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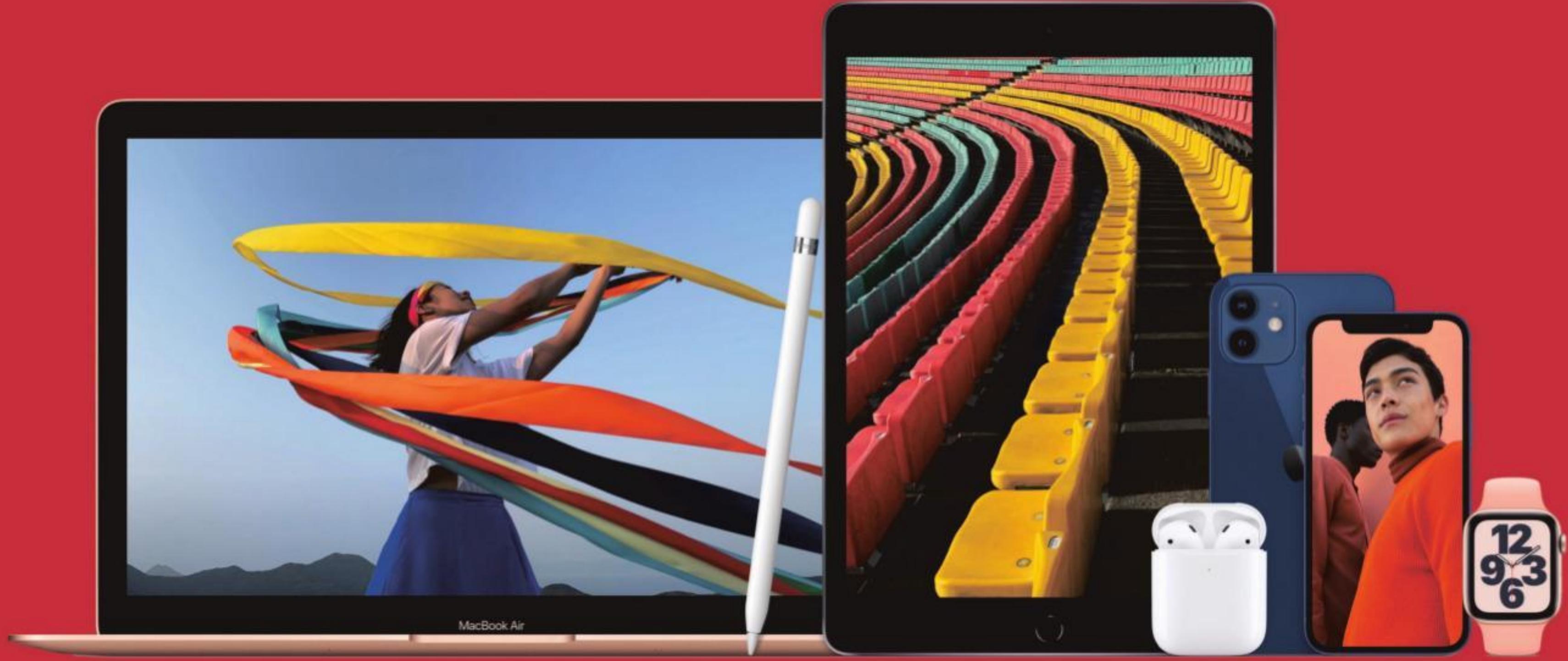
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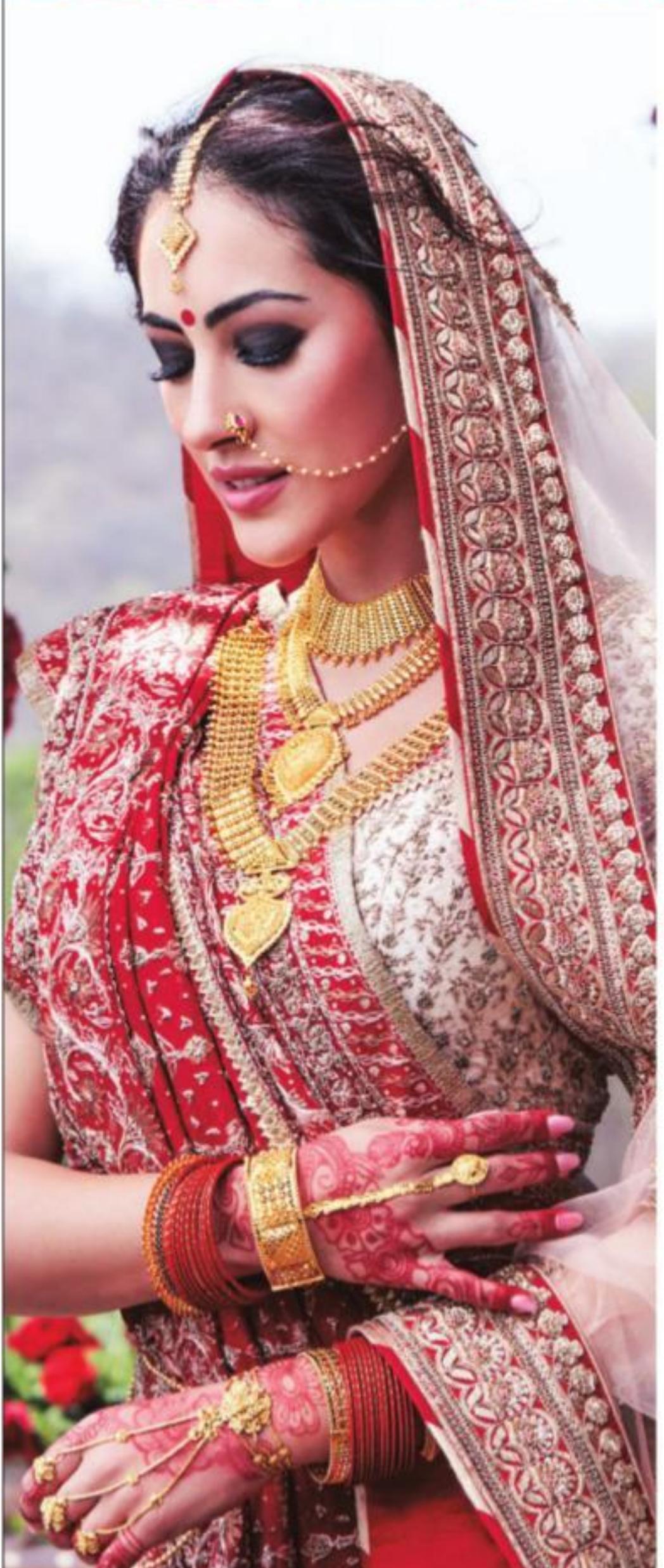
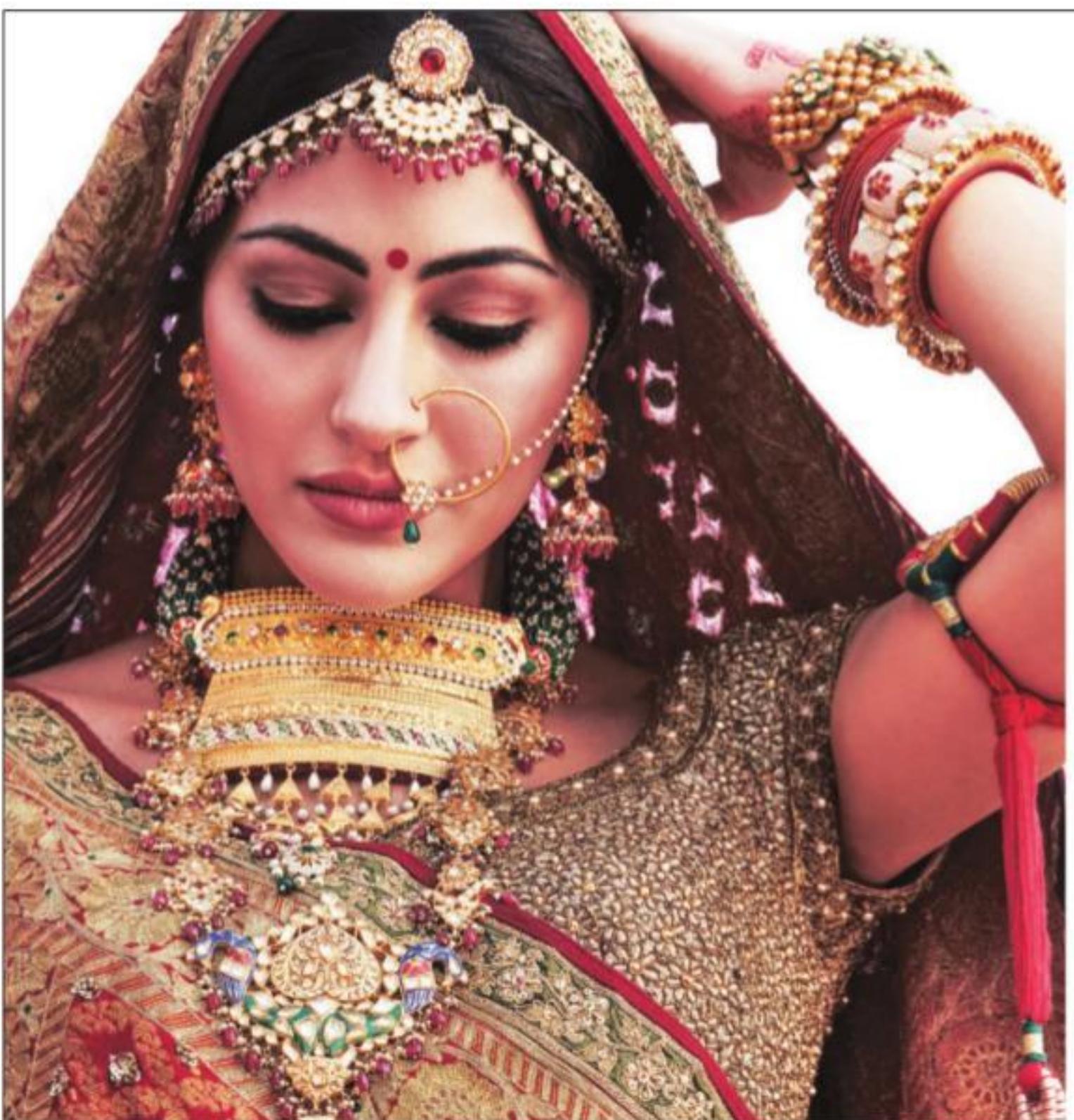
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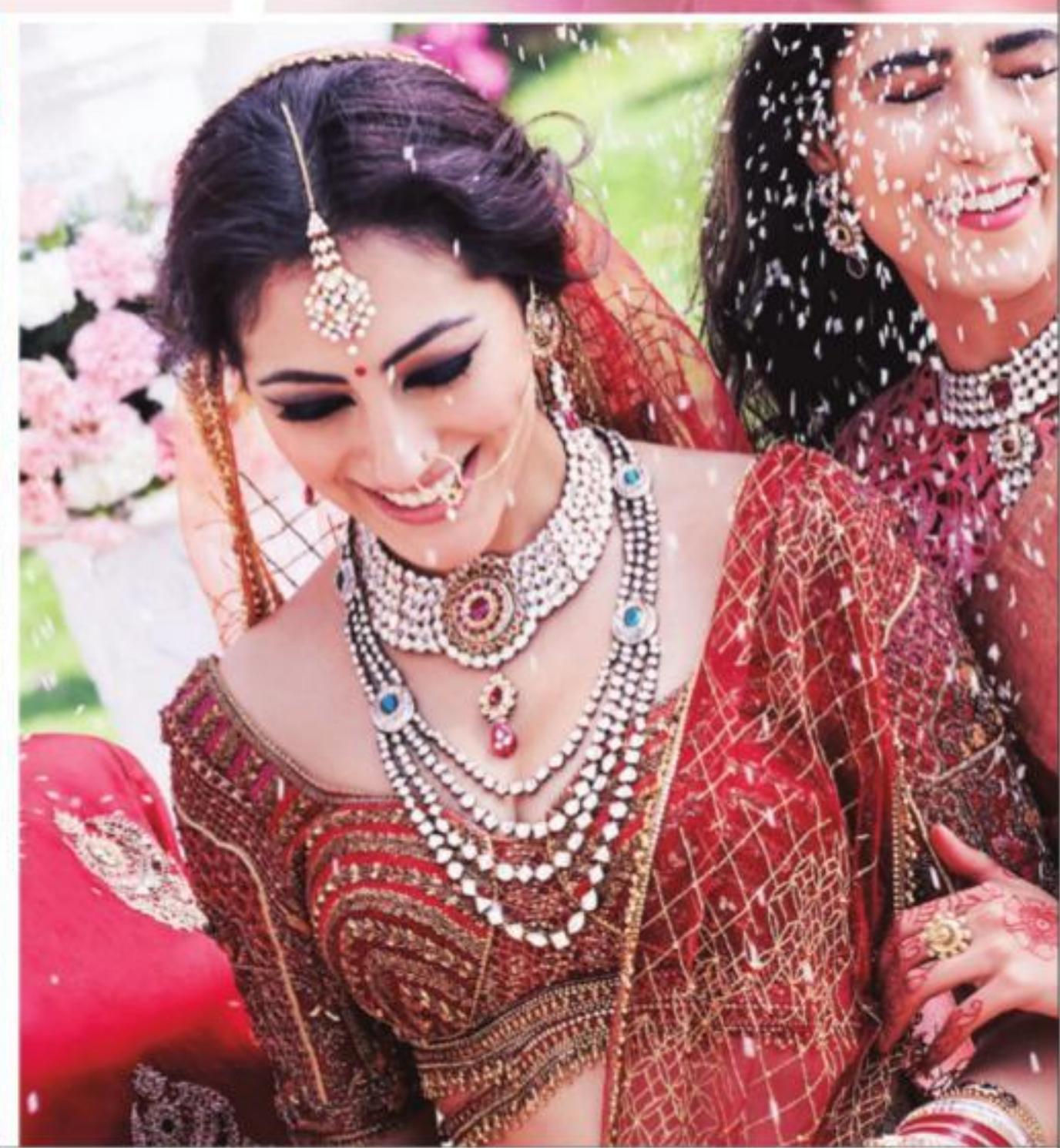
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Contempt notices to Kamra, Taneja

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Friday issued notices to standup comedian Kunal Kamra and comic artist Rachita Taneja on separate pleas seeking criminal contempt proceedings against them for "scandalising" the judiciary. The court gave them six weeks to respond. —TNS

NIA chargesheets Pannu, nine others

MOHALI: The NIA on Friday filed a chargesheet against 10 Khalistani terrorists, including US-based designated terrorist Gurpatwant Singh Pannu, in the Sikhs for Justice (SFJ) case. They have been charged under various sections of the IPC and the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. —TNS

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RECOVERED	95,20,827
FRESH FATALITIES	338
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RECOVERED 5,30,28,298

DEATHS 16,73,067

Covid vaccination voluntary: Centre

NEW DELHI: Getting vaccinated for Covid-19 will be voluntary, the Health Ministry on Friday said, while highlighting that any vaccine will be introduced only after the regulatory bodies clear it based on its safety and efficacy. It also said it was advisable for recovered persons to get the jab to avoid relapse. —TNS

VACCINE MUST REACH ALL NATIONS, SAYS UN



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## PM Modi says ready for talks to dispel doubts

Accuses Oppn of 'misleading' farmers on MSP

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Farmers during a protest at the Ghazipur-Delhi border. PTI

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18 Even as the All-India Kisan Sabha on Friday announced it would join the farmers' protest on Delhi borders, PM Narendra Modi stoutly defended the new farm laws, saying these had been in the works for decades and those opposing the laws now were once votaries of the same. "How much more will they betray the innocent farmers," he asked, addressing the Kisan Kalyan Sammelan in MP via the virtual mode.

"These laws were not made overnight. Over the past 20-30 years, every government and state discussed these in detail. Farm groups, agricultural experts, economists, scientists and progressive farmers have called for these reforms. Parties opposing these laws today promised these reforms in their manifestos, made statements in their favour," he said.

Urging the parties to "stop telling lies and misguiding farmers," he said it had been six-seven months since the laws were implemented and a majority of farmers were happy with the reforms. "I request all political parties with folded hands, please keep the credit. I don't want it, I just want farmers' progress," the PM said.

Emphasising that the intentions of his government were as pure as the Gangajal, he said those who had lost their political space in the

### EMPLOYEES DONATE DAY'S SALARY

Employees of the Muktsar Market Committee will donate a day's salary to the farmers' cause. They left for Delhi on Friday, carrying "chayavanprash" for the older farmers. Two Sikh preachers have sent "matthis" for the protesters in 8 trucks. INSIDE

### BABA'S NOTE READ OUT DURING LAST RITES

Thousands of followers bade a tearful adieu to Baba Ram Singh of Gurdwara Nanaksar at Singhu village, Kamal, on Friday. The last rites were performed on the gurdwara premises. A note by the Baba, written after his first visit to Singhu on Dec 9, was read out by a preacher. INSIDE

country were misleading the farmers that they would lose their land. As the farmers' agitation against the new laws at Delhi's borders entered the 23rd day on Friday, the PM reiterated that

his government was willing to hold talks. "Despite the government efforts, if anyone has any doubt over the farm laws, we, with folded hands and heads bowed, are ready for talks," he said.

Talking of the future, he said, "We need thinking generals, admirals and air chief marshals as the wars of tomorrow will be different from the wars of yesterday. We have reached a stage where senior military echelons need to understand the situation not just within the country, but across the world."

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, who was also present at the virtual session, commended the forces for the 1971 war victory, saying the country was celebrating its golden jubilee.

He lavished praise on the experience of the veterans, asking the young people to learn from retired soldiers

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## Allow access to war histories: NN Vohra



Former J&K Governor NN Vohra addresses the festival virtually

The histories of 1948, 1962, 1965 and 1971 wars had been finalised, but couldn't be published due to enormous opposition, he says

used in the book, which meant he should have sought permission.

But things have changed, said Vohra as he went on to commend the plethora of writings in newspapers and journals, saying these showed commendable insight of officers of the services.

Vohra said, "We had unfortunately not allowed access to documents by being secretive and confidential." He gave the example of his three-year tenure as Defence Secretary, saying, "We finalised the mili-

tary histories of the wars fought in 1948, 1962, 1965 and 1971. But when we tried to get these published, there was enormous opposition and the plan had to be abandoned."

The younger generation would not benefit if the experiences of war and combat were not recorded well in time and made available to the cadets in military academies or at places like the National Defence College.

The nation, he said, had been guilty of not allowing certain reports like the one

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India, China resume talks after 2 months

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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18 India and China held 20th meeting of the Working Mechanism for Consultation & Coordination on India-China Border Affairs (WMCC) through video-conferencing on Friday after a gap of over two months.

Both sides decided to continue to work towards ensuring complete disengagement at all friction points along the LAC at the earliest.

They also agreed to hold the ninth round of senior Army commanders' meeting at an early date so that both sides can work towards early and complete disengagement of troops in accordance with the existing bilateral agreements and fully restore peace, said the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

The Chinese read-out said

Beijing calls it in-depth exchange of views; Army commanders' meet soon



### TOWARDS PEACE

The two sides agreed to maintain close consultations at diplomatic and military levels and work towards ensuring complete disengagement along the LAC.

Ministry of External Affairs

the two sides had "candid and in-depth exchange of views" and agreed on the

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## Hathras girl was gangraped: CBI

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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18 After over two months of investigation, the CBI has concluded in its report that the Hathras Dalit woman was allegedly gangraped by four upper caste men when she had gone to the fields to collect fodder on September 14 in her village Bhulgarhi.

The probe agency today filed a chargesheet against the accused—Sandeep, Luvkush, Ravi and Ramu—in a Hathras court, slapping IPC sections pertaining to gangrape and murder apart from those under the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act against them, officials said. The maximum sentence in the above charges is capital punishment.

The 19-year-old had died during treatment at Delhi's Safdarjung Hospital on September 29. She was cremated in the dead of night near her home on September 30.

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- Victim was allegedly gangraped by four upper caste men on September 14
- She died at a Delhi hospital on Sept 29 and was cremated in the dead of night
- The UP Police had claimed that she wasn't gangraped, but was beaten up

September 29. She was cremated in the dead of night near her home on September 30.

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<b>2:00 PM to 3:30 PM</b> <b>The Quad:</b> <b>The Emerging Indo-Pacific Naval Alliance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adm Arun Prakash (Moderator)</li> <li>Adm Sunil Lanba</li> <li>Andrew Erickson</li> <li>V Adm Pradeep Chauhan</li> <li>Dr C Raja Mohan</li> <li>David Scott</li> </ul>	<b>3:30 PM to 5:00 PM</b> <b>Self-Reliance Towards Defence Preparedness</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lt Gen Harwant Singh (Moderator)</li> <li>Dr Vivek Lall</li> <li>Vishnu Som</li> <li>Babajant Panda</li> <li>Rahul Bedi</li> <li>Harpal Singh</li> <li>Lt Gen SS Mehta</li> </ul>
<b>5:00 PM to 6:30 PM</b> <b>The Indian Army in Italy during World War II</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr Robert Lyman (Moderator)</li> <li>Alexander Wilson</li> <li>Gareth Davies</li> <li>Niall Barr</li> <li>Col Patrick Mercer</li> </ul>	<b>6:30 PM to 8:30 PM</b> <b>Bollywood and Shaping the Nation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nirupama Subramanian (Moderator)</li> <li>Javed Akhtar</li> <li>Shobha De</li> <li>Mona Ambegaonkar</li> <li>Prasoon Joshi</li> <li>Mahua Moitra, MP</li> </ul>

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## Sukhbir urges Prez to convene Parl session

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SAD president Sukhbir Badal

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 18  
Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) president and MP Sukhbir Singh Badal today sought the President's intervention for immediately convening the winter session of Parliament.

