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US VP Kamala Harris says she intends to earn & win Democratic Party nomination for presidency even after endorsement by Prez Biden. **Former speaker Nancy Pelosi too declares support for Harris** to replace Biden in Nov election, P 17

Billionaire Elon Musk and venture capitalist Vinod Khosla slug it out over Trump's candidature. Khosla says Trump has 'no values, lies, cheats, rapes, demeans women', and 'hates immigrants' like him. Musk says Trump 'doesn't hate you. Meet him...' P 17

A Bangladeshi student group that is leading demonstrations that have spiralled into deadly violence **suspends protests for 48 hrs**, with its head saying they do not want reform 'at the expense of so much blood', P 17

Coach Gambhir says his relationship with Virat Kohli is **'one between mature individuals, not for public consumption'**, adds Virat and Rohit have 'lots of cricket left in them' P 22

BJP backs move to end ban on govt staffers-RSS link

The govt and BJP put up a strong defence of the decision lifting the ban on govt employees' participation in RSS activities, while the saffron fountainhead welcomed the move saying the previous ban was imposed for political reasons.

▶It's official: 44-yr-old ban lifted, PAGE OPP

The opposition, however, suggested that the decision was motivated by a desire to appease the Sangh. As reported by **TOI** in its July 22 edition, a notification by govt to end the ban was issued on July 9. PAGE OPP

Retd armyman kills 6 family members

Bhushan Kumar, a retired armyman, axed to death five members of his extended family and set another on fire over a property dispute in Punjab's Ambala district Sunday. Kumar and six of his relatives were arrested. TNN

Nuh yatra peaceful amid internet curbs

The Brajmandal Jalabhishek Yatra, that triggered clashes last year, passed off peacefully this time, amid police pickets and vehicle checks besides a shutdown of mobile internet and bulk SMS services. P 9

4 youths drown in Ganga in Bhagalpur

Four youths who had gone in a larger group to take a bath in the Ganga on the first Monday of the month-long Shrawani Mela drowned in Bihar's Bhagalpur district. They drifted midstream and were swept away. TNN

SC seeks IIT's expert help on NEET-UG physics question

Four Marks At Stake May Alter Test Rankings

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New Delhi: Supreme Court on Monday sought help from experts in IIT-Delhi to determine which of the two answers approved by National Testing Agency to an elementary question on atomic theory is to be deemed correct, even as it told petitioners that they were yet to provide evidence to support their allegation that the sanctity of the entire NEET-UG 2024 had been compromised.

With a single mark's difference leading to variance of several notches in the rankings of over 13 lakh students vying for MBBS admissions, the SC's decision to enlist experts from IIT could reshuffle the order of successful candidates.

Raising the issue, advocate Suriti Chowdhury told SC that for a question on atomic theory, the NEET-UG exam paper had provided two statements: "a) Atoms are electrically neutral as they contain equal number of positive and negative charges; and b) Atoms of each element are stable and emit their characteristic spectrum". The students had to choose from four options: (1) statement 'a' is correct; (2) statement 'b' is correct; (3) statement 'a' and 'b' are correct; and (4) both are wrong.

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'SUBMIT OPINION BY NOON TODAY'

- An **MCQ on atomic theory** had 2 statements and candidates were asked **which of the 2, both or neither** was the correct answer
- Petitioner tells SC one statement is **correct as per new NCERT course** and other was also held to be **right as per books prescribed prior to 2019**
- SG Tushar Mehta says over **9 lakh students** chose correct option as per **new syllabus** and **4.2 lakh** chose answer deemed correct as per old textbooks. **NTA gave marks to both**
- The petitioner, who scored 715/720 marks, **didn't attempt this question** as options were 'ambiguous'. Demands either the **question be scrapped** or marks be given only for correct answer
- SC asks IIT Delhi to form 3-member panel to **decide on which answer is correct** and give its opinion preferably by noon on Tuesday

After TN, K'taka cabinet moves to pull out of NEET

Karnataka cabinet passed a resolution asking the Centre to scrap NEET for state-specific assessments for admissions to medical colleges. It will be tabled in the assembly Tuesday or Wednesday. If cleared, Karnataka will become the second state after TN to pass such a resolution. The state plans to reintroduce the old system of admissions to engineering and medical colleges through a common test. P 14

Survey upbeat on economy, backs more freedom for biz

Flags Climate Change, AI As Challenges

TEAM TOI

Five years ago, when Nirmala Sitharaman took over as finance minister, she appeared uncertain amid criticism of waning growth, resulting in a series of post-Budget announcements, including a massive cut in corporate tax. As she presents a record seventh straight budget, the Modi's govt's report card presented an economy which is on a strong footing – projecting 6.5-7% growth this year – with robust public finances, high tax collections and improved quality of spending.

The contrast could not have been sharper and has been laid out vividly in the Economic Survey 2023-24 tabled in Parliament on Monday.

It did flag the challenges – from the geopolitical situation resulting in greater protectionism, to climate change and impact of AI – but sounded more comfortable with the inflation trajectory. It also underlined the need of "letting go for good governance".

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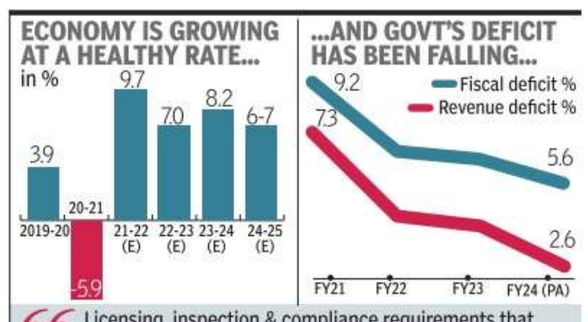
▶Survey flags need... P 13



"Licensing, inspection & compliance requirements that all levels of govt continue to impose on businesses is an onerous burden. Relative to history, the burden has lightened. Relative to where it ought to be, it's still a lot heavier —Eco Survey

'Must create 78.5L jobs a year till 2030'

India needs to generate 78.5 lakh jobs a year on average until 2030 in the non-farm sector to cater to the rising workforce, Economic Survey estimated, urging the private sector to contribute. P 20

Quality, timely data must, says Survey

Economic Survey has said statistics ministry must be equipped to produce and integrate data with the desired quality and timelines, for formulating policy and timely decision-making. P 20

Rahul says entire exam system is a 'fraud'; 'We have nothing to hide,' replies Pradhan

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New Delhi: The first Question Hour of the 18th Lok Sabha witnessed a combative education minister Dharmendra Pradhan facing off with leader of the opposition Rahul Gandhi and decrying as "sad" and "condemnable" the latter's statement that the "entire exam system of the country has become a fraud and is paid".

"The minister has blamed everybody except himself. I don't think he understands the fundamentals of what is going on here," Rahul said during a discussion on NEET row.

Pradhan replied govt had nothing to hide and investigations over the paper leak were on in a transparent manner. "SC is hearing the case ... let's wait and watch. Govt will abide by SC judgment," he said.

▶'Here at mercy of...' P 14

Oppn's tried to suppress my voice: PM in Parl

"Go to the battlefields of the election in 2029. Till then, the only priority should be the country, its poor, farmers, women and youth," **PM Modi** told opposition Monday. "We have fought a full-throttle battle since Jan. But that phase is over, the countrymen have given their verdict. Now we have to fight for the country and fight by being noble... rising above party lines," he said. Referring to opposition sloganeering during his reply to the Motion of Thanks on President's address, Modi said, "An effort was made to suffocate the PM and suppress his voice. This has no place in democratic traditions." P 11

Govt rules out Bihar spl status sought by JD(U)

BJP-led central govt has ruled out special category status for Bihar, turning down the demand of ally JD (U), a decision which will have implications for a similar demand from another ally, TDP, for Andhra Pradesh.

The stand was conveyed by junior finance minister Pankaj Chaudhary in a written reply to JD(U) MP Rampreet Mandal. Calling "special category" a Planning Commission term, Shambhavi Choudhary of LJP said states have benefited from special packages instead. P 11

Woman dead, 23 injured as bus hits Metro pillar

An electric DTC bus crashed into a Metro pillar in west Delhi's Punjabi Bagh Monday, killing a 45-year-old woman passenger and injuring 23 others, including one being treated for critical injuries in a hospital ICU.

The driver said he lost control of the bus after a two-wheeler shot ahead in a dangerous manner. As it veered and braked suddenly, an auto smashed into the bus from behind, causing injuries to three occupants. P 2

- A 20-year-old **college student and his mother** die after their scooter is hit by a car coming from **wrong side on Delhi-Meerut e'way** | P 2
- Techie, allegedly drunk, **crashes his Audi** into 2 autos in Mumbai. Four in the autos suffer fractures | P 15
- **4 dead, 50 injured** as a state bus **collides head-on** with a pvt bus in UP's Rampur dist. Road was partially closed for kanwar yatra

Soldier, civilian wounded in Rajouri attack

A soldier and a civilian were wounded when terrorists simultaneously attacked the house of a civilian Shaurya Chakra awardee and an adjacent security post in Gundah village of Budhal in J&K's Rajouri at 3.10am Monday, 24 hours after Army chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi's Jammu visit. Instant retaliation by the Army forced the terrorists to retreat, official sources said, **reports Sanjay Khajuria.** P 10

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DTC Bus Rams Metro Pillar; 1 Dead, 23 Hurt

Passersby Say Vehicle Was Speeding; Auto Behind It Collides Due To Sudden Braking

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: A 45-year-old woman was killed and 23 people injured when a DTC electric bus collided with a metro pillar in west Delhi's Punjabi Bagh on Monday. The sudden braking of the bus also caused an autorickshaw to collide with it from behind.

While the driver claimed that a motorcycle trying to overtake the bus caused him to lose control, police said experts would conduct an inspection to see if mechanical issues such as brake failure contributed to the accident.

The electric bus, operating on route 939 between Mangolpuri and Anand Vihar, had collided with Metro Pillar 146. Police received news about this at 7.42am. This collision also caused an autorickshaw at the rear to crash into the bus.

Eyewitnesses claimed that the bus was being driven at a high speed.

Savita of Sultanpuri, an MCD sanitation worker who was on her way to work in Naraina, was killed, while 23 others, including the driver and conductor, were injured. Savita had suffered severe head injuries. Fourteen passengers were taken to Maharaja Agrasen Hospital and 10 to Acharya Bhikshu Hospital in Moti Nagar. A 55-year-old passenger had to be admitted to the ICU in critical condition.

Auto driver Usman Khan was taking his wife, Shahjahan, to RML Hospital and their daughter, Neha, was also in the three wheeler. Rahman, Khan's son-in-law, said, "They were behind the bus when the DTC bus driver took a sharp right turn, forcing them to brake abruptly. They collided and the people at the scene pulled him out with much effort. He fractured his hands and suffered facial injuries. My mother-in-law also sustained fractures and Neha injured her knee."

Eyewitnesses reported hearing a loud noise and rushing to see what had happened. Krishan Kumar, 34, a local resident, recalled seeing the electric bus driving on the road with minimal morning traffic. "Suddenly, I heard a loud boom, as if a heavy object had fallen," he said. "Some people and I rushed to the scene and found the bus had crashed into a pillar. The driver was trapped inside."

The people began rescuing passengers from the bus and police arrived shortly thereafter. Many of the bus passengers had suffered injuries to their heads and faces. "Five or six ambulances arrived and took the injured people to the hospital," said Kumar. Jagram, a 65-year-old tea seller, said that an unconscious woman was removed from the bus.

At the scene, a broken windshield and pieces of glass lay scattered later in the day. Trees that had fallen due to the crash were also lying around. The bus was towed away to the Madipur police post. The driver of the DTC vehicle told the cops that a bike trying to overtake the bus forced him to take a sharp right turn, resulting in the accident.

Vichitra Veer, DCP (West), said that the cause of the accident would be determined after a mechanical inspection of the electric bus. An FIR has been registered at the Punjabi Bagh police station. The incident led to major traffic snarls on Rohtak Road with vehicles forced to move at a snail's pace.

'TRIED TO AVOID BIKER OVERTAKING BUS'

Photos: Anindya Chattopadhyay

WHERE Pillar No. 146, between Madipur and Shivaji Park Metro Station in west Delhi

WHEN | 7.42am, Monday

DECEASED | Savita (45), a resident of Sultanpuri, working as a sweeper with MCD

INJURED | 23 (one of them critical, in ICU)

AS IT HAPPENED

- A DTC electric bus, on its way from Mangolpuri to Anand Vihar, collides with a metro pillar
- Sudden braking by bus causes an autorickshaw trailing it to collide with it, resulting in injuries to three people, including driver
- DTC driver tells cops he was forced to take a sharp right turn by a biker trying to overtake the bus
- However, eyewitnesses say the bus was being driven at high speed
- Police say a mechanical inspection will be conducted by experts
- Case registered, injured driver receiving treatment

PAST DTC ACCIDENTS

APRIL 2024 | At least 18 people injured in an accident involving a DTC bus after driver dozes off in Rajouri Garden

JAN | A cyclist dies after he is hit by a bike and subsequently crushed by a DTC bus in Azadpur

OCT 2023 | Bus rams multiple vehicles in Kalyanpuri, resulting in one fatality and three injuries; driver held

NOV | Electric bus collides with more than a dozen vehicles, claiming one life and injuring several others

Life cut short: 45-yr-old was taking care of her family alone since 2003

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New Delhi: A heart-wrenching turn of fate occurred when 45-year-old Savita lost her life in a Delhi Transport Corporation electric bus accident on Monday. She had been the pillar of strength for her family since 2003, following the untimely death of her husband.

Her demise dealt a devastating blow to her family, who were already reeling from the loss of their younger son just six months earlier.

The family learned about the accident when a relative got a phone call from police. The relative informed Savita's son, Vinay, who rushed to hospital, only to find that she had already died. "When we called Savita's number, a man answered and told us she was injured and we should come to the hospital," a relative said. The relatives claimed the DTC bus driver was speeding when he hit a metro pillar.

Ashok, Savita's brother-in-law, mentioned that she had been working since 1997, and her husband, Omprakash, died of health issues in 2003.

"Following her husband's death, she dedicated herself entirely to her children, ensuring they were well cared for and married off. The untimely demise of her younger son, Naveen, due to health complications six months ago, had plunged her into grief. Despite her own sorrow, she continued to support Naveen's young family, providing them with the care and stability they desperately needed," he said.

While her elder son, Vinay, contributed to the household income through his job at a cafe, it was Savita's earnings that primarily sustained the family. "Her life was tragically cut short due to complete negligence, leaving our family with a bleak and uncertain future," said Arun, another relative of Savita's. He mentioned that Savita was sitting with a woman, who also suffered critical injuries.

Savita's daily commute to her workplace in Naraina, west Delhi, followed a familiar routine. She would board the bus from Mongolpuri S Block bus stand every morning around 7am, returning home in the early afternoon.

Reports of mishaps involving DTC buses had been disturbingly frequent. At least 18 people were injured when a DTC bus driver fell asleep at the wheel in Rajouri Garden in April. Earlier that year, a cyclist lost his life in Azadpur after being hit by a bike and then crushed by a DTC bus.

Reflecting back on 2023, similar incidents underscored concerns about bus safety.

In October, a driver was arrested after a Delhi Transport Corporation bus caused chaos by colliding with multiple vehicles in Kalyanpuri, resulting in one fatality and three injuries.

The following month, an electric bus collided with over a dozen vehicles, claiming one life and leaving several others injured.

How a herd of buffaloes led to arrest of 2 car thieves

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New Delhi: Two criminals were arrested in southwest Delhi in connection with an alleged carjacking case. Posing as passengers, three men hired a cab for Bijwasan, while an accomplice followed in another vehicle. At an isolated spot, they allegedly assaulted the driver and fled with the vehicle. With assistance from another cab driver, the victim pursued the snatched car. During the chase, a herd of buffaloes appeared, forcing the carjackers to abandon the vehicle and escape on foot.

The arrested accused were identified as Karan (19) and Akash Singh (29), both residents of Gurgaon.

Babli Chaudhary, a 32-year-old taxi driver from Rajasthan, told cops that the incident occurred in the morning of July 20. While waiting for passengers near a petrol pump on Dhaula-Gurgaon road, three men approached him, seeking a ride to Bijwasan. After agreeing on a fare of Rs 500, he set off with the men in his white taxi.

Posing as passengers, three men hired a cab for Bijwasan, while an accomplice followed in another vehicle. At an isolated spot, they assaulted the driver and fled with the vehicle

"Along the way, one of the passengers surreptitiously entered the location into his mobile phone. Chaudhary followed the directions provided, unaware of the sinister intentions. Upon reaching the specified location, the men abruptly stopped the car and assaulted Chaudhary," the police complaint stated.

As Chaudhary struggled to defend himself, a fourth accomplice emerged from a red and black scooter, brandishing a pistol. He threatened Chaudhary, demanding that he hand over all his money and his taxi. Terrified, Chaudhary complied, surrendering his earnings.

In a desperate attempt to escape, Chaudhary leapt out of the taxi. The assailants sped off in his vehicle, leaving him stranded. Chaudhary managed to flag down a passing car and explain his ordeal to the driver. The stranger agreed to help and gave chase to the snatched taxi. However, the pursuit was cut short due to a herd of buffaloes blocking the road, allowing the robbers to abandon the vehicle and flee on foot.

Chaudhary returned to the abandoned taxi. Using a passerby's phone, he dialed 112 and reported the robbery. "The robbers had taken his phone," the officer said. A team from Kapashera police station was formed, and they arrested two of the accused.

Car on wrong side of DME rams scooter; woman, son die

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Ghaziabad: A 20-year-old college student and his mother died after the scooter they were riding on their way back from Haridwar was hit by an Alto that was being driven on the wrong side of Delhi-Meerut Expressway near Mehrauli underpass on Sunday evening.

Devdutt Singh (50) of Vijay Nagar, an ayurvedic practitioner who was driving the Alto, was arrested. He had driven the car on the wrong side for almost 300 metres after missing an exit to NH-9 when the accident occurred around 7.45pm.

The accident, once again, raised questions on patrolling on speedways. Not only did the car move on the wrong side without being stopped, the scooter also had a free run on the expressway despite a ban on two and three-wheelers.

Yash Gautam (20), a BA third-year student, and his mother Manju (40), a ward inspector at the Central Research Institute of Homeopathy in Noida, were returning home to Vinod Nagar in Delhi from Haridwar. The two would often go to the Uttarakhand city on scooter, police said.

CCTV footage showed the Alto coming from the wrong side along the divider and crashing into the scooter head on. Manju was flung in the air and fell on the road ahead while Yash landed on the car's roof.

Ankit Chauhan, the SHO of Wave City police station, said a passerby called up to inform them about the accident. The mother and son were rushed to Manipal Hospital and wheeled into the emergency ward.

"They succumbed to injuries after a few hours. The bodies were sent for autopsy and the woman's brother was informed," the SHO said. "We arrested the car driver, Devdutt Singh. He was accompanied by his wife on their way back after visiting a relative in Bhojpur," he added.

After 'down payment', rogue cops took bribes in EMIs, frisked targets for wires

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Are Delhi cops accepting bribes in EMIs after taking a lump sum down payment? Amid unprecedented CBI raids on the department, an analysis of FIRs filed by the probe agency in recent cases indicates that the accused personnel were predominantly apprehended allegedly accepting a portion of the bribes in multiple instances. The victims in all these cases were apparently instructed to make a down payment and remit the rest at their convenience.

It has also come to light in a few cases that before beginning the negotiations, police personnel meticulously frisked the targets in order to ensure that they were not wearing a wire. Central Bureau of Investigation is aware of these trends and will formulate strategies accordingly, sources divulged.

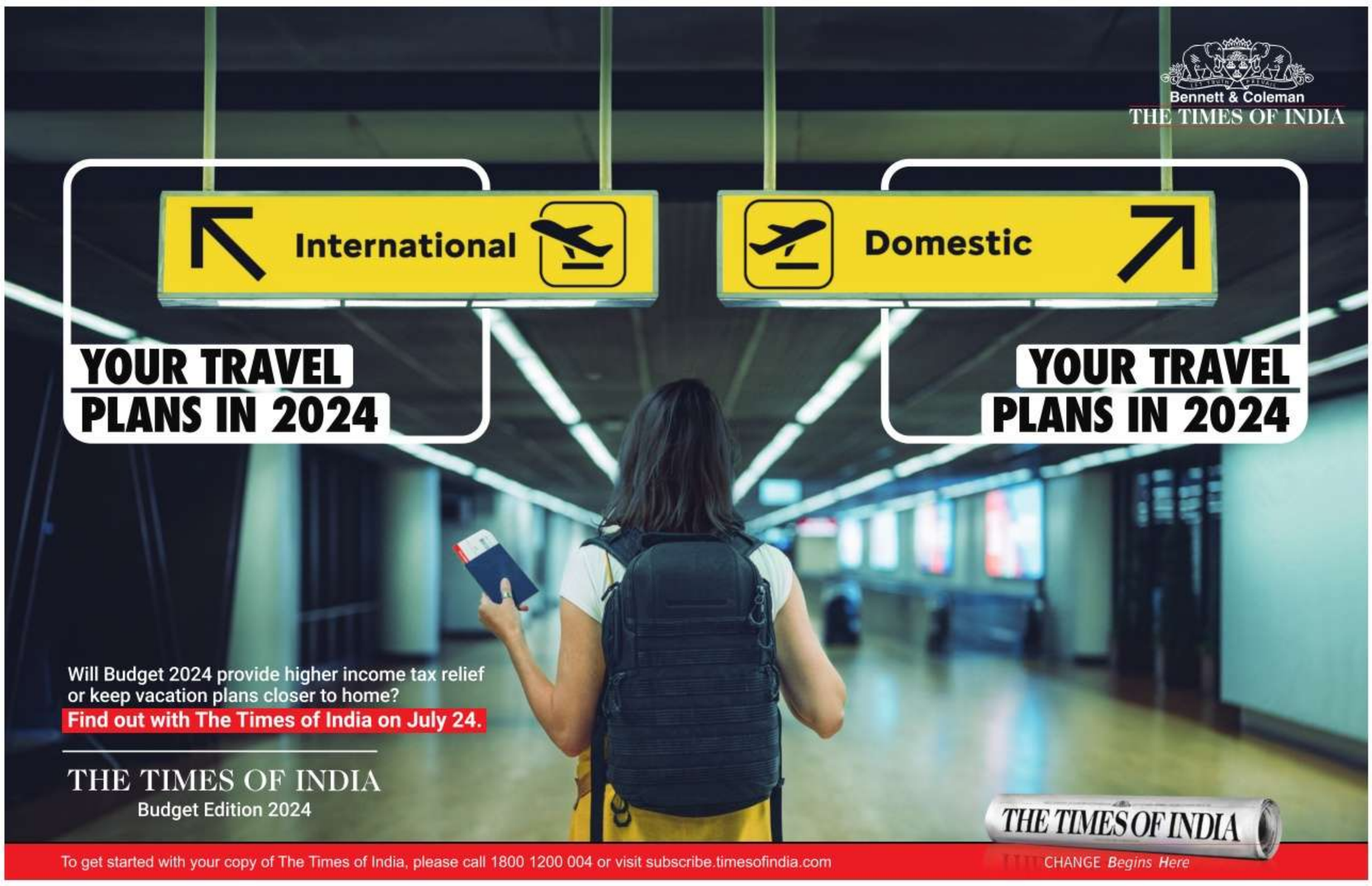
In the latest raid conducted at Patparganj police station in east Delhi, CBI apprehended two head constables while accepting a bribe of Rs 10,000. The accused, according to CBI, had demanded Rs 50,000 from a woman trader after accusing her of selling stolen phones. After negotiations, they agreed to accept Rs 11,000 as a "part payment" and the rest in equated monthly instalments.

Another recent case of a cop accepting a bribe in instalments surfaced during a CBI raid conducted at a police station on June 21. The accused, a sub-inspector, had demanded a bribe of Rs 3 lakh from a complainant but finally reduced it to Rs 2 lakh. The bribe was demanded for not arresting the complainant in a particular case being investigated by the accused cop. CBI laid a trap and apprehended the policeman while accepting the first instalment of Rs 1 lakh from the complainant.

Similarly, in another case reported a few months ago, a policeman had demanded a bribe of Rs 25 lakh from a complainant in exchange of extending favours in a case. The accused sub-inspector agreed to accept Rs 5 lakh as a down payment and take the rest later in easy instalments over the next few months. The other party, however, approached CBI, which conducted a raid and arrested the policeman while accepting the "EMI" of Rs 4.5 lakh.

The case of frisking and looking for a listening device on a complainant was noticed during a raid on cops from the narcotics cell of North district. The first information report lodged by CBI stated that the complainant was sent to the policemen with a recording device and the cops frisked him to ensure that he was not wired up, but couldn't detect it. Later on, they grew suspicious and abducted the complainant. He was taken around the city for a few hours before being threatened and dumped on the road. The accused cops are still at large, and police commissioner Sanjay Arora has demanded their swift arrest.

In the past two years, there has been a sharp escalation in the instances of corruption in Delhi Police, prompting the investigating agency to conduct massive raids at the city's police stations and on police personnel. More than two dozen police personnel have been arrested.



DU to raise funds by allowing donors to name capital assets

New Delhi: Philanthropists may now be able to apply for naming and re-naming of any infrastructure of Delhi University through donations for a specified time period, according to a policy proposal.

The donors will be allowed to decide the names of any new building, part of the new building, or additions in the existing structures of Delhi University, such as hostels, laboratory, teaching block, library, and auditorium, it states.

According to the recommendation, donors contributing Rs 5 crore and above will be able to name or rename the structure for a period of 33 years. Those contributing Rs 2 crore and above but not exceeding Rs 5 crore can get them named for a period up to 20 years. Donations of Rs 1 crore and above, not exceeding Rs 2 crore, will allow the donors to name the structure for a period up to 10 years.

The matter is placed before the executive council, the highest decision making body of the university, for consideration.

A four-member panel recommended guidelines for naming and renaming DU's capital asset and structures on April 16.

The committee also recommended the norms for accepting donations to institute fresh scholarships and awards for the students.

It observed "that fresh scholarships and awards haven't been instituted for quite some years. Furthermore, the existing guidelines provide for scholarships/awards in perpetuity which is not sustainable in the long run. Keeping these in view, the recommendations are suggested."

In case of naming the floor, room or building, at least 60 per cent of the construction cost will have to be given as contribution.

Establishment of the new scholarship and awards by government entities, NGOs, trusts, corporate houses, PSUs, and other organisations -- both national and international, as well as by individuals, will be permitted.

The minimum amount required for the establishment of any scholarship or award will be Rs 5 lakh for a duration of 10 years and Rs 10 lakh for a duration of 20 years. PTI

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ACB Files Case Against 3 Firms Providing Security To Govt Hosps For 'Irregularities'

Under-Deployment Of Staff, Bribery Among Complaints

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Anti-Corruption Branch (ACB) has registered a case against three companies that were supplying security personnel to various Delhi govt hospitals. The action was taken after it received several complaints alleging under-deployment of staff, recruitment of ineligible candidates, fraudulent claims for ESI and provident funds, bribery by employers and embezzlement of govt funds.

ACB chief Madhur Verma said that these companies provide security personnel at GTB Hospital in Shahdara, Rajiv Gandhi Super Speciality Hospital in Tahirpur, BR Ambedkar Hospital in Rohini, SDN Hospital in Shahdara, Hindu Rao Hospital, and other Delhi govt hospitals. "During verification, it was found that these private players, in collusion with govt officials, were actively involved in various malpractices and violations of the tender conditions as well as the laid-down procedures in providing security personnel at different Delhi govt hospitals," he added.

ACB CHIEF SAYS

During verification, it was found that these private players, in collusion with govt officials, were actively involved in various malpractices and violations of the tender conditions

Two of the complainants were working as security supervisors in these manpower and security provider companies.

An officer highlighted the major allegations made by the complainants. "These included the under-deployment of security personnel at the govt hospitals compared to the agreed deployment in the award of the tender. The agencies received payment for the agreed number of security personnel without their actual deployment. There was also an issue with the simultaneous deployment of an individual at more than one hospital, with the agencies claiming bills for the single individual at more than one hospital," the officer said.

After examining some of the complaints and the complainants, a case under Section 7(A) of the POC Act was registered by ACB against the three security service provider companies and some govt and private persons involved in the matter. "A comprehensive investigation has been launched to unearth the whole conspiracy and fix the role and culpability of govt and private persons involved in the embezzlement of the govt exchequer," the officer added.

Bharadwaj flagged 'corruption' several times, officials 'reluctant' to act: AAP

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Delhi govt on Monday said health minister Saurabh Bharadwaj flagged "blatant corruption" in the hiring of contractual manpower at hospitals and other facilities several times since his induction into the cabinet, but officials were "reluctant" to take decisive action.

The govt, in a statement, mentioned that Bharadwaj took the oath of office on March 9, 2023, and highlighted the corruption issue on March 30 of the same year. "A thorough inquiry should find out why officials had shut their eyes despite repeated reminders by the health minister. The strictest punishment should be given to those responsible for continuing this corrupt practice," the statement read.

Govt said the matter had been discussed "dozens of times" with the officers of the health department, including its secretary. It was also thoroughly deliberated upon when Bharadwaj was the chairman of the Delhi Assembly's Petitions Committee, yet no action was taken.

"Even in the case of hiring contractual data entry operators, the minister has written on dozens of files about corruption. The file was moved to stop this practice of taking manpower through private contractors and suggested they are hired through a central govt's undertaking such as ICSIL. The policy was even passed by the Cabinet. For reasons best known to LG, even that decision has not been implemented," the govt claimed, adding that the minister sent a detailed note yet again on the issue a few days ago.

"In the note, the minister recalled several instances of complaints made by contractual manpower. Despite repeated directions on file, things have not changed on the ground," the govt stated.

185 camps with high-quality waterproof tents being set up for kanwariyas: Atishi

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: To ensure that kanwariyas don't face any inconvenience, Delhi revenue minister Atishi said on Monday that 185 camps were being set up across the city and each of them would be equipped with high-quality waterproof tents, medical facilities, clean water, toilets and furniture.

Addressing a press conference, the minister stated that AAP govt was "committed" to providing the best facilities for the Shiva devotees during the holy month of Sawan. She also called upon the people of Delhi to join in this religious endeavour and support kanwariyas in every way possible.

While the movement of kanwariyas started from Monday, it is likely to peak by the end of July and culminate on August 2, with people bringing Ganga water from Rishikesh and Haridwar on foot and offering it to the deity.

Jatin Kumar

Devotees offer prayers on the first Monday of Sawan

Atishi, in her press conference, said that kanwariyas would start arriving in Delhi from July 25 onwards, and all camps would be fully ready in the next 2-3 days. Since East and Northeast Delhi and Shahdara districts are the entry and exit points for kanwariyas, most camps are being set up in these areas.

"Maximum 38 camps are being set up in Shahdara district, while North East will have 29, Central will have 22, and East district will have 19. Kanwar camps are being set up in various other parts of Delhi too," said the minister, adding that about 15-20 lakh pilgrims pass through Delhi during this period.

Atishi said the revenue department had started preparing for kanwar camps from June itself and regular inspections were being conducted by her and senior Delhi govt officials.

"All preparations for setting up kanwar camps in Delhi are almost complete," she added.

BJP says Kejriwal govt must go; allegations 'frivolous', says AAP

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Delhi BJP on Monday demanded the resignation of Arvind Kejriwal govt, alleging that it was preoccupied with press conferences while development work in the capital was stalled.

In response, AAP said BJP had brought "frivolous" allegations against it and should instead reflect on how many promises its central govt had fulfilled.

At a press conference, Delhi BJP chief Virendra Sachdeva alleged that several AAP ministers, MLAs and councillors were accused of corruption, and many, including chief minister Arvind Kejriwal, had been arrested and jailed.

CM Arvind Kejriwal

He added that Delhi govt was "trapped in a game of bail from jail", which had resulted in the stalling of development work in the city. "In Arvind Kejriwal's rule, only one development has taken place in Delhi, which is corruption," Sachdeva said.

He said AAP recently made "guarantees" to the people of Haryana, where elections were due later this year, but failed to fulfil the promises of opening 100 schools per year, 1,000 mohalla clinics and for providing free electricity and water.

"The academic level of Delhi's students has dropped so much that thousands fail in class each year. Free electricity is only a dream. Due to the power purchase adjustment cost and pension surcharges, electricity rates are the highest in Delhi. People are forced to buy water at Rs 30 a bottle either due to shortage or contaminated water," Sachdeva said.

"Delhi is labelled as the most polluted capital in the world. In the winter of 2023-24, the AQI was over 400," he added.

South Delhi BJP MP Ramvir Singh Bidhuri said that "incompetence, deceit and corruption have become the hallmarks" of the AAP govts in Delhi and Punjab. "BJP will not let Kejriwal deceive the people of Haryana and will run an awareness campaign," he said.

AAP countered the charges by saying that Kejriwal was "staunchly honest" and had provided "transparent" governance, resulting in Delhi having a revenue-surplus budget although it offered several free schemes. It said BJP should stop indulging in "frivolous allegations".

"It's been more than 11 years since BJP MPs were given a chance by Delhiites. Can BJP name a single significant achievement during this period? Can BJP name one state under its governance that has a revenue surplus or provides free electricity?" AAP asked.

AAP charged that the people of India had seen through the "false promises" of BJP, such as the unfulfilled 'jumla' of depositing Rs 15 lakh in every citizen's account.

"Delhi has the lowest inflation rate and the highest per capita income," it said.

Key west Delhi stretch to be strengthened: Atishi

New Delhi: Public Works Department minister Atishi has approved a project for the upgradation and strengthening of a stretch from the Punjabi Bagh roundabout to Prembari Pul on Ring Road. "Govt is strengthening Ring Road, which is a lifeline of traffic in Delhi. It connects different parts of the city and facilitates the daily commute of lakhs of residents. This project is part of the vision of CM Arvind Kejriwal to provide a better commuting experience to the people of Delhi by increasing the overall connectivity of various areas," said Atishi. The minister instructed the officials concerned to ensure that all the standards of safety, security and quality are followed during the work. TNN

Police detain group of bikers for recklessness

New Delhi: Police detained a group of motorcyclists for their unruly and reckless driving in Connaught Place on Sunday night. An officer said, "On July 21, a group of boys on four scooters and seven motorcycles were creating huge commotion near India Gate. They were travelling at exceptionally high speed and performing dangerous stunts. We nabbed them at Baba Khadak Singh Marg." TNN

Camps 'found wanting' in northeast Delhi, govt says work in progress

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New Delhi: The incomplete arrangements at kanwar camps in northeast Delhi and Shahdara have left the Shiva devotees on the annual march in disarray. The camps, intended to offer rest and convenience to 15-20 lakh devotees passing through Delhi, are grappling with teething problems.

When asked about the inadequate arrangements, Delhi govt explained that a significant number of kanwariyas was expected to arrive in the city from July 25 and that more than 95% of the kanwar camps were, therefore, only now being put up by the state govt and hadn't yet been inaugurated. These stopovers for the devotees will not become fully operational before July 25.

Speaking to **TOI**, the camp coordinators said there was a big footfall on the first day of the yatra on Monday. However, the lack of essential facilities, including tents, washrooms and medical help, indicated that there might be more inconveniences once the number of devotees started increasing in a couple of days.

The camps that are already running are still waiting for some amenities. Ratanlal, coordinator at Kanwar Mandir in Yamuna Vihar, told TOI, "Having organised these camps for three decades, I can see we are still lacking a lot of facilities. The tent, which serves as the main sanctuary for the weary pilgrims, is absent despite our temple being the only one dedicated specifically to the kanwar yatra. We can't ask the exhausted devotees to sit in the rain. We are, therefore, striving to accommodate as many devotees as possible in the temple itself, which has only resulted in disorder."

Photos: Jatin Kumar

Coordinators alleged lack of essential facilities at many camps

TOI's visit to several camps also showed that team of medical professionals had yet to be deployed. Some camps have reported receiving over 2,000 devotees, who often suffer from bruises and injuries while marching for long distances with heavy pots of Ganga water back to their localities. Jwala Sharma, coordinator of the Seelampur Kanwar camp, complained, "The govt has assured us of medical facilities at the camps but they are yet to be set up. The severity of the devotees' injuries forced us to get a private doctor to disinfect their sores."

The camps in northeast Delhi's Yamuna Vihar did not have toilets and sanitation facilities. The exhausted devotees rested on the littered concrete roads. In Dilshad Garden, the open sewers within the camps were a significant safety hazard. An organiser expressed worry saying, "The designated spot for our camp is fraught with danger, but we have no alternative but to make do with what we have. The safety of women and children in the camp is a matter of concern because when the crowd increases, anyone can stumble and fall into these open sewers."

There was accumulated garbage near some camps in Dilshad Garden, Seelampur and other areas. Despite assurances of Delhi Police about posting of security personnel in these areas, the absence of CCTV cameras at the camps and the lack of barricading on busy roads like Maujpur to Seelampur have also left the organisers worried about the safety and security of the kanwar yatris.

ART centre staff allege misbehaviour by AIIMS security

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The staff and doctors at AIIMS expressed outrage on Monday after the "in charge" and staff members of ART centre, dedicated to treating HIV patients, were allegedly mis-treated by hospital's security personnel.

They claimed that the security officer of the institute behaved like "goons" when they arrived at the centre, "weilding lathis and throwing around items lying there". The incident was strongly condemned by doctors and staff members.

The ART centre, managed by department of medicine, plays a crucial role in providing care and support to individuals living with HIV. The medical community at AIIMS demanded swift action to address the situation and ensure that such incidents didn't recur.

A video of the incident that surfaced on social media showed Neeraj Nischal, a senior doctor from department of medicine, expressing his distress over the phone. He voiced his complaint regarding the "inappropriate conduct" of security personnel towards the female staff members at the centre. Nischal alleged that the security guards were "abusive" and "even resorted to throwing objects".

He claimed that attempts to reach the chief security officer were unsuccessful.

The video also showed security guards stationed at ART centre. They were dressed in blue uniforms and carrying sticks, and one security officer was in a khaki uniform.

According to insiders, a free generic pharmacy has been granted a one-year extension and instructed to move to a new location, which is integrated with registration counters set up at ART centre. However, doctors claimed that this space had been allocated without prior consultation or official communication with medicine department.

The situation was eventually brought under control after almost three hours. The chaos affected the single-window counter that fulfils the basic needs of patients, including distribution of medicines. As a result, patients were forced to wait for an extended period.

A senior hospital official, who requested anonymity, acknowledged "the regrettable nature" of the incident and stated that the matter was being looked into.

