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Will go by scientific advice on vaccine: PM

Wants elaborate cold storage facilities for inoculation | Tells worst-hit states to keep positivity rate below 5%

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said India was keeping a close watch on Covid-19 vaccine developments, which were in final stages, and would follow scientific advice on the matter.

Virtually addressing the Chief Ministers of the eight worst-hit states — Haryana, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Delhi, West Bengal, Karnataka, Rajasthan and Maharashtra — the PM warned against lowering the guard against the virus while planning for the vaccine rollout. He asked them to establish cold storage facilities and set up structures down to the block level to prepare for inoculation drives.

Describing as "worrisome" the recent surge in some states, Modi urged the CMs to keep positivity rate below 5 per cent and case fatality rate below 1 per cent.

"We are in the fourth stage of pandemic control. With the rising recovery rate, people have developed a false notion of security from the virus, leading to negligence. It's a must to re-awaken people to the dangers of this virus," said the PM, asking the CMs to step up awareness. He said India's Covid vaccine plan would be ready soon and asked the states to send inputs on priority groups for inoculation.

The Centre has, meanwhile, counted one crore health workers for the first stage of vaccination. On the vaccine, the PM said he couldn't stop people from politicising the issue and that he would follow scientific advice on the matter. His reference was to Congress leader Rahul Gandhi yesterday asking which vaccine would India use.

Modi said answers on vaccine dosage or pricing were not available yet, though the government was in touch with local and global developers to ensure the vaccine was procured in time.

PM Narendra Modi holds a virtual meeting with the CMs of the states where Covid-19 cases have seen a sudden spurt after the festive season. PTI

$20 Sputnik shots likely in India by Jan

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

A single dose of the Russian Sputnik V vaccine will cost less than $10 in international market while the two-dose regimen would cost $20 (around Rs 1,400), announced Krill Dmitriev, head of the Russian Direct Investment Fund, at a webinar on Tuesday.

At the launch, the vaccine would cost half or even less than other mRNA vaccines with similar efficacy, claimed Dmitriev. The RDIF and its partners have launched production of the lyophilised (dry) form of the vaccine, which is stored at a temperature of 2 to 8°C. Such a regime enables the distribution of the vaccine in international markets as well as expanding its use in hard-to-reach regions.

The current agreements between the RDIF and leading foreign pharmaceutical companies allow the Sputnik V vaccine to be produced abroad for 500 million people per year, starting from 2021. The first international deliveries of the Russian Sputnik V vaccine will be made to customers in January 2021.

The second interim analysis of clinical trial data showed a 91.4 per cent efficacy 28 days after the first dose; efficacy is over 95 per cent 42 days after the first dose, said its makers Gamaleya Institute.

TWO-DOSE REGIMEN

- Sputnik V vaccine is based on a human adenoviral vector platform that uses two different human adenoviral vectors
- The vectors allow for a stronger and longer-term immune response compared to vaccines using same vector for two doses

- **2 to 8°C** storage enables its distribution in far-flung areas
- **500 mn** twin-dose annual production target beginning next yr
- **Jan 2021** the vaccine's first international deliveries to begin

EFFICACY POST 1ST DOSE

91.4%	95%
ON 28TH DAY	ON 42ND DAY

COVID-19 CASES INDIA

COUNT 91,77,840

RECOVERED 86,04,955
FRESH FATALITIES 480
TOTAL DEATHS 1,34,218

WORLD

TOTAL	5,98,46,744
RECOVERED	4,13,89,630
DEATHS	14,08,651

Govt blocks 43 apps, most with China link

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The government today blocked access to 43 more mobile phone apps, including Alibaba Workbench, AliExpress, Alipay Cashier, CamCard and WeDate, for being prejudicial to the sovereignty, integrity and defence of the nation. Sources said these apps have Chinese links.

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology said the order was based on reports received from Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre of the Home Ministry.

On June 29, the government had blocked 59 mobile apps. Again on September 2, 118 apps were banned under Section 69A of the IT Act. — TNS

WHY THE ACTION

These apps were engaging in activities prejudicial to sovereignty and integrity of India, defence of India, security of state and public order.

At 15.3%, HP has highest positivity rate

CM says may go in for stricter curbs | Makeshift hospitals to come up

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SHIMLA, NOVEMBER 24

The Covid situation in Himachal has become alarming with the hill state having the highest positivity rate of 15.3 per cent in the country, resulting in the health infrastructure crumbling.

The state has left behind Delhi, Maharashtra and Gujarat, which were the main hotspots. The positive cases have shot up in the last fortnight, especially in the four districts of Shimla, Mandi, Kullu and Kangra where night curfew has been imposed.

There is shortage of beds, oxygen, oximeters and ambulances to ferry patients. Patients are being encouraged to go in for home isolation but with a huge number of positive cases requiring oxygen, hospitalisation becomes inevitable, said sources.

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur claimed there was no shortage of oxygen but admitted that there was scarcity of beds due to the sudden surge. "We are closely monitoring the situation and, if need be, we can go in for stricter restrictions," said the CM while talking to *The Tribune*. He said the setting up of makeshift hospitals too would be expedited keeping in mind the surging numbers.

ALARMING SURGE

	NOVEMBER 7		NOVEMBER 24	
DISTRICT	CASES	DEATHS	CASES	DEATHS
Shimla	3,036	81	5,936	141
Mandi	3,442	46	5,756	72
Lahaul & Spiti	434	2	1,006	9
Kinnaur	488	7	730	11

CAP ON GATHERINGS IN SIX NCR DISTRICTS INSIDE

IN BRIEF

BrahMos supersonic missile test-fired

NEW DELHI: India on Tuesday "successfully" test-fired the surface-to-surface supersonic cruise missile BrahMos as part of a series of trials of the weapon, known for its precision strike capabilities. The range of the new land-attack missile has been extended to 400 km from original 290 km, but its speed has been maintained at 2.8 mach. — PTI

UP okays ordinance against 'love jihad'

LUCKNOW: The UP Government on Tuesday approved a draft ordinance to curb forcible or "dishonest" religious conversions, including those for the sake of marriage, which could land violators in jail for up to 10 years. Under the proposed law, a marriage will be declared "null and void", if the conversion of a woman is solely for that purpose. — PTI

Relief for Kangana in sedition case

MUMBAI: The Bombay High Court on Tuesday granted interim protection from arrest to Kangana Ranaut and her sister Rangoli Chandel in a case registered against them under sedition and other charges, and directed them to appear before the Mumbai Police on January 8. The court also questioned the police over invoking the sedition charge in the case. — PTI

Thaw in ties? Capt to meet Sidhu at lunch

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TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

After months of cold-shouldering, Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh today invited his former Cabinet colleague Navjot Singh Sidhu for a luncheon meeting tomorrow, setting the ball rolling for the cricketer-turned-politician's likely return into the state Council of Ministers.

Sharing the information on Twitter, the CM's media adviser, Raveen Thukral, said the meeting agenda was to discuss state and national politics. The political circles, however, were abuzz with the possibility of Sidhu returning to the Cabinet by early next month.

Sidhu was divested of the Local Bodies portfolio after the Lok Sabha polls in July last year and offered Power, which he didn't accept and resigned from the Cabinet.

With the BJP flexing its muscles and planning to contest all seats on its own in the next Punjab Assembly elections, Sidhu's rehabilitation would come as a shot in the arm for the Congress, which is already in a confrontational mode with the saffron party over the central farm laws.

Sources said the Congress high command's larger concern was to ensure a miffed Sidhu, who had skipped party functions for quite some time, doesn't leave the party.

Miffed leader may rejoin Cabinet by next month

3L Pb farmers head for Delhi today

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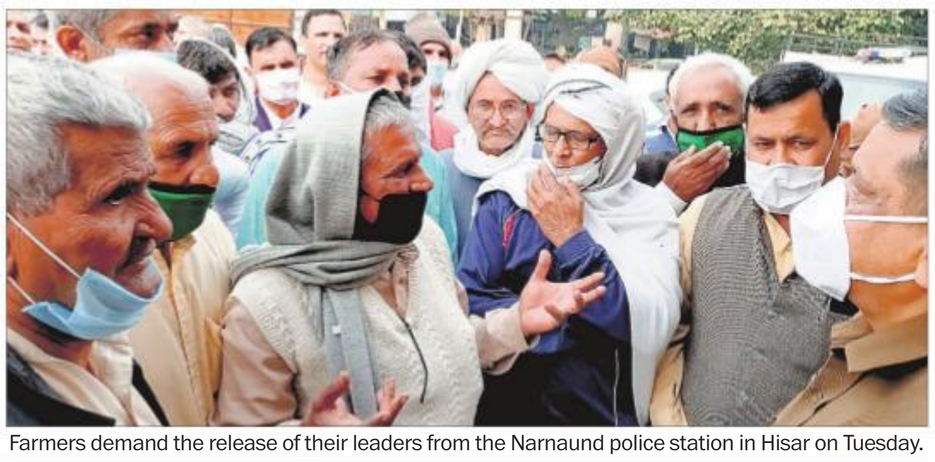
CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

Around 3 lakh farmers are set to leave for Delhi from Punjab tomorrow, as part of their "Delhi Chalo" protest against the three farm laws passed by Parliament.

The farmers owing allegiance to 33 organisations are part of the United Farmers Front, an umbrella body of 472 farmer unions that will participate in the protest on November 26-27.

The attempt by the BJP-led Centre to schedule the second round of talks with the protesting unions on December 3, has failed to cut much ice with Punjab farmers.

The farmers will begin their march to Delhi tomorrow morning. Heavy police deployment has been made on all roads leading to Delhi through Haryana. Trucks carrying rations for farmers are already being denied passage through the BJP-ruled state. Farmer unions are prepared to stage indefinite dharnas wherever they are stopped.



Farmers demand the release of their leaders from the Narnaund police station in Hisar on Tuesday.

Hry cops detain 72 farm leaders

CHANDIGARH/ROHTAK, NOV 24

Ahead of the "Delhi Chalo" demonstration by farmers, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has warned of action at the Delhi-Haryana and Punjab-Haryana borders over the next three days even as the state police swooped down on the houses of farmer activists in the wee hours today to take them into "preventive custody".

Midnight raids and arrests were reported in Sirsa, Fatehabad, Bhiwani, Rohtak, Jhajjar, Karnal, Kurukshetra, Yamunanagar and Ambala districts.

Later in the day, the CM said the government did not approve of the farmers' protest and plans were afoot to ensure law and order was not compromised.

He said, "The public should avoid the Punjab-Haryana border on November 25 and 26 and the Delhi-Haryana border on November 26 and 27. Stern action has been planned to avert any law and order situation." "Seventy-two activists have been detained so far and more such preventive arrests are likely," Haryana DGP Manoj Yadava said. — TNS

CM warns of strict action if protesters turn violent

Emmy award for Netflix's 'Delhi Crime'

MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

Netflix's India Original series "Delhi Crime", helmed by Indian-Canadian director Richie Mehta, has bagged the best drama series honour at the 48th International Emmy Awards.

Told from the perspective of the Delhi Police team probing the crime that made global headlines, the series deconstructs the Delhi gangrape case of December 16, 2012.

A STILL FROM 'DELHI CRIME'

Mehta dedicated the honour to all women who not just endure violence that men inflict on them, "but are also tasked to solve the problem".

Actor Shefali Shah played Vartika Chaturvedi, whose character on "Delhi Crime" was based on former Delhi Police DCP Chhaya Sharma who cracked the case. — PTI

Farooq among Roshni 'beneficiaries'

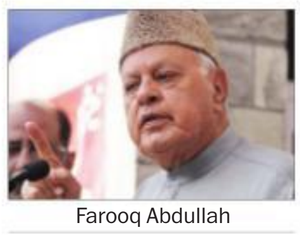
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Former CM and National Conference (NC) chief Farooq Abdullah has been named by the Jammu and Kashmir administration on a list that alleges that his residence in Jammu is built over "illegally possessed" land, a charge denied by the former.

The list highlighted that the NC headquarters in both Srinagar and Jammu were legalised under the controversial Roshni Act.

Displaying the list on its website, the administration revealed that Abdullah's house was built over an acre of encroached state land at Sunjwan. Demanding a probe, Union Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad said powerful people were involved in "conscious land loot" under the Roshni "scam". He said names of several top politicians, including NC leaders and former state ministers from the Congress, who allegedly benefitted from the Act, had come to the fore.

Following directions by the High Court to make public land given under the controversial scheme, the UT administration came out with the list of beneficiaries, who allegedly encroached upon land in addition to what was allocated under the scheme. Earlier, three former ministers, several politicians and a former bureaucrat figured on the list. — TNS



Farooq Abdullah

Jammu house 'built on state land'; admn releases list

Not true, bid to malign party: NC

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The National Conference rejected the charge that Farooq Abdullah had "benefitted" from the Roshni Act, saying anyone claiming so was "lying".

Omar Abdullah said: "The news attributing to sources that Dr Farooq Abdullah is a beneficiary of the Act is false and is being spread with a malicious intent." The party did not answer specific accusations levelled by Union Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad. INSIDE

Nikita murder: Cops reopen 2018 case, take custody of key accused

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FARIDABAD, NOVEMBER 24

Tausif (22), the main accused in the murder case of 21-year-old student Nikita Tomar, was remanded in two-day police custody here today. A production warrant was issued by the SIT in the case pertaining to abduction of the deceased in 2018. The case was reopened by the police following large-scale protests and demand by the victim's kin.

Nikita was shot dead on October 26 this year outside Aggarwal College here as she resisted the attempt of kidnapping by Tausif, who was nabbed the same day and sent to judicial custody.

ACP Anil Kumar, head of the SIT probing the case, said Tausif had been taken into police custody to recover the vehicle used for kidnapping of the victim in 2018. Tausif had abducted Nikita and taken her to UP and Nuh district before releasing her.

VICTIM WAS ABDUCTED, TAKEN TO UP

- Nikita was murdered outside her college in Faridabad on October 26 this year as she resisted a kidnapping bid by the main accused, Tausif
- Tausif and his friend Rehan were nabbed the same day
- In 2018, Tausif had abducted Nikita and taken her to UP before setting her free
- Nikita's father had lodged a police complaint then but later withdrew it after a reported compromise

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Won't let restrictions stall march: Farmers

DELHI CHALO Unions equipped with essential supplies, say prepared for long battle with Centre

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CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

Undeterred by the actions of both BJP-led Centre and Haryana Government to stop them from reaching Delhi for their protest on November 26-27, over three lakh farmers from Punjab, including 30,000 women, are preparing for a long-drawn dharna on the borders of the national capital, or in Haryana, wherever they are stopped.

While the Delhi Government has reportedly sealed its borders, Haryana, too, has started stopping farmers and trucks carrying supplies for farmers for their protest at its borders with Punjab. Farmers are to begin their 'Delhi Chalo' march tomorrow, though the food and other supplies are being dispatched towards Delhi since last night. At least 40 tractor-trailers carrying ration supplies for the protesters were stopped at the Khanauri border in the wee hours of today, and not allowed to go to Delhi. Interestingly, the gurdwaras in neighboring Dhamkaan are providing them food and other necessities.

With Haryana also deploying a posse of police personnel at its borders and imposing strict travel restrictions for vehicles moving towards Delhi, the farmers' strategy now will be to start indefinite peaceful protests wherever they are stopped. There are 10 main roads from Punjab to Delhi that pass from Haryana. The Haryana Government has put road blocks in Panchkula, Ambala, Kaithal, Jind, Fatehabad and Sirsa. The national highways in Ambala, Hisar, Rewari and Palwal leading to Delhi and six border posts in Haryana, too, have been sealed.

For almost a week now, farmer unions have been mobilising their cadres for the Delhi protest by organising torch marches and 'jago' in almost all villages. Harinder Kaur Bindu, state president of the women wing of the BKU (Ekta Ugrahan) said other than contributing ration and beddings, an average of Rs 2 lakh cash donation had been made by farmers from each village of Malwa. "Farmers, their children and spouses, know that this is a battle for their survival. So they are giving their all," she said.

Interestingly, the Government of India has invited farm unions for a fresh round of talks on December 3. The offer has met with sharp reactions from farmer unions. "Why does the Centre indulge in doublespeak? On the one hand, it is going all out to stop a peaceful dharna, including arresting the 31 farm union leaders in Haryana, and on the other, it is extending an invitation for talks. The negotiations would be beneficial only if they accede to our demand of repealing the farm laws and ordinance imposing hefty fines for stubble burning and not introducing the new Electricity Act," said Joginder Singh Ugrahan, president of BKU (Ekta Ugrahan).

"At least a minimum common programme should first be decided. Otherwise, we know that it is just a diversionary tactic to stop the protests," he added. Darshan Pal of the Krantikari Kisan Union said wherever they are stopped, they would start an indefinite dharna.

Rajinder Singh Deepsinghwala of the Kirti Kisan Union and Harmeet Singh Qadian of the BKU (Qadian) said they were mobilising farmers from the southern districts of the Malwa region to march to Delhi on Wednesday. They said in case they were stopped from entering Haryana, they would make the farmers stay at Takht Damdama Sahib for the night, and then again start on foot on the morning of November 26.

Members of the Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee protest at the Jandiala railway station. VISHAL KUMAR

ALL SECTIONS SHOULD JOIN STIR: CHANDUMAJRA

Former MP and SAD leader Prem Singh Chandumajra on Tuesday called upon all sections of society to join the farmers' march to Delhi on November 26 and 27 to press for the withdrawal of the farm laws and making the Minimum Support Price a fundamental right of farmers. He said the issue was not just of growers as consumers would be equally affected by the laws

BJP CREATING ANARCHY IN STATE: KHAIRA

Five AAP rebel MLAs on Tuesday made a fervent appeal to all political parties of Punjab to join the farmers' protest in Delhi. Addressing the media, MLAs Sukhpal Khaira, Jagtar Singh Hissowal and others urged all sections to support the cause of farmers. Khaira said the farmers' agitation had been totally peaceful but the adamant attitude of the BJP government was virtually pushing Punjab towards anarchy

BKU (Ekta Ugrahan) members protest in Bathinda. TRIBUNE PHOTO

Angry over arrests, BKU burns Hry Govt effigies

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BATHINDA, NOVEMBER 24

Irked over the arrest of farmers in Haryana ahead of the 'Delhi Chalo' agitation, farmers under the banner of the BKU (Ekta Ugrahan) today burnt an effigy of the Khattar government at various protest sites in Bathinda district.

BKU (Ekta Ugrahan) district president Shingara Singh Mann condemned the Haryana government for arresting farmers last night in a bid to stop them from going to Delhi.

Mann said the farm unions had given the call of the Delhi march to mark their protest against the three controversial farm laws on November 26, but the Khattar government in Haryana was arresting farm leaders to weaken their movement.

He said they would march towards Delhi as per the plan and if the Haryana Government tried to stop them, they would stage a protest there only.

Track blocked, train services from Amritsar disrupted

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

AMRITSAR, NOVEMBER 24

The Railways has suspended the departure of all trains from the Amritsar railway station whose schedule was issued earlier. It has also announced cancellation of all trains except two pairs of mail express trains due to hassles posed in operations by activists of the Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee. Members of the committee refused to lift the blockade on the main Amritsar-Delhi railway line at the Jandiala Guru railway station today.

Rajesh Aggarwal, Divisional Railway Manager, said only 02903/04 Mumbai Central-Amritsar-Mumbai Central Golden Temple Mail, 04649/50 Saryu Jamuna Express and 04673/74 Shaheed Express would be operated from the Amritsar railway station.

The Railways announced the departure of three trains, namely 02716 Sachkhand Express, 02926 Paschim Express and 09026 Amritsar-Bandra Terminus, from the Amritsar railway station tomorrow as these trains had already chugged in at the local railway station via detour from Tarn Taran.

Meanwhile, the already announced departure of three trains, namely 02030 Amritsar-New Delhi Shatabdi, 02054 Amritsar-Haridwar Janshatabdi and 05212 Amritsar-Saharsa Jansewa from tomorrow stands cancelled. The trains will remain suspended till the lifting of the agitation by the farm organisation.

Stalled for over two months, train services resumed from the Amritsar railway station today as a couple of trains arrived via alternative Beas and Tarn Taran routes to reach Amritsar. Freight trains were allowed to cross as many of them were carrying urea.

However, the main Amritsar-Delhi railway line remained paralysed near Jandiala Guru as activists of the committee squatted on the line at 3 am which necessitated diversion of 02903 Mumbai Central-Amritsar Golden Temple Mail. It arrived over three hours behind the schedule.

Passengers at the railway station in Amritsar on Tuesday.

AMRITSAR-DELHI RAILWAY LINE PARALYSED

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Capt: Hope Dec 3 talks resolve farmers' issues

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CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh has welcomed the Centre's decision to take forward the talks with farm unions, in the wake of the farmers' decision to lift their agitation to allow passenger and goods trains in the state.

The Chief Minister, who had spoken to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah last week to urge them to resolve the issue at the earliest, said he was happy to note that the Central Government had reportedly invited farmer organisations for talks on December 3. Referring to media reports to this effect, he hoped that the forthcoming talks would pave the way for early redressal of the concerns of farmers on the agricultural laws. It was vital for Punjab's interests that the matter be resolved as soon as possible, the CM said, expressing satisfaction at the fact that both the unions and the Government of India had shown flexibility and intent to come to an amicable solution on the issue.

Capt Amarinder Singh

Finally, urea bags reach Abohar

OUR CORRESPONDENT

ABOHAR, NOVEMBER 24

After two months, manned level crossings downed for 15 minutes to facilitate entry of a goods train here today. The crossings stayed lifted since the last week of September due to protests by farmers.

The arrival of the train brought cheer among farmers as it carried 66,000 urea bags which were dispatched by the Indian Potash Limited for distribution among farmers here.

The civil authorities and police had already laid special nakas near the interstate borders on the highways to prevent transport of fertilisers to Rajasthan.

Even when none of the unions had staged a dharna on the rail tracks here in the past two months, the Railways had decided not to run freight trains. This had created acute shortage of DAP fertiliser that was to be used at the time of sowing wheat. Also, there was scarcity of urea fertiliser that was needed for cereal crops and fruit orchards.

The Abohar Pesticides and Fertiliser Dealers' Association had appealed to farm unions to let goods trains run since it was in their interest also.

Farmers had to halt transporting cotton produce to the new grain market for 10 days as the Cotton Corporation of India suspended purchase after suffering Rs 5-crore loss in a major factory fire.

RELIEF FOR FARMERS

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Growers seek better price for kinnow, halt traffic

ABOHAR, NOVEMBER 24

Adharna that started on Sunday under the banner of the Bhartiya Kisan Union (Ekta Sidhpur) today turned into a 'chakka jam' as the protesters demanded remunerative prices for kinnow fruit.

