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## ■ IN THE NEWS

Eighth instalment of ₹6k-cr GST aid released to states

THE CENTRE HAS released the eighth instalment of ₹6,000 crore as GST compensation payment to states, the government said on Monday, reports FE Bureau in New Delhi. States and union territories have so far received ₹4,800 crore of the ₹1.1 lakh crore to be disbursed by the Centre this fiscal.

**SsangYong Motor files for bankruptcy**

MAHINDRA & MAHINDRA (M&M) on Monday said its loss-making South Korean arm SsangYong Motor Company (SYMC) has filed for bankruptcy, reports PTI. SYMC has filed an application for commencement of rehabilitation procedure with the Seoul Bankruptcy Court under the Debtor Rehabilitation and Bankruptcy Act of South Korea, M&M said in a regulatory filing.

## NEW COVID STRAIN

India suspends all UK flights till Dec 31

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New Delhi, December 21

## GOING VIRAL



Covid-positive passengers arriving from the UK to be sent for institutional quarantine set up states/UTs

- Those found negative should be advised to isolate at home for 7 days
- India has air bubble arrangement with more than 22 countries, including the UK
- Britain warns the potent new strain of the virus is 'out of control'

was 'out of control' and imposed a stringent new stay-at-home lockdown from Sunday.

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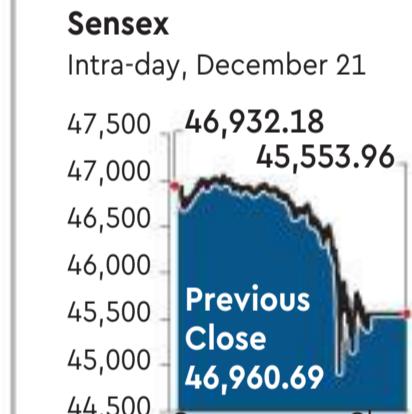
## New strain driving S Africa's resurgence

SOUTHAFRICA HAS announced that a new variant of the virus is driving the current resurgence, with higher numbers of confirmed cases, hospitalisations and deaths, reports AP. The new strain, known as 501.V2, is dominant among new confirmed cases, say health officials and scientists leading the country's virus strategy. ■ Page 8

## Investors spooked

## Markets bear the brunt of new Covid strain

Snapping its six-session record-setting streak, equity benchmark Sensex crashed 1,407 points on Monday as a new strain of the coronavirus in the UK clobbered global markets. The 30-share BSE Sensex plunged 1,406.73 points or 3%. This was its biggest single-day fall since May 4 this year. Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty tanked 432.15 points or 3.14%. All Sensex components ended in the red



## FE BUREAU

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## DHFL

Piramal says its bid beats Oaktree's

FE BUREAU  
Mumbai, December 21

## PIRAMAL ENTERPRISES CHAIRMAN

Ajay Piramal has written a letter to the administrator for Dewan Housing Finance Corporation (DHFL) pointing out the company's bid for DHFL is ₹2,500 crore higher than that made by Oaktree Capital. Piramal Capital and Housing Finance's bid is designed to ensure the highest upfront cash payment of ₹13,000 crore. This is higher than the competing bid by ₹1,000 crore. Additionally, the competing bid has asked for an escrow of ₹1,500 crore from lenders' funds, and if we adjust that from cash payment, our bid is higher by ₹2,500 crore," the letter reads.

The letter argues Oaktree's offer is not implementable due to constraints in the takeover of DHFL's insurance business. "...the competing foreign financial investor's resolution plan is unimplementable till such time

## FINE PRINT

## IMPLEMENTABILITY

■ Oaktree can't complete deal for now as it will violate 49% cap on FDI in insurance

## UNCONDITIONAL OFFER

■ Piramal bid is unconditional while Oaktree reserves the right to revoke/reprice bid

## MORE UPFRONT CASH

■ At least ₹1,000 cr more & ₹2,500 cr more if ₹1,500 cr escrow condition of Oaktree is taken into account

## HIGH EQUITY STAKE

■ Merger with PCHFL means ₹10,400 cr of immediate equity

## FDI HOLDERS BENEFIT

■ Will pay 10% more than what CoC gives

that a credible, regulatorily acceptable alternate buyer for the Insurance business emerges," the letter read.

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## Tata Motors to hike CV prices from Jan

TATA MOTORS ON Monday said its commercial vehicle prices will be revised upwards from January 1 to partially offset the steady rise in input costs and impact of forex and transition to BS-VI norms, reports FE Bureau in New Delhi.

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mercial vehicles, intermediate and light commercial vehicles, small commercial vehicles as well as buses.

Thus far, Maruti Suzuki, Hero MotoCorp, Honda Motor, and Mahindra and Mahindra have announced that they will increase prices of their vehicles from January to offset rise in input costs.

## COVID DEFAULTS

IBC relief to be extended by three more months

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New Delhi, December 21

## FRESH BREATHER

■ Govt already has House nod to suspend IBC against Covid-related defaults for up to a year from March 25, 2020

■ Initially, the suspension was valid for 6 months, which was then extended by 3 months

■ Govt wanted to review the situation before granting another 3-month extension from December 25

(ECLGS) has now been extended to others as well, including larger companies in 27 stressed sectors and professionals like doctors or chartered accountants.

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## STP ORDER

SAT's notice to Sebi on plea by 63 Moons

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63 MOONS TECHNOLOGIES on Monday said the Securities Appellate Tribunal has issued a notice to Sebi on an appeal filed by the company against the order related to providing straight through processing (STP) services.

On December 3, Sebi said 63 Moons has been offering STP services without its approval and allowed it to provide such services for three more months to clients in order to avoid any possible disruptions for securities market participants. Financial firms use STP to pass information electronically in order to optimise the speed at which they process transactions.

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## 2020 HIGH

Tesla's rise made US auto industry go electric

JOSEPH WHITE  
Detroit, December 21

TESLA AND WALL Street made 2020 the year that the US auto industry decided to go electric.

Tesla's market capitalisation surged above \$600 billion, making the once wobbly startup founded by billionaire Elon Musk worth more than the five top-selling global vehicle-making groups combined. The exclamation point came on Friday when Tesla rose to a record high in frantic trading ahead of the stock's much anticipated entrance into the benchmark S&P 500 index.

For 2021, all signs point toward the industry accelerating its shift



Elon Musk

toward electrification, a turning point as historically momentous as the launch of Ford Motor Co's moving assembly line for the Model T or General Motors' 2009 bankruptcy.

Tesla's ascent came the same year that activist hedge funds and other investors ratcheted up pressure on cor-

porations to fight climate change. Evidence is growing that more investors have concluded the century-long dominance of internal combustion engines — "ICE" in industry-slang — is headed toward a close within a decade.

From London to Beijing to California, political leaders also embraced plans to start phasing out internal combustion engine-only vehicles as early as 2030. Pressure to cut emissions undermines the logic for significant new investments in ICE engines. Thousands of manufacturing jobs are currently tied to internal combustion in the US, Britain, Germany, France, Japan and other countries.

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# Economy

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**MORE POWER TO CONSUMER**  
RK Singh, Union power minister  
Discoms across the country are monopolies – whether government or private – and the consumer has no alternative, therefore it was necessary that the consumers' rights be laid down in rules and a system for enforcement of these rights be put in place

## Quick View

'Govt aims to double farm mechanisation in next 10 years'

AGRICULTURE MINISTER NARENDRA Singh Tomar on Monday said the government is focusing on farm mechanisation and asked the industry to provide small machines and equipment to farmers with less landholding to boost their income. The minister was speaking at the annual general meeting of Tractor and Mechanization Association on Monday.

**Gadkari launches over ₹13k crore highway proj**  
UNION MINISTER NITIN Gadkari on Monday inaugurated and laid foundation stone of projects worth over ₹13,000 crore in Telangana. These projects are for a total length of 765.66 km of highways. "Union minister for road transport and highways Nitin Gadkari inaugurated and laid foundation of 14 NH projects in Telangana on Monday through virtual mode."

**Vineet Agarwal takes over as new Assocham chief**  
MANAGING DIRECTOR OF logistics major Transport Corporation of India Vineet Agarwal has taken over as the new President of The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (Assocham), the industry body said on Monday.

**HUDCO signs MoU with MoHUA for FY21 targets**

HUDCO HAS SIGNED A pact with the ministry of housing and urban affairs (MoHUA) for setting key targets for the financial year 2020-21. The MoU was signed between Durga Shanker Mishra, secretary of MoHUA, and Kamran Rizvi, chairman and managing director of HUDCO, in the presence of M Nagaraj, director (corporate planning) and D Guhan, director (finance).

### REFUELING TIME

## Gas-based power plants want fuel allocation from upcoming fields

ANUPAM CHATTERJEE  
New Delhi, December 21

**SEVERELY STRESSED GAS-BASED** power plants have sought a "separate bucket for allocation/auction of gas" from the offshore fields on the eastern coast of the country where production is to commence soon.

As much as 24,900 megawatt of gas-based power stations operated at only 26% utilisation levels in the April-October period for lack of fuel supply. Around 12,000 MW of gas plants are stressed assets, 5,600 GW have had no gas supplied to them in FY20, while the rest had limited supplies.

In letters to the Prime Minister's Office and the petroleum and power ministries, the Association of Power Producers (APP) has said, "The additional 30 million standard cubic meters per day (mscmd) of domestic natural gas to be available by FY23 from KG basin should have some quantity earmarked for the power sector plants, which have no gas presently, on priority basis to revive and operationalise them in long term."

The ultra-deep-water gas fields in the KG D6 Block of the Krishna Godavari basin, developed by Reliance Industries (RIL) and BP, are expected

### Reintroduce gas subsidy scheme to revive power plants, says APP

THE ASSOCIATION of Power Producers (APP) has urged the government to reintroduce gas subsidy scheme for revival of gas-based electricity generation projects in the country. The body has also sought dedicated allocation or auction of gas for power sector and inclusion of natural gas under goods and services tax (GST) regime to maintain 5% tax across the country. In a letter shot off to power minister RK Singh last week, APP asked for reintroduction of a modified E-RNG (electronic auction of subsidy to buy regasified liquefied natural gas) scheme to improve the PLF (plant load factor or capacity utilisation) of stressed gas-based power generation plants.

to cumulatively produce 30 mscmd by 2023, accounting for a quarter of the country's domestic gas output.

RIL and BP announced the commencement of gas production from the block on December 18 and the fuel will be sold according to standard bidding norms approved by the Cabinet in October. Though these fields have been given considerable pricing and marketing freedom, the gas prices are to be capped under the government determined tariff limits. The current price cap is set at \$4.06/million British thermal units (mBtu), and is expected to rise after March 31, 2021. To make gas-based power commercially viable,

the cost of the fuel at burner tip — including transportation costs and taxes — should not be more than \$6/mbtu.

"The domestic gas that would be produced can be allocated through bidding route, but of the total gas being bid, there should be a specific bucket or a specific quantity solely for the power sector as power sector cannot compete with other non-regulated industries," the APP said. Though it is touted as one of the cleanest and reliable source, the share of electricity from gas-based power plants — even amid the current efforts to achieve emission reduction targets — remains less than 4%.

Average plant load factor

(PLF) of India's gas-based power plants increased only three percentage points annually in April-October 2020 even though spot liquefied natural gas (LNG) prices fell about 22% year-on-year. The marginal rise in PLF can be attributed to power generation increasing multi-fold in only a handful of generating stations located near the gas import terminals on the western coast. "Transportation costs of gas remained high, and coupled with landed cost of LNG imports and regasification, the final power price is still high and uncompetitive in relation to coal-based plants," a source said.

Reaping the benefit of lower fuel rates, around 2,600 MW of state-owned gas-based plants of Gujarat (Pipavav, Uran, Dhuarvan, Utran and Hazira units) increased their PLF levels two to three times from last year. Electricity production from Torrent Power's 1,200 MW Dgen unit and NTPC's 657 MW Gandhar gas plant, also in Gujarat, have more than doubled from last year.

On the other hand, most of the units at Lanco Kondapalli (1,476 MW), GMR Rajahmundry (768 MW), GVK Gautami (465 MW) — all in Andhra Pradesh — continue to lie idle.

## ADB grants \$40 m loan to Northern Arc Capital

FE BUREAU  
Chennai, December 21

**THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT** Bank (ADB) has signed a \$40-million loan (in rupee equivalent) to Northern Arc Capital (NACL) to support the livelihoods of microfinance borrowers and micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) in India.

The loan is being disbursed to NACL as part of ADB's ongoing Covid-19 response. NACL will on-lend the loan proceeds and provide guarantees to financial institutions and individual borrowers. NACL will also on-lend to affordable housing finance companies.

"The pandemic has had a deep impact on the country's informal economy, especially on microfinance borrowers and

### New rules to compensate consumers for power cuts and defective meters

FE BUREAU  
New Delhi, December 21

MSMES. NACL's unique business model of working with the most impacted segment of MSMEs and financial institutions makes them an ideal partner," said ADB's private sector operations department director Christine Engstrom.

Bama Balakrishnan, NACL chief operating officer, said, "NACL and ADB have a long-standing association and our mission is to serve the underbanked, especially during this time of crisis. This transaction is significant as it will enable us to support small and mid-sized NBFCs across microfinance, small business loans and affordable housing finance, which are facing difficulties in attracting debt funding from investors. The funding will help us design new debt product solutions for clients."

include unsatisfactory supply duration, number of power cuts, time taken by discoms to provide new connections and replace defective meters.

"Discoms across the country are monopolies — whether government or private — and the consumer has no alternative, therefore it was necessary that the consumers' rights be laid down in rules and a system for enforcement of these rights be put in place," Singh said, adding that "if there was open competition, perhaps the services would have been better".

The new rules state that new connections and modification of existing connections in metro cities should be provided by discoms within seven days of receiving such requests. The time allotted is 15 days in other municipal areas and 30 days for rural consumers.

### From the Front Page

## Delhi HC order: Setback for Future Group but bigger jolt for Amazon

AMAZON, WHICH OWNS a 9.83% equity in Future Retail, while contesting the latter's deal with Reliance Retail had argued that it has veto power over any sale of Future Coupons, in which it owns a 49% stake.

In brief, the court has upheld the interim award by Singapore International Arbitration Centre in favour of Amazon as legal.

It has also declared the Future-Reliance deal to be legal and left the final decision to the regulatory authorities before which the deal is under examination before a final approval is given. Legal

observers said that since the ruling is by a single judge bench, the parties are sure to challenge it before the division bench as the next course of action.

"...both FRL (Future Retail) and Amazon have already made their representations and counter representations to the statutory authorities/regulators and now it is for the statutory authorities/regulators to take a decision thereon..

Consequently, the present application is disposed of, declining the grant of interim injunction as prayed for by FRL, however, the order said.

statutory authorities/regulators are directed to take the decision on the applications/objections in accordance with the law," the court said. "On two counts, FRL has been able to make out a prima facie case of tortious interference by Amazon. It is clarified that it is not the making of the representation by Amazon to the statutory authorities or the regulators, which is an actionable wrong but making a representation based on incorrect assertions which makes the act based on unlawful means," the order said.

Piramal also mentions that Oaktree's plan for DHFL is conditional. "The competing bid has stated that if the plan is not approved and implemented by March 31, 2021, or if there is any deterioration in asset quality or deviation from assumptions in the bid, the bidder reserves the right to discuss repricing or to revoke," the letter read.

Piramal's resolution plan for DHFL has no conditions, except for approvals like competition commission of India (CCI). The company has not included any sunset clauses or any rights to revoke the plan.

Piramal has promised merger of its housing finance entity with DHFL, committing ₹10,400 of equity capital upfront.

An offer has been made to retail fixed deposit (FD) holders of DHFL, committing an additional 10% of the amount allocated to them by the CoC (committee of creditors).

Oaktree Capital had offered a total of ₹36,646 crore.

Piramal Enterprises had bid ₹35,550 crore for the entire book while Adani Properties had submitted a total bid of ₹33,110 crore.

FE learned the CoC will meet on December 24 to discuss the resolution plans and vote on them.

However, the voting may continue for 10-15 days as per

equivalent to 20-30% of total power sales — have been recorded in Odisha, Chhattisgarh, and Jharkhand, the study finds.

The IISD report also notes that agricultural consumers were allotted 75% of the subsidies, followed by domestic consumers at 20%. A few states such as Punjab, Arunachal Pradesh and Goa offer subsidies to industries as well, to the extent of 4% of their total subsidies. In FY19, Chhattisgarh and Andhra Pradesh released only 60% and 21%, respectively, of the subsidy amounts booked by their discoms. Less

than 90% of the booked amount was disbursed by the state governments across the country in FY19. In fact, delayed subsidy disbursal by the state governments is a key reason — apart from inefficient billing and inadequate tariff hikes — behind discoms' financial losses surging 83% to ₹61,360 crore in FY19.

The quantum of tariff levied on consumer categories depend on the demography of the states. For instance, though the industrial tariff of ₹6.97/unit in Gujarat is significantly lower than that in other states, the state discom sells 57% of its

electricity to this consumer category, and earns 79% of its revenues from them. On the other hand, more than 50% supplies in states like Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Telangana go to domestic and agricultural consumers, while only up to 35% of the revenues of these states' discoms come from these subsidised categories.

Piramal says its

bid for DHFL best

## Talks on global growth can't happen among a few: Modi

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
New Delhi, December 21

### ASSERTING THAT GROWTH

patterns must follow a human-centric approach, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday said discussions on global growth cannot happen only among a few as the "table must be bigger" and the agenda broader.

The prime minister's remarks at the 6th Indo-Japan Samvad Conference assume significance as they come at a time when India has been pushing for reformed multilateralism at the UN and other global fora, calling for representation reflecting contemporary realities.

Modi, in his message at the conference via video link, said hostility will never achieve peace and in the past, humanity took the path of confrontation instead of collaboration.

"From Imperialism to the world wars. From the arms race to the space race. We had dialogues but they were aimed at pulling others down. Now, let us rise together," Modi said.

Lord Buddha's teachings command the strength to turn



Prime Minister Narendra Modi

the discourse from enmity to empowerment and his teachings also make us large-hearted, Modi said.

"They (Buddha's teachings) tell us: learn from the past and work towards a better future. This is the best service we can do for our future generations," he said.

Modi also called for keeping humanity at the core of policies.

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Samvad of a new decade which is happening at a critical moment of human history, Modi said, "Our actions today will shape the discourse in the coming times. This decade and beyond will belong to those societies that place a premium on learning and innovating together."

It will be about nurturing bright young minds who will

add value to the humanity in the times to come, he said.

Learning should be such that it furthers innovation, which is the cornerstone to human empowerment, he said.

Underlining that societies that are open minded, democratic and transparent are better suited to innovate, Modi said now is the time, more than ever before, to change the paradigm on what we see as growth.

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proposed this year that it would pay states through market borrowing, but many states didn't agree with the shortfall estimate of ₹1.1 lakh crore.

The Centre insisted that it would only pay for the shortfall due to GST implementation and not ₹1.85 lakh crore, which is the revenue deficit taking into account the pandemic-induced slowdown.

After initial jitters, all the states eventually came on board with the borrowing scheme.

The central government has also granted additional borrowing permission equivalent to 0.5% of Gross States Domestic Product (GSDP) to states choosing option-I to meet GST compensation shortfall to help them mobilise additional financial resources.

"All the states have been given their preference for option-I. Permission for borrowing the entire additional amount of ₹1,06,830 crore (0.5% of GSDP) has been granted to 28 states under this provision," the government said.

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Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland and Sikkim — do not have a gap in revenue on account of GST implementation," the government said.

The GST regime has a mechanism of a compensation cess fund, which is made up of cess proceeds, to make up any shortfall below the states' protected revenue each year.

This guarantee of revenue protection is baked into the law and states are entitled to a 14% year-on-year growth in their GST revenue.

However, since last year, the compensation cess fund has proved to be inadequate.

The central government

IBC relief to be extended by three more months

THE GOVERNMENT HAS already obtained Parliamentary approval, through the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Second Amendment) Bill, 2020, for an up to one-year suspension of the initiation of insolvency proceedings for fresh defaults from March 25. Initially, the suspension was kept valid for six months, which was then extended by three months.

The government had planned to review, before the

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worth of investments intentions signed by Govt. of Maharashtra during lockdown

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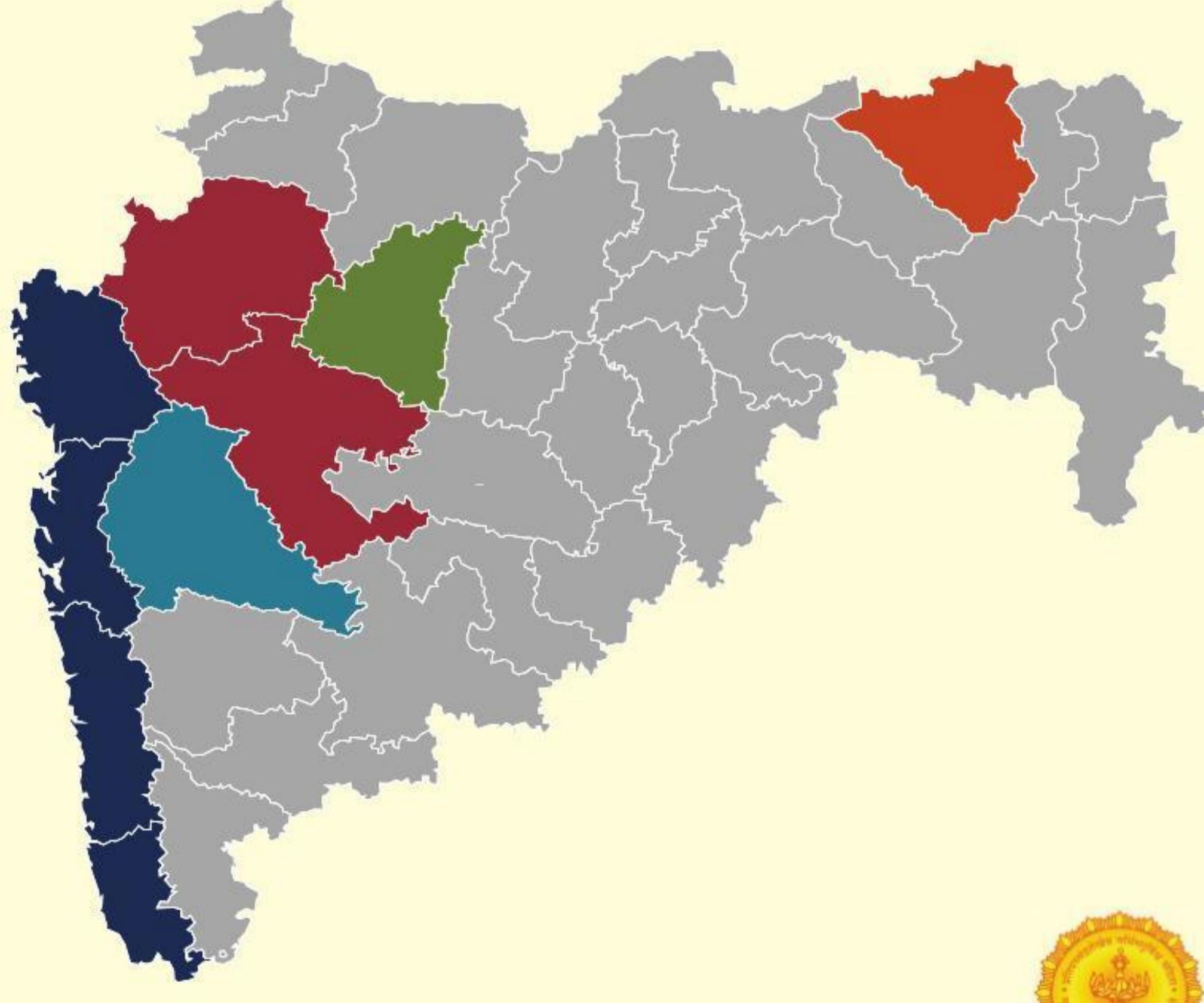


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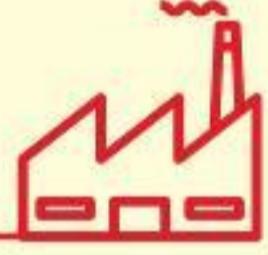
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# Companies

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## FOR REALTY SECTOR

Niranjan Hiranandani, president, Naredco  
SWAMIH fund is working but isn't enough. I want 4-5 funds to be created. Various banks and institutions are ready... We don't need more funds from the govt, it should only enable creation of similar funds...The govt wants more houses to be constructed, then why is it taxing unsold flats?

## Quick View



**BMW to hike prices across models by up to 2% from January**

GERMAN LUXURY carmaker BMW on Monday said it will increase prices of its entire model range in India by up to 2% from next month. The automaker will introduce the revised pricing for all BMW and MINI models effective January 4, BMW Group India said in a statement.

### Cognizant acquires UK-based Inawisdom

COGNIZANT ON Monday said it has acquired UK-based Inawisdom for an undisclosed amount. Inawisdom is a privately-held consultancy specialising in artificial intelligence, machine learning, and data analytics to help businesses make better, faster decisions that improve business outcomes.

### Moneyboxx Fin raises ₹10 cr from 3 NBFCs

MONEYBOXX FINANCE, an NBFC that provides small-ticket loans to micro and small enterprises, on Monday said it has raised ₹10 crore from BlackSoil Capital, Caspian Impact Investments, and Ashy Finance. Moneyboxx plans to utilise the proceeds to support its disbursement target of ₹75 crore in the current financial year, it said.

### Noise partners Vijay Sales to take presence offline

NOISE, AN Indian connected lifestyle brand, has announced its first-ever offline presence by joining hands with electronics retail store chain Vijay Sales. With this association, Noise has further intensified its foothold in India by offering its entire portfolio of products on both online and offline platforms of Vijay Sales.

### 89% people keen to 'resume travel': Thomas Cook India

TRAVEL SERVICES firm Thomas Cook India and its group firm SOTC Travel on Monday said 89% of respondents in a survey conducted across tier-1 and 2 cities in India displayed keen interest to resume travel, revealing resurgence of consumer confidence. Thomas Cook India and its group company surveyed over 2,700 customers.

### NephroPlus bags \$100-m tender from Uzbekistan

DIALYSIS SERVICES provider NephroPlus on Monday said it has won a tender of over \$100 million (around ₹740 crore) to build and operate a comprehensive dialysis programme for Uzbekistan. The Uzbekistan government has awarded the tender to the company to finance, construct, equip, train personnel, and operate four large dialysis centres in Tashkent, Karakalpakstan and Khorezm regions.

### End of Reason Sale: Record Day 1 visitors on Mynta

THE 13TH edition of Mynta's flagship End of Reason Sale witnessed a record number of visitors at 15 million on its opening day, registering a huge growth of over 110% over business as usual. Mynta sold nearly 3 million items within the first 24 hours.

## Violence at iPhone manufacturing plant: Wistron says 'no significant impact' on biz

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
Bengaluru, December 21

### REALTY CHECK

## Top 7 cities see housing sales drop by nearly half in 2020: Report

FE BUREAU  
Mumbai, December 21

**HOUSING SALES IN** the top seven cities declined by 47% in 2020 compared with 2019, with sales coming in at about 1.38 lakh units against 2.61 lakh units in 2019. The Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR) saw maximum yearly sales of approximately 44,320 units, followed by Bengaluru with 24,910 units.

The new launches also fell by a sharp 46% during the year to about 1.27 lakh new units, against 2.36 lakh units launched in 2019, according to ANAROCK Property Consultants. Hyderabad was the only city to



see new launches increase during the year by a good 42% at 21,110 units. The other key cities contributing to 2020 new unit launches were Mumbai Metropolitan Region, Pune and Bengaluru, which together accounted for 76% of the addition.

The unsold stock during the year fell by 2% from about 6.48 lakh units in 2019 end to around 6.38 lakh units as of 2020 end. Kolkata saw the maximum decline of 8% during the year, followed by Bengaluru and MMR that witnessed a decline of 6% each.

According to data for the last seven years, the unsold stock in the top seven cities was highest at the end of 2016 at approximately 7.90 lakh units. In com-

parison to this peak-level, unsold housing stock has declined by a significant 19%.

Anuj Puri, chairman, ANAROCK Property Consultants, said, "The year 2020 has been an unprecedented year due to Covid-19, causing all-round upheaval. However, the residential segment was quick to pick up momentum in the last two quarters of 2020 on the back of growing homeownership sentiment - catalysed by the exigencies of the pandemic."

