

Sonia leads 7 CMs to take on govt over GST dues, exam row

Non-NDA govts agree in principle to file review petition on JEE, NEET

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
Two days after surviving a challenge to her leadership in the party, Congress chief Sonia Gandhi was back in action today as she got chief ministers of seven states ruled by non-NDA parties to pledge unity against the Centre on issues of GST dues and the conduct of JEE (Main) and NEET-UG.

In stark contrast to Monday when she sat frigidly through a Congress Working Committee meeting that trashed a letter few leaders had earlier written seeking a “visible party chief”, Sonia wore an effortless look today. She allowed West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee to conduct the virtual meeting even when the latter kept saying, “But you are the senior leader, you

Special GST Council meeting today



REFUSAL TO PAY DUES AMOUNTS TO BETRAYAL
“Centre hasn’t paid the mandatory GST compensation of 14% to states. This refusal is nothing short of betrayal. Sonia Gandhi, CONGRESS CHIEF

PUNJAB STARING AT ₹25K CRORE DEFICIT
“We all must meet the Prime Minister. How will states run if the Centre does not pay us? Capt Amarinder Singh, PUNJAB CM



DISTRIBUTE DISASTER FUNDS TO STATES
“Give states money from disaster funds Mamata Banerjee, WB CM



should conduct the meeting.”

In the end, the CMs of Maharashtra (Uddhav Thackeray), Jharkhand (Hemant Soren) and four Congress-ruled states (Punjab’s Capt Amarinder Singh, Rajasthan’s Ashok Gehlot, Chhattisgarh’s Bhupesh Baghel and Puducherry’s V Narayanasamy) unanimously agreed to the need of filing a petition in the apex court for review of an earlier order rejecting the postponement of the JEE and NEET-UG.

Mamata and Capt Amarinder led the demand for urgent legal recourse on exams after Sonia said the Centre was dealing with the issue “very uncaringly”. Capt Amarinder cited the rising Covid infections in Punjab to argue that even UGC’s exams should be postponed.

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SC to Centre: Can’t hide behind RBI on interest waiver during moratorium

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
The Supreme Court on Wednesday took note of the Centre’s alleged inaction and asked it to clarify its stand within a week on interest waiver for deferred loan instalments during the moratorium period announced due to Covid-19 lockdown.

A Bench headed by Justice Ashok Bhushan said the Centre had not made its stand clear on the issue despite the fact that ample powers were available with it under the Disaster Management Act and was “hiding behind the RBI”.

‘CLARIFY WITHIN 1 WEEK’

- SC has asked Centre to clarify stand on interest waiver during loan moratorium
- The moratorium on loan instalments was announced during Covid lockdown
- SC has asked whether additional interest on existing interest could be accrued


The apex court granted time to the government after Solicitor General Tushar

Mehta sought a week to file a response. “My lordships may not say that. We are working in coordination with the RBI,” Mehta said.

The Bench, also comprising Justices R Subhash Reddy and MR Shah, asked the Solicitor General to clarify stand on the Act and whether additional interest on existing interest could be accrued. Senior advocate Kapil Sibal, appearing for the petitioner, told the Bench that the loan moratorium deadline would end on August 31 and sought its extension.

The apex court posted the matter for hearing on September 1.

The top court had earlier said there was “no merit in charging interest on interest” for deferred loan instalments.

The Bench was hearing a plea filed by Agra resident Gajendra Sharma, who has sought a direction to declare the portion of the RBI’s March 27 notification “as ultra vires to the extent it charges interest on the loan amount during the moratorium period, which creates hindrance and obstruction in ‘right to life’ guaranteed by Article 21 of the Constitution”. — PTI

Covid to peak by mid-Sept in Pb: Capt

Cases likely to soar to 1.10 lakh, fatalities to 3,000

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
The Covid-19 situation in Punjab is worsening and the state will see a peak in mid-September, when cases are projected to rise to 1.10 lakh and fatalities to around 3,000, Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh said on Wednesday.

He was speaking at a virtual meeting of seven CMs of Opposition parties called by Congress president Sonia Gandhi.

“The Covid situation is getting worse in Punjab. We are likely to hit the peak by mid-September. Today we have 44,000 cases which will rise to 1.10 lakh by September 18. So far, there have

23 MLAs test positive ahead of Punjab Assembly session


TESTING TO GO UP

- Punjab will conduct 30,000 Covid tests a day by the end of the month, said the CM
- Currently, there are 499 patients on oxygen support & 55 on ventilator in the state
- State has so far spent ₹500 cr on Covid and got ₹101 cr from the Centre, which has promised ₹30 cr more

COVID-19 CASES INDIA

COUNT 32,34,474

RECOVERED 24,67,758
FRESH FATALITIES 1,059
TOTAL DEATHS 59,449

WORLD

TOTAL	2,42,20,989
RECOVERED	1,67,14,540
DEATHS	8,26,667

PHASE II TRIAL OF OXFORD VACCINE BEGINS IN PUNE

Pune: The Phase II human clinical trial of the Oxford Covid-19 vaccine candidate, being manufactured by the Serum Institute of India, began at a medical college and hospital here on Wednesday. Two male volunteers were administered the vaccine at Bharati Vidyapeeth’s Medical College and Hospital. 77

Borrow from market & pay dues, states to insist

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
Battle lines are drawn for the special GST Council meeting tomorrow. Seven Opposition CMs will press the Centre to borrow from the market to pay four months of revenue collection dues. Representatives of Kerala and Delhi are likely to join forces with them at the meeting.

The Opposition CMs attended a webinar with Congress chief Sonia Gandhi and

discussed plans to approach the Supreme Court as well as call on the President or PM to implement the Centre’s obligation to pay states the promised GST compensation.

Sources indicate that the Centre may ask the states to borrow from the market as per their requirement while it would backstop the loan with sovereign guarantees. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman is expected to point out that revenue collection is a collective responsibility and while the Centre would do its best, states should also share the burden.

This cooperative approach is a far cry from the early days of the pandemic when

FIGURING IT OUT

- ₹95,444 crore cess collection for financial year 2019-20
- ₹1,65,302 crore transferred to states during the period
- ₹2 lakh crore shortfall expected this fiscal year

the Centre had sought to impose stiff conditionalities if the states wanted to borrow more. The Centre may point out that the impact of the pandemic was not anticipated when promising a 14 per cent increase in states’ compensation. It may also suggest tweaking the GST to bring in additional revenue. But at the centre stage will be a discussion on who would shoulder the burden of borrowings to make up for the GST shortfall.



EAM: Solution to border row lies in honouring pacts

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
A solution to the border row with China must be predicated on honouring all agreements and understandings without attempting to alter the status quo unilaterally, External Affairs Minister

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S Jaishankar has said in a clear assertion of India’s position on the issue.

He called the situation in Ladakh the “most serious” after the 1962 conflict, adding the quantum of forces deployed by both sides at the LAC was unprecedented. “We are talking to the Chinese via military and diplomatic channels,” he said. —PTI

Indian, Chinese forces to exercise side by side

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
A combined tri-services contingent from India will take part in a 12-day military exercise in Russia. Two of India’s edgy neighbours — China and Pakistan — will also be part of the exercise scheduled from September 15 to 26.

The Indian contingent of around 200 officers and troops will take part in the ‘Kavkaz 2020’ (Caucasus 2020), a “strategic command-post exercise” in the Astrakhan region.

Since early May, India and China are locked in a tense military standoff in Ladakh along the Line of Actual Control (LAC). The two sides were involved in a skirmish in the Galwan valley, leading to casualties on both sides on June 15.

India’s participation will be of a company-level strength

MILITARY DRILL IN RUSSIA

■ Around 200 Indian troops will attend ‘Kavkaz 2020’ in Russia from September 15 to 26

■ China is sending a large contingent besides three ships. Pakistan will take part too

■ The exercise involves offensive and defensive ops against international terror outfits

(around 180 troops from an infantry battalion). Elements of the Indian Air Force and observers from the Indian Navy will also be going.

China is sending a large contingent along with three ships for the exercise. “Our troops are going for a multilateral exercise where 18 countries are participating. It’s not an India-China-Pakistan event. In total, 13,000 troops will participate,” said an official here. — TNS

Washed away



REUTERS

■ Three persons were killed, and several houses, bridges and roads damaged as heavy rain lashed Jammu region on Wednesday.

■ A bridge over Balole nullah connecting Digiana area with Bishnah was washed away in flashfloods, snapping road connectivity to many villages.

■ The Jammu-Srinagar National Highway remained closed for the second day as heavy rain triggered fresh landslides at various places.

Udan 4.0 ready to go, 78 regional routes added

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
Union Civil Aviation Minister Hardeep Singh Puri has said Udan 4.0 was ready for launch and 78 additional routes would be awarded in this phase to establish air connectivity to several unserved destinations.

The Udan scheme is framed to provide financial incentives from the Centre, state governments and airport operators to select airlines to encourage operations from unserved and underserved airports at affordable airfares.

“Udan 4.0 is ready to go. Seventy-eight additional routes have now been approved, taking the total number of sanctioned routes to 766,” tweeted Puri. He said 18 unserved or underserved airports would be connected

LAUNCHED IN 2016

■ Launched in 2016, the Centre has awarded 766 routes under Udan scheme

■ The aim is to improve regional connectivity to unserved or underserved airports

■ The 78 routes will cause approximate monthly viability gap funding outflow of ₹15 crore

to major cities, including Delhi, Kolkata and Kochi.

The government launched the Udan scheme in 2016 to improve regional connectivity. At least half of the seats in Udan flights are offered at subsidised fares and the participating carriers are provided a certain amount of viability gap funding, an amount shared between the Centre and the state concerned.

FASTag now must for toll plaza discounts

NEW DELHI: The government on Wednesday said it had made FASTag mandatory for availing all discounts on national highway toll plazas. “The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has made the use of FASTag mandatory for availing return journey discount or any other exemptions at toll plazas. Any user who wishes to claim such discounts must have a FASTag on the vehicle,” the ministry said. 77

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HC: Teachers’ cartel worrying

Fair and transparent transfer policy must, HP Govt told

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

SHIMLA, AUGUST 26
The HP High Court today expressed concern over influential teachers forming a cartel to ensure postings in and around district and tehsil headquarters. It directed the state government to ensure that a maximum number of teachers, especially those whose children are to appear in board/ professional courses exams, were given an opportunity to serve at the district and tehsil headquarters.

LAYING IT DOWN

Give preference to teachers whose kids are to appear in board or any other exam, rules Division Bench

The verdict came on a petition by a teacher who said she was shifted from Government School, Sanjauli (Shimla), to Government School, Theog, on “political” recommendation.

“The state is required to adopt a fair and transparent policy of transfer by calling

for the details of all teachers whose children are to appear in the board exams or exams for professional courses... This will bring about an end to the monopoly created in favour of a few teachers and will ensure benefits to the student community as a whole,” a Division Bench said.

“...Because of the cartel created by a few employees serving in urban and semi-urban areas, influential employees manage to secure postings in and around urban areas, leaving practically no room for others,” the Bench added.

Notice to J&K admn on Vaishno shrine

JAMMU, AUGUST 26
The Jammu and Kashmir High Court on Wednesday issued a notice to the state administration and Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board in connection with a writ petition filed by Baridars, who claimed administration, management and governance of the holy shrine.

The petition challenges the constitutional validity of the Jammu & Kashmir Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board Act, 1988, which took away the control of the shrine from the hands of Baridars. **INSIDE**

12 Hry Bills passed in 90 mins

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26
The Haryana Assembly today passed 12 Bills in just over 90 minutes in the monsoon session of the Vidhan Sabha, which lasted less than three hours. Walkout by the Congress-led Opposition, which wanted deliberation on key Bills, couldn’t deter the BJP-JJP government from tabling the Bills.

Held under extraordinary circumstances in the absence of CM ML Khattar, Speaker Gian Chand Gupta, Agriculture Minister JP Dalal, Trans-

LEGISLATIONS CLEARED

Bills to undo 2017 amendment to the Haryana Development and Regulation of Urban Areas Act, and amend the Haryana municipal, goods and service and value added tax Acts

port Minister Mool Chand Sharma and four legislators — all positive for Covid-19 — the session began at 2 pm and was adjourned sine die well before 5 pm. Five other MLAs — Kiran Choudhry, Dura Ram, Pradeep Chaudhary, Gopal Kanda and Ram Niwas — stayed away. As

many as 23 Vidhan Sabha staffers also tested positive for the virus today.

The session was curtailed to a few hours after the business advisory committee (BAC) of the Assembly met this morning. “It was decided the business has to be transacted in shorter duration in view of the pandemic,” said Deputy Speaker Ranbir Gangwa.

Leader of the Opposition BS Hooda said: “The members should have been given an opportunity to debate, but the government was hell bent on passing the Bills without discussion.”

Put off session, demands Opposition

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

Ahead of the one-day Vidhan Sabha session scheduled for Friday, as many as 23 MLAs have been found to be Covid-positive. While three are AAP legislators, six belong to the SAD and 13 are from the Congress.

AAP MLA Manjit Singh Bilaspur and SAD MLA Gurpartap Singh Wadala, both of whom tested positive, had attended the meetings of their respective legislative parties. With this, the MLAs of the two Opposition parties who attended the meetings are unlikely to get permission for attending the session.

Officials in the Vidhan Sabha said they would strictly go by the guidelines issued by the Union Health Ministry. The guidelines state that any person who comes in contact with an infected person will have to undergo self-quarantine for five days even if his report is negative. Speaker Rana



KP Singh said: "We have to go by what the law says. As lawmakers, we are supposed to set an example for others."

The Opposition parties are livid at the likelihood of being asked to stay away. Leader of Opposition Harpal Singh Cheema said the Congress could simply fulfil the constitutional requirement of having a session without conducting any official business,

which could be done after five-day quarantine of their MLAs (who have tested negative, but were in touch with MLA Bilaspur) ended. "It is important that Punjab rejects the three farm ordinances and the Electricity Amendment Bill before the monsoon session of Parliament. This can be done when all parties have sufficient representation in the House," he said.

LEGISLATORS WHO CONTRACTED VIRUS

Congress

1. Gurpreet Kangar
2. Sukhjinder Randhawa
3. Sham Sunder Arora
4. Hardial Kamboj
5. Madan Lal Jalalpur
6. Ajaib Singh Bhatti
7. Dr Dharamvir Aghnihotri
8. Amit Vij
9. Harjot Kamal
10. Amrik Singh Dhillon
11. Balwinder Singh Dhaliwal
12. Pargat Singh
13. Sanjeev Talwar



Shiromani Akali Dal

14. Manpreet Singh Ayali
15. NK Sharma
16. Rozy Barkandi
17. Gurpartap Singh Wadala
18. Lakhbir Singh Lodhinangal
19. Harinderpal Chandumajra



Aam Aadmi Party

20. Manjit Singh Bilaspur
21. Kulwant Singh Pandori
22. Principal Budh Ram



Unattached

23. Nazar Singh Manshahia

Budhlada, his report came positive," Arora said.

SAD MLA Bikram Singh Majithia alleged that the government was running away from answering their questions by using these guidelines to keep the Opposition MLAs away from the session.

The session has been called as it is a constitutional requirement to call a session within six months of the previous one.

Covid grips judiciary too, courts unlikely to open soon

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

The subordinate judiciary in Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh is staring at a crisis. No less than 44 judicial officers and court officials have tested positive for Covid during the past two weeks. Another 212 judicial officers and officials have been quarantined, indicating the impracticality of permitting physical functioning of the courts.

The Punjab and Haryana High Court is also not isolated in the court complexes or police personnel bringing them following their arrest were tested positive. The judicial officers included a district and sessions judge. As of now, the total pendency of cases is 52,746 in Chandigarh, 9,74,942 in Haryana and 7,39,015 in Punjab. The surge in Covid cases involving judicial officers comes amid calls and representa-

HC HEARING 1,000 CASES DAILY

Further streamlining its functioning, the High Court is hearing more than 1,000 cases daily with an increase in the number of Benches. Available information suggests that no less than 30 single Benches and three Division Benches have been functioning daily since August 24.

garh were earlier quarantined after accused produced in the court complexes or police personnel bringing them following their arrest were tested positive.

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tions by a section of lawyers to resume physical functioning, which appears to be virtually impossible under the prevailing circumstances.

A senior High Court official confirmed that the administration was in regular touch with the health authorities and other experts. They were of the opinion that the cases were likely to increase rapidly in the coming days. As such, physical opening of the courts should not be resorted to at the current stage.

Despite odds, the subordinate judiciary has managed to dispose of an average 850 cases daily in Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh since the courts went into restricted functioning mode in March last week following the Covid outbreak in the country. Information suggests 2,69,069 cases were filed from March 24 to August 10 in Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh. As many as 1,01,801 cases were disposed of.

Residents oppose testing, pelt cops with stones

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SANGRUR, AUGUST 26

Residents of the Dheha colony in Dirba pelted police officials with stones when they went to the area with Health Department authorities for sampling. The colony had been declared a micro-containment zone as five persons had tested positive.

Though none suffered any injury, the police have start-

Sangrur colony was declared micro-containment zone after five persons tested positive

ed investigations while the department officials have been trying to convince the residents for testing.

"Area residents manhandled the department staff after our team asked them for their samples to prevent the further spread of Covid in the area. Residents also

pushed our officials and pelted them with bricks and stones," Dr Aarti Pandov, Senior Medical Officer of a Dirba hospital, said.

She said as the area had been declared a micro-containment zone, a special team had gone there for collecting samples of

all residents.

ASI Sat Parkash said: "We will register a case against all those who pelted the police team with stones and our investigation is going on."

However, area residents alleged that the Health Department had been harassing them on the pretext of sampling and they would not allow the testing of any asymptomatic patient.



Residents clash with police officials in Sangrur. TRIBUNE PHOTO

JEE row: Coordinate with other states, Capt tells Advocate General

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

With just days to go for the NEET/JEE, Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh today directed Advocate General Atul Nanda to coordinate with his counterparts in other Opposition-ruled states for filing a collective review petition in the Supreme Court seeking deferment of the examinations.

The directive followed a video-conference convened by Congress president Sonia Gandhi with the chief ministers of seven Opposition-ruled states to discuss this issue. Other issues of common concern were also discussed, including delay in the release of GST compensation and farm ordinances, as well as the new education policy, which Capt Amarinder said was thrust upon the states without consultation.

There was no time to seek the intervention of the Prime Minister, said Capt Amarinder in response to a suggestion to this effect. "Let us all get together to move the Supreme Court for the postponement of the exams, which will put the lives of lakhs of students at risk," he said. Pointing out that world over, exams were being held online, he suggested that the JEE/NEET and other



professional exams like medical and law entrance could also be held online.

Saying that as of today, 23 state ministers/MLAs were Covid-positive, the Chief Minister said if this was the state of legislators and ministers, one could imagine how grave the situation was. The scenario was not conducive to holding physical examinations, he said.

He also suggested that a delegation of all Opposition-ruled chief ministers should meet the Prime Minister to press for release of GST compensation and financial assistance to fight Covid. He said the Centre's failure to release GST compensation to the tune of nearly Rs 7,000 crore had put Punjab in a difficult situation amid a surge in Covid cases.

He also raised the issue of the Centre's decision to suspend the post-matric scholarship scheme for SC students, whose number in the state is a whopping 3.17 lakh. The Centre had no business cutting down on these scholarships for poor SC students, he said.

41 more succumb to virus

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

With 1,513 new cases, the state count has reached 46,090. As many as 41 persons died of the infection today, taking the toll to 1,219. At present, there are 14,640 active cases and 30,231 recoveries.

As far as cases are concerned, Ludhiana topped the list with 472 cases, followed by Patiala (237), Jalandhar (147), Gurdaspur (131), Hoshiarpur (83), Amritsar (73), Kapurthala (69) and SAS Nagar (54).

Apart from that, at present, 423 patients are on oxygen support and 60 are critical and are on ventilator support.

As far as deaths are concerned, Ludhiana reported 12 fatalities followed by Patiala (five), Hoshiarpur and Kapurthala (four each), Gurdaspur (three), Barnala,

COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Ludhiana	9,794	347
Jalandhar	5,631	143
Amritsar	3,538	130
Patiala	5,420	135
Sangrur	2,015	76
SAS Nagar	3,068	65
Gurdaspur	1,803	47
Bathinda	1,933	19
Hoshiarpur	1,229	33
Ferozepur	1,506	23
Pathankot	1,027	20
Total positive	46,090	
Deaths		1,219

Muktsar, Mansa and Sangrur (two each), and Bathinda, Jalandhar, Moga, SAS Nagar and Pathankot (one each).

