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## Big push for housing, employment

₹2.65 lakh cr stimulus | Funds for Covid vaccine research | Addl credit for industry

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12  
The government on Thursday announced stimulus measures estimated at Rs 2.65 lakh crore in a bid to revive the economy.

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said the stimulus under Aatmanirbhar Bharat 3.0 would take the economy on a high growth path at a time when the macro-economic indicators were pointing towards recovery. The measures range from subsidy for job creation to relaxed tax norms for sale of houses.

Under a new job creation scheme — the Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana — the Centre will bear the PF contribution for new employees in the private sector. The offer will be valid for two years on new hires at less than Rs 15,000 per month.

To facilitate the sale of

### ANOTHER BOOSTER DOSE

**₹1.46 lakh cr** production-linked incentive for 10 sectors

**₹18,000 cr** for Prime Minister Awas Yojana (Urban)

**₹10,200 cr** for domestic defence equipment

**₹900 cr** grant for Covid vaccine research

**₹65,000 cr** subsidy for increased use of fertilisers

**₹10,000 cr** for PM Garib Kalyan Yojana

**₹3,000 cr** to Exim Bank for overseas projects



Nirmala Sitharaman, Finance Minister, in New Delhi on Thursday

### MOODY'S REVISES FORECAST TO MINUS 8.9%

Moody's Investors Service on Thursday revised upwards its GDP forecast for India to -8.9 per cent contraction in 2020 from -9.6 per cent earlier, as the economy reflates after the lockdown, but said the recovery "is patchy".

housing units whose value has fallen, income tax rules will be relaxed to allow primary or first sale of units of up to Rs 2 crore at a price that

can be 20 per cent below the stamp duty circle rate.

Currently, the law restricts differential between circle rate and agreement value at

### INDIA IN TECHNICAL RECESSION: RBI

Mumbai: India has technically entered into a recession with a likely contraction in its GDP during the July-September period, according to a report by the RBI. The RBI's Economic Activity Index estimates that the GDP growth for the second quarter of the current financial year was negative and the GDP contracted by 8.6 per cent during the quarter. "India has entered into a



technical recession in the first half of 2020-21 for the first time in its history with 2020-21 expected to record the second successive quarter of GDP contraction," it said. IANS

### 'WRONG POLICIES TO BLAME'

India has entered into recession for the first time in history. Modi's actions have turned India's strength into its weakness. Rahul Gandhi, CONGRESS LEADER



## RJD: Nitish lacks mandate to be CM

Tejashwi to move EC for recount in booths where postal ballots 'invalidated'

ADITI TANDON  
TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12  
In their first comments after a narrow loss to the ruling NDA in Bihar, grand alliance partners RJD and Congress today claimed the mandate was not for Chief Minister Nitish Kumar.

RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav, after being unanimously elected leader of the Mahagathbandhan in the state Assembly today, led the charge against the NDA saying the ruling alliance "won by fraud". He said he would petition the Election Commission for a recount in booths where postal ballots were "invalidated".

Tejashwi cited JDU's re-



NDA WON BY DECEIT

OATH DATE LIKELY TODAY

Had the votes been counted fairly, we would have won 130 seats... Will Nitish heed his conscience & abdicate his chair. Tejashwi Yadav

The date for swearing-in will be discussed by NDA allies on Friday... The BJP has to decide on (including) LJP. Nitish Kumar

### FINAL DECISION LIES WITH VOTERS: CEC

We do not respond to comments made by political entities. It is their decision, what they said, why they said. The ultimate decision lies with the people. Sunil Arora, CEC

gation to the third slot among Bihar parties and dared Nitish Kumar "to step aside giving up his attachment for the chair". "Will Nitish Kumar heed his conscience and abdicate his chair?" asked Tejashwi, recalling 2017 when Nitish Kumar had resigned as grand alliance CM citing his "conscience" after accusations of money laundering surfaced against Tejashwi.

The Congress also said the Bihar mandate was against Nitish Kumar. "We accept the verdict. We are disappointed and I am sure the Congress Working Committee will review the party's performance in Bihar and come out

extension of Rs 3 lakh crore Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme till March 31, 2021, and additional credit

### TRUMP WINS ALASKA

US President Donald Trump has won the closely-fought presidential election in the state of Alaska, winning three electoral college votes and taking his tally to 217. INSIDE

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## Mumbai masterminds not on Pakistan list of 'most wanted'

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12  
India has expressed concern over the exclusion of masterminds of the 2008 Mumbai attacks from Pakistan's Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) list of 1,210 "most wanted" terrorists.

"While the list includes a few members of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), including the crew members of boats used to execute the 26/11 attacks, it glaringly omits the mastermind and key conspirators," noted MEA spokesperson Anurag Srivastava at a media briefing on Thursday.

The list makes it clear that Pakistan has the necessary information and proof on the

But 11 LeT operatives on its radar for 26/11 attacks



MEA: PAK NOT SINCERE

Mumbai attacks were launched from Pak territory. Despite its acknowledgement, Pakistan is yet to show sincerity in delivering justice. Anurag Srivastava, MEA

conspirators and facilitators of the Mumbai attack based in Pakistan, he said.

At least 11 LeT members are on the list for their role in the 2008 attacks, but not the masterminds. The FIA list included MQM's Altaf Hussain, Muhammad Anwar, Iftikhar Hussain and several Al Qaeda, Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan, Sipah-e-Muhammad Pakistan, LeT and JeM members.

It has claimed that most of the terrorists are overseas, including Iran, Syria, Afghanistan and the UK. The list also includes N-League member Nasir Mahmood, who recorded a video confession of former accountability court judge Arshad Malik.

## Dubey case: IPS officer suspended

LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 12

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12  
AIIMS Director Randeep Guleria today said Indians might acquire herd immunity before Covid vaccine was rolled out in the country.

"Provided the virus doesn't mutate, we may reach a stage where we have a good amount of immunity and the people may feel there is no utility of the vaccine," he said. — IANS

### COVID-19 CASES INDIA

COUNT 86,83,916  
RECOVERED 80,66,501  
FRESH FATALITIES 550  
TOTAL DEATHS 1,28,121

### WORLD

TOTAL 5,26,84,005  
RECOVERED 3,68,11,311  
DEATHS 12,93,265

### FRESH CASES UNDER 50,000 FOR 5TH CONSECUTIVE DAY

The UP Government on Thursday suspended then Kanpur police chief Anant Dev after a probe pointed at a nexus between the police and gangster Vikas Dubey, allegedly responsible for the death of eight policemen.

Eight policemen were ambushed in Bikru village of Kannauj on their way to arrest Dubey on July 3. — PTI

## Bollywood actor found dead in McLeodganj



Asif Basra

HIS POPULAR MOVIES  
The actor starred in several films — "Jab We Met", "Kai Po Che!", "Black Friday" and "Parzania". He also acted in web series "Paatal Lok".

them about the incident. "The actor's body was found hanging. He used his pet dog's leash," he said. The police said preliminary investigation suggested he was suffering from depression. —TNS

### Pb's farm union leaders to meet Goyal, Tomar today

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12  
The 30 farmer unions today decided to attend the meeting with two Union ministers on Friday but at the same time demanded the three agriculture laws be revoked.

The main agenda of the meeting with Union Agriculture Minister NS Tomar and Railway Minister Piyush Goyal will be to end the "economic blockade" of Punjab by restarting the rail services. "We don't think that much will come out of one meeting," said Harmeet Qadian, president, BKU (Qadian).

Qadian said the fact that Defence Minister Rajnath Singh had withdrawn from the meeting and the Centre had denied farmers permission to hold a protest in Delhi on November 26-27 showed the Centre's intent. INSIDE



We are an extremely close knit family. Its a rare weekend when we don't have a Chacha coming over or where we are not off visiting a Tai. I have often felt my family can inspire the next Bollywood Blockbuster. Weekends in lockdown became completely meaningless and we were sick of seeing the same faces week after week. Watching my daughter jam with her friends online, gave me the idea of organizing a virtual family reunion via a Video Call. I still miss the feasts that accompanied our visits, but on the plus side, out-of-town members can be part of the fun too. Not quite the same, but not bad 'cause life has changed, it hasn't stopped!

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## 'Black Diwali' for unpaid Hry staff

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CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12  
With no salary for the past four months, at least 2,400 Haryana Government regular employees have been staring at a lacklustre Diwali.

The Sarv Karamchari Sangh has sent an SOS to Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar to intervene in the matter. "We

have apprised the CM through a tweet. It is ironical that while the government is giving Diwali advance (repayable loan) to employees, their salaries for four months

remain pending," said sangh chief Subhash Lamba.

Of the affected employees, 1,000 work with Haryana Tourism, 900 are supervisors in the Women and Child Development Department and 500 are teachers at Mewat model schools. Sources cited financial crunch in the wake of Covid for delay in the release of salaries.

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# Farmer unions agree to meet Centre today

Say no high hopes, but will push for ending economic blockade and resumption of train services

Tribune News Service

## GOVT'S INTENT MISSING

The very fact that Rajnath Singh had withdrawn from the meeting and farmers had been denied permission to hold a protest in Delhi on Nov 26-27 showed the Centre's intent. Harmeet S Qadian, BKU (QADIAN) CHIEF

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND THE MEETING

On the insistence of the Central Government, the Punjab Government is sending Agriculture Commissioner BS Sidhu as its representative to take part in the meeting.

primary meeting... we don't think that much will come out of one meeting," Harmeet Singh Qadian, president, Bhartiya Kisan Union (Qadian).

Speaking on behalf of the

unions that are jointly protesting against the farm laws, Qadian said the very fact that Defence Minister Rajnath Singh had withdrawn from the meeting and that the Centre (using

the Delhi Police) had denied farmers permission to hold a protest in Delhi on November 26-27, showed the Centre's intent.

Rajinder Singh Deepsinghwal of Krantikari

Kisan Union said it had been decided that thousands of farmers from Punjab would now move to gherao Delhi in tractors on November 26-27.

"We will light *mashal* (torches) on Diwali, as a sign of our *sangharsh* (protest)," he said, adding that the festival of lights would be celebrated, rejecting the call to observe "black Diwali".

Farmer leaders also demanded the state government immediately release the long-pending dues of cane growers. "The neighbouring

state of Haryana has increased the state advised price (SAP) of cane to Rs 350 per quintal, while the cane price has remained static in Punjab in the past three years. We demand that we be given a similar raise. The state government, too, is ignoring the farmers," said Qadian.

The representatives of farmer unions will also be demanding from the Centre that taxes on diesel be reduced, in the wake of a drop in prices of crude oil to benefit the farming community.

# Ops to resume after tracks cleared: Rlys

Tribune News Service



## HAVE TO BE CAUTIOUS

Even after the resumption of train services, we will have to take precautions in view of the pandemic as per Central guidelines. Rajesh Aggarwal, Manager, Ferozepur DIV

20 and November 30. But in Punjab such special trains could not be run due to the farmers' agitation.

Meanwhile, Divisional Railway Manager, Ferozepur Division, Rajesh Aggarwal said even after the resumption of the trains they would have to follow precautions in view of the pandemic as per the guidelines of the Centre.

After the pandemic, the Railways started AC special train services across the country from May 12 and 200 trains from June 1. To provide convenience to passengers on the occasion of festivals, 196 pairs of "festival special" trains are being operated between October

and November 30. But in Punjab such special trains could not be run due to the farmers' agitation.

Aggarwal said on the commencement of normal rail operations, certain steps would be taken by the Ferozepur Division to deal with excessive passenger traffic or congestion due to the festival season and to avoid Covid-19.

Regarding festival specials and special trains, there will be continuous announcements on display boards and public address system. Additional security personnel will be deployed to control the line arrangement and passengers to avoid congestion at the station.



Farmers protest the Central agriculture Acts at a market in Amritsar on Thursday. PHOTO: VISHAL KUMAR

## Observe black Diwali, protesters urge traders

AMRITSAR, NOVEMBER 12

Intensifying their agitation against the farm laws, farmers today approached the shopkeepers of Hall Bazar, convincing them to observe "black Diwali" tomorrow.

Under the banner of Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee, they held protest outside the Hall Gate and distributed black flags to traders, requesting them to erect the flags on their shops and sensitise their customers also to follow the suit.

Committee's state general secretary Sarwan Singh Pandher said there was no scope of holding the talks with the Centre as the suspension of freight trains had

hit the state hard. The traders and general public had been affected due to the confrontational move of the Central Government.

"The way invitation was sent appeared to be not in good intention. On the invitation, it was mentioned as if only the Punjab farmers were protesting when the truth is over 100 farmer organisations have been contesting the farm laws. If the intentions were good, all farmer unions should have been invited for a dialogue and Prime Minister Narendra Modi should have taken a lead in this direction. So, we have decided not to accept the proposal," he said. —TNS

## Cong readying for poll battle: Rawat

Tribune News Service



### BROUGHT SIDHU BACK

AICC general secretary Harish Rawat said he had completed the task of bringing Navjot Singh Sidhu back to the mainstream politics. He said Sidhu and party leader Partap Singh Bajwa would play a crucial role in the coming years.

jab Assembly elections.

Denying that the Congress was in favour of midterm polls in Punjab, he said the Congress government would

complete its term and was in the process of implementing many important decisions.

The state-funded SC Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme and more focus on development work in urban areas are the part of the party's move to address the aspirations of its voters. "But if the BJP forces midterm poll on us, Capt Amarinder Singh-led government is ready to face it," said Rawat.

In reply to a charge that the Congress by supporting farmers' agitation was addressing Jat voters, Rawat said the new farm laws affected the entire state and country, not just one community. "To ensure that the urban voters do not feel neglected amid the farmers' stir, more funds are being made available for urban development," he said.

## Speak for farmers: Randhawa to Deol

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12

Taking a strong exception to the remarks made by Gurdaspur Member of Parliament Sunny Deol with regard to the farmers' protest against the farm laws, Cabinet Minister Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa today asked the filmstar-turned-politician to come out of the reel life to know the ground realities. He advised him to raise his 'dhai kilo ka hath' in favour of the beleaguered farmers.

Randhawa said it had been five months since farmers started their protest, but the BJP MP was toeing the line of the Central Government instead of venturing out in support of the farmers.

He alleged the MP had

### TALKS ONLY SOLUTION'

Gurdaspur MP Sunny Deol on Friday said the Centre was interested in finding a solution to the problems of farmers, so only dialogue could yield some results.

stabbed the people of his constituency, especially the farmers, labourers and arthiyas, who had reposed faith in him by electing him. —TNS

## Short on fertilisers, state stares at bigger agri crisis

RUCHIKA M KHANNA  
Tribune News Service



### DAP NEEDED URGENTLY

■ Wheat is expected to be cultivated on almost 35 lakh hectares and the state needs 19 lakh quintals of diammonium phosphate (DAP) and 8 lakh tonnes of urea

■ Though over 57,000 metric tonnes of urea is available at the two plants of National Fertilizers Limited in Bathinda and Ropar, it is being supplied slowly due to suspended rail services

Agriculture University.

Agriculture experts warn that the delay in the use of fertilisers for the wheat crop could adversely impact its yield. If the fertilisers are not made available immediately, the low wheat yield will have a spiraling effect on the state's agriculture-based economy, which has already been hit hard by the Covid-induced lockdown.

The state immediately needs huge quantities of urea and diammonium phosphate (DAP) for the wheat crop, sowing of which has already started. Wheat is expected to be cultivated on almost 35 lakh hectares in the state. Punjab needs almost 19 lakh quintals of DAP and 8 lakh tonnes of urea for this wheat season. "DAP is used at the time of sowing, while urea is to be applied three weeks after sowing — from next week onwards," says JS Mahal, Director, Extension, Punjab Agriculture University.

The Railway Board, urging them to concede to the state government's demand for allocating rakes of fertilisers at the earliest," he said.

Though over 57,000 metric tonnes of urea is available in the state — at the two plants of National Fertilizers Limited in Bathinda and Ropar — there is panic among farmers as sowing of wheat has already started.

Anirudh Tiwari, Financial Commissioner, Development, also conducted a meeting today to assess the fertiliser situation. Agriculture Commissioner BS Sidhu told *The Tribune* if the train services were not resumed immediately, the state farming operations would be adversely hit. "We are holding parleys with

the Railway Board, urging them to concede to the state government's demand for allocating rakes of fertilisers at the earliest," he said.

## Paddy lifting affected as gunny bags in short supply

SUKHMEET BHASIN  
Tribune News Service



1,000 containers stuck on rail tracks

ny bales (one bale has 500 bags) for the ongoing procurement. Sources said more than 1,000 containers of gunny bales were stuck on railway tracks in and around Delhi.

"I have been at the mandi for the past six days. My produce is dry and within the prescribed moisture limit, but it hasn't been procured due to lack of gunny bags," said Makhan Singh, a farmer

at Teona village in Bathinda. As most bags were sourced from West Bengal, order had to be placed in advance to ensure supplies arrived in time. Punjab is the largest purchaser of jute bags every rabi and kharif season. Krishan Kumar, a gunny bag trader, said: "There is a shortage of gunny bags as the state government has increased the quota for rice millers to use gunny bags from

50 per cent (previous season) to 70 per cent. As jute mills in West Bengal remained shut during the lockdown, the supply was low this season."

BKU (Ekta Ugrahan) district president Shingara Singh Mann said: "The shortage of gunny bags is reported during the procurement season every year. Why can't the state government place orders in advance?"

## BJP leader writes to PM, wants rail link for Damdama Sahib

BATHINDA, NOVEMBER 12

BJP leader Mohan Lal Garg has written to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Railway Minister Piyush Goyal, demanding a rail link to Takht Shri Damdama Sahib at Talwandi Sabo.

He said a few years ago a survey was conducted by the Railways to connect Damdama Sahib but the project was lying abandoned for unknown reasons. He said Damdama Sahib being the fifth takht of Sikhs was of utmost importance for all religions, especially Sikhs, as lakhs of devotees visited the shrine every year but due to non-connectivity of railways faced problems.

He demanded a fresh survey to be conducted to connect Tal-

for fresh survey to connect Talwandi Sabo with Bathinda

ing the Takht in Bathinda. After conducting a location survey in 2015, the Railways officials had handed over a report to the state government in August 2016, but since then the matter has seen no progress.

Damdama Sahib is the only takht that is not connected with a rail link. All other takhts — Harmandar Sahib, Kesgarh Sahib, Hazur Sahib (Nanded) and Patna Sahib — have rail connectivity. Devotees coming here have to first reach Bathinda on train and from there they have to hire a cab or bus for 30 km to reach the gurdwara.

Besides, the rail link to Talwandi Sabo is crucial due to the presence of a thermal plant in the area. —TNS

## Now, fine for illegal groundwater extraction

Tribune News Service



### ZONE-WISE DIVISION

#### ORANGE

Volume extracted (in cubic metre/day)	Penalty
Up to 10	₹8
10-100	₹18
Above 100	₹22

#### YELLOW

Up to 10	₹6
10-100	₹14
Above 100	₹18

#### GREEN

Up to 10	₹4
10-100	₹10
Above 100	₹14

groundwater extracted up to 10 cubic metres per day.

The state has been divided into green, yellow and orange zones. The highest groundwater charges would apply to the orange zone, which is the most water stressed and the lowest charges would be in the green zone.

Those opting for implementing water conservation measures would be eligible for a water conservation rebate in the charges.

The gross charges range from a minimum of Rs 4 per cubic metre in green zone for the volume up to 10 cubic metre per day to a maximum of Rs 22 per cubic metre in the orange zone for the volume exceeding 100 cubic metre per day.

# Now, bid for fancy numbers from home

Tribune News Service

**CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12**  
The Punjab Government has introduced a user-friendly e-auction policy in the Transport Department for reserved numbers (known as fancy numbers) thereby exempting people from visiting the register authority office.

Transport Minister Razia Sultana said the e-auction of fancy numbers would be done through the Vahan 4.0 web application. She said the department had introduced the e-auction process to make all reserved numbers available to the public 24X7 across the whole week. Sultana said the registration for participation in the e-auction would open on every Sunday for three days (Sunday to Tuesday).

After the start of the e-auction, bidding for the numbers would take place on the subsequent two days (Wednesday and Thursday), she said, adding that the payment period for the successful bidder would be two

State govt announces e-auction policy



days (till Saturday midnight) on the online e-auction platform. She said the facility would be available on gazetted holidays also.