"This pent-up demand was further accelerated by the ongoing discounts and offers, the prevailing lowest-best home loan interest rates and limited-period stamp duty cuts in states such as Maharashtra."

### MOUNTING DEBT

## Mahindra arm SsangYong files for bankruptcy

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
New Delhi, December 21

**MAHINDRA & MAHINDRA** (M&M) on Monday said its loss-making South Korean arm SsangYong Motor Company (SYMC) has filed for bankruptcy.

The SYMC has filed an application for commencement of rehabilitation procedure with the Seoul Bankruptcy Court under the Debtor Rehabilitation and Bankruptcy Act of South Korea, M&M said in a regulatory filing. The troubled automaker has also applied for an autonomous restructuring support (ARS) programme which is a court designed process, it added.

"If the court approves the ARS, SYMC will continue to function under the supervision of its board and will negotiate with stakeholders to reach an understanding about a revival package which may include equity and debt financing and other related actions," M&M said. However, some of its decisions will be subject to Court approval, it noted.

The Seoul Bankruptcy Court will deliberate and review the application and relevant documents submitted by SYMC to determine whether or not the court will commence the restructuring process of SYMC, M&M said.

Last week, M&M had informed the



bourses that SYMC has missed repayments of loans aggregating to 60 billion KRW (around ₹408 crore). The Korean automaker has outstanding loans aggregating to 100 billion Korean Won (around ₹680 crore).

In April this year, M&M board rejected a proposal to inject any fresh equity into SYMC. The Mumbai-based auto major had acquired the loss-making SsangYong in 2010 but failed to turn it around since then despite several attempts.

M&M holds nearly 75% in the Korean company now and has since invested over \$110 million. SsangYong has been struggling with deteriorating earnings since 2017 when it slipped into the red with a net loss of 66 billion won as against a net profit of 58 billion won in 2016. In 2018, its net loss rose to 62 billion wons and then ballooned to 341 billion wons in 2019.

### Pine Labs raises fresh funds at valuation of over \$2 billion

FE BUREAU  
New Delhi, December 21

**MERCHANT COMMERCE PLATFORM** Pine Labs on Monday said it has raised fresh funds from Lone Pine Capital at a valuation of over \$2 billion.

The company is understood to have raised anywhere between \$75 million and \$100 million in the latest financial round that included a mix of primary and secondary investment.

Pine Labs did not disclose the exact funding amount.

In January, the Noida-based firm turned unicorn after it bagged funding from MasterCard at a valuation of about \$1.6 billion.

Pine Labs, which serves more than 150,000 merchants in 3,700 cities across Asia and West Asia, counts Sequoia India, Actis Capital, Temasek and PayPal as its other investors.

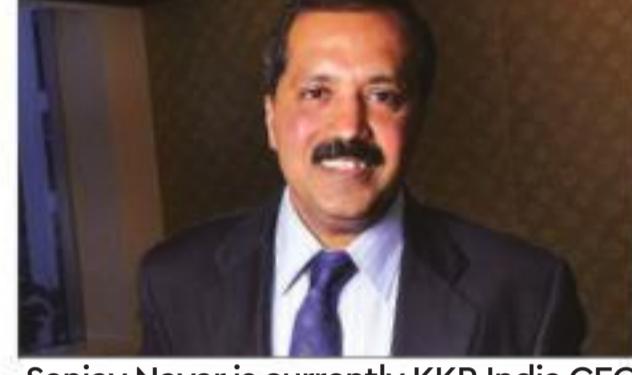
"Small businesses and consumers are fast adopting to digital commerce and contactless checkout. We are also seeing tremendous uptake in Pay Later services and have now enabled nearly 150,000 outlets for this. It's time to invest heavily in offline and online commerce across India and SEA," CEO B Amrish Rau said in a statement.

Founded in 1998, Pine Labs initially provided a solution for card-based payment and loyalty programme in the retail petroleum industry.

It pivoted its business model and forayed into the unified point-of-sale (POS) space since 2012.

### Trehan is KKR's new PE chief as Nayar becomes chairman

ANTO ANTONY & BAIJU KAILESH  
December 21



Sanjay Nayar is currently KKR India CEO  
ment of Morgan Stanley with a focus on the technology sector.

KKR has been investing in India since 2006, and Nayar joined in 2009 when the buyout firm set up its office in Mumbai. KKR has invested more than \$5.8 billion in private equity in India through Sept. 30, and \$10 billion across assets including credit, infrastructure and real estate.

—Bloomberg

### Larsen & Toubro inaugurates AM Naik Tower in Mumbai's Powai campus

**LARSEN & TOUBRO** (L&T) on Monday said it has inaugurated the 'AM Naik Tower', a corporate office tower located at its Powai campus.

"A smart, digitally advanced, green corporate office tower dedicated on the occasion of completing 55 years of service to the company by L&T Group chairman AM Naik," the company said in a statement.

The corporate office tower is one of the most advanced, digitally smart and green buildings in India that provides choicest modern amenities for its employees and visitors, it said.

With a total built-up area of 1.03 mil-

lion sq ft, it will be hosting 4,500 group employees availing modern amenities such as 300-seater hi-tech multipurpose hall, 800-seater food court, well-equipped gymnasium, digital library, immersive training rooms and a special lounge.

L&T MD and CEO SN Subrahmanyam said, "This newly inaugurated 'AM Naik Tower' is a befitting acknowledgement of his (Naik's) stupendous 55 years of service and contributions to the group. The tower will pave the way to bring in further synergies across businesses, group companies and corporate functions by hosting multiple group offices at one location."

**Ensuing tariff hikes to fuel revenue growth, better debt metrics for telcos: Icra**



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
New Delhi, December 21

**TELECOM SERVICE PROVIDERS** could undertake the next round of tariff hikes over the next one or two quarters, which is expected to fuel revenue growth in fiscal 2022, Icra said on Monday.

The industry topline is expected to grow by 11-13% over the next two years, with operating margins improving to about 38% for the financial year 2022 on the back of improved cash flows, moderate capex and limited borrowings, it said.

"Next round of tariff hikes are expected soon as the industry debt continues to remain elevated, likely to at ₹4.7 lakh crore as on March 31, 2022," Icra said in a release.

Given the higher funding needs arising from sizeable payouts towards statutory liabilities, spectrum purchase, regular revenue share with the government and auction instalments (that start from FY23), it is imperative for the players to embark on sustainable and sizeable expansion in the average revenue per user (Arpu).

"The Arpu expansion will result in revenue growth and given the high operating leverage, the margins are also expected to expand. These measures are expected to translate into improvement in the debt coverage metrics of the industry, even as the overall debt remains high," Icra said.



agriculture and forestry, and infrastructure sectors witnessed 9 high-value transactions aggregating to \$5.3 billion, which constituted about 77% of the overall deal values reported in the month.

About 86 transactions were reported in the start-up segment, which included 9 M&As and 77 PE transactions aggregating to \$764 million, which is about 58% of the total volumes.

"Real estate, retail and consumer, pharmaceuticals and IT & ITeS are expected to be evergreen sectors for M&A and PE transactions. Covid-19 has created several transaction opportunities by identifying sectors that remained insulated or thrived during the pandemic, indicating high potential and highlighted the significantly impacted ones, an indicator of the need for more resources. The hopes for a vaccine in the near term and the stimulus by the government in various forms and measures are

expected to heat the transaction landscape and make all stakeholders seize the opportunities created," Grant Thornton said.

Compared with October 2020, the overall deal values recorded a 6% fall due to an unmatched sum of big-ticket transactions, however, November witnessed a significant 41% hike in deal volumes driven by a 68% increase in the M&As and 32% in PE, indicating heightened deal activity.

M&As witnessed a whopping 81% increase in the deal values despite a 14% decline in the volumes compared with the same period last year.

"PE investment values recorded \$4.2 billion in November 2020, driven by 2 deals valued over \$1 billion each, translated to a 37% hike in investment values compared with the same period last year. However, compared with the best monthly values of \$6.6 million, recorded in October 2020, November 2020 saw a 36% drop in investment values," Grant Thornton said.

In contrast, November 2020 recorded the highest monthly investment volumes after the 109 deals recorded in July 2015. This month saw a big 41% jump in volumes against November 2019 and a 32% increase compared with October 2020, it added.

Tube executes guarantee agreement for CG Power's ₹1,365-cr loan from SBI

FE BUREAU  
Chennai, December 21

**TUBE INVESTMENTS** of India (TII), the new owner of CG Power and Industrial Solutions, have executed a guarantee agreement in favour of State Bank of India (SBI) and SBICAP Trustee Company in respect of the borrowings availed by the latter for an aggregate amount of ₹1,365 crore.

This follows TII board of directors'

approval for providing guarantees by the company in favour of the lenders of CG Power and the subsequent nod of the shareholders obtained at the extraordinary general meeting on November 30.

TII said though CG Power is going through a financial crunch, it has a robust business model and with the support of steady credit lines is being firmed up currently. The operations of CG Power are likely

## CIL's fuel allocation under spot e-auction rises 59% during April-November

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
New Delhi, December 21

**STATE-OWNED CIL** allocated 25.78 million tonnes (MT) of coal in the first eight months of this fiscal under spot e-auction scheme, registering a year-on-year increase of 59.4%.

Coal India (CIL) had allocated 16.17 MT of coal in the April-November period of the previous fiscal, according to government data.

Fuel allocation by CIL under the scheme also increased to 4.09 MT in November, from over 3.58 MT in the corresponding month of 2019.

"Coal distribution through e-auction was introduced to provide access to coal for such buyers who are not able to source the dry fuel through the available institutional mechanism.

The purpose of e-auction is to provide equal opportunity to all intending buyers for purchasing coal through single window service.

Coal India accounts for over 80% of domestic coal output. It has revised its production target to 650-660 MT for the current fiscal in the wake of the disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

The miner had earlier set a production target of 710 MT for the 2020-21 fiscal.

"Covid-19 pandemic has affected demand for coal. However, demand has started to pick up now as the industries have commenced operations. Given the situation, we are hopeful to end the year with 650-660 million tonne of production," Coal India chairman Pramod Agrawal had said.

## WhiteHat Jr hires 4 senior execs to strengthen leadership team

**ED-TECH MAJOR WHITEHAT JR** on Monday said it has roped in four senior executives from diverse business backgrounds.

The company has onboarded

Trupti Mukker (ex global business head for banking and financial services digital operations at Wipro) as head of customer experience and Balaji

Ramanujam (an IIM-Bangalore and IIT-Madras alumnus) as head of curriculum and learning experience, a statement said.

WhiteHat Jr has also

appointed Vishnu Dutt Sharma (ex CEO of Vidya Mandir Classes) as its head of global business, and Hemant Sachetee (ex VP HFCL Group) as its CFO. —PTI



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(Under Rule 8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)  
Whereas, the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice on 10.05.2008 calling upon the Borrower Smt. Shashi & Vinod Kumar C-149, Nandgram, Ghaziabad, UP, Also at: Plot No. 37, Neelmani Sahakar Awas Samiti, Khasra No. 1359/1, Village Arthala, Ghaziabad (hereinafter the Borrower and Guarantors are collectively referred to as "the Borrowers") to repay the amount mentioned in the said Demand Notices being Rs. 8,12,727.00 (Rupees Eight Lacs Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Only) as on 30.04.2008 along with future interest on the said amount the contractual rates with respectively together with all incidental expenses, cost charges, etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given by the authorized AO to Borrower / Guarantors in particular and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of said Rules on this 16th day of December 2020.

The Borrower / Guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of State Bank of India for an amount of Rs. 8,12,727.00 (Rupees Eight Lacs Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Only) as on 30.04.2008 along with future interest on the said amount the contractual rates with respectively together with all incidental expenses, cost charges, etc.

The borrower's/guarantor's/mortgagor's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Equitable Mortgage of property situated at Plot No. 37 measuring 200 Sq. Yards, situated in Khasra No. 1359/1, At residential colony, Barsana Arthala, Post Loni, Ghaziabad, UP in the name of Smt. Shashi & Sh. Vinod Kumar, Bounded as : East -Road 30ft, West -Plot No. 33, North -Plot No. 36, South -Plot No. 39

Date : 16-12-2020, Place : Ghaziabad, UP Authorised Officer, State Bank of India

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The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given by the authorized AO to Borrower / Guarantors in particular and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of said Rules on this 18th day of December 2020.

The Borrower / Guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of State Bank of India for an amount of Rs. 46,83,734.07 (Rs Forty Six Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Four and Seven Paise Only) as on 31.08.2020 along with future interest on the said amount the contractual rates with respectively together with all incidental expenses, cost charges, etc.

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Mr. Sudhir Kumar Dubbey & Mrs. Arpita Dubbey, Flat No. 402, 4th Floor, Tower No. E, Park Grandeura, Sector-82, Faridabad, Haryana

Date : 18-12-2020, Place : Ghaziabad, UP Authorised Officer, State Bank of India

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R.C. No. 108/2019

CANARA BANK vs M/S SHAKTI ENTERPRISES

As per my order dated 31.10.2020 the under mentioned property will be sold by Public E-Auction on 29-01-2021 in the said Recovery Certificate

The auction sale will be "online e-auctioning" through website <https://indianbanksauction.com>

Date and Time of Auction: 29-01-2021 between 03.00 P.M. and 04.00 P.M. (With extensions of 5 minutes duration after 04.00 pm, if required)

Description of the Property to be sold	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)
A-49 & 50, Ram Dutt Enclave, Uttam Nagar, Delhi	Rs. 61,00,000/-	Rs. 6,10,000/-

Revenue assessed upon the property or any part thereof

Details of any encumbrance to which property is liable

Claims, if any, which have been put forward to the property, and any other known particulars bearing on its nature and value

Not Known

**Terms & Conditions.**

1. The auction sale will be "online e-auctioning" through website <https://indianbanksauction.com>.

2. The EMD shall be paid either through Demand Draft/Pay Order in favour of the "Recovery Officer, DRT-I, Delhi-A/c R.C. No. 108/2019" alongwith self-attested copy of identity (voter i-card/driving license/passport), which should contain the address for future communication, and self-attested copy of PAN Card, must reach to the office of the Recovery Officer, DRT-I, Delhi latest by 22.01.2021 before 3.00 PM. The EMD or original proof of EMD received thereafter shall not be considered.

3. The envelope containing EMD should be super-scripted "RC No. 108/2019", alongwith the details of the sender i.e. address, e-mail ID and mobile number, etc.

4. The property is being sold on "As is where is basis" and as is what is basis".

5. The Bidders are advised to go through the portal <https://indianbanksauction.com> for detailed terms and conditions for e-auction sale before submitting their bids and taking part in the e-Auction sale proceedings.

6. Prospective bidders are required to register themselves with the portal and obtain user ID/password well in advance, which is mandatory for bidding in above e-auction from Ms. Canbank Computer Services Ltd., No. 218, JP Royale, 1st Floor, Sampige Road, Malleswaram, Contact Persons: Mr. Sathanathan K M Mr. Ramesh T H, Contact Numbers: 9480691777/8880531165/080-23469661/62/64/65, Email ID: [eauction@csl.co.in](mailto:eauction@csl.co.in), Website: <https://indianbanksauction.com>.

7. Prospective bidders may avail online training on E-Auction from Ms. Canbank Computer Services Ltd., No. 218, JP Royale, 1st Floor, Sampige Road, Malleswaram, Contact Persons: Mr. Sathanathan K M Mr. Ramesh TH, Contact Numbers: 9480691777/8880531165/080-23469661/62/64/65, Email ID: [eauction@csl.co.in](mailto:eauction@csl.co.in), Website: <https://indianbanksauction.com>.

8. Only those bidders holding valid user ID & Password and confirmed payment of EMD through Demand Draft/Pay Order shall be eligible to participate in online e-auction.

9. The interested bidders, who have submitted their bids below the reserve price by 22.01.2021 at 3.00 PM, shall be eligible to participate in the e-auction to be held from 03.00 PM to 04.00 PM on 29.01.2021. In case bid is placed in the last 5 minutes of the closing time of the auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for 5 Minutes.

10. The bidders shall improve their offer in multiples of Rs. 50,000/- (Rs Fifty Thousand Only).

11. The Successful / highest bidder shall have to prepare DD/Pay order for 25% of the sale proceeds favouring Recovery Officer, DRT-I, Delhi, A/C R.C. No. 108/2019 within 24 hours after close of e-auction and after adjusting the earnest money (EMD) and sending/depositing the same in the office of the Recovery Officer so as to reach within 3 days from the close of e-auction failing which the earnest money (EMD) shall be forfeited.

12. The Successful Highest Bidder shall deposit, through Demand Draft/Pay order favouring Recovery Officer, DRT-I, Delhi, A/C R.C. No. 108/2019, the balance 75% of the sale proceeds before the Recovery Officer, DRT-I, Delhi on or before 15th day from the date of sale of me property, exclusive of such day, or if the 15th day be Sunday or other holiday, then or in first office day after the 15th day alongwith the poundage fee @ 2% upto Rs 1,000 and @ 1% on the excess of such gross amount over Rs 1000/- in favour of Registrar, DRT-I, Delhi. (in case of deposit of balance amount of 75% through post the same should reach the Recovery Officer as above).

13. The unsuccessful bidder shall take the EMD directly from the office of Recovery Officer, DRT-I, Delhi immediately on closure of the e-auction sale proceedings.

14. The Recovery Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject any bid or bids or to postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reasons.

(Jitendra Kumar  
Recovery Officer, DRT-I, Delhi)

## ADVERTORIAL

# Livinguard prioritises people and planet in the fight against COVID-19



MAKING THE WORLD  
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THE NOVEL coronavirus that causes COVID-19 has not only disrupted our lives, but left us dealing with adverse environmental problems of wastage and waste generation. To live through this 'new normal,' enhanced cleaning regimens, regular and frequent handwashing, and mask & glove wearing are integral parts of our daily lives. While these behaviours are essential in our fight against COVID-19, the inadvertent impact they have on our planet can't and shouldn't be ignored. With enhanced cleaning and regular hand-washing for ~15-20 seconds, we consume more water, and with regular mask & glove wearing, we tend to generate more waste. Small changes to these entrenched behaviours can go a long way; for example, turning the tap off while we soap our hands can save water, and wearing reusable masks and gloves can substantially reduce the amount of waste we generate. Livinguard AG can help you make the right choice of mask and gloves; their reusable and sustainable products can protect both people and the planet during this unprecedented time.

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, it was estimated that India produced 609 metric tonnes of biomedical waste (BMW) per day. As of August, this number has increased to 778 metric tonnes per day according to the COVID-19 BMW app launched by the Central Pollution Control

Board (CPCB). It is not news that the increase in the use of masks by non-healthcare workers as a result of the pandemic has had a severe impact on marine life, our oceans, beaches and much more. The Swiss hygiene company Livinguard AG, with operations in India, as well as Germany, USA, Singapore, Japan, and South Africa, has come up with a revolutionary reusable, environmentally friendly face mask, that can also destroy >99.9% bacteria and viruses, including SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. Livinguard masks rely on unique continuous disinfecting properties, which has been proven by some of the world's leading scientific institutions. Freie Universität Berlin and The Department of Environmental Science at the University of Arizona, scientifically confirm the technology's antiviral properties. These third-party researchers confirmed masks treated with Livinguard technology kills greater than 99.9% of SARS-CoV-2, and many other common viruses. When used daily and washed weekly (upto 30 times), these masks can be reused for 6 months, effectively replacing 210 single-use masks. Made from 100% cotton fabric, it is eco-friendly, >90% biodegradable and results in less than 0.5% waste. Research shows that if a million people use one reusable Livinguard mask 210 times, we can save 36,000 tonnes of waste. With a simple switch from a disposable mask to

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the Livinguard mask, we can protect both people and the planet.

Livinguard's mission is to provide hygiene suited for the modern world. The ever-increasing levels of pollution, global travel, shared mobility, and the prevalence of drug resistant microbes have led to growing threats of infectious disease. The company believes that our future is tied to sustainable solutions amidst non-degradable wastes that threaten our existence on this planet. They are committed to developing highly effective technologies that also minimize waste and use of resources; in their view personal and planetary health are inseparable imperatives and the foundational base of everything that they strive to do. To amplify their reach and spread this message, Livinguard has partnered with legendary cricketing icon, Sourav Ganguly as its brand ambassador for masks and gloves. As a leader and role model in the world of cricket and beyond, Sourav exemplifies the ethos of the Livinguard brand - to prioritize the protection of people and the planet. Commenting on his association with Livinguard AG, Sourav Ganguly, stated, "I am delighted to start the innings with Livinguard. Facemasks and gloves have become an extension of our daily attire. While doing my research on the right personal protection measures, I found that most face masks and gloves were either only preventive in nature or single-use. Livinguard face masks and gloves on the other hand, are not only preventive, but also protective. Livinguard technology has been proven to de-

stroy 99.9% bacteria and viruses, including SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. Furthermore, they are reusable and washable up to 6 months, effectively replacing 210 single-use masks. This made my choice clear - Livinguard masks and gloves provide the ultimate protection to the user, safely and sustainably. At a time where we need to wear the right masks and gloves to protect ourselves during this "new normal", we must also remain conscious of the impact it has on our planet. My ethics completely match with Livinguard's vision and purpose. It is an honour to associate with a brand whose top priority is the safety and well-being not just of people but also the planet."

The masks can be used for extended periods and reused for upto a week before washing because the fabric continuously destroys microorganisms upon contact. This significantly diminishes the risk of transferring them to the user and to other surfaces. The mask is proven to be non-toxic and safe for use, unlike other nano-technology based masks found on the market which contain silver and copper; these are toxic substances and once it leaches, it can cause irreversible damage to our vital organs and the planet. The Livinguard Technology has also been applied to reusable hand gloves. These also destroy bacteria and viruses, while being extremely comfortable and touchscreen compatible.

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**210 CONVENTIONAL MASKS VS 1 LIVINGUARD MASK**

# Opinion

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2020



## A BIGGER APPROACH

Prime minister of India Narendra Modi

Discussions on global growth cannot happen only between a few. The table must be bigger. The agenda must be broader. Growth patterns must follow a human-centric approach

## Begin talks on indemnities for Covid vaccine-makers

As others have done, the government needs to provide indemnities for vaccine-makers, now to negotiate terms

**G**IEN HOW THE development and approval of Covid-19 vaccines have been compressed dramatically, from 4-5 years normally to less than a year, it is not surprising those making vaccines are looking for indemnities from the governments of most countries; Serum Institute of India CEO Aadar Poonawalla made this demand a few days ago. To be sure, even in these compressed timeframes, vaccine-makers are doing all the testing they can, but there are always unexpected serious adverse events (USAES) that can take place with any vaccine. In the case of the polio vaccine, it was found that one in 2.7 million doses could result in vaccine-associated paralytic polio (VAPP), in which the attenuated poliovirus in the oral polio vaccine (OPV) somehow mutates in the recipient's intestine and causes VAPP in the recipient. But, vaccine testing/approval so far has allowed insurers to assess risk over a long period. That opportunity lacking, covering Covid-19 vaccines isn't going to be easy for insurers; in which case, the only workable solution is for governments to indemnify vaccine-makers against claims and law-suits; naturally, this does not apply to flaws that can possibly take place in the mass production of the vaccine.

Many jurisdictions, especially the ones that have already entered into deals with the developers of the three leading vaccine candidates (Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca) or are in advanced stages of negotiations, are already firming up their view on indemnity protection. While the UK and Australia have offered legal indemnity to Pfizer—this means the drug behemoth is protected from legal suits over establishing its liability for any USAE that may arise—the US and Canada both have laws to grant legal protection to vaccine-makers. The UK's newly drafted Regulation 345 of Human Medicines Regulators 2012 protects Pfizer and those involved in its distribution from civil liability over any damage that may arise from the vaccine despite its use being in the manner as recommended. It is not as if those who suffer USAE because of the vaccine are left in the lurch—those who can show that they have been left severely disabled because of the vaccine can claim a one-time payment 120,000 pounds under the UK's Vaccine Damage Payments Scheme. Similarly, in the US, the government will bear any compensation burden for vaccine damage under its Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP), though experts have questioned the programme's efficacy; since 2010, while 485 cases came up for review, only 39 cases have received compensation. The WHO, in a draft note, is also unambiguous on the need for indemnity for manufacturers, distributors, donors, etc., of the vaccines under its Covax programme that seeks to make Covid-19 shots available to poor countries, qualifying this with the provision that this will not include wilful misconduct or negligence or non-compliance with regulations.

As India looks at rolling out a vaccine, it needs to look at the EU's approach towards indemnity for vaccine candidates; in September, EU authorities struck a deal with AstraZeneca under which member-country governments will pay claims above a threshold. In return, it will have to give its vaccine at a cheaper rate than the market one. India must start negotiations with vaccine developers to either give the vaccine at a greatly subsidised rate or trim their profit margin—Pfizer, for instance, had made it clear early in the vaccine race that it would follow a for-profit route for its vaccine—in return for indemnity, either partial or full. While the government has begun planning its distribution strategy, it needs to work on the indemnities as well; else, producers will be reluctant to sell their vaccines in India.

## Avoiding cyber siege

Scale of cyberattacks on the US shows why India must do more

**I**N WHAT IS suspected to be one of the largest coordinated cyberattacks on the US, last week, the US federal agencies announced that they had reason to believe that hackers had gained access to systems of several government agencies. While FireEye, a cybersecurity firm engaged by the government, had earlier this month announced that it had fallen prey to an attack, it had also found vulnerabilities to SolarWinds Corp that is extensively used by the government. A Bloomberg report states that more than 25 entities have been affected, but SolarWinds claims that the Trojan used may have invaded as many as 18,000 entities. A Russian group also held responsible for stealing vaccine research data, is being blamed for the attack. While this has pushed American companies to exchange information using physical drives, the US is certainly not the only country that has been affected by such attacks. Earlier this year, Australia had blamed China for waging a cyberattack on it, while, in India, a major power provider to Mumbai was attacked. Even the recent Google outage—servers stopped responding for an hour, leading to disruption in Gmail, YouTube and all Google services—is suspected by some to have been some sort of cyberattack, though the digital giant has not yet released any statement. However, Google, earlier this year, had claimed that it was able to fend off one of the largest denial of service attacks.

Reverting to exchanging information in hard disks and physical drives may be possible in specific scenarios, but given how systems are becoming increasingly interconnected and most utilities are online, staying offline cannot be an option in the long run. Moreover, governments can no longer afford to look the other way as the intensity of attacks are increasing as also the scale. A report by Cybersecurity Ventures released earlier this year had highlighted that damages related to cybercrime would reach \$6 trillion by 2021. It predicts that, by the end of 2021, the world would witness one cyberattack every 11 seconds, down from 19 seconds until a year ago and 40 seconds in 2016. So, there is a need for each country to up its cybersecurity spend and lay down guidelines for firms. Governments should also foster international co-operation on cybersecurity—India signed the Quad agreement with Australia, Japan and the US, which covers aspects of cybersecurity. While India was one of the first countries to come up with a promising set of cybersecurity guidelines in 2013, the new policy is yet to see the light of the day. The government has also not specified any guidelines or standards for connected devices like routers and IoT systems. Singapore, on the other hand, has released a detailed architecture for such devices, so that each device is rolled out with security ratings. It is time countries mandate cyber-hygiene as a necessity.

## Animal FARM

US FDA approves GM pigs for medical and dietary use, but should have been more transparent with the research findings

**T**HE US FDA leads other regulators in approving GM animals for consumption as food—it approved GM salmon in 2015, and the first batch will hit the market soon, and now has approved GM pigs. Alpha-gel, a sugar that causes allergic reactions in people, has been eliminated in the GM pig. The GM pig is expected to find use both in medicine—pigs are a reservoir for certain organs for xeno-transplants—and diets. But, the US FDA's approval method may not be fully kosher.

An article in *The Guardian* highlights that the FDA has not released any data in public as to the efficacy and safety of the GM variant. In fact, the US Centre for Food Safety highlights that the meat has not been tested on people with allergies before being given clearance. While the FDA has opened the doors for larger farm animals to be genetically modified, doing so without putting the research backing the safety of such technology in the public domain ends up fuelling people's distrust of the system. The narrative then is often hijacked by non-scientific criticism of GM technology as a whole. Any government moving to approve GM products for its population would need to first make sure that an act of omission doesn't cause irrational claims to take root. More important, in the interest of scientific consensus, such research needs to be shared with other countries as well so that different authorities can test it and check for reproducibility.