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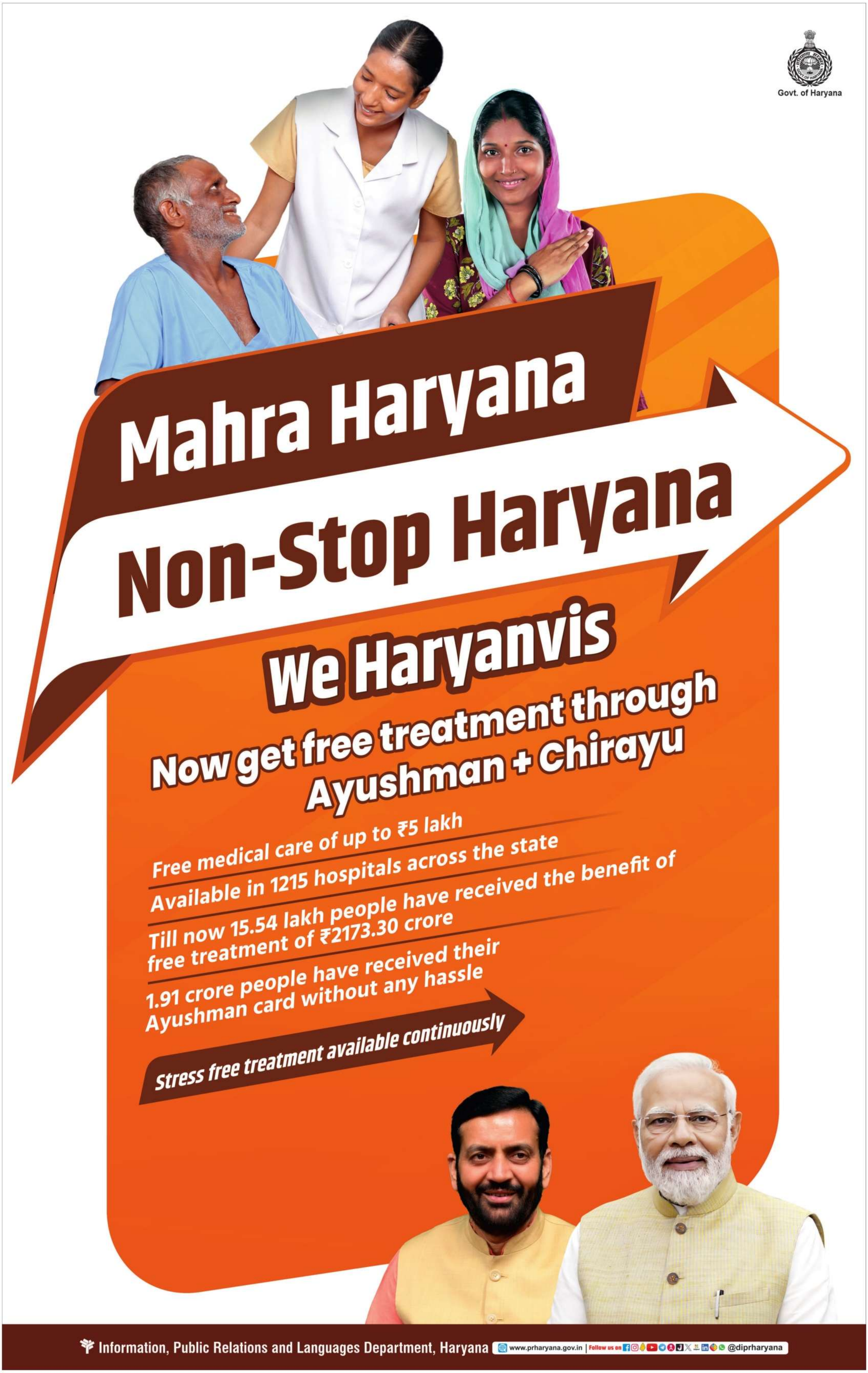

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Air You're Breathing Is 3rd Worst In Country

Records Avg PM2.5 Of 102µg/m3 From Jan To June

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New Delhi: A new analysis by Centre for Research on Energy and Clean Air (CREA) has revealed that Delhi was the third most polluted city in the country from Jan to June this year, with average PM2.5 levels of 102 micrograms per cubic metre. Byrnihat in Meghalaya was the most polluted among the 256 cities, followed by Faridabad.

The average half-yearly PM2.5 levels for Byrnihat were 140 micrograms per cubic metre. Faridabad recorded 103 micrograms per cubic metre on average in that period.

According to the analysis, 140 cities were featured in the daily most polluted cities list from Jan to June. Of these, 51 cities appeared at least 10 times over the six-month period. Byrnihat topped the list, featuring on 118 days, followed by Gurgaon (63 days), Faridabad (62 days), Ballabgarh (58 days), Muzaffarnagar (55 days), Delhi (54 days), Sri Ganganagar (51 days), and Mandi Gobindgarh (51 days). Among India's top 10 polluted cities, three were located in Haryana, two each in Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh, while Delhi, Assam, and Bihar each had one.

The PM2.5 data was analysed for only those cities that had the figures for over 80% of the days from Jan 1 to June 30.

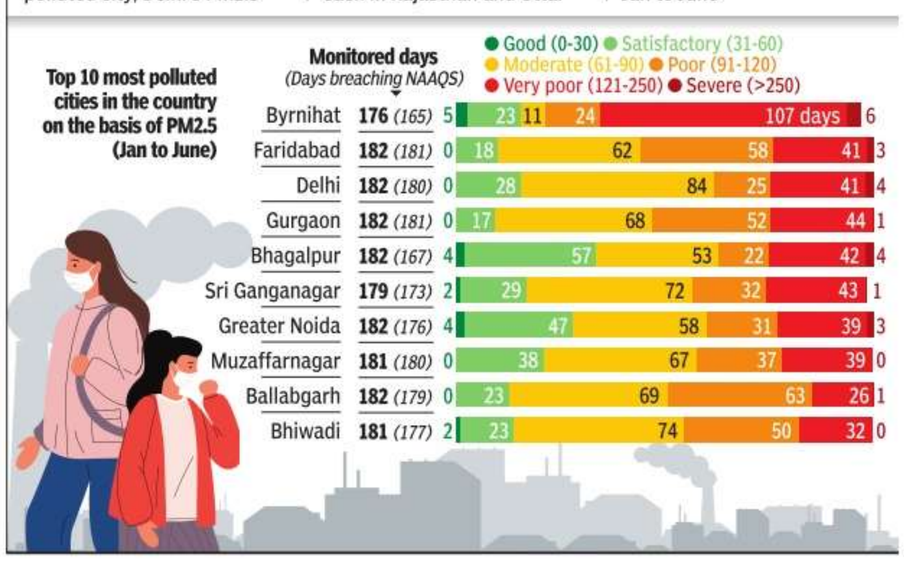
During this period, Delhi did not meet WHO guidelines of 15 micrograms per cubic metre for even a single day. Out of 182 days, the city met the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) of 60 micrograms per cubic metre for 18 days. The half-yearly analysis by CREA said Delhi's average PM2.5 levels at 120 micrograms per cubic metre exceeded the NAAQS and was 20 times higher than the WHO annual levels.

Sunil Dahiya, South Asia analyst at CREA, said: "Almost all cities except Palwal and Mandikhera across Delhi-NCR reported higher pollution levels than the prescribed annual NAAQS, raising two important issues. First, that the data quality and sighting of ambient air quality monitors for these two cities should be investigated as it is strange for some cities to show usually lower values in the larger polluted air-shed."

He added that "as all the other remaining 25 of the 27 Delhi-NCR cities... recorded higher PM2.5 levels than NAAQS, it is important to formulate a larger air-shed level clean air action plan. This plan should also enforce systematic and comprehensive pollution strategies for these cities and sources beyond the municipal corporation boundaries."

PM2.5 IN CITY 20 TIMES THE WHO GUIDELINE

- Byrnihat, located on Assam-Meghalaya border, ranked most polluted in India, with an average PM2.5 concentration of 140 µg/m³
- Ranking as India's 3rd most polluted city, Delhi's PM2.5 pollution levels exceeded NAAQS and were 20 times the WHO annual guideline levels at 102 µg/m³
- Among India's top 10 polluted cities, three were located in Haryana, two each in Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. One each in Assam and Bihar
- Delhi did not meet WHO guideline of 60 micrograms per cubic metre on any day during the period from Jan to June



Tomb raiders: Silt and debris on roadside lay waste to beautification on key stretch

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New Delhi: The capital is currently hosting international guests for the World Heritage Committee events and various areas in and around central Delhi have been spruced up. In sharp contrast, just a short distance from the World Heritage Site of Humayun's Tomb, there are massive piles of garbage on Lala Lajpat Rai Marg, which connects with the cultural district of Lodhi Colony and the historic locality of Nizamuddin.

Silt excavated from the Barapullah drain, construction and demolition debris and municipal waste lie in unkempt mounds on the roadside, obstructing both a lane of the road and the footpath. Under civic rules, the silt and sludge have to be removed to an authorised dumping ground within 36 hours of intimation by the engineer in charge of the road using mechanical transport.

The muck and silt from the 10-feet-high mounds are washed into the drains when it rains, defeating the purpose of unclogging the drains and potentially increasing the possibility of waterlogging. Usually, the silt drawn out from the drains used to be dumped in Singhola, a designated site, but that facility has run out of space. Some agencies now dispose of the silt at landfills after paying dumping charges to the Municipal Corporation of Delhi.

The road, however, is managed by the Public Works Department. But MCD is the agency primarily responsible for sanitation in the city. While the municipal corporation did not officially respond to queries about the matter, an MCD official claimed, "Removal of C&D and silt is in progress. It will be completed within two days."

MCD had earlier carried out desilting of the Barapullah drain after water was flowing in at a high level following heavy rainfall that caused a backflow in stormwater drains. Every year before the monsoon, all the agencies responsible for the city's civic work, primarily MCD and PWD, take up the task of clearing drains and stormwater channels of accumulated muck.

This is not the only example of a lacklustre approach to public cleaning. On the service road along the Delhi-Meerut expressway, PWD sucked out the silt from the drain there and left the detritus in the open along the road for several days.

Because of the World Heritage Committee events in the city, several areas were given a facelift, including Mathura Road which is connected to Lala Lajpat Rai Marg. The beautification effort involved potted plants to increase greenery, illumination, mural work on walls of underpasses and major intersections and the installation of sculptures inspired by Indian UNESCO heritage sites.

The sprucing up hasn't impressed people because of the conflicting acts of other agencies. "It is good that a major drain was cleaned, but dumping the muck on the roadside is not the way of a world-class city," groaned a daily user of the road.

PWD to install tubewells to aid firefighting in Walled City

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New Delhi: Public Works Department (PWD) has decided to install tubewells in the vicinity of Azad Park to support the Delhi Fire Service (DFS) for a more efficient and effective response to fire emergencies, having learnt its lesson in the Bhagirath Palace blaze of Nov 2022.

One of the factors identified for the delay in controlling the blaze was the shortage of water supply for firefighting. The inquiry committee on the Bhagirath Palace fire, in which 200 shops were gutted, found that the fire occurred due to "infrastructural neglect".

PWD was held responsible for the delay in commissioning a fire tank with a capacity of 7 lakh litres at Azad Park (Town Hall) after the installation of street fire hydrants, even though funds had already been released for the fire-fighting system in 2021 in accordance with revised estimates as approved by govt.

"It appears that the funds released for the fire-fighting system have been diverted by engineers and contractors to other items, which were not included in the revised estimate, despite the fire-fighting system being an essential item for disaster management, and should have been supervised for completion on priority," the inquiry report said.

In the probe report, the Public Works Department argued that the installation of a firefighting pump in the fire tank was pending since the contractor was not completing the work due to non-release of pending payments. However, PWD has now decided to go for a tubewell, for which a tender has been floated, and according to officials, the work will start soon.

By having a dedicated water supply available, the DFS will be better equipped to tackle fires promptly, minimising the potential for extensive damage and loss of life.

The Chandni Chowk main road, restored and inaugurated in 2021 as a catalyst for future conservation and revitalisation of the Walled City, is currently struggling to stay in shape.

The 1.4-km stretch, starting from the Red Fort junction and going up to the Fatehpuri mosque, was inaugurated in Sep 2021 by chief minister Arvind Kejriwal.

Cop comes in contact with high-tension wire, dies

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: A Delhi Police constable died after coming in contact with a high-tension wire while investigating a theft case in Dwarka.

On July 13, constable Hemant, who was posted with anti-burglary cell in Dwarka district, along with head constable Anil Kumar, went to inspect a crime scene related to a theft case. They arrived at a plot in Prem Vihar in Nangli Dairy at 10.30am. The complainant said that when he was sleeping on the ground floor, the thief went to the first floor from the roof of the house.

The cops then went to the roof to investigate the claim. "A high-tension wire of 66 KV was running over the roof of the house. While Hemant was trying to trace the potential path taken by the thief, he tried to see the neighbouring house from the roof, resulting in a sudden blast. Hemant was electrocuted and his clothes caught fire," an officer said.

Anil extinguished the fire and rushed Hemant to a hospital. He was later transferred to AIIMS Trauma Centre. He succumbed on July 20. Hemant had joined the service as a constable in 2018.

DCP (Dwarka) Ankit Singh said a "final adieu to the bereaved brave heart", was given at his native village in Rewari, with all due respect, where all from the police staff were present.

According to BSES, the constable came in contact with a high tension electricity wire above the roof of an unauthorised house. Incidentally, these wires were installed over 50 years ago and in complete violation of the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) guidelines; the building was later constructed underneath high tension wires.

"CEA guidelines specify minimum distances to be maintained from electricity installations and wires. Despite being served a notice by the discom, the owner failed to rectify the violation," a BSES official said.

Yellow alert in place, rain respite from heat may last till tomorrow

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Delhi got light to moderate rainfall on Monday with the highest precipitation between 11.30am and 2.30pm. The maximum temperature did not drop by a lot. However, the city did get a cool breeze.

Favourable weather conditions are likely to keep Delhi cool over the next few days. The weather department expects a two to three-degree drop in the daytime temperature too.

On Monday, the city's weather base station at Safdarjung recorded 31.4mm rainfall till 5.30pm. A day earlier, Safdarjung had seen 7mm rainfall.

The Palam area recorded 8.9mm on Monday, Lodhi Road 26.6mm, the Ridge 27.8mm, Delhi University 39.5 mm, Pusa 52mm, Najafgarh 19.5mm, Pitampura 48.5mm, and Ayanagar recorded 13.6 mm rainfall.

The forecast is for light to moderate showers till Wednesday. "There is an active western disturbance which fed additional moisture to the city. Besides, the monsoon line of trough has shifted closer to the city and is currently south of Delhi. All these factors together will bring the city moderate showers. The rain is expected to continue towards Tuesday and Wednesday as well," an official of India Meteorological Department (IMD) said.

Anindya Chattopadhyay

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On Monday, Safdarjung recorded a maximum temperature of 36.4 degrees Celsius, a notch above normal and against 36.6 degrees a day earlier. The minimum temperature was 29.2 degrees Celsius, two notches above normal and against 26.4 a day earlier. The humidity oscillated between 65% and 100%.

So far in July, the city had recorded 118.2mm rainfall net. Since the arrival of the monsoon on June 28, Delhi has seen 355.2 mm of rainfall.

The weather department has issued a yellow alert for the moderate to light rainfall expected on Tuesday and expects the maximum and minimum temperatures to hover around 35 degrees Celsius and 27 degrees Celsius, respectively. The maximum temperature may drop further to 34 by Wednesday.

The air quality has improved to satisfactory from moderate, recorded a day earlier. The air quality index was 85 on Monday.

BJP targets MCD & PWD after roads waterlogged

New Delhi: After Monday's rain, waterlogging was reported in various parts of the city, including underpasses, intersections and internal colony roads. BJP and Congress raised questions about the claims of Delhi govt and MCD, both being run by AAP, regarding the "complete desilting" of drains. Delhi govt and MCD didn't respond to the allegations.

According to a report of MCD, waterlogging was reported at Laxmi Nagar, Shakti Vihar in Uttam Nagar, Kalyan Vihar and Naraina Industrial Area. Falling of trees or branches was reported from three places in Mehrauli, Trinagar and Naraina Industrial Area. Among PWD areas, traffic was affected on both carriageways of New Rohtak Road, from Azadpur towards Mukarba Chowk, and on Najafgarh Phirni Road due to heavy waterlogging. Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva claimed that just an hour of rain had led to waterlogging in unauthorised colonies in the areas from Najafgarh to Chhatarpur and Narela to Badarpur. "Even residents of well-established colonies faced issues in internal streets. Many underpasses, including the one at Kishanganj, were submerged and major intersections, including ITO, were also waterlogged, causing traffic jams," he said.

Leader of opposition at MCD, BJP's Raja Iqbal Singh, claimed neither PWD nor MCD drains were cleaned properly. Delhi Congress president Devender Yadav said the "assurances and preparedness" claimed by the authorities to prevent waterlogging had fallen flat once again. TNN

'Greys will rule the world': Striving to break stereotypes for better quality of life for elders

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Clad in a churidar kurta, spectacles perched on her 65-year-old nose, she moved fluidly on the stage, leaving her audience in awe. Classical dancer Ravi Bala Sharma, a retired govt schoolteacher, performed on Monday at the 10th edition of The Times of India's Right to Excellence, a summit on the well-being of senior citizens.

Dubbed Dancer Dadi, Sharma and other panellists talked about their 'Golden Years, Golden Gains' at Eros Hotel on Monday. The discussions and fireside chats touched upon key topics such as health technology, innovations and opportunities in the senior living sector, rise of older influencers and secrets to thriving in the golden years of life.

Dancer Dadi, who reignited her passion for dancing during the Covid lockdown, said that it was unfortunate that society pigeonholed the elderly into categories based on what they could do or what they couldn't, but that had to change. "At the age of 62, I started dancing again and posted a reel on Instagram. It went viral and changed the course of my life," she said.

Sharing the stage with Sharma was model Dinesh Mohan, 66, who proclaimed to a big applause, "Greys soon will rule the world." Mohan, who began his modelling career only at the age of 56, said, "At that age, I had given up on my dreams and become a prisoner of my thoughts. But wishing to break out of this jail, I made an effort to change, first mentally and then physically."

Actor Adil Hussain similarly spoke about personal growth and lifelong learning.

Given India's burgeoning population of the elderly, the summit was a timely effort to bring together experts and policymakers to discuss issues critical to senior living. Dr Anoop Misra, chairman, Fortis C-DOC Hospital for Diabetes and Allied Sciences, put things in perspective when he said in his opening address that longevity was determined only 25% by the genes. "75% of longevity is non-genetic. So the environment, diet and nutrition and exercise and fitness determine how long one lives," Misra said.

Rajesh Mehta

Experts shed light on elderly care and assistance at the event

RIGHT TO EXCELLENCE
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Dr Harsh Mahajan, founder and MD, Mahajan Imaging, pointed out that 7.4% of Indians over the age of 60, or 8.8 million individuals, currently lived with dementia, but that this could be fought. Early detection through imaging, genome sequencing and new blood tests can check the risk of dementia and Alzheimer's disease among the seniors, emphasised Mahajan.

Antara Senior Living, Association of Senior Living India, Samarth Eldercare and Epoch Elder Care were the sponsors of the event. Asheesh Gupta, founder, Samarth Eldercare, said that studies had determined that the elderly "need people to talk to, places to go and the feeling that they are still needed". He added that financial independence and security were also key for worry-free living. Neha Sinha, co-founder, Epoch Elder Care, rued that India, unlike other countries, lacked in trained caregivers. "Technology can assist us to care for the seniors, but we also need to skill the caregivers," she said.

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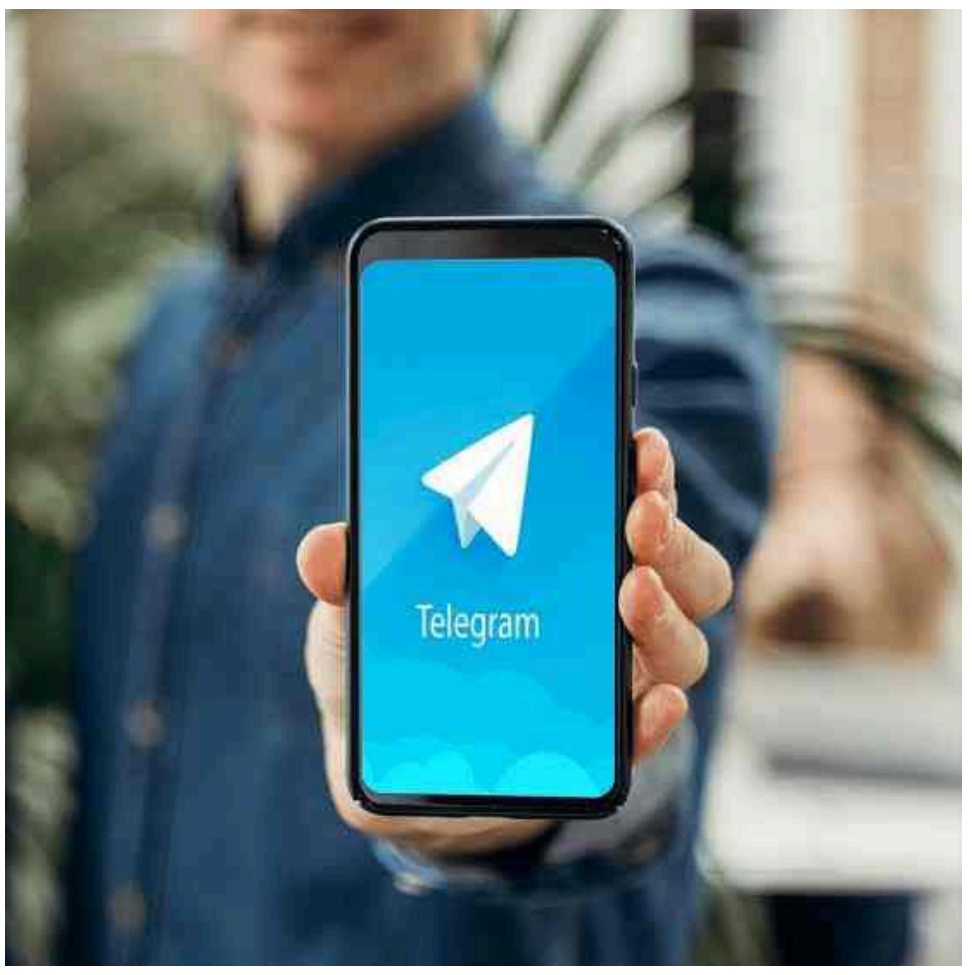

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14 Pending Proposals On MCD House Meet Agenda

Awaiting Nod For 10 Months; Meeting Slated For July 29

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The proposals include the allocation of additional funds for the completion of parking lots partly constructed over a decade ago, the construction of a medical college, and the reconstruction of Minto Road flats

New Delhi: The upcoming Municipal Corporation of Delhi's (MCD) House meeting is slated to take place on July 29. During this meeting, at least 14 proposals, which have been pending approval for 10 months or more, are likely to be discussed. These proposals include the allocation of additional funds for the completion of parking lots partly constructed over a decade ago, the construction of a medical college, and the reconstruction of Minto Road flats.

Due to the non-formation of a standing committee, several development works in Delhi have been badly affected. Delay in receiving a nod from the House for important projects has also affected the overall pace of the corporation's work. The mayor did not respond to queries in this regard.

Leader of opposition Raja Iqbal Singh said that every time due to uproar in MCD's House, except for a few proposals, others remain undecided. "Generally, when a proposal comes before the House, it is postponed for one or two meetings because the public representatives or councillors ask for some clarification from the department concerned. After understanding the proposal, a decision is taken. Due to non-formation of the standing committee, the House cannot give financial approvals, which is leading to several projects getting delayed," he added.

Some of the major proposals that have not seen the light of day include the project for building multi-storey underground parking in Kalkaji and Jangpura. Initially, an amount of Rs 104.2 crore was sanctioned for the project. However, the amount was later proposed to increase to Rs 107.4 crore. A proposal in this regard came to the House in Oct 2023, wherein it was postponed. Since then, there has been no progress.

In front of the MCD headquarters, there are residential flats for officers and employees of the corporation. A plan was conceived in 2016-17 to reconstruct these single-storey flats into multistoried structures to provide accommodation to more employees during the tenure of the erstwhile north corporation. The last time, the proposal related to this came in the House meeting in March 2024, wherein it was postponed. If the project is implemented, MCD will also earn revenue as the housing allowance of the corporation employees will come to the corporation only.

Further, in May 2024, MCD came out with a proposal to construct a medical college building complex for MBBS and postgraduate students at the campus of Rajan Babu Institute of Pulmonary Medicine and Tuberculosis Hospital in Mukherjee Nagar. The project will cost Rs 380 crore to MCD. The facility is needed because the medical college is currently running from temporary arrangements (porta cabins) at Hindu Rao Hospital.

The new proposal included constructing a proper medical college building with provisions for laboratories, hostels, staff quarters, a library, an auditorium and hostel blocks.

UAE-Delhi flight diverted to Muscat after technical snag

Times News Network

Passengers of the diverted flight at Muscat airport

New Delhi: IndiGo's Abu Dhabi-Delhi flight was on early Monday morning safely diverted to Oman following a technical snag that, according to passengers, saw the aircraft "vibrate" right from the moment it took off. Passengers were put up in a hotel and said on Monday afternoon that they were waiting to be flown to Delhi. The crew told flyers the aircraft had suffered a technical snag. "The aircraft had encountered turbulent weather en route," said people in the know.

Comments were sought from IndiGo and were awaited till the time of going to press.

The flight, 6E 1406, was to take off from the UAE at 12.20 am. A passenger who was on this flight said: "We took off with a delay of 40 minutes with 129 passengers and six crew members. Even at take-off time, the aircraft was vibrating a lot. Some passengers seated in the emergency exit row heard noise as if a door was getting open and shut. For the next one hour, the seat belt sign was not switched off and everyone remained seated. Subsequently, the pilot announced there's some technical problem and that we were diverting to Muscat."

Once the aircraft landed safely in Muscat, passengers claimed that they remained on board for an hour with technical teams trying to rectify the snag. "Some passengers now started asking for refreshments. The air hostess (the lead one) pointed out there were limited food items on the aircraft as IndiGo is not a full service airline (that has meals & beverages for all). She requested to save the limited meals for the old and very young passengers apart from those with medical conditions just in case the waiting inside the aircraft was going to be a long one. Some food items were given to other passengers," said some on board the aircraft, while praising the lead cabin attendant for the way she handled the situation.

Later, passengers were asked to alight from the plane. "We did not have an Oman visa and were waiting inside the terminal when the crew of our flight came. They told us the aircraft had suffered a hydraulic snag and that's why they decided to divert to Oman," some passengers, who did not wish to be named, said.

In about 2.5 hours, IndiGo managed to take the non-Oman visa holders to a transit hotel at the airport. "Now we are waiting to be flown to Delhi. Our baggage is inside the aircraft and we have only our handbags with us," said a passenger at 3.30 pm Monday (India time).

Roof collapse at IGI: HC closes plea for probe

Times News Network

New Delhi: Delhi High Court on Monday closed proceedings on a PIL seeking an investigation into the recent canopy collapse at IGI airport amid heavy rain that caused the death of a taxi driver.

The court recorded the Centre's stand that a high-level expert committee had been formed to examine the incident. Separately, an FIR has been lodged.

Govt told the bench of acting Chief Justice Manmohan and Justice Tushar Rao Gedela that the authorities had taken several steps, such as the registration of an FIR for alleged "death by negligence" and "hurt by an act endangering life or personal safety of others" under the Indian Penal Code. Additionally, the committee comprising engineers from IIT will submit its report.

The petitioner, Civil Safety Council of India, had sought a probe by a "multidisciplinary special investigation team," headed by expert engineers or an agency such as CBI. The aim was to assess the quality of building construction, its project approval and clearances from civil agencies.

Besides the formation of a committee, the civil aviation ministry has directed all airport operators to get a third-party audit done

The petitioner highlighted that within a short span of time, there were three instances of structures collapsing at three airports — in Delhi, Rajkot, and Jabalpur — raising serious concerns regarding the safety of the public and the state of structural integrity of the airports. The plea urged the court to direct that the report of the inquiry be made public.

Turning down the request, the court said: "IIT-Delhi is there. That is good enough."

The counsel appearing for the civil aviation ministry told the court that, besides the formation of the committee, the ministry has directed all airport operators to get a third-party audit done. This audit would be on the structural stability of the airports by reputed institutions, such as IITs and National Institutes of Technology. Airports Authority of India said 88 airports have already completed their structural audits and started working on the required remedies, while the process is ongoing in 13 of them.

The counsel also mentioned that the airport operators have been asked to carry out an evaluation of the civil, technical and electrical aspects of their respective airports before the onset of monsoon every year.

The court was further told that all airport buildings are built in accordance with standards laid down in the National Building Code or by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), leading the court to end the proceedings.

'Correct mistakes': HC to Bharti on Swaraj plea

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New Delhi: Pointing out several mistakes in a plea that challenged BJP MP Bansuri Swaraj's election, Delhi High Court on Monday adjourned the petition filed by AAP functionary Somnath Bharti to next month.

Justice Manmeet PS Arora, at the very outset of the hearing, flagged numerous typographical errors that made it difficult to understand the contents of the petition. The court also highlighted that the reference to parties arrayed in the petition did not correlate with the respondents mentioned in the memo of parties and synopsis.

The court gave Bharti 10 days to file a corrected petition, which will be heard on Aug 14.

When Bharti's counsel urged the court to issue notice to the respondents on the petition, the judge responded, "There are too many mistakes. Correct the petition first. I can't issue notice like this. I will simply adjourn it. Please file a corrected petition".

The petition, filed under sections 80 and 81 of the Representation of the People Act, alleges corrupt practices by Swaraj, her election agent, and other individuals. It also claims that former AAP minister Raaj Kumar Anand contested the election on a Bahujan Samaj Party ticket to aid Swaraj by splitting the vote share. The plea further notes that Anand joined BJP on July 10.

It contends that Anand, a minister in AAP govt in Delhi, was actively campaigning for Bharti until April 9, when he suddenly resigned from the party on April 10. On election day, the petitioner was shocked to see that Swaraj's booth agents had pamphlets displaying her ballot number, photo, election symbol, and a photograph of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

In response to what transpired in court, Delhi BJP spokesperson Praveen Shankar Kapoor stated the "adverse observations of Delhi High Court on the election petition filed by MLA Somnath Bharti have shown he is neither a good public representative nor a competent advocate."

Bharti, in his statement, said, "Being a lawyer, I am also an officer of the court, I can't comment on observations of the Honourable Court, outside the court. Inside the court, I am being represented by advocate KC Mittal."

Aaftab's plea for twice a month hearing rejected

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Aaftab Poonawala is accused of murdering his live-in partner Shraddha Walkar and chopping her body into 35 pieces

New Delhi: A Delhi court has dismissed a plea by Aaftab Poonawala, accused of murdering and chopping his live-in partner Shraddha Walkar into 35 pieces, seeking only two dates per month in the ongoing trial so that his counsel gets suitable time to prepare his defence.

The court of additional sessions judge (fast track court) Manisha Khurana Kakkar, in its order dated July 6, stated that Aaftab was trying to deliberately delay the trial. "The number of prosecution witnesses is excessive and considerable time is required to record the lengthy testimonies of prosecution witnesses, especially police witnesses," it stated. The court further noted that out of the 212 prosecution witnesses, 134 had been examined, and consecutive hearings were necessary for the examination of several outstation witnesses.

The court also refused to immediately release the bones of the victim for her cremation on her father's request, saying they were required for identification by police witnesses. "However, keeping in view the fact that the father of the victim has a right to cremate the bones of his deceased daughter, the matter shall be taken up expeditiously on consecutive dates of hearing each month in order to conclude the prosecution evidence, after which at least some part of the bones may be released to him for cremation, at an appropriate stage of proceedings," it stated.

"Moreover, the right of the accused to a fair trial cannot be allowed to completely trump the right of the victim to a dignified cremation as well as the right of the surviving heir of the deceased to cremate the body of the deceased with dignity and respect," it added.

The court further said that these rights could not be completely thwarted by slackening the pace of the trial at the whims and fancy of the accused, who had been adequately accommodated on each date of hearing to give him ample opportunity to prepare his defence as well as to cross-examine the witnesses.

Special public prosecutor Amit Prasad earlier submitted before the court that fixing two dates of hearing in a month would "severely prejudice and protract the trial" and significantly delay the trial. Recording the testimony of one police witness, constable Deepak, took seven dates, he recalled.

Shraddha was allegedly strangled by Aaftab on May 18, 2022. The 6,629-page chargesheet filed by Delhi Police in Jan 2023 says that Aaftab, after chopping her body into pieces, kept those in a fridge and disposed of the pieces in desolate places across the city over several days, which were discovered later. In May last year, the court had framed charges against Aaftab for the offences under sections 302 (murder) and 201 (causing the disappearance of evidence of offence) of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

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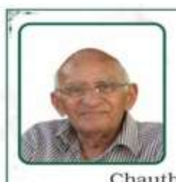
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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-NOTICE INVITED QUOTATION
Notice inviting Re e-tender vide Tender Notice No. 396/1-NIT/Re e-Tend/2024-25 dated 16/07/2024 for analysis of Pesticide and other Chemicals Residue in Organic produce by NABL accredited Laboratories under PKVY by the Office of the Deputy Director of Agriculture (Seed Certification), West Bengal, 230A, N.S.C. Bose Road, Kolkata-700 040 under West Bengal State Seed & Organic Certification Agency during the financial year 2024-25. Tender Papers containing all the terms & conditions can be obtained from the website: https://wbtenders.gov.in Last date of submission of tender paper is upto 5:00 p.m. on 05/08/2024 and will be opened on 06/08/2024 at 1:00 p.m. Sd/- Dr. S. Karmakar, Deputy Director of Agriculture.
ICA-T12003(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
No-WBIW/EE/SDP/RRI/eNIT-03/2024-25
e-Tender is hereby invited by the Executive Engineer/SDP/RRI from the eligible bonafide contractors for 1 NO. of SURVEY WORK: 1. Various types of meteorological data collection and dissemination such as rainfall data, wind direction data, humidity data, sea wave data, water level data, sediment sample & water sample etc in the District Purba Midnapore under River Research Institute, Mohanpur during the year 2024-25. Last date and time of Bid submission is 06.08.2024 till 17:30 hrs. IST. Details of tender notice may be seen at http://wbtenders.gov.in or https://wbiwd.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, Sunderbans Delta Project River Research Institute, Irrigation & Waterways Directorate.
ICA- T11984(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
IRRIGATION AND WATERWAYS DIRECTORATE
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MAYURAKSHI HEAD QUARTERS DIVISION SURI, BIRBHUM
ABRIDGED TENDER NOTICE
eN.I.T. No. WBIW/EE/MHQD/e-NIT-02/2024-25
e-Tender is being invited by the undersigned from the eligible bonafide contractors for 6 (Six) nos. works under Mayurakshi Head Quarters Division under SDS Plan Maintenance 2024-25. Last date & time of downloading of tender documents is 13.08.2024 up to 15:00 hrs. Other details of tender notice may be seen at website www.wbiwd.gov.in & https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, Mayurakshi Head Quarters Division, Suri, Birbhum
ICA- T11988(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
TENDER NOTICE
e-NIT No. WBIW/EE/COB/e-NIT-04/2024-25
Open Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer, Cooch Behar Irrigation Division on behalf of the Governor of West Bengal for 10 nos maintenance work through e-Tendering from eligible bonafide outsiders having sufficient credential & financial capacity for execution of work of similar nature. Details of NIT & Tender documents may be downloaded from www.wbiwd.gov.in or https://wbtenders.gov.in Bid submission end date is 08.08.2024 upto 16.00 hrs. Sd/- (B. Sheikh), Executive Engineer, Cooch Behar Irrigation Division, Debibari, Cooch Behar
ICA- T11989(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Abridged Notice Inviting e-Tender
NIT No. WBFOR/DIR-SFTI HIJLI/ e-NIT 13/SPAP of 2024-25 and WBFOR/DIR-SFTI HIJLI/e-NIT 14/ SPAP of 2024-25
Director, State Forest Training Institute, Hijli invites Tenders from eligible bidders/suppliers having similar work experience for "12th Batch 1(One) Month Promotee Frontline Staff Training Course (FG) at SFTI, Hijli". Interested bidder may visit the website: www.westbengalforest.gov.in or www.wbtenders.gov.in or Office of the undersigned for more details and the last date for online. Bid submission is 30.07.2024 upto 3:00 p.m. Sd/- Kamal Sarkar, WBFS, Director, State Forest Training Institute, Hijli, Kharagpur.
ICA-T12005(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
I. WBSDB/EE/CED-II/ NIT-01(e)/2024-25
II. WBSDB/EE/CED-II/ NIT-02(e)/2024-25
e-Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer, Civil Engineering Division No.-II, Sundarban Development Board from the reliable bonafide resourceful contractors for the Construction of Concrete Road, Culvert & Bridge in Sagar, Kakdwip, & Patharpratima Block of South 24 Pargana, West Bengal. Details may be had from the office of the EE/CED-II/SDB on working days during office hours or in website: https://wbtenders.gov.in Publishing date : 22.07.2024 at 16:00 hrs. Bid submission start Dt. - 23.07.2024 at 11:00 hrs. Bid submission end Dt. - 12.08.2024 at 15:00 hrs. Sd/- Executive Engineer, Civil Engineering Division No.-II, Sundarban Development Board.
ICA- T11985(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER FOR CREATION OF MISCELLANEOUS PLANTATION
Rate quotations/bids are invited from bonafide resourceful contractors for Year-2 Activities of Creation of Miscellaneous Plantation 2023-24 & 2nd, 3rd & 4th Year Maintenance of Miscellaneous Plantation under Jalpaiguri Soil Conservation Division during the F.Y 2024-25 for - 1. NIT No: 05/JSCD/2024-25, 06/JSCD/2024-25, 07/JSCD/2024-25, 08/JSCD/2024-25 for Year-2 Activities of Creation of Miscellaneous Plantation 2023-24. 2. NIT No: 09/JSCD/2024-25, 10/JSCD/2024-25 & 11/JSCD/2024-25, for 2nd Year Maintenance of Miscellaneous Plantation. 3. NIT No: 12/JSCD/2024-25, 13/JSCD/2024-25 & 14/JSCD/2024-25, for 3rd Year Maintenance of Miscellaneous Plantation. 4. NIT No: 15/JSCD/2024-25 & 16/JSCD/2024-25, for 4th Year Maintenance of Miscellaneous Plantation. 5. Bid submission starting date (online): 23-07-2024. 6. Last date of online submission of bids: 02-08-2024. For viewing and participating in the e-Tender visit www.wbtenders.gov.in All other details are available at www.westbengalforest.gov.in & in the Office. Sd/- (Partha Sarathi Pramanik, WBFS, Divisional Forest Officer, Jalpaiguri Soil Conservation Division, Phone 03561-230294 E-mail ID: dfojpgsc.frd-wb@bangla.gov.in
ICA-T12024(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTIFICATION REGARDING E-TENDER
Quotations along with necessary testimonials are invited in prescribed format for participation in ETENDER process published on 16/07/2024 in the website http://wbtenders.gov.in for purchasing laboratory instrument and equipments for Soil Testing Laboratory, WMRS, Ranaghat, Nadia under Soil Health and Fertility Scheme, 2023-24 and 2024-25. The last date for participation in the E-TENDER process, 29/07/2024. Sd/- Project Officer & Ex Officio Joint Director of Agriculture, Water Management Research Station Ranaghat, Nadia.
ICA-T11991(1)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
E-TENDER NOTICE OF WEST BENGAL STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION (A STATUTORY CORPORATION) OF SE, W.B.S.W.C
email ce-swc@wb.gov.in
NIET No. 09(2nd Call) of 2024-25 of SE/WBSWC
Tender ID- 2024_WBSWC_716252_1
REPAIR OF WEIGH BRIDGE RAMP APPROACH ROAD AT DUBRAJPUR RIDE BIRBHUM. Rs. 5,20,490.00. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION- 29.07.2024. For detailed NIET see https://etender.wb.nic.in Sd/- Superintending Engineer, West Bengal State Warehousing Corporation.
ICA-T12007(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
North Bengal Development Department
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
E.E., NBDD, invites online e-Tender Vide e-NIT No.- 14 of 2024-25 of E.E, NBDD. Details will be seen from the Office Notice Board, NBDD, Uttarkanya, Fulbari, Jalpaiguri, Pin-734015 on any working days and in the website:- www.wbtenders.gov.in & www.wbnorthbengaldev.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, North Bengal Development Department
ICA-T12014(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
North Bengal Development Department
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
E.E., NBDD, invites online e-Tender Vide e-NIT No.- 15 (Sl No. 01 to 03) of 2024-25 of E.E, NBDD. Details will be seen from the Office Notice Board, NBDD, Uttarkanya, Fulbari, Jalpaiguri, Pin-734015 on any working days and in the website:- www.wbtenders.gov.in & www.wbnorthbengaldev.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, North Bengal Development Department
ICA-T12015(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Abridged Notice Inviting e-Tender
WBIW/EE-II/CD/e-NIT-11e/2024-25
Executive Engineer-II, Canals Division, Sech Abasan, Salt Lake, Sector-III, Kolkata-700106. invites online tender for the work "Construction of cement concrete block pitching (Length-826 M) and dwarf wall (length 40 M) in between 0.0 km. to 1.0. km of Keorapukur khal within Ward Nos. 114, 115 of KMC area, P.S.-Regent Park. District - Kolkata." Amount Put to Tender is Rs.30.04 Lakh. Tender forms and other details may be obtained from the departmental website www.wbiwd.gov.in and http://etender.wb.nic.in (direct site). Last date of submission of e-bid online is 06.08.24 at 16:00 Hrs. Sd/- Executive Engineer-II, Canals Division I & W Directorate.
ICA- T11993(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
(N.I.T. NO. 07/WBTIDC/2024-25)
(Abridged e-Tender)
E-Tender, in prescribed form in two parts viz. Technical & Financial Bids are invited for the work : 1. Re-furbishment / Renovation of Gangway cum Pontoon Jetty including Link Platform, Passenger waiting Area and lighting arrangement with Solar system for the jetty, at Burul Ferry Ghat in the District of South 24 Parganas. Tender ID: 2024_WBTID_717791_1. Please visit website: https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Superintending Engineer, WBTIDC Ltd.
ICA-T12022(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
TENDER NOTICE
e-Tender is hereby invited by the Assistant Engineer-II, RCFA Division-I, PHE Dte. Vivekananda Pally, Ismile West, Asansol-1, for 28(Twenty-Eight) nos. works of different water supply scheme under RCFA Division-I, PHE Dte. (As per the attached enclosure with the eNIT). NIeT No. 02/2024-25/AE-II/RCD-I/PHE Dte. (Memo no. 1757/RCD-I dt. 18.07.2024). Last date of Bid Submission:-31.07.2024, Ph-0341-2284210. For details visit www.wbetenders.gov.in
ICA-T12045(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
WEST BENGAL GREEN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.
CIN: U40108WB2007SGC121189
(A Govt. of West Bengal Company)
Bikalpa Shakti Bhavan, Plot-J-1/10 EP, GP Block, Salt Lake Electronics Complex, Sector-V, Kolkata - 700 091
Ph: 033-2357-6361,
Email: wbgedcl@rediffmail.com/ wbgedcl2007@gmail.com
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
NIeT No. WBGEDCL/NIeT-02/2024-25
WBGEDCL invites e-tender for "Design & Engineering, Manufactur/ Procurement, Testing, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Organic waste-based Biogas Plant (Horizontal Single Tank based) of capacity of 250 kgs per day including 5(five) years comprehensive maintenance on turnkey basis at Pavlov Hospital, Kolkata." Detailed NIT may be seen & downloaded from WBGEDCL website www.wbgedcl.in Detailed NIeT may be seen & downloaded from WBGEDCL website www.wbgedcl.in Interested bidders may obtain bidding documents by registering themselves to the e-tendering portal https://wbtenders.gov.in and thereby downloading the bidding documents from 15.07.2024 and the offer shall be submitted online up to 4:00 P.M. on 12.08.2024. Sd/- Chief Engineer.
ICA- T11992(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
Dy. Director of Agriculture(Admn), Purba Medinipur invites Item rate tender of different Micro Nutrients against tender Ref No.: WBAGR/DDA (ADMN)/PURBA MED/e-NIT 01/2024-25(2nd Call) and WBAGR/DDA (ADMN)/PURBA MED/e-NIT 02/2024-25(2nd Call). Tender ID: 2024_DOA_714777_1 & 2024_DOA_714792_1. Details can be viewed in www.wbtenders.gov.in from 19/07/2024 at 10:00 hrs. Last date of e-submission is 02/08/2024 upto 15:00 hrs. Sd/- Dy. D.A(Admn), Purba Medinipur.
ICA-T12001(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
e-Tender is invited by The Executive Engineer, Mechanical Electrical Division Berhampore PHE Dte vide Ref. No. WBPHED/EE/MEDB/NIeQ-11 OF 2024-25 and Tender ID: 2024_PHED_717808_1 to 3 for Operation & Maintenance in different PWSS .Last date for Submission of Technical and Financial Bid (online): 29-07-2024 upto 4.00 P.M. Dated of Opening technical proposal (online): 31-07-2024 after 6.00 P.M. NB: All others of the above NIeQ will remain unchanged. All details can be seen from the websiteh ttp://wbtenders.gov.in& www.wbphed.gov.in
ICA-T12074(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
North Bengal Development Department
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
E.E., NBDD, invites online e-Tender Vide e-NIT No.- 13 (Sl No. 01 to 03) of 2024-25 of E.E, NBDD. Details will be seen from the Office Notice Board, NBDD, Uttarkanya, Fulbari, Jalpaiguri, Pin-734015 on any working days and in the website:- www.wbtenders.gov.in & www.wbnorthbengaldev.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, North Bengal Development Department
ICA-T12013(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
NIT No. WBIW/EE/BUE004/ e-NIT- 03/2024-25
Above mentioned e-Tender is hereby invited by the undersigned from eligible contractors having sufficient credential and financial capacity for 1 No. Electrical work at Kanainatsal Purba Bardhaman. Tender Id: 2024_IWD_717596_1, Last date of online submission of the bid: 30.07.2024, 17:00 HRS. The other details may be seen from the website: https://www.wbtenders.gov.in and https://www.wbiwd.gov.in and also from office of the undersigned on any working days. Sd/- Executive Engineer, Durgapur Mechanical & Electrical Division Durgapur, Paschim Bardhaman, I&W Dte.
ICA- T12009(3)/2024

