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Rescue work on to locate the missing persons in the Boh valley, Dharamsala. TRIBUNE PHOTO

D'sala landslide toll mounts to 5

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DHARAMSALA, JULY 13 With the recovery of four more bodies, the toll in yesterday's landslide in Rulehar village of Boh valley, about 30 km from Dharamsala, has risen to five while five others are still feared trapped in debris.

5 still missing, ₹4 lakh ex gratia for kin of dead

Rescue teams, comprising personnel from the National Disaster Response Force and the HP Government, had brought out seven persons alive yesterday.

Kangra Deputy Commissioner Nipun Jindal said there were slim chances of survival of those feared



FINALLY, MONSOON REACHES DELHI, COVERS ENTIRE NATION **BACK PAGE**

trapped. Two of the five dead have been identified as Masto Devi and Shakuntla Devi. Masto Devi, her husband Bhim Singh and three other family members were report-

edly inside their house when the landslide brought it down. Eleven houses were damaged, nine completely and two partially, said officials. A panchayat bhawan, veterinary hospital and a community hall suffered damages too. In Dharamsala, the residents who were evacuated from their houses along the Manji river yesterday started returning to their houses today after the water level receded.

Four houses were damaged at Bagli village and their occupants have been housed in a government school building. In Bhagsunag, most of the hotels fell vacant today with panic-stricken tourists vacating their rooms and new bookings being cancelled.

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NEW DELHI, JULY 13 With many activists charged under anti-terror laws languishing in jails, Justice DY Chandrachud of the Supreme Court has said criminal laws should not be used to muzzle dissent.

"The criminal laws, including the anti-terror legislation, should not be misused for quelling dissent or for the harassment of citizens," Justice Chandrachud said while speaking on the "role of the Supreme Court in protecting fundamental rights in challenging times" at an Indo-US conference on legal ties.

Citing his own judgment

COURTS FIRST LINE OF DEFENCE FOR CITIZENS

Deprivation of liberty even for a single day is one too many... The criminal laws should not be misused for the harassment of citizens. The courts must ensure they continue to remain the first line of defence (for citizens). The SC has to... respond to call of constitutional conscience. Justice DY Chandrachud

in Arnab Goswami's case, Justice Chandrachud said the courts must ensure that they continued to remain the first line of defence against the deprivation of liberty of citizens.

"Deprivation of liberty even for a single day is one too many. We must always be mindful of the deeper sys-

temic implications of our decisions," he said.

Justice Chandrachud's remarks came after 84-year-old activist Stan Swamy, who was arrested under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA) in the Elgar Parishad case, died at a Mumbai hospital waiting for the disposal of his bail plea.



Justice Chandrachud said it was the duty of the top court to "protect the rights of socio-economic minorities".

"The Supreme Court has to act in furtherance of its role as sentinel on the qui vive (watchful guardian) and respond to the call of constitutional conscience and it is this role that prompts it to

address the challenges of the 21st century, ranging from the pandemic to the rise of intolerance, features of which we find across the world," he said.

He, however, said while being acutely aware of this responsibility, judges were careful about maintaining separation of powers.

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PM warns against overcrowding in hill stations, markets

NEW DELHI, JULY 13 Amid reduction in daily Covid infections in the country and a surge globally, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday said unsafe crowding in hill stations and markets was a matter of huge worry.

Interacting with the CMs of northeastern states, witnessing sharp spike of late, the PM said the question on everyone's mind shouldn't be when the third wave would hit us, but how to prevent it. Calling the virus an imposter, he urged a close watch on mutations, asking states to keep infrastructure ready. —TNS

INDIA'S FIRST COVID CASE POSITIVE AGAIN

Thiruvananthapuram: India's first Covid case, a Kerala student studying medicine in Wuhan (China), has tested positive the second time. IANS

Kanwar Yatra called off over 3rd wave fear

DEHRADUN, JULY 13 The Uttarakhand Government on Tuesday cancelled the annual Kanwar Yatra in view of a possible third wave of Covid-19, sources said.

It is for the second consecutive year that the yatra is not being organised due to the Covid pandemic. The Indian Medical Association had recently written to Uttarak-



WHO WARNS AGAINST MIXING & MATCHING JABS

WHO's chief scientist Soumya Swaminathan on Monday advised against people mixing and matching Covid-19 vaccines from different manufacturers.

SII TO MAKE 300 MILLION SPUTNIK V DOSES A YEAR

hand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, asking him not to allow the yatra in the interest of the people of the state and the country.

The newly appointed Uttarakhand CM said though Kanwar Yatra was part of Sanatan culture, saving lives in the time of the pandemic was paramount. —PTI

EDIT: KANWAR YATRA

'AAP recognises my work': Sidhu's tweet stirs rumours

CHANDIGARH, JULY 13 Giving more fodder to rumour mongers, Congress MLA Navjot Singh Sidhu today took to Twitter, saying the Aam Aadmi Party always "recognised his vision and work for Punjab".

He said, "Before the 2017 polls, I raised issues like sacrilege, drugs, farmers' distress, corruption and power crisis. Now again I have presented the 'Punjab model'. It is clear they (AAP) know who is really fighting for Punjab."

In another tweet, he said, "If the Opposition dares to question me, they can't escape my

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Anurag, Smriti, Scindia on key Cabinet panels

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NEW DELHI, JULY 13 The government today reconstituted all Cabinet committees, giving a major break to younger ministers.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur and Law Minister Kiren Rijiju have been included in the Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, replacing their predecessors Prakash Javadekar and Ravi Shankar Prasad.

The PM-led Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs has been expanded to include newcomers, including Environment and Labour Minister Bhupender Yadav, Women and Child Development Minister Smriti Irani, Ports and Shipping Minister Sarbanand Sonowal, Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya and Rural Development Minister Giriraj Singh.

The elevation is especially important for Yadav and Sonowal as their predecessors were not part of the panel previously. Yadav is also part of the Cabinet Committee on Employment and Skill Development.

In the Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, Social Justice Minister Virender Kumar has replaced Thawarchand Gehlot, who has taken charge as the Governor of Karnataka.



CABINET MEET TODAY

■ Prime Minister Narendra Modi will chair meetings of the Cabinet and Council of Ministers on Wednesday

■ This will be the third meeting of the Council of Ministers the PM will chair in a month

dra Kumar has replaced Thawarchand Gehlot, who has taken charge as the Governor of Karnataka.

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Amid reshuffle buzz, Rawat meets Rahul, says good news for Pb Cong in 3-4 days

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PRASHANT KISHOR MEETS GANDHI

■ Poll strategist Prashant Kishor also met Rahul Gandhi separately

■ Rawat, however, said Kishor's meeting with Gandhi was not meant to negotiate anything on Punjab

After the meeting, Rawat

said, "There will be good news for the Punjab Congress in 3-4 days." Asked for whom would the news be good amid an ongoing tussle between Chief Minister Amarinder Singh and MLA Navjot Singh Sidhu, Rawat said, "For everyone."

Rawat, however, said Kishor's meeting with Rahul was not meant to negotiate anything on Punjab. Kishor's presence nevertheless led to a speculation that Rahul might have sought his feedback on the state before finally announcing a truce formula for the Punjab unit. Kishor had met

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Amarinder Singh after the latter's engagement with party chief Sonia Gandhi in the capital recently. The CM had then said that any decision taken by Sonia would be acceptable.

The reshuffle exercise has, however, taken longer than expected due to lack of consensus on the formulation to accommodate Sidhu.

Rawat has, meanwhile, officially stated that the state unit chief would be replaced. Talking to *The Tribune*, he said first the new state president would be announced and

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F'bad readies Khori rehab plan

Bijendra Ahlawat

Tribune News Service



RESIDENTS' TAKE

A comprehensive survey should be undertaken to identify beneficiaries

identify beneficiaries and they should be given a reasonable time to prove their

FLATS FOR OUSTEES

■ Eligible oustees will be allotted flats at Dabua Colony and Bapu Nagar

■ ₹3.70 lakh will be the flat cost with ₹17,000 to be paid as down payment

■ The beneficiaries will have to vacate their houses at Khori colony before the demolition date

respective claims. The MC Commissioner said the oustees

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Dominica court: When fit, Choksi must return for trial

NEW DELHI, JULY 13

Diamantaire Mehul Choksi will "only" return to Dominica to face trial for illegal entry into that country when a doctor "certifies" he is fit to stand trial, the media there reported citing conditions laid down by the Dominica High Court while granting him bail.

In a major setback to India's efforts to bring him from

the Caribbean country, Dominica High Court Judge Bernie Stephenson allowed the businessman to return to Antigua and Barbuda, where he has been living as a citizen since 2018 after leaving India, to seek medical advice from neurologist Hayden Osborne at the Mount St. John's Medical Centre, Dominica News Online reported. —PTI

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OBITUARY

Gritty Ludhiana batsman who shone at 1983 World Cup

YASHPAL SHARMA (AUGUST 11, 1954-JULY 13, 2021)

HIS BEST KNOCKS

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vs England, 1983

World Cup semifinals

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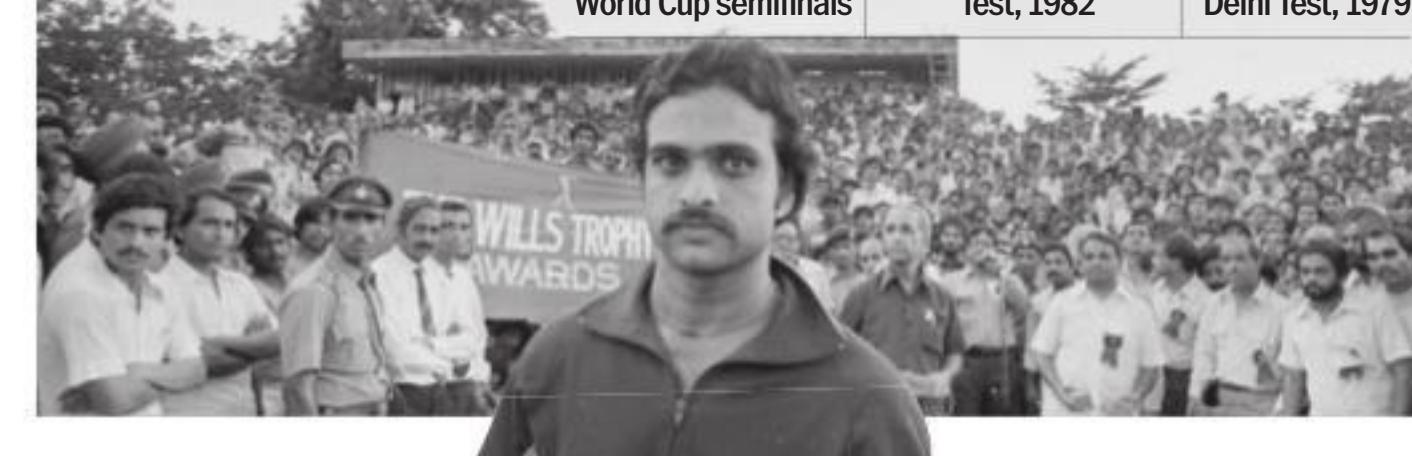
vs England, Chennai

Test, 1982

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vs Australia, Delhi Test,

1979



The Ranji Trophy and Duleep Trophy consumed all his attention, where his batting flourished with a consistency that was difficult for the selectors to ignore. Soon enough, an India call came and he was on the flight to Pakistan in 1978, though a Test debut eluded him there.

He was the backdoor boy who needed to prove himself, which he finally did on the tour of England in 1979. It was a tour on which his bat-

ting reflected all those gritty qualities needed to survive in a world that does not look kindly upon those who are not born to rule.