INDIA MUST SHOWCASE ITS COMMITMENT TO THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM'S FOOD AID & SPUR CONFIDENCE IN WTO'S ABILITY TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS MEANINGFUL POST-COVID RECOVERY

## WTO rules vs food security: India must lead

**T**HERE IS WIDESPREAD consensus that WTO rules should be updated, so they better support food security, rural livelihoods, and better-functioning markets for food and agriculture. But, while an ambitious reform of the rulebook will require new approaches and sustained engagement of member countries, progress on some topics can also be achieved in the short term.

One issue of particular concern to India is the question of whether current farm subsidy rules provide enough room for developing countries to buy food at government-set minimum support prices as part of their public stockholding programmes. The WTO's 2013 Bali ministerial decision confirmed that members would not initiate legal disputes on this question, in exchange for improved data and transparency on how the schemes operated and additional safeguards. Ministers also agreed to negotiate a permanent solution in this area.

But talks on this topic have not moved fast, as many WTO members see this issue closely linked to the broader question of how to improve farm subsidy rules. There is a growing tendency among many countries to pursue improved market access and closer economic integration through bilateral and regional talks, rather than at the WTO. More recently, the Trump administration's decision to veto new appointments to the trade body's Appellate Body has also paralysed its dispute settlement function, leaving many to question the future of the rules-based multilateral trading system.

However, India's farm subsidy notification in March 2020 to the WTO's Committee on Agriculture brought the topic of procurement under public stockholding programmes back to trade officials' attention. This submission indicated that India had breached its agreed ceiling on product-specific support to rice during the marketing year 2018-19. The

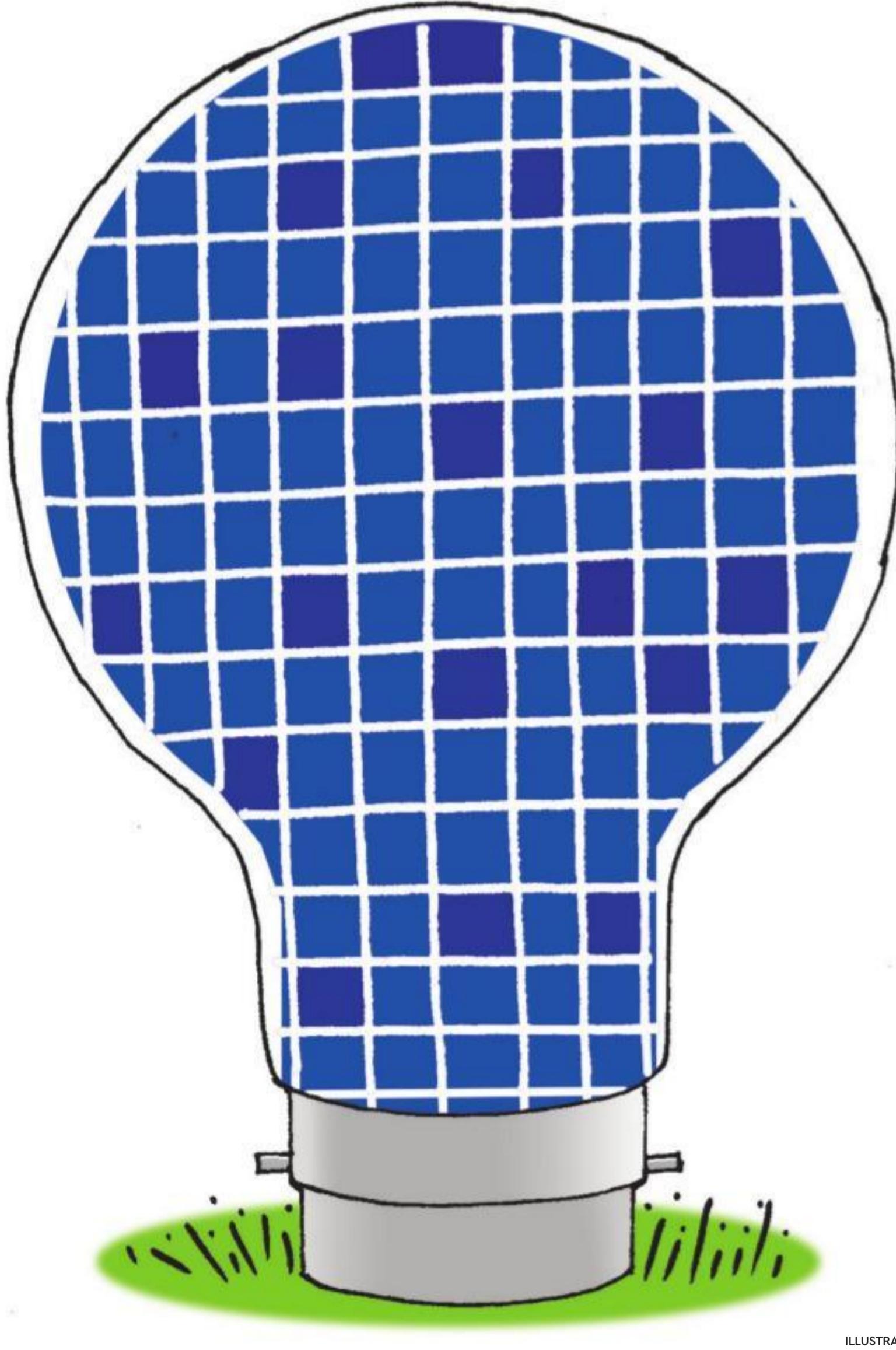


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## Fixing the plane while flying it

Transformation of power markets can't be done by putting the existing system on pause while the stakeholders collectively rearrange its "parts". It will need a convergence of single instruments. One such method could be the solarisation of feeders earmarked for agriculture and rural supply

**T**HE METAPHOR "FIXING the plane while flying it" is most often invoked when changes are being made to established processes or procedures. The phrase is a cliché of Silicon Valley, rooted in the idea of iterative software development. Its application in the Indian power sector isn't as outlandish as you may think—here's why.

Economically viable and sustainable power distribution companies are the central need for India's clean energy transition, a transition that needs to be clean, affordable and reliable. But distribution utilities continue to be afflicted by challenges—financial ones being the gravest amongst them—and thus remain the weakest link in the value-chain of the power sector.

Discoms famously buy high and sell low, especially to subsidised categories such as agriculture and domestic. Each discom is further saddled with a series of issues applied to it over the years, all in an effort to help improve its condition. Only six months ago, a bailout of ₹90,000 crore, later increased to ₹1.2 lakh crore, was handed out to them to make good on unpaid dues. The UDAY scheme was introduced to relieve discoms of their debt by passing it over to the states. Although there are signs of progress, discom debt continues to be a problem. Yet, energy demand continues to grow, India's renewables targets mean new power is slated to come into the system, possibly even replacing existing coal. Any reform will necessarily have to be done while simultaneously addressing energy needs.

Of the many things that affect the financial health of discoms, pricing power lies at the heart. Other reasons then pile up inefficiencies in the planning of power procurement, under-billing, managing suboptimal assets and losses due to cross-subsidising consumers. The agricultural sector perhaps stands out the most prominently in this list. The sector accounts for almost 20% of the total consumption, and its tariffs are between ₹0 and ₹4/kW in most states. The average cost of supply is much higher, in the range of ₹5-7/kW, and the shortfall is spread across other consumer slabs to even up.

In many states, agricultural metering is low or absent. Government schemes that separated them helped increase electrification, but the drain on the grid has remained unaddressed. Now would be a good time optimise this scheme and take it a step further: solarise them.

Solarising these feeders can save discoms an average ₹2-3 per unit of supply to a segment that is earning them almost nothing. The additional solar-powered generation would be 30GW, and in climate change parlance of yesteryears, this could be a neat "wedge" in terms of greenhouse gas emissions removed. Solarisation, being done on the unused tracts of land, and staying close to the grid, brings with it a reduction in transmission & distribution losses. In many cases, this could even allow the discoms to meet their solar targets under renewable purchase obligations.

Solarising feeders isn't rocket science; but, while it brings with it significant cost savings, the question is how to simultaneously address other basic energy-access needs affecting rural electrification and livelihoods. The economics of solar are such today that not utilising this opportunity to solarise energy use wherever possible would be a waste.

What if other energy-consuming village needs were met under the same pre-purchase arguments? If the old 20M or so inefficient pump sets were to be replaced and their costs amortised, it would add a meagre 20 paise to the tariff. This method of incremental loading would save on all upfront subsidies. Home-lighting would have an incremental cost of mere 10 paise. Add clean cooking, and the incremental cost is 30 paise. Major infrastructure, such as rural street lighting, costs an additional 60-70 paise to the PPA. Each of these would save the exchequer substantially.

Amortisation serves two important functions: One (importantly), it shifts the burden of maintenance to the developer, now an integrated energy service company, and two, it allows the discom and the state to save on upfront subsidy.

If the top five agriculture-heavy states adopted this approach, with an aggregate of 100MW per state, the benefit to the discoms would be approximately ₹6,000 crore over a 25-year period. The tariff ranges between ₹3.5-4.2/kWh depending on the value streams (agricultural pumps, LED lighting, BESS).

With international commitments to decarbonisation, falling costs of renewables and storage, national commitments to increase the share of renewable electricity, digitisation of the grid, the growth of e-mobility and the need to provide modern energy services at affordable rates, there is a need to think differently about the way energy is delivered to people. In times like these, creative disruption through the convergence of sectors into single all-in-one instruments could be an option, while continuing to provide power to the people.

Transforming the power markets is not easy; you cannot put the system on "pause" while everyone collectively rearranges the parts. Things must move forward simultaneously in an orchestrated, deliberate manner to enable these changes to take place. The enabling of such a convergence through a clutch of single instruments is one of them.

### ● INDIAN RAILWAYS

## Tech for cutting down the flab

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**T**HE INDIAN RAILWAYS—the 1.4-million strong behemoth—has over 7,000 freight trains originating daily on its 65,000-km-long network. Keeping the 58-wagon train intact on the run is crucial to IR's safety, for which the guard who rides on the last vehicle (the guard van), or in railway parlance the brake van, plays a significant role.

He is required to exchange signals with the station master (SM) when passing through a station by displaying a green flag in the day, or a green light at night, establishing that his train is intact. This allows the SM to clear the section and allow the next train to enter it, essential to avoid any mid-section collision with a part loaded accidentally left behind on the section. In case of a mid-section mishap such as derailment or collision, the guard is also required to protect the train at the rear by displaying a red flag or placing detonators on the track in case the weather is foggy and visibility is poor, for alerting the driver of an oncoming train on the other line on a double-line section.

Taking into account leave reserve and home rest mandatory under the HER (Hours of Employment Regulations), over 20,000 guards are required to man these brake vans. Now, a Last Vehicle Device (LVD) also known as the End of Train Telemetry (EOTT) being proposed by the Railway Board intends to eliminate these, but only on freight trains.

Consisting of a gadget that is placed on the coupler of the last wagon, it has a red flashing light that indicates to the SM that the train passing through his station is intact, enabling him to clear the section for another train.

The EOTT device constantly monitors the brake line pressure of the last wagon and is triggered in case of accidental separation, transmitting the data via telemetry link on radio frequency to the Head-of-Train Device (HTD) in the locomotive. A typical EOTT system will also monitor the flashing light, battery life, status of radio frequency communication, emergency valve, etc. On the cost-conscious US railroads, EOTT has been in use for over half a century now. However, in the case of a mid-section mishap, the assistant driver would now be required to protect the rear of the train as was being done by the guard.

There are two major players in the field, one in the US and the other in South Africa, from whom a limited number of EOTT sets are proposed to be procured for extensive trials on the South Eastern Railway and the East Coast Railway.

Train examiners may not be required to issue a certificate for air pressure on the last vehicle, as it would be automatically indicated on the locomotive itself. The G&SR (General and Subsidiary Rules), the 'bible' that details the SOP for train operations, will need to be suitably amended as duties of the guard to protect train at the rear will now devolve on the assistant locomotive driver.

This isn't the first time such a trial is being carried out. In 2008, an initiative was taken when an EOTT unit from a South African company was put on trial on the Konkan Railway.

As usual, the possible shrinking of the turf that this step would involve found the concerned department not very enthused. Railway unions also chipped in as it would reduce employment opportunities, even though there was no question of any redundancy as the existing guards were to be retrained for undertaking other tasks such as travelling ticket examiners and booking clerks, etc.

However, as often happens, the in-built systemic resistance to any new idea heralding a change coupled with years of tradition killed the new initiative.

Even though the elimination of 20,000-odd posts of guards may be a drop in the ocean, this baby step by the IR's drive to cut its flab, by inducing new technology wherever possible, is vital to its financial health. Hopefully, this time, Piyush Goyal will not allow innovation to be scuttled and push it through to attain higher staff productivity.

**EOTT devices can do the job done by guards, who can be retrained for more productive tasks**

### METAL METTLE

## Aluminium gets its lustre back

On the back of Chinese demand, the price of the metal has swung back from the lows it saw earlier this year

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tion of demand and supply. In this continuous-process industry, however, supply over a period of time will perform remain more or less constant, unless new smelting capacity is commissioned or environment-unfriendly and high-cost smelters are taken offline. Demand that largely moves the needle at the LME and the Shanghai Futures Exchange (SFE) has been impacted this time, by global health concerns and some trade-related factors. The Covid-19 pandemic-spreading from China to other countries since January, infecting tens of millions and badly hurting global economic activity for months has led aluminium-using sectors, ranging from construction and house-building to automotive and electrical, to reduce metal purchase.

No wonder, the Covid-19-related demand destruction, that revived memories of the 2007-08 financial crisis, pulled

down the average LME aluminium price to \$1,490 a tonne during April-June. At that price, smelters, irrespective of their using electricity derived from hydro, gas and coal, couldn't keep their heads above water. Energy alone has a 35-40% share in the total aluminium production cost, and coal-fired electricity happens to be more expensive than the other two. Unlike in Canada, where aluminium is smelted by hydro-power or in West Asia where it is smelted by burning natural gas, Indian smelters are solely dependent on thermal power. So, smelters here had to bear the brunt of demand- and price-retreat.

Even while the low prices hit Indian industry hard, India could contain some of the damage by exporting fair volumes of aluminium in the face of domestic demand shrinkage. The same was the experience of steelmakers here who surprisingly found a market for some of their



surpluses in China. Faced with imports that generally have close to 60% share of the aluminium-market here, local smelters have always relied on exports to dispose of a significant portion of their production. Last financial year when the country's aluminium demand was down by 6% (to 3.72 million tonnes), imports met 2.17 million tonnes of that. Imports, including large quantities of scrap, found to be over 20% cheaper than the local primary aluminium, cost the country \$4.4 billion. This happened despite India having a smelting capacity of more than 4.1 million tonnes, that is, well placed to meet the local demand (except for some special alloys).

If India has remained too liberal in allowing aluminium imports, many fear that global trade flows in the metal could be disrupted by the protectionist policies pursued by the US, which happens to be the world's largest aluminium importer.

The US imported 6.2 million tonnes of aluminium in 2017; this fell to 5.54 million tonnes in the following year and then again to 3.7 million tonnes in 2019. Fall in the US purchase of foreign-origin aluminium was largely because of the Trump administration's invocation of 232 tariffs on aluminium and steel in March 2018, creating conditions for the revival of smelting, downstream extrusion and flat-rolled capacity. Even now, in further attempts to protect downstream manufacturers, the US commerce department is conducting anti-dumping and countervailing duty investigations on imports of certain types of aluminium foils from five countries, including Russia and Brazil.

When IMF speaks about a "deep recession" with global growth at -4.4%, how could LME aluminium cash (bid) price command \$2,042.50 a tonne this month? Surprising the world with the

strength of manufacturing rebound and overcoming lockdown pains, China, with its unexpectedly large imports of primary aluminium and alloys, is the principal trigger for the sharp LME/SFE price gains. China, according to IMF, will be the only exception among developed economies and emerging markets, recording a GDP growth of 1.9% in 2020 and then 8.2% next year. As Chinese aluminium demand picked up robustly following a fall of 1% y-o-y in the first quarter, the country (though it accounts for over 55% of world production of the metal) had imported 1.74 million tonnes (primary and alloys) in the first ten months of 2020 to meet the demand of user industries. Interestingly, in China's aluminium imports, India had a share of approximately 28%, next only to Russia's over 30%.

As demand here is nearing pre-Covid level, India's 3.5% fall in imports of aluminium, including scrap, during July-September enabled local smelters to raise their share of the domestic market to 50% against a distressingly low of 42% in 2019-20. Shares of Hindalco, Vedanta and Nalco, have all gained because of the recent improvement in aluminium outlook. In the meantime, research agency Fitch Solutions has described India as a "stand-out growth market" for aluminium consumption, where the demand will rise to 8.7 million tonnes by 2029. The demand growth will be driven majorly by the "government driving investment" to eliminate the "sizeable infrastructure deficit." India's rich bauxite and non-coking coal reserves will support lifting smelting capacity to 10 million tonnes and more.

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Soumya Swaminathan, WHO's chief scientist  
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## OUT OF CONTROL

### Nations move to isolate UK over virus variant

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**FRANCE BECAME THE** latest European country to close all its borders with the UK after Germany, Italy, Belgium, Denmark, Bulgaria, the Irish Republic, Turkey and Canada suspended flights amid growing concerns of an "out of control" new variant of coronavirus spreading at a much faster pace in parts of England.

India, so far, remains in the travel bubble with the UK, with strict testing and self-isolation rules in place. But with most of Britain now in the strictest Tier 4 lockdown, all non-essential travel remains banned for the majority.

Other countries and territories to announce restrictions on UK travel include Hong Kong, Israel, Iran, Croatia, Argentina, Chile, Morocco and Kuwait.

UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson will chair a meeting of the government's emergency committee on Monday to take stock of the situation as a huge backlog build up



on the border with France after even trucks and ferries were blocked entry at the ports.

European Union (EU) member states are also due for a meeting in Brussels to discuss a more coordinated response as the number of coronavirus infections in the UK jumped to 35,928 on Sunday, down to the much faster spreading new mutation of the novel coronavirus, with the country's death toll rising by 326 to hit 67,401.

"Everybody, particularly people in Tier 4 areas, needs to behave as if they might well have the virus - that is the only way we are going to get it under control," UK Health Secretary Matt Hancock said, adding that the situation is "deadly serious" as the government tries to contain the rapid strain of an "out of control" virus.

"This is a deadly disease, we need to keep it under control, and it has been made more difficult by this new variant," he said.

The new variant is said to be 70 per cent more transmissible, though health experts say there is no evidence that it is more deadly or would react differently to vaccines.

"It is really too early to tell... but from what we see so far it is growing very quickly, it is growing faster than [a previous variant] ever grew, but it is important to keep an eye on this," said Dr Erik Volz from Imperial College London.

"The amount of evidence in the public domain is woefully inadequate to draw strong or firm opinions on whether the virus has truly increased transmission," added Professor Jonathan Ball, a virologist at the University of Nottingham.

It is thought the variant either emerged in a patient in the UK or has been imported from a country with a lower ability to monitor coronavirus mutations.

The variant can be found across the UK, except Northern Ireland, but it is heavily concentrated in London, the South East and eastern England.

### Stimulus deal provides economic relief, for now

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**THE CONGRESSIONAL AGREEMENT** on a \$900 billion dose of aid to fuel the slowing economic recovery has probably spared millions of Americans from a winter of poverty and kept the country from falling back into recession.

For much of the economy - especially people and industries that have been insulated from the worst effects of the pandemic - the deal on Sunday may provide a bridge to a vaccine-fuelled rebound. That is especially likely if the vaccine is quickly and widely distributed, and the swelling number of coronavirus cases doesn't force another round of widespread shutdowns.

The injection of money comes months too late for tens of thousands of failed businesses, however, and it may not be enough to sustain unemployed workers until the labour market rebounds. Moreover, it could be the last help from Washington the economy gets anytime soon.

The package requires a vote in both Houses, and its text was still being finalized on Sunday. But it is expected to



include most of the elements that economists have long said were crucial to avoiding further calamity and aiding a recovery. It extends unemployment benefits for millions at risk of losing them, and adds money to their checks to help pay their bills.

It revives the Paycheck Protection Programme, which kept many small businesses afloat last spring.

It continues the eviction moratorium and expanded nutrition benefits that have kept many of the most vulnerable families fed and housed during the crisis, according to a statement on Sunday evening from the Democratic leaders in the House and the Senate.

### Australia regulator chief says Google, FB draft laws fair

REUTERS  
Sydney, December 21

**AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AND** Consumer Commission Chairman (ACCC) Rod Sims said proposed laws that will make Australia the first country in the world to force Google and Facebook to pay for news were fair and critical for the survival of the media industry.

Sims said he was surprised to hear criticisms from Google about the draft legislation unveiled earlier this month.

Google last week declared the code unworkable, citing in particular a requirement to provide publishers with two weeks' notice of certain changes to algorithms and internal practice.

"We thought they were comfortable with that... so we were very surprised that they're still complaining about that," Sims said in an interview on Monday on Reuters Next. Some media organisations, meanwhile, are unhappy that the code includes a "two-way value exchange" when deciding commercial agreements, which requires media companies to consider the value they receive from Facebook and Google users viewing their content.

### MAPPING THE VIRUS

Cases pass	76.8 million
Deaths top	1.69 million
Recoveries	54,209,103

- US virus relief package includes tax breaks, airlines aid
- Vaccines don't mean we'll see the last of Covid, experts warn
- Europe turns to super-freezers, church leaders in vaccine drive
- Sydney's swelling Covid outbreak risks scuppering Christmas
- US vaccination drive heads to nursing homes
- Vatican permits use of Covid-19 vaccines made using aborted foetal tissue



It could take days of experiments to find out the virus mutation's response to vaccines, but there are currently no indications that the shots won't work, according to Soumya Swaminathan, the WHO's chief scientist.

Johnson & Johnson abruptly called for an end to enrollment in its coronavirus vaccine trial and told scientists from six Latin American countries to wrap up their work within 48 hours.

**Saudi Arabia halted international flights and closed its borders for one week over fears about the fast-spreading new strain of the coronavirus.** The kingdom may extend the suspension for another week depending on the nature of the virus spread.

The Vatican told Roman Catholics on Monday that it was morally acceptable to use Covid-19 vaccines even if their production employed cell lines drawn from tissues of aborted foetuses.

The European Medicines Agency approved the Pfizer and BioNTech vaccine against Covid-19, Polish radio RMF FM reported.

Switzerland is banning the entry of all arrivals from the UK and South Africa following the discovery of the new and more contagious variant of the coronavirus. Those who have entered from either country since Dec. 14 are subject to 10-day quarantine.

The US authorised two cutting-edge mRNA vaccines this month and hundreds of thousands of doses have been rolled out, but that is yet to translate to an easing of the devastation on the ground.

### Japan's record \$1 trn budget highlights Covid-19 challenge to growth, debt



and back Suga's goal of achieving carbon neutrality and digital transformation.

"We had to strike a right balance between the needs to prevent the spread of infections, revive the economy and achieve fiscal reform," Finance Minister Taro Aso told reporters after a cabinet meeting.

"That was the most difficult task in compiling this budget."

The government's fiscal 2021 primary budget deficit - excluding new bond sales and debt servicing - is seen at 20.4 trillion yen, more than double this year's initial estimates, making the budget-balancing goal further elusive.

Rating agency Fitch in July cut its outlook on Japan's debt rating to negative from stable, warning of the Covid-19 impact on rising public debt.

"The massive stimulus spending rolled out this fiscal year may raise worry about 'fiscal cliff,' which could justify calls for more spending in the coming fiscal year," said Koya Miyamae, senior economist at SMBC Nikko Securities.

response with fiscal reform has hardly been debated in Japan," said Izuru Kato, chief economist at Totan Research. "Ultra-low interest rates under the Bank of Japan's prolonged monetary easing may have caused fiscal discipline to be paralysed."

The spending plan, which was in line with a Reuters report out last week, must be approved by parliament early next year. It will be rolled out along with a third extra budget for this fiscal year as a combined 15-month budget aimed for seamless spending to ease the virus pain

In Japan, fiscal reform has been shelved as Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga prioritised efforts to contain the pandemic and boost growth, despite public debt at more than twice the size of Japan's \$5 trillion economy.

"How to balance the coronavirus

### Quick View

#### Bitcoin slumps 6% as new virus strain hits wider markets

BTC DROPPED AS much as 6% on Monday, with fears over a fast-spreading new coronavirus strain in Britain hitting assets across wider markets.

The cryptocurrency was last down 5.5% to \$22,156 after hitting a record \$24,298.04 on Sunday. European shares fell 3%, the dollar strengthened and market volatility surged amid growing unease over the economic impact of the new strain of the virus, which has seen several European countries shut their borders to the UK.

**Lockheed eyes space with \$4.4 bn Aerojet deal site**

LOCKHEED MARTIN IS expanding its foray into futuristic space travel and missile defence by acquiring supplier Aerojet Rocketdyne Holdings in a deal valued at \$4.4 billion, targeting higher sales and more savings in an environment of tightening defence budgets.

**Agios to sell cancer portfolio to Servier**

AGIOS PHARMACEUTICALS SAID it agreed to sell its portfolio of oncology drugs to Servier Pharmaceuticals for \$1.8 billion in a move that will increase the biotechnology company's focus on treatments for genetic diseases.

**Euro zone Dec consumer confidence rises to -13.9**

EURO ZONE CONSUMER confidence rose by 3.7 points in December from the November number, figures released on Monday showed. The European Commission said a flash estimate showed euro zone consumer morale improved to -13.9 this month from -17.6 in November.

#### Thoma Bravo to buy software firm RealPage for \$9.6 billion

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**REALPAGE'S SHARES SURGED** as much as 32% after private equity giant Thoma Bravo agreed to buy out the real estate software maker for \$9.6 billion.

Thoma Bravo is offering investors \$88.75 in cash for each share of RealPage, the companies said in a statement on Monday. The transaction represents a 31% premium to the company's closing share price on Dec. 18 and values the company at \$10.2 billion including debt.

The software company's stock rose 30% to \$88.50 at 9:52 am in New York after earlier touching \$89.20, a record high for the shares.

RealPage, a maker of software for managing rental properties, had risen more than 26% this year through Friday -- outpacing a 15% gain in the S&P 500 -- after

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the pandemic spurred the adoption of online and digital services over in-person alternatives. The company in November hiked its earnings per share forecast for the year after reporting quarterly revenue ahead of expectations.

It's now valued at about 35 times estimated earnings, versus 26 for the benchmark index.

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**THE IRAN NUCLEAR** deal remains the "best instrument" to resolve the dispute over Tehran's atomic programme and its signatories are ready to welcome back the US under a Joe Biden administration, according to German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas.

President Donald Trump pulled the US out of the 2015 accord and reinstated sanctions on Iran, and Maas said the deal has been in a "downward spiral" since, fuelled by pressure from Washington and Iranian breaches of the terms.

However, he said a "final window" remains to salvage it. After talks Monday, Maas and his counterparts from France, Britain, China, Russia and Iran -- as well as the European Union's foreign affairs chief -- issued a statement praising "the prospect of a US return" and underlining "their readiness to take a positive view of this in a joint effort."

-BLOOMBERG

#### Shell to write down assets again, taking cuts to more than \$22 bn

REUTERS  
London, December 21

**ROYAL DUTCH SHELL** on Monday said it will write down the value of oil and gas assets by \$3.5 billion to \$4.5 billion following a string of impairments this year as it adjusts to a weaker outlook.

In an update ahead of its fourth quarter results on February 4, Shell said the post-tax charge was due in part to impairments on its Appomattox field in the US Gulf of Mexico, the closure of refineries and liquefied natural gas (LNG) contracts.

It said some charges involved in its restructuring would be recognised in 2021.

Shell shares were down by around 4% in early trading in London.

In October, Shell, the world's biggest LNG trader, wrote down the value of its LNG portfolio by just under \$1 billion, focusing on its flagship Prelude project in Australia.

That followed a \$16.8 billion write-

and power businesses.

In its update, the Anglo-Dutch company also said it expects oil and gas production in its upstream division to be around 2.275 to 2.350 million barrels of oil equivalent per day, slightly higher than in the third quarter.