The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited
(A Govt. of West Bengal Enterprise)
Corporate Identity No. U40104WB1985SGC039154
Sagardighi Thermal Power Project
P.O. Monigram, P.S. Sagardighi, Dist. - Murshidabad, Pin - 742237
Notice Inviting E-Tender
Ref. No.: WBPDCL / Tend-Adv/24-25/SgTPP/CC- 2061 Date: 16.07.2024
NIT No.: WBPDCL /SGTPP/NIT/ E2717/23-24 Dated : 04.01.2024
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.in by the General Manager, SgTPP, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies/Companies in three (03) Part bid system for "Refractory & Insulation Work during Overhauling of Unit-4, SgTPP". Tender Document Download Start Date: 23.07.2024 at 10:00 hrs. Bid Submission End Date: 31.01.2024 at 15:00 hrs. Contact Person: Mr. Manas Mallick, AGM (M&C). Mobile : 8336903847. E-mail: m.mallick@wbpdcl.co.in For details please visit: https://wbtenders.gov.in
ICA-T12043(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PASCHIM BANGA GO-SAMPAD BIKASH SANSTHA
(A GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL ORGANIZATION)
e-Tenders are invited by the Chief Executive Officer, PBGSBS, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700106 for the following:

Sl. No.	Description of Items / Works	Bid submission Starts on	Bid submission Closes on
1.	Supply of Digital Autoclave, Digital Hot Air Oven & Incubator at Regional Semen production Laboratory for Goat at Haringhata, Nadia.	23.07.2024	30.07.2024
2.	Supply of pH Meter, Digital Weighing Balance, Magnetic Stirrer & AV Sterilizer at Regional Semen production Laboratory for Goat at Haringhata, Nadia.	23.07.2024	30.07.2024
3.	Supply and installation of Laminar Air Flow at Regional Semen production Laboratory for Goat at Haringhata, Nadia.	23.07.2024	30.07.2024
4.	Supply and installation of Dynamic & Static Pass Box at Regional Semen production Laboratory for Goat at Haringhata, Nadia.	23.07.2024	30.07.2024
5.	Supply of Phase Contrast Microscope with Hot Plate at Regional Semen production Laboratory for Goat at Haringhata, Nadia.	23.07.2024	06.08.2024

The detailed e-NIT may be obtained from the e-Tender Portal: http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, P.B.G.S.B.S.
ICA- T11995(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti
Swasthya Bhawan, Wing-'B', 3rd Floor
GN-29, Sector-V, Bidhannagar Kolkata - 700 091
Brief Recruitment Notice
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti will engage personnel on contract basis for the position under National Health Mission, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal.
Details of the position are as follows:

SL. No	NAME OF CONTRACTUAL POSITION	NUMBER OF VACANCY	PLACE OF POSTING
1	State Consultant - Nutrition	01 (Unreserved)	State Head Quarters

Eligible candidates should apply online in the prescribed format as given in the Department's website for the mentioned position.
Visit www.wbhealth.gov.in at the link "Recruitment" for details. Starting date of online application is 24th July, 2024 and end date of completing the application is 7th August, 2024.
Sd/-
Executive Director, WB SH & FW Samiti
ICA-N341(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti
Swasthya Bhawan, Wing-'B', 3rd Floor
GN-29, Sector-V, Bidhannagar Kolkata - 700 091
Brief Recruitment Notice
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti intends to engage on contract basis for the position of State Consultant (Climate Change) under National Health Mission, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal.
Details of the position are as follows:

SL. No	NAME OF CONTRACTUAL POSITION	NUMBER OF VACANCIES	PLACE OF POSTING
1	State Consultant (Climate Change)	2 (UR-1, Sc-1)	State Head Quarter

Eligible candidates should apply online in the prescribed format as given in the Department's website for the mentioned position.
Visit www.wbhealth.gov.in at the link "Recruitment" for details. Starting date of online application is 24th July, 2024 and the last date of completing the online application is 7th August, 2024.
Sd/-
Executive Director
WB SH & FW Samiti
ICA-N340(2)/2024

WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED
(A Govt. of West Bengal Enterprise)
Regd. Office : Vidyut Bhavan, Block-DJ, Sector-II, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700 091
CIN : U40109WB2007SGC113473, www.wbsedcl.in
WBSEDCL invites e-Tenders as follows:
1) NIT No.: BHND/E-TENDER/24-25/566, Dt.: 15.07.2024 of the Divisional Manager, Bhangar Division, WBSEDCL. Estimated Cost: ₹ 38,23,469.65 for 'Laying and dressing of 11 kV 3X300 sq. mm. XLPE cable for drawl of new 11 kV feeder for providing quality power to DC Office, Traffic Guard Office & Traffic Signal of Kolkata Police under Bhangar 33/11 kV Sub-Station under Bhangar Division, WBSEDCL'
2) NIT No.: RM/DDRO/C/ETENDER/2024-25/02, Dt.: 11.07.2024 of the Regional Manager, Dakshin Dinajpur Region, WBSEDCL. Estimated Cost: ₹ 19,13,050/- for 'Construction of approach road from the outside (NH-512) main road to the internal approach way towards Buniadpur Divisional Office Campus along with providing arrangement of culvert along the (newly created) entrance gateway to Buniadpur Divisional Office Campus, construction of security goomty, car parking space and other allied civil works on the premises of Buniadpur 33/11 kV Sub-Station under Buniadpur Division, WBSEDCL'
3) NIT No.: DDRO/E-TENDER/E/2024-25/02, Dt.: 12.07.2024 of the Regional Manager, Dakshin Dinajpur Region, WBSEDCL. Estimated Cost: ₹ 12,37,833/- for '2nd Call for conversion of HTOH 33 kV & 11 kV feeder network into underground system on the premises of Buniadpur 33/11 kV Sub-Station under Buniadpur Division, WBSEDCL'
4) NIT No.: BHND/E-tender/2024-25/576, Dt.: 16.07.2024 of the Divisional Manager, Bhangar Division, WBSEDCL. Estimated Cost: ₹ 8,30,000/- for 'Supply & delivery of 350 nos. GI 11 kV V-bracket for PCC pole 8m long, 350 nos. GI 11 kV top adapter for PCC pole 8m long, 250 nos. GI 11 kV V-bracket for PCC pole 9m long & 150 nos. GI 11 kV top adapter for PCC pole 9m long to Bhangar Division, WBSEDCL.'
ICA-T12020(1)/2024
For details, visit https://wbtenders.gov.in & www.wbsedcl.in

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti
Swasthya Bhawan, Wing-'B', 3rd Floor
GN-29, Sector-V, Bidhannagar Kolkata - 700 091
Brief Recruitment Notice
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti will engage personnel for various positions as listed below on contract basis under National Health Mission, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal.
Details of the position are as follows:

SL. No	NAME OF CONTRACTUAL POSITION	NUMBER OF VACANCY	PLACE OF POSTING
1	State Consultant - Patient Care Services	1	State Head Quarter
2	Co-ordinator- Patient Care Services	1	

Eligible candidates should apply online in the prescribed format as given in the Department's website for the mentioned positions.
Visit www.wbhealth.gov.in at the link "Recruitment" for details. Starting date of online application is 24th July, 2024 and the last date of completing the online application is 7th August, 2024.
Sd/-
Executive Director, WB SH & FW Samiti
ICA-N342(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PWD TENDER NOTICE
e-Tender of NIT No. 05 of 2024-25 by the of E.E./Diamond Harbour Highway Division. EE, Diamond Harbour Hwy Div, Dakshin Hazipur, Diamond Harbour-743331 invites on line percentage rate etender whose ID No. 2024_SH_717366_1. The details can be obtained from the website https://wbtenders.gov.in & office notice board. Corrigendum or Addendum if issued will be published only on website previously mentioned. Documents down load end date (online) & Bid submission end date (online) will be 07.08.2024 upto 14.00 Hrs. Sd/- EE, Diamond Harbour Highway Division P.W.(Roads) Directorate, Govt. of WB
ICA-T12064(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
West Bengal Tourism Development Corporation Limited.
(A Govt. of West Bengal Undertaking)
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
NIT No. 15/WBTDCL OF 2023-24 (Technical) 2nd Call
Tender ID- 2024_WBTDC_715505_1
WBTDCL invites the following e-Tender from the reputed, bonafide and experienced agencies having requisite credentials. Retrofitting, Strengthening, Renovation and Repairing of Morgan House Tourism Property, in Kalimpong District. (Rs. 1,37,07,432.00/-). Start date & time of documents download: 22.07.2024, 11:00 Hrs. Last date & time of Bid Submission: 12.08.2024 up to 16:00 Hrs. Details are available in website:- www.wbtdcl.com/wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Superintending Engineer, West Bengal Tourism Development Corporation Limited
ICA- T12011(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT ESI HOSPITAL BELUR(TB) HOWRAH
e-TENDER NOTICE
E-Tender notice is being invited by the Superintendent, Belur, ESI Hospital, Howrah for selection of reputed bidder/agencies/Company/contractor for (i) Carrying of Medical gas Cylinder (Oxygen and Nitrous Oxide) (Loading unloading & Carrying) for the period of two (2) years 2024-26 vide Memo No. ESI/BEL/NIT-01/OC/2024-25/500 dated 20.06.2024. and (ii) Supply of Different types of Local Purchase Medicine for the period of two (2) years 2024-26 vide Memo No. ESI/BEL/NIT-02/LP Medicine/2024-25/473 dated 18.06.2024 for the Belur ESI (TB) Hospital, Howrah, ESI (MB) Scheme, W.B. and details information of Terms & Conditions, NIT and others essential documents for e-tender will be available in the official Website www.wbtenders.gov.in from 25.07.2024 and the submission of bid documents for e-tender will be through the same website. Bid documents submission will start from 10.00 A.M. on 25.07.2024 and closing date is 12.08.2024 up to 05.00 P.M. Any tender related corrigendum will be published/available on www.wbtenders.gov.in and www.esiwb.gov.in Sd/- SUPERINTENDENT, ESI HOSPITAL BELUR
ICA-T12033(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
TENDER NOTICE
NIT No. WBFOR/KFD/NIT-01/2024-24 (ONLINE e-TENDER FOR CREATION OF PLANTATION (COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION)
The Divisional Forest Officer, Kalimpong Forest Division invites 1nos of Tender for upgrading and Creation of plantation (compensatory afforestation) under Kalimpong Forest Division as per schedule of work. Details of the e-Tender Notice, Terms & Condition and BOQ will be available for the website http://wbtenders.gov.in Documents download/Sale start date (Online: 22.07.2024 (11:00 a.m. onward) Last date of submission of Bid (online)- 06.08.2024 upto 5:00 p.m. Bid opening date for Technical Proposal (online)- 08.08.2024 after 10:30 a.m. Sd/- Chitrak Bhattacharya, IFS, Divisional Forest Officer, Kalimpong Forest Division.
ICA-T12031(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
WRI&DD. e-NIT
Executive Engineer (A-M), Balurghat (A-M) Division invites e-tender for Turnkey basis works of Energisation, Renovation of WTA along with all necessary supply of materials, Construction of Pump House and Electrical connection to Motor & Internal wiring of Pump House at Hossainpur-II Major RLI schemes in the District of Dakshin Dinajpur under Balurghat (A-M) Division under CORE SECTOR Programme in the F.Y 2024-25 vide e-NIT No -01/2024-25, Tender ID-2024_WRDD_717920_1; estimated value Rs.73,05,233.00 and last date of Bid submission : -06.08.2024 up to 4 PM. Intending bidders are requested to visit the website http//wbtenders.gov.in for details.
Sd/- Executive Engineer (A-M)
Balurghat (A-M) Division
ICA-T12076(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
West Bengal State Export Promotion Society
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
e-Tender No. WBSEPS/DMS/e-4/ 24-25/Pvln/SB(2nd Call)
Director & Member Secretary, West Bengal State Export Promotion Society invites e tender from bonafide, reliable and experienced agencies/Contractors/ organizations for enlistment of capable organizations for three years for undertaking the job of construction and decoration of temporary pavilion/stall/ gate/fencing etc. and supply of different related items on hire basis in the Expos/ Fairs/Exhibitions/ other programmes etc. in Kolkata and in other South Bengal districts. Detailed e-Tender notice and corrigendum if any are available in the official website of West Bengal State Export Promotion Society: www.wbseps.com and Government of West Bengal e-

Amid Internet Shutdown & Curbs, Nuh Yatra Peaceful

Police Picket Every 3km, Armed Cops At Key Junctions

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Nuh: Police pickets on approach roads, vehicle checks after every 3km or so and armed security personnel at key junctions – Nuh resembled a fortress on Monday as hundreds of devotees brought out the annual Brajmandal Jalabhishek Yatra amid a mobile internet and bulk SMS shutdown.

On July 31 last year, participants in the yatra were pelted with stones, leading to riots and communal clashes that spread through several districts of south Haryana over the next few days. Six persons died and 88 were injured in these clashes.

So, this year, when Hindu outfits announced they would bring out the rally as usual, it sparked concerns over law and order. Security arrangements were in anticipation of that.

On the way to Nuh from Gurgaon, the first checkpoint was at Sohna – one of the areas that was witness to the clashes last year.

Over the next 18km – till Tauru junction – there were five more checkpoints. At each of them, cops stopped vehicles to check for papers and questioned the occupants about their destinations. At some places, bags were scanned as well.

"Our job is to ensure no unruly element enters Nuh today. So far, we have not come across any suspicious persons. No weapon was found in any of the vehicles either," a policeman at one of the checkpoints told TOI.

Inside Nuh town too, there were cops at almost every corner. At Tauru Chowrasta – the epicentre of last year's violence – RAF (Rapid Action Force) personnel were on their toes along with local cops. The anti-riot paramilitary force, along with personnel of the Indian Reserve Battalion (IRB), also kept watch at different locations, including the areas around Nalhar temple, where the yatra participants had gathered.

Along the 1km stretch between Nalhar Medical College and Mahadev temple – where several vehicles were torched and devotees attacked on July 31, 2023 – there were cops outside every house, every building, every place of worship.

Dhirendra Khadgata, the Nuh deputy commissioner, said more than 2,000 security personnel were on guard since Monday morning.

"After the yatra was announced this year, we prepared a list of areas where clashes had broken out the last time. We decided to deploy the maximum number of security personnel at these spots. There were teams of RAF and IRB, along with local cops to stop any untoward incident," he added.

The yatra was brought out in the afternoon. It started from the Shiv temple in Nalhar, went past the Jireshwar mandir in Firozpur Jhirka and concluded at the Radha Krishna temple in Punahana in the evening.

Varun Gaur, the VHP general secretary in the state, said devotees had come from different districts and neighbouring states. "The yatra was a huge success. We had participants from Gurgaon, Faridabad, Kurukshetra, Karnal and Kaithal too. Security arrangements were up to the mark. There were volunteers to provide the devotees with food and water" he added.

Krishan Kumar, a spokesperson for Nuh police, said, "The yatra was peaceful. There was no untoward incident by the end of the day."

Indranil Das

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Court takes note of CBI chargesheet against Kavitha

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New Delhi: CBI has labelled Bharat Rashtra Samithi's (BRS) **K Kavitha** as a "key conspirator" in an alleged scam regarding the formulation and implementation of the now-scrapped Delhi Excise Policy 2021-22. In its third supplementary chargesheet, Central Bureau of Investigation has alleged that she played a significant role in the manipulation and tweaking of the policy.

Kavitha "demanded, collected and provided upfront money of Rs 100 crore to Aam Aadmi Party for manipulating and tweaking Delhi Excise Policy 2021-22 in favour of the liquor businessmen of south India", CBI has claimed.

The court of special judge Kaveri Baweja took cognizance of the chargesheet against Kavitha on Monday, directing her production through videoconferencing on July 26. In June, CBI filed the supplementary chargesheet, claiming there is enough material to prosecute Kavitha.

Special public prosecutor DP Singh, appearing for CBI, told the court that the agency would file the final chargesheet in the corruption case by the end of the week. Chief minister Arvind Kejriwal may be named in it as CBI earlier said its investigation against all other accused was complete.

Meanwhile, the same court on Monday extended the judicial custody of Kavitha and former Delhi deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia till July 26.

CBI has claimed that Kavitha was involved in incorporating favourable provisions, through co-accused Abhishek Boinpally, Arun R Pillai and Butchibabu Gorantla, who had stayed with her at a five-star hotel in Delhi during March 14-17, 2021, the peak period of Covid-19.

It has alleged that the call detail records of many accused during the same period show that accused Vijay Nair visited the hotel, and on March 16, he went to CM's residence in Civil Lines, where Sisodia was also present. On March 19, Nair visited Hyderabad to discuss the policy further.

Referring to WhatsApp chats of the relevant period, retrieved from the mobile phones of Gorantla, Kavitha's CA, the agency said they were "very clinching". One of them, as per CBI, read, "We have appointed a consultant who will give us the policy tweaking and the ins and outs of the policy required and presentable business opportunity... From that view, we are required to make 2/3 Delhi visits, detailed discussions, freezing the policy etc., then we know the final business opportunity (sic)."

In lieu of the Rs 25-crore payment as upfront money by accused-turned-approver Raghav Magunta to Kavitha through Boinpally and Gorantla, he was given a partnership of 32.5% in the wholesale liquor licensee (L1) firm M/s Indo Spirits under the policy, CBI has alleged.

Kavitha's name, according to the chargesheet, has also surfaced in the "transfer" of ill-gotten money to Goa through the hawala channel as Boinpally and Ashok Kaushik, her PA, were involved in the act. Arvind Kumar Singh, a news channel functionary, acted as a conduit of South Group and played a major role in transferring Rs 7.1 crore to Goa, it adds.

CBI has alleged Kavitha used M/s Indo Spirits as a vehicle to recoup the upfront money of Rs 100 crore paid by her to AAP.

Shops closed, roads empty: 'No one wants a repeat of last year'

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Nuh: Most shop-owners had downed shutters for the day and the otherwise bustling market area in Nuh town was deserted as hundreds of pilgrims participated in the Brij Mandal Jalabhishek Yatra on Monday, almost a year after riots erupted in the district during the procession.

Though there was no restriction on shutting down businesses and markets, locals said they decided to avoid any trouble as pilgrims crossed Nuh.

"No one forced us to shut the shops. It was voluntary," said Mohammad Arif, a vegetable vendor who remained off the roads.

Pharmacies, grocery stores and tea vendors were among the few shops still open. Their owners told **TOI** that hundreds of cops and paramilitary forces were deployed in Nuh to shore up security arrangements, and someone needed to cater to them too.

"What happened last year was a mistake. No one wants to repeat it. Most of the shops were shut voluntarily for this purpose, and some of us opened our businesses to cater to the needs of those who have to be on the roads," said a man who was keeping his small eatery near Tauru Chowk open.

Tauru Chowk was one of the epicentres of violence that tore through the south Haryana district last year. Incendiary comments made on social media had escalated tensions in the run up to the VHP-organised annual yatra, and it culminated in rioting on July 31 last year. Clashes spread to parts of Gurgaon, Faridabad and Palwal in the days after.

On Monday, there was an uneasy calm apart from the rush of pilgrims who stopped at two temples in the district between 12.45pm and early evening hours.

Mobile internet services and bulk SMS remained suspended till 6pm as a precautionary measure, and traffic diversions were in place. Notices were put up at petrol pumps, advising customers to pay in cash as UPI payments were not available.

"We kept a watch on social media posts and recently, an FIR was also registered against an offender for posting an objectionable message," Nuh deputy commissioner Dhirendra Khadgata said.

₹24 crore due, GDA cancels allotment of 410 EWS units

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Ghaziabad: The development authority on Monday cancelled the allotment of 410 economically weaker sections (EWS) units in Wave City township after beneficiaries of the affordable housing scheme failed to clear dues worth Rs 24 crore cumulatively.

GDA officials said the EWS units were allotted through a lottery in 2020. For the 410 units, with an estimated cost of around Rs 4 lakh each, beneficiaries only cleared the first couple of instalments. Subsequently, defaulters were issued several notices, a final one on June 22 asking them to clear dues within 15 days.

"We cancelled the allotments through a public notice as the 410 beneficiaries failed to respond within the stipulated time. The units will soon be reallotted," GDA secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh said.

A Wave City representative told **TOI** that after notifying GDA, they reached out to each beneficiary, asking them to clear the dues. "Following our report, the GDA, through a public notice, cancelled the allotments. Beneficiaries who have made partial payment can obtain a refund after necessary deductions," the spokesperson said.

Real estate agent Ashish Kumar said while it was difficult to ascertain why so many allottees defaulted on payment, one plausible explanation could be that the Wave City township's project was stuck after a 2017 CAG audit flagged the developer owed Rs 401 crore as land conversion charges.

As per a 2012 govt order, developers must allocate 10% of the total flats in group housing societies, coming up on 3,000 sqm or above, to EWS and 10% to low-income group (LIG) categories. EWS units should be in the range from 24 sqm to 36sqm, while LIG units between 40sqm and 60sqm. The GDA approves project maps only when developers commit to constructing these flats within a specified timeframe. Earlier this year, GDA had warned several group housing developers for failing to adhere to their commitments.

Judge recusal delays Khalid bail plea hearing to July 24

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New Delhi: Former Jawaharlal Nehru University student Umar Khalid's bail plea was renotified for July 24 after one of the judges recused himself from the matter.

Justice Amit Sharma recused himself from hearing Khalid's bail plea in a UAPA case related to the alleged larger conspiracy behind the Feb 2020 riots. The matter was listed for hearing before a bench of Justices Prathiba M Singh and Sharma. "This has to go before another bench," Justice Singh said.

"List before another bench, of which Justice Amit Sharma is not a member, on July 24," the court ordered.

Earlier, Justice Sharma had recused himself from hearing a batch of petitions on the 2019 Jamia Millia Islamia violence, as well as the NIA's appeal seeking the death sentence against terrorist Yasin Malik.

The UAPA case is related to the alleged larger conspiracy behind the Feb 2020 riots

Khalid, who was arrested by Delhi Police in Sept 2020, has challenged a recent trial court order that refused to grant him bail in the case.

Khalid, Sharjeel Imam, and several others have been charged under the anti-terror law Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and provisions of the Indian Penal Code for allegedly being the "masterminds" of the Feb 2020 riots in the national capital, which left 53 people dead and over 700 injured.

The violence erupted during the protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) and the National Register of Citizens (NRC).

On May 28, the trial court rejected Khalid's plea seeking regular bail for the second time, stating its previous order dismissing his first bail application had attained finality. "When Delhi High Court has already dismissed the criminal appeal of the applicant (Khalid) vide order dated Oct 18, 2022, and thereafter, the applicant approached the Supreme Court and withdrew his petition, the order of this court as passed on March 24, 2022 (on the first bail plea), has attained finality, and now, in no stretch of imagination, this court can make an analysis of the facts of the case as desired by the applicant and consider the relief as prayed by him," the trial court had said.

MCD places pipes to cut landfill methane and fires

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New Delhi: To reduce the impact of the release of methane from fresh garbage at landfills and curtail fire incidents, Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) is inserting perforated pipes into the fresh dumps at designated locations.

After trying the method at Bhalswa landfill, the plan has now been successfully executed at Ghazipur by inserting 10-12 pipes measuring 18-20 feet long. Eight to nine feet of each pipe is installed inside the waste while the rest is above surface.

When fresh garbage is dumped at a particular site for a long time, methane is generated during the decomposition of wet waste. "When methane becomes trapped inside fresh waste at landfills, it can lead to accidents such as fires as it is easily ignited when exposed to air due to increased temperatures. Dumps can also collapse like what happened in 2017 at Ghazipur when at least 50 tonnes of garbage came crashing down after several days of heavy rains," an official said.

File photo

MOUNTAIN OF WOES

MCD currently dumps approximately 1,800 tonnes of waste daily at a designated site spanning 8,000-10,000 square metre at Ghazipur, where a fire incident was reported in April.

The method has been recommended by the National Green Tribunal-appointed joint committee headed by Justice SP Garg, a former judge of Delhi HC, the official said. The civic body had carried out a similar exercise at the Bhalswa landfill in 2022, following a major fire incident that was triggered by methane and took five days to be extinguished. No pipe has been inserted at the Okhla landfill as no fresh waste is dumped there, said officials.

MCD dumps around 3,200-3,400 metric tonnes of fresh and unprocessed waste daily at the Ghazipur and Bhalswa landfills. Earlier this year, MCD also took additional measures to reduce fire incidents at the landfills, including requesting the fire department to use sand or foam instead of water to control such incidents.

The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited
(A Govt. of West Bengal Enterprise)
Corporate Identity No. U40104WB1985SGC039154
Bandel Thermal Power Station
P.O. Tribeni, Dist. - Hooghly, Pin - 712503
Notice Inviting E-Tender
Ref. No.: WBPDCL/Tend-Adv/24-25/BTPS/CC-2059 Date: 16.07.2024
NIT No.: WBPDCL/BTPS/NIT/E2422/24-25
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.in by the General Manager, BTPS, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies/Companies in 2 (two) Part bid system for **'Procurement of 500kVA, 3.3kV/433V, Dyn11, Oil Cooled, Transformer for SS1 Sub-Station under CAPEX-2024-25'. Tender Document Download Start Date:** 24.07.2024 at 15:00 hrs. **Bid Submission End Date:** 16.08.2024 at 16:00 hrs. **Contact Person:** Mrs. Ranjana Bhaduri, Add. General Manager (M&C). **Phone:** 033 2681 2311. **E-mail:** purchase_btps@wbpdcl.co.in For details please visit: **https://wbtenders.gov.in** ICA-T12073(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
On behalf of the Governor of West Bengal, E-Tender is invited by the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Diamond Harbour Health District, South 24 Parganas, Pin-743331 for Repair & Renovation works to set up X-Ray rooms at Kulpi RH, Magrahat RH & Sagar RH under DHHD, from resourceful, eligible agency having experience in similar nature of works. **Technical & Financial Bid Submission Closing Date: 30/07/2024 at 5:00 P.M.** For Detail, Please visit the website: **www.wbtenders.gov.in** or the Office of the Undersigned. Sd/- CMOH, DHHD. ICA-T12042(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Abridged Tender Notice
NIeT No. 06 OF EE/NACD-II OF 2024-2025 is here by invited for various works. Last date of submission: 31/07/2024 up to 16.00 p.m. For NIeT documents & other details visit: www.wbtenders.gov.in & www.wbphed.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, Nadia Arsenic Civil Division-II, P.H.E. Dte. ICA-T12032(3)/2024

Office of the District Magistrate & Collector
Paschim Bardhaman
e-tender no. 06/2024-2025/Nez
dt. 22.07.2024
Online (e-tender) tender in two bid system is hereby invited for supply of furniture for official use of the Office of the District Magistrate, Paschim Bardhaman. **Date of starting bids:** 22.07.2024 from 6.00 p.m. **Last Date of submission of bids: 06.08.2024** at 6:00 p.m. For details visit **wbtenders.gov.in** and the office Notice Board. Tender ID: 2024_DMPSB_71904_1.
Sd/-
For District Magistrate
Paschim Bardhaman

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
WRI&DD. e-NIT
Executive Engineer (A-M), Balurghat (A-M) Division invites e-tender for Turnkey basis works of Energisation, Renovation of WTA along with all necessary supply of materials and Electrical connection to Motor & internal wiring of Pump House/ Barge at Lakshminarayanpur-I Major RLI schemes in Tapan Block, in the District of Dakshin Dinajpur under Balurghat (A-M) Division under CORE SECTOR Programme in the F.Y 2024-25 vide e-NIT No - 02/2024-25, Tender ID-2024_WRDD_717928_1; estimated value Rs.68,41,206.00 and **last date of Bid submission : -06.08.2024 up to 4 PM.** Intending bidders are requested to visit the website http//wbtenders.gov.in for details.
Sd/- Executive Engineer (A-M)
Balurghat (A-M) Division
ICA-T12077(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e- TENDER
TENDER ID : 2024_WBP_716608_1 DATED 18/07/2024, WORK TITLE: RENOVATION OF FLOOR AND CEILING WITH ATTACHED TOILET OF S.P. CHAMBER AT KHARAGPUR GRP UNDER THE S.P, G.R.P, KHARAGPUR. BID CLOSING DATE: 02/08/24 FOR MORE DETAILS LOG ON TO : www.wbtenders.gov.in
Sd/-Superintendent of Police
Government Railway Police,
Kharagpur ICA-T12044(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
WRI&DD. e-NIT
Executive Engineer (A-M), Balurghat (A-M) Division invites e-tender for Turnkey basis works of Energisation, Procurement of Electrical items and Electrical connection to Motor & Internal wiring of Pump House at different Major RLI schemes in the District of Dakshin Dinajpur under Balurghat (A-M) Division under CORE SECTOR Programme in the F.Y 2024-25 vide e-NIT No -03/2024-25, **Tender ID-2024_WRDD_717936_1 to 6**, estimated value Rs.12,89,250.00; Rs.13,27,703.00; Rs.13,02,753.00; Rs.13,20,719.00; Rs.13,32,014.00 & Rs.13,11,224.00; respectively, and **last date of Bid submission : -06.08.2024 up to 4 PM.** Intending bidders are requested to visit the website http//wbtenders.gov.in for details.
Sd/- Executive Engineer (A-M)
Balurghat (A-M) Division
ICA-T12078(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Notice Inviting e-Tender
The District Information & Cultural Officer, North 24 Parganas, under the Dept. of I&CA, Govt. of West Bengal invites e-tender for **(1)** Publicity through Permanent Hoarding (vide NIT no. **2340/DICO/N24Pgs dt. 22.07.2024, Tender ID : 2024_ICAD_718938_1.** Bid submission will be started on 23.07.2024 (from 12.00 PM) and will be closed on 07.08.2024 (up to 3 PM). Details may be obtained from the Website: **www.wbtenders.gov.in.**
Sd/-
District Information & Cultural Officer, North 24 Parganas
Memo No.: 2341(3)/DICO/N24Pgs, Dt.: 22.07.2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PWD TENDER NOTICE
Executive Engineer, Birbhum Highway Division II, P.W. (Roads) Directorate invites online e-tender for the work of 1) Boring and sinking of submerssible pump for water supply to the Bolpur Inspection Bungalow and the office of Bolpur Highway sub-Division under Birbhum Highway Division-II in the district of Birbhum during 2024-2025(3rd call).; Estimated Amount :- 1) Rs. 801622.00 e-NIT No.3, Sl -1 of 2024-25/EE BHDII. Tender Id. 1) 2024_WBPWD_717305_1. Bid Submission start date (online):-20-07-24 at 10.30 PM Bid submission closing date (online):-31-07-24 at 3.00 PM Details of N.I.T. and Tender documents may be downloaded from: http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/-EE, BHDII, P.W.R.D. Govt. of WB ICA-T12050(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PWD TENDER NOTICE
Superintending Engineer, Western Electrical Circle, P.W.D . invites online e-Tender for the work of Repair and Renovation of CBS(Ortho) including all adjoining rooms and corridor and toilets in the compound Burdwan Medical College and Hospital, Burdwan.. eNIQ No.- WBPWD/SEWEC /BED /NIT-43/2024-25. Tender ID: 2024_WBPWD_717454_1. Bid submission start date(online): 23.07.2024 from 06:00 P.M. Bid submission closing date(online) 29.07.2024 upto 11.00 A.M. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details of N.I.Q. and Tender documents may be downloaded from : http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/-S.K.Biswas. Superintending Engineer, P.W.D. Wester Electrical Circle. ICA-T12071(3)/2024

Office of the District Magistrate & Collector, Birbhum,
Establishment Section.
Pin 731101
NOTICE
Application are invited form eligible qualified candidates for the post of 01 (One) vacant Data Entry Operator for Birbhum Treasury-II having minimum qualification in graduation with At least "O" level certificate in computer application from DOEAC(erstwhile) or from NIELIT. Higher qualification A/B/C level or Diploma Engineer with computer or IT, BCA/B.Tech/ B.Sc(Hons.) in computer or equivalent between the age limit 18 years to 40 years as on 01.07.2024 as per G.O 2500-F(Y) dated 20.03.2015. Application format and other details are available from Establishment Section, Birbhum Collectorate on any working day and also at District website **www.birbhum.gov.in.** Application will be accepted from 23.07.2024 and the last date of submission of application from 12.08.2024 at 04:00 P.M.
Sd/-
District Magistrate & Collector, Birbhum
Memo No.: 95(2)/Inf(advt)/Bir, Dt: 22.07.2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PWD TENDER NOTICE
Superintending Engineer, Southern Circle, Social Sector, P.W. Dte. invites online e-tender for the work of "New Construction (Civil Work) of (G+3) building for NTS, Ashokenagar State General Hospital, North 24 Parganas Fire fighting with sprinkler and hydrant system." eNIT No. 05/SESCSSPWD of 2024-25. Tender Id: 2024_WBPWD_717431_1. Bid Submission Start Date (online): 26.07.2024 at 03.00p.m. Bid Submission Closing Date (online): 16.08.2024 upto 03.00p.m. Corrigendum if any will be published in the website only. Details of N.I.T. and Tender Documents may be downloaded from https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- SE SC SS PWDte. ICA-T12067(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Notice Inviting e-Quotation
NIeQ No. PHE/NTKC/SE/NIeQ-01/2024-2025- CORRIGENDUM AND ADDENDUM NO-1 is uploaded by the Superintending Engineer, New Town Kolkata W/S Circle, PHE Dte. Details information about the corrigendum is available in the website- www.wbtender.gov.in ICA-T12048(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
O/O the Superintending Engineer, PWD
South-Western Electrical Circle,
Sahid Mangal Pandey Sarani,Midnapur-721101
NOTICE INVITING E-QUOTATION
No. – WBPWD/SE/SWEC/NIQ23/2024-25 Tender ID: 2024_WBPWD_717232_1 Last date of submission of bid :- 27.07.2024 up to 12:00Hrs Name Of Work: SITC of silent DG set, UPS and AC machines alongwith related EI work within the campus of Government Fish Technology Station (G.F.T.S) at Junput in the dist of Purba Medinipur-- Electrical Installation with allied works & Notice Inviting e-Quotation No. – WBPWD/SE/SWEC/NIQ24/2024-25 Tender ID: 2024_WBPWD_717234_1 Last date of submission of bid :- 27.07.2024 up to 12:00Hrs Name Of Work: SITC of silent DG set, UPS and AC machines alongwith related EI work within the campus of Government Fish Technology Station (G.F.T.S) at Junput in the dist of Purba Medinipur-- SITC of Air-Conditioning machines & Notice Inviting e-Quotation No. – WBPWD/SE/SWEC/NIQ25/2024 25 Tender ID:2024_WBPWD_717235_1 Last date of submission of bid :- 27.07.2024 up to 12:00Hrs Name Of Work: SITC of silent DG set, UPS and AC machines alongwith related EI work within the campus of Government Fish Technology Station (G.F.T.S) at Junput in the dist of Purba Medinipur-- SITC of Diesel Generator Set & Notice Inviting e-Quotation No. – WBPWD/SE/SWEC/NIQ26/2024-25 Tender ID: 2024_WBPWD_717237_1 Last date of submission of bid :- 27.07.2024 up to 12:00Hrs Name Of Work: SITC of silent DG set, UPS and AC machines alongwith related EI work within the campus of Government Fish Technology Station (G.F.T.S) at Junput in the dist of Purba Medinipur-- SITC of UPS Further details can be seen in the above mentioned office during working hours or in Official Website www.pwdwb.gov.in For all details and online tender submission visit https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- SE,SWEC,PWDte. ICA-T12072(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti
Swasthya Bhawan, Wing-'B', 3rd Floor
GN-29, Sector-V, Bidhannagar
Kolkata-700 091
Brief Recruitment Notice
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti intends to engage on contract basis for the position of **Programme Co-ordinator-Oral Health** under **National Health Mission,** Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal.
Details of the position are as follows:

SL No	NAME OF CONTRACTUAL POSITION	NUMBER OF VACANCY	PLACE OF POSTING
1	Programme Co-ordinator- Oral Health	1	State Head Quarters

Eligible candidates should apply online in the prescribed format as given in the Department's website for the mentioned position.
Visit www.wbhealth.gov.in at the link "Recruitment" for details. Starting date of online application is **22nd July, 2024** and the last date of completing the online application is **5th August, 2024.**
Sd/-
Executive Director
WB SH & FW Samiti
ICA-N343(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PWD TENDER NOTICE
Executive Engineer, P.W.D, Dakshin Dinajpur Electrical Division Invites online e-tender for the work of "Construction of Child Friendly Court at Raiganj, Uttar Dinajpur, Project ID: JD232406376S000 - Electrical Work.-- SITC of Air-Conditioning System ." e-NIT No: WBPWD/EE/DDED/e-NIQ-06 of 2024-25, Tender Id: 2024_WBPWD_696194_1, Bid submission closing date(online): 03.07.2024 up to 11:30 Hrs. , Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details of NIT and Tender Documents may be downloaded from: http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, P.W.D. Dakshin Dinajpur Electrical Division ICA-T12054(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
On behalf of the Governor of West Bengal, E-Tender is invited by the CMOH, Dakshin Dinajpur for following e-tender: (E-tender No. DHFWS/HBNC/2047 dated 18.07.2024) from resourceful, eligible agency having experience in similar nature of works. Bid Submission Closing Date: 30.07.2024 at 04.00 P.M. For Detail (e-tender), Please visit the website www.wbtenders.gov.in and www.wbhealth.gov.in Office of the Undersigned. Sd/- CMOH, D/Dinajpur. ICA-T12040(2)/2024

The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited
(A Govt. of West Bengal Enterprise)
Corporate Identity No. U40104WB1985SGC039154
Bakreswar Thermal Power Project
P.O. BkTPP, Dist. - Birbhum, Pin - 731104
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
Ref No.: WBPDCL/Tend-Adv/24-25/BkTPP/CC-2066 Date: 16.07.2024
NIT No.: WBPDCL/BKTPP/NIT/E3140/24-25
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B'luru police slap FIR on 2 ED officials for 'bid to frame CM'

Complaint By State Official Gives Tribal Fund Scam New Turn

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Bengaluru: The tribal fund scam in Karnataka took a new turn Monday as Bengaluru city police registered an FIR against two top Enforcement Directorate officials based on a complaint filed by a social welfare department officer accusing ED officials of pressuring him to implicate the chief minister, finance department and former minister B Nagendra in the scam.