He would address journalists of his age as 'veerey' ('brother' in Punjabi), and always remind them that playing for India is no mean feat, especially if you have to look over your shoulder all the time. Maybe it was hard for him to fit and melt into a

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Farmers block NH, want FIR quashed

RAJPURA SIEGE Traffic suspended for 6 hours | Dharna ends after cops 'release' accused

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE



Farmer union members hold a sit-in at Rajpura, Patiala, on Tuesday. PHOTO: RAJESH SACHAR

STEP UP SECURITY AT PARTY EVENTS: BJP

- The BJP on Tuesday protested against the government and the Patiala district administration, blaming them for the heckling by members of farmer organisations
- A delegation of local BJP workers met the DIG and the SSP, urging them to step up security at political events organised by the party

WITHDRAW CASE: SKM LEADER

Chandigarh: Samyukt Kisan Morcha leader Prem Singh Bhangu has condemned the registration of an FIR against farmers in Rajpura. He warned the BJP leaders against using abusive language or threatening farmers. Bhangu, who is also president of the All-India Kisan Federation, demanded immediate withdrawal of the case.

"Till the police cancel the FIR and release all nine members of our unions, who have been rounded up in connection with the Rajpura incident, we will not allow any traffic movement," said the agitators. The police had a tough time managing traffic. It was only around 6 pm

when the Rajpura DSP along with other officers, accepted their demand of making no arrests in the case, the traffic movement was allowed.

The Punjab and Haryana High Court on Sunday had asked the DGP and the Patiala SSP to personally ensure the safe exit of BJP

leaders and workers allegedly detained at a house in Rajpura by farm activists.

The leaders were shifted to safety under heavy police presence on Monday morning after almost 12 hours. The Rajpura police registered an FIR against unidentified protesters for attacking cops as

they escorted the BJP leaders to safety. Scores of farmers had on Sunday laid siege to a BJP worker's house in Rajpura, where several party leaders, including Punjab unit general secretary Subhash Sharma and Patiala in charge Bhupesh Aggarwal, were present.

SANGRUR, JULY 13

BJP leaders on Tuesday were taken hostage by farmers in the Police Lines here for around three hours. They had gone to submit a memorandum to the SSP for action in the Rajpura incident and protection for party men.

"The members of our political opponents have been creating problems for our leaders under the garb of farmers. Today we had gone to the SSP's office to submit a memorandum for the registration of FIR by name against all those who attacked our leaders in Rajpura and seek protection for our party men. But protesters kept our leaders hostage inside the Police Lines for around three hours as the cops failed to take quick action," alleged Ranveer Deol, Sangrur BJP chief.

As per information, local BJP leaders reached the SSP's office at the Police Lines around 11 am. Many of them had already left after submitting the memorandum.

BKU: Scrap farm laws or continue to face stir

dum before farmers under the banner of Bhartiya Kisan Union (Ugrahan) converged on the Police Lines and blocked the main gates.

"They have the right to protest. We, too, have the right to seek protection for our lives. Farmers are being misguided by various leaders for their political gains. They should not play into the hands of such politicians," said Sarwan Jindal, another BJP leader after coming out of the Police Lines.

However, farmers stressed their protest against BJP leaders would continue until the central farm laws were repealed. "Punjab BJP leaders must get the laws scrapped immediately if they are really serious for the welfare of farmers," said Gobindar Singh, Sangrur block president of BKU (Ugrahan). — TNS

Hit by outages, Ldh bizmen turn to UP

SHIVANI BHAKOO
TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

LUDHIANA, JULY 13

Industrialists from Ludhiana who had gone to Uttar Pradesh to meet the Chief Minister and other top officials have claimed that a list of over 50 industries interested in investing in the state, has been handed over to the UP Government.

These industries include yarn, steel parts, dyeing units, cycle parts, textile, etc. The UP Government has reportedly mentioned about the land available for Punjab industries in different districts.

TR Mishra, chairman, Federation of Dyeing Factories Association, who headed the delegation, said: "The UP Government has promised to provide many sops — 24-hour uninterrupted power supply within a week of submitting documents, all NOCs under single window, cheap labour, no visit by inspectors, etc."

They have reportedly been provided a list of the chunk of land available for setting up units near Jamuna Expressway, Mathura, Old Allahabad, Gorakhpur, entire area of Purvanchal express from Gorakhpur to Mau, Bundelkhand, etc. "In Punjab, there has been no industrial revolution. The

50 UNITS INTERESTED

At a meeting with the UP Chief Minister, industrialists submitted a list of over 50 industries interested in investing in the state. In return, they got details of land available, sops, including 24-hour power supply

industry can't be ignored, which provides huge revenue to the state, labour to lakhs of people, etc," said Mishra, hoping that big and medium units from Ludhiana will soon start expanding base in UP.

A top bureaucrat said: "At 12 per cent, UP has the maximum cognizable crime (2017) in the country. With such high crime rate, how can you invest massively in the state? In Punjab, the crime rate is just 1.4 per cent. The industry here is disturbed just because of power situation, which will improve in the next few days."

In the past four years, Punjab has received 2,900 proposals worth over Rs 91,000 crore investment. Of the 2,900 project proposals received by the state in the past four years, more than 50 per cent have already started commercial operations.

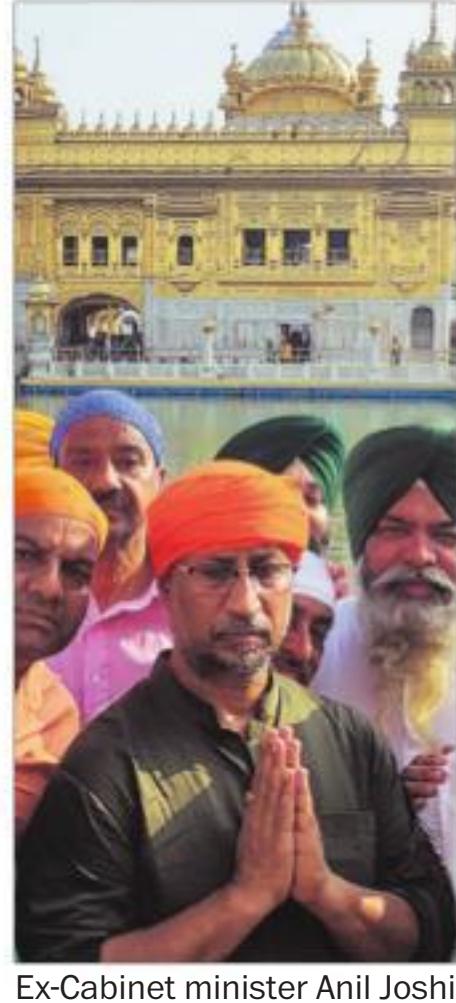
Proven right on threat to BJP workers: Joshi

AMRITSAR, JULY 13

Former Cabinet minister Anil Joshi, while paying obeisance at the Golden Temple and Durgiana Temple today, said he treated his expulsion from the BJP as a "trophy".

Joshi asserted he had merely spoken up for the farmers protesting the farm laws. "My stand was considered a disagreement with the party's views on the three laws and my demand for the safety of party workers in the state earned me the wrath of the BJP high command," he claimed.

Joshi said his apprehensions for the safety of party workers and leaders had proved right as senior state BJP leaders had to save themselves from protesters by taking shelter in a house for 11 hours at Rajpura. — TNS



Ex-Cabinet minister Anil Joshi at the Golden Temple.

Power cuts, high tariff against traders: Akalis

CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

The SAD today said the Congress government's failure to resolve problems of industrialists besides forced power cuts and costly tariff was pushing them towards Uttar Pradesh.

SAD industry and trade wing president NK Sharma said the industry was literally shut in the state due to compulsory offs and restrictions for long time.

He said this was coupled with high power rates of up to Rs 11 per unit. Sharma said CM Capt Amarinder Singh had failed to keep promises made to industrialists. — TNS

SAD, AAP lying over Cong funding: Capt

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CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh today hit out at the AAP and SAD saying the parties were "lying" on the issue of political funding from private power companies. He claimed unlike "illegal" donations made to these parties by shell companies, the funds provided to the Congress had nothing to do with the Punjab elections or the controversial power purchase agreements (PPAs) signed by the Akalis.

Political donations by certain power companies were made not to the state Congress but to the AICC back in 2009 and 2014, with no link whatsoever.

The PPAs in question were signed by the erstwhile SAD-BJP government, and these were legally binding on the incumbent Congress government. Rescinding the same without result in heavy penalties on the cash-

DONATIONS MADE IN 2009, 2014

- Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh said donations were made by power firms to the AICC, not Punjab Congress, in 2009, 2014
- Capt Amarinder challenged the two parties to declare their political funding of the past 10 years



ever to the incumbent government in the state, asserted the CM, slamming the Opposition for "spreading lies" to mislead people ahead of the 2022 Assembly elections.

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strapped state, he added.

The Congress government was exploring legal recourse to neutralise the impact of the PPAs without further burdening the state's exchequer, the CM noted.

In fact, he added, as per media reports, the Akalis had taken more than Rs 100 crore in political funds and declared a measly Rs 13 crore. As for the AAP, the donations taken by it during

the 2014 elections were already under the scanner of the Enforcement Directorate as, unlike the funds donated to the AICC by private power companies, these were neither accounted for nor declared, he said.

The AAP seemed to be in collusion, choosing not to question the "anti-people" decisions of the previous SAD-BJP government, Capt Amarinder observed.

The CM challenged the two parties to declare their political funding of the past 10 years to the people of Punjab. "Let the truth come out, and let the people decide who is or has cheated them with false allegations and accusations," he remarked.

Govt's lopsided policies to blame for mess: Chugh

CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

The BJP today alleged that most industrialists had been planning to make investments in other states. BJP national general secretary Tarun Chugh said: "The industry has been a victim of lopsided and poor policies of the Congress government. If on the one hand, the industry is being charged exorbitant rates for electricity, on the other, law and order has played a major role in failing it."

Chugh slammed the government for failing to get any investment from outside the state in the four-and-a-half years. "In fact, whatever little industry we have in Punjab has also started running out," he said. — TNS

Jolt for Cong as gen secy joins AAP

CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

In a big jolt to the party, Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee (PPCC) general secretary Daljit Singh Bhola Grewal on Tuesday joined AAP along with hundreds of his associates.

AAP state president Bhagwant Mann, Punjab affairs co-in-charge Raghav Chadha formally inducted Bhola and his associates here. Welcoming the leaders, he said the joining of Bhola and his associates would strengthen the AAP in Ludhiana.

Bhola said due to the anti-Punjab policies of the

state government, he had decided to leave the Congress and join AAP.

Meanwhile, Mann alleged the SAD and BJP made their workers vote for the Congress in the 2017 Assembly elections to keep the AAP out of power. He claimed there was evidence of an alliance between the Congress, SAD and the BJP. He said Congress MPs and senior leaders had accused Captain Amarinder of colluding with the Badals. "Even Congress MLA Raja Warring has accused Finance Minister Manpreet Badal of giving huge grants to Akali supporters." Chadha alleged once again an alliance of the SAD, BSP, Congress and the BJP was being formed to prevent the AAP from winning the poll. — TNS

SAD ex-leader attempts suicide

AMRITSAR, JULY 13

A day after a local court rejected his plea for an interim bail in a drugs seizure case, former SAD leader Anwar Masih attempted suicide while protesting outside the Special Task Force office here today.

Masih alleged he had been implicated in the case by "corrupt" officials. "I have been serving my com-

munity whole heartedly for the past three decades and not a single DDR had been registered against me. I cannot bear this insult of registration of a case under the NDPS Act," he said, before consuming a poisonous substance.

Masih was taken to a private hospital where his condition was stated to be stable. — TNS

SGPC demands ban on book

Amritsar: The SGPC has demanded a ban on the book, 'The Ramayana of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji', written by late Baljit Kaur Tulsi, mother of parliamentarian KTS Tulsi. SGPC chief secretary HS Dhammi said Guru Gobind Singh had not written any Ramayana and associating him with it had hurt the sentiments of the Sikhs. — TNS



Canal water diverted to pvt plant, farmers protest

FATEHGHAR SAHIB, JULY 13

Hundreds of farmers led by SKM leader Gurpreet Singh staged a dharna at Iserhail village on the Sirhind-Chandigarh road and disrupted traffic for eight hours over diversion of canal water to a private thermal plant at Rajpura.