To participate in the e-auction and to further ensure transparency of the bidding process, there would be a non-refundable registration fee of Rs 1,000 for each reserved number. The results of successful as well as unsuccessful bidders would be uploaded on the Vahan website and successful bidder would be informed through SMS and email.

## 692 more test +ve

Tribune News Service

**CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12**  
The state reported 692 cases, including 23 deaths, in the last 24 hours, taking the total number of cases to 1,39,869 and number of deaths to 4,412.

In the district-wise breakup of cases, SAS Nagar continued to top the chart with 132 cases, followed by Ludhiana (88), Patiala (84), Jalandhar (74) and Bathinda (53). Besides, 134 patients are on oxygen and 17 are on ventilator. Patiala topped the chart with four deaths, followed by Ferozepur (3), Jalandhar, Kapurthala, Ludhiana, SAS Nagar, Pathankot, Ropar and Bathinda (2 each), and Sangrur and Muktsar (1 each).



A health worker takes a swab sample in Jalandhar.

### WORST-HIT DISTRICTS

DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Ludhiana	21,156	858
Jalandhar	15,963	493
Amritsar	12,189	470
Patiala	13,385	393
SAS Nagar	13,311	253

## Govt releases ₹405 cr to clear pending payments under various schemes

**CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12**  
The Punjab Government on Thursday released Rs 405.34 crore towards payment of various schemes

and development projects, including a sum of Rs 197.46 crore for social security pensions/other financial assistance schemes.

The Rs 197.46 cr will be disbursed among nearly 25.57 lakh beneficiaries, including elderly, widow and destitute women, dependent children

and disabled, for October. A sum of Rs 64.19 crore has been released on account of midday meals and Rs 18.36 crore for the

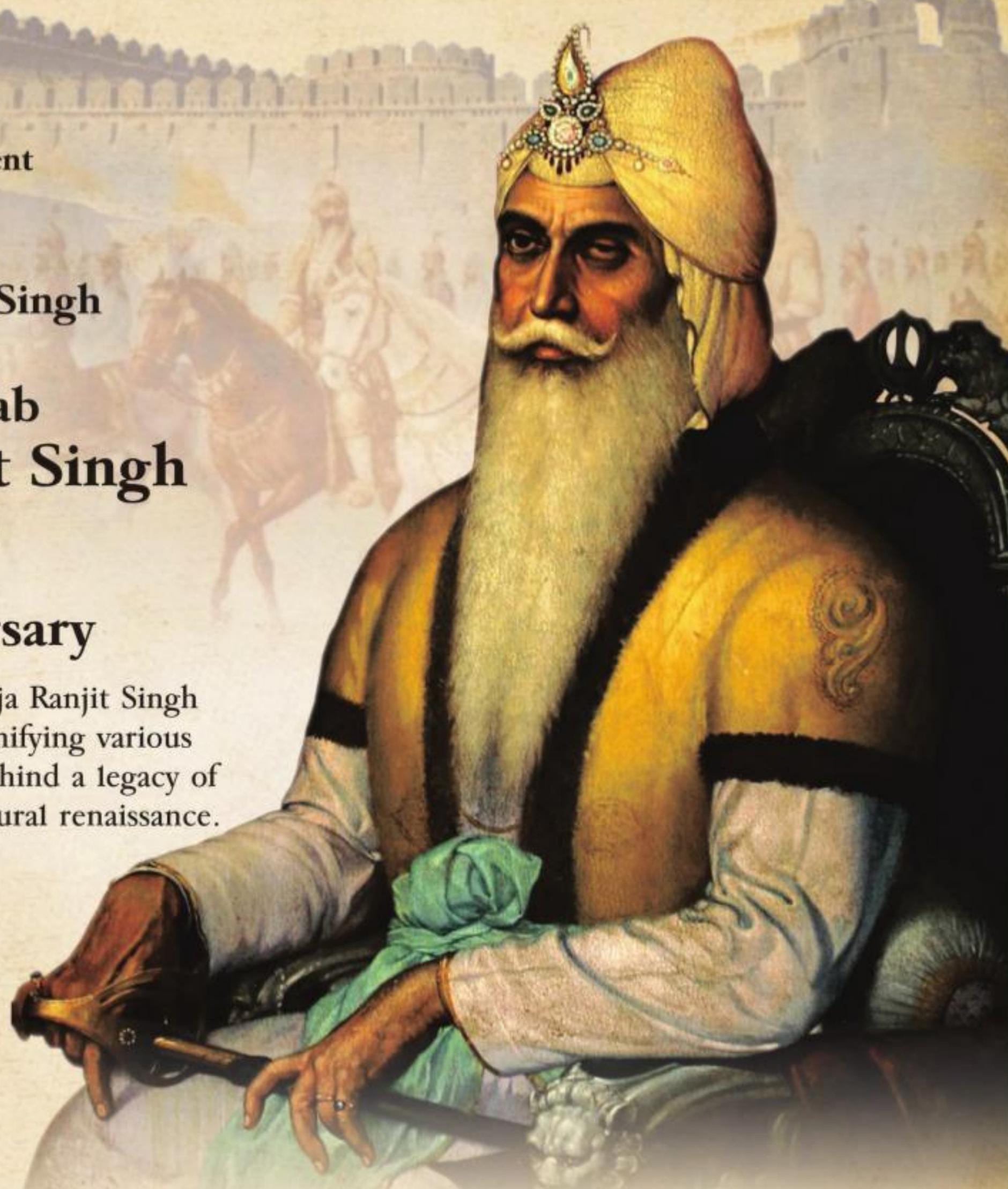
Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Gramin) schemes. Similarly, Rs 15.15 crore will be given in salary to staff under the scheme for setting

up of memorials, besides Rs 15.12 crore for clearing pending bills under centrally sponsored and Nabard schemes. —TNS



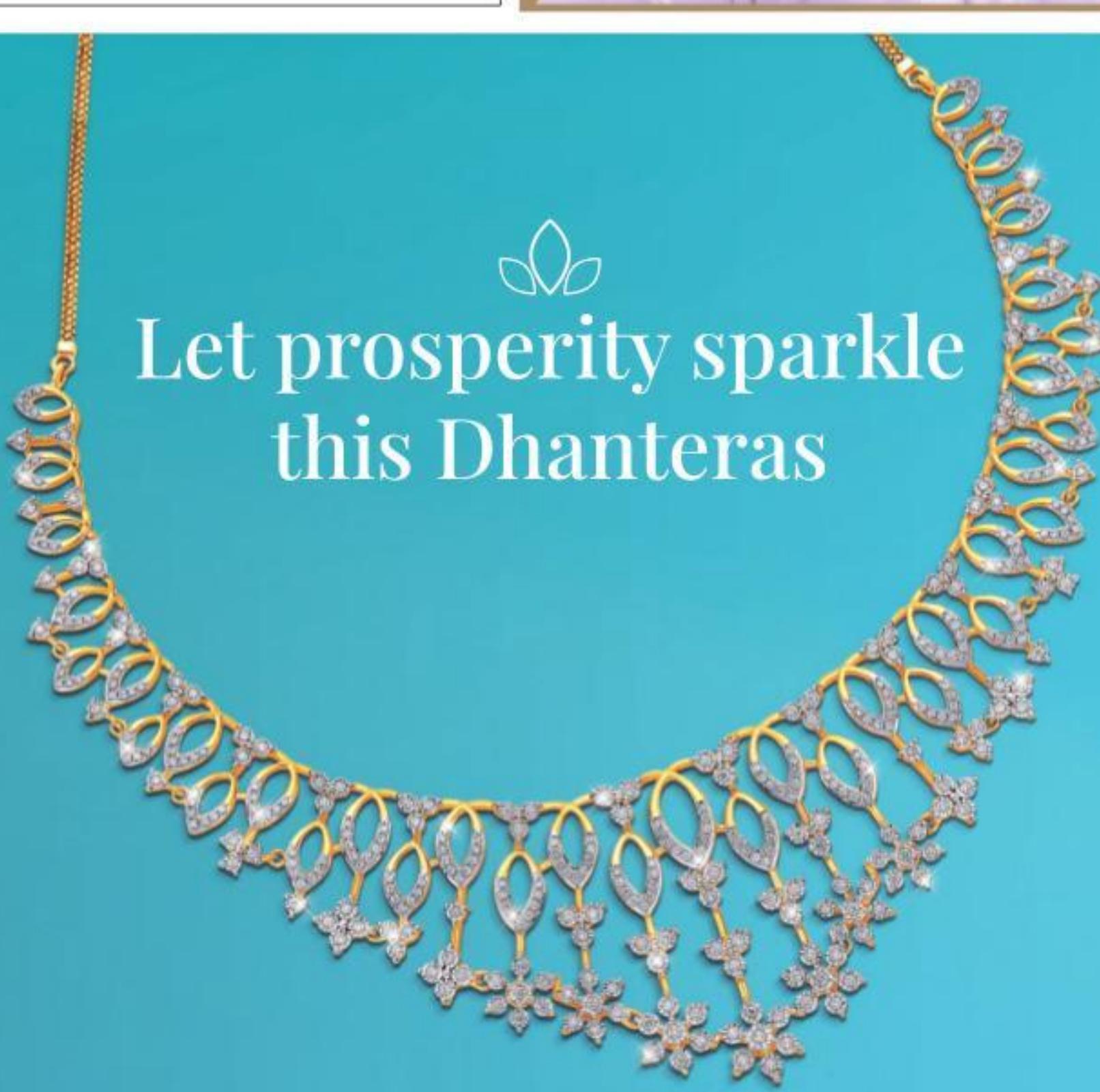
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I, Jasbir Kaur w/o Amarjeet Singh r/o Lalru Mandi (Sardarpura Colony) Teh. Dera Bassi, Dist. S.A.S. Nagar, Mohali, Pin-140501, Punjab have changed my name to Jasbir Kaur. (CL20062189)

I, Nachhater Kaur w/o Jarnail Singh, Village Panjoli Kalan (Fatehgarh Sahib) have changed my name as Nichhatter Kaur. (CL20062214)

I, Bintu S/o Hawa Singh resident 452, Samchana, Tehsil- Sampia, Rohtak- 124501, have changed my name to Bintu Suhag. (CL20062320)

I, 3998815 Havanjeet Kumar r/o Village Khawa, PO Palra, Tehsil Baroh, Distt. Kangra (HP), declare that my wife's Seema Devi, DOB in my Army record wrongly entered as 30.09.1984. Whereas her correct DOB is 29.09.1984. Concerned note. (CL20062328)

**COURT NOTICE**

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)  
In the Court of  
Ms. Pavleen Singh,  
Civil Judge (Junior Division),  
Ludhiana.

Gurcharan Singh  
Versus  
Manveer Singh  
CNR No.  
PBLD02-004294-2020

Next Date: 10.12.2020  
Publication issued to:

1. Manveer Singh (minor) s/o Sukhjinder Singh s/o Balbir Singh, through his father, natural guardian and next friend Sukhjinder Singh.

2. Sukhjinder Singh s/o Balbir Singh r/o Vill. Daulha, Post Office Basti Jodhewal, Teh. and Distt. Ludhiana.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 10.12.2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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Dated, this day of 09.11.2020  
Sd/-  
Civil Judge  
(Junior Division),  
Ludhiana.

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CL20062111

**State put on notice in Balwinder murder case**

Tribune News Service



BALWINDER SINGH

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12 The Punjab and Haryana High Court today put the State of Punjab and the Union of India on notice on a petition filed by the wife of Shaurya Chakra awardee Balwinder Singh Sandhu for a Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) inquiry into his murder.

Directions were also issued to the Punjab DGP to protect life and liberty of the petitioner in case he found threat perception to her life.

Petitioner Jagdish Kaur Sandhu through counsel Pradeep Virk contended the direction was being sought following apprehension that some Punjab Police officials were involved with anti-social elements. As such, fair investigation would not be conducted.

Virk contended all activities were part of a much larger conspiracy. Otherwise, how was it possible that the security was withdrawn almost simultaneously when killers were hired to get the petition-

er's husband killed. The withdrawal of security has its own procedure, based on evaluation of threat perception, he added.

Virk submitted Balwinder Singh and his family stood neck-high against militancy. Resultantly, they were attacked multiple times in 1990-91 by militants.

"On some occasions, more than 200 terrorists attacked at once and the petitioner and her family fought with all their bravery and never turned their back to such attacks," Virk added.

**HC notice to state over surveillance registers**

Court asks DGPs whether these are being reviewed

SAURABH MALIK

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has asked Directors-General of Police of Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh to specify whether surveillance registers, carrying names of "bad characters", are being reviewed continuously.

The direction came after Justice Amol Rattan Singh was told that the High Court had in 2005 ordered the forwarding of copies of its order to the police chiefs of the two states and the UT for further transmission to the district police chiefs, with a direction to re-examine the surveillance registers maintained in the police stations.

Justice Amol Rattan Singh also asked the DGPs to state whether the direction issued by the Division Bench 15 years ago had been complied with. The matter was brought to the High Court's notice after Jaswinder Singh filed a petition against the State of Punjab and other



FILE AFFIDAVIT, SSP TOLD

- Issuing a notice of motion to the state and other respondents, Justice Amol Rattan Singh directed Kapurthala SSP to file own affidavit in response to the petition
- The officer was directed to specifically state as to why the petitioner's name continued to be in the surveillance register, in view of the contentions raised by his counsel

Issuing a notice of motion to the state and other respondents, Justice Amol Rattan Singh also directed the Kapurthala SSP to file own affidavit in response to the petition. The officer was directed to specifically state as to why the petitioner's name continued to be in the surveillance register, in view of the contentions raised by his counsel. The case will now come up in November last week.

**Status quo stays on land possession: HC**

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12

Coming to the rescue of around 60 residents of Khant village in Khamano tehsil of Fatehgarh Sahib district, the Punjab and Haryana High Court has directed the continuation of status quo regarding possession of their land.

The interim order will remain in force at least till February 18 — the next date of hearing in the matter.

Navkiran Singh contended that the petitioner was acquitted more than 30 years ago in the criminal cases registered against him. As such, the entry in the surveillance register, showing him to be a bad character even today, was illegal.

Their land, on which houses, shops and other structures were constructed, was under acquisition for the widening of National Highway No. 95 on the Ludhiana-Chandigarh section. The Bench had initially ordered status quo regarding possession on October 16.

As the petition filed against the arbitrator-cum-commissioner and other respondents by Ragbir Singh and 59 other petitioners through counsel Charanpal Singh Bagri came up for resumed hearing, the state and another counsel sought time for filing replies to the contentions. Taking note of the submission, Justice Mahabir Singh Sindhu directed the continuation of the interim order.

Appearing for the petitioners, Navkiran Singh said that the land was acquired by the state in 1995. The court directed the state to pay compensation to the respondents. — TNS

**INTERIM RELIEF FOR KHAMANO VILLAGERS**

■ The land of 60 residents of Khamano village was under acquisition for the widening of NH-95 on the Ludhiana-Chandigarh section

■ The interim order will remain in force till Feb 18

ers through videoconferencing, Bagri had earlier contended basic amenities, one-time payment of Rs 5 lakh per affected family, jobs, subsistence allowance of Rs 3,000 per month for a year, one-time settlement allowance of Rs 50,000, transportation costs for displaced families, financial assistance for cattle shed, petty shops, schools, etc. were required to be provided.

It was covered under second and third schedule of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013.

The respondents were also bound to pass resettlement award under second and third schedule of the Act simultaneously. But both requirements had not been complied with by the respondents. — TNS

**2 held with illegal pistol, cartridges**

ABOHAL: Two persons were arrested for possessing an illegal pistol and cartridges near Deengarh village in Sangria area of Hanumangarh on Wednesday night. SHO Inder Kumar said ASI Vijay Inder Kumar intercepted a car near Deengarh village. On search, Paramjeet Singh of Desu Malkana village in Sirsa and Jasbir Singh of Bathinda were found carrying a pistol besides cartridges. — OC

**CLASSIFIEDS****COURT NOTICES**

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of  
Sh. Prem Kumar,  
Principal Judge Family Court,  
Gurdaspur.

Principals Singh

Versus

Baljit Kaur

CNR No.

PBGD01-004291-2020

Next date: 24.12.2020

The Plaintiff prays for divorce on the ground of 13 HMA

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Dated, this day of 09.11.2020

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Principal Judge Family Court,

CL20062117 Gurdaspur.

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of  
Devinder Kumar Gupta,  
Additional District and  
Sessions Judge-6,

S.A.S Nagar.

CNR No.

PBSA01-004738-2020

Next date: 08.12.2020

Sh. Gurudwara Sahib Raist

Versus

General Public

Petition U/S 34 of Indian Trust Act for Alienation of property comprised in Khewat/ Khatoni No. 924/ 976, Khasra No. 816 (6-17), 817 (15-19), 818 (7-19), 756 (13-15), 2594/ 759 (2-6), 2596/759 (5-14) situated in Village Manauli, Tehsil and District Mohali, measuring 52 bigas 10 biswas.

Notice to: General Public

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Additional District and  
Sessions Judge-6,

S.A.S Nagar.

CL20062123

**16 licences, 80 cracker sellers in Bathinda!**

Tribune News Service



Most stall owners not following safety norms

strict administration.

The stall owners, who have got the licence through a draw, today alleged that on paper licences had been given for stalls to 16 persons only, whereas a large number of sellers without any valid licence had been given space illegally at the stadium.

"This is not a new phenomenon here. Most of the cracker sellers never get a licence. You may term it an illegal business, but this is the way firecracker market is run here every year," said a wholesale dealer of crackers running his business without a licence.

Deputy Commissioner B Srinivasan said, "A total of 34 licences have been issued in the district for firecrackers stall." When asked how a large number of stalls had come up in the stadium, he said he would get it checked.

## 19 more die; 2,788 cases

**CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 12**  
With 2,788 fresh cases, the Covid tally in the state crossed the 1.93-lakh mark on Thursday. A total of 19 deaths took the toll to 1,979.

Six deaths were reported from Hisar, four from Faridabad, three from Gurugram, two each from Bhiwani and Jind and one each from Sirsa and Haryana.

The maximum fresh cases were reported from Gurugram (692), followed by Faridabad (598), Hisar (285), Bhiwani (174), Sonipat (160), Rohtak (120), Mahendragarh (95), Rewari (92) and Sirsa (91).

A total of 2,015 persons recovered in the last 24 hours, taking the tally of recovered patients to 1.72 lakh. —TNS

### COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Gurugram	35,585	236
Faridabad	30,337	270
Hisar	12,648	162
Sonipat	11,172	53
Ambala	9,332	114
Rohtak	9,029	85
Rewari	8,851	41
Karnal	8,737	122
Panipat	8,419	107
Panchkula	7,783	117
Kurukshetra	7,070	105
Sirsa	6,277	91
Mahendragarh	5,670	9
Yamunanagar	5,262	111
Bhiwani	4,679	75
Jhajjar	4,246	40
Palwal	3,581	22
Fatehabad	3,626	75
Kaithal	3,114	45
Jind	3,192	63
Nuh	1,365	26
Charkhi Dadri	1,136	9
Total	193,111	1,979

## State SIT begins probe



**SONEPAT/PANIPAT, NOVEMBER 12** The special investigation team (SIT) set up by Home Minister Anil Vij has began a probe into the death of 50 persons due to consumption of spurious liquor. It has also begun a probe into the sale, purchase and supply chain of extra neutral alcohol (ENA).

Shrikant Jadhav, ADGP, State Narcotics Control Bureau, who is heading the SIT, and members visited Sonepat and Panipat on Thursday to inquire into the deaths. They met the family members of the deceased who had died reportedly after consuming spurious liquor in Gumar village of Ganaur.

The ADGP grilled Rajbeer of Gumar village, Ajit alias Jeeta of Sitawali and Vicky, the accused arrested by the Sonepat SIT.