The farmers staged a sit-in on the overbridge on National Highway-10, near Dangarkhera village on the Abohar-Fazilka stretch of the GT road, and blocked the traffic. Due to this, hundreds of commuters coming from both sides had to face problems. Farmers raised slogans against traders and commission agents (arhtiyas), alleging that they were denying sufficient price for the fruit at the mandi here.

BKU vice-president Bhupinder Singh Dhillon said the farmers were not being given a fair price for kinnow and were being financially exploited by agents who were buying the crop for Rs 4-5 per kg. "We started raising a voice against the economic exploitation of the farmers, staged a sit-in at the kinnow mandi in the new grain market complex and shut business, but none has so far resolved the issue," Dhillon added. The protesters decided to stay near the overbridge throughout the night. SDM Jaspal Singh Brar tried to resolve the dispute but traders reportedly claimed that unripe fruit was being transported to the mandi, which couldn't fetch good price due to transportation problems that had erupted due to the agrarian stir and the November 26 Delhi protest call. — OC

Farmers block the state highway in Abohar on Tuesday.

State's 3rd mega food park opens in Phagwara

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

After Fazilka and Ludhiana, Punjab has a third mega food park at Phagwara. Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar and Union Minister of State for Food Processing Industries Rameswar Teli virtually inaugurated Sukhjit Mega Food Park and Infra Ltd.

Set up at an investment of Rs 135 crore in Phagwara, Sukhjit Mega Food Park and Infra Ltd will create a huge demand for maize and would also give impetus to food processing industries.

The food park has a cold store and IQF facilities, multi-vegetable processing line, deep freezers, silos, dry warehousing facility, sorting grading facility, etc. — TNS

Dera followers to intensify stir over member's murder

BATHINDA, NOVEMBER 24

Members of the Dera Sacha Sauda Committee have indicated that if they don't get justice in the murder case of their prominent member Manohar Lal, more followers would reach Salabatpura, the state headquarters of the Sirsa-based sect.

Around 3,000 dera members from nearby blocks have already reached Salabatpura. Dera committee members from Haryana and Rajasthan, who came to Salabatpura to participate in the protest, said many more followers wanted to join the protest. Dera committee member Harcharan Singh said, "We are flooded with phone calls from followers in Haryana and Rajasthan, who want to come and join the protest. As the days are passing by, they are calling for a new course of action for the protest."

He said their talks with the district administration were on, but these had failed to reach any conclusion. "We want the issue to be resolved at the earliest," he said. Pressure is mounting on the state government and the police to act quickly in the case as dera followers are adamant that they won't cremate the body till the police nab the killers. — TNS

Dera followers protest in Bathinda on Tuesday. PAWAN SHARMA

Singers target Centre, strike a discordant note

SUKHMEET BHASIN
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

BATHINDA, NOVEMBER 24

Many singers from Punjab have come out with songs challenging the Union Government over the issue of the three farm laws.

Singers Kanwar Grewal and Harf Cheema have come out with a new song 'Jatta khich tyari, pecha pae gaya Centre naal' on the standoff between farmers and the Centre over the agrarian laws.

The video of the song showcases aged farmers and women participating in protests. Earlier, Harf Cheema had composed a song 'Tera vaah peya eh kihde naal, tainu dasange sarkare ni' (Listen government, we'll tell you what you are up against)."

Jass Bajwa has also come out with a song saying, 'Centre di sarkaar rahi sada Jatta layi gaddar, Jatta tagda hoja (The Centre has always been a traitor for the Jatt farmer, the Jatts must strengthen themselves)."

Similarly Korala Maan's song also warns the Centre not to compel farmers to become rebels by saying 'Dilliye khyal rakh layi, kite kahi aale modhe te bandook na aa je' (Delhi better be careful, lest the shoulders carrying agri tools start carrying weapons).

Elly Mangat's song 'Baghi Kisan' invokes Baghel Singh, the Sikh general who in late 18th century launched an attack on Delhi and inflicted several defeats on the Mughals.

Reminding the Modi government of Baghel Singh, the song tells the government, 'Lagda Baghel Singh yaad tainu nahi reha nai' (It seems you have forgotten Baghel Singh).

Protesting farmers are also not behind as they have come out and composed songs in support of their ongoing agitation against the Narendra Modi government.

Apart from these, many Punjabi singers are openly sharing the stage at farmers' agitation since the protests started on September 25. Most of the singers are claiming that they were sons of farmers and whatever they were today was due to farmers.

Come up with fresh songs in farmers' support

HIT OUT AT UNION GOVT

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Ludhiana realtor axes four of family to death

Accuses son's in-laws of blackmailing him

LUDHIANA, NOVEMBER 24

A 60-year-old property dealer and building contractor killed four of his family members by slitting their throats with an axe at Mayur Vihar in Ludhiana on Tuesday. He met with an accident while fleeing in his car, which caught fire on Hambran road.

Rajiv Sunda had left behind a "suicide note" in which he admitted to have committed the crime and that he was ending his life. The police said prima facie it appeared Rajiv's dispute with his sons in law was the reason behind the killings.

The deceased are Rajiv's wife, Sunita (55), son Ashish (35), daughter-in-law Garima and grandson Saket (13).

Additional DCP-3 Sameer Verma said the accused had a scuffle with family members in the morning over some issue. Scared, Saket called his maternal grandparents and told them to reach Mayur Vihar house.

The moment Garima's parents reached there, the accused himself opened the door. After letting them in, the accused fled in his Swift car, he added.

"Garima's parents found the family members lying dead with throat badly slit," said ADCP Verma, adding that the blood stained axe had been recovered from the house.

Neighbours said the accused and his family maintained no contact with them. Four days ago, the family had a big scuffle over some issue and today morning also they heard noises from the house.

In his 'note', Rajiv Sunda accused his son's wife and in-laws of demanding money from him and threatening to implicate him in a fake domestic violence case, said ADCP Sameer Verma. — TNS

22 more succumb to Covid, state braces for second wave

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA, NOV 24

The state has reported 614 cases and 22 deaths in the past 24 hours. As per the media bulletin released on Tuesday, with fresh cases the total Covid-count has reached 1,47,665 and the number of deaths 4,653.

In the district-wise breakup, Sangrur topped the chart with four deaths, followed by Jalandhar and Ludhiana with three deaths each, Bathinda and Gurdaspur with two deaths each, Fatehgarh Sahib, Mansa, Moga, Pathankot and Patiala reported one death each.

Meanwhile, the state government has released several updates for the treatment of Covid patients ahead of the expected second wave in mid-December. This is the third amendment made by the state since the pandemic spread. The guidelines have been revised according to the regional updates and have been sent to all districts.

Dr Bishav Mohan, senior cardiologist from Dayanand Medical College and Hospital (DMCH), who is also a member of the Covid-19 task force formed by the state government, shared the revised guidelines for treating mild, moderate and serious patients. He said there were some important points to remember while treating Covid patients, like low dose of steroids have a good outcome when patients are on oxygen support. However, giving steroids with normal saturation and on the basis of CT scan can cause more harm.

"Ramdesivir injection has not shown benefit in reducing death rate. However, in some cases of moderate severity, when given in early phase, it can help in reducing stay in the hospital. In addition to this, blood thinners like Heparin, given in required dose, help. HCQ Prophylaxis for high-risk contacts and frontline healthcare workers should be considered. Mental health issue should be managed in consultation with a psychiatrist/psychologist, Dr Mohan said.

A crowded Chaura Bazaar in Ludhiana. PHOTO: HIMANSHU MAHAJAN

FRESH GUIDELINES

- The state government has released fresh guidelines for the treatment of Covid patients. The guidelines have been revised according to the regional updates
- Patients in home isolation need to watch out for difficulty in breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, mental confusion, discoloration of lips or face and decreased urine output

6 of Raj Bhavan staff positive

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

Punjab Raj Bhavan today said six employees had been found Covid-19 positive in extensive testing this week. Entry and meetings have been restricted at the Raj Bhavan for the time being. A spokesperson said all employees, including security personnel, were tested for Covid-19. Of 338 tests conducted, six persons including Principal Secretary to the Governor, were found to be positive. They have been immediately isolated.

The Governor and his family have tested negative. All protocols regarding the pandemic are being followed, the spokesperson said. — TNS

State more callous than pvt employer: HC

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has rapped the State of Punjab for being "more callous than a private employer". The Bench made it clear that the state was required to adopt a humane approach "so that the employees remain motivated and serve to the best of their abilities".

Justice Sudhir Mittal said the state was supposed to be a model employer. A private employer may justify his actions citing profit. But the state did not have this excuse. "It may try to impute callousness to the impersonal nature of the state machinery, but such justification can never be acceptable. While considering issues concerning its employees, the state cannot remain impersonal".

The admonition came in a case where deputy project officers with Punjab State Forest Development Corporation were denied revision of pay scales in accordance with the 5th Pay Commission recommendations. The petitioners were also seeking additional increments in accordance with the Assured Career Progression Scheme applicable vide instructions dated November 31, 2006.

The Corporation's stand was that the posts of deputy project officer were created but not included in the by-laws. Unless and until the state government approved the amended by-laws, revised pay scales could not be granted. The state's submission was that deputy project officer was not a separate cadre post, but merely a designation accorded to field supervisors with five years of experience.

Justice Mittal asserted that all employees of the Corporation were granted revised pay scales. Its denial to the petitioners was arbitrary and discriminatory. For the same reason, they were entitled to assured career progression scheme applicable to all employees. Justice Mittal said the state's objection on not granting revised pay scales to the petitioners unless the Finance Department granted approval was noticed to be rejected. A committee for revision of pay scales of corporations' employees was constituted only after the state Finance Department accepted the Pay Commission recommendations. As such, there was no logic behind the objection being raised now.

"Only a bureaucratic hurdle is being created, even though the same is not supported either by rule or logic," he asserted, while allowing the petition and directing the grant of revised pay scales from the date the benefit was granted to the Corporation's other employees. Justice Mittal also directed the grant of the scheme's other benefit. Since the delay occurred on account of the state machinery, the petitioners were also held entitled to 10 per cent per annum interest on the arrears of pay, he added.

PAY REVISION DENIED

The court's admonition has come after deputy project officers with Punjab State Forest Development Corporation denied revision of pay scales in accordance with the 5th Pay Commission recommendations

CBI obstructing state's probe into sacrilege cases, says Capt

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh today slammed the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) over its tactics to obstruct the state government's investigation into the Bargari sacrilege case with its "false statements" in the High Court, which had, in fact, verbally termed the agency's actions as "contemptuous".

Citing the High Court's verbal observations of Monday, the Chief Minister said the CBI's attempts to further delay and derail the probe into the sacrilege cases had exposed the Central agency's malicious intent, but the state government would not allow it to succeed in its efforts to scuttle the investigations. After itself closing the case without completing the probe into the sacrilege cases, the CBI was now indulging in politically motivated acts to prevent the state from undertaking and completing its own probe, he said.

A government spokesperson said the Punjab and Haryana High Court had on Monday, while dismissing a review petition filed by one of the accused, had orally noted that "these actions of the CBI are contemptuous."

POLICE DOING GOOD JOB

> The Punjab Police have taken major strides in solving the sacrilege cases, which the CBI couldn't.
> Capt Amarinder Singh, CM

Bring back women stranded in Oman, Aujla urges Centre

AMRITSAR, NOVEMBER 24

Amritsar MP Gurjit Singh Aujla today urged Minister of External Affairs S Jaishankar to take steps for the repatriation of women stranded in Oman. He said around 24 womenwere living in poor conditions as the Indian Embassy in Muscat had failed to help them.

He said these women had gone to the Arabian country as domestic helps in search of livelihood. He said he had written to the MEA in June and October, but he had not got any response. — TNS

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TARN TARAN - 143 401, PUNJAB, INDIA
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Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for admission to the first semester of following courses for the Academic Session 2020-2021.
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WALK-IN-INTERVIEW

Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for the Post (s) of Part Time Teachers on Lecture Basis for the session 2020-2021. Online registration process will start on **01.12.2020** and close **08.12.2020.** For interview schedule and further details visit **www.sgtbulawadmissions.org.**

AMRITSAR (24.11.2020) REGISTRAR

Cattle shed 'set afire', no FIR yet

SANGRUR, NOVEMBER 24

More than 24 hours after a group of unidentified persons set the cattle shed of a Dalit on fire in Kasba Bharal village, the Sandhaur police are yet to register an FIR.

Gurmale Singh, owner of the shed, has been admitted to the Malerkotla civil hospital while police officers said they were conducting investigations as a member of the opposite party was also under treatment.

As per Gurmale, he had constructed his cattle shed on the village panchayat land and had been using it for the past 15 years. However, some upper caste people allegedly wanted to encroach upon the panchayat land and the matter was pending in court.

"On Monday, around 20 persons set my shed on fire. When I reached there, they pushed me into the flames and fled. My nephew saved me and got me admitted here. The cops are not taking any action and have not even visited the crime spot yet," Gurmale alleged. Zora Singh, president of the Bahujan Samaj Trade Association, Punjab, alleged that the police had been pressurising Gurmale for a compromise.

Meanwhile, a video of some persons setting the cattle shed on fire has gone viral on social media.

Sandhaur SHO Kulwant Singh confirmed that Jaswinder Kaur, wife of Gurmale Singh, had submitted a complaint in this regard on Monday. "The matter is under investigation as the other party has alleged that Gurmale and others also attacked them and their member Karminder Singh was admitted to the hospital," he added. — TNS

Injured Gurmale Singh in Civil Hospital, Malerkotla.

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24.11.2020 REGISTRAR

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Sector 66, SAS Nagar, Mohali - 160 059

VACANCY FOR HOSTEL WARDEN

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Sr. No.	Designation	No. of Post(s)	Qualification/ Experience
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Applications may please be forwarded by post along with CV (Biodata) to
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Detail of sites offered for allotment

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	-	4.38	130'-0"	1:2.5	₹1,28,55,04,712/-
ECO City Phase-II (Extension), New Chandigarh	3	2.50	164'-0"	1:3.0	₹54,45,04,553/-

Note: 1. Maximum permissible Ground Coverage for all the sites is 30%.
2. Category: "General" for all sites.

Application Money : ₹ 2,00,000/- (Non-refundable)

Scheme shall close as and when offered sites are allotted.

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- No member of Society shall be eligible for allotment of a dwelling unit under this scheme, if he/she or his/her spouse has already been allotted residential plot/house/flat either on free hold, lease hold or hire purchase-basis by Government agency such as Directorate, Urban Estate Department, PHDB (now PUDA), GMADA, Housefed in Urban Estate at SAS Nagar.

HOW TO APPLY
Brochure containing detailed terms and conditions and Application Form can be downloaded from our website **www.gmada.gov.in**. Application Form and application money (non-refundable) in the shape of a demand draft in favour of **Chief Administrator, GMADA along with necessary documents should be submitted to Additional Chief Administrator (GMADA), Policy Branch, Hall No. 312, 3rd Floor, PUDA Bhawan, Sector 62, SAS Nagar.**

SELECTION CRITERIA
Applications received by 20th of every month shall be scrutinized by the Committee. Allotment to all eligible applicants shall be made in the first week of next month. In case there are more than one eligible applicant, for particular site, the allotment shall be made by way of draw of lots. This process shall be followed till all the sites are disposed off.

POSSESSION
Physical possession of the site shall be handed over within 90 days from the date of issuance of Letter of Intent provided 15% amount as indicated in the LoI is received. In case, the Society fails to take possession of the site within the stipulated period, it shall be deemed to have been handed over on the due date.

ISSUE OF LETTER OF INTENT, ALLOTMENT LETTER & MODE OF PAYMENT
- After scrutiny of the requisite documents and the decisions regarding allotment of site, a Letter of Intent in prescribed form shall be issued by the Authority requiring the Society to complete the requisite formalities and deposit the amount equal to 15% of the total cost of the site/land within 30 days of the issue of the Letter of Intent alongwith 2% of the total amount of the site as "Cancer and Drug Addiction Treatment Infrastructure Fund". In case of failure to deposit/complete the said amount/documents within 30 days, Letter of Intent is liable to be cancelled.
- After determining the eligibility of the Societies on receipt of 15% amount of site and completion of required documents and necessary formalities, allotment letter indicating detailed terms and conditions will be issued.
- Balance 85% of the cost of site will be payable in five equated annual installments along-with interest at 12% per annum. The Society shall have the option of making payment of balance amount in lump-sum within 60 days from the date of issue of allotment letter. A rebate of 5% on the balance amount shall be admissible.

TERMS & CONDITIONS
- 2% of the total amount of the site as "Cancer and Drug Addiction Treatment infrastructure fund" shall be charged extra.
- Area and number of sites are indicative and can be clubbed, divided, changed. In future, new sites can also be added as per availability and feasibility of areas.
- In case of F.A.R. 1:3, the allotment price of the site shall be equivalent to prevailing reserve price for residential plots in the respective Sector/Area in which the site is located. For the sites where F.A.R. is less than 1:3, the allotment price shall be equivalent to the reserve price for residential plots in the respective Sector/Area after making proportionate adjustment for the F.A.R less than 3 in accordance with formulae.
- The above mentioned rates are valid for 1 year only.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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I Rajnish Kumar S/o Som Dutt, 20785-B, 25-A, Ajit Road, Bathinda have changed my name to Rajnish Gupta. (CL20066021)

I, Neetu Sharma d/o Joginder Dutt Sharma, Village Mustafabad, PO Subhanpur, Distt. Kapurthala, have changed my minor son's name from Sidharath to Sidharath Sharma. (CL20066022)

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I, Niza Aggarwal d/o Sh. Om Parkash Goyal w/o Sh. Navjot Garg r/o house No. 426, Sector 44-A, Chandigarh, have changed my name to Niza Garg after marriage. (CL20066062)

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COURT NOTICES

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)
In the Court of
Manjinder Kaur
Additional Principal Judge,
Family Court-II,
Jalandhar.
Rajinder Kumar s/o Davinder Pal r/o VPO Kandola, District Jalandhar.
Vs.
Milena Nikolova d/o Nikola Kirilov Nikolov r/o Stara Zagora Kazanlak in the town of Kazanlak, Bulgaria.
CNR No.: PBJL01-003272-2019
Next Date: 23.01.2021
Petition Under Section 13 of Hindu Marriage Act for dissolution of Marriage by a decree of divorce.
Publication issued to:
Milena Nikolova
Father: Kirilov Nikolov
Stara Zagora, Kazanlak in the town of Kazanlak, Bulgaria.
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 23.01.2021 at 10:00 a.m.
For details logon to:
https://highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=jalandhar
Dated, this day of 16.11.2020.
Sd/- Additional Principal Judge, Family Court-II, Jalandhar.
CL20065765

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)
In the Court of
Manjinder Kaur,
Additional Principal Judge
Family Court-II,
Jalandhar.
Jasmeet Kaur W/o Raghbir Singh R/o H.No. 289/14 Krishna Nagar near Adarsh Nagar Gurudwara, Jalandhar.
Versus
General Public
CNR No.
PBJL01-002926-2020
Next Date: 24.02.2021
Petition under Guardian and Wards Act.
Publication issued to:
General Public
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Dated, this day of 16.11.2020.
Sd/- Additional Principal Judge Family Court-II, Jalandhar.
CL20065767

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)
In the Court of
Preeti Sahni,
Principal Judge,
Family Court,
Jalandhar.
Amritpreet Kaur Sangha W/o Gurpreet Singh D/o Santokh Singh Athwal, address: 69 Satkartar Nagar, Jalandhar. Presently at 22 Carlton Drive Wigston Leicestershire LE18 IDE United Kingdom through attorney Lakhvir Singh Athwal S/o Uttam Singh R/o 282 New Moti Nagar, Jalandhar.
Versus
Gurpreet Singh S/o Kewal Singh, Address: Village Kala Sanghia, Distt. Kapurthala.
CNR No.
PBJL01-024090-2019
Next Date: 25.01.2021
Petition Under Section 13 of Hindu Marriage Act for Dissolution of Marriage by a Decree of Divorce.
Publication issued to: Gurpreet Singh, Father: Kewal Singh Village Kala Sanghia, Distt. Kapurthala.
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State govt to recruit 8,393 regular teachers

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

The Punjab Education Department today announced the recruitment of 8,393 regular teachers. Online applications have been invited from eligible applicants from December 1, 2020, to December 20, 2020.

The department has also given a golden chance to education providers, education volunteers, EGS volunteers, AIE volunteers and STR volunteers to get regular appointment as they have been working on contractual or ad hoc basis for several years. Special age relaxation has also been given to these volunteers.

As per the letter issued by the Directorate of Recruitment, in educational qualification, 12th pass or at least 45 per cent marks in equivalent examination and Diploma Certificate in Nursery Teacher Education Programme or any other equivalent course along with Punjabi subject as a compulsory or elective subject in Class X, has been prescribed.

The age limit for these posts has been fixed from 18 to 37 years but according to the notification of the Education Department, education providers, education volunteers, EGS volunteers, AIE volunteers and STR volunteers working in government schools of Punjab have been given a relaxation equal to the service rendered in the upper age limit, while divorced women, widows, Scheduled Castes and Backward Class candidates have been given a relaxation of five years in the upper age limit.

Of the total 8,393 posts, 3,273 posts are in the General category.

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Rehrwan villagers protest outside the Dharamkot police station.

Villagers, cops clash; SHO among 4 hurt

MOGA, NOVEMBER 24

Dharamkot police station SHO Guljinder Singh and three others were injured in a clash between the policemen and protesters outside the police station in Moga on Monday night.

Rehrwan villagers, under the leadership of Guru Granth Sahib Satkar Committee president Sukhjit Singh Khosa, held a protest outside the police station, demanding a case of murder against the mining mafia who attacked village residents on November 3 in which a few persons were injured. They alleged that the police were protecting the mining mafia.

Jagsir Singh, one of the injured, later died on November 15. His family members along with protesters kept his body outside the police station, demanding action against the accused. When they tried to cremate the body, the policemen resorted to cane-charge. The police have registered an FIR against Khosa, Tarsem Singh and other protesters. — TNS

Terms relaxed to appoint anganwari workers' kin

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

Punjab Social Security, Women and Child Development Minister Aruna Chaudhary on Tuesday announced that the conditions to appoint relatives of Anganwadi workers and helpers on compassionate grounds had been relaxed.

During a three-hour marathon meeting with the representatives of Anganwadi Workers Union at the Punjab Civil Secretariat, she also assured to meet all their legitimate demands.

Chaudhary said the existing condition of appointment on compassionate grounds was to give preference only to widow daughter-in-law of the deceased Anganwadi worker and helper, which would now be replaced to any dependent concerned. Earlier, workers and helpers received ex-gratia after the age of 70, while their retirement age was 65. Now, they could claim ex-gratia anytime between the age of 60 to 65.

The Cabinet Minister also announced to reduce the condition of graduation for promotion to Anganwadi worker status to Class XII, coupled with the experience of five years.