Production was impacted by the closure of platforms in the Gulf of Mexico due to hurricanes as well as mild weather in Northern Europe. LNG liquefaction volumes are expected to be between 8 and 8.6 million tonnes. Oil refinery utilisation is expected to be between 72% and 76% of capacity in the quarter, reflecting continued weak demand due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Shell, the world's largest retailer, said its fuel sales were expected to be in a range of 4 to 5 million barrels per day, roughly similar to the third quarter.

Record profits from its marketing business, which includes over 45,000 petrol stations, strongly boosted Shell's third-quarter results.

That has helped to thrust convertibles into the limelight as a lucrative way for



The company said its fourth-quarter marketing results were expected to be "significantly lower" than the previous quarter

down in the second quarter which also included Prelude and a sharp cut in its price outlook.

CEO Ben van Beurden on February 11 will unveil Shell's long-term strategy to sharply reduce its greenhouse gas emissions and expand its low-carbon energy

#### New strain of Covid-19 is driving S. Africa's resurgence

ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Johannesburg, December 21

**SOUTH AFRICA HAS** announced that a new variant of the Covid-19 virus is driving the current resurgence of the disease, with higher numbers of confirmed cases, hospitalisations and deaths.

The new variant, known as 501.V2, is dominant among new confirmed infections in South Africa, according to health officials and scientists leading the country's virus strategy.

"It is still very early but at this stage, the preliminary data suggests the virus that is now dominating in the second wave is spreading faster than the first wave," Professor Salim Abdool Karim, chairman of the government's Ministerial Advisory Committee, said in a briefing to journalists. South Africa may see "many more



cases" in the new wave than it experienced in the first surge of the disease, said Abdool Karim.

South Africa currently has more than 8,500 people hospitalised with Covid-19, surpassing the previous high of 8,300 recorded in August. "We are seeing a much earlier and much sharper rise in the second wave or resurgence than we anticipated," said Prof Ian Sanne, a member of the advisory committee.

Investors to allocate to growing businesses in a volatile climate. A market rotation in favour of cyclical, new energy and healthcare triggered by the coronavirus vaccine has only added to momentum for the asset class amid the biggest borrowing binge

# Personal Finance

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2020

## ON FINANCIAL EDUCATION

Shaktikanta Das, governor, RBI

Adequate safeguards need to be reinforced to address issues of cybersecurity, data confidentiality, mis-selling, customer protection and grievance redress through appropriate financial education and awareness.

## FIXED INCOME

## Avoid interest rate risks with a bond ladder

A bond ladder investment strategy provides current income while minimising exposure to interest rate changes as the bonds mature at staggered future dates, based on the number of rungs in the ladder

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**INCOME-SEEKING** BUT risk-averse investors prefer to invest in fixed income instruments. They do invest in bonds through various investment vehicles such as mutual funds, exchange-traded funds and also individual bonds. A popular way to hold individual bonds is by building a ladder investment strategy. Let us discuss the same in detail.

What is a bond ladder?

A bond ladder is a concept of creating a portfolio of individual bonds that mature on different dates. Such an investment strategy is designed to provide current income while minimising exposure to interest rate fluctuations. Under this method, instead of buying bonds that are scheduled to mature during the same year, investors invest in bonds that mature at staggered future dates.



Helps to mitigate interest rate risk

By staggering maturity dates, investors avoid getting locked into a single interest rate. A bond ladder investment strategy helps to smooth out the effect of fluctuations in interest rates because the bonds in your portfolio are maturing every month, quarter, year, depending on the number of rungs in the ladder. When a bond matures, an investor could reinvest that principal in a new longer-term bond at the end of a ladder.

Helps to manage cash flow

Apart from interest rate risk mitigation, this strategy also helps in managing the cash

If interest rates have risen, they will benefit from a new, higher interest rate and keep the ladder going. If interest rates were expected to fall, the maturing bonds would be reinvested at lower rates, but the bonds at the end of the ladder will have most likely been locked in high yields already.

## UP THE RUNGS

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- You can structure predictable monthly bond income based on coupon payments with different maturity months as well as years
- By staggering maturity dates you avoid getting locked into a single interest rate
- Utilise tax advantages associated with certain bonds and higher yields of investment-grade corporate bonds

flow. As interest on the bonds are payable semi-annually on dates that generally coincide with their maturity date, investors can structure predictable monthly bond income based on coupon payments with different maturity months as well as years.

## Constructing your bond ladder

Construction of your bond ladder is fairly straightforward to create. The overall length of time, spacing between maturities, and

types of securities are primary considerations when building a bond ladder.

**Rungs of ladder:** Take the total amount that you plan to invest, with the goal of extending the ladder as long as possible. For instance, if you plan to invest ₹1,00,000 to buy individual bonds, it could be invested with 10 rungs of ₹10,000 each. It is advisable to have at least six rungs so that an investor can create a ladder structured to generate income every month of the year.

**Spacing of ladder:** The distance between rungs should be decided by the span of time between the bond maturities of the respective bonds, which can range from months to years. The spacing should be roughly equal. Bonds with longer maturities tend to offer higher yields, though shortening the bond maturities generally reduces income and interest rate risks.

**Materials for ladder:** Similar to a real ladder, investors can build their ladders with different materials. In other words, by investing in different types of bonds or certificate of deposits, etc. Further, investors can also invest and utilise the potential tax advantages associated with certain bonds and also higher yields of investment-grade corporate bonds.

To conclude, even in a low or rising interest rate environment, bond ladders can help to balance the need for income while managing interest rate risk.

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## YOUR MONEY

AMIT CHHABRA

## Know how a critical illness insurance plan works

AS PER A RECENT report by Indian Heart Association, Indians are 10 times more likely to die of a heart disease compared to people in other countries. Of all the heart attacks that occur in India, 50% of them occur in people under 50 years of age and 25% of them occur in people under 40 years of age.

In fact, critical illnesses have started to affect people in their most productive years. India's rising healthcare inflation rate is another greater matter of concern. At any stage of life, you cannot afford to let treatment of a particular disease drain a major part of your savings. This is why it is best to stay adequately protected by buying the right insurance product.

## How critical illness cover works

While it is important to cover yourself under a comprehensive health insurance policy to offset your healthcare expenses with regard to hospitalisation, it is equally important to be covered under a critical illness plan. A critical illness plan works quite differently from a normal health insurance plan while providing you with income replacement benefit.



Under a critical illness plan, the insurer pays the policyholder the entire sum insured as lump sum regardless of the hospitalisation bill upon diagnosis of a critical illness such as heart related ailment, cancer, stroke, major organ transplant or any other illness covered under the plan. The lump sum amount received by the policyholder can be used for paying off hospital bills, home loan instalments, premium for insurance, day-to-day expenses and other expenses that may incur due to loss of income while you are unable to go to work during the treatment and recovery phase.

For instance, a person buys a critical illness plan with a sum insured of ₹10 lakh in 2018. After two years of buying the policy, he is diagnosed with lung cancer and gets hospitalised for removal of the tumour through surgery that cost him ₹3 lakh. Now, when he will file for a claim through his critical illness cover,

his insurer will pay him ₹10 lakh as lump sum. A part of the amount received by him can be used for payment of hospital bills while the remaining amount can be used for paying daily expenses, EMIs if any, children's education or any other expenses that he needs to take care of. As he will not be able to attend his work for a few months due to recovery from the ailment, the remaining amount can be used as loss of income.

The number of critical illnesses covered differs from insurer to insurer, and most insurers cover between eight to 20 major critical illnesses that include heart valve replacement, kidney failure, paralysis and major organ transplant.

## Know before you buy

A critical illness plan is a must for those who have a family history of critical illnesses. Also, those who are the sole breadwinners of their family must invest in such a plan with adequate sum insured. The coverage amount for critical illness plans can be from ₹1 lakh to ₹50 lakh.

The waiting period under a critical illness plan is mostly 90 days from the policy issuance day. In order to file a claim, the policyholder needs to survive for at least 30 days after diagnosis of the critical illness. Though these days, there are even a few plans available in the market that offer coverage from day one of diagnosis of the ailment.

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## Investor



## NTPC RATING: BUY

## Doing better on ESG front is not difficult

Firm has begun efforts in that direction; stock has underperformed despite earnings growth; TP up to ₹165; 'Buy' maintained

**NTPC STANDS OUT** as one of the six worst-performing stocks on the Nifty 50 Index on YTD/1Y/3Y basis. The stock is down 14% YTD, trading at 0.8x FY22e PB (closest to its lowest range in ten years), 7x one year forward PE and 5.5% dividend yield. This is despite feeling minimal COVID-19 impact (we expect

FY21 reported earnings growth of 23% y-o-y and 20% earnings CAGR over FY20-23e). We believe investor concerns surrounding ESG and government ownership are some of the key reasons for the underperformance.

We think improving its ESG score and changing investor perceptions on government ownership is possible: While environment is a key reason for its low score, as most plants are coal-based, we believe governance scores are also likely to be low as it does not meet two basic regulatory requirements, ie to have at least one female director on the board and 50% or more board members' independence (which it was fulfilling a year ago). Increased focus on this could

## NTPC-12 month Forward consensus earnings vs stock performance



Source: Refinitiv Datastream, HSBC

improve its governance score, while acquiring renewable projects or acting as aggregator of power (given its tripartite agreement with discoms) could help improve its environment-related score.

**NTPC has already started its journey towards improving its ESG score:** It has launched its integrated Annual report, and has set itself a target for RE to contribute 35% of capacity by 2032, from 5% currently. It has started participating in RE auctions, with its lowest cost of borrowing among peers its biggest strength. It has launched a Brighter Plan report 2032, which highlights its future plans on these fronts. While investors are often wary of government ownership, we think recent actions by other PSU com-

panies indicate the Centre is encouraging managements to include shareholder value creation as a point of focus.

**Investment view:** NTPC enjoys a superior business model with regulated returns, as a flagship enterprise in a country that will continue to see power demand growth into the long term. Its 20-GW of plant under-construction allows it to comfortably grow earnings over the next three-four years, and its low cost of borrowing should stand it in good stead in RE auctions and portfolios. Maintain Buy, raise TP to ₹165 (from ₹155) as we roll forward our valuation to December 2020. Our TP implies 1.2x FY22e P/B.

HSBC

portfolio could aid cap-rate compression Oberoi Realty has an extant commercial portfolio of 1.7 mn sq ft that yielded an Ebitda of ₹3.5 bn in FY2020. It is currently executing another project of 2.8 mn sq ft at Commerz III that will likely be commissioned by FY2023, and another 2.6 mn sq ft across two projects. We currently value the commercial portfolio at a capitalisation rate of 8%, while the under-construction portfolio is valued on normalised earnings discounted back to December 2022. Oberoi's ability to transact the potential stake sale at lower capitalisation rates will lead to potential re-rating of the annuity assets.

**Near-term performance could be soft** Oberoi Realty's stock performance could be soft in the immediate term as investors will likely be less enthused by the acquisition of the balance stake in the hotel property even as valuations for the extant portfolio offer limited upside. Our positive stance essentially factors in (i) improved sales and cash flows trajectory from the on-going residential projects; (ii) low leverage that allows Oberoi Realty to capitalise on aggressive business development; and (iii) potential re-rating as well as re-cycling of capital through stake sale in the annuity business. Our revision in fair value estimate to ₹570 (from ₹450) stems from roll-forward to December 2022 (from March 2022) as well as lowered balance capex for completion of commercial projects.

KOTAK INSTITUTIONAL EQUITIES



## OBEROI REALTY RATING: ADD

## Deal value's small in overall NAV

While showing could be soft in near term, outlook is positive; TP up to ₹570 from ₹450

**OBEROI REALTY HAS** agreed to acquire their JV partner's stake in the Ritz Carlton for an asset value of ₹10.4 bn (₹47 mn/key) that appears very rich though it should be seen in the context of prime city location as well as a superior and near-completed hotel property. While not enthused by the consideration paid, the quantum is small in the overall NAV of Oberoi Realty. Real estate sales have revived faster-than-anticipated, and Oberoi Realty with a larger share of completed inventory and a liquid balance sheet is well positioned to capitalise on

the consolidation theme. Maintain Add with revised FV of ₹570 (₹450 earlier).

**Part-stake acquired in Ritz Carlton** We find the buy at a premium, though the share of ₹5 bn is less significant in overall scheme of things, with hotels accounting for only 4% of the gross asset value.

**High proportion of completed inventory will aid improving sales trajectory** Oberoi Realty will likely benefit from improved sales trajectory owing to a higher proportion of completed inven-

tory with several projects likely to receive occupancy certificate over the next twelve months. In the near-term, Oberoi will also benefit from reduced stamp duty owing to its presence almost entirely in Mumbai. We note that it will likely have unsold inventory of ₹156 bn as of March 2021 from on-going projects that could yield cash flows of ₹127 bn. We currently factor in sales of ₹61 bn from on-going projects over the next three years.

Potential stake sales for commercial

Sales and cash collections for Oberoi, March fiscal year-ends, 1QFY17-2QFY21 (Rs mn)

■ Sales (₹ mn) ■ Collections (₹ mn)

Source: Company, Kotak Institutional Equities

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# Markets

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2020

## EXPERT VIEW

The impact of the pandemic on consumers is large, and credit growth and spreads are far from indicating a sanguine outlook.

—Saion Mukherjee, analyst, Nomura Holdings

## Money Matters

## G-SEC

The benchmark yield rose **0.011%** under selling pressure



## ₹/\$

The rupee ended lower **0.292%** amid losses in equities



## €/\$

The Euro fell against the dollar **0.604%**



## Mkts shattered as new Covid strain spooks investors

Sensex tanks 1,406 pts, Nifty dives 432 pts

FE BUREAU  
Mumbai, December 21

**THE MARKETS CRASHED** on Monday, taking a sudden plunge about one hour ahead of the close of trading as investors confronted the news of the latest Covid outbreaks and a new lockdown in London and parts of the UK, resulting in a panic that led to the Sensex crashing by 1,406.73 points (3%) to close at 45,553.96. The Nifty dived 432.15 points (3.14%) to close at 13,328.4. The markets witnessed their biggest single-day fall in seven months.

All Sensex components ended in the red, with ONGC leading the pack by tumbling 9.15%. IndusInd Bank, M&M, SBI, NTPC, ITC, Axis Bank and PowerGrid shed up to 6.98%.

All sectoral indices ended in the red, with BSE metal, oil and gas, utilities, realty, basic materials, industrials, power and bankex plunging as much as 6.05%. The broader BSE midcap and smallcap indices sank up to 4.57%.

The Indian markets reacted to the weakness in the European markets and started tanking when the markets in Europe opened for trade. Market experts, however, believe that it is premature to tell whether the correction will continue. Piyush Garg, chief



investment officer, ICICI Securities, said, "Monday's crash got triggered with the fall in the European markets. At this point, the markets remain in an overbought zone, so even a small trigger could lead to a steep correction." He explained that entering the market at these levels means one may not make huge returns for some period, the markets could give CAGR returns of close to 10% for a two-three year time frame.

Most experts believe that the markets are expected to remain volatile going forward as FPI flows are set to moderate ahead of the holiday season. FPIs till December 18 pumped in capital worth \$5.9 billion. With

### Investor wealth tumbles ₹6.59 lakh cr

**INVESTOR WEALTH ERODED** by a whopping ₹6.59 lakh crore on Monday as equities tanked after the UK reported a new strain of the Covid-19 virus. The Sensex plunged 1,406.73 points or 3% to close at 45,553.96. It hit an all-time high of 47,055.69 during the session.

Following the sharp sell-off, the market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms plummeted by ₹6,59,313.65 crore to ₹1,78,79,323 crore. —PTI

the FPI flows remaining weak ahead of the Christmas, any selling in the market could cause a sharp correction. Jaideep Hansraj, MD and CEO, Kotak Securities, said, "As we head towards Christmas vacation and calendar year end, FII flows are expected to moderate which could also be one of the causes of a steep correction."

The cash market segment on Monday saw a turnover worth ₹76,367.07 crore while the futures and options segment saw a turnover of ₹33.11 lakh crore. This is against the six-month average of ₹21.71 lakh crore in the F&O segment and ₹59,316 crore in the cash market segment.

### PSP, DFC, Axis Bank invest \$107 m in NIIF's 'master fund'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
Mumbai, December 21

**THE NATIONAL INVESTMENT** and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF) on Monday announced a \$107-million investment into its 'master fund' from Canada's PSP Investments, US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) and domestic private sector lender Axis Bank.

After the new commitment from the three investors, the overall size of the master fund has touched \$2.34 billion and NIIF also announced the final close of the master fund. The NIIF also announced that it is targeting to raise \$2.1 billion for a private equity fund.

The master fund invests in operating assets in core infrastructure sectors, primarily transportation and energy, according to a statement.

Public Sector Pension Investment Board or PSP Investments, one of Canada's largest pension investment managers and DFC, a development finance institution of the US federal government, are new investors in the master fund, while Axis Bank was already invested. Other investors in the master fund include Government of India, Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA), Australian Super, CPP Investments, Ontario Teachers' Plan, Temasek, HDFC Group, ICICI Bank and Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance.

International investors have rights to co-invest an additional \$3 billion alongside the fund, it said, adding that DFC and PSP will join the other investors of the master fund as shareholders of NIIF, the investment manager. The master fund is India's largest domestic infrastructure equity fund which has successfully anchored platforms in ports and logistics, renewable energy, smart meters and roads sectors, it said.

Department of economic affairs secretary Tarun Bajaj said the government is pleased to see some of the largest global investors of the world have invested in NIIF Master Fund and the final close has exceeded the initial targeted corpus of \$2.1 billion.

The NIIF said after the close of Master Fund, it will now be raising \$2.1 billion equivalent for a NIIF Strategic Opportunities Fund (SOF), which will be one of the largest India-focused private equity funds.

### environmental (ESG) impact?

We have an ESG policy that identifies focus material areas that relate to the impact of our business activities on the environment and the society while ensuring a proper governance. A few areas that we try to focus on include gaseous emissions and air pollution, potential contamination of ground and surface water resources, factors contributing to and impacting climate change, health and safety of employees, contract workers and communities, no exploitation of child labour, prevention of sexual harassment and stakeholders' grievances redressal mechanism.

### How will the proceeds from the IPO be utilised?

The issue is of around ₹300 crore, including an offer for sale of around ₹215 crore by existing investors who stayed invested in the company for over 12 years. The primary issuance is of ₹85 crore. Of that, ₹40 crore goes to the unit we are setting up in Pimpri Chinchwad while ₹38.5 crore will be used for reducing debt at a consolidated level.

## Rupee slips 23 paise to 73.79

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
Mumbai, December 21

**THE RUPEE PLUNGED** by 23 paise to end at a two-week low of 73.79 against the US dollar on Monday following a massive sell-off in domestic equities amid fears of a fast-spreading new coronavirus strain in the UK.

At the interbank forex market, the domestic unit opened lower at 73.74 against the greenback. It swung between a low of 73.81 and a high of 73.63 during the session. The Indian unit finally settled at 73.79, down 23 paise — the lowest level seen since December 7.

Meanwhile, the dollar index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, rose 0.94% to 90.80.

"Rupee traded weak near 73.70 compared to 73.55 previously on back of very weak sentiments in capital markets as money poured out due to extension of lockdown in parts of Eurozone, and rising Covid-19 numbers. Dollar index showed some signs of support near \$90 once it broke below \$90. This helped USDINR take support near 73.50 in last couple days," Jateen Trivedi, senior research analyst (Commodity & Currency) at LKP Securities, said.

On the domestic equity market front, the BSE benchmark Sensex plunged



1,406.73 points to close at 45,553.96, and the broader NSE Nifty fell 432.15 points to 13,328.40.

"The new variant of the novel coronavirus in the UK spooked markets as we witnessed intense selling in pivotal throughout afternoon trade. While the street was bracing for a correction this week after a sharp up move, the sheer velocity of the fall across broader markets took the bulls by surprise as practically none of the key indices constituents were in the green today (Monday)," S Ranganathan, head of research at LKP Securities, said.

Brent crude futures, the global oil benchmark, fell 5.20% to \$49.54 per barrel.

## Antony Waste Handling IPO subscribed 1.98 times on Day 1

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
New Delhi, December 21

**ANTONY WASTE HANDLING** Cell's initial public offering was subscribed 1.98 times on the first day of subscription on Monday.

The company has joined the likes of Burger King India and Mrs Bectors Food Specialities to have received oversubscription in a few hours of opening for subscription.

The initial public offering (IPO), to raise about ₹300 crore, received bids for

1,32,00,749 shares against 66,66,342 shares on offer, according to NSE data.

The qualified institutional buyers (QIBs) category was subscribed 63%, non-institutional investors' portion 8 per cent and retail individual investors (RIIs) 3.56% times.

The IPO comprises a fresh issue of ₹85 crore and an offer for sale of 68,24,933 shares. The price range for the offer, which would close for subscription on Wednesday, has been fixed at ₹313-315 per share.

## ANALYST CORNER

### Maintain 'add' on GCPL; firm gaining share in soaps space

## KOTAK INSTITUTIONAL EQUITIES

**KEY TAKEAWAYS FROM** call with Sunil Kataria, CEO-India and SAARC. GCPL expects HI portfolio to deliver high single-digit to low double-digit growth on normalised basis. Encouraging response to GK Gold Flash and NPD pipeline inspired confidence, GCPL is gaining share at mass as well as premium end in the soaps category, hair colors witnessed a V-shaped recovery lately, thrust on Protekt, Proclean, air care and fabric care is in line with the vision to transform into an HPC company with presence across 10 segments as against four a year ago.

## Maintain ADD.

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**INTERVIEW: RASHESH SHAH**, chairman and CEO, Edelweiss Group  
**'We need both NBFCs and banks to grow'**

Non-banking financial players have hurtled from one crisis to another. **Rashesh Shah**, chairman and CEO of Edelweiss Group, in an interview with **Malini Bhupta**, says the NBFC model will come back. Excerpts:

At a group level how do you see the pandemic impacting your liquidity and what about the balance-sheet strength to deal with the stress?

I think in the last five or six months, we have done a fair amount of balance-sheet strengthening. Our credit book took a big impairment and we took a markdown, which we front-loaded. We also beefed up liquidity and while it is hurting earnings, it is a source of comfort. Across our entities we are holding liquidity for two years. We have ₹7,000 crore of liquidity at group level. Our overall book is ₹17,000 crore. We have improved equity in all businesses. We agreed to sell 50% of our wealth business. In our NBFC business, capital adequacy is 24%, in housing finance it is 28% and in ARC it is 38%. Our wealth business has grown at 94% a year and asset management business has doubled in two years. Our general insurance business has grown at 58% this year and the life insurance business has seen positive growth every month this year.

**What about build up of stress in your lending businesses?**  
 Our collection efficiency is back to 93-94% against 98% at pre-Covid levels. Out of our ₹18,000-crore loan book, the share of retail and wholesale is equal. In retail, our collection efficiency is at 94% which is at par with the industry. We have taken a ₹2000-crore markdown in the wholesale book.



Wholesale housing has improved a lot and sales have been the best in 20 years.

NBFCs have been hurtling from one crisis to another. Your view.

IL&FS applied the brakes on the financial sector. It was a huge upheaval. If IL&FS had not happened, we would have been unprepared for Covid. IL&FS was a good break for the financial sector and because of that shock, banks and NBFCs are much stronger than they were two years ago.

**Are NBFCs out of the woods?**  
 There was a crisis five months ago and that is over, but the growth challenge remains. The government is doing its bit to increase the share of manufacturing through PLI scheme. We need 12-13% credit growth for the economy to return to growth. The good banks and good NBFCs have similar levels of profitability. The only difference is scale. While NBFCs account for 25% of the credit market, they account for 40% equity in the sector. We need both NBFCs and banks to grow, it is not an either-or situation.

What's the road map for Edelweiss Group, which also has a non-banking finance company? Do you see Edelweiss becoming a bank?

We have an ambition to continue to build strength in the financial services space. There are three parts to that – one is insurance, then there is capital markets and credit. I do think digital disruption in banking is a big opportunity. At our size it would not make sense to become a bank with branches like it is in the old model because that model works at a scale. Our credit book is ₹17,000-18,000 crore. We are not near the ₹50,000-crore threshold. The RBI has also come out with norms for NBFCs to work with banks for origination and to sell loans. The NBFC model will come back. It will not be a balance-sheet model, but one where they occupy niches and specialise in select segments. It will have to be an asset-light model. The fact that the RBI feels NBFCs above a certain size should become a bank is a good thing because if you are ₹50,000 crore in size, you have to roll over ₹20,000 crore a year. At that stage, you become systematically important.

Between ₹25,000-50,000 crore, you can be both. But below ₹25,000 crore, it might be beneficial to be an NBFC. What's in store for credit markets after all this turmoil of the last two years?

After the turmoil, there is a rethink on the entire credit ecosystem. Between 1995 and 2000 there were a lot of changes in equity markets. Credit markets will see similar changes. Credit markets will need to have multi-lane highway. We need to think of an infrastructure that is cohesive.

## FRP: Maha fed tells sugar mills to enter into pacts with farmers

FE BUREAU  
 Pune, December 21

**THE MAHARASHTRA STATE Cooperative Sugar Factories Federation (MCSFF) has advised sugar mills to enter into agreements with farmers offering a four-month window from the receipt of cane for paying fair and remunerative price (FRP) dues, top officials of the federation said.**

The move is not only expected to give mills a breathing space to raise funds, but also ensure that farmers get paid on time, members of the federation said.

subdued demand. The federation has advised mills to enter into agreements on FRP payments with farmers at the start of the season itself to avoid payment issues. It is, however, not known how many mills have entered into such agreements," he said.

According to the arrears report till December 15, the total payable FRP was around ₹4148.33 crore and sugar mills have made 52.28% of the payment. FRP arrears to farmers are now ₹1,979.56 crore. The country's opening stock balance at the start of the season was around 107 lakh tonne and Maharashtra's share amounted to some 36 lakh tonne, which is adding to the problem.

Mills said the export subsidy announcement also came late, leaving little scope for exports of raw sugar. "The focus is now on whites. The mill-wise allocation is yet to come and once that happens, mills will enter into export contracts," Khatal said. Some of the millers had earlier exported under the Open General Licence (OGL), but now prefer to wait for the subsidy, he said.

The state has already produced 30 lakh tonne of new sugar and exports will ease the liquidity situation, Khatal said. Last week, the central government approved a subsidy of ₹3,500 crore to sugar mills for export of around six million tonne (MT) in the ongoing 2020-21 marketing season that started in October.

Maharashtra is expected to crush 873 lakh tonne of cane and produce 99 lakh tonne of sugar in the current season. Khatal said millers have already decided to divert around 5-10 lakh tonne of sugar towards ethanol production because of excess stocks. Millers have already filed bids for 65 crore litre ethanol from B Heavy Molasses, 25 crore litre from C Molasses and 14 crore litre from sugarcane juice, he said.

Prakash Naiknavare, MD, National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories, said with Brazilian sugar being expected to hit the market by April, India still has enough time to meet the demands of the international market.

L&T Finance Holdings dissolves West Asia arm

**PRESS TRUST OF INDIA**  
 New Delhi, December 21

**L&T FINANCE HOLDINGS** on Monday said its subsidiary L&T Capital Markets (Middle East) or LTCM has been dissolved and ceased to exist. On July 17, L&TFH had informed about voluntary winding-up of one of its wholly-owned subsidiary incorporated in Dubai to carry on the off-shore wealth management business, subject to applicable laws of the United Arab Emirates.

"Further to the communication received from the official liquidator in Dubai on December 20, 2020, please note that pursuant to letter from Dubai International Financial Centre, the Dubai regulator, effective December

17, 2020, LTCM (ME) has been dissolved and ceased to exist," LTFH said in a regulatory filing.

It said the arm was not a material subsidiary of the company.

As on March 31, 2020, LTCM (ME) had a total income of ₹20.99 crore equivalent to 0.14% of consolidated income of L&TFH.

Its net worth stood at ₹10.46 crore, contributing 0.07% of consolidated net worth to the parent company.

### SEBI MEASURES

## New stress testing perimeters for commodity derivatives

**PRESS TRUST OF INDIA**  
 New Delhi, December 21

**SEBI ON MONDAY** issued new stress testing perimeters for commodity derivatives to tackle extreme volatile price events. The move comes after the regulator received representation to review the requirement of including all the price movements during the last 15 years, in the historical scenarios prescribed for stress testing.

With a view to address the concerns emanating from exceptional and extreme

volatile price events, Sebi said price movements of the last 15 years will be scanned for stress testing.