In Ludhiana, a 42-year-old woman living near GNE College, a 73-year-old woman from Gurdev Nagar, a 64-year-old man from Vishalpur, a 53-year-old woman from Siahar village, a 65-year-old man from Anand

Nagar Khanna, a 57-year-old woman from New Aman Nagar, a 47-year-old woman from Rajiv Gandhi Colony, a 64-year-old man from Kuldeep Nagar near Basti Jodhewal, a 49-year-old man from Sherpur Ludhiana, a 85-year-old man from Mohalla Vijay Nagar of Jagraon and a 60-year-old man from Sahnewal died of the virus.



The PPE kits lying in the open at Nadampur village in Sangrur.

Used PPE kits found dumped on roadside

SANGRUR, AUGUST 26

Panic gripped locals after used PPE kits were found dumped on the main road near Nadampur village. The callousness has raised serious questions on the working of the Health Department. Trucks loaded with PPE kits were not being checked by the police, the residents alleged.

"On seeing the PPE kits, we informed health officials and the police," said Darshan Singh, a Nadampur

resident. Some villagers feared that it might spread the virus in their area.

"In our area, there is no big hospital. Trucks coming from Patiala might have dumped the kits," alleged Kulwant Singh, another area resident. Punjab Pollution Control Board SDO Sachin Singh said they had got the kits removed with the help of a Ludhiana-based company, adding that the matter was being investigated. — TNS

SAD submits resolution on SYL in House

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

The Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) has submitted a resolution in the Vidhan Sabha, seeking directions to the Punjab Government to take all necessary legal, constitutional and political measures to ensure the implementation of the nationally and internationally accepted riparian principle with regard to the riverwaters prior to the consideration of any question relating to the construction of the SYL canal.

The resolution that was submitted with the Vidhan Sabha secretariat on Tuesday evening as a motion under Rule 77 of the Rules of Procedure emphasises that all riverwater disputes in the country as well as at the international level had been decided solely on the basis of the riparian principle. — TNS

Painter Mehar Singh passes away

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

Renowned portrait artist Mehar Singh breathed his last today. A master of Indian realism, he was duly awarded and rewarded for his contribution to the field of art. He was honoured as the state artist by the Punjab Government and had served as the president of the Punjab Lalit Kala Akademi and vice-president of the Punjab Art Council. He received the Punjab Rattan Award in 2012 for his life-time achievements.

Mehar Singh started his initial art training while being a school student in Lahore, under celebrated artist Sobha Singh. Post Partition, he followed his 'ustad' to Andretta. Mehar Singh joined the American Embassy, New Delhi, in 1958, making busts and portraits of various American presidents during his decade-plus tenure. A portrait of the then President, Richard Nixon, fetched him a signed



Mehar Singh was given the 'Punjab Rattan' award in 2012.

letter of commendation from the President himself.

Artist RM Singh expressed his condolences to the bereaved family on the behalf of the S Sobha Singh Memorial Art Society. He remembered Mehar Singh as an artist par excellence. "The art of realistic portraiture is a challenging field. His art was no ordinary, he had this unique palette," he said. While Mehar Singh was considered one of the first disciples of Sobha Singh, RM Singh was amongst the last. The latter termed it a huge

loss for the artistic community. "He was an inspiration to me and artists all over. To reach the position that he did needs consistent hardwork. He treated his work as a meditation," he said. Mehar Singh moved to Chandigarh in the late 80s and continued to work till about a decade back with unparalleled zeal. In the past few years, he moved to Delhi with his sons. His son Charanjit Singh said: "He was not keeping well for the past few months. He breathed his last today around 10.15 am."

PUNJAB MANDI BOARD
NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS
Email- pmb.xencmoga@punjab.gov.in
TENDER NOTICE NO. 05 DATE 25.08.2020
Executive Engineer (C), Punjab Mandi Board, Moga invites tenders from eligible bidders enlisted with PUNJAB MANDI BOARD for work **Construction of APF, Roads and 35x35 Cover Shed at Purchase Center Kishanpura M.C. Dharmkot, Distt. Moga.** For details, Terms & Conditions of Notice Inviting bids, refer to website <http://www.eproc.punjab.gov.in>
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UDHIANA, AUGUST 26 The Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA), Punjab, has put promoters of 18 unregistered real estate projects across the state on final notice for compliance through personal appearance, failing which ex-parte proceedings would be initiated while deciding the matter for imposition or recovery of penalty.

In case of five city-based developers (out of 18), upon whom penalty was imposed for contravention of Section 3 of the Real Estate (Regulation & Development) Act, 2016, a final opportunity has been given for personal appearance, failing which recovery warrants would be issued and served through the District Magistrate concerned.

A public notice was served under Section 3 of the Act to 13 promoters located at various places in Punjab. RERA said the promoters were required to register their projects with the authority within three months of the commencement of the Act i.e. by July 31, 2017.

The defaulting promoters have been provided with one last opportunity to defend themselves by appearing before the authority personally or through their authorised agent on the dates intimated in the public notice. — TNS

AMRITSAR, AUGUST 26 All eyes are set on the outcome of the SGPC's executive body meeting, scheduled for Thursday, to decide the next course of action against the officials found guilty in the case of misappropriation of 'saroops'. The Akal Takht had directed the SGPC to call a meeting and take action against those found responsible for it. — TNS

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I, Anju Kumari w/o Late Shri Sudhir Kumar r/o Shahidnagar, Noorpur, Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh at present residing at # 48, Shivviki Vihar, Near Durga Mata Mandir, Patiala Road, Zirakpur, Distt. SAS Nagar, Punjab, declare that I have changed my name from Anju Kumari to Anju Chauhan. (CL20033320)
The General Public is hence notified that lalgarhia Hospital, Dabwali road, Sirsa is going to destroy all the patient Medical records/ files dated prior to - 1.04.2016. If any person has any objection he/she should contact the Medical Record Department of the hospital before 25.09.2020 otherwise the hospital will assume the consent to destroy the complete patient record as stated above. Sd/- Medical Director, Lalgarhia, Hospital. (CL20033299)

I, Surinder Kumar s/o Banwari Lal r/o House No. 8, Ahatta 166, Railway Road, Ferozepur Cantt., Punjab, have changed my minor son name from Adhyan to Adhyan Kanojia. (CL20033333)
I, No. 2489931W CHM Vinod Kumar s/o Amar Singh village Kalas Ward No. 4, Jamsal, Teh. Sarkaghat, Distt. Mandi HP declare that my daughter name wrongly mention in my Army record as Mahak correct name Mehak please all concerned note. (CL20033342)
I, Surinder Kumar s/o Banwari Lal r/o House No. 8, Ahatta 166, Railway Road, Ferozepur Cantt. Punjab, have changed my minor son name from Abhinav to Abhinav Kanojia. (CL20033356)

I Narinder Sharma s/o Kewal Krishna Sharnay #300, Model Town, Phase-3, Bathinda have changed my minor son's name Samarth to Samarth Kashyap. (CL20033416)
I, Parmajeet Singh s/o JC-108063-Rank Ex-Sub. Jagdev Singh, Village Raipur, PO Marwari, Tehsil Ghanari, Distt. Una (HP), in Army documents record mistakenly entered my name be corrected as Parmajeet Singh instead of Parmjit Singh. (CL20033426)
I Dhinav Singla s/o Sarup Chand Singla, #17134, St.No. 5, Aggarwal Colony, Bathinda have changed my name to Dinav Singla (CL20033427)
I, Nirmala Devi w/o No. 2489375-K, Rank Ex-Naik Late Vijay Kumar, VPO Andora Upper, Tehsil Amb, Distt. Una (HP) in Army documents record mistakenly entered my son name be corrected as Abhishek Kajla instead of Avishkek Kajla. (CL20033428)

I, Harleen Kaur Chawla daughter of Late Jagjit Singh H.No. 3804, Sector 32, Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana, have changed my name Harleen Kaur Chawla to Harleen Kaur. (CL20033477)

I, Amarpreet Kaur d/o Bahadur Singh r/o GHS 15, Flat 103, Sector-20 Panchkula declare that my son Baljeet Singh (Prince) is out of my control. I disown him from all my moveable/ immovable property. I shall not be responsible for any of his acts and anybody dealing with him shall do so at their own risk. (CL20033503)

I, Sunita Kumari w/o Service No. JC452709L Nib Sub Vinod Kumar r/o VPO Bhanala, Tehsil Shahpur, Distt. Kangra (HP). declare that my son's name in my husband Army record wrongly entered as Surya. Whereas my correct name is Surya Choudhary. Concerned note. (CL20033511)

I, Simarjit Kaur legally wedded spouse of Sep. Balwinder Singh Army No. 15212489M. R/o Village Behlopur, PO Dorangla, Tehsil & Distt. Gurdaspur (Punjab), have changed my name to Simerjeet Kaur. All note. (CL20033517)

I, Om Parkash Banth s/o Sh. Kishan Chand r/o Village Jandi, Tehsil Balachauri, Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Punjab (India), have changed my name. Om Parkash Banth to Om Parkash. Please note. (CL20033552)

I, Shakti Singh Chauhan s/o Prithvi Singh R/o 1384/11, Near Manav Chowk, Badshahi Bagh Gurudwara, Ambala City have changed my name to Shakti Singh. Concerned Note. (CL20033519)
I, Khushmeet Singh s/o Lakhwinder Singh Kailey, age 20 years, address Village Husnar, Tehsil Giderbaha, District Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab has changed my name from Khushmeet Singh to Khushmeet Singh Kailey, vide Affidavit Number 4141 dates 17.08.2020 before Notary by Gulwant Singh. (CL20033528)

Narco-terror racket busted

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

The Punjab Police have busted an international narco-terror racket, linked to the banned Khalistan Liberation Force (KLF), with the arrest of wanted heroin smuggler Rajinder Singh alias Ganja alias Mithu. A police constable, who was allegedly facilitating movement of the drugs and money during the lockdown period, has also been arrested.

DGP Dinkar Gupta said Rajinder's brother-in-law had also been arrested from Uttar Pradesh for his involvement in the racket, which has been traced to associates of a now deceased notorious terrorist Harmeet Singh alias PhD.

A .32 bore pistol and four live cartridges were recovered from the possession of Rajinder, with 530-gm heroin seized from his flat at Riverdale Aerovista, Zirakpur. A criminal case under the Arms Act and the NDPS Act has been registered at PS SSOC, SAS Nagar, against Rajinder, who has several other FIRs registered against him in various parts of Punjab. He has also been involved in several recent

COP 'FACILITATED' MOVEMENT OF DRUGS

■ The drug smuggler has been identified as Rajinder Singh alias Ganja. Constable Karamjit Singh of Muktsar was facilitating safe movement of drugs and money during the Covid-induced lockdown, officials said.

■ Rajinder's brother-in-law has also been arrested from Uttar Pradesh for his involvement in the racket, which has been traced to associates of deceased terrorist Harmeet Singh, alias PhD, Director General of Police Dinkar Gupta said on Wednesday.



hawala transactions to the tune of Rs 12 crore, Gupta said. Rajinder, who was arrested on August 19, told the police that he was associated with distribution of drugs, arranged by Navpreet Singh, alias Nav, a notorious smuggler wanted by the Punjab Police in murder and drug cases. He further confessed that he had supplied huge quantities of drugs to various smugglers in different parts of Punjab on the direction of Navpreet.

The DGP said Rajinder used to receive the drug consignments, mostly coming from Srinagar and Delhi, to distribute them further in Punjab. The funds generated out of

drug business were sent back to Navpreet through hawala channels. In April 2020, the Police Commissionerate, Amritsar, had arrested Hizbul terrorist Hilal Ahmed Wagay when he came to collect drug money on the instructions of Riyaz Ahmed Naikoo, a slain Hizbul Mujahideen terrorist.

Rajinder had also made an Aadhaar card and a passport with the help of fake documents from UP and was trying to escape from India in the near future, the DGP maintained, adding that the accused had also made a lot of property in and around Chandigarh and Amritsar.

Arms smuggling accused booked under UAPA

FARIDKOT, AUGUST 26

Six years after they allegedly procured prohibited and foreign-made weapons, many influential and politically well-connected persons of Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh and Delhi have been booked under the stringent provisions of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) here. The Act deals with unlawful and terror activities.

While the Organised Crime Control Unit (OCCU) of the Punjab Police has already nominated more than 12 persons (two of them have been arrested), the OCCU is investigating some politically connected persons who are under the lens for 'procuring' the smuggled weapons.

Pankaj Bansal of Moga is one of the arrested persons in the case. Owner of a car agency, Pankaj is already in the dock for his alleged involvement in the fabrication of bullet marks on a police Gypsy in the Behbal Kalan police firing case of October 2015. — TNS

Still waterlogged



■ Even after seven days, residential areas remain waterlogged in Abohar. Voicing anger, BJP activists staged a dharna.
■ Houses in most localities, including old Suraj Nagari, Jain Nagari, Patel Nagar, Nanak Nagari, are still flooded. cc

'Taksal behind Indira's killing'

Scribe's book claims names of 3 accused never came up

VISHAV BHARTI

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

Though it has been a common belief that Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's assassination was just an act of revenge by her Sikh bodyguards, a new book claims that it was the Damdami Taksal which conspired the murder.

So far, names of two assassins Beant Singh and Satwant Singh, and their accomplice Kehar Singh are known to the public, but the book claims that three more persons were involved in the conspiracy, whose names never surfaced in any investigation.

Written by Chandigarh-based veteran journalist Jagtar Singh, who reported from Amritsar and Chandigarh during the turbulent years, the book "Rivers on Fire: Khalistan Struggle" claims that though assassination of Indira Gandhi was not associated with any political outfit, the Damdami Taksal was part of the plot from the begin-

MORE REVELATIONS

■ The book reveals that Damdami Taksal's Manbir Singh, the main conspirator, was arrested on August 8, 1986, from Jalandhar and was kept in various jails in Punjab.

■ Later, he was shifted to Bihar. The police said he 'escaped' in December 1987, while being brought back to Punjab, but it believed that he was killed in custody.

ning. As per excerpts of the book shared with *The Tribune*, the names of all those who gunned down Indira Gandhi and those who were part of the design to kill her are in public domain.

"However, at least three more persons besides all those known names were part of the plan to avenge Operation Bluestar."

The Taksal was in the picture in the assassination of Indira Gandhi from the planning stage. When the bodyguard-turned-assassin, Beant Singh, made up his mind, he was concerned about the future of his wife Bimal Kaur and three kids.

"It was at this crucial juncture that he was extended

assurance by Damdami Taksal's man Manbir Singh Chaheru. This was made possible with the help of two other persons, one of whom was a bank employee and the other member of the Taksal, Prem Singh. The bank employee was from Ropar district and never questioned by the police in this case. He later died.

Manbir joined the Damdami Taksal in 1981 and became personal bodyguard of Bhindranwale and later headed the Khalistan Commando Force after Operation Bluestar. Keeping his words, Manbir provided funds for the purchase of residential plot in Mohali for the widow of Beant Singh.

Lt Gen Mago is new commander of X Corps

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

Lieutenant General Manoj Kumar Mago took over the command of Indian Army's X Corps headquartered in Bathinda, Punjab.

General Mago is from the 'Brigade of the Guards'. He has served across various terrains, and has served in Siachen, Kargil Sector during Operation Vijay 1999, Desert sector during Opera-



tion Parakram 2002.

He has served seven tenures in counter-insurgency operations in Jammu & Kashmir, Nagaland and Assam. Besides, he has also served in the Strategic Forces Command, and worked on United Nations peacekeeping assignments at Somalia and Congo, respectively. — TNS

Three killed in road mishap in Doraha

OUR CORRESPONDENT

DORAHA, AUGUST 26

A truck cleaner and two occupants of a canter died on the spot when the vehicles collided on the National Highway-1 today. Four others were admitted to the Civil Hospitals at Payal and Doraha. A case has been registered against the canter driver, who managed to flee from the spot.

The deceased have been identified as Shakir Gulzaar (25), Kajal (18) and Bala (45). The injured have been identified as Sanjokiata, Sham Lal and Anju. Traffic on the route had to be diverted in view of the accident.

Pak to observe Guru's anniversary at Kartarpur

AMRITSAR, AUGUST 26

In a first, the 'jyoti jot' diwas (death anniversary) of Guru Nanak Dev would be observed at Gurdwara Darbar Sahib, Kartarpur Sahib, on September 22. The event holds significance as the gurdwara is the resting place of Guru Nanak Dev.

The decision was taken during a meeting of the Pakistan Sikh Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (PSGPC) and the Evacuee Trust Property Board (ETPB) today.

Satwant Singh, president of PSGPC, also took an opportunity to appeal to the Indian Government to open the Kartarpur corridor for the Indian pilgrims between September 20 and 22.



"It is for the first time that we are commemorating this occasion. We appeal to the Indian government to open the Kartarpur corridor from its side temporarily for three days so that the Indian pilgrims could participate in the historic occasion," he said. He also appealed to Akal Takht Jathedar Giani Harpreet Singh and SGPC president Gobind Singh Longowal to lead the jatha to Gurdwara Kartarpur Sahib through the corridor. — TNS

Ropar woman 'thrashed' by son, his wife

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ROPAR, AUGUST 26

An elderly woman was allegedly thrashed by her son and daughter-in-law at nearby Dugri village here on Tuesday. Later, Raju and his wife Kirna left the woman stranded on the Ropar-Nangal road.

Raju drives a tractor at a brick kiln. The victim, Kalpana, said she was living with her elder son Raju, along with her widow daughter. The couple didn't want her daughter to stay with them. She alleged that the duo thrashed her, and dumped her on the national highway.

The police have begun a probe into the matter.

Home guard booked on graft charge

ABOHAR, AUGUST 26

In a video that has gone viral, a home guard can be reportedly seen taking money from a truck driver near the Gumjal check post under the false pretext of entry fee in Punjab.

Subsequently, the home guard, identified as Subhash Chander, was booked under the relevant sections of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. Besides, the incharge of the check post, ASI Pritpal Singh, has been suspended, and sent to the district police lines.

Chander had reportedly absconded from the spot. Taking cognisance of the incident, SSP Harjit Singh has ordered action. If any other employee was found guilty in this case, strictest action would be taken against him, the SSP said. — OC

Forest Dept staff boycott workoverdues

BATHINDA, AUGUST 26

Forest Department employees, who have been without salaries for the past five months, have decided to boycott work.

More than 4,000 workers are finding it difficult to make ends meet. Jaswinder Singh, general secretary of the Punjab Forest Workers' Union, said, "We have been holding protests for over a month now, but the authorities have failed to address the issue. We have decided to boycott work till August 31. If the government pays our dues, we will resume work."

He added: "We were getting Rs 8,700 per month, which is not enough to run a household." The matter was highlighted in these columns, but no action was taken.

DFO Swarn Singh said, "The process to release salaries of forest workers has been completed." — TNS

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ii) The tender Documents can be downloaded from website <https://www.eproc.punjab.gov.in> for detail term and condition refer website <https://www.eproc.punjab.gov.in>
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Himachal Pradesh
Jal Shakti Department
NOTICE INVITING TENDER

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

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost (Rs.)	Earnest Money	Cost of tender form	Time Period
1	Providing L.T.S to Village Sumling in G.P. Khurik in Tehsil Kaza, Distt. L&S (H.P). Providing, Erection and commissioning of P/Machinery with allied accessories and Supplying, installation, testing and commissioning of 160 KVA Kirloskar Green air cooled silent DG set	3248628/-	56229/-	400/-	Six Months
2	Providing L.WSS to Village Pangmo Chomo Gumpa in Hulli in Tehsil Kaza, Distt. L&S (H.P). Supply and Erection of P/Machinery with allied accessories and Supplying, installation, testing and commissioning of 50 KVA Kirloskar Green air cooled silent DG set	1373750/-	27475/-	400/-	Six Months

- Tender document and other instructions can be downloaded or viewed online from the portal <http://hptenders.gov.in> by the firm/individual registered on the website, which is free of cost.
- As the bids are to be submitted online same are required to be encrypted and digitally signed, the bidders are advised to obtain Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from suitable vendor's or form any authorized agency at the earliest.

