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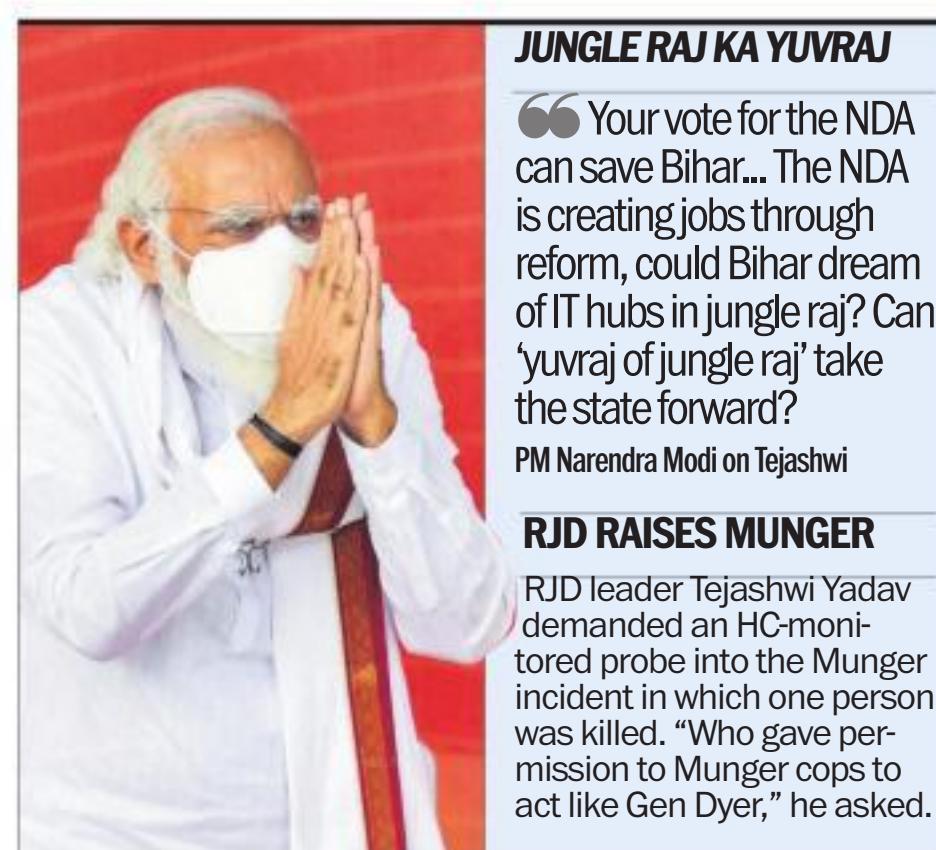
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NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28
Sharing the stage with 'mitra' (friend) Nitish Kumar at a series of public meetings in Bihar, which saw the first phase of elections



today, Prime Minister Narendra Modi invoked the Ram temple at Ayodhya to underscore the NDA's commitment towards its poll promises at a rally in Darbhanga.



JUNGLE RAJ KA YUVRAJ

“Your vote for the NDA can save Bihar... The NDA is creating jobs through reform, could Bihar dream of IT hubs in jungle raj? Can 'yuvraj of jungle raj' take the state forward?”
PM Narendra Modi to Tejashwi

RJD RAISES MUNGER

RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav demanded an HC-monitored probe into the Munger incident in which one person was killed. “Who gave permission to Munger cops to act like Gen Dyer,” he asked.

Later in Muzaffarpur and Patna, in a scathing attack on RJD's Tejashwi Yadav, he cautioned voters against “jungle raj ka yuvraj”.

As he went on to list achievements of the NDA and Nitish Kumar government, the PM said: “Bihar had two challenges: One from coronavirus and the other from those who wanted to make it ‘bimar’ (sick) again.”

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Phase-I Polling for 71 Bihar seats | 54.26% turnout | 54.94% in 2015



Voters in long queues, some with masks, outside a polling booth at the Bhabhua police station in Bihar's Kaimur district. PTI

Troops standing firm at LAC, says Rajnath

China slams US, says border row bilateral issue

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NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28
On a day China objected to US “meddling” in the LAC stand-off, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said Indian troops were standing firm along the Line of Actual Control but talks for a peaceful resolution to the ongoing crisis with China would continue.

The Defence Minister was addressing the four-day Army Commanders' Conference in New Delhi. The minister said it was a national responsibility to ensure the best weapons, equipment and clothing for the troops braving extreme weather and hostile forces to defend the country's territorial integrity.

The Army Commanders' Conference, an apex-level biannual event which began in New Delhi on October 26, is deliberating upon existing



Rajnath Singh at the Army Commanders' Conference in New Delhi. PTI

security scenarios, situation along the borders and in hinterland and challenges for the present security apparatus.

Rajnath complimented the forces on the high standard of operational preparedness and capabilities. He also paid tributes to the brave-hearts of Galwan, Kashmir and the North-East.

The government, he said, was focused on enhancing combat capability. A day after Secretary of State Mike Pompeo assured India that the US stood firmly with it to confront threats to its sovereignty, China objected to the US “meddling” in its border standoff with India, saying it was a bilateral issue.

Map row: JPC rejects Twitter explanation

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

A joint parliamentary committee (JPC) on Wednesday rejected as “inadequate” Twitter's explanation for showing Ladakh as part of China, saying it amounted to treason.

The committee said an explanation must be tendered by the US-based parent of the social media platform in the form of an affidavit, sources said.

Appearing before the JPC on the Data Protection Bill, chaired by BJP MP Meenakshi Lekhi, representatives of Twitter India “begged apology”, but they were told that it was a criminal offence that questioned the sovereignty of the country and an affidavit must be submitted by Twitter Inc, not by its ‘marketing arm’

Twitter India, sources added. They were questioned for more than two hours.

Sources said some members also raised questions about Twitter's transparency policy and its actions during elections, especially vis-a-vis their policies in other countries.

Wants US-based parent of social media platform to apologise

A Twitter spokesperson said, “The recent geo-tagging issue was swiftly resolved by our teams. We are committed to openness, transparency around our work and will remain in regular touch with the government to share timely updates.” — PTI

NGOs in J&K raided in terror funding case

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NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

The National Investigation Agency today searched 10 locations in Srinagar and one in Bengaluru in connection with a case related to NGOs and trusts allegedly diverting charity funds for secessionist activities in J&K.

Those whose premises were searched included Khurram Parvez (J&K Coalition of Civil Society co-ordinator), his associates Parvez Ahmad Bukhari, Parvez Ahmad Mattoo, Bengaluru-based associate Swati Sheshadri and Parveena Ahanger, the chairperson of Association of Parents of Disappeared Persons, the NIA said in a statement. It said the offices of NGO Athrout and GK Trust, which runs English daily ‘Greater Kashmir’, were also searched.

A senior NIA official said several incriminating documents and electronic devices were seized. The case was registered by the agency on October 8. — TNS



A house that was damaged during an encounter in Srinagar. PTI

2 MILITANTS SHOT DEAD

Srinagar: Two militants were killed in an encounter on Tuesday night in Budgam district of J&K, the police said. INSIDE

means and electronic devices were seized. The case was registered by the agency on October 8. — TNS

IN BRIEF

President suspends DU VC Yogesh Tyagi

NEW DELHI: Delhi University VC Yogesh Tyagi was on Wednesday suspended on the orders of President Ram Nath Kovind following a tussle among top DU functionaries last week over appointments. Tyagi was accused of “misconduct” and “dereliction of duty” by the Education Ministry, which then approached the President. TNS

Six BSP MLAs in UP rebel, may quit party

LUCKNOW: In a jolt to the BSP, four of the 10 MLAs who had proposed the name of the party's lone candidate in next month's Rajya Sabha polls withdrew support amid hints that they may switch sides. The four accompanied the two other BSP MLAs to the SP headquarters and met party chief Akhilesh Yadav, said sources. PTI

T'gana man gets death for killing 9

HYDERABAD: A court in Telangana's Warangal on Wednesday sentenced Sanjay Kumar Yadav (24) to death for killing nine persons of a family in what has come to be known as Gorrekunta mass murder case. In May, nine migrant labourers were drugged and their bodies dumped in a well to make people believe they committed suicide. TNS

Coveted UN award for Indian green body

UNITED NATIONS: An Indian organisation, Global Himalayan Expedition, that leverages tourism and technology to help remote communities access solar energy has won the prestigious UN Global Climate Action Award for its efforts to combat climate change amid the Covid pandemic. PTI

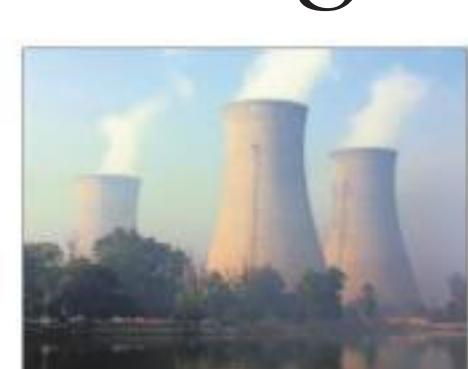
IT Dept seizes ₹62 cr from hawala agents

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28
The Income Tax Department has seized Rs 62 crore in cash as part of its multi-city tax evasion operation against hawala/entry operators, official sources said on Wednesday. The seizure is linked to the searches launched by the department on 42 premises in Delhi-NCR, Haryana, Punjab, Uttarakhand and Goa on Monday. The cash, in crisp Rs 2,000 and Rs 500 notes, was found stashed in almirahs and furniture. — PTI

Pvt plants run out of coal, Punjab stares at power shortage

AMAN SOOD

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BUYING FROM NATIONAL GRID, SAYS PSPCL

We are purchasing power from the national grid on a daily basis. The coal shortage has dealt a financial blow to the PSPCL as it is spending money to purchase power from the grid and also paying fixed charges to thermal plants

Venu Prasad, PSPCL CMD required to have coal in stock to meet any emergency. As against the demand for 1,100 lakh units of power, around 200 lakh units were purchased from the national grid by the PSPCL.

The industry has finally started operating after the lockdown and any power pangs now will hit the state's economy hard,” a senior power official said.

“The industry is now working overtime to meet the winter demand and the government must ensure enough coal so that the industry does not have to shut production,” he added.

Oxford vaccine likely by Dec: Poonawalla

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

Serum Institute chief Adar Poonawalla today said the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine could be ready by as early as December and the first 100 million doses could be available by the first or second quarter of 2021.

He did not rule out applying for emergency authorisation of the vaccine saying the decision would depend on the Centre and the safety data from the UK trials, which could be out in two weeks.

While the cases crossed the 8-million mark on Wednesday night, the recoveries stood at a record 90.85 per cent (over 72 lakh). In the last 24 hours, 43,893 fresh cases were witnessed against 58,439 recoveries. India added the last one million cases in 18 days as against 12

COVID-19 CASES INDIA

COUNT	RECOVERED	FRESH FATALITIES	TOTAL DEATHS
79,90,322 (AT 8 AM)	72,59,509	508	120,010

WORLD

TOTAL	RECOVERED	DEATHS
4,45,54,731	3,25,82,911	11,76,074

CASES CROSS 8 MN

The Covid cases surged past 8 mn on Wednesday night (last 1 mn added in 18 days) after touching 79.90 lakh in the government's 8 am update.

days it took to reach from six to seven million cases.

The country crossed 20 lakh cases on August 7, 30 lakh on August 23, 40 lakh on September 5, 50 lakh on September 16 and 60 lakh on September 27. — TNS

SIT to probe F'bad girl's killing kin get security

FRIDABAD, OCTOBER 28

A three-member SIT, headed by ACP (Crime) Anil Kumar, has been set up to probe the murder of the 21-year-old woman who was shot by two youths outside a college in Ballabgarh on Monday.

The SIT members visited the aggrieved family this morning. The victim's mother alleged the key accused, Tausif, had been pressuring Nikita to marry him. Booked in 2018 on the family's complaint, Tausif was later let off. He did not contact any member of the family thereafter.

Haryana Home Minister Anil Vij said the SIT would look into the 2018 complaint and inquire if any Congress leader was involved in hushing up the matter. Yashpal Yadav, DC, said security had been provided to the family.

NIKITA MURDER

ABOUT ACCUSED TAUSIF

- Key accused Tausif was booked in 2018 on the complaint of the victim's family
- He had allegedly been pressuring Nikita to marry him
- Minister Vij said the SIT would probe the 2018 complaint & ascertain if any Cong man helped in hushing up the case

Union Minister of State for Social Justice KP Gurjar visited the family. Former Congress MLA Karan Dalal demanded an FIR against cops for “laxity in handling the case.” — TNS

EDIT: THE CHILLING PATTERN

CAREFUL MONITORING

State/UT	Avg readings
Chandigarh	136
Himachal Pradesh	125
Punjab	107

DELHI 'MOST POLLUTED'

Delhi ranked the most polluted state, followed by Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh, according to Carbon Copy and Respirer Living Sciences.

Farmers' stir hits tourism in Kangra belt

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DHARAMSALA, OCTOBER 28

The hotel and tourism industry in Kangra has been hit owing to the farmers' agitation in Punjab. With passenger trains stopped, the tourism industry in the Kangra belt has come to a standstill. The area used to get a large number of tourists from Maharashtra, West Bengal and Gujarat in October and November.

Ashwani Bamba, president of the Hotel and Restaurant Association of Himachal, said besides the suspension of train services, inter-state bus service too was yet to be resumed completely. He said if the situation persisted for a few more days, big hotels could be forced to close down operations.

Punjab, HP, Chd 'best' in keeping tabs on pollution

VIBHA SHARMA

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NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

Among the 23 states/UTs listed in the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP), only three — Chandigarh, Himachal Pradesh and Punjab — recorded above average PM10 readings (104 readings are required in a year) in past three years, reveals an analysis of the National Air Quality Monitoring Programme.

Chandigarh recorded the maximum number of 136 readings. It has five monitors and witnessed a slight improvement in the PM10 level from 105 micrograms/cubic metre in 2016 to

Don't deny rural fund to state: SAD

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28

Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) president Sukhbir Singh Badal today said the Union Government should not "victimise" farmers for agitating against the agricultural laws by refusing to pay the Rural Development Fund (RDF) of Rs 1,100 crore on government paddy purchase. He said such mechanisms only confirmed the fears that the process to finish the 'mandi' system had begun.

In a statement here, the SAD president condemned the Union Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution for not making any provision for the RDF in the cash credit limit extended for the current paddy procurement season. He said this would adversely affect the foodgrain procurement system in Punjab. The money received by the state from the RDF, which was around Rs 1,850 crore per

HELP FARMERS

The Centre must remember that farmers who are agitating against its policies are the ones who fed the nation for 50 years. It should not use coercive measures against them.