Narinder Wadhwa, national president at CPAI, said it has been decided to scan for wider periods for stress tests and the prescribed period being 15 years for price movements. "The margin period of risk will now be 15 years instead of 10 years. The same is an outcome of crude oil volatility and negative rates," he added.

In September, Sebi proposed an alternate risk man-

agement framework for commodities in case of near zero or negative prices.

"In recent times, extreme volatility has been observed in commodity prices globally, particularly in the case of crude oil, wherein the prices had unprecedentedly gone down to zero and subsequently, even negative."

"In such a scenario, margins equivalent to even 100% of the futures price would not have been sufficient to cover the steep upward or downward price variations in the futures market," Sebi had said.

## Norms related to core SGF announced

**PRESS TRUST OF INDIA**  
 New Delhi, December 21

**WITH AN AIM** to enhance robustness of the risk management system in limited purpose clearing corporations, Sebi on Monday came out with norms relating to core settlement guarantee fund (SGF), stress testing and default waterfall procedure.

The limited purpose clearing corporation (LPC) is an entity established to undertake the activity of clearing and settlement of repo transactions.

With regard to contribu-

tion to core SGF, Sebi said contribution to the fund will be made by the recognised limited purpose clearing corporation, the clearing members and issuers of debt securities. Any shortfall in the fund will be replenished by the recognised limited purpose clearing corporation to the threshold level as specified by Sebi said.

"Contribution of debt securities to core SGF shall be equivalent to 0.5 basis points of the issuance value of debt securities per annum, based on the maturity of debt securities, to be collected upfront," the regulator said.

This is an advertisement issued, pursuant to Regulation 8(1) of the SEBI (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008 as amended, for information purposes only.



## KOSAMATTAM FINANCE LIMITED

(CREDIT RATING : "BWR BBB+/Stable", by

Brickwork Ratings India Private Limited ("Brickwork Ratings")

Our Company was incorporated on March 25, 1987, as 'Standard Shares and Loans Private Limited', a private limited company under the Companies Act, 1956 with a certificate of incorporation issued by Registrar of Companies, Kerala and Lakshadweep, at Kochi, ("RoC"). The name of our Company was changed to 'Kosamattam Finance Private Limited' pursuant to a resolution passed by the shareholders of our Company at the EGM held on June 2, 2004 and a fresh certificate of incorporation dated June 8, 2004 issued by the RoC. Subsequently, upon conversion to a public limited company pursuant to a special resolution of the shareholders of our Company dated November 11, 2013, the name of our Company was changed to 'Kosamattam Finance Limited' and a fresh certificate of incorporation was issued by the RoC on November 22, 2013. Our Company has obtained a certificate of registration dated December 19, 2013 bearing registration no. B-16-00117 issued by the Reserve Bank of India ("RBI") to carry on the activities of a non-banking financial company without accepting public deposits under Section 45 IA of the RBI Act, 1934. For details of changes in our name and registered office, see "History and Certain Other Corporate Matters" on page 99 of the Prospectus.

Corporate Identity Number: U65929KL1987PLC004729

Registered and Corporate Office: Kosamattam Mathew K. Cherian Building, M. L. Road, Market Junction, Kottayam - 686 001, Kerala, India; Tel: +91 481 258 6400; Fax: +91 481 258 6500;

Website: www.kosamattam.com; Company Secretary and Compliance Officer: Sreenath P. Tel: +91 481 258 6506; Fax: +91 481 258 6500; E-mail: cs@kosamattam.com

PUBLIC ISSUE BY KOSAMATTAM FINANCE LIMITED, ("COMPANY" OR "ISSUER") OF SECURED, REDEEMABLE, NON-CONVERTIBLE DEBTENTURES ("SECURED NCDs") AND UNSECURED REDEEMABLE NON-Convertible DEBTENTURES ("UNSECURED NCDs") OF FACE VALUE OF ₹ 1,000 EACH ("NCDs"), AT PAR, AGGREGATING UP TO ₹ 35,000 LAKHS, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "OVERALL ISSUE SIZE" THE "BASE ISSUE" WITH AN OPTION TO RETAIN OVER-SUBSCRIPTION UP TO ₹ 17,500 LAKHS, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "OVERALL ISSUE SIZE" (THE "ISSUE"). THE UNSECURED REDEEMABLE NON-Convertible DEBTENTURES WILL BE IN THE NATURE OF SUBORDINATED DEBT AND WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR TIER II CAPITAL. THE ISSUE IS BEING MADE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (ISSUE AND LISTING OF DEBT SECURITIES) REGULATIONS, 2008, AS AMENDED ("SEBI DEBT REGULATIONS"), THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 AND RULES MADE THEREUNDER.

The following is a summary of the terms of the NCDs to be issued pursuant to the Prospectus dated December 21, 2020 ("Prospectus")

Tenure	400 days	30 months	30 months	39 months	48 months	66 months	84 months	84 months
Nature	Secured						Unsecured	
Options	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
Frequency of Interest Payment	Cumulative	Monthly	Cumulative	Monthly	Cumulative	Cumulative	Monthly	Cumulative
Minimum Application					10 NCDs (₹10,000) (across all options of NCDs)			
In Multiples of					1 NCD after the minimum application			
Face Value of NCDs (₹/NCD)					₹1,000			
Issue Price (₹/NCD)					₹1,000			
Mode of Interest Payment/Redemption					Through various options available			
Coupon (%) per annum in Category I, II, III and IV	NA	9.25	NA	10.00	NA	NA	10.25	NA
Coupon Type					Fixed			
Redemption Amount (₹/NCD)	1,093.50	1,000.00	1,250.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,750.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
for NCD Holders in Category I, II, III and IV								
Effective Yield % (per annum) – Category I, II, III and IV	8.50	9.65	9.34	10.47	10.67	10.71	10.75	10.41
Put and Call Option					Not Applicable			
Deemed Date of Allotment					The date on which the Board or a duly authorised committee approves the Allotment of NCDs. All benefits to the NCDs including interest on the NCDs shall be available to the investors from the Deemed Date of Allotment. The actual Allotment of NCDs may take place on a date other than the Deemed Date of Allotment			

For details of category wise eligibility and allotment in the Issue please see "Issue Procedure - Who can apply", "Issue Procedure - Method of application" and "Issue Procedure - Basis of allotment", on pages 171, 173 and 187 of the Prospectus, respectively.

Our Company would allot Option I NCDs to all valid applications, wherein the applicants have not indicated their choice of the relevant options of the NCDs.

Please note that the company would be using the Book Building software of BSE for the Issue.

### ISSUE OPENS ON

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2020

### ISSUE CLOSES ON

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021\*\*

\* Issue shall remain open for subscription on Working Days from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Indian Standard Time) during the period indicated above, except that the Issue may close on such earlier date as may be decided by the Board of Directors of our Company or Committee thereof subject to receipt of necessary approvals. In the event of such early closure of the Issue, our Company shall ensure that notice of such early closure is given on or before such early date of closure or the initial Closing Date, through advertisements in a leading national daily newspaper with wide circulation or on or before such earlier date or extended date or extended date of closure. Applications Forms will be accepted only from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Indian Standard Time) or such extended time as may be permitted by BSE, on Working Days during the Issue Period. On the Issue Closing Date, Application Forms will be accepted only between 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and uploaded until 5:00 p.m. (Indian



# FAIRCHEM ORGANICS LIMITED

Corporate Identity Number: U24200MH2019PLC323176

Registered Office: Plot A-71, TTC Industrial Estate, Near Thane Belapur Road, Kopar Khairane, Navi Mumbai - 400 709, Maharashtra, India.

Contact Person: Mr. Rajen Jhaveri, Chief Financial Officer, Company Secretary and Compliance officer, Tel: +91 90163 24095; E-mail: cs@fairchem.in; Website: www.fairchem.in

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

### FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS OF FAIRCHEM ORGANICS LIMITED

STATUTORY ADVERTISEMENT ("ADVERTISEMENT") ISSUED IN COMPLIANCE WITH CIRCULAR NO. CFD/DIL3/CIR/2017/21 DATED MARCH 10, 2017 ISSUED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA ("SEBI") IN RELATION TO THE SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT BY LISTED ENTITIES, PURSUANT TO THE COMPOSITE SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT AND AMALGAMATION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 230 TO 232, READ WITH SECTION 66 AND OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 INVOLVING FAIRCHEM ORGANICS LIMITED, PRIVI ORGANICS INDIA LIMITED, PRIVI SPECIALITY CHEMICALS LIMITED (FORMERLY KNOWN AS FAIRCHEM SPECIALITY LIMITED) AND THEIR RESPECTIVE SHAREHOLDERS, SANCTIONED BY THE NCLT ON JUNE 30, 2020 (THE "SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT").

THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT DOES NOT RELATE TO ANY ISSUANCE / SALE OF EQUITY SHARES. NO OFFER IS BEING MADE TO THE PUBLIC OR ANY OTHER CATEGORY OF INVESTORS PURSUANT TO THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT, NOR IS IT SOLICITING AN OFFER TO BUY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION.

*Capitalised terms used but not defined herein have the meaning assigned to them in the Information Memorandum dated December 21, 2020.*

#### 1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE AND CORPORATE OFFICE OF OUR COMPANY

Fairchem Organics Limited ("Company"), whose registered office is situated at Plot A-71, TTC Industrial Estate, Near Thane Belapur Road, Kopar Khairane, Navi Mumbai - 400 709, Maharashtra, India.

Our Company does not have any corporate office.

#### 2. DETAILS OF CHANGE IN NAME OR OBJECT CLAUSE

There has been no change in the name or object clause of our Company since inception.

#### 3. CAPITAL STRUCTURE – PRE AND POST SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT

A. EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL OF OUR COMPANY PRIOR TO SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT					
Particulars			Aggregate Value in Lakhs (in Rs.)		
<b>Authorised Share Capital</b>					
10,000 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each			1.00		
<b>Total</b>			1.00		
<b>Issued, Subscribed and Paid up Capital</b>					
10,000 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each			1.00		
<b>Total</b>			1.00		

#### 4. SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF OUR COMPANY

Table I – SUMMARY STATEMENTS HOLDING OF SPECIFIED SECURITIES

Category	Category of shareholder	Nos. of share holders	No. of fully paid up equity shares held	No. of Partly paid-up equity shares held	No. of shares underlying Depository Receipts	Total nos. shares held (VII) = (IV)+(V)+(VI)	Shareholding as a % of total no. of shares (calculated as per SCR, 1957) (VIII) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Voting Rights held in each class of securities			No. of Shares Underlying Outstanding convertible securities (including Warrants)	Shareholding, as a % assuming full conversion of convertible securities (as a % of diluted share capital) (XI)= (VII)+(X) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Locked in shares	Number of Shares pledged or otherwise encumbered	Number of equity shares held in dematerialized form (XIV)					
								No of Voting Rights												
								No of Voting Rights		Total as a % of (A+B+C)										
(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)	(VII)	(VIII)	(IX)	(X)	(XI)	(XII)	(XIII)	(XIV)							
(A)	Promoter & Promoter Group	22	9642949	0	0	9642949	74.0575	9642949	0	9642949	74.0575	0	74.0575	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	9642949		
(B)	Public	9374	3377953	0	0	3377953	25.9425	3377953	0	3377953	25.9425	0	25.9425	0	0.0000	NA	NA	3376725		
(C)	Non Promoter - Non Public					0		0		0		0		0.0000	NA	NA				
(C1)	Shares Underlying DRs	0	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	NA	NA	0		
(C2)	Shares Held By Employee Trust	0	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	NA	NA	0		
<b>Total</b>		<b>9396</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>100.0000</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>100.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>13019674</b>		

Table II - Statement showing shareholding pattern of the Promoter and Promoter Group

Category	Category of shareholder	PAN	Nos. of share holders	No. of fully paid up equity shares held	Partly paid-up equity shares held	No. of shares underlying Depository Receipts	Total nos. shares held (VII) = (IV)+(V)+(VI)	Shareholding as a % of total no. of shares (calculated as per SCR, 1957) (VIII) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Voting Rights held in each class of securities			No. of Shares Underlying Outstanding convertible securities (including Warrants)	Shareholding, as a % assuming full conversion of convertible securities (as a % of diluted share capital) (XI)= (VII)+(X) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Locked in shares	Number of Shares pledged or otherwise encumbered	Number of equity shares held in dematerialized form (XIV)					
									No of Voting Rights												
									No of Voting Rights		Total as a % of (A+B+C)										
(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)	(VII)	(VIII)	(IX)	(X)	(XI)	(XII)	(XIII)	(XIV)								
(A)	Promoter & Promoter Group	22	9642949	0	0	9642949	74.0575	9642949	0	9642949	74.0575	0	74.0575	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	9642949			
(B)	Public	9374	3377953	0	0	3377953	25.9425	3377953	0	3377953	25.9425	0	25.9425	0	0.0000	NA	NA	3376725			
(C)	Non Promoter - Non Public					0		0		0		0		0.0000	NA	NA					
(C1)	Shares Underlying DRs	0	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	NA	NA	0			
(C2)	Shares Held By Employee Trust	0	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	NA	NA	0			
<b>Total</b>		<b>9396</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>100.0000</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13020902</b>	<b>100.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>13019674</b>			

Details of Shares which remain unclaimed may be given hear along with details such as number of shareholders, outstanding shares held in demat/unclaimed suspense account, voting rights which are frozen etc.

Note : (1) PAN would not be displayed on website of Stock Exchange(s) (2) The term 'Encumbrance' has the same meaning as assigned under regulation 28(3) of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011.(2) The term 'Encumbrance' has the same meaning as assigned under regulation 28(3) of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011.

Table III - Statement showing shareholding pattern of the Public shareholder

| Category | Category of shareholder | PAN | Nos. of share holders | No. of fully paid up equity shares held | Partly paid-up equity shares held | No. of shares underlying Depository Receipts | Total nos. shares held (VII) = (IV)+(V)+(VI) | Shareholding as a % of total no. of shares (calculated as per SCR, 1957) (VIII) As a % of (A+B+C2) | Number of Voting Rights held in each class of securities | | |
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Table III - Statement showing shareholding pattern of the Public shareholder

Category	Category of shareholder	PAN	Nos. of share holders	No. of fully paid up equity shares held	Partly paid-up equity shares held	No. of shares underlying Depository Receipts	Total nos. shares held (VII) = (IV)+(V)+(VI)	Shareholding as a % of total no. of shares (calculated as per SCRR, 1957) (VIII) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Voting Rights held in each class of securities			No. of Shares Underlying Outstanding convertible securities (including Warrants)	Shareholding, as a % assuming full conversion of convertible securities (as a % of diluted share capital) (XI)= (VII)+(X) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Locked in shares		Number of Shares pledged or otherwise encumbered		Number of equity shares held in dematerialized form (XIV)			
									No of Voting Rights					No. (a)	As a % of total Shares held (b)	No. (a)	As a % of total Shares held (b)				
									Class eg. X	Class eg. Y	Total										
(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)	(VII)	(VIII)	(IX)	(X)	(XI)	(XII)	(XIII)	(XIV)								
(c) Overseas Depositories (holding DRs) (balancing figure)			0	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	0	0	0.0000	NA	NA	0			
(d) Any Other (Specify)		890	1593567	0	0	1593567	12.2385	1593567	0	1593567	12.2385	0	12.2385	0	0.0000	NA	NA	1593567			
IEPF			1	13816	0	0	13816	0.1061	13816	0	13816	0.1061	0	0.1061	0	0.0000	NA	NA	13816		
Trusts			1	100	0	0	100	0.0008	100	0	100	0.0008	0	0.0008	0	0.0000	NA	NA	100		
Foreign Nationals			5	423	0	0	423	0.0032	423	0	423	0.0032	0	0.0032	0	0.0000	NA	NA	423		
Hindu Undivided Family			324	96008	0	0	96008	0.7373	96008	0	96008	0.7373	0	0.7373	0	0.0000	NA	NA	96008		
Non Resident Indians (Non Repat)			126	57898	0	0	57898	0.4447	57898	0	57898	0.4447	0	0.4447	0	0.0000	NA	NA	57898		
Non Resident Indians (Repat)			209	336696	0	0	336696	2.5858	336696	0	336696	2.5858	0	2.5858	0	0.0000	NA	NA	336696		
Rajesh Harichandra Budhrani	AAHPB9647H	1	237493	0	0	237493	1.8239	237493	0	237493	1.8239	0	1.8239	0	0.0000	NA	NA	237493			
Overseas Bodies Corporates			1	820638	0	0	820638	6.3025	820638	0	820638	6.3025	0	6.3025	0	0.0000	NA	NA	820638		
Banbridge Limited	AAHCB1879J	1	820638	0	0	820638	6.3025	820638	0	820638	6.3025	0	6.3025	0	0.0000	NA	NA	820638			
Clearing Member			43	8229	0	0	8229	0.0632	8229	0	8229	0.0632	0	0.0632	0	0.0000	NA	NA	8229		
Bodies Corporate			180	259759	0	0	259759	1.9949	259759	0	259759	1.9949	0	1.9949	0	0.0000	NA	NA	259759		
<b>Sub Total (B)(3)</b>		<b>9368</b>	<b>3228789</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3228789</b>	<b>24.7970</b>	<b>3228789</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3228789</b>	<b>24.7970</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24.7970</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>3227561</b>			
<b>Total Public Shareholding (B)=(B)(1)+(B)(2)+(B)(3)</b>		<b>9374</b>	<b>3377953</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3377953</b>	<b>25.9425</b>	<b>3377953</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3377953</b>	<b>25.9425</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25.9425</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>3376725</b>			

Details of the shareholders acting as persons in Concert including their Shareholding (No. and %):

No. of shareholders	No. of Shares

Table IV – Statement showing shareholding pattern of the non-promoter non-public shareholder

Category	Category of shareholder	PAN	Nos. of share holders	No. of fully paid up equity shares held	Partly paid-up equity shares held	No. of shares underlying Depository Receipts	Total nos. shares held (VII) = (IV)+(V)+(VI)	Shareholding as a % of total no. of shares (calculated as per SCRR, 1957) (VIII) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Voting Rights held in each class of securities			No. of Shares Underlying Outstanding convertible securities (including Warrants)	Shareholding, as a % assuming full conversion of convertible securities (as a % of diluted share capital) (XI)= (VII)+(X) As a % of (A+B+C2)	Number of Locked in shares		Number of Shares pledged or otherwise encumbered		Number of equity shares held in dematerialized form (XIV)			
									No of Voting Rights					No. (a)	As a % of total Shares held (b)	No. (a)	As a % of total Shares held (b)				
									Class eg. X	Class eg. Y	Total										
(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)	(VII)	(VIII)	(IX)	(X)	(XI)	(XII)	(XIII)	(XIV)								
1 Custodian/DR Holder			0	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	NA	NA	0			
2 Employee Benefit Trust (under SEBI (Share based Employee Benefit) Regulations, 2014)			0	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	0	0.0000	NA	NA	0			
<b>Total Non-Promoter Non Public Shareholding (C)=(C)(1)+(C)(2)</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>0</b>		

Note : (1) PAN would not be displayed on website of Stock Exchange(s). (2) The above format needs to disclose name of all holders holding more than 1% of total number of shares. (3) W.r.t. the information pertaining to Depository Receipts, the same may be disclosed in the respective columns to the extent information available and the balance to be disclosed as held by custodian.

None of our Group Companies hold any Equity Shares in our Company.

## 5. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS OF OUR COMPANY AND THEIR INTEREST IN OUR COMPANY

The details of the ten largest Shareholders of our Company as on the date of this Advertisement is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name Of The Shareholder	No. of Equity Shares held	% of the paid-up Equity Share Capital
1.	FIH Mauritius Investments Ltd	63,47,609	48.75 %
2.	Mahesh P Babani	8,62,116	6.62 %
3.	Banbridge Limited	8,20,638	6.30 %
4.	Mahesh Purshotam Babani HUF	5,97,240	4.59 %
5.	Doppelapudi Bhaktavatsala Rao	2,41,020	1.85 %
6.	Rajesh Harichandra Budhrani	2,37,493	1.82 %
7.	Nahoosh Tradelink LLP	2,21,006	1.70 %
8.	Vinay		

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## AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FAIRCHEM ORGANICS LIMITED (BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2020)

	Notes	As at March 31, 2020	(₹ in lakhs)		Notes	As at March 31, 2020
<b>ASSETS</b>				<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>				<b>EQUITY</b>		
Property, Plant and Equipment	4	12,626.66		Equity Share Capital	18	-
Capital work-in-progress	5	942.85		Share Capital Suspense Account	19	1,302.09
Intangible Assets	6	7.46		Other Equity	20	11,554.43
Financial Assets						12,856.52
(i) Loans	7	0.53				
(ii) Other Financial Assets	8	27.69				
Non-current Tax Assets (Net)	9	79.63				
Other Non-current Assets	10	653.88				
		14,338.70				
<b>Current Assets</b>				<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Inventories	11	3,771.10		<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>		
Financial Assets				Financial Liabilities	21	1,633.16
(i) Trade receivables	12	3,787.90		Borrowings	22	114.33
(ii) Cash and cash equivalents	13	3.08		Provisions	39	1,162.90
(iii) Bank balances other than (ii) above	14	17.87		Deferred Tax Liabilities (Net)		2,910.39
(iv) Loans	15	1.22				
(v) Other Financial Assets	16	1.24				
Other current assets	17	149.47				
		7,731.88				
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		22,070.58				
				<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
				Financial Liabilities	23	4,437.37
				(i) Borrowings	24	
				(a) Total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises		41.29
				(b) Total outstanding dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises		599.86
				(iii) Other financial liabilities	25	1,005.84
				Other current liabilities	26	87.77
				Provisions	27	33.76
				Current Tax Liabilities (Net)	28	97.78
						6,303.67
				<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		22,070.58

## STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 27, 2019 (DATE OF INCORPORATION) TO MARCH 31, 2020

	Notes	For the period March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2020	(₹ in lakhs)		Notes	For the period March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2020	(₹ in lakhs)
<b>Income</b>				<b>Profit Before Tax</b>		4,488.27	
Revenue from Operations	30	30,649.26		Tax Expense		883.00	
Other Income	31	658.86		Current tax		(49.59)	
<b>Total Revenue</b>		31,308.12		Deferred tax		833.41	
<b>Expenses</b>						3,654.86	
Cost of materials consumed	32	19,832.24		<b>Profit After Tax</b>			
Changes in Inventories of finished goods and work-in-progress	33	634.00		<b>Other Comprehensive Income</b>			
Employee benefits expense	34	1,550.16		Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Finance Costs	35	657.90		- Remeasurement (losses) / gains on post employment defined benefit plans		(12.90)	
Depreciation and amortisation expense	4, 6	595.95		- Income tax effect		3.25	
Other expenses	36	3,549.60		<b>Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax</b>		(9.65)	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		26,819.85		<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>		3,645.21	

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR PERIOD MARCH 27, 2019 (DATE OF INCORPORATION) TO MARCH 31, 2020

	Notes	For the period March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2020	(₹ in lakhs)		Notes	For the period March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2020	(₹ in lakhs)
<b>A. CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>				<b>B. CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
<b>Profit Before Taxation</b>		4,488.27		Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipments		(3,032.93)	
Adjustments for:				Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant and Equipments		5.07	
Depreciation and Amortisation	4, 6	595.95		Purchase of Investments		-	
Finance Cost	35	657.90		Interest Income		12.54	
Interest Income	31	(12.54)		Dividend Income		625.00	
Dividend Income	31	(625.00)				(2,390.32)	
Unrealised Foreign Exchange (Gain)		(4.02)		<b>C. CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Credit Impairment Loss Reversal on Receivables	31	(7.06)		Proceeds from Long Term Borrowings (net)		1,499.57	
Loss on assets sold / discarded (Net)	36	31.28		Repayment of Long Term Borrowings (net)		(909.97)	
<b>Operating Profit Before Working Capital Changes</b>		5,124.78		Net Proceeds from Short Term Borrowings (net)		388.37	
Adjustments For Changes In Working Capital:				Proceeds from Issue of Share Capital		1.00	
(Increase) In Inventories		(370.48)		Dividend Paid (including tax on dividend)		(1,048.83)	
Decrease In Non Current Loans		0.98		Interest Paid		(655.98)	
(Increase) In Other Non Current Financial Assets		(13.91)				(725.84)	
(Increase) In Trade receivables		(563.69)		<b>C. Net Cash Used In Financing Activities</b>			
(Increase) In Current Loans		(0.48)		Net Increase in cash and cash equivalents (A+B+C)		1.44	
Decrease In Other current assets		175.02		Cash and Cash Equivalents as at March 27, 2019		-	
(Decrease) In Trade and Other Payables		(359.27)		Cash and Cash Equivalents pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)		-	
Increase In Non Current Liabilities - Provisions		24.79		<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents as at the end of the period</b>		1.64	
(Decrease) In Current Liabilities - Provisions		(36.64)		Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalent as per the statement of cash flows		3.08	
Increase In Other Current Financial Liabilities		0.81		Cash and Cash Equivalents :		As at March 31, 2020	
Increase In Other Current Liabilities		4.58		Cash on hand		1.77	
<b>Cash Generated From Operations</b>		3,986.49		Bank Balances :		1.31	
Direct Taxes Refund / (Paid) (Net)		(868.89)		- In Current Accounts		3.08	
<b>A. Net Cash Generated From Operating Activities</b>		3,117.60					

Note : (1) The above Statement of Cash flows has been prepared under the "Indirect Method" set out in Ind AS 7 - "Statement of Cash Flows"

(2) Refer Note 25 for net debt reconciliation. (3) Amount paid towards CSR activities Rs. 4.83 lakhs. (4) For non-cash transactions pursuant to Scheme of Arrangement Refer Note 51.

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR PERIOD MARCH 27, 2019 (DATE OF INCORPORATION) TO MARCH 31, 2020

	Notes	For the period March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2020	(₹ in lakhs)		Notes	For the period March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2020	(₹ in lakhs)
<b>A. Equity Share Capital</b>				<b>B. Reserves and Surplus</b>			
<b>Balance as at March 27, 2019</b>				Capital Reserves			
Issue of Share Capital during the period				Retained Earnings			
Shares cancelled pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)				Total			
<b>Balance as at March 31, 2020</b>							
<b>B. Share Capital Suspense Account</b>							
<b>Balance as at March 27, 2019</b>							
Addition pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)							
<b>Balance as at March 31, 2020</b>							
<b>C. Other Equity</b>							
<b>Balance as at March 27, 2019</b>							
Addition pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)							
Profit for the period							
Other Comprehensive Income							
<b>Total Comprehensive Income for the period</b>							
<b>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</b>							
Dividends Paid (including Dividend Distribution Tax)							
<b>Balance as at March 31, 2020</b>							

## NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 1. Background of the Company

Fairchem Organics Limited (the 'Company') was incorporated on March 27, 2019. These Special purpose financial statements of the Company have been prepared for the period from April 01, 2020 to June 30, 2020. Pursuant to the Scheme of arrangement, the Oleo Chemical and Nutraceutical business of Fairchem Speciality Limited was demerged and merged into the Company (Refer note 48). The manufacturing facility is set up at Village Chekhala, Ta. Sanand, Dist. Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

## 2. Significant accounting policies

This Note provides a list of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Company in the preparation of these Special Purpose Financial Statements. These policies have been consistently applied during current period, unless otherwise stated.

## a) Basis of preparation

## i) Compliance with Ind AS

These Special Purpose Financial Statements of the Company comprising the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2020, Statement of Profit and Loss (including other comprehensive income), Statement of Changes in Equity, and Cash Flow Statement for the period from March 27

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and the redemption amount is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the EIR method. Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are removed from the balance sheet when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability that has been extinguished or transferred to another party and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss as other income/expenses.

**p) Borrowings costs**

General and specific borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalised during the period of time that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use or sale. Qualifying assets are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

**q) Provisions and Contingencies**

Provisions are recognised when there is a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and there is a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation. When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (when the effect of the time value of money is material). The discount rate used to determine the present value is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

Contingent liabilities are disclosed when there is a possible obligation arising from past events, the existence of which will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Company or a present obligation that arises from past events where it is either not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation or a reliable estimate of the amount cannot be made.

**r) Employee Benefits****i) Defined contribution plans**

Contributions to retirement benefit plans in the form of provident fund, employee state insurance scheme and pension scheme as per regulations are charged as an expense on an accrual basis when employees have rendered the service. The Company has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid.