Kallesh B, additional director of the department, stated in his complaint that ED had summoned him over the phone on July 16 for investigation into the Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation.

Addl director of social welfare dept Kallesh B claimed before the police that he was pressured to implicate CM Siddaramaiah (left), ex-minister B Nagendra and the dept in the scam

Wilson Garden police registered a case under BNS for criminal intimidation, intentional insult, and criminal liability when two or more individuals act with common intention. They mentioned an official identified only by his surname Mittal as accused No. 1 and one Muruli Kannan as accused No. 2 in the FIR.

Kallesh said, "I appeared before ED assistant director Muruli Kannan, who asked me 17 questions. I answered all the questions except three, for which I sought time as I had to source documents and check with my subordinates. Kannan agreed and asked me to appear before him for questioning at 2pm on July 18."

Kallesh alleged the ED official did not give any endorsement for his statements. "However, he started to ask questions orally. He told me that transferring the corporation fund to the MG Road branch was wrong. So I clarified that I had transferred the money according to a govt order on March 25, and the illegal transfer of the fund was done on March 5. I did not commit any mistake. After my clarification, he threatened he would arrest me and I would not get bail for two years," Kallesh stated.

He claimed Kannan had assured him that ED would help him if he confessed that there was an instruction from former minister Nagendra and the finance department. Kallesh added that Kannan sent him to Mittal, an IRS officer in the ED office.

"Mittal abused and pressured me (to make statements against CM and Nagendra)," Kallesh said, requesting police to take action against the ED officials.

Assam cash-for-job scam: APSC ex-chief among 32 convicted

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Guwahati: A former chairperson of Assam Public Service Commission (APSC) and 29 agricultural development officers appointed during his stint were among 32 people convicted Monday by a special court in a 2014 jobs-for-cash scam that was under probe for eight years. Special judge Dipak Thakuria acquitted 11 people, seven of them officers whose appointments were under a cloud.

The court held ex-APSC chief Rakesh Kumar Paul, two former members of the commission Samedur Rahman and Basanta Kumar Doley and the 29 officers who bribed their way to govt jobs guilty of cheating, criminal conspiracy and forgery under sections of IPC and Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

Special judge Thakuria said Paul violated the Assam Agriculture Service Rules, 1980, by injudiciously awarding marks to the beneficiary candidates for "additional qualification and experience".

"The convicted APSC trio also did not allow principal controller of examinations to perform his duty. In the name of selecting right candidates, they (commission) selected their favoured candidates."

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Twenty-nine agricultural development officers appointed during Paul's stint, some seen above in court on Monday, were among those convicted

The judge said that some deserving candidates were disqualified in the bargain by unfairly reducing their marks while publishing the merit list. "The entire interview process was a mockery of procedure."

The court ordered the convicts be taken into judicial custody till their sentencing. It said the onus was now on the state govt to build public confidence in the recruitment process.

U'khand to split its aid for deceased soldiers between wife & parents

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Dehradun: The Uttarakhand govt is planning to divide the compensation amount offered by the state to the family of fallen soldiers between the wife and parents. The development has come following a recent row between the wife and mother of Kirti Chakra awardee Captain Anshuman Singh in which his parents alleged that their daughter-in-law took the entire compensation amount provided by govt and left the house without giving them any share. If the initiative is implemented, Uttarakhand would become the first state to adopt such a move.

Currently, the state govt adheres to the "next of kin" rule of the armed forces, which stipulates that the compensation is given entirely to the spouse if the fallen soldier was married. If unmarried, the compensation is given to his parents or other dependents.

Ganesh Joshi, minister of soldier welfare in Uttarakhand, said, "A meeting on the issue has been held with a few retired officers and the matter has been discussed in detail."

"At present, the state govt offers Rs 25 lakh to the next of kin (wife, if the soldier is married) as per the norms of the armed forces. We are, however, planning to divide that amount among the wife and parents to prevent any monetary issues in future," Joshi said, adding that a final decision would soon be taken after holding another meeting.

An official of the department mentioned that there have been cases in the past where the soldier's widow left his parents to fend for themselves after receiving the compensation. "This initiative would prevent such incidents," the official said.

Terror hit on Shaurya Chakra winner's home, J&K security post leaves 2 hurt

Sanjay Khajuria | TNN

Jammu: A soldier and a civilian were wounded when terrorists simultaneously attacked the house of a civilian Shaurya Chakra awardee and an adjacent security post in Gundah village of Budhal in J&K's Rajouri around 3.10am Monday, barely 24 hours after Army chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi's stocktaking visit to flashpoint Jammu. Instant retaliation by the Army forced the terrorists to retreat, official sources said.

The attack was the second pre-dawn terrorist strike on a security camp in Jammu division in less than a week. Two soldiers were wounded last Thursday when armed men attacked the camp housed in a govt school at Kastigarh in Doda, the epicentre of J&K's latest spurt of terrorism-linked violence, including the July 15 shootout in which four Rashtriya Rifles personnel were killed.

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Army rushed to the spot and launched an operation

Monday's attack on the house of Parshotam Kumar, the Rajouri Village Defence Guard member who received a gallantry medal this year for taking on terrorists, was carried out by a large group of terrorists.

"An Army column deployed in the vicinity of the village rushed to the spot and foiled the attack...A cordon-and-search was then launched to track down the terrorists, triggering a gunfight," an Army source said.

Civilian Vijay Kumar, a relative of the Shaurya Chakra awardee, was wounded in the shootout along with a soldier whose identity wasn't disclosed. Both are in hospital but out of danger, sources said.

J&K bans JeM's video misusing Saif's picture

Jammu: J&K Police issued Monday an advisory cautioning citizens against sharing a "propaganda video" created by Pakistan-based terrorist outfit Jaish-e-Muhammed (JeM), misusing a picture of actor Saif Ali Khan and a poster of his new film Phantom, reports **Sanjay Khajuria**.

The 5:55-minute video was released around 2pm, a police spokesperson said.

"J&K Police have outlined strict instructions for the public to not forward the video to anyone. Anybody who receives the video is required to report. The report should include the sender's telephone number, along with the date and time of receipt," the advisory states.

Ex-Union min's son gets regular bail in Kheri violence case

New Delhi: Supreme Court on Monday granted bail to Ashish Mishra, who had been out on interim bail in the Lakhimpur Kheri (Uttar Pradesh) violence case related to the mowing down of five persons in Oct 2021.

A bench of Justices Surya Kant and Ujjal Bhuyan modified the earlier order of the court and made the interim bail order absolute. Mishra, son of former Union minister Ajay Mishra, was granted interim bail last year in Jan.

SC, which had barred Ashish Mishra from visiting the state, allowed him to stay in Lucknow after his lawyer told the court that his father was no longer a minister or member of Parliament and he could not influence the trial proceedings in the case.

Noting that only seven out of the 117 witnesses have been examined so far, the bench directed trial court to expedite the proceedings and fix a time frame to wrap up the hearing and deliver the verdict. TNN

HC cites human error, recalls child porn judgment

Bengaluru: Stating that "fallibility is not alien to the functions" of judges and "to immortalize an error is no heroism", Karnataka high court has recalled its own order in a child-porn case, paving the way for continuation of investigation against an accused person caught watching child porn on a website, reports **Vasantha Kumar**.

After recalling the order, Justice M Nagaprasanna held a fresh hearing of the petition on Friday and passed an order, observing that investigation against petitioner, M Inayathulla, should continue as Section 67B (b) of IT Act clearly opens a prosecution against a person who browses child pornographic material.

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Police had registered an FIR against Inayathulla for viewing a child pornographic site on his phone in March 2023. He had challenged the action, claiming Section 67B wasn't applicable in the case as he wasn't publishing or transmitting child-porn content, but was only browsing a site. On July 10 this year, Justice Nagaprasanna had quashed the proceedings, holding Section 67B punishes only those who publish or transmit material containing child pornography and the allegation against Inayathulla was that he had viewed a website.

However, the state govt submitted an application seeking recall of the order., pointing out that under Section 67B(b) of the Act, even browsing and downloading child pornography were punishable. About the earlier order, the judge said, "Errors do happen; to err is human. We judges are also humans, infallibility is not known to humanity and, therefore at times, we are fallible. To rectify the error is the compulsion of the judicial conscience."

Man gets 70-yr term for triple murder

Patiala: A district and sessions court in Ropar, Punjab, has sentenced a man from Morinda town to 70 years in jail for the murder of his wife, sister-in-law and wife's nephew, besides injuring another nephew.

District and sessions judge Ramesh Kumari agreed with the additional public prosecutor that the convict, Alam, was guilty of both murder and attempt to murder. He was awarded three life sentences of 20 years each for the triple murder and a 10-year jail term for the attempt to murder. The order, pronounced Saturday, made it clear that the sentences will run consecutively.

On the night of June 3, 2020, Alam had hacked to death his wife Kajal, sister-in-law Jaspreet Kaur and Jaspreet's son Sahil, with an axe, while they were asleep at his wife's parental house. He also attacked and tried to kill Jaspreet's second son, Bobby, but he survived.

In Feb 2021, police framed charges against Alam, and the trial concluded on July 20, 2024. TNN

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PM to Oppn: Welcome to fight in '29 but respect '24 mandate

'Don't Let Work Of House Suffer For Partisan Purposes'

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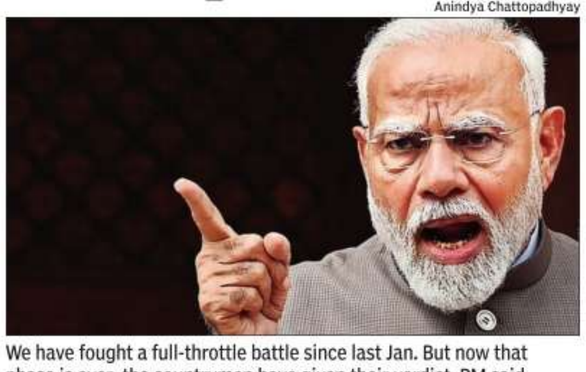

We have fought a full-throttle battle since last Jan. But now that phase is over, the countrymen have given their verdict, PM said

New Delhi: An aggressive PM Narendra Modi on Monday said while opposition parties are welcome to fight the 2029 elections with full vigour, they should respect the mandate of the last polls and not let the functioning of Parliament suffer because of partisan purposes.

"Go to the battlefields of election in Jan 2029. Till then, the only priority should be the country, its poor, farmers, women and the youth," PM said in his address to media ahead of Parliament session.

Modi said the "negative" tactics of many Parliamentarians in the last session deprived many MPs of valuable opportunity to raise the concerns of their constituents.

"I urge all the MPs, no matter which party they belong to... I want to say emphatically that we have fought a full throttle battle since last Jan. We have told whatever we had to tell the public. Some tried to show the way, some tried to mislead. But now that phase is over, the countrymen have given their verdict," PM said.

"It is the duty of all elected MPs, it is the special responsibility of all political parties that we have fought all the battles we had to fight for the party, now for the coming five years we have to fight for the country and we have to fight by being noble. Let us use this dignified platform of Parliament for the coming four and a half years by rising above the party lines and dedicating ourselves only to the country," he further added.

Modi referred to heckling by Congress during his reply to debate on motion of thanks to President. "Nation witnessed how an undemocratic effort was made to muzzle a democratically elected govt. For over two-and-half hours, an effort was made to suffocate PM of the country and suppress his voice. This has no place in democratic traditions," the PM asserted, referring to the opposition's slogan shouting when he delivered his speech on vote of thanks on the President's speech during the recent LS session.

The PM reminded the Parliamentarians that people of the country have given their mandate to serve the county and not the agendas of political parties.

"This House is not meant for political parties, this House is meant for the country. It is not meant to serve the Parliamentarians but 140 crore citizens of India," Modi further added.

He highlighted that India is the fastest growing country among the major economies with about 8% growth in the last three consecutive years. Today, opportunities are at the peak due to positive outlook, investment and performance, he said.

Concluding the address, the PM expressed the belief that all Members of Parliament will contribute towards fruitful discussions.

FM to present Budget today; LS, RS to have 20-hr debates

New Delhi: Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha are each likely to have a 20-hour discussion on the Union Budget, which finance minister **Nirmala Sitharaman** will present on Tuesday, with the Lower House expected to have separate debates covering ministries of railways, education, health, MSME and food processing.

The business advisory committees (BAC), which have representatives from different parties, of the two Houses met on Monday to finalise the agenda for the session. Govt, however, is entitled to introduce any new item, depending upon exigencies, with the permission of the Chair.

In Rajya Sabha, sources said, a discussion for eight hours is likely to be scheduled on the appropriation and finance bills, and a four-hour debate each on four ministries, which are yet to be identified.

A Congress MP said his party highlighted its demand for short-duration discussions on issues like Agnipath scheme and NEET row during Lok Sabha BAC meeting. However, it was decided that the discussion related to different ministries would allow all parties to raise their issues.

A govt source said a 20-hour time slot for the general discussion on Budget will also provide different parties an opportunity to raise a range of issues to which Sitharaman will reply. Issues like paper leaks can be covered when the debate related to demand for grant to the education ministry comes, a source said. TNN

Centre cites 14th fin panel, rules out spl status for Bihar

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New Delhi: Centre has ruled out special category status for Bihar, turning down the demand of BJP's ally JDU, a decision which will also have implications for a similar insistence by another coalition partner, TDP, for Andhra Pradesh.

Though the decision is significant because of the cruciality of Lok Sabha numbers of TDP and JDU for Modi govt, it is a reiteration of Centre's known stance, was expected, and is unlikely to cause political risks; at least not in the near run.

Centre's stand, conveyed by junior finance minister Pankaj Chaudhary in a written reply to JDU member Rampreet Mandal, is based on recommendation of the 14th Finance Commission, which had cited the increase in devolution of central funds to states — from 32% to 42% — to call for doing away with the scheme for special category status, a measure devised to support backward states with incentives like tax concessions to industries willing to make investments in their jurisdictions.

Both TDP and JDU appear to have factored this in their political calculus. During his interactions with BJP, Andhra CM and TDP chief, N Chandra Babu Naidu has appeared to be more focused on central assistance for projects such as development of Amaravati as the new capital to substitute for Hyderabad and Polavaram dam project. At the all-party meeting on Sunday, TDP representative Lavu Sri Krishna Devarayalu did not raise the issue, much to the apparent annoyance of Congress, which has appeared to be egging on the party not to lower the ante on the issue.

The same meeting saw JDU working president and Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Jha reiterating Bihar CM Nitish Kumar's demand for special category, while also showing empathy for Centre's stand and indicating his party could settle down for central assistance for fighting floods.

Predictably, Lalu Prasad's RJD seized upon Centre's stand to taunt JDU. "Nitish Kumar has assured special status for Bihar. Since Centre has refused, he should resign immediately," said Lalu.

However, Union minister Giriraj Singh retaliated by pointing out that Lalu kept mum when UPA denied special category status to Bihar. "When RJD is raising this issue, it makes me laugh. When Lalu bhaiya used to be called a 'kingmaker' and he was playing in the lap of Congress, he could have got the special category status to Bihar," Singh said.

In a written reply, Pankaj Chaudhary said special category status was granted in the past by NDC to some states which were characterised by a number of features necessitating special consideration which included — hilly and difficult terrain, low population density or sizeable share of tribal population, strategic location along borders with neighbouring countries, economic and infrastructural backwardness and non-viable nature of state finances.

The decision was taken based on a consideration of all the factors listed above and the peculiar situation of a state, the minister said.

LJP (RV) MP Shambhavi Choudhary said, "Special status was a term that existed until the Planning Commission. After formation of Niti Aayog, nobody was provided anything under special category status but states have definitely received special package that would speed up development..."

UK foreign secy visiting India this week, FTA tops agenda

New Delhi: UK Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs David Lammy will visit India this week for what be the first high-level engagement between India and the new Labour govt in the UK. The visit is expected to see both sides reaffirming commitment to a mutually beneficial FTA, while also discussing other bilateral issues including the Indian govt's case for action against separatists who continue to target Indian interests in Britain.

Lammy will hold talks with his counterpart S Jaishankar on Thursday and also meet commerce minister Piyush Goyal to discuss progress in efforts to conclude negotiations for the FTA. UK PM Keir Starmer told his counterpart Narendra Modi in their conversation earlier this month he stood ready to conclude a deal that worked for both sides.

In the talks, both agreed there was a wide range of areas across defence and security, critical and emerging technology, and climate change, for the two countries to deepen cooperation on. Just before the elections in UK, Lammy had criticised the then ruling Conservative govt for failing to close the trade deal and said he intended to get the it done as soon as possible.

"My message to Sitharaman and Goyal is that Labour is ready to go. Let's finally get our free trade deal done and move on," he said. According to an agency report from London, a source in Delhi said the Indian side would seek clarity on whether the Labour govt intends to pick things up from where they were left off or start afresh in some way. TNN

UMBRELLA DIARIES

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IT'S RAINING MEN: Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav along with MPs of other opposition parties outside Parliament on the first day of Monsoon Session in New Delhi on Monday

Oppn questions timing of Oly preparedness debate in LS

New Delhi: Lok Sabha on Monday took up a discussion on India's preparedness for Paris Olympics with opposition questioning the timing of the debate on the Games that begin later this week.

During the course of the discussion, Congress' Deepender Hooda raked up the issue of alleged sexual harassment by ex-BJP MP Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh. Though he did not name Singh, Hooda said a situation should not come when players have to fight their own govt and the system.

Kiren Rijiju, who had earlier held charge of sports ministry, intervened to say that members should avoid raising "federation fights" in the House. He said there is bound to be politics in sports federations and such issues should not be raised in Parliament. Rijiju said no other govt has done what PM Narendra Modi has done for sports. The short duration discussion on 'India's preparedness for Olympic games' was included through a supplementary agenda.

When Speaker Om Birla asked the House to take up the discussion, RSP's N K Premchandran questioned the timing and asked what suggestions could the House offer when the Indian team has already left for the Olympics beginning July 26. He accused govt of taking the House for granted, noting that supplementary agenda is issued to bring important legislative items.

BJP's Sanjay Jaiswal hit back and said opposition finds discussion on sports irrelevant. He said govt has invested over Rs 400 crore for 16 disciplines and is making all-out efforts to ensure athletes get the best training and facilities. TNN

RS chairman rejects oppn notices on UP kanwar yatra order

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Sonia Gandhi with Dhankhar at Parliament House in New Delhi

New Delhi: On the first day of the Budget session, the Upper House opened with opposition demanding suspension of business to discuss UP govt's order asking eateries along the along kanwar yatra route to display names of their owners and employees.

Rajya Sabha chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar on Monday rejected notices from opposition MPs on grounds that the notices were neither in conformity to requirements of rule 267 nor to directions given by the Chair and so the same are not accepted.

Opposition MPs including Congress and Aam Aadmi Party had given notices under rule 267 seeking suspension of the business of the day to take up discussion on the issue. Dhankhar said he had received notices under rule 267 from seven MPs across different opposition parties.

Earlier, the Rajya Sabha chairman while making his opening remarks at the 265th Session of Rajya Sabha drew attention of the members to what he described as "an important and concerning aspect".

"Many a time, members' communications to the chairman find way to public domain and sometimes even before the same reach the addressee. This inappropriate practice of garnering public attention is at best avoided."

He urged all members to uphold the principles of 'dialogue, discussion, deliberation, and debate', fostering an environment conducive to robust parliamentary discourse and set an example before the nation.

BJD pushes for special status for Odisha

New Delhi: All-party meeting on Sunday set the ground, and the Upper House on the first day of the Budget session got a glimpse of what lies ahead, as BJD made an intensified demand during zero hour for special status for Odisha, citing the state's vulnerabilities in the face of cyclones and other concerns.

BJD's Muzibulla Khan said during his tenure as Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik wrote repeatedly to Centre but govt did not address the issue. Even BJD MPs have been raising this issue in Parliament but no one has paid heed, he added.

Khan said the party is aware that there are certain criteria for granting the status but for the welfare of people the laws can be amended and demanded that changes should be made taking into view of the vulnerabilities faced by the state. BJD's Sasmit Patra backed the demand.

"Odisha has been deprived of special category for more than two decades," Patra said. He added that BJD has joined its counterparts from other states who feel that there is a need for special status. TNN

No info to prove exit polls used to manipulate markets: Minister

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Stock market movements are a function of investor perceptions along with other factors, MoS finance Pankaj Chaudhary (in pic) said in his written reply

New Delhi: Minister of state for finance Pankaj Chaudhary on Monday said that those who alleged that exit polls were used to manipulate markets have failed to back their charge with specific information.

"Though SEBI has received representations on stock market movements, no specific information on any unfair trading has been provided," said Chaudhary, in a written reply in Lok Sabha in response to questions by members.

The minister was asked whether it is a fact that there was an unprecedented fall of stock prices amounting to a loss of Rs 30 lakh crore to investors immediately on June 4.

Indian stocks witnessed a bloodbath on the day LS poll results were announced, where incumbent BJP performed below par and seemed set to fall well short of exit poll predictions and the majority mark on its own.

Trinamool Congress' Rajya Sabha member Saket Gokhale had written a letter to financial market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), seeking a probe into the stock market activity ahead of the declaration of Lok Sabha election results.

He had alleged "manipulation" in trading activities, a day after exit polls were announced. Earlier, Congress' Rahul Gandhi had alleged a Rs 30 lakh crore stock market scam due to "fake" exit polls and sought an investigation into the role of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union home minister Amit Shah and Union finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman alleging they gave investment advice to people ahead of poll results. Sensex had declined by 4,389.73 points and Nifty by 1,379.40 points on June 4 when results of the 2024 Lok Sabha elections were announced.

Minister Chaudhary in his written reply asserted that stock market movements are a function of investor perceptions along with other factors — global economic scenarios affecting foreign capital flows, domestic macroeconomic parameters, and overall corporate performance.

"The indices recovered within three days and have reached record levels since 4th June 2024, registering an increase of 12.9 per cent and 13.3 per cent respectively as on 18th July, 2024," the minister said.

The decrease of around Rs 30 lakh crore in market capitalisation of companies listed on NSE and BSE on June 4, 2024 was recovered within a period of five days and it has increased by around Rs 59 lakh crore since then as on July 18, 2024, the minister added.

"Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), as the statutory regulator of securities markets, is mandated to put in place regulatory and surveillance frameworks for effecting stable operations and development of the securities markets. It conducts regular surveillance of trends in the securities markets to enhance market integrity and safeguard interest of investors," the minister said.

HC to Swamy, Gandhis: File notes on submissions in Herald case

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New Delhi: The Delhi high court on Monday asked BJP MP Subramanian Swamy and Congress' Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi to file short notes on submissions in the National Herald case.

Justice Neena Bansal Krishna gave them four weeks to file the notes but said if they were filed later, they would be accepted only with costs of Rs 15,000. The HC then listed the matter for Oct 29.

HC is dealing with a plea by Swamy against a trial court's refusal in Feb 2021 to allow him to lead evidence to prosecute the Gandhis and others in the case.

In 2021, it had issued a notice to Gandhis and others, including late AICC general secretary Oscar Fernandes, Suman Dubey, Sam Pitroda and the entity Young India (YI), to spell out their stand on Swamy's plea and stayed proceedings in the case.

On Monday, HC extended its stay until the next hearing. Congress members were represented in court through senior advocate RS Cheema and Tarannum Cheema.

Swamy has sought summoning of some witnesses with directions to prove certain documents. They include secretary general (registry officer) of SC, a deputy land and development officer, & a deputy commissioner of income-tax department. In a private criminal complaint in the trial court, Swamy accused the Gandhis and the others of conspiring to misappropriate funds of the entity that ran the National Herald.

Swamy said they paid only Rs 50 lakh, through which Young Indian obtained right to recover Rs 90.25 crore that Associate Journals Ltd, owner of National Herald, owed Congress. All accused had denied the allegations.

In first lot, 4 mantris from BJP allies get bungalows

New Delhi: In the first lot of official accommodation for ministers in the Lutyens' Delhi, four cabinet ministers from BJP allies have been allotted bungalows falling under the biggest category of type-VIII.

While civil aviation minister Kinjarapu Ram Mohan Naidu from TDP has been allotted 22, Akbar Road, heavy industries minister H D Kumaraswamy from JD(S) has been allotted 6, Kushak Road, sources said.

Similarly, food processing minister from LJP (Ram Vilas) Chirag Paswan and HAM leader and MSME minister Jitan Ram Manjhi hav got 1, Sunehri Bagh and 7B, Janpath respectively. Former Haryana chief minister and housing minister Manohar Lal has been allotted 3, Krishna Menon Marg, which used to be the official residence of former agriculture minister Narendra Singh Tomar.

All cabinet ministers are eligible for the top category of bungalows. The housing and urban affairs ministry, which manages accommodations under 'general pool' category, allocates accommodation to all ministers in the Lutyens' Bungalow Zone (LBZ). TNN

NTA has put off 16 exams since its establishment

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DMK MP Kanimozhi Karunanidhi outside Parliament on Monday

New Delhi: National Testing Agency (NTA) has postponed at least 16 exams, mostly because of Covid since its establishment, said minister of state for education, Sukanta Majumdar.

Detailing reasons for postponment, Majumdar told DMK's Kanimozhi Karunanidhi: "Since most of the examinations conducted by NTA are held in multiple subjects, multiple shifts and span over a number of days, there have been instances due to unforeseen circumstances like Covid-19 pandemic, logistical and technical issues, administrative issues, legal orders, etc, when examination dates initially notified in respect of specific subjects or shifts could not be adhered to," the minister explained.

Majority of the exams conducted by NTA had to be postponed multiple times due to disruption by the pandemic in 2020 and 2021.

NTA was established in 2017 and was delivering various exams from 2018. Till then NEET-UG was conducted by CBSE. Still in its nascent stage, in 2019 NEET was handed over to NTA and had successfully delivered five editions including twice during the pandemic.

The data provided by the minister revealed that four exams — JEE-Main (2020), NEET-UG (2020), JEE-Mains (2021), and NEET-UG (2021) — were postponed due to Covid. Additionally, four other exams, including CSIR UGC-NET (2020), UGC-NET (Dec 2020), UGC-NET (May 2021), and Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) AIEEA (2020), were postponed due to a combination of the pandemic and logistical challenges.

Delhi University Entrance Test (DUET) 2020, which was meant for admission to UG, PG, MPhil, and PhD courses, was postponed as the registration process was put on hold by DU due to Covid. Common Management Admission Test (CMAT)-2021 was postponed due to the revision of the examination pattern by AICTE. All India Ayush Post Graduate Entrance Test (AIAPGET), 2021, and Joint Integrated Programme in Management Admission Test (JIPMAT), 2021, were also postponed due to the pandemic.

In 2022, IGNOU PhD Entrance was postponed due to administrative reasons, while in 2023, Graduate Aptitude Test Biotechnology (GAT-B) was postponed after consultation with regional centres for biotechnology. In 2024, National Common Entrance Test (NCET) was postponed due to technical issues, and CSIR-NET was postponed due to logistical issues.

"Since its inception in 2018, NTA has successfully conducted over 240 examinations involving over 5.4 crore students," the ministry informed the House.

2 Bishnoi gang members held in Bihar: Two members of Lawrence Bishnoi gang on their way to commit crimes in Bihar were held in Gopalganj on Monday. TNN

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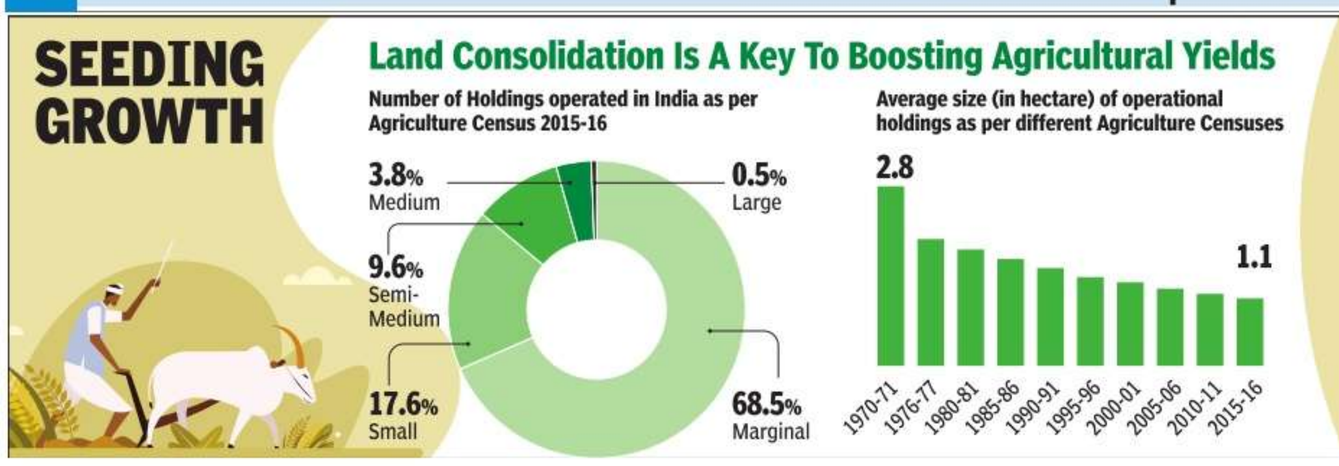
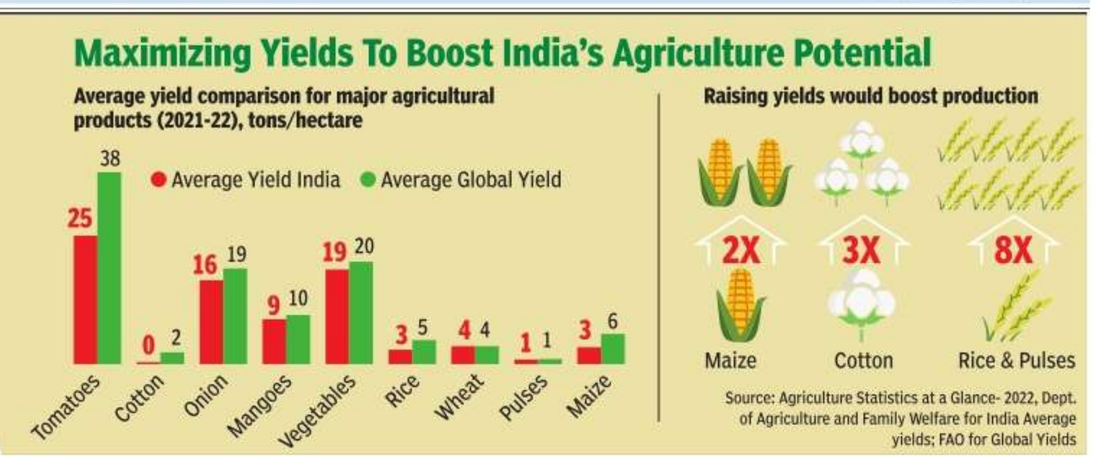
SEEDING GROWTH

Land Consolidation Is A Key To Boosting Agricultural Yields



Maximizing Yields To Boost India's Agriculture Potential



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FM's roadmap: Keep options open for futures in agri mkt

Reversing Export Bans, More Pvt Investment Among Proposals

TEAM TOI

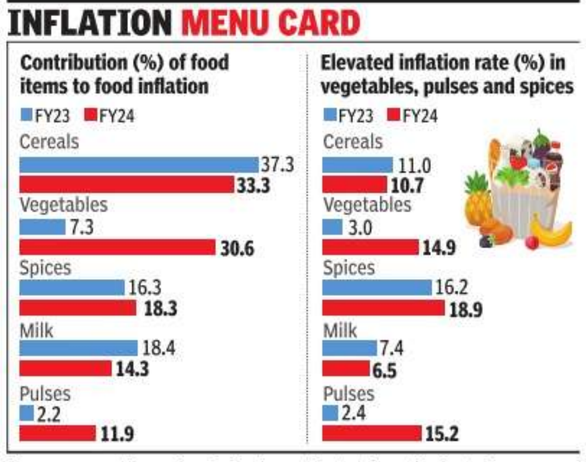
New Delhi: The Economic Survey on Monday emphasised on the pressing need for comprehensive reforms in India's agricultural sector and recommended five policy points to ensure that the markets function in the interest of the farmer. It also pitched for striking a delicate balance between incentivising farmers to increase production and keeping food prices within acceptable limits, and suggested addressing the issue of land fragmentation.

Elaborating on five policy recommendations, the survey, tabled by finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman in Parliament, suggested not opting to ban 'futures or options' at the first sign of price spikes. Other four suggestions include invoking export bans only under exceptional circumstances, reexamining the inflation-targeting framework, increasing the total net irrigated area, and making farming consistent with climate considerations.

It said the agri sector requires structural transformation due to challenges of water scarcity and climate change. The survey called for enhancing private sector investment in agriculture saying it is vital for impetus. It said investments in production methods, marketing infrastructure, technology and reduction in post-harvest losses need to be scaled up.

Chief economic adviser V Anantha Nageswaran in the preface to the survey highlighted the need for policy reorientation despite existing subsidies and support measures. The survey noted that the sector provides livelihood support to 42.3% of the population and has a share of 18.2% in GDP at current prices. The sector has seen average annual growth rate of 4.1% at constant prices over last five years.

INFLATION MENU CARD



'Go digital to put infra projects in fast lane'

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: With land acquisition issues delaying infrastructure projects, particularly highways, airports and power, the Economic Survey has called for faster onboarding of digital land records and obtaining clearances.

The report highlights that despite the large build-up of connectivity infrastructure and energy-related assets, both sectors are hit by delays in land acquisition. The govt is tackling it by focusing on developing access-controlled NHs and upgrading existing ones. "Implementing single-window clearances is crucial for enhancing roadway services' efficiency and effectiveness in India's transportation network," it said.

The report also said that India needs more private participation in building infrastructure, along with more data about investments and assets in the sector, instead of relying on public expenditure. Private sector participation is not forthcoming to the extent desired, it says.

"For India to continue building quality infrastructure, a higher level of private sector financing and resource mobilisation from new sources will be crucial. Facilitating this would not only require policy and institutional support from the Centre, but state and local govts would have to play an equally important role," the survey said.

Richer states like TN, Kerala corner more NREGS funds

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: The Economic Survey has questioned the conclusions that higher work generation and fund use under the job scheme implies rural distress, arguing that if it was so, then poorer states with higher unemployment should be leading the performance in MGNREGA as against the fact that richer states have a better record of tapping the scheme. The survey raised the possibility that there may be a correlation between MGNREGA fund usage and reduced unemployment, in what appears to argue that the job scheme is mitigating joblessness.

The survey stated that in 2023-24, Tamil Nadu, which has less than 1% of country's poor population, accounted for 15% of MGNREGS funds released, while Kerala with just 0.1% of poor population used 4% of MGNREGS funds. TN and Kerala together generated 51 crore persondays of work.

In contrast, Bihar and UP with 45% of poor population accounted for only 17% of the scheme's funds and generated 53 crore persondays of work.

The survey further added that "states with highest rural unemployment rates did not necessarily use the most MGNREGS funds."

The survey also noted that irregularities and leakages also result in higher fund usage, and the funds do not reach the intended beneficiaries, which makes "demand an unreliable distress indicator". It said Rs 935 crore over four years was found to have been misappropriated, as per social audit units.

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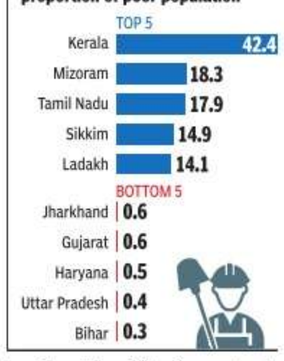


With $2.5bn exports, India joins top 25 defence exporters' club

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: With defence production rising every year, India clocked the highest-ever arms exports of $2.5 billion (Rs 20,915 crore) in 2023-24, finding a place among the top 25 arms exporter nations.

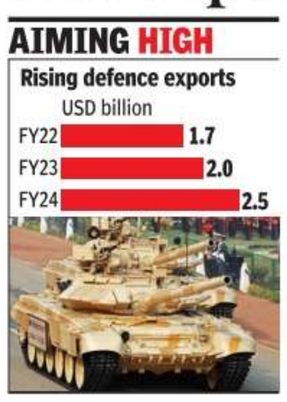
"...there has been a rise in the number of export authorisations issued to defence exporters. From 1,414 export authorisations in FY23, the number has increased to 1,505 in FY24," the Economic Survey said.

Around 100 domestic companies are exporting a wide range of defence products and equipment, ranging from Dornier-228 aircraft, artillery guns and BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles to Pinaka multi-launch rocket systems, radars, simulators and armoured vehicles.