Sukhbir Badal,
SAD PRESIDENT

annum, was used to maintain 1,800 mandis and 70,000 km of rural link roads.

Meanwhile, former minister Bikram Singh Majithia advised the state government to follow the Kerala pattern and declare minimum support price (MSP) on fresh farm fruit and vegetables. —TNS

State facing economic curbs for opposing farm laws: Cong

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AMRITSAR, OCTOBER 28

Opposing the "confrontational attitude" being adopted by the Centre, Punjab Congress Committee president Sunil Jakhar today said the state was facing "sanctions for opposing the farm laws".

Jakhar met farmers in Chamiari village of Ajnala and Guruwali village of Attari constituencies, apprising them about the state's Bills against the Central farm laws.

He said the Centre's approach seemed to be to teach Punjab a "lesson". "The reason being that CM Capt Amarinder Singh has dared to come out with a pro-farmer approach against the 'black farm laws,'" he said.

Jakhar alleged conspira-



PPCC president Sunil Jakhar addresses mediapersons in Amritsar.

'CENTRE INDULGING IN ARM-TWISTING'

The Narendra Modi government has been indulging in 'arm-twisting' and adopting narrow-minded tactics... but we want to tell the Centre that we are looking for conciliation, not confrontation.

Sunil Jakhar, PUNJAB CONGRESS PRESIDENT

cies were being hatched to deprive the farmers of their lands and hand them over to big corporates could never be tolerated. He said the Centre was imposing economic sanctions on Punjab for taking steps to safeguard the interests of farmers.

"First, the arrears of Rs 9,500 crore of GST was

revoked, and now to bring Punjab on its knees, Rs 1,100-crore Rural Development Fund has been withheld. But our government will stand by farmers, no matter how high the cost it has to pay."

Pointing out that the struggle could continue for long, he said: "The PM should himself talk to farm-

ers directly and assure them on the issue of MSP". Harpartap Singh Ajnala MLA said: "Punjabis will fight till these laws are repealed." Santokh Singh Bhalaipur, MLA, Baba Bakala, said CM Capt Amarinder Singh had sent out a strong message by getting the farm Bills passed.

There's no going back, says Nadda

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CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28

Maintaining there was no going back on the three agriculture Acts, BJP national president JP Nadda today asked Punjab BJP leaders to fan out in rural areas instead of focussing on urban pockets to deepen the party's reach in the state before the next Assembly elections.

Delivering the first Kamal Sharma memorial lecture via video-conferencing, Nadda called upon the state BJP leaders to adopt an aggressive approach against the Congress' propaganda and explain the good provisions of the Acts to farmers.

"These farm Acts will remain as they ensure the farmer reaps one and half times profit on the sale of produce. Contractor or trader is bound by law to incur any damage to crops due to weather. Significantly, no contract with any trader would include the land of farmers. The contract would be of the produce only," he said.

The BJP president claimed the party had a lot of support in Punjab and in order to become number one in the state, the party has to spread its wings in the rural areas.

Ridiculing the Punjab Congress and Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh, Nadda said the Congress was, in fact, opposing the commitments it had made in its 2017 election manifesto.

OPPOSITION LYING

Opposition parties are against the Central agriculture Acts purely for political reasons and deceiving the farmers as they have failed to deliver anything reformatory to them.

JP Nadda, BIP PRESIDENT

STATE GOVT MISUSING RURAL FUND: CHUGH

Taran Chugh, BJP national general secretary, on Wednesday accused the state government of diverting the Rural Development Fund and defying the purpose for which it was meant.

He said the Congress had promised to do away with mandis and promote contract farming and this was what the Narendra Modi government had ensured in the new legislations. "Will the Congress say that it made wrong promises in its manifesto?" Nadda asked.

He said the three farm Acts would not only empower the farmers in the country, but would also release them from the age-old bondage. He assured that there would be no change in the minimum support price (MSP) system.

No RDF, govt in a fix over ₹4,500-cr loan interest payment

RUCHIKA M KHANNA

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CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28

The state stares at a far bigger economic crisis as a result of the denial of the Rural Development Fund (RDF). This is because the government has pledged its future income accrued from the RDF to various banks for availing a loan of Rs 4,500 crore.

The Centre's decision to "scrutinise the RDF" and not

include this fund while making the provisional cost sheet for custom milled rice to be delivered to the Centre will mean that the entire loan taken against the RDF will have to be borne by the state. With its income shrinking because of Covid-induced economic crisis and the Central devolutions to Punjab, too, coming down, the debt-stressed state will be pushed to the edge in repaying the loan.

LEGAL RECOURSE OPEN, SAYS FM

We will reason out with the Centre on the denial of RDF. If they do not agree, legal remedy is available to us. Manpreet Singh Badal, FINANCE MINISTER

Yesterday the Union Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, had written to the state, demanding to know what percentage of the RDF was being used for improvement of procurement

centres. The letter also accused the state government of using the funds for other activities. The provisional cost sheet sent to the state yesterday had not included the payment of the RDF (at 3 per cent of minimum

support price) to the state for paddy being procured now. Punjab collects Rs 1,000 crore as the RDF on paddy and another Rs 750 crore as the RDF on wheat. The issue is to be discussed in a meeting of the Rural Development Board to be chaired by CM Capt Amarinder Singh on Thursday. Official sources told *The Tribune* that this annual income of Rs 1,750 crore was being reserved for the second phase, an official said.

the loan of Rs 4,500 crore that the government had availed for the Farmers Debt Relief and Debt Waiver Scheme and for implementing the Smart Village Scheme. While Rs 4,000 crore has been spent on the debt waiver scheme, Rs 500 crore has been spent on the first phase of Smart Village Scheme. A sum of Rs 1,200 crore has been reserved for the second phase, an official said.

Despite CM's intervention, power woes plague Abohar

OUR CORRESPONDENT

ABOHAL, OCTOBER 28

Even after the office of Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh on August 18 told the chairman-cum-Managing Director of Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) to take cognisance of complaints about erratic power supply in Abohar and initiate necessary action to

The CM's office had, in August, taken notice of complaints

improve it, there has been only a marginal relief.

The CM's office had, in August, taken notice of the complaints that claimed power distribution management in Abohar subdivision had nosedived to the lowest possible level. Supply went off with the first drop of rain as if rain and electricity were parallel poles. The officials had claimed that Rs 24.5 crore was spent on upgrading the system but NGOs alleged that funds were not used properly.

Power production off track



Farmers protest on a railway track leading to the Talwandi Sabo Power Plant at Banawali village in Mansa on Wednesday. TRIBUNE PHOTO

Akalis to gherao Dharamsot's residence

Scholarship Scam

post-metric scholarship scam and demanded a CBI probe into the matter.

Chandumajra said, "Our leaders, led by party president Sukhbir Singh Badal, will gherao Sadhu Singh Dharamsot's residence on November 2."

Both leaders alleged the Congress in Punjab and the

BJP at the Centre were in cahoots, otherwise there was no reason why the ED probe into an alleged case of foreign exchange violation was not taken forward.

During the press conference at MLA Harinder Singh Chandumajra's residence in Patiala, Tinu said there should be a CBI probe into

the case. Party leaders would raise the matter with the Governor as well, he added.

He said the Congress government ignored a 44-page report and gave the clean chit to the minister. "A writ petition has already been filed in the high court. But we want an investigation by the CBI," he said. —TNS

Fazilka millers' strike halts auction of basmati paddy

OUR CORRESPONDENT

FAZILKA, OCTOBER 28

The rice millers continued their strike today, demanding a hassle-free inter-state trade of basmati paddy. Due to the strike, the auction in Fazilka district could not be undertaken.

"The state government has failed to make arrangements for a hassle-free inflow of paddy to Fazilka district," alleged rice miller Rajinder Gheek from Jalalabad. The millers alleged the paddy was being stopped at the inter-state border and other places by protesting farmers. With paddy-laden trucks stuck, millers claimed they were not able to do business.

They further alleged that many trucks carrying basmati variety have been forcibly sent back, resulting in huge financial losses to them.

Rice miller Harish Setia said the District Food and Supplies Controller, Sangrur, had written to the district police for making arrangements for a hassle-free transport of 1509 and 1121 varieties

of basmati paddy across the Haryana border to prevent inconvenience to the traders, but no action has been taken on their request yet.

Notably, the rice millers and exporters are the bulk buyers of basmati paddy as it does not fall in the minimum support price (MSP) category. Many millers complained basmati paddy trucks were being stopped at the inter-state border as the protesters thought it's non-basmati paddy.

"For the past five days, I have been waiting for the auction to take place at the local grain market, but there are no signs that the purchase will begin anytime soon," said Mal Singh, a basmati grower of Mahatma Nagar village. erated is directly sent to the grid, for which they had signed a MoU with the PSPCL. "These plants have generated employment avenues in the region. They prevent farmers from burning stubble, thus helping in decreasing air pollution, and at the same time, the PSPCL gets local power that saves line losses incurred if purchased from other states by 15 per cent," said Awla.

"The biomass plant has come as a boost for us. We can do away with the practice of burning paddy stubbles," said farmers Lovedeep Singh and Sukhwinder. "Selling the residue will help farmers, who have been struggling because of the rising cost of sowing and growing crops," said Joginder Singh of Hukumat Wala village.

SAD, AAP seek probe into flour 'dumping'

BATHINDA, OCTOBER 28

A day after wheat flour meant for distribution as part of Covid relief package was found dumped in the Joggars Park area, here, SAD workers led by senior leader Sarup Chand Singla protested in front of Finance Minister Manpreet Singh Badal's office and demanded a thorough probe and strict action against erring officials.

AAP MLA Baljinder Kaur, along with office-bearers of district unit of the party, conducted a press conference and sought a strict punitive action. "Nothing could be more unfortunate than dumping food that was to be distributed among the needy during the lockdown. We demand a thorough probe by

MC MARKS PROBE

Marking a probe into the allegations, Bathinda Municipal Commissioner Bikramjit Singh said, "A residential building in the Joggars Park area is being used for storing food items. Some people are linking the food stored there with the dumped flour."

A sitting judge of high court in the matter," said Baljinder Kaur. She further alleged that the distribution of ration during the lockdown was used to gain political mileage and those in proximity of influential leaders hoarded it.

Singla, too, targeted the government and demand a thorough probe. —TNS

Ferozepur farmers devise novel way to deal with stubble

Import AC tractor from the UK, bailing machine from Belgium to stack straw for biomass plant

ANIRUDH GUPTA



however, this time, they are compressing the straw and packing it in a rectangular shape of 8 feet by 3 feet, which can be easily transported to plant. "The small round bale weighed 18 kg, while this rectangular bale weighs 400 kg to 500 kg per unit, as the straw gets highly compressed," he said. Gurpal Singh Chahal, DC, Ferozepur, said, "It is a treat to remove the removal operations of stubble straw by farmers in Naraingarh and Hakumat Wala villages. Hopefully, a large number of farmers should be able to reap the

benefit of this initiative, so that we can eradicate the menace of stubble burning."

The farmers are able to make money by selling the bale at Rs 130 per kg. Jasbir Singh Awla, Managing Director, Sukhbir Agro Energy Limted, said they have set up three biomass plants using technology from Denmark which converts paddy stubble into power. "Already, three plants are operational at Jaitu, Lambi and Ferozepur; and the fourth one at Patiala is under construction," said Awla.

He said the power being gen-

₹1.5-CRORE EQUIPMENT

- New equipment costing ₹1.5 crore can cover up to 100 acres a day
- The straw can be cut, baled into rectangular shape and dispatched to biomass plant
- The process of reaping, raking, baling and lifting is done automatically using a sensor-based system
- The straw is converted into bale, which is helping farmers make money by selling it at Rs 130 per kg



A health official takes the swab sample of a cop in Jalandhar.

20 succumb to virus

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28

The state reported 528 fresh Covid cases and 20 deaths over the past 24 hours. With this, the total number of cases in the state has gone up to 1,32,623, while 4,158 persons have died due to the virus.

SAS Nagar topped the chart with 73 fresh cases, followed by Jalandhar (67), Bathinda (53), Amritsar (42), Patiala (38) and Ludhiana (38).

The number of active cases in the state is now 4,239. Amritsar reported five deaths over the past 24 hours, followed by Jalandhar (three), Ludhiana, SAS Nagar and

TWO SCHOOLS SHUT AS TEACHERS TEST +VE

Two schools in Fazilka were shut on Wednesday after teachers tested positive for Covid. District Education Officer SS Bal said government senior secondary schools at Khuri Khera and Chack Janisar villages had to be closed after a teacher at Khuri Khera and teachers at Chack Janisar tested positive. oc

Pathankot (two each), Patiala, Tarn Taran, Barnala, Bathinda, Faridkot and Hoshiarpur (one each). — TNS

NOC applicants a harried lot, PUDA server glitch to blame

DEEPKAMAL KAUR
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JALANDHAR, OCTOBER 28
Applicants at PUDA offices across the state are a harassed lot as they are not getting NOCs for their plots for the past over a month due to a problem in the server.

Pawinder Juneja, an industrialist, said, "I had bought a plot near the Pathankot road recently and wish to raise an industrial unit on it. I need NOC from the authorities before going ahead. I have been making rounds of the Jalandhar Development Authority office to get my work done, but to no avail. My project has got stuck and the only reply I get is that it is a pan-state problem and will be rectified from the office headquarters in Mohali."

Another applicant Bak-



MONTH ON, PROBLEM PERSISTS

■ Applicants say they have been trying to log on to the portal, but it is not showing any log in details due to which they are not able to apply on it

shish Singh said, "I am also waiting to get an NOC from PUDA for my plot near the Nakodar road, which I have to sell. The buyer is insisting on an NOC. I have been contacting everyone, including officials in

Mohali, but to no avail. I am being told that there is an issue between two private banks for processing the fee due to which the work has been stuck. I have been asking if my file can be cleared on offline mode,

but was told that this process has been stopped."

The staff at PUDA office said the state government was suffering a loss of Rs 12 lakh to Rs 15 lakh per day due to the delay in getting the problem rectified. The fee for getting NOC varies depending on the size of the plot.

Navneet Bal, Estate Officer, Jalandhar Development Authority, said, "We have been getting a lot of query, but the problem is at the end of the head office. We have apprised them of the issue and expect it to be rectified soon".

MS Jaggi, Chief Administrator, PUDA, said the issue was being dealt with by the Chief Town Planner (CTP) office.

However, Pankaj Bawa, CTP, said the problem had nothing to do with his office and was to be handled by the PUDA office.