As a result, traffic jams were witnessed, causing inconvenience to commuters, particularly those heading to Chandigarh for job, treatment and studies.

The police and civil administration officials rushed to the scene and tried to persuade the protesters to lift the

blockade. The protesters raised slogans against the government and demanded immediate supply of canal water for irrigation.

Farm leader Gurpreet Singh said the diversion of water would affect the paddy crop. The state government was not heading to their demands, which would cost it dear in the upcoming Assembly elections, he warned.

The dharna was lifted after the Fatehgar Sahib SDM and the DSP intervened and the Irrigation Department released the water for farmers. — OC

Dams almost empty, levels may rise to 90% of capacity

VIJAY MOHAN
TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

Delayed monsoons over the region and a poor snow cover in the upper regions notwithstanding, major dams in the region that had almost bottomed out, are expected to fill up to 90 per cent of their storage capacity.

Widespread rain in Punjab and Himachal Pradesh over

the past two days has improved the storage level at Bhakra and Pong dams.

The unexpected cloudburst near Dharamsala yesterday brought in about three lakh cusecs of water into the Pong Dam's reservoir. "Till this flood event, the storage at Pong was down to just 5 per cent of its total capacity," Sanjay Srivastava, Chairman, Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB), said.

CLOUDBURST FILLS PONG

Following the massive inflow, the storage at Pong went up to 11 per cent. This is still below normal as the average storage at this time of the year is 24 per cent. At Bhakra, the storage at present is 18 per cent as compared to the average of 34 per cent for this time of the year. It had gone down to 8 per cent during summer.

"Despite low storage during summer, we were able to meet the water requirements of our member states," Srivastava said. Last year, the reservoir at Bhakra had filled up to 85 per cent of its total capacity, even through rains and snow had been below normal. This year, if monsoon goes as per the weather department's forecast, the BBMB expect the dam to fill up to 90 per cent of its capacity.

Doctors burn copies of pay panel report

DAY 2 Urge CM to step in | Warn of indefinite stir if NPA demand not met | OPDs stay shut

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SOME RELIEF IN FKOT

Doctors at the cancer dept of Guru Gobind Singh Hospital, Faridkot, attended to the indoor patients or those who visited as per their schedule for radiotherapy and chemotherapy

<< Doctors stage a protest in Amritsar on Tuesday.

CHANDIGARH/FARIDKOT, JULY 13 On second day of the three-day strike, government doctors today boycotted OPDs and all other activities except emergency medico/veterinary legal cases and Covid duty.

They also burnt copies of the 6th Pay Commission report and raised slogans against the government. Medical and veterinary doctors kept the OPD services shut and gathered at the district and tehsil-level

medical and veterinary institutions in all districts of the state.

The Joint Government Doc-

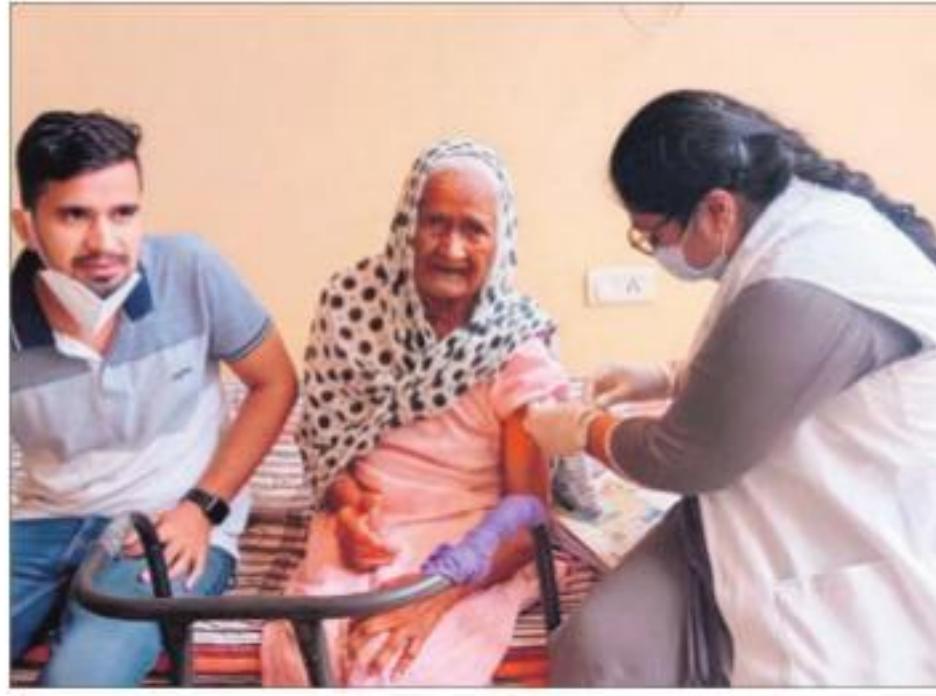
tors Coordination Committee (JGDCC) said they were enraged by the government's

evasive policy on NPA issue. JGDCC members Dr Gagandeep Singh, president, PCMS Association; and Dr Sarabjit Singh Randhawa, president, Veterinary Officers Association, jointly criticised the "lax" attitude of the government towards doctors. They warned the government that if it did not address the NPA issue, all medical and veterinary doctors would be forced to go on an indefinite strike. They also appealed to the CM to intervene and resolve the issue

immediately.

In Faridkot, doctors at the Guru Gobind Singh Medical College and Hospital announced suspension of all OPDs, elective surgeries and use of operation theatre, all pathology, radiology investigations, teaching to medical students and postgraduates till further notice.

Chandan Preet Kaur, president, doctors' association in the college, said the government was forcing them to intensify the agitation.



An elderly woman gets inoculated in Jalandhar. FILE

Labour Dept seeks utilisation certificate for ₹7-crore vax fund

KARAM PRAKASH

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PATIALA, JULY 13

Amid reports of many ineligible beneficiaries getting the Covid vaccine by pretending to be construction workers, the Labour Department is now asking the Health Department to furnish utilisation certificates of the pay-off they had made to the government.

Ironically, the Labour Department had to pay Rs 7.08 crore to the Health Department for the vaccination of 2.19 lakh registered workers. However, thousands of people had, reportedly, taken the vaccine — pretending to be a construction worker.

VK Junjua, principal secretary, Labour Department, said they had requested for the utilisation certificate, which was a routine matter. "If we have given funds, we should get utilisation certificate."

When asked about fake beneficiaries getting the

Covid vaccine as construction workers, he said, "Yes, many have got the jabs in this manner, however, we will only pay for the registered workers. Therefore, we have asked the Health Department to return the unutilised funds."

He said around 1.90 lakh registered construction workers had received the vaccine on priority, however, they had already paid for around 2.19 lakh persons. Notably, all this happened at a time when the state is jabbing people free of cost.

Meanwhile, Sardara Singh, a registered construction worker, said, "We will be filing a case in the High Court over the misuse of labour funds meant for other schemes. It is shameful that every section of the society is jabbed for free but we, the most vulnerable section of the society, have to pay for it. The Health Department should return the entire amount with interest."

Sidhu moves court in income tax case

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CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

Cricketer-turned-politician and Congress MLA Navjot Singh Sidhu today moved the Punjab and Haryana High Court claiming his revision petition under the provisions of the IT Act was dismissed by an Income Tax Joint Commissioner on flimsy and untenable grounds.

Sidhu claimed the order dated March 27 was patently illegal, arbitrary and passed in complete disregard for the principles of natural justice. The matter was placed before the Bench of Justice Ajay Tewari and Justice Vikas Bahl. It will come up for hearing again on July 27.

Sidhu submitted he filed Income Tax return of assessment year 2016-17 on October 19, 2016, declaring total income of Rs 9,66,28,470. The assessment under Section 143(3) of Income Tax Act was completed by the assessment officer on December 21, 2018, at the assessed income of Rs 13,19,66,530 after making addition of Rs 3,53,38,067.

Against the erroneous assessment, the petitioner expressly waived off his right to file appeal before Commissioner Income Tax (Appeal). He filed a revision petition

Plea says revision petition dismissed on 'flimsy' grounds



Navjot Singh Sidhu, Congress MLA under Section 264 of the Act after taking various grounds before income tax joint commissioner, Range 1, Amritsar.

Instead of going into the merits of the revision, his focus was to seek an explanation on the reasons and circumstances behind Sidhu's preference for revision under Section 264 of the Act, instead of appeal before the Commissioner Income Tax (Appeal).

The petitioner stated it was an alternative available to him and reliance was laid on pronouncements by the Punjab and Haryana High Court. But the respondent, in complete disregard for the statutory provisions and legal pronouncements, and in an arbitrary manner, dismissed the revision petition vide order dated March 27.

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Cong govt cheating employees: Dhindsa

Chandigarh: SAD (Sanyukt) leader Parminder Dhindsa alleged that the government's acceptance of the 6th pay panel recommendations and decision to hike pay and pensions was a hoax and conspiracy of the Congress. mns

Anganwari workers protest at FM's house

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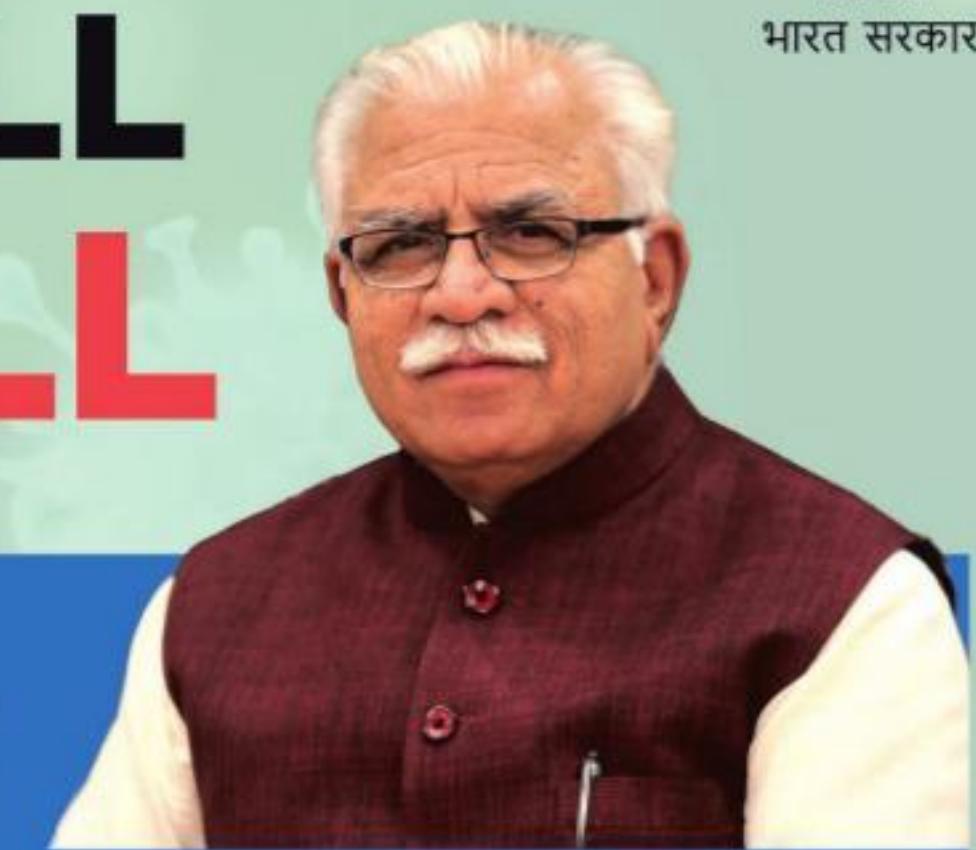
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SHO SUSPENDED

The police have suspended Vikram Singh, SHO of the Civil Lines, Sirsa, for allegedly mishandling the situation which resulted in the vandalising of the Deputy Speaker's car on Sunday. A departmental inquiry has also been initiated against DSP Sanjay Kumar. Earlier, SP Bhupender Singh was replaced with Arpit Jain after the incident.

protest against the farm laws were protesting at Sirsa. The rear windscreens of the car was broken when it was pelted with stones. Gangwa, who was reportedly sitting on the front seat, escaped unharmed.

