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Sarvari; Uttaramaya
Tithi: Phalguna Bahula Trayodasi till 4.28 am (Saturday)

Star: Poorvabhadra full day

Varjari: 11.50 am to 1.33 pm

Durmuhuram: 8.36 am to 9.25 am; 12.42 pm to 1.31 pm

RahuKalam: 10.30 am to 12 noon

HIJRI CALENDAR

Sha'ban 26, 1442 AH

PRAYERS

Fajar: 5.04 am

Zohar: 12.28 pm

Asar: 4.38 pm

Maghrib: 6.36 pm

Isha: 7.45 pm

SUNSET TODAY 6.30 PM

SUNRISE TOMORROW 6.04 AM

MOONRISE TOMORROW 3.50 AM

MOONSET TODAY 3.33 PM

COUNTER POINT



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SHORT TAKES

Army man sets cycling record

New Delhi: The Army's Lt Col Bharat Pannu has earned two Guinness records for cycling. Lt Col Pannu cycled 472 km from Leh to Manali on October 10, 2020, in 35 hours and 25 minutes. For the second record, he cycled the 5,942-km 'Golden Quadrilateral', which connects Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata, in 14 days, 23 hours and 52 minutes.

No SC relief for former Maha HM

New Delhi: In a setback to former Maharashtra home minister Anil Deshmukh, the Supreme Court on Thursday refused to interfere with the Bombay HC order allowing the CBI to conduct a preliminary inquiry into the allegations of corruption levelled against Deshmukh by former Mumbai top cop Param Bir Singh.

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HIDDEN WEALTH

State takes over jewellery found in realty venture

'Pot of gold' found in Pembarthy

ANUDEEP CEREMILLA | DC
WARANGAL, APRIL 8

A copper vessel filled with gold and silver ornaments was found while clearing the land with earthmovers for developing plots in Pembarthy village of Jangaon district on Thursday.

Many locals gathered to see the treasure and some went ahead to perform puja and demand that a temple be built with the valuables that have been found.

Police and revenue officials reached the spot. Additional collector A. Bhaskar Rao and mandal



Modi may visit Pak to attend Saarc summit

DC CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI, APRIL 8

The Indian government on Thursday sidestepped media queries on some claims in the Pakistani media that back-channel secret talks had begun between the two countries over a year ago, with New Delhi saying both countries had "functioning high commissions" in each other's capitals that are a "very effective channel of communication".

The Pakistani media reports had further claimed that if the confidence-building measures

(CBMs) hold and ties improve further, Prime Minister Narendra Modi may pay a visit to Islamabad for the Saarc summit there later this year, ending years of chill between the two countries.

The developments come in the wake of a sudden perceptible improvement in India-Pakistan ties in the past six weeks following the implementation of the ceasefire at the Line of Control by the armies of the two countries.

"Our respective high commissions exist and are functioning. So that's

Maoists release abducted jawan

RABINDRA NATH CHAUDHURY | DC
RAIPUR, APRIL 8

The CRPF's CoBRA commando Rakeshwar Singh Manhas walked free on Thursday evening after spending five days in the custody of the Maoists.

The Maoist who was abducted by the Maoists after the April 3 Naxal ambush on security forces in Terram on Sukma-Bijapur border in Chhattisgarh's south Bastar region was handed over to a four-member emissary team, constituted by the Chhattisgarh government to negotiate the release, at an undisclosed location.

The jawan, with his hands tied, was produced before a *jan adalat* or kangaroo court of Maoists in the presence of scores of armed rebels, villagers and reporters before being set free at 4 pm.

The jawan has been released by the Maoists. He has reached Basaguda camp (of CRPF), Bijapur district superintendent of police Kamal Lochan Kashyap said.

He was scheduled to be flown to Raipur after his medical checkup, police said. "As soon as we learnt that the jawan was held hostage by the Maoists, we contacted eminent people in the region, social activists and media persons to secure his release from Maoist custody."

According to sources, "the Maoists had grilled him to extract information on the strength of the security forces deployed in the region and the kinds of weapons they use," sources said.

With relief writ large on his face, the jawan after his release told reporters, "They (Naxals) treated me well when I was in their custody".

IPL to begin today without trademark fanfare, festivities

C. SANTHOSH KUMAR | DC
CHENNAI, APRIL 8

The fanfare and festivities will be sorely missed for the second consecutive season when the 14th edition of the Indian Premier League begins at the M.A. Chidambaram Stadium on Friday with a high-profile clash between champions Mumbai Indians and Royal Challengers. Growing concern over a second wave of Covid-19 infections has resulted in a cloud of uncertainty over the cash-

rich league, keeping BCCI officials on their toes, but the TV ratings are expected to go through the roof.

The entire season will be held behind closed doors as players, franchise officials and broadcast crew hop from one bio-bubble to another much like the previous edition conducted in the UAE. Living in a bubble and playing in an empty stadium have become familiar experiences for cricketers, but it can be exhausting.

Mumbai Indians skipper Rohit Sharma who is

eying a hat-trick of IPL trophies feels lucky to be playing cricket during the pandemic. "A lot of people are going through hard times, a lot of people are not able to work, not able to do what they like to. At least we are lucky that we are getting to do what we like," Rohit said.

The growing number of cases has proved that even a bubble is vulnerable. This edition will be a litmus test of BCCI's organisational ability. The successful IPL will pave the way for the World T20 later this year.



A vessel containing gold and silver jewels found at Pembarthy in Jangaon district; (right) an official showing a collection of silver ornaments found in the vessel. — DC

revenue officer P. Ravinder and ACP S. Vinod Kumar weighed the ornaments in front of the villagers. The pot contained 187 grams of gold ornaments and 1.727 kg

of silver ornaments and the copper vessel weighed 1.2 kg. They shifted the vessel to the district collectorate. District collector K. Nikhil said officials had cordoned off the 11 acres of land and deployed police at the site. "We instructed the real estate company to stop work till further orders. We have intimated the archaeology department about the finding. They will examine the ornaments to see if they hold any historical significance," she said.

Page 4: Archaeology team visits Pembarthy site

PM for vaccine festival, CMs red-flag shortages

Modi defends existing criteria for Coronavirus vaccination

VINEETA PANDEY | DC
with agency inputs
NEW DELHI, APRIL 8

On a day India recorded nearly 1.32 lakh fresh cases of Covid-19, Prime Minister Narendra Modi conferred with the Chief Ministers of several states in virtual mode to discuss the surging Covid-19 infections and the vaccine strategy.

He told the Chief Ministers to strengthen their efforts for the next 2-3 weeks to check the spread of the virus on a "war-footing" and to focus on vaccinations and testing and hold a special drive — 'vaccine festival' — from April 11 to 14 to cover all eligible beneficiaries over 45. He also asked the states to prevent vaccine wastage.

He defended the eligibility criteria for vaccination amid demand by some states, ruled by Opposition parties, to open the vaccination for all above 18

**PVT TEACHERS TO GET ₹2,000,
25KG RICE: CM**

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao on Thursday announced that the government would provide ₹2,000 financial assistance and 25 kg rice free through ration shops to teachers and staff working in recognised private educational institutions till the schools are reopened.

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years. India's criteria is no different from the most prosperous countries in the world, Modi said.

Page 4: States complain of vaccine, oxygen shortage

Wear a mask or pay fine, says CM

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao on Thursday urged the people to follow Covid guidelines, wear masks and take precautions against the disease to contain the spread of the disease.

Instructing officials to increase testing for Covid and intensifying the vaccination programme, the CM said that wearing of masks should be implemented strictly. If the people do not wear masks, they should be fined ₹1,000 per person.

He wanted the DGP to instruct the police department to enforce this mask

rule stringently. He said people should be more alert in places like Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy, and Medchal-Malkajgiri districts.

The CM was speaking review meeting with medical and health officials after participating in a videoconference organised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the situation arising out of the Coronavirus pandemic.

In the review meeting, he reportedly directed officials to take steps to ensure adequate supplies of Covid-19 vaccine.

Page 4: Vaccinate all frontline workers, says CM

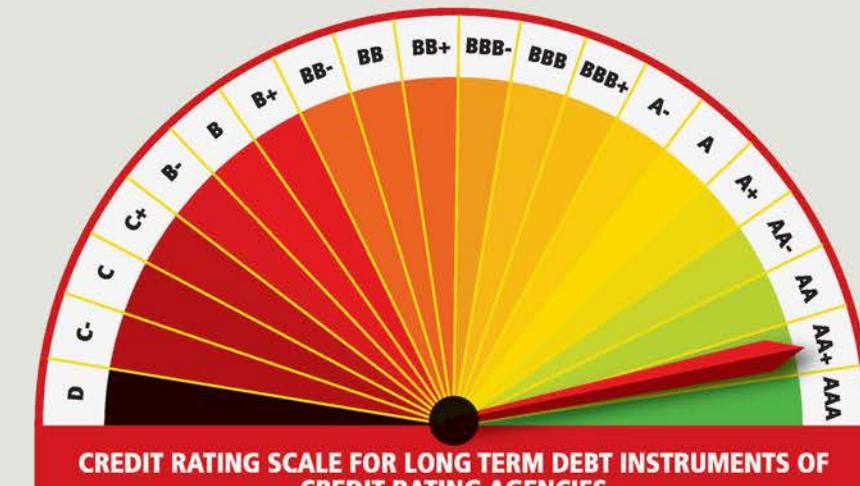
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IN BRIEF
VJIT postpones examinations

Hyderabad: The Vidya Jyothi Institute of Technology, an autonomous college, decided to abruptly postpone the supplementary exams on Thursday, hours after it released the seating plan for students. The college is owned by MLC Palla Rajeshwar Reddy. Twenty teaching staff have tested positive at the institute, sources told *Deccan Chronicle*. Despite this and the government orders not to hold offline exams, the college had scheduled these exams. When this newspaper asked the college authorities about the exams, they said these were not regular exams and that only about 20-30 students were supposed to take them, with the teaching staff present on the campus. After this enquiry, however, another circular was issued by the college declaring that the exams were postponed indefinitely.