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Sacrilege accused remanded in judicial custody till Nov 10

FATEHGHAR SAHIB, OCTOBER 28

After 15 days of police remand, the accused in the two sacrilegious acts in Fatehgarh Sahib was presented in the court today. As the police did not seek his further remand, the court sent him to judicial cus-

tody till November 10.

AS Dharni, senior advocate, said the accused was arrested while committing the sacrilegious acts at Bargari and Behbal Kalan. — OC

HC: Inaction in carcass ground case amounts to contempt

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28

Just about two months after the Sangrur DC and other authorities were told to pitch a tent for a week near a carcass ground to understand common people's plight, the HC has asserted it was convinced that contempt proceedings were required to be initiated.

The Bench of Justice SN Satyanarayana and Justice Archana Puri, however, stopped short of issuing the notice after the state counsel submitted he would see that the carcass ground was shifted within 24 hours pursuant to a notice issued by the PPCB Chairman.

The Bench observed it was convinced that contempt proceedings were required to be initiated against the Secretary for the Rural Development Department, DC, Sangrur; SDM of Lehraga- ga and gram panchayat, Bakho- ra Khurd, in Lehraga- ga tehsil, who are hand in glove in trying to defeat the order of the court dated September 7. — TNS

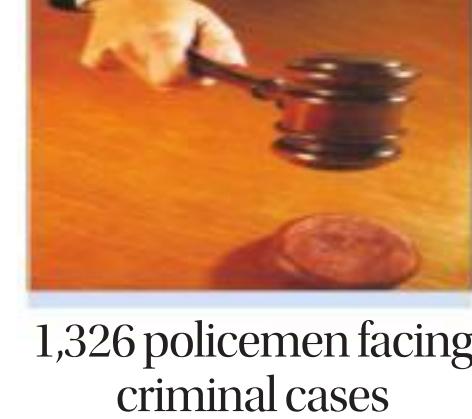
Policing the police, HC calls for details of cops, cases

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28
No less than 1,326 police officers/officials are facing criminal cases — at least this is what an affidavit filed before the Punjab and Haryana High Court by Punjab Deputy Secretary, Department of Home Affairs and Justice, says.

The figure has, however, been disputed by a cop dismissed from service. His counsel has claimed that the entire information earlier sought by the High Court in the matter has not been forthcoming. In fact, several other police officers were facing criminal cases. Some of them were continuing in service even after their conviction.

Policing the police, the High Court has called for details of accused and convicts in uniform. It has asked the Punjab Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Home Affairs and Justice, to file an affi-



1,326 policemen facing criminal cases

davit setting out the details of FIRs registered against the serving police officers of all ranks in the state.

Justice Anupinder Singh Grewal has made it clear that the affidavit was required to mention that the nature and status of the FIRs along with the current posting of the officers. It would also elaborate upon the number of officers still continuing in service even after being convicted by a court of law.

"The affidavit shall also state as to what is the rationale in reinstating/allowing the continuance of police officers,

who are facing criminal cases and those who have been convicted," Justice Grewal added.

The Bench was hearing a petition filed by Surjit Singh versus the state of Punjab and other respondents. As the case came up for hearing through videoconferencing, Justice Grewal's Bench was told that the petitioner was dismissed from service upon registration of FIR against him. But others were continuing in service despite registration of criminal cases against them.

Taking up the matter, Justice Grewal had on September 3 directed the state to file an affidavit setting out the details of the FIRs registered against the serving police officers, including their nature and status. But the affidavit in response to the direction was filed by a Deputy Secretary. It will now be filed by an Additional Chief Secretary before the next hearing in November third week.

Goraya trader commits suicide

JALANDHAR, OCTOBER 28

Businessman Gurinder Singh Shera (40) shot himself dead at his Virk village residence in Goraya last night. He was the son of Guru Nanak Auto Enterprise owner Jagdish Singh.

The incident occurred at 2 am while other members of the family were asleep. Shera was taken to a hospital at Phagwara from where he was referred to Johal Hospital in Jalandhar. He succumbed to his injuries today.

Dr Amit Choudhary, Medical Superintendent at Johal Hospital, said, "Even after performing a prolonged surgery, his life could not be saved."

Goraya SHO said Shera had reportedly been in depression for the past few months. — TNS

Five killed in road mishap

BATHINDA, OCTOBER 28

Five persons were killed in a road accident involving a car and a tractor-trailer near Kot-shamir village on the Bathinda-Mansa road today.

The deceased have been identified as Harjinder Singh of Mansa, his wife Mandip Kaur, children Navtej Singh and Sharandeep Kaur and a relative, Surjit Singh. Surjit was working as a head constable with the Ballianwali police station.

They were reportedly travelling to Dhan Singh Khana village when the mishap took place. Villagers said the accident took place due to smog.

"It is learnt that the accident took place while overtaking," the police said. — TNS

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Refer our notice dated 13 October 2020. It is brought to notice of all members that due to technical issues being faced the Sirkhind Club AGM for the year 2019-20 will now be held physically as per COVID Protocols instead of Video Conferencing on same date and time. All members are requested to intimate their consent towards the short notice of such change of mode through email by 0900h on 30 October 2020 at clubsirkhind@gmail.com. Non receipt of any response will be deemed to be taken as consent. Hon Secy, Secretary, 0171-2643602. (CL20056857)

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Radio diagnosis facility starts at Bathinda AIIMS

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE**NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28**

Health Minister Harsh Vardhan today digitally inaugurated a radio diagnosis facility at the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bathinda, and also threw open an MBBS students' hostel at the institute.

AIIMS, Bathinda, is an apex healthcare institution being established under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) by the Centre.

It shall have a hospital with the capacity of 750 beds. As of now, OPD services in dentistry, dermatology, ENT, general medicine, general surgery, obstetrics and gynaecology, ophthalmology, orthopaedics, paediatric surgery, psychiatry, surgical



Patients queue up outside OPD counters at AIIMS in Bathinda.

HARSIMRAT CREDITS CENTRE

SAD MP Harsimrat Kaur Badal gave credit to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led NDA government for setting up an AIIMS in Bathinda. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid its foundation in 2016. Today, in 2020, the project has started running," she said

oncology, telemedicine and urology are operational.

Inaugurating the super

speciality block, Vardhan said, "Since the day the foundation stone was laid in

Jail official caught taking ₹15,000 bribe

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE**FARIDKOT, OCTOBER 28**

An assistant jail superintendent at the Central Jail, Faridkot, was arrested today for allegedly receiving Rs 15,000 as bribe from an inmate to allow him keep a mobile phone. The development has raised questions over the functioning of the jail authorities where 12-15 mobile phones are recovered from prisoners every month.

After an accused in a murder case was caught red-handed talking on the phone by Harbans Singh, assistant jail superintendent, the latter allegedly agreed to ignore the crime for Rs 15,000. However, the officer himself was caught red-handed by Vigilance Bureau sleuths when he was receiving the money from the inmate's uncle at a dhaba situated outside the jail.

The seizure of mobile phones from inmates at the Faridkot jail is going on unabated for the past two years. The police and jail authorities claimed to have started investigations to look into the details of calls made from the seized phones but these inquiries have remained inconclusive.



Members of the BJP Mahila Morcha protest in Chandigarh. TRIBUNE PHOTO: NITIN MITTAL

BJP Mahila Morcha protests 'deteriorating' law and order

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE**CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28**

Activists of the BJP Mahila Morcha held a demonstration here today to protest against the 'deteriorating' law and order situation in the state.

Punjab Mahila Morcha

president Mona Jaiswal slammed the state government for its 'failure' in making women feel safe in the state. She said six incidents of rape had been reported in the state in the past six months.

The women demonstra-

tors, coming from different areas of the state, raised slogans against the Congress government. As the protesters tried breaking their way through the police cordons, they were rounded up by the police. They were let off later.

₹49L fraud case slapped on chit fund accused

Was booked in 2015 for ₹5-crore embezzlement

TREBUNE NEWS SERVICE**BATHINDA, OCTOBER 28**

Despite a ban on chit fund companies in the state, people continue to fall prey to such firms. In a new case, Mandeep Singh, a resident of Baba Deep Singh Nagar, has lodged a complaint stating that Ranbir Singh had formed a company Sujas Capital and Bala Ji Akash Limited in 2015, and had duped his relatives and friends of ₹4 lakh. A case under Section 420 of the IPC has been registered against the accused. However, no arrest has been made yet

**NO ARREST YET**

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Vihar area in Bathinda, on the charge of duping city residents of Rs 5.22 crore.

The police had also registered another case against Ranbir Singh and Harjeet Kaur, both directors of Sujas Capital, on the charge of duping city residents of Rs 2.76 crore.

Ranbir Singh is the director of many companies, including Sujas Capital and Satguru Finance. He, along with his wife and father, has been booked in many cases of fraud in the Malwa region through chit fund schemes.

In 2015, Ranbir Singh was arrested by the Abohar police for committing a fraud worth crores of rupees with the residents of Abohar.

UP man held for duping Nangal resident of ₹5.5L

ROPAR, OCTOBER 28

The police today arrested a man who allegedly duped a Nangal resident of Rs 5.5 lakh on the pretext of purchasing red mercury from him.

SSP Akhil Chaudhary said red mercury did not exist in reality but rumours were spread that it was found in old transistors and could be used to cure Covid or as a nuclear material. Tricksters floating several companies lured people promising them that they would visit the seller and assess the genuineness of the product, and if the product was found to be authentic,

they would pay a heavy price for it. But they charged fees for visiting the seller, he added.

One such company Jupiter Antiquarian Pvt Ltd posted on the social media inquiring about the sellers of red mercury. Mukesh Kumar of Nangal contacted it for selling the product. A man visited him and checked an old transistor. He took Rs 5.5 lakh from Mukesh and fled the spot. The police set up nukas and intercepted Amit Kumar of Uttar Pradesh. A case under Sections 406 and 120B of IPC had been filed against him and another person.—TNS

ETT teachers' exam on Nov 29

Chandigarh: The Punjab Government decided to take the examination for recruitment of ETT teachers on November 29. Disclosing this, a spokesperson of the School Education Department said the advertisement for the recruitment of 2,364 ETT teachers was published by the department on March 6. Written examination for these posts would be taken on November 29 from 10 am to 11.40 am. TNS

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**TREND TO CONTINUE**

Most parts of northern, western and central India witnessed deficient rainfall in October. The weatherman has predicted that generally dry weather would continue to prevail in these areas over the next few days

western monsoon, which retreated from the region in September-end, has finally withdrawn from the entire country and simultaneously, north-eastern monsoon rains have commenced over South India.

According to the IMD, maximum as well as minimum temperatures were up to 3°C above normal over some parts of Punjab, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh, while some parts witnessed temperature below normal by up to 3°C. It has predicted that the mercury is likely to fall by 2-3°C over some parts of north-western India over the next three days.

Today also happens to be the day when the south-



BKU (Charuni) activists show black flags to Deputy CM Dushyant Chautala in Kurukshetra on Wednesday. TRIBUNE PHOTO

BKU shows black flags to Dy CM over farm laws

Tribune News Service

Govt released ₹3,300 cr to paddy farmers, says Dushyant

said: "The culprits will not be spared. The state government has formed an SIT to probe the matter."

Meanwhile, Bharatiya Kisan Union (Charuni) activists raised slogans against the state government for not opposing the three farm laws and showed black flags to the Deputy Chief Minister when his convoy passed from the Ambala-Hisar highway in Ismailabad.

A group of farmers had gathered along the road after they learnt about Dushyant Chautala's Kurukshetra visit.

Rakesh Bains, BKU (Charuni) spokesman, said: "The BKU will continue to protest till the three farm laws are not withdrawn."

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Mission Director

stated that the party stood by the grieving family.

Nain Pal Rawat, Prithila MLA and Haryana Warehousing Corporation chairman, assured the family that the culprits would not be spared. He said the state government would go to any extent to help the family.

Sharda Rathaur, former MLA from Ballabgarh, and Karan Dalal, former MLA from Palwal, also condoled the death.

On the demands of government job to a member of the family and financial support, Gurjar said he would talk to Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar in this regard and a positive response was expected soon.

Gopal Sharma, district BJP president, who accompanied Gurjar, condemned the incident. He investigation team and the matter was likely to be heard in a fast-track court.

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Seeking registration of a case against police officials for alleged laxity in handling the case since 2018, Dalal asked why the police had failed to take action when a complaint had been lodged against the main

accused two years ago.

Blaming police officials, he said laxity had resulted in the murder of a young woman at a time when the BJP government was putting its back by making tall claims with the "Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao" slogan. He said there should be no clemency for any culprit even if he hailed from an influential political family.

The victim's house was thronged by a large number of people, who condemned the incident and supported the demands raised by the family.

Some of them questioned the presence of officials and ruling party leaders in the live band show at the Town Park on Tuesday evening at the time of the cremation of the murder victim.



Nikita, victim

Court grants bail to Kundu, raps cops

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28 Rapping the police for not displaying "expected objectivity" while dealing with a civil dispute apparently converted into criminal litigation, a Gurugram court has granted anticipatory bail to former MLA Balraj Kundu and two others.

Dhonchak asserted that the court had no hesitation in, prima facie, reaching the conclusion that there was a design on the complainant's part to turn civil litigation into criminal litigation to exert pressure upon the petitioners.

The court asserted that the matter appeared to be a case of police "high-handedness" and the sequence of events did not present "a happy countenance".

The order's copy was directed to be sent to the Home Secretary for information and necessary action. The matter has its genesis in a contract between the complainant and petitioners for a road project.

Taking up the matter, Gurugram District and Sessions Judge MM Dhonchak asserted that if there was an agreement between the complainant and petitioners, which was not honoured by the petitioners, it would not lead to commission of offence of cheating or breach of trust.

The proper remedy was to invoke arbitration clause mentioned in the agreement. In the alternative, the remedy was to seek specific performance of contract.

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3 killed, 10 hurt in Jhajjar collision

Tribune News Service

JHAJJAR, OCTOBER 28

Three persons were killed and 10 others injured in a head-on collision between a Haryana Roadways bus and a truck on the Jhajjar-Bahujholi road near Nauganva village on Wednesday.

Five of the injured persons were referred to the PGIMS, Rohtak, following their critical condition.

The mishap took place around 5.30 am when the bus was on its way to Chandigar

The Tribune

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BECA boost

Pact takes Indo-US defence ties to the next level

THE signing of the Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement (BECA), which provides for the sharing of high-end military technology, classified satellite data and critical information, is a major step forward in defence collaboration between India and the US. It's the third in the series of strategic pacts the two countries have inked in recent years, following the Logistics Exchange Memorandum of Agreement (LEMOA) of 2016 that allows their militaries to use each other's bases for repair and replenishment of supplies, and the 2018 COMCASA (Communications Compatibility and Security Agreement) that provides for interoperability between the two militaries and the sale of high-end technology from the US to India.

