basis or the time the incumbent attains the Maximum age of 65 years whichever is earlier at the discretion of competent authority.

The above said engagement shall be made under the Outsourcing Policy (Part-II) dated 06.04.2015 issued by the State Govt. and amended from time to time for a period of one year at first instance. It is also made clear that such engagement will be purely on contract basis and can be terminated at any time without assigning any reason or prior notice and the person so engaged shall have no right to claim any benefit of such engagement for any purpose in the office as contained in the above said Outsourcing Policy.

Applicants (who applied for the post of Personal Assistant and Senior Scale Stenographer) are directed to visit this office on 07.09.2020 at 11.00 A.M. for short hand test/computer eligibility test in Room No. 312, 3rd Floor, New Secretariat Haryana Building, Sector-17, Chandigarh along with application with recently photo (Passport size), complete Bio-data, Date & Post at the time of retirement and all Testimonials duly attested.

Sd/- (Ranjit Kaur), Secretary O/o Lokayukta, Haryana, New Secretariat Building Haryana, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

## In uncertain times, hosts look to enjoy game

SOUTHAMPTON,



Rahul Gandhi pays tribute to his late father Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary at Vir Bhumi. PTI

## Modi ruined unorganised sector. Rahul

RAIPUR, AUGUST 20

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Thursday accused the Narendra Modi government of decimating the unorganised economy, comprising farmers, labourers and small businesses, in the last six years of its rule, and said the country would not be able to generate jobs in the coming

period as a result of that.

Addressing via video-conferencing the foundation stone-laying ceremony of the party's offices to be built in 22 districts headquarters of Chhattisgarh, he said although the unorganised economy generates 90 per cent of the country's employment, the Modi government destroyed it

through various moves like demonetisation and implementation of "wrong GST". Gandhi stressed the need to restore the balance between the organised and unorganised economies for the welfare of the country. The event was organised on the occasion of the birth anniversary of former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi. — PTI

## SC heard 15K cases through video-conferencing in 100 days

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE



### CENTRAL VISTA PROJECT

The Supreme Court on Thursday made clear that it will first hear the "broad issue" regarding challenge to the change of land use for the ambitious Central Vista project, covering three-km stretch from Rashtrapati Bhavan to India Gate in Lutyens' Delhi.

with about 50,475 advocates appearing before them via video-conferencing between

March 23 and August 4. This despite the fact that the top court Registry initially worked at 30 per cent of its staff strength and about 125 employees and their immediate family members tested Covid-19 positive.

About 65,000 advocates, litigants and journalists attended the video-conference hearings and 6,124 cases were filed, including 2,930 e-filings. As many as 8,023 documents were e-filed.

Registry officials claimed 18 cases were heard from March 24 to August 17 by the UK Supreme Court, and 29 cases were decided between March 18 and August 17. In the US, 74 cases were heard by the Supreme Court between March 30 and August 17 and 44 cases were decided while in the European Union court, 57 cases were decided between March 16 and August 17.

## Gmail service restored after global outage

**NEW DELHI, AUGUST 20**  
Gmail service, which suffered a global outage for hours on Thursday, has now been restored, according to Google.

Some users faced issues with Gmail like being unable to log in, add attachments and receive messages since morning.

On Thursday morning, GSuite status dashboard — which provides performance information on various Google services — said the company was investigating reports of an issue with Gmail. When contacted, a Google spokesperson confirmed that the problem has now been resolved.

In its latest update, the company said: "...We apologise for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience and continued support. System reliability is a top priority at Google. We are making continuous improvements to make our systems better".

The company provided multiple updates on the matter over the past few hours, stating it is investigating the issue and that there was a disruption in sending e-mails, Meet recording, creating files in

**MAJOR GLITCH**  
Some users faced issues with Gmail like being unable to log in, add attachments and receive messages. There was a disruption in sending e-mails, Meet recording, creating files and posting messages in Google Chat

Drive, posting messages in Google Chat, among others. As per the dashboard, other Google services like Google Drive, Google Docs and Google Meet have also been restored. While Google did not specify details around how many users were impacted and their locations, data from DownDetector (which provides outage updates on various online platforms) showed users from various parts of the globe, including India, were affected.

Users, in various posts on DownDetector, said they were facing issues around logins, adding attachments and receiving messages. Netizens also turned to Twitter to air their concerns around the issue with hashtag #Gmail, featuring among the top trending topics. — PTI

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## To probe SSR case, CBI SIT splits into 3 groups

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 20

A day after the Supreme Court handed over the probe into the death of Sushant Singh Rajput (SSR) to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), the agency today decided to divide its special investigation team (SIT) into three groups and sent them to Mumbai to begin investigation.

The team would reach Mumbai tonight and begin the process of investigation tomorrow, said agency sources, adding that each group had been assigned different tasks. One of them will look into documents and the case diary. The second group will interrogate Rhea Chakraborty, her family members and other accused. The third one will probe the alleged Dubai mafia link with Bollywood.