The SAD president, who had voted against the three controversial Bills, today wrote to the President, saying that "the excuse of the Covid-19 argument to justify the cancellation of the winter session is not acceptable."

In his letter, copies of which have been marked to the Speaker, Lok Sabha and to the Vice President, the Akali leader said, "It is absurd and ironical that the ruling party sees no danger to public health during gatherings of thousands of people in its election rallies in Bihar and now in West Bengal but wants the countrymen to believe that even a limited meeting of Members of Parliament under strict SOPs would result in a pandemic flare up? There is no lockdown on BJP rallies, but there is a lockdown on Parliament comprising just a few hundred members, and that too under controlled circumstances. The Covid excuse is patently fake and even ridiculous."

Describing the govern-

ment's attitude as a case of "historic blunder," he said, "The ruling party's adamant attitude to listen to the country's 'annadata' and to let them die within a few hundred yards of Parliament would be remembered in history as a case of a heartless and conscienceless government at war with its own people?"

## AAP, SAD using farmers' stir for political gains: Capt

Tribune News Service

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 18

Even as he ridiculed Arvind Kejriwal by calling him a "fraud", Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh today said the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) were a bunch of hypocrites whose double standards on the farm laws had exposed their lack of commitment to the farmers.. AAP and SAD MLAs never say what they mean and vice versa. Capt Amarinder Singh, CM

### DOUBLE STANDARDS ON FARM LAWS

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When his government passed Bills in the Vidhan Sabha to negate the Centre's farm laws, both AAP and SAD MLAs extended support, but then both parties changed their tune to suit their political interests,

said Capt Amarinder. "And now, in a bid to exploit the farmers' agitation, they have again done a U-turn on the issue and are projecting themselves as the messiahs of the farmers, whose interests both parties had been

instrumental in pawning off to the BJP," he said.

The Chief Minister said while the SAD was party to the introduction of farm ordinances in the first place, the AAP government in Delhi had been quick to implement one of the draconian laws.

Taking a dig at Kejriwal, Capt Amarinder said the AAP leader had given approval to the farm laws by notifying one of them in the National Capital last month and was now indulging in petty politics over the matter by tearing copies of the laws.

### Student body writes letter in blood to PM

ROPAR, DECEMBER 18

Sikh Students Federation (Greval) members, demanding repeal of the farm laws, have sent a letter written in blood to the Prime Minister, here today.

They said the Centre must change its adamant attitude over the demands of the farmers. The federation organises a blood donation camp at Gurdwara Bhatha Sahib during Shaheed Jor Mela every year. —TNS

## 30,000 to leave for Delhi on Dec 26, 27

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Farmers raise slogans at the Singhu border. TRIBUNE PHOTO

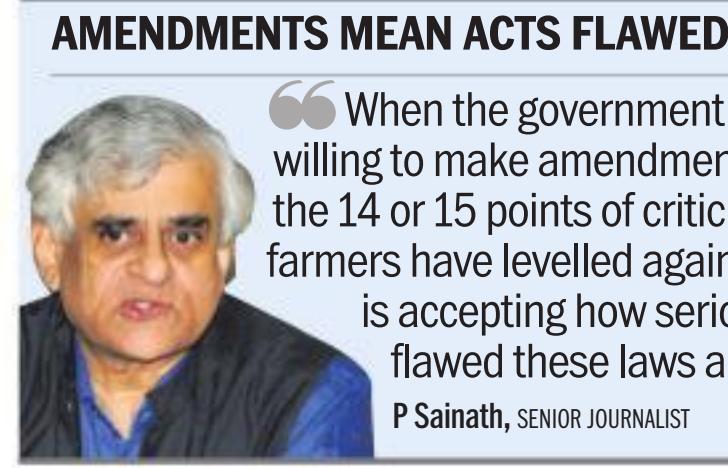
### No let-up



Farmers protest the new farm laws at a toll plaza on the Jalandhar-Nawanshahr highway. MALKIAT SINGH

## Farmers right in demanding repeal of laws, says P Sainath

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AMENDMENTS MEAN ACTS FLAWED

• When the government says it is willing to make amendments to 12 of the 14 or 15 points of criticism the farmers have levelled against them, it is accepting how seriously flawed these laws are.

P Sainath, SENIOR JOURNALIST

is willing to make amendments to 12 of the 14 or 15 points of criticism the farmers have levelled against them, it is accepting how seriously flawed these laws are. It seems pointless to amend 80-90 per cent of such flawed documents (which many, including serious legal minds, are calling unconstitutional). These are sweeping bits of legislation by the Centre on what is, under the Constitution, a state subject."

He said the greatest panel ever set up on farming and the one that produced the closest thing to a blueprint for Indian agriculture for coming decades was the Swaminathan Commission (or more accurately, the National Commission on Farmers) report. The kind of expertise, talent and understanding that that panel had, remains unrivalled and it worked for years. Yet its reports are lying untouched and undiscussed in the Parliament for 16 years. It would be an excellent step if the Supreme Court advised the government to have that report discussed in the Parliament and set up a panel to oversee its speedy implementation, he said.

He also asked to call for a special session of the Parliament on agrarian crisis.

### 2 staffers of pvt firm held captive

SANJEEV SINGH BARIANA

BATHINDA, DECEMBER 18  
Members of the Kisan Sangharsh Committee, who are protesting at Roshanwala against the acquisition of their land for the Delhi-Katra expressway, held two employees of a private company captive and handed them to the police.

"These employees had come to click photos of our land. When we have already announced that we would not give our land for the expressway, why are these people coming," asked Pardeep Singh, a KSC member. —TNS

## Dharna at telecom firm's office in Bathinda

Tribune News Service

office locked it from inside. Gurlal Singh appealed to people to port their mobile-phone numbers to other companies as they would stall business operations of certain corporate houses in the coming days.

He alleged the Central Government was not concerned for farmers who were protesting out in open in the cold weather, forcing them to further intensify the protest in the coming days.

Led by farmer leader Gurlal Singh, they raised slogans outside the office. Employees present in the

## At Tikri, protesters set up camps to brave cold

SANJEEV SINGH BARIANA

Tribune News Service

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 18  
As the night temperatures dip further and icy winds sweep the North, farmers have started constructing covered structures on road dividers at the Tikri border.

Most affected in this bone-chilling cold are the elders. The protest venue has witnessed at least six deaths of farmers due to exposure to cold weather since November 26.

"As the night temperatures continue to dip further, we are left with no other alternative but to fortify our living quarters," says Jeon Singh, an elderly farmer from Sangrur district. Harjeet Singh, a young farmer from Jeonwala village in Faridkot, says: "We are get-



### WON'T GO BACK

• We are born fighters. Modi sarkar happens to be just like invaders of the past who have tried to trample our lands. Going back home is not an option now, we will stand here till the last.

Satnam Singh, A SANGRUR FARMER

&lt;&lt; A camp set up by farmers on a road divider at the Tikri border.

ting help from locals for items like wood. At the same time, we are also making our own purchases for covers of our tents and poles."

People from other regions are pitching in, too, to help

farmers brave cold weather. Rubina Sanghera, a Chandigarh resident, says after their group's first visit to the site of farmers' protest they have now sent "270 blankets, 500 pairs of warm socks, 40

shawls, 30 jackets and about 80 legwarmers".

Sahildeep Singh, a worker of the Kirti Kisan Union, says: "We are getting similar help from many others quarters. However, we need more

help for fighting the cold. Like, at the moment majority of the camps here require geyser for hot water. Normal water is freezing."

Gurpratap Singh, another farmer, says: "We had to pick a few poles from the government sites to make our tents. But what do we do? We young can sit in front of the fires, but, our elders cannot manage. We need the cover also, however, we are making these first for our elders".

Elderly Angriez Singh says: "North-westerly winds during winters are very dangerous. It has snowed heavily on the mountains, so we have to stay prepared for the worst. Even the day temperatures are going to be bad in the coming days".

## Pvt bus operators vow support

Tribune News Service

BATHINDA, DECEMBER 18  
The Private Bus Operators' Union has vowed full support to the farmers' agitation against new agricultural laws. Notably, many operators have been sending their buses to ferry protesting farmers to and from the Delhi border ever since the agitation shifted to the Capital. The bus operators have welcomed the state government's decision to exempt the state stage carriage buses and buses of educational institutions, school and college from the motor vehicle tax this year.

After a meeting with transporters, union president Narinder Singh Ravi Jalal said, "We stand firm with farmers in their struggle against the new farm laws brought by the Centre. We will extend all possible help to them. We have been ferry-



### To put up specially designed flags atop private buses to mobilise support

ing farmers to protest sites in our buses. We have also decided to organise an 'Akhand Path' to pray for positive outcome of the stir."

Sunny Dhillon, another union leader, said, "We have

launched a new flag to express our support to the farmers' stir. It will be placed on every private bus associated with our union which will mobilise support for the agitation."

"Looking at the response, we are going to print 10,000 copies of the next issue," says Ajaypal Natt from Mansa, a physiotherapy teacher. He along with Surmeet Mavi, Gurdeep Singh and Narinder Bhinder conceived the idea. The name, Natt says, was floated by one of us just out of fun. "But we instantly picked that," he says.

The style of the paper, he says, will be conversational. "We want it to read like the discussions taking place in village sath (common place)," he says, adding "we have a platform now to counter all kind of trash being dished out by some sections of media." The first issue of the paper carried Bhagat Singh's quote on struggle; photographs from the centre of the struggle; story of a woman farmer, Gurmail Kaur, who died during the protest; some works of art and the lead article gave the message of unity, struggle and victory. The paper was simultaneously launched digitally on all social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, etc.

## Protesters launch 'Trolley Times'

VISHAV BHARTI

Tribune News Service

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 18  
Recently, sitting in a trailer, a group of four youngsters discussed a Facebook post at the Singhu border. An old farmer, sitting next to them, quipped: "Oye mundiyo tusi parhe likhe lagde ho, saanu vi dass do ki reha". Thus the idea of Trolley Times was born. Farmers' own newspaper.

Reporters were aplenty, an army of amateur photographers was ready with the feed, a trailer became their editing desk, and soon came out the first edition of 2,000 copies of four-page bilingual paper. It was an instant hit on Friday.

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A farmer reads the 'Trolley Times' at the Singhu border.

### FARMERS' VOICE

• One section of the national media tried to brand us Khalistanis or Maoists, while another in Punjabi media tried to create division among our leaders. Now the 'Trolley Times' is our own authentic voice.

Ajaypal Natt, A PROTESTER

## Fighting for rights for 40 long years, this farmer won't give up

PARVESH SHARMA

Tribune News Service



Nirmal Singh during the protest at the Tikri border. TRIBUNE PHOTO

SANGRUR, DECEMBER 18  
Amid the ongoing protest in the national capital against the Central farm laws, a group of farmers on Friday held a dharna outside a private telecom company's office located on the Mall Road in Bathinda. Led by farmer leader Gurlal Singh, they raised slogans outside the office. Employees present in the

has also been with him during most of the battles. But when Kuldeep is unable to stay for long, other members of the union take care of him.

"I am unmarried, but my brother is married. I know his responsibilities. Now, lakhs of members of the union are my family members and they take care of me. I have participated in several protests. Initially, youngsters were desperate for a solution, but now they have also settled here for

long after detailed discussions with us," Nirmal said.

"Like us, almost everybody gets inspired by Nirmal Singh as he has been fighting for farmers for the past 40 years. He is always full of energy and even during our march to New Delhi, he did not leave any stone unturned despite facing physical problems," said Kulwinder Singh, cashier of BKU Ugrahan of Malerkotla block.



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SMART CONNECT PH-II 45,443 more to benefit by month-end, says Capt

TREBUE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 18 To facilitate seamless e-learning in government schools amid the Covid-19 pandemic, Capt Amarinder Singh virtually launched the second phase of the Punjab Smart Connect Scheme, marked by distribution of smartphones to another 80,000 Class XII students of government schools. The event witnessed simultaneous distribution of phones at 845 schools today by various Ministers, MLAs and other dignitaries across the state.

Capt Amarinder said the remaining 45,443 smartphones of the targeted 1,75,443 would be provided to students by December-end to fulfil his government's commitment to strengthen digital infrastructure in schools. The CM said 877 tablets were also being provided in 22 senior



CM Capt Amarinder Singh with the beneficiaries at a school in Beholpur village of SAS Nagar district on Friday. PHOTO: VICKY

### CHOSEN THROUGH Aadhaar SEEDING

- The beneficiaries have been selected after Aadhaar seeding, enabling the government to select only those who do not have a cell phone
- In the run-up to the 2017 polls, the Congress in its manifesto had promised to distribute free smartphones to around 50 lakh youth
- Nearly 20 lakh students had filled forms for the scheme

secondary schools at the cost of Rs 1 crore. Under the scheme, the state government is spending Rs 87.84 crore for the digital empowerment of 88,059 boys and 87,284 girls in the first phase. The beneficiaries have been selected after Aadhaar seeding, enabling the government to select only those who do not

have a cell phone. In the run-up to the 2017 Assembly elections, the Congress in its manifesto had promised to distribute free smartphones to around 50 lakh youth. Nearly 20 lakh students had filled the forms for the scheme. Around Rs 88 crore against an estimated target of Rs 110 crore was being spent on pur-

chase of the phones from Lava, an Indian mobile manufacturing unit, that was finalised after open bidding between Lava, Oppo and LG. The phones have smart features such as touchscreen, camera and applications to access social media and would come with one-time 12 GB data and 600 local minutes

free talktime with one-year validity to the beneficiaries. For the implementation of the scheme, open transparent bidding process was conducted by the Punjab Information and Communication Technology Corporation. The government is spending around Rs 5,000 on every phone. In the first phase launched in August this year, 50,000 smartphones were given to girl students, with priority to those who do not have a phone so that their online learning can be facilitated amid the pandemic.

Conceding the demand of Cabinet Minister and local MLA Balbir Singh Sidhu, the CM announced that the school would be upgraded to senior secondary and named after 1971 war martyr Capt Ami Singh, Vir Chakra. Further, Rs 25 lakh would be given to Government Senior Secondary School for Girls, Sohana.

### Transfusion case: Vigilance begins probe

BATHINDA, DECEMBER 18

The Vigilance Bureau (VB) has started a probe into the cases of HIV-positive blood transfusion to thalassemia patients due to the alleged negligence of employees of the blood bank at Shaheed Bhai Mani Singh Civil Hospital in Bathinda.

In the first phase launched in August this year, 50,000 smartphones were given to girl students, with priority to those who do not have a phone so that their online learning can be facilitated amid the pandemic.

Incidents of giving HIV-positive blood to a woman and four minor thalassemia patients were reported from October 2 to November 7 at the Bathinda Civil Hospital.

VB SSP Bathinda, Narinder Bhargava said, "After getting directions from the department, we have started a probe into the case. The VB DSP (Bathinda Range) has been made the probe officer." —TNS

### ₹30-cr heroin recovered

FAZILKA, DECEMBER 18

A day after the BSF gunned down two Pakistan intruders in Amritsar, 6 kg heroin worth over Rs 30 crore smuggled from Pakistan has been recovered from across the barbed wire fencing in Fazilka district. A heroin smuggler has also been arrested. —OC

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## Staff 'forge' Covid test numbers to meet target, dept to investigate

KARAM PRAKASH

NEWS SERVICE

PATIALA, DECEMBER 18 Owing to "pressure" from higher-ups to achieve a certain target of daily Covid testing, many health workers are said to have been involved in making 'fake entries'.

To jack up the number of Covid tests, health workers either duplicated the old entries or their close contacts were made dummy candidates. It has been learnt from multiple sources in the Health Department that many health workers had been allegedly forging details of antigen tests on a regular basis.

The sources said fake entries were possible only in the antigen test unlike RTPCR wherein samples are sent to a GMC lab. Moreover, the samples and kits are discarded by the staff immediately. Therefore, no evidence is left.

A medical officer of the Health Department admitted that he himself entered fake entries by giving details of his family members and support staff.

"In mid-September, when testing was at peak, we had to resort to fake entries because there was a lot of pressure of achieving a certain target. Even now, we get messages on a regular basis from the higher-ups that testing numbers are not sufficient."



A team of the Health Department takes a swab sample at a government school in Patiala on Friday. PHOTO: RAJESH SACHAR

### 20 MORE DIE IN LAST 24 HOURS

- With 20 persons losing their lives to Covid-19 in the past 24 hours, the state continued to remain at the top position in terms of the case fatality rate
- Jalandhar reported the highest number of deaths at five, followed by Hoshiarpur and
- Ludhiana at four deaths each. Three persons died in Mohali and two in Roopgarh
- As many as 444 new cases have been reported, with maximum cases being reported in Mohali at 94, followed by Jalandhar (81) and Ludhiana (75)

Saleem Khan (35) of Patiala died of Covid on October 31 in Ambala. However, a test was conducted in his name on December 2 and reported negative. A copy of the record of this "falsification" has been accessed by *The Tribune*.

When asked about the forgery, Patiala Civil Surgeon Dr Harish Malhotra said, "I am issuing show-cause notices to the health

### Straw-based brick plant comes up in Patiala

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Over 200 khair trees axed, finds panel

Singh has detected the illegal felling. Appropriate action is being taken. Three officials have been suspended," said Jatendra Sharam, PCCF, Punjab. The suspended officials are Range Officer Baljinder Singh, Forester Jai Singh and forest guard Baldev Singh.

Six months ago, the Vigilance Department had conducted inspection after getting complaints of illegal felling of khair trees. The Kandi belt has been witnessing illicit felling of khair trees due to its use in katha industry. A committee constituted under DFO (Research) Anjan



**"Let us together pay tributes to the Ninth Guru for his unparalleled and supreme sacrifice, with the pledge to imbibe his values of righteousness, truth and freedom of faith."**

**Capt. Amarinder Singh**  
Chief Minister, Punjab



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

All the Registered Societies under Section 20 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 in the jurisdiction of Union Territory, Chandigarh is hereby directed to submit their report of annual general body meeting with the management of the affairs of the society as required under Section 4 of the Registration Act 1860 and also submit their annual audit report within a period of 30 days from the date of publication of this notice.

**REGISTRAR,  
FIRMS AND SOCIETIES,  
UNION TERRITORY, CHANDIGARH.**

**HIMACHAL PRADESH  
JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG  
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER**

Online bid on item rate basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Vibhag, Division Dharampur Bharari on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh in electronic tendering system in two covers for the undermentioned works from the contractors/firms of appropriate class enlisted with Himachal Pradesh Jal Shakti Vibhag.

**Sr. No. 1. Name of Work:- Construction of Junior Engineer office Jal Shakti Section Chlothra in Tehsil Dharampur, District Mandi HP**  
**Estimated Cost:- 41,66,718/-, Earnest Money:- 70,000/-, Cost of Tender Form:- Rs. 800/-, Time limit:- Nine Months.**

**1. KEY DATES:-**

- I. Date of online publication. 17.12.2020 at 5.00 P.M.
- II. Downloading of e-tender documents. 17.12.2020 at 5.00 P.M.
- III. Last date of submission of e-tender. 29.12.2020 up to 5.00 P.M.
- IV. Last date for Physical submission of Earnest Money and cost of tender documents etc. 30.12.2020 up to 11:00 A.M.
- V. Date of opening online bids 30.12.2020 at 11:30 A.M.