POLICE RESCUE ABDUCTED INFANT IN 30 HOURS

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

The Rachakonda Special Operations Team cracked a kidnapping case and rescued the two-year-old boy within 30 hours.

Police said that on April 6, the accused, M. Muthiah, 45, a worker, spotted the victim, Abhilash, alone under a tree at Kotahpet and abducted him. The boy's mother Manju had left the child there and gone to relieve herself.

When she returned and did not find the child, she and her husband G. Srinu, a labourer from Saidabad, booked a case with the Saroor Nagar police who started investigations.

A police said the cops tracked the kidnapper via CCTV camera footage and managed to establish his identity. On Wednesday night, Muthiah was arrested from his house at Anthampet village in Marriguda mandal of Nalgonda and rescued Abhilash. The accused told police that he wanted to raise the boy.

Footpath mafia makes a comeback

MLA asks police to allow those with GHMC permits

ATHER MOIN | DC
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

The 'footpath mamool' mafia struck again on Wednesday. A hawker, Charminar Shaik Yaseen, 32, was attacked by the family member of Ganna Naseer, who had been arrested in February for attacking another hawker.

Yaseen said he has been doing business since 2014 around Charminar but had kept away after the lockdown. When he came back and took his spot, another vendor, Saddam, started quarrelling with him. He claimed that he had paid ₹45,000 to Naseer, nephew of Ganna Naseer, and was paying ₹300 per day for the spot. On Wednesday, Zameer and Ajaz Khan and their gang reportedly

called him to a hotel to resolve the issue, where he was attacked. He alleged that family members of Ganna Naseer were extorting money from the vendors and anyone who turned them down were terrorised.

Charminar MLA Mumtaz Ahmed Khan, reacting over increasing brawling among the vendors, said "goon groups" are active here. He said these goons had kept 50-60 carts in the open space around the Charminar and were extorting money from petty vendors. The MLA asked the police and traffic police to allow only those who have permits by the GHMC. He said even these vendors are harassing and teasing the tourists, bringing a bad name to the city.

HUSBAND STABS WIFE TO DEATH AFTER QUARREL, ARRESTED

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

The Narsangi police booked a man for allegedly murdering his wife at their house in Hydershahkote and attempting to flee the scene. The locals who noticed something suspicious caught the man, Basavappa, and handed him over to the police.

Highly suspicious, the neighbours gave chase, caught Basavappa and informed the police. A police team opened the door to find the body inside.

Forest department arranges saucer pits for thirsty animals

T.S.S. SIDDHARTH | DC
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

The state forest department has set up saucer pits in forest areas to quench the thirst of wild animals. The pits have been laid in places like Qawal Tiger Reserve and Amrabad forest reserve.

According to officials of the department, saucer pits were set up in all the sanctuaries where water supply is inadequate and they are constantly filled

● **THE TRAP** cameras captured pictures of leopards, deer, bear drinking from the saucer pits.

with water while in some places, solar bore wells are being set up. Many trap cameras are set up near water bodies in different forest areas to capture a variety of fauna. The cameras have captured pictures of leopards, deer, bear and wild cattle drinking from the moats and saucer pits.

"This practice is going on for years now. Animals are also approaching saucer pits. The camera traps are helping us to identify the kind of animals that are coming to the watering hole. Also, it helps us keep a tab on poaching activities," A. Shankaran, DCF (retd), told *Deccan Chronicle*. "If there is a provision to have a solar water motor we use that to refill tanks so that there is minimal human interaction," he said.

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IN BRIEF
ARCHAEOLOGY
TEAM VISITS PEMBARTHY SITE

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Meanwhile, an archaeology department team visited the spot and is trying to gather evidence of any historical significance of the find.

Pembathy sarpanch Ambala Shankar Goud said that Hyderabad-based realtors purchased 11 acres of land from a farmer Narsimha two months back for a venture beside National Highway-163 between Hyderabad and Warangal.

TTD TO CLAIM HANUMAN'S BIRTHPLACE

DC CORRESPONDENT
TIRUMALA, APRIL 8

Tirumala is soon to be labelled as the birthplace of Lord Anjaneya with the administration of Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam (TTD) all set to present epigraphical and scientific evidences confirming the same on Ugadi (April 13).

In this context, a detailed review meeting was held in the office of TTD executive officer Dr K.S. Jawahar Reddy with expert committee members, who have done in-depth research since December, on Thursday.

The EO sought the scholars to come out with astronomical, epigraphical, scientific puranic evidence and salient features that could be presented to the public.

He also asked them to bring out a comprehensive book with these evidences proving Anjanadri as the birthplace of Hanuman within a couple of months.



Union minister of state for home G. Kishan Reddy waves to supporters in Amberpet and Golnaka, Hyderabad, during a visit to review work on the flyover. — DEEPAK DESHPANDE

Kishan: Amberpet flyover on fast track

Fund crunch, religious structures delayed work: Min

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

has been suffering from a traffic problem for several years, and the road widening works were undertaken to alleviate it. He appealed to the people to support the development.

Kishan Reddy said the construction of flyovers was the only solution for the traffic problem. The flyover works were progressing with the co-operation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union minister Nitin Gadkari, he said.

The minister stated that the foundation stone was laid in 2018, but work was delayed due to the lack of funds. He said that Amberpet

Land acquisition was the responsibility of the state government and it was delayed due to lack of funds with the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation.

He said that the cost of shifting the pipeline and 11 KV cable would be borne by the Centre.

Kishan Reddy, the Secunderabad MP, said that the authorities should hold coordination meetings once a week to monitor the progress of work, and arrange a high-level meeting in one or two days to expedite the work.

He said the govern-

ment was in talks on the removal of prayer halls and everyone was responding positively.

On other issues, he said the MMTS extension to Yadadri had been sanctioned, and the state government should come forward and allocate funds.

He said that Union minister Gadkari had written to the state government on land acquisition for Regional Ring Road. The Centre would provide its assistance for land acquisition for the project, and the face of Telangana would change if the Regional Ring Road came up.

He said the money will be returned to those devotees who had booked tickets online to witness the Sita Rama kalyanam celebrations at the Bhadrachalam temple.

Vaccination fete may be symbolic

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HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

to send an SOS to the Centre seeking adequate doses at the earliest.

Official sources told this correspondent that the Union health secretary Rajesh Bhushan recently replied to the state's request for adequate supplies stating that the Centre would provide one crore doses to cover all the 45 plus in the state. But in reality, the Centre with great difficulty may be able to arrange 10 lakh doses by end of April.

The Chief Minister held a review meeting with officials after the videoconference with the Prime Minister. During the four days, the Chief Minister wanted that at least 24 lakh people should

be vaccinated, and directed authorities to arrange for enough vaccine supplies by coordinating with the Centre.

Home minister Mekathoti Scharukita, Chief Secretary Adityanath Das, DGP Gautam Sawang, special chief secretary Anil Kumar Singh (medical and health) and Secretary Muddada Ravichandra (Covid-19 management and vaccination), health and medical commissioner Katamantri Bhaskar and other senior officials were present at the meeting.

Earlier, the Chief Minister urged the Union government to facilitate quick supply of more doses of Covid-19 vaccine to Andhra Pradesh as

the existing stocks will exhaust soon. At present, the State machinery is vaccinating 1.4 lakh every day.

At the meeting that discussed Covid control measures and the Nadu-Nedu in the health department, the CM said all those aged above 45 have to be vaccinated in the next 30 days. He directed the authorities to take up the vaccination drive in rural areas too with same vigour.

The Chief Minister asked officials to take stern action against private hospitals fleecing the public in the name of Covid treatment. "Implement price fixation for the treatment and have strict supervision over the private hospitals," he said.

CM: Vaccinate frontline staff

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Officials reportedly told the CM that the state had the capacity to vaccinate 10 lakh people per day, but they could cover for 60,000 to 70,000 people as the stocks were limited.

The CM said that the government was taking all precautionary measures to check the spread of Covid-19, and there was no proposal at present to impose a lockdown. The CM instructed the officials concerned to increase conducting of RT-PCR tests for Covid-19 in the districts, as there is a surge in the cases. The CM instructed officials to get the test kits made available.

The CM instructed officials to set up test centres in Gadwal, Wanaparthy, Khammam, Nirmal, Mancherial, Kamareddy, Sangareddy, Chanderla Rao said collectors and district-level officers should hold a video-conference and launch a special drive for vaccinations.

Medak, Jagtial, Peddapalli, Ramagundam, Bhongir, Jangaon, and Vikarabad.

He said that all frontline workers should be vaccinated, and wanted the process to be completed in a week.

The CM spoke to DGP M. Mahendar Reddy, principal secretaries Sandeep Sultan, Arvind Kumar (MA&UD) and Sunil Sharma (transport) and GHMC commissioner Lokesh Kumar over the phone. The CM instructed that the staff and employees in all these departments to be vaccinated.

The CM said the progress in the vaccination programme should be reported to the CMO every day.