Key Dates:-	
Date of online publication	21.08.2020
Downloaded of e-tender documents	21.08.2020 from 5.00 p.m. to 28.08.2020 up to 11.00 a.m.
Submission of bid along with documents	21.8.2020 from 5.00 p.m. to 28.08.2020 up to 11.00 a.m.
Physical submission of documents l/c cost of tender and earnest money in EE Jal Shakti Division Kaza office	On or Before 28.08.2020 At 11:00 a.m.
Date of opening of tender	28.08.2020
At 3:30 p.m.	
Cover 1 Eligibility Criteria	
Cover 2 Financial Bid	Shall be intimated after scrutiny of eligibility criteria, Technical bid
The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website http://hptenders.gov.in	
Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division, Kaza.	
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House passes obituary references

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26
Obituary references were passed today to pay rich tributes to those persons who had passed away since the end of the previous session. Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala paid tributes and read out obituary resolutions. Deputy Speaker Ranbir Singh Gangwa, Home Minister Anil Vij and Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda paid tribute to departed souls. The House paid homage classical vocalist Pandit Jasraj, former Karnataka Governor Hansraj Bhardwaj, Madhya Pradesh Governor Lalji Tandon, former minister Mange Ram Gupta, MLA Sri Krishan Hooda and former MLA Mani Ram. Tributes were also paid to freedom fighter Dhara Singh of Kulasi village in Jhajjar; 25 martyrs who sacrificed their lives while safeguarding the country; 20 soldiers who died in the Galwan Valley, Covid warriors and victims and two cops killed during night patrol at Butana in Sonapat.

Govt to assess situation, may reschedule university exams



GEETANJALI GAYATRI
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26
Despite having issued an examination schedule for universities, the government will assess the situation and reschedule them, if need be. This assurance was given by Education Minister Kanwar Pal Gujjar during the monsoon session of the House today after Congress MLA Geeta Bhukkal expressed concern over exams at a time when Covid cases were on the rise. “On the one hand, we are reducing the monsoon session to just one sitting due to Covid even after we all have been tested while on the other, we expect children to take exams. The government should go right up to the Supreme Court to contest taking of exams,” she said. Gujjar replied that the gov-



Deputy Speaker Ranbir Singh Gangwa addresses the media in Chandigarh. Education Minister Kanwar Pal (R) is also seen in the photograph.

ernment would take all precautions while conducting exams to ensure safety of students. “Their years of education will go waste if we pass them without exams and issue them a degree. When they apply for a job, it will always be seen as a ‘Covid degree’, which does not evaluate the worth of candidates.” Later, he said: “We have merely issued the schedule. It can be reconsidered, just like we reduced the House sitting after assessing the situation.” Earlier, Congress MLAs demanded that the session should not be cut short since there were many issues. However, Gujjar said Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda had agreed to reducing the session to a day since the CM, Speaker and nine MLAs were infected. Abhay Chautala of the INLD said he gave 12 calling attention motions. “Only two have been accepted. If I am not satisfied with the replies, I should be allowed supplementary questions,” he said. Though Hooda accepted that he had agreed to limiting proceedings to a day, he said he was assured that only urgent matters where court cases were involved would be taken up while the rest of the issues would be deferred.

12 BILLS PASSED

- Haryana Development and Regulation of Urban Areas Bill
- Haryana Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Rural Development (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Management of Civic Amenities and Infrastructure Deficient Municipal Areas Amendment Bill
- Haryana Lifts and Escalators (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Municipal (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Fire Service (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Municipal Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill
- Haryana Appropriation (No. 3) Bill

Congress, INLD stage walkout

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26
To protest the betrayal after not-so-urgent matters, including Bills, were moved by treasury benches while members were not allowed to raise other critical matters, the Congress staged a walkout. The sole INLD legislator, Abhay Chautala, staged a walkout after being disallowed to raise matters of concern. The Congress, led by Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda, staged a walkout when the first Bill – Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Haryana Amendment Bill – was deferred and Haryana Rural Development (Amendment) Bill was moved by Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala. Addressing the Speaker, Hooda said he had been told that only urgent matters would be taken up. “These Bills are not urgent and can easily be deferred. Why is the government in a rush? These can be taken up when the House meets again,” he said. However, the treasury

1,555 registries violated law since 2013: Dy CM

■ Dy CM Dushyant Chautala told the House that 1,555 registries in Mahendragarh, Karnal, Sonapat, Rewari, Panchkula, Bhiwani, Faridabad and Kaithal violated Sec 7A of the Haryana Development and Regulation of Urban Areas Act since 2013

■ He was replying to a calling attention notice by Abhay Chautala on registry scam

benches went ahead with passing the Bills, after which the Congress MLAs staged a walkout. Abhay wanted to raise the issue of loot during the pandemic and the adverse impact of the lockdown. Denied the chance and not allowed to raise supplementary questions, he staged a walkout. Before that, he sought to know the problem in a discussion when everyone in the House had tested Covid negative. Addressing a press conference, Hooda said, “We had given calling attention notices and wanted to bring in adjournment motions, but were not given a chance.”

1,397 cases, a new high

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26
In the biggest single-day spike, Haryana reported 1,397 fresh cases today, taking the total tally to 58,005. With 11 more deaths, the toll reached 634.

Panchkula reported a maximum of 172 cases, followed by Hisar (139), Gurugram (126), Faridabad (111) and Karnal (99).

COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS
Faridabad	12,093	164
Gurugram	11,302	131
Sonepat	3,953	41
Ambala	3,359	29
Rewari	3,202	16
Panipat	3,149	41
Rohtak	2,727	28
Karnal	2,346	24
Hisar	1,921	13
Panchkula	1,829	13
Mahendragarh	1,501	1
Kurukshetra	1,451	27
Palwal	1,425	11
Yamunanagar	1,237	17
Bhiwani	1,200	10
Sirsa	1,119	11
Jhajjar	1,118	16
Kaithal	829	9
Fatehabad	783	8
Nuh	693	13
Jind	512	8
Charkhi Dadri	266	1
Total	58,005	634

MTP can't be denied to rape victim of tender age: HC

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26
The Punjab and Haryana High Court has ruled that technicalities cannot come in way of terminating pregnancy of a tender-aged rape victim. The ruling came in case of an 11-year-old rape victim, whose pregnancy had pro-

gressed to 23rd week. The medical board had initially expressed the opinion that the pregnancy fell beyond the period prescribed in the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971, and termination would be undertaken only after permission from the court. Justice Aneesh Jhingana

ruled that the victim was of tender age and conceived at an age where she did not possess maturity and physical health to be a mother. “She herself is of age to play and grow and to expect her to be a prospective mother and take care of a child will neither be proper nor practical,” Justice Jhingana asserted.

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA CORRIGENDUM					
Sr. No.	NAME OF BOARD/CORP/AUTH	OLD REFERENCE/IT NO.	NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD/CORP/AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	THE HISAR-JIND CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS UNION LTD., JIND	2020_HBC_137902_1 + 2 OTHER	THE LAST DATE & TIME OF ONLINE BID SUBMISSION WAS 25.08.2020 UP TO 11:00. NOW THE E-TENDER IS RE-SCHEDULED AS ON UP TO 07.09.2020 UP TO 02:30 PM DUE TO NON-FULFILLMENT OF THE QUORUM OF THREE OFFERS IN THE 1ST INSTANCE AS PER PURCHASE RULE. NOW THE TECHNICAL BID WILL BE OPENED ON 8.09.2020 AT 11:30 AM AT MILK PLANT, JIND FOR THE SUPPLY OF STEEL/DOLI	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01681-225772 vitajind@gmail.com
2	HVPNL, FARIDABAD	NIET NO: 08/TS/FBD/2020-21 DATED 10.08.2020	THE DATE OF TENDER SUBMISSION EXTENDED UPTO 13:00 HRS ON DATED 31.08.2020 AND OPENING DATE UPTO 15:00 HRS ON DATED 01.09.2020	www.hvpng.org.in	(0172-2583789) pro@hvpng.org.in
3	HVPNL, PANCHKULA	QDP NO-1246 NIT NO. 1129 DATED 15.07.2020	THE LAST DATE OF ONLINE BID SUBMISSION IS EXTENDED UP TO 08.09.2020 UP TO 17:00 HRS.	www.hvpng.org.in	(0172-2583789) pro@hvpng.org.in
4	HVPNL, PANCHKULA	NIT NO. 1116 (QDP-1233) DATED: 29.06.2020	THE LAST DATE OF ONLINE BID SUBMISSION IS EXTENDED UPTO 09.09.2020 UP TO 17:00 HRS	www.hvpng.org.in	(0172-2583789) pro@hvpng.org.in
5	HVPNL, PANCHKULA	QDP-1240 (NIT NO. 1123 DATED 02.07.2020)	CORRIGENDUM-2/EXTENSION OF DUE DATE OF SUBMISSION UPTO 07.09.2020 UPTO 17:00 HRS.	www.hvpng.org.in	(0172-2583789) pro@hvpng.org.in
6	HVPNL, PANCHKULA	QDP-1235 (NIT NO. 1118 DATED 29.06.2020)	CORRIGENDUM-2/EXTENSION OF DUE DATE OF SUBMISSION UPTO 07.09.2020 UPTO 17:00 HRS.	www.hvpng.org.in	(0172-2583789) pro@hvpng.org.in
7	HVPNL, PANCHKULA	NIT NO. 1132 (QDP-1249) DATED: 17.07.2020	THE LAST DATE OF ONLINE BID SUBMISSION IS EXTENDED UPTO 08.09.2020 UP TO 17:00 HRS	www.hvpng.org.in	(0172-2583789) pro@hvpng.org.in
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डिप्लोमा इंजीनियरिंग / फार्मेसी पाठ्यक्रम में दाखिला

HSTES की तरफ से 2 ऑनलाइन काउन्सलिंग करवाई जाएंगी

डिप्लोमा प्रॉस्पेक्टस (डिप्लोमा इंजीनियरिंग/ डिप्लोमा इंजीनियरिंग- लेटरल एंट्री अथवा डिप्लोमा फार्मेसी) एवं महत्वपूर्ण तिथियों (Key dates) की जानकारी के लिए विभाग की वेबसाइट समय - समय पर देखते रहें।

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संस्थानों के प्रकार	संस्थानों की संख्या (2019-20 के अनुसार)
सरकारी (Government)	37
सरकारी सहायता प्राप्त (Government Aided)	04
स्व-वित्त पोषित (Self-Financing)	151

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Civil Engg.
BKN, GP Narnaul,
J.E. Irrigation and water
resources Department (Haryana)
(5.52 Lac. Annual Package) *

* Gulshan
Civil Engg.
BKN, GP Narnaul,
J.E. Irrigation and water
resources Department (Haryana)
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* Neha
Mechanical Engg.
GP Sonapat,
HERO Moto Corp.Ltd
(3.7 Lac. Annual Package) *

* Riya Kumari
Mechanical Engg.
GPW Faridabad,
HERO Moto Corp.Ltd
(3.65 Lac. Annual Package) *

* Alka Pandit
Mechanical Engg.
GPW Faridabad,
HERO Moto Corp.Ltd
(3.65 Lac. Annual Package) *

* Yashika Chopra
Mechanical Engg.
GP Ambala,
Hero Moto Corp. Ltd.
(3.65 Lac. Annual Package) *

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Govt Of Bihar
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प्रोत्साहन हेतु योजनाएं

- तकनीकी एवं बहु-तकनीकी संस्थानों में लड़कियों के लिए दाखिले में 25% आरक्षण।
- सरकारी एवं सरकारी सहायता प्राप्त (Govt. & Govt. Aided) Polytechnics में लड़कियों की ट्यूशन फीस माफ।
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- Haryana Govt. Schools Topper (HGST) विद्यार्थियों को दाखिले में विशेष लाभ।
- AICTE की Tuition Fee Waiver (TFW) योजना के तहत आर्थिक रूप से कमजोर परिवार के बच्चों के लिए ट्यूशन फीस में लाभ।
- आर्थिक रूप से कमजोर (EWS) वर्ग वाले विद्यार्थियों के लिए 10% सीटें आरक्षित।

प्लेसमेंट हेतु योजनाएं

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- संचार कौशल पर विशेष बल, परियोजना कार्य द्वारा समस्याओं का हल एवं सह-पाठ्यक्रम गतिविधियां।
- इंडस्ट्रीज के अनुसार पाठ्यक्रम।
- समय-समय पर विद्यार्थियों के औद्योगिक क्षेत्रों के दौर।
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- डिप्लोमा के अंतिम वर्ष में रोजगार के अपार अवसर।
- व्यक्तित्व के विकास के लिए समय-समय पर खेलों एवं सांस्कृतिक गतिविधियों का आयोजन।

Courses/ Categories	Diploma Engg. (including HGST, KM, MAR, SDB, EWS & TFW Categories)*	Diploma Pharmacy (including MAR & EWS Categories)*	Diploma Engg. Lateral Entry (TFW & EWS Categories)*
Basis of Admission	Inter-se-Merit/ Rank of Qualifying Examination	Inter-se-Merit/ Rank of Qualifying Examination	Inter-se-Merit/ Rank of Qualifying Examination
Apply online at www.onlinetesthry.gov.in	01.08.2020 to 31.08.2020		01.08.2020 to 01.09.2020
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Online Verification at the selected Designated Centre	01.08.2020 to 02.09.2020 (All days)		01.08.2020 to 03.09.2020 (All days)
Online display of Inter-se-Merit of Qualifying Examination for Diploma Engg., Diploma Pharmacy and Diploma Engg. Lateral Entry at www.onlinetesthry.gov.in	03.09.2020	04.09.2020	04.09.2020
Deposit of Counseling Fee Online through Credit Card/ Debit Card/ Net Banking.	From 03.09.2020 onwards		From 04.09.2020 onwards
1st & 2nd round of centralized online counseling (Choice Filling, Seat Allotment, Uploading of documents online & online reporting at the allotted institute) at www.techadmissionshry.gov.in	05.09.2020 to 25.09.2020	07.09.2020 to 26.09.2020	07.09.2020 to 26.09.2020
Start of Session	Kindly see the Key dates at www.hstes.org.in for complete details of the schedule		
Final cut-off date of all admissions	15.11.2020 (As per the schedule notified by AICTE)		

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RBI's bleak report

Boosting consumption the key to economic recovery

THE green shoots of an economic turnaround are turning pale, going by the RBI's annual report for 2019-20. The report, which comes at a time when India is deep in the throes of the Covid-19 pandemic, observes that consumption has been hit hard and it will take the economy 'quite some time' to get back on track. The reimposition of the lockdown by several states in July-August has been cited as a major reason for the contraction in economic activity. The prevailing uncertainty has forced people to play it safe and cut down on expenditure, wherever possible. The state of affairs is summed up by the fact that 40 per cent of the cash transferred by the government in recent months has not been spent by the beneficiaries. When crores of consumers become penny-pinchers, growth is bound to take a beating.

Another worrying trend is that the corporate tax cut, announced in September 2019, has been utilised by companies primarily for debt servicing and build-up of cash balances. This considerable relief was aimed at boosting investment, demand and capital expenditure, but the purpose largely stands defeated. The RBI has stressed on targeted public investment through asset monetisation and privatisation of major ports. The onus is on the Central and state governments to proactively play the part of enabler and facilitator, even as the investors need to become less risk-averse.

The continued disruption of global supply chains has prompted India to take stock of its domestic manufacturing sector and look for opportunities to cash in on the anti-China sentiment in the West. But much will depend on how India handles the health crisis in the coming months. The government just can't keep waiting for the Covid peak or herd immunity to arrive. Effective containment measures that don't take a toll on livelihoods — along with the development of a potent vaccine — have to be put in place quickly so as to restore consumer confidence. The sooner the fear of infection subsides, the faster demand will return to pre-Covid levels. For that, everybody has to chip in, right from the common man to the corporates.

Pulwama chargesheet

NIA's exhaustive work should not go in vain

THE 13,800-page exhaustive National Investigation Agency (NIA) chargesheet names 19 people for planning the terror attack that left 40 CRPF personnel dead in Pulwama on February 14 last year. Topping the list are Jaish-e-Mohammed chief Masood Azhar, his brothers Rauf Asghar and Ammar Alvi and nephew Muhammad Umar Farooq, the key conspirator who was killed in an encounter last year. He was the son of IC-814 hijacker Muhammad Ather; the 1999 hijacking of the Air India flight had led to Azhar's release. Pakistan's footprint is all over the place. The meticulous investigation into the 'blind case' includes the forensically matched voice of Azhar's brother discussing the attack, a Pakistan government I-card for Farooq, photographs of 'every step' and logs of WhatsApp calls.

According to the NIA, the car that rammed into the convoy was laden with 200 kg of explosives in a 'well-planned criminal conspiracy hatched by the Pakistan-based leadership of terrorist organisation JeM'. Six of the 19 have been eliminated, seven have been arrested. At large are the three brothers across the border and three local terrorists. When the arguments are heard on September 1, another chapter will be added to Islamabad's proven complicity in terror activities. That, however, will bring little solace if past experience is anything to go by. The perpetrators of the 26/11 attack continue to be active.

Pakistan's presence on the Grey List of anti-terror funding watchdog FATF makes it difficult to get financial aid. To evade the more severe blacklist at the FATF review expected in October, it has designated close to 100 people as terrorists. Among them are LeT chief Hafiz Saeed, 26/11 accused Lakhvi and Azhar. What's expected of Pakistan is to deny them direct access to funds, entry or transit through the country and procurement of weapons. Such resolve is wishful thinking, but NIA's effort should not go in vain. Bolstered by the cross-border surgical strike strategy, New Delhi's fight against terror hinges on top-notch intelligence, found wanting in Pulwama, and persistent global pressure against the rogue gallery.

OPINION

Pakistan's way around FATF

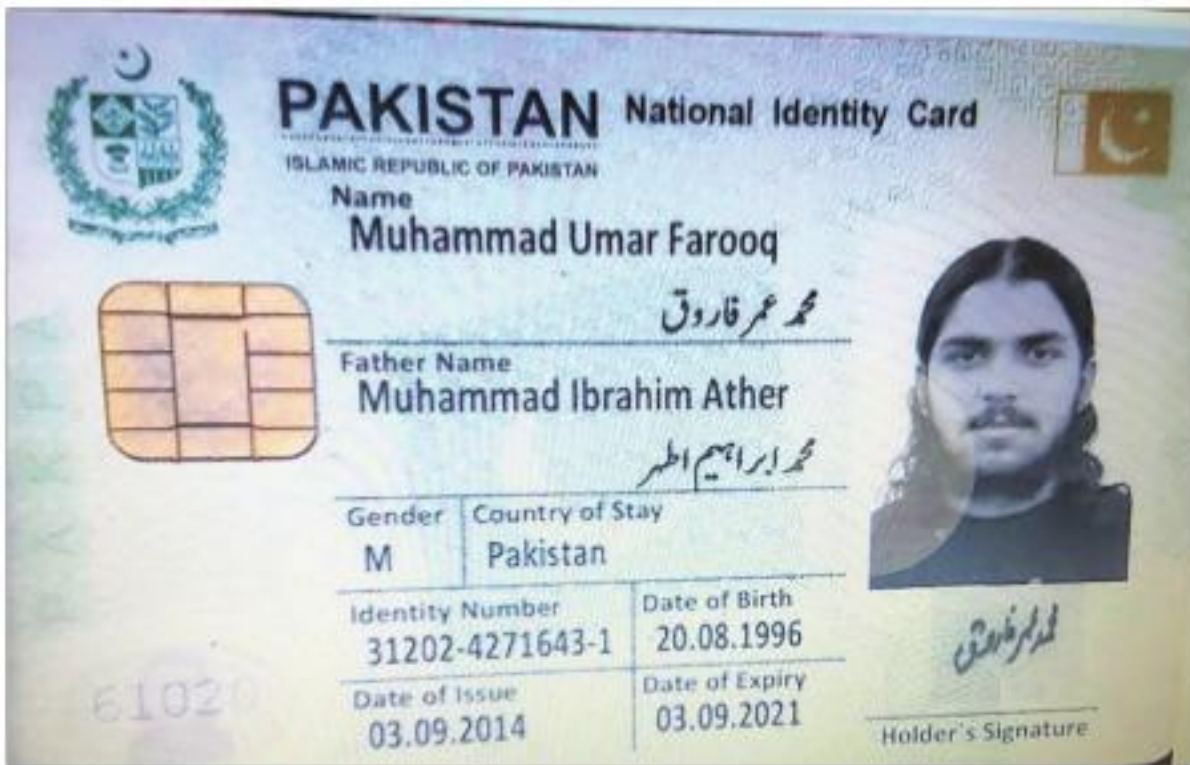
In latest attempt, admits to the presence of 87 terrorists on its soil



MAROOF RAZA
STRATEGIC ANALYST

IT seems to be a coincidence that news about a 13,800-page chargesheet of India's National Investigation Agency (NIA), with details of several Pakistan-based terrorists' involvement in the 2019 Pulwama attack in J&K, makes the front pages of newspapers in the same week as an official Pakistani announcement confirming a list of at least 87 rogues who are in Pakistan (and by inference operate from there). This admission by Islamabad has come to seek another breather from the Paris-based Financial Action Task Force (FATF) as Islamabad tries to wriggle out of a possible blacklisting that would virtually impose financial sanctions on a country tottering on the brink of bankruptcy. But Pakistan is a past master of the smoke-and-mirrors game and would not repeat its usual line that these are 'non-state actors' over whom it has no control.