The latest agreement comes amid the prolonged standoff at the Line of Actual Control. America has been vociferously backing India and bashing China over the border unrest, and the third edition of the 2+2 dialogue provided US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo a platform to tear into the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). More importantly, Pompeo asserted that India and the US were taking steps to strengthen cooperation against all threats and not just those posed by the CCP. India's interests are best served if America stays firmly on its side even if China is taken out of the equation.

Even as India has had its hands full this year with the Covid-19 pandemic and Chinese aggression, the country has made rapid strides towards cementing defence ties with its Quad partners. In June, India and Australia signed a pact allowing their militaries to access each other's bases. A similar agreement with Japan came to fruition last month after years of negotiations. At the recent Quad meeting in Tokyo, all four members had reaffirmed their commitment to ensuring peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific region. The support of such formidable allies ought to give India military and diplomatic heft to put China on the back foot. It's also hoped that the sharing of technology will contribute significantly towards bringing India nearer to the lofty goal of *Atmanirbharta* in the defence sector.

The chilling pattern

No end to spurned suitors killing girls in Haryana

BRAZEN daylight murders by suitors who stalk girls and use weapons when their advances get rejected are a blot on Haryana. The latest victim of such gruesome crime is Nikita Tomar, a college student of Ballabgarh. Her shooting in front of her college has been caught on camera, leading to the arrest of the two accused. Exactly a year back, it was Sarita, a national-level taekwondo player, whose killers had the gall to shoot her dead at her home in a Gurugram village. They were finally nabbed earlier this month, 11 months after evading the police. A couple of years earlier, Pooja Rani fell prey to the knife stabs inflicted on her in a Hisar eatery.

The abhorrent gender crime puts a chilling question mark on the state's tall claims to have made considerable progress in saving the beti. It certainly calls for renewed efforts to combat the social evil. Making matters worse are the lapses and loopholes in the law enforcement and judicial systems that allow the perpetrators to escape the net lightly. Exemplary and swift punishment to all assassins, no matter how mighty or well-connected they may be, will certainly drill a sense of fear and deter potential killers. It will save many girls from fatal attacks by men 'enraged' by a no. Woo a girl you love with love, not threats. And, respect her decision, either way. Boys need to be groomed by both families and schools to adopt this mantra from childhood.

The huge strides made by girls in education and sports in Haryana get a beating by the repeated blood-curdling pattern of killing of women by the men spurned. It is indicative of the disturbing fact that patriarchal and misogynistic mores remain deeply entrenched in our society. Till they are uprooted, the brave girls resisting pressure to give in to bullies and abusive boys will end up as mere statistics in the rising crime graph.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Business strategy is the battle plan for a better future.

— Patrick Dixon

ON THIS DAY...50 YEARS AGO

The Tribune.

CHANDIGARH, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1970

Winter Comes

WASHINGTON'S explanations of its decision to resume the supply of lethal weapons to Pakistan are sketchy and contrived, and India's satisfaction was neither sought nor achieved. While stating that she would be satisfied only if the U.S. did not supply arms to Pakistan, Mrs. Gandhi must have been aware of the futility of hoping that India's protests would have some effect. Gifts and sales of arms at nominal prices constitute an essential part of the super powers' foreign policy which gives self-interest the highest priority. Friends and allies are picked up when needed and cast aside when their goodwill is no longer considered indispensable or when others have to be placated for ulterior ends. In this case, as Mrs. Gandhi said, the motive is to wean away Pakistan from China. This game of weaning away an ally from an enemy has gone on too long without yielding any result. "The U.S. answer is the same as we used to receive from the Soviets," she has said. While India's position in respect of foreign arms has been highly vulnerable, she did well to bracket together the U.S.A. and the Soviet Union. The powers are not "going together" in the sense of colluding for a common objective, but "separately they do the same thing" because it fits in well with their global strategy. Their cynicism while replying to India's protests is equally shared. A protest has been duly lodged but it would be pointless to stretch the issue to extreme limits and to make it the touchstone of relations with the U.S.A. Prolonged anger might ultimately prove prejudicial to this country's interests. Apart from the fact that no nation can claim a right to get arms from any power, there is the dictum that no one can dictate to another whom to oblige and whom to offend. In any case, beggars cannot be choosers. Nor does pereverishness befit them even when the game being played at their cost is a vicious one.

Hurdles on eastern borders

China is determined to dominate Myanmar's internal politics



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ISSUE AT HAND: Myanmar goes to the polls on November 8. The Rohingya problem must be addressed. India can help by involving its Quad partners.

Myanmar depends on Chinese support to veto western resolutions in the UN regarding the Rohingya issue.

groups seeking to move across its borders to China. Given their disregard for the strategic importance of Myanmar, the US and its allies imposed sanctions on Myanmar because of its alleged human rights violations against the Rohingya. However, the UN Sanctions Resolutions they proposed were vetoed by China. The US and its allies have also not joined Myanmar's immediate neighbours and Japan to work out plans for financing the return and rehabilitation of the Rohingya. The main beneficiary of such policies of the US and the EU is China, as Myanmar now depends on its support to veto western resolutions in the UN.

India and Myanmar got together in the 1990s for negotiations that resulted in agreements to deal with cross-border insurgencies and drug smuggling. These agreements have been effective in containing groups like the NSCN (IM) and ULFA, and their Myanmar counterparts, like the Arakan Army (AA), based in Myanmar's Kachin province. Their links with Myanmar separatist groups also helped Indian groups to enter and operate from China's bordering Yunnan province, while also securing safe haven and military support from Chinese agencies.

Facing sanctions since the 1990s, cash-strapped Myanmar became excessively dependent on China. But it expanded ties with India and East Asian countries like Thailand, Singapore, Japan and South Korea. It has dealt firmly with Indian separatist

Taking advantage of Myanmar's dependence on it, China is developing a port at Kyaukphyu in the Bay of Bengal and linking the port by rail and road to Yunnan. Chinese companies are moving into areas like minerals and precious stones. Moreover, China has close links with a large number of Myanmar's 26-armed ethnic groups, including the powerful 12,000-15,000 strong Kachin Independence Army, which operates along Myanmar's borders with both India and China, and the 20,000-25,000 strong United State Army along the China-Myanmar border. These groups are armed and used

as a lever by China to interfere in and influence Myanmar's internal affairs.

China even has an ambassador to liaise with armed groups. It influences these armed groups, which are participating in a conference organised by the Myanmar government for drafting a new constitution. China is determined to dominate Myanmar's internal politics. Beijing also uses such leverage and its political support to obtain contracts for infrastructure and other projects involving construction of ports, dams, roads, bridges and for mining of precious stones, minerals and metals across Myanmar.

India's Border Roads Organisation did a splendid job in road building, linking Moreh in Manipur with Kalemyo in Myanmar, thereby opening the door for border trade between our Northeast and Mandalay. But the progress on the Kaladan corridor has been delayed. This crucial project links Mizoram and India's other Northeastern states to the Sittwe Port in Myanmar, located in the Bay of Bengal, at a short distance from Kolkata. The completion of this corridor has been delayed by attacks on workers by the AA, an insurgent group with links to China. But close cooperation between the Indian and

Myanmar armies has led to the destruction of camps of the AA along the India-Myanmar border.

India's economic cooperation in Myanmar has been disappointing, with two-way trade reaching barely \$1.52 billion, with our exports amounting to \$973 million last year. While the ONGC has done well in offshore oil exploration, our private sector has not done well in investments in Myanmar; in comparison with the performance of its counterparts in neighbouring ASEAN countries, China and Japan. India has, however, done well by establishing training institutions in IT and agricultural research in Myanmar. Military cooperation is set to expand, with the supply of a Kilo Class Submarine and torpedoes, with discussions reportedly underway for the supply of 105 mm artillery guns, radars and sonars.

The visit by the Army Chief and Foreign Secretary enabled a comprehensive exchange of views on the entire range of relations. The Indian delegation exchanged views with two of the most powerful leaders in Myanmar; State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi, who is engrossed in campaigning for the parliamentary elections on November 8, and the Chief of Defence Services, Senior Gen Min Aung Hlaing. Recent comments by General Hlaing suggest that the army will support the Union Solidarity and Development Party led by former army officers and not Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy. Differences between the hugely popular Suu Kyi and the Myanmar army have been continuing, an inevitable feature of Myanmar's present-day politics and national life. But the continuing Rohingya problem has to be addressed for regional peace and security across the Bay of Bengal. This will require international cooperation, in which India should actively involve its Quad partners. It is not reasonable to expect Bangladesh to bear the entire burden of hosting 9,00,000 Rohingya refugees. The continuing tensions between Bangladesh and Myanmar on the issue can only be addressed by an inclusive international effort.

Anarkali ruled Pakistani hearts, too

MOHAN SINGH

THE recent telecast of the 1953 blockbuster, *Anarkali*, brought back memories of the times when it ran to packed houses for two years, including a few days of nonstop screening in Amritsar for Pakistani visitors who had crossed the border in 1954, ostensibly to watch an India-Pakistan hockey match but didn't want to miss the golden opportunity to watch the precursor of K Asif's *Mughal-e-Azam*. The two countries were on friendly terms then and there was no visa system before 1964.

A friend and I went to the spot of 'disembarkation' for the Pakistanis, opposite the railway station. We introduced ourselves to a group of eight

young boys who were glad to be welcomed in a strange city, the language of interaction being chaste Punjabi. I was in my third year in college and the boys from Lahore were also college students. Coming home on a tonga, they said they were not interested in sightseeing or any match, but had come mainly to watch *Anarkali*, the crowd-puller, for its Urdu dialogues and Shailendra's lilting lyrics, under the baton of C Ramchandra.

This movie had 14 hit songs, including the immortal 'Ye zindagi usi ki hai jo kisi ka ho gaya' sung by melody queen Lata Mangeshkar and filmed on ravishing beauty Bina Rai. The black-and-white thriller didn't boast of expensive sets but was a box-office hit.

We provided reasonable accommodation to our guests, who were more curious about the film, where each customer was given only two tickets in order to check their sale in black. They wanted one of us to accompany them into the hall for the sake of safety, and thus I had to watch *Anarkali* twice in consecutive shows: 3-6 am and 6-9 am.

In those days, Amritsar's railway overbridge was closed for two years for repairs, and cyclists had to make a detour via level crossings. Well-built boys would flaunt their muscles and lift the bicycle through the two small gates meant for pedestrians; some of them even offered this free service to girls. When our Lahore friends saw this interchange among strangers, they were amazed, because the girls back home

were not permitted to move out unescorted, much less pedal their own bikes, and that too bareheaded.

While returning, the guests took with them huge packs of betel leaves, just as they had brought with them whole lengths of unstitched textiles wound on their bodies. When we went to Lahore the following year to watch a hockey match, we, too, skipped the match in favour of a different version of Anarkali, the well-known business plaza of Lahore, from where *The Tribune* was launched in 1881. I 'imported' two hand-fans made of straw, out of the Rs 20 that I had taken with me to visit Lahore. Alas, all that changed after 1958, and with that, all cultural relations.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No fear of law

The killing of a 21-year-old woman outside her college in a Haryana town is a case of lax laws and negligence of the police when it comes to taking strict action against the accused. All this has made the stalkers fearless. Often, the police puts pressure on a complainant to withdraw the complaint and reach a compromise with the accused, leaving scope for him to be more bold to commit crime in the future. The government should be rigorous in issuing arms licences and the police need to be proactive to curb such crimes in future.

ABHIJALASH GUPTA, MOHALI

Ravanas of today

The burning of effigies of Ravana is concluded with a sense of complacency that the evil is now dead. But unabated crimes make this practice meaningless. The Ravanas of today, without any fear of law, throw acid on girls, who are also gangraped and killed. Cruel parents, on the pretext of protecting family 'honour', kill their daughters. Soon after the Hathras tragedy, another woman was shot in Faridabad. Another shocking news is from Panipat, where a woman fell prey to an acid attacker. If we analyse the misdeeds of Ravana of *Ramayana* and the depraved Ravanas of today, the latter come off worse. He committed the felony of abducting Sita in a fit

of rage and retaliation, but didn't violate the canons of morality. The cruelty inflicted upon womanhood is an indelible stigma. The perpetrators deserve the death sentence. Their properties should be attached/auctioned and the proceeds thereof should be given to the victims.

VIBHAWNA SINGH, BY MAIL

Away from truth

The PM addressed the challenge of 'dynastic corruption' and urged citizens to fight against it collectively. Another incident took place days back when a 21-year-old woman was shot by two men, including the grandson of a former MLA. The seven-year-old government is now misleading the nation. When people who are in power harass women, they do two things: abuse authority and normalise such treatment. Seeing cases of physical, mental and sexual harassment regularly, the government and the public has brushed the atrocity and sensitivity of each case under the carpet. The PM's speech is futile as the trend of using political power (Unnao rape or the Swami Chinmayanand case) to harm women has not changed even a bit.

ANKITA SHARMA, PANCHKUL

Wayward wards

Politicians and their wards have ruined the country. The killing of a

21-year-old woman by an MLA's grandson shows how lightly they take the law. The security provided to them is misused by the politicians and their kin. It's sad the country is now earning notoriety for crime against women.

OPINDER KAUR SEKHON, CHANDIGARH

Ethiopia parallel

Refer to 'Centre's farm laws assault on agriculture'; I agree with the reference to the hunger crisis as prevailed in Ethiopia. I was witness to the unfortunate, mostly man-made, famine there, while working as a teacher in the provincial capital town of Kaffa. Students and farmers rose unitedly against the agricultural laws that favoured the feudal lords and the US corporate houses procuring coffee beans at throwaway prices and selling the finished products, earning huge profits. They called these exploiters 'leba', meaning 'thief'. Ultimately, the large-scale unrest saw the downfall of emperor Haile Selassie in 1976. It's a pity that India now lags behind Ethiopia on the Global Hunger Index due to the wrong policies.

AMRITLAL MADAN, KAITHAL

Tug of war

The tug of war between Punjab and the Centre has been on for over 25 days. Punjab has become the epicen-

tre of this tussle. The Centre is rigid and unwilling to relent over the new farm laws. Punjab farmers, too, won't give in. The farmers' apprehensions might be real, but the mode of protests is unacceptable. 'Rail roko' and dharnas at petrol stations and toll plazas are directly impacting the economy of the state and the Centre. Manufacturing has come to a standstill for want of raw material. People from all walks of life are being hit hard by these agitations, and are facing difficulty in getting essential commodities. The protests will push the state many years back and won't help to make good the loss caused by Covid-19. Political parties and farmers should seek legal advice from farm experts to find a way out.