Chandrashekhar Rao said collectors and district-level officers should hold a video-conference and launch a special drive for vaccinations.

The CM said the overall infection recovery rate slid to 97.6 per cent, while the percentage of active cases increased to 1.6.

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Andhra Pradesh registered another 2,558 Coronavirus cases on Thursday, pushing the total to 9.15 lakh. Another six patients succumbed to Covid.

The health department said 915 patients had recovered.

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IN BRIEF

Man loots money for gambling

Hyderabad: One Neelapu Naveen Reddy, 25, decamped with ₹50.57 lakh cash from a safe in his office to pay for his gambling was arrested by the Hayatnagar police of Rachakonda on Thursday. Cops also arrested his uncles Kocchirla Amith Reddy, 36, and Bacchu Rama Krishna, 45, for helping Naveen and recovered ₹28.69 lakh their possession. The arrests were made following a complaint made by Rahul Sheshidharan, HR Manager of JB Infra Real Estate Projects. Police found that Naveen had borrowed from his friends to gamble.

Doosra, an app which promises freedom

App-based service blocks all calls by default, giving an option of leaving voice message

S. UMAMAHESHWAR | DC
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

Eight years ago, then Union finance minister Pranab Mukherjee who was also at the head of multiple empowered groups of ministers, was busy at a meeting. His phone rang.

Mukherjee was enraged after answering the call. The caller did not have any important information to share, but she offered the Union finance minister a loan! It was a pesky call from telemarketers.

Similarly, India's richest

person and Reliance Industries chairman Mukesh Ambani too had admitted he got a call offering him a home loan. The result of the pesky call to Mukherjee was the creation of 'Do Not Call Register' (DND). But the experience over the last eight years suggests that it did not offer any respite. This problem became the foundation for a Hyderabad-based innovative telecom-based start-up firm, Doosra, which provides a virtual phone number that could protect people from tele-callers.

"Doosra means 'second' in Hindi. It is a virtual mobile number that a user can share with others without compromising on one's privacy. It is basically a secondary number that keeps your personal number away from unsolicited calls," said Aditya Vuchi, founder and CEO of Doosra.

Aditya founded the company in May last year after he was asked to furnish his mobile number at the billing desk of a large sporting goods store. Since there was an alternative to the mobile number, he did not complete the purchase.

Doosra is an app-based and subscription-based service. It blocks all calls by

default, giving an option to the caller to leave a voice message. If the call was important for the user, he could return the call later on.

If you want to allow certain services like Ola, Uber, Zomato, or Swiggy, the user could mark them as white-list contacts which allow them to call or message you on your Doosra number without being blocked.

When asked about the rationale behind offering the service on the subscription model, Aditya said, "We are clear about our tar-

get customers. Privacy is a premium product. And we want to tap the customers who value his or her privacy. Since we don't want to sell our customer database or depend on advertisements, we opted for the subscription model."

"There is a great potential for virtual number as it could replace the second SIMs that people have been using for a long time for different purposes. There is a large number of second SIMs in the country, which telecom companies are trying to eliminate. Our basic

annual subscription, which works to be ₹59 a month, and the annual PRO subscription that costs ₹89 a month are more affordable than holding a second SIM," Aditya said explaining his business model.

Apart from filtering the unsolicited calls, Aditya said people are finding different ways of using the Doosra number. For instance, he said, people wanted to use the Doosra number for WhatsApp, while keeping their main phone number personal.



GRT Jewellers receive 'Retail Brand of the year' award by ET Excellence on Thursday.

GRT Jewellers bags 'Retail Brand' award

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

GRT Jewellers, that has been appreciated for its contemporary and traditional designs, has been awarded the Jewellery Retail Brand of the Year in AP and Telangana. This is said to be the most prestigious award in the jewellery trade.

Addressing the award ceremony, G.R. Ananthanathan, managing director of GRT Jewellers, said, "We focus on offering the latest and best in terms of design. We're equally focused on making jewellery more accessible. We

would also like to thank the customers who trust us beyond measure to provide and care for their jewelry needs."

"This award will encourage us to continue to create innovative designs that will continue to push the boundaries. I would also like to thank the organisers for recognising our efforts," he said.

The company said in a release that it offers a wide range of jewellery in gold, diamonds, silver, platinum and gemstones. Established in 1964, GRT said its customer-centric approach has made it a household name.

Women safety wing received 227 plaints

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD APRIL 8

The Cyberabad's women and children safety wing said it had attended to 227 complaints since June 24, 2020. The Cyberabad police has six 'Dial 100' teams to protect women and children from domestic violence, Cyberabad police commissioner V.C. Sajjanar said. Each team consists of an assistant sub-inspector, head constable, senior police constable, and a female officer.

The complaints were received through different means like the control room, direct calls and through police stations. Five cases were registered, the rest disposed of by giving a warning to the accused persons or counselling them.

centres and police stations.

Sajjanar said women suffering from domestic violence, harassment, stalking or any other atrocity could approach the Dial 100 teams at the following numbers:

Miyapur: 9490617296, Rajendranagar: 9490617295, Jagadgirigutta: 9490617298, Narsingi: 9490617428, Jeedimetla: 9490617274, Mailardevpally: 9490617396, Alcoholic Anonymous (Counsellors): 9666466118 or dial 100 for assistance.

High tension at AP HC bar association

DC CORRESPONDENT
VIJAYAWADA, APRIL 8

As lawyers met here, it was a free-for-all. High tension prevailed at the general body meeting of the Andhra Pradesh high court bar association as two groups of advocates engaged in heated arguments, followed by a manhandling that left Bar Council member Ch. Ajay Kumar seriously injured on Thursday.

The bone of contention between the two groups was the model bylaws of the Bar Council. One group backed it so that they could go ahead with elections to the association that was delayed due to Covid-19. Another group wanted to dump the bylaws.

Bar council member Ajay Kumar was in favour of adopting the model bylaws and was targeted by those who opposed it. He was given the first aid. The meeting was held at the high court advocates canteen premises. The advocates in favour of adoption of common bylaws staged a protest and condemned the assault on Kumar.

As the meeting was in progress and the majority of the members were in favour of adopting the bylaws and holding of polls, a section of the advocates wanted to defer the exercise so as to avoid the polls.

As per norms, unless the association adopts the model bylaws, its members are not eligible to avail a series of welfare scheme benefits like death-related assistance. The majority of the members are learnt to be keen on adopting the model bylaws.

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Aditya Vuchi

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Northern Railway conducts a Walk-in-interview for engagement of CMPs for COVID Isolation ward of Northern Railway Central Hospital, New Delhi on contract basis

No. 752E/Contract/COVID/NRCH/2021

Dated : 08/04/2021

Sub : Walk-in-interview for engagement of Contract Medical Practitioners (CMPs) for COVID Isolation Ward in Northern Railway Central Hospital, New Delhi on contract basis as below:-

ITEM NO.	CATEGORY	SPECIALTY	NO. OF POSTS	PLACE OF POSTING
01.	CMP	(Specialists Medicine/Anesthesia/Pediatrics/Critical Care/ENT)	Ten (10)	NRCH, New Delhi
02.	CMP	(Specialist) Microbiologist	Three (03)	NRCH, New Delhi
03.	CMP	(General Duty Medical Officer)	Nine (09)	NRCH, New Delhi

Note: - 1. Duration of engagement will be up to 30.06.2021 or earlier with a notice period of 15 days.

Note: - 2. Depending on administrative exigencies, Railway Administrations have reserved the right to modify number of vacancies and place of posting. In case, sufficient Specialists are not available, posts will be filled by GDMOs.

Note: - 3. Term/period of the contract is further extendable as per requirement for each category of staff if such directions are received from Railway Board.

Reservation will be as under:

ITEM NO.	CATEGORY	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	UR	TOTAL
01	CMP Specialist	01	Nil	02	01	06	10
02	CMP (GDMO)	01	Nil	02	01	05	09
03	CMP Specialist (Microbiologist)	-	-	-	-	03	03

Note :- In case reserved candidates are not available, reserved posts will be filled by UR candidates because the appointment is to be done in Emergency for COVID-19 pandemic.

The reservation will apply as per rules in vogue. The actual reservation of vacancies would depend upon the prevailing sanctioned strength at the time of engagement. In case, required number of reserved slots are not filled in, it will be open to fill the seats with unreserved candidate in terms of Rly Bd's directives issued vide No. 77 E (SCT) 15/18 date 22.7.1977 in view of emergency.

Date, Time & Venue of Document verification, Walk-in Interview & Medical Examination:-

The interested candidates can appear in Walk-in-interview at the following venue:-

Date	Time	Categories	Venue
19.04.2021	10:00 Hrs. to 17:00.	CMPs	Auditorium, Northern Railway Central Hospital, Basant Lane, New Delhi

Medical Examination of ONLY selected candidates will be held.

Note :- Candidates should submit their application in duplicate on prescribed proforma enclosed herewith latest by 09:00 AM on 19.4.2021 at AUDITORIUM for Documents Verification and walk-in-interview.

In case, it is not possible to interview all candidates on nominated day, they will be interviewed on next working day/days. Thus, the candidates should make their own arrangement for lodging/boarding and should come prepared accordingly.

Remuneration:-

ITEM NO.	CATEGORY	SALARY PER MONTH
1	CMP (Specialists)	Rs. 95000/-
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Consolidated remuneration at the rate of Rs. 75,000/- for General Duty Doctor and Rs. 95,000/- for Specialist Doctors per month will be admissible, if Govt. accommodation is not provided. If Govt. accommodation is provided, an amount equivalent to House Rent Allowance payable to a fresh entrant to Group 'A' Jr. Scale and License fee of Railway accommodation so provided, shall be deducted from the monthly remuneration payable to the CMP.