The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website [www.hptenders.gov.in](http://www.hptenders.gov.in)

**Executive Engineer,  
Jal Shakti Division Dharampur  
Bharari.**

DPR/HP/5123

**Advt. No. NAM/YNR/2020/36073 Dated 10.12.2020**

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District AYUSH Society - Yamunanagar invites application from the eligible candidates for filling up of the following post in the AYUSH Department District Yamunanagar, Haryana under National AYUSH Mission purely on contract basis initially up to 31.03.2021 with details as mentioned below:-

Sr. No.	Name of Post	No. of Post	Date of Written Test & Interview will be intimated through website/ email
1	District Programme Manager	1	
2	Data Entry Operator	1	
3	Yoga Instructor (Part Time) under AHWC	15	

- The interested candidates are advised to visit website [www.yamunanagar.nic.in](http://www.yamunanagar.nic.in) for details of post and download the application form last date for submitting of duly filled application form is **28.12.2020 up to 05:00 P.M.** in the office of District Ayurvedic Office, Raghunathpuri Tejli Road Near Karan Resort Yamunanagar by hand or by Registered post only. Application sent through other mode will not be considered.
- For any query you can contact Office No. **01732-298688**
- Detailed instructions/post details/required qualification etc. will be available at website [www.yamunanagar.nic.in](http://www.yamunanagar.nic.in)

**Sd/- District Ayurvedic Officer-cum-Member Secretary, District AYUSH Society, District - Yamunanagar.**

PRDH/1010/11/3/2021/1034/31/4

**HP Forest Department  
Tender Notice  
E-Procurement Notice****INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

Tender Reference No. 3/2020-21

1. The Dy. Conservator of FOREST, NURPUR FOREST DIVISION, NURPUR, Distt. Kangra, HP on behalf of Governor of HP invites online bids on item rate, in e-tendering system, in 2 cover system for the undermentioned work from the eligible and approved contractors/Firms. Eligible bidders are contractors registered with HPPWD/CPWD in appropriate class and discipline. The bidder shall have to fulfil the criteria as specified in Technical Qualification Criteria (TQC) in Form-8 available online in tender document.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost	EMD	Period	Cost of Tender Form	Eligible class of Contractor
1.	Construction of Inspection Hut at Baduhi in Khanni beat of Nurpur Range	43,40,000/-	86800/-	60 days	500/-	Class-D and above

2. **Availability of bid document and mode of submission:** The Bid document is available online and bid should be submitted in online mode on website <http://hptenders.gov.in>. Bidder would be required to register in the website, which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder required to have Digital Signature Certificate from one of the authorized certifying Authorities.

3. **Key Dates:-**

4. **Tender Details:** The Tender documents shall be uploaded online in 2 covers:

- i). **Cover 1:** Shall contain scanned copies of all "Technical documents/ Eligibility Information".
- ii). **Cover 2:** Shall contain "BoQ/Financial Bid", where contractor will quote his offer for each item.

5. **Submission of original documents:**

The bidders are required to submit (a) Original Demand Draft towards the cost of bid document and (b) Original bid security/ EMD in the favour of DCF Nurpur and other Technical documents in the O/o Dy. Conservator of Forest Officer, Nurpur Forest Division, Nurpur, Distt. Kangra as specified in key dates on or before 15.1.2021, 11:15 a.m., failing which the bids will be declared non-responsive.

6. **Bid opening details:** The bids shall be opened 15.1.2021 at 4.00 p.m. in the O/o Dy. Conservator of Forests, Nurpur Forest Division, Nurpur, Distt. Kangra by the authorized officer. In their own interest the tenders are advised to be present alongwith original documents at the time of opening tenders.

7. If it happens to be holiday on the date of opening of bid as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue and no separate notice will be given in this regard.

8. The bids for the work shall remain valid for acceptance for a period not less than 30 days after the dead line date for bid submission.

9. Other details can be seen in the bidding documents. The Office inviting tenders shall not be held liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the employer shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidder's responsibility to verify the website for the least information related to the tender.

10. The competent authority on behalf of Governor of HP reserved the right to reject any or all the tenders received without assigning any reason.

11. Registration of HP Sales TAX/GST is essential. If the bidder has not registered and found to be the lowest bidder he is supposed to register him on award of work. He shall submit the tax papers to the employer, before any payment is made to him.

**Dy. Conservator of Forests,  
Nurpur Forest Division, Nurpur.**

**Himachal Pradesh  
JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG  
"Notice Inviting Tender"**

The Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Vibhag, Flood Protection Division, Gagret, Distt. Una (HP) invites offline tender on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following works through offline process:-

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Cost of Form	Time limit
1	Swan River Flood Management Project from Daulatpur Bridge to Gagret Bridge in main Swan River and all tributaries joining main Swan River from Daulatpur Bridge to Santokhgarh Bridge in Distt. Una (HP) Phase-4th (SH:- Outsourcing staff for office the Engineer-in-Chief (Project), Jal Shakti Vibhag, Mandi (HP) for one year).	₹ 4,02,730/-	₹ 8,05/-	₹ 250/-	1 (One year)
1. The last date of submission of tender on 24.12.2020 up to 11:00 A.M. and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 P.M.					
2. The last date of sale of tender from divisional office on 23.12.2020 up to 4:00 P.M. The Tender terms and other detailed conditions can be downloaded from <a href="http://www.hpphp.org">www.hpphp.org</a> or from office of the Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Vibhag, Flood Protection Division, Gagret, Distt. Una (HP) up to date specified above.					
HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPARK DPR/HP/5148					

**GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB  
TENDER NOTICE REFERENCE NO. 21**

The Department of Public Works (Building & Roads) re-invites online bids for following:-

Sr. No.	Item	Quantity
1	Special Repair of various Link Roads in Market Committee Kahnwan for the year 2020-21 (Phase-III) (Group 1 to 6)	6
2	Special Repair of various Link Roads in Market Committee Qadian for the year 2020-21 (Phase-III) (Group 1 to 5)	5
3	Special Repair of various Link Roads in Market Committee Shri Hargobindpur for the year 2020-21 (Phase-III) (Group 1 to 6)	6

Closing date & Time:- 02.01.2021 up to 5.00 P.M.

For Details logon to:- <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

**Note:-** Any corrigendum(s) to the Tender Notice shall be published on the above website only.

**Sd/- (Er. Rajiv Kumar),  
Executive Engineer,  
Construction Division,  
PWD B&R Br, Batala.  
eecdabatalapwdp@gmail.com  
Mob: 98146-52153**

**HIMACHAL PRADESH IRRIGATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT****\*NOTICE INVITING TENDER\***

The Executive Engineer, I&PH Division, Anni, District Kullu (H.P) invites tenders on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following work through offline process:-

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost	Time limit	Earnest Money	Cost of Form
1.	Improvement of LWSS Behna Chhouti in G.P. Behna in Anni Block, Distt. Kullu (H.P) (SH:- Laying, jointing of G.I. Pipe in trenches 50mm dia with flanged Butt welding in R/mal 1st stage & supply & erection of Pumping machinery)	280567/-	2 Months	5611/-	250.00
2.	Improvement of WSS Lajheri phase 2nd in GP Lajheri in Anni Block, Distt. Kullu (H.P) (SH:- Excavation, laying, jointing and testing of GI pipes of 25mm dia from RD 1500/0 to 1700 = 1700 Rmt, 20mm dia from RD 1200/0 to 500 = 500 Rmt)	174303/-	2 Months	3486/-	250.00
3.	Tapping additional source to WSS Rallu Randal in GP Posha in Nirmand Block, Distt. Kullu (H.P) (SH:- Laying, jointing and testing of gravity main and construction of RCC Intake Chamber.)	122834/-	2 Months	2457/-	250.00
4.	AVR & M/O WSS Janglabeel Jharia in Nirmand Block, Distt. Kullu (H.P) (SH:- Laying, Jointing and testing of GI pipe 50mm dia till 700 Rmt, 32mm dia 1300 Rmt, 20mm dia 1560 Rmt)	194469/-	3 Months	3889/-	250.00
5.	AVR & M/O WSS Serindhar Tandi Lahria in Gamog & Ghato in Nirmand Block, Distt. Kullu (H.P) [C/o Sector storage tank 2500 Lt at Tincha]	184514	2 Months	3690/-	250.00
6.	Providing LWSS Village Thachawa Jagatkhan in G.P. Taran in Nirmand Block, Distt. Kullu (H.P) (SH:- Providing, fixing and commission of centrifugal pump & motor 25BHP with all allied accessories.)	225000/-	3 Months	4500/-	250.00
7.	Balance work of C/o RCC Irrigation Storage tank 50000Ltrs. Capacity at Village Dharidhan in G.P. Lajheri in Anni Block, Distt. Kullu (H.P) (SH:- C/o RCC Intake Chamber=1 No., C/o RCC Storage tank=1 No.)	273210/-	3 Months	5464/-	250.00
1. Last Date of Submission of tender:- 29.12.2020 up to 3:00 P.M. and opened on same day 3:30 P.M.					
2. Last Date of sale of tender form Divisional Office:- 28.12.2020 up to 04:00 P.M. The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be downloaded from the website <a href="http://www.hpphp.org">www.hpphp.org</a> or from office of above Executive Engineer, up to date specified above.					
HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPARK DPR/HP/516					

Proposals are invited from Agency/Trust/Firms/NGOs/Vo empaneled with NGO Darpan portal, Niti Ayog, Government of India to conduct awareness generation, Capacity Building and Community mobilization in Single/Multi Village Rural Water Supply Schemes" chargeable to Support Activities, Jal Jeevan Mission.

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## Six killed in accident in Naraingarh

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

**AMBALA, DECEMBER 18**  
Six persons were killed when a truck hit the autorickshaw they were travelling in near Barsumajra village in Naraingarh on Friday.

The deceased were identified as Mehar Singh (82) of Andheri village, Salamat (60) of Firozpur Kath village, Gafoordeen (60) of Aukhal village, autorickshaw driver Sunil (23) of Kanjala village and two sisters, Komal (22) and Priyanka (21) of Hadbon village.

Ved Prakash, sarpanch of Kanjala village, told the police that he saw a rashly driven truck coming from the Sadaura side hit the autorickshaw, on its way from the Naraingarh side, around noon.

**Truck hits autorickshaw head on, two sisters among deceased**

He said the vehicles collided head on and the truck dragged the autorickshaw for some distance. The truck driver drove away from the spot, but was later nabbed. He was identified as Ombir of Yamunanagar.

Police personnel and passersby took the victims to hospital, where five of them were declared dead. Komal was referred to the GMCH in Chandigarh, but succumbed to her injuries on the way.

"The bodies were handed over the families after post-mortem examination and cremated thereafter. A case has been registered. The truck driver will be produced in court on Saturday," said Naraingarh SHO Gurmail Singh.



Followers of Baba Ram Singh perform the last rites in Karnal's Singhra village on Friday. SAYEED AHMED

## Thousands bid farewell to Karnal gurdwara head

PARVEEN ARORA  
TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE**KARNAL, DECEMBER 18**

Thousands of followers bid a tearful adieu to Baba Ram Singh, spiritual preacher and head sewadar of Nanaksar gurdwara, at Singhra village on Friday.

The last rites were performed on the gurdwara premises and the mortal remains consigned to flames with the chanting of prayers.

Live-streaming was arranged for those who could not visit the gurdwara.

A note by Baba Ram Singh in his diary, written after his first visit to the Singhu border on December 9, was read by a preacher.

In his diary, Baba Ram Singh had written that he was pained to see the problems being faced by farmers at the protest site amid the cold wave.

The 68-year-old preacher had reportedly shot himself at the Singhu border on Wednesday evening. According to a handwritten note in Punjabi, purportedly left behind by him, he was unable to bear the pain of farmers.

### REPEAL LAWS

“The Centre should learn from the sacrifice of Baba Ram Singh and accept the demands of farmers. That will be the true tribute to him and all farmers who had died during the stir.”

Bhupinder Singh Hooda, FORMER CM

president, said Baba Ram Singh's death was a big loss to humanity. "Babaji sacrificed his life to wake up the government as he could not bear the pain of farmers. If the government still does not accept their demands, it is a cruel government," she said.

Sanyukt Kisan Morcha members Manjeet Singh Rai, Baldev Singh Sirsa and others appealed to the farming community and others not to take the extreme step as they could not afford more sacrifices.

"It is a big loss for society. We appeal to people not to take such a step. We will not go back till the laws are repealed," said Rai.

Sirsa said it was a wake-up call for the government and it should act immediately to avoid such incidents in the future.

Rajya Sabha member Deepender Hooda, BKU (Charuni) president Gurnam Singh Charuni, Bharatiya Kisan Mazdoor Naujawani Union president Rajinder Dadupur and several MLAs paid their last respects to the preacher.

Bibi Jagir Kaur, SGPC

## Pistol found, 'belongs to follower'

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

**SONEPAT, DECEMBER 18**

The police on Friday recovered a pistol, with which Nanaksar gurdwara head Baba Ram Singh reportedly shot himself at the Singhu

border on Wednesday. The pistol belongs to one of his followers, the police have said.

The cops also recovered another letter reportedly written by the gurdwara head. The letter's content was no different from the one

found in two letters recovered earlier from the gurdwara. In all three letters, he expressed anguish at the plight of farmers who, he said, were forced to protest in the cold because of Centre's three farm laws.

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Chandigarh, Zonal Office Chandigarh

**E-AUCTION NOTICE**

This has reference to the E-Auction Notice scheduled for dated 29.12.2020 published on 13.12.2020 in The Tribune, Dainik Tribune & Punjabi Tribune. With respect to the accounts mentioned at Sr. No. 1 to 5 stands CANCELLED due to administrative reasons.

Date: 18.12.2020

Place: Chandigarh

AUTHORIZED OFFICER

**BABA FARID UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES**  
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**RECRUITMENT NOTICE**

Online applications are invited w.e.f 22/12/2020 to 11/01/2021 from eligible candidates through University website i.e [www.bfuhs.ac.in](http://www.bfuhs.ac.in) for the recruitment of 06 posts of Senior Assistant at Dr. B.R Ambedkar State Institute of Medical Sciences, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali). For Eligibility, terms & conditions & other information visit university website i.e [www.bfuhs.ac.in](http://www.bfuhs.ac.in)

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Notice inviting e-bids for supply of Laptops/Printers

NABARD invites e-bids, in the prescribed format, from established Vendors/Bidders for Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 45 Laptops (under buy-back arrangement for used 21 Laptops and 15 Desktops on "as is where is" basis), and (03) three numbers of Network Multi-function-device Printers (3-in-1 Laser Printers) for NABARD's Haryana Regional Office, Chandigarh. The last date for receipt of duly filled application is extended upto 28th December, 2020 upto 1500 hours.

For further details, please visit Information Centre on our website [www.nabard.org](http://www.nabard.org) or <https://nabard.eproc.in/>

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Opening &amp; Closing of Online Application for B.Tech &amp; B.Tech LEET

21.12.2020 &amp; 25.12.2020

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30.12.2020 (Application will be accepted on the same day)

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## Delhi-Dhaka amity

Don't let contentious issues play spoilsport in golden jubilee year

**T**HE bonhomie witnessed during the virtual meeting between PM Narendra Modi and his Bangladesh counterpart Sheikh Hasina is a reaffirmation of the strong ties between the two neighbours. Hasina called India 'our true friend', while Modi said Bangladesh was 'a significant pillar' of India's Neighbourhood First policy. The reopening of the Chilahati-Haldibari railway line, which had been defunct since the 1965 India-Pakistan war, is a sign of growing mutual cooperation and understanding.

This bilateral relationship is steeped in history as Bangladesh owes its creation to India's resounding victory in the 1971 war against Pakistan. Both countries are expected to come even closer next year, when India will commemorate the golden jubilee of the war and Bangladesh will celebrate 50 years of its existence. However, they need to guard against a possible twist in this picture-perfect tale in the form of the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA). With the high-stakes West Bengal elections due in 2021, the BJP has indicated that the Centre could start granting citizenship to refugees from Bangladesh and Pakistan from January. The uproar over the CAA and the National Register of Citizens (NRC) had impacted Delhi-Dhaka ties a year ago. Hasina had dubbed the CAA and the NRC as 'unnecessary', even as Bangladesh did not take kindly to being perceived as a perpetrator of religious persecution.

While the BJP will inevitably bank on the refugee card to counter the TMC government in West Bengal, the exercise of weeding out illegal immigrants won't find favour with Bangladeshi, which is already saddled with Rohingya refugees from Myanmar. It's here that the Indian government should tread cautiously. Flanked by China and Pakistan, two hostile neighbours, India needs the support of nations like Bangladesh and Nepal to maintain its pre-eminent position in the subcontinent and boost its credentials in the international arena. India must allay Bangladesh's concerns about the CAA to ensure that a presumably all-weather friend remains firmly on its side.

## Prioritise special kids

Keep their schools flush with funds

**S**TARVED of funds in the wake of Covid-induced disruptions, schools for special children in Amritsar are staring at closure. This is a sad reflection of governmental apathy during a crisis towards a section of the population that even in normal times needs extra care and attention to get by. The invisibility of children with disabilities in the authorities' plans as they go about trying to restore society to pre-Covid levels is a lacuna that must be addressed forthwith. The government funds due to the institutes must be released on priority so that they remain operational and well-oiled for the return of the special students. It will also ensure the welfare of their hard-pressed teachers, and, society in the long run.

As per Census 2011, while persons with disabilities in Punjab comprise 2.35 per cent of the total population, there are nearly one lakh differently-abled children. The state government is committed to assisting them with their education, health, jobs and special needs. However, the enforcement of the legal mandate for their inclusive growth remains a challenge. In fact, the vision enshrined in the National Action Plan for Inclusion in Education of the Children and Persons with Disabilities (MHRD, 2005) and the National Policy for Persons with Disabilities (2006) calls for the setting up of more such schools and colleges, as also enabling space for the physically challenged in more normal educational institutes.

Already, the progress of special children has been stalled since the lockdown. Virtual classes have not kept pace with the unique needs of those challenged in sight, hearing or speech. It has heightened their educational barriers. Those with mental issues are worse off. The pandemic has taken a toll on their parents, too. With social backing and therapies highly curtailed, the overwhelming task of single-handedly managing such children is emotionally draining, leading to a burnout. A fiscal push can go a long way in overcoming these challenges that have been exacerbated by Covid — by the government, NGOs and philanthropists.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The farmer has to be an optimist or he wouldn't still be a farmer. — Will Rogers

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

# The Tribune.

LAHORE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1920

### Mr. Spoor on Non-Co-Operation.

AFTER the unqualified condemnation of the non-co-operation movement to which the country has got accustomed at the hands of most Englishmen, in fact of all Englishmen who have spoken on the subject so far, with the sole exception of Mr. C.F. Andrews, it is gratifying to have a good word for it from an Englishman in the representative position of Mr. Spoor. Both in his speech and at the interview, Mr. Spoor had a good deal to say about the spiritual side of the movement. "I recognise," he said in his speech, "and there are large numbers of Britons at home who recognise that the Indian national movement is essentially spiritual in character. You are fighting with weapons unlike those used by the Western world. There is a universal law by which matter always follows the spirit. I have sufficient faith in the moral order of the universe to believe that spiritual force will ultimately triumph. For some reason or another, you Indian people do seem to possess in an extraordinary degree the quality of spiritual insight, and it may be you will be able to achieve the greatest victory ever secured in human history." At the interview, he expressed the same sentiment with reference to Mr. Gandhi's movement and said that he believed in the moral value of this movement, though, as he added immediately, he could not commit himself to support it as a practical step. Nor did he omit to say a word about the signs of advancing spirituality elsewhere. If the non-co-operation movement can remain spiritual and if the leaders are able to suppress the tendencies towards violence that have raised their head in some places, then, whether it succeeds or not, it is bound to be a shining example to mankind.

# Dilemma of the Indian farmer

Crops like wheat and paddy are a lifeline which he is scared of losing

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RAJESH RAMACHANDRAN

FEAR OF UNKNOWN: Reforms should promise success to gain acceptance. TRIBUNE PHOTO

While private procurement has failed in Bihar, the govt one lifted another *Bimaru* state, Odisha, out of starvation.

**J**UST a couple of decades ago, Odisha was known more for starvation deaths in Kalahandi, Balangir and Koraput than its breathtaking beaches or the architectural marvel at Konark. It's so no more. Now, Odisha is a rice-surplus state — no mean achievement by any yardstick. How did this turnaround happen? Well, it was rather simple. The government began buying paddy. Rice is Odisha's staple diet, while it is largely a cash crop in Punjab — but the economics of growing paddy remains the same in these two totally dissimilar contexts. There could be production and supply only if there is demand — routine, assured and unfailing procurement. A cabinet memorandum of the Odisha government last month projected a bumper crop of 1.7 lakh tonnes of paddy this season. But most interestingly, the note assured that the government would buy everything that the registered farmers bring to the mandis. This promise triggers the Keynesian animal spirits in the rural economy.

The long march of Indian farmers — as producers and consumers — from starvation to surplus, thus, has been through the mandis or primary agricultural credit societies, using the prop of the Minimum Support Price (MSP) offered by the government procurement agencies. It is this mechanism that has produced a mountain of food that is nearly three times the prescribed buffer stock. However, in the din of allegations against protesters hurled by the establishment, there seems to be a screeching strain of annoyance over the problem of plenty. Well, the dismantling of the foodgrain procurement regime is all that it would take to make the overflowing

government granaries empty. For, the production of foodgrains, be it in MP, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Telangana or Punjab, is dependent on demand. Once the demand disappears, production will automatically come down and a sliding graph often stops only after crashing down.

Somehow, the new farm laws and the agitation against them have been portrayed as a Punjabi-Haryanvi problem, which it is not. The threat of privatisation of the procurement process is a pan-Indian fear. It is private procurement that has failed in Bihar and it is the government one that has lifted a fellow *Bimaru* state, Odisha, out of starvation. Sure, farmers of Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and elsewhere are not visibly protesting like the Punjabi farmers. But the reason is not lack of fear of the new farm laws, it is something else: Punjabi-Haryanvi farmers have got empowered and informed because of decades of government procurement since the 1960s, and they are obviously more organised than their counterparts in Odisha or Chhattisgarh. Most importantly, they live at the gates of Delhi. The network of Bharatiya Kisan Union's units across Punjab, Haryana

and Western UP is undoubtedly the powerhouse that has electrified the farming masses in these regions, and not without reason.