**ii) Defined benefit plans**

The Company provides for gratuity, a defined benefit plan (the "Gratuity Plan") covering eligible employees, which is funded. The Gratuity Plan provides a lump sum payment to vested employees at retirement, death, incapacity or termination of employment, of an amount based on the respective employee's salary and the tenure of employment. The Company's liability is actuarially determined using the Projected Unit Credit method at the end of each year. Remeasurement gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in the period in which they occur, directly in other comprehensive

income. They are included in retained earnings in the statement of changes in equity and in the balance sheet.

Gratuity Fund contributions are made to a trust administered by the Company which has further invested in Life Insurance Corporation. The contributions made to the trust are recognised as plan assets. The defined benefit obligation recognised in the balance sheet represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation as reduced by the fair value of plan assets.

**(iii) Other employee benefits**

Compensated Absences: Accumulated compensated absences, which are expected to be availed or encashed within 12 months from the end of the year end are treated as short term employee benefits. The obligation towards the same is measured at the expected cost of accumulating compensated absences as the additional amount expected to be paid as a result of the unused entitlement as at the year end.

Accumulated compensated absences, which are expected to be availed or encashed beyond 12 months from the end of the year end are treated as other long term employee benefits. The Company's liability is actuarially determined (using the Projected Unit Credit method) at the end of each year. Actuarial losses/ gains are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss in the year in which they arise.

Termination Benefits: Termination benefits in the nature of voluntary retirement benefits are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss as and when incurred.

**s) Segment reporting**

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Managing Directors who are identified as the chief operating decision makers. The managing directors assess the financial performance and position of the company, and make strategic decisions.

**t) Earnings per share****i) Basic earnings per share**

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing:

- the profit attributable to owners of the company
- by the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in equity shares issued during the year and excluding treasury shares.

**ii) Diluted earnings per share**

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in the determination of basic earnings per share to take into account:

- the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential equity shares, and
- the weighted average number of additional equity shares that would have been outstanding assuming the conversion of all dilutive potential equity shares.

**iii) Rounding off**

All amounts disclosed in the special purpose financial statements and notes have been rounded off to the nearest lakhs, or decimal thereof as per the requirement of Schedule III, unless otherwise stated.

**3 Critical estimates and judgements**

The preparation of special purpose financial statements requires the use of accounting estimates which, by definition, will seldom equal the actual results. Management also needs to exercise judgement in applying the company's accounting policies.

The areas involving critical estimates or judgements are:

- Estimation of defined benefit obligation – Note 29
- Impairment of trade receivables – Note 41
- Estimation of useful life of tangible assets – Note 4

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated. They are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the company.

**4 Property, Plant and Equipment as at March 31, 2020**

(All amounts in Rs. Lakhs, unless otherwise stated)

	Gross Carrying Amount				Accumulated Depreciation/Amortisation				Net Carrying amount
	Opening as on March 27, 2019	Addition pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer note 51)	Additions	Deductions/ Adjustments	As at March 31, 2020	Opening as on March 27, 2019	Addition pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer note 51)	For the period	
Freehold Land	-	63.10	-	-	63.10	-	-	-	63.10
Right of use asset	-	459.40	-	-	459.40	-	18.51	6.46	434.43
Building	-	2,235.32	29.00	-	2,264.32	-	237.39	85.43	1,941.50
Plant and Machinery	-	9,443.77	1,658.23	44.05	11,057.95	-	904.86	413.68	9,749.05
Electric Installation	-	349.68	-	-	349.68	-	146.14	34.20	169.34
Air Conditioners	-	49.18	0.93	0.52	49.59	-	20.22	6.46	0.47
Office Equipments and Computers	-	78.78	11.30	4.18	85.90	-	39.57	14.02	3.22
Furniture and Fixtures	-	178.04	23.90	-	201.94	-	41.41	20.80	-
Vehicles	-	113.66	10.74	3.44	120.96	-	38.58	14.29	2.51
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,970.93</b>	<b>1,734.10</b>	<b>52.19</b>	<b>14,652.84</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,446.68</b>	<b>595.34</b>	<b>15.84</b>
									<b>2,026.18</b>
									<b>12,626.66</b>

(i) Refer to note 46 for information on property, plant and equipment hypothecated and / or mortgaged as security by the Company.

(ii) Contractual obligations - Refer to note 44 for disclosure of contractual commitments for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment.

(iii) Refer to note 48 - Leasehold land has been classified as Right of use asset as per Ind AS 116.

**5 Capital Work in Progress**

	As at March 31, 2020			
Opening Balance	-			
Addition pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)	87.91			
Addition during the period	2,542.17			
Transfer during the period	1,687.23			
Closing Balance	942.85			

**6 Intangible Assets as at March 31, 2020**(*in lakhs*)

	Gross Carrying Amount				Net Carrying amount
	Opening as on March 27, 2019	Addition pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer note 51)	Additions	Deductions/ Adjustments	
Computer Software	-	8.07	-	8.07	8.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8.07</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8.07</b>	<b>8.07</b>

	As at March 31, 2020			
	Opening as on March 27, 2019	Addition pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer note 51)	Additions	Deductions/ Adjustments
Loans	-	-	-	-
<b>15 Loans</b>	<b>(Unsecured, Considered Good)</b>			

Security Deposits	0.53	0.53	1.22
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<b>8 Other Financial Assets</b>	<b>Margin Money Deposit *</b>	<b>27.69</b>	<b>27.69</b>
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* Pledged with the bank for non cash limit			
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<b>9 Non Current Tax Assets (Net)</b>	<b>Advance Income Tax and Tax deducted at source (Net of Provision)</b>	<b>79.63</b>	<b>79.63</b>
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<b>10 Other Non Current Assets</b>	<b>(Unsecured and Considered Good)</b>	<b>653.88</b>	<b>653.88</b>
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**11 Inventories**	[Refer note 2 (i) - valued at lower of cost and net realisable value]		


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<b>31 Other Income</b>
Net Gain on Foreign Currency Transactions and Translation
Interest income from financial assets measured at amortised cost
- Deposits
- Others
Dividend from Non-current equity investment measured at cost
Compensation received
Credit Impairment Loss Reversal on Receivables
Miscellaneous income

		As at March 31, 2020				
39 c)- Deferred tax liabilities						
The balance comprises temporary differences attributable to:						
On Property, Plant and Equipments	1,238.07					
Others	3.11					
<b>Total deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>1,241.18</b>					
<b>Deferred tax assets:</b>						
On Defined Benefit Obligations	36.66					
Others	41.62					
<b>Total deferred tax assets</b>	<b>78.28</b>					
<b>Net deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>1,162.90</b>					
<b>Movement in deferred tax balances</b>						
Particulars	As at March 27, 2019	Transferred pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)	Charged/ (credited) to profit and loss	Charged/ (credited) to OCI	Charged/ (credited) to equity	As at March 31, 2020
1,628.04						
20,722.21						
22,350.25						
2,673.36						
19,676.89						
<b>Total deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,301.99</b>	<b>(60.81)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,241.18</b>
<b>Deferred tax assets:</b>						
- On Defined Benefit Obligations	42.82	(9.41)	3.25	-	36.66	
Others	43.43	(1.81)	-	-	41.62	
<b>Total deferred tax assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>86.25</b>	<b>(11.22)</b>	<b>3.25</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>78.28</b>
<b>Net deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,215.74</b>	<b>(49.59)</b>	<b>(3.25)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,162.90</b>

**32 Cost of materials consumed****Raw Materials :**

Inventory at the beginning of the period

Add: Transferred pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)

Add: Purchases

Less: Inventory at the end of the period

**Packing Materials :**

Inventory at the beginning of the period

Add: Transferred pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)

Add: Purchases

Less: Inventory at the end of the period

**33 Changes in inventory of finished goods and work-in-progress****Opening Stock**

Finished Goods

Semi Finished Goods

**Transferred pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)**

Finished Goods

Semi Finished Goods

**Closing Stock**

Finished Goods

Semi Finished Goods

**(Increase) / Decrease in Inventories of finished goods and work-in-progress****34 Employee benefit expenses**

Salaries, wages and bonus

Contribution to Provident Fund and other funds

Gratuity

Staff welfare expenses

**35 Finance Costs**

Interest on Long Term Borrowings

Interest and other borrowing cost

Interest on Income Tax

**36 Other Expenses**

Consumption of Stores and Spares

Power and Fuel

Laboratory expenses

Research &amp; Development Expenses

Rent, rates and taxes

Insurance

Repairs and maintenance :

- Machinery

- Buildings

- Others

Travelling and conveyance

Telephone and advertisement expense

Directors' sitting fees

Remuneration to Auditors for:

Statutory Audit and Limited Reviews

Others

Out of pocket expenses

Commission on sales

Freight and forwarding

Legal and professional fees

Vehicle expenses

Loss on assets sold / discarded (Net)

Corporate Social Responsibility expenditure

Solid waste disposal charges

Miscellaneous expenses

**37 Expenditure towards Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities**

(a) Gross amount required to be spent by the Company during the period: Rs. 47.06 lakhs.

(b) Amount spent during the period :

	In Cash	Yet to be paid in Cash	Total
(i) Construction/acquisition of any asset	-	-	-
(ii) On purposes other than (i) above	4.83	0.02	4.85

**38 Earnings per Share (EPS)****Basic**

Net Profit available to Equity Shareholders

Weighted Average Number of Equity Shares (Refer Note 51)

Basic EPS (Rs.)

**Diluted**

Net Profit before tax as per Statement of Profit and Loss

13,020,900

28.07

**For the period March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2020**

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(B) Reconciliation of revenue recognised from Contract liability:

**As at March 31, 2020**

Opening Contract liability	-
Add: Transferred pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement (Refer Note 51)	35.42
Less: Recognised as revenue during the period	(916.05)
Add: Addition to contract liability during the period	900.43
Add: Other Adjustments	-
Closing Contract liability	<b>19.80</b>
(C) Reconciliation of revenue as per contract price and as recognised in statement of profit and loss:	
Revenue from contract with customer as per Contract price	30,628.96
Less: Discounts and incentives	(16.73)
Less: Sales Returns /Credits /Reversals	(33.14)
Revenue from contract with customer as per statement of profit and loss	<b>30,579.09</b>
Disaggregation of Revenue from contract with customers	
For the period March 21, 2019 to March 31, 2020	
India	29,494.45
Middle East	63.59
North America	1,021.05
<b>30,579.09</b>	

**For the period March 21, 2019 to March 31, 2020**

India

Middle East

North America

**30,579.09**

## 50 Impact of Covid-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted many business operations globally due to lockdown and other directives imposed by the governments. The sole manufacturing plant of the Company closed its operations from March 25, 2020. The Company has resumed production with effect from May 21, 2020 and is expected to achieve normal business operations from June, 2020. The Company has evaluated the impact of this pandemic on its business operations, liquidity and financial position and based on management's assessment of current indicators and economic conditions there is no material impact on its special purpose financial statements as at March 31, 2020. However, the impact assessment of COVID-19 is a continuing process and the Company will continue to monitor any material changes to future economic conditions.

## 51 Scheme of Arrangement and Amalgamation

The Board of Directors of the Company, in its meeting held on May 22, 2019, had approved a Composite Scheme of arrangement and amalgamation ('the Scheme') amongst Fairchem Speciality Limited (FSL), Fairchem Organics Limited (FOL) and Privi Organics India Limited (POIL), two wholly owned subsidiaries of FSL and their respective shareholders for Demerger of FSL's undertaking carrying on specialty oleo chemicals and nutraceuticals business and vesting the same into FOL and Amalgamation of POIL, manufacturers of aroma chemicals, into and with FSL, under Sections 230 to 232 read with Section 66 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013. National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) has sanctioned the scheme on June 30, 2020 and hence, the impact of the scheme was not considered in the statutory financial statements approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on June 23, 2020. The Company has received certified copy of the scheme on August 3, 2020. The said scheme has been adopted by the Board of Directors of FSL, FOL and POIL in their meeting held on August 12, 2020.

Further, the Company has also filed form INC 28 with Registrar of Companies on August 12, 2020. As a consequence, the scheme has been made effective with effect from August 12, 2020.

Pursuant to the Scheme of Arrangement, FOL shall debit its share capital account, with the aggregate face value of its cancelled shares (Rs. 1 lakh) and the capital reserve in its books shall be increased to the extent of the amount of its cancelled shares. FOL shall also issue

## 9B. Report on special purpose financial statements (June 2020)

The Board of Directors

Fairchem Organics Limited

Plot No. A-71, TTC,

Thane Belapur Road,

Near Koparkhairane,

Navi Mumbai – 400 709

### Report on special purpose financial statements

1. This report is issued in accordance with the terms of our agreement dated August 27, 2020 and Addendum 1 dated October 19, 2020.

2. We have audited the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Fairchem Organics Limited (the "Company") which comprise the balance sheet as at June 30, 2020, and the statement of profit and loss (including other comprehensive income), statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the period from April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, which we have signed under reference to this report.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

3. Management is responsible for the preparation of these special purpose financial statements in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India including the Indian Accounting Standards specified in the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (as amended) under Section 133 of the Act, to the extent considered relevant by it for the purpose for which these special purpose financial statements have been prepared. The responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation of special purpose financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditors' Responsibility

4. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these special purpose financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing specified under Section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and other applicable authoritative pronouncements issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

5. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the special purpose financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by Management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

6. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Opinion

7. Based on our audit, we report that:

a. We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our audit;

b. The Balance Sheet, Statement of Profit and Loss (including other comprehensive income) statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of account;

c. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the special purpose financial statements, together with the notes thereon and attached thereto, fairly present, in all material respects, in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India;

and allot Equity Shares to the Shareholders of FSL in the following proportion.

1 fully paid up equity share of Rs. 10/- each fully paid up of Fairchem Organics Limited shall be issued and allotted for every 3 fully paid up equity shares of Rs. 10/- each fully paid up held by them in Fairchem Speciality Limited on the Record date i.e., August 24, 2020. Accordingly, FOL is required to issue and allot 13,020,900 Equity shares of Rs. 10/- each to the Equity Shareholders of FSL.

Pending allotment of Equity shares to the Shareholders of FSL, Rs. 1,302.09 Lakhs has been shown as "Share Capital Suspense Account" and accordingly Earnings Per Share (both Basic and Diluted) has been calculated considering the balance in Share Capital Suspense Account.

Further, as per the Scheme, the difference, if any, between the carrying value of assets and liabilities transferred to FOL (i.e. Rs. 10,259.14 lakhs) and the consideration discharged by way of the New Equity Shares issued to the shareholders of the FSL (i.e. Rs. 1,302.09 lakhs) in lieu of the Demerged Undertaking, has been recorded as "Capital Reserves" (i.e. Rs. 8,958.05 lakhs) in the books of FOL. As per the applicable Indian Accounting Standard Ind AS 103 ('standard'), since this demerger is a common control business combination, the financial statements are prepared by the Company at carrying amounts not from the appointed date but from the beginning of the preceding period in the financial statements which happens to be the date of incorporation i.e. March 27, 2019. However, the Company has recognised the impact of the business combination only from closing of business hours on March 31, 2019 (i.e. the appointed date specified in the scheme). The management believes that the transactions between March 27, 2019 and closing of business hours on March 31, 2019 would not have any material impact on the net assets. Thus, the statement of profit and loss (including other comprehensive income), statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the period do not contain the impact of the transactions of the demerged undertaking from March 27, 2019 to March 31, 2019. However, there is no impact of the same on the Company's balance sheet as at March 31, 2020.

Pursuant to the Scheme of Arrangement, the following assets and liabilities have been taken over by the Company:

**Closing of Business Hours**

**As at March 31, 2019**

Assets	
Property, Plant and Equipment	11,524.25
Capital work-in-progress	87.91
Loans	2.25
Other Financial Assets	15.02
Non-current Tax Assets (Net)	59.55
Other Non-current Assets	125.67
Inventories	3,400.62
Trade receivables	3,213.13
Cash and cash equivalents	1.64
Bank balances other than above	16.53
Other current assets	324.49
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>18,771.06</b>
Liabilities	
Borrowings	4,878.14
Provisions	147.04
Deferred Tax Liabilities (Net)	1,215.74
Trade Payables	1,000.42
Other financial liabilities	1,123.80
Other current liabilities	83.19
Current Tax Liabilities (Net)	63.59
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>8,511.92</b>
<b>Net Assets acquired by the Company</b>	<b>10,259.14</b>

- (i) in the case of the Balance Sheet, the state of affairs of the Company as at June 30, 2020;

- (ii) in the case of the Statement of Profit and Loss, the loss for the period from April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020;

- (iii) in the case of the Statement of Cash flows, of the cash flows for the period from April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020; and

- (iv) in the case of the Statement of Changes in Equity, of the movement in equity for the period from April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020.

### Emphasis of Matter – Basis of preparation

- 8. We draw attention to Note2(a) to the special purpose financial statements, which describes the basis of its preparation. The special purpose financial statements are not the statutory financial statements of the Company, and are not intended to comply with the disclosure provisions applicable to statutory financial statements prepared under the Companies Act, 2013, as those are considered irrelevant by the Management and the intended users of the special purpose financial statements for the purposes for which those have been prepared. Further, as stated in Note 48, the accompanying special purpose financial statements includes the effect of the Company's Composite Scheme of Arrangement amongst Fairchem Speciality Limited and Fairchem Organics Limited pursuant to which equity shares of the Company are required to be issued and listed, which was approved by the National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai on June 30, 2020.

### Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Other Matters

- 9. The special purpose financial statements dealt with by this report, have been prepared for the limited purpose of inclusion in the Information Memorandum, to be submitted/filled with BSE Limited (BSE) and National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) (together "the Stock Exchanges") for the proposed listing of equity shares of the Company on the Stock Exchanges.

#### Restriction on Use

- 10. Our obligations in respect of this report are entirely separate from, and our responsibility and liability is in no way changed by, any other role we may have (or may have had) as auditors of the Company or otherwise. Nothing in this report, nor anything said or done in the course of or in connection with the services that are the subject of this report, will extend any duty of care we may have in our capacity as auditors of any financial statements of the Company.
- 11. This report is addressed to the Board of Directors of the Company and has been prepared for and only for the purposes set out in paragraph 9 above. This report is not planned or prepared in contemplation of the interest of any other person and may not address items of possible interest to any such person. Accordingly, this report or its content or findings of audit procedures should not be otherwise used or disclosed or distributed or shared or referred with any other party for availing the benefit of the services for use for any other purpose. Our work and findings shall in no way constitute advice or recommendations (and we accept no liability in relation to any advice or recommendations) regarding any commercial decisions associated with the proposed listing of equity shares. We neither accept nor assume any duty of care or liability for any other purpose or to any other party to whom our this report is shown or into whose hands it may come without our prior consent in writing.

For Price Waterhouse & Co Chartered Accountants LLP

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Arunkumar Ramdas

Partner

Membership Number: 112433

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Place: Mumbai

Date: December 4, 2020

## STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2020

(₹ in lakhs)

	Notes	For the period April 01, 2020 to June 30, 2020	Notes	For the period April 01, 2020 to June 30, 2020
<b>Income</b>				
Revenue from Operations	29	3,507.20		
Other Income	30	2.15		
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>3,509.35</b>		
<b>Expenses</b>				
Cost of material consumed	31	2,669.16		
Changes in Inventories of finished goods and work-in-progress	32	(273.45)		
Employee benefits expense	33	370.44		
Finance Costs	34	150.72		
Depreciation and amortisation expense	4 & 6	162.59		
Other expenses	35	466.72		
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>3,546.18</b>		
<b>Loss Before Tax</b>		(36.83)		

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED ON JUNE 30, 2020

(₹ in lakhs)

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payments that depend on an index or a rate and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Company and payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Company exercising the option to terminate. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as expenses in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs. Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the lease.

The lease payments are discounted using the lessee's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments are allocated between principal and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

#### **Right of use assets:**

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost comprising the amount of the initial measurement of lease liability and lease payments made before the commencement date.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the lease term on a straight-line basis. Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received.

#### **f) Impairment of assets:**

Assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Assets are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting period.

When there is indication that an impairment loss recognised for an asset in earlier accounting periods no longer exists or may have decreased, such reversal of impairment loss is recognised in the statement of profit and loss, to the extent the amount was previously charged to the statement of profit and loss.

#### **g) Cash and cash equivalents**

For the purpose of presentation in the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### **h) Trade receivables**

Trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate (EIR) method, less provision for impairment, if any.

#### **i) Inventories**

Raw materials, packing material, stores and fuel, work in progress and finished goods are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of raw materials, packing materials, stores and fuel are determined based on first-in, first-out (FIFO) method and comprises cost of purchase. The cost of semi-finished goods comprises raw materials, direct labour, and appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead expenditure, the latter being allocated on the basis of normal operating capacity. Cost of inventories also include all other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

#### **j) Financial assets and liabilities**

##### **i) Financial assets**

**1. Classification**  
The Company classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- at fair value (either through other comprehensive income, or through profit or loss), and
- at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows. For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss or other comprehensive income. For investments in debt instruments, this will depend on the business model in which the investment is held. For investments in equity instruments, this will depend on whether the Company has made an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income. The Company reclassifies debt investments when and only when its business model for managing those assets changes.

##### **2. Initial Recognition and Measurement**

At initial recognition, the Company measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in statement of profit or loss.

##### **3. Subsequent Measurement**

Measured at amortised cost: Financial assets that are held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest, are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the EIR method less impairment, if any. The amortisation of EIR and loss or gains arising from impairment, if any is recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

**Measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI):** Financial assets that are held within a business model whose objective is, selling financial assets and collecting contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest, are subsequently measured at fair value through other comprehensive income. Fair value movements are recognised in the other comprehensive income (OCI). Interest income measured using the EIR method and impairment losses, if any are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss. On derecognition, cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in OCI is reclassified from the equity to "Profit or Loss" in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

Measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL): A financial asset not classified as either amortised cost or FVOCI, is classified as FVPL. Such financial assets are measured at fair value with all changes in fair value, including interest income and dividend income if any, recognised as 'other income' in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

##### **Equity instruments**

The company subsequently measures all equity investments at fair value. Where the company's management has elected to present fair value gains and losses on equity investments in other comprehensive income, there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to profit or loss. Dividends from such investments are recognised in profit or loss as other income when the company's right to receive payments is established.

Impairment losses (and reversal of impairment losses) on equity investments measured at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) are not reported separately from other changes in fair value.

##### **4. Impairment of financial assets**

The Company assesses on a forward looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its financial assets carried at amortised cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk. For trade receivables or any contractual right to receive cash or another financial asset that result from transactions that are within the scope of Ind AS 115 only, the Company follows 'simplified approach' for recognition of impairment loss and always measures the loss allowance at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses. Further, for the purpose of measuring lifetime expected credit loss allowance for trade receivables, the Company has used a practical expedient as permitted under Ind AS 109 i.e. expected credit loss allowance as computed based on historical credit loss experience.

##### **5. Derecognition**

A financial asset is de-reognised only when the Company has transferred the rights to receive cash flows from the financial asset, or

• retains the contractual rights to receive the cash flows of the financial asset, but assumes a contractual obligation to pay the cash flows to one or more recipients.

##### **6. Income recognition**

Interest income from debt instruments is recognised using the EIR method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset.

Dividends are recognised in profit or loss only when the right to receive payment is established, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the dividend will flow to the Company, and the amount of the dividend can be measured reliably.

##### **(ii) Financial liabilities:**

###### **1. Initial Recognition and Measurement**

Financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial liabilities are initially measured at its fair value plus or minus, in the case of a financial liability not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the issue of the financial liability.

###### **2. Subsequent Measurement**

Financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the EIR method. Financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value with all changes in fair value recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

###### **3. Derecognition**

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

###### **K) Offsetting financial instruments**

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet where there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The legally enforceable right must not be contingent on future events and must be enforceable in the normal course of business and in the event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy of the

Company or the counterparty.

##### **i) Property, plant and equipment**

Freehold land is carried at historical cost. All other items of property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss during the reporting period in which they are incurred.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in profit or loss within other income/expense.

##### **Depreciation methods, estimated useful lives and residual value**

Depreciation is provided on a pro-rata basis on the straight-line method over the estimated useful life as per technical evaluation. Estimated useful life of the assets/significant component thereof are as under:

###### **Assets class**

###### **Useful life in years**

Buildings	10 to 30
Plant and Equipment	10 to 25
Electrical Installations	10
Office Equipments and Computers	3 to 5
Furniture and Fixtures	10
Vehicles	6 to 8

Depreciation methods and useful lives are reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted if appropriate.

Amortisation of leased assets are over the Lease period.

##### **m) Intangible Assets and amortisation**

Intangible assets with finite useful life are stated at cost of acquisition, less accumulated depreciation/amortisation and impairment loss, if any. Cost includes taxes, duties and other incidental expenses related to acquisition and other incidental expenses. Amortisation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of respective intangible assets.

###### **Assets class**

###### **Useful life in years**

Computer software	3
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##### **n) Trade and other payables**

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the company prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. Trade and other payables are presented as current liabilities unless payment is not due within 12 months after the reporting period. They are recognised initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the EIR method.

##### **o) Borrowings**

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the EIR method. Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are removed from the balance sheet when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability that has been extinguished or transferred to another party and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss as other income/expenses.

##### **p) Borrowings costs**

General and specific borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalised during the period of time that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use or sale. Qualifying assets are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

##### **q) Provisions and Contingencies**

Provisions are recognised when there is a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefit will be required to settle the obligation and there is a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation. When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (when the effect of the time value of money is material). The discount rate used to determine the present value is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

Contingent liabilities are disclosed when there is a possible obligation arising from past events, the existence of which will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Company or a present obligation that arises from past events where it is either not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation or a reliable estimate of the amount cannot be made.

##### **r) Employee Benefits**

###### **i) Defined contribution plans**

Contributions to retirement benefit plans in the form of provident fund, employee state insurance scheme and pension scheme as per regulations are charged as an expense on an accrual basis when employees have rendered the service. The Company has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid.

###### **ii) Defined benefit plans**

The Company provides for gratuity, a defined benefit plan (the "Gratuity Plan") covering eligible employees, which is funded. The Gratuity Plan provides a lump sum payment to vested employees at retirement, death, incapacity or termination of employment, of an amount based on the respective employee's salary and the tenure of employment. The Company's liability is actuarially determined using the Projected Unit Credit method at the end of each year. Re-measurement gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in the period in which they occur, directly in other comprehensive income. They are included in retained earnings in the statement of changes in equity and in the balance sheet.

Gratuity Fund contributions are made to a trust administered by the Company which has further invested in Life Insurance Corporation. The contributions made to the trust are recognised as plan assets. The defined benefit obligation recognised in the balance sheet represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation as reduced by the fair value of plan assets.

###### **iii) Other employee benefits**

Compensated Absences: Accumulated compensated absences, which are expected to be availed or encashed within 12 months from the end of the year end are treated as short term employee benefits. The obligation towards the same is measured at the expected cost of accumulating compensated absences as the additional amount expected to be paid as a result of the unused entitlement as at the year end.

Accumulated compensated absences, which are expected to be availed or encashed beyond 12 months from the end of the year end are treated as other long term employee benefits. The Company's liability is actuarially determined (using the Projected Unit Credit method) at the end of each year. Actuarial losses/gains are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss in the year in which they arise.

Termination Benefits: Termination benefits in the nature of voluntary retirement benefits are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss as and when incurred.

##### **s) Segment reporting**

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Managing Directors who are identified as the chief operating decision makers. The managing directors assess the financial performance and position of the company, and make strategic decisions.

##### **t) Earnings per share**

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing: • the profit attributable to owners of the company

• by the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in equity shares issued during the year and excluding treasury shares.

##### **(ii) Diluted earnings per share**

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in the determination of basic earnings per share to take into account:

• the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential equity shares; and

• the weighted average number of additional equity shares that would have been outstanding assuming the conversion of all dilutive potential equity shares.