Age Limit

Candidate should not have completed more than 53 years of age for Item No. 1, 2, 3 on 09.04.2021 (Date of Advertisement). However, age relaxation of 05 years for SC/ST and 03 years for OBC candidates is admissible.

Terms and Conditions:-

Engagement of Doctors would be on contract basis initially for a period up to 30.06.2021, further extendable as per administrative requirement & on the basis of assessment of performance of CMPs as well as the situation of COVID-19 Pandemic if such instructions are received from Railway Board. However, services of these doctors can be terminated even before 30.06.2021 giving 15 days notice on either side. Railway Administration reserves the right to terminate the contract at any time during the contract by giving 15 days notice or payment of 15 days remuneration without assigning any reason whatsoever. The services rendered as contractual staff is a stop gap arrangement and will not confer upon them any right for regularization or permanent absorption in the Railway. The engagement shall be purely on contract basis for a period up to 30.06.2021 or earlier with a notice period of 15 days.

Essential Educational Qualification

(i) For General Duty Doctors: MBBS degree (with completion of internship) from any University/Institution recognized by Indian medical Council.

(ii) For Specialist Doctors: MBBS degree and Post Graduate Medical Degree/Diploma in subject concerned from any University/Institution recognized by Indian medical Council. (Specialist - Pulmonary Medicine, General Medicine, Anesthesia, Critical Care Medicine)

(iii) For CMP Specialist (Microbiologist) Educational Qualification:-

(a) MBBS degree and Post graduate Medical degree from recognized institute i.e Doctor of Medicine (Microbiology) or Diplomat National Board (Microbiology) or MSC (Medical Microbiology) with doctor of Philosophy (Medical microbiology/Virology).

(b) Experience

(c) For specialist Medical Practitioners, three-year experience is essential. For General Duty Doctors, the candidate with experience will be given preference. Contract is liable to be terminated, if the Contract Medical Practitioner is found to be mentally or physically incapacitated.

Note:-

(i) Candidate should bring their Application form along with original and attested copies of all certificates & mark-sheets. No TA/DA is admissible.

- (ii) The offer of engagement to selected candidates shall be issued subject to availability of vacancy as per requirement in Northern Railway Central Hospital located at New Delhi on "as is where is basis". Administration reserves the right to change the posting as per administrative needs. The CMP Specialist Doctors so selected shall also have to carry out general duties as and when required by Railway Administration in addition to their specialty work.
- (iii) If posts of specialists not filled up, the vacancies may be filled up by General Duty Medical Practitioners temporarily.
- (iv) The number of notified vacancies may be changed as per requirement of the administration.
- (v) The notification can be downloaded from Northern Railway's websites www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and [www.nr.railnet.gov.in/dept/person](http://www.nr.railnet.gov.in/dept/personnel/pnew.html)

SHORT TAKES

ARMY CHIEF ON
5-DAY TOUR OF
BANGLADESHPAWAN BALI | DC
NEW DELHI, APRIL 8

Indian Army chief General M.M. Naravane on Thursday reached Bangladesh on a five days visit to continue with the tradition of strong bilateral and defence ties between the two countries.

General Naravane's visit comes in the midst of Swarnim Vijay Varsh celebrations which mark 50 years of the liberation of Bangladesh, in which Mukti Bahini fought shoulder to shoulder with Indian Armed Forces.

General Naravane paid tributes to the martyrs of the Liberation War of 1971 by laying a wreath at the Shikha Anirban. He also received a Guard of Honour at Senakunj.

Gen Naravane called on General Aziz Ahmed, chief of Bangladesh Army. Both discussed strengthening of bilateral defence cooperation and strategic ties between two countries were discussed.

Gen Naravane gifted a replica of T-55 Tank and a picture of 75/24 mm Howitzer. The original equipment are being gifted for museums of Bangladesh. Both T-55 Tank and 75/24 mm Howitzer played a stellar role in the 1971 War of Liberation.

Gen Naravane called on Admiral M. Shaheen Iqbal Chief of Naval Staff, Bangladesh Navy and discussed issues of mutual interest. He also met Air Vice Marshal M. Abul Bashar, Acting Chief of Air Staff of Bangladesh Air Force.

SHIFT OFFICES TO
ASSAM: ULFA (I) TO
THE TEA COMPANYMANOJ ANAND | DC
GUWAHATI, APRIL 8

After releasing two abducted employees of an oil company, the outlawed United Liberation Front of Assam (Independent) on Thursday served a warning to a leading tea company demanding immediate relocation of all its administrative offices to Assam and recruitment of indigenous people of the state, failing which the outfit will prevent them from doing business in Assam.

The Ulfa (I) has served this notice to Amalgamated Plantations Pvt Ltd. The Amalgamated Plantations Pvt. Ltd (APPL) was carved out of the erstwhile Tata Tea Ltd (now Tata Global Beverages Ltd, or TGBL) 10 years ago to run tea estates in West Bengal and Assam.

The notice signed by Ulfa(I) Publicity Department member self-style Capt. Rumeel Asom stated, "The United Liberation Front of Assam (Independent) has taken note of ... management of the tea estates in Assam under your ownership. We appreciate that you are in the business of making profit and to that end you must devise your corporate planning. However, you have heavy responsibilities to the land and her people. You have your head office outside Assam where no indigenous personnel from Assam is in employment. The liaison office is also not in Assam."

The APPL head office is in Kolkata and its corporate office in Guwahati. The Ulfa(I) notice said "We are aware you are recruiting your workers from outside Assam instead of employing local youth and warned that this was contrary to the spirit of win, win relationship between corporates and the state."

Centre playing politics over jabs: Min.

Several states complained to the centre about vaccine shortage, had to shut down centres

VINEETA PANDEY | DC
NEW DELHI, APRIL 8

Amid the raging controversy and war of words over a shortage of Covid-19 vaccines, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday took the second dose of Covaxin. "Got my second dose of the Covid-19 vaccine at AIIMS today. Vaccination is among the few ways we have to defeat the virus. If you are eligible for the vaccine, get your shot soon," the PM said in a tweet. However, several states have complained to the Centre that they don't have enough vaccines to inoculate their population and will have to shut some centres soon.

Reports from Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Maharashtra, Haryana and Chhattisgarh say they are facing an acute vaccine shortage. Some states also face a shortage of oxygen and Remdesivir injections. However, Union health minister Harsh Vardhan dismissed these allegations, saying enough vaccines had been given to the states.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday held a virtual meeting with the Chief Ministers of several states to discuss the Covid-19 situation and vaccine strategy. He told the Chief Ministers to focus on vaccinations and testing and hold a special drive April 11-14 to cover all eligible beneficiaries over 45. He also asked the states to prevent vaccine wastage.

However, several states have complained to the Centre over the shortage of oxygen, Remdesivir and vaccine supply and said the vaccine drive will be severely impacted due to the short supply of jabs. Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik said his state has vaccine supply only till Friday, while several vaccine centres in Maharashtra had to be closed for the want of vaccines.

Maharashtra health minister Rajesh Tope on Thursday attacked the Central government for playing politics during the



Guest workers wait for transport along the Nashik highway in Thane of Mumbai on Thursday to leave for their home states after surge in Coronavirus cases in Maharashtra.

— PTI

TN imposes more restrictions

DC CORRESPONDENT
CHENNAI, APRIL 8

A total ban on religious festivals (*thiruvizhas*) and congregations and closure of fruit and vegetable retail outlets in the Koyambedu market and other wholesale markets in the state are among the new restrictions brought in to the lockdown that is in force with relaxations till April 30 with a view to combating the spread of Coronavirus. The new set of restrictions will come into force on Saturday, a government

order said on Thursday. As per the GO, marriage-related gatherings should not exceed 100 guests and funerals and last rites should limit the number of mourners to 50. All religious places and places of worship should be closed by 8 pm and strictly adhere to the standard operating procedures (SOPs), put out on August 31, 2020.

Public transport buses in the city, within the state and to neighbouring states of Puducherry, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh will be allowed to carry sitting

passengers alone and not permit anyone to stand during the journey.

All commercial establishments, including malls, restaurants, food courts and tea shops can be kept open only till 11 pm and allow customers in only to 50 per cent of the capacity.

Recreational clubs, cinemas, entertainment and amusement parks, auditoriums, assembly halls, zoological parks, museums and such places should restrict entry of people to 50 per cent of the capacity and follow SOPs.

corrections will be done soon. We are still waiting. We want 1.6 crore vaccine doses per month and 40 lakh every week because we are vaccinating six lakh people every day... I have just been informed the Centre increased the Covid-19 vaccine doses from seven lakh to 17 lakhs. Even this is less because we need 40 lakh vaccine doses a week, and 17 lakh doses are not

enough," said Tope. He alleged that BJP-governed states like Gujarat, that has a population of six crores, has got one crore vaccine doses.

"Maharashtra's population is double than Gujarat, but we got only 1.4 crore vaccine doses. Why this step-motherly treatment to Maharashtra during this time of crisis?" he said. He further gave data of vaccine distribution,

which said Maharashtra got 7.50 lakh doses, Uttar Pradesh 48 lakhs, Madhya Pradesh 40 lakhs, Gujarat 30 lakhs and Haryana 24 lakh doses.