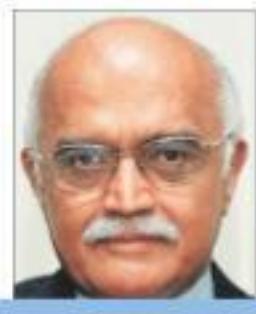
BANSI RAM RAHUL, HOSHIARPUR

Mass migration

Apropos of 'Test of governance', the question of joblessness in Bihar is a question of life and death for the poor. It is going to impact the election results. Tejashwi Yadav's alliance with the Left parties is attracting tremendous crowds, but it may not guarantee a clear-cut majority. No doubt, Tejashwi and Chirag Paswan have raised the vital issue of mass migration for the first time in state politics. This is a positive, pro-people concern.

RAJ BAHADUR YADAV, FATEHABAD

Indo-US defence ties tempered by realities



VAPPALA BALACHANDRAN

EX-SPECIAL SECRETARY, CABINET SECRETARIAT

GROUND realities should be kept in mind before we become too exultant over the US-India 2+2 Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement (BECA) for Geospatial Cooperation signed on October 27. Technological cooperation to upgrade our defence system should certainly be considered a great success. However, to expect anything beyond that is unrealistic.

Our visual media has already gone in an overdrive, some even suggesting that the US would give us a 'security embrace', something like the US Air Umbrella option recommended by General BM Kaul on October 27, 1962, as recorded by the late BN Mullik. This type of cooperation has not happened even in the Asia-Pacific region where China has been traditionally very aggressive. A case study of the Philippines, the oldest 'partner' of America in the Asia-Pacific region, which has been facing Chinese aggression since 1971, would prove this.

US-Philippines relations go back to 1898 when Admiral George Dewey destroyed the Spanish fleet at Manila Bay, forcing colonial Spain's surrender. Spain ceded the Philippines, Guam and Puerto Rico to America as war redemption, besides paying \$20 million. Since then, except for three years of Japanese occupation (1941-

44), US-Philippines economic and military relations were very close, especially after its independence as a republic in 1946. As a result, the United States is the destination for the largest number of migrants from the Philippines (2 million in 2018).

In 1947, both countries concluded a 'Military bases agreement' followed by a 'Mutual defence treaty' in 1951 which included island territories of the Philippines in the Pacific. This was to remain in force indefinitely. Acting upon this, the Philippines expected the US to intervene and reclaim their islands in South China Sea, which they called as Luzon sea or West Philippine Sea from the Kuomintang and later from Communist China. It never happened because of rival claims on South China Sea islands by China, Taiwan, Brunei, Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines after the Second World War.

In 1992, the US vacated their Clark and Subic Bay bases due to growing domestic opposition against foreign presence. However, this was partly offset by the 'Visiting forces agreement' in 1998 through which closer military cooperation, especially in combating growing terrorism, became possible.

Bilateral relations took a nosedive from 2016 under President Rodrigo Duterte when the US started criticising the country's human rights record while pursuing the President's drive against drugs. Part of his anger was also directed against the Obama Administration which re-interpreted the US policy on the South China Sea, and that too, even after concluding an 'Enhanced defence cooperation' agreement between the two militaries on April 28, 2014, which came into force on June 24 that year.

Washington DC took a policy stand



that it would not like to be drawn into regional disputes, which might 'disrupt US-China cooperation on other fronts, drown out the voices of regional states, or dominate US Asia strategy'. At the same time, it also gave top priority to freedom of navigation through China's claim of exclusive economic zone (EEZ). For the affected countries, this reiteration was of no solace.

This policy had caused strain in bilateral relations, especially under the acerbic President Duterte who threatened to go to 'Russia or China' if the US would not help him. Part of his frustration was also because the US would not lend its weight to help him tackle the Chinese aggression even after the favourable Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) verdict on their claims. In 2013, the Philippines had taken the dispute on Spratly Islands to the PCA which gave its award on July 12, 2016. It said that

China had no legal case "to claim historic rights to resources beyond what was defined in the UNCLOS".

Unlike the Obama Administration, the Trump regime has been more 'vocal' in denouncing China and supporting ASEAN claims in South China Sea. In March 2019, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo met Duterte and assured him of mutual defence in South China Sea. On July 13, he denounced China saying that most Chinese claims in the South China Sea were 'illegal'. Earlier, on April 15, 2019, American and Filipino defence departments concluded what was called a fresh 'Special security agreement' concerning 'security measures for the Advanced Precision Kill Weapon System-II'.

Even then, the Trump Administration could not do anything when China destroyed a Vietnam fishing boat in April 2020 or earlier in 2019 when 100

Chinese vessels surrounded Filipino islands in a threatening fashion. The only time they heard of a possible US military action was in July this year when a rumour circling in China percolated to Asia-Pacific: that Trump would order strikes on Nansha islands (Spratly Islands) and reefs before November 2020 to win the elections.

As a result, it would appear that the public were not very confident of US help. True, a Pew Research Center survey in December 2019 had found that 64% of the Filipinos had considered America as their closest ally. They were the third in the world to consider that way after Israel (82%), followed by South Korea (71%). Yet, the same survey had found that 47% of the Filipinos had felt that the 'rise' of China's economic strength 'is a good thing' compared to 48% who felt that it was 'a bad thing'.

Significantly, a Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) paper of August 4, written by a Taiwanese scholar, Richard Javad Heydarian, amplified these feelings: At least half of the Filipinos were 'undecided' (33%) or 'disagreed' (17%) on 'whether defence relations with the United States have been beneficial to the Philippines'. It said: "Interestingly, almost half of Filipinos (47%) supported Duterte's move to explore security and defence relations with China and Russia rather than the United States." The paper says that this segment has grown from 43% in 2015 to 67% in 2017.

What was in President Trump's mind in concluding the 2+2 agreement when the US Administration is in a 'transitional mode'? What would happen to our deterrence against China if Joe Biden gets elected and follows Obama's policy of prioritising US-China relations over 'Other Fronts'?

REALISTIC: Not much should be expected from the deal beyond tech support for defence.

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HISTORIAN

Beating China in battle is not just about military tactics. It is about learning to improve productivity. China has been planning in the long term and investing in research for over three decades now. India, in

contrast, cut down on agricultural extension work in the 1980s, and since then, has not made enough effort to create either new knowledge or to disseminate adequately whatever little agricultural scientists and engineers did create.

A little stocktaking is in order to understand the steps needed for India to consolidate the gains that accrue when its military wins the face-off initiated by China earlier this year. We have been told that China is merely flexing its muscles for primacy in Asia, and is annoyed that India refused to fall in line and undertook initiatives to create infrastructure. Moreover, in the Galwan valley clash in June this year, India openly challenged the Chinese might. Since then, the bent of the conversation in some military circles has veered around the theme that the defence forces are itching to teach the Chinese a lesson in good behaviour.

However, to ensure that the endeavour of India's military succeeds, it is imperative that the rest of the population contributes to ensure it gets some heft rather than merely remaining a country known for oppressing this or that group when it is not pushing some other worldly spiritualism. At the moment, the efforts by India's people seem too focused on symbolism with little content to it. Boycotting Chinese lights this Diwali will be good for our self-esteem, but it will achieve little beyond a symbolic show of our collective annoyance against the Chinese. And not much will be achieved by persuading Apple to produce iPhones in India unless Indians who do not work at Apple's production facilities also learn how to work in more productive ways. This isn't happening. The result is that the Army stands alone in its commitment to push back China.

India today matches China in popula-



MATCH UP: The value of services and goods produced in China is more than that in India.

tion. If China's population is estimated at 1.39 billion, that of India is 1.38 billion and growing, and intensely unproductive. What little it produces is not worth much. IMF estimations put China's GDP at \$15.2 trillion even after the pandemic. The GDP of India, in contrast, is at \$2.6 trillion. Had the Indian economy not been hit by Covid-19, then too, it would have hovered at about \$3 trillion, a small fraction of China's.

The Chinese GDP is about six times that of India. What it means is that the value of goods and services produced in China is worth six times more than what India produces. It also means that China has far greater capacity to produce goods and services. Generating that capacity is about training everyone to perform tasks more efficiently, more

productively. Generating that capacity is about new ideas to create better methods to perform the same tasks in less time, with more efficiency, and less cost. India lags behind in these areas.

A few random examples indicate what we mean. Agriculture contributes 7.9% of the GDP in China, and 15.4% in India. Yet, China manages to produce over 570 million tonnes of foodgrains, while India produces a little over 250 million tonnes. The Chinese farmers and farm workers produce more than double their Indian counterparts. China achieves this with just 27% of its labour force in agriculture in contrast to 44% in India's case. Indian farmers and farm workers, to put it mildly, are extraordinarily inept, even though they use 1½ times more fertilisers than the Chinese. The only similarity is that

in both countries, the farmers have little information about the market and little access to modern storage and processing facilities as a result of which almost two-fifth of the crop produced is wasted.

The iron and steel industry in India shows the prevalence of inefficient, extremely polluting small-scale units. They shovels all hidden costs on to the people and yet produce only a minuscule quantity needed. Only 45% of the Indian steel production comes from the basic oxygen furnace as compared to 85% in China. Nearly 28% of Indian steel production comes from the electric induction furnace which can produce 16-20 tonnes per batch as compared to 170 tonnes per batch for the electric arc furnace and 250 tonnes per batch for the basic oxygen furnace. China produces half the world's steel while India produces roughly 6%.

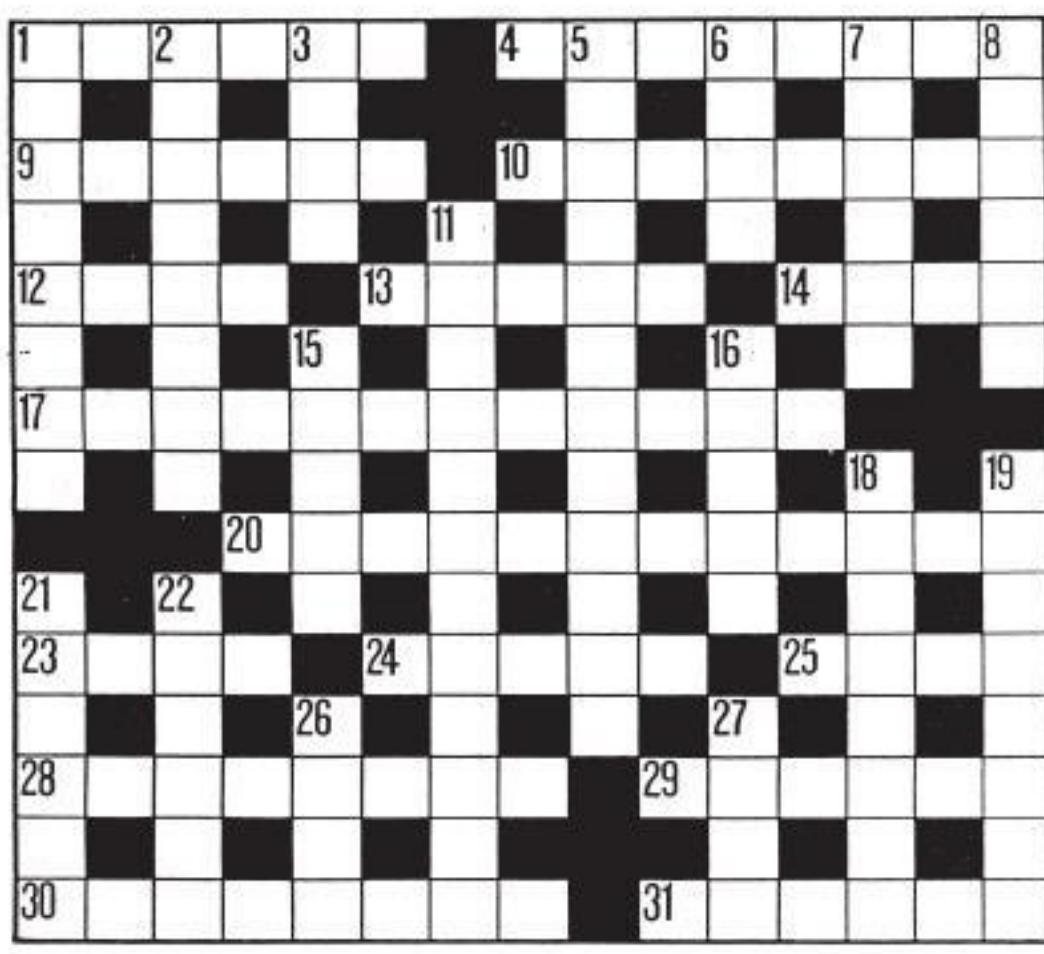
So, how do we scale up? Learn to do things better and create new tasks. 'Learning' is a tricky business. It involves generating new ideas, being more productive, investing in research and learning from failures and shortcomings. Learning means deploying knowledge for real-life tasks, watching the result and using the experience to improve. In other words, learning means going back and forth between knowledge and real life all the time. My teachers, Romila Thapar and Satish Saberwal, along with a number of public intellectuals of those times, used to call such a dialectical process 'scientific temper' in the 1980s and lamented its absence in India. But they chose to confine scientific temper to critiquing soci-

ety and ideology and trying to make India into a clone of the individualized West. Often, this resulted in their advocating the creation of a deracinated individual, rootless and uncomfortable with anything Indian. So much so that fun was made even of the ISRO chief offering prayers for the successful completion of a rocket project. Maybe that version of scientific temper was needed in the 1980s when Indian society needed to exorcise the demons of religion and caste. What is needed today, however, is to use knowledge in instrumental ways to better our productivity in every field.

Beating China is not just about military tactics. It is about learning to improve productivity. To continue with the pastoral example — a study by Ashok Gulati and Prema Terway found that every rupee invested in agricultural research adds 11.2 to the GDP. China has been investing in research for over three decades now. India, in contrast, cut down on agricultural extension work in the 1980s, and has not made effort to create either new knowledge or to disseminate adequately whatever agricultural scientists and engineers did create. Perhaps that is why today, the Chinese wheat yield is over 1½ times that of India and Chinese paddy yield is over three times that of India.

The simple point is this — there is no option but to improve efficiency by creating a synergy between learning, research and real life. Beating the enemy is not just about sending our young to battle or providing them with adequate firepower. The real battle is about generating the capacity to assert, and the will!