Chaudhary also apprised that Anganwadi workers would be equipped with smartphones, which would have dedicated software for smooth field work. — TNS

4 dismissed over HIV blood transfusion

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

BATHINDA, NOVEMBER 24

The Health Department has dismissed four contract lab technicians after incidents of transfusion of HIV-positive blood to patients came to light at the Civil Hospital in Bathinda. The Health department will also be seeking a Vigilance probe into the case.

The action has been taken on the directions of Health Minister Balbir Singh Sidhu after these employees were found guilty in a probe.

Health Secretary Husan Lal confirmed that the four contract employees of the Bathinda blood bank had been suspended. He said repeated incidents in this regard seemed to be more of conspiracy than negligence, so they would call for a Vigilance probe. In October; a seven-year-old thalassaemia patient was given blood of an HIV-positive donor. In this case, lab technician Baldev Singh Romana is in jail, while contract workers Richa and Karishma were suspended.

This is the second action on the blood bank employees at the Bathinda Civil Hospital as earlier this month, two incidents of HIV blood transfusion were reported.

Meanwhile, a group of health workers have started protesting after the suspension of the lab technicians. These employees have announced to come out in favour of the suspended lab technicians from Wednesday by holding a strike in the labs of all government hospitals in the district, besides the blood bank of the Civil Hospital. They have called for a "fair" probe. They have alleged that they were being falsely implicated for the negligence in the blood bank.

Lab, blood bank workers to go on strike in Bathinda from today

Another thalassaemic kid tests HIV-positive

Bathinda: Another thalassaemia-affected child was found HIV-positive at the Bathinda Civil Hospital on Tuesday. When the nine-year old from Barnala district was tested for HIV before blood transfusion, his report came out positive. The Bathinda Thalassaemia Association claims that he has been undergoing treatment at the hospital for the last four years and was administered blood from the hospital 15 days back. Earlier, three kids and a woman were reported to have been given HIV-positive blood by the government blood bank. TNS

CM invites Manmohan Singh, Governors

GURPURB Rahul Gandhi, state MPs, MLAs among invitees to Dera Baba Nanak event

RAVI DHALIWAL
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

DERA BABA NANAK, NOVEMBER 24

Notwithstanding the Covid-19 pandemic, the concluding ceremony of the 550th birth anniversary celebrations of Guru Nanak Dev may turn out to be a high-voltage affair with Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh sending invitations to former Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh and many other dignitaries for the event to be held here on November 30.

Cabinet Minister and local MLA Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa confirmed that apart from Dr Manmohan Singh, the Chief Minister had invited state Governor VP Singh Badnore, his Haryana counterpart Satyadev Narayan Arya, former AICC president Rahul Gandhi, Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha MPs, besides all MLAs.

Randhawa presided over a meeting here today to oversee the preparations.

The Chief Minister will be presiding over in as many as five functions in one day. He will begin his tour by having a view of the Kartarpur Sahib shrine located in Pakistan through binoculars from the Darshan Sthall near the Integrated Check Post.

Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Ishfaq maintained that Covid safety guidelines, including sanitisation of the venues, were being followed.

Gurdwara Ber Sahib decked up with lights at Sultanpur Lodhi a day before Guru Nanak Dev's birth anniversary. PHOTO: MALKIAT SINGH

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251-Elect/T-19/2020-21	Rewiring of staff quarters & service building over Firozpur division.	70,10,238.85/-	1,40,200/-	120 days	17.12.2020 after 15:00 Hrs.	www.ireps.gov.in
251-Elect/T-20/2020-21	Supply, Fixing, Testing, Commissioning of solar panel on rooftop of Broad gauge Coaches over Firozpur Division.	34,82,568.80/-	69,700/-	04 Months	17.12.2020 after 15:00 Hrs.	www.ireps.gov.in

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Sr. No.	Name of Work	Approx. Value of work (Rs. in lacs)	Bid Security in (Rs. in lacs)	Bid Processing fee (Rs.)	Period of completion in months+O&M Period of 3 Months
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1. Availability of bidding document on Website from **26.11.2020 to 28.12.2020.**
2. The dead line for submission of bids online is **28.12.2020 at 17.00 noon.**
3. Bid will be opened on **29.12.2020 at 11.00 Hours.**
4. Earnest Money will be deposited in SBI Bank - A/c No. ***32266284141, IFSC Code SBIN0001465.***
5. A pre-bid meeting will be held on **10.12.2020 at 11.00 hrs.** at the office of **Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Malout.**
6. Other details can be seen in the bidding documents.
7. Bids will be opened in office of Executive Engineer, W/s & Sanitation Division. Malout on respective Dates.
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Five booked for illegal sand mining

FEROZEPUR, NOVEMBER 24

Five persons have been booked for illegal sand mining in the border district. Acting on tip-off, the mining department carried out a raid and three trucks laden with sand were intercepted outside a "dhaba" near Arif Ke village.

Arif Ke police station SHO Jaswinder Singh said the accused Gurjant Singh and Rai Singh were residents of Ganganagar district in Rajasthan. He said the driver managed to give a slip to the police. "The accused were using fake receipts which did not match with the record of the mining department," said the SHO.

Later, a case under various sections of the IPC and 21 of the Mining and Mineral Development and Regulation Act, 1957, was registered against the accused at Arif ke police station. Besides the erring drivers, the police also booked the owners of the seized trucks. — OC

1 killed in accident

ABOHAR: A farmer was killed while two others received injuries as three vehicles collided on the Abohar-Sriganganagar highway on Tuesday. Farmer Karan Jakhar (31) and his friend Rajat were returning to Panjkosi when their car reportedly got trapped in a truck that was carrying wheat bags and a trailer that was transporting bitumen containers. Karan died on the spot. OC

In remembrance of **Brig Naveen Sodhi (Retd),** who departed for his heavenly abode on 21 Nov 2020. Commissioned into 63 CAVALRY on 12 May 1974, our **Eighteenth Commandant** (Mar 96 - Nov 98) and **Sixth Colonel of the Regt** (Aug 04 - June 10), he was a thoroughbred cavalier and a soldier par excellence who will be missed by one and all.

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Govt policy while advertising posts paramount, rules HC

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has ruled that the policy in force at the time of advertisement for filling government posts will be relevant and taken into consideration for ascertaining candidates' eligibility for category of posts covered.

The Bench also ruled that sports gradation certificate issued or sought to be issued under the old instructions circulated in November 1993 would no more be relevant while applying for posts now advertised under the eligible sportspersons category.

The Bench of Justice Daya Chaudhary and Justice Meenakshi I Mehta also made it clear that the certificate was required to be obtained in terms of the new policy as well as the modified new policy.

The Bench was hearing a bunch of petitions filed by Sonu Kumar and other petitioners against Haryana and other respondents. The question raised before the Bench in the petitions was whether sports gradation certificates issued or sought by the petitioners in terms of the old instructions would entitle them to consideration for posts advertised after the notification of the new policy and the modified new policy under the eligible sportspersons category.

The petitioners' argument was that they had participated in sports events when the old instructions were in vogue and as such, they deserved to be considered eligible for the posts on the basis of sports gradation certificates issued in terms of the old instructions.

Their contention was that the new policy, notified on May 25, 2018, and modified on November 15, 2018, "could not be taken to have divested the petitioners of their right to be selected on posts reserved for sportspersons" and as such, the rejection of their candidature for non-submission of certificates under the new policy was unreasonable, arbitrary and illegal.

After hearing rival contentions, the Bench ruled that the new policy, notified on May 25, 2018, and the modified new policy notified on November 15, 2018, were already in existence when advertisements were published by the Haryana Staff Selection Commission and as such, the contentions of the petitioners' counsel were untenable.

The Bench observed that the opening line of the policy made it clear that it had been notified while superseding old instructions. The Bench noted that clauses in the advertisements provided that the candidates applying for seats reserved under the eligible sportspersons category were required to upload or submit sports gradation certificates issued by the competent authority, which meant certificates issued in terms of the policy prevalent at the time of issuance of advertisements.

ELIGIBILITY OF SPORTSPERSONS

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Will ensure speedy probe, SIT head tells ex-councillor's kin

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

KARNAL, NOVEMBER 24

The special investigation team (SIT) is yet to record the statement of the family of former Panipat councillor Harish Sharma, who reportedly committed suicide last week, in spite of an assurance from senior police officers.

The Panipat police have booked its Superintendent of Police (SP) Manisha Choudhary and two other cops for allegedly abetting the suicide of the former councillor.

The case was registered on a complaint given by Harish's daughter Anjali Sharma. She alleged in the complaint that her father was harassed by the police officials and two "YouTube channel journalists".

Anjali was assured that the family's statement would be recorded soon, but the assurance has not materialised yet.

Family's statement yet to be recorded, claims daughter

"I talked to the SIT chief, ADGP Sandeep Khirwar, about the case on Tuesday. He assured me that the investigation will be concluded as soon as possible," she said.

When contacted, the SIT chief said: "I received the case file on Tuesday the SIT will record the statements of all witnesses as well as take help of the scientific evidence."

Harish and his daughter, along with eight others, were booked for allegedly selling firecrackers on Diwali in spite of a ban and for misbehaving with the police. On Thursday last week, the former councillor had jumped into the canal. To save him, his friend Rajesh Sharma also jumped. But both drowned.

The inconsolable family in Karnal's Kulvehri village on Tuesday.

Karnal man throws three kids into canal

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

KARNAL, NOVEMBER 24

An 'alcoholic' allegedly threw his three children into a canal near Kulvehri village on Monday night after a fight with his wife.

The police launched a rescue operation with the help of residents of nearby villages, but Shiv (8), Jhanvi (5), and Dev (3) were yet to be traced. The accused, identified as Sushil Kumar of Nalipar village, was arrested.

According to the police, he had confessed to the crime. Sushil told the police that his wife was in an illicit relationship, due to which he had killed the children.

Residents of Nalipar village said Sushil, a juice vendor and alcoholic, often had arguments with his wife Baby. On Monday, the couple argued over his addiction, following which he took the children on a motorcycle.

Neighbours said they chased him, but failed to catch him. On hearing the children crying near the canal, people tried to stop him, but he threw the children into the canal.

Cap on gatherings in six NCR districts

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CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

In view of recent surge in Covid cases, especially in six NCR districts such as Gurugram, Rewari, Faridabad, Rohtak, Sonepat and Hisar, the state government has decided to limit the number of persons allowed at social gatherings such as weddings, and political or religious functions. A maximum of 50 persons will be allowed at events held indoor and 100 for those held outdoors.

In the remaining districts of the state, the gathering has been limited to 100 persons for indoor functions and 200 for events held outdoors. These orders will come into force on November 26.

PM CUTS SHORT CM

While Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar was giving statistics during the video-conferencing with Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the Covid situation and preparedness, he was cut short by the latter. Even as Khattar was speaking, the Prime Minister interrupted him and asked him to speak on the state's plan to tackle the surge instead of dwelling on numbers which were already available.

CM Manohar Lal Khattar gave this information during a video-conference of CMs of eight states on the Covid situation on Tuesday.

200 bags of urea seized

AMBALA, NOVEMBER 24

The Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department and the police seized 200 bags of urea loaded in a tractor-trailer and a truck here on Monday. The stock was being illegally transported to Punjab.

Two men, Hardev Singh of Moga and Gurmukh Singh of Gurdaspur, have been arrested in the matter. — TNS

HC for proper treatment of 'gangrape victims'

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

Acting on a plea alleging custodial gangrape of two girls arrested in a murder case, the Punjab and Haryana High Court has ruled that constitution of a medical board will not be appropriate.

Medical examination of the victims was conducted multiple times, but "total silence was maintained by them, at every opportune time, to disclose about the occurrence so caused".

At the same time, Justice Archana Puri asserted that it was utmost necessary that both girls were given appropriate medical treatment while they were in judicial custody at the central jail and observation home in Karnal. — TNS

33 deaths; 2,329 cases

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CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

A total of 33 persons succumbed to Covid in the state in the last 24 hours. The toll now stood at 2,249. With 2,329 fresh cases, the Covid tally in the state went past 2.22 lakh on Tuesday.

Five deaths were reported from Faridabad, four from Hisar, three each from Gurugram and Rohtak, two each from Panchkula, Yamunanagar, Sirsa, Bhiwani, Jhajjar, Fatehabad and Charkhi Dadri and one each from Sonepat, Karnal, Jind and Nuh.

In all, 1,943 patients recovered on Tuesday, taking the tally of discharged cases to 1.99 lakh. The maximum fresh cases were reported from Gurugram (822), followed by Faridabad (557), Hisar (164), Rewari (117) and Rohtak (97).

COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Gurugram	45,908	269
Faridabad	37,975	305
Hisar	14,980	213
Sonepat	12,446	61
Rohtak	10,155	110
Ambala	10,039	120
Rewari	9,908	54
Karnal	9,343	127
Panipat	9,025	116
Panchkula	8,396	124
Kurukshetra	7,468	110
Sirsa	7,025	102
Mahendragarh	6,186	10
Yamunanagar	5,512	113
Bhiwani	5,358	96
Jhajjar	4,818	50
Fatehabad	4,139	93
Palwal	3,887	21
Jind	3,659	69
Kaithal	3,295	45
Nuh	1,500	28
Charkhi Dadri	1,270	13
Total	2,22,292	2,249

Cong to propose changes in APMC Act over MSP

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

The Congress will propose an amendment in the Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC) Act in the next Assembly session to make minimum support price (MSP) mandatory.

This was decided in a Congress Legislature Party meeting chaired by Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda on Tuesday.

"The government refused to consider the proposal the last time, saying it was not given 15 days in advance," said Hooda.

"This government will not give MSP without a law. Farmers are denied MSP in paddy and millet even today. Claims by the government on MSP in the purchase of maize, cotton, mustard and other crops have proven hollow," he said.

State Congress president Kumari Selja termed the farmers' arrests as dictatorship and demanded the release of arrested farmers.

"It is an attempt to suppress the voice of farmers against the three farm laws. The arrests by the scared government are condemnable," she said.

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Bolstering corona battle

Case surge, vaccine progress prompt stocktaking

THE prospects of a relatively cheap, easy-to-store Covid-19 vaccine have heightened with AstraZeneca, along with Oxford University, announcing promising results of late-stage trials. It, along with Pfizer, Moderna and Sputnik V, has raised hopes of a potential scientific breakthrough to get a grip on the devastating pandemic. However, the vaccine, including the candidates in advanced stages of development in India, is still some time away. The elaborate regimen needed to make it accessible is a work in progress; there is brainstorming underway on aspects like the storage of the vaccine, the cost, determining the priority groups and the optimum dosage. The immediate concern is the burgeoning cases of coronavirus, prompting a virtual meeting of the PM with CMs, and some plain-speaking on deploying all resources available to ramp up testing and preparedness, and to meet the challenge at hand with the seriousness it demands.

The meeting comes a day after the Supreme Court, while noting that the pandemic has worsened, sought status reports from the Centre and all states on the steps taken to deal with the situation. The surge in several urban centres has resulted in governments enforcing strict measures. Uttar Pradesh is already testing Delhi residents at its border and has capped the number of wedding guests at 100, while night curfew has been imposed in four districts of Himachal Pradesh. Maharashtra has made it mandatory to undergo RT-PCR test for those who wish to come to the state from Delhi, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Goa.

The AIIMS director feels the vaccine protection could extend from nine months to a year, helping break the chain of transmission. Coronavirus will become endemic but won't disappear, becoming a much milder disease instead. It is only by 2023, it is believed, that the infections would become lesser. That's a long haul. Hence, the PM's suggestion to the states against going lax on testing, to work towards lowering the positivity rate and most importantly, to chalk out detailed plans on mass usage if and when a vaccine is ready.

Vacant posts in the Army

Need to sustain morale, efficacy of the forces

THAT important Army positions, which play a crucial role in operational preparedness, have been lying vacant is a matter of concern. Happening at a time when the country is faced with Chinese belligerence, along with the pandemic, points to the need for finding ways to strengthen the morale and effectiveness of the armed forces. The management of promotions and postings was handed over to the Department of Military Affairs from the Department of Defence in January this year and the transition might have been affected amid the hostilities, with action in the field taking precedence over routine procedures. The teething troubles need to be got over and the assimilation and integration expedited with the powers vested being exercised to tone up the forces.

It is after a gap of six weeks that the Ministry of Defence has approved the posting of a regular Director General of Military Intelligence, who coordinates human resources and technical inputs on enemy movement and action along the border. Important posts of the Director General of Infantry who advises on equipment, battle worthiness, training and modernisation along with the DG of Army Aviation, in charge of flying operations, have been waiting to be filled. Promotions and postings of officers in the ranks of Major Generals and Lieutenant Generals also have been cleared after months. For a frontline force, it is only natural that its men should get their due.

Some time back, the military had proposed raising the retirement age of jawans. 'I am looking at manpower costs. Why should a jawan serve for 15-17 years when he can work for 30 years? We are losing trained manpower,' CDS General Bipin Rawat, who is also the DMA Secretary, had said. There was also a proposal to cut the pension of those seeking premature retirement. The defence forces have been facing the task of modernisation amid a slender hike in budgetary allocation. The tension at the border, while straining resources, might as well offer an opportunity to transform the forces.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Strategy is not the consequence of planning, but the opposite: it's the starting point. — **Henry Mintzberg**

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Vanishing Trick

AS the Calcutta police tightened its measures against the smuggling of potassium chlorate, a potent bomb ingredient, the demand for a popular brand of throat tablets immediately started soaring. The connection between the two was not obvious at first. But it has now been discovered that the tablets, containing a grain of potassium chlorate, found their way to private arsenals. The authorities will not find it easy to ban the manufacture of these tablets when so many throats are going hoarse every day with the lusty shouting of slogans. Any such ban might itself prove an explosive issue. The ingenuity of people to use or abuse things for purposes for which they were not originally intended is well known. People in all walks of life have lately been puzzled by the widespread shortage of small coins. Nobody could tell precisely where they all disappeared all of a sudden. Shopkeepers tried to soothe the frayed nerves of customers by dispensing postage stamps for the balance due to them. Commercial establishments also were forced to have recourse to the postage stamp for settling wages to the last pie. Postage stamps are not legal tender, but their use as such — if not checked — could lead to depletion of all available stocks even in the post offices. One reason for the shortage of coins is that their minting has not kept with the notes in circulation. According to figures culled from the Reserve Bank Bulletin, the total note circulation was Rs. 1,942 crores in 1960-61. The coins in circulation during the year amounted to Rs. 71 crores. The total note circulation in 1969-70 was Rs. 3,799 crores and the coins in circulation Rs. 123 crores. Not all sections of the population are so affluent as to be able to tell the other side to keep the change. In times when everybody has to count his pies, the shortage of small change has also the opposite effect of raising prices to round them off in a bid to avoid transactions in small coin.

BJP's Bengal game plan

Amit Shah has taken it on himself to wrest the state from the TMC

RADHIKA RAMASESHAN
SENIOR JOURNALIST

ALL SET: The BJP has revised its soft strategies as well to win the state.

THERE was more than underlying irony in CPI (M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury's recent statements, wherein he declared the Left Front would wage a double-barrelled battle in the upcoming West Bengal elections: against the BJP and the Trinamool Congress (TMC). Evidently, his assessment of the Left Front's position is remote from the ground realities. The CPI (M) scored a duck in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls and posted an all-time low vote share of 6.3 per cent. Yechury's declaration came days after Amit Shah, the Home Minister, who has taken it on himself to wrest West Bengal from the TMC, visited the state. Shah embarked on his recent tour from Bankura, a backward region with a high Adivasi population and a former Left bastion. In 2019, the BJP wrenched the district's two Lok Sabha seats, Bankura and Bishnupur, from the TMC that, in turn, pulled them away from the CPI (M) in 2014. The CPI (M) retained Bankura from 1980 to 2014, and staggeringly, Bishnupur from 1971 to 2014. Therefore, the BJP's gain derived not so much in beating the TMC as breaching Left territory, because historically, the saffron party regarded the Left parties as an adversary on par on every account: ideological, organisational, statecraft and structural, because like it, the Left entities functioned through a presidium, and not an individual or a family.

The BJP's exponential rise in the north and the west was not matched by similar strides made in the east and the south, barring exceptions. For long, political wisdom maintained that the intrinsic challenge to Hindutva's overrun came from West Bengal and Tamil Nadu for historical reasons, although to be noted is that Syama Prasad Mookerjee, a founder of the Jana Sangh (BJP's predecessor), belonged to West Bengal.

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The BJP stagnated in both states. While Tamil Nadu continues to be below the BJP's radar, analysts and pollsters could not foresee the quantum leap it made in West Bengal in 2019, from a count of two seats (out of 42) in 2014 and a vote share of 16.8 per cent to 18 seats in 2019 and a 40. 25 per cent slice of the votes. Few, if anyone, believed the Modi wave was about to swamp the eastern state. Deconstructing the BJP's win in an article, Professors Deepankar Basu (Massachusetts University) and Debarshi Das (IIT-Guwahati) mentioned interesting features. Between 2014 and 2019, the BJP's vote share did not decline in any parliamentary constituency, while correspondingly, the Left's share diminished in every seat. The TMC reported a mixed bag of increase and decrease. To the critical question of a correspondence between the Left's decline and the BJP's progression, the writers noted that the BJP, and not so much the TMC, benefited where the Left Front significantly lost votes. Their surmise was that the Left cadre and supporters voted 'strategically' for the BJP to defeat the TMC.

Unsurprisingly, post 2019 saw defections first from the Left and subsequently the TMC to the BJP. The BJP didn't exert hard to spirit away the Left's deserters but Mamata Banerjee and her hard-as-nails attitude towards the ruling party's leadership and the efforts to pummel her was another kettle of fish. A key component of the BJP's game plan was to spirit away her key aides, ministers, MPs and MLAs, deflate her morale and enfeeble the TMC.

West Bengal is in sync with the political paradigm the BJP adopted after emerging as a force to reckon with. The once ideologically-driven Left parties have long since shed even a pretence of owing allegiance to their Bible and its commandments, having fed off the loaves and fishes of power for several decades. The cadre, used to operating as parallel power centres, felt deprived once the Left Front was voted out but dexterously moved loyalty to the TMC to escape persecution for their omissions and commissions and perpetuate their well-being.

However, Mamata had to first oblige her own workers who bore the 'lathi' blows and brutalities inflicted on them and kept the TMC afloat during the Left Front regime. The disparity in disbursing state patronage created a class of 'have-nots' among the former CPM cadre who had flocked to the TMC with high hopes. Before 2019, the ambitious but neglected cadre joined the BJP as an option and raised a workforce where none existed because for long the BJP's existence was confined to the commercial hubs of Kolkata, dominated by North Indian traders and businessmen.