The farmers, demanding rollback of the farm laws, have been at loggerheads with the ruling BJP-JJP, disrupting the official and party events for several months now.

In May, booking of certain farmers, who tried to disrupt an official function of Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar at Hisar, snowballed into a major confrontation between the Haryana Government and the farmers. The administration later withdrew the cases against the farmers, which included attempt to murder charges after hundreds of farmers from across the state had laid siege to Hisar.

democratic and peaceful country," he asserted.

The Bharatiya Kisan Union state spokesman Rakesh Bains said the Samyukt Kisan Morcha (SKM) would take a call on the issue at its meeting on July 14.

The official car of the Deputy Speaker came under attack on Sunday when the farmers during a statewide

Meanwhile, Home Minister Anil Vij went on the offensive, alleging that the farmers' agitation was getting violent with each passing day. "The violent agitation cannot be allowed to continue in a

Former minister faces protest for 'obscene gesture'

ROHTAK, JULY 13

Senior BJP leader Manish Grover is in the dock over an alleged obscene gesture made towards protesting farmers, including women, from his car after a party meeting in Hisar on Saturday.

Several farmers assembled here today and marched towards Grover's house. Subsequently, they protested near Grover's house, seeking his apology.

On Saturday, BJP's Hansi MLA Vinod Bhayana and former minister Grover took part in a party event at the Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology, Hisar.

The farmer leaders alleged that a person seated in the SUV, in which Bhayana and Grover were travelling, made obscene gestures towards the women protesters.

Grover said: "I have sisters, daughters and a mother at home, I cannot even think of (doing) such a thing as is being alleged. Still, if somebody feels that some such gesture was made, I regret it." —TNS

In Gurugram, man thrashed for helping rape victim file case

OUR CORRESPONDENT

GURUGRAM, JULY 13

A group of 40 persons allegedly thrashed a man for helping a Dalit woman, who was held 'hostage' and raped by four, including cop

helping the woman. The complainant told the police that the mob reached his school in cars and bikes and attacked him.

"They first hit my right eye and dragged me on the street. They tore my clothes and then thrashed me with sticks and iron rods. They threatened me with dire consequences if I helped the family. I remained in hospital for two days and filed a complaint last evening," the complainant told the police.

Ajit Singh alleged that the police were shielding the attackers and not providing security to him and his family.

Sandeep Malik, ACP (Sohna) said the probe was under way.

Over 1 crore people jabbed in state so far

CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

More than 1 crore persons in the state have received the Covid vaccine so far. The state government plans to administer vaccine doses to 1.76 crore beneficiaries, including 1.05 crore individuals in the 18-45 age group.

The apprehension of the third wave prompted the government to scale up its vaccination drive in the past one month. From 57 lakh doses administered till the first week of June, the state surpassed the 1-crore mark today.

A government spokesperson said 4,14,051 doses had

HC deprecates tribunal for evasive order

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, JULY 13

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has deprecated an "appellate tribunal", set up under the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act-2007, for passing an evasive order in case of a 76-year-old widow ousted from her house by her son.

The Bench of Justice Augustine George Masih and Justice Ashok Kumar Verma asserted that the order passed by the appellate tribunal, chaired by Fatehabad District Collector, was also non-speaking and erroneously bad in the eyes of law. "Such an exercise of power is to be deprecate-

76-YEAR-OLD WIDOW'S CASE

The case pertains to an application filed by a widow before a SDM under the Maintenance Act for returning the registry of a house and a shop taken after her son allegedly played fraud with her. Exercising the powers of maintenance tribunal presiding officer, the SDM ordered the cancellation of the deed, vide which two shops were transferred. The mother was allowed to live in the house 'till her age'. The son was also ordered to give monthly subsistence allowance of ₹2,000 to his mother

ed," the Bench asserted.

The case has its genesis in an application filed by the widow before a sub-divisional magistrate (SDM) under the Maintenance Act for returning the registry of a house and a shop taken after her son allegedly played fraud with her.

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ing officer, the SDM ordered the cancellation of the deed, vide which two shops were transferred. The mother was allowed to live in the house 'till her age'. The son was also ordered to give monthly subsistence allowance of Rs 2,000 to his mother.

Taking up the son's plea against the SDM's order, the

appellate tribunal in February 2020 partly reversed and set aside the "well-reasoned" findings on the cancellation of the transfer deed. Only the grant of maintenance and the right to live in her house were upheld.

The writ petition filed by the mother was allowed by a Single Judge of the High Court vide impugned order dated April 20, thereby maintaining the SDM's order in toto, leading to the filing of the appeal by the son before the Division Bench.

The Bench asserted that the Single Judge rightly maintained the well-reasoned and speaking order passed by the SDM.

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Kanwar Yatra

Draw lessons from Kumbh chaos to prevent Covid surge

RELIGIOUS gatherings and election rallies were the major super-spreaders of Covid-19 infections earlier this year. The Kumbh Mela, held in April, witnessed the congregation of lakhs of devotees, the majority of whom did not bother about masking and social distancing norms. India's daily caseload, which was around 80,000 on April 1, shot up to nearly 4 lakh by the month-end. Considering the Kumbh experience, the suspension or cancellation of the upcoming Kanwar Yatra should have been a no-brainer. During the fortnight-long yatra, tens of thousands of pilgrims from states such as UP, Haryana, Punjab, Delhi and Himachal Pradesh converge on Hardwar in Uttarakhand to collect water from the Ganga. On the way, they make several stopovers at temples or makeshift camps. There is a possibility of contracting or transmitting the infection. With the nation's daily caseload now hovering around 40,000, the threat of the third wave continues to loom large. Under the circumstances, the decision to call off the yatra is welcome.

The new Uttarakhand Chief Minister, Pushkar Singh Dhami, has claimed that saving lives is the state government's topmost priority, even as he had been treading cautiously in view of the yatra's religious significance and economic considerations. Dhami had stated that a final decision on the pilgrimage would be taken in consultation with neighbouring states. However, various stakeholders didn't appear to be on the same page, with Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi Adityanath directing officials to ensure strict compliance of the Covid protocol during the yatra in coordination with their counterparts in other states. This was an unmanageable task as hordes of pilgrims would have been on the road day and night.

The fact that the Uttarakhand High Court, expressing dissatisfaction with the state government's arrangements for pilgrims and tourists amid the pandemic, recently stayed the cabinet's decision on partially allowing the Char Dham Yatra shows how underprepared the authorities are. The CMs of the states concerned need not have wasted time before unanimously taking a call on the Kanwar Yatra in the best interests of their residents.

Football's bigots

Losing to Italy brings out the worst in fans

ENGLAND'S football fans have, yet again, ruined a perfectly lovely night in London — Sunday had been billed as the greatest day in English sport since July 30, 1966, when England won football's World Cup final. This Sunday, at the same Wembley Stadium where England won their only World Cup 55 years ago, they started in promising fashion in the European Championships final against Italy, up 1-0 in the second minute. However, the night ended in disaster, with Italy winning 3-2 after a penalty shootout. Ominously, the three English players who missed their penalties were young men of colour — Marcus Rashford, Jadon Sancho and Bukayo Saka. Under stress, the fandom's facade of colour-blind support for a team of black, brown and white players broke and the three men — two in their early 20s, the third only 19 — suffered vile racist abuse on social media, as if the colour of their skin had something to do with their inability to kick the ball into the goal. Racism, which seems to underlie all societies, came out in all its ugliness in the UK.

Bullies and racists become emboldened by anonymity, and social media platforms are used by such bigots to spew hatred. Access to limitless liquor at the ground fuels the fans' passion, and liquor is guaranteed to bring out the inner demon. After the final, there were violent attacks on the supporters of Italy. On their way home, the fans destroyed public property and littered the streets. On reaching home, many of them are likely to have attacked their spouses or partners — a study published earlier this month analysed 5,23,546 domestic-abuse incidents in the Greater Manchester area between 2012 and 2019 and found a link between results at football and domestic violence.

Authorities in England have been making efforts to stamp out racism from football, but despite frequent signs of hope, a bad defeat and the resultant bigotry take everything back to square one. Racism against sportspersons, in an era when they, through the Black Lives Matter campaign, are trying to sensitise the society against this evil, is extremely disheartening. Identifying and penalising the racists would help, but real change can be brought about only through education and creation of an equitable social order.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Population, when unchecked, increases in a geometrical ratio. — Thomas Malthus

ON THIS DAY...100 YEARS AGO

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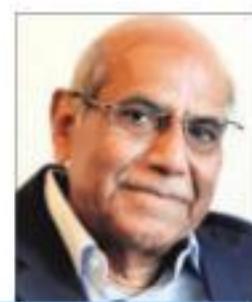
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PANIC-MONGERS IN ENGLAND.

IT is no matter for surprise that partly from motives of misconceived self-interest and partly owing to the sense of security produced by the discontinuance of Indian propaganda work in England, the enemies of Indian aspirations should make a deliberate attempt to mislead English opinion regarding the trend of events in India. But we confess we were not prepared for the revelation made by the Under-Secretary of State's recent speech in the House of Lords, of which a telegraphic summary appeared in our Reuter columns yesterday. The speech was delivered in reply to Lord Sydenham's question asking what steps the Government of India was taking to protect the lives and properties of Europeans and loyal Indians in the country districts. The question itself suggested that the state of things in India was serious enough to call for extraordinary action, and it appears that among the assertions either made or quoted by Lord Sydenham in support of this view was one to the effect that "the only places where Europeans were not insulted in the streets were the active Indian States." It is difficult to think of a more atrocious lie, and yet, judging from Lord Lytton's speech, it was only part of a deliberate campaign of calculated misrepresentation which has been started by an anti-Indian paper which first came into prominence in Indian affairs by lending its columns freely to Sir Michael O'Dwyer for airing those peculiar views about India which the most reputable papers led by the *Times* would not publish. We will quote the exact words of Lord Lytton. His lordship referred to "the rabidly worded messages periodically sent by the *Morning Post*'s correspondent at Calcutta, of which the Under Secretary said that "it had been circulated with the direct object of discrediting the Government of India at the present time."

The Uttar Pradesh initiative

From demographic dividend to neo-Malthusian anxieties



SHYAM SARAN

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ON July 11, which also marks World Population Day, the CM of Uttar Pradesh announced a Draft Population Policy 2021-30 for his state, the most populous in India. The objective was to align the state's reproductive rate to its development goals and more specifically, to reduce the reproductive rate from the current 2.7% to 2.1% by 2026 and to 1.9% by 2030. The national average in 2020 was 2.2%.

The trend across the country over the past decade has been a steady decline in the reproductive rate, with the southern states registering a more steep decline than the Hindi-speaking heartland in the north. Even if the objective is to reduce the rate in UP, what would be the best means of doing so? And what does this mean about the constant waving of India's 'demographic dividend', that is its expanding population in the younger, economically productive age-group? Are we now at the threshold of a Malthusian dystopia where runaway population growth is eating up the fruits of economic progress?

