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China talks peace, belies ground reality

Its Foreign Ministry says ready to build trust, but PLA yet to abide by pullback plan

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

Even as the militaries of China and India continued to be locked in a standoff along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in Ladakh, China has hinted it is ready to 'work' with India, but on the ground it has been opposing the path to peace.

Along the LAC, talks have made marginal headway as the People's Liberation Army (PLA) of China has backed out of the agreement to first disengage from the LAC and then de-escalate by pulling back thousands of troops, weapons, artillery guns, tanks and rocket launchers.

The three-step process for restoration of "normalcy" is "disengagement", followed by "de-escalation" and finally



"restoration of patrolling rights" in the grey areas, where the perception of the LAC varies. Since May this year, the patrolling routes have been denied to the Indian Army at a location north of Pangong Tso

and in parts of Depsang plains.

China on Monday said it was

ready to work with India to enhance political mutual trust, properly manage differences and safeguard the long-term development of bilateral ties.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said this at a regular briefing when a journalist sought China's reac-

istry spokesman Zhao said: "normalcy" is: disengagement, de-escalation

to Pakistan and China.

"We have noted Prime Minister Modi's speech.... We are close neighbours... the sound development of bilateral ties not only serves the interest of the two peoples but also stability, peace, prosperity of the region and the whole world."

those challenging the coun-

try's sovereignty "from LoC

to LAC", in a veiled reference

Responding to the ques-

tion, Chinese Foreign Min-

"So, China stands ready to work with India to enhance our political mutual trust, properly manage our differences, step-up practical cooperation and safeguard the development of bilateral ties," he added. — TNS

Postmap row, India, Nepal hold parleys

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17 Senior officials from India and Nepal held a virtual meeting today to turn the focus on the positive aspects of the bilateral relationship

after months of acrimony

over cartographic changes. The eighth meeting of the Oversight Mechanism (OSM) through digital video-conferencing, co-chaired by India's Ambassador to Nepal Vinay Mohan Kwatra and Nepal Foreign Secretary Shanker Das Bairagi, reviewed the progress made on various India-aided developmental projects in the Himalayan nation and decided to expe-

The meeting was held two days after Nepal Prime Minis-

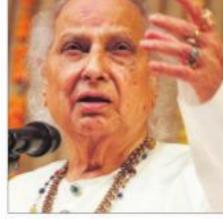
dite their implementation.

ICEBREAKER: MEETING ON JOINT VENTURES

The meeting mainly discussed ongoing projects under bilateral cooperation covering Terai roads and cross-border railways

ter KP Sharma Oli spoke with PM Narendra Modi on phone, ostensibly to greet him on India's 74th Independence Day. In an indirect appreciation of India's global heft, Oli also conveyed congratulations for India's recent election as a non-permanent member of the UNSC, said a readout by the Ministry of External Affairs.

The meeting carried out a review of bilateral projects since its 7th meeting in July, 2019. — TNS



Legendary vocalist Pt Jasraj dies at 90

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

Indian classical vocalist Pandit Jasraj died today following a cardiac arrest in New Jersey, his daughter Durga Jasraj said. He was 90.

Pandit Jasraj leaves behind a legacy spanning almost eight decades. Born in Haryana in 1930, the celebrated singer presented the Mewati gharana to the global music connoisseur.—Agencies

OBITUARY ON BACK PAGE

Ex-DGP moves HC against SIT probe

CHANDIGARH: Months after the Punjab Police registered a case against former DGP Sumedh Singh Saini in a 1991 abduction case, the former top cop on Monday moved the Punjab and Haryana HC for declaring the probe 'non-est' or nothing and in violation of the Supreme Court order. The case pertains to alleged abduction and disappearance of Balwant Singh Multani. INSIDE

'Drishyam' director Kamat passes away

Filmmaker **HYDERABAD:** Nishikant Kamat, best known for directing thriller drama 'Drishyam', died after battling liver cirrhosis for two years here on Monday. He was 50. Kamat, who had multiple organ failure, was admitted to hospital on July 31 with fever and excessive fatigue. — TNS



Sabrina Singh is Kamala's press secy

WASHINGTON: Senator Kamala Harris has roped in Indian-American Sabrina Singh, 32, as press secretary for her Democratic vice-presidential campaign. She is the granddaughter of Sardar JJ Singh of the India League of America. — PTI



men and a J&K policeman were killed in the Kreeri area of Baramulla. PTI

2CRPFmen,copshot in Baramulla attack

SRINAGAR, AUGUST 17

Two militants, including top Lashkar-e-Toiba commander Sajad Mir, alias Hyder, involved in the killing of two CRPF men and a policeman on Monday morning, were gunned down in an encounter in Baramulla district later in the day.

The five-hour gunfight erupted hours after militants attacked a joint "naka" team of police and CRPF personnel at Kreeri, Baramulla, in the morning. Soon after the attack, a massive operation was launched to nab the militants.

A security official said one of the militants was injured during the attack. "A terrorist was hit in the retaliatory fire and the group was trailed by sniffer dogs. They had even changed their clothes. When the area where they were hiding was surrounded, they opened fire, triggering a gunfight.

Two ultras, including LeT commander, killed hours later

Two attackers were killed and the operation is still on, a senior security officer said.

"Two Army personnel sustained gunshot injuries and were shifted to a hospital. The condition of one of them is stated to be critical."

J&KDGP Dilbag Singh said Sajad was a top LeT militant in north Kashmir and among the top 10 in the UT. "His killing is a big success for the security forces," he said. He was the brain behind the killing of BJP leader Wasim Bari and his two family members in Bandipora on July 8.

Meanwhile, a CRPF Assistant Sub-Inspector was injured in another attack in south Kashmir's Kulgam district this evening, officials said. — TNS

MUMBAI, AUGUST 17 State Bank of India's research

report Ecowrap expects the country's GDP to contract by 16.5 per cent during the first quarter of the current fiscal.

tion to PM Narendra Modi's

remarks that the Indian armed

forces had given a befitting

reply to those challenging the

Modi, in his 74th Indepen-

dence Day address to the

nation, said the armed forces

had given a befitting reply to

country's sovereignty.

In May, Ecowrap had estimated Q1 FY21 GDP contraction at over 20 per cent and now pegs it at much lower contraction of 16.5 per cent for the quarter, "though with the relevant caveats in the current uncertain scenario", the research report released on Monday stated.

It said degrowth in corporate GVA (better than expected results of some financial and non-financial companies) has been significantly better than



revenue degrowth in Q1 FY21 as far as the results of the listed companies are concerned. So far, around 1,000 listed entities have announced their results for the first quar-

₹27.000 LOSS

GDP to shrink 16.5% in 1st quarter: SBI report

Top 10 states accounted for 73.8% of the total loss

Maharashtra contributed

14.2%, TN 9.2% and UP 8.2% All-India per capita loss around ₹27,000, SBI report said

66 In principle, revenue decline of listed companies has been far outstripped by cost rationalisation. SBI report

ter. The results indicate more than 25 per cent decline in topline and more than 55 per cent decline in bottomline.

However, it is interesting to

mention that the decline in cor-

is only 14.1 per cent, it said. "In principle, revenue decline of listed companies has been far outstripped by cost rationalisation, thereby not impacting margins," the report said.

porate GVA (gross value added)

It said in July and August, coronavirus significantly penetrated the rural areas. The percentage of cases in rural districts to total new cases has risen to 54 per cent in August. Also, the number of rural districts with less than 10 cases has reduced significantly. Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra have been impacted more severely with increasing coronavirus penetration in rural areas. — PTI



Guj-cadre officer Asthana is BSF DG

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

The government today appointed former CBI Special Director Rakesh Asthana, a 1984-batch IPS officer of Gujarat cadre, as Director General (DG) of the Border Security Force (BSF).

Asthana is currently DG, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security, with an additional charge of DG, Narcotics Control Bureau

WAS PART OF 'CBI VS CBI' ROW

(NCB). He will continue to hold the additional charge of the NCB. Asthana has been appointed BSFDG from the date of joining the post up to July 31, 2021, the date of his superannuation, the order said. Asthana has probed high-profile cases such as the Sabarmati Express fire

COVID-19 CASES INDIA

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TOTAL DEATHS 50,921 26,47,663 2,19,00,054 TOTAL 1,46,02,645 **RECOVERED** 7,74,394 **DEATHS**

Toll crosses 50K; experts meet vaccine makers

As Covid cases today reached 26,47,663 and the toll crossed 50,000, the National Expert Group on vaccine administration met leading domestic manufactures to take stock of the vaccine development process. Among the manufactures

are Serum Institute of India, Pune; Bharat Biotech, Hyderabad; Zydus Cadila, Ahmedabad; Gennova Biopharmaceuticals, Pune; and Biological E, Hyderabad.

MANPREET IN SELF-ISOLATION

The meeting came two days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi said every Indian would have a shot once a safe vaccine was ready and a roadmap for this was in place.

Serum Institute's collaborative vaccine project with Oxford University and Astra Zeneca has entered phase-2 trials in India with permission to hold phase-3 granted too. — TNS

CBI books Ldh firm for **₹1,531-cr** bank loan fraud

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

The Central Bureau of Investigation today said it had booked Ludhiana-based SEL Textiles Ltd and its directors for allegedly defrauding a consortium of 10 banks of Rs 1,530.99 crore.

Officials said the directors of the conglomerate (Ram Sharan Saluja, Neeraj Saluja and Dhiraj Saluja) had been named as accused in the FIR, along with unidentified persons.

The action came on a com-

plaint by the Central Bank of India that alleged the accused indulged in criminal conspiracy to defraud banks and divert loan funds between 2009 and 2013, causing a loss of Rs 1,530.99 crore to the banks.—TNS

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17 The JEE (Main) and NEET-

Rejects plea seeking postponement amid Covid-19 Mehta assured the Bench that

SC paves way for JEE, NEET in Sept

Undergraduate examinations scheduled for September will be conducted on time as the Supreme Court today dismissed a plea to postpone these due to Covid-19, saying a precious year

of students "can't be wasted". "Life has to go on... Life has to move ahead. A precious year of students cannot be wasted," a three-judge Bench led by Justice Arun Mishra said, adding students' career "cannot be put under jeopardy for long".

The order paves the way for conducting these examinations next month. As per the public notices issued by the

Can't waste precious year of students, it says



National Testing Agency slated for September 13. Solicitor-General

(NTA), which conducts the tests, the JEE (Main) April 2020 is scheduled from September 1 to 6, while NEET-UG 2020 is

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tions to be rescheduled. Referring to the pandemic,

petitioners' advocate Alakh Alok Srivastava urged the court to direct the authorities to conduct the tests after normalcy was restored. — TNS

due precautions and safeguards

would be taken while conduct-

A group of 11 students from

11 states had moved the top

court seeking quashing of

the July 3 notices issued by

the NTA for conducting JEE

(Main) April 2020 and Nation-

al Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET)-Undergraduate

examinations in September.

They wanted the examina-

ing these examinations.

1-day Punjab House | Mandatory Covid test for MLAs session on August 28 **CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17**

The Punjab Vidhan Sabha will be convened on August 28 for a day. The go-ahead came today during a video-conference of the Council of Ministers. The meeting was chaired by CM Capt Amarinder Singh. The Cabinet noted the constitutional requirement to hold a session within six months of the previous one. The daylong session with two sittings will be followed by a regular session later after the Covid

The 12th session of the 15th Punjab Vidhan Sabha will begin with obituary references after which it will be adjourned and reconvened for the next sitting during which legislative business

situation improves.

Two sittings; longer session later

will be conducted. The 11th session of the Vidhan Sabha concluded on March 4. Clause (1) of Article 174 of the Constitution authorises the Governor to summon the state legislature within six months of the last sitting of the previous session. Therefore, the 12th session is to be summoned before September 4.

According to the Rules of Business of the Punjab Government,1992, the approval of the Council of Ministers is mandatory for summoning the House session. — TNS

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 With Haryana set to hold its Assembly session from August 26, all 89 legislators, including ministers, on-duty staff and journalists covering

the event will have to undergo mandatory Covid testing. Chairing a meeting to take stock of the preparations for the monsoon session, Speaker Gian Chand Gupta said only those with a negative Covid-19 report would be

The Assembly has a strength of 90, but Baroda MLA Sri Krishan Hooda had died recently. The test for the MLAs will be held at their residence while a special camp will be organised for others, probably on August 23 or 24. It

allowed inside the House.

MINIMUM STAFF, MAXIMUM CAUTION

any associate with them

Private secretaries can

ahead of session: Hry Speaker

MLAs advised not to bring accompany ministers ■ There will be minimum staff

is likely to be a two-day session, but the final decision will be taken at the business advisory committee meeting.

This time, no visitor will be allowed inside. "Two MLAs used to share each of the 45 tables in the Assembly. Now, one legislator per table will be permitted. We will use the visitor's gallery to create additional space," said Gupta. Cordless mics will be provid-

from other departments

ed to those in the visitor's gallery. "All documents will be sanitised. Each MLA will get a kit of masks, gloves and sanitisers," he said. The MLAs' hostel will be sanitised three days before session. — TNS

JE who flagged BJP's office site booted out

Ravinder Saini TRIBIINE NEWS SERVICE

proved area.

A junior engineer (JE) working with the Municipal Council, Narnaul, on a contractual basis for the past four years was relieved from the post six day after he reported that a proposed site for the BJP dis-

MAHENDRAGARH, AUGUST 17

Sources said BJP national president JP Nadda was to the lay foundation stone of the building via video-conferencing on August 10, but the party had to postpone it due to non-approval of building plan.

The service contract of JE Vikas Sharma was to expire on December 30, but it was can-

No regular post vacant, hence relieved: MC Secv

celled by the MC Secretary on August 11 stating no regular post was vacant, hence he was relieved. Interestingly, Sharma was felicitated by the district trict office fell in an unapadministration on Independence Day for his commendable work. BJP district president Shiv Kumar Mehta said, "We have applied for change of land use (CLU). A new date for the foundation ceremony will be fixed on getting the CLU."

The JE said his contract had been cancelled mid-way without notice and that he would approach the higher authorities for "justice".

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh will be holding a meeting with his Haryana counterpart Manohar Lal Khattar tomorrow to work out a solution for the implementation of the Supreme Court's January 15, 2002, and June 4, 2004, orders to complete the remaining portion of the Sutlej-Yamuna link (SYL) canal.

Union Water Resources Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat will also be participating in the meeting, which will be held through video-conferencing.

The meeting has been convened on the directions of the apex court dated July 28. Punjab has been demanding real-time assessment of the water availability in its rivers that has drastically reduced over the years. The Congress government has been stating that the level of rivers in the state has reduced from 17 million acre feet (MAF) to less than 13 MAF.

In January this year, Capt Amarinder had convened an all-party meeting on the issue of state's critical water situation and the need to



The SYL canal is a bone of contention between Punjab and Haryana

STATE WANTS REVIEW OF WATER AVAILABILITY

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reassess the water availabili-It was unanimously resolved that the Union Government should ensure that the river water was not in any way transferred from basin to non-basin areas of the state's three rivers.

All parties had unanimously demanded suitable amendments to the proposed Inter-State River Water Disputes Act to set up a new tribunal to ensure that Punjab got adequate water "in a just and equitable manner in keeping

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Barnala jail where 32 had

tested positive last week.

"We have done 100 per

cent sampling of all pris-

oners and jail staff and put

them under quarantine.

The jail authorities are

shifting the positive pris-

oners to Moga for isolation," said Barnala Civil

In Ludhiana, those who tested positive today

included 34 from the flu

corner, 70 contacts of posi-

tive people, 29 OPD

while tracing

was under way.

Surgeon Dr GB Singh.

ment

announced

with its total demand and securing livelihood of the future generations," an official statement said.

The resolution had read:

"Punjab does not have surplus water and is facing a threat of desertification with reduced availability of its river water and fast depleting groundwater. The state's groundwater that meets 73 per cent of its irrigation requirements has declined to alarming levels, threatening the livelihood of farmers and other poor people."

Willsupport govtonwater issue: Sukhbir

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 Shiromani Akali Dal president Sukhbir Singh Badal today warned Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh against "any overt or covert agreement that compromises the vital interests of the state on the river water issue".

He said the river water was the lifeline of the people of the border state, especially its farmers. He was referring to a scheduled meeting between the Punjab and Haryana Chief Ministers on the issue of the Sutlei-Yamuna link canal.

In a statement here,

Sukhbir promised the Chief Minister that the SAD would rise above all political considerations and extend full support to him as long as he stuck to Punjab's long-held and constitutionally valid stand based on the riparian principle. "We will back your efforts to safeguard the interests of the state along the nationally and internationally accepted riparian principle. There is no case for the construction of the SYL as there is no water available to flow through it," he added. — TNS

Capt-Khattarmeeton SYL today Convened as per directions of the Supreme Court | Will support | Cops revoke security of key | witness, Phoolka moves court |

ADITI TANDON TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17 The 1984 anti-Sikh riot case against Jagdish Tytler is back in focus with the Delhi Police withdrawing security to key witness Abhishek Verma against the former Congress MP, prompting him to petition a court and his lawyer HS Phoolka to question the NDA government over the move.

Tytler is a suspect in Gurdwara Pul Bangash case. Three Sikhs were charred to death by a mob at the gurdwara. Verma and his family had been granted security on the orders of the Delhi High Court in September 2017. The court had directed protection till the lie detector test on the witness was concluded.

The Delhi Police in its withdrawal orders said the process of polygraph test on Verma had concluded between December 6 and 8, 2018. "Since orders of the Delhi High Court were complied with, the matter was taken up for review and the competent authority approved the withdrawal of security," the order read.

Senior advocate Phoolka moved the local court for



Activists protest against Congress leader Jagdish Tytler. FILE PHOTO

SENIOR ADVOCATE HAS A DIG AT GOVT

We want to ask the Central Government if it wants to leave a key witness vulnerable and once again get the case against Tytler closed. We have had to petition the courts thrice to reopen the case. HS Phoolka, ADVOCATE

restoration of security to Verma and questioned the move to leave a key witness against Tytler unguarded. "We want to ask the Central Government if it wants to leave the key witness vulnerable and once again get the case against Tytler closed. We have had to petition the courts thrice to reopen the case. We wish to ask the Shiromani Akali Dal and minister Harsimrat Badal as to

what is their stand on the matter," Phoolka said.

The matter is listed for hearing tomorrow. It is among the three that the Nanavati Commission ordered to be reopened for a fresh CBI probe, the other being the killing of five members of Jagdish Kaur's family in Delhi Cantonment (in which Sajjan Kumar was convicted for life) and Sultanpuri killings in which Sajjan Kumar is under trial.

One-day session ploy to avoid Oppnire: AAP

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 Leader of the Opposition and AAP MLA Harpal Singh Cheema, reacting to the convening of a one-day monsoon session of the Vidhan Sabha, termed it "a clever ploy on the part of the government to run away from discus-

sions on the core issues". In a statement, Cheema said Punjab was facing innumerable issues, including the Covid pandemic and liquor and sand mafia, which needed to be addressed by the government, but the Congress did not want to face queries posed by the Opposition on the floor of the House.

He said AAP had been demanding the live telecast of the session proceedings, but the state government had played a cruel joke with the people besides making a mockery of the democracy by reducing the Assembly session to just one day. Cheema asked Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh and Speaker Rana KP Singh to

reconsider the decision and hold the session for at least 15 days. —TNS



Caseload up by 1,492, More curbs in cities as cases surge 51 more succumb

Fatehgarh Sahib

Tarn Taran

Kapurthala

SBS Nagar

Faridkot

Barnala

Ropar

Muktsar

Mansa

Deaths

Fazilka

COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT-WISE COUNT

DISTRICT	+VE DEATHS		
Ludhiana	7,094 256		
Jalandhar	4,258 105		
Amritsar	2,823 111		
Patiala	3,797 83		
Sangrur	1,545 56		
SAS Nagar	1,886 34		
Gurdaspur	1,197 30		
Bathinda	1,286 16		
Hoshiarpur	844 25		
Ferozepur	1,058 17		
Pathankot	770 17		
Total positive 32,695			

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CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 In the highest single-day spike, Punjab reported 1,492 Covid cases along with 51

deaths in the past 24 hours.

Jalandhar was the worstaffected district with 298 cases, followed by Ludhiana (220), Ferozepur and Bathinda (153 each), Patiala (130), Moga (91), SAS Nagar (65), Ropar (55), and Amritsar (50).

Ludhiana reported the maximum 14 deaths, folby Patiala Jalandhar (5), Bathinda, Fatehgarh Sahib, Ferozepur and Tarn Taran (3 each), Amritsar, SBS Nagar and Sangrur (2 each), while one death each was reported in Barnala, Faridkot, Gurdaspur, Hoshiarpur, Kapurthala, Moga, SAS Nagar and Pathankot.

At least 28 more prisoners tested Covid-positive in the

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 With the Covid-19 situation in the urban areas turning grim, the Punjab Govern-

Monday

additional

on

restrictions in all cities.