Indeed, as author Snigdhendu Bhattacharya noted in his book *Mission Bengal: A Saffron Experiment*, that while in the 2011 Assembly elections, the BJP put up the highest number of Hindi-speaking candidates among all parties, gradually the leaders from the north were moved into the background once the leaders figured out that Mamata Banerjee would play up 'sub-nationalism' as a strategy to counter Hindutva and 'nationalism'.

Quite apart from raising a party organisation from the micro-level — from the 'vistarak' who are meant to be organisational force multipliers like the RSS's 'pracharak'— and prising heavyweights from the TMC (Mamata's closest political aide Mukul Roy was an early acquisition in 2017), the BJP revised its soft strategies as well.

Early on, it realised that propagating Hindutva through festivals such as Ram Navami and Hanuman Jayanti left no imprint on a state that embraced eclectic forms of Hinduism contained in the teachings of Chaitanya Mahaprabhu and Ramakrishna Paramhansa. KN Govindacharya, a former BJP general secretary, had advocated relating to Bankim Chandra Chatterjee, the 19th century novelist and poet who wrote 'Vande Mataram', and Swami Vivekananda. When on June 27, 2018, Amit Shah spoke on Bankim at a public event organised by the Delhi-based BJP think tank, the Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation, his theme note was that 'Vande Mataram' was a song that unified India and the Congress 'blundered' by associating it with religion (read Hinduism). Cultural nationalism, for long an abstract notion, acquired a deeper political resonance.

The other aspects of the BJP's blueprint were a narrative inspired by a familiar strand used in Bihar in the nineties: conjuring images of violence and lawlessness and projecting Mamata as the head of another 'family' promoting a kinglet, her nephew and Diamond Harbour MP Abhishek Banerjee. The BJP was convinced that the state was a low-hanging fruit ripe to be picked by it. From Brahmaputra that flows through Assam, it's eastward to the Bhagirathi-Hooghly.

Rukmini ma'am, our beloved bonsai!

MR ANAND

THE tiniest woman clad in sari I have ever met was Rukmini ma'am. She looked more like a bonsai than a human being. She was my teacher when I was in second standard. She was around 50. We looked up to her, not as a teacher, not even a mother, but a grandmother — an embodiment of indulgence and kindness. She wore Gandhian spectacles and always carried a copy of the Tamil weekly *Ananda Vikatan* and an umbrella. In her bag, she kept a foldable accordion hand fan since our classrooms had no fans. Only the headmaster had an old wall fan. After signing the attendance register kept in the headmaster's tiny cubicle, she would walk down to the classroom to stay there till 4 in the afternoon when Munisami, a septuagenarian, the only peon of the school, rang the day's final bell.

In those days, all that we were supposed to learn during the entire academic year of second standard was Tamil and English alphabet and construction of small words. Not even arithmetic tables were introduced at that level. We were not in a hurry to cram our heads with numbers. We loved to, and were allowed to flutter around freely like butterflies. Hardly any one of us was precocious. We were seven years old and behaved like them. We were like plants growing organically. No pesticides, no fertilisers. Our parents wanted us to grow into big trees and give shade to our family, society and nation. They never wanted to spoil us by transplanting us in foreign soil. We were not carrying big loads of books like present-day children. We just carried a slate and a baked stick of lime to write with.

Rukmini teacher took special care of me since she knew my father was a teacher. At times, she even shared with me her lunch that she carried in a small tiffin box. From her, I learnt my life's first lesson that one should not judge people by their looks. Sometimes God hides a beautiful soul in a seemingly unattractive body. Reticent, she taught me more than all those loud teachers who unleashed on me unending harangues about the need to participate and 'win' in the never-ending rat race. Faces of my college lecturers and professors completely faded from my memory, but faces of my primary school teachers remain fresh.

A tree should not look down on its roots. A building should not forget its foundation which remains humbly underground. We can never grow bigger and taller than the angels, our primary school teachers. When we stand before them, we shrink to become a small child again.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Onus on people

Covid cases are increasing alarmingly and its pattern is not understood as of now. There are reports of the vaccine coming soon, but nothing can be said conclusively. Cold weather conditions are adding fuel to the fire. The problem is how to deal with people who are behaving in a most irresponsible manner, making no use of masks, or not maintaining social distancing and throwing all precautions to the winds. The death rate is on the rise in almost all states and governments are finding themselves helpless. Under such circumstances, the onus lies on the people to behave in a responsible manner.

SANTOSH JAMWAL, HAMIRPUR

Be responsible

Though the governments and the courts are taking responsibility to come out of the pandemic, it is also the duty of the citizens to take precautionary steps to avoid the transmission of the virus. They should practice social distancing, cover their mouth and nose properly with mask, use sanitiser and wash hands properly. It should be the moral duty of a citizen to not only look after their own health, but also that of others.

VANSHIKA BHASIN, PANCHKULA

Covid vaccine

Apropos of 'Covishield trials show 90% efficacy', the update on this vaccine, along with other vaccines being developed by Pfizer and Moderna, are encouraging in the backdrop of a surge in Covid infections. India cannot afford another lockdown, therefore, the next phase in the battle against the pandemic should focus now on vaccination. Given the differences in the distribution infrastructure needed and the consequent impact on costs, we need more than one vaccine and multiple pathways to access them. The government also needs to prioritise beneficiaries as there may not be enough to go around even as a vaccine receives regulatory approval. The quicker the people get vaccinated, the better it will be for the process of our economic recovery. The government, with its ability to buy in bulk, can lower costs for subsequent distribution. A combination of free vaccination along with a reduction in prices through bulk purchase can cover a substantial section of population.

PS HANSPAUL, BATALA

Fill top Army posts

Reference to 'Amid LAC standoff, key Army posts lying vacant for months'; it is highly disconcerting and has serious implications for national security. Smooth transition and transfer of knowledge doesn't take place in the absence of personal briefing by the outgoing commander which is very important. No amount of staff briefing can take its place. The responsibility of the department gets diffused when it is so important to fix it. There are already several instances of 'failure of intelligence', due to which military operations go awry. Failure to appoint DGMI for six months is unthinkable and unpardonable. Also, projects get delayed as there's no competent authority to clear them. It also affects the morale of the rank and file. The ubiquity of social media takes it to the man on the front in the bunkers. The delay in crucial appointments in the armed forces is a serious dereliction of duty. The common perception is that top appointments are being deliberately delayed to accommodate favourites till they come into the reckoning, even though there are protocols to announce the successors well in time. If that be the case, it needs to be investigated by a high-level committee. It is essential to remove the bottlenecks from higher decision making in the interest of national security.

LT COL GS BEDI (RETD), MOHALI

Rail corridor collapse

What a pity that a portion of an under-construction freight rail corridor from Dadri to Rewari has collapsed. What are the main causes of such collapse? Is good material not being used or the foundation soil is not fit for the purpose? Earlier, this happened in Gurugram. Had it fallen after completion, there would have been huge loss of men and material.

SUBHASH C TANEJA, GURUGRAM

Police reforms must

Refer to 'Kerala's U-turn'; of late, Kerala is in the news for all the wrong reasons, despite being one of the most progressive states. The ordinance could not stand legal scrutiny as it is beyond the purview of the state government to amend Central laws. However, it begs the question, do the state police really need untrammelled power by way of legislation or ordinance in a country where the police department is solely run on whims and fancies? There are states where extrajudicial killing has become the new normal. The irony is that police officials are being booked for terrorist acts. The department in public eyes is likened with licenced criminals. The pressing need before the country is to bring police reforms.

DEEPAK SINGHAL, NOIDA

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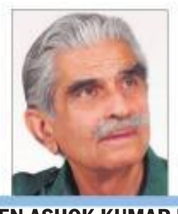
Russia a sticking point in Indo-US defence ties



MAJ-GEN ASHOK KUMAR MEHTA
MILITARY COMMENTATOR

US-INDIA relations enjoy a bipartisan consensus, especially on defence and security relations (DSR) which are the original drivers of their comprehensive global strategic partnership. DSR is now the crown-jewel of the partnership with past biases and distrust diminishing.

India expects the Biden administration to catalyse DSR by implementing the Defence Technology Trade Initiative to provide high-end defence technology, change the buyer-seller mode to joint development and co-production, now that the Defence Industrial Security Annexe and Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement (BECA) are signed. A Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (CATSA) waiver on India buying Russian defence equipment, like the S-400 air defence system, though expected, is iffy.

President-elect Joe Biden had said in 2006: "My dream is that in 2020, the two closest nations in the world will be India and the US. If that occurs, the world will be a safer place."

During the third India-US 2+2 meeting held last month in New Delhi, former Defence Secretary Mark Esper stressed inter-operability so that 'we can build capacity to fight together if we are called to.' Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, at the same meeting, said: "The US will support India to defend its territorial sovereignty and liberty." In an interview with *Times Now*, Pompeo said: "We can have a joint deterrence — jointly deter Chinese tyranny."

No US official has ever made such definitive commitments to India's defence and security earlier. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, at the same 2+2, said: "The defence partnership is even more vital now due to challenges India faces." He did not name China.

In 2015, Admiral Harry Harris, Commander-in-Chief, US Pacific Command, had said: "We want India to become the pivot in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR) and we can do combined combat patrols."

So what does the Biden presidency bode in DSR? India has ticked all the boxes for access to critical defence technology. It has signed the four foundational agreements that took three decades to fructify due to hesitations of history, the last being BECA which will enable Indian missiles to hit targets thousands of miles away with accuracy and permit the purchase of US armed drones. The Defence Industrial Security Annexe (DISA), the classified defence technology enabler, was signed in December 2019 and India will attend its first meeting next month.

India's landmark achievements and categorisations include being made a major defence partner in 2016. In 2017, the US National Security Strategy Paper called India the Most Favoured Defence Partner. The Defence Trade and Technology Initiative was to lead to co-developing and co-producing critical technologies overriding the US Export Control Law covering seven technologies. An India-specific rapid reaction cell was created, but the DISA had not been signed. Until 2008, the US had sold military equipment worth $200 million which has rocketed in 2020 to $20 billion, with $15 billion stores in the pipeline. The joint challenge is converting the seller-buyer relation to co-development and co-production and Make in India.

PARTNERSHIP: The India-US 2+2 meeting held in New Delhi stressed on inter-operability.

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The DISA meeting in December is expected to become the open-sesame to advance technologies and cooperation in cyber security. The defence and security cooperation, military training programmes and exercises are the most intense between any two countries.

The US Pacific Command was renamed Indo-Pacific Command with Indian naval officers deployed in Honolulu and also with the US Central Command at Bahrain. Similarly, a US officer is posted in the Maritime Domain Awareness Centre of the Indian Ocean Region at Chennai. Both countries are members of an uprated Quad and a reanimated India-led Malabar naval drills series — which concluded its 24th exercise last week in the IOR — as part of the US-India Joint Indo-Pacific Vision. India was invited for the first time to the Five Eye Meeting, a World War-II intelligence grouping of the US, Canada, the UK, Australia and New Zealand.

The revival and revamping of institutions in the Indo-Pacific is seen as unmasking the containment of China, the biggest external challenge for both the US and India. Still, despite the momentum and scale of the DSR, mistrust of the US among younger officers is a legacy of the USS Enterprise in the Bay of Bengal during the 1971 war, concludes retired US Colonel David Smith, from his deep study of the Indian military.

The sticking point in the India-US DSR is that Russia is India's exclusive strategic defence partner and the US CAATSA is hanging like the sword of Damocles. As much as 80 per cent of all military equipment and platforms in the three services are of Soviet/Russian origin.

The strategic partnership with Russia had veered towards a virtual alliance in the 1971 Treaty of Peace, Cooperation and Friendship, which helped India win the war against Pakistan by keeping China and America at bay. Further, Russia has leased two nuclear submarines, provided technology for nuclear reactors of Indian submarines and the two countries have co-produced and co-developed the Brahmos missile and Russia has made in India platforms and equipment. No two countries have had such deep trust and cooperation.

Last week, the Russian embassy in New Delhi said: "Russia was looking forward to expanding defence cooperation and export of Brahmos to the Philippines." It also mentioned that it will ensure the S-400 AD system worth $5.4 billion is delivered by the end of 2021. A number of other projects, joint ventures and modernisation programmes, like the Kamov-26 helicopters, AK-203 rifles, SU30 MKI, T90 tank, frigates, missiles and submarines, are in the pipeline.

The India-Russia defence cooperation programme is huge. The problem is that Russia has also intensified defence cooperation with China and Pakistan, both India's adversaries-turned-enemies. There is still no word on the US waiver on the S-400, as there is on Chabahar Port.

The US wishes to wean India away from Russian military hardware, but given India's historic dependence on it, this may not be possible. A CAATSA is likely to become a critical issue, forcing India to choose, say former US and Indian officials. Access to critical technologies, sale of armed drones and US Make in India are more likely to happen now, but with severe end-user riders. India's strategic autonomy to buy from or make weapons with Russia could come under stress.

The challenge for India is finding a modus vivendi over Russia even as Russia walks tightrope its relations with China and Pakistan — a crowded menage a trois!

Economic revival may continue in long term

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> While considering the varying estimates of the economy's recovery from the pandemic, the fragility of the present recovery has to be taken into account. The scenario of improved indicators in the last two months is largely due to the pent-up demand surfacing and the surge of the festival season and could thus well turn out to be shortlived. Even last year's spike in automobile sales during the festival season died down in subsequent months.

LONG- and medium-term views at times appear futuristic and out of reach. One remembers John Maynard Keynes' comment that in the long run, we are all dead. The truth is that such projections are based on the existence of many individual factors that need to remain constant over a long period. It makes formulating them a risky business.

The best illustration is the current global pandemic. Who would have projected that a contagious disease will bring the entire planet to a halt this year? No prediction for economic growth in 2020 has come true for any country. The outlook for 2021 is equally hazy at this point, despite optimistic claims of pharmaceutical companies about the progress of vaccines.

It is in this light that one must view the projections by Oxford Economics regarding the trajectory of economic growth over the next five years. The forecasting agency has revised downwards its forecast for growth in the Indian economy during 2020-25 to an average of 4.5 per cent as against its pre-pandemic prediction of 6.5 per cent.

The reasons given include the fact that there has not yet been an adequate fiscal stimulus to revive the economy battered by the effects of Covid. It also refers to the schemes and reforms announced and maintains that the government's policy implementation record has not only been mixed but also weakened by social and institutional developments that detract from its capacity to focus on economic policymaking. It expects the factors affecting growth to worsen in the future. These include stressed corporate balance sheets, elevated non-performing assets (NPAs) of banks, the fallout in non-bank financial companies and labour market weakness.

NOT HIT: Agriculture has remained the bulwark of economy, even at its lowest point.

In contrast to this gloomy outlook, we have the more upbeat assessment of the International Monetary Fund which expects the Indian economy to bounce back as early as 2021 with an 8.8 per cent growth. It also expects India's growth in 2022 to be the highest in the world. Investment firm Barclays is equally upbeat as it has revised its forecast for 2021-22 to 8.5 per cent from seven per cent earlier.

While considering these varying estimates of the economy's recovery from the pandemic, the fragility of the present recovery has to be taken into account. The scenario of improved indicators in the last two months is largely due to the pent-up demand surfacing and the surge of the festival season and could, thus, well turn out to be shortlived. Even last year's spike in automobile sales during the festival season died down in subsequent months.

The Oxford Economics medium-term projection takes into account the fact that there is an underlying structural weakness in the economy that had led to the decline in growth for successive seven quarters before the arrival of the pandemic. It also accurately highlights some issues related to the implementation of reforms by the government.

For instance, it has not been able to follow up effectively after launching path-breaking reforms, like the Insolvency and Banking Code as well as the Goods and Services Tax. Both these significant measures faced major implementation hurdles, which should have been resolved without any delay.

Similarly, on the ease of doing business, the effort to reduce bureaucratic red tape began with zeal in the Modi government's first term but has not continued with the same fervour in the second one. Other long-awaited initiatives, like the farm bills, have been stymied by opposition and protests in key foodgrain-producing states like Punjab.

On the other hand, there are some elements of the current recovery phase that are clearly likely to continue into the medium term. The first is GST collections which crossed the Rs 1-lakh-crore mark in October, after hovering at slightly less than this level for a few months. This is a key indicator of manufacturing revival and will help in boosting the resources of both Centre and states.

The second is the rising consumption of petroleum products along with the pick-up in the rail freight movement. Neither of these is likely to slow down anytime soon.

The third is the surge in digital payments along with a veritable boom in the IT sector and software companies showing improved quarterly results. The pandemic has ended up making global workplaces more digital than ever before. And this is likely to be a permanent outcome.

The fourth is the rise in rural demand being reported by many companies, including the FMCG and automobile segments. This, in turn, is linked to a continuing rise in the agricultural output despite the lockdown. Agriculture has, ultimately, turned out to be a bulwark of the economy, even at its lowest point in the first quarter of 2020-21.

Several other economic sectors are bound to remain in the doldrums as long as Covid continues to spread its tentacles across the country. These are services sectors like hospitality, tourism and aviation, though the last is now picking up to some extent. The extent of economic revival in other sectors, however, has been much faster than expected by most observers.

It seems unlikely there will be a downswing in the medium term, especially since the upswing has been recorded when the pandemic's impact is still at fairly high levels. The number of daily cases is currently in the region of about 45,000, though these are now on a downward curve.

There is no doubt that several negative factors mentioned in the Oxford Economics analysis will be a drag on future economic growth. At the same time, increasingly, more sectors are showing buoyancy that is looking sustainable in the medium and long terms.

This is despite the government's apparent determination to ensure that any fiscal stimulus remains within the limits of available resources. Instead of bowing down to suggestions from many quarters to go for a broader stimulus package involving direct benefit transfers to those in need, it has opted for a more indirect approach. It has launched a big push to investment in infrastructure as well as increased liquidity to the small and medium enterprises.

This may not satisfy those who feel that there is an urgent need for more direct support, but will be invaluable in ensuring that the government exchequer remains more balanced in the long and medium terms.

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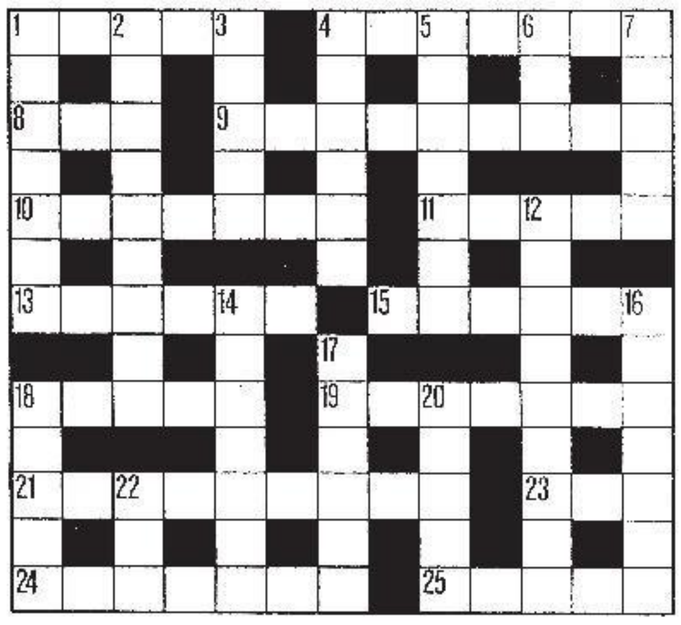

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 25, 2020, WEDNESDAY

- Vikrami Samvat 2077
- Shaka Samvat 1942
- Marghshirsh Shaka 4
- Marghshirsh Parvishte 11
- Hijari 1442
- Shukla Paksha Tithi 11, up to 5.11 am
- Siddhi Yoga ——
- Uttrabhadrpad Nakshatra up to 6.20 pm
- Moon in Pisces sign 8.53 am
- Tulsi Vivah

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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FORECAST

SUNSET: WEDNESDAY 17:22 HRS
SUNRISE: THURSDAY 06:59 HRS

Sunny, Partly Cloudy, Cloudy, Rainy, Foggy

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Chandigarh	22	12
New Delhi	24	10
Amritsar	21	13
Bathinda	23	10
Jalandhar	22	12
Ludhiana	22	13
Bhiwani	23	09
Hisar	23	08
Sirsa	24	12
Dharamsala	11	07
Manali	08	-01
Shimla	11	01
Srinagar	04	00
Jammu	18	12
Kargil	00	-04
Leh	00	-04
Dehradun	23	10
Mussoorie	12	05

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PUNJAB STATE e-GOVERNANCE SOCIETY
DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNANCE REFORMS, PUNJAB

Further to the advertisement dated 02.02.2020 for recruitment of IT Cadre posts and written test conducted on 12.09.2020, fresh applications are invited for IT Cadre contractual posts of Senior System Manager (2), System Manager (19), Assistant Manager (57) & Technical Assistant (244) with last date of applications as **15.12.2020 before 5:00 p.m.**

NOTE:-
1. The candidates who had already applied in response to the previous advertisement and were determined as eligible need not apply afresh and would be eligible to appear in the written test again.
2. Any corrigendum(s)/ information related to the recruitment notice shall be published on the DGR website.
3. For further details, please visit the website **www.dgrpg.punjab.gov.in**

DPR/Pb/108561 **Member Secretary**

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE

Open tenders through E-tendering are invited by Sr. Divisional Engineer/Coordination, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing contractors for following work upto 15:00 hrs. on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.