Change ought to have been brought in through example. A recent news report has gone viral, about a \$7-billion food corridor between India and the United Arab Emirates to be run by Dubai Ports World and Dubai Multi Commodities Centre. The government should have linked paddy farmers of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh or vegetable farmers of Punjab and Haryana with the corridor to show how effective an alternative procurement mechanism would be. Instead, a corporate house accused of being the government's crony is setting up storage silos in Punjab and Haryana to get into the foodgrain business. It is this involvement of a certain kind of corporate that makes the farmers wonder whether the procurement is going to get privatised and, thus, compromised.

Of course, this is no argument for the efficiency of the government sector, but it is more about the fear of the unknown future involving players who can leverage power over the Central Government far outweighing the collective bargaining capacity of the farmer unions or local politicians. For, the farmers know well that the crying

need of investment in this region's agriculture is not in the foodgrain business. The mandi-MSP-government procurement system has made foodgrain production a viable enterprise. But vegetable farmers are at the mercy of the vagaries of the market, with insufficient storage facility, holding capacity, cold chain or value addition. So, any informed farmer would have expected reforms in the vegetable farming sector to make it a success. Contract farming has been experimented with varying results, and hence, that also does not hold any special charm because a produce linked to the open market makes contracts less attractive. If the market offers a better price than contracted, obviously the farmer would feel cheated and if the market price falls below the figure put in the contract, contractors could renege, as has happened in the past.

The most glaring example of lack of private investment by mega-corporates, governmental apathy and baby steps being taken by genuine entrepreneurs is the fishing industry. For meagre profits, small businessmen are setting up a cold chain from the coasts to the markets of north India for sea fish, which has long been adulterated with formaldehyde for a longer shelf life. No Gujarati conglomerate has yet invested in taking trout from Manali to Thiruvananthapuram or apples from Kinnaur to Kolkata.

The business model of switching from oil to data in search of mega-profits does not work for farmers totally dependent on government payouts. Oilfields, telecom spectrum, sea ports and airports are public resources that a friendly government can sell cheap, but paddy and wheat are a farmer's lifeline, which he is scared of losing. In this standoff between the government and the farmers, a genuine dialogue, real assurances and illustrative examples could be the way out. The reassuring response from the Supreme Court has set the tone for a resolution. Now, the government needs to appreciate that the protesters are unions of *Bharatiya Kisan* and it hurts their children guarding the icy battlefields atop the Himalayas when their parents are called dirty names.

## Unforgettable Mr Tomlinson

GEORGE N NETTO

**A**s our school's PT master, he kept us fighting fit. Every day, he would march us out into the scorching Tiruchy sun for a 30-minute workout. Despite being on the wrong side of the 60s, no exercise was beyond him. And if he could do it, he reasoned, so could we boys.

Clad in baggy, knee-length khaki shorts — a relic from his days in the police force — the six-foot, ramrod-straight Mr Tomlinson would energetically demonstrate physical exercises with an agility that belied his age. And he expected us to match him — nothing less would do. 'Patrick,' he'd bellow, 'is there a crick in your spine? C'mon, limber up!' Or, noticing

someone exercising stiffly, he'd snap, 'Do your joints need greasing?'

Or, if someone swung his hands sluggishly, 'You look like a seal stuck in an oil slick!' His sarcasm was mordantly funny but underlying it was genuine concern for our fitness. Mr Tomlinson's zeal once proved stronger than the fabric of his khaki trousers. While vigorously demonstrating an exercise, he overdid it — and we heard a crisp tell-tale 'krrrrrr' as the central seam of his shorts split. He beat a hasty retreat, leaving us sniggering. 'It's only my shorts announcing their retirement — not flatulence,' he shot back.

Despite his strictness, Mr Tomlinson's droll sense of humour livened up things considerably. During one

vigorous session of exercising, someone broke wind aloud unintentionally, prompting him to quip in all seriousness, 'I see, we've a budding trumpeter in our midst!' On another occasion, at a higher decibel, he deadpanned with an expression of mock disbelief, 'I could've sworn I just heard a Royal Enfield Bullet backfire!'

Mr Tomlinson also capably doubled as the school's athletics coach. He would putter around the hockey field on his motorcycle with sweating sprinters breathlessly straggling behind him — an ordeal we nicknamed 'Tomlinson's torture.' During the annual inter-school athletics meet, he would be vibrantly present on the sidelines, his freckled face taut with tension as he virtually screamed

himself hoarse urging his protégés on. And they seldom let him down.

Sometimes, he deputised for teachers on leave, infusing freshness into a drab subject. Once, when our geometry teacher was away, a student raised a query about the Pythagoras theorem which few of us understood. It was Greek to him too, he confessed. But, he left us in splits when he branded the brain-twister 'Pythiakaran's (madman's) theorem!' On another occasion, having misplaced his spectacles, he was heard muttering, 'My darned glasses keep eluding me like those underworld dons did when I was a cop!'

Sixty years on, the memory of his many wisecracks help pep me up whenever I'm down in the dumps.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Show flexibility

Refer to 'Pay heed to apex court'; the court's suggestion to put on hold the implementation of farm laws may not cut ice with the protesters because of their position of all or nothing. The government would never repeal the laws, thereby setting a precedent which would make governance and bringing in new laws untenable. Farmer unions need to be flexible in their approach. Contentious clauses need to be resolved with checks and balances. With the possibility of protests getting infiltrated by vested interests, their act of inconveniencing the public by blocking vehicular movement might take away sympathy from their cause. The more they prolong the negotiations, the more the chances of their strength getting whittled down.

ASHOK GOSWAMI, NEW YORK

#### Middle path

Reference to the turbulent developments in the farmers' stir over the past few weeks, it is clear that the need to adopt a middle path. The Centre must think wisely about the welfare of the section that forms the backbone of society. Braving the winter chill may affect the health of the farmers, many of whom are elderly. The farmers should also coop-

erate. The Centre must work towards proposing rational and quick amendments.

ANMOL KAUR MONGIA, MOHALI

#### Undermining Parliament

With the recent decision of the Central government not to convene the winter session of Parliament, it seems the government is unwilling to listen to both the public and their representatives. It is ironical that in the world's largest democracy, this representative system of governance itself is coming under pressure. All over the world, parliaments are functioning, whether it is the UK or Canada. But when public rallies are allowed, elections are allowed, every public system is working, not allowing Parliament to function is a sad moment in parliamentary democracy.

JATINDER MASOUN, LUDHIANA

#### Is democracy dying?

Owing to Covid-19, the session of Parliament ended in March. The monsoon session was cut short with some legislation passed hurriedly and the Question Hour being done away with. Now, there will be no winter session. Undoubtedly, the pandemic is still here and precautions are paramount. But there are many important issues such as

Covid-19, security scenario, farmers' agitation and the slowdown of economy which need to be discussed. Covid cannot be the pretext to not hold the session, as every activity where the BJP's interest is involved is being held even without observing the SOPs. Undermining the legitimacy of institutions and norms across the board to confuse the public is a tactical move to undermine democracy.

SK KHOSLA, CHANDIGARH

#### Strong message

Refer to 'Two judges forced to retire, HC wields the stick'; the action against judicial officers has sent a strong message regarding zero tolerance against indiscipline, decency and other factors in the subordinate judiciary. People consider courts to be the temple of justice. They come to the courts in the hope that they will get justice. This decision has strengthened the trust of the people in the judicial system.

SHAKTI SINGH, KARNAL

#### Women's safety

It has been eight years since the heinous Nirbhaya crime took place. The public came out to protest against rape and other crimes against women. There were amendments to laws and committees were

formed to ensure the safety of women. Even after taking such strict action, there is no change in society. According to a report by the NCRB, the police registered 33,977 rape cases in 2018, and in 2019, there were 87 rapes in a day! The total cases registered in 2019 of crime against women were 4,05,861. I don't think we are bringing a change with regard to the safety of women. There is not even a single place where they are safe.

NARSINGH CHAUHAN, CHANDIGARH

#### Loan fraud

The news of Rs 525-crore fraud against a consortium of banks by two firms from Gujarat points to the time-honoured adage that if you get cheated again by the same agent, it is your fault! Several cases of frauds against banks come to fore time and again. Cases of doubtful collaterals, falsified books kept by borrowers and misutilisation of loans point to the fact that the banking system has neither learned neither from its mistakes nor from that of others. Ironical too is the observation that public sector banks are more vulnerable to frauds. The RBI should devise ways to insulate the banking system from loan scams and frauds.

RAKESH SUDAN, KURUKSHETRA

# The gilded age of digital monopolies



**PARANJOY GUHA THAKURTA**  
SENIOR JOURNALIST AND AUTHOR

perhaps any entity in history."

Our unprecedented dependence on two of the biggest global corporate groups was underlined on December 14 when many of Google's services including Gmail collapsed for around 45 minutes. The consternation it created among billions of users across the world also highlighted how we have become slaves to this powerful provider of services like instantaneous electronic mail, the use of search engines that collate and curate information of every kind, location maps that can guide us everywhere and make payments, besides creating and viewing audio-visual content.

On December 9, for the first time ever, the Australian government tabled legislation that could compel Google and Facebook to pay media organisations for distributing their content on their search engines and newsfeeds. It took three years for the government in that country to ask the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to investigate the activities of these two groups. The commission's report, released after a probe lasting a year and a half, was unambiguous in its conclusion that the fact that Facebook and Google garnered more than 80% of the total digital advertising was bad for readers, viewers and listeners of news as well as information creators and providers.

For decades, these two organisations have strenuously tried to contend that they are technology companies, not media companies or publishers, despite overwhelming evidence that more and more individuals are using these platforms to access every kind of information, especially news, that is aggregated by them. Unlike media companies, these 'tech' giants do not



contribute anything for research, news-gathering, design services, staff salaries and so on. At the same time, they appropriate a huge share (often over 90%) of the total advertising revenue generated. In the US, Facebook and Google together account for between 90% and 95% of the total advertising revenue at present — and in that country, digital advertising revenue currently accounts for more than the total advertising expenditure on all other 'traditional' media: television, print, radio and outdoor.

Interestingly, the day the Australian government tabled its Bill to make Facebook and Google pay for distributing media content, the US federal government, together with almost all state governments, supported a lawsuit by the US Federal Trade Commis-

sion (FTC) seeking to divest Facebook of its ownership of Instagram and WhatsApp, after approving these acquisitions in 2012 and 2014, respectively. The FTC argued that Facebook's conduct was anti-competitive and aimed at entrenching and maintaining its monopoly, leading a company spokesperson to describe the lawsuit as 'revisionist history'.

Google is also facing anti-trust action initiated by the US Justice Department. Regulators in the European Union have penalised the organisation for abuse of market power and it has 'happily' coughed up fines.

The FTC lawsuit may take years to get resolved like the US government's legal action against Microsoft for monopolising the market for web browsers. However, what is apparent

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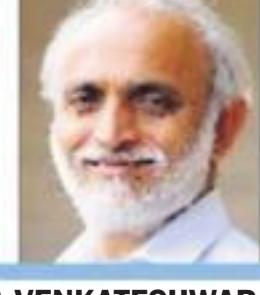
**LION'S SHARE:** In the US, Facebook and Google together account for 90-95% of the total advertising revenue. REUTERS

giants since they have been shut out of China. The role that Facebook has played in nurturing and propagating hate speech, incendiary content and disinformation in our country to further the interests of the ruling regime has been emphasised in a series of articles published from August onwards in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Time*, *Buzzfeed*, *Reuters* and *Ozy.com*. The fact that this digital platform has been complicit in furthering the interests of India's ruling dispensation had been documented earlier, including by this writer who co-authored and published *The Real Face of Facebook in India: How social media have become a propaganda weapon and disseminator of disinformation and falsehood* before the 2019 Lok Sabha elections.

Whereas the Indian government periodically makes a few noises about the need to check disinformation on social media, supporters of the Bharatiya Janata Party and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have been way ahead of others in spreading fake news and hate speech. Although Union minister Ravi Shankar Prasad alleged that Facebook has helped the liberal-Left in the country, across the world and also in India, Facebook has supported right-wing regimes, the powerful and the rich who have big bucks to splurge on digital content. The business model of these profit-maximising platforms is clear: content should go viral irrespective of whether the information is true or false, hateful or benign.

The Internet no longer democratises and empowers. It intrudes into our lives and manipulates our thoughts and behaviour. The earlier more Indians realise the dark side of these digital monopolies, the better.

## A battle of nerves hides deeper social crisis



**PARSA VENKATESHWAR RAO JR**  
SENIOR JOURNALIST

**O**n the face of it, the maximalist position of the protesting farmers that their lone demand is the repeal of the three deregulatory farm laws, and the Modi government's position that they will talk with the farmers, give assurances and even accept some amendments but will not withdraw the laws, look like a deadlock, with no way out for either side. What seems to bother the farmers is that the Minimum Support Price (MSP), which serves as a guarantee, is in danger of being whittled despite the government's repeated assurances. That is why they seem to insist that the MSP be brought on to the statute book. And there are reasons why the government is hesitant to do so because then it would have to buy up agricultural produce across the country, which it would not be able to do.

It remains a foggy conflict because the issues have not been clarified on either side. The government is sticking to its rhetorical mode that these laws will benefit the farmers without explaining how they would do so. The truth of the matter is that the deregulation is for the government to partially wash its hands of certain of its recurring welfarist commitments. The government is not able to sustain the procurement bill, and it is not even able to create the required storage space. It would have been better if Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Cabinet colleagues had explained the government's difficulties and assured the farmers that they would



**GROUND REALITY:** The government can't handhold the farmer for too long. TRIBUNE PHOTO

intervene whenever there is an imbalance in the farmer-private trader transaction. There is a provision for this in the law relating to contract farming, but it is not there in the law pertaining to dissolving the mandi jurisdiction. The argument that the farmer has the freedom to sell his produce to anyone is at best a half-truth. Union Minister for Law and Justice, Information Technology and Telecom Ravi Shankar Prasad telling a private television news channel that a farmer in Samastipur rang up a dealer in New Delhi and he got a price much higher than he could have ever got, and that the truck from the trader picked up the farmer's produce on the doorstep is a fairy tale, and he

knows as does everyone that this is not how the system works. The Delhi trader must have agreed to buy the produce because there must have been a demand for it at that moment in the Delhi market.

It is a fact that the government cannot handhold the farmer for too long. The temporary concessions, usually made as an election promise, like free power and increased MSP, become entrenched and no government or political party dare withdraw them once the need is over. Secondly, there is the real issue that the trader can refrain from buying the produce when he feels that the price is high, and he would prefer not to do any transaction in the grain market. The free market

is a lovely idea and it is an ideal state of things, but it does not perform perfectly. What the government needed to do was to put all the cards on the table. The private traders would have to buy grain in the harvest season, and they must buy at a minimum price, which may not always follow the MSP. Of course, the crop insurance policy is a protection against the vagaries of weather like drought and flood, but not against the vagaries of the market. Agricultural experts are also aware of the fact that the MSP is based on input costs, and an increase in MSP to the tune of one-and-a-half times more than production costs is an unrealistic promise, which the governments may not be able to fulfil.

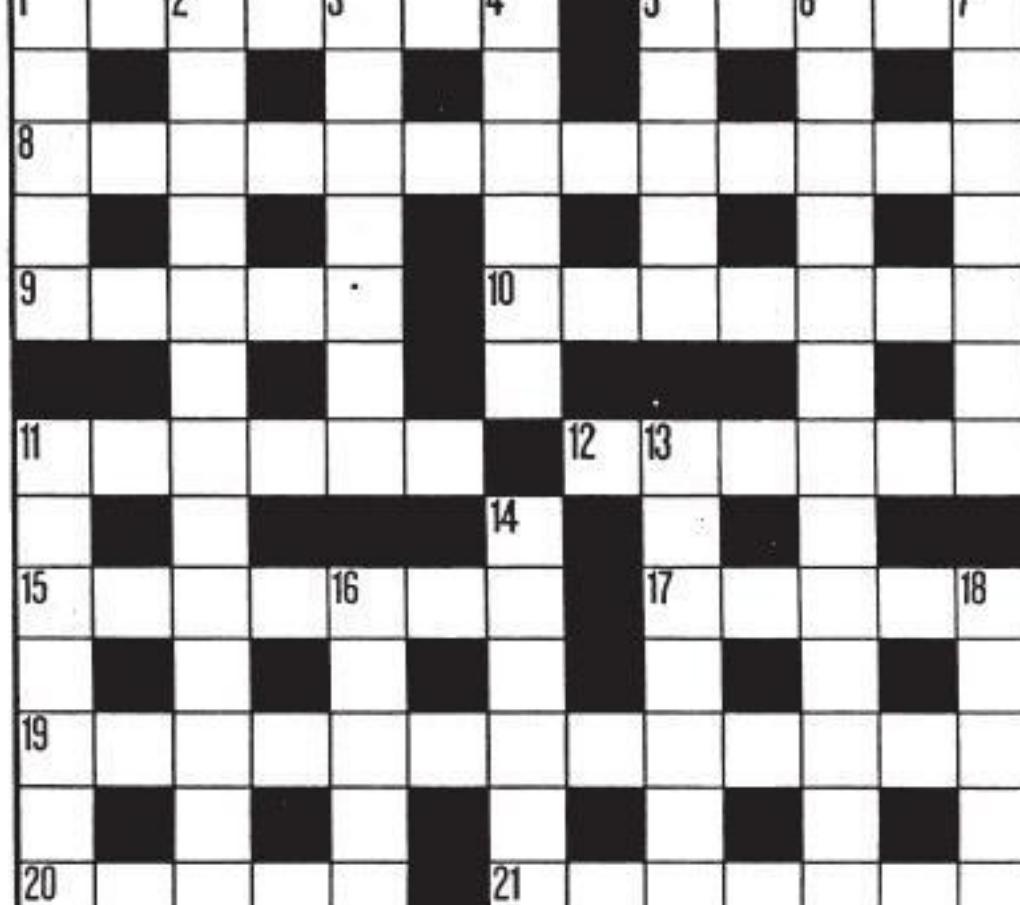
There is the paradox in Punjab's agriculture. It has been experiencing a perennial crisis of deteriorating soil salinity and declining health of the people in the countryside because of the deleterious effects of contaminated water and soil sources. Both the farmers and politicians are silent about it because the state still produces record harvests. The government, policy wonks and the farmers should have been grappling with these challenges, but they have not been doing so. Right from the 1990s, there have been suggestions that there should be crop diversification in the state, and that there is a need to move away from staple cereal crops like rice and wheat. This could have been achieved if the MSP for horticultural produce was greater, and success-

sive governments could have easily achieved the shift. But it has not been done because the demand for horticultural produce was not stable enough. Punjab's farmer is in many ways trapped in cereal cultivation. The innovative way out is for the governments to pay the farmers cash incentives for not growing rice and wheat every second year.

There are lessons to be learnt from neighbouring Haryana, where creeping urbanisation has lured farmers to sell their land at attractive prices, but it has led to anomie because the cash surpluses were not leading to alternative investments. Some of the farmer families have moved into real estate, which is volatile in economic and social terms. In Punjab, too, the social ramifications of an apparently successful agricultural revolution caused social turbulence through widespread drug addiction, rise in cancer cases, people moving away to foreign countries as migrants with all the tribulations that follow. It is for the leadership of the communities to find ways of maintaining stability through education, alternative career paths and a value system.

Behind the massive farm protests lies a social abyss which no show of political strength can hide. The Modi government's simplistic solutions of so-called market reforms of the agricultural sector are a far cry from the crisis plaguing all aspects of Punjabi society. The farmer-government political and economic tussle is but a sideshow.