The state has reported more than 31,000 cases and over 800 fatalities. Deaths per million have also gone up to 27.2 and as many as 265 patients were on oxygen support and 20 on ventilators support at present, said Health Advisory Commit-

Four districts in the state - Ludhiana, Mohali, Jalandhar and Patiala witnessed have the

tee chairman Dr KK Talwar.

maximum surge. Keeping this in mind, the movement of individuals for non-essential activCurfew extended, eateries to shut by 8.30 pm

NOT AVERSE TO HARSHER MEASURES: CM

Chief Minister Capt Amarinder said he was not averse to imposing harsher measures to check further spread of the pandemic in the state. He, however, made it clear that economic activity would not be allowed to suffer.

ities in the municipal limits of all cities has been restricted between 9 pm and 5 am. In the urban areas, restaurants, hotels and liquor vends would be allowed till 8.30 pm.

People in Ludhiana, Patiala and Jalandhar have been asked to avoid unnecessary travel on weekdays, while shops and malls in these three cities would remain closed on Saturdays and Sundays. The previous

orders of closing shops and malls on Sundays throughout the state would continue to remain in enforce.

The issue came up for discussion in today's Cabinet meeting, with Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh expressing serious concern over the surge in Covid cases and fatalities. He said he was not averse to imposing harsher measures to check the further spread of the pandemic. He, however,

nomic activity would not be allowed to suffer. Underlining the need for

also made it clear that eco-

early testing and treatment for saving lives, Dr Talwar said the state had reached 20,000 tests per day, including rapid antigen testing.

Earlier, Montek Singh Ahluwalia, who is heading the expert group for the revival of state's economy, also said any measures to check the Covid spread should not impact economic activity.

Warning that the state must also be ready for a second spike, Montek said if lockdown had to be introduced in certain areas, strict protocols should be put in place to ensure that there was no impact on industrial and income generating avenues.

Govt transfers Addl Chief Secy, Health TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE tablets at private de-

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17

The government today transferred the Additional Chief Secretary, Health Family welfare, and Anurag Aggarwal, replacing him with Principal Secretary Hussan Lal. Though no one was will-

ing to go on record, the apparent reason for the transfer appears to be the gnawing divide between Health Minister Balbir Singh Sidhu and Aggarwal. If officials in the Health Department are to be believed, the two had been at loggerheads, especially after the controversy over the indiscriminate use of buprenorphine addiction centres.

Aggarwal has been given the charge of the Power and New and Renewable Energy Departments.

In another interesting development, Principal Secretary KAP Sinha has been retransferred as the Principal Secretary, Food and Civil He Supplies. was transferred out recently and K Siva Prasad was given the charge.

The latter has now been given the charge of Sports and Youth Services, in addition to the Transport Department. Jaspal Singh has been given charge of the Elections Department.

Covid patient jumps off | FM in isolation after SSP tests +ve hospital building, dies

AMRITSAR, AUGUST 17

patients, 18 healthcare A Covid patient admitted to workers, 18 undertrials, Government Medical College allegedly committed suicide four pregnant women and five pre-operative cases, by jumping off the hospital building today. The deceased of 47 has been identified as Today's positive cases also Swaran Singh (46), a include Dakha MLA Manresident of Sandhpur vilpreet Singh Ayali. He was having mild symptoms for lage near Bhikhiwind in the past few days and got Tarn Taran district. himself tested. He has Though the authorities pre-

sume that he might have

been upset due to his disease, the exact reason behind his suicide is not known.

Medical superintendent Dr Raman Sharma said the patient was an opium addict and an alcoholic. 'The patient had complained of breathlessness and stomach ache." he

said. The authorities said a psychiatrist had also provided counselling to the patient last evening. — TNS

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BATHINDA, AUGUST 17

Minutes after Bathinda SSP Bhupinderjit Singh Virk tested positive for Covid-19, Finance Minister Manpreet Singh Badal and Deputy Commissioner B Srinivasan placed themselves under home quarantine as a preventive measure.

SSP Bhupinderjit Virk was present along with Badal, Srinivasan and IGP Jaskaran Singh on the

REVENUE DEPT OFFICES SHUT IN ABOHAR

Abohar: All offices of the Revenue Department in Abohar subdivision have been closed after Tehsildar Jaspal Singh Brar tested Covid-positive. He is the subdivisional magistrate and has also been serving as the frontline incharge of the battle against Covid for the past few months. oc

stage during the Independence Day function on Saturday. He had also come in contact with many other officials.

book account: "Our SSP

No award, Asian Games medallist feels left out

from Bathinda has tested

Badal posted on his Face-

Covid-positive and I met him on August 15 for the Independence Day function. On medical advice and for the safety of my family and workers, I am

and as such, no public meetings will be held by me during this period."

going in self-quarantine

B Srinivasan said, "The Health Department has been asked to trace the contacts of those who came in contact with the SSP and get their tests done."

The daughter-in-law of Revenue Minister Gur-Singh Kangar preet Congress and leader Narinder Bhularia have also tested positive.

BJP demands CBI inquiry into spurious liquor tragedy

home-isolated himself.

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BATHINDA/ABOHAR, AUGUST 17 BJP workers organised protests against the state government over the recent deaths due to consumption of spurious liquor in the Majha region. The protesters raised slogans against government, and demanded adequate compensation and a CBI inquiry into the matter.

The demonstrations were held in three Assembly constituencies of Bathinda (Rural), Kotshamir and Sangat, where the party members alleged mishandling of the issue by the government. In Abohar, BJP activists staged a



BJP workers protest against the government in Abohar. TRIBUNE PHOTO

over the alleged inaction against the liquor mafia. Legislator Arun Narang said Capt Amarinder Singh

dharna outside Nehru Park had come to power promising an end to the liquor mafia in Punjab, but till date, nothing had been done to fulfil the promise.

GS PAUL AMRITSAR, AUGUST 17

BSF jawan Gurlal Singh, who became India's first para-cyclist since 1951 to win a bronze medal for the country in the Asian Para Games, seldom finds a place in the records of the state government.

On July 22, Sports Minister Rana Gurmeet Singh Sodhi honoured three para-sportsmen Paramjit Kumar (powerlifting) from Jalandhar,

Mohammad Yaseer (shotput) from Sangrur and Raj Kumar (badminton) from Patiala and awarded them Rs 50 lakh each for their accomplishments in 'special' disciplines in the Asian Para Games, 2018. Ironically, Gurlal, who

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family of four. My daughter has a heart ailment since birth. I wanted the award money to be utilised for her treatment. Being a sportsperson, I deserve equal dignity. Gurlal Singh, PARA-CYCLIST

MINISTER PROMISES SUPPORT

I will look into how Gurlal's case was skipped. If he is found deserving, I will extend him his due honour. Rana Gurmeet Singh Sodhi. Sports Minister

won a bronze medal in the 4-km time trial in the C4 category (athletes with 60 per cent disability) in the same meet, honoured the

state government. Minister Sodhi said, "I

will look into how his case was skipped. If he was found deserving, I will extend him his due honour. As per the amended sports policy, the parasports players honoured at par with the normal category players," he said.

Reacting over it, Gurlal said, "It is sad to see that the state government is ignorant of my achievements. Prime Minister Narendra Modi had honoured me along with 72 other players two days after the event in 2018 in New Delhi. I appeal to the state Sports Ministry to consider me at par with my colleagues," he said.

Hailing from Nanoke vil-

lost his left leg while trying to save a fellow soldier who was injured in a mine blast near the LoC on December 25, 2010. Gurlal had also won a

lage in Ajnala, Gurlal had

bronze medal in the 4-km time trial at Tashkent (Uzbekistan) in April 2019 and is now preparing for his next target of 2022Asian Para Games. At present, he is training at the Aditya Mehta Foundation Academy in Hyderabad. "I am the only breadwin-

ner for my family of four. My daughter has a heart ailment since birth. I wanted the award money to be utilised for her treatment. Being a sportsperson, I deserve equal dignity," he said.

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Ex-DGP moves HC against SIT probe

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17

More than three months after the Punjab Police registered a case against its former Director-General of Police Sumedh Singh Saini in a 1991 abduction case, the former top cop today moved the Punjab and Haryana High Court for declaring the probe to be "non est" or nothing and in violation of the Supreme Court order. The case registered against him and other policemen pertains to the alleged abduction and disappearance of Balwant Singh Multani.

Directions were also sought for transferring the investigation to any other independent agency outside Punjab or, if permissible, to the CBI. The FIR in the matter was registered on May 6 for abduction and other offences under Sections 364, 201, 344,

Ex-DGP Sumedh Singh Saini moved the HC for declaring the probe to be "non est" or nothing and in

violation of the SC order Directions were also sought for transferring the probe to any other independent agency outside Punjab or, if permissible, to the CBI

330, 219 and 120-B of the IPC at Mataur police station in Mohali. Saini contended that it was in violation of the direction issued by the Supreme Court in its order dated December 7, 2011, while quashing the earlier FIR dated July 2, 2008.

The initial FIR by the CBI was registered on the directions of the Punjab and Haryana High Court, before both the state and Saini went into an appeal. The apex court, at that time, made it

clear that recourse to fresh proceedings could be taken to, if permissible in law.

Saini contended that the present FIR, being the result of "mala fide and political interference", was a "jurisdictional error". It was second FIR at the instance of someone not on the list of persons granted liberty to move afresh. As such, the proceedings were impermissible in law pertaining to an incident that took place 29 years ago, more so when same offences regarding which the earlier FIR by the CBI stood quashed.

Saini asked for directions to the SIT not to carry out further investigation pursuance to the registration of the second FIR. Directions were also sought to the SIT not to submit its final investigation report in the matter under Section 173 of CrPC. The petition is yet to come up for hearing.

Mansa farmer endslife, probe on

MANSA, AUGUST 17

A farmer from Mansa's Kotra village allegedly committed suicide today after consuming poison inside the district administrative complex.

In his suicide note, victim Balvir Singh alleged that Cabinet Minister Gurpreet Singh Kangar was present at an inauguration function despite having tested positive for Covid. He sought action against Cabinet Minister Gurpreet Singh Kangar and DC Mahinder Pal Gupta.

However, Gupta said, "I had never met or spoken to the farmer. Investigation has been initiated into the matter."—TNS



HC no to ownership right to allottees

Taking note of allegations that plots for the homeless and the less and the landless" by way of landless were allotted to the relatives of a sarpanch, the Punjab and Haryana High Court today directed that the allotments would not confer ownership right on the allottees.

The directions by the Bench of Justice Rajan Gupta and Justice Karamjit Singh came on a petition filed against the state of Punjab and other respondents by Raman Preet Singh Bara through counsel Munish Gupta.

Gupta contended the Gram Panchayat of Bara village in

Gurdaspur district allotted five-marla plots to "the homea resolution dated November 22 last year. A substantial number of them were Scheduled Castes. He added that most of the allottees were the relatives of the Sarpanch's family.

"The entire exercise was undertaken during the period of lockdown. According to him, in the absence of vide publication and due procedure, such allotment is vitiated," Justice Gupta observed, while issuing notice of motion to the state and other respondents for November 5. — TNS





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Bahlolpur, Distt. Kurukshetra have changed his name Jagdish to Jagdish Chand. Please all concerned note. (CL20030330)

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risks. Concerned note. (CL20030339) I, Dulari Devi w/o Late Rajender Singh resident Rajiv Nagar Rohtak declare that my adopted daughter Annu w/o Ashish Chaudhary resident Jagadhari Yamunanagar is out of my control. So

I disown them from my moveable/ immoveable properties. Any body dealing with him at own risk. (CL20030312)

I, Bandna Guleria w/o Service No. 3999864H NK Sh. Kuldip Singh r/o Village & PO Jagnoli, Tehsil Fatehpur, Distt. Kangra (HP), declare that my name and DoB in my husband Army record wrongly entered as Vandana Parmar, 30.08.1979, whereas my correct name and DoB is Bandna Guleria, 02.07.1977. Concerned note. (CL20030336)

We Kamal Dev Sharma s/o Mool Raj Sharma alias Moola, Tripta Sharma w/o Kamal Dev Sharma Village Bharolian Khurd, Gram Panchayat Malahat Distt., Teh. Una (HP), declare our son Rajat Sharma and his wife Payal Kashyap insubordinate and out of our control. We disown them from our moveable and immoveable property. Anybody dealing with on his/her own risk. We will not be eprapersible r(Cb20020317)ia.com

Nursing students want practical exam cancelled

Giving them second chance: Varsity

JALANDHAR, AUGUST 17

Students of other states pursuing GNM course from the nursing colleges of Punjab are upset as they say they might not be able to appear for practical supplementary examination being organised by Baba Farid University of Health Sciences from August 19 to 28.

The university authorities maintain that this is the second chance for them to save their future and that students have been given sufficient time of 1.5 months to make arrangements. However, the students are seeking postponement again as they say it was still impossible for them to make it to Punjab owing to the prevailing travel restrictions and lack of amenities.

Supriya, a student from Bihar, said: "I have got a message from my college to appear for my compartment examination but there is no way that I can return, given the flood and Covid conditions in my home state. The college authorities have expressed their helpless-

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The university authorities said: "We want maximum number of students to take their practicals and clear the pending examination at the earliest so that there is no loss of time. In any case, if we think that there are genuine issues, we may even allow them a third chance". —TNS

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Sources in the department

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However, the last date for filling the admission form will remain the same, that is, August 24.

The students will be able to pay the fee online via net banking, credit card, debit card, but not via bank challan. — TNS

as per NOK) is legally wedded spouse of Army No. IC-352598k, Rank Sub, name Kashid Dovaneshwar Krushna serving with Army Unit: 108 Engr Regt. C/o 56 APO presently R/o at VPO Sonad, Tehsil Sangola, Distt. Solapur (MH) PIN - 413309 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from SMT. MANISHA KASHID (NAME AS PER RECORDS) TO SMT. MANISHA DNYANESHWAR KASHID (DUE TO MISMATCH OF NAME) IN SERVICE RECORDS OF MY HUSBAND & her D.o.B. is 18.01.1981. Its needs correction. Objection, if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.

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Bhushan Hilal R/o Village Savarkhede, Distt. Jalgaon, State Maharashtra, PIN -425111 at present NCSR C/o 56 APO do hereby declare that my daughter name has been wrongly written in my service record as Mayuri instead of correct name which is Patil Mayuri Bhushan. Its needs correction. If any objection may be conveyed to the concerned authority within seven days. DI-7575-6

Service No. 15703475N NK Pat Bhushan Hilal R/o Village Savarkhede Distt. Jalgaon, State Maharashtra, PIN — 425111 at present NCSR C/o 56 APO do hereby declare that my son name has been wrongly written in my service record as Chetan instead of correct my son name is Patil Chetan Bhushan. Its needs correction. If any objection may be conveyed to the concerned authority within seven days.

I, No. 4565932A rank sepoy name Kishore Kumar presently R/o Vill/P.O./Tehsil Arnia, Distt. Jammu do hereby declare that my son name and D.o.B. has been wrongly written in my service documents as Gavrav Saini & 15.10.2003 instead of correct my son name & D.o.B. is Gourav Saini & 11.12.2002. It needs correction. Objection, if any, may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.

I, Bijay Gharti is legally son of No. 5756339f Hav Hira Bahadur Ghart presently R/o Sisakhani, Vill. Sisakhani P.O. Sisakhani, Distt. Baglung, State Dhaulagiri Nepal do hereby declare that I have changed my D.o.B. from 29 Aug. 2009 to 31 Aug., 2008 due to spelling mistake in my father service documents. may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.

Kamlesh spouse of JC-681605w Sub/ash Satyavir Singh R/o Vill. Kashimpur, P.O. Nangla Arni, Tehsil Jaleshar, Distt. Etah (UP) have changed my name from Kamlesh to Kamlesh Devi vide affidavit dated 10 Aug. 2020 before munsiff court notary Akhnoor (J&K). DI-7575-2

I, Kaushalya Singh (existing name of spouse as per NOK) is legally wedded spouse of No. 2500048h rank I/nk name Sunil Kumar presently R/o Rajgarh (Rajasthan) do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Kaushalya to Kaushalya Singh in my husband records & her D.o.B. is 04/02/1989. It needs correction. Objection, if any, may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days

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Parents of dead girls No action yet in fake allege sexual assault beneficiaries case

to constitute district-level

committees, led by district

social security officers, to

review the recovery process

Naveen Gadwal, District

Social Security Officer

(DSSO), Muktsar, said: "As

many as 7,441 ineligible

beneficiaries have been

The maximum 'fake'

recovered from them."

between 2009 and 2017.

encourage people to plant

more trees. He said anyone

who would want to get a new

arms licence or get an existing

one renewed would have to

plant 10 trees for a new licence

and five for renewal. He would

have to submit selfies with

planted sapling at the time of

filing of an application. —TNS

every 15 days.

SAURABH MALIK

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 In a twist to the case involving the death of three minor girls found listless in a parked car nearly two months back, the parents have moved the Punjab and Haryana High Court alleging sexual assault. The police had claimed that the children had died as a result of suffocation after they locked themselves up in the car.

detected in Muktsar district Seeking probe by an indeand Rs 15.7 crore is to be pendent agency like the CBI, the petitioners contended fair, impartial and unbiased probe was not beneficiaries, 12,573, have been detected in Sangrur expected from the local district, where Rs 26.63 police. It was, rather, actcrore has been siphoned off ing in a "blatantly partisan and lopsided manner for certain extraneous, malafide and vexatious considerations".

As the petition filed by Ravi Kumar and other petitioners against the state and its functionaries came up for preliminary hearing before Justice BS Walia's Bench, counsel Harsh Chopra referred to the autopsy report of the victims.

Appearing before the Bench through video-conferencing, he contended that the report suggested that the victims had been subjected to sexual

Bodies were found in a car in Ropar

assault, whereas the FIR in the matter was registered only for kidnapping under Section 363 of the IPC. Section 304-A of IPC regarding death by negligence was added subsequently. As such, directions were required to be issued to ensure fair and impartial probe in the matter.

> Directions were also sought to the investigating agency to scientifically probe peculiar aspects, attendant facts and the circumstances of the entire case to sift the grain

from the chaff. Chopra added that the role of the erring and the delinquent police official, who brazenly violated the sanctity of their uniform, was also required to be looked into.

After accepting the notice issued by Justice Walia's Bench, the state counsel submitted that samples of vaginal swab had been sent for chemical analysis and the report of the same was awaited. Taking a note of the submis-

sions, Justice Walia fixed the case for September third week.

Seeking waiver

Plant saplings for arms licence



Residents stage a dharna to seek debt waiver in Bathinda on Monday. PAWAN SHARMA

Pbi University fails to take up 'scam' probe reports

RAVNEET SINGH

PATIALA, AUGUST 17

The Punjabi University syndicate yet again deferred a discussion on probe reports into the alleged corruption and misuse of funds to the next meeting, to be held in September. During a meeting convened by V-CBS Ghuman, the members decided they would hold a meeting every month. The meeting today was convened after a gap of a year.

The university had failed to provide copies of the action taken report to the members regarding the probe into the alleged scams, which have been investigated twice by internal and external committees. The members said they could not decide on the mat-through internal promotion.

ter without having gone through the reports after which the matter was deferred for the next meeting. The university will not make

fresh recruitments of teaching

and non-teaching officials without the approval of the syndicate. The university has a long-standing record of taking decisions 'in anticipation of the syndicate'. The governing body also decided that the university had to follow the seniority list while appointing officials on administrative posts, which had been neglected in the past. Moreover, posts which are to be filled through open recruitment will be filled following proper norms rather than the previously followed process of filling them

Portalfor plaints against pvtschools TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

FARIDKOT, AUGUST 17 The School Education Department has started an online portal to exclusively register complaints against private schools as it was receiving a large number of grievances against the managements of these schools during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Assuring time-bound redressal of grievances received on this portal, Krishan Kumar, secretary, School Education Department, said the complaints would be sent to the school concerned online and the institute was bound to file its reply in the same mode. After getting the reply from the school, the department would take a decision on the complaint.

Even if the department receives a written complaint or an email, such complaints would also be sent to the portal for speedy disposal.

After the closure of schools in mid-March due to Covid-19, parents had filed complaints against many private schools on the issue of charging of admission and tuition fee. The issue has now reached the Punjab and Haryana High Court.

To avoid anonymous and trouble-making complaints, the department was also contemplating a provision under which the complaint would accompany a selfattested affidavit, disclosing particulars of the unaided education institution concerned, along with names and addresses of complainants, sources added.

Plan for online polls to Bar bodies gets a thumbs up

22,061 advocates favour move in Bar Council survey

RAMKRISHAN UPADHYAY

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE **CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17**

Approximately 22, 061 advocates have favoured holding online election of the office-bearers of Bar associations of Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh. The Bar Councils of Punjab and Harvana have recently conducted an online survey on the issue. As per the result of the survey, while a

majority of the advocates

favoured the online elec-

tion, only 6,200 opposed the

majority of the advocates also supported starting of physical hearings in courts. According to the survey, 21,179 advocates supported the suggestion to start physical hearings in courts, while 7,082 were not in favour of the same. Karanjit Singh, chairman,

Bar Council, said the online opinion poll undertaken by the Bar Council of the Punjab and Haryana HC had been successful and it was a first of its kind in the coun-

suggestions. Besides, a try. He said the Bar Council had decided to convey the genuine feelings of advocates of Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh to the Chief Justice and the administrative committee of judges of the High Court about starting physical hearings in courts. The Bar Council conduct-

ed the online survey on various issues in three phases for advocates of the Tricity, Punjab and Haryana. A total of 28,261 advocates participated in the exercise.