India on Thursday recorded 1,31,787 fresh cases of Covid-19 and 802 deaths. Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan tested positive for Covid-19. Incidentally, he had taken the first dose of the vaccine on March 3.

Star campaigners



Actor and BJP leader Mithun Chakraborty takes part in a roadshow in support of Union minister and party candidate from Tollygunge Babul Supriyo, ahead of the 4th phase of the West Bengal Assembly election, in Kolkata on Thursday.

— PRITAM BANDYOPADHYAY

TAKE MONEY OFFERED BY BJP,
VOTE FOR TMC: ABHISHEK

Kumargram/Tufanganj (WB) April 8: Alleging that the BJP was distributing cash to purchase votes, TMC MP Abhishek Banerjee on Thursday asked people to exercise their franchise in favour of his party, after having taken the money being offered by the saffron camp.

Insisting that people should bargain for more, he urged voters to ask for ₹5,000 if offered ₹500. "Take money from lotus (BJP symbol) and vote for the twin flowers (TMC symbol). If they can do cheat you, why won't you do the same?" Banerjee said at a public meeting.

— PTI

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Open E-TENDER NOTICE
For and behalf of the President of India, the Dy. Chief Engineer/ Bridge Line/ North Western Railway, Jaipur invites online open E-Tendering system (Single Packet) for the following works on prescribed electronics forms: Sr. No.: 1, E-Tender No.: Dy.CE/Bridge Line-II/21-22-3, Sr. No. 2. **Name of the work with its location:** Providing inspection arrangement facility at abutments on various ROBs on Jodhpur Division. Sr. No. 3. **Approx cost of work:** 16797273.59, Sr. No.4. **Earnest Money to be deposited:** Nil, Sr. No. 5, Completion Period: 12 Month, Sr. No. 6, Date & Time of submission: 30/04/2021 at 15.00 Hrs. Sr. No.: 7, Website particulars and notice board location where complete detail of tender can be seen : www.reps.gov.in, 15/3/2021
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TENDER REFERENCE NO: SSD/ANNEX-HYD / 03 / 2021 DT. 09.04.2021
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR
APPOINTMENT OF CATERING
CONTRACTOR FOR STAFF CANTEEN
AND EXECUTIVE CANTEEN AT
SAIFABAD & KOTTI BUILDINGS**

Union Bank of India invites sealed bids (in two bid system) from eligible established Catering contractors for STAFF CANTEEN & EXECUTIVE CANTEENS in Bank's premises of Saifabad & Kotti Buildings. The detailed information regarding eligibility norms and tender document is available on the Bank's website www.unionbankofindia.co.in and www.eprocure.gov.in. The last date for submission of tender is 10.05.2021 till 15.00 hrs.

The Bank reserves the right to reject any or all applications without assigning any reasons whatsoever.

Chief Manager

Govt. of Bihar

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Email Id: prsec_it@bihar.gov.in; Website: <https://dit.bihar.gov.in>NOTICE for
Re-Scheduling of Pre- RFP Consultation Meeting

The Pre-RFP consultation meeting scheduled by Department of Information Technology, Govt. of Bihar to invite suggestions from developers and promoters regarding development of Information Technology Towers ("IT Towers") at Dakbunglow Crossing, Patna and Bihta, Patna on 12th April, 2021 at Delhi, on 13th April at Bengaluru and on 14th April at Hyderabad, will now be convened through virtual mode on 16th April, 2021 in two slots between 3.00 to 3.30 PM and 3.30 to 4.00 PM in view of the COVID Pandemic Situation.

This is to notify that IT companies interested in the above may also like to participate in the consultations.

The interested IT companies, developers and promoters write to us on the email id given above till 11.00 hrs. of 15th April. They will be provided the meeting link and slot on their email address.

Officer on Special Duty

Department of Information Technology,

Bihar

PR. No. 000296 (I.T) 2021-22

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Single packet E-tender is invited by Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer, Central Organization for Modernization of Workshops (COFMOW), for and on behalf of the President of India for the execution of the following work:-

Approx. cost of work (in Rs.)	Earliest money (in Rs.)	Period of completion of work	Closing date and time
7,27,81,138/-	-NIL-	6 Months	04.05.2021 & 15.00 hrs.

Name of work: Design Manufacturing, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Integrated solution for LHB Helical Coil Spring Overhauling with Automation in Carriage Workshop Matunga and Friction free lifting & transportation System for assembly of Roller Bearings Axle Box Housing on Wheel's Axle in Roller Bearing Section, Wheel Shop, Matunga, Central Railway.

1.0 Scope of Work

A. Integrated solution for LHB Helical Coil Spring Overhauling with Automation.

(i) Design, manufacture, supply, installation including associated civil works, commissioning and proving out of Integrated solution for LHB Helical Coil Spring Overhauling with Automation in Spring Shop (As per Annexure-1)

(ii) General arrangement of the plant is given as MTN's Drawing No. A-451, for guidance only.

B. Friction free lifting & transportation System for assembly of Roller Bearings Axle Box Housing on Wheel's Axle in Roller Bearing Section & Wheel Shop system on turnkey basis. (As per Annexure-2)

1.1 Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract (CAMC) for 5 years after warranty period as detailed in Clause 43 of Part-I of Special Conditions of Contract.

2.0 Eligibility criteria and other details are available in the tender document.

3.0 Tender notice (NIT) and tender document are available on <https://www.reps.gov.in>

4.0 Cost of tender document -Nil-as per clause 3 of GCC Part-I and EMD will be as per Railway board letter no. 2020/CE-I/CT/3/E/GCC/Policy dated 30.12.2020 [refer Supplement-I of Tender Document]

5.0 Offers shall be valid for 45 days from the date of closing of tenders.

6.0 This is an e-tender system and No manual offer shall be accepted after closing of tender.

"Serving Customers with Smile"

SC dismisses Deshmukh's petition

PARMOD KUMAR | DC
with bureau inputs
NEW DELHI/MUMBAI,
APRIL 8

In a setback to former Maharashtra home minister Anil Deshmukh, the Supreme Court on Thursday refused to interfere with the Bombay high court order allowing the CBI to conduct a preliminary inquiry into the allegations of corruption levelled against Deshmukh by former Mumbai police commissioner Param Bir Singh.

Dismissing the appeal filed by both the Maharashtra government and Deshmukh against the high court order, a bench comprising Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul and Hemant Gupta said the nature of the allegations and the persons involved made an independent probe necessary.

The nature of allegations and persons involved needs an enquiry by an independent agency. It is a matter of public confidence. We are not inclined to entertain this. Dismissed", the court said, dismissing the two appeals. The court order came as senior lawyer Kapil Sibal and Abhishek "Manu" Singhvi, representing Deshmukh and the Maharashtra government respectively, told the bench the high court passed the order without hearing Deshmukh, against whom the allegations of corruption had been levelled by the former Mumbai police commissioner.

When Singhvi noted that the high court didn't address the question of maintainability of the petitions before it, Justice Kaul said: "The allegations are extremely serious and it becomes curious and curi-

ous. In this scenario, is it not a CBI probe case?" As Singhvi noted that the Maharashtra government has withdrawn the "general consent" for CBI probes in the state long back, saying the agency can investigate cases in Maharashtra only with the consent of the state government or on the orders of the high court or Supreme Court. Justice Kaul said: "He (Deshmukh) did not resign when the commission of inquiry was ordered... He was clinging to his office... You can't say it affects the federal structure. This does not happen every day. Both have been heads of institutions where something has gone wrong."

Sibal asked the court that an allegation is made against a minister not supported by evidence, can a CBI probe be ordered? In Mumbai, meanwhile, the Shiv Sena, which is part

of the state's ruling coalition, claimed that the CBI was playing "dirty politics" to destabilise the Uddhav Thackeray government. A day after suspended API Sachin Waze made serious allegations against the sitting Maha Vikas Aghadi ministers, the Shiv Sena came out in support of its ministers and defended the government, saying the Opposition was playing "dirty politics" to defame the Maharashtra government. Shiv Sena Rajya Sabha member Sanjay Raut said efforts were being made by some people to destabilise the MVA government.

Waze had on Wednesday alleged in his four-page letter that senior Maharashtra Cabinet ministers, including transport minister Anil Parab, had asked him to extort money from businessmen and establishments.

Chief Manager

SHORT TAKES
LANKA ARRESTS
'MRS WORLD'
OVER ASSAULT

Colombo: Colombo police on Thursday arrested the current "Mrs World" on charges of assault over an on-stage fracas in which she pulled the crown off the head of the new "Mrs Sri Lanka". Caroline Jurie yanked the crown off Pushpika de Silva minutes after she was declared "Mrs Sri Lanka 2020" in a Sunday gala at Colombo's Nelum Pokuna theatre.

Jurie was the previous year's "Mrs Sri Lanka" and had gone on to win the "Mrs World" competition organised by a California-based company. De Silva needed hospital treatment after the incident, seen by stunned spectators in a packed venue as well as a live social media audience.

"We have arrested Jurie and her associate Chula Manamendra in connection with a charge of assault and causing damage to Nelum Pokuna (theatre)," senior police official Ajith Rohana said.

De Silva told reporters outside the Cinnamon Gardens police station in Colombo Thursday that she was ready to drop charges if Jurie made a public apology, but she had refused. "I tried to end this out of court, but she has refused," de Silva said. "I can forgive, but not forget." There was no immediate comment from Jurie or her lawyer. Police sources said a court hearing was likely next week and Jurie and her associate who crashed onto the stage on Sunday could be granted bail later Thursday.