The SIT also held a meeting with the Panipat SIT and grilled Naresh alias Neshi, Kuldeep, Mohit, Sandeep alias Mama, Vijay, Manish and Mandeep alias Setha. Panipat SP Manisha Chaudhary was present during the meeting. —TNS

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Last Date of applications is 15.11.2020. PRDH/83775

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**CANCELLATION OF MAIL / EXPRESS TRAINS**

Train No. & Name	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
02425/02426 New Delhi-Jammu Tawi-New Delhi Rajdhani Special	Upto 13.11.2020
22439/22440 New Delhi-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-New Delhi Vande Bharat Exp.	Upto 13.11.2020
02462 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-New Delhi Express	Upto 13.11.2020
02461 New Delhi-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Express	Upto 14.11.2020
02011/02012 New Delhi-Kalka-New Delhi Shatabdi Express	Upto 13.11.2020
02029/02030 New Delhi-Amritsar-New Delhi Shatabdi Express	Upto 13.11.2020
05211 Darbhanga Jn. - Amritsar Jn. Special	Upto 13.11.2020
05212 Amritsar Jn. - Darbhanga Jn. Special	Upto 15.11.2020
02053/02054 Hardwar Jn. - Amritsar Jn. - Haridwar Jn. Express	13.11.2020 & 14.11.2020
04652 Amritsar Jn. - Jaynagar Express	Upto 13.11.2020
04651 Jaynagar - Amritsar Jn. Express	Upto 15.11.2020

**CANCELLATION OF FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS**

Train No. & Name	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
04656 Firozpur Cantt. - Patna Jn. Special	Upto 13.11.2020
04655 Patna Jn. - Firozpur Cantt. Special	Upto 14.11.2020
02422 Jammu Tawi-Ajmer Express	Upto 13.11.2020
02421 Ajmer-Jammu Tawi Express	Upto 14.11.2020
02231 Lucknow - Chandigarh Express	Upto 13.11.2020
02232 Chandigarh-Lucknow Express	Upto 14.11.2020
04888/04887 Barmer - Rishikesh - Barmer Express	Upto 20.11.2020
04519 Delhi Jn.-Bathinda Express	Upto 20.11.2020
04520 Bathinda-Delhi Jn. Express	Upto 21.11.2020
04401 New Delhi - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Special	Upto 19.11.2020
04402 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - New Delhi Special	13.11.2020 to 20.11.2020
02471/02472 Shri Gangangar - Delhi Jn. - Shri Gangangar Express	Upto 20.11.2020
02331 Howrah-Jammu Tawi Festival Special	Upto 13.11.2020
02332 Jammu Tawi-Howrah Festival Special	Upto 15.11.2020
09611/09614 Ajmer-Amritsar - Ajmer Express	13, 15 & 20.11.2020
02919 Dr. Ambedkar Nagar - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Special	Upto 13.11.2020
02920 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Dr. Ambedkar Nagar Special	Upto 15.11.2020

**PARTIAL CANCELLATION OF SPECIAL TRAINS**

Train No. & Name	Short Terminate at/ Short originate from	Partially Cancelled between Stations	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
02903 Golden Temple Mail	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	12.11.2020
02904 Golden Temple Mail	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	14.11.2020
02925 Bandra Terminus-Amritsar Special Express	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	12.11.2020
02926 Amritsar-Bandra Terminus Special Exp.	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	14.11.2020
02715 Sachkhand Express	at New Delhi	New Delhi-Amritsar	12.11.2020
02716 Sachkhand Express	from New Delhi	Amritsar-New Delhi	14.11.2020
03307 Dhanbad-Firozpur Exp.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Firozpur	12.11.2020
03308 Firozpur-Dhanbad Exp.	from Ambala Cantt.	Firozpur-Ambala Cantt.	14.11.2020
04649/04673 Jaynagar-Amritsar Saryu Yamuna Exp.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	12.11.2020
04650/04674 Amritsar-Jaynagar Saryu Yamuna Exp.	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	14.11.2020
02057 New Delhi - Una Himachal Janshatabdi	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt. - Una Himachal	13.11.2020
02058 Una Himachal - New Delhi Janshatabdi	from Ambala Cantt.	Una Himachal - Ambala Cantt.	14.11.2020
02237 Varanasi-Jammu Tawi Festival Special	at Saharanpur	Saharanpur-Jammu Tawi	13.11.2020
02238 Jammu Tawi-Varanasi Festival Special	from Saharanpur	Jammu Tawi-Saharanpur	14.11.2020
04651 Jaynagar-Amritsar Mail Express Special	At Delhi	Delhi-Amritsar	13.11.2020
04652 Amritsar-Jaynagar Mail Express Special	From Delhi	Amritsar-Delhi	15.11.2020
08237 Korba-Amritsar Festival Special	At Meerut City	Meerut City-Amritsar	13.11.2020
08238 Amritsar-Bilaspur Festival Special	From Meerut City	Amritsar-Meerut City	15.11.2020
09717 Jaipur-Daulatpur Chowk Festival Special	At Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Daulatpur Chowk	13.11.2020
09718 Daulatpur Chowk-Jaipur Festival Special	From Ambala Cantt.	Daulatpur Chowk-Ambala Cantt.	14.11.2020
04653 New Jalpaiguri-Amritsar	at Saharanpur	Saharanpur-Amritsar	13.11.2020

**DIVERSION OF SPECIAL TRAINS**

Train No. & Name	Diverted Via	Date (from the Originating Station)
05909 Dibrugarh-Lalgarh Spl.	Rohtak-Bhiwani-Hisar-Hanumangarh	11.11.2020
05910 Lalgarh-Dibrugarh Spl.	Hanumangarh-Hisar-Bhiwani-Rohtak	13.11.2020

**PARTIAL CANCELLATION OF PARCEL SPECIAL TRAINS**

Train No. & Name	Short Terminate at/ Short originate from	Partially Cancelled between Stations	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
00901 Bandra(T)-Jammu Tawi	At Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Jammu Tawi	13.11.2020
00902 Jammu Tawi-Bandra(T)	From Ambala Cantt.	Jammu Tawi-Ambala Cantt.	15.11.2020
00464 Amritsar-Howrah	From Delhi	Amritsar-Delhi	13.11.2020

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**Rape victim ends life**

NURPUR, NOVEMBER 12

A 28-year-old woman, on whose complaint a case of rape was registered at Jawali police station on Tuesday, reportedly committed suicide by consuming some poisonous substance yesterday afternoon. Her relatives took her to Tanda Medical College, Kangra, where she died in the evening. After a postmortem examination, she was cremated in her native village today.

She had alleged that the accused, who belonged to the OBC community, had been exploiting her physically on the promise of marrying her. However, he later refused to marry her as she belonged to the Scheduled Castes community.

Jawali DSP Siddharth Sharma said that on the woman's complaint a case under Sections 376, 506 of the IPC and Section 3(2)(5) of the SC/ST Act was registered against Munish Kumar of Sidhpurhat and was arrested the same day. He had been remanded in police custody till Friday. He added that Section 306 of the IPC relating to abetment of suicide may be added to the case. — OC

**Rising deaths of cops worrisome, says DGP**

Stress to be laid on preventive health check-ups

TTRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SOLAN, NOVEMBER 12

The rising cases of in-service deaths in the police force have become a cause for concern for the department.

"As many as 92 death cases have been registered in the police force in three years. While 26 were accidental deaths, 66 occurred owing to natural causes," said DGP Sanjay Kundu.

"This is an alarming number and to arrest the trend, it has been decided to lay stress on preventive health check-ups and prophylactic treatment. Blood pressure and blood testing machines as well as oximeters will be provided at police stations for regular check-up of the force. It will also help in early detection of the disease to prevent future deaths," said DGP Sanjay Kundu.

The cause behind the deaths was being assessed so that preventive steps could be taken to reverse the trend. A section of senior officials, however, said the lack of motivation to maintain fitness as done in the Army and stress owing to long working hours were the



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Sanjay Kundu, DGP

contributory factors.

"It has been observed that policemen pay little heed to eating nutritional food and the mess does not offer nutritious food. Habits like drinking alcohol further adds to poor health," said an SP.

The police have also initiated a move to check overweight constables. While little has been done to discipline the unhealthy staff, the pot-bellied ones will have to sweat hard to obtain optimum health.

In some states the pot-bellied policemen are directed to either attain the optimum physical fitness within a stipulated time or lose increments as they are considered unfit for aptly handling law and order duties.

"Weighing machines will also be provided to the police stations so that overweight constables can check weight and attain a more healthier profile," said DGP Kundu.

**PDS facility for taxpayers begins again**

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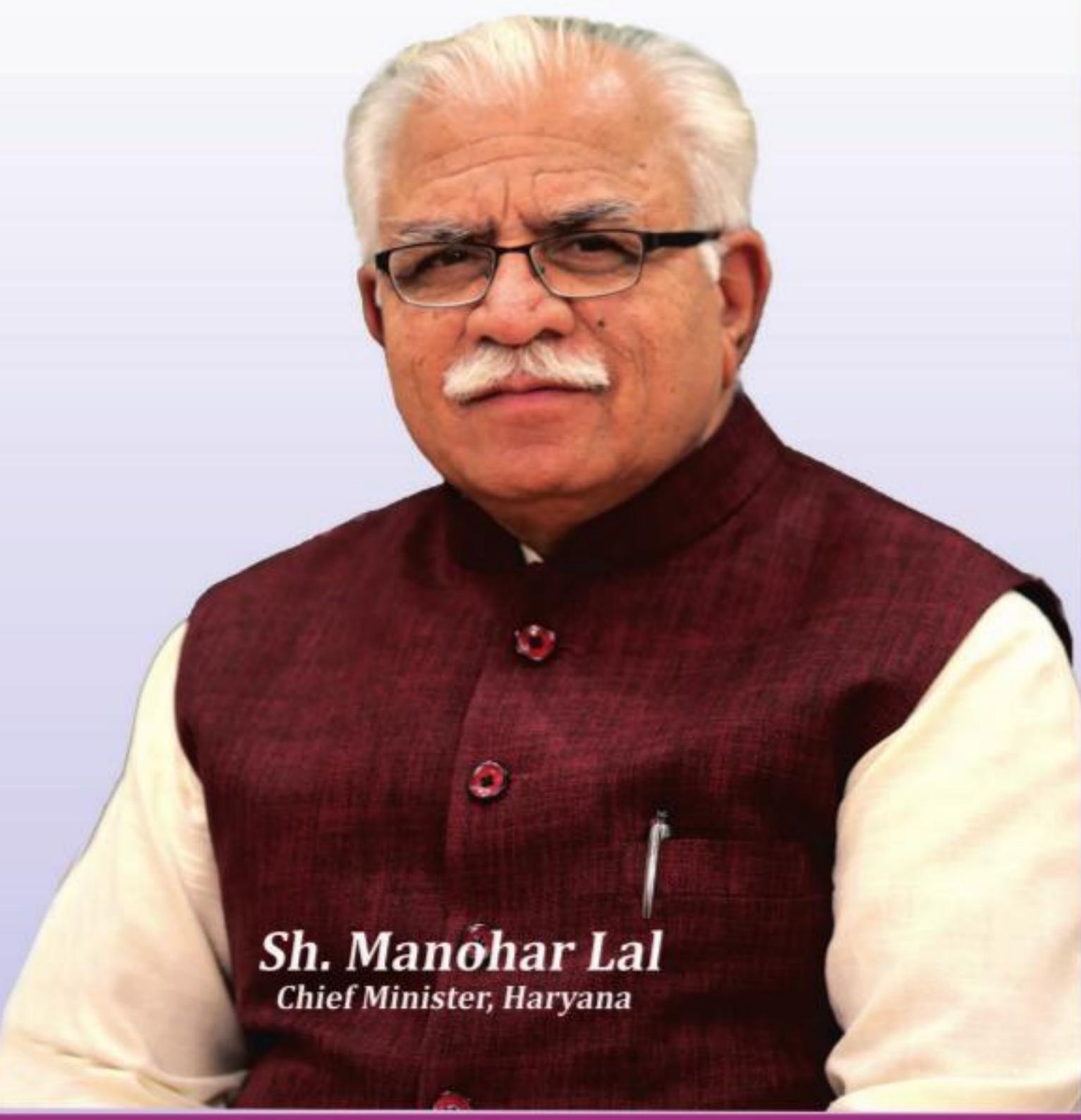
SHIMLA, NOVEMBER 12

The government has decided to resume the Public Distribution System (PDS) facility for income tax payers. The tax-paying ration card holders will now get flour and rice at the subsidised rates, and oil, pulses, salt and sugar at the non-subsidised rate.

The government had earlier decided to discontinue the subsidy on the food-grains to the taxpayers. Debarring 1.5 lakh



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Chief Minister, Haryana

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## Making headway

Easing of standoff in sight, but India must stay wary of China

**A**MID the prospect of a typically harsh winter in Ladakh, signs of a thaw are in the air. India and China have moved a step closer towards resolving the protracted border standoff that has seen hand-to-hand clashes and firing of gunshots, besides fatalities on both sides. The two armies have broadly agreed on a three-step process of disengagement of troops and withdrawal of weaponry from all major friction points — in a time-bound manner. The potential breakthrough comes two months after the Moscow meeting at which External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi had finalised a five-point roadmap to defuse tensions in eastern Ladakh. India has all along been insisting on the restoration of the status quo ante that had existed in April. Notwithstanding its brazen incursions, China has gone to the extent of blaming India for the flare-up of hostilities and even invoked the ‘unilaterally defined’ 1959 LAC to justify its indefensible actions. To its credit, India has managed to receive support from the US and the international community at large in the face of China’s no-holds-barred aggression.

China has been notorious for cocking a snook at past agreements, making it difficult for India to believe that the neighbour will walk the talk, as and when an actionable plan is formalised. Such a pact should be applicable to the entire LAC, including the fiercely disputed Depsang plains. The probability of China using the de-escalation exercise as a ruse to distract Indian troops is not ruled out. The key to effective disengagement will be to ensure simultaneity of the process. Once the removal of troops and equipment is completed and mutually verified, both nations can develop a framework to designate the contentious areas as no-conflict zones.

In his recent address to the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, which has India among its members, Chinese President Xi Jinping stressed on the historical inevitability of ‘good neighbourliness’ prevailing over a ‘beggar-thy-neighbour’ approach. That’s something China needs to practise itself first if it’s really keen on bridging the trust deficit. Unless there are sustained confidence-building measures, India would have to remain as watchful as ever, if not more.

## Seeing red in ‘green’

Total ban, govt action are ways out of polluting crackers

**T**HREE is damning evidence of the air quality falling to hazardous levels due to various factors at the onset of winter every year as smoggy haze blankets the skies. It is seen in the aggravating condition of patients with breathing and pulmonary problems as they pant for clean air. Yet, pitifully in the debate — that has become an annual farcical feature — on whether a blanket ban be imposed on the bursting of crackers during the festive season encompassing the pujas, Dasehra, Diwali, Gurpurab, Christmas and New Year; noisy arguments in favour of the crackers seem to dull the voice of saner rebuttals. In disregard for the patients’ plight as well as the degrading impact of air pollution on the environment, court and green tribunal rulings prohibiting the sale and use of crackers are sought to be tweaked or overturned. Citing culture, freedom, ‘green’ crackers and the livelihood of the multi-crore firecracker industry workers, most authorities relent, with such policies as ‘allowing a two-hour window for green crackers’.

However, this green signal is seldom green or followed to the T and the lame intent goes up in smoke as the indiscriminate bursting of crackers plays havoc with air. Lack of exemplary penal action goads the offenders to have ‘fun’ at the expense of the sick whose problems worsen. Especially so, in these Covid times. How ‘green’ the crackers are has been disputed by experts. Even the ‘greenest’ of them emit just 30% fewer pollutants. The QR code on crackers intended to unravel their quality by displaying if they contain banned poisonous chemicals barium, arsenic, lead etc has been neither propagated nor implemented in totality.

This year, some states are showing the way by imposing a ban on crackers. Public will, demonstrated by shunning crackers and celebrating festivals by lighting diyas and adopting other eco-friendly modes at an individual level, is equally essential. Every little step matters as India, home to some most polluted cities of the world, faces the colossal task of controlling the mix of industrial gaseous effluents, construction dust, vehicular emissions, farm fires and, yes, firecrackers.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The moral arc of the universe is long, but it bends towards justice. — Martin Luther King, Jr

## ON THIS DAY...100 YEARS AGO

# The Tribune.

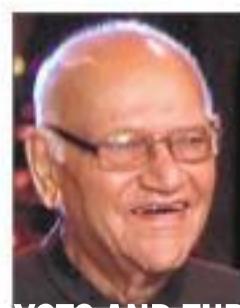
LAHORE, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1920

### “IF I WERE THE VICEROY.”

NOT the least interesting part of the speech which Col. Wedgwood delivered in the Bradlaugh Hall was that in which he told his hearers what he would do if he were the Secretary of State for India or the Viceroy. The first thing he would do, he said, would be to invite a conference of all leading moderates and non-co-operatives, and ask them to consider the formation of a territorial army in all its branches, infantry, artillery and air force. A Government could not live long or be efficient if it had no force behind it. If India were to be as free as Canada or any other British Colony, the first thing she would have to do would be to create a machinery for keeping order, for protecting her new free Government. It is an extraordinary circumstance that this suggestion about a round table conference has emanated from three different sources, two of which, while agreeing as regards the end differ over the means, while the third differs from the other two not only as regards the means but as regards the end as well. It was made in the first instance, as far as we remember, by the Pioneer which, writing more than two years ago, said that the proper procedure to follow in regard to Indian reform was to convene a conference of men representing all classes and sections of the community and to ask them to formulate a scheme. It was made a few days ago by Mr Gandhi in his “Letter to Every Englishman in India,” in the course of which he said:—“You can compel the Government to summon a conference of the recognised leaders of the people, duly elected by them and representing all shades of opinion so as to devise means for granting Swaraj in accordance with the wishes of the people of India.” And now Col. Wedgwood makes virtually the same suggestion. It will be seen, however, that these suggestions have two things in common: the Government should convene a conference of representative Indians, and it should be guided by the advice of such a conference.

# Arnab's arrest a blunder

The whims of politicians in power can't be the criterion for the police fixing guilt



TRYSTS AND TURNS

JULIO RIBEIRO



VENDETTA: Non-payment of dues cannot be interpreted as abetment to suicide.

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**W**HO in the Maharashtra Government took the foolish decision to reopen an old case of abetment to suicide in order to arrest Arnab Goswami, head honcho of Republic TV? It could not have been Param Bir Singh, the Mumbai Police Commissioner, because the suicide occurred outside the limits of his jurisdiction! Param Bir is presently involved in a running battle with Arnab Goswami, the likes of which those who have nothing to occupy their minds take pleasure in watching.

My guess is the CM himself, as he has a grouse against Goswami. Param Bir must have been consulted. At least, he was certainly in the loop because his pet officer, sharpshooter Sachin Vaze, was present when the arrest was made, as were the staff of the police station in whose jurisdiction in the city Goswami resides. The case of suicide took place in the adjoining district of Raigad in 2018. An interior decorator to whom Goswami and two others owed Rs 5.4 crore for work done took his life because of financial distress. Strangely, he seems to have killed his own mother before taking his own life.

The man had left a note blaming Goswami and his two colleagues for his decision to die. The police had closed the investigation at that time, and to my mind, rightly so. Non-payment of a debt or of dues for work done cannot be interpreted as abetment to suicide of the wronged party. There was no active encouragement provided to the dead by Goswami or his colleagues that led to the fatal decision, though it is clear that prompt payment of bills is not his priority. In

fact, the police should have concluded the investigation with a ‘C’ summary, which meant that no offence was disclosed. Instead, an ‘A’ summary was made which meant an offence was committed, but there was no evidence to support the charge.

It is time for the courts to instruct the police what exactly abetment to suicide means. At present, if anyone takes his own life, like Sushant Singh Rajput did, the police troubles the person found to have been the cause of the suicide. This is preposterous. Goswami, as a self-appointed Investigator, found poor Rhea Chakraborty to be the cause and hounded her. If she was a weak woman who then committed suicide, would Goswami have been the cause? This was not the intention of the legislators. They were guided by the suicides of brides in Gujarat, tortured for dowry.

In his recently published autobiography, *A Road Well Travelled*, the former CBI chief, RK Raghavan, recounts the attempt of the then CM of Tamil Nadu, MG Ramachandran, to pressure him (Raghavan) to pin a

murder charge on film director Balu Mahendra. The latter’s live-in girlfriend had committed suicide because Balu had refused to marry her. Raghavan, then the crime branch chief in his parent state, refused to turn a suicide into a murder. He was then asked to book Balu for abetment to suicide and was summarily removed from his job when he refused to oblige! The dubious practice of booking people for abetment to suicide has now become routine.