QUICK CROSSWORD



YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

Across: 1 Blend, 4 Applaud, 8 Ace, 9 Ill-gotten, 10 Impulse, 11 Ebony, 13 Genius, 15 At rest, 18 Sprig, 19 Pretend, 21 Inside out, 23 Duo, 24 Pie-eyed, 25 Lodge.

Down: 1 Bearing, 2 Eye-opener, 3 Drill, 4 Allied, 5 Project, 6 Act, 7 Dingy, 12 Open-ended, 14 Ungodly, 16 Tadpole, 17 Uphold, 18 Skimp, 20 Extol, 22 See.

ACROSS

- 1 Capital of Spain (6)
- 4 Without penalty (4-4)
- 9 Subtle distinction (6)
- 10 Extremely lazy (4,4)
- 12 Supporter in struggle (4)
- 13 Strong point (5)
- 14 Sound of thunder (4)
- 17 Naturally averse (12)
- 20 To dupe (4,3,1,4)
- 23 A cereal food (4)
- 24 Self-assured (5)
- 25 Brutal ruffian (4)
- 28 American football field (8)
- 29 Snub (6)
- 30 Infer (8)
- 31 Drive forward (6)
- 1 Crazy (8)
- 2 Submissiveness (8)
- 3 Minute amount (4)
- 5 Falsify accounts (4,3,5)
- 6 Be swarming with (4)
- 7 Puzzling fact (6)
- 8 Released from a liability (6)
- 11 So that everyone knows (3,3,6)
- 15 Horrify (5)
- 16 Full of life (5)
- 18 Athletics field event (4,4)
- 19 Vindictive (8)
- 21 Calamitous (6)
- 22 Lawsuit (6)
- 26 Volition (4)
- 27 Tolerate (4)

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EASY

CALENDAR

OCTOBER 29, 2020, THURSDAY

■ Vikrami Samvat	2077
■ Shaka Samvat	1942
■ Kartik Shaka	7
■ Kartik Parvishite	13
■ Hijri	1442
■ Shukla Paksha Tithi 13, up to 3:16 pm	
■ Harshana Yoga up to 2:37 am	
■ Uttarabhadrapad Nakshatra up to 12 pm	
■ Moon in Pisces sign	
■ Gandmool start 12 pm	

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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FORECAST

SUNSET: THURSDAY 17:37 HRS

SUNRISE: FRIDAY 06:36 HRS

Annexure-A

NOTICE FOR E-TENDERING

The Executive Engineer JSV Division Thural Invites tenders on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible Contractors for the following work(s) through e-tendering process:-

Work No. 1:- Providing LWSS to Kangain to Thambu and its adjoining villages under (Jai Jeevan Mission) in Tehsil Palampur & Jaisinghpur Distt Kangra (H.P.) (SH:- Laying, jointing & testing of GI pipe 25 mm dia to 50 mm dia = 17160 Rmt Under WSS Kona Saprul), Estimated Cost Rs. 3674033/-, Earnest Money Rs. 62610/-, Time limits 06 Months, Cost of tender form Rs. 400/-.

1. Last date of filling/uploading the tender through e-tendering:- 03.11.2020 up to 5.00 PM. The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website www.hphip.org/.

Executive Engineer,
JSV Division, Thural.

DPR/HP/3995

**GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT
(HOUSING-1 BRANCH)****NOTIFICATION**

Dated: 14.10.2020

No 06/2018-6HG1/1522
Whereas it appears to the Governor of Punjab that land is likely to be needed by the Government, at the public expense for public purpose, namely for 200 feet wide road dividing Sector 11B/119, 117/74, 116/92 and 114/15 of Tehsil Mohali and Kharar District Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar from Village Chappar Chir Khurd, Chappar Chir Kalan, Balo Majra, Tole Majra and Ballyali District Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar drawing No. DTP(S) 2009/09, dated 03.06.2009 in the area of Tehsil Mohali and Kharar, District Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar.

This notification is made under the provisions of Section-11 of The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act 2013 to all whom it may concern. It is to be noted that Social Impact Assessment (SIA) of the proposed 200 feet wide road dividing Sector 11B/119, 117/74, 116/92 and 114/15 of Tehsil Mohali and Kharar District Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar from Village Chappar Chir Khurd, Chappar Chir Kalan, Balo Majra, Tole Majra and Ballyali District Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar drawing No. DTP(S) 2009/09, dated 03.06.2009 in the area of Tehsil Mohali and Kharar, District Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar.

The SIA ascertains that people are not likely to be displaced. However, about 153 families are losing agricultural land. There is no major direct impact identified during SIA. The SIA has been disclosed to the people and their representatives as per Section 6 of the Act ibid. The SIA ascertains that people are not likely to be displaced.

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Any person interested in and having any objection to the acquisition of any land in the said locality may, within sixty days of the publication of this notification, file an objection in writing pertaining to (a) area and suitability of the land proposed to be acquired (b) justification offered for public purpose and (c) the findings of the Social Impact Assessment report before the Land Acquisition Collector, Urban Development, Ground Floor, PUDA Bhawan, Sector-62, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar.

No person shall without the prior approval of Collector, make any transaction or cause any transaction of land specified in this notification or create any encumbrances on such land from the date of publication of this notification till such times as the proceedings regarding acquisition are completed.

Plan of the land may be inspected in the office of the Land Acquisition Collector, Urban Development, Ground Floor, PUDA Bhawan, Sector-62, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar.

SPECIFICATION OF LOCALITY

District : Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar

Tehsil: Mohali

Village: Balo Majra Hadbast No.: 32

Khasra No. Area K-M Khasra No. Area K-M

32/1 11/2 0-1 18/1/1 1-5

min 18/2/1 0-11

12/2 0-2 19/2 3-6

13/1/2 min 3-7 20 min 1-2

13/2 min 2-0 21 min 1-2

14/1 min 0-18 22/1 1-11

17 min 1-7 Total 16-12

District : Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar

Tehsil: Mohali

Village: Ballyali Hadbast No.: 34

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min 3 min 0-2

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22/1 5-16 4/1 min 3-11

23/1/1 1-10 4/2 min 2-9

24/1/2 0-10 5 min 2-9

min 7/1 min 3-5

5/2 25 min 0-6 7/2 min 0-2

10/16 min 0-8 8/1 min 5-7

24/2 min 0-12 8/2 min 1-11

25 min 6-6 9 min 1-2

11/4 min 1-0 11 min 1-9

5 min 6-1 12 min 7-2

6 min 2-12 13/1 min 1-15

7 min 7-3 13/2 min 1-2

8/1 min 2-2 19/1 min 2-3

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2 ultras killed in Budgam encounter

SRINAGAR, OCTOBER 28
Two unidentified militants were killed by security forces in an encounter that broke out on Tuesday night in Budgam district of Jammu and Kashmir, the police said.

Security forces launch operation at Moachwah

The security forces launched a cordon-and-search operation at Moachwah in the Chadoora area of Budgam district around 7 pm on Tuesday following information about the presence of militants there, a police official said.

He said the search operation turned into an encounter around 9 pm after militants opened fire at the security forces positions.

Two militants were killed in the gunbattle, which lasted nearly four hours. The identity and group affiliation of the slain militants was being ascertained, the official said, adding preliminary investigation suggests that one of the slain ultras was a foreigner. — PTI



Members of the bomb disposal squad search for explosives inside a damaged house near Srinagar. PTI

Terrorist hideout unearthed in Poonch

- **Jammu:** Security forces have busted a terrorist hideout in a forest area in Poonch district of Jammu and Kashmir, leading to the recovery of a cache of arms and ammunition, a senior police officer said on Wednesday.
- The hideout was unearthed during an overnight joint operation by the police and the Rashtriya Rifles in the forest area of Kalaban in the Mendhar Sector, Ramesh Angral, the Senior Superintendent of Police, Poonch, said.
- He said the search of the hideout led to the recovery of an AK 56 rifle, three magazines, 793 rounds, a pair of binoculars, a radio set, a Pakistan-made pistol with a magazine and a solar charger. — PTI



Security personnel with recovered arms and ammunition. PTI

4 more deaths in J&K

COVID-19 PANDEMIC



46 FRESH CASES IN LADAKH

- Two more persons died of Covid in Ladakh, taking the death toll in the union territory to 73 while 46 fresh cases pushed the tally to 6,024, officials said on Wednesday.
- Forty-five more patients recovered from the disease, bringing down the active cases to 689 – 556 in Leh district and 133 in Kargil district, they said.
- Two patients, who had recently tested positive for the virus, died at a hospital in Leh, the officials said. — PTI

HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

The Executive Engineer, Karchham Division, H.P.P.W.D. Bhabanagar District Kinnar Pin – 172115 invite item rate tenders in sealed cover on the prescribed forms from the eligible contractors on 23.11.2020 and shall be opened on the same day at 11:00 Hrs. in the presence of intending contractors or their authorized representatives who wish to be present at the time.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Time	Cost of form
1	Improvement of Kim O' Khaling road in Village Sangla. (SH:-P/F Interlocking Concrete blocks in Km 0/290 to 0/435) Under TASP.	414315.00	8300.00	Three Months	Rs. 350/-
2	Improvement of Kim O' Khaling road in Village Sangla. (SH:-P/F Interlocking Concrete blocks in Km 0/920 to 1/065) Under TASP.	398551.00	8000.00	Three Months	Rs. 350/-
3	Improvement of Karchham Sangla Chitkul road Km 0/0 to 41/500. (SH:- C/o R/wall at RD 20/040 to 20/058.15) Under SCA to TASP.	172955.00	3500.00	Two Months	Rs. 350/-
4	C/o Link road Nanaspur to Upper Tranda Km 0/0 to 3/500. (SH:- C/o R/wall at RD 3/405 to 3/425) Under TASP.	200040.00	4000.00	Two Months	Rs. 350/-
5	Improvement of KSC road Km 0/0 to 41/500. (SH:- C/o Protection work to abutment of existing Bailey bridge at RD 19/200. Right side (Sangla side)	332828.00	6700.00	Three Months	Rs. 350/-
6	Repair and Maintenance of G.H.S. Panvi (SH:- P/F Preprinted steel sheet roofing and ceiling at Verandah and dismantling of old sheet roofing at G.H.S. Panvi)	312055.00	6300.00	Three Months	Rs. 350/-
7	Improvement of Karchham Sangla Chitkul road Km 0/0 to 41/500. (SH:- C/o R/wall at RD 21/048 to 21/068) Under TASP.	173724.00	3500.00	Two Months	Rs. 350/-
8	C/o Link road from Kafnoo Bazar to Village Kafnoo (SH:- C/o B/wall in wire crate at RD 0/015 to 0/075.50)	448349.00	9000.00	Three Months	Rs. 350

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

The Earnest Money shown against each work must accompany with each tender in the shape of National Saving Certificate/Time Deposit Account/Post Office Saving Bank Account of any of the Post Offices duly pledged in the name of undersigned. The application of each tender alongwith following documents must reach in this office on 20.11.2020 upto 12:00 PM and issued on same day.

- Each application alongwith attested copy of the proof of enlistment in the appropriate Class and its renewal.
- Permanent Account Number (PAN)
- EPF No and GST.
- Exemption Letter for payment of earnest money from competent authority if any.

The contractor enlisted in a particular class shall be eligible to tender for his own class and one step below. The tender rates must be quoted in words and figures by the tenderer. The conditional tenders or the tenders without earnest money shall be rejected. The Executive Engineer reserves the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason. In case there happens to be a holiday on the date of opening of the tenders the same shall be opened on the next working day. The offer of the tender shall remain valid up to 90 days from the opening of the tenders.

Executive Engineer,
Karchham Division,
HP.PWD Bhabanagar.

Sheer obstinacy: Congress slams BJP over new land laws

TRIBUNE REPORTERS

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

A day after the Centre amended JK land laws allowing outsiders to own urban land in the UT, the Congress came out in support of the Gupkar Alliance members terming the move undemocratic.

"We oppose the JK land law because it does not follow the basic, elementary canons of democracy. What is the degree of dialogue the Centre initiated with any stakeholder in Jammu and Kashmir? What was the attempt at a dialogue that the Centre made in this respect?" Congress leader Abhishek Manu Singhvi said recalling a related Congress Working Committee resolution which batttered for the restoration of JK's statehood and related legal safeguards in respect to land and other matters. Singhvi said there were two issues at hand in the Valley – the issue of JK statehood versus a UT and the issue of land laws.

"Of course we oppose the new land laws. The ruling BJP is doing politics of obstinacy. There has been zero discussion. Even minimal safeguards on the subject of land found in other states like Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and the Northeast are not available to JK," said Singhvi terming the distinction strange.



PDF, JKNPP PROTEST

The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and National Panthers Party (NPP) on Wednesday staged separate protests here, demanding repeal of the new land laws which have paved the way for people from outside Jammu and Kashmir to buy land in the Union Territory. — PTI

JAMMU INDUSTRIALISTS HAIL MOVE

Thanking Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah for bringing a ray of hope for Industrialisation in Jammu and Kashmir, an apex body of Jammu-based industrialists on Wednesday welcomed the new land laws in J&K and said they will boost industrial growth in the Union Territory. — PTI

are disgruntled elements, Union Minister Jitendra Singh today said they were raising the bogey, as they felt that their vote bank was being threatened. Talking to mediapersons the Minister said the new land notification was a welcome step and the move would boost the the UT's economy.

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EXTRAORDINARY

भाग II-खण्ड 3-उप-खण्ड (ii)

PART II-Section 3- Sub-section (ii)

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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No. 3134] NEW DELHI, MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2020/ASVINA 20, 1942

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(Northern Railway)

(CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 12th October, 2020

S.O. 3546(E)—In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 20A of the Railways Act, 1989 (24 of 1989) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which has been given in the Schedule annexed hereto to, is required for execution of the Special Railway Project, namely Chandigarh – Baddi New Rail Line, in the District Panchkula in the state of Haryana, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land;

Any person interested in the said land may, within a period of thirty days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the acquisition of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section (1) of section 20D of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the competent authority, namely, District Revenue Officer, Panchkula, Haryana, in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the competent authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the competent authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

Any order made by the competent authority under sub-section (2) of section 20D of the said Act shall be final.

The land plans and other details of the land covered under this notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the competent authority.

SCHEDULE

Brief description of the land to be acquired with or without structure falling within the District Panchkula for Special Railway Project, namely, Chandigarh-Baddi New Rail Line, in the District Panchkula in the state of Haryana.