This is precisely the biggest challenge in front of the FATF, on whether to blacklist Pakistan, with China putting much pressure on it. The blacklist makes it very difficult for a country to get international aid and funding that Pakistan desperately needs. And though the list gets updated regularly, its two virtually permanent members are Iran and North Korea. Pakistan thus hopes that with its latest round of promises and notifications, by which it has announced its latest list of 'terrorists at home in Pakistan', it could get another brief respite. Thus after years of denial, it appears willing to accept that Dawood Ibrahim — the mastermind of the 1993 bomb blasts in Mumbai — is in Pakistan (though officials denied it a day later), as are



CHANGING TACK: Pakistan would not repeat its usual line that these are 'non-state actors' over whom it has no control. Farooq was killed in an encounter in J&K last year.

Also on the list is Masood Azhar, the man behind the Pathankot attack, and now the NIA evidence also clearly links him to the Pulwama attack.

the 26/11 attack masterminds, Hafiz Saeed and Zaki-ur-Rehman Lakhvi, and Masood Azhar, the man behind the Pathankot air base attack and now the NIA evidence also clearly links him and his family to the Pulwama attack.

The NIA chargesheet confirms — what India has been asserting for at least 25 years — how deep is the nexus between its military and their 'mullah-like monsters', and it should certainly act as further evidence even for the FATF, if we can get it across to it — with records of phone calls and photographs — of how the ISI not only armed and infiltrated terrorists to carry out that audacious attack on a CRPF convoy, but also monitored and funded it. If Pakistan is finally tamed, it would give us some relief, but only temporarily. Pakistan's tryst with its terror machinery is too well known — and is part of its strategic doctrine — and one which its army won't easily abandon.

No wonder, it wasn't Imran Khan, but the Pakistan army chief, Gener-

al Bajwa, who recently made a visit to Saudi Arabia — its benefactor in the past — for some more funds, fearing that it could be left with no funds to run the country and its pampered military establishment. But he received a double whammy from the Saudi regime. Not only was he denied an audience with Prince Mohammed bin Salman (MBS), the de facto ruler of the country, but also Riyadh demanded that Pakistan should return the \$3 billion aid package that it had received earlier, apparently as a penalty for Pakistan's foreign minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi having expressed dissatisfaction over the Saudi-led OIC not making enough noises for Pakistan's rant against India following the abrogation of Article 370.

Pakistan's multiple terrorist outfits are a cheaper military option to help to keep Kashmir on the boil. This gives the crutches to Pakistani politicians to keep their public attention on the Kashmir issue, and bind together a near-failing State with

anti-Indianism. They also allow Pakistan to retain de facto control over large parts of Afghanistan, and be the kingmaker and America's ally in 'war on terror'. This gave Pakistan at least \$33 billion funding apparently to fight terrorism. It's another matter that Pakistan used these funds to sponsor terror across its borders with India! But now, this funding has stopped and Pakistan is at a loss with what it should do next.

Thus, Pakistan's last resort is China, as it's left with few friends in Gulf countries who will bankroll a nation that only promises trouble. China, however, has plans for Pakistan to fulfil its strategic agenda. For one, in its current standoff on the LAC, the use of Pakistan to put military pressure on India from the 'LoC to the LAC' as the nation was reminded recently, making India the only country in the world with two nuclear-armed and hostile neighbours. The other is to buy out as much of Pakistan as it is willing to give, for China's BRI. And finally, to use Pakistan to create a counter-US and a counter-Gulf 'axis' with Iran and Turkey. And for that, Pakistan could be willing to pay a price.

The belief among many observers that Pakistan's use of irregular forces (a euphemism for militants) 'to bleed India by a thousand cuts' was the brainchild of Zia-ul-Haq, is wrong. The use of guerrillas against India was actually pioneered by Gen Ayub Khan on the advice of his think-tank, which he was to unsuccessfully use during the initial part of the 1965 Indo-Pak War. However, it was in the late 1980s that General Zia defined the contours of the Pakistani plan (Operation Topac) for the liberation of Kashmir from India. That has become an article of faith for the Pakistanis, though it has failed to deliver. But what it has done for Pakistan is to have left it with a terror machinery that it can neither eliminate — with heavily armed groups operating across the country — nor can its military contest them on the streets.

When TV announcer made one blush

CHIRANJIT PARMAR

INDIANS had a glimpse of television for the first time in 1955, when a demo TV studio was set up in the first Indian Industrial Fair at the exhibition grounds (Pragati Maidan of today). Its programmes could be viewed on TV sets installed at many points at the exhibition grounds. A few years later, Doordarshan, Delhi, began.

During the early '70s, someone in Shimla discovered that TV signals from Lahore and Delhi could be received at some locations. It was probably a chance discovery. But it generated excitement among Shimla residents. Everyone wanted to own a television set and antennas started emerging on rooftops.

Television became a new thing, at

and around Shimla. People at Solan also started exploring it, when the presence of a signal from the Delhi station was detected in some parts of the town. However, one had to use a big antenna to receive the signal. Some parts of Solan could receive the signal from the Amritsar transmitter, too, but for this, the antenna had to be at a height of 40 ft. The picture was, however, still not very clear and consistent, but people did not mind. At times, TV owners had to climb the roof and move the antenna left or right to get a clearer picture. Many a time, monkeys would reach the antenna, change its direction and the picture would disappear. Then the antenna had to be brought again to its original position by moving it. This was not a simple task. One per-

son would move the antenna and another would sit beside the TV. The person at the antenna would keep enquiring in a loud voice about the clarity of the picture, and the person at the TV set would answer in the same pitch (there were no cell phones then). If the picture was still not clear, then one would be advised to buy a signal booster that was priced between Rs 150 and Rs 500.

The TV transmitter at Kasauli had not been installed at that time. The residents of Solan were tuning in to Delhi or Amritsar stations. Then the transmitter at Mussoorie was installed. Nahan was in range of this transmitter. Here the signal strength was quite strong and the picture was clearer, just like local stations. So in Himachal Pradesh, Nahan was the

first town to receive proper signal, and therefore, the TV sets there had the best picture quality.

Our neighbour in Solan, an executive engineer with the HP Electricity Board, happened to visit Nahan during those days. The rest house where he stayed had a TV and he watched programmes telecast from the Mussoorie transmitter. The sharpness and clarity of the picture was beyond his imagination. He was very impressed and felt excited. On his return from Nahan, he told us about his TV experience. 'O *yaar*, the picture was so clear that when the woman announcer greeted viewers with a *namaskar*, it looked so live that I could not see eye to eye with her, and blushed!'

The young TV viewers of today will hardly believe it.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The heart of manipulation is to empathise without being touched. — Vernor Vinge

ON THIS DAY...100 YEARS AGO

The Tribune.

LAHORE, FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 1920

Egyptian Independence.

WHILE the independence of Egypt under the agreement that is said to have been reached in London between the Milner mission and the Egyptian mission, can scarcely be said to be complete, it must be admitted that it is a great step forward towards real independence. The parts of the agreement that seem to us to be incompatible with complete independence are (1) the guaranteeing by Britain of Egypt's integrity against outside aggression, which usually carries with it a corresponding limitation of sovereign right, this limitation in the present case being in the shape of the recognition by Egypt of Britain's privileged position in the Valley of the Nile, and her agreeing, in the case of war, to give Britain every facility for access to Egyptian territory; (2) the maintaining by Britain of a garrison in the Canal zone; (3) the inability of Egypt to make treaties at variance with Britain's policy; (4) the veto on legislation affecting foreigners vested in the High Commissioners; (5) the appointment of British Officials to take over and carry out the operations of the Public Debt Commission and of another official to look after legislation affecting foreigners and; (6) the significant provisions that the advice of these officials will be available to the Egyptian Government. On the other hand, the points that do constitute a real and substantial advance upon the present position and undoubted steps towards independence are: recognition by Britain of Egypt's independence; the restoration to Egypt, subject to the reservation already stated, of control of her foreign relations and of the right to have her own diplomatic representatives abroad; the distinct understanding that the British officials who will now be retained or appointed in future will be responsible to the Egyptian heads of respective departments; and the provision that the final agreement will be negotiated between representatives of the two Governments.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Only diplomacy will work

Refer to the editorial 'Military options' (Aug 26); diplomacy is the only option to deal with the Chinese transgression in Ladakh. Mobilising men and material along the LAC is a must to guard against any further evil intent of the dragon. Despite the fact that China is stronger, both militarily and economically, there is no doubt that our brave armed forces will give a befitting reply if a war is thrust upon us. But, what made the CDS talk about military options if the talks fail is confusing, since such statements, if at all, should come from the political leadership. The General is either nurturing a false hope that this threat will make China behave or is trying to project a tough taskmaster image of his political bosses. Politicians must prioritise nation-building over their own image-building in the face of such threats to the integrity of the nation. Chinese transgression in Indian economy is even deeper and cannot be reversed overnight.

HL SHARMA, AMRITSAR

Shed sycophancy

Punjab minister Brahm Mohindra's statement 'Without Gandhis, there is no Congress' (Aug 25) reminded me of a similar statement made in the past by an Assamese Congress leader who said 'Indira is India and

India is Indira'. It is said success is not possible without change and those who can't change their minds, can't change anything. Unfortunately, Congress leaders have not learnt any lesson from their party's debacle in the 2014 and 2019 Lok Sabha elections. They are not ready to change their mindset of sycophancy.

AK AGARWAL, CHANDIGARH

Make it heaven again

Apropos of 'Hoping it will be heaven once more' (Aug 25), Kashmir, the jewel crown of India, has withstood the vagaries of time. Its history is a testimony to the fact that the Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic underpinnings not only enriched the idea of Kashmiriyat, but also instilled a deep, spiritual and symbolic meaning. This amalgamation is the primary reason for its sustenance, despite the onslaught of foreign conquerors in this holy land of revered *rishis* and Sufi saints. The government should focus on maintaining lasting peace, curbing terrorism and working towards development, employment generation, attracting tourists, FDI, etc, rather than on petty vote-bank politics. The remarks of the chronicler and celebrated poet of Kashmir, Kalhana, in his *Rajatarangini*, that Kashmir can not be conquered by force, but only by spiritual means are still relevant. It should serve as a rai-

son d'etre to uphold and maintain the dignity of Kashmir.

VIJAY SINGH ADHIKARI, NAINITAL

Whiff of peace

Refer to 'UAE has a change of heart'; it is nothing short of a trump card for US President Trump in an election year. The Israeli PM's patience and the wisdom of UAE Crown Prince Mohammed bin Zayed, backed by US power, have facilitated this development, which will have a long and lasting positive effect in the Middle East. For India and its diaspora, it is a win-win situation. For India, the added advantage is that it will hit Pakistan hard, which is yet to get out of Saudi shock. It is like a whiff of peace in the disturbing Covid times.

AK SHARMA, BY MAIL

SC on contempt

Refer to the Prashant Bhusan case; if the SC really wants to provide for a fair ground, the power to interpret contempt should not just lie in its hands, as the definition of contempt is open-ended. A case which involves substantial questions of law should have a quorum of minimum five judges. How does the SC distinguish between criticism and contempt? In order to revive its image, the SC should establish clearer guidelines on the contempt issue.

VAISHALI THAKUR, BY MAIL

Fiery editor of Zamindar

Refer to 'On This Day... 100 years ago' (July 31); I was a student of class X in a school, which is now in Pakistan, and used to read a couple of news reports from *The Tribune*, placed on a lectern. After school hours, on returning home, I browsed through the *Zamindar* purchased by a neighbour. The couplet '*Noor-e-Khuda hai kufr kee harkat pe khanda-zan/Phunkon sey ye chiragh bujhaaya na jaaega*' invariably appeared at the top of the front page. Zafar Ali Khan was the short-fused owner and editor of the paper. Because of his fiery nature, he was called *koh-e-aatish-fishaan* (volcano). He did not brook even the slightest criticism of what he wrote. The main targets of his vitriolic criticism were the British government in India and the Ahmadiyyas of Qadian. Its security deposits were forfeited, which sometimes amounted to Rs 10,000. When the mosque in Kanpur was demolished in 1913, 30,000 copies of the *Zamindar* were published and sold within no time. Its popularity was so much that even those who were illiterate purchased it and paid some money to those who were literate to read the news items, articles and poems etc, to them.

BHAGWAN SINGH, QADIAN

Why it may not be the best time to buy stocks



SUBIR ROY
SENIOR ECONOMIC ANALYST

THE following headline gives a sense of the current dissonance between the economy and the stock market: “Multiplex stocks bounce back in India despite empty theatres.”

The economy is in dire straits. It is likely to contract by several percentage points during the current financial year (2020-21). On the other hand, the stock market is rising merrily. In the current calendar year, the Sensex, from a peak in mid-January of close to 42,000, fell to below 26,000 in late March when the countrywide lockdown was imposed, but it has now mostly recovered that fall to hover around just below 40,000.

Something has gone beyond rational expectations. The markets are in a phase of ‘irrational exuberance’, to use the phrase typically deployed to describe an unsustainable bull run.

Who said this? None other than the Reserve Bank Governor, who, of course, did not use the phrase but expressed similar sentiments. “The stock market is very buoyant and it is definitely disconnected with the real economy.” He added that the market “will certainly witness correction” but when this “will take

place, it is hard to predict.”

What the Governor was doing was sending a signal to the market to curb its exuberance, but it was not listening, at least not till the time of writing.

Why is this happening? There are several reasons, but the most important is liquidity which is sloshing across the free market economies of the world created by both monetary expansion — central banks lowering interest rates — and governments upping spending.

In order to counter the massive blow delivered by the pandemic, central banks across the world have made available a huge amount of liquidity so that the financial sector can borrow easily and pass on cash to businesses and individuals for them to go forward and spend. Without that, there will not be sufficient demand to revive economic activity. But a lot of that liquidity is finding its way into the stock market to finance speculation.

There is one milestone right ahead. Come August-end, the loan moratorium will end. Those who were postponing repayment of their loan installments will have to resume repayment. Many will not be able to, and so, the RBI has allowed a one-time restructuring of loans to both corporates and individuals.

Essentially, all the overdue interest will be added to the principal outstanding and a new repayment schedule will be laid down. But there are conditions and not all will be able to avail themselves of this facility. So, many will be unable to keep repaying their loan which will be rendered irregular and the loaning institutions



Many individuals are holding on to cash and putting it into bank deposits. That explains a part of the liquidity uptake. But overall, most investors and analysts have no explanation for the stock market going up the way it is, not with the kind of earnings that businesses have recorded in the preceding year and are likely to in the following year.

IRRATIONAL EXUBERANCE: Even as the economy is in dire straits, the stock market is rising merrily. But will it be sustainable?

will have to start the process of treating these loans as stressed assets. The upshot? Some more trouble ahead. So, the economy will continue to be in troubled waters.

Another source of liquidity is the foreign money coming in. Why is this so? Central bank policy rates across mature economies are lower than those in India. The US Federal Reserve’s benchmark rate is 0-0.225 per cent. On the other hand, the RBI’s repo rate is now at 4 per cent. So, this

interest rate differential is also a factor in the foreign money coming in. FII inflow into the country and stock markets is sharply up, even as domestic institutions are taking money out of the stock markets.

Some domestic institutions are getting into bonds issued by corporates who now have some cash. This can probably be ‘parked’, so to speak, by the corporates in a stock market going up, waiting for the time when demand picks up and businesses can

scale up their operations and need more institutional finance.

What lends credibility to the feeling that there is a good bit of speculation is in the difference in the behaviour of prices of big companies on the one hand and medium and small companies on the other. In the last one month, the prices of the latter have gone up much more than those of the former.

Stocks of large companies — with bigger market capitalisation — are

more widely tracked by analysts and better governed compared to smaller companies. The large companies’ earnings estimates carry greater credibility. Hence, their stocks are less likely to face speculative demand. A whole lot of small investors, guided by ‘tips’, is picking up the stocks of smaller companies.

There are, of course, counter-arguments suggesting that the speculative sentiment is being overrated. Those arguing along these lines point to a small subsection of companies which are actually doing well. They are healthcare, vaccines, work-from-home, self-reliance and, of course, the technology sector. Software majors have famously weathered the twin storms hitting their overseas business (trouble over the H-1B visa) and the depression in domestic tech spending, courtesy the overall economic downturn. If shares of some of these companies have gone up, then that is certainly not for speculative reasons.

There is also the issue of inflation slowly picking up. Higher inflation implies higher nominal GDP. This needs a higher level of money supply to support it. A lot of individuals are holding on to pure cash and putting it into bank deposit accounts. So, that explains a part of the liquidity uptake.

But overall, many — both individual investors and market analysts — have no explanation for the stock market going up the way it is, not with the kind of earnings that businesses have recorded in the preceding year and are likely to in the following year. So, now may not be the best time to buy stocks.

Xi loath to loosen state control of economy



YOGESH GUPTA
FORMER AMBASSADOR

The Xi regime has no appetite for undertaking deeper market reforms, which some economists have advocated and which could lead to a significant spurt in consumption. It believes that consumption will improve as urbanisation expands, more jobs are created and per capita income rises through the trickle-down effect. It does not want to loosen its control of the economy or diminish the role of state-owned enterprises as it considers them vital for making China a global and strategically important power.

AT the end of a Chinese Communist Party’s (CCP) Politburo meeting in July-end, President Xi Jinping announced a ‘dual circulation’ strategy in which China would lean more on domestic consumption besides foreign trade to seek economic growth; the background was China’s escalating confrontation with the US and other countries and a sharp contraction in the global economy.

China had adopted the idea of ‘grand international circulation’ in the early 1990s by which it would pursue export-oriented growth, like the other East Asian countries. However, the contribution of exports, which in 2010 reached almost one-third of its GDP, has now halved and future prospects are gloomy. The economies of China’s major export partners such as the US, the UK, Germany, France, Japan, South Korea, Singapore and India are facing recession as they fight the Covid-19 pandemic. Also, China’s unfair trade and aggressive policies have impelled many countries to diversify their supply chains and reduce dependence on China.

China has flirted with the idea of increasing domestic consumption in the past too, but without much success. In 2007, investment contributed 38.7 per cent to China’s GDP while household consumption contributed 36.7 per cent; 11 years later, in 2018, investment made up 43.79 per cent of its GDP while the household consumption increased merely to 38.52 per cent. Adding the government consumption of 16.58 per cent in 2018, the total consumption amounted to 55.1 per cent. This was much lower compared to other economies — India 72 per cent, Japan 75.4 per



LIP SERVICE: Though President Xi Jinping wants domestic consumption to drive China’s future growth, the regime has introduced only cosmetic measures to this end.

cent and the US 82.1 per cent (according to World Bank).

While the per capita income increased from \$156 in 1978 to nearly \$10,000 annually in 2018, about 43 per cent of the people (600 million) according to Chinese Premier Li Keqiang, have an annual income of only \$1,680 (about Rs 10,000 per month); the top 10 per cent people in communist China own about 75 per cent of the wealth, spawning huge inequalities. A recent survey by a Chinese job website *zhaoopin.com* says that about 35 per cent white-collar workers were in heavy debt in 2019 against 22 per cent in 2018; about 28 per cent reported a pay rise of less than five per cent in 2019 while another 40 per cent did not receive any pay rise or had their pay cut. Going forward, about 60 per cent offered a neg-

ative view of their job prospects.

Recently, a study by a Chinese company, Zhongtai Securities, indicated that the situation has further deteriorated with the number of unemployed, including migrant workers, reaching about 20.5 per cent (about 70 million unemployed), though the government figures limit them to 5-6 per cent. Another 7-8 million graduates have entered the market, seeking jobs after finishing their graduation.

With little savings, the middle and lower classes have been hit hard by the high level of debt for payment of mortgage, rentals, education and even living expenses. The state has imposed high taxes — income tax ranging up to 45 per cent and a VAT of 17 per cent. China’s GDP growth of 3.2 per cent (official claim) in the second quarter of 2020 was led by government invest-

ments in infrastructure and industries, with consumption contributing little.

According to Prof Zhang Jun, Dean, School of Economics at Fudan University, and other economists, increasing consumption substantially will require multiple reforms at the policy level — market allocation of resources, opening up of the heavily protected sectors like transport, health, education, telecom, finance, insurance, setting up of new institutions like independent regulators, credible judicial system, a strong competition policy, a creative education system, besides lowering of taxes. More foreign investments in these sectors will lead to a restructuring of the inefficient domestic companies through mergers, acquisitions and sell-offs and better utilisation of resources.