While the survey did not identify nations to which India was exporting arms, the former Soviet republic of Armenia has emerged as a major destination, with deals inked for Pinaka rockets and Akash air defence missiles. As per the defence ministry, India posted highest-ever annual domestic defence production in 2023-24, reaching Rs 1.26 lakh crore in terms of value, 16.7% higher over the previous fiscal.

India, of course, still remains in the strategically vulnerable position of being the world's largest arms importer, accounting for 9.8% of total global imports in 2019-23.

AIMING HIGH



Climate change fight smart tactic in geopolitics

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: An active role in fighting climate change also makes for good geopolitics.

This is what the Economic Survey says, pointing out that by helping small island nations, most vulnerable to climate change, building disaster resilient infrastructure is helping India build a network of allies in the Indo Pacific region, where China has increasingly been aggressive and expanding.

India's contributions through its International Solar Alliance (ISA), Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI), creation of LeadIT, Infrastructure for Resilient Island States (IRIS), and Big Cat Alliance are significant, the survey said.

The India-headquartered International Solar Alliance (ISA), an inter-governmental body of 110 countries, has the potential of unlocking $1 trillion of investments by 2030, creating a market system to tap the benefits of solar power. The ISA is an Indian initiative, launched in 2017.

India's quest for global leadership roles also saw the launch of New Delhi-based CDRI, which works for sharing of expertise to build disaster resilient infrastructure across the globe. CDRI was launched by PM Narendra Modi in 2019 at the UN climate summit in New York and has 33 countries, multilateral banks, UN agencies and many international financial institutions as its members.

Recently, CDRI invited proposals for funding of $8 million to develop resilient infrastructure as part of its Infrastructure for Resilient Island States Programme (IRIS), which has financial commitments of $40 million from Australia, the European Union, India and the UK.

Obesity, fatty foods threat to healthy & wealthy India

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: Excessive use of social media, screen time, sedentary habits, and unhealthy food don't just raise the risk of non-communicable diseases such as diabetes, heart diseases and certain types of cancer. The Economic Survey 2023-24 has warned that the lethal mix of these lifestyle-related factors that is highly prevalent among India's working-age population also poses a threat to the country's economic potential.

"For India's working-age population to be gainfully employed, they need skills and good health," the survey says, adding that the private sector has made substantial contributions to this toxic mix of habits.

LIFESTYLE REBOOT

The survey recommends Indian businesses embrace traditional lifestyle and recipes. "India's traditional lifestyle, food and recipes have shown how to live healthily and in harmony with nature and the environment ...it makes commercial sense for Indian businesses to...embrace them," the survey says.

Nearly 56% of the disease burden in India is due to unhealthy diets, according to the latest dietary guidelines for Indians published by the Indian Council for Medical Research. The survey cites this data and says a surge in the consumption of highly processed foods laden with sugars and fat, coupled with reduced physical activity and limited access to diverse foods, may add to the crisis as it would exacerbate micronutrient deficiencies and overweight/obesity problems.

Excess weight and obesity, two common lifestyle problems that plague nearly 17% of India's population, are costing the country 1.02% of its GDP, the World Obesity Federation and the RTI International had said in a report published in BMJ Global Health in 2022.

Blatant lies on poverty: Cong attacks govt on Survey

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: Congress on Monday said that the Economic Survey presents an "illusion" and that India's economy is "at its most precarious" in years.

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge hit out at PM Narendra Modi, posting on X, "You were lamenting today about being 'throttled for two-and-a-half hours', but the truth is that your govt has crushed the aspirations of 140 crore Indians in 10 years! The Economic Survey tells a blatant lie by claiming that poverty has almost been eradicated. The truth is that the gap between rich and poor is highest in 100 years." Kharge also highlighted unemployment as a serious concern.

Deputy leader of opposition in Lok Sabha, Gaurav Gogoi, said the Economic Survey is an "example of the illusion that everything is fine". "The PM is always concerned about himself, when the fact is that the common man, students, poor, labourers are being strangled by this govt."

Congress will raise farm issues, joblessness, Agniveer, the advisory on Kanwar Yatra, NEET exams and Manipur violence in Parliament.

Just skill it: Incentivise job creation to meet global needs

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: The Economic Survey 2023-24 highlighted the need to equip India's workforce with employable skills and knowledge to meet the demands of the global labour market.

With only 4.4% of the young workforce formally skilled, the survey suggested linking skill development initiatives with Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) and employment-linked incentive schemes in high-growth potential sectors such as toys, apparels, tourism, logistics, and textiles. This approach would facilitate the upgrading of skills as production moves up the value chain.

Currently, the Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme is available for 14 sectors. Industry bodies have been demanding introduction of an employment-linked incentive scheme to promote job creation in the economy, in the face of a growing young population amidst concerns about jobless growth.

HIRING SQUAD

The survey emphasised the importance of maximising the outcomes from skilling initiatives by promoting convergence and utilising synergies with other employment-centric programmes. The govt is actively partnering with the industry to enhance skilling and employability, ensuring that job and entrepreneurial opportunities align with the aspirations and abilities of youth.

"Measures are being taken by govt to translate India's demographic dividend into a productivity dividend by enabling job and entrepreneurial opportunities that are in sync with the aspirations and abilities of India's youth. It is partnering with the industry to enhance skilling with employability," said the Survey.

By linking skill development with PLI schemes and employment-linked incentive schemes in high-growth sectors, the govt aims to support the upgrading of skills as production advances along the value chain.

Chalk up higher school enrolment to girl power

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: It's underprivileged sections that powered the rise in higher education enrolment, with the growth fastest among females, says the Survey.

"In higher education, the female gross enrolment ratio (GER) has been greater than male GER for five consecutive years. While this implies the rising importance of girls' education, its translation to economic empowerment will require better learning outcomes, employability, labour force participation and conducive infrastructure," it said.

Girl enrolment in higher education increased to 2.1 crore in FY 22 from 1.6 crore in FY 15 — a 31.6% jump. This implies better employment opportunities for backward sections.

However, central, state and local govts need to work together to improve quality of education, particularly in primary schooling, says the Survey.

CLOSING THE GAP

Well-designed programmes should be implemented in a mission-mode and cost-effective manner to improve academic outcomes, it says, highlighting National Education Policy's goal of achieving foundational literacy and numeracy for every child passing the third standard. It also stressed the need for spending on pedagogy and governance to increase cost-effectiveness of public spending on education.

Govt spending on social services, including education, increased 9.4% to Rs 23.5 lakh crore in FY24, with Rs 8.3 lakh crore spent on education alone.

Doomsday warning for 'doom scrolling'

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: The Economic Survey is an unlikely dwelling place for Jonathan Haidt and 'doom scrolling' — the act of obsessively checking negative news and videos online.

But, with internet addiction along with mental health muscling its way into the list of public health priorities, Haidt — an American social psychologist and author of the New York Times bestseller 'The Anxious Generation', and doom-scrolling — an emerging form of internet addiction disorder, have found a mention in the Survey.

The report recommends increasing the number of psychiatrists, from 0.75 per lakh population in 2021 to the WHO norm of 3 per lakh, in addition to integrating mental health intervention in schools by developing age-appropriate mental health curriculum and balancing the role of technology.

"Unrestrained and unsupervised use of internet by children can lead to a range of problems, from obsessive consumption of social media or 'doom scrolling' to severe ones such as cyberbullying," the survey report 2023-24 says.

Rubbing the wrong way: Toilet paper doesn't wash with planners

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: The Economic Survey focuses on the excessive use of toilet paper by the West and the need for a behavioural change.

"The entire developed world uses toilet paper made of 'virgin wood' for the most regular body activity, every single day, multiple times over. Making one single roll of toilet paper uses 1.5 pounds of wood, 37 gallons of water and 1.3 kwh of electricity," the survey quotes a report.

It suggests that advanced countries learn from some of the poor and developing nations in Asia where they have adopted a more nature friendly lifestyle when it comes to maintaining basic hygiene.

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DUMP IT

"Many Asian countries provide valuable lessons around these, yet their non-capitalist strategies often remain excluded from mainstream discussions because behavioural and lifestyle change seems to be more difficult than climate change," the published report said.

It also points out how the developed world is reluctant to focus on the impact of their 'consumption-oriented lifestyle'. Growing red meat for consumption in these countries, which has a large impact on climate change, is one example. The OECD Environmental Policies and Individual Behaviour Change survey of 2022 said that 43% of respondents reported regular consumption of red meat and showed resistance to change this lifestyle.

No more red cards for 'motherhood penalty'

TEAM TOI

New Delhi: The Economic Survey calls for strategic reforms to create a robust care economy in India to not only address the expected rise in demand for such services but address the challenge of 'motherhood penalty'.

Childbearing and childcare is found to have a significant financial impact on women's careers. 'Motherhood penalty' shows up as a drop in 'female labour force participation rate' during child-bearing years and resultant loss of income.

"The economic value of developing a care sector is two-fold — increasing female labour force participation rate and promoting a promising sector for output and job creation," the survey said. According to the Indian Labour Organisation (ILO), the care sector is one of the fastest-growing sectors globally, and investments in care services sector are estimated to generate 475 million jobs globally by 2030.

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GREAT EXPECTATIONS

In India, direct public investment equivalent to 2% of GDP has the potential to generate around 11 million jobs, nearly 70% of which will go to women.

According to the ILO, care work consists of activities involved in meeting the physical, psychological, and emotional needs of adults and children, old and young, frail and able-bodied.

"India's care needs are slated to expand significantly in the next 25 years, as an ageing population follows demographic transition while the population of children stays relatively sizeable. Thus compared to 50.7 crore persons in 2022, the country would need to care for 64.7 crore persons in 2050," the survey said.

The report asserted that the additional requirements for care would be further upscaled as more women participate in paid work with prevalence of nuclear families increasing.

In a section on social and economic empowerment of women, the survey calls for measures to enhance asset ownership among women and normalising female property rights. "For development to be led by women, it will also have to be 'owned' by them," the report said.

On financial inclusion, it has pointed out that the PM Jan Dhan Yojana has facilitated the opening of 52.3 crore bank accounts, of which around 56% of account holders are women, as of May 2024. This is accompanied by a rise in average deposits by nearly four times, from Rs 1,065 in March 2015 to Rs 4,398 in May 2024.

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Ignoring guv, speaker to swear-in 4 TMC MLAs today

Kolkata: Amid the stand-off with Bengal governor CV Ananda Bose over swearing-in of newly elected TMC MLAs, the state assembly's business advisory committee Monday decided that four MLAs, who won bypolls held on July 10, would be administered oath by speaker Biman Banerjee Tuesday, report **Debashis Konar** & **Krishnendu Bandyopadhyay**.

The four MLAs to be sworn-in on Tuesday include Supti Pandey, Mukutmani Adhikari, Krishna Kalyani and Madhuparna Thakur. Earlier, two MLAs — Sayantika Banerjee and Reyat Hossain Sarkar — were administered oath by the speaker on July 5.

The decision came hours after Bose wrote to Banerjee and Sarkar, reminding them of Article 193, which penalises MLAs who have not been administered oath by governor or his representatives. Bose's letter also inquired whether the MLAs were sworn in by his authorised representative, deputy speaker Asish Banerjee.

Bengal parliamentary affairs minister Sobhandeb Chattopadhyay had written to the governor seeking time for swearing-in but was not given any. Raj Bhavan shot back queries. Chattopadhyay said the speaker was well within his rights to administer oaths to MLAs at start of a session.

Rule 5 of Chapter II of 'rules of business' of assembly, which was cited to administer oaths to Banerjee and Sarkar, would be applied on the other four MLAs on Tuesday as well, sources said. Bose sent a report to Prez Droupadi Murmu on the matter.

Cops can't usurp authorities' powers sans legal basis: SC

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The court prima facie agreed with arguments put forth by senior advocates Abhishek Manu Singhvi, C U Singh and Huzefa Ahmadi, who submitted that kanwar yatra had been going on since pre-Independence but no such directive was ever issued which is against constitutional provisions and secularism and it was meant for social and economic boycott of a community.

At the outset of the hearing, the bench asked whether some formal order had been passed by govt or it was just voluntary for shopowners to display the names. Senior advocate Singh, who along with lawyer Fauzia Shakil appeared for the Association for Protection of Civil Rights, told SC that coercion was in the nature of the order as a fine was being imposed by state police on shopkeepers. He claimed that a bulldozer was being deployed for its compliance and it was compulsory and not voluntary.

Singhvi, appearing for TMC MP Mahua Moitra, submitted that the purpose behind the directive was exclusion by identity, which is not envisaged by the Constitution. He said people of all religions, including Muslims, help kanwariyas on their way, and added that it was a double whammy for shopkeepers — if they disclose they are damned, if they don't then also they are damned. In both cases there is exclusion and hundreds from the Muslim community are losing jobs, he told the bench.

Examining the issue, the bench also raised questions on the need and expectation of yatris who take vegetarian food during the pilgrimage. It asked whether it was needed that food be cooked and served by a member of a particular community and whether the farming of the foodgrain was also to be done by a member of the same community.

Emphasising that cleanliness and hygiene is more important than who cooks or serves food, Justice Bhatti shared his experience when he was in Kerala. He said that there were two vegetarian restaurants side by side — one run by a Hindu and other by a Muslim and he went to the latter because of its hygiene standards and the owner, who was a Dubai returnee, had displayed everything about cleanliness, safety and standard of food on a board.

Ahmadi, appearing for Apoorvanand Jha and activist Aakar Patel of Association for Protection of Civil Rights, said the directives were discriminatory and would further the cause of untouchability and violative of Article 14, 15(1), 17 and 19(1)(g) of the Constitution. He said that requiring vendors to display the names of the owners and staff cannot by itself be read as a measure to ensure vegetarian food for the yatris.

Prima facie not agreeing with the directives passed by state authority, the bench said, "It is permissible for the authorities to ensure that the kanwariyas are served vegetarian food conforming to the preferences and also ensure hygienic standards. In furtherance to this, the competent authority may perhaps issue orders under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 and the Street Vendors Act, 2014. However, the legal powers vested on the competent authority cannot be usurped by police without legal foundation."

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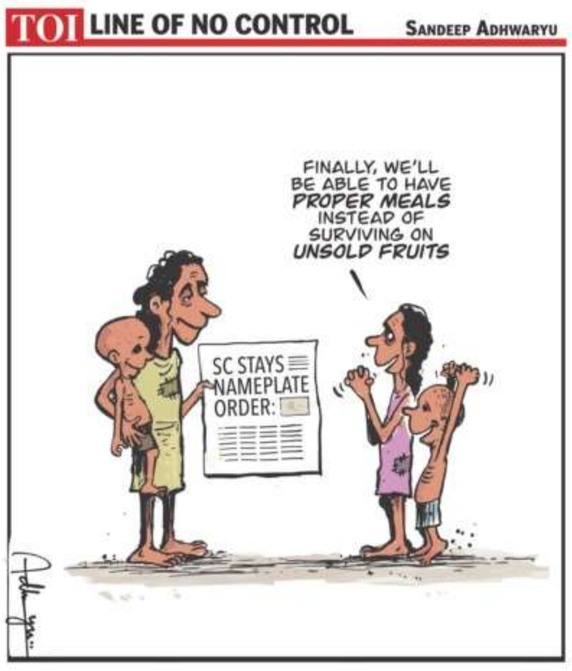

Hope & relief as traders on 'kanwar highway' begin removing 'nameplates'

Following the Supreme Court's order on names being displayed outside business establishments, a wave of hope and jubilation spread across owners and employees of Muslim-run fruit carts, tea stalls, tiny dhabas and restaurants dotted along highways and roads that are part of the kanwar yatra route that leads from UP to Uttarakhand, report **Sandeep Rai, Mohd Dilshad** & **Deepak Lavania**. "Once again, the court has come to our rescue. We can heave a sigh of relief, at least for now," said Mohammed Nisar as he took down a poster that read 'Nisar Phal (fruits)'.

While the SC order is interim, aggrieved dhaba (eatery) owners are confident that the final verdict will also "uphold the tenets of our Constitution."

Survey flags need to create 78.5L non-farm jobs annually till 2030

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The Economic Survey, meant to be a comprehensive official account of the financial year gone by, said on inflation, India had handled the price situation better than peers and the short-term outlook was benign.

"The Economic Survey highlights the prevailing strengths of our economy and also showcases the outcomes of the various reforms our govt has brought. It also identifies areas for further growth and progress as we move towards building a Viksit Bharat," said PM Modi on X.

Of course, employment has been identified as a challenge, with the document underlining the need to create 78.5 lakh non-farm jobs annually until 2030, while suggesting that the Centre alone cannot deal with the issue. "It is worth reiterating that job creation happens mainly in the private sector. Second, many (not all) of the issues that influence economic growth, job creation and productivity and the actions to be taken therein are in the domain of the state govts."

Chief economic adviser V Anantha Nageswaran, also waded into the debate on inequality by citing data to argue that as India's GDP expanded 12 times since 1993, per capita income also increased sevenfold between FY1990 and FY2024: a pointed rebuttal to Thomas Piketty and his acolytes. Nageswaran is confident about the trend continuing as he projected a healthy growth rate up to 2047.

However, he also signalled his sensitivity to the rich-poor gap, flagging the role of tax policies as a possible solution, and AI as a disruptor which could add to the challenge. "Tax policies on the treatment of capital and labour incomes will likely play a more important role in the coming years, especially since the deployment of technology like AI may have a more deleterious impact on employment and income."

The Survey stood out from its predecessors in its candid acknowledgement of several bumps that the govt needs to navigate to ensure sustained growth over a quarter century. It highlighted how compliance burden and approvals were hobbling economic activity.

"The Indian state can free up its capacity and enhance its capability to focus on areas where it has to by letting go of its grip in areas where it does not have to. The licensing, inspection and compliance requirements that all levels of the government continue to impose on businesses is an onerous burden. Relative to history, the burden has lightened. Relative to where it ought to be, it is still a lot heavier. The burden is felt more acutely by those least equipped to bear it – small and medium enterprises. It holds them back, leashes their aspirations, and, in the process, holds the country back," Nageswaran said in the preface of the sedate economic analysis. The compliance burden on SMEs is seen to be particularly heavy.

Apart from jobs, inequality and deregulation, the nine-point policy thrust for the short- and medium-term – some of which may be addressed by Sitharaman in the budget on Tuesday – included a focus on skilling as just around half the youth is deemed employable.

It also called for tapping the full potential of the farm sector by targeting higher yields and land consolidation, crop diversification and better price discovery.

Besides, it sought to draw attention to the policy on China, where govt has imposed restrictions, arguing that boosting FDI from the neighboring nation with which India is engaged in a border dispute, could help bridge the mounting trade deficit and also integrate domestic companies into the global value chain. The observation came in the backdrop of slowing FDI inflows.

On the critical issue of energy transition, the Survey recommended an India-specific approach and also cautioned about protectionism in climate change policies in the developed world.

"Over the last 10 years, the visionary policies of Modi Ji have placed Bharat at the pinnacle of economic growth. The survey documents Bharat's rise to the pedestal of the fastest-growing major economy while prominently outlining its future trajectory to emerge as a developed nation," home minister Amit Shah tweeted.

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The Dy. Chief Engineer/Const.-I, Northern Railway, State Entry Road, New Delhi for and on behalf of the President of India invites open e-tender under **Two Packet System** for the under noted work :-

1.	**Name of work and location**	Construction of Block-III of Railway Officer's Rest House for all zonal Railways, production units & training institutes including Electrification and HVAC work at Tilak Bridge, near ITO, New Delhi (Composite work).
2.	**Completion period of the work**	24 (Twenty four) months from the date of issue of acceptance letter.
3.	**Approx. cost of work**	Rs. **1557.54** Lakh (Rupees Fifteen crore fifty seven lakh fifty four thousand only)
4.	**Earnest money amount (to be deposited Online)**	Rs. **9,28,800/-** (Rupees Nine Lakh twenty eight thousand eight hundred only)
5.	**Date, Time for submission of e-tender and opening of tender**	Tender may be uploaded upto 11.30 hrs. on 13.08.2024 on IREPS web site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** The bidders can only participate in the e-tender, the tender will be opened at 11.30 hrs. on **13.08.2024**
6.	**Detailed Tender Notice &Tender Document**	Above tender document will be available on IREPS web site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** from **22.07.2024 to 13.08.2024.** All other terms and conditions in respect of above tender are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

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Tender No. : Br-JHS-2024-13 | **Approx Cost of work :** Rs. 37.45 Crore/-

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1.	**Name of work and location:** IOH and Major repair of track machines at TMMD/TKD, KKDE, BTI, LKO & MB under jurisdiction of Dy.CE/TMC/Line/New Delhi.
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7.	**Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document :** The detailed tender document is available on **www.ireps.gov.in**. Above tender document will be available for online submission of offer on IREPS website i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** from 29.07.2024 to 12.08.2024. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

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सूचना

विषय : Molasses Tank की निविदा प्रस्तुत करने की तिथि में विस्तार हेतु

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PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON
See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Asgar, S/o Lt. Md. Yunus, R/o: F-667, Budh Bazar Road, Inder Enclave, Ph-II, Kirari, Delhi, Also at Village Bishanpur, Block-Katra, PS Jajuar (OP), District Muzaffarpur, Bihar** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 211/24, dated 15.04.2024, U/S 376 IPC & 06 POCSO Act, P.S. Prem Nagar, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Asgar** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Asgar** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Asgar** accused of **FIR No. 211/24, dated 15.04.2024, U/S 376 IPC & 06 POCSO Act, P.S. Prem Nagar, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **13.09.2024.**

By Order
Ms. Jasjeet Kaur
Additional Session Judge-04 (POCSO)
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Therefore, an opportunity is being provided to the candidates of BC Category before result of centralized counselings for revising their Backward Classes category i.e. BC-A & BC-B as per the new State Govt. notification if they are eligible. However, all these candidates are required to submit the certificate from the Competent Authority at the time of physical reporting in the allotted institute that they are not covered in the creamy layer as per the State Govt. notification dated 16.07.2024. The new candidates may register at http://techadmissionshry.gov.in for admission to B.E./B.Tech., B.Arch., B.Tech. (lateral entry) & B.Pharmacy (lateral entry) and participate in the centralized counseling as per the schedule.

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The advertisement published on 16.03.24 respectively regarding Walk-In Interviews for various posts for Tele-MANAS Program under National Health Mission stands cancelled.

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MP min threatens to quit after losing portfolio

Madhya Pradesh minister NagarChouhan threatened Monday to quit the cabinet along with his wife as an MP, a day after the forest portfolio, one of the two he held, was assigned to new minister and Congress turncoat Ram Niwas Rawat, reports **Suchandana Gupta**. Six-time MLA Rawat, once an OBC face of Congress in Chambal region had joined BJP in the run-up to LS polls. He was inducted into CM Mohan Yadav's cabinet a fortnight ago, but was assigned forest portfolio only Sunday. Chouhan is now left with SC welfare. Raising the banner of revolt, he said his wife Anita Chouhan, MP from Ratlam, would also resign if "this situation continues". He made it clear, though, that he would continue as BJP MLA and was not looking to switch to any other party.

Petitioners claim entire NEET exam process flawed. Where's the proof, asks top court

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Pointing to an ambiguity in a physics question in this year's NEET-UG exam, a petitioner said in SC that one of four options in the multiple-choice question was correct as per the new NCERT physics syllabus and another would be held correct as per books prescribed prior to 2019.

Advocate Suriti Chowdhury said, since the options were ambiguous, her client, who secured 715 marks, didn't attempt the question. She said the question and four marks allotted to it should be either "completely erased" or "four marks given to those who chose the correct answer".

SG Tushar Mehta said NTA would leave it to the court's discretion to engage any expert to determine which of the two statements is correct. He said over nine lakh students chose the correct option as per the new syllabus, while around 4.2 lakh students chose the answer deemed correct as per the courses studies prior to 2019. However, he said only one of the answers could be correct.

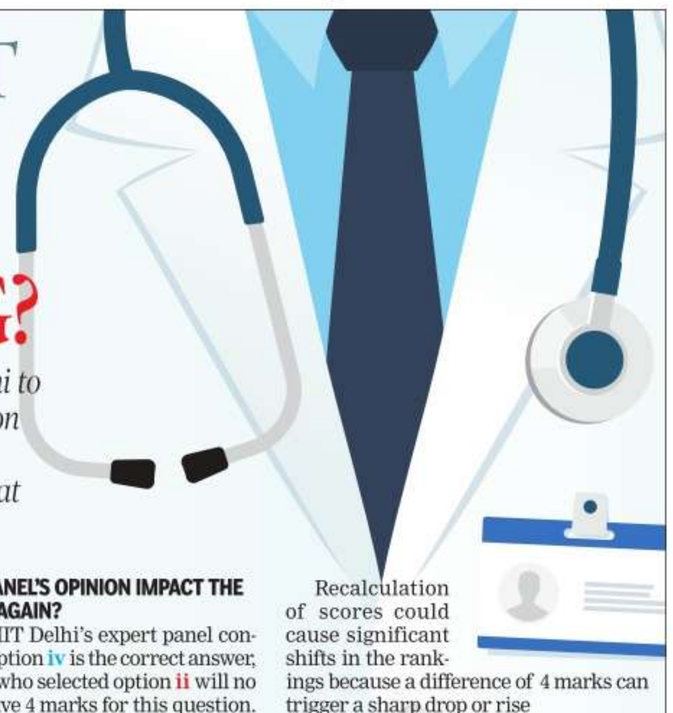
A bench of CJI D Y Chandrachud and Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra chose to take help of three experts from among the biggest academic brains of the country in physics to get the correct option for the elementary atomic theory question. "In order to resolve the issue as regards the correct answer to the above question, we are of the view that an expert opinion should be sought from IIT-Delhi. We request the director at IIT-Delhi to constitute a team of three experts on the subject. The team is requested to formulate its opinion on the correct option and to remit its opinion to the secretary general of this court, preferably by July 23," it said.

Prior to this, during the day-long inconclusive hearing, senior advocate Narender Hooda, lead counsel for the petitioners seeking retest of NEET-UG, pointed to the paper leak at Hazaribag and Patna in Bihar, the anomalies in conducting examination at Jhajjar, and the abnormal results in 38 centres at Sikar in Rajasthan and Godhra to argue that the entire exam process was compromised. He also questioned the manner in which the custody of the question papers was entrusted to private school teachers, who are centre superintendents, prior to conducting the test.

However, SC said the petitioners have so far pointed to paper leak at a few places in Bihar and anomalies in other centres but haven't been able to provide evidence as to whether entire process was compromised, affecting sanctity of NEET-UG. The proceedings will resume Tuesday.

WILL MERIT LIST CHANGE A THIRD TIME FOR NEET-UG?

Supreme Court on Monday asked IIT-Delhi to form a panel that will by Tuesday afternoon give its opinion on the correct answer to a physics question in the NEET-UG exam that had an ambiguity in its answer key.



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WHAT WAS THE QUESTION?
- Atoms are electrically neutral as they contain equal numbers of positive and negative charges.
- Atoms of each element are stable and emit their characteristic spectrum.

The options were:
(i) 1 is correct and 2 is incorrect
(ii) 1 is incorrect and 2 is correct
(iii) 1 and 2 are both correct
(iv) 1 and 2 are both incorrect

WHAT WAS THE AMBIGUITY?
Students who moved court argued there could be two correct answers – option ii based on the old NCERT book (pre-2019) and option iv according to the new book. As a result, NTA had awarded 4 grace marks to those who went for option ii

WILL THE PANEL'S OPINION IMPACT THE MERIT LIST AGAIN?
It could. If IIT Delhi's expert panel confirms that option iv is the correct answer, candidates who selected option ii will no longer receive 4 marks for this question. This will lead to a recalculation of scores for these students. (Two merit lists have already been announced. One on June 4, when the results were declared, followed by June 30 when the retest results for were announced)

WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE SCENARIOS?
If the panel decides both are correct, nothing changes in the current merit list. But if it picks either of the two as the correct answer, one set of candidates will lose 4 marks (either grace or awarded for the correct answer)

Recalculation of scores could cause significant shifts in the rankings because a difference of 4 marks can trigger a sharp drop or rise

Qualifying cutoffs could change if the panel recommends scrapping the question altogether. That will bring down NEET-UG exam's assessment score from 720 to 716

WIDER IMPACT
This decision could set a precedent for future disputes regarding exam questions and adherence to latest study material

POLICY REVIEW
NTA might review its policy on study material references and grace marks to avoid such ambiguities in future

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After TN, K'taka cabinet moves to demand NEET scrapping

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Bengaluru: Congress-led Karnataka cabinet on Monday passed a resolution asking the Centre to scrap NEET for state-specific assessments for admissions to medical colleges. The resolution will be introduced in the assembly on Tuesday or Wednesday. If cleared, Karnataka will become the second state after Tamil Nadu to pass such a resolution.

Following a nationwide outrage over NEET-UG paper leak, Karnataka has alleged that the national entrance test is detrimental to the interests of the poor and rural students.

The resolution passed by the state cabinet on Monday asking Centre to scrap NEET will be introduced in the assembly on Tuesday or Wednesday

The state govt has planned to reintroduce the previous system where admissions to both engineering and medical colleges were conducted through a common entrance test.

The cabinet also decided to oppose the Union govt's proposal to synchronise assembly and Lok Sabha elections under the 'One Nation, One Election' initiative. "The govt may move a resolution in this regard in both Houses of the legislature," a minister said.

I'm here at the mercy of my leader, the PM, says Pradhan after Cong MP's quit demand

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The exchanges during Question Hour in Lok Sabha saw INDIA bloc members joining forces with Samajwadi Party boss Akhilesh Yadav in attacking the Centre. "The issue is there are millions of students in this country who are extremely concerned about what is going on and who are convinced that the Indian exam system is a fraud. If you are rich and have money, you can buy the Indian examination system," leader of opposition Rahul Gandhi alleged. "As this is a systemic issue, what exactly are you doing to fix this issue at the systemic level?" he asked

Education minister Dharmendra Pradhan hit back by reminding opposition that NEET was conceptualised under UPA but was never implemented because of pressure from the private medical colleges which charge hefty capitation fees from students — his reference to "remote-controlled govt" being seen as a suggestion that Rahul, having been the all-powerful figure in the Congress-led coalition, cannot wash his hands off the policy volte face.

"For the first time, students from ST/SC/OBC categories and from rural areas have performed well ... Students from Kerala have done well, should we now say that there is some wrongdoing there also?" Pradhan asked.

"There is no evidence of paper leaks in the last seven years in any numbers...," Pradhan said in response to Congress MP Manickam Tagore mentioning that there have been 70 paper leaks in seven years. He also rejected Tagore's demand that he quit, saying he enjoys PM's confidence. "I am here at the mercy of my leader, the PM," Pradhan said, adding his govt is "collectively answerable".

"Questioning the entire examination process of the county is very sad and calling it rubbish and fraud is condemnable," Pradhan said and also informed the House that the list of successful students, as directed by Supreme Court, has been uploaded on the website.

PAPER WAR: 'There is no evidence of paper leaks in last seven years,' Dharmendra Pradhan said in response to Congress MP Manickam Tagore claiming that there have been 70 paper leaks in seven years

Akhilesh Yadav also raised questions about the examination paper leaks and claimed the govt will make a record on the issue. Congress MP Hibi Eden called NEET issue "the biggest scam".

RSP MP N K Premachandran demanded a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) probe into the NEET issue.

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla intervened as he said it is not right to raise questions about all examinations and members should discuss the need of developing a better examination system.

Rahul said it is obvious to the whole country that there is a very serious problem in the examination system, not just in NEET but in all major examinations. A visibly peeved Pradhan said it was unfortunate that the member described the examination system as rubbish. "Since setting up NTA, more than 240 examinations have been conducted, more than five crore students applied and more than 4.5 crore students participated," the minister said.

Rahul and almost the entire opposition, including from Trinamool Congress and Dravida Munnetra Kazhaga, walked out of the House. Congress deputy leader in the House Gaurav Gogoi raised slogans demanding the resignation of Pradhan.

Later, asked if he was satisfied with Pradhan's response in the House, Rahul told reporters outside the Parliament, "The education minister should give an answer on NEET. He spoke about Supreme Court, he spoke about Prime Minister, but he is not able to tell what he is doing to address the concerns surrounding NEET."

NTA doesn't outsource setting of question papers, edu min clarifies

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: All 170 employees of the National Testing Agency are either contractual or outsourced staff, the ministry of education told Parliament on Monday. It also clarified that "all core activities, including setting up of question papers" for exams conducted by the agency are not outsourced. This information was shared by junior education minister Sukanta Majumdar in response to a question raised in the LS by DMK MP Kanimozhi Karunanidhi.

The director general of NTA is appointed by the Centre under the Central Staffing Scheme, the minister said. Additionally, 22 employees are currently working on deputation in NTA, while 39 are contractual employees and 132 are outsourced staff, he added. One employee has been absorbed in NTA from the parent dept, he further said.

Regarding the tasks outsourced by NTA, Majumdar explained that, considering the sensitivity involved in competitive exams, a range of operational and security measures are undertaken to ensure their smooth and fair conduct. "Such measures involve engagement of specialised or experienced agencies for providing services like capturing of biometric (data), frisking, CCTV surveillance and AI analytics, with a view to identify any potential impersonation, exam delivery, etc."

In a separate question put up jointly by 31 opposition MPs, including Mala Roy (TMC), Gaurav Gogoi (Cong), Kalanidhi Veeraswamy (DMK), Selvaraj V (CPI), Anand Bhadauria (SP), regarding "paper leak", & "workings of NTA", as well as on "scrapping of NEET", Majumdar provided further details.

In response to question on mismanagement and alleged manipulation of NEET results, Majumdar said the ministry has asked CBI to conduct a comprehensive probe into the entire gamut of alleged irregularities, including conspiracy, cheating and breach of trust. "There is no material on record to indicate any proof of any large-scale breach of confidentiality in this pan India examination," he added.

Concerning the growing demand from various states, including Tamil Nadu, to scrap the NEET examinations, the Centre said that currently, there is no proposal under consideration to do so. Govt stated that NEET has been introduced to standardise admission to undergraduate medical courses in the country, uphold merit, and prevent exploitation, profiteering, and commercialisation of education.

K'taka freezes Bill on techies' workhours

Bengaluru: Congress cabinet in Karnataka Monday put in cold storage its contentious proposal to increase work timings in IT sector from a maximum permissible 10 hours to 14 hours a day. The cabinet also formally decided to postpone indefinitely an earlier proposal to move a Bill seeking to introduce job reservation for local candidates in the private sector amid a backlash from captains and associations of industry.

Nasscom, which represents the IT industry, said Saturday that it supported the 48-hour workweek followed across the country and had never asked for a 14-hour workday or a 70-hour workweek.

Sources linked minister Santosh Lad's opposition to the proposal to his unhappiness at not receiving support on the proposed reservation for locals in private sector. TNN

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Invitation of Tenders through E-Tendering (E-Procurement System)

SN	Tender Notice No. & Date	Name of work with its location	Approx. Cost of work	Amount of Earnest Money	Completion period of the work	Date & Time for submission of tender & opening of tender
1	32-W-BR-SIDE PATHWAY-MB Date 22.07.2024	Provision of sidepath way over Br. No. - 32/SL (5X18.3+1X26.50), 32-A/SL (1X61.00), 124/SL (2X6.1+2X12.2), 125-A/SL (5X12.2), 132/SL (3X12.2) on HPU-KJY section & 8-A/SL (4X12.2), 12-A/SL (1X45.7), 45/SL (5X13.90), 64/SL (3X12.2), 65/SL (1X12.2) on GJL-MZM section & 4-A/SL (3X12.2), 16/SL (2X30.5) on NBD-KTW section & 9/SL (10X18.30), 19/SL (1X18.30), 36/SL (3X18.30), 46/SL (1X18.30) on MB-CH section under AXEN/BL/MB over MB-Division.	Rs. 22954345.24	Rs. 264800/-	(08) Eight Months	Upto 15:00 hrs. on 16.08.2024 Opening of tender after 15:00 hrs. on same day

Note : Above tenders are available on website, IREPS site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in,** where complete details of tender cab be seen & downloaded.
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TAMIL NADU MEDICAL SERVICES CORPORATION LTD.
(A Government of Tamilnadu Undertaking)
No.417, Pantheon Road, Egmore, Chennai-600008.Phone:28191890/28190259; Fax: 044 -28190636

Sl. No.	Online Tender no. / Rate Contract (RC) No./ item with qty./ Document Cost	Sale Period	Pre bid	Last date Submission	Opening
1	Tender No.E1185/VEN/KCSSH/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Pulmonary Ventilator Parameter Monitoring System (10) & High End ICU Ventilator (25) – Rs.5,725/-	23.07.2024 to 07.08.2024	30.07.2024 11.00 AM	08.08.2024 11.00 AM	08.08.2024 12.00 Noon
2	Tender No.E1186/SCOPE/KCSSH/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Laparoscopic Robotic Assist Device (1)- Rs.5,725/-	23.07.2024 to 07.08.2024	30.07.2024 11.30 AM	08.08.2024 11.00 AM	08.08.2024 12.00 Noon
3	Tender No.E1187/SCOPE/KCSSH/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Interventional Multi System Video Endoscopy System (5) – Rs.3,435/-	25.07.2024 to 08.08.2024	01.08.2024 11.00 AM	09.08.2024 11.00 AM	09.08.2024 12.00 Noon
4	Tender No.E1188/RCCT/KCSSH/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Robotic C-arm for CT Guided Intervention System (2) – Rs.5,725/-	25.07.2024 to 08.08.2024	01.08.2024 11.30 AM	09.08.2024 11.00 AM	09.08.2024 12.00 Noon
5	Tender No.E1189/IOCT/KCSSH/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Intra Operative CT with Robotic Neuro Assistant – Rs.5,725/-	26.07.2024 to 27.08.2024	02.08.2024 11.00 AM	28.08.2024 11.00 AM	28.08.2024 12.00 Noon
6	RC Tender No.E1190/OTT/RC/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- C-arm Compatible OT Table (58) – Rs.5,725/-	30.07.2024 to 13.08.2024	06.08.2024 11.00 AM	14.08.2024 11.00 AM	14.08.2024 12.00 Noon
7	RC Tender No.E1191/CEN/RC/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Refrigerated Centrifuge (13) & Vortex Mixer (14) – Rs.5,725/-	30.07.2024 to 13.08.2024	06.08.2024 11.30 AM	14.08.2024 11.00 AM	14.08.2024 12.00 Noon
8	RC Tender No.E1192/EYE/RC/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Operating Microscope Low End (13) – Rs.3,435/-	31.07.2024 to 19.08.2024	07.08.2024 11.00 AM	20.08.2024 11.00 AM	20.08.2024 12.00 Noon
9	RC Tender No.E1193/ACL/RC/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Vertical Autoclave (113) – Rs.5,725/-	31.07.2024 to 19.08.2024	07.08.2024 11.30 AM	20.08.2024 11.00 AM	20.08.2024 12.00 Noon
10	RC Tender No.E1194/SCOPE/RC/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Basic Diagnostic Arthroscopy Set (5) and Instruments for Hip Surgery (5) – Rs.5,725/-	01.08.2024 to 20.08.2024	08.08.2024 11.00 AM	21.08.2024 11.00 AM	21.08.2024 12.00 Noon
11	RC Tender No.E1195/MON/RC/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Multipara Monitor (213) – Rs.5,725/-	01.08.2024 to 20.08.2024	08.08.2024 11.30 AM	21.08.2024 11.00 AM	21.08.2024 12.00 Noon
12	RC Tender No.E1196/RTPCR/RC/TNMSC/ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Real Time PCR (36) – Rs.5,725/-	02.08.2024 to 21.08.2024	09.08.2024 11.00 AM	22.08.2024 11.00 AM	22.08.2024 12.00 Noon
13	RC Tender No.E1197/RAD-Consumables/RC/TNMSC/ ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Fixing rate contract for Radiotherapy Consumables – Rs.5,725/-	02.08.2024 to 21.08.2024	09.08.2024 11.30 AM	22.08.2024 11.00 AM	22.08.2024 12.00 Noon
14.	RC Tender No.E1198/SCOPE/RC/TNMSC/ ENGG/2024, dt:19.07.2024- Sigmoidoscope (5) – Rs.5,725/-	02.08.2024 to 21.08.2024	09.08.2024 12.00 Noon	22.08.2024 11.00 AM	22.08.2024 12.00 Noon

For details visit **www.tenders.tn.gov.in** and TNMSC website **www.tnmsc.tn.gov.in**
DIPR/2500/Tender/2024
General Manager (Equipment)

GEM - अल्पकालीन निविदा/विज्ञप्ति

पुलिस प्रशिक्षण महाविद्यालय, मुरादाबाद द्वारा 22 अदद मोबाइल क्रय किये जाने हेतु जेम (GEM) पोर्टल पर बिड संख्या: GEM/2024/B/5183176 दिनांक 19.07.2024 को अपलोड (प्रकाशित) की गयी है। इच्छुक सेवा प्रदाताओं से दिनांक 29.07.2024 को समय 18.00 बजे तक जेम निविदायें आमन्त्रित की जाती है। जेम निविदा हेतु नियम एवं शर्तें जेम पोर्टल पर उपलब्ध है।

(अमित चन्द्रा)
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Jr sailor went missing likely during attempt to jump off listing warship

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After Navy chief Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi briefed defence minister Rajnath Singh on Monday about the mishap on INS Brahmaputra, an official said, "The minister prayed for safety of the missing sailor. He directed the Navy chief to take appropriate action." A board of inquiry has been ordered to ascertain the sequence of events and reasons for the mishap.