The widow of the dead man in the Raighar case appears to have been advised to lodge a complaint with the local Judicial Magistrate, who promptly ordered the police to investigate the matter afresh. I would not be surprised if the new set of policemen in office was privy to this arrangement. They soon concluded that Goswami’s non-payment was the trigger (probably it was) for the man to take his life. But why they rejected the findings of their predecessors, recorded during the reign of the BJP government, is not known. We can conclude that personal vendetta was the motive for this

sudden change of tack.

The whims of politicians in power cannot be the criterion for the police fixing guilt. Unfortunately, culpability is being routinely determined by political equations and interests. One never had this feeling earlier. Ducks and drakes with the truth and with the law are now being played by the parties in power. All available agents of government are used to manufacture material to embarrass rivals. By their machinations, they only succeed in politicising the police and reducing politics to its lowest levels. If our judiciary sits up and takes corrective action, it will be a great boon to democracy and society in which we live.

Goswami can hardly be called a journalist. Before I competed in the Civil Services examinations, I worked for two years as a Sub-Editor in the *National Standard*, now renamed *The Indian Express*. My immediate superior was Sharada Prasad, who later became press adviser to the then PM Indira Gandhi. The first lesson I learnt from him was that the core responsibility of a true journalist was to keep the government of the day in check lest it abuse the vast power it enjoys. Goswami does not fit into this definition. He is just a paid spokesman for the government.

Many citizens feel that he is getting a taste of his own medicine. Personally, I feel that the Maharashtra Government has made a tactical mistake by arresting him for a crime there never was. By going after him in a spirit of revenge for the pain he inflicted every day on the guilty and the not guilty alike, those who planned this revenge have only given him a chance to play the victim card. By arresting him for not paying legitimate dues, which incidentally is not an uncommon phenomenon, the plotters have given him a chance to complain. Just like he had turned Rhea Chakraborty into an object of pity by his unprincipled hounding of her on his channel.

## Memories of Raj Bhavan

VK KAPOOR

**A**GE is like a creeping tiger crawling upon a sleeping prey. French poet Lamartine once cried: “O’ time. Arrest your flight, nobody can circumvent the inevitability of ageing.” Some old memories persist in spite of the passage of time. Over 45 years back, I was ADC to the Governor of Haryana, BN Chakravarty, a distinguished ICS officer. I learnt a lot about life during this assignment and met a large number of people from all walks of life and saw the working of the government from close quarters. Some contacts I made proved useful when I worked in the Intelligence Bureau.

Pakistan PM Zulfikar Ali Bhutto stopped for some time at the Chandigarh airport on the way to Shimla for

a conference with India Gandhi, the then PM. Chakravarty was the Permanent Representative to the UN. Bhutto recognised him and talked about old times, and also invited him to Pakistan. Benazir Bhutto greeted Chakravarty with an *adaab*.

Margaret Thatcher, a young politician of Britain, visited Chandigarh and stayed at Haryana Raj Bhavan. She later became the PM of Britain. The Governor asked me to show her around Chandigarh. I later took her for a walk at the Sukhna Lake. She said the place was a painter’s delight. I still have photographs of her at the lake.

Whenever Indira Gandhi came to Chandigarh, she stayed at Haryana Raj Bhavan. She and Chakravarty were close friends. When he was the High Commissioner in London,

she stayed with the Chakravarty family. Once after lunch, she put her hand around Mrs Chakravarty and said the lunch was excellent and all dishes were of her choice. Mrs Chakravarty patted Indira and said she was a good girl. Indira exulted, saying she had made her day as she was ‘fed up with these oldies calling me ma’am-ma’am. They make me feel I am 200 years old!’ Then they laughed.

Mother Teresa, who stayed at Raj Bhavan, was an epitome of peace. She spoke very softly and there was an aura of spirituality around her.

Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw also stayed with us, and was full of life. I saw him off at the airport. We conversed in Punjabi. He was very friendly. I had seen his photos in a magazine dancing

with an actress. I mentioned it to him and he said he loved dancing.

After my tenure, I was posted as a district SP. Before I left, the Governor told me that as a cop I should know what was happening on ground zero, and that a cop should have substance with style and should be proper in his dealing with the public.

Chakravarty expired when he was on a private visit to Kolkata. His body was brought to Haryana. I was called to look after Mrs Chakravarty.

After some days, I received a call from his son from New York. He told me that the Governor had left his personal revolver for me. He sent me the relevant portion of the will. The revolver is still with me.

Those were different times, and different people.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Cut from same cloth

This refers to the editorial ‘Challenges in Bihar’ (November 12); it is naive to expect that the new government in Bihar has any intention of delivering on its election promises for the simple reason that if non-performance can lead to victory, then why bother about the gullible electorate. In every election, the BJP has promised the moon which eventually proved to be a dud. The calibrated strategy is to make the Opposition infirm by using all resources at its disposal which includes exploiting all investigative agencies, so much so that the Opposition leaders are emaciated to the hilt. The country is now witnessing a new form of democracy which is devoid of any accountability of political parties and they are left with no meaningful choice because all are cut from the same cloth. How shall someone cast his or her vote when he or she is confronted with tainted candidates?

DEEPAK SINGHAL, NOIDA

### Now, work for Bihar

Reference to ‘Challenges in Bihar’; now is the right time for a fresh beginning with a positive agenda for the socio-economic transformation of the ancient

land. The youth must get gainful employment and they should not be forced by their poverty to board trains for distant states, hunting for livelihood. The farmers must get the remunerative price for their produce. The law and order machinery ought to be oiled afresh and peace should prevail in the countryside for a better future for the people of all communities. This will be the fourth term of Nitish Kumar as CM and he ought to show a large heart by accommodating the suggestions of his alliance partner, the BJP, and his political adversary Tejashwi Yadav in restoring the glorious past of Buddha’s land. The painful tales of mass migration must now come to an end. The weak and the poor must feel secure in the state.

RAJ BAHADUR YADAV, FATEHABAD

### One nation, one election

Apropos of ‘PM Modi endorses Nitish as Bihar CM’, India is the country of festivals. One festival is followed by the other. It is the same in the sense of elections, where an election is followed by other polls. We were busy with Bihar, and now the focus will shift to West Bengal and so on. So, we should work on the policy of one

nation, one election, like other developed countries. The main reason behind their development is work. They have fixed some time for elections, but in our country, the process of election keeps going on through the year. A nation requires more time to work than keep holding elections.

MOHIT MOR, JIND

### Away from nuisance

Being the festival of lights, Diwali has always been the day which brings joy and happiness every year and is celebrated with a lot of fanfare. This is the most popular festival in our country, meant to illuminate and spread the message of love, brotherhood and friendship. This Diwali, let us not make it a show of fireworks and not be an occasion where some celebrate it as a festival of noise, while the others suffer the consequences. Rather, we need to abide by the orders of the NGT, which has banned crackers as the Air Quality Index has worsened.

People need to celebrate Diwali in the traditional way by lighting eco-friendly earthen lamps and pray that this festival brings respite from Covid-19, and may the spirit of light lead us on to the path of peace and social harmony.

HARPREET SANDHU, LUDHIANA

### Well-deserved win

Refer to ‘Mumbai’s IPL triumph’; the champions Mumbai Indians played like a well-oiled machine all through the IPL campaign. They were the embodiment of consistency, superb application and execution. So immaculate was their consistency that they did not lose two consecutive matches at any stage. Their dominance over all teams was complete. They deservedly clinched the IPL title for a record fifth time.

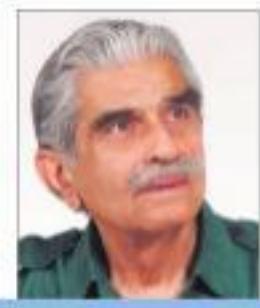
TARSEM S BURRAH, BATALA

### Aggrieved retirees

Apropos of ‘IBA, bank unions reach pact for 15% pay hike’, in spite of having taken three years to reach a settlement, the retirees feel ditched by both parties. Notwithstanding the categorical assurance given by the Finance Minister herself, nothing is mentioned about their genuine demands pending for the past 25 years. The aggrieved retirees are left with no choice except to resort to judicial remedies which are cumbersome and time consuming. The government may consider the issue on humanitarian grounds in the spirit of various rulings of the Supreme Court.

JAGDISH CHANDER, JALANDHAR

# Tightrope walk on rights of Lankan Tamils



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**T**HE US-China proxy war will continue in the Indo-Pacific with Sri Lanka as the new battleground. Colombo is clearly siding with Beijing in a stressed foreign policy where it is India First for security strategy. While Sri Lanka is set to present a draft new Constitution in six months, the gazette notification of the controversial 20th Amendment is also ready to replace the 19th Amendment (19A) of the existing Constitution.

The Sri Lanka People's Party (SLPP) fought the parliamentary elections seeking a two-thirds majority for a strong leader and stable government to change the Constitution and abrogate the failed 19th Amendment of 2015 which led to the dastardly Easter Sunday attacks. Some SLPP members have vowed to remove the 13th Amendment, resulting from the Indo-Sri Lanka Accord (ISLA) of 1987 which created the provincial council system for power sharing for the Tamil minorities. The 18th Amendment was introduced in 2010 to give the then President, now Prime Minister, Mahinda Rajapaksa, unfettered powers which were rolled back by 19A.

Sri Lanka has long agonised over how much power is to be vested in the executive presidency and even considered its abolition, fearing power

corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. 19A clipped presidential powers through its redistribution between the prime minister, parliament and constitutional bodies, as checks and balances.

The 20th Amendment enhances the powers of the President to dismiss the Prime Minister, any minister, dissolve parliament after one year, make appointments to all state institutions and parliamentary councils, appoint the chief justice and judges of the Supreme Court, attorney general and auditor general — the whole spectrum of office-bearers. It will remove the filters between the executive, legislature and the judiciary, essential in a democracy to ensure the rule of law. The 20th Amendment was voted in parliament in September by 156 MPs, including eight MPs from the opposition, some from the minority parties and 65 MPs opposing it in a House of 225 lawmakers. A two-thirds majority was obtained with considerable horse-trading and in-house resistance. In contrast, 19A sailed through with support of 215 out of 225 lawmakers, with one vote of dissent. The government argues that executive presidency is required for development as well as immunity for the president from being embroiled in courts. Mahinda says its sole objective is the country's security and protection of the unitary system. Uniquely, power sharing is essentially between the two brothers—Mahinda and President Gotabaya Rajapaksa.

The 20th Amendment has attracted unprecedented public outcry. Besides the Opposition, the key Buddhist clergy has equated it with 'powers required for an undeveloped tribal society'. Being called 'draconian', it has resulted in 39 petitions in



the Supreme Court, which has ruled that four key accountability gaps require to be approved through a two-thirds majority and referendum unless these are suitably modified. These are: (a) presidential immunity from lawsuits; (b) exemption from answerability to Parliament; (c) dissolution of parliament; and (d) powers of the Election Commission. Gotabaya is a president in a hurry who wants the country to run as the military, on verbal orders, that he has been used to in the Army and as Defence Secretary. He has appointed several retired servicemen in the government and one in cabinet. Once the 20th Amendment is modified, as decreed by the Supreme Court, Gotabaya will not be as powerful as Mahinda was before 2015. But

the combined powers of the brothers will reside in the family, though the Colombo grapevine suggests a rift among the brothers. If the concern of the Rajapaksas was with 19A alone, a new Constitution was not necessary, given 20A is lined up. The target seems to be 13A, which is the only legislation for the devolution of powers for the Tamils. After Sri Lanka defeated the LTTE with India's pivotal support, Mahinda promised at least thrice to devolve powers by full implementation of 13A. Later, he reneged, saying that the emphasis would be on development, not devolution. In 33 years, 13A was never fully implemented, especially in regard to land, police and financial powers. The provincial governor was the spoke in the wheel. Since 2011, the Tamil National Alliance

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of 1987 which created the provincial council power sharing system for Tamil minorities. The 18th Amendment gave the President unfettered powers that were rolled back by 19A. But 20A seeks to enhance the powers of the President.

**FIRM GRIP:** Gotabaya claims he is the President of all Sri Lankans, but it remains to be seen whether that is the case.

has held 18 rounds of fruitless talks with Colombo on devolution of powers.

When Gotabaya visited India last year within days of becoming the President, he said in an interview to an Indian newspaper: "It is not feasible to implement 13A against the wishes and feelings of the majority Sinhala community," adding that his focus would be on development in sync with Mahinda's flip-flop on devolution. Mahinda has interacted twice with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, face to face in February, and virtually in September. On both occasions, in a joint statement (also with Gotabaya earlier), India's position on 13A was clearly spelt out: "Addressing the aspirations of Tamil people for equality, justice, peace and respect within a united Sri Lan-

ka and taking forward the process of reconciliation with implementation of 13A." Mahinda issued a separate statement about "meeting expectations of all ethnic groups, including Tamils, through reconciliation as per the mandate of the people of Sri Lanka and implementation of constitutional provisions."

A concerted campaign is underway to undermine the validity of the ISLA and imposition of 13A by India. Retired Rear Admiral Sarath Weerasekara, who is the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government, has been lambasting ISLA and 13A in parliament and outside. Along with other ministers, he is insisting that 13A is 'an internal matter,' a term dear to India. A Sri Lankan columnist has observed: "Tampering with 13A will be consequential to showing the middle finger to Tamil Nadu and a slap in the face of India." On the Tamil National Question, R Sampanthan, leader of TNA, has repeated the Modi message of justice, equality and dignity for Tamils within an undivided and indivisible Sri Lanka. GG Ponnambalam of the All Ceylon Tamil Congress said: "We will hold India to account that it upholds the provisions of ISLA."

Gotabaya has famously said that he is the president of all Sri Lankans, not just those who voted for him. Still, his options on 13A are: full implementation; status quo; removing land, police and financial powers; repealing it. The first and last appear unlikely. The Rajapaksas may let sleeping dogs lie as tinkering with 13A will be a repudiation of 1,200 IPKF soldiers martyred for Sri Lanka's territorial integrity and unity. For New Delhi, 13A is a redline and Colombo knows it.

## Hope floats for India-US economic ties



SUSHMA RAMACHANDRAN

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**T**HE king is dead, long live the king! For the world's biggest superpower, a change of guard has taken place. Now that Joe Biden is the man in charge, world leaders, including Prime Minister Narendra Modi, are preparing to engage with the new US administration. The initial congratulatory comments indicate that this country is bound to continue underlining the Indian ties of the new Vice President-elect. The presence of Kamala Harris may not make much of a difference in the overall India-US relationship, but has considerable symbolic value.

India-US ties have grown vastly over the past few presidential terms. There has been a lot of hoopla surrounding grandiose events like *Namaste Trump* earlier this year, but Modi's personal chats with the then President Barack Obama in a garden were also hyped in the media. Further in the past, the then Prime Minister Manmohan Singh warmed up to George Bush and famously assured him that the Indian people loved him. But the personal rapport of heads of government has been just one of the factors contributing to the strengthening of strategic and defence ties. More important has been the coinciding of self-interest on both sides, whether it is America First or India First.

Economic relations, on the other hand, have remained a contentious issue between the two countries, in this case, due to a conflict of self-interest. Notwithstanding the rise in over-



**RECONCILING INTERESTS:** Biden is expected to give greater importance to multilateral institutions, whether in the strategic sphere or the economic arena.

all bilateral trade flows to \$92 billion, there have been many hiccups during the previous administrations. The scenario worsened during the Trump era, culminating in the withdrawal of the decades old Generalised System of Preferences (GSP) benefits to India. A free trade agreement has also been stalled for years now. Other irritants include asking India to stop importing crude oil from Iran and instead making up for these supplies by buying

American crude. The Chabahar port project in Iran has also suffered due to US sanctions despite a waiver given by the Trump administration since the sanctions make participation difficult for international companies. The long standing H1-B visa regime has been disrupted, leading to hurdles in the way of Indian tech companies in meeting the needs of their American clients. And this, in turn, impedes the flow of critical software exports from this country.

Most of these issues may not be resolved in a hurry by the Biden administration, given the need for it to continue the focus on the domestic economy in view of the pandemic and its fallout on jobs and businesses. But there may be one area where there could be greater consonance in the thinking of the two countries. And this is in the revival of multilateral institutions like the World Trade Organisation (WTO). India, along with other developing economies, has relied a great deal on the WTO's dispute settlement mechanism for dealing with numerous tariff issues.

The US has also done so in the past, but lately has not just ignored the WTO, but refused to cooperate on funding or major appointments. One reason is its dismay over rulings by the appellate tribunals. It is generally expected that Biden will give greater importance to multilateral institutions, whether in the strategic sphere or in the economic arena. In case he brings a greater commitment to the

WTO, it could mean a revival of this institution and bringing about an era where countries could rely on a multi-lateral rule-based trading system. As a result of the WTO's decline, most countries have put their trust in regional trading blocs like the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP). India is at a considerable disadvantage right now as it has walked out of RCEP, but is not yet part of any other significant regional grouping. It has entered into some bilateral free trade agreements with ASEAN and Japan, but these have not had the expected positive outcomes.

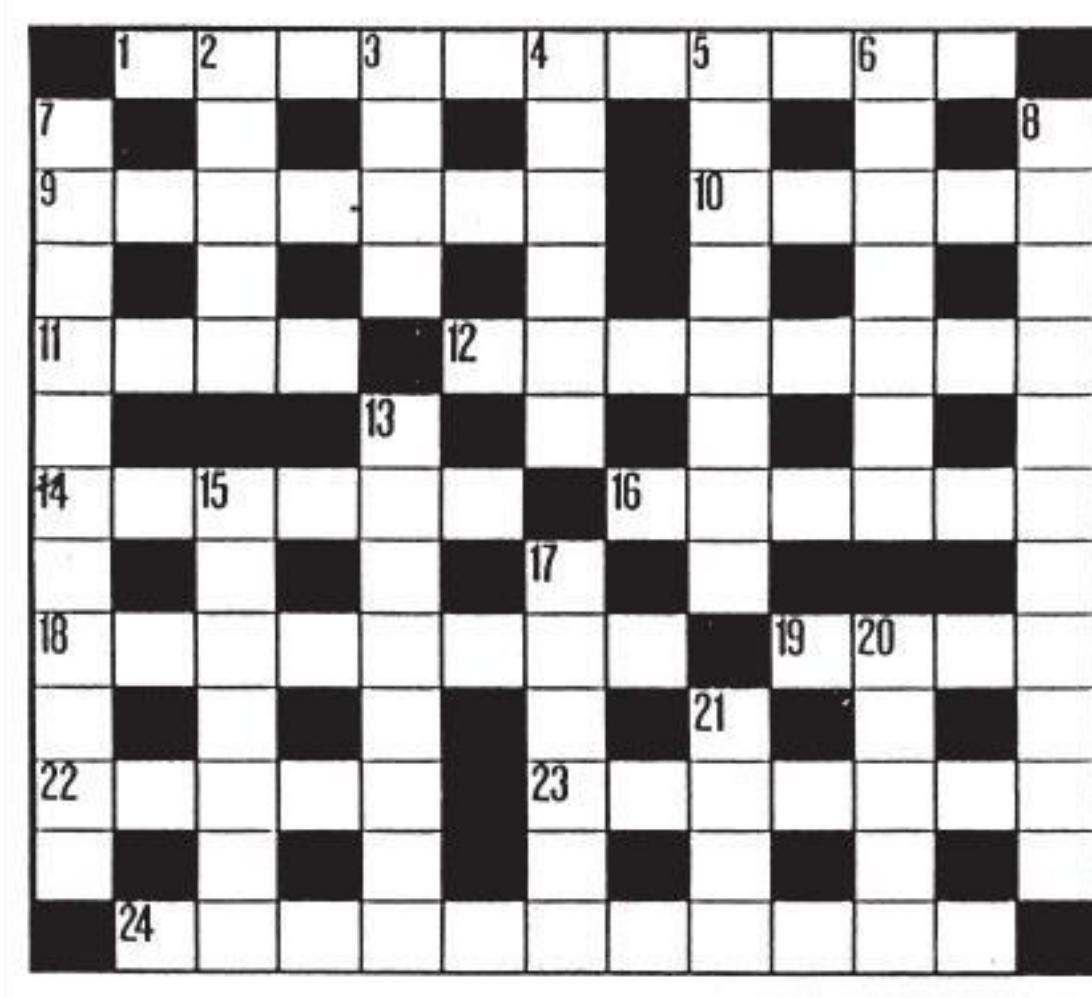
The other significant area where India and the US can jointly make a mark is on tackling of the coronavirus and ways to distribute the vaccine. In fact, President Trump and Prime Minister Modi had a dialogue early on in the corona crisis on supplies of medicine and ventilators. Hydroxychloroquine shipments were sent to the US at a time when this drug was considered a possibility to counteract the virus. In turn, ventilators were supplied to India. Now, the challenge is different. The need is to ensure that vaccines made by multiple companies are made available to the entire world. With the US President-elect having set up a Covid task force, making it clear that this is top priority, the two countries should ideally collaborate in ensuring vaccine distribution is equitable, especially as India will be a major production hub.