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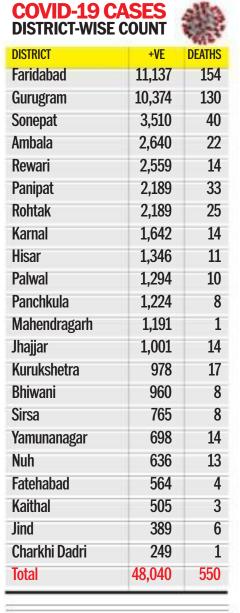
Sd/- Executive Engineer,

12 succumb, toll goes up to 550

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17

Atotal of 887 cases were reported today, taking the tally to 48,040. Twelve deaths pushed the toll to 550. Cases were reported from Faridabad (107), Mahendragarh (41),

Gurugram (97), Panipat (81), Rewari (71), Ambala (71), Yamunanagar (62), Rohtak (58), Kurukshetra (51), Karnal Sonepat (39), Charkhi Dadri (34), Kaithal (31), Hisar (29), Panchkula (15), Jhajjar (12), Bhiwani (12), Nuh (9), Fatehabad (9), Palwal (6), Sirsa (5) and Jind (1). —TNS



Clarification

The report "Health services restricted, Haryana infant deaths rise 46% in lockdown", published on August 5, inadvertently mentioned that 828 infant deaths were registered in the state for the period from April to June 2019. The correct figure is 1,264, according to the Director, MCH, National Health Mission, Haryana. The error is regretted.



Lal Dhingra at new bus stand in Karnal, TRIBUNE PHOTO

Karnal gets state's 4th plasma bank

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

KARNAL, AUGUST 17

Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar opened the state's fourth plasma bank at Kalpana Chawla Government Medical College here on Monday. The other three plasma banks are in Panchkula, Rohtak and Faridabad.

"About 30,000 Covid patients have recovered. I appeal to those in the age group of 10 to 60 years to donate their plasma so that other patients can be cured," the CM said.

Besides, Khattar inaugurated the statue of Madan Lal Dhingra on his death anniversary at the new bus stand, which had been named after the martyr. The statue had been shifted from a park in Sector 12, causing resentment among a section of residents. They demanded that the statue must be reinstalled in the park.

The CM, who visited the park, assured residents that the park would be developed

and named after the martyr. "The statue has been shifted to a place much larger in area

'CS OFFICE LOOKING

INTO SET'S REPORT

On the Special Enquiry Team's report on the liquor scam, Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar said the office of the Chief Secretary had been reading the report. "The next step will be taken on the recommendation of the Chief Secretary's office," he said.

KHATTAR HELPS MISHAP VICTIM

On his way towards PWD Rest House from Karnal Aviation Club, CM Manohar Lal Khattar got his cavalcade stopped when he saw an e-rickshaw driver crying for help after being injured in a mishap. The CM went up to him and got him shifted to hospital.

statue will be installed at the bus stand in a year. This statue will be installed at some other place," he added.

Congress leader Virender Rathore and INLD's Om Parkash Saluja criti-Sector 12 park.

SYL an issue between Centre & Punjab: CM

SUSHIL MANAV TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17

A day ahead of his meeting with his Punjab counterpart over the Sutlej-Yamuna Link (SYL) canal, convened by the Centre, Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar today said he was hopeful that Capt Amarinder Singh would agree to completion of the canal in accordance with the Supreme Court order.

Talking to The Tribune, Khattar said Haryana would decide its future course of action on the issue on the basis of the outcome of this meeting.

Union Water Resources Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat had convened the meeting to work out a way for of implementation Supreme Court order, that

OUR STAND IS CLEAR

stand is concerned, it is well-known as we are eager for early completion of the canal. I am hopeful that Punjab will

show a positive attitude in Tuesday's meeting. **Manohar Lal** Khattar, cm

mandated completion of the remaining part of the SYL canal by Punjab.

"Basically, the issue in tomorrow's meeting between the Centre and Punjab. The Centre has convened the meeting in compliance with Supreme Court directions issued last month that Punjab and Haryana should sit together to work out a solution," Khattar said.

"As far as Haryana's stand is concerned, it is well known as we are eager for early completion of the canal. I am hopeful that Punjab will show a positive attitude in tomorrow's meeting," he stated.

Asked whether he was hopeful of a positive response from his Punjab counterpart in view of the neighbouring state's oft-repeated stand that it did not have a drop of water to spare, Khattar said he would not jump to conclusions before the meeting.

Asked about Haryana's course of action if Punjab stuck to its previous stand, he said it would be decided only after taking into consideration the outcome of the meeting.

2 held for assault on British teen

GURUGRAM, AUGUST 17 A day after the family of a 17year-old British teen approached the police seeking the arrest of boys who allegedly thrashed and

harassed their son, two of

them have been arrested. One suspect has been identified as Vishal (19), a Class XII dropout and resident of the district's Vajirabad village, while the other is a minor.

The accused refuted the allegation of sexual assault. They told the police that they thrashed the British teen to avenge a spat on social media.

"The search for the other

accused is on. They have refuted the allegation of sodomy, as alleged by the British teen's family. But they have admitted to have thrashed him," said Inspector Bijender Singh, Sushant Lok police station.

One of them is Class XII dropout, other a minor

The preliminary probe has brought out that the victim had, in July, met one of the suspects on social media for organising house parties.

In the video, the suspects are reportedly seen asking the British teen to apologise to "someone", who the police are yet to identify.

"The police are scrutinising the CCTV footage. There is not enough evidence to back the sexual assault charge. We have asked security guards of the residential society, outside which the incident took place, to join the investigation. Four suspects were questioned on Monday," an investigating officer said. — OC

Month after rains, 25 Hisar villages still submerged

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

HISAR, AUGUST 17

It's been a month since the district received a good monsoon downpour, but residential areas and agricultural fields in about 25 villages are still submerged.

Vinay Singh, Commissioner, Hisar division, took stock of the situation at a meeting here on Monday. He directed officials to drain out water on priority and



An inundated cotton field in a village of Hisar district.

prepare a long-term plan so that affected areas are not submerged again.

The inundation has damaged cotton and other kharif crops in the affected villages. Families living in "dhanis" shifted to other places after rainwater entered their houses. Even the water supply has been hit in some villages.

The Commissioner has sought reports from SDMs ofHansi and Narnaund subdivisions, the worst-affected

areas. In all, 11 villages in the Narnaund subdivision and 14 in Hansi are facing the problem of inundation.

Officials, however, claimed in the meeting that the water had been drained out in most of the areas and the situation was under control. They said pump sets had been installed to drain out water from the fields.

The Commissioner asked the DHBVN to ensure power supply to run the pump sets.

cised the government for shifting the statue from the compared to the park. "A big

Workers Union on Monday extended the statewide strike till August 21. — TNS

Lifting Of Packing Materials **ASHA** workers From Vaira Station Canteen, Jalandhar Cantt extend strike 1. Proposals are invited for lifting of packing materials from **CHANDIGARH:** The ASHA

Vajra Station Canteen, Jalandha Cantt on a daily basis 2. Bids are required to be submitted on a performa available with Vajra Station Canteen, Jalandhar Cantt duly completed alongwit all relevant documents by 1 Sep 2020 to The Manager, Vajra Station Canteen, Jalandhar Cantt 3. Selected bidder will be informed by post and through notice on the Vajra Station Canteen notice board

CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT e-TENDER NOTICE

The Executive Engineer, Electrical Division No.1, Chandigarh invites online percentage rate tenders on behalf of the Presiden

of India for the below mentioned work from the firms who have the experience of such type of jobs in Chandigarh and fulfilling the eligibility criteria mentioned under "Eligibility Criteria". The tender shall be downloaded and received on the website http://www.etenders.chd.nic.in.

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Executive Engineer, Electrical Divn. No. 1, Additional Deluxe Bldg., 2nd Floor, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

Fatehabad village loses its son ty; son Sarang, a music

SUSHIL MANAV TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

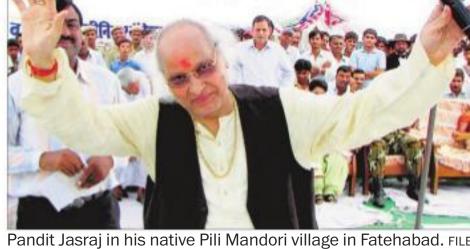
CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17

It was the last day of 2003 and Pandit Jasraj, one of the greatest exponents of Indian classical music who passed away at the age of 90 on Monday, was visiting Pili Mandori, his native village in Fatehabad district, after 27 years.

As his car reached the village boundary, Pandit Jasraj was so overcome with nostalgia that he asked the driver to stop the car; he alighted, took a handful of soil and touched it to his forehead with reverence.

Asked to address the audience, largely from Pili Mandori and neighbouring villages, the great maestro was overwhelmed with emotion.

Wiping tears with a towel, Pandit Jasraj spoke in chaste Bagri dialect. "Main thane kih kahun, maine to kih shabad hie koni pan lagriha. Mera mann to kare se ke is rajj mein



Pandit Jasraj in his native Pili Mandori village in Fatehabad. FILE

lot jaun. Mere liye yeh bhumi Brindavan se kam nahin (What shall I say to you? I am short of words. I feel like rolling my body on the soil of this village. This place is no less than Vrindavan for me)," he said.

When a villager addressed him as "Panditji", the great Jasraj asked villagers the reason for addressing him so. People in Pili Mandori used to address him as "Jasia".

On learning that no one from the village had tried to learn classical music, he said

if villagers formed a cultural organisation to promote classical music, he would visit the village every year while offering Rs 1 lakh for it.

After that, Pandit Jasraj started visiting the village almost every year. In 2014, he celebrated his birthday, which falls on January 28, in Pili Mandori.

Pandit Jasraj's wife Madhura, the daughter of noted director of yesteryears V Shantaram; daughter Durga Jasraj, a noted TV personalidirector; and some other members of his family also accompanied him.

With Pandit Jasraj's visits, the village started getting funds from the government. As a result, several development activities were started. "Villagers will miss Panditji

badly. With his efforts, the village got a waterworks with an RO system worth Rs 2 crore from the government. We have a library named after him," says Anita Kumari, village sarpanch.

Pandit Jasraj was born in Pili Mandori village on January 28, 1930. He belonged to a family of musicians. His father Pandit Moti Ram and uncle Pandit Jyoti Ramwere singers of the Jammu and Kashmir "raj gharana". He left the village and started learning classical music under the guidance of his elder brother Pandit Mani Ram.

By Patron, Vajra Station Canteen, Jalandhar Cant

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS (B&R Works & O&M cell works) No. 54/SE(TIC), Dated 17-08-2020 The department of Municipal Corporation Ludhiana (B&R) invites online

Double Bids for 86 Nos. works (under PUEIP) as per schedule given below: Last Date of online **Opening of bidding Documents** Submission of Technical Bid **Financial Bid** Bidding Document 07-09-2020 up to 08-09-2020 at 11:00 am in the Will be Intimate Office of SE(TIC), Zone A, MCL For details logon to :- eproc.punjab.gov.in

Note: - Detail of works, other terms & conditions & tender documents any corrigendum/addendum to the tender notice shall be published or above website only.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (TIC) **Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana** DPR/Pb/64600

POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL EDUCATION & RESEARCH, CHANDIGARH F. 3001/Advt./AO/EI(2)/PGI/2020 Dated: 17.08.2020

NOTICE

It is proposed to fill up 04 posts of Administrative Officer on deputation basis in Leve 9 in the Pay Matrix as per 7th CPC at PGIMER, Chandigarh having following "Officers under the Central Government, State Govt., U.T. Administration, or Central Statutory Bodies holding analogous posts or with at least 3/5 years of experience

"Level-8/Level-7 respectively in the PAY MATRIX" or equivalent respectively and having degree and experience in administration and establishment matter and preferably account matters. Officers possessing M.B.A or Postgraduate Diploma in Personnel Management shall be given preference. The application duly filled by the applicant on the prescribed performa may be sent t the Director, PGIMER, Chandigarh through the Head of the Departmen

Institution/Organization by 10.09.2020 along with their ACR/APARs for last five years and a certificate that no departmental/disciplinary proceedings are pending/bein contemplated against the officer. The applications received after due date sha Incomplete applications and the applications received after due date will be summarily rejected. The Director PGIMER reserves the right to increase/decrease the num

of posts/withdraw selection process at any stage without any claim thereto **DIRECTOR**

WESTERN RAILWAY STORES DEPARTMENT e-AUCTION SALE DURING SEPTEMBER, 2020 FOR P-WAY & OTHER VARIOUS SCRAP SPECIAL ATTENTION: ALL STEEL PURCHASERS & RE-ROLLERS

(No.S III/ Auction Programme-1/ September 2020, Dated 14/08/2020), Public

auction for disposal of P. way scrap, rail scrap & other various scrap material will be

held in September, 2020 as per program given below:-

Depot | Depot Officer in Charge 2" Round 18/09/2020 Sr. Divisional Materials 07922205888 Manager-ADI 09724093750 Deputy Chief Materials 05/09/2020 19/09/2020 07927500080 Manager-SBI 09724093774 07/09/2020 22/09/2020 Sr. Divisional Materials 02652641592 Manager-BRC 9724091750 Sr. Divisional Materials 09/09/2020 25/09/2020 07412230080 09752492750 Manager-RTM 10/09/2020 26/09/2020 MX Deputy Chief Materials 022-24929571 Manager-MX. 09004495750 12/09/2020 28/09/2020 DHD Deputy Chief Materials 02673241295 Manager-DHD 09724090455 11/09/2020 25/09/2020 Sr. Divisional Materials 02782444360 Manager-BVP 09724097750 Sr. Divisional Materials 14/09/2020 30/09/2020 022-23094142 Manager- MMCT 09004499006 04/09/2020 21/09/2020 Deputy Chief Materials 02673241295 Manager-DHD 09724090455 15/09/2020 29/09/2020 Sr. Divisional Materials 02812476943 Manager- RJT 09724094770 For detailed information please contact the concerned Depot Officers. Note:- (1 Railway reserves the right to withdraw any lot from e-Auction. (2) e-Auction will start a as per scheduled time.(3) e-Auction catalogues will be available on site

www.ireps.gov.in e-Auction portal. (4) In case of any assistance required regarding e Auction, digital signatures, Registration procedure and participation, please contact above mentioned Depot Officer. (5) All payment transactions shall be done through the online payment gateway. Principal Chief Materials Manager Like us on : f facebook.com/WesternRly follows us on : w twitter.com/WesternRly

PUNJAB STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY SITE NO. 126, SECTOR-69, SAS NAGAR, (MOHALI) **EMPLOYMENT NOTICE**

Office Ph. No. 0172-740307.

No./PULSA/12/2020

Dated: 17.08.2020

Applications along with resume are invited for posts of Chairmen, Permanent Lok Adalat, Public Utility Services, from the candidates who have held the post of District Judge or Additional District Judge or Judicial Officer higher in rank than that of a District Judge. Applicant must be below 65 years of age. Last date for submissions of application is 31.08.2020. For details

please visit www.pulsa.gov.in *Number of posts can be increased or decrease as per the requirement.

DPR/Pb/64607

Sd/- Additional Member Secretary

TENDER/RFP FOR SERVICES LIKE AMC, HOUSEKEEPING ETC. **GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB** Tender reference No. 21, Dated: 2020

The Department of Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board invites online bids for Survey, Soil testing, Design, Supply and construction, Installation Commissioning of 1.00 MLD STP at Maluka based on any suitable

sustainable and proven technology including other apartment's works or turnkey basis as per DNIT. Including O&M for a period of 60 Months after stabilization period of 3 Months or more. Closing Date & Time for tender: 21.08.2020 at 11.00 a.m.

For details logon to: https://eproc.punjab.gov.in Note:- Corrigendum(s) to the tender/RFP Notice shall be published on the above website only

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Pb. W/S & Sew. Division No. 2, Bathinda.

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regarding land acquisition for stretch of land from Km 57.865 to Km 81.420, Km 83.300 to Km 96.790, Km 101.900 to Km 102.300 & Km 130.586 to Km 135.230 in the district of JIND in th state of HARYANA, published in The Tribune on 21st July, 2020. In the said advertisemen corrections may be read as follows: Newspaper Page No. 20 under Village Bhagkhera Sr. No. 23 and 24 may be read as below-

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Kanwarbhan, Rammehar, Gurnaam Shamsher putran Baaruram S/O Mayichand har char sambhaag 23/29 bhaag bhaag Geeta Devi W/O Gurnaam S/O Baaruram Newspaper Page No. 6 Village Khanda may be read between Sr. No. 225 and 226 Newspaper Page No. | Under Village Sr. No. | Printed in Newspaper Corrected 435 Private 274 57//12 57//12/ Min Page No. 25 Gangoli 436 54//19 54//19 Min Page No. 28 Jamni 483 Page No. 30 8//25 8//25 Min Jamni

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Baroda will teach BJP alesson:Deepender TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE ists," he said.

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 Rajya Sabha member Deepender Hooda said today that the people of Baroda would

its "anti-farmer" initiatives. "The BJP has committed a sin by calling the farmer a traitor. This statement has caused anger among farmers of Haryana," he said at a press conference.

teach the BJP a lesson for

"The BJP has continued its tirade against farmers and three ordinances during the Covid crisis is an indication of this mindset. Such serious policy decisions have been taken without the consent of Parliament. The government wants to promote capital-

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Deepender took on the state BJP government, saying Haryana had the highest unemployment across the country this month.

"Instead of giving jobs to the youth, the government is snatching employment. The government does not stand anywhere compared to jobs created during our term," he pointed out. He said the government

did not defend 1,983 physical training instructors because of political reasons. "The government is mak-

ing its layoff policy for Ayush doctors, tourism employees, assistant professors, temporary sanitation workers and computer operators," he added.

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Brutal rapes rattle UP

Yogi govt must restore law and order

TTH hardly a day going without a rape case making headlines in India, the sad and shameful saga plays out incessantly. This weekend, Uttar Pradesh was rattled by two separate incidents of violent sexual assault on two adolescent girls, followed by the killing of the victim in one case. Two men have been arrested on the charges of rape and strangulation to death of a 13-year-old girl in a village of Lakhimpur Kheri district. The post-mortem report has ruled out accounts of injuries to the girl's eyes and tongue. In the other instance that pertains to Gorakhpur district, a teenage girl out on a household errand — to collect water from a hand pump — was accosted in the fields and raped overnight by two men who also sadistically singed her body with cigarette butts. The two accused are behind bars.

Despite the stringent provisions made in the law to ensure protection for women and children against sexual offenders and predators after the atrocious Nirbhaya rape case of 2012, there is no let-up in crime against women. The latest National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data points to some appalling figures. Compared to 32,559 rape cases registered in 2017, the number went up to 33,356 in 2018. Significantly, every fourth victim was a minor in 2018 and in nearly 94 per cent cases, the victims were known to the offenders. Uttar Pradesh reported the third highest cases, after Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan.

This is the result of multiple factors. First and foremost, it reflects the abject failure of our society to bring up our sons to respect women and their agency. Exacerbating the situation are the poorly conducted investigations and slow justice system. The conviction rate for rape is only 27.2 per cent. As the majority of criminals get away with impunity, it is not surprising that law remains a poor deterrent, especially for the wellconnected and highly placed people. Though the Yogi Adityanath government came to power on the promise of ending jungle raj in UP, women are far from the promised land. The victims must get justice.

Dhoni calls it a day

Captain Cool's exit signals the end of an era

AHENDRA SINGH DHONI, the railway ticket checker from Ranchi who became king, has completed his journey, signalling the end of an era. The final goodbye was a long time coming yet when he did say it, it left fans of sport a sentimental mush. It is not surprising, too — Dhoni was the ultimate commoner who ruled the greens and hearts. He played the game with passion, yet remained the coolest man on the field even as everyone else around him wilted under pressure. He played aggressively but never crossed the line —it's almost impossible to find misdemeanours in his name in the 15 years he played international cricket. The universal outpouring of love for him shows he had the respect and affection of his peers, on the field and off it.

Dhoni's legacy is unquestionable: Definitely India's greatest limited-overs captain, probably the greatest finisher in white-ball cricket, and a great captain in Test cricket. India won three biggest ICC trophies under him, his mark evident on each triumph — the 2007 T20 World Cup, the 2011 50-over World Cup and the 2013 Champions Trophy. India became the No. 1 Test team for the first time under Dhoni in 2009. As a batsman, he started out as an aggressive strokeplayer who hit the ball incredibly hard; he evolved into a very cerebral batsman who paced his innings perfectly in every format of the sport. He was not the most natural wicketkeeper but was lightning-fast and worked very hard on his skills behind the wickets.

The sum of all this is that he became a superstar, a man who soared past even the likes of Sachin Tendulkar and Rahul Dravid on the popularity charts. He was an advertiser's dream, a dashing sports star with a mane of flowing hair which earned the admiration of even Pakistan's head of state. Our greats in the past have bickered over captaincy. Dhoni, though a born leader, did not covet captaincy and gave it up of his own will. He may have been a bit late in ending his career, but the gulf he leaves won't be filled.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Life is not always a matter of holding good cards, but sometimes, playing a poor hand well. — Jack London

ON THIS DAY...100 YEARS AGO

The Tribune.