While the Xi Jinping regime recognises the urgency of mitigating the high level of unemployment by creating a large number of jobs, it does not want the private sector to assume a gargantuan size, which may threaten the control of the CCP. Xi is mindful of the experience of the 2000-2012 period, when rapid economic growth led to a high level of corruption across the Chinese society, the faith of the people in the CCP started to dwindle and people started craving for a liberal polity, like the Singapore model.

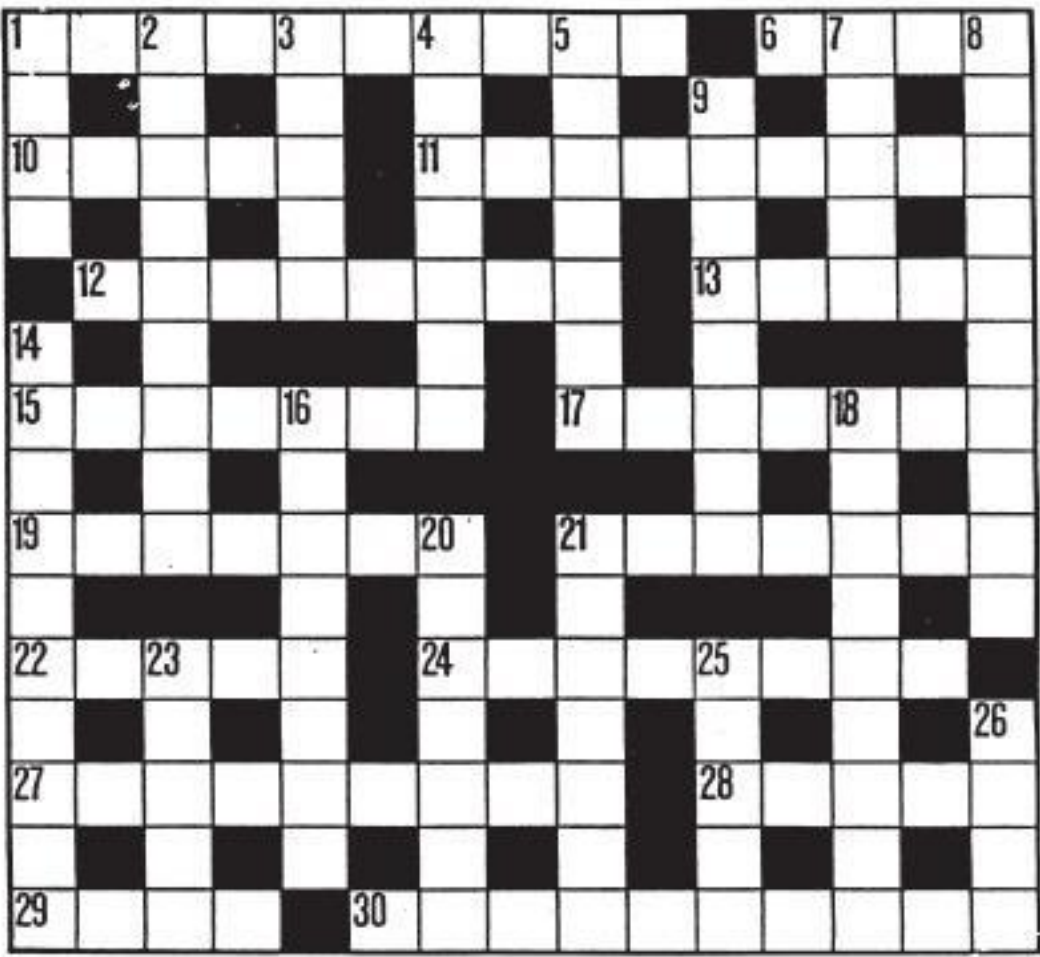
In accordance with this broad approach, the Chinese government has unveiled a stimulus package of about \$500 billion to finance new infrastructure projects, support industries, including the state-owned enterprises (SOEs), asking banks to provide them easier loans, particularly to small and medium industries to create jobs. Some steps have been taken for a nominal reduction in income tax and VAT,

softer credit to households, an improvement in medical insurance and pension payments. Cosmetic measures have been introduced to augment retail sales, such as converting old sport stadiums and factories into shopping malls and entertainment centres, giving a facelift to pedestrian streets and improving e-commerce.

However, the Xi regime has no appetite for undertaking deeper market reforms, which some local and foreign economists have advocated and which could lead to a significant spurt in consumption. It believes that consumption will improve as urbanisation expands, more jobs are created and per capita income rises through the trickle-down effect. It does not want to loosen its control of the economy or diminish the role of SOEs as it considers them vital for making China a global and strategically important power with a leading role in telecom, railways, new energy vehicles, aerospace, maritime engineering and other emerging technologies.

Given the domestic and international criticism about his handling of the Covid-19 pandemic and burgeoning rivalry with the US, Xi is not inclined to do anything which may rock China’s political or social stability and his continuation in power. In view of these priorities, there is no likelihood of any major change in China’s state-controlled economy. The past policy of superficial tinkering will continue to drive domestic consumption in the near future. It will severely tell on the quality of China’s economic growth, as consumption is a sustainable measure with an inclusive impact on incomes whereas government investments in many cases are fuelling debt-led inefficient growth.

QUICK CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1 In round numbers (4,2,4)
6 Surrounded by (4)
10 Simulate (5)
11 Word-finder (9)
12 Useless personnel (8)
13 Stringed instrument (5)
15 Lack of inhibition (7)
17 Lie back (7)
19 High-ranking ecclesiastic (7)
21 Unsound financially (7)
22 Latin-American dance (5)
24 Old card game (8)
27 Complex (9)
28 To conduct (5)
29 Balance of advantage (4)
30 Astounding (10)

DOWN

1 To bungle (4)
2 Say again (9)
3 Had (5)
4 Disappointment (3-4)
5 Gracefully thin (7)
7 Lesson to be drawn (5)
8 Fraud (10)
9 Ludicrous (8)
14 Chilean city (10)
16 Theatrical (8)
18 Under assumed name (9)
20 To charm (7)
21 Flattering article (5-2)
23 Subdued in tone (5)
25 Originate (5)
26 Untidy state (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

Across: 1 Several, 5 Means, 8 Out of turn, 9 Leo, 10 Fume, 12 Venomous, 14 Murmur, 15 Career, 17 Besotted, 18 Tsar, 21 Use, 22 Be all ears, 24 Entry, 25 Hearsay.

Down: 1 Spool, 2 Vet, 3 Rifle, 4 Laurel, 5 Man-to-man, 6 All corners, 7 Sponsor, 11 Mare's-nest, 13 Suitably, 14 Mob rule, 16 Detach, 19 Risky, 20 Flea, 23 Ass.

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CALENDAR

AUGUST 27, 2020, THURSDAY

- Vikrami Samvat 2077
- Shaka Samvat 1942
- Bhadrapad Shaka 5
- Bhadrapad Parvishite 12
- Hijari 1442
- Shukla Paksha Tithi 9, up to 9:26 am
- Vishkumbha Yoga up to 5:37 pm
- Jyeshtha Nakshatra up to 12:37 pm
- Moon enters Sagittarius sign 12:37 pm

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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FORECAST

SUNSET: THURSDAY 18:52 HRS
SUNRISE: FRIDAY 05:56 HRS

CITY	MAX	MIN
Chandigarh	33	26
New Delhi	32	26
Amritsar	32	26
Bathinda	32	27
Jalandhar	32	26
Ludhiana	31	26
Bhiwani	33	27
Hisar	34	26
Sirsa	34	27
Dharamsala	27	18
Manali	26	16
Shimla	23	17
Srinagar	22	16
Jammu	28	22
Kargil	17	13
Leh	27	16
Dehradun	31	23
Mussoorie	21	17

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Rain wreaks havoc in Jammu, 3 killed

Bridges, roads damaged; ‘jhuggis’ washed away in flashfloods; cattle perish

ARTEEV SHARMA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 26
Three persons were today killed in separate rain-related incidents across Jammu region, while several houses, bridges and roads were damaged in heavy rain and flash-floods in the past 24 hours.

A 35-year-old man, along with his cattle, was killed after the cattle shed collapsed in the Manjakote area of Rajouri district. The deceased was identified as Mohammad Shokit, a resident of Kaller Mora Mendhar, who was currently residing in Gola Nari, Kotli Kalaban, in Manjakote tehsil of Rajouri. His body was later retrieved from the debris by locals.

In Udhampur, Hamid Mohammad, a resident of Parand Mounгри, died due to lightening in the Sapore area. “Another man died in a related incident in Mahore area. Our teams are on the job to retrieve the body,” Reasi Deputy Commissioner Indu Kanwal Chibb told *The Tribune*.

Chibb said several dhoks (temporary shelters) of



NH closed for 2nd day

- The Jammu-Srinagar national highway remained closed at Dalwas for the second day on Wednesday as heavy rain triggered fresh landslides at different places.
- “The restoration work has been stalled. It will resume only after rain stops. The falling stones in the vulnerable Panthial area is another major problem for clearance of road for traffic,” said PK Phonsa, Project Director, NHAI, Ramban.

<< A house damaged due to heavy rain at the Kalka colony in Jammu on Wednesday. PTI

nomads in upper reaches had been damaged in heavy rain, while some cattle also perished. “A house also collapsed in Katra area,” the DC said.

In Poonch, a Tata Sumo was stuck in a flashflood at a culvert in Chatral river in Mendhar subdivision. Locals raised an alarm and rescued the passengers and the driver from the flooded river.

Reports from Rajouri also claimed that water level increased in the Suktoh and Darhall rivers. It caused damage to several “kucha” houses and roads in the district. A footbridge was also damaged. “We are still assessing the losses,” said Rajouri Additional Deputy Commissioner Thakur Sher Singh.

In Kathua, at least 13 resi-

dential houses were partially damaged following a landslide in Basohli area, while 15 nomads were rescued along with their livestock after flashflood in the Ujh river.

In Jammu city, several “jhuggis” were washed away after a flashflood in a nullah in Narwal area. A retaining wall was also damaged near yard num-

ber 7 of Transport Nagar.

An important bridge over the Balole nullah connecting Digiana area with Bishnah was also washed away in flashfloods, snapping road connectivity to several villages. Several areas in Jammu city were inundated in floodwater after several nullahs breached the protection walls.

DINESH MANHOTRA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 26
The J&K High Court on Wednesday issued notice to the J&K Administration and Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board (SMVDSB) in response to a writ petition filed by Baridars, who claimed administration, management and governance of the holy shrine of Mata Vaishno Devi.

The writ petition was filed by the Baridar Sangharsh Committee through its president Sham Singh and 54 others petitioners through advocate Ankur Sharma. Through the petition, Ankur Sharma challenged the constitutional validity of the Jammu & Kashmir Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board Act, 1988 — an Act which took away the control of the shrine from the hands of Baridars and vested it in the hands of the government-controlled board. Apart from this they have also sought a complete handover of the management, administration and governance of shrine and its endowments and all other properties to the Baridars in true letter and spirit of Article



Writ petition by Baridar Sangharsh Committee

- The writ petition was filed by the Baridar Sangharsh Committee through its president Sham Singh and 54 others petitioners through advocate Ankur Sharma.
- Advocate Ankur Sharma challenged the constitutional validity of the Jammu & Kashmir Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board Act, 1988

26 of the Constitution of India. Alleging mismanagement by the government-controlled Shrine Board, the petitioners have also sought conduct of external audit of the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Ji Shrine Fund since 1986 through a reputed audit firm or an audit institution which is constitutional or statutory in nature.

“We have said the provisions of the impugned Act and rules have stifled the religious and cultural rights of the Hindu community”, Sharma told *The Tribune* and explained that “as opposed to the limited role envisaged for the State under Article 25(2)(a), which is

regulatory in nature, the impugned Act facilitates and strengthens the ability of the state to completely takeover the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine, a Hindu religious institution, which fate no religious institution of any other community has to suffer”. He said, “The State must maintain at the very least the same degree of distance from Hindu religious institutions as it does with Muslim and Christian institutions.”

After listening to the petitioners, the HC sought reply from the government and administration of the SMVSB within four weeks.

With 19 more deaths, toll 657

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 26
With single-day highest 19 deaths — four from the Jammu division and 15 from the Kashmir valley — during the last 24 hours, the Covid toll in J&K reached 657.

As many as 704 new positive cases — 195 from the Jammu division and 509 from the Kashmir valley — were reported today thus taking the total number of positive cases in J&K to 34,480.

Meanwhile, 599 more Covid patients have recovered and been discharged from various hospitals — 126 from Jammu and 473 from Kashmir.

According to an official bulletin issued on Wednesday evening, out of 34,480 positive cases, 7,630 were active, 26,193 have recovered and 657 have died — 54 in the Jammu province and 603 in the Kashmir division.

The bulletin said out of 9,02,677 test results available, 8,68,197 samples have been tested as negative.

Till date 4,45,720 travellers and persons in contact with suspected cases

COVID-19 PANDEMIC	
UT TRACKER	
Total persons under surveillance	4,45,720
Persons completing surveillance	3,49,523
Samples tested	9,02,677
Negative results	8,68,197
Positive cases	34,480
Patients cured	26,193
Total deaths	657

have been enlisted for observation, which included 43,764 persons in home quarantine, including facilities operated by the government, 7,630 in isolation and 44,146 under home surveillance. Besides, 3,49,523 persons have completed their surveillance period.

COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT-WISE COUNT			
DISTRICT	+VE	DEATHS	
Bandipora	1,974	24	
Srinagar	8,553	208	
Anantnag	2,193	47	
Baramulla	2,694	99	
Shopian	1,646	28	
Kupwara	1,943	45	
Budgam	2,271	55	
Jammu	2,561	37	
Udhampur	752	02	
Ganderbal	1,279	19	
Kulgam	1,877	31	
Pulwama	2,442	47	
Samba	671	02	
Rajouri	858	04	
Kishtwar	206	01	
Kathua	782	02	
Ramban	651	01	
Reasi	360	00	
Poonch	383	03	
Doda	384	02	
Total	34,480	657	

Providing district-wise breakup, the bulletin said that Srinagar had 8,553 positive cases — highest among all the 20 districts of J&K.

According to the bulletin, of the total 34,480 positive cases in J&K, 6,171 have been reported as travellers, while 28,309 as others.

Probe ordered into suicide by man on bail

JAMMU, AUGUST 26

A day after 24-year-old man, who was on interim bail in a POC SO (Protection of Children from Sexual Offences) Act, allegedly committed suicide by jumping from the Tawi bridge, the police on Wednesday ordered a high-level inquiry into the incident. “A high-level inquiry, headed by SP, City, North, into the matter to ascertain the facts and circumstances of the case has been ordered,” a police spokesperson said here. — TNS

Two arrested under UAPA

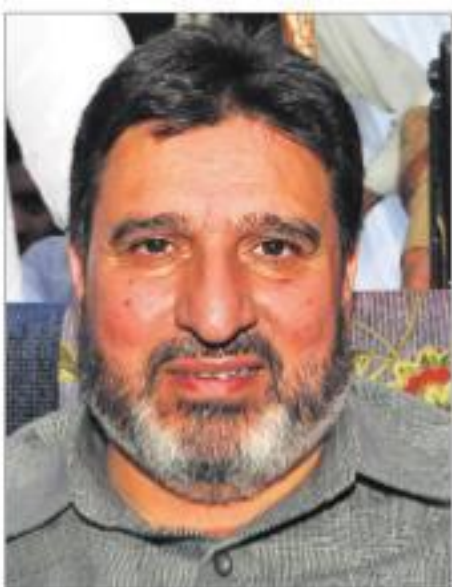
SRINAGAR, AUGUST 26

Two persons have been arrested and many booked under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Action (UAPA) for allegedly raising pro-freedom slogans during a Moharram procession in Srinagar. The police said more arrests were expected. A video had gone viral on the social media in which mourners were seen chanting pro-freedom slogans during a moharram procession. — TNS

‘Gupkar declaration’ signatories remained confused for months, says Altaf Bukhari

ARUN JOSHI
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 26
In his first comments on the reiteration of the ‘Gupkar declaration’ statement by six parties in Kashmir, Jammu Kashmir Apni Party president Altaf Bukhari said, “It was not an overnight development,” as these groups were grappling with confusion over the months, now somewhat they have “removed the ambiguity”.



Altaf Bukhari

sits as another UT on the map of the erstwhile state.

On August 22 joint statement of the parties like NC, PDP, PC, Congress, CPM and Awami National Conference, Bukhari said, For the past five months they were unclear in their approach and lackadaisical in weighing their options, but now the difference is that to a large extent, they have removed the ambiguity.”

Altaf Bukhari said, “There is no question of clash of sorts in electoral politics. In electoral politics different parties have different ideas and agendas.” He insisted that “the JKAP has from day one made it publicly clear that we

will not sell dreams to people but ours would be a pragmatic approach to deal with socio-economic and political issues faced by the people of J&K. This realistic approach forms our political conviction and is the bedrock of the JKAP”.

Regarding delimitation and polls, Bukhari stated it emphatically, “Let me assure you that we will not allow anybody a walkover. I believe that the functioning of the Delimitation Commission should be fair and transparent and if the number of seats of Assembly or parliamentary segments is to be increased the same should be carried out rationally and not thrust on people in an arbitrary manner.”

“As far as the election process is concerned, the JKAP’s stand is that elections in J&K should not wait for completion of the delimitation process. I think the seven seats likely to be carved out by the Delimitation Commission can be temporarily filled on nomination basis and the same should not be used as a justification for delay in elections in J&K. We believe elections are the only answer to the current situation in J&K,” he said.

He claimed that “our party is ready for the elections. We believe that many problems can be solved after a popular government is formed in the J&K, including the critical issues of amendments to recently issued domicile rules on jobs. There is no alternative to the democratic setup and as we see, presently, there is a huge disconnect between the people and apparatus of governance in J&K. This can be addressed only by holding elections at the earliest”.

Bukhari has a simple formula for repairing ties between Srinagar and Delhi and that is: “In any conflict-ridden zone in the world, truth becomes the first and worst causality. Though truth is bitter but speaking it bluntly can address the trust deficit. We should not show stars and moon to the people and speak truth and similarly Delhi also needs to go in for introspection and take a firm stand on issues like human rights violations, which are of critical importance for the people of J&K. Both the sides need to be sincere and true in their approach which can improve the deteriorated relationship.”

Government of Punjab

Tender/RFP Reference No..... Dt.....

Department of Water Supply & Sanitation Division No. 3, Ludhiana.

Invites online bids for Providing Repair of Pump Chamber, Repair of OHSR, Repair of Water Works, Chlorination Plant, Automated Water Controller, House Hold Water Connections, Distribution System, Sluice Valves & Painting of Sign Board:- Water Supply Scheme Mandiandian, Block Jagraon, District Ludhiana. Under PRWSSIP Component 2a (i).

Document Sale Start Date: 28.08.2020 at 12:00 hours

Document Sale End Date: 08.09.2020 at 17:00 hours

For details login to: <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

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

Sd/- (Er. Rohit Kumar), Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation, Division No. 3, Ludhiana.

DPR/Pb/68656

संख्या : शिक्षा-एच (20) जी- जलपान/2016

शिक्षा निदेशालय उच्चतर, हिमाचल प्रदेश,

शिमला-171001

निविदा सूचना

शिक्षा निदेशालय हिमाचल प्रदेश लालपानी शिमला-1 में कैंटीन संचालन करने हेतु मोहरबंद लिफाफे में व्यावसायिक प्रबंधकों से निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदादाता का इस क्षेत्र में कार्य करने का न्यूनतम पांच वर्ष का अनुभव आवश्यक है। निविदाएं दिनांक 17 सितंबर, 2020 को 2.00 बजे या इससे पूर्व संयुक्त शिक्षा निदेशक (प्र.) शिक्षा निदेशालय उच्चतर हिमाचल प्रदेश शिमला-1 के समक्ष पहुंच जानी चाहिए। निविदाएं उसी दिन 3.00 बजे अपराह्न को संयुक्त शिक्षा निदेशक (प्र.) की अध्यक्षता में कमेटी के समक्ष खोली जाएंगी। लिफाफे के ऊपर निविदाएं कैंटीन शिक्षा निदेशालय 2020-2021 अंकित किया जाए। टेंडर के साथ प्रभुभूति राशि मुमुलिंग 10,000/- रुपये तथा टेंडर फीस (Non Refundable) मुमुलिंग 500/- रुपये का अलग-अलग बैंक ड्राफ्ट जमा करवाना अनिवार्य होगा। शर्तें निदेशालय की website-www.educationhp.org से डाउनलोड कर सकते हैं। शिक्षा निदेशक उच्चतर, हिमाचल प्रदेश। DPR/HP/2515

PUNJAB WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

E-TENDER NOTICE No. 20/PWSSD/2 DATED 25.08.2020

<https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

On behalf of the Chief Executive Officer, Pb. W/S & Sew. Board, Chandigarh, Executive Engineer, Pb. W/S & Sew. Divn. No. 2, Patiala invites bids from eligible bidders for the works detailed below:-

Sr. No.	Description of Work	Earnest Money (Rs.)	Cost of document/ Tender Processing Fee (Rs.)	Period of Completion	Approx. Value of the work (in Lacs)
1	Operation and Maintenance of Sewer lines in Samana for the year 2020-21 (01.09.2020 to 31.03.2021)	Rs. 52,800/-	Rs. 100/- as per website	7 months	Rs. L.S.
2	Operation and Maintenance of Water Supply in Samana for the year 2020-21 (01.09.2020 to 31.03.2021)	Rs. 68,100/-	Rs. 100/- as per website	7 months	Rs. L.S.
3	Operation and Maintenance of Sewer Scheme Disposal Works and Primary Disposal works at Mandi Gobindgarh for the year 2020-21 (01.10.2020 to 31.03.2021)	Rs. 34,000/-	Rs. 100/- as per website	6 months	Rs. L.S.