INS Brahmaputra, which was commissioned in April 2000 after being built by defence shipyard Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd at Kolkata, was undergoing a refit at the naval dockyard when the fire broke out on board on Sunday. Packed with weapons and sensors, it had a crew of around 450 including 40-odd officers.

The fire was brought under control by the warship's crew with the assistance of firefighters from the naval dockyard, which was followed by "sanitisation checks" for any residual risks. On Monday, however, the frigate began "listing" (when a ship takes in water and tilts to one side) to the port side from water pumped into the vessel during firefighting operations.

"Despite all efforts, the warship could not be brought to upright position. The ship continued to list further alongside her berth and is resting on one side at present," an officer said. The junior sailor still to be accounted for probably went missing during the attempt to jump off the listing ship.

A file photo of INS Brahmaputra

Another Brahmaputra-class frigate, INS Betwa, had slipped from her dock blocks, tilted and then crashed flat on her port side while being undocked during a maintenance refit in the Mumbai naval dockyard on Dec 5, 2016. It had taken a herculean effort to make INS Betwa operational again with the help of international salvage experts at a cost of around Rs 20 crore.

The Navy had been hit by a string of accidents, almost 40 of them, between 2007 and 2016. In Feb 2014, then Navy chief Admiral D K Joshi had owned "moral responsibility" and resigned after two serious accidents on board two submarines — INS Sindhurakshak and INS Sindhuratna — killed five officers and 15 sailors.

Reports by the CAG, incidentally, have punched several holes into the management of refits of warships that take place in the two naval dockyards at Mumbai and Visakhapatnam and three naval ship repair yards at Port Blair, Kochi and Karwar.

Razed 503 illegal religious structures in 1 mth: Guj to HC

Ahmedabad: State govt on Monday informed the Gujarat high court that 503 religious structures, illegally constructed on public places, were removed across state in the last one month.

The HC and Supreme Court have ordered the removal of all religious constructions, illegally put up on public places.

This was in response to a photograph of a temple in Ahmedabad published by **TOI** in 2006 after riots broke out in Vadodara, when three mazars were razed by the civic body. The govt submitted that out of 503 religious structures that were demolished, 263 structures were in district areas and 267 in municipal corporation areas. TNN

4 injured in Mumbai as drunk driver rams Audi into 2 autos

Mumbai: A speeding Audi car, driven by a man allegedly in an inebriated state, rammed into two stationary autorickshaws in Mumbai's Mulund area on Monday, leaving four people injured, police said.

Police have arrested the accused, Dattatray Gore, 43, a resident of Kanjurmarg, from his sister's house after he fled the scene, leaving the vehicle behind, an official said.

Police arrested the accused, 43-year-old Dattatray Gore, from his sister's house after he fled the scene

The incident occurred at around 6.15am on Dumping Road, and police later impounded the high-end car, he said. The car had rammed into two stationary autorickshaws, injuring two drivers and as many passengers. Their condition is said to be stable, the official said.

Police have collected the accused's blood sample and sent it to Kalina Forensic Science Laboratory. It was found that he was under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident. A case has been registered under relevant provisions of Bhartiya Nyay Sanhita (BNS) and Motor Vehicle Act (MVA), the official said.

This incident follows a recent accident in Worli, where a BMW fatally struck a woman riding pillion on a two-wheeler. PTI

POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL EDUCATION & RESEARCH, CHANDIGARH

TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders are invited from the manufacturers or their sole authorized distributors/sole agents on the prescribed form for below mention items for two years.

1. Inj. Human Albumin 5%, 250ml bottle.

Due date for submission of Tender is **21.08.2024 by 12:30 hours.** Details of Tender Notice & Tender Form are available at our website pgimer.edu.in & eprocure.gov.in.

Purchase Officer (HPD), Proc. Drugs & Dressing

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

SR. No.	NAME OF BOARD/CORP./AUTH	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT / EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	HARYANA STATE FEDERATION OF COOP. SUGAR MILLS LIMITED	PURCHASE OF COMPUTER SERVER, SOFTWARE AND RELATED ITEMS	CLOSING DATE 05.08.2024	25 LACS	haryanasugarfed.org.in	8566062859 haryanasugarfed@gmail.com

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT : www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in RO 28063

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CHANDIGARH

TENDER NOTICE

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Bid Submission Schedule (Online)	Opening Technical Bid (Online)
	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER - Horticulture Division No. 2		
1.	Operation, Maintenance and Watch & Ward of Fountains in various Green Belts / Parks at various locations under the jurisdiction of SDE MCPH Sub Division No.19, Chandigarh under Revenue Head. (Re-invite) DNIT Amount : Rs.1,01,98,799/- Earnest Money : Rs.2,03,976/- Time Limit : Twelve Months	22.07.2024 (at 5.30 P.M) To 29.07.2024 (10.30 A.M.)	29.07.2024 at 11.00 A.M.

CONDITIONS

1. The tender documents will be downloaded by the contractors / bidders from the website Chandigarh.nic.in/Chandigarh.gov./tenders.gov.in

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Hort. Divn.No. 2. M.C. Chandigarh

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
LIFT IRRIGATION CONSTRUCTION DIVISION,
VARUNAPURAM, IRRIGATION COLONY, SIGRA, VARANASI-221010, UP.
SHORT TERM e-TENDER NOTICE
NO. 04/EE/LICD,VNS/TRASH RACK SYSTEM/7 & 8/GPC/2024-25

Online e-bids on prescribed bid forms in two parts namely (i) Technical bid and (ii) Financial bid are invited simultaneously by the undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Uttar Pradesh only for following work at Gyanpur Pump Canal" up to 16.00 Hours on 16.08.2024 and shall be opened at 14.30 Hours on 20.08.2024 as stated below. Firms/Contractors registered as Class A or above (Mechanical/Electrical) in Irrigation Department who had earlier done this work can also participate in this bid. The details for submission of bids are available in the bid document uploaded on the e-procurement website http://etender.up.nic.in.

Bidders who are not registered with Director of Industries of the State/N.S.I.C. for bidding item are required to submit Bid Security (EMD). Bid security will be deposited in the account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender Portal by Internet Banking only. All concerned please note that bidding process will not move onward if the Bid Security (EMD) is not paid through e-tender portal by Internet Banking. No other form of bid security will be accepted. But bidders who are intending to seek exemption from submitting bid security (EMD) should submit relevant Industries Registration Certificate issued by competent authority with request letter for exemption. Bid Document Fee also is to be deposited in the account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender portal by internet banking only. All concerned please note that bidding process will not move onward if the Bid Document's Cost (Tender Fee) is not paid through e-tender portal by Internet Banking.

(a)	Fabrication, Sand blasting, epoxy painting, shifting & erection of new Trash Rack (06 No. side & 02 No. Top) made of M.S. Plate of 12 mm and 8 mm, dismantling of old worn out Trash Rack of suction side of pump no. 7 & 8 at Gyanpur pump canal. Including all material, labour and T&P.(Contractor/Firm will mandatorily used M.S. Plate manufactured by SAIL.)	01 JOB
(b)	Date & time for Availability of the bid document on website.	27.07.2024 from 10.00 Hours onwards
(c)	Period for Bid submission along with Bid Document Fee, Bid Security/Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents in PDF/XLS format	From 29.07.2024, 10.00 Hours Upto 16.08.2024 up to 16.00 Hours
(d)	Hard copy of original Bid Document fee, Bid Security & Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents to be deposited in the office concerned.	17.08.2024 upto 14.00 Hours noon
(e)	Online opening date & time of Technical Bid.	20.08.2024 at 14.30 Hours
(f)	Online opening date & time of Financial Bid.	21.08.2024 at 14.30 Hours
(g)	Venue of opening of bid.	Office of The Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Construction Division, Varunapuram, Irrigation Colony, Sigra, VARANASI-221010, UP. Ph.No. 0542-2985196
(h)	Bid document fee.	Rs. 2,000.00 Stationary Charge + (Rs. 300.00+ Rs. 54.00 GST) (Rs Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Four) Only including GST.
(i)	Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit)	Rs. 79,800.00 (Rupees Seventy Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Only)
(j)	Completion Schedule	36 Weeks

Note:- (i) In case of any variation in English and Hindi version of this Tender Notice, English version shall be applicable.
(ii) Above items are for Government irrigation purpose only.

UPID-217514/19.07.2024 www.upgov.nic.in

Executive Engineer
Lift Irrigation Construction Division,
Irrigation Department, Varanasi

Jharkhand Urja Sancharan Nigam Ltd.
(CIN: U40108JH2013SGC001704)
Regd. Office: 2nd Floor, JUSNL (SLDC) Building, Kusai Colony, Doranda, Ranchi-02
(E-mail:cetjusnl@gmail.com)

6th TIME EXTENSION NOTICE

Important date against NIT No. 724/PR/JUSNL/2023-24 for Left over work of Design, Engineering, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of 132 kV D/C 3 phase LILO of 132 kV D/C 3 ph Hatia-II – Kanke Transmission Line for connectivity of Railway TSS, Piska on Turnkey basis from LILO point to proposed UG cable termination point (Loc. No. 12/0) of 5.876 Km. revised line length under the jurisdiction of 220/132 kV GSS, Hatia-II is hereby extended in following manner : -

End date and time of upload of BID	02.08.2024 up to 04:00 PM
BID Opening date for technical & commercial part	05.08.2024 at 04.00 PM

This extension notice is also available on the website www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in

स्वहित एवं राष्ट्रहित में ऊर्जा बचायें। कृपया अपनी शिकयतों को 18003456570(कॉल सेन्टर) पर दर्ज करायें।

PR No. 322542
PR 330317 (Jharkhand Urja Sancharan Nigam Ltd) 24-25 (D)

Sd/-
General Manager, C&M (NWBP)
JUSNL,Ranchi

Office of the Director General,
Department of Information & Public Relations,
Suchna Bhawan, Ladpur, Ring Road, Dehradun
E-mail: infodirector.uk@gmail.com Telephone: 0135-2742223/ Fax: 2742226

Letter No.: 690/सू.एवं लो.सं.वि./54-2013 Dated : 22 July, 2024

Release for Information Guide, 2024
(First Reminder)

The Information Guide, 2024 is proposed to be published by the Information and Public Relations Department. In this regard, it is to inform that the department had issued a release through the newspapers on June 24, 2024, but till date no any updated information has been forwarded by any Department/Institution of Information Guide/Information Diary-2024 to the Information Department.

The information is required for the publication of Information Guide-2024, the details of which are being given categorywise:- like all Departments of Uttarakhand/ Projects/ Cooperatives, Registrar, Councils/Boards, Academy/Institute/Central Authority, Chairman of Corporations, Managing Director Tribunal /Lokayukta Tribunal/Agencies, various Societies, various local Departments/Institutions of the Government of India, Universities/ Educational Institutions and the updated information along with names/designations/telephone numbers,Mobile Nos. Fax Nos. and departmental e-mails of the officials should be prepared compulsorily as per below mentioned table and should be send on the departmental e-mail publicatinuk@gmail.com, suchanadairy@gmail.com and fax 0135-2662334 till 30 July 2024 from the date of publication of release.

Sl.No.	Name of Officer/ designation	Name of Allotted Departments	Office Telephone/ Fax No.	Residence Telephone/ Fax No.	Mobile No.	Departmental Website/e-mail

RO 2024072222685 / सू.एवं लो.सं.वि.
देहरादून: दिनांक 22 जुलाई, 2024

(Banshidhar Tiwari)
Director General

Urban Development and Housing Department
1st Floor, Vikas Bhawan, New Secretariat, Patna-800015
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https://state.bihar.gov.in/urban
No.09/ न०वि० RERA (अध्यक्ष)–06/2021/...../ UD&HD, Patna

Applications are invited for the appointment to the post of Member in the Real Estate Regulatory Authority, (RERA) Bihar, established with the provisions of Sections 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016.

The Member of the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA), Bihar shall hold office for a term not exceeding 5 years from the date on which they enter upon their office, or until they attain the age 65 years, whichever is earlier and shall not be eligible for reappointment. The Chairperson of RERA, Bihar shall perform such duties and functions and exercise such powers as provided under the aforementioned Act and the Bihar Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Rules, 2017, made thereunder. The Head office of the Authority is at Patna.

For complete information on eligibility criteria, term of office, salary and allowances payable, Application form and other details, the interested persons may visit and download the same from the Department's website **https://state.bihar.gov.in/urban** under the Notice board and Recruitment links. The last date for receipt of applications complete in all respects is 12th August, 2024.

For further details please visit :
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Project Officer-Cum-Additional Director,
Urban Development & Housing Department,
Bihar, Patna.

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कार्यालय जिला पंचायत, सतना (मध्यप्रदेश)
क्रमांक/जि.पं./पीएमपीएसएन/2024-25/1103 सतना, दिनांक : 09.07.2024

निविदा सूचना पत्र

सतना जिले के नगर निगम/नगर पंचायत/नगर परिषद् क्षेत्रांतर्गत प्रधानमंत्री पोषण शक्ति निर्माण कार्यक्रम के संचालन हेतु शासकीय/अशासकीय संगठनों/संस्थाओं के चयन हेतु

"अभिरुचि की अभिव्यक्ति"

(Expression of Interest - EOI)

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सतना जिले के शहरी क्षेत्रों के कार्यक्षेत्र में संचालित शालाओं एवं विद्यार्थियों का विवरण निम्नानुसार है :-

क्र.	शहरी क्षेत्र	शालाओं की संख्या	विद्यार्थियों की संख्या (लगभग)
1.	नगर निगम सतना	80	6715
2.	नगर पंचायत कोठी	9	465
3.	नगर पंचायत नागौद	10	865
4.	नगर पंचायत उचेहरा	10	859
5.	नगर पंचायत रामपुर बाघेलान	12	876
6.	नगर पंचायत कोटर	5	239
7.	नगर पंचायत चित्रकूट	27	1692
8.	नगर पंचायत बिरसिंहपुर	8	556
9.	नगर पंचायत जैतवारा	9	394

म.प्र. माध्यम/115490/2024 **मुख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी, जिला पंचायत, सतना**

Online Tender Document for M.P. Police
POLICE HEADQUARTER, M.P., BHOPAL

No. PHQ/15/GPC/3038-1/2024 Bhopal, Dated: 16/07/2024

"ONLINE TENDER NOTICE "

Online tender are invited by Police Head Quarter, Bhopal on website https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app

S.No.	Item	Qty.	EMD paid Online Through mptenders.gov.n	Tender Fees (Rs.)
1.	BODY WORN CAMERA	600 Nos.	4,50,000/-	10,000/-

1. Cost of tender document (Tender Fee) is non refundable and cannot be exempted in any condition & **must submit online through website https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app.**
2. Tender document can be download from the website of MP Police (www.mppolice.gov.in)
3. Bids shall be submitted online only at MP Tenders website: https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app
4. **Critical Date Sheet:**

Published Date	16/07/2024 Time 19:00 PM
Bid Document Download Start Date	17/07/2024 Time 12:00 PM
Pre Bid Meeting Date	23/07/2024 Time 12:00 PM
Bid Submission Start Date	30/07/2024 Time 12:00 PM
Bid Submission End Date	06/08/2024 Time 14:00 PM
Bid Opening Date	07/08/2024 Time 16:00 PM

5. Intending Bidders are advised to visit this website regularly till closing date of submission to keep themselves updated as any change/ modification in the tender will be intimated through this website only by corrigendum / addendum/ amendment.
6. Bids will be opened as per date/time as mentioned in the Tender Critical Date Sheet. After online opening of Technical-Bid the results of their qualification as well Price-Bid opening will be intimated later.

Sd/-
(Sandeep Dixit)
A.I.G. (Provisioning)
For: Director General of Police M.P.

G-13747/24

O-131 eMail: se_nerwkjr@rediffmail.com

GOVT. OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE: KEONJHAR
eProcurement Notice for Road Works under DMF
Identification No. NCB-09/RWCKJR/2024-25
No. 2370 / Date : 18-07-2024

1. Name of the work :- **Construction & Maintenance of roads under DMF for the FinancialYear 2024-25 in the District of Keonjhar.**
2. No. of work :- 11 (Eleven) Nos.
3. Estimated Cost :- As per Annexure in NIT.
4. Class of Contractor (Eligible) :- As per Annexure in NIT.
5. Period of Completion :- As per Annexure in NIT.
6. Other details :- As per Annexure in NIT.

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender On-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification.	Date & Time of Opening of Tender in O/O .R.W. Circle, Keonjhar	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Keonjhar	**NCB-09 / RWCKJR / 2024-25**	**Dt.25.07.24 at 11.00 A.M.**	**Dt.08.08.24 up to 5.00 P.M.**	**Dt.07.08.24 up to 5.00 P.M.**	**Dt.09.08.24 at 11.00 A.M.**	**Will be intimated later**

- Further details can be seen from the website: **www.tendersorissa.gov.in**

Sd/-
Chief Engineer,
R.W. Circle, Keonjhar.
OIPR-25177/11/0013/24-25

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प्रथम तल, कॉमर्शियल कॉम्पलेक्स, ओमेगा–1 (पी–2), ग्रेटर नौएडा
Toll Free No. 18001808296 वेबसाइट : www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com

पत्रांक : वाई.ई.ए. / भूलेख / 569 / 2024 दिनांक : 19 / 07 / 2024

सार्वजनिक सूचना

निम्नलिखित भूमि का यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण द्वारा 64.7 प्रतिशत अतिरिक्त प्रतिकर वितरण किया जाना प्रस्तावित है :–

परियोजना का नाम	ग्राम	सैक्टर 22 ई के अंतर्गत पड़ने वाला खसरा
सैक्टर–22 ई	रौनीजा	351

भूमि के अतिरिक्त प्रतिकर वितरण किये जाने में यदि किसी व्यक्ति को कोई आपत्ति है तो वह लिखित रुप में प्रकाशन के 15 दिनों के अन्दर सी0आर0 सेल / तहसीलदार, यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे प्राधिकरण के समक्ष अपनी आपत्ति प्रस्तुत कर सकता है।

डिप्टी कलेक्टर
यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे प्राधिकरण

यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण के अधिसूचित क्षेत्र में प्राधिकरण द्वारा स्वीकृत मास्टर प्लान के अतिरिक्त प्लॉटिंग / हाउसिंग / कॉलोनी या किसी भी प्रकार का अन्य निर्माण पूरी तरह से अवैध है। सामान्यजन इस प्रकार की खरीद–फरोख्त से पूर्णतः सचेत रहें तथा कॉलोनाइजर के भ्रामक विज्ञापनों से बचें। अधिक जानकारी के लिए प्राधिकरण की वेबसाइट www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com देखें।

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
LIFT IRRIGATION CONSTRUCTION DIVISION,
VARUNAPURAM, IRRIGATION COLONY, SIGRA, VARANASI-221010, UP.
SHORT TERM e-TENDER NOTICE
NO. 02/EE/LICD,VNS/TRASH RACK SYSTEM 3 & 4/GPC/2024-25

Online e-bids on prescribed bid forms in two parts namely (i) Technical bid and (ii) Financial bid are invited simultaneously by the undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Uttar Pradesh only for following work at Gyanpur Pump Canal" up to 16.00 Hours on 14.08.2024 and shall be opened at 15.00 Hours on 17.08.2024 as stated below. Firms/Contractors registered as Class A or above (Mechanical/Electrical) in Irrigation Department who had earlier done this work can also participate in this bid. The details for submission of bids are available in the bid document uploaded on the e-procurement website http://etender.up.nic.in.

Bidders who are not registered with Director of Industries of the State/N.S.I.C. for bidding item are required to submit Bid Security (EMD). Bid security will be deposited in the account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender Portal by Internet Banking only. All concerned please note that bidding process will not move onward if the Bid Security (EMD) is not paid through e-tender portal by Internet Banking. No other form of bid security will be accepted. But bidders who are intending to seek exemption from submitting bid security (EMD) should submit relevant Industries Registration Certificate issued by competent authority with request letter for exemption. Bid Document Fee also is to be deposited in the account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender portal by internet banking only. All concerned please note that bidding process will not move onward if the Bid Document's Cost (Tender Fee) is not paid through e-tender portal by Internet Banking.

(a)	Fabrication, Sand blasting, epoxy painting, shifting & erection of new Trash Rack (06 No. side & 02 No. Top) made of M.S. Plate of 12 mm and 8 mm, dismantling of old worn out Trash Rack of suction side of pump no. 3 & 4 at Gyanpur pump canal. Including all material, labour and T&P. (Contractor/Firm will mandatorily used M.S. Plate manufactured by SAIL.)	01 JOB
(b)	Date & time for Availability of the bid document on website.	26.07.2024 from 10.00 Hours onwards
(c)	Period for Bid submission along with Bid Document Fee, Bid Security/Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents in PDF/XLS format	From 27.07.2024, 10.00 Hours Upto 14.08.2024 up to 16.00 Hours
(d)	Hard copy of original Bid Document fee, Bid Security & Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents to be deposited in the office concerned.	16.08.2024 upto 14.00 Hours noon
(e)	Online opening date & time of Technical Bid.	17.08.2024 at 15.00 Hours
(f)	Online opening date & time of Financial Bid.	20.08.2024 at 15.00 Hours
(g)	Venue of opening of bid.	Office of The Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Construction Division, Varunapuram, Irrigation Colony, Sigra, VARANASI-221010, UP. Ph.No. 0542-2985196
(h)	Bid document fee.	Rs. 2,000.00 Stationary Charge + (Rs. 300.00+ Rs. 54.00 GST) (Rs Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Four) Only including GST.
(i)	Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit)	Rs. 79,800.00 (Rupees Seventy Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Only)
(j)	Completion Schedule	36 Weeks

Note:- (i) In case of any variation in English and Hindi version of this Tender Notice, English version shall be applicable.
(ii) Above items are for Government irrigation purpose only.

UPID-217517/19.07.2024 www.upgov.nic.in

Executive Engineer
Lift Irrigation Construction Division,
Irrigation Department, Varanasi

M-17

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
FISHERY ENGINEERING DIVISION, CUTTACK
Email Id: eefedcuttack@gmail.com Ph. No.- 0671-2415090
EOI No. 3061 Date : 22.07.24
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR
"Procurement of Laboratory Equipment for Soil and Water Quality Analysis, Fish Disease Diagnosis and Fish Feed Quality Analysis Laboratories"

Executive Engineer (C), Fishery Engineering Division, Cuttack invites sealed bids from reputed, registered experienced and financially sound Suppliers/ Firms for supply of **Laboratory Equipment for Soil and Water Quality Analysis, Fish Disease Diagnosis and Feed Quality Analysis Laboratories**. Bidders fulfilling the prescribed eligibility criteria of the EOI can access and download the complete EOI Document and other details from **https://odisha.gov.in/state-tenders-advertisement**

The bid calendars under the end-to-end process are :

Sl.	List of Key Events	Critical Dates
1.	Date of Issue of Tender Call Notice	**22.07.2024**
2.	Bid processing Fee (Non-refundable)	**Rs. 5000/- + G.S.T 18% = Rs. 5900/-**
3.	Date for Submission of Bid	**26.07.2024 to 07.08.2024 (1:00 PM) working days only**
4.	Date of Opening of Technical Bid Document	**07.08.2024 (3:00PM)**
5.	Date of Opening of Financial Bid Document	**08.08.2024 (1:00 PM)**
6.	Bid submission and opening at (Address)	**O/o. The Executive Engineer, Fishery Engineering Division, Cuttack Inside the campus of Directorate of AH & VS, Mangalabag, Cuttack - 753001**

The bid has been invited under dual bid system as Technical Bid and Financial Bid. The bid complete in all respects must reach the undersigned by **Speed Post/Registered Post/Drop in the Tender Box at Office of the Executive Engineer, Fishery Engineering Division, Cuttack** only latest by **7th August 2024 before 1:00 PM** in a sealed envelope clearly mentioning on the top of it **"Procurement of Laboratory Equipment for Soil and Water Quality Analysis, Fish Disease Diagnosis and Fish Feed Quality Analysis Laboratories"** in which two separate sealed envelope i.e. Technical Bid & Financial Bid shall be kept. The Bid processing fee of Rs. 5,900/- (Rupees Five Thousand Nine hundred) only in shape of Banker's Cheque/ DD in favour of **Executive Engineer (C), Directorate of Fisheries, Odisha, Cuttack** drawn in any scheduled commercial bank payable at **Cuttack**. The proposals received beyond the last date and time will be rejected. The authority reserves the right to reject any/all proposals without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Fishery Engineering Division
Cuttack
OIPR-52010/11/0003/24-25

कार्यालय मुख्य अभियन्ता, नगर निगम सहारनपुर।
पत्रांक 07/सा0नि0अनु0/न0नि0सहा0/2024–25 दिनांक 22.7.24

–:: ई–निविदा तिथि संशोधन सूचना ::–

नगर निगम सहारनपुर द्वारा सी0एम0 ग्रिड योजना अन्तर्गत हकीकत नगर सहारनपुर में जिलाधिकारी कार्यालय से सदर थाना होते हुए सिविल कोर्ट तक सडक निर्माण कार्य हेतु निविदादाता द्वारा डाली गयी Queries के क्रम में दिनांक 11.07.2024 को प्री–बिड मिटिंग आयोजित की गयी। बिडर द्वारा की पृच्छाओं (Queries) के उत्तर एवं बिड डॉक्यूमेंट में किये गये आवश्यक संशोधन परिशिष्ट (Addendum) वेबसाईट https://etender.up.nic.in पर अपलोड है। पत्र संख्या 04/सा0नि0अनु0/न0नि0सहा0/2024–25 दिनांक 20.06.2024 के द्वारा आमन्त्रित तिथि दिनांक 24.07.2024 को साय: 3.00 बजे तक निर्धारित थी। वर्तमान में यूरिडा के पत्र संख्या 206/27–यूरिडा दिनांक 18.07.2024 के द्वारा आमंत्रण तिथि तथा खोलने की तिथि में निम्नानुसार संशोधन किया जाता है:–

क्र0स0	विवरण	दिनांक एवं समय
1	Last date & time of submission of bids	06.08.2024 till 12.00 Noon
2	Date & time of opening of technical bid	06.08.2024 at 3:00 P.M.

कार्य का विवरण, नियम व शर्ते वेबसाईट https://etender.up.nic.in पर देखी जा सकती है। किसी प्रकार के परिवर्तन, संशोधन व अतिरिक्त सूचनाऐं उक्त वेबसाईट पर उपलब्ध करायी जायेगी।

मुख्य अभियन्ता
नगर निगम सहारनपुर

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कार्यालय अधिशाषी अभियन्ता, सा.नि.वि. खण्ड कोटडा, उदयपुर

क्रमांक :-261 NIT No. 04/2024-25 दिनांक:-12.07.2024

Notice Inviting Bid

Bids for "Various Road's & Building Construction, Renewal, Strengthening Works in various schemes in District Udaipur (Raj.) are invited from interested bidders upto 6.00 PM, Dated 08.08.2024 Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://erpc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in) of the Rajasthan and http://pwd.rajasthan.gov.in website. The approximate value of the procurement is Rs. 867.00 Lacs.

NIB :-PWD2425A0739
UBN No. 1 :-(PWD2425WSOB02825)
UBN No. 2 :-(PWD2425WSOB02826)
UBN No. 3 :-(PWD2425WSOB02827)
UBN No. 4 :-(PWD2425WSOB02828)
UBN No. 5 :-(PWD2425WSOB0282)

Your's faithfully

Sd/-
(Kapil Kumar Awasthy)
Executive Engineer
Public Works Department
Dn. Kotra Udaipur

DIPR/C/6165/2024

कार्यालय अतिरिक्त मुख्य अभियन्ता जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी विभाग क्षेत्र उदयपुर

दूरभाष- 0294—2481538 ई-मेल- ace.uda.phed@rajasthan.gov.in

क्रमांक- अ.मु.अ. /उदय/अंके,/2024-25/ 3728-35-3737 दिनांक:-15/07/2024

ई-निविदा सूचना संख्या 21/2024-25

जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी विभाग क्षेत्र उदयपुर के अधीन जिला चितौडगढ़ में ''डिपोजिट वर्क'' के तहत पेयजल योजना के कार्य हेतु ऑनलाईन बिडस् इच्छुक पात्र बिडर्स ई-निविदा संख्या 21/ 2024-25 दिनांक 18-07-2024 प्रात:10.00 बजे से दिनांक 16-08-2024 सांय 6.00 बजे तक आंमत्रित की जाती है। बिड से संबंधित समस्त जानकारी प्रोक्योरमेंट पोर्टल http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in व http://sppp.raj.nic.in पर देखी जा सकती है।

यू.बी.एन. नम्बर:-

NIT No. 21/24-25 UBN No. PHE2425WLOB02891

Sd/-
(मोहन लाल सैनी)
अतिरिक्त मुख्य अभियन्ता
जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी विभाग
क्षेत्र उदयपुर

DIPR/C/6277/2024

Office of the Additional Chief Engineer, PWD, Zone, Ajmer

No.:-ACE/AJ/TECH/F2(30A-NIT)/2024-2025/D-1245 Date:-15.07.2024
NIB No.:-PWD2425A0727

Notice Inviting Bid No. 04/2024-2025

Bids **for 01 No. ROB Work (EPC MODE)** are invited from interested bidders **upto 6.00 PM on Tuesday 06 August 2024.** Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in) of the State;and DI PR departmental website. The approximate value of the procurement is **Rs. 3614.06 Lacs.**

UBN No.:-PWD2425WLOB02784

Sd/-
E-Sign,
(V. K. Jain),
Additional Chief Engineer,
PWD, Zone, Ajmer.

DIPR/C/6131/2024

POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION OF UTTARAKHAND LTD.

(A Govt. of Uttarakhand Enterprise)
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER (OPERATION & MAINTENANCE), GARHWAL ZONE, 26-CIVIL LINES, ROORKEE

E-TENDER CORRIGENDUM

"Augmentation of 132 kV Substation Purkul, Dehradun by 40 MVA 132/33KV Transformer" against e-tender specification **No.CE/GZR-01/2024-25** is hereby extended. The last date of submission of online offline e-tender is **08.08.2024** upto 15:00 hrs which shall be opened on **09.08.2024** at 15:00 hrs. Details of e-tender can be obtained from e-tender website **www.uktenders.gov.in** and information of e-tender can be seen from PTCUL website **www.ptcul.org**.
All other terms and conditions shall remain same. For any assistance on e-tendering, please contact on Mb.No.+91-8899890000.

CHIEF ENGINEER (O&M)

No. 1159/CE(O&M)/GZR/Advt. **Dated: 22/07/2024**

"SAVE ELECTRICITY IN THE INTEREST OF NATION"

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Sunil Rana S/o** Sant Ram **R/o** B-9/159, Sector 4, Rohini, Delhi, has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 466/2023 U/s 419/420/467/468/471/120B IPC P.S.: Kapashera Delhi,** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Sunil Rana,** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Sunil Rana,** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Sunil Rana,** accused of **FIR No. 466/2023 U/s 419/420/467/468/471/120B IPC, P.S.: Kapashera Delhi,** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **27.08.2024**.

By Order
Sh. Nidish Kumar Meena
MM, Dwarka Court Delhi

DP/9453/SW/2024
(Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

See Section U/S 82 Cr. P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Kailash** S/o **Moti Ram Phool Singh** R/o **VPO Bawa Kundi, Narwana, District, Jind, Haryana** has Committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 294/2017 U/s 308/34 IPC, P.S. Punjabi Bagh, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Kailash** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Kailash** have absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Kailash** of case **FIR No. 294/2017 U/s 308/34 IPC, P.S. Punjabi Bagh, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint/case on or before **29.08.2024**

By Order
Ms. Shefali Barnala Tandon
Addl. Session Judge-05 (West)
Room No. 17, Ground Floor
Tis Hazari Court, Delhi

DP/9360/WD/2024(Court Matter)

Appeal for Identification

General Public is hereby informed that a male dead body **Name:** Veer Bahadur, **S/o** Unknown, **R/o:** Unknown, **Age:** About 40 years, **Height:** 5'3" **Complexion:** Fair, **Built :** Thin, **Face:** Oval, **Wearing:** Blue Color Shirt, Black Color Pyjama and Bare foot was found dead at Rajan Babu TB Hospital Kingsway Camp vide MLC No. 251992/24. In this regard **DD No. 50A, Dt. 05.06.2024** has been lodged in PS: Subhash Place, Delhi. The body has been preserved at mortuary BJRM Hospital, Delhi
Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this person but no clue has come to light so far.
Any, person having any information or clue about this person may kindly inform to the following.

SHO
P.S., Subhash Place, Delhi
Ph. : 011-27353014, 8750870224

DP/9553/NW/2024

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

Jitender

General public is hereby informed that a boy namely **Jitender S/o** Suresh Kumar **R/o** H. No. D-1/12, Gali No. 1, Rama Bai Mohalla Ambedkar Vihar, Johripur Karawal Nagar, Delhi has been missing/ kidnapped from his Home on 02.07.2024 at 09:00 am. In this regard, a **DD No. 47A, Dt. 14.07.2024** has been registered at **P.S.: Karawal Nagar, Delhi.** The description of the missing boy as under.
Age: 22 years, **Height:** 5'6" **Complexion:** Shwllow, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Thin, **Wearing:** White colour t-shirt, Blue colour Jeans and Footwear in feet. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out him but no clue has come to light so far. Any person is having information or clue about this missing boy may kindly inform to the following.
Ph. No. 011-24368638, 24368641
Website: http://cbi.nic.in
E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Fax No. 011-24368639

S.H.O
PS: Karawal Nagar, Delhi
Ph No. 7827491224, 9205832616

DP/9374/NE/2024

PUBLIC NOTICE
GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA
EXCISE & TAXATION DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR REGISTRATION & PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCESS FOR ALLOTMENT OF L-1BF LICENSES FOR WHOLESALE TRADE OF IMPORTED FOREIGN LIQUOR (BIO) IN THE STATE OF HARYANA FOR THE EXCISE POLICY YEAR 2024-25.

This is for the information of the general public that L-1BF licenses for - wholesale trade of Imported Foreign Liquor (BIO) in the State of Haryana for the Excise Policy Year 2024-25 shall be granted by way of inviting online applications.

All the prospective eligible applicants will have to get themselves registered before participating in the process of L-1BF licenses.

The procedure for online registration and placing online application for L-1BF license is available on the official website of the department i.e. www.haryanatax.gov.in.

The number of wholesale licenses of IFL (BIO) in the State is fixed at more than or equal to sixteen (16). In case, the number of eligible applications received in first round is more than or equal to sixteen (16), the L-1BF licence. shall be granted to all the eligible applicants. In such a case, the department will not initiate any further round(s) for allotment of L-1BFs in the State.

However, in case, the number of eligible applications received in first round is less than sixteen (16), the department may initiate more round(s) for allotment of remaining L-1BF licences. The number of remaining L-1BF licenses can be calculated by subtracting the count of L-1BF allotted in all previous round(s) from sixteen (16).

It is further provided that in case, the number of eligible applications in second or any subsequent round exceeds the remaining number of L-1BF licensees available for allotment in that particular round, then the grant of such remaining L-1BF licence(s) shall be made by draw of lots amongst eligible applicants of that particular round. For more details kindly refer to clause 9.5 of the Excise Policy for the year 2024-25 which is available on the official website of the department i.e. www.haryanatax.gov.in.

The License L-1BF shall be granted on fixed annual license fee of Rs. 04.00 Crore to be paid in accordance with the provisions of clause 9.5.3 of Excise Policy 2024-25. **Out of the total 16 L-1BF, six applications were received during previous rounds. Now the applications are invited for 4th round of the allotment of the remaining 10 L-1BF licenses as per Excise Policy 2024-25.**

The schedule for registration & participation in the process of allotment of L-1BF licenses is given below:-

Starting **Date & Time** for registration and online submission of application	23.07.2024, 10:00 hrs
Closing **Date & Time** for online submission of application :	25.07.2024, 17:00 hrs
Publication of list of eligible applicants on departmental website :	26.07.2024, 11:00 hrs

During the course of registration for application of L-1BF, all the prospective applicants will have to deposit the **Earnest Money** of **Rs. 25 Lakh (Rs. Twenty Five Lakh)** and **Application Fee** of **Rs 2 Lakh.**

The application fee shall be non-refundable and non-adjustable. The Earnest Money shall be adjustable unless forfeited.

The eligible applicants shall have to deposit a security amount equal to 25% of License fee within a week of the date when the names of eligible applicants are published on the official website of the Department.

It is further informed that registration for L-1BF is separate from the registration for allotment of zones of retail outlets.

The Department reserves the right to cancel the whole process without assigning any reason thereto in the interest of revenue.

The department reserves the right to disqualify any application(s) if the application is not complete or it is not found in order. The application(s) may also be rejected if the applicant is found to be black listed or engaged in any malpractices.

The application(s) may also be rejected if any particulars submitted by the applicant are found to be incorrect or fake.

The, annual minimum quota of IFL (BIO) and schedule of lifting shall be as prescribed in the Excise Policy. .

The eligible applicant shall have to submit all other documents as are required under the provisions of the notice, instructions and the Haryana Excise - Act, 1914 and the rules framed there under.

The license shall be granted by Excise Collector with the prior approval of Excise Commissioner-cum- Financial Commissioner subject to the provisions of the Haryana Excise Act, 1914, rules framed there under and the Excise policy 2024-25.

The Excise Policy for the year 2024-25 is available on the official website of the department i.e. www.haryanatax.gov.in.

Sd/-
Excise and Taxation Commissioner,
Haryana.

Issued through:DPR,Haryana/Advt. No. 28093/22.07.2024

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that one unidentified dead body of male Namely: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: Approx 50 years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Light Green T-Shirt and naked lower part, who was found dead at Metro Pillar No. 8-9, Outer Ring Road, near Vardhman Market, Vikas Puri, Delhi. In this regard a case FIR No. 46A dt. **01.07.2024** has been registered at **PS: Vikaspuri, Delhi.** Any person having any information or clue about the above deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

Sd/- SHO
P.S: Vikaspuri, Delhi
Ph. 8750871131

DP/9533/WD/2024

SEARCH FOR MISSING

BHOOMI

General public is hereby informed that this Girl (depicted in the photo) namely **Bhoomi D/o Gopinath R/o H. No. D-4/152, Sangam Vihar, New Delhi** has been missing from her house since **13.07.2024 at about 6:30 am.** In this regard a **DD No. 131A Dated 13.07.2024** has been lodged at **PS Sangam Vihar, New Delhi**. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out this girl but no clue has come to light so far.