Envoys loyal to junta 'seize' Myanmar's embassy in UK

Britain seeks info on row, junta hunts for 120 celebrities backing protests

London, April 8: Diplomats loyal to Myanmar's junta have seized the country's embassy in London, leaving the ambassador locked out in the street after he called for the release of ousted civilian leader Aung San Suu Kyi.

The ambassador, Kyaw Zwar Minn, said on Wednesday the defence attache had taken over the mission in "a kind of coup", an extraordinary diplomatic stand-off that comes two months after the military seized power in



A woman looks at shoes displayed with flowers in Yangon's Myaynigone township, part of the 'Marching Shoes' protest against the military coup in Myanmar. — AFP

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They have used rubber bullets and live rounds to break up rallies and used night raids to arrest suspected dissidents.

The Assistance Association for Political Prisoners (AAP) says at least 598 civilians have been killed and nearly 2,900 detained.

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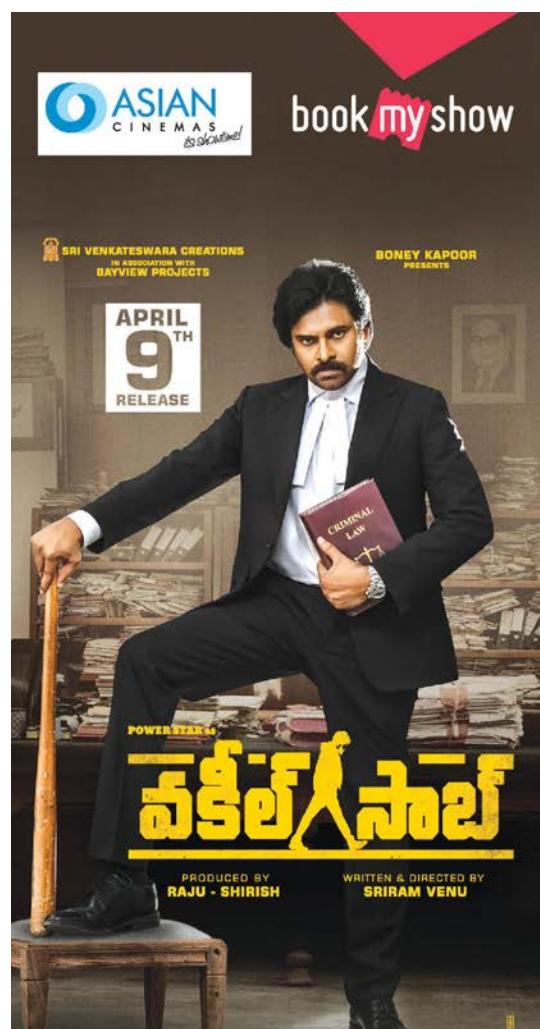
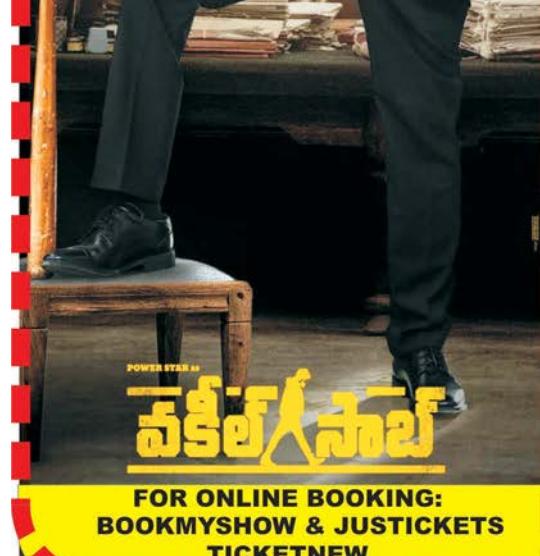
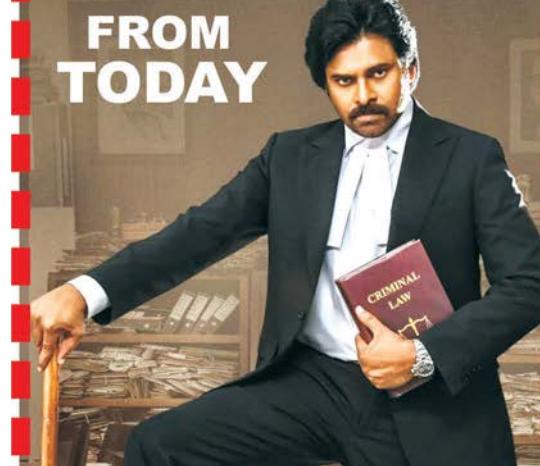
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NZ bans travel from India

Melbourne/Wellington, April 8: New Zealand has for the first time imposed a temporary ban on travellers coming from India, including its citizens, from April 11 to 28 due to a surge in Covid-19 cases among visitors to this country. Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern said on Thursday.

The travel restriction comes after New Zealand recorded 23 new positive Coronavirus cases in managed isolation on Thursday, of which 17 came from India, Director-General of Health Ashley Bloomfield was quoted by media as saying by media

reports. While arrivals from India had triggered the risk assessment, Prime Minister Ardern said the government would be looking at risks posed by other Covid-19 hotspot countries.

The ban will begin from 4pm local time on April 11 and will be in place until April 28, she said. "This is not a permanent arrangement but rather a temporary measure," Ardern said, adding that the temporary hold would also help reduce the risk that travellers themselves faced.

The ban covers all travellers, including New Zealand citizens and permanent resi-

dents. While there have been previous travel bans on travellers from some countries, New Zealand has never suspended travel to New Zealand citizens and residents, Ardern said, adding that she "absolutely understands the difficulty that this temporary suspension will cause" for Kiwis in India.

"But I also feel a sense of responsibility and obligation to find ways to reduce risks that travellers are experiencing," she said. "We have looked into whether we have issues with the accuracy of pre-departure tests - that has not demon-

strated that is where the problem lies, so this suspension gives us a bit of time to look at the issue more generally," she said.

Ardern said New Zealand is not looking at temporarily suspending travel from other high-risk countries. "We're seeing surges in other places, but we just don't have the higher number of travellers from those places."

Health teams would use the time until April 28 to try and plan safer ways to accept travellers from India.

But there were no guarantees officials would come up with a better solution, she said. "We haven't identified anything obvious

... but we have to try and do better," Ardern said. She wanted to look at the quality of a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) Covid-19 testing in other countries and whether tests were being taken in the 72 hours before departure. Ardern said she could not answer whether the halt on arrivals from India would last longer than April 28.

New Zealand has not reported any community transmission locally for about 40 days. Covid-19 cases were spiking again, particularly in India and Brazil, and New Zealand was not immune, Ardern said.

— PTI

Biden likely to extend US troops stay in Afghanistan

It would be unwise at this point to get out quickly, says Stavidis

Washington, April 8: Without coming right out and saying it, President Joe Biden seems ready to let lapse a May 1 deadline for completing a withdrawal of US troops from Afghanistan.

Orderly withdrawals take time, and Biden is running out of it. Biden has inched so close to the deadline that his indecision amounts almost to a decision to put off, at least for a number of months, a pullout of the remaining 2,500 troops and continue supporting the Afghan military at the risk of a Taliban backlash.

Removing all of the troops and their equipment in the next three weeks — along with coalition partners who can't get out on their own — would be difficult logistically, as Biden himself suggested in late March. "It's going to be hard to meet the May 1 deadline," he said.

"Just in terms of tactical reasons, it's hard to get those troops out," Tellingly, he added, "And if we leave, we're going to do so in a safe and orderly way."

James Stavridis, a retired Navy admiral who served as NATO's top commander from 2009 to 2013, says it would be unwise at this point to get out quickly. "Sometimes not mak-

ing a decision becomes a decision, which seems the case with the May 1 deadline," Stavridis said in an email exchange Wednesday. "The most prudent course of action feels like a six-month extension and an attempt to get the Taliban truly meeting their promises — essentially permitting a legitimate conditions-based withdrawal in the fall."

There are crosscurrents of pressure on Biden. On the one hand, he has argued for years, including during his time as vice president, when President Barack Obama ordered a huge buildup of US forces,

that Afghanistan is better handled as a smaller-scale counterterrorism mission.

Countering Russia and China has since emerged as a higher priority. On the other hand, current and former military officers have argued that leaving now, with the Taliban in a position of relative strength and the Afghan government in a fragile state, would risk losing what has been gained in 20 years of fighting.

"A withdrawal would not only leave America more vulnerable to terrorist threats; it would also have catastrophic

U.S. RESUMES PALESTINE FUNDING CUT

Washington, April 8: US President Joe Biden restored aid to the Palestinians to a tune of \$25 million, drawing a rebuke by ally Israel, as he promised to press for a two-state solution.

In his sharpest break on the conflict yet from the staunchly pro-Israel Donald Trump, Biden said the United States would resume funding for the UN agency for Palestinian refugees that his predecessor had severed.

The State Department said the United States would contribute \$150 million to the UN agency and offer \$75 million in economic and development assistance for the West Bank and Gaza as well as \$10 million for peacebuilding efforts.

— AFP

become Biden's war. His decisions, now and in coming months, could determine the legacy of a 2001 US invasion that was designed as a response to al-Qaida's Sept. 11 attacks, for which the extremist group led by Osama bin Laden used Afghanistan as a haven. — AP

S. KOREA'S OPPN PARTY WINS 2 KEY LOCAL POLLS

Seoul, April 8: South Korea's conservative opposition party has won sweeping victories in mayoral by-elections in the country's two biggest cities, votes seen as a test of public sentiment ahead of presidential polls.