In the early years of the republic, population control was an accepted part of national policy. We all recall the slogan, '*Hum do, hamare do*'. Thanks to Sanjay Gandhi's misplaced campaign on mass sterilisation during the Emergency, population control became politically toxic. The new narrative which took hold was that limitation of population growth was a function of increase in incomes and a general rise in prosperity; that it was more closely related to the spread of education, but in



ASSET OR LIABILITY? Demographic dividend can be encashed only if the young and productive component is gainfully employed. REUTERS

We don't need a population control policy. We need a better health and education policy, and a coherent economic plan.

particular female education, later marriages and the expanded entry of females into the labour market. This conclusion was borne out not only by the experience of other developing economies but also in the example of Kerala and Tamil Nadu in India itself, which enjoyed high literacy rates and relative greater female empowerment.

We then come to the post economic reform and liberalisation phase, dating from the 1990s, when the narrative of 'demographic dividend' took hold, where India's growing population, with a high proportion of young people, began to be projected as an asset, a valuable resource for ensuring accelerated rates of growth. It was argued that the mature economies of North America, Europe and Japan were ageing rapidly. Their continued economic growth would require reaching out to the young populations in countries like China and India. A large and growing population at the early phase of India's growth was deemed to be an asset.

Demographic dividend can be encashed only if the young and productive component of a country's population can be gainfully employed. For this, it is also necessary to have sufficient capital for setting up labour-intensive industries and adopting policies which favour labour-intensive activities. The young population must be employable, which means higher literacy, appropriate skills and prospects for steady advancement. Other factors also become important such as the quality of manpower. This is dependent on access to health and education. If a large number of children are malnourished or their growth is stunted, then they will be less productive. India still has a few more years before its phase of potential demographic dividend comes to an end and the population begins to stabilise at around 1.6 billion by 2050. Unless the country gets back to a high growth trajectory with a significant expansion in employment opportunities, we will end up in a low income trap.

The UP initiative raises several important issues. Is the draft policy a tacit admission that we have missed the bus on demographic dividend and that a larger population is only likely to increase the proportion of dependent population to the productive population in the country? From available data, it would appear that there is still another decade when the dividend may still be available to

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take advantage of, but then, there must be policies to expand labour-intensive manufacturing and transform India into a base for low-labour-cost economic activity. This is what we saw at play earlier in China, and now see unfolding in Vietnam, and even next door in Bangladesh. Some of our current policies are going against this logic. The Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme, for example, is putting massive amounts of public money into promoting capital and technology-intensive industries which have low employment potential. There should, instead, have been a major focus on promoting small and medium industry, even perhaps allowing space for the unorganised sector, which could generate higher employment per unit of capital invested.

Population control through state action did not work in India, and is unlikely to do so now. In China, it was through the draconian implementation of a one-child policy which may have succeeded in moderating population growth, but that kind of inhumane state action is impermissible in a democracy. We should draw lessons from the Emergency. Even if we regard a lower reproductive rate as desirable, what has proved to work are education, particularly for women and the expansion of female employment. Aiming for a higher rate of economic growth, which automatically reduces the reproductive rate, is a better proposition than hoping to raise economic growth through limiting population growth. The latter is a questionable assumption.

Some other aspects of the policy are welcome. These include reduction in mortality rate among mothers and children, encouragement to the longer spacing of births and promoting the overall health of mother and child. These should be essential elements of any sensible public health policy. We do not need a population control policy. We need a better public health policy and a better education policy, and above all, a coherent economic strategy.

A fine cricketer, and much more

PRABHJOT SINGH

HE was a sportsman par excellence. A born athlete, a stubborn cricketer, a trustworthy friend and above all a self-made man — all that comes to mind instantly while thinking of him. The news of his death has come as a shock. He was a fitness freak and was just 66.

Though he was known as a gritty batsman, who at times dabbled as an off-spinner (originally, he was a wicket-keeper), he was a top sprinter as well. In college athletic meets, he would often beat his rivals by yards in the 100-metre and 200-metre sprints.

We were together in Satish Chandra Dhawan Government College,

Ludhiana, in the early 1970s. He was a student of arts while I was doing BSc (medical). And the year we entered the college, 1970, it was celebrating its golden jubilee. The likes of Sahir Ludhianvi, Amrita Pritam and Jahangir Khan, the father of Pakistan Test cricketer Majid Khan, were the guests. And this year, when our alma mater is in the process of wrapping up its centenary celebrations (truncated due to the Covid pandemic), Yashpal Sharma, a great alumnus, has gone.

We were together in the college cricket team and played some matches of the Panjab University Inter-College Tournament together. In Ludhiana's famous Sri Guru Nanak Dev Cricket League

that gave North India several Test cricketers, Yashpal represented Ludhiana Gymkhana, a club of cricket veterans.

Yashpal was a star even before he entered college. As a student of Arya Senior Secondary School, he had come to be known as a run-making machine. In inter-school tournaments, which were a big hit those days, there used to be speculation whether anybody would be able to get his wicket. He was solid in defence and had an excellent array of strokes in his armoury. He was also an excellent fielder.

He had the capacity to dig in his heels and provide stability to the middle order. His father, a man of principles and discipline, was a deed writer. He was Yashpal's guiding force. Yashpal, who represented Punjab in Ranji Trophy for several years, was finally chosen to don India colours, both in Test matches and One-Day Internationals. His half-century in the semi-final of the 1983 World Cup against England was a key contribution that brought India closer to the title triumph.

After a successful entry into first-class cricket, Yashpal moved from Ludhiana to New Delhi his permanent home. He played in 37 Test matches and scored two centuries. He also played 42 One-Day Internationals for India. Later, he took to umpiring and officiated as a grade I international umpire. He also remained a national selector.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Population policy

The population control measures to be enforced by the Uttar Pradesh CM have not come a day too soon, and in fact, should be implemented across the entire country, irrespective of caste, creed and religion ('Population measures won't be class-specific, says Yogi'). The country is bursting at the seams due to population explosion, which is the main cause of poverty, illiteracy and unemployment. To bring down the infant mortality rate and enhance life expectancy in the country, such curbs are mandatory. While tackling Covid-19 effectively, and quickly vaccinating everyone, India has had to cut a sorry figure only because of its sizeable population. In more populated states, the incidence of crime and violence is also more.

SUNIL CHOPRA, LUDHIANA

Incentivising policy

The Uttar Pradesh Population (Control, Stabilisation and Welfare) Bill makes it only the second BJP state, after Assam, to adopt a 'two-child policy'. Population control is imperative for India, but the UP government's approach of carrot and stick is not the right way to go about it. If passed, it would

incentivise government employees who adhere to the policy. It will be a win-win situation for public servants as they will get additional increments, maternity or paternity leave of 12 months with full salary and allowances and 3% increase in employer's contribution fund etc. Benefits also include a preferential seat for their child in IIMs and AIIMS, tax rebates and other attractive offers to those who undergo voluntary sterilisation.

The objective is indubitably right but not the modus operandi.

ANIKET JASWAL, PANCHKULA

Applicable to all

The UP government's move to control the population in the state is a bold step in view of the fact that a massively increasing population adversely affects growth and development. The Bill also provides for disincentivising couples who do not follow the norm. Though it has been clarified that the norms will apply to all, without any discrimination on the basis of caste, creed or community, it needs to be ensured that no such discrimination takes place at the ground level. It must also be ensured that steps are taken simultaneously by the government to improve the health infra-

structure in the state, so as to improve various health indices like the infant mortality and maternal mortality rates, besides reforms in the education sector and creation of job opportunities for educated unemployed youth.

DINESH KUMAR VERMA, PANCHKULA

Chinese objective

Afghanistan is clearly 'a place of interest' for China. As far as China's long-term planning is concerned, it seems to have got what it wanted — the US forces out of Afghanistan. This is something that both Beijing and Islamabad have wanted since 9/11. Beijing was equally involved, as Pakistan, Russia and Iran, in ensuring that the Taliban strengthens against the system of government Washington was trying to plant in the country. China will continue to operate and communicate through Pakistan, which remains the biggest stakeholder in Taliban's success or failure. Irrespective of the impression from Islamabad that the security services are extremely nervous about Taliban presence, the Afghan militants remain Rawalpindi's biggest asset. The Chinese Communist Party uses its influence to provide infrastructure loans to poorer countries in return

for control over local resources, of which Afghanistan has plenty. Tapping into Afghanistan's vast natural resources has been a long-standing goal of China.

N SADHASIVA REDDY, BENGALURU

The generous Raja

With the demise of Virbhadr Singh, Himachal Pradesh and India have lost a humble king. I had the chance to stay with him for two days at his official residence in Shimla. I was appointed the first principal of DAV College, Kotkhai — his constituency. He was popular in every nook and corner of the state. His palace and office had a basement where cots, charpoys, tables and chairs were laid for the people to stay and present their problems. People from all over the state used to visit him. Politely, he would try to resolve the issues. He was very keen to educate the local people and put his best foot forward for the welfare of the state, even in the remote areas of Dodra Kwar and Reckong Peo. I am beholden to him, for he proved a great help to me in the success of the college at a remote place like Kotkhai. I salute him for his generosity, hospitality and sagacity.

S CHAUDHARY, MOHALI

Dichotomy of perception over theaterisation



LT GEN GURBAKSH S SIHOTA (RETD)

EX-DGMO AND FORMER SOUTHERN ARMY COMMANDER

A few days ago, there was a flurry of writings in newspapers criticising the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) for making a statement about the role of the Indian Air Force in relation to its close support function to the forward troops engaged in active battle with the enemy.

It was disheartening to note some columnists casting aspersions on the intellect of the CDS. I do not think they have given credit to the ribbons on his chest which have been earned by being through operations beyond the comprehension of most people. Aren't they also indirectly questioning the authorities who placed him in this position and have tasked him with an important mandate which will change the functioning of the Indian defence forces for the future?

Turf wars are a universal phenomenon. They are not peculiar to our country or our defence forces. The Americans have been through this phase. One of the defence secretaries, who chaired the commission on roles and missions, had said, "I have decided that Machiavelli got it about right when he wrote, 'there is nothing more difficult to carry out or more doubtful of success, nor dangerous to handle, than to initiate a new order of things.'

However, concentration versus distribution is going to be impacted by the shortage of resources. There are enough experienced commanders who will find the right balance and resolve the issue.

In the past, counter air operations have always taken precedence over the availability of air effort for close support to the troops. The introduction of multi-role aircraft has further compounded the problem.

Young officers who have been affected on the ground have always raised this issue with their senior command-

ers. This has had an adverse effect on their morale and needs to be addressed.

As the Army Commander, before a pending operation, I had to invite my Air Force counterpart so that we could jointly convince the junior commanders about the primary role of the Air Force and assure them that whenever it became vital, close support to them would not be denied.

With the induction of attack helicopters, this problem will get mitigated to a great extent if all the machines are merged into the Army Aviation Corps.



The morale aspect of close air support can be best gauged by an example of the Gulf War. A marine captain, Robert

Alexander, was blown off his jeep by an Iraqi shell. He asked for quick close air support to retrieve him. Marine Harrier

Jets were immediately deployed. They destroyed the enemy mortar platoon and saved him. 'It was the most beautiful sight I have ever seen when those four bombs were racing through the air,' he said.

TURF WARS: The desire to take credit for the success of joint operations is universal. PTI

vide close air support, besides keeping the skies clear of the enemy aircraft.

Some have also claimed that just like the air power of the developed nations, our Air Force too would be able to create a situation where ground troops will be able to achieve objectives without fighting. If this had been possible, not much blood would have been shed for the capture of Tololing and Tiger Hill.

Soldiers are often misunderstood as they have not had lessons in diplomacy. We need to see the CDS's statement in that light and move on.