Her physical description is as under:-

Sex: Female, **Age:** 19+ years, **Height:** 5' 3" ft., **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Medium, **Wearing:** Grey & Red Colour Suite & Salwar.

Any person is having information or clue about this missing girl may kindly inform to the following address:-

Website:http://cbi.nic.in
E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Tel. No.: 011-24368638/24368641
Fax No.: 011-24368639

SHO
PS: Sangam Vihar, Delhi
Ph.: 011-26042188, 26044546
Mob.: 8750870833

DP/9350/SD/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Sachin, S/o:** Rajesh, **R/o** Village-Madan Heri, PS-Bass, Distt.-Hisar, Haryana , has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **FIR No. 798/2020, U/s 33/38 Delhi Excise Act, P.S. Khyala, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Sachin** cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Sachin** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant);

Proclamation is hereby made that **Sachin** the said accused of **FIR No. 798/2020, U/s 33/38 Delhi Excise Act, P.S. Khyala, Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before **06.09.2024.**

By Order
Ms. Sukriti Singh
Metropolitan Magistrate-04, West
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

DP/9219/WD/2024
(Court Matter)

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

E-Tender No. DY-CE-JHSW-63 **Dt:** 20.07.2024

E-TENDER NOTICE

Dy. Chief Engineer/workshop /Jhansi for and behalf of President of India invites "Open Tender" through On Line (E-Tendering) for the following work.

Description of Work : Augmentation of Wagon Maintenance facility in Wagon Repair Workshop Jhansi by improving: **(a)** Improvement of RCC Road in JHSW. **(b)** Improvement of Drainage system in pit line shed A,B,C,D etc. in JHSW. **(c)** Improvement of Pipe line in Wagon Repair Workshop, Account, STC, Dy.CMM Store and other places etc. in JHSW. **(d)** Augmentation of broken AC/GI Sheet, Rusted and corrugated steel members wired glasses down take pipe etc. in Loharkhana in JHSW. **(e)** Construction of Stripping shed with facility of EOT Crane in wagon repair workshop Jhansi.

Approx Cost Rs : 24,87,90,186.97, **Earnest Money Rs:** 13,94,000.00/, **Cost of Tender Form Rs :** NIL , **Date of closing Tender: 14.08.2024** at **15:00** hrs, **Date of Completion/period from issue acceptance letter:** 15 Months. For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in**. **1272/24 (AS)**

North central railways www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in @northcentralrailway @CPRONCR

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **1. Deepak, S/o Sh. Vinod, R/o H.No 247, Rajpura, Gudmandi, Model Town, Delhi 2. Kuldeep , s/o Late Sh. Sheeshpal, R/o H.No 247, Rajpura, Gudmandi, Model Town, Delhi 3. Nitin S/o Sh. Gopal Yadav, R/o H.No 188, Rajpura, Gudmandi, Model Town, Delhi, 4. Bunty @ Himanshu , S/o Late Tilak Raj R/o H.No 107, Rajpura, Gudmandi, Model Town, Delhi 5. Sanjay S/o Sh. Bharat Singh R/o : T-83, Rajpura, Gudmandi, Model Town, Delhi** have committed (or are suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 346/2024 U/s 307/147/148/149/34 IPC Dated 08/05/2024 Police Station, Mukherjee Nagar** and it have been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said accused **1. Deepak, 2. Kuldeep 3. Nitin 4. Bunty @ Himanshu 5. Sanjay** cannot be found and whereas it have been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **1. Deepak, 2. Kuldeep 3. Nitin 4. Bunty @ Himanshu 5. Sanjay** have absconded (or are concealing themselves to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **1. Deepak, 2. Kuldeep 3. Nitin 4. Bunty @ Himanshu 5. Sanjay** of **FIR No. 346/2024 U/s 307/147/148/149/34 IPC Dated 08/05/2024 Police Station, Mukherjee Nagar** are required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **15.09.2024.**

By Order
Ms. Niharika Kumar Sharma
Ld ACJM, North,
Room No-117, Rohini Court Delhi

DP/9307/NW/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr. P. C.

Whereas a complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Vishal Vashistha S/o Sh. Rajendra Kumar Vashistha** R/o 72/1, Community Center Wali Gali, Near Ram Leela Ground, Mukesh Nagar, Shahdara, Delhi-110031, Second address G- 51, 52, Sector 18, Noida, U.P. have committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence under **CT No. 2261/2020 U/s 138 NI Act.,** has been registered at **P.S. Jagatpuri, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said, **Vishal Vashistha** cannot be found and where-as it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said, **Vishal Vashistha** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused, **Vishal Vashistha of CT No. 2261/2020 U/s 138 NI Act., registered at P.S. Jagatpuri, Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before **22.08.2024.**

By Order
Ms. Aayushi Saxena, MM-05,
Room No. 07, KKD Courts, Delhi

DP/9508/SHD/2024

PUBLIC NOTICE
GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA
EXCISE & TAXATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE FOR INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR THE ALLOTMENT OF WHOLESALE LICENSE OF IMFL (L-1) AND COUNTRY LIQUOR (L-13) FOR THE YEAR 2024-25 IN ALL THE DISTRICTS OF THE STATE.

The applications are hereby invited for grant of wholesale license of IMFL in the form of L-1 and Wholesale license of Country Liquor in form of L-13 for all the excise districts in the State. The Wholesale license of IMFL (L-1) and Country Liquor (L-13) shall be granted to the applicant amongst the retail outlet allottees/licensees of Indian Made foreign Liquor (L-2) and Country Liquor (L-14A) respectively. The L-1 and L-13 licenses shall be granted on the basis of quota contribution of Indian Made foreign Liquor (L-2) and Country Liquor (L-14A) (of the policy year 2024-25), amongst the applicant allottees/licensees of retail zones within an Excise district. The quota contribution for the purpose of grant of L-1 & L-13 licenses shall be calculated on the basis of retail liquor zones allotted as on 25.07.2024 for receiving such applications for grant of L-1/L-13. The L-1/L-13 license(s) shall be granted only to those eligible applicants who apply for the License(s) within the date fixed/extended by the Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Haryana. The Excise Policy provides that the Excise and Taxation Commissioner may invite applications for such number of L-1/L-13 licenses as he may deem fit. The Excise and Taxation Commissioner may also conduct the process of allotment in multiple rounds of inviting applications. Next round of allotment of L-1 and L-13 Licenses will be initiated after the completion of fifth round.

The number of wholesale licenses of IMFL (L-1) and Country Liquor (L-13) in the district for which the applications are being invited in fifth round shall be as under :-

Sr. No.	District Name	Count of new proposed L-1 license 2024-25	Count of new proposed L-13 license 2024-25
1	Ambala	2	1
2	Bhiwani	1	1
3	Faridabad	2	1
4	Fatehabad	0	1
5	Gurugram (East)	2	1
6	Gurugram (West)	1	1
7	Hisar	2	2
8	Jagadhari	1	1
9	Jhajjar	3	2
10	Jind	1	1
11	Kaithal	1	1
12	Karnal	3	2
13	Kurukshetra	1	1
14	Mewat	1	1
15	Narnaul	1	1
16	Palwal	2	1
17	Panchkula	1	1
18	Panipat	1	1
19	Rewari	2	3
20	Rohtak	2	2
21	Sirsa	2	2
22	Sonepat	2	2
	TOTAL	34	30

The licenses for wholesale outlets of IMFL. (L-1) and Country Liquor (L-13) shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Haryana Excise Act, 1914, rules framed thereunder and as per the Excise Policy for the year 2024-25. The Excise Policy for the year 2024-25 is available on the official website of the department www.haryanatax.gov.in.

The application may be submitted in the office of the DETC (Excise) concerned on or before 25.07.2024. The application shall be forwarded by the DETC (Excise) alongwith his recommendation to the Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Haryana, immediately.

The quota contribution shall be taken up to 25.07.2024.

The licenses for wholesale outlets of IMFL (L-1) and Country Liquor (L- 13) shall be granted subject to the provisions of Haryana Excise Act, 1914, rules framed thereunder and as per the Excise Policy for the year 2024-25.

Excise and Taxation Commissioner
Haryana, Panchkula.

Issued through:DPR,Haryana/Advt. No. 28092/22.07.2024

E-mail :- acejaipur2.pwd-rj/ acezoneii@yahoo.com

Additional Chief Engineer P.W.D. Zone-II, Jaipur

PWD Campus, Jacob Road, Jaipur
File No-982 **Phone 0141-2226537 Ex.:-299** **Date- 16/07/24**

Short-Term NIB NO-04/PMGSY/2024-25

Bids for 01- No. Package for Renewal of Rural Roads Jaipur District are invited from interested bidders upto 12-00 Noon on 29-07-2024 Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in) of the state; http://pwd.rajasthan.gov.in and http://pmgsytendersraj.gov.in.The approximate value of the procurement is Rs. 397.795 lacs.

Sd/-
UBN.PWD2425WSOB02992
Addl. Chief Engineer
PWD Zone-II, Jaipur

DIPR/C/6296/2024

RASHTRIYA RAKSHA UNIVERSITY

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NOTICE FOR E-TENDER OF Construction of Artificial Climbing and Rappelling Wall

The Rashtriya Raksha University is inviting E-Tender for Construction of Artificial Climbing and Rappelling Wall from interested bidders (From all over India) vide this advertisement. Interested bidders from all over India can download and submit tender document from the website https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app from Dt. 18/07/2024 at 14:00 hrs. Any other mode of submission shall not be entertained.

- Registrar

INF-559-2024-25

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(See Section 82 Cr.PC)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Shan Mohd., S/o Yusuf R/o F-24, Seemapuri, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No.485/2016 Dated 02.06.2016 u/s 12/5/55 G. Act, P.S. Nand Nagri, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Shan Mohd.** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Shan Mohd.** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Shan Mohd.** of **FIR No.485/2016 Dated 02.06.2016 u/s 12/5/55 G. Act, P.S. Nand Nagri, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **23.08.2024.**

By Order,
Ms. Deepakshi Rana,
Judicial Magistrate, First Class-03, Shahdara District,
Room No.19, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

DP/9546/NE/2024

JAIPUR DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Indira Circle, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur-302004

No.: JDA/EE-9/2024-25/757 Date : 20.07.2024

NOTICE INVITING BID

NIB No.: JDA/EE-9/03/2024-25

Online Bids are invited up-to 06:00 PM of 29.07.2024 for "Road side plantation including 2 years maintenance in zone 9, 10, 14, JDA Jaipur" Estimated cost Rs. 236.00 Lacs. Details may be seen in the Bidding Document at our office or the website of State Public Procurement Portal www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in, www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in and www.jda.rajasthan.gov.in.
UBN No.: JDA2425WSOB00170
To participate in the bid, bidder has to be :-
A. Registered on JDA website www.jda.rajasthan.gov.in. For participating in the Bid, the Bidder has to apply for the Bid and pay the Bidding Document Fee & RISL Processing Fee online only and Bid Security declaration stamp.
B. Registered on e-Procurement Portal of Government of Rajasthan www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in for online e-Bid submission.

Raj. Samwad/C/2024-25/ 2614 **Executive Engineer-9**

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. JHS/Br/L/2024-25/11 **Date: 19.07.2024**

E-Tendering Tender Notice

Dy. Chief Engineer/Bridge/Line/Jhansi, North Central Railway, Jhansi for and on behalf of President of India invites open E-tenders on the prescribed forms for the under noted work:-

Tender no.: Br-JHS-2024-14, **Name of work:** Jhansi Division: Construction of Road Over Bridge in lieu of Level Crossing No. 476 at Km 1351/8-9 in Banda-Manikpur-section.	**Approx. Cost of work** ₹ 40.49 Crore/-	**Bid Security (Earnest Money)** ₹ 21,74,600/-
Date of closing of Tender : 16.08.2024	**Completion period : 18 Months**	

Eligibility Criteria for similar work: Any bridgework involving erection/launching or regirdering of open web girder OR Any bridgework involving erection/launching or regirdering of bowstring arch bridge. **Note: (1)** The complete information along with tender document of above E-Tenders are available on Website **www.ireps.gov.in** up to **15:00** hrs. on the due to date of tender closing i.e. **16.08.2024. (2)** Bids other than in the form of E-Bids shall not be accepted against above tenders. For this purpose, vendors are required to get themselves registered with IREPS website along with Digital Signature Certificate issued by CCA under IT Act-2000. **(3)** Rates entered into Financial Rate page and duly signed digitally shall be considered. Rates and any other financial entity in any other form/letter head if attached by vendors shall be straightway ignored and shall not be considered. **(4)** Document being attached should be signed by the tenderer on its body. **(5)** Payment of Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in respect of e-tendering shall be accepted through net banking or payment gateway only. **(6)** In case of any difficulty helpdesk available on the website of IREPS may be approached. **(7)** Tender on line can be submitted up to **15:00** hrs. on dated **16.08.2024.** **1267/24 (MG)**

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अधीक्षण अभियन्ता कार्यालय
परिचालन एवं अनुरक्षण मण्डल, यमुना कालोनी, देहरादून दूरभाष सं० 0135-2530021 फैक्स सं० 0135-2530021

ई-निविदा सूचना

परि०एवंअनु० मण्डल कार्यालय, यमुना कालोनी, देहरादून द्वारा अनुभवी फर्मो / ठेकेदारों से निम्नानुसार ई-निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती है-

1. निविदा संख्या-01 / अधी०अभि०(परि०एवंअनु०) / मण्डल / दे०दून / 2024-25: Annual Preventive Maintenance of 132KV Substation, Majra, Dehradun.
2. निविदा संख्या-02 / अधी०अभि०(परि०एवंअनु०) / मण्डल / दे०दून / 2024-25: Annual Preventive Maintenance of 132KV Substation, Bindal, Dehradun.
3. निविदा संख्या-03 / अधी०अभि०(परि०एवंअनु०) / मण्डल / दे०दून / 2024-25: Annual Routine Maintenance (Preventive and Breakdown) of 132KV Bindal-Rishikesh and 132KV Bindal-Majra Line under O&M Div. Yamuna Colony, Dehradun.
4. निविदा संख्या-04 / अधी०अभि०(परि०एवंअनु०) / मण्डल / दे०दून / 2024-25: Procurement of 132KV Lightning Arrester at 132KV Substation, Majra, Dehradun.
5. निविदा संख्या-05 / अधी०अभि०(परि०एवंअनु०) / मण्डल / दे०दून / 2024-25: Annual Routine Maintenance (Preventive and Breakdown) of 132KV Majra-Kulhal and 132KV Kulhal-Dhalipur Line under O&M Div. Yamuna Colony, Dehradun.

उक्त ई-निविदाओं से सम्बन्धित विस्तृत सूचना वेबसाइट **www.uktenders.gov.in** से दिनांक **23.07.2024** से दिनांक **10.08.2024** तक डाउनलोड व अपलोड की जा सकती हैं। निविदा की हार्ड कॉपी कार्यालय में जमा करने की अन्तिम तिथि **12.08.2024** को **15.00** बजे तक है। जिसे दिनांक **13.08.2024** को **15:30** बजे उपस्थित निविदाकारों / प्रतिनिधियों के समक्ष खोला जाएगा। निविदा खुलने की तिथि को अवकाश होने की स्थिति में निविदा अगले कार्य दिवस में खोली जायेगी। ई-निविदा सूचना पिटकुल की वेबसाइट **www.ptcul.org** से भी प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

अधोहस्ताक्षरी को किसी भी निविदा को बिना कारण बतायें निरस्त करने एवं कार्य की मात्रा घटाने / बढ़ाने का अधिकार सुरक्षित है।

पत्रांक : 829 / परि०एवंअनु०ख०(दे०दून) / निविदा
दिनांक: 19.07.2024 अधीक्षण अभियन्ता

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TIMES GLOBAL

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ATTITUDE IS A LITTLE THING THAT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE — WINSTON CHURCHILL

'HER LUCKY NO. 13' NOT SO LUCKY! TAYLOR SWIFT'S 12-WEEK REIGN ON US BILLBOARD 200 ENDS AS EMINEM DETHRONES HER FROM TOP SPOT

RYAN REYNOLDS REVEALS HE GAVE UP SALARY FOR 'DEADPOOL' TO COVER SCREENWRITERS FEES: 'WANTED CO-WRITERS TO BE ON SET'

Kamala Vows To 'Earn' Prez Race Spot

Bigwigs Like Clintons And Pelosi Back Her, But Some Dems Suggest Open Convention

Chidanand Rajghatta | TNN

Washington: US vice-president Kamala Harris said Sunday that she intends to earn and win the Democratic Party nomination for the presidency even after endorsement by Prez Joe Biden and other key figures in the party, amid indications there could be at least one other marginal challenge.

"I am honoured to have the president's endorsement and my intention is to earn and win this nomination. I will do everything in my power to unite the Democratic Party — and unite our nation — to defeat Donald Trump and his extreme Project 2025 agenda," Harris said in a statement, hours after turbulent developments in the Democratic Party led to Prez Biden bowing out of the 2024 presidential election under pressure.

On Monday, Harris paid tribute to Biden at an event for college athletes at the White House, her first public appearance since he dropped out, saying he had "already surpassed the legacy of most presidents who have served two terms in office."

"I am first-hand witness that every day our president, Joe Biden, fights for the American people, and we are deeply grateful for his service to our nation," Harris said. Biden had originally planned to speak at the event, but remained in Delaware recovering from Covid. Harris subbing in for Biden offered a well-timed glimpse of what she could be like in the job of prez should she win in Nov.

Several Democratic veterans and lawmakers, notably Hillary and Bill Clinton, former House speaker Nancy Pelosi, senator Elizabeth Warren and congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AOC), backed Harris, with the mainstream in the party appearing to close ranks behind her.

But key party grandee, former US prez Barack Obama, did not directly endorse her, although he has been a close ally. It appears he would like her to go through the nomination process and win the support of majority of delegates, which also is the route she prefers. Obama conspicuously withheld endorsing Harris, instead alluding to the possibility of an open convention. He expressed confidence in Democratic leaders' ability to "create a process from which an outstanding nominee emerges".

One direct challenge to her prospective candidacy came from a previous aspirant, author Marianne Williamson, who declared that "nomination of a new candidate must be opened to a genuinely democratic process at an open convention". "No one should simply be anointed to the position of nominee; all candidates must be heard and their agendas explored. Our party's basic first principle is democracy. We cannot save our democracy without practicing it ourselves." she said.

Another potential opposition from Senator Joe Manchin, who decamped from the Democratic side to become independent following differences with the party leadership, but was said to be considering returning to the fold to mount a challenge for the nomination, died on his own accord. "I am not going to be a candidate," he said, but added that he favoured the idea of a "mini-primary".

Biden supporters from black and Hispanic caucus such as Congressman Jim Clyburn and AOC, who had said they would support Harris if and when Biden drops out, are keeping their word. "I pledge my full support to ensure her victory in Nov. Now more than ever, it is crucial that our party and country swiftly unite to defeat Donald Trump," AOC posted on X.

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HOLDOUT? Kamala Harris (L) with Joe Biden and Barack Obama

Why Obama hasn't endorsed Harris

Many of the marquee names in Democratic politics began quickly lining up behind Kamala Harris on Sunday, but one towering presence was conspicuously absent: Barack Obama. The former prez has not yet endorsed Harris; in fact, he did not mention her once in his tribute to Prez Joe Biden. "I have extraordinary confidence that the leaders of our party will be able to create a process from which an outstanding nominee emerges," he wrote in the post. Republicans interpreted that as a snub. But people close to Obama, who has positioned himself as an impartial elder statesman above intraparty machinations, said not to read too much into it. Endorsing too early now would fuel criticism that Harris' nomination was a coronation, they said. But there are other more personal considerations. Biden is a deeply prideful man, and he has never fully forgiven Obama for quietly backing Hillary Clinton in the 2016 campaign. Nor was Biden pleased when Obama told him that he should consider sitting out 2020, too, people in his circle have said. Obama wanted Sunday to be about Biden, a celebration of his accomplishments, an ex-White House official said. NYT

Who will be Harris' running mate to take on Vance?

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Washington: Attention has quickly turned to who Kamala Harris will choose as her running mate in US prez election. At least six governors of Democrat-run states, couple of lawmakers, and cabinet officials are on the shortlist being floated by party activists and supporters.

Among them are governors of Michigan (Gretchen Whitmer), Pennsylvania (Josh Shapiro) and North Carolina (Roy Cooper), all battleground states which they could help deliver to Harris to reach the 270 electoral votes needed to win the White House. Last week, Trump named hardline Republican senator JD Vance, 39, to serve as his vice-presidential running mate.

Also in the mix are California governor Gavin Newsom, Harris' contemporary from that state; Illinois governor J D Pritzker; and Andy Beshear, Democratic governor of Kentucky, a solidly Republican state. But since Democrats are not expected to lose California and Illinois, or win Kentucky, they are considered outside possibilities, as also Michigan's Gretchen Whitmer, since having two women on a ticket in a country that has never elected a woman sounds inconceivable.

For the similar reason, another name making the rounds, transportation secretary Pete Buttigieg is also an outlier: the US is seen as not ready for a ticket with a black-Asian woman for presidency and a gay, midwestern man for vice-prez.

Of course, some feminists and fantasists throw in Hillary Clinton, Michelle Obama and Oprah Winfrey into the mix, but no serious political pundit entertains that prospect.

GOP trying to run Biden out of office, which would put Kamala in WH now

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Washington: Democrats may have bundled US Prez Joe Biden out of the nomination process for the 2024 presidential elections but Republicans are now trying to run him out of office — a prospect that would put Kamala Harris in the Oval Office even before she has been nominated for the race or formally elected to the White House.

Hours after Biden bowed out of the 2024 race, former prez Donald Trump himself led the charge to oust Biden, saying, "If he can't run for office, he can't run our country!!!"

Regardless of his dropping out of the race, Biden is constitutionally mandated to stay in office as president till Jan 2025, when a newly elected prez will take over.

Trump also showed what was transparently phony empathy for Biden, saying the Democratic party "stole the race from Biden after he won it in the primaries," while at the same time trashing the prez, saying he is "going to wake up and forget that he dropped out of the race today!" "Biden never had Covid. He is a threat to Democracy!" Trump wrote on "Truth Social" as more trash talk threatened to engulf the political process already mired in mistrust and misinformation.

Republicans are also reported to be planning to mount a legal challenge questioning the validity of the Biden campaign handing over finances and campaign infrastructure to Harris. The matter could end up before the six-member Federal Election Commission panel that is evenly split between Republicans and Democrats, and if they hew to party line, it could further end up in courts, raising visions of the kind of gridlock that occurred during the 2000 elections involving George Bush and Al Gore.

Regardless, the Harris campaign is now sending out emails with a "Harris for President" logo, soliciting campaign contributions. On Sunday, the campaign raised almost $50 million, making it the single biggest day for online Democratic contributions since the 2020 election. It was close to the nearly $53 million that Trump raised in the 24 hours following his criminal conviction. The rapid rise in donations indicated that the rank and file of the Democratic Party was coalescing solidly behind Harris.

Meanwhile, Biden's decision to bail out of the race, it is now emerging, was based on diminishing poll numbers rather than any word from "Lord Almighty" which he said would cause him to quit the race. Internal surveys showed him losing in almost every battleground state, making a victory almost impossible, even as big donors began to withhold contributions.

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Musk and Khosla argue over Trump's GOP candidature

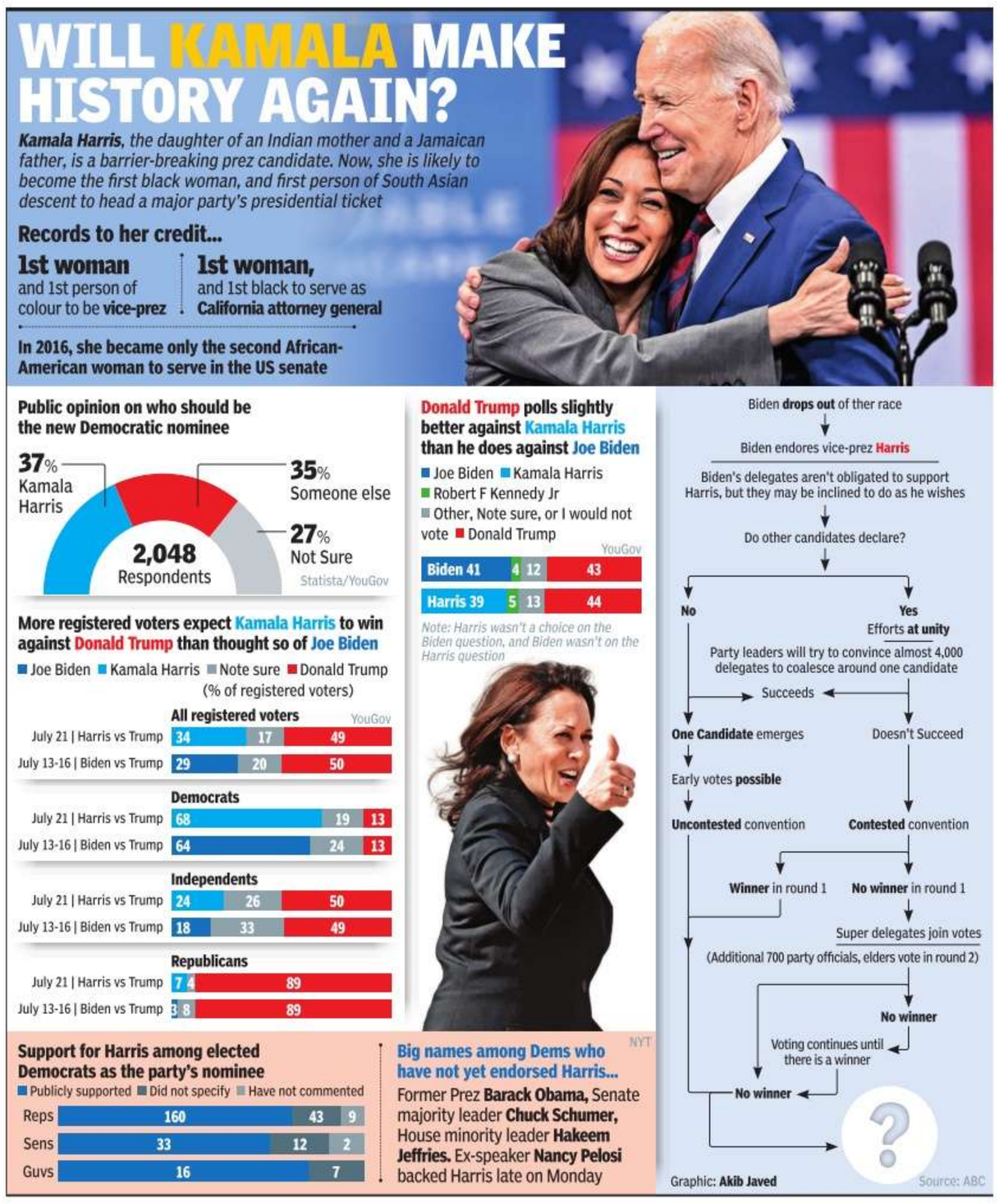
New York: Tech billionaire Elon Musk and Indian-American venture capitalist **Vinod Khosla** were engaged in a war of words on Monday over Republican Donald Trump's candidature for the US presidency.

In a post on X, Khosla said it is hard for him to support someone like Trump, who has "no values, lies, cheats, rapes, demeans women", and "hates immigrants" like him. "He may cut my taxes or reduce some regulation but that is no reason to accept depravity in his personal values. Do you want prez who will set back climate by a decade in his first year?" he asked.

Replying to his post, Musk said Trump "doesn't hate you. In fact, I think he likes you. Meet him and find out for yourself". The Tesla CEO said he is not suggesting that Trump is without flaws, but there should be an administration that is more likely to be meritocratic and promote individual freedoms.

Khosla in his reply said he agreed with that, "but abandon climate and drill baby drill? Be MAGA (Make America Great Again) and abandon Nato and American leadership and moral authority?". The top Silicon Valley investor added: "I was a socially liberal registered fiscal Republican till climate made me switch to Independent."

In support of Trump, Musk said civilisation will continue to need oil and gas. "I don't think we should demonise an industry that is essential for humanity... Sustainable energy production and consumption is growing very rapidly and is tracking to exceed the use of hydrocarbon fuels. That will happen no matter what Trump does." PTI



Americans face deluge of trash talk and conspiracy theories in election season

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Washington: A tsunami of trash talk and conspiracy theories is raining down on Americans as MAGA maniacs and radical left loonies are duking it out on social media over their respective leaders' character and merit. The exit of Prez Joe Biden from the 2024 race for the White House and the promotion of Kamala Harris as the prospective Democratic nominee has unleashed a furious assault on everything from her character to her mannerisms.

Trump himself has led the way, gibing about the way she laughs and calling her crazy. "I call her laughing Kamala. You can tell a lot by a laugh. She's crazy. She's nuts," Trump told a rally in Michigan in a meandering speech that led liberal trolls to joke that bats in the animal kingdom were going "Trump-shit crazy" (a play on the expression "batshit crazy").

MAGA activists backed up Trump's jibe by posting an edited mash-up of Harris laughing on different occasions in different settings, and worse, impugning her character by talking up a purported affair she had some 30 years ago.

Conspiracy theories are also proliferating by the minute. They range from Biden's statement on quitting the race not being on an official letterhead and the signature on it not matching his usual signature (and therefore suspicious), to the familiar birther theory about Harris being born outside the US or being an offspring of foreign student, and therefore not eligible to run for White House.

Activists on both sides also duked it out on her identity — on whether she is African-American or Indian-American, and which heritage she embraces or avoids. Harris is Jamaican-American (from her dad's side) and Indian-American (from her mom's side), and therefore she's black-brown, not strictly African-American in the conventional sense.

She often identifies herself as black but also embraces Indian heritage from her maternal side, growing up closer to her mother, who brought her up as a single mom after her parents divorced when she was six. Trolls also feasted on edited mash-ups of Harris' "rambling word salad", with one right-wing outlet suggesting it "may be a symptom of a little-known but common psychological condition called logorrhoea — also known as verbal diarrhoea".

To be fair, liberal trolls have confected similar mash-ups of Trump (who suffers even more from a similar condition), including parodying his scowls, jowls, and other facial contortions. AI tools are further helping wreak havoc.

NYT

THE 'COCONUT TREE' MEME
A clip of Kamala Harris from a May 2023 speech quoting her mother often saying, 'You think you just fell out of a coconut tree?', has been viral since Prez Biden's disastrous June 27 debate. Harris' supporters, also known as the 'KHive', have been using the coconut tree emoji as the unofficial campaign icon to push for her candidacy as US prez

B'desh protests halted, govt gets 48 hrs to meet demands, including apology from PM

Dhaka: Bangladesh PM Sheikh Hasina blamed her political opponents for deadly violence that swept the country during recent student-led protests against quotas in govt jobs. Her comments came a day after the Supreme Court agreed to scrap most quotas in a ruling on Sunday. Hospital data showed at least 147 people were killed.

"When arson terrorism started, the protesting students said they were not involved in it," Hasina said. "We were forced to impose a curfew to protect the lives and property of the citizens," she said. "We will lift the curfew whenever the situation gets better." Hasina blamed the main opposition Bangladesh Nationalist Party and the Jamaat-e-Islami party and its student wing for the violence. The parties did not respond to requests for comment.

The streets appeared calm in Dhaka on Monday. Late on Sunday, protesters gave the govt 48 hours to meet new demands, but most appeared to be obeying the curfew Monday. Tanks were seen stationed at several places in Dhaka. There were no reports of violence in the country, officials said.

The new demands from protesters included a public apology from Hasina for the violence, restoration of internet connections and reopening of campuses. The Anti-Discrimination Student Movement also called for the resignation of some ministers and university officials and the dismissal of police officers deployed in the areas where students were killed. "We are giving an ultimatum to the govt to fulfil our eight-point demand within 48 hours," one of the Movement's leaders, Hasnat Abdullah, said. He did not say what would happen if the govt did not meet the demands. REUTERS

AP

Bangladesh military forces patrol the streets in Dhaka on Monday. Internet & mobile data services are still down

Anti-terror efforts being made controversial by political mafia: Pak army

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Islamabad: The Pakistan army accused its critics of "politicising" its anti-terrorism efforts, including a new military operation, to the detriment of national interests following the arrest on Monday of Raoof Hasan, information secretary of PTI, headed by jailed former PM Imran Khan. The army said the party information secretary was in charge of PTI's digital media cell which, it alleged, was involved in running anti-state propaganda.

Last month PM Shehbaz Sharif had approved a military offensive to counter a spike in terrorist attacks across Pakistan, particularly in volatile NW Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and SW Balochistan provinces, but the idea was criticised by opposition parties, particularly PTI and the rights group Pashtun Tahaffuz Movement (PTM). They termed it a ploy against Pashtuns to earn dollars from big powers and exploit resources.

Addressing a presser in the garrison city of Rawalpindi, the military's spokesperson, Lt Gen Ahmed Sharif Chaudhry, asked, "Why did a mafia, a political mafia, and an illegal mafia say that they would not let this campaign (Operation Azm-e-Istehkam, or Resolve for Stability) happen?" He added that opponents of the offensive had tried to make it "controversial" and paint it as a purely military operation in which thousands of people would be displaced. He did not name any party or group but called the army's critics "political and illegal mafias", an apparent reference to PTI and PTM. Lt Gen Chaudhry said they were using "fake news and propaganda" to spread lies about the army. "This is digital terrorism," he said.

The party posted on X, saying: "It's absolutely shameful how Islamabad police continues to completely mock and disregard every law in this country. Law of the jungle is reigning over Pakistan!"

US Secret Service boss says attack on Trump major failure, but rejects calls to resign

Washington: Secret Service director Kimberly Cheatle said Monday that her agency failed in its mission to protect ex-prez Donald Trump during a highly contentious congressional hearing with lawmakers of both major political parties demanding she resign over security failures that allowed a gunman to scale a roof and open fire at a campaign rally.

In her first hearing over the July 13 assassination attempt, Cheatle repeatedly angered lawmakers by evading questions, citing ongoing investigations. She called the attempt on Trump's life the Secret Service's "most significant operational failure" in decades.

Cheatle acknowledged that the Secret Service was told about a suspicious person "between two and five times" before the shooting. She also revealed that the roof from which the shooter fired had been identified as a potential vulnerability days before the rally. Cheatle said she apologised to Trump in a phone call after the rally. Despite the failures, Cheatle, who has spent nearly three decades at the Secret Service, remained defiant that she was the "right person" to lead the agency.

Cheatle acknowledged that the shooter, Thomas Matthew Crooks, had been seen by local law enforcement before the shooting with a rangefinder, a small device resembling binoculars. She said the Secret Service would have paused the rally if agents had been told there was an "actual threat", but she said there's a difference between someone identified as suspicious and someone identified as a true threat.

Asked about why there were no agents on the roof, Cheatle said she is still waiting for the investigation to play out, prompting outbursts. The Secret Service has acknowledged it denied some requests by Trump's campaign for increased security at his events in the years before the assassination bid. But Cheatle said that there were "no assets denied" for the rally. AP

Kimberly Cheatle

AROUND THE WORLD

Reuters

ADRENALINE RUSH: A person swings 120m above ground at Berlin's Alexanderplatz. The attraction is said to be Europe's highest swing

Who's smiling now? Nirvana, Marc Jacobs settle logo lawsuit

Oh, that lawsuit Nirvana filed against the fashion line Marc Jacobs for using its smiley face logo without permission? Nevermind. After more than a half-decade of litigation, the sides have agreed to settle. The corporate entity representing Nirvana sued Marc Jacobs in 2018 after the fashion line announced it would release a "Bootleg Redux Grunge" collection of clothing that featured a smiley face logo the lawsuit called "virtually identical to Nirvana's copyrighted image". Nirvana's smiley face has an uneven head, X's for eyes and a wavy smile with a tongue sticking out on the right side of its face. Marc Jacobs' smiley face, which was part of both clothing designs and general marketing promotion for the collection, looks the same but swaps in an "M" and "J" for the X's. The rock band has used its smiley face logo since the early 1990s. The yellow-on-black styling of the logo and the typeface used on the shirts were also too similar to Nirvana's recognisable designs, the band's lawyers argued. In response, Marc Jacobs pursued a counterclaim alleging that the band had not filed proper copyright registration for the logo and questioning its lawyer's story that Nirvana frontman Kurt Cobain had drawn it. The terms of the settlement have not been disclosed in court documents.

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A thought for today

To do the useful thing, to say the courageous thing, to contemplate the beautiful thing: that is enough for one man's life

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Biden/Caesar

How an American president has played out a classical tragedy, palace coup included

Every tragedy falls into two parts, a complication is followed by an unraveling or a denouement. Aristotle said this 23 centuries ago. The 46th American president is living this now. The Biden-Trump debate was watched by 51mn Americans on TV alone. In Biden's telling, he just had a bad night. For too many others, it meant that he would for sure have a super bad election day. And it isn't just Americans who have been weighing in on the matter. First, because of how consequential this election is for the world. Second, because its theatricality is riveting. Global interest has only intensified after the failed assassination of Trump. So, when Biden stepped down from his re-election bid this weekend, the denouement of the political crisis triggered by his debate performance, it sure vibed like classical tragedy: Beware the Ides of July.

The classical tragic hero, "highly renowned and prosperous", is not downed by vice or depravity, but by some error or frailty. This, too, describes Biden's situation well – he was brought down by nothing but "biological dynamics". A sitting American president dropping out of the race so late in the election cycle, is historic. It's really an unprecedented offering for "party and the country".

Republicans, of course, have a darker spin on his fate. That it is something like a palace coup. But talk of Biden being Julius Caesared is actually bipartisan. There are Democratic voices that are uncomfortable with the way in which long-time supporters and donors stepped away from Biden in recent weeks. When Shakespeare's Caesar went down with, "Et tu, Brute?", Antony called it "the most unkindest cut of all". This is echoed by some Democrats, who accuse Obama and Pelosi, who did not stage their disaffection publicly, of brutal betrayal. The theatre was all the more riveting because Biden didn't move towards denouement meekly. He resisted for days. So did his loyalists. There was no better demonstration of this than his continuing to claim until hours before he quit the race that, Hollywoodised American style, "I'm the guy."

So, yes, Biden has walked into what he and his cohort see as early, unwanted and unwarranted retirement. His critics in America's liberal establishment, in and outside the Democratic party, reckon he left it too late. But even if those critics are right, in this epic political drama, Biden is a bit of a tragic hero.

Cooking It Just Right

SC order banning display of names at eateries along Kanwar route removes a govt-created blot

The Supreme Court's interim order putting a pause on UP, Uttarakhand and MP govt directives – for food stalls, shacks and eateries along the route of Shiv bhakts' annual trek, 'kanwar yatra', to display their names and their staff's – is a relief for both proprietor and pilgrim. States were wrong to enforce, with gusto and precision, such a measure. As SC said, food laws require that menus be displayed, and food be correctly labelled. People, petitioners argued, visit restaurants basis the menu, not who's serving or cooking – which directly feeds into politics of "untouchability". Thus, the case stood on the trinity of, SC said, "safety, standard and secularism".

Livelihood hit | The measure had a chilling effect with restaurants forced to ask Muslim employees to stand down during the yatra. The workers, largely pasmanda, would thus lose wages, and proprietors, their workers. The kanwar yatra has been the busiest season for decades for these eateries, fruit sellers and food stalls on the 240km odd route with multiple paths, catering to hungry, thirsty, exhausted walkers. The non-compliant would have had to cough up fines. The choice then was between a fine and the possibility of economic boycott. It was unconscionable for states to roll out such a targeted measure that hits livelihoods of certain sections during a certain festival along a certain route – Muslims along UP's districts, and OBC/Dalit-concentrated pockets in districts from UP into Uttarakhand.

Introducing a fault | Any rationale was missing from the word go. Unsurprisingly, directives drew new fault lines. Several kanwars too criticised the directive. There's, after all, also the matter of choice. Peer pressure is big in community activity such as this. If a kanwar were to patronise a restaurant against his group's choice, it might destroy camaraderie *within* kanwar groups. SC's order rightly brings pause. But these govt directives should be altogether nixed. They speak to poor governance, and poorer politics.