Oh Se-hoon of the opposition People Power Party won 57.5 per cent of the votes cast in Wednesday's election in Seoul, the capital city, according to the final vote tally released by the National Election Commission.

Park Young-sun of the ruling Democratic Party won 39.2 per cent of the votes.

China on Thursday protested the passage of a U.S. destroyer through the Taiwan Strait in the latest move as both nations increase their naval activity in the region.

China tracked and monitored the USS John S. McCain throughout its passage on Wednesday, Zhang Chunhui, spokesperson for the Chinese military's eastern theater command, said in a statement.

The US move sent the "wrong signal" to Taiwan's government. In a one-sentence statement, the US Navy said the McCain "conducted a routine Tai-

wan Strait transit April 7 (local time) through international waters in accordance with international law."

The McCain's transit follows China's announcement on Monday that its aircraft carrier Liaoning and associated vessels were holding drills near Taiwan meant to help it "safeguard national sovereignty, security and development interests," terms often interpreted as being directed at Taiwan's leadership that has refused to give in to Beijing's demands that it recog-

nise the island as part of Chinese territory.

Meanwhile, the US Navy announced the carrier Theodore Roosevelt and its strike group reentered the South China Sea on Saturday to "conduct routine operations," the second time the strike group has entered the strategic waterway this year.

China claims the South China Sea almost in its entirety and strongly objects to foreign naval activity in the resource rich and heavily transited waters. — AP

Nepal's God of Sight eye doctor to expand work beyond border

Lumbini (Nepal), April 8: Just next to the Mayadevi temple where Buddha was born more than 2,600 years ago, hundreds of people lined up outside a makeshift hospital on a recent hazy day, hoping their fading eyesight could be restored.

A day later, these saffron-robed Buddhist monks, old farmers and housewives were able to see the world again because the nation's renowned eye surgeon Dr Sanduk Ruit was

there with his innovative and inexpensive cataract surgery that has earned him many awards. At the visitor center turned into eye temporary hospital in Lumbini, located 288 kilometers (180 miles) south west of Nepal's capital Kathmandu, the assembly line surgery made it possible for the nearly 400 patients to get Ruit's surgery in just three days.

"The whole objective,

aim and my passion and love is to see there remain no people with unnecessary blindness in this part of the world," Ruit said, also known as Nepal's "God of Sight."

"It is important that the people do receive equitable service and not that have receive and have not don't receive it. I want to make sure that everybody receives it." Many people in Nepal, most of them poor, have benefited from Ruit's work where he founded the Tilganga Institute of Ophthalmology in Kathmandu and regularly visits remote villages high in the mountains and low lands of the Himalayan nation, taking with him a team of experts and equipment bringing surgery to their villages.

Ruit has already performed some 1,30,000 cataract surgeries and is now aiming to expand his work, taking it to as many countries as possible through a foundation he has formed with a British philanthropist Tej Kohli which targets 50,000 surgeries in the next five years.

Ruit said the idea of the Tej Kohli Foundation is to make cataract surgeries in Nepal affordable and accessible to all. "We will scale it up globally to other parts of the world where it is needed," he said. Ruit began his work in 1984 when the surgery was done by removing the entire cloudy cataract and giving thick glasses. — AP

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Euro (₹)	88.52 0.07
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Brent crude (\$/bbl)*	63.05 -0.17
IN 10-Yr bond yield	6.031 0.00
US 10-Yr T-bill yield*	1.640 -0.014

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Srei Equipment to get \$250 mn capital infusion

Srei Equipment Finance said it has received expression of interest of up to \$250 million capital infusion from two international private equity investors. The PE funds are US-based Arena Investors LP, and Singapore's Makara Capital Partners, the subsidiary of Srei Infrastructure Finance said. The firm's Strategic Coordination Committee, chaired by independent director Malay Mukherjee, will engage with the PE investors, it said.

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■ After eight months of outflows Equity MF schemes see ₹10,000 cr inflow

RAVI RANJAN PRASAD

MUMBAI, APRIL 8

After almost a year of monthly outflows, equity schemes of the mutual fund industry saw inflows of over Rs 10,000 crore last month.

Total average asset under management (AAUM) of the industry for March also rose at a new all time high of over Rs 32.17 lakh crore, monthly data released by the Association of Mutual Fund in India showed.

Inflows of Rs 9,115.12 crore was seen across all growth/equity-oriented schemes. In hybrid schemes, which also invest in equities, there was inflow of Rs 6,210.05 crore. Index funds saw inflows of Rs 2,126 crore.

"Equity oriented mutual funds witnessed a month of



positive net flows after eight continuous months of net outflows. Net flows were witnessed across equity fund categories. While it's too early to make any conclusions, it seems like equity investors waiting on the sidelines for a market correction, have started making allocations, taking a long-term investing view on equities," said Kaustubh Belapurkar,

director-Research, Morningstar India.

"FY 20-21 has been net negative for equity fund flows, given the eight months of outflows from July 2020 to Feb. 2021 as investors looked to book profit and rebalance portfolios to other asset classes as markets bounced back sharply from March lows and made new highs,"

NCLAT stays further move against Oyo

SANGEETHA G
CHENNAI, APRIL 8

The National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) on Thursday admitted the plea of Oyo's subsidiary Oyo Hotels and Homes (OHHPL) against an insolvency move and ordered a stay on formation of a committee of creditors (COC).

Earlier, Ahmedabad bench of NCLT had admitted a petition for initiating insolvency proceedings against OHHPL for recovery of Rs 16 lakh under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC).

Oyo challenged this at the appellate tribunal on Wednesday.

OHHPL, which operates the Weddingz.in brand, was dragged to the NCLT by its creditor Rakesh Yadav for allegedly defaulting Rs 16 lakh.

The NCLT admitted the insolvency plea on March 30. The tribunal had also asked all creditors of OHHPL to submit their claim to the resolution professional by April 15, 2021.

"The NCLAT provided a stay for the formation of COC in IBC proceedings against OHHPL, a subsidiary of Oyo. OHHPL appealed the order in front of NCLAT and explained that a demand draft of Rs 16 lakh was issued to the claimant under protest and the claimant has willingly banked the DD," the company statement said.

MyHome aims at 8m sqft delivery by this yearend

FC BUREAU
HYDERABAD, APRIL 8

Hyderabad-based real estate major My Home Constructions on Thursday said that it would deliver eight million square feet space by the end of this year to hit the cumulative delivery figure of 35-million square feet to mark the company's 35th anniversary.

Speaking on the occasion of 35 years celebration, Dr Rameswar Rao Jupally, the chairman of My Home Group, said, "Commercial project of ours at Kokapet is coveted to be among the largest office spaces in Asia with over 27 million square feet of space. This is being constructed using



eco-friendly pre-cast construction technology. At Tellapur, our marquee projects, My Home Ankura (our first villa project) and My Home Tridasa (Premium lifestyle apartments) will be complimented with educational, retail, and entertainment facilities making it a holistic living experience."

He also said the company's dream project near Shamshabad would be built as an environmental facility will be available across properties."

better with the underperformance of 65 per cent and 67 per cent against the benchmarks, S&P Indices Versus Active (Spiva) said. In H2 of 2020 100 per cent of the large cap funds, 80 per cent of the ELSS funds and 53 per cent of the mid-/small-cap funds underperformed their respective benchmarks. —PTI

MOHALLA BECOMES UNICORN

April 8: Mohalla Tech said it raised \$502 million from investors led by Lightspeed Ventures and Tiger Global, increasing its valuation to more than \$2.1 billion. Mohalla Tech, founded in 2015, has developed products like social media platform ShareChat and the short-video app Moj. Their user community numbers 280 million, the firm said. India's startups have scored a flurry of new fundings this year, with at least five reaching a valuation of \$1 billion or more just this week. They include Meesho Inc, Cred, Groww and API Holdings Pvt Ltd.

—Saritha Rai/Bloomberg

GAMES

SHORT TAKES

Sachin discharged from hospital

Mumbai: Former India captain and batting icon Sachin Tendulkar, who was hospitalised as a precautionary measure after testing positive for Covid-19, was on Thursday discharged and is now recuperating in home isolation here. The former player, who will turn 48 later this month, posted a statement on Twitter to confirm the development.

"I have just come home from the hospital and will remain isolated while continuing to rest and recuperate. I would like to thank everyone for all the good wishes and prayers. Really appreciate it," Tendulkar said.

Tendulkar also thanked the medical staff for taking care of him during the hospitalisation. — PTI

Tiger was twice over speed limit

Los Angeles: Tiger Woods was driving more than 80 mph nearly twice the posted speed limit on a downhill stretch of road when he lost control of an SUV and crashed in a wreck that seriously injured the golf superstar, authorities said. Sheriff Alex Villanueva blamed the February 23 crash outside Los Angeles solely on excessive speed and Woods' loss of control behind the wheel. The athlete will not face any citations for his third high-profile collision in 11 years.

No one else was hurt, and no other vehicles were involved.

"Woods was driving 84 to 87 mph (135 to 140 kph) in an area with a speed limit of 45 mph (72 kph)," Villanueva said. — AP

French Open is delayed by a week

Paris: The French Open was on Thursday delayed by a week to May 30-June 13 in the hope that heightened Covid-19 restrictions in France will have eased by then to allow the maximum number of fans to attend the event.