Name of the District: Panchkula, Haryana

Sr. No.	Name of Tehsil/ Taluk	Name of Village	Hadbast no./ Mustee	Survey Number/Khasra No./ Block Number	Area to be Acquired in Acre
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Kalka	Surajpur	109	35, 36	1.0
Do	Manakpur	Nanakchand		119, 88, 89, 90, 91, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 108, 110	5.0
Do	Manakpur	Thakurdas	120	2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 20, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40	6.0
Do	Lohgarh		121	1, 3, 4, 5, 28, 29, 32, 33, 80, 81, 89/1, 89/2, 93/1, 93/2, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 150/1, 150/2, 604	7.0
Do	Dhamala		122	63, 64, 65, 106, 107, 108, 112, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 135, 146, 147, 275, 305, 306, 320, 321, 322, 323, 325, 331, 337, 388, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 411, 412, 413, 414, 514, 602, 603, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 681, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 713, 714, 724, 725, 726, 727, 729, 805, 1563/111, 1567/336, 1568/336, 1644/145, 1660/274, 1662/276, 1663/277, 1665/278, 1666/278	10.0
Do	Majri Jattan		123	263, 346, 347, 348, 349, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 380/2, 381, 387, 390, 433, 436, 437/2, 438, 439/1, 439/2, 440, 772/388, 773/388, 809/380/1, 812/382/2, 832/435, 833/435, 834/437	5.0
Do	Khera		124	208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 292, 330, 336, 340, 341, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 360	4.0
Do	Basolan		125	4/1, 4/2, 103, 106, 111, 112, 113, 216/1, 216/2, 222, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 233, 234, 239, 240, 241, 244/1, 244/2	6.0
Do	Greeda		126	7, 8, 9, 429, 431, 434, 435, 436, 437, 527/16, 528/16, 536/17, 617/535/460/1, 617/535/460/6/2	11.0
TOTAL (in Acre)					192
TOTAL = 192 Acre = 77.73 Hectare					

कार्यालय : कार्यकारी अभियंता जन स्वा. अभियांत्रिकी
मंडल, कोसली, नजदीक डी.ए.टी. कालेज, कोसली

नोटिस

सचित किया जाता है कि जल जीवन मिशन के तहत गैर- सरकारी संस्थाओं का चयन सहायक संस्थाओं (ISA) के तौर पर किया जाना सुनिश्चित किया गया है, जो कि जल जीवन मिशन से संबंधित सभी गतिविधियाँ (IEC & HRD) करेंगी। गैर सरकारी संस्थाओं का पंजीकरण दर्शन पोर्टफोलियो में होना आवश्यक में होना अनिवार्य है। संबंधित संस्थाएँ अपने दस्तावेज़ के साथ जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी मंडल, कोसली में आकर निम्न एवं शोरों से संबंधित दस्तावेज़ प्राप्त कर सकते हैं। आवेदन की अंतिम तिथि 29.10.2020 है।

कार्यकारी अभियंता,

जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी मंडल, कोसली।

PRDH-83459

HARYANA STAFF SELECTION COMMISSION

Bays No. 67-70, Sector 2, Panchkula — 134154

(www.hssc.gov.in)

Result of Written Examination and Notice to candidates for Scrutiny of Documents for the post of Divisional Accountant For HVPNL, Against Advt. No. 11/2019, Cat No. 09

On the basis of written examination held from 24.02.2020 for the post of Divisional Accountant For HVPNL, Haryana Against Advt. No. 11/2019, Cat No. 09, the candidates bearing following Roll Nos. have been called for Scrutiny of Documents provisionally to ascertain eligible candidates and further subject to the fulfillment of their eligibility conditions as per advertisement and service rules.

Advt. No. 11/2019, Cat. No. 09, Divisional Accountant (10 Posts)

1199000119	1199000193	1199000237	1199000373	1199000517
1199000597	1199000680	1199000704	1199000863	1199000882
1199000981	1199001042	1199001288	1199001295	1199001342
1199001370	1199001426	1199001542	1199001572	1199001601
1199001694	1199001785	1199001809	1199001954	1199002128
1199002138	1199002254	1199002388	1199002399	1199002409
1199002561	1199002799	1199002906	1199003136	1199003223
1199003462	1199003595	1199003693	1199003863	

NOTE:-

- The Scrutiny of Documents of the above candidates will be held on 09.11.2020. The candidates are advised to report at 09.00 a.m. in Commission's Office, Bays No. 67-70, Sector 2, Panchkula. They are also directed to bring all original documents, set of self-attested copies of all documents, one ID Proof and copy of downloaded application form.
- In case a candidate does not appear for Scrutiny of Documents, no further opportunity will be given thereafter.
- While every care has been taken in preparing and uploading the result, possibility of inadvertent/technical errors cannot be ruled out. The Commission reserves the right to rectify the same later on.
- The result is also available on the website of HSSC i.e. www.hssc.gov.in.

Sd/- (Secretary),
Haryana Staff Selection Commission,
Dated:- 27.10.2020

HARYANA STAFF SELECTION COMMISSION

Bays No. 67-70, Sector 2, Panchkula — 134154

(www.hssc.gov.in)

Result of Written Examination and Notice to candidates for Scrutiny of Documents for the post of Junior Software Developer for UHBVNL, Against Advt. No. 11/2019, Cat No. 23

On the basis of written examination held from 24.02.2020 for the post of Junior Software Developer For UHBVNL, Haryana Against Advt. No. 11/2019, Cat No. 23, the candidates bearing following Roll Nos. have been called for Scrutiny of Documents provisionally to ascertain eligible candidates and further subject to the fulfillment of their eligibility conditions as per advertisement and service rules.

Advt. No. 11/2019, Cat. No. 23, Junior Software Developer (02 Posts)

1192300534	1192300769	1192300864	1192301241	1192301722	1192301753
1192303721	1192303791				

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Sd/- (Secretary),
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Dated:- 27.10.2020

HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

C-11, SECTOR 6, PANCHKULA

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NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

It is for the information of the general public that for proposed new Captive Cogen Power Plant of 28 MW Capacity plant at Village-Dahar, Tehsil-Irsana, District Panipat, State-Haryana by M/s The Panipat Cooperative Sugar Mills Limited, Panipat Submission of public hearing fees of conducting Public Hearing. As submitted report was approved by SEAC Govt. of HR as per Minutes of 198th committee meeting dated 12.03.2020 & 13.03.2020 that SEIAA/HR/2019/357 vide letter dated 03.10.2019 conveyed approval for TOR. The project is covered under the ambit of Environment Impact Assessment Notification 2006 as amended by Ministry of Environment & Forest & Climate Change Govt. of India, New Delhi and thus Environmental Clearance is mandatory for the proposed project, Accordingly the project proponent has applied to the concerned authority for Env. Clearance as per category "B" project and as per the procedure the public hearing has been fixed as per details given below:-

Sr. No.	Name of Unit	Date of Public Hearing	Time of Public Hearing	Venue of Public Hearing
1.	Public Hearing for EIA notification dated 14.09.2006 and consecutive amendments for proposed new Captive Cogen Power Plant of 28 MW Capacity plant at Village-Dahar, Tehsil-Irsana, District Panipat, State-Haryana by M/s The Panipat Cooperative Sugar Mills Limited, Panipat. Submission of public hearing fees of conducting Public Hearing reg.	04.12.2020	11:00 A.M.	At project site village Dahar, Tehsil Irsana, Panipat

As a part of procedure for seeking the Environmental Clearance, as notified by the Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi as per EIA notification 2006 as amended, the project proponent mentioned above has applied for the proposed project under category A of EIA notification for conducting public hearing for obtaining Env. Clearance of EIA report and CD for conducting public hearing mandatory as per the provisions of EIA notification dated 14.09.2006 and consecutive amendments for proposed new Captive Cogen Power Plant of 28 MW Capacity plant at Village-Dahar, Tehsil-Irsana, District Panipat, State-Haryana by M/s The Panipat Cooperative Sugar Mills Limited, Panipat. Submission of public hearing fees of conducting Public Hearing reg. Accordingly the Public Hearing for the above said project has been fixed on 04.12.2020 at 11:00 A.M. Copies of executive summary of the project and EIA study report and TOR's issued to the SEIAA/HR/2019/357 vide letter dated 03.10.2019 conveyed approval for TOR and subsequently, vide letter dated 01.10.2019 to 31.12.2019 submitted by the project proponent, are available in the Head office of the Board as well as in the following offices, which can be perused during office hours, on any working day:

- Deputy Commissioner, Panipat.
 - Regional Officer, Haryana State Pollution Control Board, SCO No. 55, Sector 25, HUDA, Panipat.
 - Zila Parishad, Panipat.
 - Municipal Corporation, Panipat.
 - Joint Director/GM, District Industries Centre, Panipat.
- Notice is hereby given to all concerned to file suggestions, views, comments and objections, if any, on the proposed project, to the Chairman, Haryana State Pollution Control Board, C-11, Sector 6, Panchkula as well as the Regional Officer, Haryana State Pollution Control Board, SCO No. 55, Sector 25, HUDA, Panipat within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Besides, a Public Hearing will also be held on the Date, Time & Venue mentioned above at the proposed site of the project, which can be attended by any person including Environmental Groups, bona fide residents and others, located at the project site/sites of displacement/sites likely to be affected. Oral/Written suggestions, if any, can also be made during the Public Hearing.

No TA/DA will be admissible for attending the Public Hearing.

S. Narayanan, IFS

Member Secretary.

Pompeo: Our vision on Lanka very different from China's

INDO-PACIFIC TALKS Meets Prez, calls nation a positive partner

COLOMBO, OCTOBER 28

America's vision on Sri Lanka is "very different from that of 'predator China'", US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said here on Wednesday as he met the leadership here and reaffirmed US' commitment to the island nation's sovereignty and security.

Addressing a joint press conference with his Sri Lankan counterpart Dinesh Gunawardena after holding bilateral talks with Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa, the top US diplomat said the US and Sri Lanka shared a democratic vision. "Indeed, a strong sovereign Sri Lanka is a positive partner on the world stage. It can be a beacon for a free Indo-Pacific.

"The Chinese Communist Party is a predator. The US comes in a different way, we come as a friend," Pompeo said in response to a question.

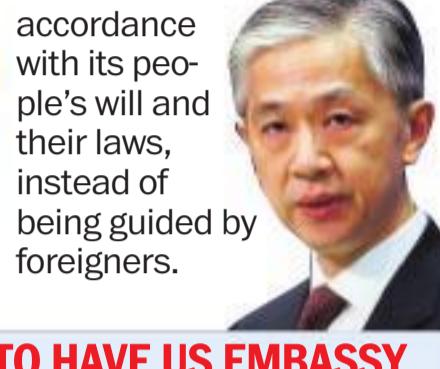
Pompeo, who became Trump's administration's highest ranking official to visit Sri Lanka, said the US and Sri Lanka shared a vision for democracy to build a relationship and the "freedom to hold democratic elections".



Mike Pompeo at St Anthony's church in Colombo on Wednesday.

CHINA SAYS US FORCING NATIONS TO PICK SIDES

In Beijing, replying to a question about Pompeo's remarks about the Chinese Communist Party, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin said "forcing small and medium-sized countries to pick sides is a habitual behaviour of certain US politicians". Sri Lanka's Foreign Ministry official has published an article saying Lanka will handle its foreign relations in accordance with its people's will and their laws, instead of being guided by foreigners.



US, VIETNAM FIRMS TO INK LNG DEAL

US energy firm AES and PetroVietnam plan to soon sign an agreement on a USD 2.8 billion liquefied natural gas project, US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said on Wednesday. AP

MALDIVES TO HAVE US EMBASSY

Male: The US will open an embassy in Maldives, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo announced on Wednesday during talks with the leadership of the island nation.

Stressing the need for the freedom of navigation, before leaving for the Maldives, Pompeo said the US businesses were superior to the Chinese companies that were making big moves in Sri Lanka.

"These American companies are the most reliable partners on the planet. They are liable to the law. The US wants to enhance its relationship with a democratic and fully independent Sri Lanka," he Pompeo.

He said he discussed with Sri Lankan leaders "the (Covid-19) pandemic that came from Wuhan, China", and security operations. — PTI

Indian expats can give UAE address in passport

DUBAI, OCTOBER 28

Indian expats in the UAE and elsewhere can now provide their local address abroad in their passports, an official at the Indian Consulate in Dubai has said.

The Indian Government

has decided to allow its overseas citizens to add their local address mainly to aid those who do not have per-

manent or valid addresses in India, Siddhartha Kumar Baraiya, consul, Passport and Attestation, Indian Consulate in Dubai, said. "We understand that many people who have been staying for a long time in the UAE don't have a valid address in India. They may add their local UAE address in their passports," he said. — PTI

BUSINESS

USD \$	Euro €	Pound £	JPY ¥	Yuan ₠	CAD \$	AUD \$	SGD \$	HKD \$
₹73.87	₹86.73	₹95.85	₹0.71	₹11.01	₹55.75	₹52.29	₹54.20	₹9.55

BSE ₹ 599.64
39,922.46

NSE ₹ 159.8
11,729.60

GOLD ₹ 50,418
(MCX) Mumbai

SILVER ₹ 60,369
(MCX) Mumbai

Tatas to buy majority stake in BigBasket for \$1 bn: Report

ALIBABA EXPECTED TO SELL ENTIRE HOLDING



The Tata Group has been planning to launch a "super app" that will tie in all its consumer businesses, several media reports have said, as it competes against Amazon and Reliance Industries in the e-commerce space.

BigBasket competes with Flipkart and Amazon's "Fresh" service as more consumers stay indoors and choose to shop online during the Covid outbreak.

China's Alibaba, which holds around 26% stake in BigBasket, is expected to sell its entire shareholding in the company

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India to play D/N warm-up game

Visitors to start Test series vs Aus with Day/Night game

MELBOURNE, OCTOBER 28
The Indian cricket team will get an additional Day/Night warm-up game in Sydney as a tune-up to the series-opening Pink Ball Test against Australia, the host board announced today while unveiling the full schedule of the 69-day tour.

The tour will include a 14-day quarantine-cum-training period in Sydney starting November 12 for the Indians who will fly in after the IPL final on November 10.

The Border-Gavaskar Trophy will begin with a

INDIA'S TOUR OF AUSTRALIA SCHEDULE	
ODI SERIES	
1st: Friday, November 27	2nd: Sunday, December 6
2nd: Sunday, November 29	3rd: Tuesday, December 8
3rd: Wednesday, December 2	
TEST SERIES	
1st: December 17-21	
2nd: December 26-30	
3rd: January 7-11	
4th: January 15-19	
T20I SERIES	
1st: Friday, December 4	

Day/Night encounter in Adelaide on December 17, followed by Tests in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane.