2. Important dates are as under:-

i) Period of availability of tender online shall be Sr. No. : From 25.08.2020 to 15.09.2020 up to 2:00 p.m.

ii) Last Date & Time for online submission of bid shall be : 15.09.2020 up to 5:00 p.m.

iii) Date & Time of opening of Technical Bid : 16.09.2020 at 11:00 a.m.

For detailed terms and conditions refer to website <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in> vii) If any, Corrigendum issued will be loaded & seen at website

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Punjab W/S & Sew. Divn. No. 2, Patiala.

DPR/Pb/68539

PUNJAB WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD

NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS

Bid No. E-TENDER/PWSSD/HOSHARPUR/EE/2020/28 of 2020

Date: 25.08.2020

<http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

On behalf of the Chief Executive Officer, PWSSB, Chandigarh, The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Division, Hoshiarpur re-invite bids due to non-submission of bids from the eligible bidders for the work detailed below:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Work	Earnest Money	Cost of Document/ Tender Processing Fee	Period of Completion	Approx. Value of the Work
1.	Construction of STP 4.00 MLD at Balachaur Town.	Rs. 8.00 Lac	Rs.1000/-+Tender Processing Fees Rs. 5000/-+ Taxes as applicable	Nine Months	Lump sum
2.	Construction of STP 2.00 MLD at Hariana Town.	Rs. 5.00 Lac	Rs.1000/-+Tender Processing Fees Rs. 5000/-+ Taxes as applicable	Nine Months	Lump sum
3.	Construction of STP 3.00 MLD at Rahon Town.	Rs. 7.00 Lac	Rs.1000/-+Tender Processing Fees Rs. 5000/-+ Taxes as applicable	Nine Months	Lump sum
4.	Construction of STP 3.00 MLD at Garshankar Town.	Rs. 7.00 Lac	Rs.1000/-+Tender Processing Fees Rs. 5000/-+ Taxes as applicable	Nine Months	Lump sum
5.	Construction of STP 2.00 MLD at Garhdivala Town	Rs. 5.00 Lac	Rs.1000/-+Tender Processing Fees Rs. 5000/-+ Taxes as applicable	Nine Months	Lump sum

2. Important dates are as under

i) Period of availability of tender online shall be : from 25.08.2020 to 03.09.2020 up to 4:30 p.m.

ii) Last date & time for online submission of bid shall be : 03.09.2020 up to 4:30 p.m. bid shall be

iii) Date & Time of opening of Technical Bid : 04.09.2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Note: (i) The dates given above are for both eligible L & C Societies and Contractors.

(ii) For detailed terms and conditions refer to website <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>.

(iii) If any, corrigendum issued will be uploaded & seen at website <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>.

Sd/- Executive Engineer

DPR/Pb/68522

Govt. Industrial Training Institute, SECTOR-28-C, CHANDIGARH

E-Tender Notice (2nd Time)

E-tender on the prescribed format is invited online for purchase of the **Diesel Engines for Mechanic Diesel Trade** which should be uploaded up to 4.00 P.M on or before **14.09.2020**. The e-tender documents containing detailed specification of **Diesel Engines for Mechanic Diesel Trade**, other terms and conditions of e-tender can be downloaded from Govt. website <https://etenders.chd.nic.in>. EMD exemption Certificate or EMD of **Rs. 25000/-** in the shape of A/c payee demand draft, Fixed Deposit Receipt, Banker cheque or Bank Guarantee from any of the commercial banks in the favour of “Principal Industrial Training Institute, Sector 28-C Chandigarh payable at Chandigarh” should reach in the office on or before **14.09.2020** up to 4.00 P.M. Conditional e-tender will be summarily rejected.

Sd/- Principal-cum-Member Secretary, IMC, Govt. ITI, Chandigarh.

HIMACHAL PRADESH JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG

Notice Inviting Quotations

Keeping in view the instruction issued by Engineer-in-Chief, JS Vibhag, Shimla vide their office letter No. IPH-SP-II Vehicle-Vol-46/2018-8706-75 dated: 02.02.2018 offline sealed quotations are hereby invited on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh by the Executive Engineer, JS Division, Chautra. Quotations shall be received on **01.09.2020 till 03.00 p.m.** and shall be opened on the same day at **03.30 p.m.** in presence of the tenderers or their authorized representatives.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Description of Items	Time
1	Stock storage (SH:- Providing outsourcing of One vehicle (Bolero Jeep) for Executive Engineer, JS Division, Chautra, District Mandi	Fixed Charges per month (1500 Kms & 9 No. of Hours per day) Fixed Charges per Day for 200 Kms & 9 No. of House Extra per km when hired for more than prescribed Kms. Extra per Hours before and after (9:30 AM to 5:30PM) Night Halt Charges per Night	Two years

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

Terms and conditions and other instructions can be downloaded or viewed online from the portal <https://hptenders.gov.in>.

Executive Engineer, JS Division, Chautra.

DPR/HP/2506

HIMACHAL PRADESH GOVERNMENT DENTAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL, SHIMLA – 1

“TENDER NOTICE”

Sealed tenders are invited by the Principal H.P. Govt. Dental College & Hospital, Shimla for the **CMC for Repairs of Dental Chairs with accessories**, so as to reach in his office on or before **15.09.2020 by 2:30 p.m.** where after no tender will be entertained. The tenders will be opened on the **same day at 3:00 p.m.** in the presence of the tenderers or their authorized agents/representatives whosoever wants to be present.

The copy of the tender documents with detail of Dental Chairs and terms & conditions of CMC for Repairs of Dental Chairs with accessories can be downloaded from the college website i.e. www.hpgdchshimla.org w.e.f. **27.8.2020 to 15.09.2020 up to 2.00 p.m.** the downloaded tender document shall be accompanied with a Bank Draft of **Rs. 500/- (Non-refundable)** in favour **Principal, H. P. Govt. Dental College and Hospital, Shimla** and request for dispatch of tender documents by post and by hand shall be entertained.

The bids/tender should be in two parts which should consist Part-I Technical Bid and Part-II Financial Bid. Technical and Financial Bids should be submitted in two separate sealed envelopes and both the bids should be contained in one large envelope duly sealed superscribing the word **“CMC for Repair of Dental Chairs with accessories”** tender No., due date & time of opening along with the Earnest Money of **Rupees 50,000/-** only. The Earnest Money must be in the shape of Fixed Deposit Receipt duly pledged in favour of the Principal, H. P. Govt. Dental College and Hospital, Shimla. The tenders without Earnest Money and Tender Fee shall not be entertained and will be rejected straight way. The earnest money of approved tenderers will be returned only after completion of the supplies, whereas the earnest of the unsuccessful tenderers shall be returned immediately after the finalization of Technical Bid & Financial Bid.

The Principal, reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning the reasons. Only original manufacturers or their authorized agents/distributors are authorized to participate in the tender.

PRINCIPAL

H.P. GOVT. DENTAL COLLEGE AND HOSPITAL, SHIMLA

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Govt. of Punjab
Department of Forests & Wildlife Preservation
O/o Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Hoff)
Punjab Forest Complex, Sector-68, Mohali
Telephone No. 0172-2298000

File No. FOREST-CACAOAMC(AMC9)/1/2020-CAG 13/2020

E-TENDER NOTICE
(DNIT NO. HK/1/2020-21)

Online Tenders are invited for Hiring/Engaging Composite Housekeeping Services, Operation and Preventive Maintenance of Electrical & HVAC Systems and Equipments and Facade Cleaning Services from reputed contractors with experience/financial/infrastructure capabilities at Forest Complex, Sector-68, SAS Nagar. Important information regarding online tender is as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of Tender	Date & Time for Pre-Bid Conference	Date & Time for submission of e-tender
1.	Housekeeping Services	17-09-2020 at 11A.M.	18-09-2020 at 12:00 P.M.
2.	O&P Maintenance of Electrical	17-09-2020 at 01:00 p.m.	21-09-2020 at 12:00 p.m.
3.	Facade Cleaning Services	17-09-2020 at 03:00 P.M.	22-09-2020 at 12:00 P.M.

3. Tender notice and tender document has been uploaded on the departmental website also i.e. www.pbforests.gov.in. However, all tendering process such as sale of tender documents/deposit of earnest money and submission of bid documents shall be carried out online through our service provider at website <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

4. Prospective firms are advised to register themselves with our service provider <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in> well in advance to participate in tenders or may contact at 0172-2298000 Ext. No. 3605.

5. For detailed notice inviting tender and other terms and conditions kindly visit our service provider at <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in> DPR/Pb/67839

HIMACHAL PRADESH JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG
E-TENDERING

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

Sr. No.	Description of Work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Cost of tender forms	Stipulated Time period
1.	Providing 'Sewerage' Scheme to Nalagarh Town in Tehsil Nalagarh, District Solan, H.P. Sub Head Providing Sewerage House connection to various consumers in Nalagarh Town Job No. II.	1,32,82,203/-	165322/-	1500/-	Two year
2.	Construction of 7 'Nos' (6 'Nos.' Tubewells PHASE III in Tehsil Nalagarh, District Solan, H.P. (Sub Head Providing and Laying Rising main of various dia with MS flanges Providing and laying HDPE pipe in distribution system supply and erection of pumping machinery and construction of MDT out lets construction of pump house cum attendant quarter construction of boundary wall around the pump house electrification of pump house for Tubewell 1 Jogtion 2 Barotia Raipur 3 Souri Gijran 4 Ambwala Khooval 5 Jhajra).	1,83,64,690/-	2,16,150/-	1500/-	Two year

1. Last date of filing/uploading the tender through e-tendering:- **10.09.2020 up to 11:00 a.m.** The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website www.hiphp.org.

Executive Engineer, IPH Divn. Nalagarh, Distt. Solan (HP).
HIM SUCHNA AVAM JAN SAMPARK DPR/HP/2464

JAL SHAKTI DIVISION, DHARAMPUR BHARARI
NOTICE INVITING E-PROCUREMENT TENDER

Online item rate bids are invited by the Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division, Dharampur Bharari, Distt. Mandi (H.P.) – 175026 on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh, in electronic tendering system for the undermentioned work from the qualified and experienced contractors/firms registered with Jal Shakti Vibhag.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time	Cost of form
1	Construction of State Level Laboratory at Sidhpur in Tehsil Dharampur, District Mandi HP	2,25,24,796/-	2,57,748/-	One year	2500/-

1. KEY DATES WILL BE AS UNDER:-

a	Date of Online publication	22.08.2020 at 5:00 P.M.
b	Downloading of e-tender Documents	From 22.08.2020 at 5:00 P.M. to 03.09.2020 at 05:00 P.M.
c	Date of submission of e-tender	From 22.08.2020 at 5:00 P.M. to 03.09.2020 at 05:00 P.M.
d	Physical submission of earnest money deposit and cost of tender documents	Up to 11:00 A.M. on 04.09.2020
e	Date of opening of bids:	
1)	Cover-1 Eligibility Criteria	On 04.09.2020 at 11:30 A.M.
2)	Cover-2 Financial Bid	Shall be intimated separately
f	Site Visit	From 25.08.2020 to 29.08.2020 along with the Assistant Engineer/concerned Junior Engineer Jal Shakti Sub Division, Dharampur

The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website www.hptenders.gov.in

Executive Engineer,
Jal Shakti Division, Dharampur Bharari.
DPR/HP/2470

H.P. FOREST DEPARTMENT
KINNAUR FOREST DIVISION AT RECKONG PEO
INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Divisional Forest Officer, Kinnaur at R/Pao, Distt. Kinnaur, H.P. invites sealed tender on the behalf of Governor of H.P. for the "Supply of RCC Fence Posts" from eligible bidders/firms having following eligibility criteria.

1. Technical Qualifications:

i) The manufactures registered with the concerned General Manager, District Industries Centre/Member Secretary, SWCA will be required to produce a copy of manufacturing certificate verified by the concerned DIC for the manufacturing of RCC Fence Posts (amended PMT/EM-II) COP/UAM (Udyog Aadhar Memorandum/valid registration with NSIC/valid registration with DGS & D duty supplemented/verified with the manufacturing certificate verified for current & precious Financial year verified by the concerned DIC).

ii) The bidder should be registered under the H.P. General Sales Tax Act, 1968/GST registration Act, 2016.

iii) The bidder should have GST No., PAN No. and Bank Account in the Nationalized Bank.

iv) The Earnest Money shown against work must accompany with tender in the shape of FDR/Demand Draft of any Nationalized Bank duly pledged in the name of Divisional Forest Officer, Kinnaur Forest Division, H.P.

v) **Test Certificate:-** The bidder shall submit a test certificate for grade not weaker than M-20 (IS specification), duly issued for the products/ quoted items from the NABL accredited laboratories/test houses recognized by State/Central Govt. for the said purpose.

2. Specifications of the material:-

Sr. No.	Item	Specifications	Qty.	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Delivery Time for RCC Fence Post with FOR
1.	RCC Fence Posts	Length 1.65 m Base cross section 14 cm x 9 cm Top cross section 9 cm x 9 cm 6 mm dia MS Bars 4 Nos. 4 mm dia MS Bars 12 Rings. 4 mm GI Wire Hook 4 @ 24" 33", 45", 60" from base Aggregate 5 mm Fencing 6", 9", 12" & 15" spacing from the ground level Cement concrete grade not weaker than M-20 (IS: 456-1978) of IS Code: 4996-1984 Curing Minimum for 21 days	14575 Nos.	5217850	130500	90 days

3. Bid should comprise of two envelopes submitted simultaneously containing Technical bid and Financial bid separately.

4. Key Dates and Time:-

Sr. No.	Activity	Date, Time and Place
1.	Price of bidding document (Non refundable)	500/-
2.	Date of commencement of sale of bidding document	From date/day of publication in the Newspaper.
3.	Last Date for sale of bidding documents	14.09.2020 up to 4:00 p.m.
4.	Date and Time for receipt of bids	15.09.2020 up to 2:00 p.m.
5.	Date and Time of opening of bids	15.09.2020 at 3:00 p.m.
6.	Place of Opening of bids	O/o Divisional Forest Officer Kinnaur at R/Pao.
7.	Address for communication	Divisional Forest Officer, Kinnaur at R/Pao, Distt. Kinnaur

5. The delivery of the RCC Fence Posts will be held at headquarters of Ranges of B Nagar, Katgaon, Nichar, Kilba, Kalpa, Mooring & Pooh and rates should be FOR

6. Divisional Forest Officer Kinnaur at R/Pao has the right to accept or reject any or all bids/quotation without assigning and reason.

For any query, please contact the Division Office during any working day between 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on landline No. 01786-222195.

Divisional Forest Officer,
Kinnaur Forest Division at R/Pao.
Email: divisionkinnaur@gmail.com.
DPR/P/2445

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
TENDER NOTICE REFERENCE NO. 09

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

Sr. No.	Item	Quantity
1.	New Construction Phulra to Bhaja Farm House; Kandila to Kazampur and Qadian Harchowal road to Basrawan in District Gurdaspur under NABARD-XXV Scheme. App. Cost:- Rs. 104.92 Lacs Earnest Money:- Rs. 2.10 Lacs Time Limit:- Six Months Tender Fee: Rs. 10000/-	1
2.	Widening, Strengthening and Raising of Dalam Nangal Adda to Dalle Chak Via Akarpura up to Kala Afgana in District Gurdaspur under NABARD-XXV Scheme. App. Cost:- Rs. 370.11 Lacs Earnest Money:- Rs. 7.40 Lacs Time Limit:- Nine Months Tender Fee: Rs. 20000/-	1

Closing dated & Time:- **14.09.2020 up to 5.00 p.m.**
For details logon to:- <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>
Note:- Any corrigendum(s) to the Tender Notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/- (Er. Rajiv Kumar),
Executive Engineer,
Construction Division,
PWD B&R Br., Batala.
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Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS
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Tender Notice No. 05 **Date: 2020-21**

On behalf of the Chief Executive Officer, Punjab W/S & Sewerage Board, Chandigarh, Executive Engineer, Punjab W/S & Sewerage Division No.2, Amritsar invites online Lump sum basis tenders from the approved Contractor/ firms and eligible Co-operative L & C Societies who fulfill the eligible criteria as per DNIT for the work mentioned below:-

Sr. No.	Name of the work	Bid Security/ Earnest Money (Rs. in Lacs)	Cost of Document/ Tender fee (Rs.)	Period of Completion	Estimated Cost (in Lacs)
1.	O&M of Sewerage Sch. Khem Karan (2020-21) w.e.f. 01.09.2020 to 31.03.2021 (7 months)	25100/-	100/-	7 Months	Lump sum
2.	O&M of Water Supply & Sewerage Sch. Ajnala (2020-21) w.e.f. 01.09.2020 to 31.03.2021 (7 months)	85800/-	100/-	7 Months	Lump sum
3.	O&M of Water Supply Sch. Ramdass (2020-21) w.e.f. 01.09.2020 to 31.03.2021 (7 months)	26900/-	100/-	7 Months	Lump sum

Important Dates are as under:-

1. Period of availability of Tender Online : up to 31.08.2020 up to 11:00 a.m.

2. Last Date & Time for online submission of : 31.08.2020 at 11:00 a.m.

Bids shall be up to 11:00 a.m.

3. Date and Time for Opening of Technical bids : 31.08.2020 at 3:00 p.m.

shall be

For detailed terms and conditions refer to website eproc.punjab.gov.in

Corrigendum, if any, will be issued on website only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Pb. W/S & Sew. Divn. No. 2, Amritsar.
Dated: 21.8.2020

DPR/Pb/68317

Government of Punjab
Department of Science, Technology & Environment
Notice Inviting Applications for Nomination to SEIAA and SEAC

1. State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) and State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) are to be constituted by Government of India under sub-section (3) of section 3 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and as per clause 3 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests notification dated 14.09.2006 as amended from time to time. The sitting fee of Rs 6000/- is admissible to Chairman and members of SEIAA and SEAC. The tenure of SEIAA and SEAC is for 3 years.

2. Applications are invited from interested professionals and experts fulfilling the eligibility criteria as mentioned in Appendix VI to the notification dated 14.09.2006 for nomination as Chairman and a member of State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA). The applicants for nomination as Chairman should have sufficient experience in the environmental policy related issues, in management or in public administration dealing with various development sectors.

3. Applications are also invited from interested professionals and experts fulfilling the eligibility criteria as mentioned in Appendix-VI to the notification dated 14.09.2006 for nomination as Chairman and members of State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC). The membership of SEAC is not to exceed 15 regular members.

4. The eligibility criteria mentioned in Appendix-VI of EIA notification 2006 along with prescribed proforma for submitting the application can be accessed on website of Parivesh i.e http://environmentclearance.nic.in/Statecoord.aspx?State_Name=Punjab and on the website of PPCB i.e. [www.pccb.gov.in](http://www.ppcb.gov.in).

5. The eligible applicants may apply along with complete bio-data through e-mail to seiaaseap2017@gmail.com or submit their applications through registered post to the Additional Director, Directorate of Environment and Climate Change, Room No. 312, MGSIPA Complex, Sector-26, Chandigarh within 21 days from the date of publication of this advertisement. The applications received after the prescribed date will not be considered.

Additional Director,
Directorate of Environment and Climate Change,
Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Punjab
Room No. 312, MGSIPA Complex, Sector-26, Chandigarh — 160019.