Time to unlock school gates, bring children back



CHANDRAKANT LAHARIYA

PUBLIC POLICY & HEALTH SYSTEMS EXPERT

The fact is that children are not at additional risk of contracting the disease in any subsequent wave. The evidence from various sero-surveys across states indicates that children have been infected at a similar rate as adults; however, their risk of developing the disease in its severe form is low. The reason is that the receptors which SARS-CoV2 needs to enter the lungs are under-developed in children. The classes can be held in a staggered manner with children asked to attend on a rotational basis with a mix of offline and online teaching. PTI



ALLAY APPREHENSIONS: Classes can be held in a staggered manner with children asked to attend on a rotational basis with a mix of offline and online teaching. PTI

academic year are among those at the biggest disadvantage.

Some of the apprehensions on opening the schools are based upon alarmist and evidence-bereft high decibel discourse such as that the third wave of Covid-19 will primarily affect children. This incorrect assertion created a lot of panic among the policymakers and parents and any possible discussion on the opening of schools was put on hold.

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low. The reason is that the receptors which SARS-CoV2 needs to enter the lungs are under-developed in children. Evidence from the US indicates that vaccination of the adult population does not result in any change in the severity of disease in children. The new variants do not alter the risk of moderate to severe disease in children.

There are three other key scientific pieces of evidence which should be given consideration. One, there is no need to wait for the vaccination of children before opening the schools. Global experts have concluded that vaccination of children is not a pre-requisite for opening the schools. In fact, no country in the world has yet started the vaccination of children younger than 12 years. With low risk,

this age-group is unlikely to be prioritised for vaccination for many months to come. Second, the vaccination of school staff would be a good idea but is not essential for opening the schools. Third, schools for younger children (up to Class VIII) should be started first as this age-group is at a very low risk. The opening of schools for older children (Class IX-XII) should be done more carefully and with additional precautions.

It is imperative that states give urgent attention and priority to formulating detailed plans and operational strategies to reopen schools. The broad principles of the school reopening strategy should be drafted by the Union government with complete freedom to the states to make modifications and implement it. The strategy should use global evidence, guided by domain experts, informed by local epidemiology and flexible to be modified as the situation evolves.

All schools — government or private, but specifically those government schools which cater to underprivileged children — should be prioritised for opening up, as many children in these schools do not have anyone to guide their learning at home. Special focus has to be given to bring those children who are about to enter the school education system.

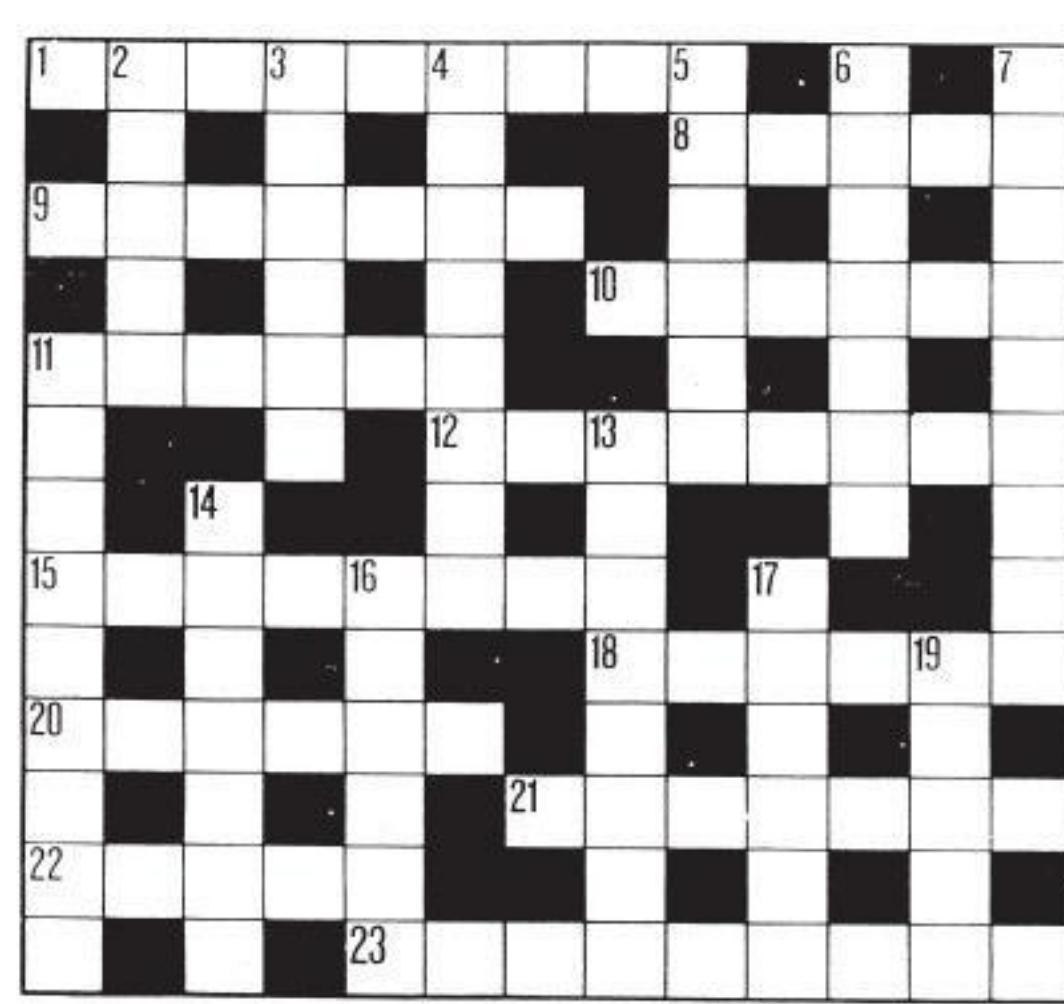
While planning to open up, schools should make the necessary structural modifications to ensure proper ventilation and spacing inside the classroom. Conducting classes in the open (but shaded) space should be considered. The re-opening can be supple-

mented by strengthening the school health service, facilitating regular health check-up of children and periodically educating them on Covid-appropriate behaviour as well as engaging the parents. School teachers and other staff need to be trained and sensitised in adherence to Covid-appropriate behaviour and ensure the observance of such protocol by students in classes.

The classes could be fewer than routine — alternate days, once in three days, or even once a week — and there can be multiple shifts with reasonable breaks in between. The proportion of children attending school on a given day can be determined by the school authorities, in consultation with parents. A hybrid of classroom and online teaching has to be continued, where parents can choose the mode of learning they would prefer. Regular sensitisation of parents to alleviate their fears would be needed. Approaches such as school bio-bubble, in which the students of a specific class would not interact with anyone outside the class, need to be explored.

In our overzealous attempt to protect children from Covid-19, we should not end up depriving them of education and learning. Opening of schools is essential for physical, mental, social and emotional well-being and development of children. With available scientific evidence, it is possible to develop a plan and get children safely back to schools, compensate for the time lost and bring them on the path of learning. It's time schools in India are reopened.

QUICK CROSSWORD



YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

Across: 1 Passion, 4 Music, 7 Omen, 8 Stricken, 10 Drop a brick, 12 Pained, 13 Career, 15 Upper crust, 18 Squarely, 19 Boar, 20 Links, 21 Hearsay.

Down: 1 Proud, 2 Step on it, 3 Nature, 4 Main chance, 5 Sake, 6 Candour, 9 Take up arms, 11 Nebulous, 12 Perusal, 14 Health, 16 Tardy, 17 Turn.

ACROSS

- 1 To grimace (4,1,4)
- 8 To estimate (5)
- 9 Support as a cause (7)
- 10 Small carnivorous mammal (6)
- 11 Story in instalments (6)
- 12 Pimento (8)
- 15 German-born US physicist (8)
- 18 Hindu sacred river (6)
- 20 Urge strongly (6)
- 21 Letter (7)
- 22 Beginning (5)
- 23 As a bet, to win only (2,3,4)

DOWN

- 2 Passage between rows (5)
- 3 Romantically strange (6)
- 4 Body of aircraft (8)
- 5 Exit (6)
- 6 Occupation (7)
- 7 Listen attentively (2,3,4)
- 11 To see (3,4,2)
- 13 To pine (8)
- 14 Show lively interest (7)
- 16 Apply oneself vigorously (4,2)
- 17 Concord (6)
- 19 Projecting edge of roof (5)

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CALENDAR

JULY 14, 2021, WEDNESDAY

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| ■ Vikrami Samvat | 2078 |
| ■ Shaka Samvat | 1943 |
| ■ Ashadha Shaka | 23 |
| ■ Aashadh Parvishtha | 30 |
| ■ Hijri | 1442 |
| ■ Shukla Paksha Tithi 4, up to 8.03 am | |
| ■ Vyatrapata Yoga up to 1.25 pm | |
| ■ Purvaphalguni Nakshatra up to 3.43 am | |
| ■ Moon in Leo sign | |

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DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNANCE REFORMS, PUNJAB,
SAS NAGAR (MOHALI)

PSeGS intends to invite bids/quotations for the AMC of Three Johnsons Lifts.
Last Date:- 25.07.2021
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DPR/Pb/5968 Member Secretary

PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
PLOT NO. 3 SECTOR 18-A, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH
(General Section)

CAR FOR SALE

Tenders are invited for the disposal of the following car(s) on as is where is basis up to: 03.08.2021.

| Vehicle No. | Make | Model | Kms run | Reserve Price |
|---------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|
| CH-01-GA-4110 | Tata Indigo CS | ext common Rail-BS-IV (Diesel) Model | 2012 | 136421 Rs. 125189/- |
| CH-01-GA-4111 | Tata Indigo CS | ext common Rail-BS-IV (Diesel) Model | 2012 | 133454 Rs. 125189/- |

The details regarding date, time & venue of the auction and other terms and conditions are available on the Commission's website www.pserc.gov.in

DPR/Pb/5980

Sd/- Secretary

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER HARYANA ROADWAYS
YAMUNANAGAR