As for the question of whether human rights will now be linked to trade and economic issues by the Biden administration, it should not be considered an obstacle in any way. Non-trade issues have often been raised in the past by the US trade representatives. Even in the run-up to the formation of the WTO, the US would try to include wage and labour issues while discussing intellectual property rules. So, this is par for the course as far as India's trade diplomats are concerned.

The real clash is going to be over policies of self-interest now being followed aggressively in both countries. Whether it is America First or Atmanirbhar Bharat, the theme is a similar one. At a time when both India and the US are trying to overcome the economic fallout of the coronavirus pandemic, the need to preserve jobs and manufacturing units will be of paramount concern. The time may thus not be right for a trade deal.

But it could be the right time to raise India's concerns over issues that may have been summarily dismissed by the Trump administration. These include withdrawing tariffs on steel and aluminium exports and reviewing the withdrawal of GSP benefits while taking on board concerns over visas, the expansion of e-commerce and the sensitive issue of data localisation and privacy. It may not be a scenario of complete bonhomie, but earnestly engaging with the Biden administration could surely revive moribund economic ties.

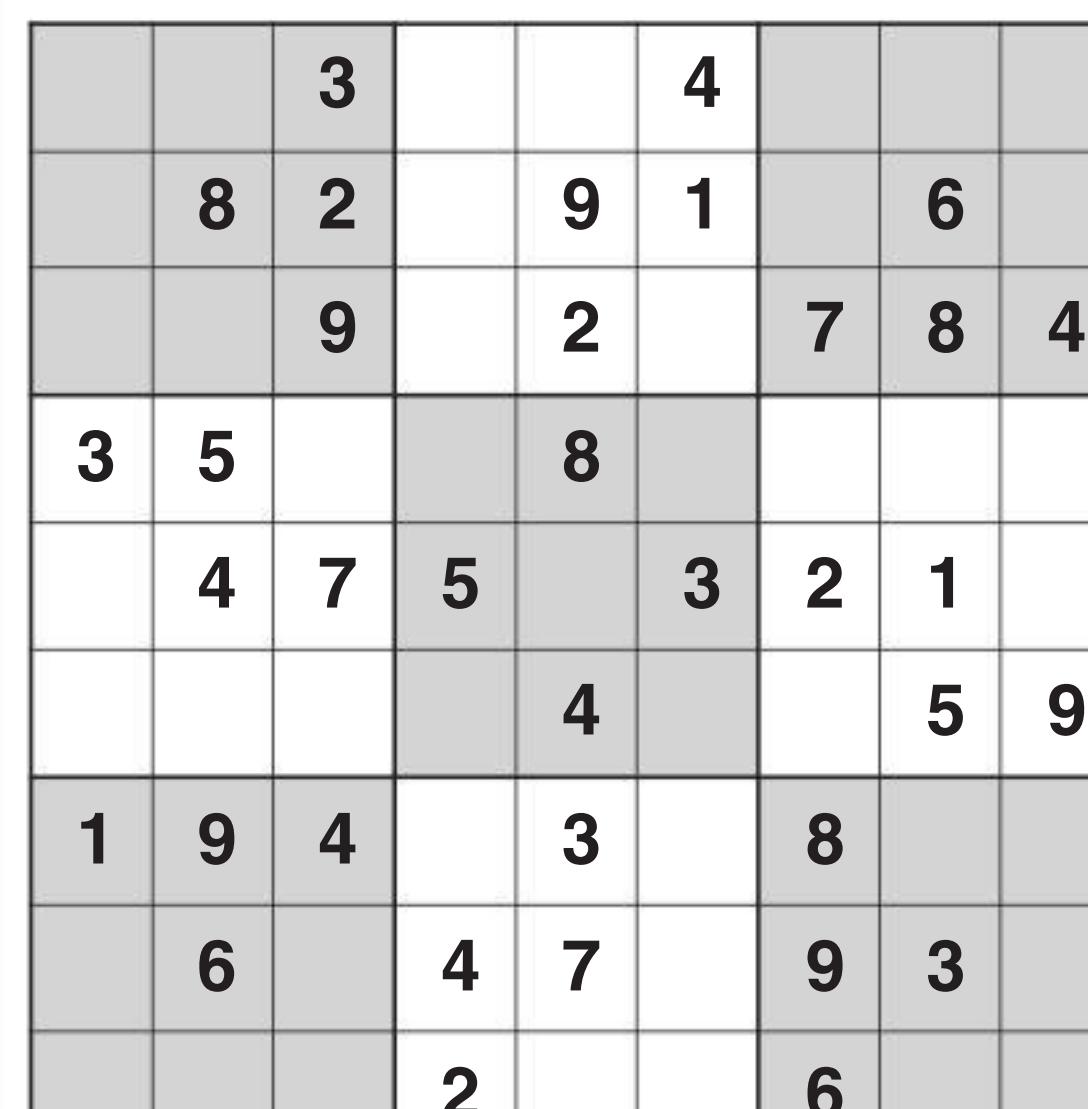
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■ Preeti Yoga up to 11.43 am	
■ Chitra Nakshatra up to 11.06 pm	
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### FORECAST

SUNSET: FRIDAY 17:26 HRS

SUNRISE: SATURDAY 06:48 HRS

Sunny	Party Cloudy	Cloudy	Rainy	Foggy
Chandigarh	29	11		
New Delhi	30	12		
Amritsar	28	11		
Bathinda	29	11		
Jalandhar	27	11		
Ludhiana	28	11		
Bhiwani	28	11		
Hisar	29	11		
Sirsia	29	12		
Dharamsala	20	10		
Manali	19	04		
Shimla	19	09		
Srinagar	15	02		
Jammu	27	12		
Kargil	11	01		
Leh	12	-02		
Dehradun	28	10		
Mussoorie	19	09		

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## HC orders video examination of Varavara Rao

MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 12

The Bombay High Court on Thursday directed that doctors from a private hospital here should conduct medical examination of jailed poet-activist Varavara Rao through video link, and even a physical check-up if necessary.

The court, which was hearing his bail petition, adjourned the hearing to November 17.

Rao (81), an accused in the Elgar Parishad-Maoist links case, is lodged as an undertrial in the Taloja prison in neighbouring Navi Mumbai.

A vacation bench of Justices AK Menon and SP Tavade was hearing a petition filed by Rao's wife Hemlata, seeking that he be shifted to private Nanavati Hospital for better treatment, an independent medical board be set up to assess his health, and he be released on bail.

Rao's lawyer Indira Jaising claimed that his health was "fast deteriorating", and there was a legitimate apprehension that he might die in prison.

"Rao suffers from dementia, is confined to bed in the prison hospital since August and has no bladder control," she said. — PTI

## Hyderabad girl dies in Texas car collision

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

HYDERABAD, NOVEMBER 12  
In a tragic incident, a Hyderabad girl reportedly died in a car accident at Austin, Texas. The girl passed away on November 7, according to her family, here.

The girl, Neha Reddy Maddika, was involved in a car collision between two vehicles around 3 am, and later, she died, according to her friend Priyanka.

The family said Priyanka posted on the crowdfunding platform GoFundMe that they were trying to raise money to send her body back to Hyderabad. "Very talkative, energetic, hard-working, motivated, always cared about others," reads the post on the platform.

Neha's father Vijaya Bhaskar Reddy too had passed away six months ago.

## Shah: Committed to developing border areas

DHORDO (GUJ), NOVEMBER 12

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday said infrastructure development in the country's border areas in last six years of the Narendra Modi government has been much more than in the previous 50 years.

Referring to air strikes and surgical strike by the defence forces, Shah said India is now give a befitting reply to enemies rather than the past practice of just issuing a "diplomatic statement".

He was addressing a gathering at the "Simant Kshetra Vikasotsav-2020" at Dhordo village in Gujarat's Kutch district as part of the central government's Border Area Development Programme.

Sarpanches along with other elected representatives of Kutch, Banaskantha and Patan districts, which share land border with Pakistan, were present at the event.

Shah said the Central government under Prime Minister Narendra Modi was committed to develop areas situated along the country's border.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel had stressed on stopping migration and providing water, electricity to the border villages. But, after his death, the Congress government did not implement it, Shah said. "But now, Modiji has taken up that task," he said. — PTI

## FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS-2020

In order to clear extra rush of passengers during Deepawali and Chhath Puja Festivals, Northern Railway has planned to run the following fully reserved Festival Special Trains as per schedule given below:-

### LIST OF FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS ORIGINATING/TERMINATING IN NORTHERN RAILWAY

Spl. Train No.	Station From	Dept. Time	Station to	Arr. Time	Frequency / Day	Period
04998	Bathinda	20:50	Varanasi Junction	16:30	SUN	Up to 29.11.20
04997	Varanasi Junction	21:20	Bathinda	16:50	MON	Up to 30.11.20
04612	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra	23:30	Varanasi Junction	23:35	SUN	Up to 29.11.20
04611	Varanasi Junction	06:35	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra	06:50	TUE	Up to 01.12.20
04422	Anand Vihar Terminal	20:20	Lucknow	04:20	WED, FRI, SUN	22, 25, 27 & 29.11.20
04421	Lucknow	21:20	Anand Vihar Terminal	05:45	MON, THU, SAT	23, 26 & 28.11.20
04924	Chandigarh	23:15	Gorakhpur	16:00	THU	Up to 26.11.20
04923	Gorakhpur	22:10	Chandigarh	14:15	FRI	Up to 27.11.20
04090	Anand Vihar Terminal	16:55	Bhagalpur	11:00	MON, WED, FRI	Up to 30.11.20
04089	Bhagalpur	13:30	Anand Vihar Terminal	08:20	TUE, THU, SAT	Up to 01.12.20
04012	Anand Vihar Terminal	07:30	Jogbani	08:30	TUE, FRI	Up to 27.11.20
04011	Jogbani	20:00	Anand Vihar Terminal	21:00	WED, SAT	Up to 28.11.20
02237	Varanasi Junction	12:40	Jammu Tawi	11:05		Up to 30.11.20
02238	Jammu Tawi	14:00	Varanasi Junction	12:30		Up to 01.12.20
02231	Lucknow	22:25	Chandigarh	10:05	Daily	Up to 30.11.20
02232	Chandigarh	21:05	Lucknow	08:30		Up to 01.12.20
04092	New Delhi	09:20	Jaynagar	11:15	WED, SAT	Up to 28.11.20
04091	Jaynagar	15:30	New Delhi	19:30	THU, SUN	Up to 29.11.20
04030	Delhi Junction	13:45	Muzaffarpur Junction	08:00	WED, SAT	Up to 28.11.20
04029	Muzaffarpur Junction	15:30	Delhi Junction	10:30	THU, SUN	Up to 29.11.20
04624	Amritsar Junction	05:45	Saharsa Junction	10:30	WED, SAT	Up to 28.11.20
04623	Saharsa Junction	14:30	Amritsar Junction	19:45	THU, SUN	Up to 29.11.20
04656	Firozpur Cantt	19:00	Patna Junction	21:25	FRI	Up to 27.11.20
04655	Patna Junction	23:25	Firozpur Cantt	23:55	SAT	Up to 28.11.20
04084	Delhi Junction	23:00	Katihar Junction	22:00	FRI	Up to 27.11.20
04083	Katihar Junction	23:50	Delhi Junction	22:50	SAT	Up to 28.11.20
04401	New Delhi	23:50	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra	11:35	MON, THU	23, 26 & 30.11.20
04402	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra	23:30	New Delhi	11:15	TUE, FRI	24, 27.11.20 & 01.12.20
04418	H. Nizamuddin	21:35	Pune	21:25	TUE	Up to 24.11.20
04417	Pune	05:15	H. Nizamuddin	05:35	THU	Up to 26.11.20
02422	Jammu Tawi	18:10	Ajmer Junction	12:20		Up to 30.11.20
02421	Ajmer Junction	14:05	Jammu Tawi	08:15		Up to 01.12.20
04041	Delhi Junction	22:25	Dehradun	08:25	Daily	21.11.20 to 30.11.20
04042	Dehradun	21:20	Delhi Junction	07:25	Daily	22.11.20 to 01.12.20
02448	H. Nizamuddin	20:10	Manipur Junction	08:45	Daily	Up to 30.11.20
02447	Manikpur Junction	17:05	H. Nizamuddin	05:25		Up to 01.12.20
04515	Kalka	12:10	Shimla	17:20	Daily	Up to 30.11.20
04516	Shimla	10:40	Kalka	16:10		Up to 01.12.20
04854	Jodhpur Junction	09:10	Varanasi Junction	10:30	MON, THU, SAT	Up to 30.11.20
04853	Varanasi Junction	17:15	Jodhpur Junction	18:50	MON, WED, SAT	Up to 30.11.20
04864	Jodhpur Junction	09:10	Varanasi Junction	08:45	TUE, FRI, SUN	Up to 29.11.20
04863	Varanasi Junction	18:15	Jodhpur Junction	18:50	TUE, FRI, SUN	Up to 01.12.20
04866	Jodhpur Junction	09:10	Varanasi Junction	08:50	WED	Up to 25.11.20
04865	Varanasi Junction	18:15	Jodhpur Junction	18:50	THU	Up to 26.11.20
05115	Chhapra	11:15	Delhi Junction	11:20	SAT	Up to 28.11.20
05116	Delhi Junction	14:00	Chhapra	13:20	SUN	Up to 29.11.20
02581	Manduadih	22:30	New Delhi	12:15	Daily	Up to 30.11.20
02582	New Delhi	22:35	Manduadih	11:10		Up to 01.12.20
06229	Mysore Junction	07:20	Varanasi Junction	12:00	TUE, THU	Up to 26.11.20
06230	Varanasi Junction	21:05	Mysore Junction	02:15	THU, SAT	Up to 28.11.20
07323	Hubballi Junction	17:50	Varanasi Junction	12:00	FRI	Up to 27.11.20
07324	Varanasi Junction	21:05	Hubballi Junction	13:00	SUN	Up to 29.11.20
02587	Gorakhpur	14:20	Jammu Tawi	13:10	MON	Up to 23.11.20
02588	Jammu Tawi	22:45	Gorakhpur	20:30	SAT	Up to 28.11.20
05097	Bhagalpur	14:30	Jammu Tawi	06:00	THU	Up to 26.11.20
05098	Jammu Tawi	08:00	Bhagalpur	22:55	TUE	Up to 24.11.20
05251	Darbhanga Junction	03:25	Jalandhar City	05:10	SAT	Up to 28.11.20
05252	Jalandhar City	09:50	Darbhanga Junction	11:35	SUN	Up to 29.11.20
02397	Gaya	14:15	New Delhi	04:30	Daily	Up to 30.11.20
02398	New Delhi	12:10	Gaya	03:20		Up to 01.12.20
03255	Patliputra	20:35	Chandigarh	17:35	WED, SUN	Up to 29.11.20
03256	Chandigarh	21:30	Patliputra	18:50	MON, THU	Up to 30.11.20
02355	Patna Junction	07:25	Jammu Tawi	10:37	TUE, SAT	Up to 28.11.20
02356	Jammu Tawi	17:45	Patna Junction	20:55	WED, SUN	Up to 29.11.20
02595	Gorakhpur	20:00	Anand Vihar Terminal	08:50	MON, TUE, THU	Up to 30.11.20
02596	Anand Vihar Terminal	20:00	Gorakhpur	07:50	TUE, WED, FRI	Up to 01.12.20
02331	Howrah Junction	23:55	Jammu Tawi	13:10	TUE, FRI, SAT	Up to 28.11.20
02332	Jammu Tawi	22:45	Howrah Junction	11:30	MON, THU, SUN	Up to 30.11.20
02819	Bhubaneswar	15:40	Anand Vihar Terminal	20:50	WED, SUN	Up to 29.11.20
02820	Anand Vihar Terminal	07:05	Bhubaneswar	12:20	TUE, FRI	Up to 27.11.20
02549	Kamakhya	10:00	Anand Vihar Terminal	19:20	Daily	Up to 30.11.20
02550	Anand Vihar Terminal	06:45	Kamakhya	16:35		Up to 02.12.20
02530	Lucknow Jr	05:00	Patliputra Junction	14:50	Except-SUN, THU	Up to 30.11.20
02529	Patliputra Junction	15:50	Lucknow Jr	02:35	Except-SUN, THU	Up to 30.11.20
02033	Kanpur Central	06:00	New Delhi	11:20	Except-SUN	Up to 30.11.20
02034	New Delhi	15:50	Kanpur Central	20:45	Except-SUN	Up to 30.11.20
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**PUNJAB WATER REGULATION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

SCO 149-152, Sector 17-C, Chandigarh – 160017  
Notice inviting Objections against proposed Directions for Groundwater Extraction and Conservation

PWRDA invites objections from the public regarding its Draft Directions titled as 'Punjab Guidelines for Groundwater Extraction and Conservation' which have been published on the website [www.punjab.gov.in](http://www.punjab.gov.in) and [www.irrigation.punjab.gov.in](http://irrigation.punjab.gov.in).

The Guidelines shall apply to all commercial and industrial water users in the state of Punjab. All users for Agriculture and related activities, domestic and drinking purposes are exempted.

Written objections may be filed in the Format at Annexure 1 of the Draft Guidelines so as to reach the Authority latest by 18th December 2020; accompanied with a receipt showing payment of Fee of Rs. 500/- payable to the Authority, in the manner specified in Paragraph 1.3 of the Draft Guidelines.

DPR/Pb/103757

SECRETARY, PWRDA.

**BHAKRA BEAS MANAGEMENT BOARD**  
(Power Wing)

Corrigendum No. 1 Notice Inviting E-Tender Dated: 12.11.2020

N.I.T No: 480/PHD/Pong-344 Dated: 30.09.2020

Name of Office : Chief Engineer, System Operation, Planning & Design (Power Plants) Dte. BBMB (P.W), SLDC Complex, Industrial Area, Phase-I, Chandigarh-160002

Name of Work: PROCUREMENT OF 48V & 220V TBS LEAD BATTERY SETS/48V VRLA BATTERY SETS OF DIFFERENT CAPACITIES FOR VARIOUS SUB STATIONS AND POWER HOUSES OF BBMB

Downloading of Tender Specification/Tender Start Date 06.10.2020 from 1000 Hrs. Document from website End Date 26.11.2020 upto 1700 Hrs.

Last Date & Time of online bid submission 27.11.2020 upto 1100 Hrs.

Date & Time of Online Bid Opening at 27.11.2020 from 10:00 Hrs onwards <https://bbmbproc.abprocure.com> (Part-I)

The Bids are to be submitted Online. For cost of tender document, earnest money deposit and detailed NIT, please visit BBMB website <https://bbmbproc.abprocure.com> & [www.bbmb.gov.in](http://www.bbmb.gov.in)

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**NORTHERN RAILWAY**
**E-TENDER NOTICE**

Sr.DEN/HQ/FZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against below titled tenders with closing date 07.12.2020 up to 15:00 hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not accepted against these tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against these tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through online payment modes available on [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in) portal or net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed.

Tender Type	Open	Tendering Section	WORKS	Bidding System	Single Bid System
Date of uploading Tenders	11.11.2020	Bid Starting Date	23.11.2020	Bid Closing Date/Time	07.12.2020 15:00 hrs.