S. No.	Name of Work	Approx. Cost (₹)	Earnest Money (₹)	Period of Completion	Date of closing & opening
1	Repair to flooring in Track Depot Ambala for safety of P.Way material and repair to office of SSE/P.Way/T/Depot/UMB under DEN/Track.	35,48,195	71,000	06 Months	18.12.2020
2	Cess repair at Km. 63.160 to Km. 76.915 Km. and Km 99.485 to Km 127.120 on DUI-JHL section in the section of Sr. DEN-II/UMB.	1,06,57,039	2,03,300	12 Months	18.12.2020
3	Provision of Medium Level Platform to High Level Platform along with extension of Platform up to longest stopping train at Malout under SSE/W/ABS in the section of ADEN/BTI.	54,33,070	1,08,700	12 Months	18.12.2020
4	Misc. Track works in connection with TBR works in the section of ADEN/SRE under Sr. DEN/III/UMB.	94,91,476	1,89,800	12 Months	18.12.2020
5	Renovation of control office in DRM Complex, Ambala Cantt. in the section of SSE/W/RV/ UMB under ADEN/UMB.	23,43,458	46,900	06 Months	18.12.2020
6	Annual repairs, white washing and Painting to staff Qrs. and Service Building From Solan (excluding) to Shimla under ZONE-C (Approachable & Non Approachable locations) & ZONE-D (Shimla) on KLK-SML section for the Period Ending 30.06.2021 in the section of SSE/W/Shimla Under ADEN/Shimla.	93,86,668	1,87,700	12 Months	18.12.2020
7	Repair to cess/embankment/formation by earth filling on Saharanpur-Ambala section under SSE/W/L/SRE in the beat of SSE/P. Way/YJUD under ADEN/SRE.	62,22,240	1,24,500	06 Months	18.12.2020
8	Annual repair, white washing, C/washing and painting of staff quarters & service buildings under Zone "A" Chandigarh (Incl. CDG-MRND Sec.) in the section of SSE/W/CDG-I & Zone B-UMB-KLK Sec. (Excl. CDG) in the section of SSE/W/CDG-II for the period ending 30.06.2021 under ADEN/CDG.	80,24,780	1,60,500	12 Months	18.12.2020
9	Construction of 6.35KM RCC boundary wall near stations & its approaches as measure to safeguard track and avoiding encroachments in the section of ADEN CDG.	5,53,15,186	4,26,600	12 Months	18.12.2020
10	(i) Repair to door windows, leakage roof, flooring etc. of gang huts and tool box of gang no. 34 & 35 at LLU & DKT in the section of SSE/W/II/CDG and (ii) Repair to road surface, height gauge, duty huts etc. at level crossings and LHS under ADEN/CDG. (iii) Provision of Seven short term facilities for Divyangjan at 08 stations over UMB Division in the section of Sr.DEN/1/UMB.	87,57,640	1,75,200	08 Months	18.12.2020
11	Strengthening of Major/Important bridges for 25T axle load at various bridges of Ambala Division.	1,33,77,011	2,16,900	06 Months	18.12.2020

Note: 1. Tenderers are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligibility documents including PAN/TIN/GST as per conditions. The required Earnest Money & Tender document cost will be acceptable On-line payment through Net Banking/ or Payment gateway payment only well before & upto 15:00 hrs. of closing date & time of tender.
2. Tenderers should have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate to participate in E-Tendering of works tender.
3. For detail, please log on IREPS website **www.ireps.gov.in.**
4. GST will be levied as per GST Act.2017

No.: Open Tender Notice No. NIT-23/UMB-2020-21 Dated 23.11.2020 **2625/20**

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Department of Telecommunications
Ministry of Communications
Government of India

Nominations for Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Telecom Skill Excellence Award 2019

1. The Department of Telecommunications (Ministry of Communications) invites nominations for Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Telecom Skill Excellence Award 2019 from the citizens of India for their special contributions in the last 3 years, in the areas of Telecom Skilling, Telecom Services, Telecom Manufacturing, Telecom Applications in deploying telecom dependent sectoral solutions for different fields such as agriculture, commerce, health, education etc.
2. **Nature of Awards**
The scheme shall have following cash awards and citation:

No.	Prizes	Cash Award	Number of prizes
1	First Prize	Rs. 50,000/-	01
2	Second Prize	Rs. 30,000/-	02
3	Third Prize	Rs. 20,000/-	05

In addition to the cash awards and the citation stated above, the awardees will also be paid towards travelling, boarding, lodging and incidental expenses. All awardees shall be reimbursed to the extent limited to AC IInd Class train fare from his/her station of normal residence to the station where the Award Function is held. They will also be paid Rs. 7,500/- towards boarding, lodging and other incidental expenses.
3. **Eligibility**
The applicant shall have significant contribution in any of the fields specified in para-1 above. For further details, please read the 'Regulations' and nomination form which can be downloaded from the website: **www.dot.gov.in**
4. **Nominations**
The nominations shall be sent in the prescribed format only. The last date of receipt of nominations is 23rd February 2021 up to 15 Hours .

For more information please contact:
Director (SD&E), DOT, Room No. 216,
2nd Floor, Mahanagar Doorsanchar Bhawan,
Jawaharlal Nehru Marg, Old Minto Road, New Delhi – 110002.
Tel-01123210016 email: dirsde-dot@gov.in

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Renukaji fair starts with limited ceremonies

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SOLAN, NOVEMBER 24

The historic seven-day International Renukaji Fair began today at Renukaji in Sirmaur district amid Covid restrictions. The Deputy Commissioner, Sirmaur, performed the traditional puja.

He also led the procession of Lord Parshuram by carrying the palanquin, as per the age-old tradition. The palanquin of Lord Parshuram and other deities is brought to Renukaji from the ancient temple at Jamu Koti village, and it departs after religious ceremonies, including a dip in the Renuka Lake. The fair marks the union of Lord Parshuram with his mother, Goddess Renukaji, on the eve of Dashami.

Owing to the Covid pandemic, the district administration has restricted the fair to mere traditional ceremonies. No fair is being held as congregation of people can trigger the spread of the infection.

IGNORING NORMS Tourists without masks enjoy horse riding in Shimla on Tuesday. PHOTO: AMIT KANWAR

CM: Weddings, winter behind surge in Covid

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, NOVEMBER 24

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur today blamed the surge in Covid cases and deaths, especially in the rural areas, to the winter and weddings.

"As the temperatures have dropped and it's quite cold now, most weddings and other social gatherings are happening indoors. Even if there is one infected individual in a large gathering in an enclosed space, there are chances of others contracting the contagion," said the Chief Minister.

"And that's the reason why we have imposed night curfew. It will discourage large indoor gatherings," he said, adding that people need to give up lax attitude and act responsibly.

The CM also launched the 'Him Suraksha Abhiyan' to sensitise people regarding the pandemic and collect information regarding the symptoms of diseases such as TB, leprosy, sugar, blood pressure etc. by a door-to-door campaign. This campaign will start from November 25 and continue till December 27.

Thakur said 8,000 teams comprising Health, Ayurveda, Women and Child Development and Panchayati Raj Departments, district administration and NGOs would be involved in the campaign. He urged people to provide wholehearted support to health workers by providing them accurate information about their diseases and health parameters.

The Chief Minister said not only suspected Covid patients would be detected through this campaign, but also those suffering from other ailments. He said this would help in providing them better health services. Thakur said there was no dearth of essential medicines and equipment in the state.

Chief Executive Officer Zila Parishad, Palwal

NOTICE

Sealed tender are invited from reupted firms/individual for Garbage Cycle Rickshaw under Swachh Bharat Mission (G). Tender forms/terms, condition can be obtained from office of undersigned w.e.f 24.11.2020 to 04.12.2020 upto 11:00 AM (during working hours and working days) on cash payment of Rs. 2000/- each (non refundable) or by way of demand draft in favour of undersigned. Tenderer will submit bids in seprate envelops i.e. in one envelop the technical bid and in 2nd Financial bids and both bids will be submitted in a duly sealed single envelop for each tender upto 04.12.2020 at 11:00 AM. Tenders will be opened 04.12.2020 at 12:00 Noon in the office of undersigned in the presence of all interested firms/individuals. No tender will be accepted after due date. Unsealed/open tender shall not be considered.
The undersigned reserves the right to accept/reject any tender/bid without assigning any reason(S).

CEO Zila Parishad Palwal

ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ
ਖੁਰਾਕ ਸਿਵਲ ਸਪਲਾਈਜ਼ ਅਤੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਵਿਭਾਗ
(ਖੁਰਾਕ ਵੰਡ ਸ਼ਾਖਾ)
ਪਬਲਿਕ ਨੋਟਿਸ

ਖੁਰਾਕ ਸਿਵਲ ਸਪਲਾਈਜ਼ ਅਤੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਵਿਭਾਗ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਰਾਜ ਵਿਚ ਸਸਤੇ ਰਾਸ਼ਨ ਦੇ ਡਿਪੂਆਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਖਾਲ੍ਹੀ ਅਸਾਮੀਆਂ ਭਰਨ ਦੀ ਤਜਵੀਜ਼ ਹੈ। ਜਿਹੜੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਸਸਤੇ ਰਾਸ਼ਨ ਦੇ ਡਿਪੂ ਲੈਣ ਦੇ ਚਾਹਵਾਨ ਹੋਣ, ਉਹ ਆਪਣੇ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹੇ ਦੇ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਕੰਟਰੋਲਰ, ਖੁਰਾਕ ਸਿਵਲ ਸਪਲਾਈਜ਼ ਅਤੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰ ਮਾਮਲੇ, ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਤੋਂ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਖਾਲ੍ਹੀ ਅਸਾਮੀਆਂ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ, ਸਸਤੇ ਰਾਸ਼ਨ ਦੇ ਡਿਪੂ ਦਾ ਲਾਇਸੈਂਸ ਲੈਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਯੋਗਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਸਸਤੇ ਰਾਸ਼ਨ ਦੇ ਡਿਪੂ ਦਾ ਲਾਇਸੈਂਸ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਮੁਕੰਮਲ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ਾਂ ਸਮੇਤ ਮਿਤੀ 03.12.2020 ਤੱਕ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹੇ ਦੇ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਕੰਟਰੋਲਰ, ਖੁਰਾਕ ਸਿਵਲ ਸਪਲਾਈਜ਼ ਅਤੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰ ਮਾਮਲੇ, ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਵਿਚ ਅਪਲਾਈ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ।

ਸਹੀ/- ਡਾਇਰੈਕਟਰ, ਖੁਰਾਕ ਸਿਵਲ ਸਪਲਾਈਜ਼ ਅਤੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰ ਮਾਮਲੇ, ਪੰਜਾਬ।

ANNOUNCEMENT

It is hereby announced for the information of those candidates who have applied for the posts of Secretary, District Red Cross Branch, Panipat, Palwal, Nuh (Mewat), Narnaul and Charkhi Dadri and Assistant Secretary, District Red Cross Branch, Panchkula and Hisar in response to the advt. published on 29.06.2017 and corrigendum dated 21.02.2020 published in various newspapers (Dainik Bhasker and The Tribune) that the Indian Red Cross Society, Haryana State Branch has decided to hold Recruitment/written Test for the above said posts in third week of January 2021 (Tentatively).

The venue, exact date and time, Examination Mode online/offline of the aforesaid examinations will be announced by the Indian Red Cross Society, Haryana State Branch in due course.

Further in the matter of CWP No. 8228 of 2020 titled as Lalit Kumar V/s Indian Red Cross Society, Haryana State Branch, Chandigarh at Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana. It has been decided to provide opportunity to the candidate to fill online application form and fee through our online portal **www.haryanaredcross.com** & **www.haryanaredcross.org** from **01.12.2020 to 07.12.2020,** whose application and fees is not submitted online vide corrigendum dated **21.02.2020** for the Post of Secretary, District Red Cross Branch and Assistant Secretary, District Red Cross Branch. The eligibility criteria will remain as per corrigendum dated **21.02.2020.**

Note: The Announcement regarding detailed syllabus of above posts is already available on Indian Red Cross Society, Haryana State Branch i.e. www.haryanredcross.org and haryanaredcross.com

Sd/- **General Secretary,**
Indian Red Cross Society,
Haryana State Branch, Chandigarh.

DI-14736

Residents against curfew, vent anger on social media

BHANU P LOHUMI
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, NOVEMBER 24

The Cabinet decision to impose night curfew in Shimla, Mandi, Kullu and Kangra districts has not gone down well with residents. They have taken the social media route to express their anger and dismay.

The hill state, which had only three cases and no death when the first lockdown was imposed on March 24, has seen the worst surge, and there were 6,688 active cases and 550 fatalities till November 23.

Most parts of the state are in the grip of severe cold and there is hardly any outdoor human activity at night time. However, the government has imposed curfew in the four worst-affected districts from 8 pm to 6 am till December 15 instead of taking other measures.

"As per the state government, corona is a ghost who comes out at night only, no threat in daytime," such statements are making rounds on Facebook, WhatsApp and other platforms.

However, the government says night curfew has been imposed as marriages, especially in rural areas, take place at night and in closed areas due to cold. In such cases, community breathing poses a threat.

CORONA GHOST

"As per the government, corona is a ghost who comes out at night only, no threat in daytime."

A statement on social media

"With the early arrival of winter, the minimum temperatures are already 3 to 5 degrees below normal and people are avoiding venturing out at night. The decision of the government is just an eyewash," says an octogenarian.

The casual approach of people during the festive season starting from Karva Chauth to Diwali and tardy implementation of restrictions imposed under the Covid guidelines has resulted in a spurt in fresh cases. On an average, over 10 deaths are being reported in the state every day.

"It is unfortunate that while the country is passing through tough times, the state government is planning grand celebrations to mark three years in office. Is the government celebrating the death of 550 persons due to coronavirus?" asked Mukesh Agnihotri, Leader of the Opposition.

948 new cases; 12 succumb

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, NOVEMBER 24

The state today reported 948 new cases, taking the tally of the infected persons to 35,729. As many as 12 persons lost the battle to the virus in the last 24 hours.

Five deaths were reported in Kangra district, three each in Shimla and Hamirpur and one in Kullu. The highest-ever 375 cases were reported in Shimla, which has emerged as a hotspot. Mandi reported 175 cases, Kangra (76), Kullu (72), Chamba (59), Lahaul-Spiti (42), Hamirpur (41), Bilaspur (33), Una (30) Kinnaur (24), Sirmaur (17) and Solan (4).

STATE TRACKER

Samples tested	4,97,066
Recovered	27,918
Active cases	7,150
Positive cases	**35,729**
Deaths	**562**

DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Una	2,013	21
Solan	4,526	48
Kangra	4,511	110
Chamba	1,811	30
Hamirpur	1,846	22
Sirmaur	2,547	21
Mandi	5,756	72
Bilaspur	1,850	16
Shimla	5,936	141
Kullu	3,197	61
Kinnaur	730	11
Lahaul & Spiti	1006	9
Total	35,729	562

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA **TENDER NOTICE**

Sr. No.	NAME OF BOARD/CORP./AUTH.	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT/EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD/CORP./ AUTH.	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/E-MAIL
1	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE, PEHOWA	WORK OF DOOR TO DOOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION, SEGREGATION & PROCESSING	CLOSING DATE 07.12.2020	–	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	s.pehowa@yahoo.com
2	M.C., SONIPAT	ESTIMATE FOR ANNUAL MAINTENANCE OF THE WORK OF SUPPLY INSTALLATION TESTING AND COMMISSIONING OF OUTDOOR IP CCTV SURVEILLANCE UNDER M.C., SONIPAT	CLOSING DATE 09.12.2020	2.10 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	cemcsonepat@gmail.com
3	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AMBALA CITY	CONST. OF AUDITORIUM, MARKET, AND MULTI LEVEL PARKING IN MC OFFICE, AMBALA CITY	20.11.2020 11.12.2020	50.22 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2443747
4	HPGCL, YAMUNA NAGAR	WORK FOR PROVIDING INTERLOCKING TILES IN FRONT OF PARKING SHEDS IN TYPE-V AT DCRTPP COLONY, YAMUNA NAGAR	CLOSING DATE 02.12.2020	23800/-	etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc1.dcrtpp@hpgcl.org.in
5	HPGCL, YAMUNA NAGAR	200 NB KNIFE GATE VALVE MANUAL WHEEL OPERATED IN ASH HANDLING PLANT	CLOSING DATE 03.12.2020	NIL	etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc1.dcrtpp@hpgcl.org.in
6	HPGCL, YAMUNA NAGAR	FLANGE OF CW DISCHARGE PIPE	CLOSING DATE 03.12.2020	NIL	etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc1.dcrtpp@hpgcl.org.in
7	HPGCL, YAMUNA NAGAR	BOTTOM ASH HOPPER CYLINDER FOR AHP	CLOSING DATE 03.12.2020	6700/-	etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc1.dcrtpp@hpgcl.org.in
8	HPGCL, YAMUNA NAGAR	LIQUID CHLORINE IS HEREBY EXTENDED	CLOSING DATE 26.11.2020	30000/-	etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc1.dcrtpp@hpgcl.org.in
9	HPGCL, YAMUNA NAGAR	DYNAMIC CONTACT RESISTANCE MEASUREMENT TESTING OF 220 KV SF6 CIRCUIT BREAKERS AND ON LINE AC RESISTIVE LEAKAGE CURRENT (3RD HARMONIC MEASUREMENT OF 198 KV, 10 KA LIGHTENING ARRESTERS IN 220 KV SWITCHYARD, DCRTPP, YAMUNA NAGAR	CLOSING DATE 04.12.2020	5100/-	etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc1.dcrtpp@hpgcl.org.in
10	HPGCL, YAMUNA NAGAR	SUPPLY OF KNIFE GATE VALVE & SPARES	CLOSING DATE 18.12.2020	10000/-	etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc1.dcrtpp@hpgcl.org.in
11	M.C., SONIPAT	TENDER FOR THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CONDUCTING ANIMAL BIRTH CONTROL OF STRAY DOGS IN MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, SONEPAT	CLOSING DATE 03.12.2020	EMD 10000/-	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	semcsonepat@gmail.com
12	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, GURUGRAM	REPARING REWINDING OF SUBMERSIBLE PUMP SET COMPLETE IN ALL RESPECT AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN WARD NO. 7, ZONE-II UNDER MCG. + 1 OTHER WORK	20.11.2020 02.12.2020	EMD 1.04 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	mcg.ee2@mcg.gov.in
13	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE, INDRI	BIO-REMEDIATION AND BIO- MINING OF THE LEGACY WASTE ON DUMPING SITE OF MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE, INDRI	CLOSING DATE 03.12.2020	60000/-	etenders.hry.nic.in	9416435945 secymc.indri@gmail.com
14	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE, KHARKHODA (ULB)	OUT SOURCING TENDER FOR HIRING MANPOWER IN OFFICE OF MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE KHARKHODA	CLOSING DATE 01.12.2020	EMD 15000/-	etenders.hry.nic.in	yogeshrathi89@gmail.com
15	DHBVN, HISAR	FIXING THE RATE CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF ACSR DOG CONDUCTOR 100 MM2 (NIT NO. 667/DH/MM DATED 20.11.2020 AGAINST QD-848	20.11.2020 11..12.2020	6.05 Crore	www.dhbvn.org.in	8059888680 semmdhbvn@gmail.com

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT: www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in

PRDH/83981

HC restricts cause list on Bar request

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

SHIMLA, NOVEMBER 24

Due to a sudden rise in Covid-19 cases in the state capital, the HP High Court has decided to restrict its functioning. As per the notification issued in this regard by the Registrar General, from tomorrow onwards, only urgent and bail matters will be listed before the courts.

It mentioned that the cause list would contain only 15 to 20 matters of urgency in each court. And the court master(s) would give the next date(s) of other actual date matters from Wednesday onwards till further orders.

The HP High Court Bar Association had expressed concern over the sudden rise in coronavirus cases among its members and their family members and requested the Chief Justice to reduce the cause list, confining it to 10 to 15 cases per court, that to matters of 'extreme urgency'.

An urgent virtual meeting of the executive committee of the HP High Court Bar Association under its president, Nareshwar Singh Chandel, was convened last week on the request of the members.

It was resolved in the meeting that court work should continue but only very urgent cases be listed before the courts and the cause list should not exceed more than 10 to 15 cases per court per day. The purpose of listing not more than 10 to 15 cases in a court is that lesser the cases in the court, lesser would be the presence of litigants in the chamber complex and the private offices of the advocates.

Besides, the Bar Association also resolved to request to the High Court to start e-filing again, without calling upon the advocates to submit the hard copies of the petitions/applications in the registry.

epaper.tribuneindia.com

Farooq did not benefit from Roshni scheme, claims NC

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The National Conference today rejected the BJP's accusations that their president and former JK Chief Minister Farooq Abdullah had "variously" benefitted from the Roshni Act.

The NC said Abdullah was not a beneficiary of the law and anyone claiming so was "lying."

"The news that party president and Srinagar MP Dr Farooq Abdullah is a beneficiary of the Roshni Scheme is completely false and is being spread with a malicious intent. Dr Farooq Abdullah has not availed of the Roshni scheme for either his residence in Srinagar or in Jammu and anyone who says otherwise is lying," the NC said in a statement.

The party did not answer the specific accusations levelled by Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad who said "powerful people in JK indulge in brazen loot of forest land." Prasad also alleged that Abdullah used Roshni scheme to buy a certain quantum of land in Jammu and ended up encroaching much more land than he originally paid for."The fact that they are using sources to plant this story shows that it has no legs to stand on," the statement said.

The Jammu and Kashmir administration has released a list of beneficiaries under the Roshni Act. The list includes former ministers, bureaucrats, police officers, prominent businessmen and political parties. — TNS/ Agencies

FALSE CHARGES

Dr Farooq Abdullah has not availed of the Roshni scheme for either his residence in Srinagar or in Jammu and anyone who says otherwise is lying.
– The statement

BIGGEST LAND SCAM

"They (Farooq Abdullah and others) should explain to the people of India as to why they grabbed state lands and made laws to legalise occupancy while they served the state for three generations
–Anurag Thakur, UNION MINISTER

BJP deputes two young MPs for campaigning

DDC POLLS

RAVI S SINGH
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The BJP has deputed two of its young Rajya Sabha MPs, Surendra Nagar and Syed Zafar Islam for campaigning during the District Development Council (DDC) elections with an eye on the Muslim community, especially the Scheduled Tribe populations of the Gujjars and Bakarwals.

Both claimed that the BJP would spring a "big" surprise by making a dent in the UT's electoral politics. While Nagar is the only Gujjar MP Rajya Sabha, Islam, a former banker, was inducted in the Upper House during the last session of Parliament.

In the backdrop of the reported pitch in the "saffron" camp for measures to empower the Gujjar-Bakarwal community following the abrogation of Article 370, Nagar had demanded welfare schemes, including official language status for "Gojri". He also championed the cause for the reservation of (ST) Assembly seats in J&K for Gujjars and Bakarwals. Islam asserted that there was large-scale undercurrent support for the BJP in the Kashmir valley.

"The BJP supporters, including Muslims and tribals, will prove to be silent voters. They identify their progress and development with the BJP. They are inspired by PM Narendra Modi," Islam said.

Minister of State for Road Transport General VK Singh addresses a public rally ahead of the DDC polls at Phalya Mandal. PTI

'SAFFRON PARTY WILL SPRING A BIG SURPRISE'

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PAGD releases seat-sharing list for 6th phase

SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 24

The PAGD on Tuesday released the list of seats allocated to different parties for the sixth phase of the DDC elections in Jammu and Kashmir to be held in eight phases from November 28.

Out of the 13 segments for the sixth phase of DDC elections released by the Kashmir-based amalgam of the mainstream parties, the National Conference is contesting eight segments, PDP three, while the ANC and JKPM are contesting one segment each. NC president Farooq Abdullah on Tuesday appealed to the people of Jammu and Kashmir to vote for the candidates of thePAGD in the DDC polls beginning on Saturday. In a video released by the PAGD, Abdullah said, "My countrymen, the election bugle has been sounded. I appeal to you to vote only for the alliance candidates. The others, who are saying they are also alliance candidates, are not of the alliance, but its enemies," Abdullah said. — IANS /PTI

Gulmarg records 7 inches of snow

SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 24

Many places in Kashmir received intermittent snowfall and rain for the second day on Tuesday, even as the weather office said the wet spell was likely to continue. Most of the higher reaches of the Valley received moderate to heavy snowfall over the past 36 hours, while many areas in the plains experienced light snowfall and rain, a MET official said.