| Sr. No. | Description | Approximate Quantity | Basic Rate | GST | Net L.R |
|---------|--|----------------------|------------|-----|---------|
| 1. | Thread real No. 2 | 50 Nos. | | | |
| 2. | Thread real No. 30 | 50 " | | | |
| 3. | M. Seal (100gms) | 20 Kgs | | | |
| 4. | Electric bulb holder (bottom type) | 100 Nos. | | | |
| 5. | Banjo washer aluminum 17, 19, 22 & 24 | 400 each = 1600 | | | |
| 6. | Clearing brush 16 | 100 Nos. | | | |
| 7. | Adhesive solution SR 998 | 20 ltr. | | | |
| 8. | Emery cloth 80/100 Nos. | 2000 Nos. | | | |
| 9. | Haxabiaze 3/2" | 100 Nos. | | | |
| 10. | Welding glass blace (imported) | 50 Nos. | | | |
| 11. | Welding glass white (imported) | 50 Nos. | | | |
| 12. | Welding holder 600 amp | 20 " | | | |
| 13. | Welding screen with handle | 10 " | | | |
| 14. | window roller | 50 " | | | |
| 15. | Brass road 1/8 | 10 Kgs | | | |
| 16. | Steel inch tapes 3 mtrs | 20 Nos. | | | |
| 17. | Split pin 1/4 x 3" | 2000 " | | | |
| 18. | Steel screw 1/2, 1 & 2" | 5000 pcs | | | |
| 19. | Aral die 30 grams | 30 " | | | |
| 20. | Tube valve die 4 way | 50 way | | | |
| 21. | Twin connector | 20 Nos. | | | |
| 22. | Twin connector washer | 500 " | | | |
| 23. | Body shoulder | 60 kgs | | | |
| 24. | King pin shim | 1000 Nos. | | | |
| 25. | Main shift shim | 500 Nos. | | | |
| 26. | Counter shaft shim | 500 " | | | |
| 27. | Battery hydrometer (big) | 20 Nos. | | | |
| 28. | Painting brush 2", 3", 4" | 20 " | | | |
| 29. | Old dhotti 1 1/2" to 2 yard | 10,000 " | | | |
| 30. | Anna bond tube 100 gms | 50 " | | | |
| 31. | Shocket 5 amp | 100 " | | | |
| 32. | Door lock I & R (HD) | 50 " | | | |
| 33. | Joint rubber 6, 8, 12, 14 & 16 | 400 Nos. each | | | |
| 34. | Hub ring & axelo ring 1512TC42 tech | 150 set | | | |
| 35. | Water body colum 1/4", 1/2", 1" & 2" | 50 each | | | |
| 36. | Tower bolt 6" 10" | 50 each | | | |
| 37. | Door handle | 100 Nos. | | | |
| 38. | Building door hangies 3" 4" | 50 each | | | |
| 39. | Drill Hi. 7/32, 1/4, 3/16, 1/2 ITI marks | 20 each | | | |
| 40. | Fevi quick 2 gms | 200 pcs | | | |
| 41. | Granding stone black & green 6'3/4 | 10 each | | | |
| 42. | Drill chek | 10 pcs | | | |
| 43. | Railways lock | 100 | | | |
| 44. | Betterly leg | 1000 pcs | | | |
| 45. | Front main leaf patte new models | 60 pcs | | | |
| 46. | Steel rivets | 300 pcs | | | |
| 47. | R Axel Jain six hole 1512 TC | 600 Nos. | | | |
| 48. | AC head Jain | 50 " | | | |
| 49. | Lick tile tube | 50 " | | | |
| 50. | Cotton cloth 3" to 12" | 2400 kgs | | | |
| 51. | Sulfuric Acid | As per demand | | | |
| 52. | Hydrochloric Acid | 500 kg | | | |
| 53. | Distal Water for bty | 1000 ltr | | | |
| 54. | Oxygen Gas Cylinder | 36 Nos. | | | |
| 55. | DA Gas Cylinder | 24 Nos. | | | |
| 56. | Cutter Blades 4" | 60 Nos. | | | |
| 57. | ELFY 2gms | 50 Nos. | | | |
| 58. | Quick fix 15 ml | 60 Nos. | | | |
| 59. | Tyre Patch 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 44, 42, 40 | 20 each | | | |
| 60. | Tube Patch (Big & Small) | 100 each | | | |
| 61. | Soldering wire 250 gms | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 62. | Soldering paste | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 63. | Cylincer joint | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 64. | Plain Washer | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 65. | Plain Washer | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 66. | Braro Packing | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 67. | Tube Patch | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 68. | M oil, Diesel Fitter Pana | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 69. | King Pin shim | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 70. | Axle Plate joint | 10 Nos. | | | |
| 71. | Tata Leyland joint | 10 Nos. | | | |

Terms and Conditions

- All Quotations will be deemed to be F.O.R designation unless otherwise specified in the quotation and should packing and forwarding charges and must no be "ex work" "ex godown".
- If quotation otherwise than F.O.R _____ is insurance charge, if any, to destination may please be separately quoted.
- The offered item/goods should be genuine recognize standard makes, specification and of best quality.
- All quotation will be deemed valid for atleast 30 days from and excluding the date of opening the tenders.
- All rejected goods must be replaced by you with in 15 days from the date intimating the goods have been rejected which may be returned at your risk.
- The quotation not strictly in according with the conditions are liable to be rejected without consideration.
- All documents and R/R will be accepted direct and payment will be made by RTGS in receipt of supplies with 60/90 days or earlier, if the bills is in order in every respect.
- Quotation must be sent in sealed envelope and post/registered post Sh. Lekh Raj General Manager, Haryana Roadways Yamunanagar and marked on sealed envelope quotation.

Sd/- General Manager,
Haryana Roadways, Yamunanagar.

HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED
(A State Government Undertaking)
EOI No. HPSEBL/CE/Comm./ DC-DRC/Gateways/ 2020/1002260 Dt: 12.07.2021
INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR REVIEWING EXISTING IT SECURITY SOLUTION OF DATA CENTRE, SHIMLA & DISASTER RECOVERY CENTRE, PAONTA.

- Sealed Expression of interests (EOIs) are invited for HPSEBL DC & DRC.
- The firm must have adequate experience of Data Centre Security Solution Including Complete IT Security Solution and must provide proof for this.
- The firm must attach documents as proof to show that similar or related projects having been completed successfully and Balance Sheets of the past three year period with special reference to turn over, if any.
- Companies/ firms having relevant experience in the area of Security Solution provider are eligible for submission of Expression of Interest.
- The firm has to review the structural diagram/functional layout of the DC DRC Security Solution for illustration of working, and suggest in complete review of existing security solution at DC & DRC, perform Gap analysis and suggest optimum solution including any new requirement and / or upgrade existing implemented security devices / solution. Additionally suggest latest security solution when Evolve in IT security area with latest technology involving hardware configuration and other devices which are necessarily required for the DC & DRC security setup.
- The firm may suggest any addition/alteration to the scope of the work and/or terms & conditions depending upon their experiences for consideration of HPSEBL.
- The interested firm(s) can inspect the current HPSEBL Data Centre Shimla after contacting this office on Telephone No. 0177-2656485 during working hours.
- HPSEBL shall reserve the right to reject any "Expression of Interest" without assigning any reason thereof.
- The upgraded solution of Gateways should be seamlessly integrated/Compatible with all existing Security devices and solution at DC & DRC of HPSEBL.
- Consultancy for Gap Analysis in Security and Suggest the latest Security aspects to cope up with industry standards and best practices to avoid any security laps.
- The proposed security Solution offered by the Company / Firm should not be declared as End of Life (EOL) or End of Sale (EOS) by the OEM within the next 5 years from the commissioning / installation and shall be latest and have latest functionality and features.

The "Expression of Interest" shall need to be delivered on or before **22.07.2021 03:00 PM**. "Expression of Interest" received after due date and time shall not be entertained.

HPSEBL reserves the right to add / modify the terms and conditions as deemed fit in future. Interested firm(s) may send their details along with complete proposal in sealed covers subscribing on the top of outer cover as "EXPRESSION OF INTEREST" addressed to The Chief Engineer (Comm.), HPSEBL, Vidyut Bhawan, Shimla-4(HP) so as to reach on or before **22.07.2021 at 3.00 PM**. Same Shall be opened on **22.07.2021 at 3.00 PM**.

Contact No: 0177-2656485 Chief Engineer (Comm.), HPSEBL, Vidyut Bhawan, SHIMLA-171004.

Stay Home—Stay Safe Energy Saved is Energy Generated

150 new cases, four deaths

SHIMLA, JULY 13

As many as 150 Covid cases were reported in the state today, taking the tally to 203,869. Besides, four persons died of the virus in the past 24 hours.

There were 30 cases in Mandi, 40 in Chamba, 23 in Shimla, 20 in Kangra, nine in Solan, eight in Kullu, seven in Bilaspur, five each in Una and Hamirpur, two in Kinnar and one in Sirmaur. — TNS

| COVID METER | | |
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| DISTRICT-WISE COUNT | | |
| DISTRICT | +VE | DEATHS |
| Bilaspur | 12,788 | 78 |
| Chamba | 11,576 | 144 |
| Hamirpur | 14,458 | 256 |
| Kangra | 46,100 | 1,033 |
| Kinnar | 3,287 | 38 |
| Kullu | 8,988 | 154 |
| Lahaul & Spiti | 2,738 | 17 |
| Mandi | 27,455 | 394 |
| Shimla | 25,409 | 599 |
| Sirmaur | 15,354 | 210 |
| Solan | 22,349 | 311 |
| Una | 13,374 | 242 |
| Total | 203,869 | 3,480 |



Women cross a drain after the road at Rulehar village of Boh panchayat in Kangra was destroyed in a landslide. PHOTO: KAMALJEET

survey of the flash flood-affected area, the Chief Minister said proper rehabilitation of the affected families would be ensured. He said a team of the NDRF was coordinating with the district administration in rescue and relief works. All efforts were being made to trace the missing persons.

After conducting an aerial



High Court Acting Chief Justice Ravi Malimath administers the oath to Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar as Governor in Shimla on Tuesday.

Arlekar takes oath as 28th Governor

SHIMLA, JULY 13

Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar was sworn in as the 28th Governor of Himachal Pradesh in a simple but impressive ceremony held at Raj Bhawan here today.

Acting Chief Justice of HP High Court Justice Ravi Malimath administered the oath of office and secrecy to him. Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur and Lady Governor Anagha Arlekar were present on the occasion.

Chief Secretary Anil Khachi read out the war-

rant of appointment while the secretary to the Governor, Priyantu Mandal, obtained his signature on the charge certificate.

Later, while interacting with mediapersons, the Governor said he would take the initiatives of the government forward. He would work in coordination with the state government.

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BRIEFLY

SOCHI (RUSSIA)

Chess World Cup: 10 Indians enter 2nd round

India's young stars R Praggnanandhaa, Nihal Sarin and P Iñyan advanced to the second round of the men's event in the FIDE World Cup chess tournament here today. Also advancing were GM Aravindh Chithambaram VR and B Adhiban. Vidit Santosh Gujrathi and P Harikrishna received first-round byes. In the women's event, Padmini Rout and R Vaishali joined Bhakti Kulkarni in Round 2.

BASEL**Federer withdraws from Olympics with knee injury**

Roger Federer has withdrawn from the Tokyo Olympics after picking up a knee injury during the grasscourt season.

GROS ISLET**Gayle's 67 helps WI secure T20 series against Australia**

Chris Gayle belted 67 off 38 to guide West Indies to a six-wicket, series-clinching win over Australia in the third T20I. AGENCIES

TODAY ON TV

3RD WOMEN'S T20I
INDIA VS ENGLAND
SONY SIX 11PM



Give your best: Modi to Tokyo-bound athletes

PM promises to share ice cream with Sindhu on her return

9 DAYS TO GO...**TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE****NEW DELHI, JULY 13**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi donned the role of an interviewer during his interaction with some of the athletes who will represent India at the Tokyo Olympics.

During the virtual interaction, which was also attended by sports minister Anurag Thakur, Modi quizzed several athletes about their struggles and motivation.

"Your love for the game started when you targeted mangoes with the arrows. Now you are world No. 1. Tell us about your journey," the PM asked ace archer Deepika Kumari. "I started with the

Indian bow. Despite a few struggles earlier on I got the best of facilities and best coaches and here I am today," Deepika answered.

When asked to explain how she copes with the expectations, especially after winning three gold medals at the Paris World Cup last month, the 26-year-old replied, "There will always be expectations but I focus more on my practice and on how I will be performing once I reach there."

The PM's interaction with badminton star PV Sindhu brought the biggest cheers as he promised to share a cup of ice cream with her. Sindhu loves ice cream but now is on a diet before the Olympics.

"Sir I am on a diet due to the preparations," she said. To Vinesh replied.

Table tennis stars A Sharath Kamal, Manika Batra, rifle shooter Elavenil Valarivan, tennis ace Sania Mirza and hockey skipper Manpreet Singh where some of the other athletes with whom the PM interacted.

Former teammates mourn Yashpal's death



Yashpal Sharma, a former middle-order batsman, died after a cardiac arrest. FILE

and could only say, "I won't be able to speak."

The 1983 squad had met on the sidelines of a book launch here a couple of weeks ago.

"It is unbelievable. He was the fittest among all of us. I had asked him that day about his routine. He was a vegetarian, teetotaller used to have soup for his dinner and very particular about his morning walks. I am just shocked," former India captain Dilip Vengsarkar said.

Former spinner Balwinder Singh Sandhu, who was a part of that team, said he is heartbroken. Former Indian captain Kris Srikkanth said he has lost a friend. — PTI

Shocking

So sorry to hear about #YashpalSharma Paaji's passing away, one of the heroes of our 1983 WC win. Heartfelt condolences

Virender Sehwag

Very sad news of the untimely demise of Yashpal Sharma paaji. May his soul rest in peace. My condolences to his family and loved ones

Yuvraj Singh

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NEW DELHI, JULY 13

India's cricket fraternity was in shock and disbelief as it mourned the death of 1983 World Cup hero Yashpal Sharma today, paying glowing tributes to the former batsman with his teammates from that historic triumph breaking down while remembering him.