### QUICK CROSSWORD



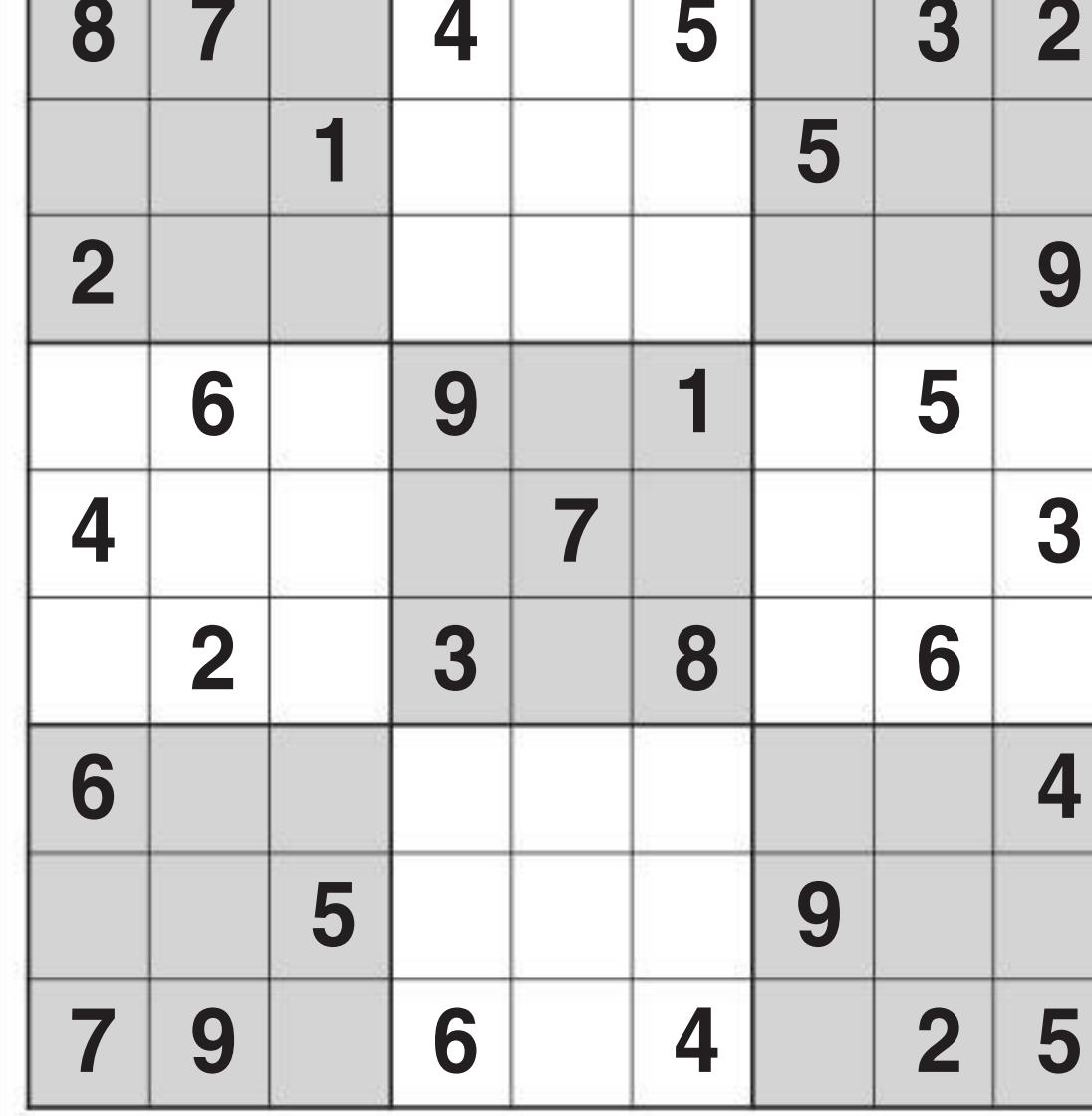
#### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

**Across:** 1 Crush, 8 Play ball, 9 Unity, 10 Hit it off, 11 Folly, 12 Gem, 16 Minute, 17 Outlaw, 18 Tab, 23 Snack, 24 Cut no ice, 25 Canoe, 26 Let alone, 27 Deity.  
**Down:** 2 Run for it, 3 Settle up, 4 Praise, 5 Syria, 6 Major, 7 Bluff, 12 Get, 13 Mob, 14 Stone Age, 15 Watch out, 19 Accent, 20 Scale, 21 State, 22 Jolly.

### ACROSS

- 1 Journey by sea (7)
  - 5 Stage setting (5)
  - 8 Change one's mind (5,6,2)
  - 9 Compare (5)
  - 10 Piglike (7)
  - 11 Personal bearing (6)
  - 12 Notorious (6)
  - 15 Learned person (7)
  - 17 A small wood (5)
  - 19 Fail (4,2,7)
  - 20 Serving spoon for soup (5)
  - 21 Pistol case (7)
- DOWN**
- 1 Part of a flower (5)
  - 2 Old fogey (5-2-3-3)
  - 3 Quizzically (7)
  - 4 To free from obligation (6)
  - 5 Discourage (5)
  - 6 North, for example (8,5)
  - 7 To mirror (7)
  - 11 Melodious (7)
  - 13 Detailed account (7)
  - 14 Saturate (6)
  - 16 Supple (5)
  - 18 Enthusiastic (5)

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### CALENDAR

DECEMBER 19, 2020, SATURDAY

■ Vikrami Samvat 2077

■ Shaka Samvat 1942

■ Margshirsha Shaka 28

■ Posh Parvishtha 5

■ Hijari 1442

■ Shukla Paksha Tithi 5, up to 2.15 pm

■ Harshana Yoga up to 12.46 pm

■ Dhanishtha Nakshatra up to 7.40 pm

■ Moon in Aquarius sign

### FORECAST

SUNSET: SATURDAY 17:25 HRS

SUNRISE: SUNDAY 07:16 HRS

Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Rainy	Foggy

CITY	MAX	MIN
Chandigarh	18	04
New Delhi	19	04
Amritsar	15	01
Bathinda	15	04
Jalandhar	15	02
Ludhiana	16	03
Bhiwani	19	04
Hisar	18	03
Sirsia	18	05
Dharamsala	11	03
Manali	10	-01
Shimla	15	03
Srinagar	10	-06
Jammu	14	03
Kargil	-10	-16
Leh	-11	-17
Dehradun	22	03
Mussorie	15	04

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**MATRIMONIALS****BRIDES WANTED****KHATRI**

**Suitable match for Punjabi Khatri** Kapoor boy 5'-9", 11.04.84, 07:57 pm, Jalandhar, M.Sc IT, own business. Seeks slim, beautiful, educated match. (CL20075356)

**Ludhiana based upper middle class family invites suitable match for well settled non-drinker, non-smoker handsome Hindu Khatri Anshik Manglik boy 26.02.1992, 03.40 p.m. (Bathinda) 5'-8", B.Tech. (CSE), MBA, LLB (PU Chd). Practicing Advocate Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh. Preparing for PCS (Judicial) Exams also. Contact/ WhatsApp: 99155-37975. (CL20075385)**

**Qualified, slim match for IES Hindu Khatri**, Indian Engg. Services, UPSC, Class-I gazetted officer, Central Government, B.Tech, IIT, Manglik/ Non-Manglik, 5'-10", 27.10.91, 6:35 pm, Ludhiana, Bureau Excuse. Call: 98157-86810, 98145-83047 (CL20073915)

**Suitable match for 1977, Jalandhar, 5'-6", slim, good looking Khatri boy, looks 28 from decent well-to-do business family. Mobile:** 90419-1455. (CL20068971)

**Looking for beautiful educated girl from status family for very handsome Khatri boy, 26 years, 5'-9", 21.08.1994, 2:39 p.m., Ludhiana, B.Tech. (Mech). Entrepreneur from well settled family from Panchkula. Please whatsapp only.** 98140-99760. (CL2007167)

**Wanted extremely beautiful girl for an extraordinary handsome boy (personality like Model) very fair, height 5'-11", Khatri, Radha Soami, Advocate, Dob 29.01.1985 at 08:30 am, income more than 3 lacs per month. Phone No. 95307-69002, 82646-25253. (CL20071048)**

**Match for high status family Khatri boy 29 yrs, 5'-7", B.Tech, Govt officer, 17 LPA, WhatsApp 99922-33116 (CL20071904)**

**Manglik Punjabi Khatri vegetarian boy Jan 1992/ 5'-11", Government service Ambala. Want educated/working girl # 85295-67525. (CL20073609)**

**Suitable match for Hindu Khatri boy 5'-6", 33 Years, CA, CS own Practise. Good income. Contact 95012-08105, 62804-75910, 98725-81398. (CL20073633)**

**SM4 Punjabi Non Manglik handsome boy, 6'-1", 23.01.1992 born Amritsar. Well settled own business in Chandni Chowk, Hometown in Jalandhar City, currently living in Model Town, Delhi. Pref suitable match # 98730-97111, 62809-69678. (CL20073671)**

**Match for handsome Khatri boy, Dec. 94, born, height 5'-10", Software Engineer in MNC, Private/ Govt. job girl preferred of Tricity. Contact: 98774-32229, 99158-07884. (CL20073740)**

**Khatri Gursikh 33, 5'-7", Delhi Govt. regular job NT/ND adjustable pref Govt. employee. No bar. WhatsApp: 98701-30892. (CL20073770)**

**Manglik, fair, handsome, 6', pure vegetarian, teetotaller Khatri boy, Dec. 1990, B.Tech, Thapar University, own well established business, Amritsar. Preferred female pure vegetarian girl. 73074-56500. (CL20073774)**

**Suitable match for Khatri Sachdeva 30/5'-8", handsome boy, Graduate, IELTS clear, Govt. employee businessman family, Agriculture land Distt. Kurukshetra. 99918-71795. (CL20073805)**

**Working Match for Khatri boy, 19.09.1991, 5'-5", B.Tech., Lead Software Engineer in MNC, 11.5 Lacs p.a. Upper middle class family. 9885195123. (CL20073903)**

**Hindu Khatri Manglik boy Sept. 1993 born/ 5'-10", B.Tech, IT Employee Good Package, Family Panchkula based, Tricity preferred. 9501544073. (CL20073919)**

**Well qualified beautiful girl for Hindu Khatri boy, Canada settled (PR), Jalandhar based business family. 99154-10374, 99144-61623. (CL20073929)**

**Match for tall & handsome Sood Manglik boy from Ludhiana, MCA, 24.11.1987, 11:15 pm, Amloh, 5'-11", working at Chandigarh. Father businessman, vegetarian family. Marriage bureau excuse. Khatri and Brahamin are also welcome. 98727-07055, 98553-10260 (CL20073943)**

**Fair handsome Hindu Khatri boy Aug 1990, 5'11", BBA, Well established hosiery manufacturer Ludhiana. 94173-87653. (CL20074007)**

**Doctor, 5'-11", Nov. 81 Pti Hindu Khatri handsome boy, Chandigarh legally divorced, seeks beautiful family oriented girl from respectable family. Send photo & biodata at (Email: happy.life001948@gmail.com) (CL20074064)**

**SM/ for Son Khatri boy BA, 7 Dec. 1984, 9:36 pm, 5'-10", his own business. Caste no bar. Contact: 70095-39110, 98766-29115. (CL20074097)**

**Working match for a 5.10 ft. Hindu Khatri boy, working in an MNC +12 LPA. Birth details 06.08.1988, 4:15 pm, Chandigarh. We are looking for match because area is from Chandigarh Tricity area only. Contact: 98888-88860. (CL20074103)**

**Match for Khatri boy Manglik, 6'-2", B.Tech., AMBA, (ISB Hyderabad), working MNC Noida, 18 LPA, 22.9.1992, 12:05 am, Panchkula, Mobile: 74041-63775. (CL20074115)**

**Wanted beautiful, educated girl for Punjabi Hindu Khatri boy 16.10.1990, 5'-9", B.Tech, ECE, study visa Windos (Canada) will be on work visa in April 2021. 94655-83744. (CL20075147)**

**Hindu Khatri Sood boy 26.9.1992, 01:10 am, Jalandhar, 5'-11", B.Tech. Residence in Delhi. Own transport business. Income in six figures. 98107-21542. (CL20075177)**

**Suitable match for Punjabi Khatri good looking boy born 1988 height 5'-10", MBA, runs own business. Panchkula based family, Tricity or nearby preferred. 98724-33931, 98722-64413. (CL20075198)**

**Employed/ highly qualified match for handsome Hindu Kapoor Khatri boy from Jalandhar, 1991, 5'-11", B.Tech, Manager in Tata Steel Odisha, earning well. 9914687015. (CL20075209)**

**An educated match for Manglik Khatri boy from Jalandhar, 1991, 5'-11", B.Tech, Manager in Tata Steel Odisha, earning well. 9914687015. (CL20075209)**

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**Vegetarian teetotaller, handsome Kapoor boy 5'-9", 11.04.84, 07:57 pm, Jalandhar, M.Sc IT, own business. Seeks slim, beautiful, educated match. 9786821440. (CL20075356)**

**Ludhiana based upper middle class family invites suitable match for well settled non-drinker, non-smoker handsome Hindu Khatri Anshik Manglik boy 26.02.1992, 03.40 p.m. (Bathinda) 5'-8", B.Tech. (CSE), MBA, LLB (PU Chd). Practicing Advocate Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh. Preparing for PCS (Judicial) Exams also. Contact/ WhatsApp: 99155-37975. (CL20075385)**

**Wanted suitable employed match for handsome Punjabi Khatri boy. Working in MNC Company. Born 14.04.1988, 3:20 am (Chandigarh), height 5'-11". Contact: 94172-77759. (CL20074799)**

**Match for 2.9.1988, 12.15 am, 5'-9", Chandigarh. Own kothi in Chandigarh, working MNC, Mohali, 4.3 LPA. WhatsApp-98808-48028. (CL20074452)**

**PQM for Khatri boy, 15.11.1987, 01:45 PM, Amritsar, 5'-10", Ph.D (IIT-Varsani), research job at IIT-Delhi. 98782-02567 (CL20074473)**

**Godrej Mohali working 7.00,000/- annual, 16.09.1988, 19:46, 5'-10", wants Trinity working vegetarian girl. 95188-57193. (CL20074472)**

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**Khatri (Chadha) handsome Manglik boy 26.10.92, 5'-9", Sr. Software Engineer MNC Pune. Preferred well qualified working girl. Contact: +24055-205150. (CL20075410)**

**Professional qualified alliance required (preferably Govt. job) for well settled, 5'-7", 19 Feb. 1988, handsome Khatri boy. Punjab Govt. Teacher (regular). 88470-97346. (CL20075430)**

**Suitable match for Canada PR boy Kapoor boy 26.01.1991, 06:28 pm, 6'-0", belongs to a highly educated and reputed family of Hoshiarpur (Punjab), Qualification: Computer system development and network Engg. Working in a reputed Company in Canada. Caste no bar. Contact 09410-07004, kkmohindras@gmail.com (CL20075454)**

**Khatri smart, fair 29 yrs/ 5'-4", B.Tech, Delhi, Package 13 lacs. Smart, intelligent girl preferred. WhatsApp-94164-46792 (CL20075509)**

**Canadian PR Hindu Khatri handsome boy 14.11.1989, 8.15 am, 5'-8", Hotel Management. Preferred Canadian girl. 98140-43538. (CL20074830)**

**Match for handsome Khatri boy 17.3.1989, 3:20 am, Ambala, 5'-6", Diploma Architecture, Pvt. job Chandigarh. 22000/-, 97568. (CL20074840)**

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## SCHEDULED CASTES

**Suitable match for SC Ad-dharmi boy** 21.12.1989, 5'-10". Bachelors in Information Technology. Associate Sales Manager Maxlife Insurance Co. Ltd. (Axis Bank). Father Class-I Gazetted Officer. Contact: 98141-70211. (CL20075381)

**Match for Ramdasia boy, 5'-9", August 1987, MBA, M.Com, Officer Cadre job in Punjab Government department at Mohali. WhatsApp: 98886-86939. (CL20073335)**

**Seeking suitable match for Ravidasia boy 1993, 5'-11", B.Tech, working as Lecturer (Group A) in Govt. Polytechnic. 97799-72266. (CL20073574)**

**QM4 Addharmi Doabian 1988, 5'-8", B.Sc., MCA, Pvt. Bank job, early marriage. Father retd. Senior Bank Manager. Brother working in Bank and sister Doctor. 99159-49461. (CL20073601)**

**Beautiful, Govt. employed match for handsome Mazhabi Sikh (Sohota) boy 1992, 6'. J.E. Punjab Govt. Father Govt. Lecture retd, now Advocate, mother Govt. job. Sister Australian Citizen. 94634-35993 (Bathinda). (CL20073654)**

**Julaha Sikh boy, 1993/ 5'-6", B.Tech, presently in Canada. Father retired Kannujo. First preference to Computer Engineering background and District Patiala. 9501011014 Whatsapp. (CL20073765)**

**SM4 10.12.90, 5'-8", B.C.A, M.B.A., Ravidasia Hindu boy, wrkg IT Park Chandigarh. Father Retd. Bank Manager, residence Pinjore. 87084-89378. (CL20073802)**

**MBBS match for Ramdasia Sikh boy, 1991/ 5'-11", working as PCMS-I. Contact: 9855001180. (CL20073830)**

**Delhi based well educated family seeks beautiful, well educated preferably working girl for handsome Valmiki SC boy, Feb. 1991, 5'-9", B.Tech, from IIT-Delhi, working in top MNC Noida Delhi NCR @ 45 LPA. Contact: WhatsApp 98100-42728, 97176-52162. (CL20073909)**

**UP based Hindu Ravidasia boy 1991, 5'-10" Govt. Bank Officer, Jalandhar. Family Settled Bathinda. Preferred Govt. Employee. Early marriage. 98886-96516. (CL20074034)**

**Suitable match for US returned Ad-dharmi boy, born December 1989, 5'-6", B.Tech. (Mechanical), District Hoshiarpur based well settled family. Girl with any Bachelor degree with IELTS preferred. Contact: 80543-40173, or shankerravi@icloud.com (CL20074130)**

**Jatav SC 06-10-1986, 5'-11", Central Govt employee, Delhi, Accounts Officer (Agriculture), Resi Ambala. Divorced few days. 94668-52184 WhatsApp (CL20074196)**

**SC (Ad-dharmi) boy, pure vegetarian, born 89/5'-7", B.Tech, Govt. employee in Punjab Police (IT Wing) looking for Govt. Teacher, pure vegetarian girl. Doaba preferred. Contact: 76960-15793. (CL20074467)**

**Handsome SC boy 5'-11", 06-06-87, Electrical Engg., Multinational Company, own house Chd. 98039-39513. (CL20074468)**

**SM4 Ravidasia boy, 12/1989, 6", working as Manager in Government Bank. Looking for girl in regular Government service. Marriage bureau excuse. Contact: 9780254698. (CL20074478)**

**Suitable match for 34 years Ramdasia Sikh Patiala based boy, 6', B.Tech, Junior Engineer in Pb. Govt. 9888443436, 9988013357. (CL20074487)**

**Canada PR SC boy 15.7.94, 5'-8", preference to B.Sc. Nursing girl looking for beautiful educated girl. Email: g\_91\_98881-51467. (CL20074567)**

**Divorcee**

**Suitable match for non turbanned Saini issueless 1985 born, 5'-9", divorcee boy. Practicing advocate, Chd. Seeking Graduate/ fair girl above 5'-3". Upper caste welcome. Marriage bureau please excuse. Contact: 98140-04109. (CL20075367)**

**Match for Professional Tax Advocate, B.Com, LL.B, Double divorced Saraswat Brahmin vegetarian boy, 1980 Sangrur/ 6'-1". 94670-09701. (CL20073681)**

**For Arora Sikh 37, 5'-10", Doctor BAMS, Masters Public health, posted Chandigarh Punjab govt. Regular contractual office job, innocent issueless divorcee. 98720-32066. (CL20073987)**

**47 years old legally divorced North Indian Australian resident seeks a homely life partner. Caste no bar. Preferred age 35 to 45 years. For further details please call 001614352075 or Email: sethijariv04@gmail.com (CL20073697)**

**Divorcee Khatri boy 48, 5'-5", living alone, self-employed seeks mature lady, caste and age no bar. I can relocate anywhere, with kids also welcome, preferred living alone. Contact: 77100-72533. (CL20073868)**

**Suitable match for handsome Sikh Khatri non-trimmer, 1985/ 5'-6", B.Tech., Gazzeted Officer, divorcee issueless. Parents retd. Govt. service. Preferred well educated, beautiful unmarried/ divorcee (issueless) girl. 8699493283. (CL20074081)**

**Brahmin less divorcee boy, 11.08.1984, 6:55 pm, Kurukshetra, 5'-10", Mngr. in MNC. 98130-66248. (CL20074113)**

**Employed match for Ramdasia Sikh boy 1987, 5'-5", permanent Stenographer in Pb. Govt. Chandigarh, resident of Sangrur- 97870-30275, 96468-89098. (CL20074811)**

**Majhi Sikh boy 32, 5'-7", BPE, BP.Ed., MP.Ed., PGDYI, Diploma clear, seeking a equally qualified girl. Fatehgarh Distt. preferred. Contact: No. 85282-14620. (CL20074827)**

**Professional/ Govt. job beautiful vegetarian match for Adharmi Punjab B.Tech. boy, 5'-7", Dec. 1985, working in MNC Noida. 62831-0532. (CL20074843)**

**Match for Canadian PR Ad-dharmi Ravidasia boy (Toronto) Dec. 1990, 5'-9". B.Tech (I & P) NJT Jalandhar and 2 year course Automation & Robotics in Canada. Father retired as Xen. 946480415. (CL20074926)**

**Suitable match for Ramdasia Sikh Weaver boy, September 1989, 5'-8", fair. Graduate Diploma in Hospitality one year, one year Cookery Course from Australia required B.Sc. Nursing, Accounts of any other professional course. Father Retired Officer. Own house in Chandigarh. Sister, Brother citizen of Australia. 98726-42252. (CL20075021)**

**Majhi Sikh Gill boy, 27/ 5'-11", B.Tech. Mechanical, Assistant Manager (Milkfed), Father Gazetted Officer, eligible girl for Government service. Priority to Ropar, Mohali, Patiala, Ludhiana. 95011-18600. (CL20075151)**