Tender No. Details of Tender  
46-2020-21-ADEN-I-FZR Various miscellaneous works associated with the maintenance of Track in the section under ADEN-I-FZR.

Advertised Value Tender Document Cost Earnest Money Validity of offer Period of Completion  
₹1,05,00,000.00 NIL ₹2,02,500.00 45 Days 12 months

Similar Nature of Work: Any manual or mechanized track work involving CTR/TRR/TSR/deep screening/shallow screening/overhauling/demolishing/raising/ending cropping of track etc. Pre & post work for Track maintenance machines & TTR etc.

Tender Notice No.: 770-W/169/WA/I/FZR/46/2020-21-ADEN-I-FZR  
Date : 11.11.2020 2519/20

**SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE**

**Deposit Work**
**Invitation for Bids**

1. Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Roopnagar invites bids for the construction of following works:

INSTALLATION OF NEW TUBEWELL SIZE 150 MM I/D STRAIGHT 150 MTR DEPTH, PUMP CHAMBER SIZE 2.50 X 2.50 M, PVC WATER TANKS, DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, CHLORINATOR, PRIVATE WATER CONNECTION WITH WATER METER, PUMPING MACHINERY & DEVELOPMENT OF WATER WORKS SITE AT WATER SUPPLY SCHEME VILLAGE HALER BLOCK & DISTT. ROPAR UNDER PRWSSIP-H COMPONENT-1a (iii)JJM

Detailed Invitation for Bid which includes instructions for submission of bids and all other relevant information is available on <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>.

2. Bidding Documents are also available online at this website for downloading.

3. The deadline for submission of bids online is 20.11.2020 at 14.00 hours. Part I bids will be opened on same day at 15.00 hours.

4. Bidders are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in the bidding documents. Interested bidders may participate in the bidding process as per instructions given in the bidding documents.

5. Any corrigendum(s) to the tender notice shall be published on the above website only.

Postal Address- Executive Engineer, Sd/- Executive Engineer, W/S & Sanitation Division, Shivalik School Road, Roopnagar – 140001. Roopnagar. Phone No. 01881-222349 E-Mail ID:- division\_reopar@yahoo.co.in DPR/Pb/103698

**Local Govt. Department  
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar**
**E-tender Notice**

No. XEN(O&M)/88 Dated: 12.11.2020

The Municipal Corporation, Amritsar, invites online bids from eligible bidders for various works as per schedule given below:-

Sr. No.	Ward No.	Name of Work	Estt. Amnt (in Lacs)	Time Limit (in Months)
1	47	P/Instl of New Rigbore T/Well in Ward No. 47, New Jagat Jyoti School.	17.86	3
2	58	Construction of MH Chambers, Damage Slabs & P/Fixing MHC/Frames in the Area of Ward No. 58	5.00	2
3	58	Repair & Replacement of MHC/Frames and Const of New Manholes in Ward No. 58	10.00	3

Last date of submission for Co-operative Societies is 30.11.2020 Opening date next working day. If the tenders not received from Societies. Then it will be issued to the General contractors. EMD for Cooperative Societies is 0.50% and EMD for Co-operative Societies up to 6.50 lakh is NIL, 6.50 Lakh to 13.00 Lakh 0.25%, 13.00 Lakh to onwards is 0.50% and EMD for General Contractors @ 2% on Estimated Amount. For Further Specifications, Terms & Conditions, Kindly visit [eproc.punjab.gov.in](http://eproc.punjab.gov.in). Further any Corrigendum/Amendment shall be published in the above said website only. Helpdesk No. 83608-84878, 9988648605.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (O&M) Cell, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

**PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LIMITED**  
(Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala –147001

Corporate Identity Number: U40109PB201SGC033813

Website: [www.pspcl.in](http://www.pspcl.in)

**Public Notice**

Er. Ravinder Singh AE. (Code No. 109347) when posted at G.G.S.T. Plant Roopnagar was issued charge sheet No. 154 Dt. 15.06.18 for remaining absent from duty from dated 13.2.17 and going to foreign country without permission. The above said charge sheet was sent to the Officer's address available in the office H.R. data record by registered post which came back undelivered with the remarks that "Out of Country". In addition to above a copy of charge sheet was sent to Dy Secretary ESTI.G.G.S.P. Roopnagar that office sent the charge sheet at the permanent address as per service Book record, the same received back with the remarks "Out of country return or sender". Hence charge sheet could not deliver to the officer.

The department enquiry of these was conducted through SE/inquiry pspcl pta. SE/inquiry pspcl pta. Sent the enquiry report & the same was sent to officer (Er. Ravinder Singh AE (Code No. 109347) by Regd. Letter No. 26.1/02 dt. 01.07.2020 at the address as per H.R. data record for representing the rebuttal. In addition to this the enquiry report was also sent to Dy CE thermal D/S circle GGST PSPCL Roopnagar to hand over the same to the officer. But officer has not represent the Rebuttal.

Now, through this press notice the officer Er. Ravinder Singh AE. (Code No. 109347) is hereby directed to appear before Director/Admin PSPCL Pta. For personal hearing before the decision of charge sheet in one month of Publication of this press notice otherwise ex-Parte decision will be taken on this charge sheet on the basis of record & for that he will be self responsible.

C323/2020 Sd/- Joint Secy. Tech-3, PSPCL, Patiala.

DPR/Pb/90196

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ਸਰੀ- ਪੰਚਾਇਤ,  
ਗੁਪ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ,  
ਜਾਡਲਾ।

DPR/Pb/103728

**ਡਾਇਰੀਕਟਰ ਸਿਹਤ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ (ਸਰ) ਪੰਜਾਬ**

ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਕਲਿਆਣ ਭਵਨ, ਸੈਕਟਰ-34-ਏ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ।

ਇਹ ਇਸਤਿਹਾਰ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਸੂਬਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਦਾਤਾਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਨਾ-ਪ੍ਰਮਾਣੇਤਾ ਲੈਂਡ ਸਾਮਨ ਦੀ ਬੋਲੀ ਇਸ ਦਾਤਾਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਮਿਤੀ 27.11.2020 (ਇਸਤਿਹਾਰ ਘਪਣ ਦੀ ਮਿਤੀ) ਤੋਂ 21 ਦਿਨ ਬਾਅਦ ਸਵੇਰੇ 11.00 ਵਜੇ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ। ਪਾਵਾਨ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਇਹ ਕੰਮ ਸਾਮਨ ਲਿਆਂਦੇ ਹਨ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੰਮ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਆ ਕੇ ਦੱਖ ਕਰੁਂ।

ਸਰੀ- ਡਾਇਰੀਕਟਰ ਸਿਹਤ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ (ਸਰ) ਪੰਜਾਬ।

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**PUNJAB REMOTE SENSING CENTRE**

PAU Campus, Ludhiana – 141004

(Advertisement No. 4/2020 - DT. 12.11.2020)

Applications are invited for the posts of Research Fellows, Jr. Research Fellows - Remote Sensing & GIS; Web GIS Developer-Open Source; iOS based Mobile App Developer; and Project Fellows on contractual basis for a period of six months likely to be extended based on candidate's performance review and Project Scheme/Centre's requirements. For further details visit website [www.prsc.gov.in](http://www.prsc.gov.in).

Sd/- Director

Dated: 10.11.2020

Memo No. 13890

**CORRIGENDUM NOTICE**

Sr. No.	LETTER/M. EMO. No. & DATE	NAME OF DEPT./BOA/ RD/CORP/ AUTH	OLD REFERENCE DNT/IN/ TENDER NO.	NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM	AMOUNT	WEBSITE OF THE DEPT./BOARD CORP/AUTH.	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL	
1.	13003 dt. 30.10.2020	Public Health Engineering Department	13002 dt. 30.10.2020	The tender invited vide this office notice No. 13002 dt. 30.10.2020 (request for proposal) under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in which date & time for submission of proposal was 06.11.2020 at 4:00 PM, and date of bid opening was 10.11.2020 at 4:00 PM, is hereby re-scheduled for submission of proposal on 20.11.2020 at 5:00 PM, and date of bid opening on 23.11.2020 at 4:00 PM. All other terms & conditions will remain unchanged.			Executive Engineer, Public Health Engineering Division No. 2, Kaithal http://tenders.hrynci.in	Executive Engineer ee2kaithal@gmail.com

SD/- Executive Engineer, Public Health Engineering Division No. 2, Kaithal

Dated: 10.11.2020

**STATE INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY, NILOKHERI (KARNAL)**

(Under Department of Technical Education, Govt. of Haryana)

(Approved by AICTE, New Delhi & Affiliated to Kurukshet



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हाउसिंग बोर्ड, फैस-1, सौर्झ रोड, बद्दी (हि.प्र.)-173205  
दूरभाष : 01795-245961, 245965, 245966, फैक्स : 01795-245962  
वेबसाइट : [www.esic.nic.in](http://www.esic.nic.in), ई-मेल : rd-hp@esic.nic.in



चिन्ता से मुक्ति

## सार्वजनिक सूचना

क.रा.बी. अधिनियम 1948 धारा 39 के अंतर्गत अनुपालना करने में विफल रहे चूककर्ता  
नियोजकों के संबंध

यहां इकाई का नाम व कूट संख्या के साथ प्रकाशित किया जा रहा है जो कर्मचारी राज्य बीमा निगम अधिनियम के अंतर्गत व्याप्ति में हैं तथा विभिन्न अवधियों में कर्मचारी राज्य बीमा निगम अधिनियम 1948 के अंतर्गत अंशदान इत्यादि की अनुपालन करने में विफल रहे हैं।

क्र. सं.	इकाई का नाम (मैसर्स)	नियोजक का नाम सर्व श्री/ श्रीमती	कूट संख्या	नोटिस	अवधि	राशि (रुपये में)	सुनवाई की निर्धारित तिथि
1	M/S KRN Industries Village Sandholi, PO Badhi, Tehsil Badhi, Distt.-Solan (H.P.)	Nilam Devi (Prop.)	14-00-153565-000-0699	सी 18 तदर्थ	12/15/07/19 त 09/19	3,02,794/-	09.12.2020

प्राकृतिक न्यूक्स को दृष्टित रखते हुए उत्तर नियोजकों को आविष्कार सुनवाई का एक आम अवसर प्रदान करने का नियंत्रण किया गया है। अतः उपरोक्त इकाई के नियोजक यदि अधिनियमों पर आधारित कोई स्पष्टीकरण देना चाहते हैं तो अवधि संबंधित अधिनियम हेतु अपने रिकाउट के अनुसार देय अंशदान के रूप से विवरण देते हुए बयान दायर करना चाहते हैं तो अपने मामले को प्रस्तुत करने के लिए आवश्यक दस्तावेजों के साथ उपरोक्त नियरित तिथि 09.12.2020 में कायालय समय के दौरान क.रा.बी. निगम के क्षेत्रीय कायालय, फेज-1, हाउसिंग बोर्ड, सौर्झ रोड, वहाँ में प्राप्तिकर अधिकारी के समक्ष उपरित होता है।

क्रुपाल धारा 39 के अनुपालन करने वाले नियोजकों को आविष्कार सुनवाई हेतु अन्य कोई अवसर प्रदान नहीं किया जायेगा तथा गुण-अवधारणे के आधार पर एक-प्रत्येक कार्यवाही करते हुए उपरोक्त चूककर्ता संख्याओं के विशुद्ध कर्मचारी राज्य बीमा अधिनियम की धाराओं के अंतर्गत आगामी कार्यवाही की जायेगी।

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उप निदेशक।

## ESTABLISHED IN 1952

## THE HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE COOPERATIVE MARKETING AND CONSUMERS' FEDERATION LIMITED SHIMLA - 171003 EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Applications are invited on the prescribed Proforma for filling up of posts of Storekeeper on contract basis reserved for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities in the H.P. State Cooperative Marketing & Consumer's Federation Limited (Himfed) from the eligible applicants only from Himachal Pradesh as per details given as under:-

1. Office/Department & address	Himachal Pradesh State Cooperative Marketing & Consumer's Federation Ltd. (Himfed) near Victory Tunnel Shimla-3
2. Name & designation of officer with telephone number	K.K. Sharma, HAS- Managing Director, Himfed Shimla-3 Ph. 0177-2657580, 2656509 Fax-0177-2811250
3. Name & designation of office with telephone number to whom applicant should report.	Managing Director, Himfed near Victory Tunnel Shimla-3 Ph. 0177-2657580, 2656509 Fax-0177-2811250
4. Nature of vacancy	Storekeeper (On contract basis)
Description of duties	To handle the various stores of the Himfed in H.P. for receipt, safe & distribution of fertilizers and all other non-fertilizer items and maintenance of its record from time to time.
Minimum Educational and other qualifications required for direct recruitment (on contract basis)	a) Essential qualification:- Should have passed Plus Two examinations from the recognized Board/University or its equivalent. b) Desirable qualifications:- Should have knowledge of customs, manner and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in peculiar conditions prevailing in the H.P.
Age limit, if any.	Between 18 to 45 years and relaxation in upper age to reserved categories will be allowed as per prevailing instructions of H.P.Govt. issued from time to time.
Whether women are eligible?	Yes
5. No. of posts to be filled.	4 (Four) Deaf & hard of hearing=2 Locomotors disability including leprosy cured, dwarfism & acid attack victims=2
Permanent	On contract basis
Temporary	--
Less than 3 months	--
Between 3 months and one year	--
Likely to be continued beyond one year	As per contract policy of H.P.Govt.
Whether there is any obligation for arrangement for giving preference to any category of persons such as Scheduled Caste, Ex-Serviceman and Physically Handicapped persons in filling up the vacancies and if so, the number of vacancies to be filled by such categories of persons.	No
Category	Unreserved
Schedule Caste, Scheduled Tribe, Ex-Serviceman & Physically Handicapped persons.	
6. Pay & allowances	(1) Pay band/scale Rs : 5910-20200+1900GP with initial start of Rs. 7810/- PM for regular incumbent. (2) Rs.7810/- PM (equal to minimum of pay band & Grade Pay) for contract employee.
7. Place of work (Name of Town/village and district it is situated)	Anywhere in the State of H.P. where the Himfed has its Stores/depts.
8. Probable date by which the vacancies will be filled.	Immediately after completion of all legal formalities required for the post(s).
9. Particulars regarding interview of applicants.	Candidate will be called for evaluation as per instructions of H.P.Govt. issued from time to time and they will be intimated through call letters.
10. Designation and address of the persons to whom applicants should report.	Managing Director, Himfed Shimla-3 Ph. 0177-2657580, 2656509 Fax-0177-2811250

**NOTE:-**  
(1) The application on prescribed Proforma along with following relevant supporting documents should reach in the office of the Managing Director, Himfed near Victory Tunnel H.P. Shimla-3 on or before 15/12/2020.

Sr. Name of the Certificates/documents to be attached with applicant form

1. Essential educational qualification certificates.
2. Matriculation certificate for age proof.
3. Bonafide Himachali Certificate.
4. Copy of Employment Exchange Registration Card
5. Differently abled persons with more than 40% impairment/disability/infirmity required for the particulars category & posts.
6. Certificate belonging to notified Backward Area or Panchayat, as the case may be.
7. Landless family/family having land less than 1 Hectare to be certified by the concerned Revenue Authority.
8. Non-employment Certificate to the effect that none of the family members is employed in Government/Semi Government.
9. BPL family having annual income (from all sources Rs.4000/- or as prescribed by the Govt. from time to time.
10. Widower/divorced/destitute/single women.
11. Single daughter/Orphan
12. Training of atleast 6 months duration related to the post applied for from a recognized University/Institution, if any.
13. Experience upto a maximum of 5 years in Govt./semi-Govt. organization relating to the post applied for, if any

The applications received after the last date or found incomplete and not accompanied by certificate(s) mentioned herein above will be rejected summarily and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained.

(2) A candidate shall be eligible for appointment to Class-III post(s), if he/she has passed Matriculation and 10+2 from any School/Institution situated within Himachal Pradesh as per Notification No. Per(AP)-C-C(17)2/2018 dated 19.11.2019. However, this condition shall not apply to Bonafide Himachalis.

(3) The candidate should affix his/her passport size photograph in the prescribed form.

(K.K. Sharma) HAS,

Managing Director, Himfed, Shimla-3.

## Application Form

Space for affixing Photo

1. Name of post applied for
2. Name of Department
3. Name of applicant (in Block letters)
4. Father's Name
5. Category
6. Type of Disability
7. Percentage of Disability
8. Date of Birth
9. Permanent Home Address
10. Address for correspondence
11. E-mail I.D.
12. Contact No.
13. Whatsapp No.
14. Essential Qualification
15. (a) Name of Employment Exchange where registered...  
(b) Registration No. ....  
(c) Registration No. of Special Employment Exchange for Specially abled persons .....

**DECLARATION**

I..... hereby declare that the particulars furnished by me in this application form are true to the best of my knowledge & belief. In case any information is found to be false my candidature shall be liable to be rejected/cancelled.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Candidate

DPR/HP/560

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GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA

TENDER NOTICE

SR. NO. NAME OF BOARD/ CORP/AUTH NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME) AMOUNT/EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES WEBSITE OF THE BOARD/CORP/AUTH NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL

1 SHRI MATA MANSA DEVI SHRINE BOARD, PANCHKULA OUTSOURCING OF MECHANIZED/MANUAL CLEANING HOUSE KEEPING &amp; SANITATION SERVICES 12.11.2020 25.11.2020 1 LAKH www.mansadevi.org.in jaimansadevima@gmail.com

2 THEHARI-JIND CO-OP. MILK PRODUCERS UNION LTD., MILK PLANT JIND. HIRING OF VEHICLE FOR MILK LIFTING R. NO. 407 MADA TO MILK PLANT JIND + 26 OTHER WORKS 13.11.2020 04.12.2020 1.61 CRORE etenders.hry.nic.in or vitaindia.org.in 01681-225776 vitajind@gmail.com

3 H.S.A.M. BOARD, PANCHKULA. PDG EXTERNAL ELECTRIFICATION WORK FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MULTISTORIED RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX FOR HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD ON PLOT NO. GH-5, SECTOR-23, PANCHKULA 11.11.2020 01.12.2020 1.45 CRORE https://etenders.hry.nic.in xenelectpkl2019@yahoo.com

4 DHBVN, BHIWANI SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING &amp; COMMISSIONING OF ELECTRIC LINES UP TO 11 KV VOLTAGE LEVEL ON TURNKEY BASIS BY EXECUTING THE WORK UNDER MGJG SCHEME ON 19 NOS. RDS FEEDERS IN DISTRICT DADRI. NIT NO-3/SE/OP/BVN/2020-21 11.11.2020 01.12.2020 23.98 CRORE www.dhbvn.org.in 01664-243491 seopbhiani@dhbvn.org.in

5 DHBVN, BHIWANI SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING &amp; COMMISSIONING OF ELECTRIC LINES UP TO 11 KV VOLTAGE LEVEL ON TURNKEY BASIS BY EXECUTING THE WORK UNDER MGJG SCHEME ON 4 NOS. RDS FEEDERS IN DISTRICT BHIWANI.NIT NO-2/SE/OP/BVN/2020-21 11.11.2020 01.12.2020 5.76 CRORE www.dhbvn.org.in 01664-243491 seopbhiani@dhbvn.org.in

6 DHBVN, BHIWANI SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING &amp; COMMISSIONING OF ELECTRIC LINES UP TO 11 KV VOLTAGE LEVEL ON TURNKEY BASIS BY EXECUTING THE WORK UNDER MGJG SCHEME ON 6 NOS. RDS FEEDERS IN DISTRICT BHIWANI. NIT NO-3/SE/OP/BVN/2020-21 11.11.2020 01.12.2020 10.30 CRORE www.dhbvn.org.in 01664-243491 seopbhiani@dhbvn.org.in

7 CAD DIVISION KURUKSHETRA LINING/LAYING UNDER GROUND PIPE LINE WATER COURSES = 13 NOS. Bid opening date 23.11.2020 As detailed in https://etenders.hry.nic.in xenkurukshetracad@gmail.com

8 H.S.A.M. BOARD, HISAR SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING &amp; COMMISSIONING OF DIESEL GENERATING SETS (WATER COOLED) OF 25 KW CAPACITY, AC AND OTHER ACCESSORIES IN NGM AT DHIGAWA (MC LOHAR) 2 (MONTHS) 11.11.2020 01.12.2020 11.15 LACS https://etenders.hry.nic.in xenelectchisar2018.hsmab@gmail.com

9 HPGCL, HISAR NIT NO: 327/RGTPP/MM-II/TOE-4314 DT. 09.11.2020. SUPPLY, ERECTION, TESTING &amp; COMMISSIONING OF CO ANALYZER TO RGTPP, KHEDAR HISAR. CLOSING DATE 09.12.2020 46800/- https://etenders.hry.nic.in mm2.rgtpp@hpgcl.org.in

10 HARYANA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD., SIRSA PURCHASE OF MATERIAL AND LABOUR WORKS FOR MANUFACTURING OF IRON TREE GUARDS COMPLETE IN ALL RESPECTS + 1 OTHER WORK 09.11.2020 19.11.2020 1.25 LACS www.hfdc.gov.in 01666-243020 gm.sirsa@hfdc.gov.in

PRDH/83781 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT : [www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in](http://www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in) or [www.etenders.hry.nic.in](http://www.etenders.hry.nic.in)

## TENDER NOTICE

## WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION DEPARTMENT

## GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Divn. No. 1, Bathinda on behalf of Chairman of concerned GWPSC of following Villages District Bathinda invite online bids for the following works (Under Punjab Rural Water &amp; Sanitation Sector Improvement Project - Sub Component 2A(i)).