LAHORE, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1920

"A New Menace to India's Freedom" UNDER this heading, the *Independent* has the following:-- "We think that it will

be the distinct duty of every nationalist politician and organisation in the country to send cables to the Secretary of State and the Premier and the British press stating in unequivocal terms the considered opinion of the country that these "sops" will not at all meet the gravity of the situation, and adding, that apart from the wrong policy of these things, personally Satyendra Prasanna Sinha having entirely lost the respect and confidence of his own countrymen by his pronouncements on the Punjab atrocities and also by his unshamed identification with a small coterie of Moderate Indian politicians, his appointment to the proposed post will be regarded as an insult to the people of the country." We entirely dissent from every part of this observation. It is not the duty, whether distinct or otherwise, of any nationalist politician or organisation in the country to tell the Secretary of State that these "sops will not at all meet the gravity of the situation." Mr. Montagu is no fool. He knows what is what, and, while he may pride himself upon the substantial step that he has taken, there is no reason to do him the injustice of attributing to him the hope or the belief that those who have been asking for a completely responsible government will be satisfied or even placated by a measure which leaves the problem of responsibility exactly where it is. Secondly, the policy, in pursuance of which this action has been taken is one which our Congresses and Conferences as well as other public bodies have now for over thirty years been earnestly urging the Government to adopt. Lastly, unfortunate as some of Lord Sinha's pronouncements have been, it is going too far to say that "he entirely lost the respect and confidence of his own countrymen."

Afghan peace on the horizon

Last hurdle overcome with the release of final batch of 400 Taliban prisoners



MK BHADRAKUMAR

FORMER AMBASSADOR

HE expectations are high that the long-awaited intra-Afghan peace talks will commence in Doha this week. Washington has literally frogmarched the Afghan government headed by Ashraf Ghani to the peace talks, overcoming its delaying tactics. The US-Taliban pact, signed in Doha in February, had chalked out that the talks would commence on March 10 and the amazing salience is that the pact hasn't lost traction.

The last hurdle to the talks was overcome when the US arm-twisted Ghani to release the final batch of around 400 Taliban prisoners who had been indicted for violent crimes. In a face-saving formula, Ghani called a 'Loya Jirga' to legitimise his turnaround on prisoner release. The Taliban feel vindicated. In remarks to the Voice of America, the Taliban spokesman sought 'flexibility' by both sides, saying, 'This conflict cannot be solved unilaterally. If they want a solution, then we too are looking for same, and God willing, we will hopefully find a solution.'

The US too has injected an air of optimism. A statement by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on August 6, anticipating the outcome of the Loya Jirga, noted that 'The Taliban have also committed to significantly reduce violence and casualties during the talks where the parties will decide on a political map to end the... war and agree on a permanent and comprehensive ceasefire. The United States intends to hold the Taliban to these commitments.'

Pompeo added that in a post-settlement era, the US would still keep its eye on the ball — maintaining 'substantial security assistance'; expanding its development programmes;



SALIENCE: The US-Taliban pact, signed in Doha in February, hasn't lost traction.

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remaining committed to investment plans; and 'improving regional economic ties and connectivity,' especially through joint infrastructure projects funded by the aid agencies.

The US estimates that the forthcoming intra-Afghan talks will be productive. Such optimism stems also from the broadening political consensus in Kabul lately towards the Doha talks. A triumvirate of Ghani, former president Hamid Karzai and former chief executive officer Abdullah is driving the peace process on the Afghan government side. It projects a level of unity and statesmanship unthinkable until very recently.

On July 30, in an appearance before the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Pompeo divulged a timeline for the total troop withdrawal from Afghanistan. To quote him, 'We have entered into agreement (with the Taliban). We will go to zero, we'll get our forces out of there. I think it's May of next year.' Subsequently, US Defence Secretary Mark Esper disclosed that US troops will be reduced to 'a number less than 5,000' by November-end. President Trump has a deal here: the intra-Afghan talks dovetail with his re-election campaign for November. That, in turn, becomes the surest guarantee of progress at Doha. Trump is the winner in the near term.

Reports indicated a major recasting of the Taliban negotiating team. The 20-member team now has 13 figures drawn from the Taliban's leadership council. The new inductees include key figures such as Mullah Yaqoob (eldest son of Taliban founder Mullah Omar), Sheikh Mohammad Qasim Turkman and Anas Haqqani Zadran. Analysts have speculated that the rotation of senior religious scholars and hardened military commanders in the Taliban's team aims to build consensus within the different wings of the movement, and enhances the authority of the political office in Doha to speak for the entire organisation. Equally, it could be aimed at strengthening Pakistan's capacity to leverage the peace process. But one crucial part still remains nebulous — the Taliban's perspectives on peace.

The Taliban's negotiating positions on reconciliation, power-sharing and governance remain ambiguous. Sever-

al complex issues are involved here such as constitutional reforms and political system; the Taliban's concept of 'inclusive' government; the restructuring of Afghan security forces and integration of Taliban fighters; rights of women and minorities; the Taliban's ambitions for a post-war era, etc.

The Taliban staunchly resist a public denunciation of al-Qaeda which compelled the US to scale down expectations to a call to them to prevent the Afghan territory being used to stage terrorist attacks on the US and its allies, and draw 'red lines' to that effect. The UN has highlighted the presence of terrorist groups on Afghan soil, but the Taliban regard them as Muslim dissidents forced into exile. The choice for the international community is to accept the Taliban's word and suspend disbelief.

Clearly, the intra-Afghan dialogue has a formidable task ahead to prepare a road map for the transition from armed insurgency to 'Islamic governance'. The US hopes to lean on Pakistan to navigate the way forward. But the US election in November introduces new uncertainties.

The 2020 Democratic Platform which turns its back on the US' 'forever wars' and 'militarised' foreign policy, says: "Democrats are committed to a durable and inclusive peace settlement in Afghanistan that ensures that al-Qaeda isn't allowed to reconstitute, the Islamic State isn't allowed to grow, and the international community can help Afghans safeguard hard-fought gains, especially for women and girls." Hopefully, beyond the November election cycle, the US will keep its eyes on the ball, given the Taliban's opaque negotiating style. The Taliban and Pakistan would probably trade compromises to extract their highest priorities. A pattern was discernible at the Doha negotiations. Therefore, Pakistan's role becomes crucial. India has done the right thing by moving into the shade. The India-Pakistan tensions need not cast a shadow on the Afghan peace process. The two evergreen adversaries should agree that regional peace and stability can be in their mutual interest.

Banking days at remote Seegur

NJ RAVI CHANDER

UST after earning a bank promotion in 2001, the authorities bundled me off to a remote village branch at Seegur. The 'difficult centre' branch was godforsaken: lacking basic amenities, hotels and bus transport. To reach it from Bengaluru, I had to use three modes of transportation — a train ride to Mysuru, a bus journey to Periyapatna and culminating with a trip by a local van. The mangy vehicles are a sight for sore eyes and ply between Periyapatna and nearby villages. Drivers cram them like a can of sardines, and more often, one had to travel 'cattle class', with farm animals and poultry birds giving company.

Rural folks treat bank officers like demi-gods. They welcomed me with

garlands and *namastes*. Day one of my innings coincided with the 'ooru habba', or village festival, which takes on a festive air. Colourful bunting and stalls spring up and music rents the air. The locals adorn the village deity with a new sari, besides venerating and offering non-vegetarian fare. The celebrations end with a gluttonous feast where the entire village takes part.

Seegur is a picturesque hamlet famed for its tobacco cultivation and small wildlife. The banks, which have a tie-up with the tobacco board, extend credit to tobacco producers. The board recovers the monies and remits them to the banks after the auctions conclude. I had never seen a tobacco leaf earlier, and their enormous size fascinated me. I selected a giant-sized blade from a field and

packed it in my travel bag as a souvenir. 'Lady Nicotine' and rural banks have dramatically transformed the lives of peasants in these parts and created many a rags-to-riches story. Tobacco auctions are a time for celebrations, fantastic food and drinks. One had to watch out for deadly

snakes and scorpions that abound here. It was frightful to find scorpions hiding between ledger sheets. Snakes sought to bury themselves under heaps of firewood or hay. The creepy-crawlies slithered into the branch at night, but the attendants nonchalantly picked them up with a long bamboo pole and deposited them in the safety of a bush.

A cobra always warmed itself near the branch generator during the winter but slithered away on sensing us.

Peacocks and peahens made regular appearances. The nights turned magical with fireflies and glowworms lighting up trees and bushes. Jungle fowls that scampered through the thick foliage surprised us with their presence. Their small-sized eggs were rich in proteins, and I regularly ferried them to Bengaluru.

The Virajpet forest nearby was a favourite haunt. We escaped here on weekends to see elephants grazing in the wild. Branch attendants would get busy collecting elephant dung, which served as domestic fuel. The lake beside the branch would burst its banks during monsoon and submerge the road.

A rural posting, no doubt, comes with its trials and tribulations, but is nevertheless enjoyable, too.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Change with the times

The editorial 'Contempt of court' (Aug 17) rightly suggests that judges should be circumspect while using the contempt law. The SC decision in the Prashant Bhushan case should stir a public debate regarding the necessary amendments to ensure increased transparency. With due regard to the judges, this decision makes a common citizen feel that magnanimity rather than the rod would have served the ends of justice more. Any move which tries to stop the flow of information from the public to the judiciary is likely to prove counterproductive, particularly bearing in mind that corruption and permissiveness are all pervasive in our society and polity. Shutting the flow of fresh air, sometimes with heavy dust particles, is likely to make the judiciary stale and inadaptive to the changes required with the changing times.

SUBHASH C CHABBA, PANCHKULA

Criticism is not contempt Prashant Bhushan would never have imagined that his seemingly innocuous tweets would render him guilty of contempt of court and possibly land him in jail. This judgment, unfortunately, brings the credibility, impartiality and fairness of our judiciary

more damaging than people losing their trust in the apex court. It appears as if we are not worthy of being branded as democrats if mere criticism is tantamount to contempt of court. It is time to revisit the definition of contempt of court to clear the vulnerable vagueness and ambiguity.

KANWAL GURTEJ SINGH, MOHALI

In this case, wrong 'Contempt of court' (Aug 17) apparently 'criticises' the apex court decision which declared Prashant Bhushan guilty of contempt of court by making scandalous remarks against judges of the Supreme Court. The Tribune's remarks may fit in other cases, but in the case of Prashant Bhushan, this decision is right. He always blames the judiciary when his writ does not work before the judges and he fails to get decisions from courts as per his expectations. **RL BANSAL, KURUKSHETRA**

Guilty of contempt

Apropos of 'SC holds Bhushan guilty of contempt for CJI tweets' (Aug 15), we may gainfully refer to the observations of Justice Wilmot in R.v. Almon in 1765: 'And whenever men's allegiance to the law is so fundamentally shaken, it is the most fatal and most dangerous obstrucunder the scanner. Nothing can be tion of justice, and, in my opinion,

calls out for a more rapid and immediate redress than any other obstruction whatsoever, not for the sake of the judges, as private individuals, but because they are the channels by which the King's justice is conveyed to the people.' It is an eye-opener and the case will have a long-term impact. YASH PAL RALHAN, JALANDHAR

Same rights as son

Reference to the Aug 13 editorial,

'Equal rights for daughters', the SC verdict resolves an issue where courts took conflicting positions. The judgment underscores the 2005 amendment's progressive intent that ends gender inequality and discrimination against women. The amendment had stipulated that the daughter of a coparcener shall 'by birth' become a coparcener in her own right. The 2005 amendment's 'by birth' clause leaves no confusion, yet the legal lines got blurred. However, gender battles over equal rights are far from over, as varying by state, women are at the mercy of religious personal law. Many states follow HSA 2005, but some like Punjab, UP and Haryana are still governed by tenancy laws riddled with patriarchal biases. Succession rights for Hindu

women have overcome some hur-

dles, but some still remain. Perhaps a

uniform civil code may undo this

gender inequality and injustice too. **PRAKASH HANSPAUL, BY MAIL**

Not without bias

I found Julio Ribeiro's articles balanced and logical till I read his Aug 15 article on the Sushant Singh Rajput case. It was biased. He doesn't touch on various aspects which the Mumbai Police should have investigated. He is also biased in his views on Aditya Thackeray. Is that because he said he voted for him? The public is seeking a CBI probe because the Mumbai Police haven't done their job. It is a pity that he should talk about a person whom he came to know after his death. **GURMEET SINGH, JALANDHAR**

Played for team, not self

This year, several notable sport personalities have passed away — PK Banerjee, Chuni Goswami, Balbir Singh Kullar and the legendary Balbir Singh Sr, Dronacharya awardee Joginder Singh Saini, and now, cricketer Chetan Chauhan. Chetan was a prolific opening batsman. He would often get out when batting in the nineties. It reveals he played for the team and not for self, and thus has no centuries to his credit, even after playing 40 Tests. Adieu to these illustrious sons of our country.

GURDEEP S DHAMRAIT, DHARAMPUR

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Containment policy may fail to deter China



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RITING in the Communist Party's theoretical journal Qiushi last Saturday, Chinese President Xi Jinping rejected suggestions that China's Marxist political economy was outdated. He insisted that it gave primacy to markets in the allocation of resources, but at the same time, enhanced the role of the government. Notwithstanding the important role of the private sector, he declared, "The leading role of the stateowned economy cannot be shaken."

Last week, the influential weekly, The Economist, examined the subject from its liberal point of view arguing that that Xi Jinping's China is reinventing state capitalism and that it would be a mistake to underestimate its endeavour.

As the US-China quarrel escalates, many analysts say China with its mix of authoritarianism, technology and dynamism, is too big to stop. There does seem to be a general tendency to underestimate the sheer scale of the Chinese economy, or how it has used IP theft, R&D investments, and STEM education to create important equities in technology industries. Squeezing Iran or North Korea through sanctions is one thing, but

taking on China is quite another. The Economist argues that China has been less harmed by the tariff war than was expected, and it has been remarkably resistant to the Covid-19 pandemic. It is the only economy in the IMF's World Economic Outlook update of June 2020 that is likely to have a positive growth rate of 1 per cent in 2020. Everyone else is in negative territory. The US will be down -8 per cent, Euro area -10.2, and India -4.5.

This has probably reinforced Xi's belief that a strong one-party state is better able to handle the challenges of our times. Xi may have stopped liberalisation of the economy and enhanced party control over private firms, but he has also pushed stateowned enterprises to follow market rules, thus strengthening the new hybrid state capitalism.

All this come at a time when China is locked in a struggle with the US on a range of issues — from trade, technology and human rights to the origins of the Covid-19 virus. US leaders like Mike Pompeo are leading the charge, blaming the ruling Communist Party of China for a host of ills. Both countries are involved in a cycle of retaliatory actions, pugnacious official statements and sanctions that appear to be intensifying.

Providing the two countries do not get into a hot war, the real battle will really play itself out in the arena of technology, and the answer to the question as to whether innovation can flourish in an authoritarian China with its techno-centric planned system, or the diffused decision-making and open system of democracies.

Around the world, especially in countries like India, there is concern over Chinese behaviour. Many think it could be a result of some Covid opportunism or to distract attention from



the fallout of the pandemic at home. Richard Haass, president of the Council on Foreign Relations, says this could well be simply that China has transitioned into a new era and reflects its strengths and ambitions.

Trump Administration hawks, wary of a Biden victory in November, now want financial decoupling, meaning denying Chinese banks and companies access to the US dollars for financial settlements. Some even call for seizing the part of the US debt that is held by China. While both the options would inflict severe harm on the US and the world economy as well, the Chinese are planning for the worst. They are renewing efforts to internationalise the yuan and their central

bank has reported a 36.7 per cent growth of cross-border settlement in the currency over the past year. Several proposals are doing the rounds, ranging from pricing some exports in renminbi, to creating a digital yuan for cross-border transactions.

India and the world have to decide just what do they want of China. Do they want regime change, the blocking of the economic and geopolitical rise of China, or merely a halt to its unfair trade and business practices and IP theft?

The former would involve an all-out Cold War, while the latter would suggest a coalition of countries to systematically confront China. Having so far taken on China on its own, it is doubtful whether the US could now get a coalition for a new containment policy on China, especially its more extreme versions. China is not about to keel over, but could actually emerge more resilient by being forced to adjust its economy to US pressure.

Further, countries like Vietnam, Australia and South Korea, and even Japan are heavily dependent on the Chinese economy. Recently, Australian Foreign Minister Marise Payne told the visiting Mike Pompeo that Australia had its own China policy "and we have no intention of injuring it", spelling out the fact that the Australians made their "own decisions, own judgements in the Australian national interest."

SETTING THE RULES: There is a tendency to underestimate the sheer scale of the Chinese economy. That still leaves India for whom Chinese economic ties are not too significant, but important geopolitical differences are. Joining US hawks in the pursuit of extreme options would be self-destructive. On the other hand, coordinating a pushback with likeminded middle powers in the region, the EU and, maybe, a better led US, would be useful. Presidential candidate Joe Biden's support to counter border threats with China is a good beginning since this is the first time a top US leader has come out in categorical support of India in relation to Ladakh. We may not get to humiliate

China, as many Indians want to, but

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Access to data is critical for policy-making



DINESH C SHARMA SCIENCE COMMENTATOR

The spread of the pandemic and the implementation of the control measures have yielded a huge amount of data. Data about the progression of the disease should not be confused with scientific work to hunt for new vaccines and treatments. While Indian scientists have progressed on candidate vaccines and therapeutic agents against the novel coronavirus, they appear to be lagging in research based on epidemiological and medical data.

T is often said that data is the new oil. In times of a pandemic like the current one, data can help formulate policies to save people's lives and livelihoods. India has recorded over 26 lakh confirmed cases and more than 51,000 deaths due to the novel coronavirus infection so far. The number of active cases is nearly 7 lakh. The cases have been reported from all the states and union territories, covering all districts barring a couple of them in the Northeast. None of the earlier pandemics in this century have affected India in this manner, accounting for such a huge number of deaths. The pandemic has also necessitated administrative and control measures like lockdowns, creation of containment zones, restriction on transport services, closure of educational institutions and so on.

All this — the spread of the pandemic and the implementation of the control measures such as nationwide and statelevel lockdowns — have yielded a huge amount of data. It can be used to generate new knowledge and gain insights which can then be deployed for better management and control of the pandemic. Data about the progression of the disease should not be confused with ongoing scientific work to hunt for new vaccines and treatments. While Indian scientists have progressed on candidate vaccines and therapeutic agents against the novel coronavirus, they appear to be lagging in research based on epidemiological and medical data.

The Indian scientific community, known for a great appetite for publishing research papers, is trailing when it



VITAL INPUT: Govt agencies are denying access to data as in the case of serological studies in which names of districts with evidence of community transmission were censored initially.

comes to research relating to the current pandemic. Just a handful of Indian studies have been published in international peer-reviewed journals, compared to dozens of papers from China, the US, Spain and other countries on different aspects of the new disease. Here, the reference is not to modelling studies but those based on real data and medical records. For instance, we don't yet have a thorough analysis of the mortality data. There are questions over underreporting of deaths as many are being wrongly attributed to underlying problems like diabetes and heart disease.

Lack of disease-specific studies would normally be due to lack of data and lack of access to data. Clearly, lack of data is not the reason in the present case. A huge amount of data is being collected from the national to district levels. Two apex scientific agencies — the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) — are collecting data on different aspects of the disease. At the administrative level, the ministries of health and family welfare, and home affairs have their own channels of data collection like the Aarogya Setu mobile app. In addition, agencies like the Registrar of Births and Deaths and the Census Commissioner's office which collates Medical Certification of Cause of Death (MCCD) data. Another set of bodies collecting data are municipal corporations. Every hospital — public or private treating Covid-19 patients is also generating tons of medical data (progression of the disease, treatment given, impact of co-morbidities, ICU management etc.) In effect, we are sitting on a great amount of epidemiological and medical data relating to Covid-19.

This shifts the focus to the second reason — lack of access to data. Central government agencies have been releasing state-wise data about the number of tests, new infections, deaths, case fatality rate (CFR), recovery rate on a daily basis. The CFR does not give the true burden of the disease since it shows fatalities only in confirmed cases. On the other hand, the infection fatality ratio (IFR) indicates deaths occurring among all infected persons and is based on the results of serological testing. A nationwide or state-wide CFR also masks intrahospital or intra-district variations.

More detailed, granular data is needed for taking location-specific control and management decisions. For instance, many big cities include rural pockets as well, and many districts have towns and villages. The disease may be progressing differently within a metro or district, which the overall figure does not reflect. More important, age-wise and gender-wise data about infection and mortality is not being released. So is data related to different socio-economic strata and the situation within hotspots and containment zones. Access and analysis of such data should not be seen as an academic exercise but as a valuable input that can guide better management of the pandemic, thus potentially saving lives.

Besides epidemiological data collected by official agencies, government and private hospitals are sitting on medical data — information about how exactly patients are being treated, how serious

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ones are being managed, and the reasons for mortality as well as recovery. One can argue that hospitals, particularly state-run, don't maintain electronic medical records. But they prepare discharge summaries for each patient, which are either digitised or can easily be digitised and made available for analysis and research. It may help scientists answer dozens of unanswered questions about the disease.

Clearly, there is unwillingness on the part of Central agencies like the ICMR to share data or facilitate sharing by agencies and hospitals collecting it. It is a pity that despite boasting of huge research manpower and infrastructure, Covid-19 management and critical policies (relating to unlocking, for instance) in the country should be guided by modelling studies and knowledge generated elsewhere. The pandemic is a major opportunity for Indian scientific and public health community to directly contribute to the well-being of the people by helping in the formulation of evidence-based policies. Policies relating to opening up markets or movement across state borders, quarantine etc should be based on evidence generated by real-time data. Instead, government agencies are denying access to data and preventing scientific studies, as demonstrated in the case of the serological study in which names of districts with evidence of community transmission were censored before it was published. The ICMR has acted like this previously with research relating to the Bhopal gas tragedy and antibiotic resistance due to the NDM-1 superbug. Now, it is the turn of Covid-19.