**Suitable match preferably working girl for handsome Ramdasia Sikh boy, age 27 year, height 5'-8", working as SDO in Punjab Govt. on regular, both parents in Govt. service. Send biodata and photograph on Email: desrajage@gmail.com or Contact: No. 98886-37304, 98885-37304. (CL20075288)**

**Kabirpanthi Megh (B.Tech, MBA), 1989, 5'-11". Bank Manager. Caste no bar. Preferred Engineer, Doctor, Bank. 9988739459. (CL20075329)**

**Hindu Ravidasia 41, 5'-11", boy working as an IT Professional, looking for suitable match. Caste no bar. Email your profile with pictures premvishrant@gmail.com (CL20075483)**

**Valmiki boy, 1990/ 5'-8", Govt. job (Grade-I). Required Govt. job girl. Contact: 95014-58821, 80543-81781, 97793-28401. (CL20074895)**

**Suitable working Software Company, MCA, MBA, 5'-10". Caste no bar. Seeking well qualified girl. 97793-28401. (CL20074895)**

**Manager working Software Company, MCA, MBA, 5'-10". Caste no bar. Seeking well qualified girl. 97793-28401. (CL20074895)**

**Suitable match for Gursikh Ahluwalia working issueless divorcee boy, 31/ 5'-11", MBA, 40000/- P.M. Contact: 98185-89814, Em: navajotsingh38@gmail.com (CL20074943)**

**Professionally qualified match for Canadian citizen, Hindu Aurora boy Non-Manglik, 23.12.1988, 3:04 am, Ludhiana, 5'-10%", M.Tech, working MNC, Montreal (Canada). Good package. Boy in India presently. WhatsApp: 79730-37360. (CL20074913)**

**SM4 Divorced, Garg boy 29 Oct, 85, 5'-10", B.Tech, MBA, D.Pharma, Running Chemist Shop. Father, Sister, Brother Doctor. 94630-22664. (CL20074535)**

**Divorcee issueless Khatri boy 5'-9", Oct.87, B.Com., own well business. Contact: 98147-10010. (CL20074589)**

**Wanted suitable match for Saini Gurkha divorcee boy, 41, 5'-8", working in top IT MNC. Email: harmit@gmail.com , 99102-20434. (CL20074646)**

**Suitable match for Gursikh Ahluwalia working issueless divorcee boy, 31/ 5'-11", MBA, 40000/- P.M. Contact: 98185-89814, Em: navajotsingh38@gmail.com (CL20074943)**

**Manager working Software Company, MCA, MBA, 5'-10". Caste no bar. Seeking well qualified girl. 97793-28401. (CL20074895)**

**Suitable match for Gursikh Ahluwalia working issueless divorcee boy, 31/ 5'-11", MBA, 40000/- P.M. Contact: 98185-89814, Em: navajotsingh38@gmail.com (CL20074943)**

**Seeking working studying girl in USA for Punjabi boy August 1990, 5'-10", B.Tech. (CS), MS (USA) on H1B Visa. Cast no bar. 9153-44451. WhatsApp: 94788-17060, 12412. (CL20074929)**

**Canadian citizen 1989/ 5'-10", MIS. Engg, Wrk Data Scientist \$ 150,000. Recvd well educated match. Caste no bar. 97988-81480. (CL20075328)**

**Suitable match for Parjapat Hindu boy 29/5'-8", NZ citizen, divorcee. Caste no bar. WhatsApp Number 0013065026789. (CL20075378)**

**Alliance for 1988 born, Veg. 6 Canadian Sharma Doctor, working in top US MNC in Montreal. 94175-36965. (CL20075299)**

**PQM for turbanned Sikh Parjapat Oct. 90 born, 5'-9", B.Tech. M.Tech. (Canada) Software Professional, Permanent Resident (Greater Toronto Area) 99888-81480. (CL20075328)**

**Suitable match for Parjapat Hindu boy 29/5'-8", NZ citizen, divorcee. Caste no bar. WhatsApp Number 0013065026789. (CL20075378)**

**Suitable match for Punjabi boy 26/5'-11", Son of 5'-10", Daughter of 5'-9", Caste no bar. WhatsApp: 94788-17060, 12412. (CL20075398)**

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**Suitable match for Manglik boy, 5'-4", 12.20 pm, 6:11.20, Nabha, B.Com, MBA, Bank job. 99883-71817. (CL20074116)**

**Captain in Army 5.8 M.Sc. Economics, 20 Jun 1994. 99153-83918, 94651-13160. (CL20073944)**

**Qualified match for Sharma boy 26/3 am, 5'-11", Birth 1988, 6:11.20 pm, UDC in PSPCL, Patiala. 91151-51000. (CL20073226)**

**Suitable match for Sarawat Brahmin boy 26/ 6'-2", M.Sc. (Computer Science) from Canada, Jr. Technical Analyst in Canada. Seeks well-educated for B.Tech/M.Sc. done match. Preferred Canada settled. Send details on WhatsApp 98147-41246. (CL20074488)**

**Suitable match for Canada PR Rajput (Bhatti) boy 30 yrs, 6', B.Tech., and 2 yrs PG courses in Canada. Preferred Canada PR/ work permit girl. Upper caste welcome. Contact: 94178-74561. (CL20074593)**

**Suitable match for vegetarian Brahmin boy, Feb. 1990, 5"-5", B.Tech., Software Engg., MNC Gurgaon. Parents have US PR. Caste no bar. Send biodata. 91463-52632. (CL20074638)**

**Canadian citizen boy, affluent Punjabi Rajput family from Hoshiarpur (Pb), age 22.04, 6:00 pm, Jalandhar, 6'-1", doing own clinic practicing since past 7 years. Elder brother doctor residing abroad. Status family preferred. Contact: 9417025454. (CL20068773)**

**Match for Dr. Dental Surgeon (BDS) Saraswat Brahmin boy, 22.08.82, 2:04 pm, Jalandhar, 6'-1", working in Canadian Air Force. Seeking bride, minimum height 5.5 ft. Family visiting India in Dec./ Jan. Email: biotada@rediffmail.com Call +9195306-50745 or +15877073535. (CL20074670)**

**Professionally qualified match for Saraswat Brahmin Punjabi boy, 2015.09.01, 5'-8", B.Tech., working in MNC. Tricity preferred. WhatsApp/ Call- 98155-01297, 84271-01297. (CL20071445)**

**PQM NM, 86, 5'-7", Rajput boy Group Central Govt. Officer New Delhi, 10 LPA income, own house at Delhi. Only son, no bar. 85270-54824. (CL20074747)**

**Suitable working match for Saraswat Brahmin boy, 2015.09.01, 5'-8", B.Tech., working in MNC. Tricity preferred. WhatsApp/ Call- 98155-01297, 84271-01297. (CL20071778)**

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**Suitable match for Sharma boy 26/3 am, 5'-8", M.Sc. Economics, 20 Jun 1994. 99153-83918, 94651-13160. (CL20073944)**

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**Suitable match for Saraswat Brahmin boy 21.12.1991, 11:43 am, 5'-11", Birth- Delhi, B.Tech., working Canada, package 58000 Can\$. Preferred well qualified/ employed girl from Haryana/ Punjab. 94162-67677, 98133-61818. (CL20074838)**

**Brahmin boy 29/1.7.1992, 5.49 m, (Karnal) 5'-8", B.Tech. Working Bangalore, 60,000/- p.m. 93501-54700, 98967-48303. (CL20074847)**

**WhatsApp: 88265-49888. Dob 24.07.1991, time 7:45 am, 5'-8" ht. Native place Kangra (HP), working Gurgaon MNC Bank, 8.15 LPA, C.F.M.A, Father Rd. Army Officer. Mother Teacher, only child. (Looking for working professional only). (CL20074852)**

**SM for Saras**

**Suitable match for Canada citizen** 30, 6', RN with Alberta Health Service, doing Masters in Calgary University, slim, tall professionally qualified and India born Canadian girl will be preferred. WhatsApp biodata. 98850-06651. (CL20074066)

**Professionally qualified match for Patiala Sikh boy**, 5'-8", 1987 born, B.Tech., well settled business (earning min 6 digit income). Possess urban-rural property. Castle no bar. Contact 10.00 am- 4.00 p.m. 9888911274. (CL20074067)

**Jat Sikh Canadian PR boy 29/6'-1", M.Tech.**, seeks beautiful girl preferred BDS, M.Tech, height above 5'-7", Majha, 98967-05942, 95188-2078. (CL20073896)

**Professional qualified match for handsome 31/5'-9", Canadian PR,** working in Canada as Software Engineer. WhatsApp: 94635-00860. (CL20074092)

**Suitable match for Jat Sikh Army Officer boy** March, 1989, 5'-8", Canada PR/citizen will be preferred. 98686-92616. (CL20074166)

**Jat Sikh Canadian Permanent Resident boy**, 1991, 5'-11", Chartered Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst (USA), Chartered Professional Accountant (Canada), Bank Officer, Toronto, Urban/Rural properties. 83604-06419. (CL20074188)

**Commercial Booth number 145,** Phase 10, Mohali. Double space available for rent. Contact: 98157-05162. (CL20074223)

**Suitable match for Jatt Sikh boy 5'-8", Oct.** 1985 born, convert educated, BE, Masters from England, now working in a reputed IT Company as Senior Project Consultant in Bangalore. Girl should be professionally qualified, well educated and family oriented. Contact: WhatsApp: 97555-71775, 97399-88954. Mail ID: ajit23@gmail.com (CL20074239)

**Suitable match for Jat Sikh boy 32/6', MBA, PR (Banker in Canada),** presently in India. Patiala based status family. 9814625378. (CL20074248)

**Ahluwalia Gursikh, 33, 5'-11", MCA, Project Coordinator, Govt. Of Haryana at Chandigarh.** 7500/- p.m. qualified match, own kothi. 97800-23600. (CL20074272)

**Smart cleanshaven Jatt Sikh boy 82, 5'-8", Graduate, Landlord having good urban, rural property. Needs a suitable girl. Email: jaiteeshwardhaliwal@gmail.com (CL20074316)**

**Match for Jat Sikh boy, 5'-11", 32, Canada PR Working in Co.** Toronto. Educated family Mohali settled. Father Class-I Retd. Urban rural property. WhatsApp: 95010-53400. 97804-00913. (CL20075309)

**Canada PR handsome Sikh boy** with haircut, 25/6'-3", Engineer Technician in Canada handsome salary, well educated tall girl (5'-7") from Tricity and working good job in Canada preferred. Contact: 98722-14314. (CL20075317)

**Looking for a beautiful, tall and qualified girl for a clean shaven Jat Sikh boy, Oct 1984, 5'-6", working in USA from last 13 years.** Studied Computer Science Engineering and MBA, belonging to well settled and educated Patiala family. Father retired Class-I Officer, Mother Homemaker. Family owns 15 acres Rural and Urban property + 918762-75293, 97709-31596. (CL20075319)

**Parjapati Sikh boy 30/ 5'-7", Ph.D.** Assistant Professor Kalsaha College Amritsar seeks well qualified girl. 89687-08418. (CL20075368)

**Suitable match for Ahluwalia Sikh boy** (cleanshaven) MBA, 5'-9", 27 Mar. 1988, own business. 99364-10286. (CL20075488)

**H'some IPS Officer, 189/ 5'-9", MBBS,** 9 LPA. Reg. well educated match. Caste no bar. 94252-75293, 97709-31596. (CL20075519)

**Dental Surgeon Jat Australia Citizen** Landlord 35, 5'-11", Australian Degree holder urban property in cores India, three house, clinic in Australia (Business) Divorced after week. Preferred beautiful, Khandan equal qualification, Australia Dental girl. Photo data. 82643-99072. (CL20075339)

**Jatt Sikh 29/5'-10", handsome boy,** USA green card holder seeking beautiful intelligent girl. Engineer, well educated preferred. WhatsApp: 97791-75207. (CL20075422)

**Seeks alliance of beautiful, well educated girl for our handsome boy,** teetotaller, Jatt-Sikh Ahluwalia, Qualification: M.Sc. IT, LL.B., B.Ed., scored 83/90(8.5/9) in PTE, running own PTE Institute. Call: 94657-53007, WhatsApp: 904612595521. (CL20075427)

**Equivalent match for Jatt Sikh boy,** May 1990, B.Tech., 5'-8", working in MNC Noida. 81465-66244. (Muktsar). (CL20074657)

**Jatsikh Doctor match for a 30 year/ 6 ft. Physician, US citizen,** girl should be Jat Sikh Medical Graduate from Punjab willing to settle in USA. psinghvir1965@gmail.com (CL20074705)

**Match for Jat Sikh well established business boy, 6'-2", born 1993, B.Com., MBA, seeking merit girl having residential & commercial properties.** WhatsApp: 88722-50022. (CL20074727)

**Sandhu family settled in Mohali seek well educated Jatt family match for son 5'-11", Oct.** 1989, MBA, Engg, from reputed colleges. Agricultural and urban properties. Phone No. 81460-12900. (CL20075526)

**Suitable qualified beautiful match for Mohali based Jatt Sikh boy, only son, having Canadian PR, B.Tech., Diploma in Business Management from Canada, 27/ 5'-11". Father retired Govt. employee. Mother housewife, house at Mohali. Only sister married, settled in USA. Preferred Mohali, Fatehgarh, Ludhiana, Ropnagar and Patiala. Contact: 95309-00919. (CL20074813)**

**Canadian Citizen Jatt Sikh Gill boy 29, 5'-7", Power Enginer, Mechanical Engineer currently working as Operations Manager. Very well educated Malwa Region family settled in Canada for 12 years is seeking a highly qualified girl in Canada for their son. Alberta area preferred. Contact: kanwargill780@gmail.com or WhatsApp: +1-780-604-8341. (CL20074840)**

**Suitable working match for Jat Sikh Dhamri boy, June, 5'-6", decent family.** 98886-00433. (CL20074848)

**Beautiful match for Jatt Sikh Class one Officer Pb. Govt. 32/ 6", decent family.** 98886-00433. (CL20074848)

**Educated suitable match for Jat Sikh** Dharmi boy, June, 5'-6", B.Tech, working in MNC in Punjab, family residing in Kharki, Mohali. No agriculture land. Contact: 98155-50608. Email: gurinder96peca@gmail.com (CL20075557)

**Suitable match for Jatt Sikh** handsome boy, 5'-11", 28, B.Tech, working as Officer in IOCL posted in Ludhiana, excellent package, working parents. Required well qualified girl (preference PG in Sci.). Contact: 94786-35500, 98098-35500. (CL20075564)

**Professional match for Canadian PR Jat Sikh boy**, 5'-8"/ 1992 June, M.Tech. boy, having urban and rural property. 7709-56477, 78883-72661. (CL20075564)

**Canadian American match for Jat Sikh boy, 28, 5'-11", MCA, landlord.** Sister settled in Canada. Contact: 70877-91685, 70871-25605. (CL20075565)

**Looking for a suitable match for** Jatt Sikh boy, handsome 5'-11", 1992 born, well educated and rural and urban property. No dowry no demand. Email: gpjanjeeta25@gmail.com (CL20075577)

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# SITUATION VACANT

**Requirement of Engineer** for diagnostic company based at Faridkot. Should have electronics/ medical back ground. Fresher can also apply. 9815801028 (CL20073837)

**St. Xaviers International School**, Patiala, need Post-graduate qualified candidates to teach Geography, Punjabi, IT, Physical Education, candidates with experience preferred.

Candidates need to apply, within a week at school's Email: stxaviers@gmail.com with their CV, passport size photograph & certificates. (CL20075306)

**Required SE, SMO Web**

Designing experienced, male/ female, good salary + accommodation free Chandigarh. Call:- 98889-39725. (CL20070179)

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Pinegrove School, a reputed residential school in Distr Solan HP, requires a trained and experienced TGT for English for Session 2021. Well-spoken, experienced candidates ready for long-term commitment may apply. Minimum qualifications: BA, B.Ed. (MA English preferred). Liberal salary package with additional prerequisites of free food, accommodation, PF, Gratuity etc.

Interested candidates to please Email their CV/Biodata alongwith application and photo, mentioning qualifications with marks, particulars of experience, family details and minimum acceptable salary, within 7 days to: headmaster@pinegroveschool.com O/o The Executive Director. (CL20072392)

**Wanted Specialist Doctors MD** (Medicine), MD (Radiology), MS (Eye) for Guru Ravidass Mission Hospital, Phagwara. Dr. Suman 9814022703. (CL20073436)

**Shree Hanumat I.M.T., G.T. Road,** Goraya-144409, Distt Jalandhar Punjab Affiliated to I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University, Requires Prof/Associate. Prof/Asst. Prof/ for Hotel Management, Medical Lab Science, Tourism & Travel Management, Communication, Business Management and Mathematics. IELTS faculty with minimum 3 yrs of experience. Male Warden (At least 5 yrs of experience), Marketing Executive. All norms as per IKGPTU/Pb. Govt. Candidates may send their resume within 15 days of the publication of this advertisement to Director an above mentioned address. www.shimt.com. Ph: 98145-00037 Director. (CL20073720)

**Wanted (male/ female) Technical Draftsman** for a construction company with proficiency in MS Office Word and Excel. Contact: 98880-98005/ 81716-19726. Email: jpsons.chd@gmail.com (CL20073776)

**Required qualified Pharmacist** (D.Pharm) for Medical store (Sai Medicosel, Tagra Kaliram, near Veterinary Hospital Kalka). Contact: 83759-24518. (CL20073806)

**Civil Engineering diploma holders** required for marketing of construction related products at Chandigarh, Mohali, Jalandhar and Solar. Send resume to implastindustries@gmail.com Contact : 9814003839. (CL20074021)

**Wanted sales staff, telecallers and Visa** Counsellors for Real Estate and Visa services in Mohali on Kharar Road. WhatsApp resume 98141-02655, 87290-07779. (CL20074147)

**Salesperson required for Chandigarh** region with minimum experience of 2 years in selling of Detergent/ Liquid cleaners products. Contact @ 62808-98830, 97803-33622. (CL20074475)

**Required experienced Civil Engineer** male/ female for reputed construction firm Mohali. Contact Balaji Builders: 98888-61342. (CL20074515)

**Required urgently Lab Technician** and Radiographer. Staff Nurses Computer Operator at Budhlada, Distt. Mansa, excellent salary plus accommodation. Contact: 97803-4149. (CL20074659)

**ADMISSION GUIDANCE** Expert Guidance Ph.D. (All streams LLB, LLM, Pharmacy, BA, B.Com, MA, M.Com, BBA, MBA, B.Tech, M.Tech, options for Government Employees regular/ distance. Contact-95019-03221, 7658-56658. (CL20074723)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

I, Army number 10545131X, Rank Hav. Karan Singh, Unit 155 TA Inf. JAK Rifle, declare that my son's name in my army record has wrongly entered Vanish whereas his correct name is Vanish Dadwal vide affidavit number 08AA 468728 attested by Executive Magistrate, Nurpur (HP) on 17.12.2020. Concerned note. (CL20075110)

I, No. 15173516M, Rank L/NK Balwinder Singh s/o Charn Dass Village Kheri, Post Office Barwa, Distt. Roopar (Punjab), declare that my wife Raj Kaur's correct date of birth is 08.09.1984. Whereas in Army record it's written as 18.03.1986 mistakenly. (CL20075150)

I, Dulbar Kaur wife of Harne Singh resident of Village Saheri, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib, Distt. Roopar, have changed my name to Dalvar Kaur. (CL20075219)

I, Avinash Singh S/o Chhinder Pal, Village Khad Rajgir, Post Office Dharamana (Rupnagar) declare that I belong to Ramdasia Sikhs caste (religion) Vide Certificate No. 9231064, Affidavit No. AP 013001 before Executive Magistrate, Nurpur Bedi. (CL20075225)

**Urgently Required Apple Biotech** (Ac) Division) is a fast growing Pharmaceutical Company. Company for its expansion plan in Punjab needs MR (Sales Executive) in following HQ - Jalandhar, Bathinda, Ferozepur, Faridkot, Mohali, Abhabur and Pathankot and other areas in Punjab, Company Offers Salary + TA + DA + Incentive. Experienced candidate will be preferred. Freshers also contact us. Contact No. 75086-79300. Email ID - reportsapple2020@gmail.com (CL20075333)

**S.S.M College Dinanagar** (Gurdaspur) (Accredited by NAAC with 'A' Grade) invites applications for one post of Assistant Professor in Physics for two years on contract basis & also one Assistant Professor in Geography for three years on contract basis. Qualifications and grade as per UGC/DPI (C) Pb/ GNDU norms. Ph.D. essential for Physics. Reservation policy will be as per Punjab Government rules. Apply within fifteen days under registered cover/ e-mail: ssmdm@yahoo.com to the undersigned. (Dr. R.K. Tuli) Principal. (CL20075440)

**Rai Chicken looking for qualified** and experienced candidates for below mentioned position: Human Resource Manager, I.T. Manager, Sales Manager, Boiler Operator, Ammonia Plant Operator, Electrical Engineer, Clerk. Walk in Interview at 26, 27, 28 Dec. Timing 12 pm - 04 pm. Mail resume at: raioutreescs@gmail.com, Rai Poultry, Village Wadala Viram, Tehsil Majithia, Distt. Amritsar. 96461-75500, 78892-52336. (CL20075445)

**Global College of Higher Education** Nangal Khurd- 151505, Distt. Mansa (Pb), invites application for regular post of Assistant Professor in Perspective in Education-02, Pedagogy Subjects: Punjabi, Social Studies, Science Commerce, Economics, Computer (one each), Physical Education-1, Fine Arts-1. Eligibility, experience and salary as per State Govt./ Punjabi University Patiala/ NCTE norms. Apply within 15 days with recent photo, resume & copies of testimonials to undersigned. Send one copy the College Chairman and Dean College Development Council, Punjabi University Patiala and above address. Email Id: globalgroupmansa@yahoo.in Contact No. 96469-00381. (CL20075553)

**D.N. Model Senior Sec. School** 9-New Town Moga, 142001, Affiliated to CBSE, Delhi (Affiliation No. 160013), Ph. No. 01636-222393, e-mail: dmogas2005@yahoo.co.in, Required trained Postgraduate Teacher in Physics, should have 5 to 10 years teaching experience in a reputed CBSE/ICSE School, having good command over English, qualification M.Sc., B.Ed., handsome salary negotiable last date for filing of application 29.12.2020, Vice-President. (CL20075554)

**I Shanti Devi w/o Late. Baldev Raj** r/o H.NO. 156 Mohalla Subhash Nagar Sodal road Jalandhar declare that my son Harivansh Lal is out of my control. Therefore, I disinherit him from all my movable/immovable property. Any body deals with him will do so at his own risk and responsibility. (CL20075561)

**I, Army No. JC-522219X Sub** Virendra Kumar Dadhwal r/o Vill. Nari, PO Ghati Bilwan, Tehsil Jaswan, Distt. Kangra, HP declare that in my Army record the name of my wife wrongly written as Rekha instead of Rekha Rani. Concerned note. (CL20075560)

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**I, Reetu w/o Sh. Rubbahan Dogra** r/o VPO Hatwas, Tehsil Nagrota Bagwan, Distt. Kangra HP, declare that I have changed my name from Reetu Sharma to Reetu. Concerned note. (CL20075543)

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**I, Service No. JC 284998P Rank** Naib Sub, Roop Lal s/o Bishamber Das r/o village Rakri P.O. Datapur Tehsil Mukerian Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab declare that in Army record the name of my wife written Reenu Kumari which is wrong. Her correct name is Reena Kumari. (CL20075578)

## COURT NOTICES

In the Court of Sh. Amrith Kumar Jain Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Sangrur. M/s Sadiou Brothers Versus Ranjeet Singh Detail of Offence: CNR No.: PBSG03-000517-2019

Next Date: 06.02.2021

Notice to:

1. Ranjeet Singh M/s Khalsa Enterprises, Sambal Road, Shiv Nagar, Udhampur, Distt. Udhampur, Jammu and Kashmir through its Prop. Ranjeet Singh.