##### **u) Rounding off**

All amounts disclosed in the special purpose financial statements and notes have been rounded off to the nearest lakhs, or decimal thereof as per the requirement of Schedule III, unless otherwise stated

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**32 Changes in inventory of finished goods and work-in-progress**

Opening Stock	57.82
Finished Goods	664.14
Semi Finished Goods	<b>721.96</b>

**Closing Stock**

Finished Goods	84.89
Semi Finished Goods	910.52
	<b>995.41</b>

**Total changes in inventory of finished goods and work-in-progress**

	<b>(273.45)</b>
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**33 Employee benefit expenses**

Salaries, wages and bonus	340.14
Contribution to Provident Fund and other funds	16.57
Gratuity	7.03

Staff welfare expenses	6.70
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	<b>370.44</b>
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**34 Finance Costs**

Interest on Long Term Borrowings	53.34
Interest and other borrowing cost	94.55
Interest on Income Tax	2.83

	<b>150.72</b>
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**35 Other Expenses**

Consumption of Stores and Spares	51.12
Power and Fuel	241.39
Laboratory expenses	1.51

Research & Development Expenses	4.22
Rent, rates and taxes	1.71
Insurance	7.86

Repairs and maintenance:	
- Machinery	5.99
- Buildings	0.10
- Others	1.47
Telephone and advertisement expense	0.78
Directors' sitting fees	2.50
Remuneration to Auditors for:	
Statutory Audit Fees	7.33
Commission on sales	1.88
Freight and forwarding	67.26
Legal and professional fees	24.85
Vehicle expenses	3.24
Solid waste disposal charges	24.65
Miscellaneous expenses	18.86

	<b>466.72</b>
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**36 Earnings per Share (EPS)****Basic**

Net loss available to Equity Shareholders	
Weighted Average Number of Equity Shares (Refer Note 48)	
Basic EPS (Rs.)	

	(18.98)
1,30,20,902	(0.15)

**Diluted**

Net loss before tax as per Statement of Profit and Loss	
Weighted Average Number of Equity Shares (Refer Note 48)	
Diluted EPS (Rs.)	

Nominal value of an equity share	10.00
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There is no dilution to the Basic Loss per Share as there are no dilutive potential equity shares.

**37 Taxation****37a) Income tax expense****Current tax**

Current tax on profits for the period	
Adjustments for current tax of prior periods	

<b>Total current tax expense</b>	
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**Deferred tax**

Decrease/(increase) in deferred tax liabilities	
(Decrease)/increase in deferred tax assets	
Deferred tax on Other Comprehensive Income	

<b>Total deferred tax expense/(benefit)</b>	
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**Income tax expense****37 b) - Reconciliation of tax expense and accounting profit multiplied by statutory tax rates****Profit for the period**

Statutory tax rate	
Tax expense at applicable tax rate	

Tax effects of amounts which are not deductible (taxable) in calculating taxable income: Amount not allowable under tax

Adjustments for current tax of prior periods

**Income tax expense****37 c) - Deferred tax liabilities**

The balance comprises temporary differences attributable to:

**Deferred tax liabilities:**

On Property, Plant and Equipments	
Others	3.11

<b>Total deferred tax liabilities</b>	
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**Deferred tax assets:**

On Defined Benefit Obligations	36.53
Others	41.75

<b>Total deferred tax assets</b>	
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**Net deferred tax liabilities**

	<b>1,161.49</b>
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**Movement in deferred tax balances****Particulars**

As at March 31, 2020	Charged/ to profit	Charged/ to OCI	As at June 30, 2020

**Deferred tax liabilities:**

On Property, Plant and Equipments	1,236.66
Others	3.11

<b>Total deferred tax liabilities</b>	
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**Deferred tax assets:**

On Defined Benefit Obligations	36.66
Others	41.62

<b>Total deferred tax assets</b>	
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**Net deferred tax liabilities**

	<b>1,162.90</b>
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**38 Fair value measurements****Financial instruments by category**

As at June 30, 20

# Corporate profits at all-time high in Sept quarter: Crisil

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
 Mumbai, December 21

## CORPORATE PROFITS ROSE

15% to touch an all-time high in the September quarter as margins widened on softer input costs and better utilisation levels, the research arm of rating agency Crisil said on Monday.

From an absolute perspective, the Ebitda touched an all-time high of ₹1.60 lakh crore in the September quarter, as against ₹1.02 lakh crore in the preceding June quarter, it said.

The trend of companies' profits growing even as the economy contracts as a result of the pandemic has led some watchers to express concern, claiming that this is illustrative of widening inequalities.

Crisil, which analysed a sample of 800 listed entities comprising 85% of NSE's market

cap in sectors excluding banking and finance and oil and gas, said improving utilisation levels, along with better management of power, fuel and raw material cost by large companies contributed to the handsome profit growth.

Aggregate operating profit margins improved by over 1% despite a rise in raw material cost during the quarter, it said.

From an employee costs perspective, which is leading to the concerns, it said 370 manufacturing firms in its sample showed a contraction of 4%, while the same for service sector reported a "moderate growth".

The growth in profits came even as the revenues did not go up, the report said, pointing out that the topline was "stable" in Q2 as compared to the year-ago period after falling 29% in the April-June quarter.

With a population of 130 crore (and 9.4 crore over 65-year-olds), the domestic vaccination drive will be the largest in the world. "The country has a good track record of such dri-



ves with masses of the population regularly gaining inoculation for various diseases such as polio and cholera," it said.

"India's role in the global Covid-19 vaccine rollout will be significant both as a recipient of the medicine as well as a producer," Fitch said in a report.

India, it said, has one of the largest vaccine manufacturing capacities in the world and has secured authorisation to mass-produce the AstraZeneca, Novavax and Gamaleya Research Institute vaccines.

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ves with masses of the population regularly gaining inoculation for various diseases such as polio and cholera," it said.

India's vaccine rollout will begin in first quarter of 2021 (January to March), with front-line healthcare workers and individuals over the age of 50 as a precautionary step amid growing concerns over a new coronavirus variant in Britain.

Fitch said the government aims to vaccinate 25 crore people over six-to-eight months, which is "a lofty goal". "However, if India can quickly ramp up vaccinations to roughly the same level as the one million (10 lakh) tests it conducts each day, then we expect coverage across priority groups can be achieved by June 2021," it said.

**Night curfew in Maha cities from today**

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
 Mumbai, December 21

## AHEAD OF THE

Christmas and New Year celebrations, the Maharashtra government on Monday declared a night curfew — from 11 pm to 6 am — in municipal corporation areas from December 22 to January 5 as a precautionary step amid growing concerns over a new coronavirus variant in Britain.

It has also been decided on compulsory 14-day institutional quarantine for those who arrive at the state's airports from European and West Asian countries from Monday. The decisions were taken after CM Uddhav Thackeray held a review meeting in the light of the situation in the UK.

**Solar power tariff dips to all-time low of ₹1.99/unit**

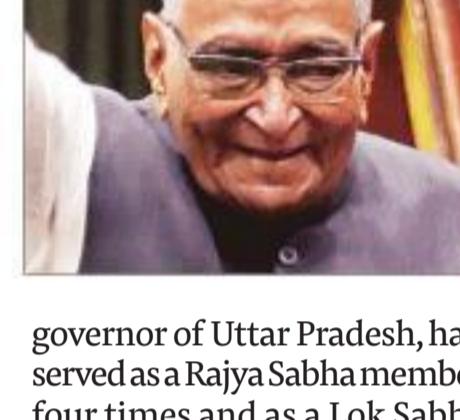
PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
 New Delhi, December 21

**SOLAR POWER TARIFF** has dropped to an all-time low of ₹1.99 per unit in an auction of projects of 500 MW capacity by Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam last week, as per a source.

State-run power giant NTPC (200MW), Torrent Power (100MW), Saudi Arabian firm Al Jomaih Energy and Water (80MW) and Aditya Birla Renewable (120MW) have emerged as the lowest bidders, the source said.

Solar power tariff had dropped to record low of ₹2 per unit in an auction for 1,070 MW projects conducted by the Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) last month. Al Jomaih Energy and Water, and Sembcorp Energy India arm Green Infra Wind Energy had emerged as the lowest bidders.

# Congress leader Motilal Vora passes away at 92



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
 New Delhi, December 21

## VETERAN CONGRESS LEADER

Motilal Vora, a staunch Gandhi family loyalist who had a political career spanning almost five decades, died at a hospital here on Monday following post-Covid complications, his family said. He was 92.

Vora was admitted to the Escorts Hospital in Okhla here a few days ago with a urinary infection. He developed a severe lung infection and was put on ventilator support, his family said. He completed 92 years on Sunday, they said. His last rites will be conducted on Tuesday in Durg in Chhattisgarh, where he stayed most of his life.

Vora, a two-time former chief minister of undivided Madhya Pradesh and a former

governor of Uttar Pradesh, had served as a Rajya Sabha member four times and as a Lok Sabha member once.

President Ram Nath Kovind, Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and several political leaders including former prime minister Manmohan Singh, Congress president Sonia Gandhi and former Congress chief Rahul Gandhi paid tributes to the departed leader.

# Govt identifies new routes for ferry, RO-RO services

THE GOVERNMENT ON Monday said it has identified new routes for ferry and RO-RO (Roll-on Roll-off) services, including at Somanath Temple, Hazira, Okha and Jamnagar, the government said on Monday. The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, under its Sagarmala project, has also identified six international routes, connecting Chattogram (Bangladesh), Seychelles (East Africa), Madagascar (East Africa) and Jaffna (Sri Lanka) from Indian coastal port towns. —PTI

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

(pursuant to Regulation 31(2) read with Regulation 12(3) of IBBI (CIPR Process) Regulation, 2016)

### FOR THE ATTENTION OF COMMITTEE OF CREDITORS (COC) GLOBAL TOWERS NETCO LIMITED

Pursuant to Regulation 31 of the (2) of IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulation, 2016, a public announcement is hereby made that the list of Modified Committee Of Creditors of Global Towers Limited (Corporate Debtor) has been uploaded on the website of the Hon'ble NCLT, Mumbai Bench on December 16, 2020.

As there is no functional website of the Corporate Debtor, the said list of Modified Committee of Creditors can be inspected by sending a mail to the following email id : lyd.globaltowers@gmail.com.

The Modified Committee of Creditors may note that any modification of entry in the list of Committee of Creditors as filed before the Hon'ble NCLT, Mumbai Bench shall be made subject to approval of Hon'ble NCLT, Mumbai.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE REGARDING UNTRACEABLE SHARE CERTIFICATE(S) OF SVC CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD REGD. OFFICE AT SVC TOWER, NEHRU ROAD, VAKOLA, SANTACRUZ EAST, MUMBAI -400055 :

The registered holder(s) of the untraceable share certificate(s) in respect of the said shares have been applied to the SVC Co-operative Bank Ltd. for issue of duplicate share certificate(s). Any person having claim in respect of the said shares should lodge such claims with the Company at its above referred address within 15 days from this date, else the Company will proceed to issue duplicate certificate(s) and no further claim will be entertained by the Company thereafter.

Folio No. Cert. No. Distinctive nos. No. of shares  
 0104431 135459 6306058-6306157 100  
 0104431 137129 6407796-6409695 1900  
 0104431 152163 8278336-8280355 2000

Date: December 21, 2020 Sd/-  
 Place: Mumbai Authorised Signatory

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Date : December 22, 2020

## GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

### VELLORE CORPORATION

Corporation Office, Vellore

#### RETENDER NOTICE

The Commissioner, Vellore Corporation invites tenders in two cover system for the following works as per the conditions laid down in the tender notice published in website https://tntenders.gov.in/

1 Name of the Work (Smart City Mission) Estimate Cost Rs. In Lakhs EMD Cost Rs. Period for Completion  
 1 Design, Build, Operate & Transfer of Sound and Light show with Operation and Maintenance for 3-Years at Vellore Fort in Vellore Corporation 936.00 9,36,00/- 6-Months

2 Pre-Bid Conference 13.01.2021 at 11:00 am at the Chamber of City Engineer Vellore Corporation

3 Date and time and venue of Tender 25.01.2021 Monday 3.00 pm at Vellore Corporation

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#### Notice-cum-Addendum to the Scheme Information Document / Key Information Memorandum of HDFC Multi-Asset Fund for Change in fundamental attributes

Notice is hereby given that HDFC Trustee Company Limited ("the Trustee") to HDFC Mutual Fund ("the Fund") has decided to make changes in fundamental attributes of HDFC Multi-Asset Fund, an open ended scheme investing in Equity and Equity related instruments, Debt & Money Market Instruments and Gold related instruments ("the Scheme") with effect from January 28, 2020 ("Effective Date") as follows:

##### 1. Change in Investment Strategy:

Existing Investment Strategy	Revised Investment Strategy (proposed)
The Scheme aims to provide diversification across Equity, Debt and Gold related instruments with an aim to provide optimal risk adjusted returns.	The Fund would invest across equity and equity related instruments, cash, debt, gold related instruments, hybrid securities and derivatives based on prevailing market conditions subject to permissible limits. The Fund Manager will increase exposure to Equity when market valuations are attractive (subject to maximum permissible limit under the Asset Allocation Pattern) and will prune down the equity exposure by increasing cash, debt, hybrid securities or exposure to gold related instruments and / or hedging when equity markets get expensive or experience volatility or under any other conditions as found suitable by the Fund Manager. Additionally, the Fund may consider investments in such securities as permitted by SEBI from time to time.
<b>Equity Investments:</b> The aim will be to invest in companies across market capitalization which have: a) reasonable growth prospects b) sound financial strength c) sustainable business models d) acceptable valuation that offer potential for capital appreciation.	<b>Equity Investments:</b> The aim will be to invest in companies across market capitalization which have: a) reasonable growth prospects b) sound financial strength c) sustainable business models d) acceptable valuation that offer potential for capital appreciation.
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<b>Debt Investments:</b> Investment in Debt securities (including securitised debt) and money market instruments will be as per the limits in the asset allocation table of the Scheme, subject to permissible limits laid under SEBI (MF) Regulations. Investment in debt securities will be guided by credit quality, liquidity, interest rates and their outlook.	<b>Debt Investments:</b> Investment in Debt securities (including securitised debt) and money market instruments will be as per the limits in the asset allocation table of the Scheme, subject to permissible limits laid under SEBI (MF) Regulations. Investment in debt securities will be guided by credit quality, liquidity, interest rates and their outlook.
<b>Gold related instruments</b> The Scheme may invest in Gold ETFs and other Gold related instruments (including derivatives, Sovereign Gold Bonds etc as and when SEBI / RBI permits).	<b>Gold related instruments:</b> The Scheme may invest in Gold ETFs and other Gold related instruments (including derivatives, Sovereign Gold Bonds etc as and when SEBI / RBI permits).
<b>REITs &amp; InvITs</b> The Scheme may also invest in the hybrid securities viz. units of REITs and InvITs for diversification and subject to necessary stipulations by SEBI from time to time. Subject to the Regulations and the applicable guidelines, the Scheme may engage in Stock Lending activities. The Scheme may also invest in the schemes of Mutual Funds. <b>Though every endeavor will be made to achieve the objective of the Scheme, the AMC / Sponsors / Trustee do not guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. No guaranteed returns are being offered under the Scheme.</b>	<b>REITs &amp; InvITs:</b> The Scheme may also invest in the hybrid securities viz. units of REITs and InvITs for diversification and subject to necessary stipulations by SEBI from time to time. Subject to the Regulations and the applicable guidelines, the Scheme may engage in Stock Lending activities. The Scheme may also invest in the schemes of Mutual Funds. Depending upon the market conditions and in the interest of the investors, the Fund Manager shall decide allocation to various asset classes, within the limits specified under section 'Asset Allocation' of the Scheme Information Document. <b>Though every endeavor will be made to achieve the objective of the Scheme, the AMC / Sponsors / Trustee do not guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. No guaranteed returns are being offered under the Scheme.</b>

##### 2. Addition of provisions enabling creation of Segregated Portfolio:

The below-mentioned provisions on creation of segregated portfolio shall stand inserted in the Scheme Information Document of the Scheme from the Effective Date:

##### "CREATION OF SEGREGATED PORTFOLIO:

In order to ensure fair treatment to all investors in case of a Credit Event and to deal with liquidity risk, SEBI vide its circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2018/160 dated December 28, 2018, as amended from time to time has allowed creation of Segregated Portfolio of debt and money market instruments by mutual fund schemes. Creation of Segregated Portfolio shall be optional and at the sole discretion of the asset management company.

The salient features of creation of Segregated Portfolio are as follows:

The term 'Segregated Portfolio' shall mean a portfolio, comprising debt or money market instrument affected by a Credit Event, that has been segregated in a mutual fund scheme.

The term 'Main Portfolio' shall mean the scheme portfolio excluding the Segregated Portfolio.

The term 'Total Portfolio' shall mean the scheme portfolio including the securities affected by the Credit Event.

The AMC at its sole option and discretion may create Segregated Portfolio in the Scheme, with the approval of the Trustees, subject to the following:

Segregated portfolio may be created, in case of a Credit Event at issuer level i.e. downgrade in credit rating by a SEBI registered Credit Rating Agency (CRA), as under:

- Downgrade of a debt or money market instrument to 'below investment grade', or
- Subsequent downgrades of the said instruments from 'below investment grade', or
- Similar such downgrades of a loan rating; or
- Any other scenario as permitted by SEBI from time to time.

In case of difference in rating by multiple CRAs, the most conservative rating shall be considered. Creation of Segregated Portfolio shall be based on issuer level Credit Events as detailed above and implemented at the ISIN level.

Further, Segregated Portfolio may be created for unrated debt or money market instruments of an issuer that does not have any outstanding rated debt or money market instruments but only in case of actual default of either the interest or principal amount and subject to guidelines prescribed by SEBI in this behalf from time to time.

It may be noted that even for the same security (ISIN level) held by multiple Schemes, the AMC, in its sole discretion, may decide to segregate the portfolio only for select Schemes.

It may be noted that notwithstanding the above, segregation of portfolio may be effected in such events and in such manner as may be permitted by SEBI whether by changes to circulars or guidelines in this behalf or by way of clarifications issued thereto from time to time or in any other manner.

##### Process for creation of Segregated Portfolio:

- a) In case the AMC decides on creation of Segregated Portfolio on the day of a Credit Event it shall:
  - i. seek approval of trustees prior to creation of the Segregated Portfolio.
  - ii. immediately issue a press release disclosing its intention to segregate such debt and money market instrument and its impact on the investors and also disclose that the segregation shall be subject to trustee approval. Additionally, the said press release shall be prominently disclosed on the website of HDFC Mutual Fund ("the Fund").
  - iii. ensure that till the time the trustee approval is received, which in no case shall exceed 1 business day from the day of Credit Event, the subscription and redemption in the scheme(s) shall be suspended for processing with respect to creation of units and payment on redemptions.
- b) Process post receipt of trustee approval by the AMC for creation of Segregated Portfolio in the Scheme(s):
  - i. Segregated Portfolio shall be effective from the day of Credit Event
  - ii. The AMC shall issue a press release immediately with all relevant information pertaining to the Segregated Portfolio. An e-mail or SMS shall be sent to all unit holders of the concerned scheme(s) who have registered email id / mobile number in the folio.
  - iii. The NAV of both segregated and Main Portfolio of the Scheme(s) shall be disclosed from the day of the Credit Event.
  - iv. All existing investors in the scheme(s) as on the day of the Credit Event shall be allotted equal number of units in the Segregated Portfolio as held in the Main Portfolio.
  - v. No redemption and subscription shall be allowed in the Segregated Portfolio. However, in order to facilitate exit to unit holders in Segregated Portfolio, the AMC shall enable listing of units of Segregated Portfolio on the recognized stock exchange within 10 working days of creation of Segregated Portfolio and also enable transfer of such units held in demat mode on receipt of transfer requests.
- c) If the trustees do not approve the proposal to Segregate Portfolio, the AMC shall issue a press release immediately informing investors of the same.

##### Valuation and processing of subscriptions and redemptions:

- a) Notwithstanding the decision to segregate the debt and money market instrument, the valuation shall take into account the Credit Event and the portfolio shall be valued based on the principles of fair valuation (i.e. realizable value of the assets) in terms of the relevant provisions of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and Circular(s) issued thereunder.

- b) All subscription and redemption requests for which NAV of the day of the Credit Event or subsequent day is applicable will be processed as per the existing circular on applicability of NAV as under:
- i. Upon trustees' approval to create a Segregated Portfolio:-
  - Investors redeeming their units will get redemption proceeds based on the NAV of Main Portfolio and will continue to hold the units of Segregated Portfolio.
  - Investors subscribing to the scheme(s) will be allotted units only in the Main Portfolio based on its NAV.
  - ii. In case trustees do not approve the proposal of Segregated Portfolio, subscription and redemption applications will be processed based on the NAV of Total Portfolio.

##### TER for the Segregated Portfolio:

- a) The AMC will not charge investment and advisory fees on Segregated Portfolio. However, TER (excluding the investment and advisory fees) may be charged, on a pro-rata basis only upon recovery of the investments in Segregated Portfolio.
- b) The TER so levied shall not exceed the simple average of such expenses (excluding the investment and advisory fees) charged on daily basis on the Main Portfolio (% terms) of the scheme(s) during the period for which Segregated Portfolio was in existence.
- c) The legal charges related to recovery of the investments of the Segregated Portfolio may be charged to the Segregated Portfolio in proportion to the amount of recovery. However, the same shall be within the maximum TER limit as applicable to the Main Portfolio. The legal charges in excess of the TER limits, if any, shall be borne by The AMC.
- d) The costs related to Segregated Portfolio shall in no case be charged to the Main Portfolio.

##### Periodic Disclosures:

In order to enable the existing as well as the prospective investors to take informed decision, inter alia the following disclosures shall be made:

- a) A statement of holding indicating the units held by the investors in the Segregated Portfolio along with the NAV of both Segregated Portfolio and Main Portfolio as on the day of the Credit Event shall be communicated to the investors within 5 working days of creation of the Segregated Portfolio.
- b) Adequate disclosure of the Segregated Portfolio shall appear in the scheme related documents, in monthly and half-yearly portfolio disclosures and in the annual report of the Scheme.
- c) Net Asset Value (NAV) of Segregated Portfolio, if any, shall be declared on daily basis.
- d) Investors of the Segregated Portfolio shall be duly informed of the recovery proceedings of the investments of the Segregated Portfolio. Status update may be provided to the investors at the time of recovery and also at the time of writing-off of the segregated securities.

##### Risk factors associated with Creation of Segregated Portfolio:

- a) Investor holding units of Segregated Portfolio may not be able to liquidate their holding till recovery of money from the issuer.
- b) Security comprising of Segregated Portfolio may not realise any value.
- c) Listing of units of Segregated Portfolio in recognised stock exchange does not necessarily guarantee their liquidity. There may not be active trading of units in the stock market. Further trading price of units on the stock market may be significantly lower than the prevailing NAV.

Given below is an illustration explaining the segregation of portfolio:

##### Scheme Portfolio before the Credit Event

Assets	Amount (Rs.)
Debt A	50,000
Debt B	50,000
Debt C	50,000
Net Assets	1,50,000

Assuming number of units outstanding is 10,000 units

NAV = Net Assets / No of units = 150,000/10,000= Rs.15/-

There is a Credit Event in one of the Security (Debt C). Due to Credit Event the Debt C is valued at Rs. 25,000/- in line with extant SEBI regulations on valuation of such securities. AMC decides to segregate portfolio by segregating exposure in Debt C. The resultant split will be as follows:

##### Scheme Main Portfolio

Assets	Amount (Rs.)
Debt A	50,000
Debt B	50,000
Net Assets	100,000

NAV (Main Portfolio) = 100,000/10,000= Rs.10/-

##### Scheme Segregated Portfolio

Assets	Amount (Rs.)
Debt C	25,000
Net Assets	25,000

NAV (Segregated Portfolio) = Rs. 25,000/10,000= Rs.2.5/-

Investor (having 1000 units) will see his scheme holdings as follows:

Particulars	Before Credit Event	After Credit Event	
		Main Portfolio	Segregated Portfolio
Market Value of Units (Rs.)	15,000	10,000	2500
No. of Units	1000	1000	1000
NAV per unit (Rs.)	15.00	10.00	2.50

##### Monitoring by Trustees

In order to ensure timely recovery of investments of a Segregated Portfolio, if any, the trustees would continuously monitor the progress and take suitable action as they deem appropriate.

In order to avoid mis-use of Segregated Portfolio, Trustees shall ensure that a mechanism is put in place which will negatively impact the performance incentives of Fund Managers, Chief Investment Officers (CIOs), etc. involved in the investment process of securities under the Segregated Portfolio, mirroring the existing mechanism for performance incentives of the AMC, including claw back of such amount to the Segregated Portfolio of the scheme."

All other features and terms & conditions of the Scheme such as Asset Allocation Pattern, Investment Objectives, etc. shall remain unchanged.

The above changes tantamount to changes in fundamental attributes of the Scheme and have accordingly been approved by the respective Board of Directors of the HDFC Asset Management Company Limited ("AMC") and the Trustee to the Fund. The Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") has also vide its communication dated November 10, 2020 noted the changes in fundamental attributes of the Scheme.

As per Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 ("MF Regulations"), changes in fundamental attributes can be carried out only after the Unit holders of the Scheme i.e. those Unit holders / investors whose valid applications have been received by the Fund till 3:00 p.m. on December 22, 2020 are provided with an option to exit at the prevailing NAV without any exit load, from December 28, 2020 to January 27, 2021 (upto 3:00 p.m. on January 27, 2021) (both days inclusive) ("Exit Option Period"), if they do not wish to stay invested in the Scheme pursuant to the aforesaid changes.

Thus, in accordance with the MF Regulations, existing Unit holders of the Scheme i.e. those Unit holders / investors whose valid applications have been received by the Fund till 3:00 p.m. on December 22, 2020 are provided with an option to exit at the prevailing NAV without any exit load, from December 28, 2020 to January 27, 2021 (upto 3:00 p.m. on January 27, 2021) (both days inclusive) ("Exit Option Period"), if they do not wish to stay invested in the Scheme pursuant to the aforesaid changes.

The Exit Option can be exercised during the Exit Option Period by submitting redemption / switch-out request at any of the Official Points (s) of Acceptance of the Fund. For list of Official Points of Acceptance, please visit our website www.hdfcfund.com. A written communication in this behalf is also being sent to existing Unit holders via email or registered email id / letter. In case any existing Unit holder does not receive the same, they are advised to contact any of the Investor Service Centres of the AMC.

Unit holders should procure a release of their pledges

**FORM A****PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

(Under Regulation 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

**FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE CREDITORS OF GREENLINE BUILDERS LIMITED****RELEVANT PARTICULARS**

1. Name of Corporate Debtor	<b>Greenline Builders Limited</b>
2. Date of incorporation of Corporate Debtor	25th April 2005
3. Authority under which Corporate Debtor is incorporated / registered	Registrar of Companies, New Delhi Under the Companies Act, 1956
4. Corporate Identity No. / Limited Liability Identification No. of Corporate Debtor	U45201DL2005PLC135267
5. Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of Corporate Debtor	REGD. OFFICE: 106, Palco House, T/10, Main Patel Nagar, New Delhi - 110008
6. Insolvency commencement date in respect of Corporate Debtor	16th December 2020 (Order downloaded from NCLT website on 19th December 2020)
7. Estimated date of closure of insolvency resolution process	14th June 2021 (180th day from the date of commencement of insolvency resolution process)
8. Name and Registration number of the insolvency professional acting as Interim Resolution Professional	Damodar Prasad Gupta Reg. No.: IBBI/IPA-002/IP-N00977/2020-1/3223
9. Address & email of the interim resolution professional, as registered with the board	First Floor, 14, Rani Jhansi Road, Near Jhandewalan Temple, New Delhi - 110055 Email : gsdel@gmail.com
10. Address and e-mail to be used for correspondence with the Interim Resolution Professional	First Floor, 14, Rani Jhansi Road, Near Jhandewalan Temple, New Delhi - 110055 Email : crp.greenline@gmail.com
11. Last date for submission of claims	2nd January 2021
12. Classes of creditors, if any, under clause (b) of sub-section (6A) of section 21, ascertained by the Interim Resolution Professional	Not Applicable
13. Names of insolvency professionals identified to act as authorised representative of creditors in a class (three names for each class)	Not Applicable
14. (a) Relevant forms and (b) Details of authorized representatives available at:	(1) Weblink: <a href="https://ibbi.gov.in/home/downloads">https://ibbi.gov.in/home/downloads</a> (2) At the address mentioned at Column No.10

Notice is hereby given that the National Company Law Tribunal New Delhi, Bench-IV ordered the commencement of a Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process against Greenline Builders Limited on 16th December 2020.