Yashpal, a former middle-order batsman, died today after suffering a massive cardiac arrest here. He was 66 and is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

Kapil Dev, captain of the 1983 team, broke down when PTI contacted him

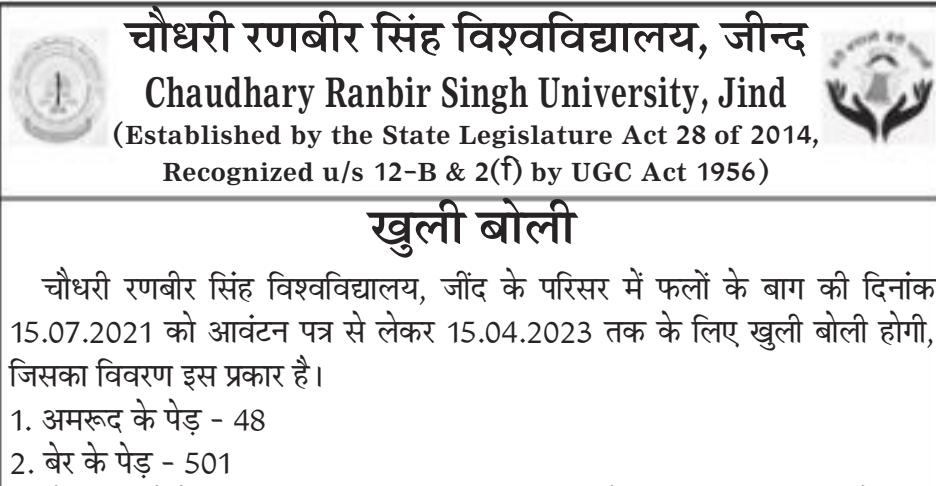
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The Director General, Mines and Geology reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason. The e-tender will be opened on 22.07.2021 at 3.00 p.m. in the office of Mines & Geology, Department, Haryana, Plot No. 9, DHL Square, 2nd Floor, Sec. 22, IT Park, Panchkula.

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Tender/RFP for Services like AMC, Housekeeping etc.**GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB**

Tender/RFP Reference No. 25 of 2021 Dt. 12.07.2021

The Department of Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board re-invites online Bids for:-

Sr. No. Name of work

1 P/L D.I. K-7 W/S Pipeline Const. of Brick Masonry, F.V./F.H. Haudies & all other works contingent thereto at W/No. 8 at Garhsankar.

Closing Date & Time: 20.07.2021 upto 4.30 PM

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1 Name of work and Location

Construction of ROB in lieu of L-xing No. C-323 at Km. 143/1-2 on Pathankot-Joginder Nagar NG section near Railway Station Baijnath Mandir Halt" (Deposit works).

2 Completion period of the work

06 (Six) Months

3 Approx. cost of work

Rs. 442.76 Lakhs

4 Earnest money to be deposited

Nil

5 Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tender

Tenders may be uploaded upto 11.30 hrs on date 02.08.2021 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 02.08.2021.

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 19.07.2021 to 02.08.2021. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

Tender Notice No. 3-W/Dy.CE/CID/JAT-21-22 Dated: 12.07.2021 1555/2021

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AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT, HARYANA**Application For Empanelment of Agricultural Implements Manufacturers**

Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Department, Haryana is inviting applications for empanelment of manufacturers of agricultural implements (Super SMS, Happy Seeder, Paddy Straw Chopper/Shredder/Mulcher, Shrub Master/Rotary Slasher, Hydraulic Reversible M.B. Plough, Zero Till Seed-cum-Fertilizer Drill, Super Seeder, Bailing Machines and Self propelled/Tractor operated Crop Reaper) for the year 2021-22 with following terms and conditions:-

1. Already empaneled manufacturers during previous year stand empaneled for 2021-22, if they will not apply again.

2. Manufacturers, who were not empaneled during the previous year may also apply for empanelment after adopting protocol approved by Govt. of India implement testing institutes and acceptance of rates (available on Department's website) fixed by the state Government.

3. Manufacturers can submit their applications with test report and affidavit to the Directorate of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Krishna Bhawan, Sector-21, Panchkula on any working day.

For detailed information please visit our website <https://www.agriharyana.gov.in> or call at helpline numbers 0172-2571553, 2571544, 2576210.

Director General, Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department, Haryana, Panchkula

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T20: India aim for all-round display vs England

CHELMSFORD: The Indian women's cricket team would aim to put up a complete performance instead of relying on individual brilliance to topple a hurting England for their first T20 series victory since 2019 here tomorrow. Another impressive outing in the field and tight death over bowling from the spin duo of Poonam Yadav and Deepti Sharma brought India back from the dead in the second T20 on Sunday. And now Harmanpreet Kaur and her players have a chance of enjoying their first T20 series success after their away triumph against the West Indies in 2019. England self-destructing from a commanding position also helped the visitors level the series in Hove. The hosts are unlikely to gift another match to India, who will need to excel in all departments. While Shafali Verma was impressive at the top and spinners came to India's rescue later in the game, the middle-order and the pace department needs to step up. Harmanpreet, who promoted herself to No. 3 and got much-needed runs, would be well served by doing the same. Shafali had got the team off to a cracking start but the incoming batters were unable to maintain the momentum despite wickets in hand. There is little point in saving wickets in the shortest format and India need to be more aggressive in their approach. PTI

Ahead of SCO summit, EAM meets Afghan counterpart

Discusses recent developments in Afghanistan amid Taliban resurgence

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

MAY HOLD TALKS WITH CHINESE FM

■ S Jaishankar, along with FMs from Russia, China, Pakistan and other countries, will hear Afghan FM outline the Ashraf Ghani government's proposals for reducing violence and accelerating political conciliation

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Jaishankar is also likely to meet Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi in the backdrop of their September 10, 2020, agreement in Moscow failing to reduce the confrontation between the two armies along the Line of Actual Control. It is not known whether he will meet Pakistan FM Shah Mehmood Qureshi after the acerbic comments by NSA Moeed Yusuf blaming India for the Lahore blasts.

Yusuf also did not show courtesy in greeting NSA Ajit Doval at the June SCO meet of NSAs in Dushanbe, said sources. Doval may have riled the Pakistani side by suggesting an action plan against Pakistan-based terror groups. India may be willing to soft-pedal the proposal, say sources, because of greater concern to it now is the Taliban overlooking India while it got in touch with Iran, Russia and China to

assure them that their security interests will be unharmed if it joins the Government in Kabul.

India is also keen to safeguard its interests in Afghanistan such as its work on carving a route to the sea bypassing Pakistan and developing one of the world's biggest open iron ore mine in Hajigak province.

Jaishankar is also likely to attend a back-to-back conference on connectivity in Tashkent in Uzbekistan.

Before his departure, the minister addressed the EXIM Conclave on "Harnessing Africa-India Opportunity", where he underlined the continuing Indian commitment to health cooperation, its digital delivery plans under which 17 African countries have joined e-Vidya Bharti and e-Arogya Bharti—India's tele-medicine and tele-education efforts.

Cong to seek full discussion on fuel prices in Parl

India's BHIM-UPI app launched in Bhutan

NEW DELHI, JULY 13
Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman along with her Bhutanese counterpart Lyonpo Namgay Tshering jointly launched BHIM-UPI in Bhutan in a virtual ceremony on Tuesday.

Sitharaman makes first transaction of Bhutanese organic product

She said the services have started in Bhutan under India's "Neighbourhood First" policy. She described BHIM UPI as one of the brightest in facilitating digital transactions in India during the pandemic. —TNS

In an interim order, the HC directed Gokhale to immediately delete from his Twitter account all tweets against Puri, saying, "The damage that she and her husband have suffered is apparent but it is one of the unavoidable pitfalls of access to social media platforms."

Justice C Hari Shankar said if Gokhale fails to comply with the directions within 24 hours of the order, Twitter shall take down the tweets against Puri. —PTI

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A day after the India Meteorological Department (IMD) issued a detailed clarification over its inaccurate forecast on the progress of southwest monsoon to northwest, including Delhi, the seasonal rains finally arrived over the National Capital today, almost 16 days behind the normal date of onset.

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The Calcutta High Court on Tuesday ordered a DNA test to identify the body of Abhijit Sarkar, a BJP worker who was vice-president of the Bhartiya Mazdoor Trade Union Council in Kolkata district, allegedly killed in the post-poll violence.

Senior advocate Mahesh Jethmalani told a five-judge Bench of the High Court that his client, Biswajit Sarkar, brother of the deceased, was unable to say with any certainty whether the body was that of his brother Abhijit since it was badly mutilated.

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Navy adds another plane to upgrade surveillance

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Receives anti-submarine warfare aircraft P-8I from Boeing

and today operates the largest non-US fleet, the Boeing said in statement.

The patrol aircraft is an integral part of the Indian Navy's fleet and has surpassed 30,000 flight hours since it was inducted in 2013. Initially, India ordered eight

planes and four additional aircraft were ordered by the Ministry of Defence in 2016.

"This is the second aircraft to be delivered under the option contract for four additional aircraft," the statement said.

"In addition to unmatched maritime reconnaissance and anti-submarine warfare capabilities, the P-8I has been deployed to assist during disaster relief and humanitarian missions," it added.

SII ties up with Russia's RDIF to produce Sputnik

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Vaccine production to begin in September

(developed by AstraZeneca-Oxford), Covaxin (by Novavax) and conducting trials of Codagenix in the UK.

The first batch of Sputnik vaccine is expected to be produced at SII's facilities in September. The parties intend to produce over 300 million doses in India per year, a statement from RDIF said. As part of the technical transfer process, the SII has already received cell and vector samples from Gamaleya Center.

Delhi rolls back order barring entry into religious places

NEW DELHI, JULY 13

The Delhi Government today withdrew the order banning the entry of devotees in religious places in south-west Delhi after facing objections from members of the Sikh community.

The order was issued yesterday in view of the Covid situation. The Vasant Vihar SDM issued fresh instructions on Tuesday cancelling the orders. The earlier instructions had been sent not only to gurdwaras but temples, mosques and churches also.

The issue was today taken up by Sikh organisations, including, the Jag Aasra Guru Ott, Shiromani Akali Dal Delhi and the DSGMC. Manjinder Singh Sirsa, DSGMC president, termed the order unconstitutional.

Meanwhile, former Union Minister Sukhdev Singh Dhindsa has written to Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, saying elections to the DSGMC should be conducted now "as Covid is waning". —TNS

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IN BRIEF

CBI probe into deaths of Dimapur residents

NEW DELHI: After a series of representations given by leaders from the North-East region to Union Home Minister Amit Shah, the Ministry of Home Affairs on Tuesday handed over the probe into the deaths of two Dimapur relatives — Rosy Sangma and Samuel Sangma — in a Gurugram hospital last month to the CBI. TNS

DDA land allotment: CBI raids 14 places

NEW DELHI: The CBI on Tuesday said its personnel have carried out searches at 14 locations in Delhi and UP's Lucknow and Shamli districts in connection with a case against three former officials of the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) for alleged irregularities in allotment of land in Sarita Vihar. TNS

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A car wades through a waterlogged road after heavy rain in Gurugram on Tuesday. PTI

Finally, monsoon reaches Delhi, covers entire nation

VIBHA SHARMA
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HC orders DNA test to identify victim's body

BENGAL VIOLENCE NHRC submits final report in 5 sealed boxes

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

BJP MLAs MEET GUV, OPPOSE ROY AS PAC CHIEF

Kolkata: A delegation of BJP MLAs of West Bengal led by Leader of Opposition Suvenu Adhikari on Tuesday met Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar and urged him to intervene with regard to the appointment of Mukul Roy as chairman of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) of the Assembly. TNS

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