DPR/Pb/68464

MEMBER SECRETARY HARYANA STATE CHILD PROTECTION SOCIETY
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
Bays No. 15-20, Pocket-II, Sector 4, Panchkula
Phone No.: 0172-2580359

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Applications are invited to fill up posts of CWC Chairperson & Member CWC/JJB as per provisions under Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 as per following qualification terms and condition:-

Sr. No.	Name of Post	District wise number of posts
1	Chairperson (Child Welfare Committee)	Yamunanagar - 1 Post
2	Member (Child Welfare Committee)	Jind - 1 Post and Yamunanagar - 2 Posts
3	Member (Juvenile Justice Board)	Gurgaon - 1 Post (Only for Female), Jind - 1 Post and Yamunanagar (2 Posts) 1 Post Reserved for female.

Qualification of JJB Member: Minimum seven years experience of working with children in the field of education, health or welfare activities or should be a practicing professional with a Degree in Child Psychology or Psychiatry or Sociology or in the field of law.

Not less than 35 years on the date of Advertisement.

Qualification of Chairperson/Member of CWC: Seven years of experience of working with children in the field of education, health, or welfare activities, or should be a practicing professional with a Degree in Child Psychology or Psychiatry or Social Work or Sociology or Human Development or in the field of law or a retired Judicial Officer.

Age of CWC Chairperson and Member: Above the age of 35 years on the date of advertisement.

Tenure: Three years.

Honorarium: Member of the Board on Chairperson/Member of CWC shall be paid as per sitting which shall include sitting allowance, travel allowance and any other allowance, as the State Government may prescribe.

Terms & Conditions:

1. Applicant must have a domicile of Haryana.
2. Applicant will maintain his/her headquarter as the presence is required even at odd hours or on short notice and the appointment will be cancelled if headquarter is not maintained.
3. Applicant shall have to submit a self-declaration/affidavit on the following points with application form. All conditions from (i) to (vii) of the following point must be fulfilled.
 - i. He/She does not previous conviction record.
 - ii. He/She has not been involved in any immoral act or in the Act or Child abuse or employment of child labour.
 - iii. He/She is not holding such other full time occupation that does not allow him/ her to give necessary time and attention to the work.
 - iv. He/She will give details about his/her Previous/ Present post tenure in any district of Juvenile Justice Board and Child Welfare Committee.
 - v. No enquiry is pending against him/her in any agency/court.
 - vi. The applicant should not have any past record of violation of human rights or child rights for (JJB).
 - vii. The applicant should not have been removed or dismissed from service of the Central Government or a State Government or an undertaking or Corporation owned or controlled by the Central Government or a State Government for (JJB).
4. Willing candidates may send/submit their application form on the prescribed format on or before 25.09.2020 till 5.00 p.m. along with supporting documents i.e. educational qualification and experience certificate etc. in the office of concerned District Programme Officer- Women and Child Development of respective district.
5. Direct application received at Headquarter of WCD, will be rejected.
6. Department has reserved the right to reject the incomplete application form without any prior notice of the candidate.
7. Incomplete Application form in any manner will be rejected.
8. Prescribed Application Proforma may be downloaded from the departmental website www.wcdhy.gov.in.

Member Secretary Haryana State Child Protection Society
Women and Child Development Department
Haryana, Panchkula.

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Amid unrest, Melania appeals for racial amity

Recalls her immigrant story at Republican convention

WASHINGTON, AUGUST 26

Racial unrest is a harsh reality in the US and we are not proud of parts of our history, United States First Lady Melania Trump has acknowledged, as she recalled her own immigrant story in an appeal for social harmony in the country.

The First Lady, in her address to the Republican National Convention (RNC) on Tuesday from the Rose Garden of the White House, made a passionate plea to Americans to re-elect her husband, President Donald Trump. This was her first major reference to the socio-political unrest in the country following the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis in May.

Melania, 50, said, "I arrived in the US when I was 26 years old. Living and working in the land of opportunity was a dream come true, but I wanted more. I wanted to be a citizen. After 10 years of paperwork and patience I studied for the test in 2006 and became an American citizen."



Donald Trump greets Melania after the latter concluded her live address to the Republican National Convention in White House. REUTERS

Indian gets US citizenship at WH ceremony

Washington: Donald Trump presided over a rare naturalisation ceremony at the White House (WH) where five immigrants, including a software developer from India, were sworn in as US citizens. "Sudha Sundari Narayanan is a phenomenal success. She is a talented software developer," Trump said. PTI

It is still one of the proudest moments in my life."

Meanwhile, a third night of street protests over the police shooting of a Black man erupted into gun violence late Tuesday and early Wednesday in Kenosha, Wisconsin,

killling two people and wounding one, police said. A teenager has been detained. Social media videos showed chaotic scenes of people running and screaming amid gunfire and others tending to wounds. — PTI/Reuters

US blacklists 24 Chinese companies, individuals

WASHINGTON, AUGUST 26

The United States on Wednesday blacklisted 24 Chinese firms and targeted individuals it said were part of construction and military actions in the South China Sea, its first such move over the disputed waterway.

The US Commerce Department said the two dozen companies "played a role in helping the Chinese military construct and militarise the internationally condemned artificial islands in the South China Sea."

Only Trump can tackle China: US Secy of State

Trump is the only person who can take on China and its "predatory aggression," US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said. He also said Trump would not rest until he brings Beijing to justice for "spreading Covid". PTI

The US also said it would impose visa restrictions on Chinese individuals "responsible for, or complicit in," such action. — Reuters

24 Covid deaths in Oz

MELBOURNE/LONDON, AUGUST 26

Australia on Wednesday recorded 156 fresh Covid cases and 24 new deaths, the highest single-day increase in the death toll, health officials said.

The country's second most populous state of Victoria recorded 149 new coronavirus cases and all the latest fatalities, 21 of those linked to aged care outbreaks, taking the state's death toll to 462, and the national death toll to 549.

In England, pupils must wear face masks in places with local lockdowns, Education Minister Gavin Williamson

Sri Lanka to adopt 'India first approach'

COLOMBO, AUGUST 26

Sri Lanka will adopt an "India first approach" as its new foreign policy plank and protect New Delhi's strategic security interests, the country's Foreign Secretary, Jayanath Colombage, has said as he sought to allay concerns amid China's growing presence in the island nation.

Admiral Colombage became the first-ever foreign secretary from a military background when he was appointed by President Gotabaya Rajapaksa to head the Foreign Ministry on August 14.

In an interview published by Daily Mirror on Wednesday, Colombage said "Sri Lanka will not do anything harmful to India's strategic security interests."

"China is the second-largest economy and India is considered the sixth-largest. In 2018, India was the world's fastest-growing economy. That means we are between two economic giants," he said.

Commenting on the Chinese investment in Hambantota port, Colombage says that Sri Lanka had offered India Hambantota first, but it did not undertake it for whatever reason. — PTI

TRACKING COVID

NATIONS	DEATHS
US	1,82,798
BRAZIL	1,16,666
RUSSIA	16,683
UK	41,449
SPAIN	28,924

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has said. Earlier, ministers had ruled out the need for pupils to wear masks in corridors despite WHO's advice at the weekend. — Agencies

BUSINESS

USD \$	EUR €	POUND £	JPY ¥	YUAN ¥	CAD C\$	AUD A\$	SGD S\$	HKD HK\$	BSE 230.04 39,073.92	NSE 77.35 11,549.60	GOLD ₹50,935 (MCX) Mumbai	SILVER ₹64,160 (MCX) Mumbai
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Risk of income stagnation if growth below 8%: Report

Calls for urgent steps to boost output, create jobs

MUMBAI, AUGUST 26

India's GDP needs to rise annually at 8-8.5% to create opportunities in the post-Covid era, and the country risks a decade of stagnating incomes and quality of life if urgent steps are not taken to spur growth, says a report.

As per McKinsey Global Institute report, the country will have to undertake a slew of reform measures over the next 12-18 months with the aim of increasing output and creating jobs.

Given the increasing urbanisation and population trends, there will be 90 million additional workers in search of non-farm jobs by 2030 and India will have to triple job creation to 12 million gainful non-farm jobs per year from the 4 million achieved between 2013 and 2018, it said.

The GDP, which is set to contract by over 5% as per some estimates in FY21, needs to go up to 8-8.5% per annum for the next decade



MCKINSEY GLOBAL INSTITUTE FINDINGS

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On the reforms front, it advocated attention to manufacturing, real estate, agriculture, healthcare, and retail sectors, unlocking land

which can reduce prices by up to a fourth, creating "flexible" labour markets, enabling efficient power distribution to reduce tariffs for consumers by over 20% and privatising 30 top state-run enterprises. — PTI

TRAI notice to Voda Idea on priority plan

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

TRAI has issued a show-cause notice to Vodafone Idea over the contentious priority plan, saying the offer lacks transparency, is misleading and not in compliance with regulatory principles. It has been asked to "show cause" by August 31, "as to why appropriate action should not be initiated against it for violating the extant regulatory framework by its RedX tariff plan". — PTI

Reliance ropes in ex-IOC chief as group president

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

Former Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) chairman Sanjiv Singh has joined Reliance Industries as group president for firm's oil-to-chemicals business.

A communication by RIL Executive Director Hital R Meswani to the company employees said Singh will be a member of the

oil-to-chemicals (O2C) business leadership team.

RIL's O2C business consists of the group's twin oil refineries at Jamnagar in Gujarat, petrochemical plants, 51% of fuel retail and aviation fuel venture, and bulk wholesale marketing businesses. — PTI



SANJIV SINGH

DALLAS (US)

American Airlines to cut over 40,000 jobs

American Airlines said on Tuesday it will cut more than 40,000 jobs, including 19,000 through furloughs and layoffs, in October as it struggles with a sharp downturn in travel because of the pandemic. AP

A day after Messi bombshell, Barca still hoping he will stay

MADRID, AUGUST 26
Barcelona haven’t given up on Lionel Messi just yet. A day after the Argentine great told the club he wants to leave, Barcelona said their restructuring project still revolves around the player.

“We want to rebuild for the future together with the best player in history,” Ramon Planes, the club’s technical director, said today. “We are not contemplating any departure on a contractual level because we want him to stay. We have to show a huge respect for Messi.”

“We can’t make this a dispute between Leo Messi and Barcelona because neither deserves it,” Planes said.

Barcelona are trying to avoid an abrupt ending to Messi’s career at the club. His last match with a Barcelona jersey was the



Barcelona captain Lionel Messi has told the club he wants to leave. FILE

embarrassing 8-2 loss to Bayern Munich in the quarterfinals of the Champions League, one of the worst defeats in the player’s career and in the club’s history. But Messi apparently has already made up his mind, and it seems only a matter of how ugly the termination will get.

Messi’s first contract with the club was signed on a napkin after a lunch between his representatives and club officials nearly 20 years ago, but it was with a burofax — a certified communication method commonly used in Spain, similar to a telegram — that Messi told the club he wants to leave. There was no phone call or meeting with club officials. Just the burofax. In it, Messi invoked a clause in his contract that allowed him to leave for free after the end of the season.

But Barcelona said the clause mentioned by Messi expired on June 10, meaning that the player missed the deadline and would have to pay the clause of 700 million euros if he wants to leave before his contract ends in June 2021. What Messi may contend is that the clause was to expire at the end of the season, which this year was moved back because of the coronavirus pandemic. — AP

Serena stunned, Djokovic on a roll

NEW YORK, AUGUST 26
Serena Williams was sent spinning out of the Western and Southern Open by Maria Sakkari yesterday after the Greek rallied from a set down to beat the 23-time Grand Slam champion 5-7 6-5(6) 6-1 and reach the quarterfinals.

Sakkari next faces Briton Johanna Konta.

Earlier, Naomi Osaka beat Dayana Yastremska 6-3 6-1, while Victoria Azarenka beat Alize Cornet 6-4 7-5.

Top seed Novak Djokovic made quick work of Tennys Sandgren, never dropping serve en route to a 6-2 6-4 win, while big-serving Milos Raonic enjoyed a 6-2 6-2 win over Andy Murray.

Djokovic reached the quarterfinals and extended his win-loss record to 20-0 this year. Defending champion Daniil Medvedev beat Aljaz Bedene 6-3 6-3, while Stefanos Tsitsipas defeated John Isner 7-6(2) 7-6(4). — Reuters

MISSING

The General Public is hereby informed that a lady namely Neha w/o Arjun R/o # 363/2, Village Mouli Jagran, UT, Chandigarh, aged about 21 years, Height 5'-1", fair complexion, normal body, wearing khakhi kameez & brown plazzo, was went to her workplace i.e. Mahajan Jeweller, NAC, Manimajra, Chandigarh from her residence on 18.08.2020 but she did not return to her home. She is missing since then. In this regard, a DDR No. 42, dated 19.08.2020 has been lodged in Police Station Manimajra, Chandigarh. A photograph of missing lady is given above.



Chandigarh Police

In case of any clue about the above said missing lady, then please inform to SHO, Police Station Manimajra on Ph. No. 9779580950, 0172-2734082, 2751020 and Chandigarh Police Control Room Ph. No. 0172-2749194 or 112 or 100.

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ਬੀ.ਐਮ. ਬੇਦੀ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਅਤੇ ਸੈਸ਼ਨ ਜੱਜ (ਰਿਟਾ.)
-ਕਮ-ਪੜਤਾਲੀਆ ਅਫਸਰ, ਪਨਸਪ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ

ਵਿਸ਼ਾ: ਪੜਤਾਲ ਵਿਰੁੱਧ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਹਰੀਸ਼ ਚੌਹਰੀ, ਸੀਨੀਅਰ ਸਹਾਇਕ (ਲੇਖਾ) ਪਨਸਪ, ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ।
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਹਰੀਸ਼ ਚੌਹਰੀ, ਸੀਨੀਅਰ ਸਹਾਇਕ (ਲੇਖਾ), ਪਨਸਪ, ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ ਨੂੰ ਦਫਤਰ ਤੋਂ ਗੈਰ-ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਰੱਖਿਤ ਲਈ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਿਵਲ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ (ਸਜ਼ਾ ਅਤੇ ਅਪੀਲ) ਨਿਯਮਵਾਲੀ 1970 ਦੇ ਨਿਯਮ 8 ਅਧੀਨ ਮੁੱਖ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਮੈਜਿਸਟਰੇਟ ਨੇ, ਅਮਲਾ-ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ (171)-2019/1745 ਮਿਤੀ 21.05.2019 ਅਧੀਨ ਜਾਰੀ ਚਾਰਜਸ਼ੀਟ ਵਿਚ ਦਰਜ ਦੋਸ਼ਾਂ ਦੀ ਪੜਤਾਲ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਮੈਨੇਜਿੰਗ ਡਾਇਰੈਕਟਰ, ਪਨਸਪ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਹੁਕਮ ਮਿਤੀ 10.07.2020, ਜੋ ਕਿ ਪਿੱਠੋਂ ਅੰਦਾਜ਼ੇ ਨੇ, ਅਮਲਾ-ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ (171)/2020/12722 ਮਿਤੀ 14.07.2020 ਨਾਲ ਜਾਰੀ ਹੋਏ, ਰਾਹੀਂ ਨਿਮਨ-ਸਤਾਅਰ ਨੂੰ ਬਤੌਰ ਪੜਤਾਲੀਆ ਅਫਸਰ ਨਿਯੁਕਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ।
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਹਰੀਸ਼ ਚੌਹਰੀ, ਸੀਨੀਅਰ ਸਹਾਇਕ (ਲੇਖਾ), ਪਨਸਪ, ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਪੜਤਾਲ ਵਿਚ ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਹੋਣ ਲਈ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਮਿਤੀ 28.07.2020 ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ, ਜੋ ਕਿ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੈਜਿਸਟਰੇਟ, ਪਨਸਪ, ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਸੀ.ਓ. ਸ੍ਰੀ ਹਰੀਸ਼ ਚੌਹਰੀ ਦੇ ਘਰ ਨਾ ਹੋਣ ਕਾਰਨ, ਉਸ ਦੀ ਮਾਤਾ ਸ਼੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਅੰਜਨਾ ਨੂੰ ਡਿਲੀਵਰ ਕਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ.ਓ. ਦੀ ਮਾਤਾ ਸ਼੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਅੰਜਨਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤੀ ਗ਼ਲੀਵੇਂ ਤੋਂ ਲਿਆ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ “ਕੋਨਤੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਹਰੀਸ਼ ਚੌਹਰੀ 18.12.2017 ਨੂੰ ਘਰ ਤੋਂ ਚਲਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ। ਉਸ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਲਾਪਤਾ ਹੈ।”
ਇਸ ਪੜਤਾਲ ਵਿਚ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਲਈ ਅਗਲੀ ਮਿਤੀ 11.09.2020 ਬਾਅਦ ਦੁਪਹਿਰ 2.00 ਵਜੇ ਪਨਸਪ, ਮੁੱਖ ਦਫਤਰ, ਐਸ.ਸੀ.ਓ. ਨੰ. 36-40, ਸੈਕਟਰ 34-ਏ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਵਿਖੇ ਨਿਯਤ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਸ੍ਰੀ ਹਰੀਸ਼ ਚੌਹਰੀ, ਸੀਨੀਅਰ ਸਹਾਇਕ (ਲੇਖਾ), ਪਨਸਪ, ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਪੜਤਾਲ ਵਿਚ ਨਿਸ਼ਚਿਤ ਮਿਤੀ, ਸਮਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਸਥਾਨ ‘ਤੇ ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਹੋਣ ਲਈ ਨਿਯੁਕਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ। ਨਾਲ ਹੀ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਹਰੀਸ਼ ਚੌਹਰੀ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਨਾ ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਹੋਣ ਦੀ ਸੂਰਤ ਵਿਚ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਵਿਰੁੱਧ ਪੜਤਾਲ ਵਿਚ ਇੱਕ ਤਰਫ਼ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਅਮਲ ਵਿਚ ਲਿਆਈ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।

ਮਿਤੀ 20.08.2020

DPR/Pb/68628

ਸਹੀ/- ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਅਤੇ ਸੈਸ਼ਨ ਜੱਜ (ਰਿਟਾ.),

ਪੜਤਾਲੀਆ ਅਫਸਰ, ਪਨਸਪ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ।

TENDER NOTICE
WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Malout on behalf of Chairman of GPWSC Fatehpur Manian Block Malout District Sri Muktar Sahib invites online bids for the following works (**Under Punjab Rural Water & Sanitation Sector Improvement Project - Sub Component 2A(I))**

Sr. No.	Item	App. Cost (Rs. in Lacs)	Bid Security	Date and Time of Technically Opening
	PROVIDING NEW WATER CONNECTION & LAYING OF WATER SUPPLY PIPE LINES OF VILLAGE FATEHPUR MANIAN BLOCK LAMBI DISTT. SRI MUKTSAR SAHIB (UNDER PUNJAB RURAL WATER & SANITATION SECTOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT SUB COMPONENT 2A (I)):-	15.14 Lacs	Rs. 30,280/-	
1	Fatehpur Manian			28.08.2020 at 11:00 A.M.

Date and Time of Start of Sale of Bid Document : 18-08-2020 at 11:00 AM
Last Date and Time of Receipt of Bid : 27-08-2020 at 17:00 hrs
Bid Processing Fee : As per Site.
Completion Period of Work : 5 Months (including monsoon+ Period of 3 months for O&M).
TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
1. The detail of work can be seen on website www.eproc.punjab.gov.in & Corrigendum if any will be uploaded on website.
2. For any enquiry, please contact the helpline No. 01637-262487.
Sd/-
On behalf of Chairman,
DWSS
Village Fatehpur Manian Block Lambi
O/o Executive Engineer,
W/S & Sanitation Division, Malout.

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No trials for Thomas, Uber Cup teams due to Covid fears

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26
The Badminton Association of India (BAI) has decided not to hold trial matches to select the team for the Thomas and Uber Cup. Instead, the team will be decided on the basis of rankings as the BAI is unable to hold trial matches amidst the Covid-19 pandemic. A decision to this effect has already been taken as the federation doesn’t want to risk the health of the players.

The men’s Thomas Cup and the women’s Uber Cup tournaments are pencilled to be held in Aarush, Denmark, from October 3. The Danish federation has already sent all the requisite information and documents to the BAI to process the visas.

“Most probably the team of 10 men and 10 women will be decided on the basis of rankings. It is the only available option in the current scenario,” said a source in the know of the development.

The BAI has also decided to hold the national camp for the Thomas and Uber Cup from September 8. However, a formal decision on holding the camp will only come at a later date after discussions with the Sports Authority of India. — TNS

Anderson now on Mission 700

SOUTHAMPTON, AUGUST 26
James Anderson is far from being done after becoming the first pacer to amass 600 Test wickets and he sees no reason why he can’t enter the 700-club alongside Shane Warne and Muttiah Muralitharan even though he has hit 38. “I’ve chatted to Joe about this a little bit and he has said he would like me to be in Australia (for the Ashes next year),” Anderson was quoted as saying by *ESP-Nerinfo*. “I don’t see any reason why I can’t be. I’m working hard on my fitness all the time. I’m working hard on my game.”