He said intermittent snowfall and rain continued at many places on Tuesday. The ski-resort of Gulmarg in north Kashmir recorded seven inches of fresh snowfall during the night, while Pahalgam tourist resort in south Kashmir recorded six inches of snow, the official said.

There are reports of snowfall in other areas in the higher reaches, including the Sonamarg-Zojila axis on the Srinagar-Leh road which connects the Valley with Ladakh, he said.The road was closed for traffic on Monday.

The MET office has said intermittent light to moderate rain/snow, with isolated heavy falls in the higher reaches, will continue till Wednesday afternoon.

The weather is likely to improve afterwards and stay dry for a few days from Thursday.

The minimum temperature was minus 0.1 degrees Celsius in Srinagar while it 0.2 degrees Celsius and minus 4.6 degrees Celsius in Pahalgam and Gulmarg, respectively.

Leh town in Ladakh UT recorded minus 2.6 degrees Celsius while Kargil town recorded minus 4.5 as the minimum temperatures. In Jammu city, the minimum temperature was 13.7 degrees Celsius; Katra 11.4 degrees Celsius, Batote 2.6 degrees Celsius, Bannihil 2.4 degrees Celsius and Bhaderwah 2.7 degrees Celsius. — PTI/IANS

People keep themselves warm around a bonfire in a paddy field on the outskirts of Jammu. PTI

TRAFFIC SUSPENDED ON BHADERWAH HIGHWAYS

The traffic on Bhaderwah-Chamba and Bhaderwah-Pathankot highways, connecting Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district with Himachal Pradesh and Punjab, was suspended on Tuesday following heavy snowfall around Padri Gali and Chattergala passes, officials said.

BSF-Pak Rangers hold flag meeting

JAMMU, NOVEMBER 24

The BSF)troops on Tuesday held a flag meeting with Pakistan Rangers along the International Border in Jammu and Kashmir's Samba district and handed over the body of a Pakistani intruder to them, officials said. The BSF troops had on Monday shot dead the Pakistani intruder along the International Border (IB) in Samba district. —PTI

10 more deaths; 431 new cases in J&K

JAMMU, NOVEMBER 24

Jammu and Kashmir recorded 431 fresh Covid cases on Tuesday, bringing the tally to 1,07,330 while 10 more deaths in the last 24 hours raised the toll to 1,651, officials said.

The Jammu division accounted for 253 of the fresh cases, while the Kashmir division recorded 178 new infections, they said.

The officials said Jammu district recorded a maximum of 122 Covid cases, followed by 84 in Srinagar.

There are 5,357 active cases of Covid in the union territory, while 1,00,322 patients have recovered so far, the officials said. Four of the new deaths were from Jammu and six from the Kashmir region.n the flag meeting. — PTI

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PUNJAB MANDI BOARD
Tender Notice No.: 05 Date: 24.11.2020

Executive Engineer (C), Punjab Mandi Board, Ferozepur invites percentage rate tenders from approved and eligible Firms/Contractors/Co-operative L&C Societies registered with **Punjab Mandi Board** for Widening, Upgradation and Construction of Bridges and culverts on various Link Roads in Market Committee Ferozepur Cantt, Talwandi Bhai, Makhu and Zira. Detailed terms and conditions of notice inviting bids, refer to website **www.eproc.punjab.gov.in** Societies must submit capacity certificate of current financial year with Technical Bid. Corrigendum, if any will be issued on website only.

Sd/-**Executive Engineer (C), Punjab Mandi Board, Ferozepur**

DPR/Pb/108368

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, ZIRAKPUR BRANCH
NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tender Reference No. .....

The Department of Local Government of Punjab invite online bids for Construction & other works

Closing Date and Time : Technical Bid 18.12.2020 05:00 p.m.
Financial Bid 18.12.2020 05:00 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.

The line **"Note:** Any corrigendum(s) to the tender notice shall be published on the above website **http://eproc.punjab.gov.in** only".

Sd/- **Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Zirakpur.**

DPR/Pb/108365

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION PUNJAB
TENDER NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS

The Department of Water Supply & Sanitation Punjab invites online bid for the following work:-

1. Providing & Installing One No. New Tubewell of size 250x200mm i/d up to 248 mtr depth with Reverse Rotary Rig in place of failed Tubewell for Water Supply Scheme Swara (1 No.) at existing water works site Block Kharar, Distt. SAS Nagar (Under Head 4215 (In Ratio of 60% as Under Head 4215-01-102-36-99-53 and 40% as Head 4215-01-789-13-99-53).
Closing date and time: 07.12.2020
For details logon to : **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

Note: Any corrigendum to the Tender/RFP Notice shall be published on the website only.

Sd/- **Executive Engineer, W/S & Sanitation Division No. 3, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar.**

DPR/Pb/108320

COFMOW (INDIAN RAILWAYS)
E-TENDER NOTICE No. 14, DATED: 25 .11.2020
PCMM/COFMOW,s Office invites e-Bids for the following **STORES Tenders:**

Tender No.	Brief Description	Closing Date
OP-807930	Rate Contract for Pit Less Electronic in Motion Railway Weigh Bridge.	14.12.2020
OP-808160	CNC End Milling Machine	21.12.2020
OP-513060	Hydraulic Double Column Guillotine Shearing Machine.	21.12.2020

Bidders may visit the website www.ireps.gov.in to download the tender document and submit their e-Bids. No manual offers shall be accepted.

CORRIGENDUM, DATED: 25.11.2020
Following corrigenda have been issued to e-Tenders already uploaded on the website www.ireps.gov.in:

Tender No.	Corrigendum No.	Closing Date
OP-608850	Corrigendum No. 01	01.12.2020
G-108080	Corrigendum No. 05	07.12.2020

Bidders may visit the website to download the details mentioned in the corrigendum and submit e-Bids accordingly.

"Serving Customers with Smile"

Government of Punjab
Department of Home Affairs and Justice
(Press-2 Branch)
Advertisement for the post of Member, Punjab State Human Rights Commission

The Punjab Government invites applications for the post of one **Member in the Punjab State Human Rights Commission, Chandigarh.** As per the provisions of Section 21(2)(b) of The Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, the Member shall be a person who is, or has been, a Judge of a High Court or District Judge in the State with a minimum of seven years experience as District Judge. It is also clarified that this appointment will be in accordance with the terms and conditions as specified in The Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 and The Protection of Human Rights (Amendment) Act, 2019. Application, along with Bio-Data and passport-size photograph should be submitted in the office of undersigned, **Room No. 219, 2nd Floor, Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh** within **21 days** from the date of publication of the advertisement **(time 5.00 pm).** No application shall be entertained after the deadline.

Sd/- **Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Home Affairs and Justice.**

DPR/Pb/108248

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS
SCO No. 29-32, Sector 17-E, Chandigarh
TENDER NOTICE

Sealed bids are invited from Government Servants, Retired Government Servants, Ex-MP's & Ex-MLA's, War Widows and MP's & MLA's of Punjab State for disposal of following vehicles:-

Model	Registration No.	Reserve Price of vehicle
Ambassador-2005	CH01G1-1714	1,31,047/- plus GST @18%
Toyota Innova-2008	PB65H-9123	2,62,500/- plus GST @18%
Toyota Innova-2008	PB65H-9124	2,62,500/- plus GST @18%

Interested persons from these categories may submit their bids along with 10% Earnest Money of the reserved price of vehicle in shape of Demand Draft in favour of Electoral Officer, Punjab payable at Chandigarh. All these categories will carry the same priority and the disposal shall be on first-come-first serve basis.

The bids can be submitted in this office to the Electoral Officer, Punjab on any working day from **09.30 a.m. to 04.00 p.m.** before **10th December, 2020.** The vehicle will be disposed of to the highest bidder. In the case highest bidder does not lift the vehicle within a period of **72 hours** after acceptance of his bid after (excluding the holiday if any) the earnest money will be forfeited, and the vehicle offered to the next higher bidder, and so on.

Sd/- **(Madhvi Kataria), IAS Additional Chief Electoral Officer, Punjab.**

DPR/Pb/108312

NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

The Dy. Chief Engineer/Construction/, N.Rly., Jalandhar City, for and on behalf of the President of India **invites e-tender** for the under noted work:-

1.	Name of work and location:	Balance works for completion of various construction activities of C&W office building, sick line shed, RCC over head tank, water supply arrangement, road work, station building, platform and all misc. and allied works at Chhehrata Railway station in c/with coaching cum maintenance facilities at Chhehrata Railway station yard near Amritsar.
2.	Completion period of the work:	03 (Three) Months
3.	Approx. Cost of work:	Rs 568.65 Lakh
4.	Earnest money amount (to be deposited Online)	Rs. 4,34,300/-
5.	Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tender	Tenders may be uploaded upto 11.30 hrs. on 18.12.2020 on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in The bidders can participate in the e-tender, the tender will be opened at 11.30 hrs on 18.12.2020.
6.	Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document:	The detailed e-tender notice is available on Northern Railway web site i.e. www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and tender document is available on www.ireps.gov.in Above tenders document will be available for submission of offer on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in from 04.12.2020 to 18.12.2020. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tender are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

Tender Notice No. 8-W/2020-21/Dy.CE/C/JUC Dated: 24.11.2020 2627/2020

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

HIMACHAL PRADESH
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
CORRIGENDUM

Dated: 24.11.2020

In partial modification of this office Short Term Tender Notice dated 10.11.2020 regarding Online Examination System Solution provider in the state of H.P. and to provide the comprehensive solution as specified in the detailed RFP, the date to submit the tender document has been extended upto 01:00 p.m. on **15.12.2020.** The tender will be opened on **15.12.2020** at 03:00 p.m. at HPPSC, Nigam Vihar, Shimla-2. The detailed tender document can be downloaded from website: **www.hppsc.hp.gov.in.** The date of pre-bid meeting has been re-scheduled for **07.12.2020 at 11:00 a.m.** to be held in the office of Secretary, HPPSC. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tender offers without assigning any reason.

(By order)

Secretary, HP. Public Service Commission
LL No: 0177-2623786
Mail: hppsc_shimla@msn.com

DI-14660

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION PUNJAB
TENDER NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS

No. 12961-13021 **Dated: 23.11.2020**

THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DEPARTMENT PUNJAB INVITES ONLINE BID FOR THE FOLLOWING WORKS:-

Providing and Installing Tubewell 200 mm i/d straight upto 90 mtr. Deep with Direct rotary rig complete in all respect for rural Drinking Water Supply Scheme Village: Behbal Manj (1 No.) Block Hajipur bifurcated from existing w/s scheme Dugri Awana (3 Nos.) Block Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur (Under NABARD-XXIII). (Pkg - I) Bid Cost Rs. 9.82 lac.
Procurement No. DWSS-W-DIV19 -6090-1
Closing Date and Time:- As per website
For details logon to:- **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**.

Note:
1. Any corrigendum to the Tender/RFP notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/- **Executive Engineer, W/S & Sanitation Division, Talwara.**

DPR/Pb/108348

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
PWD B&R BRANCH
NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS

TENDER NOTICE NO. 40 **DATED: 23.11.2020**

On behalf of Governor of Punjab Executive Engineer, Construction Division No. 2, PWD B&R Br., Hoshiarpur invites bids from eligible bidders **enlisted for "All road works" category with PWD (B&R)** for the works approve under **Special Repair of Link Roads Program 2020-21 (Phase-III)** falling under his jurisdictions detailed in the following table. The bidders may submit bids for any or all of the following work(s):-

Sr. No.	Name of MC	Group No's whose tenders being called	Total No. of groups	Availability of tender online from	Last date and time of submission of tender online
1.	Garhshanker	1 to 7	7	25.11.2020 to 09.12.2020	09.12.2020 05.00 P.M.

*For detailed terms and conditions refer to website **http://eproc.punjab.gov.in** w.e.f. 25.11.2020
Corrigendum, if any, will be issued on website only.

Sd/- **Er. Kamal Nain, Executive Engineer, Constn. Divn. No. 2, PWD B&R Br., Hoshiarpur. Mob. No.: 98550-76068, Ph. & FAX No.: 01882-220455. E-mail - eecd2hsrpurpwdpb@gmail.com**

DPR/Pb/108345

SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS
SECTOR 38, CHANDIGARH

HGS/SPCA/2020/ **Dated:**

"AUCTION NOTICE FOR CONDEMNED VEHICLE"

The Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), Sector 38, Chandigarh has decided to dispose of below mention condemned vehicle lying in their premises:-

Sr. No.	Make/Model/Registration No. of motor vehicle	Last date and time for submitting bid document in sealed cover	Date and time for opening of bid documents
1	Swaraj Mazda with hydraulic lift No. CH01-Z-0906 model-1999.	04.12.2020 by 5.00 p.m.	07.12.2020 at 3.30 p.m.

Bids in sealed cover are invited from citizen/firms of India for auction of above said Motor Vehicle on "as-is-where-is-basis".

The interested parties seeking to participate in the "AUCTION" should send their bid documents as per the date and time mentioned in above bid schedule. The vehicle can be inspected on any working day at the above said place between **9.00 A.M. to 5 P.M.** Other terms and conditions of auction can be seen on notice board in the O/o Chandigarh Animal Husbandry, Sector 22, Chandigarh or downloaded from the website **chdanimalhusbandry.gov.in/**

Sd/- **Joint Director, AH-cum-Hony General Secretary, SPCA, Chandigarh.**

WEAR MASK, WASH YOUR HANDS, WATCH YOUR DISTANCE

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
PWD B&R BRANCH
NOTICE RE-INVITING ONLINE BIDS

Tender Notice No. 08 **Dated: 24.11.2020**

On behalf of Governor of Punjab Executive Engineer, Construction Division No. 1, PWD B&R BR, Hoshiarpur invites bids from eligible bidders **enlisted for "All road works" category with PWD (B&R)** for the works approve under **Special Repair of Link Roads Program 2020-21 (Phase-III)** falling under his jurisdictions detailed in the following table. The bidders may submit bids for any or all of the following work(s):-

Sr. No.	Name of MC	Group No's whose tenders being called	Total No. of groups	Availability of tender online from	Last date and time of submission of tender online
1.	Hoshiarpur	1 to 2	2	25.11.2020 to 09.12.2020	09.12.2020 05.00 P.M.
2.	Tanda	1 to 3	3	25.11.2020 to 09.12.2020	09.12.2020 05.00 P.M.
3.	Dasuya	1	1	25.11.2020 to 09.12.2020	09.12.2020 05.00 P.M.

***For detailed terms and condition refer to website "http://eproc.punjab.gov.in"**
Corrigendum, if any, will be issued on website only.

Sd/- **Er. Manjeet Singh. Executive Engineer, Constn. Divn. No. 1, , PWD B&R Br., Hoshiarpur. Ph. and Fax No.: 01882-222278.**

DPR/Pb/108346

Himachal Pradesh
Jal Shakti Vibhag
"Tender Notice"
E.E., Jal Shakti Division No. 1 Una
Telephone No.: 01975- 226060 E-mail: eeiph1una@gmail.com

The Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division No. 1 Una 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 Tender Form	Time
1	Restoration of rain damages of WSS Singan in Tehsil & Distt Una HP (SH:- fabrication & fixing of excessive Iron and turbidity removal plan)	Rs. 4,97,216/-	Rs. 9944/-	Rs. 250/-	One month
2	R/M of Sewerage Scheme to Una town in Tehsil & Distt Una HP (SH:- Laying of D.I pipe 150mm dia & C/O manhole on Pirnigah road in Mohalla Saini & Nr house of Dr. Ravinder Mohan.)	Rs. 1,66,910/-	Rs. 3388/-	Rs. 250/-	Three months
3	R/M of Sewerage Scheme to Una town in Tehisl & Distt Una HP (SH:- Laying of D.I pipe 150mm dia & C/O manhole on Pirnigah road near Prashar House)	Rs. 1,85,758/-	Rs. 3715/-	Rs. 250/-	Three months
4	Providing Multi villages piped WSS for Una & Haroli Consty in Una & Haroli Block Distt Una HP (Under JJM) (SH:- Painting on wall concrete plaster surface and writing letters/ figures of Slogans of various WSS etc)	Rs. 3,64,424/-	Rs. 7288/-	Rs. 250/-	Two months

1. Last date of submission of tender opened on 05.12.2020 up to 12:30 PM
2. Last date of sale of tender from divisional office on 04.12.2020 up to 04:00 PM

The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be downloaded from **www.hpiph.org** or from office of Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division No. 1 Una upto date specified above.

HIM SUCHNA AND JAN SAMPARK

Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division No. 1 Una.

DPR/HP/4529

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
PWD B&R BRANCH
NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS

Tender Notice No. 11 **Dated 24.11.2020**

On behalf of Governor of Punjab, Executive Engineer, Provincial Division, PWD B&R Branch, Ferozepur re-invites fresh bids from eligible bidders enlisted under ***Civil Works (Buildings)* category with PWD (B&R)** for the work of Construction of EVM and VVPAT Stores (Category-3) at Ferozepur falling under the jurisdiction of Provincial Division, PWD B&R Br, Ferozepur from **25.11.2020 to 04.12.2020 upto 11:00 a.m.**

Detail terms and conditions of notice inviting bids, refer to our website **http://eproc.punjab.gov.in.** Corrigendum if any will be issued on website.

Sd/- **Executive Engineer, Provincial Division, PWD B&R Br, Ferozepur.**
eepdfzrpwdpb@gmail.com
Ph. 01632-292529

DPR/Pb/108508

Punjab Health Systems Corporation
INVITATION OF BIDS

Tender reference Bid No. 31 e-tender/PHSC/EE (W)/2020-21
Dated: 19.11.2020

The Department of Punjab Health Systems Corporation, Mohali invites online bids for Construction of MS Shed for Oxygen Generation Plant and Providing, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of DG Set 82.5 KVA with AMF Panel, 3 Phase 415 Volts, complete as per DNIT specifications at DH Jalandhar & DH Ludhiana.

Closing Date:- **01/12/2020 up to 17.00 Hrs.**

For Details Logon to **www.eproc.punjab.gov.in.**

Note:- Any Corrigendum(s) to the tender notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/- **Executive Engineer (W)**
For Managing Director

DPR/Pb/108318

Government of Punjab
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS (B&R Works)
NIT No. 115/SE(TIC), dated 24.11.2020

The Department of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (B&R) invites online Double Bids for 01 No. work (under PUEIP) as per schedule given below:-

Pre-Bid Meeting	Last date of online Submission of Bidding Document	Opening of Bidding Documents	
		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
3.12.2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Office of SE(TIC), Zone-A, MCL	07.12.2020 up to 5:00 p.m.	08.12.2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Office of SE(TIC), Zone-A, MCL	Will be intimated later on

For details logon to:- **eproc.punjab.gov.in**

Note:- Detail of works, other terms & conditions & tender documents any corrigendum/addendum to the tender notice shall be published on above website only.

Sd/- **Superintending Engineer (TIC), Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.**

DPR/Pb/108649

ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ

ਨੰ: 1056 ਮਿਤੀ: 23.11.2020

(ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨੋਟਿਸ)

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਸਵੱਛ ਭਾਰਤ ਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਅਤੇ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਦੇ ਕੰਮਾਂ ਸਬੰਧੀ 86.73 ਲੱਖ ਰੁਪਏ ਦੀ ਰਾਸ਼ੀ ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ 21 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਿਮਨ ਦਰਜ ਸ਼ਡਿਊਲ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਲਗਾਏ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਟੈਂਡਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਆਨਲਾਈਨ ਵੈੱਬਸਾਈਟ https://eproc.punjab.gov.in 'ਤੇ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਡਿਟੇਲ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਤਖ਼ਮੀਨੇ ਵਗੈਰਾ ਹੋਰ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੰਮਕਾਜੀ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਵੇਖੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ ਬਿਨਾਂ ਕਾਰਨ ਦੱਸੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਰੱਦ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ।

SCHEDULE

(A) Date and time schedule:-

Sr. No.	Last Date for 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	09.12.2020, 9.00 AM	09.12.2020, 9.30 AM	30.11.2020, 10.AM	09.12.2020, 1.00 PM

ਸਹੀ/- ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਕ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ। ਸਹੀ/- ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ। ਸਹੀ/- ਮਿਉਂਸਪਲ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ।

DPR/Pb/108525

ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ (ਮਾਨਸਾ)
Email: mcbudhlada@gmail.com

ਨੰ: 1058 ਮਿਤੀ: 23.11.2020

(ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨੋਟਿਸ)

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ Plantation, Machinery and Civil Works ਲਈ 38.72 ਲੱਖ ਰੁਪਏ ਦੀ ਰਾਸ਼ੀ ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ 14 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਿਮਨ ਦਰਜ ਸ਼ਡਿਊਲ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਲਗਾਏ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਟੈਂਡਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਆਨਲਾਈਨ ਵੈੱਬਸਾਈਟ http://eproc.punjab.gov.in 'ਤੇ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਡਿਟੇਲ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਤਖ਼ਮੀਨੇ ਵਗੈਰਾ ਹੋਰ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੰਮ-ਕਾਜ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਵੇਖੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ ਬਿਨਾਂ ਕਾਰਨ ਦੱਸੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਰੱਦ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ।

(A) Date and Time Schedule:-

Sr. No.	Last Date of Online Sale of Bidding Document	Last Date of Online Submission of Bidding Document	Opening of Technical Bid Document
1	07.12.2020, 9.00 AM	07.12.2020, 9.30 AM	07.12.2020, 01.00 PM

ਸਹੀ/- ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਕ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ। ਸਹੀ/- ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ। ਸਹੀ/- ਮਿਉਂਸਪਲ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ।

DPR/Pb/108540

NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS
BID No. ETENDER/EE/PWSSD/ROPAR/26/2020/
Date: 24.11.2020
https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

On the behalf of Chief Executive Officer, Pb. W/S and Sew. Board Chandigarh, Executive Engineer, Pb. W/S & Sew. Divn. Ropar invites bids from the eligible bidders as per DNIT conditions for the work detailed below:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Work	Amount/ Time Limit
1.	Drilling and Development of 1 No. T/well of size 300mmX300mm up to 350 Mtr. depth complete in all respect in park of Aman City Extension-2 at Kharar	Rs. 32.42 Lac 3 Months
2.	Repair of 100 KVA Transformer including dismantling, loading, unloading and carriage at 2 MLD STP Sadavart, Ropar.	Rs. L.S. 1 Month

Closing Date & Time → **: 17.12.2020 up to 05.00 P.M.**
For details logon to **: https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

Note:- Corrigendum(s) to the tender/RFP Notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/- **Executive Engineer, Pb. W/S & Sew. Divn., Ropar. (01881-292030)**

DPR/Pb/108577

ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ

ਨੰ: 1054 ਮਿਤੀ: 23.11.2020

(ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨੋਟਿਸ)

ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਸ਼ਹਿਰ ਵਿਚ ਵੱਖ-ਵੱਖ ਥਾਵਾਂ 'ਤੇ ਸੀ.ਸੀ.ਟੀ.ਵੀ. ਕੈਮਰੇ ਲਗਵਾਉਣ ਲਈ 90.09 ਲੱਖ ਰੁਪਏ ਦੀ ਰਾਸ਼ੀ ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ 21 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਿਮਨ ਦਰਜ ਸ਼ਡਿਊਲ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਲਗਾਏ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਟੈਂਡਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਆਨਲਾਈਨ ਵੈੱਬਸਾਈਟ https://eproc.punjab.gov.in 'ਤੇ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਡਿਟੇਲ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਤਖ਼ਮੀਨੇ ਵਗੈਰਾ ਹੋਰ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੰਮ-ਕਾਜ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਵੇਖੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ ਬਿਨਾਂ ਕਾਰਨ ਦੱਸੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਰੱਦ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ।

SCHEDULE

Sr. No.	Last Date of Online Submission of Bidding Document	Opening of Technical Bidding Documents	Opening of Financial Bidding
1	08.12.2020 Upto 11.30	08.12.2020 Upto 15.00	08.12.2020 Upto 15.00

ਸਹੀ/- ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਕ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ। ਸਹੀ/- ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ। ਸਹੀ/- ਮਿਉਂਸਪਲ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਬੁਢਲਾਡਾ।

DPR/Pb/108537

Ph. No. 01765-505368
Fax No. 01765-505332, E-mail mcgvg@ymail.com

ਦਫਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਗੋਬਿੰਦਗੜ੍ਹ।
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, GOBINDGARH

Ref.: 2980 **Dated: 23.11.2020**

Government of Punjab

Tender Reference No.:- E-tender-ME/AME/022 (2020)
E-tender-ME/AME/023 (2020)

The Department of : Municipal Council, Gobindgarh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib invites bid for Supply Works.