The creditors of Greenline Builders Limited are hereby called upon to submit their claims with proof, on or before 2nd January 2021 to the Interim Resolution Professional at the correspondence address mentioned against entry No. 10 only.

The financial creditors shall submit their claims with proof by electronics means only. All other creditors may submit claims with proof in person, by post or electronics means.

A financial creditor belonging to a class (Not Applicable), as listed against the entry No. 12, shall indicate its choice of authorised representative from among the three insolvency professionals listed against entry No.13 to act as authorised representative of the class (Not Applicable) in Form CA.

Submission of false or misleading proof of claims shall attract penalties.

Sd/-  
Damodar Prasad Gupta  
Interim Resolution Professional for Greenline Builders Limited  
Reg. No.: IBBI/IPA-002/IP-N00977/2020-1/3223  
Place: New Delhi**FORM NO. NCLT. 3A****NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH BENCH**

CP (CAA) No.19/Chd/Hry/2020

In the matter of the Companies Act, 2013

AND

In the matter of Sections 230 to 232 of the Companies Act, 2013 r/w Companies (Compromises, Arrangements, Amalgamations) Rules 2016

In the Matter of

Scheme of Amalgamation between

Aftab Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 1), Silver Bells Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 2), Tushar Impex Enterprises Limited (Transferee Company No. 3) &amp; Red Rose Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 4), Sun Flower Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 5), Metro Leasing And Finance India Co Limited (Transferee Company No. 2 / Transferor Company No. 6), Defodil Techon Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 7), Rohini Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 8), Indica Investments Limited (Transferee Company No. 3 / Transferor Company No. 9), Azeem Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 11), Beatic Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 12), Dream Securities Private Limited (Transferee Company No. 13) with Rumy Chabra Investments Private Limited (Transferee Company No. 4) and their respective shareholders

And

In the Matter of:

AFTAB INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AAFC55110H, ... Petitioner Company 2/ Transferor Company 2

3. TUSHAR IMPEX ENTERPRISES PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AAAC07559... Petitioner Company 3/Transferor Company 3/Transferor Company 1

2. SILVER BELLS INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AAFC55110H, ... Petitioner Company 2/ Transferor Company 2

4. RED ROSE INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AAACR8052N, ... Petitioner Company 4/ Transferor Company 4

5. SUN FLOWER INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AAIC0983P, ... Petitioner Company 5/ Transferor Company 5

6. METRO LEASING AND FINANCE INDIA CO. LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AACM9971P, ... Petitioner Company 6/ Transferor Company 6/Transferee Company 2

7. DEFODIL TECHON PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AAACD5841P, ... Petitioner Company 7/ Transferor Company 7

8. ROHINI INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AACR08051R, ... Petitioner Company 8/ Transferor Company 8

9. INDICA INVESTMENTS LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AACQ0507R, ... Petitioner Company 9/ Transferor Company 9/Transferee Company 3

10. ADITANAND HOLDINGS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: anuragonline@gmail.com, PAN No.: AABC0891R, ... Petitioner Company 10/ Transferor Company 10

11. AZEEM INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AAAC1383P, ... Petitioner Company 11/ Transferor Company 11

12. BEATIC INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AABC5133H, ... Petitioner Company 12/ Transferor Company 12

13. DREAM SECURITIES PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: anuragonline@gmail.com, PAN No.: AABC01523B, ... Petitioner Company 13/ Transferor Company 13

14. RUMY CHABA INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, Regd. Offt: K-106/1,64 KM Milestone, Delhi Jaipur Highway No.8, Village Sidhrawali, Tehsil- Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana 122413, Phone No. 0120-417414, Email: ashish.mishra@metrogrooup.co.in, PAN No.: AACR0587L, ... Petitioner Company 14/ Transferor Company 4

**NOTICE OF PETITION**

A joint petition under section 230-232 of the Companies Act, 2013, for sanctioning of the Scheme of Amalgamation between Aftab Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 1), Silver Bells Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 2), Tushar Impex Enterprises Limited (Transferee Company No. 1 / Transferor Company No. 3), Red Rose Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 4), Sun Flower Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 5), Metro Leasing And Finance India Co Limited (Transferee Company No. 6), Defodil Techon Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 7), Rohini Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 8), Indica Investments Limited (Transferee Company No. 9 / Transferor Company No. 10), Azeem Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 11), Beatic Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company No. 12), Dream Securities Private Limited (Transferee Company No. 13) and their respective shareholders and their respective shareholders was presented by petitioner companies on 23.06.2020 and the said petition is fixed for hearing before National Company Law Tribunal, Chandigarh on 12.01.2021. Any person desirous of supporting or opposing the said petition/application/reference should send to the petitioner's advocate, notice of his intention, signed by him or his advocate, with his name and address, so as to reach the Petitioner's advocate not later than two days before the date fixed for the hearing of the petition. Where he seeks to oppose the petition, the grounds of opposition or a copy of his affidavit shall be furnished with such notice. A copy of the petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any person requiring the same on payment of the prescribed charges for the same.

Date: 18.12.2020

Mr. Dhritiman Bhattacharya, Sd/-

Ms. Deeti Ojha, Advocates at 607, Sector - 18B, Chandigarh and also at

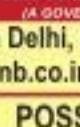
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Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Punjab National Bank under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 06.10.2020 calling upon the Borrowers Mr Arvinder Singh Chawala, Ms Harleen Kaur, Ms Hrvidneet Kaur to repay the amount mentioned in the notice aggregating to Rs. 16,22,949/- (Rupees Sixteen lac twenty two thousand nine hundred forty nine only) as on 31.01.2020 plus accrued interest/unrealized interest at the contractual rate(s) together with incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc. till the date of payment within 60 days from the date of the notice.

The Borrowers/Guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Punjab National Bank has taken Possession of the property as described herein below in exercise of powers conferred upon him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the Act, read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules, 2002 on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December of the year 2020.

The Borrowers/Guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Punjab National Bank, for an amount of Rs. 16,22,949/- (Rupees Sixteen lac twenty two thousand nine hundred forty nine only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

First Floor portion without roof forming part of freehold property bearing no A-19 of Khasra no 883/28/50 kota no 161/162 situated in Krishna park Ext New Delhi, area measuring 83 Sq yards of village nangli jabal Delhi, Bounded as : North- Plot no.18, South- Plot no.20, East- Road 10 wide, West- Road 30 wide

Date : 16-12-2020, Place : New Delhi Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank

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DEHRADUN, U.K.-248171

**BEFORE THE RECOVERY OFFICER-II, DRT, DEHRADUN  
NOTICE OF DEMAND & APPEARANCE**

(NOTICE UNDER RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE OF THE INCOME TAX ACT 1961 READ WITH SECTION 25 TO 29 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993.)

R.C. No. 440/2019 in O.A. No. 237/2019 Dy. No. 815 Date: 4.12.2020

**Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd. Vs. Balwinder Singh & Others**

Branch Rudrapur, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand

Also Branch at SC No. 153-155, Sector 9-C, Chandigarh

To,

1. Balwinder Singh S/o Sh. Ranjeet Singh, R/o House No.41, Village Bakhpur, Tehsil Kichha, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand.

2. Smt. Ranjeet Kaur W/o Sh. Gurvinder Singh, R/o House No. 41, Village Bakhpur, Tehsil Kichha, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand.

3. Smt. Ravinder Kaur W/o Sh. Dharampal Kamboj, R/o House No. 41, Village Bakhpur, Tehsil Kichha, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand.

4. Smt. Sukhvinder Kaur W/o Sh. Sukhavant Singh, R/o House No. 41, Village Bakhpur, Tehsil Kichha, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand.

5. Harddeep Singh S/o Sh. Veer Singh, R/o House No. 41, Village Bakhpur, Tehsil Kichha, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand.

6. Balwinder Dhanju S/o Sh. Jagir Singh, R/o House No. 41, Village Bakhpur, Tehsil Kichha, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand.

**EXPERTS' WARNING****'Vaccines don't mean we'll see last of Covid'**

JOHN LAUERMAN  
& JAMES PATON  
December 21

**IN RECORD SPEED**, vaccines are here, and more are on their way. Less than a year since the coronavirus began ravaging the world, the first shots are raising hopes for wiping the Covid-19 pandemic from the face of the earth.

Today's programmes in the US and the UK are precursors to immunisation campaigns intended to reach the planet's entire population — all 8 billion people in every corner of the globe.

There is reason for optimism. Vaccines are the best, and perhaps only, way to eliminate infectious disease. Smallpox has been eradicated and polio is on the brink, with just two countries where transmission persists. But global vaccine campaigns take time — usually decades — suggesting that even with the latest technologies, money and might behind the unprecedented global drive to knock out Covid-19, the disease is unlikely to be eliminated any time soon.

supplies. A global program called Covax, which aims to deploy Covid vaccines around the globe, has secured deals with developers, including Johnson & Johnson and AstraZeneca. But some of those supplies are expected to come from an experimental inoculation from Sanofi and GlaxoSmithKline that's been delayed and may not be ready until late next year.

"It's really, really, really complicated to make sure we get those vaccines produced and distributed in an equitable way globally, for both moral and economic reasons," Mark Suzman, CEO of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, told reporters on a December 9 call.

Suzman pointed to research showing that broad access to vaccines could deliver significant economic benefits to all countries and save many lives. Since wealthy nations will likely have more than enough doses to vaccinate their entire populations, they should consider the reallocation of some supplies to those most in need, he said.

Mass vaccination has been one of the most successful public health interventions in the world and has played an important part raising US life expectancy by



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more than 50% over the last century. About a third of US deaths in 1900 occurred in children under age five, many of them from diseases like smallpox, measles and whooping cough that are now preventable by immunisation.

Some new vaccines have also gained quick and widespread use, like shots that prevent pneumococcal infections that can cause severe illness in children and adults. Introduction of the shingles vaccination has offered prevention of the painful disease to millions of people over the past two decades. —REUTERS

**Britons scramble for residency in Spain and Portugal before Brexit**

**IN OCTOBER**, MICHELLE Jones and her husband Gary boarded a ferry in England for a new life in Spain. Had they left it beyond Britain's period of transition out of the European Union, things would have been much more complicated.

"We haven't got a choice — it's now or never," the former housing association worker said at the hairdressing salon she has taken over in the resort town of Fuengirola in southern Spain.

"Our family and friends in the UK think we're mad for doing it" during a pandemic, Jones, 54, said, but "we are not going to go through the rigmarole of trying to get visas and things like that."

Britain formally left the European Union on January 31 after its 2016 referendum, but since then it has been in a transition period under which rules on free travel and trade remain unchanged. That period ends on December 31. Fourteen European countries, including Portugal and Spain, will grant Britons arriving before December 31 the right to five years of residency.

Other countries have tougher post-Brexit requirements, asking all Britons to re-apply after the transition period. —REUTERS

**ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED**  
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NIT NO. APDCL/DSEL/RNGN 'B/01 Dated: 22-12-2020  
**e-Procurement Notice**  
(National Competitive Tender using Two-Envelope e-Procurement Process without Prequalification)

The Government of India has applied for financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) towards the cost of Assam Distribution System Enhancement and Loss Reduction Project and intends to apply a part of the proceeds to make payment under the contract for the following works:

**Construction of new 33/11 kv substation with construction of new 33kv Terminal Bay construction of 33kv & 11kv lines for Distribution System Enhancement and Loss Reduction in Morigaon Electrical Circle and Nagaon Electrical Circle 'B' on turnkey basis in LOT I : Morigaon Electrical Circle Part-I, LOT II : Nagaon Electrical Circle 'B' Part-II for Assam Distribution System Enhancement and Loss Reduction.**

The Chief Project Manager, PIU, APDCL, hereby invites online tenders from eligible contractors.

Interested Tenderers may submit tender online at [www.assamtenders.gov.in](http://www.assamtenders.gov.in) on or before 27/01/2021.

Detailed invitation for Tender and Tender Documents are available at [www.assamtenders.gov.in](http://www.assamtenders.gov.in) and at "AlIB Projects" button of [www.apdcl.org](http://www.apdcl.org)

Sdu/- Chief Project Manager, PIU  
APDCL, 2nd Floor, Bijilee Bhawan, Paltan Bazar, Guwahati-781001  
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Snags in supply and distribution have already arisen in the opening days of the US campaign, and the first Western country to begin immunising, vaccinated just 138,000 people in its first week. Meanwhile, Europe has yet to start inoculations, and probably won't do so until after Christmas. Concerns are growing over how long it will take to immunise vast swaths of the world beyond a group of wealthy countries that have snapped up early

"It would be surprised to see an actual eradication of this virus now that it's all over the world," said Walter Orenstein, associate director of the Emory Vaccine Center in Atlanta and former head of the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's immunization program. "I'd be shocked, given how contagious it is."

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**'Saudi, UAE govt spyware targets phones of Al-Jazeera journalists'**

ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Dubai, December 21

**DOZENS OF JOURNALISTS** at Al-Jazeera, the Qatari state-owned media company, have been targeted by advanced spyware in an attack likely linked to the governments of Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, a cybersecurity watchdog has said.

Citizen Lab at the University of Toronto said on Sunday it traced malware that infected the personal phones of 36 journalists, producers, anchors and executives at Al-Jazeera back to the Israel-based NSO Group, which has been widely condemned for selling spyware to repressive governments.

Most unnerving to the investigators was that iMessages were infecting targeted cellphones without the users taking any action — what's known as a zero-click vulnerability.

Through push notifications alone, the malware instructed the phones to upload their content to servers linked to the NSO Group, Citizen Lab said, turning journalists' iPhones into powerful surveillance tools without even luring users to click on suspicious links or threatening texts.

The coordinated attacks on Qatari-funded Al-Jazeera, which Citizen Lab described as the largest concentration of phone hacks targeting a single organisation, occurred in July, just weeks before the Trump administration announced the normalisation of ties between Israel and the UAE, the archival to Qatar.

The breakthrough deal took public what had been a long-secret alliance. Analysts say normalisation likely will lead to stronger cooperation in digital surveillance between Israel and Persian Gulf sheikhdoms.

Apple said it was aware of the Citizen Lab report and said the latest version of its mobile operating system, iOS 14, "delivered new protections against these kinds of attacks."

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENT & PUBLIC ASSET MANAGEMENT  
(DIPAM)

**GLOBAL INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR STRATEGIC DISINVESTMENT OF 29,69,42,977 EQUITY SHARES (63.75%) HELD BY GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ("GOI") IN SHIPPING CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED ("SCIL") ALONG WITH TRANSFER OF MANAGEMENT CONTROL**

SCIL is a Central Public Sector Enterprise ("CPSE"), under the administrative control of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways ("MoPSW"). GOI, engaged primarily in the activity of transporting goods and passengers. SCIL's owned fleet include bulk carriers, crude oil tankers, product tankers, container vessels, passenger cum-cargo vessels, LPG/ ammonia carriers and offshore supply vessels.

GOI is proposing strategic disinvestment of its entire shareholding in SCIL comprising 29,69,42,977 equity shares, which constitutes 63.75% of SCIL's equity share capital ("Stake") along with transfer of management control to investors. GOI has appointed RBSA Capital Advisors LLP, as its Transaction Advisor ("TA") to advise and manage the strategic disinvestment process.

This disinvestment process is being implemented through competitive bidding route. A Preliminary Information Memorandum ("PIM") for inviting Expression of Interest ("EOI") from interested parties ("IP") can be downloaded from websites of DIPAM at [www.dipam.gov.in](http://www.dipam.gov.in), MoPSW at [www.shipinindia.com](http://www.shipinindia.com) and RBSA Capital Advisors LLP at [www.rbsa.in](http://www.rbsa.in). IP(s) or a consortium who meet the eligibility criteria mentioned in the PIM, may submit their EOI either in electronic form via email or in physical form in a sealed envelope superscribed "Private and Confidential- Expression of Interest for the Strategic Sale of SCIL" not later than 17:00 hours (Indian Standard Time) on 13.02.2021 (Saturday). However, IPs submitting EOI by email shall also be required to submit the EOI in physical copy in a sealed envelope superscribed "Private and Confidential- Expression of Interest for the Strategic Sale of SCIL" not later than 17:00 hours (Indian Standard Time) on 01.03.2021 (Monday). The address of physical submission is provided below as:

**Address for submission:** RBSA Capital Advisors LLP 2nd Floor, IAPL House 23, South Patel Nagar New Delhi - 110 008, India.  
E-mail: scileisubmission@rbsa.in

**Postal Address:** Mr. Ajay Malik/Mr. Suchismit Ghosh, RBSA Capital Advisors LLP, 2nd Floor, IAPL House 23, South Patel Nagar, New Delhi - 110008, India, Email address for correspondence: scilquery@rbsa.in  
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**pnb Housing Finance Limited**  
Regd. Office: 9th Floor, Antriksh Bhawan, 22, K G Marg, New Delhi-110001.  
Phones: 011-23357171, 23357172, 23705414, Website: [www.pnbnhousing.com](http://www.pnbnhousing.com)  
Branch Office:  
Barakhamba Branch : 8th Floor Building 18, Barakhamba Road, C.P. New Delhi - 110001,  
Green Park : Ground Floor, S-8, Upkar Cinema complex, Green Park Extension, New Delhi -110016.

**POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY/IES)**  
Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the PNB Housing Finance Ltd., under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued demand notice/s on the date mentioned against each account calling upon the respective borrower/s to repay the amount as mentioned against each account within 60 days from the date of notice/s/date of receipt of the said notice/s. The borrower/s having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned against each account.

The borrower/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of PNB Housing Finance Ltd., for the amounts and interest thereon as per loan agreement. The borrowers' attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Sr. No.	Loan Account No.	Name of the Borrower/Co Borrower/Guarantor	Date of Demand Notice	Amount Outstanding	Date of Possession Taken	Description of the Property mortgaged
1.	HOU/GRP/0715/23340	Mr. Vijay Kumar & Vijiya	14-08-2020	Rs. 30,54,292.58/-	16-12-2020	1601 & 1602, Tower C, 16, Circuit Heights (Hold), Plot no. GH-04, Sector-25, Jaypee Sports International, Yamuna Expressway, Gautam Budh Nagar, NA, NA, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh-201312,
2.	HOU/GRP/0915/241341	Mr. Prateek Saxena & Mrs. Pallavi Saxena	03-06-2020	Rs. 17,33,425.92	16-12-2020	Tower A-16, 1606, Circuit Heights (Hold), Plot no. GH-04, Sector-25, Jaypee Sports International, Yamuna Expressway, Gautam Budh Nagar, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh-201312
3.	HOU/GRP/0516/290973	Mr. Harish Kumar & Mrs. Manju Rani	22-08-2020	Rs. 32,26,098.31	16-12-2020	1702,16, Tower-P2, PRATEEK GRAND CITY, Plot no-4/B-S-05, Siddharth Vihar NH-24, Ghaziabad, NA, NH-24, NA, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh, India-201001
4.	NHL/GRP/1216/339099	Mr. Irfan Khan & Mrs. Arti Khan	09-03-2020	Rs. 40,63,281.73	15-12-2020	548.5,C, CAPITAL GRAND, Commercial Plot No.C-1/B, Situated in Sector-98, Noida, Distt. Gautam Budh Nagar, Unitech UGCC, Uttar Pradesh, India-201301
5.	HOU/GRP/0915/242396	Mr. Ravinder Bose & Mr. Rohit Aggarwal	14-12-2017	Rs. 8,85,352.28	15-12-2020	1104,11, Tower-C, One Leaf Troy(Hold), Plot No. GH-01 D, Sector-10, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh-201310
6.	0001666	Mr. Gurtej Singh & Smt. Gaganjit Kaur	09-05-2017	Rs. 66,68,736.6	16-12-2020 (Symbolic)	Flat No-A-2/1D-2, 2nd Floor, Shubhakarma Advert Tech Homes Plot No GH-05/B, Sector-137, Noida, U.P.
7.	0001666	Mr. Nitin Maheshwari & Smt. Reenu Singh	05-04-2017	Rs. 53,85,959.41	16-12-2020 (Symbolic)	Flat No A-2/D-7, D-7, 7th Floor, Block No - C, 9 Capetown, SuperTech, GH-01/A, Sector-74, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh, India-201301
8.	0001666	Sh. Harinder Singh Kapoor & Smt. Deepa Kapoor	28-05-2018	Rs. 45,02,835.55	16-12-2020 (Symbolic)	Flat No 704, 7th Floor, Block No - C, 9 Capetown, SuperTech, GH-01/A, Sector-74, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh, India-201301

Place: New Delhi, Dated: 15/12/2020 Sd/- Authorized Officer, for PNB Housing Finance Limited

**People over 75, essential workers next for vaccines**

REUTERS  
December 21

**AN ADVISORY PANEL** on Sunday recommended US frontline essential workers and people 75 and older should be next in line to get inoculated as the distribution of Moderna's vaccine, the second approved coronavirus vaccine, began across the country.

The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunisation Practices voted 13 to one to recommend 30 million frontline essential workers, which include first responders, teachers, food and agriculture,



Boxes containing the Moderna Covid vaccine being moved to the loading dock for shipping at the McKesson distribution centre in Olive Branch, Mississippi, on Sunday

PHOTO AP

manufacturing, US Postal Service, public transit, and grocery store workers, have the next priority for the vaccines.

In all, the move would make 51 million people eligible to

get inoculated in the next round. It was not immediately clear when the next round would begin. About 200 million people, including non-frontline workers such as those in media, finance, energy and IT and communication industries, persons in the 65-74 age group, and those aged 16-64 years with high-risk conditions should be in the ensuing round, the panel recommended.

States, which are the ones distributing shots to their residents, will use the advisory panel's guidelines to decide on how to allocate the vaccines while supplies are scarce.

Inoculation against the disease is key to safely reopening large parts of the economy and reducing the risks of illness at crowded meatpacking plants, factories and warehouses.

**Bank of India, Nafajgarh Branch**  
16B, Roshan Mandi, Nafajgarh, Delhi-110043  
APPENDIX - IV (See rule - 8 (1))  
POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of the Bank of India under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 21-03-2020 calling upon the borrower Mrs. Reena Verma & Mr. Sandeep Verma to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 17,15,490.16 (Rs. Seventeen Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Ninety and Paise Sixteen) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the 18th day of December of the year 2020.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank of India, for an amount Rs. 17,15,490.16 and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

All that part and parcel of the residential property situated at 1326A, Gali Sunaron Wali, out of khasra no-52, Nafajgarh, New Delhi-45 in the name of Mrs. Reena Verma; Area: 41.805 Sq Mt, Bounded as: East- Street, West- Other's Property, North- Property no 1327, South- Property no 1326-B

**IDFC FIRST Bank Limited**  
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)  
CIN : L65110TN2014PLC097792  
Registered Office: KRM Towers, 8th Floor, Harrington Road, Chetpet, Chennai - 600031.  
Tel: +91 44 4564 4000 | Fax: +91 44 4564 4022



#### APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of the IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited) under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 09.12.2019 calling upon the borrower, co-borrowers and guarantors

1. Naveen Aggarwal, 2. Sangeeta Aggarwal, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 24,32,221.05/- Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty One And Paise Five Only) as on 05.12.2019 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Physical Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 18th day of December 2020.

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited) for an amount of Rs. 24,32,221.05/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty One And Paise Five Only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

#### Description of the Immovable properties.

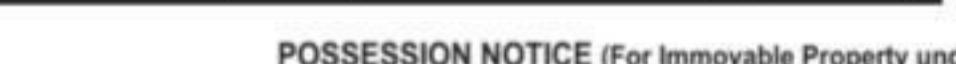
All the piece and parcel of the property consisting of Rz-28 Second Floor Jain Colony Uttam Nagar Delhi - 110059.

Date: 18-12-2020

Place: Delhi.

Loan Account No: 26691606.

Authorised Officer  
IDFC First Bank Limited  
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)



Circle Sastha Centre:  
Neelam Chowk, NIT, Faridabad - 121001  
Email: 8224@pnb.co.in

#### POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property under [Rule 8(1)])

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Punjab National Bank under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 13.10.2020 calling upon the borrower M/s Jyoti Trading Corporation to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 15,74,473.62 (Rupees Fifteen Lacs Seventy Four Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Three and paise Sixty Two only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower above said having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower, and the Public in General that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this 19th day of December of the year 2020.

The Borrower / Guarantor in particular and the Public in General is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the Punjab National Bank for an amount Rs. 15,74,473.62 (Rupees Fifteen Lacs Seventy Four Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Three and paise Sixty Two only) and interest thereon.

The Borrower's / Guarantor's / Mortgagor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Residential House measuring 160.00 Sq. Yds situated at H. No. 1A/200 (Back Portion) NH 11 NIT Faridabad in the Name of Sh. Gaurav Kapoor S/o Sh. Madan Lal Kapoor within the registration sub-district Faridabad and district Faridabad, Bounded as under:- North: Rasta, South: H. No. 1A/227, East: Mandir Land, West: Balance Part of H. No. 1A/200/2001.

Date : 22.12.2020 Place: Faridabad

Authorised Officer: Punjab National Bank

#### INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

CENTRAL OFFICE 763, ANNA SALAI, CHENNAI - 600002

#### EMANELMENT OF DIRECT SELLING AGENTS (DSAs) / HOUSING LOAN COUNSELORS (HLCs) / VEHICLE LOAN COUNSELORS (VLCs) FOR SOURCING OF HOME LOAN AND VEHICLE LOANS

For Empanelment of DSAs / Scope of Work / Eligibility (Individual & Non-Individuals) contact in below address:

#### INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

3rd Floor, Raccha Building, Rajendra Place-110008, Email ID: 080504@obnet.co.in

Phone: 011-25713555, Cell: 9935022499, 8705333353

#### UNIPATCH RUBBER LTD

10 COMMUNITY CENTRE SAKET,  
DEHLI-110017

#### NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF UNIPATCH RUBBER LTD

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of Section 201(2)(b) of the Companies Act, 2013, the Company is intending to make an application to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India under Sections 196, read with part I of Schedule V and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act), if any, in respect of re-appointment of Mrs. Jeet Nappa Khemka as the Managing Director of the Company, for a period of 5 years effective from 1st April, 2020 pursuant to the terms and conditions as approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on March 23, 2020 and in terms of the members'/shareholders' approval dated November 24, 2020.

Any member having any objection(s) to the above may, if he so desires, communicate his objection(s) in writing to the Secretary, Ministry of Company Affairs, Government of India, 5th Floor, "A" Wing, Shastri Bhawan, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, New Delhi – 110001 within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice and send a copy thereof to the Company at the above mentioned address.

By Order of the Board of Directors  
For Unipatch Rubber Ltd

Date : 16.12.2020

SD/Place : New Delhi VIJAY KUMAR KHURJA

Whole-Time Director DIN : 08632693

ADDRESS : H NO. 3A SWARNIM VIHAR, 82 SECTOR, NOIDA, GAUTAM BUDH NAGAR, (U.P.) 201304

#### GURU GOVIND LOGISTICS PRIVATE LIMITED

(CIN: U63040DL2009PTC191701)

Regd. Offt.: H. No. 239, A-Block, Meera Bagh, Outer Ring Road, Delhi-110041 | Email: ggpl@ggpl.com

FORM NO. INC-26

[For Registration of companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014]

Advertisement to be published in the newspaper for change of registered office of the company from one state to another Before the Central Government Northern Region In the matter of section (4) of Section 13 of Companies Act, 2013 and clause (a) of sub-rule (5) of rule 30 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014

AND

In the matter of GURU GOVIND LOGISTICS PRIVATE LIMITED having its registered office at H. No. 239, A-Block, Meera Bagh, Outer Ring Road, Delhi-110041 | Email: ggpl@ggpl.com

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the Company proposes to make application to the Central Government under section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the Special Resolution passed at the Extra Ordinary General meeting held on 14th December 2020 to enable the Company to change its Registered office from "National Capital Region of Delhi" to "State Of Delhi".

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal ([www.mca21.gov.in](http://www.mca21.gov.in)) by filing a written complaint or cause to be delivered or sent by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Regional Director, Northern Region, B-2 Wing, 2nd Floor, Parivartan Bhawan, C/O Complex, New Delhi – 110002, with fourteen days of the date of service of this notice with a copy of the applicant company at its registered office at the address mentioned below:

H. No. 239, A-Block, Meera Bagh, Outer Ring Road, Delhi - 110041

for and on behalf of the Applicant

Guru Govind Logistics Private Limited

Date : 22/12/2020 Kanhai Charan Barik (Director)

DIN : 08904555

Place: New Delhi

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