SR. NO.	ITEM	App. Cost (Rs. in Lacs)	Bid Security	Date and Time of Technically Opening
1	Providing Operational Improvement of Improved Water Supply Service Levels for W/S in following Scheme:- (Under PRWSSP Component 2a (i))	7.00	14,000/-	24.11.2020 at 11:30 a.m.
2	do- Phullo Mithi	9.76	19,351/-	24.11.2020 at 11:30 a.m.

Date and Time of Start of Sale of Bid Document : 13.11.2020 at 10:00 A.M.

Last Date and Time of Receipt of Bid : 23.11.2020 at 17:00 hrs.

Bid Processing Fee : As per site.

Completion Period of each Villages Terms and conditions:-

# PAGD announces seat-sharing arrangement for DDC polls

**PHASE-I** NC to contest 21 constituencies in Valley, PDP 4, PC two

**SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 12**  
The People's Alliance for Gupkar Declaration (PAGD), an amalgam of seven political parties in Jammu and Kashmir seeking restoration of the erstwhile state's special status, announced the seat-sharing arrangement for the first phase of the maiden District Development Council (DDC) polls in the union territory on Thursday, but did not release the names of the candidates.

The seat-sharing arrangement was shared with the media after the candidates of the constituent parties of the alliance filed their nomination papers, the last date for which was Thursday.

The PAGD seat-sharing list was approved by NC



**CANDIDATES' NAMES NOT REVEALED**

- The People's Alliance for Gupkar Declaration, however, did not reveal the names of the candidates contesting the first phase of the polls.
- "We all had to work at a breakneck speed. We will update the names of the candidates later because they were busy with the filing of nominations today," a PAGD leader said.

president Farooq Abdullah, who is the chairman of the alliance.

The NC is contesting 21 of the 27 seats in the Kash-

candidates on two seats for the first phase.

The alliance, however, did not reveal the names of the candidates contesting the first phase of the polls.

A PAGD leader said given in the paucity of time, the names of the candidates could not be shared.

"We all had to work at a breakneck speed. We will update the names of the candidates later because they were busy with the filing of nominations today," he said.

The PAGD has decided to put up joint candidates of its constituent parties in the election, but will contest on the respective party symbols as a single symbol could not be granted to the alliance. — PTI

mir valley. The PDP, led by Mehbooba Mufti, is contesting four, while the Sajad Lone-led People's Conference (PC) will field

highest cases (153), followed by 93 in Jammu, they said.



## Class XII board exams begin in Kashmir

**SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 12**

J&K DGP Dilbag Singh on Thursday reviewed the security arrangements and preparedness for the upcoming District Development Council polls and emphasised on the need to remain vigilant to thwart any nefarious designs of anti-national elements.

An official spokesperson said a meeting was held here at the police control room and it was attended by IGP, Kash-

mir, Vijay Kumar and DIG, Central Kashmir, Amit Kumar, among other officers. Officers from the Jammu zone attended through video-conferencing, he added.

The DGP, while reviewing the arrangements for the upcoming polls, sought reports on the security arrangements put in place by the police and the para-military force in their respective areas of responsibilities, the spokesman said. — PTI



briefed about the concessions granted in the examination that they had to attempt only questions of 60 marks out of 100 marks, they said.

This year, one supervisor for 20 students was appointed instead of 30 students, so as to follow the social distancing norms, they added. — PTI

## Pak violates ceasefire in Poonch, Rajouri

**JAMMU, NOVEMBER 12**

The Pakistan army on Thursday opened heavy fire and shelled forward areas and posts in four sectors along the LoC in Rajouri and Poonch districts, officials said.

The Indian Army effectively retaliated.

This is the third consecutive day that the Pakistan army has targeted hamlets and posts with mortar bombs and heavy firing triggering fear and panic among the residents along the LoC in Poonch district.

Pakistan also opened fire along the international border (IB) targeting hamlets and border outposts (BOPs) in the Hiranagar sector of Kathua district overnight, they said.

"At about 9 am, the Pakistan army initiated unprovoked ceasefire violation by firing with small arms and shelling with mortars along the LoC in the Shahpur, Kirni and Qasba sectors in Poonch district and also in the Nowshera sector of Rajouri district," a Defence spokesman said. — PTI

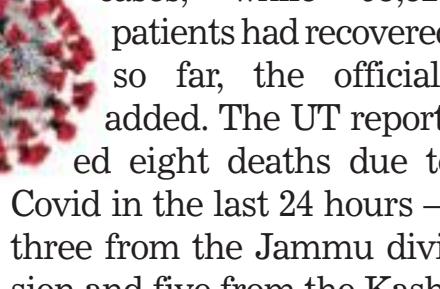
## 8 deaths, 617 new cases in J&K

**SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 12**

J&K on Thursday recorded 617 new Covid-19 cases, while eight deaths took

place in the last 24 hours, pushing the tally to 1,00,968 and the death toll to 1,566, officials said.

Out of the fresh cases, 226 were from the Jammu division and 391 from Kashmir. Srinagar district recorded the



highest cases (153), followed by 93 in Jammu, they said.

There were 5,578 active cases, while 93,824 patients had recovered so far, the officials added. The UT reported eight deaths due to

Covid in the last 24 hours — three from the Jammu division and five from the Kashmir valley. — PTI

## RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

### Ombudsman Scheme for Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), 2018

If your grievance regarding deficiency in service\* against any NBFC registered with the RBI# and covered under clause 3(5) of the scheme ^, is not redressed within 30 days or you are not satisfied with the reply given by the NBFC concerned, you can approach the NBFC Ombudsman with complete details at the following address:

**The NBFC Ombudsman (North Zone)**

C/o Reserve Bank of India

2nd Floor, 6 Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110 001

Phone No. 011 2372-4856, Fax: 011 2372-5218,

E-mail- cms.nbfconewdelhi@rbi.org.in

The jurisdiction of NBFC Ombudsman for North Zone covers the states/ Union Territories of Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, New Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh and Chandigarh,

**NOTE:** For details such as the grounds of complaint, procedure for lodging a complaint or preferring an appeal etc., please refer to the Ombudsman Scheme for NBFCs & FAQs available on the RBI website at <https://rbidocs.rbi.org.in/rdocs/Content/PDFs/NBFC23022018.pdf> and <https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/FAQView.aspx?Id=125> respectively.

\*Deficiency in services for which the NBFC Ombudsman can be approached are given in Clause 8 of Ombudsman Scheme for NBFCs, 2018.

#To know if your NBFC is registered with RBI, please visit the RBI website: [https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/NBFC\\_Pub\\_lic.aspx](https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/NBFC_Pub_lic.aspx)

^ Registered Deposit taking NBFCs and Non-Deposit taking NBFCs having customer interface and asset size of Rs. 100 crores(Rs.1 billion) and above. IFC-NBFC, CICs, IDF-NBFCs and NBFCs under liquidation are excluded from the scheme.

**Caution: Don't get cheated by emails/SMS/calls promising you money**

## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

### PROTECTION OF PLANT VARIETIES AND FARMERS' RIGHTS AUTHORITY

Department Of Agriculture, Cooperation And Farmers Welfare

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Website: [www.plantaauthority.gov.in](http://www.plantaauthority.gov.in)

### PLANT GENOME SAVIOUR AWARDS 2018-19 and 2019-20

Under section 39 (1) (iii) of PPV&FRA Act, 2001 read with PPV&FR (Recognition and Reward from Gene Fund) Rules, 2012 and PPV&FR (Community Award from Gene Fund) Rules, 2018.

### INDIA'S HIGHEST AWARD/REWARD/RECOGNITION FOR FARMER(5) AND FARMING COMMUNITIES

A unique aspect of Farmers' Rights in PPVFR Act, 2001 which provides the facility to award, reward and recognize the farmers engaged in conservation of Genetic resources of Land races and wild relatives of economic plants and their improvement through selection.

### 1. PLANT GENOME SAVIOUR COMMUNITY AWARD

**THE AWARD:-** A maximum of five awards in a year, each consisting of cash of Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Only), a citation and a memento.

**WHO CAN APPLY:-** A community of farmers duly forwarded by a body who are engaged in the conservation of genetic resources of landraces and wild relatives of economic plants and their improvement through selection and preservation and the material so selected and preserved has been shared with others for varietal improvement.

### 2. PLANT GENOME SAVIOUR FARMER REWARD/ RECOGNITION

**THE REWARD:-** A maximum of 10 rewards comprising of citation, memento and cash amount of Rs. 1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand Only).

**THE RECOGNITION:-** A maximum of 20 recognitions comprising of citation, memento and cash amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only).

**WHO CAN APPLY:-** Farmers application duly forwarded by a body engaged in the conservation of genetic resources of landraces and wild relatives of economic plants and their improvement through selection and preservation and the material so selected and preserved has been used as donors of genes in varieties registerable under the PPV&FR Act, 2001. (Certificate from concerned institute to be attached)

**HOW TO APPLY:-** Application form and detailed guidelines may be downloaded from the website of the Authority [www.plantaauthority.gov.in](http://www.plantaauthority.gov.in) or may be obtained in person or by post on any working day from the office of PPV&FR Authority, New Delhi or its offices at Ranchi, Guwahati, Palampur, Pune and Shivamogga (Please see the address from website) between 9:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. Applications may be submitted either in Hindi or English. There is no application fee. Only complete form with supporting document(s) is to be submitted.

**APPLICATIONS TO BE FORWARDED THROUGH:** Chairperson/Secretary of the concerned Panchayat, Biodiversity Management Committee or concerned District Agricultural Officer or Director of Research of concerned State Agriculture University or concerned District Tribal Development Office. However in case of applications for plant genome savior community awards it can also be forwarded through concerned Zonal Project Director, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (Now director -Agriculture Technology Application Institute (ATARI)-ICAR).

**Last Date of Submission:** The duly filled in application forms along with supportive information, evidence/documents/details/proof of the claims made should reach the following address within 3 (three) months from the date of publication of the advertisement.

**UK Dubey**  
**Deputy Registrar**

Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Authority

Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India

S-2, 'A' Block, NASC, DPS Marg, Opp. Todapur, New Delhi – 110012.

Contact No.: 011-25842846; E-mail: [uk.dubey@gov.in](mailto:uk.dubey@gov.in)

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**PHASE-I** NC to contest 21 constituencies in Valley, PDP 4, PC two

**SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 12**  
The People's Alliance for Gupkar Declaration (PAGD), an amalgam of seven political parties in Jammu and Kashmir seeking restoration of the erstwhile state's special status, announced the seat-sharing arrangement for the first phase of the maiden District Development Council (DDC) polls in the union territory on Thursday, but did not release the names of the candidates.

The seat-sharing arrangement was shared with the media after the candidates of the constituent parties of the alliance filed their nomination papers, the last date for which was Thursday.

The PAGD seat-sharing list was approved by NC

amendment to the recently announced J&K land laws according to which any citizen of the country could buy land here.

"We will also fight for statehood and we have not given up the fight for the restoration of Article 370. It is our firm belief that we have to fight a legal battle for the restoration of Article 370 and the Supreme Court is the right place to fight. We have five MPs who could not protect Article 370, nor can these five MPs bring back the Article. Our hope is tied with the Supreme Court," Bukhari said.

Addressing the media here, he said his party welcomes the decision of the PAGD to participate in the District Development Council (DDC) elections since power flows from the grass-roots level.

Bukhari said his party would fight the DDC elections and also fight for

always swayed the youth of J&K towards the wrong path".

Alluding to late Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah's long

years of estrangement from the mainstream politics, Bukhari said the present National Conference and other members of

the PAGD had taken less than a month to return to the mainstream politics.

His reference was to the NC for having said first that elections were meaningless unless Article 370 and statehood were restored in J&K and now deciding to join the DDC elections.

"It took Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah 22 years to realise what is the right path, but it took the PAGD less than a month to decide what is right. I am happy over their decision," he said.

"The youth of J&K have seen the worst and because of that situation, we lost what we had achieved during 70 years," he said. — IANS

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Improvement Trust, Jalandhar.

**JALANDHAR IMPROVEMENT TRUST JALANDHAR E-TENDER NOTICE**

E-Tender/IT/Jalandhar/05/2020-21

The Jalandhar Improvement Trust Jalandhar invites online bids for 16 Nos development work-

Online Availability of Tenders for bidding : 13.11.2020 up to 11:00 a.m. (For Serial No. 1 to 16)

Closing Date & Time (For Serial No. 1 to 16) : 27.11.2020 up to 01:00 p.m.

Opening Date & Time (For Serial No. 1 to 16) : 27.11.2020 at 02:00 p.m.

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

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**PUNJAB HERITAGE AND TOURISM PROMOTION BOARD**

Plot No. 03, Sector 38 A, Chandigarh, Ph. 0172-2625951

Email: [phtpbengg@gmail.com](mailto:phtpbengg@gmail.com)

Tender/RFP Reference No: 02 Date: 12.11.2020

Punjab Heritage & Tourism Promotion Board, under the department of Tourism, Government of Punjab invites online bids from eligible bidders for the following works:

**Sr. No.** **Name of Work** **Bid Security/ Earnest Money (Rs.)** **Last Date and Time for online submission of bids** **Period of completion**

1 Conservation/Restoration works of Heritage Building at Sardulgarh, District Mansa. 8

e-TENDER NOTICE: (i) PGII/Engg./Elect./2020/124  
The Hospital Engineer (Electrical), PGIMER Chandigarh invites on behalf of the Director PGIMER Chandigarh Online Percentage rate bids from the enlisted contractors of CPWD/Department of Posts/BSNL/Railways/M.E.S./Chandigarh Administration CHB/MC Chandigarh/State PWD's/HUDA/PUDA State Electricity Boards & Corporations dealing in Electrical Works on two bid system (Eligibility-cum-Technical and Financial Bid), who fulfil the Eligibility Criteria for the work "Installation of New Network I/O points at various locations, PGIMER, Chandigarh"; Estimated Cost: Rs. 45,65,920/- Earnest Money: Rs. 91,320/- Period of Completion: Six Months. The last date & time of submission of bid is 21.11.2020 up to 10:00 AM. The last date and time of submission of Original EMD in physical form is 21.11.2020 up to 10:15 AM. The date and time of opening of Eligibility-cum-Technical Bid is 21.11.2020 at 11:00 AM. The date and time for opening of Financial Bid is to be Declared later. The original EMD as scanned & uploaded shall be deposited physically by all the intending bidders in the office of H.E. (Electrical) as per above schedule failing which the bid shall be treated as invalid. The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website: <http://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> and official website of the PGIMER [www.pgimer.edu.in](http://www.pgimer.edu.in). Contractors are requested to get their firm registered on the website <http://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> for participating in e-tendering process (Help desk No. for registering-09417701794 & 07988403142).

DI-13781 HOSPITAL ENGINEER (ELECT.)

**Office of Principal Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru Govt. Medical College & Hospital Chamba, H.P.**

Phone: 01899223956, 01899223959 Fax: 01899223958

Website: <https://www.hptenders.gov.in>

Email: (gmchamba@gmail.com)

**NOTICE INVITING SHORT TERM TENDER (NIT)**

Tender Ref. No. GMC/CBA/Acct/Tender/MGC Dated:

E-Tenders are invited from the Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM) or their established, reputed and experienced authorized dealer/representatives for the procurement of medical gas cylinders for Pt. JLNGMCH Chamba as per annexure-A attached. The detailed tender document can be viewed and downloaded from website: <https://www.hptenders.gov.in>, from 13.11.2020 to 24.11.2020 up to 11:00 AM. The Last date and time for submission & uploading of filled in tender documents is 24.11.2020 at 11:00 AM. The Tender will be opened 24.11.2020 at 11:30 AM. Duly completed tender form along with cost of tender document Rs. 500/- (five hundred only) and Earnest Money Deposit of Rs. 50,000/- (fifty thousand only) by way of DD/FDR duly pledged in favour of Principal Pt. JLNGMC&H Chamba along with other required documents should be uploaded on the website <https://www.hptenders.gov.in> or before the date of opening of the tenders. All subsequent corrigenda, modifications and clarifications in respect of tender will be published only on aforesaid website. The bidders are advised to visit the aforesaid website. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tender offers without assigning any reason.

**Principal,**  
**Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru Govt. Medical College,**  
**Chamba, District Chamba, (HP)** DPR/HP/4356

**SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE**

The Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division No. II, Kullu at Bhunter invites Online tenders on short term basis on behalf of Governor or Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following works through e-tendering process:

Sr. No.	NAME OF WORK	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Time Limit	Cost of Tender Form
1.	C.A.D. of lift irrigation scheme Bhatgran Tuniseri in tehsil Bhunter, Distt. Kullu H.P. (SH- C/O Sub Outlet Chamber 17 Nos., correction of deficiency retaining wall at various RD's and laying jointing and testing of HDPE pipes at various RD's hydrant and anchor block in Chalk No. 14,15,16 and 17)	15,12,697/-	36560/-	Three Months	800/-
2.	C.A.D. of lift irrigation scheme Bhatgran Tuniseri in Teshil Bhunter, Distt. Kullu H.P. (SH- C/O Sub Outlet Chamber 28 Nos., correction of deficiency retaining wall at various RD's and laying jointing and testing of HDPE pipes at various RD's hydrant and anchor block in Chalk No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 & 13)	16,59,063/-	32390/-	Three Months	800/-
3.	C.A.D. of lift irrigation scheme Bhatgran Tuniseri in Teshil Bhunter, Distt. Kullu H.P. (SH- C/O Sub Outlet Chamber 32 Nos., correction of deficiency retaining wall at various RD's and laying jointing and testing of HDPE pipes at various RD's hydrant and anchor block in Chalk No. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12)	18,37,044/-	35060/-	Three Months	800/-
4.	Lift irrigation scheme Balagad chether in Teshil Banjar, Distt. Kullu (H.P.) (SH- Laying jointing and testing of HDPE pipe various dia in Distribution system and 35 Nos. Outlet Chamber )Job-1	153640/-	30546/-	4 Months	800/-
5.	Lift irrigation scheme Balagad chether in Teshil Banjar, Distt. Kullu (H.P.) (SH- Laying jointing and testing of HDPE pipe various dia in Distribution system and 50 Nos. Outlet Chamber )Job-2	1981544/-	37223/-	4 Months	800/-

Last date for submission of tender:- 18.11.2020 up to 5:00 p.m. and opened on 19.11.2020 up to 11:30 a.m.

The tender forms/NIT and other detailed conditions can be downloaded from the website [www.hiphip.org](http://www.hiphip.org) or from office of the Executive Engineer up to date specified above.

(Er. Ravinder Kumar Sharma),  
Executive Engineer,  
Jal Shakti Division No. II,  
Kullu at Bhunter.