In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 06.02.2021 at 10.00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district\_notice&district=sangrur

Dated, this day of 11.12.2020. Sd/- Judicial Magistrate - 1st Class, CL20074088 Sangrur.

## U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC

In the Court of Ms. Tejinder Preet Kaur Civil Judge, Junior Division-5, Patiala.

Balwinder Singh Versus Gurjant Singh CNR No.: PBPT02-002325-2020

Next Date: 20.01.2021

Publication issued to:

General Public In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 20.01.2021 at 10.00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district\_notice&district=Patiala

Dated, this day of 17.12.2020. Sd/- Civil Judge, Junior Division-5, CL20075244 Patiala.

## TOLET

## PANCHKULA

Panchkula 1st floor, four bedroom, D/D flat Jal Vayu Vihar, Sector 20. Company lease preferred. 98140-33632. (CL20074648)

## ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE

Fully furnished independent two rooms house, bathroom flat 205/1 Sector 41A, Chandigarh. 98550-50404. (CL20074643)

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Phone: 0172-4601713, Fax 4601832

## PRESS NOTICE

Notice Inviting e-Tenders

Executive Engineer-VI(PH) on behalf of the Chairman, Chandigarh Housing Board re-invites percentage rate bids through e-Procurement process from the agencies, firms, individuals who have experience of similar nature work for Running and maintenance of 7 Nos. Public Toilets (Five in City Sub Centre, Sector 34, Chandigarh and One each at Motor Market in Sector-38 (West) & Sector-48 Chandigarh).

Earnest Money:- Rs. 5.50 Lakh, Period of Completion: 5 Years, Last date of submission of bid online is 08/01/2021, Last date of physical submission of bid & date of opening bid is 14/01/2021.

For detail Milestone dates of Electronic Tendering are given at the website <http://etenders.chd.nic.in/nicgep>.

Executive Engineer-VI (PH)

Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh.

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## Himachal Pradesh

## Jal Shakti Vibhag

## CORRIGENDUM

The key dates of online tender for the work Construction of Executive Engineer, office and residential building of IPH (JSV) Division Dharampur Bharari in Tehsil Dharampur, District Mandi (HP) (SH:- Site development, C/o No. Type-V quarter, 2 No. Type-IV quarter, 4 No. Type-III quarter and 4 No. Type-II quarters including sanitary and electrical installations) invited vide this office NIT No. EE-JSV-CB-Tender Notice/2020- 12959-13010 dated 01/12/2020 is hereby extended to below mentioned dates:-

1. Bid submission end date 22.12.2020 at 2:00 P.M.
2. Physical submission of earnest money deposit and cost of tender documents up to 11:00 A.M. on 23.12.2020.
3. Bid opening date 23.12.2020 at 11:30 A.M.

Other terms and condition shall remain unchanged.

The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website [www.hptenders.gov.in](http://www.hptenders.gov.in)

Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division Dharampur, Bharari, DPR/HP/5176

## HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## "CORRIGENDUM"

The e-tender invited by the vide this office NIT No. 9437-66 Dated: 24.06.2019 and uploaded in the departmental website under tender ID 2020\_PWD\_30491\_1 is hereby cancelled and retendered due to technical/administrative reason as per schedule given below.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Starting Date for downloading Bid	Earnest Money	Deadline for submission of Bid
1	Construction of Rajiv Gandhi Govt. College at Nagrota Bagwan in District Kangra (HP) Deposit Work (SH:- Construction of Architectural school including water supply & sanitary installation rain water harvesting system septic tank and protection work etc.)	Rs. 70508456/-	22.12.2020	Rs. 500000/-	12.01.2021

All other items and condition shall remain unchanged.

Executive Engineer, HP PWD Division, Tanda at Nagrota Bagwan.

HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPAK DPR/HP/5180

## GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

## TENDER NOTICE REFERENCE NO. 22

The Department of Public Works (Building & Roads) re-invites online bids for following:-

Sr. No.	Item	Quantity
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# Ineligible for post, VCs of three private varsities put in papers

Six others represent their case with additional documents

BHANU P LOHUMI

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 18

The Vice-Chancellors (VCs) of three private universities in the state, who did not fulfill the eligibility criteria as per the guidelines of the UGC, have resigned. They are the VCs of Baddi University, Bahra University and Shoolini University.

The VCs of 10 of the 17 private universities in Himachal were found ineligible as per the criteria laid down by the UGC. While two of them were overage, eight others did not have the requisite qualifications.

## CRITERIA NOT FULFILLED

- The Vice-Chancellors of 10 private universities have been found ineligible as per the UGC guidelines
- Two were overage, while 8 others did not have the requisite qualifications and fulfil the criteria
- 100 private colleges have submitted the biodata of principals to the regularity commission
- A two-member committee to verify the documents

Maj Gen Atul Kaushik (retd), chairman of the commission, said while three VCs had resigned, six had represented their case along with additional documents, which would be heard on December 21.

Following complaints, the commission had sought the

details of qualifications (Class X onwards) and experience of the incumbent VCs of the private universities, which were scrutinised by a committee.

Meanwhile, the Himachal Pradesh Private Educational Institutions Regularity Commission has decided to

constitute a two-member committee to verify the bio-data and other relevant documents of the principals of private colleges in the state.

As many as 100 private colleges in the state have submitted the biodata of principals to the commission while almost an equal number of institutes are yet to submit the same. A two-member committee would be constituted to verify the documents.

"The fake degree scam has tarnished the image of the state. We are taking all necessary steps to bring transparency and end mal-practices," said Kaushik.

## Thakur seeks special funds for Nagchala airport in Mandi

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 18

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur today requested Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman to consider providing special fiscal transfers for Himachal.

He met Sitharaman in New Delhi. He requested her to provide special funds for the proposed Greenfield Airport at Nagchala in Mandi district.

He sought speedy approval

for the Asian Development Board (ADB) project worth \$ 233.22 million submitted by the state government for the development of tourism infrastructure.

Later, he called on Union Minister for Civil Aviation Hardeep Singh Puri. —TNS

# Markets closed on Sundays, tourism takes a hit in Kangra

LALIT MOHAN

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

DHARAMSALA, DECEMBER 18

The mandatory closure of all markets in Kangra district on Sundays has hit weekend tourism in Dharamsala. Hoteliers and traders say that their business has been severely affected due to the closure of the markets on Sundays, as weekend tourism comprises at least 50 per cent of their business.

The Kangra administration had issued this order due to the rising Covid cases in the district. Even dhabas and restaurants remain closed on Sunday except those who take permission from the area SDM.

Traders say that at tourist



A McLeodganj market wears a deserted look on Friday. PHOTO: KAMALJEET

places such as Dharamsala, weekend is a peak season for them. Places such as Palampur and Dharamsala are visited by tourists from Punjab and Jammu and Kashmir on weekend. Now, tourists have stopped coming here.

Vivek, a shopkeeper in upper Dharamsala, says, "My busi-

ness is mainly dependent on tourists. It was totally finished due to the lockdown. However, people started coming to Kangra on weekends after the government lifted restrictions. Now, the administration has ordered us to keep our shops closed on Sundays when we do the maximum business".

## Nagrota villagers get muddy water

RAJIV MAHAJAN

NURPUR, DECEMBER 18

Residents of Spail gram panchayat in Nagrota Surian development block of Jawali subdivision, Kangra district, are being forced to use muddy water from a percolation well at Peerbindli.

Residents said in 2017, the Jal Shakti Department had constructed an overhead water tank having a capacity of 25,000 litre.

However, it had not been connected to any water supply scheme since then.

The threat of water-borne diseases loomed large as the authorities were not undertaking any treatment in the well before supplying its water to them.

Meena Guleria, pradhan of Spail gram panchayat, urged the department to ensure the supply of clean potable water to the area.

## 482 Covid cases, 9 die

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 18

At least 482 new Covid cases were reported today while nine persons succumbed to the virus in the last 24 hours.

The highest number of four persons succumbed to the virus in Kangra, while two persons each died in Shimla and Mandi and one in Kullu in the last 24 hours, taking the total fatality figure to 855.

## No relief from cold, Keylong records -10°C

SHIMLA, DECEMBER 18

Keylong, Kalpa and Manali continued to shiver at sub zero temperatures in the last 24 hours, the Met department said on Friday.

Lahaul-Spiti's administrative centre Keylong continued to be the coldest place in the state at -10°C, Director, Met Shimla Centre, Manmohan Singh said. Kalpa in Kinnaur recorded a low of -4.4°C. The minimum temperature in Manali was -1°C. —PTI



Man dies of cold in Baddi

SOLAN, DECEMBER 18

An unidentified man in his mid-thirties reportedly died of cold in the Baddi industrial belt last night. The police recovered the body from the under-construction house of a villager at Nichali Sandholi in Baddi today. The man appears to have sought refuge in the house, but died of cold. TNS

### GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

#### OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL REHABILITATION OFFICER, J&K, JAMMU

Dated: 15.12.2020

Subject:- List of displaced families of 1947 of Pakistan Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (PoJK) recorded with the Provincial Rehabilitation Officer, J&K, Jammu (PRO), but settled outside J&K - regarding.

- 1) Whereas, the Government of J&K vide its Order No. 52-JK (DMRRR) of 2020 dated 16.05.2020, laid down the procedure for registration of bona fide left out Displaced Persons (DPs) for the purpose of applying for Domicile Certificates; and
- 2) Whereas, a section of PoJK DPs who were initially recorded with the Provincial Rehabilitation Officer (PRO), J&K, but later settled outside the then State of J&K, are also an eligible category of DPs to avail the benefit in terms of Government Order No. 52-JK (DMRRR) of 2020 dated 16.05.2020; and
- 3) Whereas, however, in order to avail the benefit under the above said Order, these left out DPs of PoJK, covered in terms of clause 3 (II) (vi) of Government Order No. 52-JK (DMRRR) of 2020 dated 16.05.2020, are required to produce a proof of migration or displacement from a competent authority of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir or any other State/UT; and
- 4) Whereas, in view of restrictions on account of COVID-19, there may be a lot of inconvenience for these left out PoJK DPs to seek the documents from the office of the Provincial Rehabilitation Officer, Government of J&K.
- 5) As such, through the medium of this notice, all the Displaced Persons of PoJK (of 1947), presently settled in the erstwhile recorded State of Punjab (including the present day States of Haryana and Himachal Pradesh), as per the existing and legible Nominal Rolls/Form-D in the Office of the Provincial Rehabilitation Officer (PRO), J&K, are hereby informed that their complete available details are contained in Annexure-A to this notice available at [www.jkmigrantrelief.nic.in](http://www.jkmigrantrelief.nic.in).
- 6) It is further being brought to the notice of the said families/persons that a Unique ID number has been assigned to each family which shall be a sufficient proof for the purpose of registration before Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner, J&K (Competent Authority for the purpose of registration of left out DPs as well as for issuance of Domicile Certificate in terms of Government Order No. 52-JK-(DMRRR) of 2020 dated 16.05.2020). The recorded Displaced Person or his/her successors may apply online at [www.jkmigrantrelief.nic.in](http://www.jkmigrantrelief.nic.in) for seeking registration/Domicile Certificates by referring to the Unique ID number alongwith the formalities mentioned in the Government Order No. 52-JK (DMRRR) of 2020 dated 16.05.2020 read with the Addendum dated 15.12.2020 (Both Orders are enclosed as Annexure B and C respectively).

(S.P Rukwal) KAS,

Additional Secretary to the Government

Department of DMRR and Provincial Rehabilitation Officer, J&K, Jammu.

Dated: 15.12.2020

No.: PRO/20-21/116-122

### GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

#### DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT, RELIEF REHABILITATION & RECONSTRUCTION CIVIL SECRETARIAT, JAMMU

Subject:- Registration of bona fide Migrants or displaced persons for the purpose of issuance of domicile certificate - regarding.

Government Order No.: 52-JK (DMRRR) of 2020

Dated: 16.05.2020

1) WHEREAS, Section 3(A)(1b) of the Jammu and Kashmir Civil Services (Decentralization and Recruitment) Act, 2010, as amended by Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization (Adaptation of State Laws) Order, 2020, provides that any person who is registered as a migrant by the Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner (Migrants) in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir shall be eligible to be treated as a domicile for the purposes of the said Act; and

2) WHEREAS, after consideration of the matter, the Government of Jammu and Kashmir is of the view that there may be other bona fide persons, displaced persons or migrants and their descendants who are not registered with the Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner (Migrants) in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and may have been left out for a variety of reasons such as being outside Jammu and Kashmir; not having been able to register in the past; being registered as migrants with governments elsewhere; due to circumstances beyond their control, etc., and it is expedient to provide a procedure for registration of such migrants or displaced persons in the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir, for the purposes of getting Domicile Certificate only.

3) Now therefore, it is hereby ordered that:

- I. The Relief & Rehabilitation Commissioner (Migrant), Jammu and Kashmir, shall be the Competent Authority for the purpose of Registration of displaced persons besides Kashmiri Migrants for the purpose of issuance of domicile certificates.
- II. The bona fide Migrants and bona fide displaced persons who are not yet registered with the Relief & Rehabilitation Commissioner (Migrant), Jammu and Kashmir, can apply before the Competent Authority for registration for the purpose of issuance of a domicile certificate only, with any one of the following documents, for registration:-

i. Copy of the Permanent Resident Certificate of the applicant or his parents or grandparents issued by a Competent Authority in Jammu and Kashmir.

ii. Copy of the Electoral Roll for the year 1951, showing the name of the applicant or his/her parents/grandparents.

iii. Copy of the Electoral Roll for the year 1988, showing the name of the applicant or his/her parents/grandparents.

iv. Proof of working in an autonomous body or an entity fully or partially owned by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir before or after migration on 1.1.1989.

v. Proof of owning or possessing immovable property in any part of Jammu and Kashmir on or after 14th of May, 1944.

vi. Proof of registration as a Migrant or a displaced person of Jammu and Kashmir with any competent authority or Governments of other States/UTs.

vii. Proof of having any documentation which would have made the person eligible to obtain a Permanent Resident Certificate of Jammu and Kashmir before 06.08.2019.

III. Those Kashmiri migrants already registered with the Relief & Rehabilitation Commissioner (Migrant), Jammu and Kashmir for relief or non-relief purposes need not register again for issuance of domicile certificate and can apply on the basis of their existing registration.

IV. This opportunity of registration for the purpose of obtaining domicile certificate shall be open only for a period of one year, from the date of issuance of this order.

By order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Sd/- (Simrandeep Singh),

Secretary to the Government.

Dated: 16.05.2020

No. DMRR/MR/67/2020

### GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

#### DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT, RELIEF REHABILITATION & RECONSTRUCTION CIVIL SECRETARIAT, JAMMU

Subject:- Registration of bona fide Migrants or displaced persons of PoJK settled outside J&K, for the purpose of issuance of domicile certificate(s) - regarding.

Addendum to Government Order No. 52 - JK (DMRR) of 2020

Dated: 16.05.2020

In respect of Displaced Persons of PoJK, settled outside J&K covered in terms of clause 3 (II) (vi) of Government Order No. 52-JK (DMRR) of 2020 dated 16.05.2020, it is hereby added that:-

(a) The Unique ID mentioned against each recorded displaced family vide State wise list of Notifications dated 15/12/2020 issued by the Provincial Rehabilitation Officer, Government of Jammu & Kashmir shall be deemed to be a sufficient proof of migration/displacement as recorded with the competent authority in the government of J&K (Provincial Rehabilitation Officer, Government of Jammu & Kashmir).

(b) The applicant (if he/she is an original recorded Displaced Person) shall mention this unique ID while applying before the Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner, J&K, for registration and subsequent issuance of Domicile Certificate online ([www.jkmigrantrelief.nic.in](http://www.jkmigrantrelief.nic.in)). The option for submitting Unique ID shall be provided in the online form.

(c) The applicant (if he/she is a successor of the recorded Displaced Person) shall, apart from mentioning this Unique ID, also be required to attach proof of his link with the recorded Displaced Person by submitting self-attested copy of anyone of these documents-Authentic Birth Certificate or Aadhar Card or Election Card or Passport or Matric Certificate or Higher Secondary Certificate. Besides, an affidavit duly sworn and attested either before an Executive or Judicial Magistrate of the current District/State of residence, affirming therein about the authenticity of the disclosures made in the application before the Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner, J&K.

Sd/- (Sunil Kumar) KAS,

Additional Secretary to the Government,

Department of DMRR.

Dated: 15.12.2020

DIP/J-8805/20

## DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION, GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

(Under NABARD XXIII)

No. 4597

Date: 18.12.2020

1. The Executive Engineer W/s and Sanitation Division No.1 Tarn Taran invites bids (to be submitted in the e-Procurement Portal) for the construction of following works:

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Est. Cost (In Lacs)	Bid Security EMD (Rs)	Date/Time of submission of bid	Date/Time of opening of Technical Bid	Completion Period




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# 28L high-risk people to get vax shots

JAMMU, DECEMBER 18

1 lakh healthcare workers will be covered in the first phase of Covid vaccination programme. In the second phase, approximately 7 lakh frontline workers will be covered," Financial Commissioner of Health and Medical Education Department Atal Dulloo said. The third phase will cover 20 lakh beneficiaries of high-risk population, The Jammu and Kashmir Administration has drawn an elaborate plan for Covid vaccination programme and 28 lakh high-risk people will be inoculated in the first three phases across the union territory, officials said on Friday.

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## VACCINATION IN THREE PHASES

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Second phase:  
Approximately 7 lakh frontline workers to be covered

Third phase: 20 lakh high-risk people to be covered in the phase

## MONITORING THROUGH COWIN MOBILE APP

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Dulloo, who has been leading the Health Department's response to

Covid situation in Jammu and Kashmir, said the vaccine would be administered through CoWin dashboard platform. This will help monitor the entire vaccination process. CoWin is a mobile app that will help monitor the entire vaccination process.

"Once introduced, the vaccination will be done through pre-registration

and no on-spot registration will be allowed," Dulloo said.

"Jammu and Kashmir has identified around 4,000 vaccination sites. There are more than 5,000 trained vaccinators and 19,000 potential vaccinators under the Covid vaccination programme," he said.