QUICK CROSSWORD

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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DHARAMSALA, AUGUST 17

Two persons were killed when the car they were travelling in met with an accident near 53 Miles on the

Kangra-Palampur highway.

Those killed have been identified as Des Raj of Rit village near Jaisinghpur and Ravi Kumar of Dharer

near Baijnath. The third occupant of the car Vinay Kumar of Dhar village near Panchrukhi was injured.

Sources said the accident took place as the driver could not see another vehicle coming from the opposite direction due to heavy rain. —TNS

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2.	ਦਰਖਤ 10 (ਸਫੈਦਾ, ਡੇਕ, ਫੁੱਟਕਲ)	11-00 ਵਜੇ ਸਵੇਰੇ
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NORTHERN RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE

For & on behalf of the President of India, Chief Workshop Manager, N. Rly. C&V workshop, Jagadhri Workshop/Yamuna Nagar invites open e-tender for the followin

10	Website particulars	www.ireps.gov.in
9	Opening of tender	16.09.2020 till 15.35 hrs. Tender opening will be done any time after the tender closing time. The tenderers are not required to be present during the opening. Railway reserves the right to open the tender any time after closing of tender.
8	Date &Time for submission of tender form	16.09.2020 till 15.30 hrs.
7	Completion period of the work	12 months from the date of issuance of Letter of Acceptance
6	Earnest money amount	Rs. 68600/-
5	Cost of Tender form	Rs. 3,000/-
4	Quantity	As Per Scope of Work
3	Tender Value	Rs. 3430620/-
2	Location	Northern Railway, Carriage & Wagon Repair Shop, Jagadhri Workshop, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana- 135002
1	Name of work	Retrimming/Refurbishment of cushion of seats / berths / back rest as per drawing & specification at Northern Railway, Jagadhri Workshop

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E-Procurement Tender Notice Inviting Quotation Hydrology Construction & Maintenance Division Jal Shakti Vibhag Tutikandi, Shimla-4 NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

(Two Envelope Bidding Process with e-procurement) Online bids for item rate tender on National Competitive Bidding format prescribed as per World Bank Procurement Procedure are invited by the Executive Engineer, Hydrology C&M Division, Tutikandi, Shimla 4, on the behalf of the Governor of Himachal Pradesh, in electronic tendering system in two covers for the undermentioned work fron experienced Contractors/Firms.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Bid Security	Cost of tender form (Rs.)	of				
	National Hydrology Project (Supply Installation, testing & commissioning of Soil Moisture sensors, Canal Sensor and other allied sensors including Clour Configuration, data collection platform and integration with telemetry in Command Area of Shahnehar Project in Himachal Pradesh under National Hydrology Project.	of d d s n n	1500.00	90 Days				
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Date of calling 3. Date of online publication 14.08.2020 4. Date of commencement of 14.08.2020 from 06:00 p.m. onwards downloading of bid document 5. Last date for seeking clarification, 24.08.2020 at 11.00 a.m. if any. 6. Pre-bid meeting 24.08.2020 at 11.30 a.m. 7. Bid Submission Start Date 02.09.2020 at 06:00 p.m. onwards 8. Last date and time for bid 15.09.2020 up to 11:00 a.m. submission/uploading of bid on www.hptenders.gov.in 9. Time and date of opening of 15.09.2020 at 11:30 a.m. Technical Bids 10. Place of opening of bids and Office of the Executive Enginee

2. Availability of Bid Document and mode of submission: (i) The bid document is available online and bid should be

address for communication

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submitted online on website https://hptenders.gov.in (ii) The bid documents shall be uploaded on https://hptenders.gov.in in two cover including Technical Documents eligibility information.

Hydrology C&M Division Shimla-4.

DISTRICT BHIWANI AS PER DNIT

(iii) The bidder may also contact the office for any clarifications personally, telephonically No. 0177-2658166 or e-mail eehydro@yahoo. co.in.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,

Hydrology Construction & Maintenance Division, Shimla-4. No-IPH-National Hydrology Project-CB-Tender/NIQ/2020-21- 2413-95

2 killed in car mishap Confusion reigns as HPU exams begin

Govt claims not aware of HC order I Varsity postpones exam scheduled for today

BHANU P LOHUMI TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, AUGUST 17

There was confusion among students today as Himachal Pradesh University (HPU) went ahead with the final-year undergraduate (UG) examinations in spite of the order by the High Court which said the HPU might not proceed with the exam schedule.

After taking the note of the fact that the similar kind of petition is pending before the Supreme Court, a Division Bench comprising Justice Sureshwar Thakur and Justice CB Barowalia observed that the university might not proceed with the schedule and listed the matter for hearing on August 19.

The court passed the interim order on a petition filed by Yaseen Mohd, contending that the Centre had not allowed the opening of schools and colleges till date. Despite that the HPU had issued a schedule for the final examinations. He filed the petition, seeking postponement of the examinations due to the Covid threat.

The order was passed on



August 14 but the university and the government claimed that they had come to know about it around 10 am today while examinations at 153 centres across the state were underway. The casual approach by the university and the government in legal matters was also exposed. The case is listed for hearing on August 19.

Education Minister Gobind Thakur said the government came to know about the

NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDERING

OPEN TENDER NOTICE NO. NIT-13/UMB-2020-21 DATED 17.08.2020

Open tenders through E-tendering are invited by Sr. Divisional Engineer/Coordination, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing

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Tenderers should have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate to participate in E-Tendering of works tenders.

contractors for following work upto 15.00 hrs. on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.

court orders this morning and by the time, the examinations had already been started. He said, "The similar matter is pending in the apex court but no stay has been granted and the University Grants Commission has also given approval for holding the examinations. We have made elaborate arrangements for these."

"We are consulting legal experts and filing a Special Leave Petition (SLP)," he

The HPU authorities and officials of the Education Department are tight-lipped on the issue.

The faux pas has caused embarrassment to the government and students, their parents and people at large are at a loss to know the reason for the serious communication gap.

"The authorities have created a lot of confusion. Students from outside the state

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VC to move HC for review

- The HPU has postponed the undergraduate final semester exam slated for Tuesday in view of the court orders
- The HPU Vice-Chancellor Prof Sikander Kumar said further action would be taken on the basis of the outcome of a similar case pending in the apex court, listed for tomorrow
- The government has asked the VC to move the High Court for the review of its order of August 14

Students have a look at the sitting arrangements at RKMV College, Shimla, on Monday. PHOTO: AMIT KANWAR

have already reached the centre to appear in the examinations and now there is a complete chaos", says the father of a student.

Some advocates must have appeared in the court or through video-conferencing on behalf of the university and the government during the hearing on August 14 and it was baffling that the orders did not reach the government, said a senior advocate.

Doc assaulted in Kullu, twobooked

OUR CORRESPONDENT

KULLU, AUGUST 17

The police have registered a case on the complaint of a doctor posted at the regional hospital here against two persons for assaulting him while he was returning home after duty.

The doctor stated in the complaint that he was driving his car on the night of August 14. When he reached near the Mohal Chowk, a vehicle came from the rear, overtook his car and hit it.

After the accident, the other vehicle driver started fighting with him. Another person came out of the vehicle and both assaulted him, inflicting injuries in his mouth and hands. His T-shirt was also torn. The police have registered a case and started investigation.

Kullu SP Gaurav Singh said that a case had been registered at Bhuntar police station on the complaint of the doctor. He added that the occupants of the other vehicle had been identified and the investigation was underway. No person had been arrested so far.

infected in Solan

Kangra-Ranital road blocked for 6 hours 3 health workers TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

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DHARAMSALA, AUGUST 17

A heavy landslide blocked traffic on the Ranital-Kangra highway for about six hours this morning, disrupting essential supplies to the Kangra valley. Heavy rain last night triggered landslides.

The Public Works Department (PWD) authorities deployed JCB machines to clear the debris, which took about six hours, to open the road. The stretch near Kangra is prone to landslides as the hills have been cut for road widening.

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For detail, please log on IREPS website www.ireps.gov.in.

GST will be levied as per GST Act. 2017

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The Kangra-Ranital highway blocked due to a landslide caused by rains on Monday. PHOTO: KAMALJEET

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the state with 18 positive today, taking Himachal's covid tally to 4,174. Six positive cases were reported in Solan. Two cases in Sirmaur were a 29year old man and a 24-year old woman from Surla area of Nahan today. Three cases were reported in Chamba, two each in Shimla, Una and Kangra and one in Bilaspur.

TRIBUNE REPORTERS

There was some respite for

SHIMLA, AUGUST 17

Six cases in Solan

Six persons, including three health employees of the ESI Hospital, tested positive for coronavirus in the district. Medical Officer, Solan, Dr NK Gupta said that two interstate travellers from Nalagarh, and four direct contacts of Covid patients from Parwanoo, were found infected.

Two infected in Sirmaur

A 29-year-old man and a 24year-old woman from the Surla area of Nahan in Sirmaur district tested Covid-

Active cases 1,313 **Positive cases** 4,174 **Deaths** 17 **DISTRICT-WISE COUNT** +VE Una 329 981 Solan 616 3 Kangra 295 Chamba 414 Hamirpur 515 Sirmaur Mandi 317 102 Bilaspur 233 Shimla 227 Kullu 59 **Kinnaur** Lahaul & Spiti 4,174

VIRUS TRACKER

Samples tested

Recovered

1,79,945

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positive on Monday.

Kangra logs 2 cases

A 48-year-old policeman posted at Baijnath and a 52-year-old man from Garli village, Paragpur, were found infected.

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Dated. 17.08.2020

Rajendra Place, New Delhi 10.09.2020 10.09.2020 10.09.2020 1. Tenderers are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligibility documents including PAN/TIN/GST as per conditions. The required Earnest Money & Tender document cost will be acceptable On-line payment through Net 1780/2020

CORRIGENDUM Public Notice:- In continuation to the admission notice published earlier last date of application form submission / allotment of seats has been extended from 17.08.2020 to 15.09.2020. Govt. Food Craft Institute, Dharamshala (Department of Tourism & Civil Aviation Govt. of H.P.) VPO Khaniara, Dharamshala, Distt. Kangra (HP) - 176218, (Ph. 01892-246036, Mob. 9882790091, 9816939544, 9805857883) प्रवेश सूचना २०२०-२०२१ ро виче объекте **иго** вибники, сибетна цто въс койки **Diploma** до гледовал ет 2020-ет до бит задъчи заибат бит вид вед д S.N. Name of Course Category wise Eligibility (01-07-2020) Diploma in Food Production Gen = 28 With English as a (01-07-2020) SC = 08Diploma in F&B Service ST = 04Those appearing in OBC = 08 Diploma in Front Office Operation 28 Years 12th Exams may also Diploma in Housekeeping Operation | 55 PH = 02(i.e. date of (i.e. date of apply their admission will FWS = 05

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GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

SR. NO.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	(APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	PWD B&R, HISAR	INSTALLATION OF LIFT IN LALA LAJPAT RAI COMPLEX (NEW CHAMBER BUILDING) DISTT. COURTS AT HISAR + 2 OTHER WORKS	18.08.2020 01.09.2020	61.80 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01662-225651/ pwd-eeed-hissar@hry.nic.in
2	PWD B&R, HISAR	PDG. CCTV CAMERA SYSTEM OUTSIDE THE DAC BUILDING AND JUDICIAL COURT COMPLEX AT HISAR + 8 OTHER WORKS	19.08.2020 02.09.2020	1.03 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01662-225651/ pwd-eeed-hissar@hry.nic.in
3	PWD B&R, KAITHAL	SPECIAL REPAIR OF PHC BUILDING (NON RESIDENTIAL) AT VILLAGE KITHANA (IN KAITHAL DISTT.) (RE-INVITED)	03.09.2020	19.95 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-222282 pwd-eepd-kaithal@hry.nic.in
4	PANCHAYATI RAJ, PALWAL	CONSTRUCTION OF PANCHAYAT BHAWAN AT VILLAGE GURASKSAR BLOCK HATHIN DISTT. PALWAL +5 OTHER WORKS	20.08.2020 29.08.2020	40.15 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01275-298060 prexeeng.pwl@gmail.com
5	PANCHAYATI RAJ, PALWAL	CONSTRUCTION OF PANCHAYAT BHAWAN AT VILLAGE GURASKSAR BLOCK HATHIN DISTT. PALWAL +5 OTHERWORKS	20.08.2020 29.08.2020	1.26 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01275-298060 prexeeng.pwl@gmail.com
6	PANCHAYATI RAJ, PALWAL	CONSTRUCTION OF PANCHAYAT BHAWAN AT VILLAGE GARROT BLOCK HATHIN DISTT. PALWAL + 5 OTHER WORKS	20.08.2020 29.08.2020	1.28 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	prexeeng.pwl@gmail.com 01275-298060
7	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING KAITHAL	PUNDRI TOWN-PROVIDING SEWERAGE FACILITY IN NEWLY APPROVED AREA AT PUNDRI TOWN DISTT. KAITHAL "PROVIDING, FIXING, COMMISSIONING AND TESTING OF ONLINE COD, BOD & TSS SENSOR AND DATA CONNECTIVITY OF EXISTING EQMS TO CPCB/HSPCB AND PHED SERVERS INCLUDING 5 YEAR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF 3 NOS. STP AT KAITHAL TOWN AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO	13.08.2020 21.08.2020	8.29 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-222250/ ee1kaithal@phedharyana.gov.
8	IRRIGATION & WR DEPARTMENT HARYANA FARIDABAD.	SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR ENGAGING SKILLED/UNSKILLED WORKMEN/OFFICIALS ON CONTRACT BASIS THROUGH OUTSOURCING AGENCY.	CLOSING DATE 27.08.2020	EMD 20000/-	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	xen-wsmfbd.irr@gov.in
9	PANCHAYATI RAJ, SIRSA	CONST. OF GRAM SACHIVALYA AT VILLAGE NEZADELA KALAN BLOCK SIRSA DISTT. SIRSA	16.08.2020 15.09.2020	23.66 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01666-247479
10	ADDITIONAL DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,	SUPPLY, INSTALLATION/CONS. & COMMISSIONING OF GOBARDHAN PROJECT IN GRAM PANCHAYAT DHANI MAHU, BLOCK TOSHAM, DISTRICT BHIWANI AS PER DNIT	17.08.2020 24.08.2020	49.46 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01664-254070 242893 bwnhssbm@gmail.com

NOTE:

Principal Chief Materials Manager Headquarters Office, Baroda House, New Delhi-110001

Mail ID: salenr365@gmail.com No. 117-S-Sales-Auction Programme-2020-21 e-AUCTION NOTICE NO. SEPTEMBER/20

E-Auction will be conducted for disposal of Ferrous Scrap, Non Ferrous Scrap, Other Misc Scrap, Condemned Loco, Coaches and Wagons, Including Scrap Rail and other scrap P Way material. Auction programme is as under. e- AUCTION Schedule for September, 2020.

S. No.	Depot/Division conducting auction	1" round	2 [™] round	7º round	round	5" round
1	DY.CMM/AMV /LKO 0522-2451257	01.09.20	08.09.20	15.09.20	22.09.20	29.09.20
2	DY.CMM/SSB 011-27015387	02.09.20	09.09.20	16.09.20	23.09.20	30.09.20
3	DY.CMM/JUDW 01732-252388	07.09.20	14.09.20	21.09.20	28.09.20	
4	Sr.DMM/LKO 0522-2234756	07.09.20	14.09.20	21.09.20	28.09.20	
5	Sr.DMM/FZR 01632-244154	02.09.20	09.09.20	16.09.20	23.09.20	30.09.20
6	Sr.DMM/UMB 0171-2611203	03.09.20	10.09.20	17.09.20	24.09.20	**
7.	Sr.DMM/MB 0591-2413141	03.09.20	10.09.20	17.09.20	24.09.20	
8	Sr.DMM/DLI 011-23365311	01.09.20	08.09.20	15.09.20	22.09.20	29.09.20

 E-Auction will be held from 12.00 AM on wards as per above programme 2. The details of item to be sold in auction will be available in catalogue at www.ireps.gov.in.

3. The intending purchasers may inspect the scrap material before the auction during working hours at nominated locations. In this regard details are available at ireps

 To register for in e-auction, purchasers need to visit website 'www.ireps.gov.in'. In case any difficulty in registering purchasers may contact CMM/S&P. (Perhlad Singh)

bwnhssbm@gmail.com ep அது FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT : www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in

Dy. CMM/S&P For Principal Chief Materials Manager SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

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TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 17

Overnight rains created havoc in Jammu on Monday, with a major portion of the busy Circular Road connecting the Chief Minister's residence and Raj Bhavan caving in, causing damage to three parked cars.

"Three cars have been badly damaged after a major portion of the Circular road caved in near Bawa Lal ji temple. This portion of the road was constructed just eight months ago and the quality of the work needs to be probed," local residents demanded.

The angry residents said that two similar incidents had already taken place in the area. Rainwater also caused extensive damage to houses in the Peer Kho area and Amar Colony of Jammu.

The road outside the IIIM, Jammu, was also flooded, causing severe hardships to people residing in the area. Meanwhile, water supply to

several localities in the old city was disrupted due to high silt and erratic power supply. Reports from Samba said

an important bridge on the Rajpura-Sarthi road was washed away due to flash flood in the rivulet.



Rain wreaks havoc in Jammu Six deaths in Valley; 422 new cases in UT

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 17

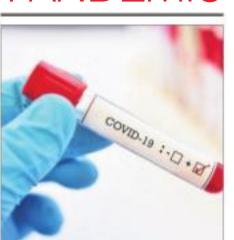
Six Covid deaths, all from the Kashmir valley, were reported in the past 24 hours, while Jammu and Kashmir recorded 422 new cases, 81 from the Jammu division and 341 from the Kashmir valley, during the same period.

The total number of cases in the UT jumped to 28,892. A total of 353 patients recovered and were discharged from various hospitals, 89 from the Jammu division and 264 from the Valley.

According to the official bulletin issued on Monday evening, out of the 28,892 positive cases, 7,048 are active positive, 21,296 recoveries and 548 deaths, 41 in the Jammu division and 507 in the Kashmir valley.

The bulletin further said that out of the 80,1329 test results available, 77,2437 samples had tested negative.

Till date 41,5725 trav-



UT TRACKER

Total deaths	5/12
Patients cured	21,296
Positive cases	28,892
Negative results	7,72,437
Samples tested	8,01,329
Persons completing surveillance	3,20,606
Total persons under surveillance	4,15,725

ellers and persons in contact with the suspected cases had been enlisted for observation, which included 41,738 persons in home quarantine, including facilities operated by the government, 7,048 in isolation and 4,5785 under home surveillance. Besides, 3,20,606 persons had completed their surveillance period.

Lt-Guy's Gold

Plain paper application along with bio-data including contact number are invited for the following post in Ex-Servicemen Canteen, Hoshiarpur. Interested retired JCOs/ORs Widows & Dependants of Defence personnel and civilians can send their application to Commanding Officer, 212 Rocket Regiment, PIN — 926212, C/o 56 APO by 25 Aug

20	2020. Eligible candidates will be called for interview on 28 Aug., 2020:-									
S/No.	Appointment	Vacancy	Qualification							
(a)	Accountant	01 (One)	Intermediate / 10+2-& a retired JCO from Army with knowledge of accounts and preferably with Computer knowledge.							
(b)	UDC	01 (One)	Matric or equivalent with good knowledge of English and typing speed of 40 words per min. The knowledge of Computer will be an essential qualification.							
(c)	Billing Clerk	12 (Twelve)	High School/10th class with average knowledge of English and capable of billing on Computers.							

3. Candidates should mention the post applied for in the application

NOTE: 1. Application received after 25 Aug., 2020 will not be entertained.

For queries pl contact - 6284438149/01882221053. 2. Ex-servicemen will be preferred for employment.