Closing Date and Time : **Closing Date:- 15.12.2020, Time up to 05.00 P.M.**
Closing Date:- 16.12.2020, Time up to 05.00 P.M.

For Details logon to : **http://www.eproc.punjab.gov.in**

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

Sd/- Municipal Engineer, Municipal Council, Gobindgarh. **Sd/- Executive Officer Municipal Council, Gobindgarh.** **Sd/- Administrator, Municipal Council, Gobindgarh.**

DPR/Pb./108529

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Trump relents, Biden forges ahead with building team

WILMINGTON, NOVEMBER 24

US President-elect Joe Biden on Tuesday began a new phase in his transition to the White House after the Trump administration gave the Democrat access to critical resources that will enable him to take the reins of power in January.

The General Services Administration's announcement on Monday that it would formally recognise Biden's transition came after weeks of the president falsely claiming that the November 3 election had been marred by widespread voter fraud.

Trump, in a post on Twitter, offered support for the move.

While Trump stopped short of conceding, it was the closest he has come to acknowledging that it is time to hand over power to Biden, who will take office on January 20.

The GSA announcement will allow the president-elect to access millions of dollars in funds and focus on putting together a leadership team.

Two Trump administration officials said the Biden agency review teams could begin interacting with Trump agency officials as soon as Tuesday.

The Biden transition team said meetings would begin with federal officials on Washington's response to the coronavirus pandemic, along with discussions of national security issues.

Biden on Monday tapped trusted aide Antony Blinken to head the State Department and John Kerry, a former US senator, secretary of state and 2004 Democratic presidential nominee, to serve as his special climate envoy.

Biden, who plans to undo many of Trump's "America First" policies, also named Jake Sullivan as his national security adviser and Linda Thomas-Greenfield as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations - both with high-level government experience. — Reuters

Police separate Trump and Biden supporters in Michigan. REUTERS

YELLEN MAY BE TREASURY SECY

Biden is likely to tap former Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen to become the next Treasury Secretary, according to two Biden allies. The Biden transition team said meetings would begin with federal officials on Washington's response to the Covid pandemic, along with discussions of national security issues. REUTERS

EUROPE EXPECTS RESET OF TIES

Berlin: German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas has said he hopes a reset of US-European relations under the Biden administration can end years in which Europe was mainly concerned with "damage control." Maas' counterpart from Portugal, Augusto Santos Silva, said Europe wants to be treated as a "full and equal partner" rather than an enemy of the United States. AGENCIES

GLOBE TROT

EXAMINATION: An expert brushes sand from a Stone Age dog in Blekinge Museum, Karlskrona, Sweden. REUTERS

Para-athlete among Indian women on BBC's top 100

LONDON: Indian para-athleteManasi Joshi and climate activist Ridhima Pandey are among four Indian women to be included in the 'BBC 100 Women 2020' list released on Tuesday. The list includes 82-year-old Bilkis Bano for leading a protest against the new citizenship law and Isaivani for breaking male domination in singing. PTI

Israelis plan memorial for Mumbai attack victims

EILAT: Israelis in Eilat city are planning to set up a memorial square for the victims of the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, something similar to what it has for the victims of the 9/11 attacks in the US. At least 166 people were killed and over 300 others were injured in the attacks. "We have spoken to the Eilat Mayor for a memorial," representatives of the Sitar Organisation for Immigrant Jews said. PTI

B'desh man held for plans to join Kashmir militancy

SINGAPORE, NOVEMBER 24

A Bangladeshi man, who was plotting attacks against Hindus in his own country and planning to fight in Kashmir, has been arrested by Singapore's security agencies. The agencies investigated the suspicious activities of 37 people as part of the heightened security measures following recent terror strikes in Europe, the government said on Tuesday.

Of the 37 people, 14 are Singaporeans and 23 foreigners, mostly Bangladeshis. A Bangladeshi, Ahmed Faysal (26), has been arrested under the Internal Security Act (ISA) following investigations into terrorism-related activities, the home ministry said.

Faysal had been working as a construction worker in Singapore since early 2017, and became radicalised in 2018 after "imbibing online propaganda on ISIS", the statement said. He was arrested on November 2, the government said. — PTI

Japan, China to continue talks on disputed isles

TOKYO, NOVEMBER 24

Japan and China agreed on Tuesday to restart Covid-hit business travel this month and to continue talks on disputed isles in the East China Sea, in the first high-level dialogue since Japan picked a new leader in September.

The Tokyo visit by Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi comes amid growing concerns over Beijing's assertiveness in the region. Talks with Japan's Toshimitsu Motegi covered maritime tensions. — Reuters

EU reaches deal for supply of 160-million Moderna doses

BRUSSELS, NOVEMBER 24

The European Union has reached a deal with US biotech firm Moderna for the supply of its Covid vaccine candidate, the head of the European Commission said on Tuesday.

Last week, Moderna said its experimental vaccine was 94.5% effective in preventing Covid, based on interim data from a late-stage clinical trial. "I am happy to announce that tomorrow we will approve a new contract to secure another Covid vaccine," Ursula von der Leyen said, adding the deal "allows us to buy up to 160 million doses of a vaccine produced by Moderna."

Meanwhile, Russian Deputy Prime Minister Tatiana Golikova said the Covid situation was becoming more complicated with the onset of autumn and winter, Russian news agencies reported. Russia registered a record 25,173 new cases on Monday. — Reuters

TRACKING COVID

NATIONS	DEATHS
US	2,64,144
BRAZIL	1,69,569
MEXICO	1,01,926
UK	55,838
ITALY	51,306

WORLDOMETER TILL NOV 24, 10 PM

BUSINESS

USD $	EURO €	POUND £	JPY ¥	YUAN CNY	CAD C$	AUD A$	SGD S$	HKD HK$
₹74.01	₹87.93	₹98.77	₹0.71	₹11.25	₹56.67	₹54.37	₹55.16	₹9.56

BSE	NSE	GOLD	SILVER
445.87	128.70	₹50,800	₹60,000
44,523.02	13,055.15	Mumbai	Mumbai

Markets surge to lifetime high; Nifty breaches 13,000 mark

MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

Equity benchmarks Sensex and Nifty rallied to fresh lifetime highs on Tuesday following heavy buying in banking, financial, realty and auto counters amid persistent foreign capital inflows.

A strengthening rupee also boosted market sentiments, traders said.

After scaling a record intra-day high of 44,601.63, the 30-share BSE Sensex ended 445.87 points or 1.01 per cent higher at a record 44,523.02.

Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty rose 128.70 points or 1 per cent to close above the 13,000-mark for the first time at 13,055.15.

Axis Bank was the top gainer in the Sensex pack, surging around 4 per cent, followed by M&M, HDFC Bank, ITC, SBI, ICICI Bank, Maruti, Kotak Bank and Sun Pharma.

On the other hand, HDFC, Titan, Nestle India, Bharti Airtel, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) and Infosys were among the laggards. Sector-wise, BSE bankex, auto and finance indices rose up to 2.37 per cent.

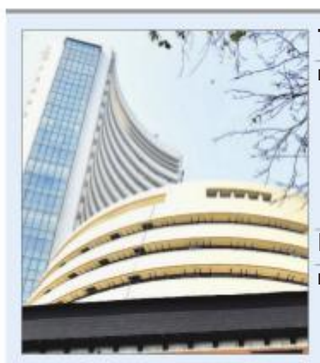
Foreign institutional investors remained net buyers in the capital market as they purchased shares worth Rs 4,738.44 crore on Monday, according to provisional exchange data.

The rupee appreciated 10 paise to close at 74.01 against the United States dollar.

Elsewhere in Asia, bourses in Hong Kong, Tokyo and Seoul ended with significant gains, while Shanghai closed in the red.

Stock exchanges in Europe were trading on a mixed note in early deals.

Meanwhile, Brent crude futures, the global oil benchmark, rose 0.85 per cent to United States Dollar 46.45 per barrel. — PTI



TOP GAINERS

- Axis Bank was the top gainer in the Sensex pack, surging around 4 per cent, followed by M&M, HDFC Bank, ITC, SBI, ICICI Bank, Maruti, Kotak Bank and Sun Pharma.

LAGGARDS

- HDFC, Titan, Nestle India, Bharti Airtel, ONGC and Infosys were among the laggards.

Musk surpasses Gates, becomes 2nd richest

SAN FRANCISCO, NOVEMBER 24

Tesla chief Elon Musk has surpassed Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates to become the second-richest person in the world. The Bloomberg Billionaires Index on Monday put the Tesla chief executive, with a $127.9 billion fortune, above Gates ($127.7 billion) for the first time.

The 49-year-old entrepreneur has added more than $100 billion to his net worth since January 2020, making him one of the fastest-growing among the world's 500 richest people.

The jump in Musk's fortune came as the shares of the electric car-maker Tesla soared and its market cap neared $500 billion on Monday.

The wealth gap between Musk and Gate is not huge, and it is possible they could switch places again.

Gates was the richest man for four years running till 2017 when Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos overtook him. Bezos continues to be the richest man with an estimated net worth of $182 billion. — IANS

Tesla CEO Elon Musk

Jeff Bezos, with net worth of $182 billion, remains at the top

Spacework providers offer discount to woo startups

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TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 24

From offering rent waivers to free workspace experience, co-working space providers in Chandigarh and Punjab are leaving no stone unturned to assist startups and at the same time targeting to reach pre-Covid level occupancy.

"Currently, we are operating at 65 per cent occupancy. To assist entrepreneurs, we are offering 10 to 15 per cent discount on rentals, "said Chiranjeev singh, Founder, Magnet Co-work.

The all-day café & bar chain Social, a part of food and experiences company Impresario Handmade Restaurants, has launched a week-long pan-India campaign called #OpenHouse to give everyone the social works experience.

In Chandigarh and Punjab, there are over a dozen co-working spaces for around 2,000 seats in the private sector. In the public sector, the Software Technology Park of India (STPI) manages around 100 seats in Mohali.

"With situation, our occupancy level has also improved. Earlier, we offered 50% rent waiver to assist the small businesses, "said said Param Kalra, founder, Starthub Nation.

Soon '0' prefix must for landline to mobile calls

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Callers will soon be required to add '0' prefix for making calls from landlines to mobile phones in the country, with the telecom department asking telcos to make necessary arrangements by January 1 to implement the new system.

The department has accepted Trai's recommendation for having the '0' prefix for such calls, a move that will create sufficient numbering space for telecom services. The Department of Telecom (DoT) the recommendations had been accepted in order to ensure adequate numbering resources. — PTI

Google pays ₹33,737 cr for 7.73% stake in Jio

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Alphabet Inc's Google has paid Rs 33,737 crore for a 7.73 per cent stake in Reliance Industries Ltd's (RIL) digital subsidiary, Jio Platforms Ltd, joining the list of global investors such as Facebook, billionaire Mukesh Ambani's firm said.

The transaction also marks the US technology giant's biggest-ever investment in an Indian company. With this, Jio Platforms has raised a total of Rs 1.52 lakh crore by selling nearly 33 per cent stake to 13 financial and strategic investors in just 11 weeks.

This has helped RIL erase its net debt much ahead of the March 2021 target. "After receipt of all requisite approvals, Jio Platforms, a subsidiary of the company, received the subscription amount of Rs 33,737 crore from Google International LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of Google LLC)," RIL said in a stock exchange filing. Jio Platforms has allotted equity shares to Google International LLC following which Google International LLC holds 7.73 per cent of the fully diluted equity share capital of Jio Platforms Limited, it said. Both will also come up with "an entry-level affordable smartphone. — PTI

BRIEFLY

Sebi confirms ban on Karvy Stock Broking

New Delhi: Markets watchdog Sebi on Tuesday confirmed the ban on Karvy Stock Broking Ltd from taking new clients. The regulator passed the final order a year after passing an interim order, wherein it had imposed a ban on KSBL for misusing clients' securities. PTI

Cohesive retail policy to create more jobs: CII

New Delhi: A cohesive national retail policy would go a long way in reviving the sector and help generate up to 30 lakh additional jobs in the country by 2024, CII National Committee on Retail Chairman Shashwat Goenka has said. PTI

Rohit, Ishant doubtful for Tests too

Rohit's long rehab raises question over him playing IPL with injury

AUSTRALIA TOUR

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The news that both Rohit Sharma and Ishant Sharma could miss the first two Tests against Australia due to injuries they suffered in the IPL has raised an important question: Just who is responsible for ensuring players do not play on despite injuries in the IPL?

Their primary employer is the BCCI — or India — but many of them play on despite injuries in the IPL, either due to pressure from their IPL team, or because of their own self-analysis that a mere 20-over game won't affect their injury. That seemed to be the case with Rohit Sharma, who played for Mumbai Indians despite suffering a hamstring injury — his belief was that since it was only T20 cricket, he could play on after reaching some level of fitness. "I told them (Mumbai Indians) that I can take the field since it is the shortest format and I will be able to manage the situation quite nicely," Rohit said recently regarding playing on in the IPL despite his injury.

BCCI president Sourav Ganguly recently said Rohit was still "70% fit", but Rohit said he was OK. Former India opener Aakash Chopra asked a relevant question: "... if he is playing on 10th November and scoring 68 runs, if he is fit and running, then why is he not fit for the 27th?" Rohit was excluded from the limited-overs leg of the tour of Australia, which begins on November 27.

Rohit Sharma suffered a hamstring injury while playing for MI vs KXIP on October 18. PHOTO: IPL/BCCI

Missing from action

A BCCI source said that Rohit and pacer Ishant will miss the first two Tests against Australia and are also doubtful for the remaining two after it was conveyed to the BCCI that the duo will require close to a month to be match-fit.

The two, who are undergoing rehabilitation at the National Cricket Academy in Bengaluru, were kept in the squad for the Tests series, which starts on December 17, but tough quarantine rules have made their availability uncertain. "The NCA has given a report that both Rohit and Ishant will take at least another three-four weeks to get match fit," a BCCI source told PTI.

"Even if they travel now they will have 'hard quarantine' since they will travel by commercial flight. Hard quarantine means not being able to train during the 14 days like the whole team," the source said. "So, now if only Cricket Australia can convince the government and allow them to train during quarantine."

The Indian team, which landed here after the IPL earlier this month on a chartered flight, was allowed to train in quarantine as Australia battled a fresh wave of Covid-19 cases. — TNS, PTI

Smith relieved to find his hands before India series

SYDNEY, NOVEMBER 24

Australia batsman Steve Smith says a training breakthrough during a stint in isolation has helped him find his hands again and he is confident his Indian Premier League struggles are behind him as he prepares to face India on Friday. Smith had a relatively quiet IPL in the UAE, scoring 311 runs at 25.91 in 14 matches.

The 31-year-old said he had hardly picked up a bat during the early months of the Covid-19 pandemic and then struggled on Australia's limited-overs tour of England, where he scored 31 runs in three T20 innings.

But back in isolation in Sydney, Smith said he felt like he had found his rhythm and was striking the ball better and able to place it where he wanted. "The past few days I have found something ... I have found my hands which I am extremely excited about," Smith said. "It's just getting that feel of the bat behind my toe the right way, the way my hands come up the bat. But it just hasn't quite been right until two days ago. I found a little something and everything just clicked in. I had a big smile on my face after training the other day," he added. — Reuters

5 archers barred from trials over Covid rule

They had landed without mandatory Covid-negative report

VINAYAK PADMADEO
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Five archers learned a harsh lesson on Covid-19 protocols when they were stopped from participating in the selection trials that got underway today in Jamshedpur because they arrived without the mandatory negative RT-PCR test report.

Those who were barred are international archers Promila Daimary, Sanjay Boro, Dhaniram Basumatary and Mukesh Boro, and one who is yet to represent India, Sonali Basumatary.

The five, who all hail from Assam, pleaded their case but were denied permission to take part in the trials because the Archery Association of India (AAI) did not want to expose the other archers to any risk.

The five had reached Jamshedpur only on Monday, and the local organisers did not have any time to get them tested. Interestingly, a few other archers too had landed without Covid-negative reports, but since they reached earlier, they were tested for the virus and allowed to participate. The archers had been informed through several forums, including WhatsApp groups, about the Covid-19 protocols.

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> Pramod Chandurkar, AAI SECRETARY GENERAL

No choice

AAI secretary general Pramod Chandurkar said the organisers were left with no option. "We had no choice but to stop them as it could have meant risk to others. We had informed all the archers and officials about the requirement of a negative RT-PCR report a number of times," Chandurkar told *The Tribune*. "I sympathise with them all, everyone has to follow the protocol. We have to safeguard others and allowing them would have meant a severe breach of rules," he added.

Rahul, Mangal out

Meanwhile, Olympians Rahul Banerjee and Mangal Singh Champia failed to make the cut on the first day of the trials and were out of contention to join the core group. While Banerjee finished last in the field of 36 archers with an aggregate of 1208 points, Champia was placed 19th with 1296 points.

Services' Binod Swansi is leading the field with 1331 points. The list will be pruned to eight and finally to four, who will join the core group of archers training in Pune. Haryana's Sangeeta is leading the field in the women's section with 1308 points.

Boxer Brijesh injured, to return from training camp in Italy

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Indian boxer Brijesh Yadav has suffered a setback in his bid to win a ticket for the Tokyo Olympics. Yadav, who fights in the 81kg division, has suffered a facial injury while sparring with a teammate in Italy. The medical staff has advised him to not train as he is in considerable pain and he will now return to India. Once back, a specialist will assess his injury again and a further course of action will be taken.

Brijesh took a severe blow under his left eye and was immediately taken for a CT-scan. However, the severity of the injury is not yet known.

The executive director of Boxing Federation of India (BFI), RK Sacheti, said it was not a career-threatening injury. "Brijesh will be returning soon. He has been advised rest and since he cannot take part in the training sessions there was no point in him staying in Italy with the team," Sacheti said. "We have been told that the injury is not that serious but he will be assessed once he is back and we will proceed as per the specialist's advice," he added.

Meanwhile, there are doubts about the Indian team's participation in the Chemistry Cup, which is scheduled to begin in Germany from November 30. The 27-member squad, which is on a 52-day training stint in Assisi, Italy, was looking forward to the tournament after nine months of inaction. However, rising Covid-19 cases and a partial lockdown imposed in some of the provinces has raised doubts about Indian participation. BFI will take a formal decision soon.

BRIEFLY

VASCO

ISL: Chennaiyin beat Jamshedpur 2-1

India international Anirudh Thapa scored in the first minute to set up Chennaiyin FC's 2-1 win over Jamshedpur FC in an Indian Super League match here today. A penalty from Esmael Goncalves (26th) doubled their lead before Nerijus Valskis (37th) pulled one back.

MUMBAI

India's home series against England to feature four Tests

England's tour of India next year will comprise four Tests instead of the regulation five to accommodate the limited-overs series that had to be postponed earlier this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. BCCI President Sourav Ganguly confirmed the schedule for the series planned in February-March.

LONDON

Wolves substitute Neto salvages 1-1 draw

Wolverhampton Wanderers' Pedro Neto came off the bench to cancel out a Theo Walcott strike for Southampton as the two sides battled to a 1-1 draw in Premier League. AGENCIES

TODAY ON TV

ISL
GOA VS MUMBAI
STAR SPORTS 7:30PM

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE
OLYMPIACOS VS MAN CITY 11:25PM
LIVERPOOL VS ATALANTA
INTER MILAN VS REAL MADRID
BAYERN VS SALZBURG
1:30AM (THURSDAY)
SONY TEN, SONY SIX

Kohli, Ashwin in race for ICC's player of the decade award

DUBAI, NOVEMBER 24

Virat Kohli and Ravichandran Ashwin were nominated for the ICC Men's Player of the Decade Award. Joe Root (England), Kane Williamson (New Zealand), Steve Smith (Australia), AB de Villiers (South Africa), and Kumar Sangakkara (Sri Lanka) are the other contenders in the category.

Kohli features in all five men's categories. In the Men's ODI Player of the Decade category, MS Dhoni and Rohit Sharma are also nominated. — PTI

PUBLIC NOTICE
GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA
EXCISE & TAXATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE FOR INVITING E-TENDERS FOR ALLOTMENT OF REMAINING ZONE OF RETAIL LIQUOR VENDS OF DISTRICT SONEPAT FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR THE YEAR 2020-21 IN THE STATE OF HARYANA.

It is hereby notified for the information of general public that E-TENDERS for **ALLOTMENT** of Zone No. ZSNP-14 of retail liquor vends of district Sonepat are invited for the year 2020-2021. Schedule for invitation and evaluation for E-Tenders for Zone No. ZSNP-14 of retail liquor vends is as under:-

1.	Starting date and time for placing e-tenders	26th November, 2020 (from 09:00 A.M. onwards)
2.	Closing date and time for placing e-tenders	26th November, 2020 (Till 05:00 P.M.)
3.	Evaluation of e-tenders	26th November, 2020 (06:00 P.M.)