The French tennis federation (FFT) said the decision had been made in the wake of French President Emmanuel Macron's announcement last month that the government wanted some cultural venues to be back up and running from mid-May onwards, "subject to the improvement of the health situation". — AFP

Magical Mbappe stars for PSG

Kylian, Marquinhos dazzle to get past Bayern 3-2 in first leg of Champions League quarterfinals



Paris Saint-Germain's Kylian Mbappe vies for the ball with Bayern Munich's David Alaba during their UEFA Champions League quarterfinal first leg match in Munich, southern Germany, on Wednesday. PSG won 3-2. — AFP

THE RESULTS

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Paris Saint-Germain	(Kylian Mbappe 3, 68, Marquinhos 28)
Bayern Munich	(Eric Maxim Choupo-Moting 37, Thomas Mueller 60)
Chelsea	(Mason Mount 32, Ben Chilwell 85)
Porto	0

was headed past Navas by Choupo-Moting to make it 2-1 at half-time.

However, the wintry night in Munich belonged to Kylian Mbappe, who showed his class by turning Alphonso Davies to provide pace on the flanks and moved David Alaba into defensive midfield.

The hosts pulled a goal back when Mueller's cross

FOUR INDIAN SAILORS BOOK OLYMPIC SPOT

New Delhi, April 8: In a historic first for India, four sailors from the country will compete at this year's Olympics after Vishnu Saravanan and Ganapathy Chengappa & Varun Thakkar duo made the cut for Tokyo at the Asian Qualifiers in Oman on Thursday.

This was after Nethra Kumaran who on Wednesday became the first Indian woman sailor to qualify for the Olympics in the laser radial event in the Mussanah Open Championship, which is an Asian Olympic qualifying event. It is also the first time that India will compete in three sailing events in the Olympics.

So far, India had competed in only one event in all the Olympics though two sailors represented the country on four occasions.

"Yes, history has been scripted. Four Indian sailors have qualified for Olympics to compete in three events. It's the maximum number of sailors qualified and also in number of events," Yachting Association of India joint secretary general Capt Jitendra Dixit said.

"Nethra already qualified on Wednesday and today Vishnu and then the pair of Ganapathy and Varun made it," he added.

On Thursday, Saravanan was the first to qualify for the Tokyo Games in Laser Standard Class after finishing second in the overall standings. Later, Chengappa and Thakkar finished top of the table in the 49er Class.

They were away goals only in name given both teams were playing in the unfamiliar Ramon Sanchez Pizjuan, where they will meet again next week, just with the home and away roles reversed. — AFP

CITY CLIPS

CAT rings bell over BCCI meeting

With the BCCI listing Telangana cricket on the agenda at its Apex Council meeting scheduled for April 16, the Cricket Association of Telangana is upbeat, claiming that the discussion on granting affiliation to cricket body from the region is that of CAT as it is the oldest applicant of the same.

"We had applied for BCCI affiliation on July 22, 2014 soon after the Telangana was carved out of Andhra Pradesh... and have been involved in cricketing activity in the rural areas since 2011," says its founder secretary Sunil Babu Kolanpaka.

"Our application was strong and circulated to all the BCCI affiliated cricket bodies in the country then. During the 2015 AGM held in Hyderabad, I had met BCCI officials — including former BCCI president and then ICC chairman N. Srinivasan and secretary Sanjay Patel — who had promised a resolution. Later, there was no committee to decide on affiliation of new bodies as the Supreme Court appointed Committee of Administrators ran the BCCI," he said.

"I am delighted that it will come up for discussion next week," he said.



Nizam College Principal Prof. L. B. Laxmi Kant Rathod (second from left) hands the professional membership certificate to Mohammed Shamsuddin and institution membership citation to Sports Village Hyderabad. Also seen in the picture are Dr Avinash Jaiswal, Vice-Principal, Nizam Collage (right) and Prof. Rajesh Kumar (left), Principal, College of Physical Education, who also heads the Association.

Fitness body welcomes Sports Village

In a one-of-its-kind recognition, the International Federation of Physical Education Fitness and Sports Science Association (IFPEFSSA) gave membership for the first time to an Indian sports promoter and his entity in Hyderabad on Thursday. At a function held in Nizam College, its Principal Prof. L. B. Laxmi Kant Rathod, granted professional membership to Mohammed Shamsuddin and institution membership citation to Sports Village Hyderabad, of which Shamsuddin is the founder-CEO. Shamsuddin said that this was a doubly memorable day as his efforts and those of Sports Village were recognised by a prestigious world body like IFPEFSSA.

Nayemnagar, Rising Star draw 8-8

Goals galore in the Dhyan Chand Cup 5-a-side Hockey Tournament being organised by Gymkhana Hockey Club at the Gymkhana Ground in Secunderabad on Thursday. Nayemnagar Nagar Warangal played and Rising Star Balamraji played out an 8-8 draw. Sujith got four goals, Rahul two, Lokesh and Rohit one each for Nayemnagar while Sukhdev, Madhu and Manjunath scored two each while Kaushik and Zakeer contributed one for Rising Star. In another match, Huzurabad Hockey Club beat Khalisa Ameerpet 6-2 riding on Sajid's four goals while Arun and Nagaraj got one each.





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Off the field



Delhi Capitals' Shreyas Iyer poses for a photo after undergoing a shoulder surgery. — Twitter

Shreyas vows to return soon

Delhi Capitals' Shreyas Iyer on Thursday said he has undergone a successful surgery for a shoulder injury and vowed to return to action at the earliest. Iyer had hurt his shoulder during the ODI series against England last month, which ruled him of the IPL.

"Surgery was a success and with a lion-hearted determination, I'll be back in no time. Thank you for your wishes," tweeted Iyer and posted his picture with it. He had suffered the injury during the first ODI against England.

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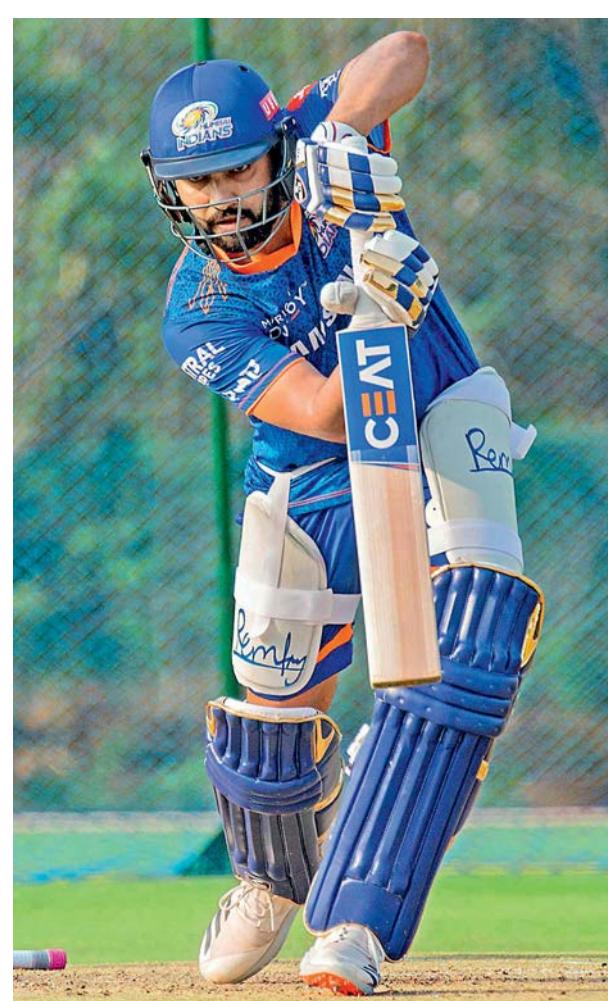
If the number of trophies won is a barometer for excellence in IPL, Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli are at opposite ends of the spectrum.

Having won six IPL crowns — five as captain of Mumbai Indians and one with the Deccan Chargers, Rohit is arguably the most decorated player. On the other hand, the RCB skipper is still chasing his maiden success. Within just five months of lifting last season's trophy in the UAE, Rohit is out to secure an unprecedented hat-trick as the 14th edition of the cash-rich league begins with a marquee clash between Mumbai and RCB here on Friday.

With an array of exciting T20 players in their line-up, Mumbai Indians, once again, are billed as the team to beat. And Rohit sure has a knack for getting the best out of his star-studded team.

The current form of Ishan Kishan, Surya Kumar Yadav and Hardik Pandya who all had an impressive limited-overs series against England make Mumbai a formidable unit. Royal Challengers have bolstered their squad by signing on new players such as Glenn Maxwell, Kyle Jamieson and Dan Christian. But it remains to be seen if Maxwell who was bought for a whopping Rs 14.5 crore lives up to the expectations. He didn't score a single six last season when he represented Punjab.

However, Kohli doesn't seem



Mumbai skipper Rohit Sharma during a training session in Chennai. — MI

"Personally, I feel relaxed with the resources we have, and strength of our team. Looking forward to being in the park and leading up to IPL is full of anticipation and nerves, looking forward to that first game on the ground as a team,"

Kohli said. For M.S. Dhoni's Chennai Super Kings, it's going to be redemption time. After failing to make the playoffs last season, for the first time in their franchise history, CSK have a lot to prove. It's also likely the last season for

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veteran Dhoni. He is touted to take over as the team's player-cummentor next year, but a lot depends on this year's performance. Another swash-buckling wicket-keeper batsman, Rishabh Pant will be itching to emerge out of Dhoni's shadows and cement his place in the squad when he embarks on his new role as Delhi Capitals skipper.

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