"The cold chain and logistics assessment for

the Covid vaccine has been done, and the union territory has 987 ice-lined refrigerators (ILR), 795 deep freezers, 11 solar refrigerators, five walk-in coolers and one walk-in freezers," he said. Dulloo said a capacity of administering 100 vaccines per site per day — cumulating to a capacity to deliver 4.5 lakh vaccines daily — has been fixed, he said. — PTI



Children look at icicles formed after a water supply line burst on the outskirts of Shopian on Friday. PTI

## Gulmarg hotels full to the brim

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18

Kashmir's famous tourist resorts and hill stations, particularly Gulmarg and Pahalgam, are receiving a huge rush of visitors this winter as almost all huts and hotels have been booked for the next several weeks.

Like scores of huts and hotels, the high-end Khyber Resort and Spa at Gulmarg is fully sold out till the middle of January 2021. "I have been shuttling between my office and Khyber in search of a room for our tourism adviser. But I have failed to book one as all hotels are full to capacity.

## ALL ROOMS BOOKED

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Dr Javed-ur-Rehman,  
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, TOURISM

completely failed as they don't have a single room unsold", Dr Javed-ur-Rehman, Assistant Director, Tourism, said.

He said 700 to 800 tourists

come into Gulmarg every day. They include 200-300 visitors from all over India, while around 500 local visitors also enjoy a trip every day.

The recent snowfall has triggered a remarkable influx of visitors as hundreds are keen to fulfil their passion for skiing or a joyride on the famous ropeway called 'Gulmarg Gondola'. The Jammu and Kashmir Cable Car Corporation is currently operating only the first phase of the ropeway as the skiing activity for now is limited to the lower end. A large number of common and amateur skiers have converged on Gulmarg. —IANS

## 7 more die; 388 cases

### COVID-19 PANDEMIC

SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 18

Jammu and Kashmir recorded 388 new Covid cases and seven more fatalities on Friday, pushing the infection tally to 1,17,705 and the death toll to 1,833, officials said here.

Of the fresh cases, 225 are from Kashmir and 163 from the Jammu division,

they said. The officials said Jammu recorded the highest number of 92 new cases, followed by Srinagar district with 82.

The number of active cases in the union territory dropped to 4,244 as 464 more patients recovered from the infection. The total number of recoveries now stands at 1,11,628, they said.

Of the fresh fatalities, four were from Jammu and three from the Kashmir region. — PTI

## Voting for final phase today

SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 18

The staggered voting for the maiden District Development Council (DDC) elections in Jammu and Kashmir will conclude on Saturday as 28 constituencies are set to go to the polls in the eighth and final phase. Voting will also be held for 369 vacant panch and sarpanch seats on Saturday across J&K, state Election Commissioner KK Sharma told the media here on Friday. "A total of 28 DDC constituencies will go to the



## DDC ELECTIONS

polls, including 13 seats from the Kashmir division and 15 from the Jammu division, with 168 candidates contesting the last leg of the elections," Sharma said. — PTI

Giving details, he said against the 13 DDC constituencies of the Kashmir division going to the polls on Saturday, there are 83 candidates in fray, including 31 women. In the Jammu division, there are 85 candidates, including 15 women, in fray for the 15 DDC constituencies in this phase, he added. "Over 6.30 lakh electors including 3,03,275 female voters are going to elect their representatives in the 28 DDC constituencies," Sharma said. — PTI

## Pak violates ceasefire

SRINAGAR: Pakistan resorted to unprovoked firing and shelling on the LoC on Friday in Poonch district. Pakistan initiated the unprovoked firing and shelling in Mendhar and Balakote sectors, the defence spokesman said. — IANS

## PUNJAB WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

E-TENDER NOTICE No. PWSSD/MOGA/2020/16 Dated: 18.12.2020 www.eproc.punjab.gov.in

On behalf of the Chief Executive Officer, Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Chandigarh, Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Division, Moga invites bids from eligible bidders for the works detailed below:

Sr. Name of Work:- Extension and Augmentation of Water Supply and Sewerage No. Scheme (Phase II) at Moga Town (District Moga) (Under Anmrit)

Last date & time for online submission of bids shall be: 12/01/2021 up to 5:00 p.m.

For detail items & condition refer to website <http://www.eproc.punjab.gov.in>

Note:- Corrigendum will be published on department's website only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,  
Pb. W/S & Sew Divn., Moga.

DPR/Pb/119902

**ਦਫਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬਰੋਟਾ (ਮਾਨਸਾ)**

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**(ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨੋਟਿਸ)**

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬਰੋਟਾ ਵਿੱਖੀ ਮਿਥੁਸ਼ਲ ਫੰਡ ਅਧੀਨ 160.91 ਲੱਖ ਰੁਪਏ ਦੀ ਰਸਾਈ ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨਿਵਾਜ਼ ਦੁਜਾ ਸ਼ਾਬਦੀ ਅਧੀਨ ਲਾਗੂ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਦੀ ਸਾਂਖਕੀ ਆਨਲਾਈਨ ਵੈਬਸਾਈਟ <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in> 'ਤੇ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਟਿੱਕਲ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਤਕਨੀਕੀ ਵੈਰਾਂ ਹੋਰ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਵਾਲੇ ਦੇ ਦੱਤ ਨਾਲ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਕਾਰਜਾਤਕ ਅਭਿਆਸ ਵਿਖੇ ਕਾਨ ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨਾਲ ਕਾਰਜ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ।

**SCHEDULE**

Sr. No.	Last Date of Online Sale of Bidding Document	Last Date of Online Submission of Bidding Document	Time and Date of Pre-Bid	Opening of Technical Bid Document
1	08.01.2021, 11:00 AM	08.01.2021, 11:30 AM	28.12.2020, 10:00 AM	08.01.2021, 03:00 PM

ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਕ, ਸਰੀ- ਕਰਜ਼ਾਤਕ ਅਧੀਨ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਇੰਸਾਨੀਅਤ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬਰੋਟਾ।

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# India catch Oz by surprise

Bowlers ensure 53-run lead despite dropped catches

ADELAIDE, DECEMBER 18  
India dismissed Australia for 191 in 72 overs on Friday to take a 53-run first-innings lead that looked highly unlikely in the first half hour of a dramatic second day of the Day/Night first Test here today.

Fifteen wickets fell as bowlers ruled supreme on a balmy day at a ground once renowned for big scores, the last coming in the final 25 minutes when Pat Cummins bowled Prithvi Shaw for four to continue the India opener's poor run of form.

Shaw's opening partner Mayank Agarwal and night-watchman Jasprit Bumrah survived a nervous last couple of overs under the lights to take India's second innings tally to 9/1 and the lead to 62 runs at close of play.

## Ashwin, Yadav rout Oz

Spinner Ravichandran Ashwin combined with paceman Umesh Yadav and Bumrah to do the damage for the tourists, bowling with discipline and taking wickets in bursts to break up potential partnerships.

While Tim Paine played a captain's innings of 73 not out to limit the damage, India will be disappointed with a string of dropped catches.

"Certainly not our best performance but you have to give India credit, they bowled really well and put us under pressure," Paine said.

Bumrah removed Australia openers Joe Burns and Matthew Wade for eight runs apiece in quick succession before tea, and Ashwin (4/55) drove home the advantage after the break. Off-spinner Ashwin has struggled on his previous Australian trips but he struck a mighty blow when



## SCOREBOARD

### INDIA 1st innings

(Overnight 233/6)	S Smith c Rahane b Ashwin	1
P Shaw b Starc	T Head c&b Starc	7
M Agarwal b Cummins	C Green Kohli b Ashwin	11
C Pujara c Labuschagne b Lyon	T Paine not out	73
V Kohli run out	P Cummins c Rahane b Yadav	0
A Rahane lbw b Starc	M Starc run out	15
H Vihari lbw b Hazlewood	N Lyon c Kohli b Ashwin	10
W Saha c Paine b Starc	J Hazlewood c Pujara b Yadav	8
R Ashwin c Paine b Cummins	Extras: (LB 3)	3
U Yadav c Wade b Starc	Total: (All out, 72.1 overs)	191
J Bumrah not out	FOW: 1-16, 2-29, 3-45, 4-65, 5-79,	
M Shami c Head b Cummins	6-111, 7-111, 8-139, 9-167	
0	Bowling O M R W	
18	Umesh Yadav 16.1 5 40 3	
Total: (All out, 93.1 overs)	Jasprit Bumrah 21 7 52 2	
244	Mohammed Shami 17 4 41 0	
FOW: 10-2, 22-2, 3-100, 4-188, 5-196, 6-206, 7-233, 8-235, 9-240	Ravichandran Ashwin 18 3 55 4	
Bowling O M R W		
Mitchell Starc 21 5 53 4		
Josh Hazlewood 20 6 47 1		
Pat Cummins 21.1 7 48 3		
Cameron Green 9 2 15 0		
Nathan Lyon 21 2 68 1		
Marnus Labuschagne 1 0 3 0		

### AUSTRALIA 1st innings

M Wade lbw b Bumrah	8
J Burns lbw b Bumrah	8
M Labuschagne lbw b Yadav	47

he enticed Steve Smith into an edge to give Ajinkya Rahane an easy catch at first slip. With one run from 29 deliveries, it was Smith's lowest score since he got a duck in the first

Test against South Africa in November 2016.

Travis Head and Cameron Green became Ashwin's second and third victims, the latter's dismissal helped by a fine catch from Virat Kohli at

midwicket. India would have been in an even stronger position had Bumrah and Shaw followed their captain's lead, but they spilled easy catches that would have sent Marnus Labuschagne on his way early in his innings. Yadav (3/40) finally trapped Labuschagne lbw for 47 after the second break and when he had Pat Cummins caught at gully three balls later, Australia were in big trouble at 111/7.

## Captain's knock

Paine's resolute 73 off 99 deliveries, combined with some more poor catching from the Indian fielders, kept the home side in touch heading into Day 3.

"I don't want to sit back and think whether that's the best or not," Ashwin said when asked to rate his performance. "There's an innings to go and I'm looking forward to the entire Test series. It's a great opportunity for me."

Australia had started the day by skittling the last four Indian batsmen at a cost of 11 runs in less than half an hour to dismiss the tourists for 244. — Reuters

## Lewandowski wins FIFA best player award

### ZURICH, DECEMBER 18

Bayern Munich forward Robert Lewandowski was named The Best FIFA Men's Player 2020 on Thursday, beating off competition from last year's winner Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo.

Lewandowski, who won the German league and cup double as well as the Champions League with Bayern, finished as top scorer in all three competitions and won the award for the first time. The 32-year-old also led Poland to Euro 2020 qualification for goal of the year. — Reuters

## Covid surge in Sydney, Test still on

SYDNEY: Cricket Australia today asserted that the third Test of the Border-Gavaskar Trophy against India is not threatened by a fresh Covid-19 outbreak.

Australian cricket officials were put on alert after the number of cases in the northern beaches area of Sydney reached 28 today. The third Test is scheduled to get underway at the Sydney Cricket Ground on January 7. Due to the outbreak, former fast bowler Brett Lee, now a TV commentator, decided to return home in northern Sydney.

Tottenham's Son Heung-min won the Puskas Award for goal of the year. — Reuters

## Re-Quotation Notice

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The Department of Public Works (Building & Roads) re-invites online bids for following:-

Sl. No.	Item	Quantity
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« Ravichandran Ashwin celebrates with teammates after taking a wicket. AP/PTI

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**Ministry of Education**  
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The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) invites applications for India Rankings 2021, the Sixth edition of this annual exercise.

All the institutions which have participated in the previous India Rankings exercise have been pre-registered. A mail in this regard has already been sent to the Heads of the respective institutions to confirm institution details for India Rankings 2021.

In case, your institution is not pre-registered in the above manner, and wishes to participate, you are requested to visit our website i.e. [www.nirfindia.org](http://www.nirfindia.org) and register your institution by clicking the registration button. In case of any query, contact National Board of Accreditation at [helpdesk@nirfindia.org](mailto:helpdesk@nirfindia.org) or call at 011-40159583/87/90.

The last date for registration has been extended till 24<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

Member Secretary

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(Col. 6 to be deleted for Lump sum Project/Work)

**2. Important dates are as under:**

- i). Period

## Civilservices aspirants may get extra chance

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18  
The Centre on Friday told the Supreme Court that it was discussing with the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) the issue of granting another chance to civil services aspirants, especially those who exhausted their last attempt in October 2020. Prelims during the Covid-19 pandemic.

"It's under active consideration of the Centre and the UPSC. We are not taking an adversarial stand," Solicitor General Tushar Mehta told the court during hearing on a petition seeking an extra attempt in the civil services examinations conducted by the UPSC. — TNS

# Sonia set to meet 'rebel' leaders today

To discuss fair internal election | Congress says Rahul right choice to lead party

ADITI TANDON  
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18  
Ahead of Sonia Gandhi's meeting tomorrow with a section of dissenting leaders who have sought organisational changes, the Congress today said Rahul Gandhi was the right person to lead the party.

The remarks by Congress media chief Randeep Surjewala assume significance with the process of conducting elections to the post of Congress president under way.

Seeking to downplay any meeting between Sonia and rebel leaders, who wrote to her in August, the Congress said "no issues of dissension

### 'THERE IS NO DISSENSION'

**“**The Congress president has already decided to hold election to the post of party president. The process is underway. There are no internal issues of dissension of any nature pending in the party.

### THAROOR, HOODA TO BE PRESENT

■ Among 23 leaders who wrote to her, Sonia will meet Ghulam Nabi Azad, Anand Sharma, Bhupinder Singh Hooda, Manish Tewari, Shashi Tharoor and Vivek Tankha

are pending in the party after Sonia Gandhi announced at the last working committee

meeting that elections to party president's post would soon be held".

"Addressing issues raised by some of the senior leaders, the Congress president has already decided to hold election to the post of party president. The process is underway. We will inform you of the schedule as we go by," said Surjewala, insisting all issues stood resolved with the announcement of the party chief election. "There are no internal issues of dissensions of any nature pending in the party," he said.

Asked about the likely candidate, considering Rahul Gandhi had quit the post of party chief in May 2019 and insisted on a non-Gandhi president, Surjewala said,

"The president of the Congress will be chosen by the electoral college of the party, leaders, workers and AIIC members. The party will choose a person best suited for the post. It is my belief and the belief of an overwhelming majority of 99.9 per cent leaders and workers that Rahul Gandhi is the right person to lead the party and take on the Modi government." Surjewala said most Congress persons wanted Rahul to lead from the front. The party, meanwhile, said Sonia has decided to resume meetings to discuss various organisational issues, including party elections and farmers agitation.

## Victory music



The Tri-Service Band contingent performs during the golden jubilee of India's victory over Pakistan in the 1971 war, at India Gate in New Delhi on Friday. PTI

## Moving troops ahead 'must' to tackle China

VIJAY MOHAN  
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 18

Stating that India's pre-emptive moves in the Kailash Range in Ladakh has partially neutralised Chinese advantage in that sector, Lt Gen HS Panag, former GOC-in-C, Northern and Central Commands, stressed that India must not make any compromises because even a stalemate in this situation would be a defeat for China.

Speaking at a session on Sabre Rattling in Ladakh during the Military Literature Festival here today, he said though the overall advantage was still with China, if India could advance troops in areas like the Indus valley sector and southern sector, the Chinese advantage could be fully neutralised.

Lt Gen Raj Shukla, GOC-in-C, Army Training Command, said: "Tactically, our response to the

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Chinese aggression has been fairly good, but we need to synergise them in the larger strategic framework. We need to act against the strategic squeeze from the LAC to the Indian Ocean Region to ensure successful deterrence to China."

Lt Gen DS Hooda, former GOC-in-C, Northern Command, said it was clear from the level of preparedness that this incident was different from earlier incursions and the level of violence seen was unprecedented. "We were also taken by surprise as to why the PLA was doing it at this time when the entire world was affected by the pandemic and neither was there any breakdown in Sino-Indian ties or any large trigger," he said.

Dr Fair said after US troops move out of Afghanistan, the real issue would be of air power. "Afghanistan would need air support. Having said this, the troop withdrawal would happen. The problem is we (the USA) are handing over Afghanistan to Pakistan," added Fair, while pointing out flawed US policy for the last 20 years in the region.

## Expert points out 'flawed' US policy on Afghanistan

BHARTESH THAKUR  
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, DECEMBER 18

Political and military affairs expert Dr C Christine Fair and former ambassador KC Singh discussed looming situation in Afghanistan after the US troops would move out and its repercussions in the session on 'The Taliban are coming calling: Deep states in Pakistan and India and Role of Media' during Military Literature Festival 2020 here today.

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Documentary on Battle of Kohima screened

where no serious effort was made to curtail Pakistan.

She also pointed out the issue of funding for Afghanistan. Singh said once the USSR broke down and couldn't fund Afghanistan, the government collapsed. "India could play a role here. Earlier, India and Iran had supported the Northern Alliance. Emirates and Saudis are upset with Pakistan. The US has to work with Iran but elections are coming up there. These factors are working in favour of the Taliban," he said, while highlighting that the Chinese presence in Ladakh would close some options for India.

Dr Fair said a civil war could break out in Afghanistan. "America is delegitimising democracy in Afghanistan. They want a puppet democrats," she said.

## Rly Board 'uncertain' over resumption of services

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18

that by March 2021, the figure is expected to rise to Rs 15,000 crore. Yadav, however, said the loss in the passenger segment will be overcome from the earnings through freight, which is expected to cross last year's figures. He said by December, the national transporter had already achieved 97 per cent of last year's loading.

Yadav said the Railways had suffered massive losses in passenger revenue due to the suspension of train services because of the Covid-19 pandemic. — PTI

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## Union Home Secy holds meet with Bengal officials

Quizzed on steps taken by state to curb cases of political violence

MUKESH RANJAN  
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18  
Union Home Secretary Ajay Kumar Bhalla today held a video conference meet with West Bengal Chief Secretary Alapan Bandyopadhyay and Director General of Police (DGP) Virendra after the senior officials from the state conveyed their inability to travel to the national capital.

Sources said the virtual meeting, which lasted about 35 minutes, went on well amicably. Other than the state officials from the Centre's side, the Home Secretary, who chaired the meeting, was assisted by Intelligence Bureau Director Arvind Kumar and Joint Secretary (Internal Security) in the MHA Punya Salila Srivastava.

The sources said the Union Home Secretary took note of



Speaker Biman Bandopadhyay shows the undated resignation letter of TMC leader Subhendu Adhikari in Kolkata on Friday. PTI

**NO COERCIVE ACTION AGAINST BJP LEADERS, SAYS SC**

New Delhi: The SC on Friday issued notice to the West Bengal Government on petitions filed by BJP leaders Arjun Singh, Kailash Vijayvargiya, Pawan Singh, Sourav Singh and Mukul Roy challenging filing of "false FIRs" against saffron party workers by the state police in the run-up to the Assembly elections early next year. A Bench headed by Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul ordered that no coercive steps should be taken against the petitioners till the next date of hearing. TNS

**CRPF WRITES TO DGP OVER SHAH'S VISIT**

New Delhi: Amid standoff between the Centre and the West Bengal Government, the Central Reserve Police Force has written to the Director General of Police seeking adequate arrangement of police support in view of Union Home Minister and senior BJP leader Armit Shah's two-day visit to the state beginning Saturday. Meanwhile, Union Ministry of Home Affairs has accorded 'Z' category VIP security cover to Suvedu Adhikari, who recently resigned from the TMC and is likely to join the BJP. TNS

**BARRACKPORE MLA DUTTA QUILTS TMC**

the political violence in the state and asked the state officials about the steps taken so far in this regard. Refusal by the state government to shift three IPS officers on central deputations also figured during the deliberations, they added.

## SC issues show-cause notices to Kamra, Taneja

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 18  
The Supreme Court (SC) on Friday issued notices to standup comedian Kunal Kamra and comic artist Rachita Taneja on separate petitions seeking initiation of criminal contempt proceedings against them for scandalising the judiciary.

A Bench headed by Justice Ashok Bhushan asked them to respond to the petitions in six weeks and explain why criminal contempt proceed-

ings shouldn't be initiated against them. The Bench, however, said the contemors needn't appear before it in person. The petitions against Kamra and Taneja were filed after Attorney General KK Venugopal gave his consent to initiate criminal contempt of court proceedings against the two. They had allegedly insinuated the SC after it gave bail to Republic TV Editor-in-Chief Arnab Goswami in an abetment to suicide case. — TNS

All states/UTs should appoint one nodal officer for each Covid hospital, if not already appointed, who shall be made responsible for ensuring the compliance of all fire safety measures, said a Bench headed by Justice Ashok Bhushan — which had earlier taken suo moto cognisance of a Rajkot hospital fire accident that claimed six lives.

"The Covid hospitals which

have not obtained NOC from the Fire Department of the State should be asked to immediately apply for NOC and after carrying necessary inspection, a decision will be taken," the court said. It said Covid hospitals which had not renewed their NOC should immediately take steps for renewal and those found not having NOC or not having obtained renewal will face appropriate action. The top court asked the government to devise a mechanism to give rotational breaks to doctors and healthcare professionals working continuously since April.

"They (doctors, nurses etc.) are already exhausted physically and mentally due to tireless work for eight months. Some mechanism may be required to give them intermittent rest," it said.



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