“I feel like I’ve still got stuff to offer this team. As long as I still feel like that I

FIRST AMONG PACERS
James Anderson is the first pacer to get to 600 wickets. **Fast bowlers with 400-plus wickets:**

Bowler	M	WKT	AVG	SR
J Anderson	156	600	26.7	56.2
G McGrath	124	563	21.6	51.9
C Walsh	132	519	24.4	57.8
S Broad	143	514	27.6	56.4
D Steyn	93	439	22.9	42.3
Kapil Dev	131	434	29.6	63.9
R Hadlee	86	431	22.2	50.8
S Pollock	108	421	23.1	57.8
W Akram	104	414	23.6	54.6
C Ambrose	98	405	20.9	54.5

*Read under Bowler, Matches, Wickets, Average, Strike Rate

think I’ll keep going. Can I reach 700? Why not?”

Anderson claimed his 29th five-wicket haul in the third Test and only the great

ANDERSON VS MURALI
Top spinner M Muralitharan vs top pacer Anderson:

	Anderson	Murali
Tests	156	133
Balls bowled	33745	44039
Wickets	600	800
Average	26.79	22.72
Strike Rate	56.2	55.0
5 W/Inn	29	67
10 W/Mat	3	22
Best in Inn	7/42	9/51
Best in Match	11/71	16/220

Richard Hadlee has more among seam bowlers.

Talking about his 600 wickets, Anderson said: “Looking back to that first Test, I never thought I would get anywhere near 600.” — PTI

NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

The Dy. Chief Engineer/C, Northern Railway, Ambala Cantt, for and on behalf of the President of India invites open e-tender under Single Packet System for the under noted work:

1. Name of works and location	Repair & Maintenance of staff quarters/UMB, Officer's Rest House/UMB, Offices of Dy. CE/C/UMB, Dy. CEE/C/UMB, SSE/C/UMB, SSE/W/C/UMB, XEN/C/SRE, SSE/W/C/SRE & Officer's Rest House/SRE.
2. Completion period of works	12 (Twelve) Months
3. Approx. Cost of works	Rs. 84.46 lacs
4. Earnest Money to be deposited	Rs. 1,68,900/-
5. Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tenders	Tender may be uploaded upto 11.30 hrs. on 01.10.2020 on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in . The bidders can participate in the e-tender, the tender will be opened at 11.30 hrs. on 01.10.2020
6. Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document:	The detailed e-tender notice is available on Northern Railway web site i.e. www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and tender document is available on www.ireps.gov.in . Above tenders document will be available for submission of offer on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in from 01.09.2020 to 01.10.2020. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tender are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice can also be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

Tender Notice No. 75-W/Dy.CE/C/UMB/2020-21 Dated: 24.08.2020

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FINAL CALL FOR ENTRIES
for INDIAN PANORAMA, 2020

Feature & Non-Feature Films
Eligibility

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

For Regulations and Entry Form please visit :

www.dff.gov.in & www.iffigoa.org

ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਕਾਰਜਕਾਰੀ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ, ਜਲ ਸਪਲਾਈ ਅਤੇ ਸੈਨੀਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਮੰਡਲ ਨੰ. 3, ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ
ਮਾਰਫ਼ਤ-ਡਿਪਟੀ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨਰ, ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ
ਈ-ਟੈਂਡਰ ਨੋਟਿਸ

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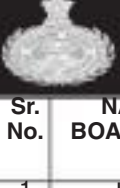
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GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA


TENDER NOTICE



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1	HVPNL PANCHKULA	PROVISION OF ARCHITECTONIC STRUCTURE CAR PARKING SHED IN FRONT AT SHAKTI BHAWAN, HVPNL, PANCHKULA.	25.08.2020 03.09.2020	25792/- For General 12896/- For Society	https://hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
2	HVPNL KARNAL	AUGMENTATION FROM 16/20MVA TO 40/50MVA 132/33KV T/F WITH 1 NO 132 KV BUS COUPLER BAY ALONG WITH ALIED EQUIPMENT AT 132 KV S/STN. SIWAN (SURFACE DRESSING SUPPLY & SPREADING OF GRAVEL) (CIVIL WORKS).	CLOSING DATE 07.09.2020	Rs. 10,300.00 for General, Rs. 5,150.00 for Registered Society	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
3	DHBNV, FARIDABAD	HIRING OF OFFICE BUILDING FOR (OP) S/DIVN JAWAHAR COLONY NIT FARIDABAD UNDER (OP) CIRCLE FARIDABAD AGAINST NIT NO.1/SE/FBD/2020-21	17.08.2020 07.09.2020	0.00	www.dhbnv.org.in	0129-2233277 seopfaridabad@dhbnv.org.in
4	H.S.A.M. BOARD, PANCHKULA	SPECIAL REPAIR OF VARIOUS ROADS (7 NO.) UNDER WORK PLAN 2020-21 IN THE NOTIFIED AREA OF MC PANCHKULA AND RAIPUR RANI IN CONSTITUENCY KALKA, DISTT. PANCHKULA (GROUP-I), + 3 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 08.09.2020	EMD 5.62 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	Executive Engineer
5	HSAM BOARD, FATEHABAD	SPECIAL REPAIR OF 6 NO. LINK ROADS OF M.C. TORANA, UKLANA & DHARSUL (GROUP-A) (ROAD ID H-988, H-1059, H-1091, H-4612, H-4613 & H-1005 (UNDER 7TH WORK PLAN 2020-21) (PHASE-1), TIME LIMIT: 9 MONTHS) + 5 OTHER WORKS	26.08.2020 15.09.2020	EMD 14.02 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	(99924-52803) xenhsambfatehabad2018@gmail.com
6	HARYANA STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION	APPOINTMENT OF STRATEGIC ALLIANCE MANAGEMENT OPERATOR(SAMO) AT INLAND CONTAINER DEPOT-CUM CONTAINER FREIGHT STATION (ICD/CFS) AT REWARI (HARYANA)	27.08.2020 14.09.2020	EMD 5 LACS	etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2587200 secyhw@hry.nic.in


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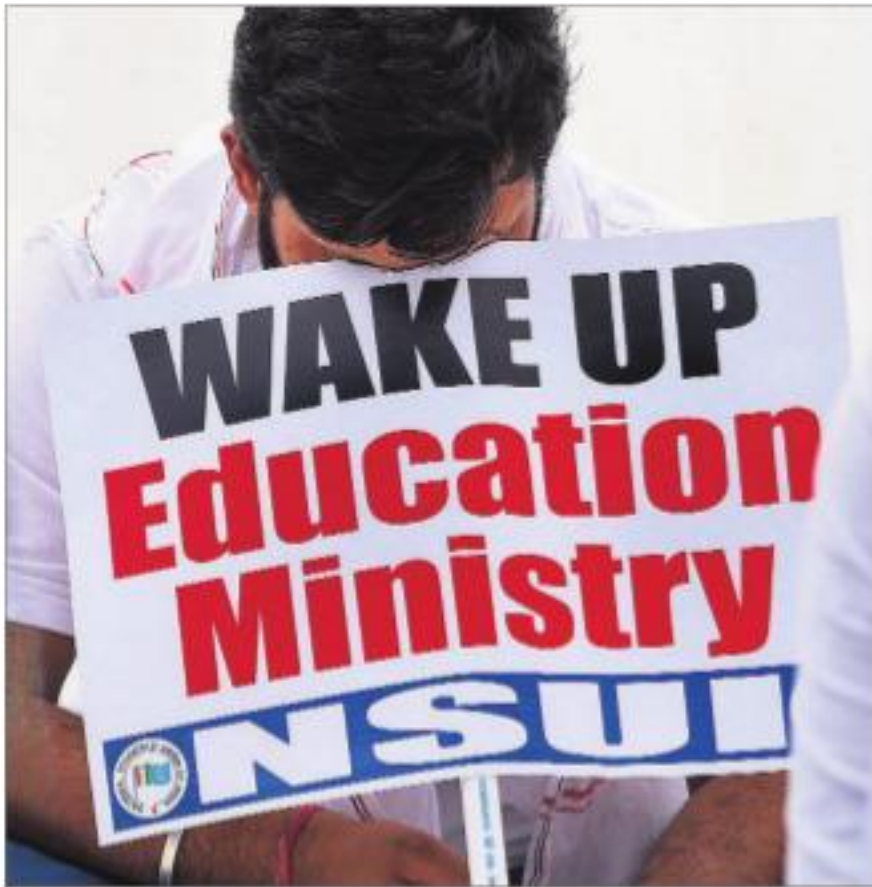
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1	PWD B&R, PANCHKULA	RE-INVITE TENDER FOR THE WORK OF PROVIDING LIFT IN VAN BHAWAN BUILDING IN SECTOR 6, PANCHKULA	27.08.2020 03.09.2020	10.30 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2920477 pwd-eeepd-panchkula@hry.nic.in
2	PWD B&R, REWARI	RAISING OF BOUNDARY WALL ENTRANCE AND EXIT GATE OF SAINIK SCHOOL SEC. 4 AT REWARI IN REWARI DISTT.	27.08.2020 19.09.2020	12.57 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01274-253703 pwd-eeepd-rewari@hry.nic.in
3	PWD B&R, KARNAL	CONSTRUCTION OF STANDARD HOUSES FOR CIVIL JUDGE SENIOR DIVISION AND JUNIOR DIVISION IN SDO CIVIL CUM JUDICIAL COMPLEX AT SAMALKHA, DISTT. PANIPAT. (PDG. E1 ONLY). RECALL 2020_HRY_133607_4 + 4 OTHER WORKS	26.08.2020 07.09.2020	22.32 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0184-2265696 pwd-eeed-karnal@hry.nic.in
4	PWD B&R, SONIPAT	CONSTRUCTION OF E.V.M. WARE HOUSE (4000 UNIT) AT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE AND JUDICIAL COMPLEX IN SONIPAT DISTT.	24.08.2020 14.09.2020	332.22 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0130-2200575 pwd-eeepd2-sonapat@hry.nic.in
5	PANCHAYATI RAJ, YAMUNA NAGAR	CONST. OF 19 NO. VILLAGE KNOWLEDGE CENTERS + 13 NO AGANWARI CENTER	27.08.2020 09.09.2020	555.50 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01732-237833 prexeeng.ynr@hry.nic.in
6	PANCHAYATI RAJ, NUH	CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY SANITARY COMPLEX (2 NOS TOILETS) VILLAGE ATERNA SAMSABAD & MADHI BLOCK NAGINA, DISTT. NUH +18 OTHER WORKS	29.08.2020 04.09.2020	35.90 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	prexeeng.mwt@hry.nic.in
7	PANCHAYATI RAJ, PALWAL	CONSTRUCTION OF HALLS (2 NOS) AND ENTRY GATE IN BRIJ PRIKRAMA MARGAT VILLAGE BANCHARI BLOCK HODAL DISTT. PALWAL + 1 NO	26.08.2020 09.09.2020	1.43 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	palwalprexeeng.pwl@gmail.com 01275-298060
8	PANCHAYATI RAJ, NUH	CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY SANITARY COMPLEX (2 NOS TOILETS) VILLAGE CHHACHERA & KIRA BLOCK INDRI, DISTT. NUH + 28 OTHER WORKS	01.09.2020 07.09.2020	53.85 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	prexeeng.mwt@hry.nic.in
9	PANCHAYATI RAJ, SIRSA	CONST. OF GVH AT VILLAGE GORIWALA AND 7 NOS. OTHER WORKS	26.08.2020 22.09.2020	1.94 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01666-247479
10	PANCHAYATI RAJ, NUH	CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY SANITARY COMPLEX (2 NOS TOILETS) VILLAGE ALUPUR TIGRA & HIRWARI BAWANTERI BLOCK F P JHIRKA, DISTT. NUH + 18 OTHER WORKS	26.08.2020 01.09.2020	35.90 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	prexeeng.mwt@hry.nic.in
11	PANCHAYATI RAJ, FATEHABAD	CONST. OF BLOCK OFFICE BUILDING AT BHUNA BLOCK BHUNA, DISTT. FATEHABAD	31.08.2020 14.09.2020	1.48 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01667-230855
12	PANCHAYATI RAJ BLOCK LEVEL E- TENDERING COMMITTEE, BLOCK DABWALI	SUPPLY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN VARIOUS VILLAGES OF BLOCK DABWALI IN DISTRICT SIRSA	25.08.2020 14.09.2020	NIL	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9416127276
13	PANCHAYATI RAJ BLOCK LEVEL E- TENDERING COMMITTEE, BLOCK NATHUSARI CHOPTA	SUPPLY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN VARIOUS VILLAGES OF BLOCK NATHUSARI CHOPTA IN DISTRICT SIRSA	25.08.2020 14.09.2020	NIL	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	94676-88298
14	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT, HARYANA PANCHKULA	REAL TIME CANAL DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM WITH DATA AS A SERVICE MODEL FOR 150 CANAL LOCATIONS FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS	26.08.2020 22.09.2020	EMD Rs. - NIL BID SECURING DECLARATION IS REQUIRED	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	xen.nhp@gmail.com 0172-2560080
15	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT, HARYANA PANCHKULA	RE-TENDER FOR PURCHASE OF INSTRUMENTS UNDER NHP	25.08.2020 01.09.2020	EMD Rs. - NIL BID SECURING DECLARATION IS REQUIRED	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	xen.nhp@gmail.com 0172-2560080
16	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, KURUKSHETRA	CONSTRUCTION OF PUCCA PATH (INTERLOCKING PAVING PATH) FROM SAMASPUR PUKH HOUSE TO PUCCA PATH SAMASPUR TO FIELD ON LUMHI BUND + 1 OTHER WORK	26.08.2020 07.09.2020	29.38 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01744-239164 xenwsvdnktra@gmail.com
17	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGG., PALWAL	REPAIR/STRENGTHENING OF EXISTING DAMMAGE 1000 MM I/D RCC PIPE SEWER LINE FROM MANGLA MEDICAL HALL TO GOVT. MIDDLE SCHOOL NO. 2, ON OLD SOHNA ROAD PALWAL, DISTT. PALWAL	CLOSING DATE 07.09.2020	93.50 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	Executive Engineer
18	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGG., NARNAUL	LAYING OF SEWER LINES IN BALANCE APPROVED AREA OF NARNAUL TOWN DISTT. MAHENDRAGARH. "PROVIDING & LAYING OF 1000 MM OD HOPE PIPE SEWER BY TRENCHLESS TECHNOLOGY				

Testing times



An NSUI member during a protest in New Delhi against the government decision to hold NEET, JEE and other exams. PTI

NCB books Rhea for 'dealing' in drugs

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) on Wednesday filed a criminal case against Rhea Chakraborty and others to probe their alleged dealings in banned drugs, an instance emerging from an investigation being conducted into the death of actor Sushant Singh Rajput, officials said.

They said Sections 20, 22, 27 and 29 of the NDPS have been pressed in the complaint filed by the federal anti-drugs agency on an official reference received from the Enforcement Directorate (ED).

These sections under the NDPS pertain to punishment for contravention in relation to cannabis plant and cannabis (20), punishment for contravention in relation to psychotropic substances (22), punishment for consumption of any narcotic drug or psy-

MOVE AFTER 'DELETED MESSAGES' RETRIEVED

Development comes after ED on Monday shared with NCB and CBI "deleted WhatsApp messages" allegedly indicating dealings in banned drugs from Rhea's phone

chotropic substance (27) and punishment for abetment and criminal conspiracy (29).

Officials said NCB Director General Rakesh Asthana held two rounds of meetings and after going through the evidence available and obtaining legal opinion, he directed his officials to file a case.

The ED, which is probing a money laundering, has questioned Rhea twice earlier and has obtained "deleted WhatsApp messages" after forensic examination of her phone. — PTI

Pakistan Senate rejects two Bills related to FATF grey list

ISLAMABAD, AUGUST 26

Pakistan's Opposition-dominated Senate has rejected two Bills related to the tough conditions set by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), jeopardising the government's efforts to escape from being blacklisted by the global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog.

The move drew a strong reaction from Prime Minister Imran Khan, who accused the Opposition leaders of trying to save their illegal money.

The Anti-Money Laundering (Second Amendment) Bill and the Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) Waqf Properties Bill, passed by the National Assembly a day before, were rejected through a voice vote by the Senate on Tuesday.

The legislations were part

'DESPERATE MOVE TO SAVE ILL-GOTTEN MONEY'

“Opposition leaders have become desperate to save their corrupt money. They are trying to hide behind the facade of democracy to protect their loot and plunder.”

Imran Khan, PAKISTAN PRIME MINISTER



of efforts by Pakistan to move from the FATF's grey list to the white list.

The Paris-based Financial Action Task Force (FATF) put Pakistan on the grey list in June 2018 and asked Islamabad to implement a plan of action by the end of 2019, but the deadline was extended later on due to Covid-19.

The 104-member Senate, where the Opposition enjoys a majority, rejected two Bills after Leader of the House

Shahzad Waseem refused to tender an apology for remarks that he made against the Opposition leadership last week, Dawn newspaper said.

Waseem without naming the Opposition leaders accused them of being involved in money laundering. The Bills will now be taken up for voting at a joint session of Parliament.

"Today in Senate, the Opposition defeated two critical FATF-related Bills: Anti

Money Laundering and ICT Waqf Bills. From day one I have maintained that the self-serving interests of the Opposition leaders and the country's interests are divergent," the PM tweeted.

"The Opposition leaders have become desperate to save their corrupt money by trying to prevent parliament from functioning; by seeking to undermine the government's effective Covid-19 strategy — a recognised global success story — and now by trying to sabotage Pakistan's efforts to exit FATF grey list," he added.

Khan further said the Opposition parties were trying to hide behind the facade of democracy to protect their loot and plunder and using blackmail as a tactic to gain concessions on their cases of corruption. — PTI

Nadda calls meeting of BJP MPs from Bihar

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Gearing up to face electoral challenges in the upcoming Bihar Assembly elections, BJP president JP Nadda has called a meeting of all party MPs from the state on Saturday to finalise its poll strategy, sources said today.

Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, the party is actively using virtual platforms to reach out to people and stay in touch with its cadre on the ground to prepare for the Assembly elections, expected to be held around October-November.

Sources said BJP general secretary and party's Bihar

Ropes in Maharashtra former CM Fadnavis for poll preparations

election in-charge Bhupendra Yadav will also be present at the meet called by Nadda.

The BJP has involved former Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis in its preparations for the Bihar elections. Former Jharkhand CM Raghubar Das has held virtual meetings with party workers from the extremely backward classes.

Sonia leads 7 CMs...

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Sonia earlier slammed the Centre for not paying the mandatory GST compensation of 14 per cent for the current year to states, noting, "This refusal is nothing short of betrayal by the government." All CMs at the meet agreed to jointly petition the President and the PM on the issue and vociferously demand payment of dues in tomorrow's GST Council conference.

The meeting today helped lay ground for opposition unity with Sonia explaining its timing, "Parliament is expected to meet in three weeks. I thought we should have this interaction so that we have a coordinated approach."

The meeting happened in a relaxed environment with

Sonia mostly listening except to say "I agree", when Mamata, Soren and Uddhav pressed for "opposition unity against the Centre and its agencies".

"We must meet more often and not just when there is a crisis. If we are united, even crisis will fear us. Let us decide whether we will fight the Centre or fear it," said Uddhav while Mamata earlier said the government was using its agencies to intimidate the Opposition.

Sonia earlier termed National Education Policy 2020 a "set-back for progressive, secular and scientific values", saying "it should worry us".

The Punjab and Chhattisgarh governments have formed committees to study the NEP and its financial and general impact on the states.

Desist from media briefing, Naidu to House panel chiefs

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

Rajya Sabha Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu has requested chiefs of the Parliamentary Committees of the Upper House to ensure that the proceedings of the panels are not reported in media, as it is not permissible to communicate "directly or indirectly" before the report is presented on the floor of the House, sources said.

The sources said, in a letter to all the panel chiefs, it is also communicated that such action (media reporting) on proceedings of committees also amounts to breach of privilege of the House.

'BREACH OF PRIVILEGE'

Revealing information to the media till the reports are presented to the House amounts to breach of privilege, says a letter to all panel chiefs

Quoting the letter, the sources said, "I urge upon you to impress upon the members of Parliament belonging to your committee... to strictly adhere to the existing provisions relating to confidentiality and refrain from premature divulgence of any information to the media." — TNS

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