The sources said Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Sujev Haq had been made the nodal CBI officer to coordinate with the Mumbai Police in getting all the relevant documents pertaining to the case. The core investi-



### TEAM LEAVES FOR MAHARASHTRA

■ SP Nupur Prasad-led CBI team has left for Maharashtra and will begin investigation on Friday

■ Officers are likely to visit the Bandra flat where Sushant was found dead on June 14. His sister will also be quizzed

gation and interrogation of the accused and others would be done by the team, led by Superintendent of Police (SP) Nupur Prasad, who would reach Mumbai tonight, they added.

Meanwhile, in a related development, the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) is reported to have said that the CBI team coming to Mumbai would be exempted from quarantine. Earlier, when Bihar IPS officer Vinay Tiwari visited Mumbai to conduct a probe in the case, he was put under home quarantine by

civic authorities.

According to CBI officials in the know of the probe-related affairs, the agency officers are likely to visit the Bandra flat, where Rajput was found dead on June 14, and will begin questioning the first five visitors to the residence after his death. It is also learnt that the CBI sleuths will meet Meetu Singh, one of Rajput's sisters, to get more details. The CBI took over the probe on August 7 after the Centre issued a notification in this regard following Bihar's recommendation.

## DGCA starts safety audit of all airlines

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 20

Days after the plane crash in Kerala's Kozhikode, the Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has launched a special safety audit of all domestic airlines operating in and from India, an official said.

It will be a complete FOQA (Flight Operations Quality Assurance) audit, he added.

The FOQA is a process of obtaining and analysing all kinds of data from flights to improve the safety, efficiency and efficacy of future flight operations, he said.

"All Indian airlines will undergo the special safety audit that has begun. In the first phase, we are auditing SpiceJet and Air India," the official said, adding that it was a process that had been taken up after auditing all airports in India that received heavy rain during the monsoon season.

The Airports Authority of India (AAI) manages more than 100 airports in the country, including the one in Kozhikode. However, major airports like Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru and Hyderabad are managed by private companies.



In the first phase, officials will audit SpiceJet and Air India

On August 7, a B737NG aircraft of Air India Express with 190 people on board overshot the runway and crashed at the Kozhikode airport amid heavy rain, killing 18 persons, including the pilots.

The two leading pilot unions of Air India on August 13 had sought a meeting with Civil Aviation Minister Hardeep Singh Puri to discuss matters related to working conditions and flight safety.

"Our pilots are constantly facing the challenges of Covid-19, bad weather, ill-designed flight duty time limitations (FDTL), and several extensions and dispensations given by the DGCA (Directorate General of Civil Aviation)," the Indian Commercial Pilots' Association (ICPA) and Indian Pilots' Guild (IPG) had written to Civil Aviation Minister Hardeep Singh Puri.

## Ram Temple to be built using stones

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The proposed Ram Temple in Ayodhya will be made of stones only. Iron will not be used in the construction and copper, which is durable and lasts more than 1,000 years, will support 12,000 pillars.

"The temple building has been planned with a view to ensuring a shelf-life (durability) of minimum of 1,000 years," Champat Rai, general secretary of "Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Terath Kshetra Trust" said.

"Using only stones, it will be built in such a manner that decay due to air, sun

and water will not happen and temple will last at least 1,000 years."

Larsen and Toubro Limited, an Indian manufacturing and engineering conglomerate, is broadly looking after the construction of temple.

While IIT-Chennai has been consulted for testing soil

strength, the Central Building Research Institute (CBRI), Roorkie, is providing help to make sure the building is earthquake-resistant. Rai said around 10,000 copper rods would be used for the temple construction. He said the time-frame for the temple construction was 3640 months.

## House panel summons Facebook on September 2

### LAWMAKERS COLLIDE

■ A political slugfest has been going on between BJP leader Nishikant Dubey and Shashi Tharoor of the Congress, after the latter's announcement that the parliamentary committee would like to hear from Facebook about a report published in Wall Street Journal

■ The report claimed that the social media platform ignored applying its hate-speech rules to politicians of the ruling party in India

guarding citizens' rights and prevention of misuse of social/online news media platforms, including special emphasis on women security in the digital space".

The notification issued by Lok Sabha Secretariat came on a day when senior member

of the committee and BJP leader Nishikant Dubey wrote to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla seeking removal of Congress leader Shashi Tharoor as the panel chairman, alleging that the Congress leader was using the platform for a political agenda. — PTI

## India, B'desh agree on mechanism to track projects

### NEW VENTURES

■ Both sides discussed new projects and Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla assured that India would complete three rail links and a thermal power plant. ■ Anurag Srivastava, MEA SPOKESPERSON



spokesperson Anurag Srivastava told newsmen here today. The Indian Foreign

Secretary discussed "useful, special initiatives in key areas of mutual interest", said Sri-

vastava. The Indian assurances about time-bound completion of ongoing projects in communications and power sectors come against the backdrop of China promising Bangladesh generous assistance for developing communication links and water harnessing projects.

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