As per BCCI's demands, there is a week's gap between the Boxing Day Test in Melbourne and the New Year's Test in Sydney.

"India's squad will arrive in Sydney on November 12 subject to Australian Border

Force travel authorisation and the appropriate departure approvals. The team will quarantine in Sydney prior to the first match of the series on November 27," Cricket Australia said. "...CA can also confirm dates for tour matches ahead of the Test series. India A will take on Australia A at Drummoyle Oval (New South

Australia) (December 6-8), and India will play Australia A in a day-night match at the Sydney Cricket Ground (December 11-13)."

The Adelaide fixture will be the first Day/Night Test played between the two teams. Neither team has lost a Day/Night Test, with Australia winning against New Zealand, South Africa, England and Pakistan in Adelaide, and India winning against Bangladesh in Kolkata.

Nick Hockley, CA's interim CEO, said that the Boxing Day Test might feature spectators as the board is coordinating with the Victorian State government on the issue. — PTI

In battle of table-toppers, Mumbai beat Bangalore

ABU DHABI, OCTOBER 28
Mumbai Indians defeated Royal Challengers Bangalore by five wickets in an IPL game here today to all but qualify for the playoffs.

Put in to bat, Royal Challengers Bangalore scored 164/6. MI chased down the target with five balls to spare.

Brief scores: RCB: 164/6 (Padikkal 74, Philippe 33; Bumrah 3/14); MI: 166/5 (Suryakumar 79*). — PTI

IPL STANDINGS				
Team	P	W	L	pts
Mumbai	12	8	4	16
Bangalore	12	7	5	14
Delhi	12	7	5	14
Punjab	12	6	6	12
Kolkata	12	6	6	12
Hyderabad	12	5	7	10
Rajasthan	12	5	7	10
Chennai	12	4	8	8

*Read under Team, Played, Won, Lost, Points



Jasprit Bumrah celebrates with captain Kieron Pollard. PTI

BRIEFLY

SAARBRUCKEN (GERMANY)
Sen pulls out after father tests positive for Covid
Defending champion Lakshya Sen today pulled out of the SaarLorLux Open Super 100 badminton tournament after his father-cum-coach DK Sen tested positive for Covid-19.

NUR-SULTAN (KAZAKHSTAN)
Divij, Bambridge enter Astana Open quarters
India's Divij Sharan and UK's Luke Bambridge beat Ariel Behar and Gonzalo Escobar 7-5 4-6 10-6 to enter the men's doubles last-8 of the Astana Open.

MONACO
World champion Coleman banned, to miss Tokyo Games
Men's 100m world champion Christian Coleman was banned for two years (until May 2022) because of three violations of doping control rules. AGENCIES

TODAY ON TV
IPL: CHENNAI VS KOLKATA STAR SPORTS 7:30PM
EUROPA LEAGUE
ANTWERP VS TOTTENHAM 11:25PM
ARSENAL VS DUNDALK 1:30AM (FRIDAY)
SONY TEN, SONY SIX
TELEVISION: VIENNA OPEN
SONY SIX 6:30PM

Directorate of State Transport, Haryana

30-Bays Building, 2nd Floor, Sector-17, Chandigarh

Website: www.hartrans.gov.in

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

CORRIGENDUM

Online tender No. 5/2020-21/SPO/HQ dated 31.08.2020 was invited for selection of bidder for implementation of Open Loop Ticketing System and GPS System on Build Own Operate and Transfer (BOOT) model for a period of five years with extended last date of submission of tender documents online as 27.10.2020 up to 12.00 Hours. As per the request of a No. of prospective bidders, the last date of submission of RFP response online is being extended up to 18.11.2020 at 12:00 Hours. The modified terms of RFP, if any, will be uploaded on the E-Tendering website of the department i.e. <https://etenders.hry.nic.in/nicgap/app> only.

All prospective bidders are requested to go through the above website for further detail of RFP documents.

Sd/- Director, State Transport Haryana, Chandigarh.

Dated: 27.10.2020

PRDH/83441

HSIIDC invites online applications for allotment of 10 Acre Industrial Plot at IMT Rohtak

Under Mega Project Category

Projects Involving fixed capital investment (i.e. land, building, machinery & misc. fixed assets) of Rs.100 crore and above or projects involving employment generation of more than 500 persons and serving as anchor unit for proliferation of ancillaries are covered under Mega Project Category

Estate	Plot Size (Sq. meters) Tentative	No. of Plots offered (Tentative)	Plot No.	Tentative Allotment Rate (Rs. Per sqm)
IMT Rohtak	37800	01	19-20 Sector-30-A	7362/-



LAST DATE FOR APPLICATION
01 St Dec. 2020

* The applications shall be filed online through Single Window Portal of the State Government at www.investharyana.in
* For more information relating to procedure for filing online applications for allotment and other terms & conditions of allotment, visit e-governance portal of HSIIDC www.hsiidcesewa.org.in
* In case the number of applications received are more than number of plots offered for allotment, HSIIDC will conduct e-auction or manual auction/open auction for sale/allotment of industrial plot, as per its discretion. Further, the Corporation reserves to itself the right to accept any bid subject to approval of the Competent Authority or reject any bid/ even the highest bid or withdraw the site from auction at final stage without assigning any reason.

HSIIDC State Industrial & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (A State Government Undertaking)

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Website: hsidc.org.in | Registration Portal: hsidc.bidx.in | <https://hsidc.hry.nic.in>

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NOTICE

PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, HARYANA

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

"Awareness Generation, Capacity building and community mobilization in Single/Multi village Rural Water Supply Schemes" chargeable to Support Activities, Jal Jeevan Mission.

Proposals are invited from Agency/Firms/NGOs/Organizations to conduct awareness generation, community, mobilization and capacity building activities under Jal Jeevan Mission among rural households of villages covered under Single/Multi Village Rural Water Supply Schemes as under:-

Sr. No.	Description	Details
1.	Block and District	Ambala 1, Ambala 2, Barara, Saha District Ambala
2.	Number of Gram Panchayats in the Block	163
3.	Number of Habitats in the Block	165
4.	Bid Security	Rs. 5,000/-
5.	Date and Time for submission of proposal	05.11.2020
6.	Date of Bid Opening	11.11.2020
7.	Division Name	Ambala Cantt.
8.	Division Email	eeambala@gmail.com
9.	Division Telephone/Mobile Number	0171-2601208
10.	Division Address	Public Health Engineering Division, Ambala Cantt.

Interested NGOs/Trust/Firms/Organizations may contact Division Office on any working day to view the detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) copy.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Public Health Engineering Division, Ambala Cantt.

HARYANA STATE TECHNICAL EDUCATION SOCIETY, PANCHKULA

Boys No.-7-12, Sector-4, Panchkula, Haryana

Website:- www.hstes.org.in,

CORRIGENDUM

Vide Prospectus of Diploma, B.Tech/ B.Arch, B.Tech Lateral Entry, B.Pharmacy & B.Pharmacy Lateral Entry hosted on the website of Haryana State Technical Education Society, Panchkula for the admission session 2020-21, the allotment of seats in online-off-campus counseling inadvertently mentioned in chapter-2 for all the courses about the procedure of seat allotment/reservation, now may be read as mentioned below:

1st Counseling:- shall be done for all categories namely RoHC, HOGC, SC, SCD, BC-A, BC-B, PH, ESM, (with all priorities) and FF of all categories with 25% Horizontal Female reservation.

2nd counseling:- shall be done for all categories namely RoHC, HOGC, SC, SCD, BC (by merging BCA and BCB in BC), PH and merging all ESM (all priorities) and FF with 25% Horizontal Female reservation.

For the supernumerary seats i.e. Tuition Fee Waiver (TFW), Kashmiri Migrant (KM) and Economically Weaker Section (EWS) seats will be filled separately on the basis of JEE (main)-2020 rank/Inter-se-merit of qualifying exam.

Sd/- Joint Director, Haryana State Technical Education Society, Panchkula

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GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT OF CLU PERMISSIONS FOR RECREATIONAL USE AS PER THE POLICY DATED 27.09.2010 READ WITH POLICY DATED 10.11.2017.

The Department of Town & Country Planning, Haryana has notified a policy dated 10.11.2017 for grant of CLU permissions for setting up of those categories of activities in which there is a cap on the permissible net planned area. This policy is hosted on the website of the Department namely www.tchpharyana.gov.in. The policy gives guidelines with respect to grant of CLU permissions under the provisions of the Punjab Scheduled Roads and Controlled Areas Restriction of Unregulated Development Act, 1963 (Act 41 of 1963) for those categories of activities which are allowed on limited area or in limited number in a sector.

2. Applications are invited on the prescribed form CLU-1 in accordance with Rule 26 of the Punjab Scheduled Roads and Controlled Areas Restriction of Unregulated Development Rules, 1965 and as per the policy dated 10.11.2017 for grant of CLU permission for recreational use in Residential and Open Space zones (sub-code 730 only) of the Final Development Plans of Sohna, Faridabad, Panipat, Sonipat, Kundli Multifunctional Urban Complex, Bahadurgarh, Pithiala, Dharuhera, Ambala, Mahendergarh, Patiala-Haili Mandi, Bhiwani, Hansi, Narwana, Sirsa, Tohana, Yamunanagar Power House-I to IV controlled areas, Yamunanagar Dadupur Headworks, Yamunanagar Kapal Mochan, Yamunanagar Ad Badri, Rewari, Hodal, Jind, Nuh and Jhajjar which stand published under Section 5(7) of Act No. 41 of 1963, for the areas falling outside the MC limits. The applications for those sectors shall not be entertained which

BRIEFLY



SANDEEP DIKSHIT
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

M Sivasankar, suspended IAS officer, in ED custody in Kochi. PTI

Gold smuggling: Kerala IAS officer in ED custody

New Delhi: The ED has taken into custody M Sivasankar, former principal secretary to Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan, in connection with the gold smuggling case after the high court denied him anticipatory bail. Officials said Sivasankar was needed to be taken into custody for detailed questioning. TNS

Dharma Productions must apologise: Goa minister

Panaji: The controversy over the alleged indiscriminate dumping of PPEs and other unsegregated garbage by a production crew hired by Karan Johar's Dharma Productions for a shoot in a Goa beach village refuses to die down with Goa's Waste Management Minister Michael Lobo demanding an apology, failing which a fine would be imposed. IANS

ED seizes ₹7.5-crore assets in loan fraud case

New Delhi: The ED on Wednesday said it had issued a provisional order to seize 21 immovable properties worth Rs 7.57 crore and Rs 50 lakh deposit kept with Meliora Asset Reconstruction Company of Polepal Venkata Prasad and his family in connection with a loan fraud. TNS

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To boost ties, Foreign Secy to visit three European nations

TO DISCUSS INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28
India will resume the pre-Covid tempo of building contacts with Europe with Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla scheduled to visit France, Germany and the UK from October 29 to November 4.

All three countries are strategic partners of India with which it has close and well-established relations. Bilateral ties are multi-dimensional and have grown rapidly.

The Foreign Secretary will also discuss international cooperation in dealing with the pandemic and its consequences. The MEA says India's relations with France, Germany and UK are informed by a commonality of interest in issues such as sustainable development and climate change.

als and mediapersons in these three countries, including at policy exchange in London and IFRI in Paris.



Council, and its commitment to a free, open and inclusive Indo-Pacific will be discussed.

The Indian push comes at a time when China's wariness is becoming a dominant theme in Europe. All three countries that Shringla will visit have decided not to allow Chinese companies to supply 5G equipment.

France has started taking an interest in the wider Indian and Pacific Oceans in addition to its traditional preoccupation with maritime events in its protectorates. Germany too is taking a deeper interest in the developing confrontation in the Indo-Pacific, while the UK has been a traditional US ally for influence and intelligence operations.

The visit closely follows the third 2+2 India-US dialogue that saw India move closer in military information sharing.

Int'l flights to remain suspended till Nov 30

NEW DELHI: The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) on Wednesday said it has extended the suspension of scheduled commercial international passenger flights till November 30 amid the Covid-19 pandemic. It said, "The international scheduled flights may be allowed on selected routes by the competent authority on a case-to-case basis." — TNS

India, UK to set up bilateral sustainable finance forum

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

The UK and India inked agreements on financial services, infrastructure and sustainable finance on the sidelines of the 10th Economic and Financial Dialogue (EFD) between Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and UK Chancellor Rishi Sunak.

The agreements reached today include a new strategic partnership to accelerate the development of Gujarat International Finance Tec (GIFT) City as an international financial centre — including regulatory capacity building support for the new International Financial

knowledge exchange and technical assistance to support India's National Infrastructure Pipeline, including setting up a project preparation support facility-cum-centre of excellence for PPP projects," said a joint statement after the talks between the two ministers.

During the talks, Sunak championed UK markets as a source for Indian companies to raise international capital and welcomed the decision to allow Indian companies to list on the London Stock Exchange — the UK being one of only seven jurisdictions permitted, according to a UK news release. — TNS

Services Centre Authority.

There will be a new UK-India partnership on infrastructure policy and financing to support the Indian national infrastructure pipeline with UK commercial expertise and financing.

"This partnership will involve experience sharing,

At Bihar rallies, Rahul raises employment, migration issues

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RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav addresses a press conference as AICC general secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala looks on in Patna. PTI

TEJASHWI COMPARES NITISH WITH GEN DYER

RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav and Congress' Randeep Surjewala on Wednesday slammed CM Nitish Kumar over the Munger firing in which a person was killed. The two compared the CM with Gen Dyer, who had opened fire on innocent people in the Jallianwala Bagh, and demanded a High Court-monitored probe into police shooting on a gathering of devotees out to immerse Goddess Durga's idols.

WE DON'T KNOW HOW TO LIE

“We know how to run the country; we know how to stand by farmers, how to create jobs for the youth. But we don't know how to lie and cannot compete with them in lies.” Rahul Gandhi, CONG LEADER



CBI opposes FIR against SSR's sisters

Says Rhea's accusations 'speculative'

them by the Mumbai Police.

Chakraborty, Rajput's girlfriend, has alleged that a fabricated prescription was used to help him procure medicines banned under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act only a few days before his death in June.

“Such speculation cannot be the basis of an FIR,” the Central agency said in response to Rajput's sisters Priyanka Singh and Meetu Singh's petition seeking to quash the case lodged against

“mostly speculative”.

“The PM did across the nation what Nitish did in Bihar in 2006 by launching the pilot project for the three Central farm laws. Now, farm-

ers of Bihar are not getting the fair price for their produce,” Rahul said, alleging that the NDA partners were in no position to create jobs

and had “turned a blind eye to migrants as they walked back home miles during the lockdown when no buses were arranged for them.”



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