DPR/HP/4348 HIM SUNCHNA AVAM JAN SAMPAK

**TENDER NOTICE**

The Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division, Dehra invites following tenders on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following work through offline process:-

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest Money	Time completion
1	Providing WSS to Harizan Basti Narwari and Mandeli in Tehsil Dehra, Distt. Kangra (HP) (SH- Laying, jointing & testing of GI pipe Node No. B-B12 RD 450/0 to 930 = 32 mm dia disassembled at Node No B1-B2=240 mtr, B3-B6=125 Mtr. & Node No. B12-B1=160 Mtr. & Relaying)	214745/-	4295/-	Three months
2	Providing water facility to Harizan Basti Sour Kalan and Sour Khurd under LWSS Sour Kalan in Tehsil Khundian, Distt. Kangra (HP) (Under SCSP) (C/o sector tank 10000 ltr. Cap).	146049/-	2920/-	Three months
3	Providing water facility to Harizan Basti Gharlahar Rakehar, Leharian and Mareher in Tehsil Khundian, Distt. Kangra (HP) (Under SCSP) (SH- Laying, jointing and testing of GI pipe 32 mm dia Node No. 14-15)	159026/-	3180/-	Three months
4	Providing water facility to Harizan Basti Gharlahar Rakehar, Leharian and Mareher in Tehsil Khundian, Distt. Kangra (HP) (Under SCSP) (SH- Laying, jointing and testing of GI pipe 32 mm dia Node No. 12-39 Tank to tank line) RD 4460/0 to 1750 mtr.	231643/-	4635/-	Three months
5	Providing water facility to Harizan Basti Gharlahar Rakehar, Leharian and Mareher in Tehsil Khundian, Distt. Kangra (HP) (Under SCSP) (SH- Laying, jointing and testing of GI pipe 40 mm dia Node No. 12-14 Tank to tank line) RD 4460/0 to 2150 mtr.	288915/-	5780/-	Three months
6	Providing water facility to Harizan Basti Gharlahar Rakehar, Leharian and Mareher in Tehsil Khundian, Distt. Kangra (HP) (Under SCSP) (SH- Laying, jointing and testing of Gravity main 80 mm dia RD 3245/0 to 4460 mtr.)	495128/-	9905/-	Three months
7	Providing WSS to Harizan Basti Narwari and Mandeli in Tehsil Dehra, Distt. Kangra (HP) (SH- Laying, jointing and testing of GI pipe B-B9 RD 450/0 to 1200 = 50 mm dia & Disassembled at Node No. B20-B21, B21=125 mtr. B20-B20, RD 120 to 250 & RD 120/0 to 50 mtr.)	232831/-	4660/-	Three months
8	A/R & M/O Divisional office building at Dehra in Tehsil Dehra, Distt. Kangra (HP) (SH- C/o She toilet and tile flooring in JE office etc.)	359904/-	7080/-	Three months

Last date of submission of tender:- 21.11.2020 up to 3:00 P.M.

Last date of sale of tender from the Division office:- 19.11.2020 up to 5:00 P.M. The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be downloaded from the website [www.hiphip.org](http://www.hiphip.org) or from office of the Executive Engineer up to date specified above.

Executive Engineer,  
Jal Shakti Division, Dehra.

Prayaas Building, 4th Level, Sector 38-B, Chandigarh.  
Tel. No. 0172-2625718, Fax No. 0172-2636791  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR APPOINTMENT**

Punjab State AIDS Control Society invites eligible candidates to fill the following posts in the peripheral units of PSACS purely on contract basis:

**Walk-in interview**

Sr. No.	Name	Number of Vacancies	Date of Walk-in interview	Place of Walk-in Interview
1.	Medical Officer	6	24.11.2020	Punjab State AIDS Control Society, Prayaas Building, Level 4th, Sector 38-B, Chandigarh

**Applications on prescribed proforma are invited for filling up of following vacant posts on Contractual Basis.**

Sr. No.	Name	Number of Vacancies	Mode of recruitment
1.	Care Coordinator	4	Application on prescribed Proforma will be send to the O/o Punjab State AIDS Control Society, Prayaas Building, Level 4th, Sector 38-B, Chandigarh

**For the post of Care Coordinator:** The interested candidates who fulfill the eligibility conditions & other criteria may submit their application in the office of Punjab State AIDS Control Society, Prayaas Building, 4th Floor, Sector 38-B, Chandigarh on the prescribed format along with the attested copies of the certificates/testimonials and two recent passport size photographs. **The last date of submission of application for the post of care coordinator is 27.11.2020.**

For detailed terms of reference comprising summary of the job, educational qualification, experience, place of posting, consolidated salary, format of application etc. for the above posts please visit website [www.punjabacs.punjab.gov.in](http://www.punjabacs.punjab.gov.in).

Project Director, PSACS

DPR/Pb/103747

**UK considers sanctions as China 'breaches' HK treaty****HK DEMOCRACY BLOC SUBMITS RESIGNATION**

Hong Kong: Hong Kong's pro-democracy lawmakers on Thursday submitted their resignation letters to the Legislative Council a day after the government ousted four of its members, inviting criticism from across the world. It wasn't immediately known if their resignation had been accepted. AGENCIES

LONDON, NOVEMBER 12

Britain on Thursday said China had broken its main bilateral treaty on Hong Kong by imposing new rules to disqualify elected legislators in the former British colony, cautioning that it would consider sanctions as part of its response.

The British flag was lowered over Hong Kong when the colony was handed back to China in 1997 after more than 150 years of British rule — imposed after Britain defeated China in the First Opium War.

Hong Kong's autonomy was guaranteed under the 'one country, two systems' agreement enshrined in the 1984 Sino-British Joint Declaration signed by then Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang and British PM Margaret Thatcher.

"Beijing's imposition of new rules to disqualify elected legislators in Hong Kong constitutes a clear breach of the legally binding Sino-British Joint Declaration. China has once again

broken its promises and undermined Hong Kong's high degree of autonomy," Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab said.

UK summoned China ambassador to express its

deep concerns and Raab's deputy, Nigel Adams, told parliament that it was considering possible sanctions on individuals over China's actions. He didn't name Hong Kong

Chief Executive Carrie Lam.

Meanwhile, Canada said it would make rules easy for Hong Kongers to study and work in response to new Chinese security rules. — Reuters

**UK crosses 50K deaths**

LONDON, NOVEMBER 12

The UK has become the first country in Europe to cross the grim milestone of 50,000 Covid-related deaths. PM Boris Johnson said, "We mourn everybody who's gone."

As per the official figures, 12,56,725 people have tested positive after 22,950 new cases were recorded this week. A further 595 fatalities due to the deadly viral infection on Wednesday took the death toll to 50,365, making the United Kingdom the fifth country in the world to cross the 50,000 mark after the US, Brazil, Mexico and Italy.

Meanwhile, Austria's daily

**TRACKING VIRUS****NATIONS****DEATHS**

US	247,548
BRAZIL	163,406
MEXICO	96,430
UK	50,365
ITALY	43,589

WORLDOMETER TILL NOV 12, 10 PM

cases of Covid infection surpassed 9,000 for the first time. Italy has reported 37,978 cases, most of them in Lombardy, and 636 deaths in the past 24 hours, its health ministry said. — Agencies

**Donald Trump wins Alaska, tally now 217****EDGE IN SENATE**

The Alaska election results gave Republicans an edge over the Democrats in the Senate. Republican senator Dan Sullivan won his Senate re-election bid. This gives the Republicans 50 Senate seats, while the Democrats have 48. Two seats go to poll on January 5.

Biden has already been declared winner of the November 3 poll with 279 of the 538 electoral college votes.

# Young guns Green, Abbott, Pucovski for India Tests

MELBOURNE, NOVEMBER 12

Prodigiously talented youngsters Will Pucovski and Cameron Green were among five uncapped players included in a 17-member Australian Test squad for the four-match series against India, which starts on December 17.

The other uncapped Test players in the Tim Paine-led side are leg-spinner Mitchell Swepson, all-rounder Michael Neser and fast bowler Sean Abbott — whose bouncer had accidentally hit Phil Hughes during a Sheffield Shield game in 2014, leading to his tragic death. All the players who are yet to wear the Baggy Green have been called on the back of extraordinary performances in the domestic circuit in recent times, Cricket Australia said.

Cricket Australia's national selector Trevor Hohns said the Shield performances augur well for Australia's future.

"Two of those many stand-out players were of course Cameron Green and Will

## AUSTRALIAN SQUAD

**Tests:** Tim Paine (c), Sean Abbott, Joe Burns, Pat Cummins, Cameron Green, Josh Hazlewood, Travis Head, Marnus Labuschagne, Nathan Lyon, Michael Neser, James Pattinson, Will Pucovski, Steve Smith, Mitchell Starc, Mitchell Swepson, Matthew Wade, David Warner

**Australia A:** Sean Abbott, Ashton Agar, Joe Burns, Jackson Bird, Alex Carey (wk), Harry Conway, Cameron Green, Marcus Harris, Travis Head, Moises Henriques, Nic Maddinson, Mitchell Marsh (subject to fitness), Michael Neser, Tim Paine, James Pattinson, Will Pucovski, Mark Steketee, Will Sutherland, Mitchell Swepson

Pucovski," Hohns said in a statement. Each of these players, though, has represented Australia in other formats. "Cameron has already won selection in the white-ball squad and continues that in joining the Test squad. He is a wonderful young talent who has great potential to become an allrounder of substance over time. His batting alone has demanded his place in the squad," Hohns said.

### Revenge series

Seeking to regain the Border-Gavaskar Trophy they lost for the first time in 2018-19, Australia will also have

### Pucovski back after 'mental' issues



Will Pucovski had last year ruled himself out of contention for Test selection "due to matters pertaining to mental wellbeing". Two years ago, at age 20, Pucovski had left cricket "indefinitely" over mental health issues. His inclusion in the Test team is a triumph of human spirit and his courage. He has had a fine run in domestic cricket in recent times, striking successive double centuries in two Sheffield Shield appearances, amassing 495 runs at an average of 247.50. In all likelihood, Pucovski will partner the seasoned David Warner at the top. His inclusion sets up a competition with fellow opener Joe Burns, who is feeling the heat after a disastrous start to the First-Class summer.



Virat Kohli and Deepak Chahar (above), and KL Rahul, Mayank Agarwal and Hardik Pandya (below) before leaving for Australia. PTI



Jasprit Bumrah at the airport in Sydney. PHOTO: BCCI/TWITTER

### Indian squad reaches Sydney

SYDNEY: A 25-player Indian squad, led by skipper Virat Kohli, reached here today for a two-month Australia tour that starts with a 14-day quarantine-cum-training period on the outskirts of the city. The Indian contingent along with Australian stars David Warner, Steve Smith and Pat Cummins arrived late in the afternoon. PTI



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## SURREAL START

AUGUSTA: The 84th Masters began in a surreal atmosphere as starters Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player hit the ceremonial first tee shots in near darkness at Augusta National today. Nicklaus and Player emerged from the clubhouse at 6.57 am local time, the exact minute of sunrise, and strode to the tee before daylight had even punctuated the gloom in a light drizzle, as a drone buzzed nearby to film the occasion. Despite this being a Masters like no other, without paying spectators due to novel coronavirus concerns, several hundred people surrounded the tee, mostly members and their guests. REUTERS



Honorary starter Jack Nicklaus before the ceremonial tee shot as Gary Player looks on. REUTERS

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No. of Awards: One\*

\* Committee may change the number of Awards to be given or may defer if the entries are not found suitable.  
Separate application should be made for each indigenous technology commercialized / promising new technology with potential for commercialization developed by start-ups. Enterprises desirous of competing for the awards should refer to TDB Website (<http://www.tdb.gov.in>) and register via "National Award Registration" link. After registration applicant should fill and submit the form online.

Details of the award, terms and conditions are available at the website: <http://www.tdb.gov.in>

\* Awardees of last two (2) years need not apply

Application should be submitted via online mode only on or before

31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020 (05.00 PM)

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# Cool Kochhar holds off Chowrasia

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE



Karandeep Kochhar ended up with a total of an 18-under 270 to win the title by two strokes. TRIBUNE PHOTO

aged to do it, collecting birdies on the first two holes to get his confidence going. He missed a couple of birdie chances before a three-putt bogey on the 10th. A good par followed on the 12th, where Kochhar two-putted from 70 feet. Standing on the 16th tee, he realised that Chowrasia had caught up with him at 16-under. Kochhar responded to the challenge, picking up timely birdies on the 16th and 17th, where he sank a 20-

footer from the fringe.

thereafter. I managed to do that and the 20-feet birdie conversion on the 17th was crucial as it gave me a two-shot cushion and helped me avoid the pressure on the last hole," he added.

### Chowrasia shines

Chowrasia, who had carded 69-69-72 over the first three days, was overnight 14th and nine off the lead. But he had a blazing start today as he birdied the first three holes, followed by birdies on the eighth and ninth. Five-under after nine holes, Chowrasia had a bogey on the 10th but came roaring back with birdies on the 11th, 13th and 14th.

Another local golfer, Akshay Sharma (69), the winner at last week's PGTI event, was third at a 14-under 274.

Chandigarh golfer Yuvraj Singh Sandhu (67)

and Gurugram's Veer Ahlawat (70) were joint fourth at 13-under.

Abhijit Singh Chadha (66) was tied-6th at 11-under and Aadil Bedi (68)

ended up tied-10th at a 9-

under 279.

Udayan Mane (67) was tied-14th at 8-under.

Kochhar, whose overnight lead was four strokes, kept his nerve on the final day to register his first win on PGTI in four years, having come close on several occasions. He had hoped for a good stretch over the first six holes today, and he man-

# Kapil back playing golf, 3 weeks after angioplasty

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12

Indian cricket legend Kapil Dev, who suffered a heart attack last month, today got back on the golf course three weeks after undergoing emergency angioplasty.

The 61-year-old underwent an angioplasty last month after complaining of uneasiness and pain in the chest, following which he was rushed to a hospital late at night.

Kapil today posted a video of himself hitting a tee shot at the Delhi Golf Club, and saying that 'that's what life is all about.' TNS

"You can't express in words what fun it is to be back on the golf course or a cricket ground. It is beautiful to be back at the golf course, having fun and playing with friends. That's what life is all about," Kapil said.

Kapil had got back home after a couple of days in hospital, and had said that he would like to be back playing golf as soon as doctors allowed him. Kapil has been a very keen amateur golfer after retiring from international cricket. — TNS

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### ENGAGEMENT OF JUNIOR ECONOMIST IN PFRDA ON CONTRACT BASIS

Applications are invited for filling up one (1) post of Junior Economist in PFRDA purely on contract basis for a period of three (03) years. The complete details of eligibility criteria, mode of selection, remuneration and application form etc. are available on PFRDA's website at [www.pfrda.org.in](http://www.pfrda.org.in) and also on the website of National Career Service at [www.ncs.gov.in](http://www.ncs.gov.in).

- Any corrigendum/addendum/notices (if any) relating to this vacancy notification shall be issued only on the website of PFRDA.
- The last date for receipt of applications is 11 December, 2020 (Friday).

Sd/- GENERAL MANAGER  
(Admin & HR)

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In compliance to the Hon'ble NGT directions vide OA-No.-249/2020 dated 09.11.2020 and Govt. of Himachal Pradesh notification No.-STE- E (3)-14/2020 dated 12/11/2020, all the cities/towns of the State where ambient air quality is 'moderate' or below, only green crackers are allowed to be sold and the timings for use and bursting of crackers are allowed between 8 pm to 10 pm on Diwali 2020.

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## 'VAGIR' SET AFLOAT

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Navy's fifth Scorpene class submarine 'Vagir' was launched on Thursday at the Mazagon Dock in south Mumbai.

Having superior stealth features, 'Vagir' is part of the six Kalvari-class submarines being built in India. PTI

## Now, digital life certificate at pensioners' doorstep

Tribune News Service



Govt ropes in postmen, gramin dak sevaks

and will be available to all Central government pensioners across the country," the government said in the statement.

The IPPB will utilise its huge network of postmen and gramin dak sevaks to ensure doorstep facility to pensioners.

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## Stricter foreign funding rules for NGOs

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12

The government has issued a notification changing the rules of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act — FCRA — to tighten norms for flow of foreign fund to the voluntary sector in India.

The new rules require any organisation that wants to register itself under the FCRA to have existed for at least three years and to have spent a minimum of Rs 15 lakh on its core activities during the last three financial years for the benefit of the society.

The Ministry of Home Affairs has also mentioned that office-bearers of the voluntary organisations seeking registration under the FCRA must submit a specific commitment letter from the donor indicating the overseas contribution amount and the purpose for which it is proposed to be given. Election candidates, government servants, members of any legislature and political parties have also prohibited from accepting foreign funding. — TNS

# Amid controversy, PM unveils Vivekananda statue at JNU

Says ideology should be in sync with national interest, not against it

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said the ideology of a person should be in sync with the interest of the country and not against it. "Putting ideology before nationalism has done a lot of harm to the country," he said, unveiling a life-size statue of Swami Vivekananda at the campus of the Left-dominated JNU amid protests by students' union.

The statue has been a cause of contention for a while amid allegations of a "saffron takeover" of the campus.

The Prime Minister, in his first address at the university which has been home to several ideological controversies and clashes, told students that using one's own ideology into matters related to the country was not right. "On subjects of national interest, our ideology should be with



## SAFFRON TAKEOVER?

An RTI filed in February 2019 by then JNUSU president N Sai Balaji stated the university did not have the permission from the Environment Ministry to axe trees or break rocks at the proposed site.

Later in November, objectionable messages, mostly directed towards right-wing outfits, were found written on the pedestal of a yet-to-be unveiled statue

◀◀ PM Narendra Modi addresses a gathering at JNU on Thursday. PTI

the country and not against it.

People of different ideologies came together during our freedom struggle to fight as one. I was part of the movement against the Emergency. Several former leaders of the Congress, RSS volunteers, and socialist and communist leaders came together back then, but no one had to compromise on ideology. There

was only one purpose — national interest. Therefore,

whenever there is a question of national unity, integrity and national interest, taking decisions under the influence of any ideology will lead to loss for the nation," he said.

While students questioned the source of funding of the statue, pointing to lack of infrastructure and funds for

academic works and research, BJP leaders said it was "not about funds but ideology". "They are okay with the statue of Nehru but have a problem with the statue of Swami Vivekananda," said BJP leaders. Meanwhile, Vice Chancellor M Jagadesh Kumar said the statue had been installed with the support of the alumni.

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## Nitish lacks mandate...

A few seats would have changed the outcome," Tejashwi wondered how a vote difference of barely 12,270 votes translated into 125 seats. Yadav flagged "discrepancies" like postal ballots being counted last in some booths and several postal ballots being declared invalid at some others.

## MEA says Modi-Biden talks when mutually convenient

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President-elect Joe Biden would speak with each other in due course at a mutually convenient time, the MEA has said.

PM Modi and other leaders from the democratic world had congratulated Biden soon after all US TV networks declared a lead for him, but leaders from Russia and China have not reacted so far.

## Food aid sent to African nations

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India is in the process of delivering humanitarian assistance to Sudan, South Sudan, Djibouti and Eritrea in the form of food amid natural calamities and the Covid pandemic, said the MEA.

Navy's INS Airavat left Mumbai on October 24 for this region with aid consisting of wheat flour, rice and sugar. The ship will depart the Port of Djibouti, where it has unloaded food aid, and will reach Mombasa (Kenya) on November 20 to deliver aid meant for South Sudan. — TNS

of up to 20 per cent of outstanding as on February 29, 2020, to the healthcare segment and 26 stressed sectors. The FM announced Rs 900

crore grant for Covid vaccine research to the Department of Biotechnology. She clarified that the grant did not cover the actual cost of vaccine.



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Modi for all-round connectivity with ASEAN grouping  
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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 12  
Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said India's major priority with the 10-nation ASEAN grouping was to enhance all kinds of connectivity, including in social, digital and financial spheres.

"We believe a cohesive and responsive ASEAN is needed for security and growth for all in the region," he said in his remarks at a virtual summit between India and ASEAN.

The PM also reiterated India's offer of \$1 billion Line of Credit to support ASEAN connectivity. "Enhancing every type of connectivity between India and ASEAN—physical, economic, social, digital, financial, maritime—is a major priority for us. In the last few years, we have come close to all these areas," observed the PM.

The interaction, however, took place against the development of the ASEAN group planning to ink a regional free trade agreement with five countries on Sunday without waiting for India.