PUBLICE NOTICE

Corporation, Panchkula has been published for delimitation of wards on 13.08.2020 vide Govt. Notification No. 18/172/2020. Wherein Notice is given that proposal will be taken into consideration by the Government on or after the expiry of a period of 10 days from the date of publication in the gazette, together with objections and suggestions, if any, which may be received by the Principal Secretary to Government Haryana, Urban Local Bodies Department, Director Urban Local Bodies, Haryana, Municipal Corporation, Panchkula through Deputy Commissioner, Panchkula from any person in respec of the proposal before the expiry of the period so specified. The notification is uploaded on the official website www.mcpanchkula.org

It is hereby informed to the General Public that boundaries of Municipa

Sd/- Executive Officer, Municipal Corporation, Panchkula.

www.punjabagro.co.in PUNJAB AGRO'S RIVERS NOTICE INVITING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

PAIC, the State Nodal Agency for implementation of 'PM Formalization of Micro Food Enterprises' Scheme in Punjab, invites proposal from reputed consultancy firms for preparation of State Level Upgradation Plan and providing requisite professionals for the State Project Management Unit enabling the

implementation of the Scheme. A detailed 'Request For Proposal' document can be downloaded from our website: www.punjabagro.co.in as well as procurement website of GoP https://eproc.punjab.gov.in Punjab Agro reserves the right to amend, alter or modify the RFP at any

time for which information will be shared on the above websites. **Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Limited**

Plot No. 2A, Sector 28 A, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh

Mob. No. 8427002280 DPR/Pb/64473

Dated: 14.08.2020

PRDH/82289

CIN: U51219CH1966SGC002630

E-Tender Notice Reference No. 03/2020 On behalf of Governor of Punjab, Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

Division Bathinda invites percentage rate tender through eligible L&C Societies/Bidders for the Project Enlisted with Punjab Panchayati Raj Department as per details below: No. of Work

Renovation of Pond (Under R.D.O.(S) Scheme at Village Jhanda Khurd Block Sardulgarh, Distt. Mansa (Estimated Cost 60.00 Lakh)

Closing Date & Time: Date: 02.09.2020 For details logon to: www.eproc.punjab.gov.in **Note:** Any Corrigendum to the Tender Notice shall be published on the above

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AMBALA SADAR

Public Notice

disposal of sewage within MC limit by registering the tanker

suppliers for safe disposal of sewage to nearest Sewerage

Treatment Plant to curb the menace of illegal disposal of which is

in violation of the orders of the Hon'ble NGT. The interested

suppliers of tankers shall get themselves registered with Municipal

Council Ambala, Sadar failing which action as defined in the

aforesaid orders shall be taken against the tanker owners which is

fine up to Rs. 5000/- per tankers at the first detection and 20% hike

in subsequent detections or 6 month imprisonment or both shall be

imposed upon the defaulter tanker owner. Any clarification and

prescribed application form for registration of vehicle may be

obtained telephonically from Sanitary Inspector, Municipal Council

Public Notice

It is brought to the notice of persons interested in the following acquired

land mentioned in the schedule to the Govt. of India, Gazette Notification vide S.O.4003 (E) published on 14th August 2018 under section 3-D of

the National Highways Act, 1956 for the public purpose of 4/6 laning of

Chandigarh-Ludhiana Section from the National Highway No.95 in

District Rupnagar to appear in persons or by an agent or by a legal

practitioner and state the nature of interest in such land and claims to compensation etc of this acquired land on 19.08.2020 at 10:30 AM in the

And whereas the substance of the said notification has been published in

three newspapers "The Times of India" (English)" & "Jagbani (Punjabi)"

Name of Village Area under Acquisition in

9K-8M

3K-3M

28K-1M

1K-16M

(Kanal-Marla) or (Bigha-Biswa

Competent Authority-cum-

Sub Divisional Magistrate, Rupnagar.

office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Rupnagar (Punjab)

and "Dainik Savera (Hindi)" on 25.08.2018 respectfully.

with H.B. No.

Marauli Kalan

Rampur Mehrab

Boothgarh

Sd/- Executive Officer,

Municipal Council, Ambala Sadar.

Ambala Sadar at Mobile No. 7027101027.

Municipal Council Ambala Sadar intends to regulate illegal

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Division, Bathinda DPR/Pb/64437

PRDH/82291

Sr. Name of

No. Tehsil /Taluk

Morinda

Medal for meritorious public service

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 17

On the occasion of Independence Day, the Jammu and Kashmir Government announced the Lieutenant Governor's Gold Medal for honesty, integrity and meritorious public service for the year 2020.

been nominated for the medal are Dr Mohit Gera, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K, Anand Jain, Director, Anti-Corruption Bureau, J&K, Dr Shamim Ahmad Wani, Special Secretary, Finance Department, Vikas Sharma, Director, Geology & Mining, J&K, Indu Kanwal Chib, Deputy Commissioner, Reasi, Abdul Salam Mir, Director Sheep Husbandry, Kashmir; Ram Savak, Director Horticulture, Jammu, MY Itoo, Director Gen-Budget, Finance Department; Rajeshwar Singh, JKPS, Senior Superintendent of Police, AIG, Personnel, Police Headquarters, J&K; Dr Shashi Sudhan Sharma, Prof & HoD, department of microbiology, GMC, Jammu and Dr Anjum Farhana, Prof & HoD, department of micro-

The award carries a gold

Public transport back on roads, shops reopen fered immense losses durne," he said in a tweet. M Aamir Khan

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, AUGUST 17

Public transport was back on roads after around five months of the Covid-19 lockdown, while shops also reopened in the summer capital on Monday.

had allowed the reopening of shops on a rotational basis, all marketplaces by and large remained open. Traffic jams, too, returned to the city roads, especially during office hours. "It is good to see shops

Though the government

open and buses on roads after months. We have sufing the past one year. We have already urged shopkeepers and customers to follow the Covid-related safety protocols. We hope there are no more lock-

downs now," Kashmir

Trade Alliance (KTA) pres-

ident Aijaz Shahdhar said.

Lockdown had been reimposed in the city from July 13 after a spike in Covid cases. Earlier, markets had opened on a rotational basis after 85 days of the Covid-19 lockdown on June 13. Markets had also reopened for three days from July 29

to 30 ahead of Eid that was

'HOPE THERE ARE NO MORE LOCKDOWNS NOW'

66 It is good to see shops open and buses on roads after months. We have suffered immense losses during the past one year. We have already urged shopkeepers and customers to follow the Covid-related safety protocols. We hope there are no MORE lockdowns now. Aijaz Shahdhar, Kashmir trade alliance president

celebrated on August 1. Though the Covid-19 pos-

itive cases continue to increase, District Development Commissioner, Sri-Shahid Iqbal Chowdary said the relaxation was given due to increase in the number of recoveries. "....Srinagar's 'recovered cases' are more than thrice the 'active cases'. Satisfying to see people timely reporting for tests. With opening of busi-& transport pl remember 3 things: ₹Masks₹Distancing₹Hygie

witnessed a moderate rush of people, physical distancing norms went for a toss in the buses and Sumos. "Buses and Sumos had

And while the markets

been told to operate with just 50 per cent seating capacity....but, both buses and Sumos were full of passengers. The buses that ply on the city roads have a seating capacity of just 20 persons, while nine passengers can sit in a Sumo. I do not think it will be possible for them to operate with 50 per cent capacity," said Parvez, a commuter.

The officials who have biology, GMC, Srinagar.

medal, Rs 51,000, a citation and a certificate.

Protests unabated over 'objectionable' video

JAMMU, AUGUST 17

On the second successive day, protests were held at various places in the Jammu province against a "communally sensitive" video which had gone viral on social media on Sunday.

Protests were held in Banihal, Doda, Kishtwar and many other places against the video, with protesters demanding strict action against the culprits. A bandh was observed in Kishtwar town to protest against the video.

Two persons were arrested on Sunday after the video went viral on social media.

IGP, Jammu, Mukesh Singh, has warned people against sharing the video.

Taking quick cognisance of the video, the IGP swung into action and ensured the arrest of the culprits, Satpal Sharma and Deepak.

The police had registered a case under Section 153A (promoting enmity between different groups) and 295A (deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings of any class by insulting its religion or religious beliefs) of the IPC at the Pucca Danga police station of Jammu city. — TNS

At 35.7°C, Srinagar witnesses hottest August day in 39 years

SRINAGAR, AUGUST 17

With Srinagar recording the maximum temperature of 35.7°C today, Met officials said it was the hottest August day in 39 years.

ous record of the last 39 years," said Director, MeT office, Sonam Lotus. An official of the depart-

"Today's maximum tem-

perature broke the previ-

ment said today's maximum temperature was six degrees above normal.

Earlier this month, Srinagar had recorded the maximum temperature of 35.4°C on August 7.



Srinagar remained hotter than Jammu as the winter capital recorded 32.1°C maximum temperature today. Today's minimum temperature in Srinagar was 21.6°C.

Kupwara

Meanwhile,

remained the hottest place in the Valley, recording the maximum temperature of 36.7°C. Tourist resort Gulmarg was the coldest place, recording the maximum temperature of 26.2°C. — TNS

Plan to divert nullahs flowing into Tawi BJP: Normalcy must for

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, AUGUST 17

In a major decision to keep Jammu's lifeline, "Suryaputri", clean, the Jammu Corporation Municipal (JMC) today announced that it has finally prepared a detailed project report (DPR) for diverting all nullahs flowing into Tawi river. "After a long wait, the

Urban Environmental Engineering Department (UEED) has finally prepared a DPR of Rs 45 crore for diverting all nullahs (major drains) from different parts of the city flowing into the river," Chander Mohan Gupta, Mayor JMC, told reporters here.

Flanked by Commissioner JMC Avny Lavasa and UEED officials, the Mayor added, "After the completion of this project, the nullahs will be connected with sewer lines and the waste



coming out of these nullahs will be discharged into the sewerage treatment plant. Thereafter, the waste water will be released into the Tawi. It will address the long-pending issue of pollution in the river," Gupta said.

Thirteen major nullahs and small tributaries flow into the Tawi and add to the pollution in the river. Various Jammu-based religious and social organisations have repeatedly raised serious question mark over the government's intent to save the river as, according to them, it has lost its glory due to the rising pollution level.

The previous PDP-BJP

coalition government in the erstwhile state of J&K had decided to launch a "special initiative" to clean and beautify it on the pattern of the Ganga under the Prime Minister's Regional Development Plan (PMDRP).

restoring statehood

Even as some mainstream parties have warned to boycott the Assembly elections without the restoration of the statehood to Jammu and Kashmir, the BJP has predicted that these political groups will participate in the elections without statehood.

JAMMU, AUGUST 17

"Complete normalcy is imperative for the restoration of the statehood to J&K," Ashok Koul, general secretary (organisation), J&K BJP, told The Tribune, adding that "whenever the Assembly elections will be held, all political parties will participate".

"As far as our stand is concerned, statehood should be restored when terrorism will be completely wiped out from J&K and sustainable

peace will be restored," Koul said, adding that "restoring statehood without establishing lasting peace would sabotage the whole exercise of tackling terrorism in J&K".

Reacting to warning of some parties to boycott the elections, Koul said, "Tackling terrorism is our priority. Peace is imperative for strengthening democracy and to accelerate development activities in J&K."

Former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah recently said that he would not contest elections if the statehood was not restored. Similarly, the Leader of

the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, Ghulam Nabi Azad, has demanded the restoration of the statehood followed by the Assembly elections in J&K. — TNS

DPR/Pb/64677

AND WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT, Punjab, S.C.O. No. 102-03, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh Last Date for receipt of applications in the office: 11.09.2020 Applications are invited for the under mentioned contractual posts of

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Total Area 42K-8M

This notice is issued u/s 3-G(3) of the National Highway Act, 1956.

Punjab State Resource Centre for Women established under the State Mission Authority for Holistic Empowerment of Women in the State, compliance with the guidelines of the National Mission fo Empowerment of Women. Essential & desirable qualifications and given https://www.dropbox.com/s/4c0sqsnmk9vflil/rev%20final.docx?dl= **0** application in the prescribed format shall be sent by email to nmewpunjab@gmail.com or by post to Director, Social Security and Women and Child Development, Punjab, SCO No. 102-03, Sector 34

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Sr. No.	Name of post	No. of Post	Pay per month (Rs)					
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2	Specialist Training	1	26,250/-					
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ਅਰਜ਼ੀਆਂ ਦੇਣ ਦੀ ਆਖਰੀ ਮਿਤੀ 24.08.2020 (ਸ਼ਾਮ 5 ਵਜੇ ਤੱਕ) ਹੈ। ਨਿਸ਼ਚਿਤ ਮਿਤੀ ਤੋ ਬਾਅਦ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਦਾ ਬਿਨੈ-ਪੱਤਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਲਿਆ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ। ਪ੍ਰਤੀ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਪ੍ਰੋਫਾਰਮਾ ਅਤੇ ਲੋੜੀਂਦੀ ਯੋਗਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਵੈੱਬਸਾਈਟ www.mandiboard.nic.in ਤੋਂ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਸੈਕਸ਼ਨ ਦੇ ਤਹਿਤ ਡਾਊਨਲੋਡ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਮੁਕੰਮਲ ਫਾਰਮ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਮੰਡੀ ਬੋਰਡ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਮੰਡੀ ਭਵਨ, ਸੈਕਟਰ 65-ਏ, ਫੇਜ਼-11 ਸਾਹਿਬਜ਼ਾਦਾ ਅਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਗਰ, ਪੰਜਾਬ-160062 ਦੇ ਰਿਸੈਪਸ਼ਨ ਡੈਸਕ ਵਿਖੇ ਆਖਰੀ ਤਾਰੀਖ 24.08.2020 ਤੱਕ, ਸ਼ਾਮ 5.00 ਵਜੇ ਤੱਕ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਕਰਵਾਏ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਬੋਰਡ ਪਾਸ ਬਿਨਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਕਾਰਨ ਦੱਸੇ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਜਾਂ ਸਾਰੀਆਂ ਅਰਜ਼ੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਰੱਦ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ

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Chander Mohan Gupta, MAYOR, JAMMU MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

be made as per rules/instructions of Government.

DPR/Pb/64676

Sd/- Chairman. Improvement Trust, Moga. (Phone No. 01636-239779)

ANNEXURE-A

Subject:	Tender	No.O	P-2/17/2	020-21	-App	oint	ment
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Sd/- Executive Engineer, Electy. 'OP' Divn. No. 2, U.T., Chandigarh.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (Directorate of Punjab State Lotteries)

Vit-Te-Yojna Bhawan, Plot No. 2 B, Sector 33-A, Chandigarh (Tel. No. 0172-2660202, 2660073)

Short Tender Notice

Directorate of Punjab State Lotteries invites short tender for selection of agency for providing various support outsourcing services on prescribed porforma up to 31st August 2020 (Monday) by 12.00 noon.

For detailed terms & conditions, bidders may please refer to the Tender Document available at e-Tender website http://eproc.punjab.gov.in. The bidders with Class-II and II digital signature shall have to get themselves registered with etender website: http://eproc.punjab.gov.in. For clarification on e-tendering, please contact E-procurement Helpdesk No GePNIC Helpdesk, (only Portal related Query) Punjab. Tel 0172-2970263 and 0172-2970284.

Director,

Punjab State Lotteries, Chandigarh. DPR/Pb/64653

Tender/RFP for Services like AMC, housekeeping etc. **GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB** Tender Reference No. 10 of 2020

The Department of PUNJAB WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD invites online bids for:-

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1	1.	Prov. Sewerage Scheme in Nangalian Mohalla, Boota Mandi &			
		Sidharth Nagar at Jalandhar & Rising Main to connect Industrial			
		Area with existing rising main near Bhagat Singh Disposal at			

sposal a Jalandhar and Providing G.I. pipe 50mm i/d water supply line by replacing existing water supply Providing, Laying, Jointing & Cutting of UPVC pipe (150mm to

236mm i/d), Const. of MH chamber including House Connection at Ward No. 6, Mohalla Kalriya, Adampur Town Distt. Jalandhar. Providing, Laying, Jointing & Cutting of 400mm i/d RCC NP3 pipe with 3mm thick HDPE lining. Const. of MH chamber

including House Connection at Railway Road, Adampur Town Providing, Laying, Jointing & Cutting of D.I. K-7 pipe, Const. of

S.V./F.H. chamber from Kapoor Furniture to Sh. Jeevan Bhardwaj residence at Nakodar Town, Distt. Jalandhar. Providing, Laying, Jointing & Cutting of D.I. K-7 pipe, Const. of

S.V./F.H. chamber at Mohalla Bahadurpura, Nakodar Town, Supplying One Number of four wheeled push type mounted Mouse Mini Jetting Machine with high pressure water triplex plunger pump of discharge up to 13.0 LPM coupled with

Auxiliary Diesel Engine (other details as per attached Technical Specifications) at Nakodar for Annual Maintenance Sewerage Scheme under the Jurisdiction of Sub Division, Nakodar,

			Important dates for Sr. No. 1 are as under:-	
i)	Last date and time for online submission of bid for tenders		01.09.2020 up to 16:30 hrs.	08.09.2020 at 16:30 hrs.
ii)	Date and time of opening of Technical Bid for tenders	:	02.09.2020 at 14:00 hrs.	09.09.2020 at 14:00 hrs.

Note:-The above dates for Sr. No. 1 to 6 are given for L&C Societies. For Sr. No. 1 the Last date and time for online submission of bid for tenders Contractors/Agencies will be 07.09.2020 up to 16:30 hrs. and Opening date for tender is 08.09.2020 at 14:00 hrs. and for Sr. No. 2 to 6 the Last date and time for online submission of bid will be 14.09.2020 up to 16:30 hrs. and Opening date for tender is 15.09.2020 at 14:00 hrs. Other terms and conditions refer to website https://eproc.punjab.gov.in. Corrigendum, if any, will be issued on website only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Punjab W/S & Sew. Div. No. 1, Jalandhar.

DPR/Pb/64675

E-TENDER NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS

1. On behalf of the Managing Director, PSIEC, Executive Engineer-IV, Jalandhar re-invites short term tender notice bids from eligible bidders for the project/works as per the detailed in the following table. The bids shall be on percentage basis. The bidders may submit bids for the following works:-

No.	Work/Works	Security/ Earnest Money (Rs.)	document/ Tender Fee (Rs.)	of comp- letion	Value of the Project Work (Rs. in Lacs)
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
1.	Extension of sewerage Network System, Providing & laying 200mm i/d rising main for connectivity of three Nos. Tubewell construction of pump chamber and staff quarter at IFP Amritsar (New) under MSE-CDP scheme	1.82 Lakh	6000/- Inc. GST	9 Months	Rs. 90.98 Lakh
2.	Supply, Installation, testing and commissioning of 30 BHP Submersible motor & pump along with electrical panel and C.I. rising main for tubewell No. II and Upgradation of water supply system at Industrial Focal Point Batala under MSE-CDP Scheme	1.70 Lakh	6000/- Inc. GST	6 Months	Rs. 84.96 Lakh
3.	Upgradation of Roads (concrete pavement) at IFP Batala	504900/-	20,000/-	6 Months	Rs. 252.44 Lakh

submission and Date & time of opening of bids are as given below:-Availability of Last Date & Time for Date & Time of opening of tender online Submission Tender online

Financial Bid for bidding of Bids Technical Bid To be intimated 01.09.2020, 31.08.2020, 11.00 a.m 18.08.2020 03.00 p.m. For detailed terms and conditions of the notice inviting bids refer to our website

http://eproc.punjabgovt.gov.in. The eligible bidders who do not possess DSC (Digital Signature Certificate)

may get the same issued from approved agencies and for any other query may contact helpline No. 0172-2970263-284 (NIC).

Note:- Corrigendum, if any, will be uploaded on website i.e. www.eproc.punjab.gov.in only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer-IV PUNJAB SMALL INDUSTRIES &

EXPORT CORPORATION LTD. (A STATE GOVT. UNDERTAKING) 18, HIMALAYA MARG, UDYOG BHAWAN, SECTOR 17-A,

CHANDIGARH — 160017 PHONE: 2702301-305, FAX: 2702039, Email: psiec_chd@yahoo.co.in DPR/Pb/64652

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Democratic convention kicks off amid chanting of mantras

WASHINGTON, AUGUST 17

Scriptures from Vedas and Mahabharata rendered by a Hindu woman from Chinmaya Mission in Texas and prayer by a Sikh community leader from Wisconsin Gurdwara echoed at an interfaith service held virtually to kick off the historic Democratic National Convention (DNC).

The four-day convention beginning on Monday local time will formally nominate former vice-president Joe Biden as the Democratic presidential candidate for the November 3 election and Indian-origin Senator Kamala Harris as his running mate.

INTERFAITH SERVICE

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On the eve of the DNC that will break a glass ceiling, Josh Dickson, National Faith Engagement Director at Biden for President, on Sunday held an interfaith service to celebrate America's collective strength, diversity, and humanity and prepare to unite around Biden's vision for a

■The meeting was opened by Pardeep Kaleka, son of Oak Creek Gurdwara founder Sawant Singh Kaleka who died in a mass shooting at a gurdwara in 2012. A white supremacist shot dead six persons and wounded four.

kinder and stronger country. "As we set out to nominate, one of the most experienced and well respected leaders of our time, as the next presidential nominee, and as we set out to nominate the first vice-presidential woman nominee with Indian roots, we invoke the grace of the Lord, and seek divine inspiration from eternal Hindu scriptures," said Neelima Gonuguntla, a Texas attorney.

A board member of Chinmaya Mission Dallas Fort Worth, one of the largest Hindu organisations in the US, Gonuguntala recited the 'Shanti (peace) mantra' from the Vedas. " To Biden and Harris, she offered a concept from Mahabharata, "Yato Krishna Tato Dharma, Yato Dharma Tato Jaya (Where there is God, there is dharma, and where there is dharma, there is victory)". These conventions give both parties a chance to outline their policy priorities. — PTI



Presidential nominee Joe Biden and his vice-presidential running mate Kamala Harris. REUTERS FILE

TOKYO, AUGUST 17

Japan's economy contracted by 27.8 per cent from the previous quarter in the April-June period, marking a record decline in 40 years mainly due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the government said in a report on Monday. According to the Cabinet

office, the preliminary data on GDP equates to a seasonallyadjusted 7.8 per cent decrease on a quarterly bases, with the latest quarterly figures seeing the world's third largest economy post negative growth data for a third straight quarter, reports Xinhua news agency.