1. These e-Tenders will be submitted online as per public notice issued by the Department **(published on 07th/8th March, 2020)** in the leading newspapers inviting e-Tenders for allotment of retail liquor licenses of Zone of vend for the year 2020-21. The public notice is available on the departmental website i.e. **www.haryanatax.gov.in**
2. The list of remaining Zone of vends in the District and venue for evaluation of e-Tenders shall be conspicuously displayed in the office of **DETC (Excise) & DETC (ST) concerned.** The list shall also be available on the departmental website i.e. **www. haryanatax.gov. in**
3. The process of inviting tenders shall be continued by reducing the original reserve price as per **Excise Policy 2020-21** and as decided by **ETC, Haryana.**
4. The e-Tenders shall be received and the Zone of vends shall be allotted in the manner prescribed in the **Excise Policy for the year 2020-21 and the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 (as applicable to the State of Haryana),** the rules framed there under.
5. The allotment shall be subject to the approval of the **Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Haryana.** He may reject, without assigning any reason, any allotment in public interest as the case may be within 10 days of the date of allotment.

Excise & Taxation Commissioner, Haryana.

PRDH/83994

TENDER NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

GMADA

Online tenders on percentage basis (above or below or at par the DNIT amount) for the below mentioned works are invited from the eligible contractors as per eligibility criteria of the SBD.

Sr. No.	Name of the Work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money
1.	Maintenance of 38 no. elevators installed at Purab Premium Apartments, Sector 88, S.A.S Nagar for a period of 7.5 years at risk and cost of the agency M/s Simplex Infrastructures Ltd.	Rs. 539.40 Lac	Rs. 10.40 Lac
2.	Maintenance & operation of DG sets & lighting fixtures of common areas such as basement, campus, lift lobbies, staircases & corridors including servicing of DG sets installed at Purab Premium Apartments, Sector 88, S.A.S Nagar for a period of 7.5 years at risk and cost of the agency M/s Simplex Infrastructures Ltd.	Rs. 168.55 Lac	Rs. 3.40 Lac
3.	Construction of 1620 nos. apartments of various types including sports complex, community centre, 52 nos. booths, sports facilities with external development with maintenance of 10 years at Sector 88, S.A.S Nagar. Rectification of defects in the elevators under maintenance installed at Purab Premium Apartments, Sector 88, S.A.S Nagar at Risk and Cost of M/s Simplex Infrastructures Ltd.	Rs. 31.75 Lac	Rs. 0.64 Lac
4.	Maintenance of roads in Ecocity, Phase I, New Chandigarh, S.A.S Nagar (At risk & Cost of M/s Larsen & Toubro Limited)	Rs. 193.27 Lac	Rs. 3.87 Lac

Tender Processing Fee for work at Sr. No. 1, 2 & 4 : Rs. 5900/- For work at Sr. No. 3 : Rs. 3747/-
Period of Completion for work at Sr. No. 1 & 2: 7.5 years For work at Sr. No. 3 & 4 : Two Months

Sr. No.	Online availability of tender for bidding		Last date & time for submission online of bids	Place, date & time of opening of tender		
	From	To		Place	Technical Bid	Financial Bid
Work at Sr. No.1 to 3	24.11.2020 3:00 PM	8.12.2020 3:00 PM	8.12.2020 3:00 PM	S.E.(C-1) GMADA, Room No. 445, 4th Floor, PUDA Bhawan, Sector 62, SAS Nagar	9.12.2020 3:00 PM	Shall be intimated after evaluation of technical bid
Work at Sr. No.4	24.11.2020 3:00 PM	8.12.2020 3:00 PM	8.12.2020 3:00 PM	S.E.(C-2) GMADA, Room No. 413, 4th Floor, PUDA Bhawan, Sector 62, SAS Nagar	9.12.2020 3:00 PM	Shall be intimated after evaluation of technical bid

Pre bid Meeting for Work at Sr. No. 1
On 1-12-2020 (Tuesday) at 12 Noon in O/o SE (C-1) GMADA, SAS Nagar

1. For detailed terms and conditions of the notice inviting bids refer to our website **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in.**
2. For any clarification / difficulty regarding e-tendering process contact **0172-2970263, 2970284.**

Divisional Engineer (C-2)

GREATER MOHALI AREA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
PUDA Bhawan, Sector - 62, S.A.S Nagar (Punjab)

CANCELLATION / PARTIAL CANCELLATION /SHORT TERMINATION/ SHORT ORIGINATION /DIVERSION OF TRAINS

It is notified for the information of all concerned that Railways have decided to Cancel / Partially Cancel / Short Terminate/Short Originate/ Divert following Passengers Special Trains / Festival Special Trains in view of the Kisan Agitation in Punjab:-

CANCELLATION OF MAIL / EXPRESS TRAINS

Train No. & Name	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
04624 Amritsar-Saharsa Festival Special	25.11.2020
04623 Saharsa-Amritsar Festival Special	26.11.2020
04652 Amritsar-Jaynagar Express Special	25.11.2020
04651 Jaynagar-Amritsar Express Special	27.11.2020
04654 Amritsar-New Jalpaiguri Karambhoomi Superfast Clone Special	25.11.2020

PARTIAL CANCELLATION OF SPECIAL TRAINS

Train No. & Name	Short Terminate at/ Short originate from	Partially Cancelled between Stations	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
08237 Korba-Amritsar Spl.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	of 24.11.2020
08238 Amritsar-Korba Spl.	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	26.11.2020
02407 New Jalpaiguri-Amritsar Superfast Special	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	25.11.2020
02408 Amritsar- New JalpaiguriSuperfast Special	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	27.11.2020
02357 Kolkata-Amritsar Spl.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	of 24.11.2020
02358 Amritsar-Kolkata Spl.	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	26.11.2020
02715 Nanded-Amritsar Exp.	at New Delhi	New Delhi-Amritsar	of 24.11.2020
02716 Amritsar-Nanded Exp.	from New Delhi	Amritsar-New Delhi	26.11.2020
02925 Bandra Terminus-Amritsar Special Express	at Chandigarh	Chandigarh-Amritsar	of 24.11.2020
02926 Amritsar-Bandra Terminus Special Express	from Chandigarh	Amritsar-Chandigarh-	26.11.2020
05933 Dibrugarh-Amritsar Spl.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	of 24.11.2020
05934 Amritsar-Dibrugarh Spl.	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	27.11.2020
04651 Jaynagar-Amritsar Exp.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	of 24.11.2020

DIVERSION OF SPECIAL TRAINS

Train No. & Name	Diverted Via	Date (from the Originating Station)
02904 Amritsar-Mumbai Central Golden Temple Mail	Amritsar-Tarn Taran-Beas	of 24.11.2020
04674/04650 Amritsar-Jaynagar-Amritsar Express	Amritsar-Tarn Taran-Beas	25.11.2020
08215 Durg-Jammu Tawi Festival Spl.	Ludhiana Jn.-Jalandhar Cantt.-Pathankot Cantt.	25.11.2020
08216 Jammu Tawi-Durg Festival Spl.	Pathankot Cantt.-Jalandhar Cantt.-Ludhiana Jn.-	27.11.2020
04673 Jaynagar-Amritsar Express	Beas-Tarn Taran-Amritsar	of 23.11.2020
02903 Mumbai Central-Amritsar Central Golden Temple Mail	Beas-Tarn Taran-Amritsar	of 23.11.2020
09026 Amritsar-Bandra Terminus Clone Spl.	Amritsar-Tarn Taran-Beas	25.11.2020
02926 Amritsar-Bandra Terminus Express	Amritsar-Tarn Taran-Beas	25.11.2020
02716 Amritsar-Nanded Sachkhand Exp.	Amritsar-Tarn Taran-Beas	25.11.2020

Note : For any kind of information passengers are requested to contact Railway Enquiry No. 139 or visit Indian Railways website www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in

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Sr. No.	LETTER/MEMO No. & DATE	NAME OF DEPT./ BOARD/CORP./ AUTH.	OLD REFERENCE/ NIT/TENDER NO.	NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM	WEBSITE OF THE DEPT./ BOARD/CORP./AUTH.	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	174115/R dated 20/11/2020	Haryana PWD (B&R)	164677/R dated 03/11/2020 Tender Reference Number: PWD/AMB/AMB-1/110099(2) Tender ID 2020_HRY_150092_1	Last date of submission of Bid extended up to 10/12/2020	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	Shri Nishant, Executive Engineer, (Mb. 8221827829, Email: pwd-eepd1-ambala@hry.nic.in)
2	174115/R dated 20/11/2020	Haryana PWD (B&R)	164677/R dated 03/11/2020 Tender Reference Number: PWD/AMB/AMB-2/110091 Tender ID 2020_HRY_150135_1	Last date of submission of Bid extended up to 10/12/2020	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	Shri Jaswinder Singh, Executive Engineer, (Mb. 9417362462; Email: pwd-eepd2-ambala@hry.nic.in)

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Sd/- **Superintending Engineer, Ambala Circle, PWD (B&R), Ambala Cantt.**

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

Sr. No.	NAME OF BOARD/ CORP./AUTH.	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT/ EMD (APPROX.) in Rupees	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD/ CORP./AUTH.	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/ EMAIL
1	HSIIDC	PROVIDING AND LAYING OF INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES IN SECTOR-15, 16 & 17 AT INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, DHARUHERA, DISTT. REWARI.	26.11.2020 22.12.2020	5541.23 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9910728120 ia.dharuhera@hsiidc.org.in
2	HSIIDC	UP-GRADATION OF ROADS (INCLUDING 36 MONTHS DEFECT LIABILITY PERIOD) IN PHASE-VII, SECTOR-34-35, UDYOG VIHAR GURUGRAM	26.11.2020 17.12.2020	602.22 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0124-2398418 ia.gurugram@hsiidc.org.in
3	LUVAS ANIMAL NUTRITION	PURCHASE OF FEED GRADE CHEMICALS	26.11.2020 17.12.2020	42.30 LACS	www.luvas.edu.in httpt.luvas.haryanaeprocurment.gov.in	01662-256118
4	J C BOSE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	CE-07/DLCMS + 1 OTHER WORKS	22.11.2020 22.12.2020	70000/-	https://www.jcboseust.ac.in/content /tender_teqip3	01292310176, 77, teqip3ymcaust@gmail.com
5	GMDA, GURUGRAM	CONSTRUCTION OF 25 MLD CAPACITY OF SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT (STP) AND MAIN PUMPING STATION (MPS) BASED ON SEQUENTIAL BATCH REACTOR (SBR) TECHNOLOGY ALONG WITH OPERATION & MAINTENANCE FOR 06 YEARS INCLUDING 01 YEAR DEFECT LIABILITY PERIOD AFTER STABILIZATION PERIOD OF 03 MONTHS ON 4 TURNKEY BASIS COMPLETE IN ALL RESPECT AT MANESAR. HARYANA. (2•• RE- CALL). A/C RS.30.87 CRORES	23.11.2020 14.12.2020	61.74 LACS	https://www.gmda.gov.in	xen4infra2.gmda@gov.in
6	HAFED , ASSANDH	SALE OF NEW MOLASSES, RORI & SCRAP SUGAR, PRESS MUD, OLD & NEW BAGASSE, SALE/ AUCTION OF UNUSED STORE ITEMS / SCRAP, PURCHASE OF GEAR BOXES, INSTRUMENT ITEMS, CONVEYER BELT, REPAIR OF 505 WOODWARD GOVERNOR, SUPPLY OF DATA FROM ONLINE MONITORING SYSTEM TO CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD SEVER, INSURANCE OF STOCK	25.11.2020 03.12.2020	AS PER TENDER NOTICE/ DOCUMENTS	hafed.gov.in	9053008705 dgmhfd@gmail.com

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A-I One inaugural flight to Chennai

- President Ram Nath Kovind boarded the Air India One-B777 aircraft on Tuesday for its inaugural flight to Chennai.
- The aircraft is fuel efficient and has a longer range than the B747-400 that are deployed for similar VVIP operations. PTI

Indo-US ties to strengthen with focus on human rights

Biden's picks unlikely to give Modi free pass on CAA, NRC

SANDEEP DIKSHIT
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Among Joe Biden's picks are nominees to two crucial posts — Secretary of State Antony Blinken and National Security Adviser Jake Sullivan – who are old subcontinental hands and, like the US President-elect, have pushed for closer ties with India, especially in the Indo-Pacific, and against China.

However, the evidence of their stints in the Obama administration and their recent observations on India show that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is unlikely to get a free pass on the CAA and the NRC. He may also be nudged from his hard-line position of not talking to Pakistan and asserting that all that remains to be discussed on Kashmir is handing over the occupied part to India.

Already, Democratic Party supporters have urged Blinken to include India in the State Department's list of "countries of particular concern".

"A strong US-India strategic partnership should be anchored in an understanding that the geopolitical interests of both countries are best served by advancing democracy, human rights and religious freedom," reasoned the Indian American Muslim Council (IAMC) in a statement.

It appealed to Blinken, the "stepson of a Holocaust survivor", to ensure that the US introduces specific reference to pluralism and freedom in all future pacts with India in trade and defence cooperation. It also wanted Blinken, whom it briefed in April this year on the CAA and the NRC, to pursue modifications in both laws to end the "inherent anti-Muslim bias". Both Sullivan and Blinken are clear that the US' strategic future in the subcontinent lies with India. At the same time, they are mindful of the need to preserve geopolitical stability in South Asia.

It may be a coincidence but Blinken was in India in 2015 and shortly thereafter, then Foreign Minister Sushma Swaraj travelled to Islamabad followed by PM Modi's surprise touchdown in Pakistan to meet its then PM Nawaz Sharif.

Blinken, as a matter of policy approach, is in favour of "engaging with a partner about areas where you have difference even as you are working to build a greater cooperation and strengthen the relationship going forward".

But India can breathe easy on the Iran front as Sullivan has been clear about negotiating on the Iran nuclear deal. It can also look forward to a structured discussion on trade issues.

INDIA USEFUL PARTNER TO DEAL WITH CHINA

- Both Blinken and Sullivan are clear that India will be a useful partner to deal with China's across-the-board assertiveness.
- The former has criticised the PLA's aggressiveness on the LAC and its deployment of economic might to "coerce others and reap unfair advantage". Jake Sullivan has served in the Obama administration.

TRUMP'S APPROACH TRANSACTIONAL

"President Trump's approach to India has been basically full of photo ops. He takes a transactional approach. We have challenges and concerns about...cracking down on freedom of movement & speech in Kashmir.

Antony Blinken, NOMINEE FOR SECY OF STATE

Cong rift deepens, Anand says don't belittle RS leaders

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The fissures that surfaced in the Congress this August when 23 leaders sought organisational reforms deepened on Tuesday with veteran Anand Sharma, one of the 23 letter writers, asking detractors in the party to stop undermining Rajya Sabha leaders.

"Whom are they belittling? Do they know that India's tallest leaders be it Indira Gandhi and Atal Bihari Vajpayee or Somnath Chatterjee and LK Advani were members of the Rajya Sabha at some point?" Sharma's comments came a day after the Congress officially advised "nominated Rajya Sabha leaders" to follow party discipline and not talk out of line about internal affairs. Sharma's target was party spokesperson Pawan Khera. — TNS

Sena MLA premises raided in PMLA case

MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) raided premises linked to Shiv Sena MLA Pratap Sarnaik in Maharashtra on Tuesday in connection with a money laundering case being probed against a security service provider company and others, official sources said.

His party called the raids a "political vendetta" and said the Maharashtra government or its leaders will not surrender to pressure from anyone.

> Searches conducted at 10 locations in Mumbai, Thane

Sources said the searches are being conducted by the central agency at 10 locations in Mumbai and neighbouring Thane.

CRPF personnel were seen assisting ED sleuths during the operation that was launched early morning."The searches are being conducted on the Tops group (a company in the business of providing security) promoters and related people, including some politicians," an official source said. — PTI

Apex court junks plea against Modi's election

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The Supreme Court on Tuesday rejected former BSF jawan Tej Bahadur's petition challenging the election of Prime Minister Narendra Modi from Varanasi in 2019, saying it didn't disclose a cause of action.

A Bench headed by CJI SA Bobde, which had reserved its order on Tej Bahadur's petition on November 18, said the present election petition "has been rightly nipped in the bud" by the Allahabad High Court. "We find that the averments in the petition do not disclose that the appellant has a cause of action, which invest him with right to sue," said the Bench, which also included Justice AS Bopanna and Justice V Ramasubramanian.

Bahadur, who was dismissed from the BSF in 2017 after he posted a video online alleging that poor quality food was served to the troops, alleged that his nomination papers were wrongly rejected. — TNS

Nivar to make landfall today, TN on alert

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The depression over the Bay of Bengal has intensified into cyclonic storm Nivar, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said on Tuesday.

As per the 9.30 pm bulletin of the IMD, Nivar is about 320 km east-southeast of Cuddalore, about 350 km southeast of Puducherry and 410 km east southeast of Chennai. It is very likely to intensify further into a severe cyclonic storm during the next six hours and into a very severe cyclonic storm during the subsequent 12 hours.

"It is likely to cross Tamil Nadu and Puducherry coasts between Karaikal and Mamallapuram around Puducherry on November 25 evening as a very severe cyclonic storm with a wind speed of 120-130 kmph gusting to 145 kmph. Earlier today, it remained practically stationary over southwest Bay of Bengal about 410 km east-southeast of Puducherry and 450 km southeast of Chennai," the IMD said

According to experts, slow moving cyclones gather more energy as they move towards the land. Super cyclone is the highest category of tropical storms, starting with a 'depression' and graduating to 'cyclone/deep depression', 'severe cyclone', 'very severe cyclone' and 'extremely severe cyclone'.

The first 'super cyclone' of the century, Amphan, made a landfall in May at the West Bengal-Bangladesh coast as an 'extremely severe cyclone' with a speed of 155-165 kmph gusting to 185 kmph.

Tamil Nadu and Puducherry are on high alert. Apart from coastal and north interior Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Karakkal, a red alert has also been sounded for heavy to extremely heavy rain in Rayalseema. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has spoken to Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami and Puducherry Chief Minister V Narayanasami. Damage is expected over Nagapattinam, Mayiladuthurai, Cuddalore, Villupuram and Chengalpattu districts of Tamil Nadu and Karaikal and Puducherry, the IMD said. Widespread damage is also expected to standing crops, plantations, orchards in Tamil Nadu and parts of Andhra Pradesh.

HIGH TIDE: Strong tidal waves at Mamallapuram due to Cyclone Nivar on Tuesday. PTI

PROHIBITORY ORDERS CLAMPED IN PONDY

- The Puducherry district administration on Tuesday imposed prohibitory orders under section 144 CrPC in the wake of cyclone warning.
- District Collector Purva Garg said the order prevents assembly of people in public places. Shops will remain shut from 9 pm on Tuesday to 6 am on Thursday. PTI

30 NDRF TEAMS DEPLOYED IN THREE STATES

The chief of the NDRF said so far 30 teams of the force have been deployed in the three states, while 20 more teams have been kept on standby for immediate deployment.

India inks pact to build $250 mn dam in Kabul

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Tuesday announced India's additional commitments for Afghanistan, including the construction of a dam that will provide safe drinking water to 20 lakh residents of Kabul.

The $250 million (Rs 3,000 crore) project has been pending for two years following objections from Pakistan as it fears impediment to the regular flow of water. The dam is proposed to be built on the Maidan River, a tributary of the Kabul River which flows into Pakistan from Afghanistan.

India will also launch the fourth phase of the high impact community development projects in Afghanistan, which envisages more than 100 projects worth $80 million (Rs 600 crore) that India would undertake in Afghanistan.

Jaishankar said India had just concluded with Afghanistan an agreement for the construction of Shatoot dam. India had earlier built the 202-km Phul-e-Khumri transmission line that provides electricity to large parts of Kabul.

Jaishankar is leading the Indian delegation at the 2020 Afghanistan Conference being organised virtually by the UN and Afghan and Finnish governments to reaffirm the International community's commitment to Afghanistan during 2015-24. — TNS

FOCUS ON STABILITY

"India has invested heavily in peace and development in Afghanistan...We believe that the interests of minorities, women and vulnerable sections must be ensured

S Jaishankar, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER

Sent letter to Arnab at Speaker's behest: Official

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

Faced with contempt proceedings for threatening Arnab Goswami for moving the Supreme Court over breach of privilege proceedings initiated against the Republic TV Editor-in-Chief, the Maharashtra Assembly Assistant Secretary on Tuesday said the controversial letter was issued at the instance of the Speaker.

Senior advocate Dushyant Dave, representing the Maharashtra Assembly Assistant Secretary, told a Bench, headed by Chief Justice of India SA Bobde, that no contempt was made out as there was no attempt to obstruct the administration of justice in issuing the letter to Arnab.

On behalf of Arnab, senior advocate Harish Salve urged the top court to issue a notice to the Speaker. Dave opposed Salve's submission even as Amicus Curiae Arvind Datar supported Speaker being issued a notice as the Assistant Secretary of the Assembly was only acting as an agent of the Speaker.

"The Speaker shouldn't argue tomorrow that he wasn't heard by this court," said the CJI and adjourned the matter for two weeks.

The Supreme Court had on November 6 issued contempt of court notice to the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly Secretary for threatening Goswami. "Can any authority in the country penalise someone for approaching this court? This is in the teeth of Article 32. How dare this officer write something like this in his letter?" the CJI had asked.

THE CASE

The Bench was told that the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly Secretary wrote a letter to Goswami on October 13 threatening him for "breaching" confidentiality of privilege proceedings by moving the top court.

No coercive action to remove slums along tracks in Delhi

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

The Centre on Tuesday told the Supreme Court that no coercive action would be taken to remove around 48,000 slum dwellings along the railway tracks in Delhi as deliberations were being held on the issue.

"The deliberations are going on. We are not taking any coercive steps," Solicitor General Tushar Mehta told a Bench headed by Chief Justice of India SA Bobde. Taking note of Mehta's submission, the Bench adjourned the matter for four weeks.

The court is seized of several applications, including the one by Delhi Congress leader Ajay Maken, seeking rehabilitation of the affected slum dwellers before they were dislodged. The top court had on August 31 ordered the removal of around 48,000 jhuggis along the railway tracks in Delhi in a phased manner in three months and said there shall not be any kind of political interference in implementation of its order.

Restraining courts from granting any kind of stay with respect to removal of these encroachments, the top court had said 70 per cent of the requisite amount shall be borne by the Railways and 30 per cent by the state government, and the manpower be provided by the South Delhi Municipal Corporation, Railways and agencies free of cost.

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