The figure marks the largest contraction since the April-June guarter of 1980 when comparable data became available, although a Cabinet Office official was quoted as saying the historic economic downturn

could be the worst on record since 1955 compared to reference points available at the time.

consumption tax hike last

The figure marks the largest contraction since 1980



had already shaken Japan's economy, with the global Covid impact dealing a hammer blow to consumption and trade particularly during restrictions laid down in April when the government declared a state of a emergency.

On April 7, a state of emergency was issued for the capital and six other prefec-

tures. The emergency period saw business closures, with private consumption dropping 8.2 per cent from the previous quarte. —IANS

Japan's economy shrinks by 27.8% Oct as Covid flares up have worked in Ardern's

WELLINGTON, AUGUST 17

New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern has deferred the country's general election to October 17 as Auckland remains in lockdown due to the Covid outbreak.

Ardern bowed to pressure to delay the poll after parties complained they could not campaign with nearly a third of New Zealand's 5 million people under lockdown in Auckland.

"Ultimately, the 17th of October ... provides sufficient time for parties to plan around the range of circumstances we will be campaigning under," Ardern said at a news conference.

The Prime Minister ruled out delaying the poll any further as her Labour Party maintains a strong lead over the conservative National Party in opinion poll.

"We are all in the same boat. We are all campaigning in the same environment," Ardern said.

'OPPONENTS TAKE POTSHOTS AT JACINDA'

■ New Zealand PM Jacinda Ardern's opponents have accused her of using the pandemic to shore up support as she appears on television nearly every day to reassure New Zealanders, while other party leaders struggle to get attention.



New Zealand on Monday recorded nine new cases, taking the number of active cases to 78.

There have now been a total of 1,280 cases in the country and 22 deaths.

An earlier election would

favour as her success in stifling Covid-19 and keeping the country virus-free for 102 days until the latest outbreak had boosted her popularity.

The election was scheduled for September 19 and New Zealand law requires it to be held by November 21. Advance voting will now start on October 3. Deputy Prime Minister Winston Peters, who had called for rate on some of the world's a delay, said "common sense has prevailed". The Election Commission

said it was ready to hold a vote with health measures, including hand sanitiser and physical distancing at voting centres, protective gear for staff and contacttracing systems. "These are challenging

times for everyone, but we will have measures in place so that people can vote in person at a voting place this October," Chief Electoral Officer Alicia Wright said.— Reuters

UK launches ₹29-cr fund for scientists in India

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

The UK Government on Monday launched a 3 million pounds (approximately Rs 29.4 crore) innovation challenge fund to support scientists in academia and industry to tackle Covid-19 and the threat to our environment.

The initiative builds on the Indian and British Prime Ministers' commitment to bring together the best minds from both countries under the UK-India Tech Partnership to deliver high-skilled jobs and collabobiggest challenges.—IANS

TRACKING COVID NATIONS DEATHS 1,73,186 **US BRAZIL** 1,07,879 **RUSSIA** 15,740 41,369 **UK SPAIN** 28,617

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TDI Group names two roads after martyr Colonel Babu

Real estate developer TDI Group has named two roads at its projects after Colonel Babu who died on the Line of Actual Control in June



this year. Col Babu attained martyrdom on the India-China border while performing duty. The roads, located at TDI City, Mohali, and TDI's township in Panipat, have been named as Shaheed Col Bikkumalla Santosh Babu Marg.

Galgotias adopts advanced tools for online learning

At a time when the whole world is going through the Covid pandemic, Galgotias University is among the few universities in the country that have taken to digital conversion. It has been using advanced technologies to ensure effective online learning and assessment for its students. With the better use of online tools, not only the students, but the university has also been successful in keeping itself ahead of others.

HDFC Bank unveils 'Shaurya KGC Card' for armed forces

HDFC Bank has launched a first-ofits-kind product for the armed forces. Called "Shaurya KGC Card", this unique product comes with never-seen-before features and eligibility criteria specially crafted for over 45 lakh armed forces personnel. The product is based on the Kisan Credit Card guidelines by the government. The key benefits include life cover of Rs 10 lakh as against Rs 2 lakh for an average card.

Tera Hi Tera Mission Hospital inaugurated in Chandigarh Shri Guru Granth Sahib Sewa Society,

Chandigarh, has started Tera Hi Tera Mission Super Specialty Hospital in Sector 45, Chandigarh. The charitable hospital will provide free services for

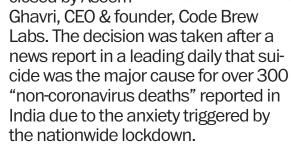
The Tribune CORPORATE BROADBAND diabetes, kidney ailments, orthopaedic problems, depression consultancy, urology and gynaecology problems under one roof. Medicines

will also be available at nominal rates. **Insecticides India Ltd to** market 'Chaperone' in India

Agrochemical company Insecticides (India) Ltd (IIL) has launched 'Chaperone' — a plant growth regulator developed by OAT Agrio Co. Ltd., Japan. Chaperone is powered by nitrophenolates that improve photosynthesis, increase blooming of flowers and yield of crops. It increases the cytoplasmic growth of the plant by up to 15% and allows them to absorb more water and nutrients from the soil.

Code Brew Labs to hire psychologists for staff

Amid the Covid pandemic, Code Brew Labs is getting psychologists on board for its 600 employees to deal with their anxiety problems. This was disclosed by Aseem



BSNL's advisory to business entities for communication In accordance with telecom regulator

TRAI's guidelines named as TCCCPR 2018, BSNL has said all business entities who want to send commercial communication to their customers have to register themselves as Principal entity mandatorily on BSNL DLT portal www.ucc-bsnl.co.in. **Sunil Duggal appointed**

Vedanta chief executive

Vedanta Ltd has appointed Sunil

cer. Earlier, in March 2020, Duggal was given additional charge as Vedanta's Interim CEO. Former Tata Steel vice- president and head of mining, Arun Mis-

ra, has succeeded him as CEO of Hindustan Zinc Ltd.

LG Electronics India donates ₹1 crore under CSR initiative

LG Electronics celebrated Independence Day by announcing its contribution under 'KarSalaam - A CSR initiative'. Under this initiative, the company will donate Rs 1 crore to Armed Forces Flag Day Fund (AFFDF) under Kendriya Sainik Board Secretariat - a nodal organisation of the Government of India, Ministry of Defence. AFFDF is dedicated to welfare of war widows, children of martyrs, war disabled soldiers and ex-servicemen.

Mother Dairy introduces 'jamun' in frozen pulp form

Mother Dairy has introduced frozen jamun pulp, under its horticulture brand Safal, for consumers across Delhi-NCR. The category-first product is being made of 100% natural jamun fruit which is being sourced from the tribal community in Jharkhand with an aim to ensure a direct market access and a sustainable livelihood for the local community. It will be available in an easy-to-use, reusable tub of 250 grams, priced at Rs 99.

Independence Day National Fertilizers Limited, Nangal

NFL, Nangal, celebrates

Unit, celebrated 74th Independence Day at NFL Stadium, Naya Nangal. Floral tributes were paid to the freedom fighters of the nation by chief guest Rakesh Kumar Markan, General Manager. Tributes were also paid to Capt Amol Kalia and to the employees who lost their lives during plant operations. The Tricolour was also hoisted by the GM followed by National Anthem.

Taxpayers need not disclose high-value transactions in ITR

development said.

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17 Taxpayers will not be required to mention their high-value transactions in their income tax returns, officials in the know of the

"There is no such proposal to modify income tax return forms," an official said, responding to reports of the proposed expansion of reportable financial transactions to include hotel payments over Rs 20,000, life insurance premium payment over Rs 50,000 and health insurance premium payment over Rs 20,000, donation and payment of reporting of high-value school/college fees over Rs 1 lakh a year.

Any expansion in reporting under the statement of they said. — PTI



'NO PROPOSAL TO MODIFY ITR FORMS

Only third parties would report high-value transactions to the I-T department as per the Income Tax Act and there is no move to modify ITR forms, said an official

financial transactions (SFT) will mean that such transactions to the I-T department will be done by financial institutions,

AGR case: SC seeks Centre's view on Jio

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17 The Supreme Court on Mon-

day asked the Centre to spell out its stand on Reliance Jio sharing RCom spectrum as it explored ways and means to make telecom companies clear their dues on account of adjusted gross revenue (AGR). A Bench led by Justice

Arun Mishra said it wanted

to know if Reliance Jio can

be asked to discharge RCom

dues as Jio is earning rev-

enue from shared spectrum.

would support any decision that the court took to help the recovery of AGR dues. Awaiting the government reply, the Bench posted the

Solicitor General Tushar

Mehta said the government

matter for further hearing on August 19. Earlier in the day, it dismissed a PIL seeking a direction to authorities to make immediate arrangements for the recovery of AGR dues from the telecom companies. — TNS

Duggal, former CEO of Hindustan Zinc Ltd., as its chief executive offi-

BRIEFLY

NEW DELHI Boxer Sarita Devi tests positive for Covid-19

Former world champion boxer L Sarita Devi today tested positive for Covid-19 along with her husband Thoiba Singh but both of them are asymptomatic. The couple is based in Imphal and have a son, Tomthin, who has tested negative.

NEW DELHI

Hockey players recover from Covid-19

Six Indian men's hockey team players, including skipper Manpreet Singh, have recovered from Covid-19 and were discharged from a Bengaluru hospital today. According a source, Manpreet, Surender Kumar, Jaskaran Singh, Varun Kumar, Krishan Pathak and Mandeep Singh

NEW YORK

Halep withdraws from

have tested negative twice.

US Open over Covid concerns World No. 2 Simona Halep will not travel to New York to play in the US Open due to Covid-19 concerns, she said today, leaving the women's draw at the Grand Slam without six of the world's top-10 players.

PRAGUE

Nagal in pre-quarters of **Prague Challenger**

India's Sumit Nagal advanced to the pre-quarterfinals of the Prague Challenger tennis tournament after his opponent Jay Clarke of Britain retired hurt here today. Nagal, ranked 127 in the world, was leading 6-3 5-7 4-1 when Clarke called it guits in the second round match.

NEWPORT

Sharma finishes tied-63rd. **Horsfield wins**

Sam Horsfield recorded his second win in three weeks while Indian golfer Shubhankar Sharma shot an evenpar 71 in the final round to finish tied-63rd in the Celtic Classic here. Sharma finished with a total of 2-under.

NORTH BERWICK (SCOTLAND) Tvesa shoots 72; **Lewis wins title**

Tvesa Malik shot a 1-over 72 in the final round to sign off in the 65th spot at the Ladies Scottish Open here. Tvesa is preparing for next week's Women's Open, the first of her career. American Stacy Lewis won the title. AGENCIES

TODAY ON TV

UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE LEIPZIG VS PARIS SG SONY TEN 00:30AM (WEDNESDAY)

Printing of School Magazine, Office

Stationery Printing Items

(c) Printing and framing of flex charts

(d) Providing and fixing of CCTV Camera

Electrical Rewiring of Top Floor of

and AMC of existing Camera

(g) Hiring of Tent and Shamiana items

(b) Science Lab Equipment

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ROHIT MAHAJAN TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17

Chetan Chauhan, who died on Sunday, was, at 37, the oldest man in the North Zone squad which boarded the train in Pune for what turned out to be a frightening journey to New Delhi. North Zone had beaten Central Zone in the semifinals of the Duleep Trophy, the match ending on October 30, 1984. The next day, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was assassinated

North Zone were scheduled to travel to Ahmedabad by bus for the final against South Zone. Instead, with the match cancelled as parts of India descended into lawlessness as mobs attacked Sikhs, the team boarded the train to New Delhi.

It turned out to be a perilous journey, with mobs surrounding the train at stops on the way and looking for Sikh travellers.

North Zone had five Sikh players in the squad — Yograj Singh, Navjot Singh Sidhu, Rajinder Singh Ghai, Maninder Singh and Gursharan Singh. Of them, Maninder had gone to Delhi by flight, with the captain, Kirti Azad, remembers Ghai. Yograj had short hair and did not wear a

How Chetan Chauhan, senior-most player, kept in control during a train journey during anti-Sikh riots in 1984 1984: Train to Delhi

66 It was a horrible situation, but I was not afraid. More than scary, it was sad. I asked God – 'Why have you made human beings like this?'On the stations on the way, there was chaos, they wanted to find and kill Sikhs. I had short hair, and I didn't look like a Sikh. Sidhu and Ghai needed to be protected. We hid them under the seats, placed kit bags around so that no one could figure out anyone

was there 99 Yograj Singh

turban and did not need to be

protected from the mobs —

he was, in fact, one of the

Gursharan Singh says

that he had boarded another

train to Delhi with another

Sikh player, Rajinder Singh

Hans, who had played for

Central Zone — luckily,

they did not encounter any

trouble during the journey.

and Ghai — the former only

21 years old, and Ghai only

24 — were the two vulnera-

This meant that Sidhu

more aggressive protectors.



66 Ashok Malhotra, Arun Sharma,

They would go out when the train

ble players who needed to

be saved from the mobs

"As we travelled, we learned

about the riots and killings,"

says Ghai, who now runs a

business in the US. "Luckily,

we were travelling in an AC

compartment, which had

tinted glasses, so people

could not see inside." But as

the train stopped at stations

on the way, goons did come

in. "They would be looking

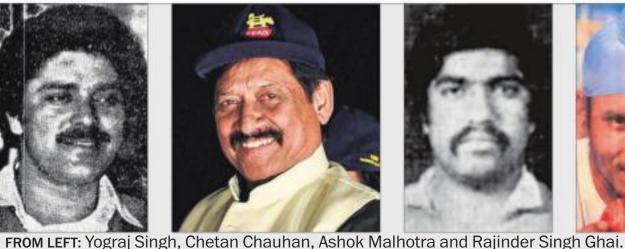
thirsting for blood.

Scary

Chetan Chauhan, Yashpal Sharma...

stopped at a station, and they would

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Rajinder Singh Ghai

for us... They would ask,

'Where's Sidhu, where's

Ghai...' But our teammates

hid the two of us under the

seats, and told the goondas

that Sidhu and Ghai were

not there, that they had trav-

"Ashok Malhotra, Arun

Sharma, Chetan Chauhan,

Yashpal Sharma, Sarkar

Talwar... They would go out

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came in," says Ghai.

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66 He (Chauhan) was the senior-most, and he remained very cool, and made sure that we all protected Sidhu and Ghai. ... Everyone was scared, but we

managed to remain very cool Ashok Malhotra

Malhotra, one of the seniors, says Chauhan was the "akalmand" one. "He was the senior-most, and he remained very cool, and made sure that we all protected Sidhu and Ghai," says Malhotra. "We were wearing hats, and one goonda asked Arun Sharma to take off his hat (to see if he was Sikh)... And Arun, obviously, had short hair. Everyone was scared, but we managed to remain very cool. Some of the

boys were prepared to fight if

needed... One of the boys said they had gathered soda water bottles! I said how many of the mob can we fight!"

Prepared

One of those who was determined to fight, if needed to protect his teammates, was Yograj. "It was a horrible situation, but I was not afraid," says Yograj. "More than scary, it was sad. I asked God — 'Why have you made human beings like this?' On the stations on the way, there was chaos, they wanted to find and kill Sikhs. I had short hair, and I didn't look like a Sikh. Sidhu and Ghai needed to be protected. We hid them under the seats, placed kit bags around so that no one could figure out anyone was there."

Yograj has a poignant memory of Sidhu's resoluteness. "At one point, I asked around for scissors, and found a pair. I proposed, for the sake of safety, that their hair be shorn," says Yograj. "But Navjot, he was very firm. He said he'd die but not cut his hair. I'm very proud of him because of this."

"I'm sure of one things if we had been attacked, I would have fought back, and I would have died protecting them, but I would have taken a few of the goons with me!" adds Yograj.

Malhotra remembers that the journey, which usually took less than two days, lasted for "three-four" days because of the chaos and stops on the way. "There was a long stop at Agra," he remembers."

Lucky escape Gursharan, who was only 21 at the time, says he was lucky to escape the mayhem. "I was with Hans paaji... And fortunately, our train was not attacked," he says. Gursharan, however, landed in a Delhi that was burning. "I lived in GK-II then, and we could see columns of smoke from far," he remembers. "It was scary. I left my hair open, like a girl, and managed to reach my home."

"Delhi was burning," says Yograj. "I could not believe this was my country in this modern era that people had become worse than beasts."

It's worth remembering, too, that in the mayhem, some people did become heroes and did the right thing. As for Chauhan, Malhotra, Yograj, Yashpal, Talwar and others, standing up for their brother players was the least they could do.

Sevilla stun Man United

COLOGNE, AUGUST 17

Europa League thoroughbreds Sevilla reached yet another final as substitute Luuk de Jong struck in the 78th minute to earn them a gritty 2-1 victory over Manchester United here yesterday.

United, already beaten in two domestic semifinals this season, looked on course to make it third time lucky when Bruno Fernandes scored from the penalty spot in the ninth minute.

But former Liverpool player Suso levelled in the 26th minute, and the Spaniards showed all their European know-how to weather a United storm on a humid night.

Inspired goalkeeper Yassine Bono came to Sevilla's rescue on several occasions, and when United's energy levels dipped, de Jong stole in to snatch victory.

In the final on Friday, Sevilla will be going for their sixth title in the competition since 2006.

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Sainik School, Sujanpur Tira payable at PNB/SBI/Canara Bank Sujanpur Tira (HP

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www.sainikschoolsujanpurtira.org. In such a case a DD for Rs. 200/- may also b

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17 Sep., 2020 along with earnest money of Rs. 2000/- by Demand Draft in favour

of Principal, Sainik School, Sujanpur Tira. Tenders will be opened at 1000 hrs on

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Sevilla's Luuk de Jong celebrates scoring their second goal. REUTERS

EUROPA LEAGUE SEMIFINALS

Sevilla 2-1 Man United Suso 26' Fernandes 9'(P) de Jong 78'

what this side has been through, today included, and we've got such a resilience against such intensity," said Sevilla coach Julen Lopetegui, whose side are now unbeaten in 20 games in all competitions.

While Sevilla have a chance to restore Spanish pride after Barcelona's horror show in the Champions League quarterfinals, United's defeat underlined a poor European season for English clubs, who provided all four finalists in last season's Europa and Champions League competitions. — Reuters

PSG, Leipzig looktoenter maiden CL final

LISBON, AUGUST 17

The similarities between Paris Saint-Germain and Leipzig end with both clubs trying to reach the Champions League final for the first time.

The French powerhouse will head into tomorrow's semifinal match with their Qatari money and high-profile squad, while the Germans come with their Red Bull backing and a team of mostly untested players.

At the Stadium of Light here, it will be Neymar, Kylian Mbappe and his teammates taking on a Leipzig squad with little Champions League experience. — AP

Sr. Name of No. Department

Haryana

Tender Notice No. 7

project/work(s).

Rana up for Dronacharya VINAYAK PADMADEO

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17 Jaspal Rana will get the

Dronacharya award this year. The former shooter, who has been looking after the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) junior programme, had knocked on the doors of the Delhi High

However, unlike last year, both Manu Bhaker and Saurabh Chaudhary backed Rana's application this time, paving the way for the committee to confirm his name for the award. Former hockey player and coach of the junior men's team Jude Felix too has found favours for the award.

Panjab University to get MAKA award Chandigarh's Panjab Univer-

sity will get the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy for best all-round performance in sports. The university had after a gap of 13 years.

mer tennis player and Davis and archery coach Dharmendra Tiwari have been recommended by the committee.

committee has recommended 13 names for the Dronacharya award in the regular and lifetime categories and 15 names for the Dhyanchand award. As per

Amount

(Approx.)

the awards scheme, the committee can recommend three names for the Dhyanchand award and five, including two in the lifetime category, for the Dronacharya award. Former women's chief

coach Shiv Singh and OP Dahiya, who runs the Partap Singh Memorial School in Kharkhoda, Haryana, too have been recommended in the lifetime category.

Former India coach Sukhvinder Singh Sandhu, former hockey player Gaganajit Singh's father and coach Ajit Singh and late Sachin Nag, who won India its first ever swimming gold at the 1951 Asian Games have been nominated for the Dhyanchand award.

Nodal Officer/

Contact Detail/

Appendix 'A' **GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB** TENDER NOTICE PWD B&R BRANCH The Principal, Sainik School, Sujanpur Tira invites sealed tenders from reputed/ Govt Contractors for the following supplies/services/contracts for the session 2020-21:-**NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS** CONTRACTS

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कार्यकारी अधिकारी

नगर परिषद, अम्बाला सदर

Tender Notice No. 8 Dated: 17.08.2020 On behalf of Governor of Punjab, Executive Engineer, Constn. Divn. No. 1, PWD B&R Br., Hoshiarpur falling invite bids on lump sum basis from eligible bidders enlisted for "Bridge Work" category" with Punjab PWD (B&R) for the below noted work:-

Name of Work Availability Last date and No. of tender time of subonline from mission of tender online 1 Construction of H/L Bridge 25.30 18.08.2020 07.09.2020 5.00 p.m. M long over Paviter Bein x-ing 07.09.2020 Prempur to Nathupur link road at RD 0.300 km including its approaches and dismantling of old bridge in Distt. Hoshiarpur.

*For detailed terms and conditions refer to website 'http://eproc.punjab.gov.in"

Corrigendum, if any, will be issued on website only. Sd/- Executive Engineer,

Constn. Divn. No. 1, PWD B&R Br., Hoshiarpur.

Ph. and Fax No. 01882-222278. DPR/Pb./64565

Name of work with brief

specification

GOVERNMENT POLYTECHNIC EDUCATION SOCIETY MORNI,

DISTT. PANCHKULA gpmorni@gmail.com, www.gpmorni.edu.in Contact No.: 01733-250096(O)

NOTICE INVITING TENDER Sealed tenders are invited from Firms/Companies/Organisations by the Principal-cum-Member Secretary Govt. Polytechnic Education Society, Morni, Distt. Panchkula for work/Job details as given below:-

Key dates for tender

documents

Outsourcing of Services - Sale of tender document: Horticulture, Accountancy, Clerical, 19.08.2020 to 07.09.2020 (up House Keeping, Security, Driving to 10:00 A.M.) (LTV/HTV), Library, Electrical Receipt of tender document: Data Entry 07.09.2020 (up to 12 noon) Operation, Programming at this Opening of tender document: Polytechnic with scope/eligibility 07.09.2020 (12 noon) criteria and other details as given in the tender document.

A complete set of tender document containing scope of contract, nstructions to the bidders, terms and conditions of the contract etc. may be purchased by interested eligible bidders from the office of the Principalcum-Member Secretary, Govt. Polytechnic Education Society, Morni, Distt. Panchkula on submission of application to Principal and upon payment of a non-refundable amount of Rupees 1000/- (One Thousand only) in the form of payment receipt at the institute/Demand Draft favouring Principal-cum-Member Secretary Govt. Polytechnic Education Society, Morni, Distt. Panchkula (tender document can also be downloaded from the Website www.gpmorni.edu.in and must be enclosed with a tender fee as per details above by way of DD non-refundable). Please mention the top of envelope "Tender for outsourcing services" **PRINCIPAL** PRDH/82285

Court after last year's snub.

TENDER NOTICE Closing Date (Last date of submission of tender &

Dated: 17.08.2020

27.08.2020

Name of Work/Notice/Tender Opening Date of tender) Supply of following item Qnty. (in Figure) Department Sr. No. Air Conditioner (HITACHI 1.5 Ton/4500 kcal/hr High Wall Split AC 3 Star (Hitachi)

Equivalent model

(Zunoh 3100F RSNS318HCDO or For further information kindly visit: http://etenders.hry.nic.in

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB PWD B&R BRANCH **NOTICE INVITING ONLINE BIDS**

On behalf of Governor of Punjab Executive Engineer, Construction Division No. 1. PWD B&R Br., Hoshiarpur invites bids from eligible bidders enlisted under "All road works" category with PWD (B&R) for the project/Work(s) detailed in the following table. The bidders may submit bids for any or all of the following

Availability Last date and Name of Work No. of tender time of online from submission of tender online 01.09.2020 Special repair of Begowal 18.08.2020 -Miani road (HODR-14). 01.09.2020 5.00 p.m.

*For detailed terms and conditions refer to website

http://eproc.punjab.gov.in" Corrigendum, if any, will be issued on website only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,

Constn. Divn. No. 1, PWD B&R Br., Hoshiarpur.

Ph. and Fax No. 01882-222278. DPR/Pb./64560

GOVERNMENT OF PUNIAB DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION **INVITING FOR BIDS (IFB)** THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT SYSTEM

No. 95/WSSD/MALERKOTLA/EE/2020-21 Executive Engineer, W/S Sanitation Division, Malerkotla invite bid

Sr. Name of Works No.		value of	(in lacs)	Bid Submissio End Date Bid Opening Date
1	2	3	4	5
1	Construction of New OHSR Capacity 50,000 ltr. with 20 mtr. FSL at Water Supply Scheme Jalwana, Block Malerkotla-2, Distt. Sangrur (Under Head 4215).	13.07	0.26	26.08.2020 at 17:00 hours 27.08.2020 at 12:00 hours
2	Construction of New OHSR Capacity 50,000 ltr. with 20 mtr. FSL at Water Supply Scheme Shergarh Cheema, Block Malerkotla-2, Distt. Sangrur (Under Head 4215).	13.15	0.26	26.08.2020 at 17:00 hours 27.08.2020 at 12:30 hours

Corrigendum/Amendment if any will be given on the website for etender http://eproc.punjab.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, W/S & Sanitation Division, Malerkotla

Executive Engineer,

won the award last year

In the lifetime category, for-

Cup captain Naresh Kumar Surprisingly, this year the

in Rupees 5.00 Lacs http://etenders.hry.nic.in Sh. Jagjit Singh I.G. Prisons Office No. 0172-2585721 0172-2585821 office_dg.prisons@hry.nic.in Sd/- Director General of Prisons, Haryana, Bays No. 3-4, Sector 14, Panchkula.

कार्यालय : नगर परिषद्, अंबाला सदर सार्वजनिक सूचना

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SECTION -I ELECTRICITY WING OF ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT TENDER NOTICE/E-TENDER NOTICE

The Executive Engineer, Elect. OP Division No. 2, New Power House Industrial Area Ph-I, Chandigarh on behalf of President of India invites online e-bids/e-tenders from reputed and experience EWEDC Consultancy Firms/Chartered Accountant Firms (registered with CAG) through web portal www.https://etenders.chd.nic.in/nicgep/app.

Description of Work:

Tender No:

OP2/19/2020-21 Appointment of consultant for Preparation Construction and Compilation of Fixed Asset as well as Depreciation Register and Preparation, Construction Compilation of Accounts for FY 2019-20 2020-21 & 2021-22 on commercia account principles for regulated business of electricity as per regulatory requiremen along with its submission, presentation and defense before Regulatory

Estimated Cost: Earnest Money: Time Limit:

Rs. 70,800/- (Please refer Clause-9 Section-2) DNIT.

scope of work.

Rs. 35,40,000/-

As per deliverables mentioned in the

commission / statutory bodies as pe

Pre-Bid Meeting date and Time: N.A. 21.08.2020 at 02:00 PM

Executive Engineer,

Electricity OP Division No. 2, Indl Area Ph-I, UT, Chandigarh. Fax No.0172- 2655531. Email: elop2-chd@nic.in

Bid Submission closing Date and Time: The bid form and other details can be downloaded from the website https://etenders.chd.nic.in/nicgep/app.

W/S & Sanitation Division, Malerkotla.

Contact detail:- 01675-254623 (eewss.mlk@gmail.com) Sd/- (Er. Harbhinder Singh),

DPR/Pb/64556

Pak army chief in S Arabia over **Kashmirtension**

ISLAMABAD, AUGUST 17

Pakistan Army chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa on Monday reached Saudi Arabia to discuss bilateral relations amidst the recent strain in ties over Riyadh's reluctance to toe Islamabad's line on the Kashmir issue.

Despite repeated requests from Pakistan to hold a Foreign Ministers' meeting on Kashmir, the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) has shown reluctance to convene such a conference. Diplomatic sources here said that Gen Bajwa was accompanied by Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) chief Lt Gen Faiz Hameed.

The two are expected to hold high-level meetings to iron out misgivings. Pakistan has been pushing the 57member organisation, the second largest inter-governmental body after the UN, for the Foreign Ministers' meeting since India revoked J&K's special status. — PTI

Jha claims rumblings within Cong for leadership change

Says 100 leaders have petitioned Sonia, party denies any such move

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

The Congress today vehemently denied claims by a suspended party leader, Sanjay Jha, that around 100 leaders unhappy with party affairs had petitioned Congress chief Sonia Gandhi to change the political leadership.

Watch this space, Jha, a sacked party spokesman, wrote on Twitter, prompting Congress media head Randeep Suriewala to dismiss the claim as the BJP's handiwork to divert attention from the Congress demand for a JPC probe against Facebook, which the Opposition party has accused of spreading hate and helping the BJP.

"It is estimated that around 100 Congress leaders (includ-

'DISSENTERS ACTIVE'

Around 100 Congress leaders, distressed at the state of affairs within the party, have written a letter to Mrs Sonia Gandhi, asking for change in

political leadership. Sanjay Jha, SACKED **CONGRESS LEADER**

ing MP's), distressed at the state of affairs within the party, have written a letter to Mrs Sonia Gandhi, Congress President, asking for change in political leadership and transparent elections in CWC. Watch this space," Jha tweeted today.

Surjewala counter tweeted, saying "To Whom It May

'MISINFORMATION'

Special Misinformation Group on Media-TV Debate Guidance in its Whatsapp directed to run the story of a

non-existent letter of Congress leaders 99 Randeep Surjewala, CONGRESS LEADER

Concern: Special Misinformation Group on Media-TV Debate Guidance" in its Whatsapp of today directed to run the story of a non-existent letter of Congress leaders to divert attention from Facebook-BJP links. course, BJP stooges have started acting upon it."

Even as the party denied

Jha's claims, the letter remained in discussion in political circles today.

Strongly disapproving of any such potential move, former Law Minister Ashwani Kumar said Sonia Gandhi must continue as party chief right now.

"Talk of elections in the party at this juncture with Sonia Gandhi at the helm as a uniting factor, are utterly misplaced... this is a time to forge the broadest consensus in the party and elections, even in the best of times tend to be divisive. The best way forward is to have a presidium of leaders under the leadership of Mrs Gandhi, till such time as the situation demands. Now is not the time for elections, may be later."

14 ITBP men get Prez medal

CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 17 Three ITBP personnel have been awarded the President's Police Medal for distinguished service and 11 others awarded the Presimeritorious service.

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OBITUARY

Pandit Jasraj (JANUARY 28, 1930 - AUGUST 17, 2020)

His divine notes took us to another realm

Nonika Singh

life lived to the full, one which enriched saat suron ki duniya as few have or can. The very mention of the name Pandit Jasraj ushers in melody. The very embodiment of saat swar, alas the divine notes that took us to another world have fallen silent.

To even utter the words, 'the indomitable vocalist is no more', sounds like a disservice to his immense contribution, for vocalists like him remain as eternal as their ethereal notes which never failed to cast a magical spell.

A Padma Vibushan recipient, he epitomised Bharatiya sanskar not merely because he represented its great classical tradition, but more precisely since he lived it in his very being and propagated the same. Those who have known him would always remember his ebullient greeting, Jai Ho. Those who have heard him would always swear by his vocal range, the mastery over ragas and his unique Jasrangi style with which he vowed listeners in India and abroad, young and old alike. Call it experimentation or inspiration, the purist was not hemmed by tradition yet drew from its deep wells. Representing Mewati gharana, the Jasrangi style too he insisted came from the ancient tradition of "moorchana". where a male and female vocalist would render the same raga.

Born in Hisar in 1930, he would hail his home state as 'janani janambhoomi' and would often perform there. His musical journey began with grasping the rudiments first from his father and later his elder brother, Pandit Maniram. He also trained with Jaiwant Singh Waghela, a vocalist and "beenkar", and Gulam Qadir Khan of



Pt Jasraj with ex-President APJ Abdul Kalam. FILE

Mewati *gharana*. The world would not just know him as a doyen of an illustrious gharana, but as a creator and an innovator who would add new chapters to musical history. Swar was the key to all he created. As he added one after another bandish to the musical lexicon, he would bridge many divides, including religious with his Allah Om compositions. If he would popularise old Haveli Sangeet style, equally easily he could reach out to young listeners, many of whom worshipped him like God.

Though married to filmmaker V Shantaram's daughter, film music did not beckon him strongly enough. But for occasional and equally impressive forays, a jugalbandi with Bhimsen Joshi in "Birbal My Brother" and a song in "Life of Pi", he believed, "sab ki apni raah." Many, however, would walk his musical path and today his disciples too have earned a place for themselves. In direct communion with gods, he would often say how God makes him sing and He alone listens. The ordinary mortals who saw divinity in him would sorely miss the divine connection.

Guj-cadre officer

Asthana is BSF DG

incident in Godhra in 2002.

He also arrested RJD chief

Lalu Prasad Yadav in the fod-

der scam in 1997 while hold-

ing the post of SP in the CBI.

However, the officer hogged

the limelight in 2018 with the 'CBI vs CBI' case when he

was removed from the agency.

CBI former director Alok Ver-

ma had accused him of taking

bribe after a Hyderabad-based

businessman and a suspect in

the Moin Qureshi corruption case, Sana Satish, alleged on

October 4, 2018, he paid Rs

2.95 crore to Asthana through

middlemen Somesh and

Manoj. This sparked a bitter

battle between Asthana and Verma, with the former writing to the vigilance commis-

sion and listing 10 cases where he alleged Verma tried to

influence the investigation.

Asthana alleged Satish

2018,

Asthana from

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FB policy head alleges threat over hate speech, case filed

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

The Facebook controversy, triggered by a report alleging that it was turning a blind eye to hate speeches in India to further its business, became murky after the company official in the centre of the storm filed a police complaint here alleging online harassment. Facebook's senior India

policy executive Ankhi Das, in a complaint to the Delhi Police, said she was being threatened online after a US newspaper reported that she had asked the company's online monitors here to go easy on communally charged posts from at least four Hindu leaders and organisations.

Das' complaint with the police's cyber cell unit says many people have issued violent life threats through online posting or publishing of content, while online media alleged she was the sister of a veteran ABVP activist from JNU.

THE CONTROVERSY

Facebook's senior India policy executive Ankhi Das has been accused of asking company's online moni-



POLITICAL SLUGFEST

Congress leader Shashi Tharoor says House panel will examine if there's some deliberate attempt by Facebook in complicity with government. Union Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad has sought details of the UPA govt's ties with Cambridge Analytica

controversy already acquired political hues after Congress leader Rahul Gandhi highlighted it and former Union Minister Shashi Tharoor wrote to the company to come clean on allegations against Das.

Tharoor has said the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology will take up the matter at its next meeting in the first week of September. "We will summon Facebook officials to examine if there is any lapse in their working or there is some deliberate cooperation with the Government of India to shield

Ex-judges, IAS officers

express solidarity

with the lawyer

KK Venu-

sent was

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Monday to

nal contempt proceedings

against the SC on its Ram

Janmabhoomi verdict. PTI

former bureaucrats, advo-

cates, teachers and activists

have come out against the SC

verdict convicting Bhushan

Expressing solidarity with

Bhushan, they said the con-

viction was not appropriate

as the tweets were a bona

fide expression of concern

regarding the functioning

of the Supreme Court and a

fundamental right of every

citizen.

of contempt of court.

against actress Swara Bhaskar for her alleged

"derogatory and scan-

dalous" statements

initiate crimi-

gopal's con-

CONTEMPT PLEA

AGAINST SWARA

Attorney General

certain political leaders in India," he said.

A Congress delegation is also understood to have met Das and flagged its concerns. Union Minister Ravi

Shankar Prasad counterattacked by seeking details of the UPA government's ties with Cambridge Analytica, a company alleged to have siphoned personal data from Facebook in a commercial deal. There were unverified reports that then Congress president Rahul Gandhi had met Analytica's chief to harvest the data for elections. Facebook has denied the allegations.

dent's Police Medal for Singh Chauhan and Achal

Those decorated for distin-

include Deputy Inspector General

(DIG) Raman Khadwal and two subordinate officers -Inspectors Hansha Dut Bhatt and Tilak Raj. The recipients for the meritorious service medal include DIGs Gambhir Singh, two Commandants Davinder Singh and Ashoka Kumar Singh, five officers and two inspectors. — TNS

Help from above



An IAF helicopter rescues a man holding on to a tree amid an overflowing dam in Chhattisgarh's Bilaspur on Monday. PTI

Bhushan case: SC focus on bigger questions

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The Supreme Court on Monday framed two questions for its consideration in an 11year-old criminal contempt case against activist-lawyer Prashant Bhushan.

The two questions framed

by Justice Arun Mishra are: Whether statements on "judicial corruption" can be made in public and under what circumstances they be made; and the procedure to be adopted if such statements of corruption are made in public against sitting as well as retired judges.

On behalf of Bhushan, senior advocate Rajeev Dhavan termed the questions as meaningful". The Bench posted the matter for further hearing on August 24.

The top court had on Friday held him guilty of contempt of court for his tweets against CJI SA Bobde and four former CJIs, saying public confidence in courts couldn't be allowed to be impaired by malicious attacks on them. It will hear arguments on sentence on August 20.

A group of retired judges,

CJI recuses from hearing **APcapitalcase**

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

Chief Justice of India SA Bobde on Monday recused from hearing a petition seeking lifting of stay ordered by the Andhra Pradesh High Court on the state government's move to have three state capitals.

When the matter came up for hearing before a Bench of СЛ, advocate Ranjit Kumar pointed out that the CJI's daughter had appeared for one of the private parties before AP High Court. — TNS

Vande Bharat Phase-6 from Sept 1, says Puri

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Minister for Civil Aviation Hardeep Singh Puri today announced that the Vande Bharat Mission (VBM) would dovetail to its sixth version from September 1, which would continue till October 24. This would see operations of additional flights connecting

several unserved destinations. The mission is currently in its fifth phase, which will continue till August 31. The minister said Phase-6 of the repatriation exercise would

begin thereafter.

"More flights & destinations being added to VBM to further widen the geographic reach of the mission in its current phase & in Phase-6 from 1 Sept to 24 Oct 2020. Our endeavour is to reach out to every stranded & distressed Indian citizen around the world," he tweeted. As per the plan, Air India will operate over 145 flights between India and the USA

during VBM-6 and destina-

tions will be added to further

widen the reach. — TNS

by other countries would either not be available or acquiring those would cost us our strategic autonomy. The

> defence forces were, hence, looking at indigenous solutions to fulfill their needs. He was speaking at a webinar organised by FIC-

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Vice-Chief of the Indian

Army Lt Gen SK Saini on

Monday said in crunch situa-

tions, technologies developed

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

sation through Make in India".

Domestic equipment to help

Lt Gen Saini said about 40 per cent of Indian Army's procurement schemes were valued at less than Rs 300 crore. A Rs 300-crore cutoff limit allowed the Army to process the case at its own level, cutting down slowpaced processes. This lower average cost of acquisition facilitated and promoted wide participation MSMEs and startups.

in crisis: Army Vice-Chief claimed to have paid Rs 2 CI on "Ushering indigenicrore in bribe to Verma to avoid action by the CBI. He alleged when Satish was called in for questioning in

February

restricted

examining him. In an another appointment, VSK Kaumudi, a 1986-batch IPS officer of Andhra Pradesh cadre, has been appointed Special Secretary, Internal Security, in the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) till his superannuation on November 30, 2022.

First to enter Kargil combat zone, claim 2 women pilots

Ajay Banerjee

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17

A major controversy has erupted over which woman pilot of the IAF was 'first' into the battle zone during the Kargil war (May-July 1999).

Just days after the movie 'Gunjan Saxena — The Kargil Girl' was released, Sreevidya Rajan, another woman pilot, has claimed that she was the first into battle at Kargil and not Gunjan Saxena, who has retorted back "Won't Let Anyone Take

Away My Achievements". The IAF is, so far, silent even as a part of its history is now part of popular cinema and being watched by lakhs. The

IAF SILENT ON ROW

The IAF is, so far, silent on the controversy of who was 'first' to enter the battle zone, even as Sreevidya Rajan says she stands by her claim, Gunjan Saxena has retorted back "won't let anyone take away my achievements".

Tribune has emailed a detailed questionnaire to the IAF, on these new claims.

It all started on Monday when Sreevidya wrote on her Facebook post: "I was the first woman pilot to be sent along with the male counterparts in the first detachment of our unit which was deployed at Srinagar. I flew missions in the conflict area even before Gunjan's arrival at Srinagar."

Speaking to *The Tribune* over phone she said she stood by her FB post. On being asked to why she never reacted even when the movie was announced some two years ago, she said: "I had thought this was a movie about Gunjan Saxena's life. Now after seeing the movie and how it has presented the IAF in poor light, I spoke up as I was the other women officer present there."

Saxena, wrote a blogpost in response saying "I was the first woman to fly in a combat zone...". She said it was an open challenge to anybody who refutes these facts.

Chinese national booked by ED for hawala scam

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 17 The Enforcement Directorate

(ED) today registered a case under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) against a Chinese national for allegedly running a hawala racket worth Rs 1,000 crore through shell companies.

Officials said the prosecution complaint (equivalent to a police FIR) was registered against 42-year-old Charlie Peng, alias Luo Sang. He is allegedly the kingpin of the racket, they said.

On August 12, Income Tax Department officials had raided nearly 25 premises belonging to Peng and some of his accomplices, including Indians and bankers. — TNS

drug racket busted

Mumbai-Hyderabad

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The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) today said

Officials in the agency said the agency also seized cash of Rs 45 lakh in INR, USD and EUR currency notes under the provisions of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985.

A senior DRI official said, "In a coordinated operation spread over three days across multiple locations in Mumbai

and Hyderabad, agency officials seized over 250 kg of different drugs (psychotropic substances)."

Officials said acting on a tip-

off that a consignment of

Mephedrone, a banned psy-

chotropic substance, was

arriving in Mumbai on

August 15 from Hyderabad,

the DRI sleuths kept surveil-

lance and intercepted the

consignment as soon as it

arrived from Hyderabad.

it had busted a drug syndicate network operating in Hyderabad and Mumbai and seized over 250 kg of banned psychotropic substances worth Rs 47 crore in the market.

"The consignment was loaded in a private passenger bus as cargo with no one accompanying it to ensure that even if the consignment was caught, no individual could be linked to it," the official said.

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