Attention recession

We now read tweets not books, watch reels not movies

Arnab Ray

What's going to kill humanity, even before rising oceans and climate change, is our collective inability to concentrate. Tests became ODIs, ODIs became T20s, long-form magazine articles became blogs, which became tweets, movies became videos became reels, news became debates, and debates devolved into 10-second verbal volleys that became background noise at dinner.

Politics, all over the world, has been drained clean of nuance to be replaced by hype and emotion that target one at the moment and no more. People no longer read books – that's why bookshops now sell more computer games and greeting cards. The collective reservoirs of human dopamine have been depleted, our focus gone, thanks to user-interface designs of social media companies that make us go back to our phones every few seconds, like rats on a wheel, in search of a reward that will never come.

And if I have to see the destruction of civilisation, I only need to look in the mirror. Where once I could consume one massive tome after another, curled up in my bed, I now struggle to make it past two pages without taking a look at my phone. Once upon a time, watching a movie instead of reading a book made me feel as if I had cheated on the world. Now, I cannot watch a film either in one go. I have to pause every now and then and watch a reel, and then one reel leads to another. At some point, I cannot even concentrate on that. Diversion needs a diversion, and I get back to my movie. But not for long. I sleep. And then I wake up and start doom-scrolling through my phone.

It's even worse that I am an author. Every hundred words I write, I need to go to another tab to listen to another song, change my playlist, read a tweet, and write a few before I come back to writing the following sentence. A live conversation with a person sitting opposite me is not enough; I need to look down at my phone, prioritise the message of a college friend I never ever liked, and exchange a stream of texts till I forget that thread, too. The worst of all is that I do not know why I do this while being conscious that I am doing it. I guess I am possessed, just like the rest of you.

LOTUS FIGHTS TO BE POTUS

The battle for America's soul will be fought between Kamala Harris, who represents a changing country, and Donald Trump, who pushes a quasi-isolationist agenda

Chidanand Rajghatta

A week is a long time in politics, a British politician once said, but he was speaking well before the arrival of the internet and the age of social media, when even 24 hours is now an eternity. How things have changed in the *hours* after Biden bowed out – or was bustled out – of the US presidential election race, endorsing his VP Kamala Harris as the Democratic nominee.

Suddenly, *she* is poised to fight the oldest nominee for president in US history. It's not Biden's senility or infirmity in question now. It's Trump's age (78), fitness, and mental acuity. The tables have turned.

Trump and his MAGA constituency's immediate response to the development has been to resume and ramp up attacks on a person they see as an interloper. The crazies are crawling out of the woodwork, overrunning moderate Republicans legitimately opposing Kamala on political and ideological grounds.

Birther conspiracies have taken on new life. Far-right maggots festering with resentment at a black-brown woman taking on white supremacy among other issues are questioning her eligibility to run for White House because she is an "anchor baby" – born to parents when they were foreign students in US. Typical of their ignorance, they're unaware that parental status is irrelevant; she was born in America and that's what matters.

Expect more such attacks and vilification in the coming days in a deeply polarised country, including edited mishmash of her word salads (still not a patch on Trump's actual blather) and sexist denigration of the way she dresses, moves and laughs. Patriarchy and misogyny still rule in conservative America, illustrated by the continuing efforts by old white men to regulate the uterus of women, but who resist regulation of deadly assault weapons.

Kamala may or may not be the right answer to America's problems, but she has every right to have a fair shot at White House.

They will make it hard for her. A country that hasn't elected a woman to Oval Office in 248 years, and whose old white guard denied the presidency to a white woman (Hillary Clinton) through electoral college caprice (even though she won 3mn more popular votes than the winner in 2016) is hardly likely to entertain the prospect of a black-brown woman in White House. Her getting within a heartbeat of the presidency was enough to trigger them.

How does all this matter to the world and specifically to India? For all its flaws, US still remains the shining city on the hill, a political, social, and economic trendsetter. The fallout of what happens in America will affect not just the global order, but domestic politics everywhere. Any diminution of democracy and move towards authoritarianism will delight demagogues and dictators all over the world.

Indians tend to see Kamala, or any other foreign leader of Indian origin for that matter, mainly through diasporic lens, expecting their ethnicity to supersede their nationality. By now it's reasonably established that any "desi-ness" in such leaders – be it Rishi Sunak or Kamala – is secondary and subservient to their national loyalty, as it should be.

Simply put, or oversimplified, Trump may be an existential threat to US and its democracy, but he is, in one sense, good for India because he is transactional, and lately, New Delhi is good at this *dhando* (business). He is easily won over by flattery. There will be no pious lectures on human rights and his anti-minority majoritarianism sits well with the current dominant mood in India.

In his first term, someone suggested that all New Delhi had to do to appease him was buy for its police forces plenty of Harley-Davidson motorcycles, of which he was a big votary. India did better; it hosted a public rally that massaged his ego. His jettisoning of an Atlanticist outlook, his prospective diminution of Nato, and his more agreeable engagement with Russia (at the risk of being branded Putin's puppet) while seeking to counter China, will also be pleasing to New Delhi. Trump sees India in favourable terms, much more than Kamala. Small wonder he has growing support in India.

In any case, even an improbable Kamala victory will be questioned, challenged, and possibly overturned. A preview of the methods was demonstrated on Jan 6, 2021 when the loser tried to usurp power through violence and intimidation trending to insurrection. The stage has already been set and the acoustics tested for a repeat performance. Trump has, in effect, said only a result that shows him winning will be valid. An outcome where he loses can only be because there was cheating and the election was stolen.

So, domestically, the battle for the soul of America that Biden often spoke about has now truly been joined. On the one side stands an old white misogynist speaking in racist undertones who promises to "Make America Great Once Again" with a quasi-isolationist agenda, while making it grate in the four years he was in office. On the other side will likely be a candidate, far from perfect, but more representative of a socially and demographically changing America that will want to remain agreeably engaged with the world. It will be a compelling, tense, and possibly brutal few weeks ahead.

So strap on your seat belts. It's going to be a wild ride till Election Day on Nov 5 and perhaps even after. The pilot in the cockpit has passed out, and the co-pilot and a pilot who was cashiered in 2020 will be making a grab for the controls. There's no telling who will land the plane, how, and in what condition.

Why La Roja Shines, In White, Black & Brown

That Spain's a major sporting power goes back to 1992 Barcelona Olympics. But immigration is changing the country. Its stars are not all white, whether the far-right likes it or not

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July 14, 2024 will be a date to remember in Spain. Carlos Alcaraz's victory in Wimbledon and the unexpected success of the Spanish squad at the Euros were something more than a breath of fresh air. They also had a message for the world and to Spain itself as a nation. "I'm Spanish, what do you want me to win?", a successful catchphrase of the early 2010s, got back into circulation on social media. The two victories have also shown Spain as a changing country finding its way to be, while the far-right rises in the Western world.

The two wins' accurate comparison is neither with the 2010 Fifa World Cup, nor Nadal's long run in tennis. Instead, we have to go back 32 years to the 1992 Barcelona Olympics. That was not only a sports success. It was a public demonstration that Spain isn't only about bulls and paella, and that Spaniards aren't short, big-bellied, lazy people, but modern, free, arty and talented citizens of a likeable country.

How did that happen? Was there a sudden explosion of talent? If anything, there was a sudden explosion of method.

Before 1992, sports success in Spain was the result of individual effort. But in 1987, after Barcelona was nominated to host the Olympics, a plan was put in place. Program ADO, a non-profit govt-based institution, gave young sports talents the opportunity to worry about nothing but their careers. Funded with public and private resources, it gave amateur athletes the tools for success: from scholarships that, de facto, equalised their economic situation to that of professional athletes, to medical, psychological and structural aides like CARs (high performance centres). Alcaraz was trained in former tennis player Juan Carlos Ferrero's academy shaped as a CAR.

Plus, the end of Cold War also brought unexpected assets. Coaches and trainers of the former red bloc could move to Spain to add a key element: technique and expertise.

Those were the facts behind Spain's 1992 success. Not just effort, but method; not just talent, but hard work; not just individuals, but a national goal birthed by public-private joint ventures. Since 1992 until the 2022 Beijing Winter Games, Spanish sportsmen and sportswomen have won 144 summer and winter Olympic medals. From 1896 to 1988, they had won just 27 medals, a number that was almost equalled during the Barcelona Games alone, with 22 medals.

While sports grew in Spain, the country was growing too. During the 1990s and early 2000s, its economy and quality of life saw unprecedented growth. Just before the 2010 debt crisis, it had the 3rd highest GDP per capita in the Eurozone. But the debt crisis broke some basic rules of the welfare state: public expenses for those in need had to be cut. A suddenly impoverished country became the breeding ground for a new kind of far-right, not based in Franco's fascist dictatorship nostalgia, but in a nationalistic, racist endeavour that has seduced thousands of youngsters.

The far-right rise clashed with an undeniable fact – that Spaniards were moving to other countries, fertility (1.16 child per woman) and birth (6.7%) rates were falling, and immigration had become a need. For Spain, and much of Europe, rise of nationalism is based on the vote of a frightened middle class that fears impoverishment without being poor. This comes with the usual fake news that sets crimes as a consequence of immigrants and illegal aliens, a lie that's been repeatedly debunked by official data.

Although the sports method remains unchanged, immigration is changing the skin of Spain. Success has made Spanish sportsmen and sportswomen a valuable – though not always affordable – good for Spanish professional teams. Only three of the 23 players (13%) that won the World Cup in 2010 played for foreign teams. In 2024, this percentage has risen to 26.9%. And some of them, such as Rodri, Fabian and Dani Olmo, have short or no experience in Spanish domestic tournaments; they're migrants themselves.

As it happened in 1992, the response to the existential debate of what we Spaniards are comes from the pitch. Young footballers Lamine Yamal (17) and Nico Williams (22) set the bar; a 17-year-old minor son of migrants and the son of an illegal alien now represent the possibility of a future against racism and warped nostalgia. Spanish society has to choose now. Between its past and its future. Between its angels and its demons.

Calvin & Hobbes

Sacred*space*

Be not the slave of your own past – plunge into the sublime seas, dive deep, and swim far, so you shall come back with new self-respect, with new power, and with an advanced experience...

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Absence Of Doership Promotes Inner Peace

Vijay Vancheswar

The core teaching of Ramana Maharshi focuses on dissolving one's sense of individual volition or doership, *kartitva* in Sanskrit. The sage mentions that the biggest mental tapas is to subsume one's sense of control and doership. This can be sought either through the path of bhakti, an unconditional acceptance of the will of a higher power, or through the path of jnan, a persistent inquiry into the source of one's thoughts to identify who we are – the query 'Who am I?' According to the sage, all other spiritual paths lead and end only in this quest. The saying 'Not a leaf moves except by His will' expresses this and finds resonance in all faiths. 'Thy Will Be Done' in Christianity and the Urdu phrase '*Manzur-e-Khuda*' in Islam imply that acceptance of the will of the Divine is an essential prerequisite for one's peace and spiritual progress.

What we all unconsciously seek in life is peace. Conflict arises from not meeting our expected outcomes. The singular cause of this distress is our sense of control and volition. The Bhagwad Gita provides a solution: we have the right to actions but not the results. Outcomes are never in our control. Sometimes, great efforts do not produce expected outcomes; at other times, surprisingly pleasing outcomes are attained unexpectedly. However, our persistent and innate nature triggers us to ascribe all our successes primarily to our efforts. In his book *The Tyranny of Merit*, Michael Sandel points out that for all our striving, we are not self-made and self-sufficient. A lively sense of the contingency of our lot can inspire a certain humility, enabling us to accept that, 'There, but for the grace of God, or the accident of birth, or the mystery of fate, go I'. The wisdom of this understanding humbles us and changes our attitude to life for the better.

THE SPEAKING TREE

Far from advocating inaction, an absence of doership promotes non-action, a positive trait that focuses on being in the moment. Ramana Maharshi explains this by distinguishing freedom from free will and ego from egoism. Freedom, as Ramana says, is our birthright. We are ever free, more so as we persevere to associate with our true nature or Self. Our sense of illusory free will provokes disharmony, more so when outcomes and expectations are not met. Ramana also distinguishes ego and egoism. A sage's ego resembles that of a burnt rope, appearing to be independent but incapable of assigning volition to itself, exuding peace and divinity. He likens this to the state of 'wakeful sleep', meaning awake to what happens but without a sense of involvement. Children until around three years old are in this blissful state, with the difference that they are unaware of their innate divinity. Translating this from an intellectual understanding to living by it daily demands reflection and validation of events we experience. As we reflect on the everyday events and actions that we experience and ascribe ownership to, we realise that in almost all cases, our actions involve a thought, a call or an accidental meeting, over none of which we exercise control. Acknowledging this will, over time, help us reduce our entanglement with the sense of doership.

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PER CAPITA EGG AVAILABILITY

As India aims to be a developed nation by 2047, where will the country be placed in terms of per capita egg availability compared to global benchmarks

87 CURRENT | **100** (TARGET 2030) | **200** (TARGET 2047) — Source: Ministries

GLOBAL BENCHMARK: **280** CHINA | **277** US | **240** EU

Biden exit effect: Wall Street picks up after selloff

Wall Street rose on Monday, regaining some ground after the previous week's declines as investors assessed the odds of a second term for Republican nominee Donald Trump in the Nov election after President Joe Biden withdrew from the race.
Biden said on Sunday he was opting out and endorsed Vice President Kamala Harris's candidature. Online betting site PredictIT showed pricing for a Donald Trump victory slipped 4 cents to 60 cents, while climbing 12 cents to 39 cents for a Harris win. REUTERS

crazy bosses

Oil extends fall, sees biggest drop since June

Oil extended its recent slide as investors weighed the fallout from US President Joe Biden's decision not to seek reelection. Brent slipped under $82 a barrel after slumping by almost 3% on Friday, the biggest drop since June. BLOOMBERG

CrowdStrike short sellers gain $461mn

Short sellers piling into bets against CrowdStrike Holdings were rewarded on Friday when a botched software update from the firm sparked a global IT outage and sent shares plunging to their worst day since Nov 2022. BLOOMBERG

PhonePe, Google Pay cede online share

PhonePe and Google Pay saw a marginal decline in their share of total transactions processed through UPI in June as smaller players gained traction. PhonePe's share in total UPI transactions dropped to 48.4% from 48.7% in May. BLOOMBERG

BoE plans expanded repo facilities

London: The Bank of England said on Monday that banks should get ready to make greater use of its repo facilities as it sells down its govt bond holdings and plans a major expansion of its current six-month repo operation. REUTERS

figure it out

$2.5 million
worth of $10,000 invested in Amazon IPO in 1997

Source: Yahoo Finance (Value on July 6)

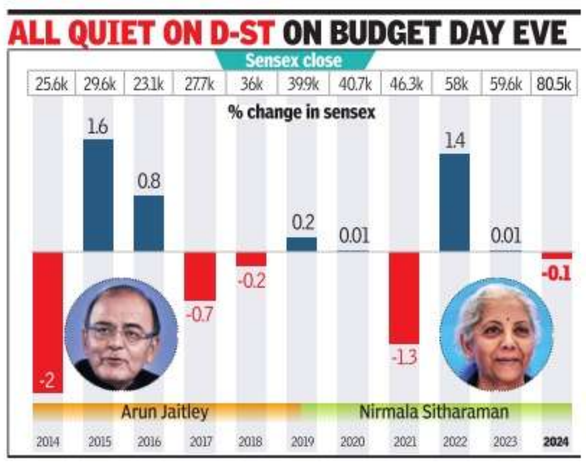
Mid & small-cap indices double since last Budget

Sensex Up 21,000 Pts Or 31%, Market Cap Surges By $2Tn

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: Since finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman's fifth Budget on Feb 1, 2023, Indian investors have become richer by a staggering Rs 174 lakh crore — translating to about $2.1 trillion at the current rupee-dollar rate. In the same time, the sensex has risen 31% (nearly 21k points) while Nifty has outperformed its more popular peer with a return of 39%, stock exchange data showed.

Gains in the sensex and Nifty, however, fade when compared to the returns in mid and small-caps. While BSE's Midcap index rose 92% — nearly doubling investors' money — the Smallcap index was slightly behind at a 90% gain. The rise in these indices during the last 18-plus months came on the back of strong buying by both foreign and domestic investors. Mutual funds had net invested Rs 3.4 lakh crore in the equity market, while FPIs net bought stocks worth Rs 2.1 lakh crore, official data showed.



The turnaround in the fortunes of the Indian market since Feb 2023 is remarkable if we look at how the global economy and markets have traded during the same period. Despite fears of rising inflation in the US and the EU, govt and RBI worked in tandem to keep the impacts of a global inflationary pressure from affecting the Indian economy in any major way. While RBI managed liquidity well and its monetary policies contained inflation, govt kept its market borrowings under check. As a result, the Indian economy didn't face a runaway inflation and interest rates also didn't rise much.

Among the highlights of the Indian market was the crash in Adani group shares just around last Budget. After US-based short-seller Hindenburg Research published a damning report on the group on Jan 24, 2023, in about five weeks, the group's total market value crashed by nearly 65% — from Rs 19.2 lakh crore to about Rs 6.5 lakh crore. Since then, the group has recouped most losses and Sebi didn't find any proof backing Hindenburg's allegations of corporate malfeasance by the Indian conglomerate.

The market also discounted the Lok Sabha poll results that saw the BJP's total seats fall from their number five years ago. Even as markets took a tumble as a knee-jerk reaction, they soon recovered to take the sensex over the 80K-mark — which is seen as a major psychological milestone for Dalal Street.

RBI cites Windows outage to flag single vendor risks

Dependence On Third-Parties For Critical Services Can Create Vendor Lock-In Situations: Dy Guv Rao

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: RBI's deputy governor M Rajeshwar Rao cited last week's global Windows outage to highlight the risks of outsourcing and relying on a single vendor for critical services. He also pulled up lenders for partnering digital platforms that do not provide redressal mechanism.

"Last Friday's (incident) essentially reflects the kind of risks which I'm talking about. Third-party dependencies and digital outsourcing have become integral to the operations of financial service entities consequent to the rapidly evolving technology," the deputy governor said in a speech at a BFSI summit organised by ratings agency CareEdge on Monday.

Rao said that dependence on third parties can create vendor lock-in situations where regulated entities become reliant or captured by a single vendor of critical services. "This lack of vendor diversification can increase dependency risks and limit the flexibility of the entities to adapt to changing market conditions," he added. Rao said that despite regulatory efforts, some entities fall short in customer service and transparency, which impacts trust and satisfaction.

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> — M Rajeshwar Rao | RBI DEPUTY GOVERNOR

"Guidelines mandate that regulated entities should ensure that the lending service providers engaged by them have suitable grievance redressal mechanisms on their website or apps. A recent study undertaken by us has found that not all of these lending service providers or apps have the kind of mechanism which we thought they would be having," he said.

Rao also stressed the importance of transparency and effective mechanisms for handling customer complaints. This includes addressing issues such as hidden fees and aggressive sales tactics.

The deputy governor noted the critical importance of assurance functions — risk management, compliance, and internal audit — in identifying and managing risks to sustain financial growth. Rao said that RBI supports a hybrid regulatory approach, combining activity and entity-based regulations to adapt swiftly to changes in the sector while maintaining robust risk management.

SITHARAMAN'S A-TEAM FOR 7TH B-DAY

ALL SET FOR BUDGET DAY: FM Nirmala Sitharaman and her deputy Pankaj Chaudhary with top finance ministry officials in her North Block office on Monday. (Standing L-R) CBIC chairman Sanjay Kumar Agarwal, revenue secretary Sanjay Malhotra, DIPAM secretary Tuhin Kanta Pandey, finance secretary T V Somanathan, economic affairs secretary Ajay Seth, financial services secretary Vivek Joshi, CEA V Anantha Nageswaran and CBDT chairman Ravi Agarwal

Former Kotak Bank joint MD Manian to be Federal Bank chief

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: RBI has approved the appointment of Krishnan Venkat Subramanian as the new managing director and CEO of Federal Bank. The appointment is effective from Sept 23, 2024 following the conclusion of the current MD and CEO Shyam Srinivasan's term on Sept 22, 2024.

KVS Manian, who served as joint MD at Kotak Mahindra Bank until April 30, 2024, will bring extensive experience in corporate banking, commercial banking, private banking, and asset reconstruction to his new role, the bank said. During his tenure at Kotak, Manian was instrumental in advancing the bank's technology and transaction banking capabilities, overseeing investment banking and institutional equities, and maintaining leadership positions in these sectors. His prior roles include heading Consumer Bank and contributing significantly to its establishment from 2003-14.

Manian holds an electrical engineering degree from the IIT (BHU) in Varanasi, a postgraduate degree in financial management from Jamnalal Bajaj Institute of Management Studies in Mumbai, and is a cost and works accountant. His move to Federal Bank comes after a 29-year tenure at Kotak Mahindra Bank, where he was considered a candidate to succeed Uday Kotak as CEO.

Baba Kalyani's niece & nephew look to settle family assets matter

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Mumbai: Bharat Forge chairman Baba Kalyani's nephew Sameer Hiremath and niece Pallavi Swadi are looking to settle a dispute over a multi-billion dollar estate with their uncle through a court-monitored mediation process.

Sameer and Pallavi — grandchildren of forging industry pioneer Neelkanth Kalyani — had moved Pune civil court against their uncle Baba Kalyani in March, seeking division of family assets. They had demanded one-ninth of the family estate including stakes in Bharat Forge and Kalyani Steel as their share. Sameer and Pallavi are children of Baba's sister Sugandha Hiremath, who is also the co-promoter of Hikal, a pharmaceuticals and chemicals company. Separately, Sugandha is in an ownership dispute with Baba over Hikal.

The court on Monday asked the two parties to look at settling their dispute through mediation after Sameer and Pallavi tabled the mediation option before the judicial forum. The siblings told the court that they were willing to mediate with their uncle as they were deeply anguished by mud slinging in court.

If Baba agrees to the mediation, then from such date for a period of 60 days the matter will stand adjourned, people familiar with the case said. If mediation fails, the mediator will file a failure report and the dispute will continue at the Pune court.

A Kalyani Group spokesperson said: Having filed a frivolous suit before the Pune local court seeking partition of alleged properties of Kalyani family HUF, both Sameer Hiremath and Pallavi Swadi have now sought permission of the court to permit mediation of the dispute. The proposal to mediate in the pending dispute itself demonstrates that both have no cause of action in filing the partition suit. Both petitioners have been indulging in making malicious attempts to defame certain named family members, the spokesperson said.

On Monday, Sameer and Pallavi produced documents that showed the existence of the ANK HUF and the assets that were under its management. Baba had earlier denied the existence of any such HUF and had said that Sameer and Pallavi had no right in the wealth of any Kalyani family HUF since they and Kalyanis do not have any common "male" ancestor. The siblings, however, argued that they became coparceners in their own right in the Kalyani family HUF upon the introduction of the amended Section 6 of the Hindu Succession Act 1956, in the year 2005.

In their rejoinder filed on Monday, the siblings said that the wealth was created by their great grandfather, ANK, which led to the growth of the Kalyani family. "Since all these businesses commenced and the investments were made from the said nucleus, all these businesses and investments constituted the properties of the joint family," the duo said in their rejoinder.

Group's Listed Cos Are Worth Over ₹95K Cr

THE BACKSTORY

- Sameer Hiremath and Pallavi Swadi, the nephew and niece of **Kalyani Group chairman Baba Kalyani,** have said that Kalyani family assets were created because of the efforts of their great grandfather Annappa
- The duo sought a division of family assets in March this year
- They had attached a **list of family assets** along with the suit. They also wanted other family members to disclose acquisitions over the years using family funds

Under pressure from IT cos to allow 14hr work days: K'taka min

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Bengaluru: Karnataka labour minister Santosh Lad on Monday said that the state govt is under pressure from the IT industry to introduce legislation allowing software professionals to work up to 14 hours a day. He, however, clarified that no final decision has been made as govt is still evaluating the proposal and seeking a thorough debate on the issue.

"The Bill has come to us because of pressure from the IT industry. It is not the IT minister (Priyank Kharge) himself who has come up with this idea but all stakeholders. That's why it has come to us (labour department). I want all major stakeholders to debate this and share their opinions. Based on the feedback, we, as a department, will look into the issue and take it forward," Lad said.

Regarding concerns about the potential impact on IT employees' personal and social lives, Lad said, "Let IT companies, owners, and directors come forward and discuss whether it is necessary or not. Later, we will take a call."

The state BJP has also slammed the Congress govt, arguing that it should focus on underperforming sectors rather than imposing new policies on the thriving IT industry. "Siddaramaiah's govt itself is in sleeping mode but he plans to propose a bill that will force the IT sector to work for 14 work hours a day, 70 hours a week," Karnataka BJP president B Y Vijayendra wrote on X.

Govt sources declined to provide details of the Bill being proposed. However, IT industry association Nasscom said categorically that they fully support the 48-hour workweek across the country.

HCLTech's policy linking 'work from office' with leaves 'draconian': IT union

Bengaluru: IT employees' union Nascent Information Technology Employees Senate (NITES) has criticised HCLTech's policy that links work from home with employee leaves, calling it 'draconian'.

According to the union, the policy requiring employees to work from office for 12 days a month to be eligible for leaves is contrary to the work-life balance concept. Reports suggested that HCLTech has started informing certain teams about this policy. TNN

CCI sends queries to Reliance, Disney on $8.5bn merger deal

New Delhi: Antitrust body CCI has asked Reliance Industries and Walt Disney around 100 questions linked to their $8.5 billion India media assets merger, including details on sports rights as it heightens its scrutiny of the deal, two sources told Reuters.

Antitrust experts had warned that the Reliance and Disney deal, which was announced in Feb, could face intense scrutiny as it will create India's biggest entertainment player with 120 TV channels and two streaming services. The companies will also together own lucrative rights for cricket — India's most popular sport. In a confidential submission to CCI in May, the companies said their merger would not hurt the competition, and argued that cricket rights will expire in 2027 and 2028 and allow bidding by rivals, and advertisers can target cricket-watching consumers on many rival platforms including YouTube, Reuters reported in May. REUTERS

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Doting Gen Z 'parents' drive pet care market

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Chennai: Powered by millennial and Gen Z pet owners' search for out-of-the-box products and services for their pets, India's pet care market is all set to jump from $1 billion in 2022 to $2.5 billion by 2025 — a CAGR of more than 15%. Pet care marketers say the focus is moving away from the conventional pet food segment to a more varied bouquet of offerings.

Shashank Sinha, CEO, Drools Pet Food said, "While pet food is still 65% of the market, the categories of supplements, treats, toys, accessories and bowls are increasing which aligns with the trend observed in mature pet care markets like the US and Europe."

What has changed over time is the profile of pet owners in India. Today's 'pet parents' — many of whom adopted their furry friend during the pandemic — are younger, tech-savvier, and far more invested in looking for specialised solutions and services for their pet care needs.

Rashi Narang, founder & CEO of Heads Up For Tails, said, "If we've learnt anything from the pandemic, it's the power of the pet which also supercharged growth of the pet care e-commerce market." She added that the growth curve is thanks to "digitally savvy millennials and Gen Zs who will account for one in three pet parents by 2025". According to Sinha, India is expected to see its e-commerce share reach 35% within the next few years.

For the pet care market, that has meant a sudden spurt in investor interest. Between 2021-22, the industry attracted investments totalling $77 million, as reported by Venture Intelligence. Already, several pet care startups are offering everything from pet cosmetics to tech-enabled smart collars and pet tracking devices. Take the IIT-Madras incubated Vetinstant Healthcare, which offers devices to track pets' vital statistics. Its founder Vani Aiyar said, "Pet parents today have seen technology deliver across multiple segments like food, banking, travel and health, so they are keen to look at new ideas and new methods of pet care too."

Bangalore-based veterinarian Archith Sridhar specialises in regenerative medicine through his company Animalia Biogenesis. "We focus on treating severe injuries, arthritis, and kidney issues using stem cells and platelets without side effects of conventional treatments," he said.

However, this growing trend of paw-parenting is largely a metro phenomenon. According to Sinha of Drools, "Cities such as Bengaluru and Hyderabad have emerged as prominent markets... Monthly expenses of Rs 5,000 or more on pets are becoming increasingly common, with the average expenditure in Bengaluru estimated at Rs 3,000 per month."

Pet parents are also networked using social media and frequently shares tips and complaints. Heads Up For Tails, Narang added, collaborates with these communities along with NGOs, influencers and pet activists to "encourage conversations".

Food Biz Key, Accessories Catching Up

India's petcare industry is expected to go from $1bn in 2022 to $2.5bn in 2025

- The market is growing at a CAGR of more than **15%**
- While **pet food** holds **65% share**, other categories like accessories, cosmetics, collars and bowls are growing fast
- By 2025, 1 in 3 pet parents will be **millennial** or **Gen Z**
- In metros, pet families spend **₹3,000-5,000 per month** on petcare
- About **35%** of petcare market will shift online in a few years

Cash reserves relief can help tackle deposit woes: SBI MD

Mumbai: Lowering the cash deposit/reserve ratio (CRR) or the proportion of deposits banks are mandatorily required to park with RBI will help the lenders facing low deposit growth, SBI managing director Ashwini Kumar Tewari said on Monday. Talks for such a cut are on, he told reporters here, clarifying that the country's largest lender does not need such a reduction as it is well placed on the liquidity front. There has not been any formal request for a CRR cut made either, he added.

Tewari said, "We have to look at various avenues for helping tide over the challenge posed by lower deposit growth." He specifically mentioned a request to get bank deposits at par with capital market investments while referring to CRR and SLR. On whether the bank has sought a CRR cut, he said, "We have not sought any formal dispensation, but it is a conversation we continue to have." AGENCIES

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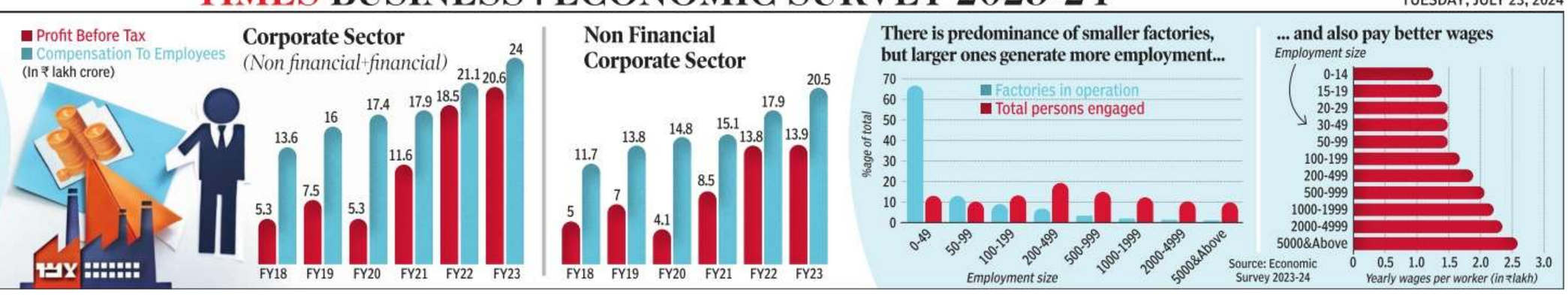
Employment & Wage Gap

With robust balance sheets at their disposal, the private sector must step up hiring and ensure higher compensation to workers. While employment in organised manufacturing is above pre-Covid levels, there is lot of distance to travel



Domestic Drivers To Support Growth Amid Caution On AI, Market Speculation And Mis-Selling Of Financial Products

AI casts huge uncertainty on jobs

India Inc Should Plan To Augment Labour Rather Than Displace Workers

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The advent of Artificial Intelligence (AI) casts a "huge pall of uncertainty" when it comes to jobs, considering its impact on workers across all skill levels — low, semi and high, said the Economic Survey. "The biggest disruption for the future of work is the accelerated growth in AI, which is poised to revolutionise the global economy. India would not remain immune to this transformation."

Taking a note of the growing concerns around impact of AI on employment, the survey said technological leap has potential to disrupt growth and thus it requires a concerted effort among Centre, states and even corporates to minimise disruptions.

MAY REDUCE PRODUCTIVITY

Short term challenge | Generative AI could slow BPO sector growth, affecting customer service

Productivity impact | However, AI's emergence might reduce annual productivity growth by approximately 0.3 percentage points in coming years

Long term potential | Broader AI adoption could lead to significant improvements in healthcare and education, enhancing human capital

"These will create barriers and hurdles to sustained high growth rates for India in the coming years and decades."

To protect jobs, there is a need to quickly adapt to advancements. "With AI taking roots in several spheres of economic activity, job market must adapt, while steering the technological choices towards collective welfare is key."

It said while AI has a considerable potential for boosting productivity, it can also "disrupt employment" in certain sectors. "As AI systems continue to get smarter and adoption increases, the future of work will be reshaped... Routine tasks, including customer service, will likely witness a high degree of automation, creative sectors will see extensive usage of AI tools for image and video creation, personalised AI tutors can reshape education and sectors like healthcare can witness accelerated drug discovery."

The survey also said India's services exports, primarily the BPO sector, could be badly hit due to the advent of AI, and thus companies should devise strategies to tackle the reversal. "Next wave of technological evolution might bring the curtains down on boom in telecom and rise of internet facilitated BPOs. In this milieu, the corporate sector has a responsibility, as much to itself as it is to society, to think harder about ways AI will augment labour rather than displace workers." On impact of AI in the services sector, the survey said studies suggest it is likely to "restrain the growth opportunities for business services progressively" and, therefore, poses a challenge to long-term sustainability and job creation.

The survey, however, noted that even while posing challenges to jobs, AI will emerge as an opportunity to create employment. "... India is an attractive destination for AI investment due to its relatively low operating costs and world's second-largest pool of highly skilled AI, machine learning, and big data workers." India — with its vast demographic dividend and a very young population — is "uniquely situated" as AI poses both risks and opportunity.

Check Chinese imports, encourage investments

Boosting FDI Flows Can Reduce Trade Deficit, Integrate Local Cos With Global Value Chains

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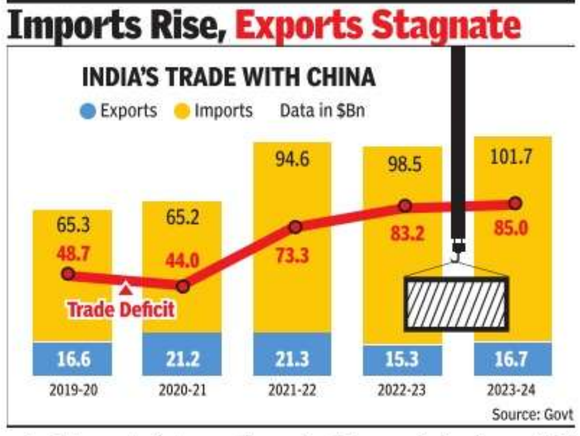
Imports Rise, Exports Stagnate



Discourage Chinese goods but encourage Chinese capital. This is the twin track approach laid out by the Economic Survey to deal with what it calls the China Conundrum. In a policy prescription aimed at taking advantage of China Plus One strategy, the document suggested a policy rethink, arguing that FDI from India's neighbour will help domestic companies integrate with the global value chain besides checking the widening trade deficit.

"...to boost Indian manufacturing and plug India into the global supply chain, it is inevitable that India plugs itself into China's supply chain. Whether we do so by relying solely on imports or partially through Chinese investments is a choice that India has to make," it said.

Pointing to a recent research note, which cautioned against the risk of coercion due to Chinese dominance in certain segments, the Survey advocated "striking a right balance between importing goods and importing capital" from China. The report had cited how Brazil, Turkey and some European nations had raised import duty on electric vehicles, but courted investment from China.

"India has a similar decision to make, given its large bilateral trade deficit with China. It makes India vulnerable to potential abrupt supply disruptions. Replacing some well-chosen imports with investments from China raises the prospect of creating domestic know-how down the road. It may have other risks, but as with many other matters, we don't live in a first-best world. We have to choose between second and third-best choices," it said. Following Covid outbreak, India too had imposed checks on FDI from neighbouring countries, a move meant to target Chinese companies. It followed it up with import and public procurement curbs, while banning several apps, including Tik Tok, after tension escalated in Ladakh.

Survey argued imports from China are so cheap that "no amount of tariff can reduce their price competitiveness". It cautioned against Chinese goods slipping in through third countries, without getting noticed. Beijing too has responded by blocking India's access to solar parts after govt launched an anti-dumping probe.

India must labour to generate 78.5L non-farm jobs every year

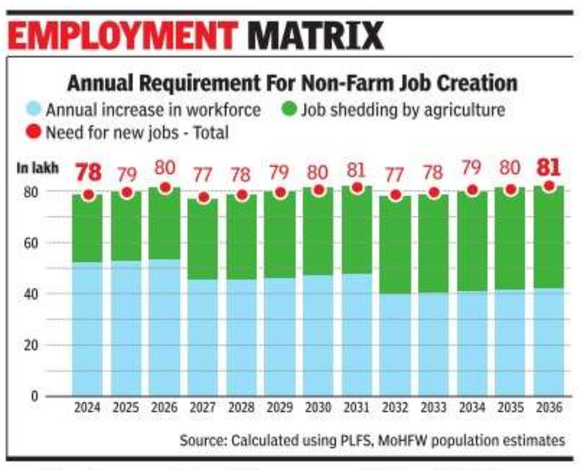
TEAM TOI

The Indian economy needs to generate an average of nearly 78.5 lakh jobs annually until 2030 in the non-farm sector to cater to the rising workforce, the survey has estimated.

It said that to meet the demand of 78.5 lakh jobs in the non-farm sector per year, there is scope to supplement the existing schemes of production linked incentive (60 lakh employment generation over 5 years), MITRA textile scheme (20 lakh employment generation), MUDRA, and others while boosting their implementation.

The survey said that state govts can grease the wheels of hiring by businesses by easing the compliance burden and reforming laws on land, etc, to suit the priorities of development. It said the jobs are created in the private sector and India's corporate sector has never had it so good as now, with profitability at a 15-year high in FY24. Profits had quadrupled between FY20 and FY23.

EMPLOYMENT MATRIX



"Businesses have an obligation to themselves to strike the right balance between deployment of capital and deployment of labour. As important, capital and labour shares of income have to be fair," said the survey.

"In their fascination for AI and fear of erosion of competitiveness, businesses have to bear in mind their responsibility for employment generation and the consequent impact on social stability," it added.

Calling for a rebalancing of labour regulations for generating employment, the survey said current labour regulations have unintended adverse repercussions for the general workforce, and women specifically.

The report showed that a comparison with other countries reveals that India's stricter overtime wage regulations are potentially hindering the growth of the manufacturing sector by driving production to nations with lower overtime costs.

Social security should keep pace with gig eco growth

TEAM TOI

India's gig workforce is expected to expand to 23.5 million by 2029-30, forming an estimated 6.7% of the non-agricultural workforce or 4.1% of total livelihood in the country, which calls for creation of effective social security initiatives for the segment. The gig economy covers online platform workers, freelancers, on-call workers and creative tech talent. Growing consumer adoption of digital services in India has fuelled the growth of the gig economy with internet companies deploying a wider delivery fleet on the ground to cater to the rising demand.

"The new Labour Codes now provide social security benefits to gig and platform workers via a social security fund, financed by contributions from the central and state govts, aggregators, CSR etc. Additionally, definition of inter-state migrant labour has been simplified," the survey said.

3.5% of GDP may come from GCCs

India's global capability centres (GCCs) have become new growth engine, accelerating the country's economic growth and job creation. The rapid expansion of GCCs has bolstered India's IT services exports, providing a significant boost to the industry.

By 2030, GCCs are projected to contribute a total revenue of $121 billion, which is approximately 3.5% of India's GDP. Out of this, $102 billion will represent export earnings. Revenue from GCCs has more than doubled to $46 billion in 2022-23 from $19.4 billion in the 2014-15, growing at a compound annual growth rateof 11.4%.

Govt sees 6.5-7% growth in FY25, agencies more upbeat

TEAM TOI

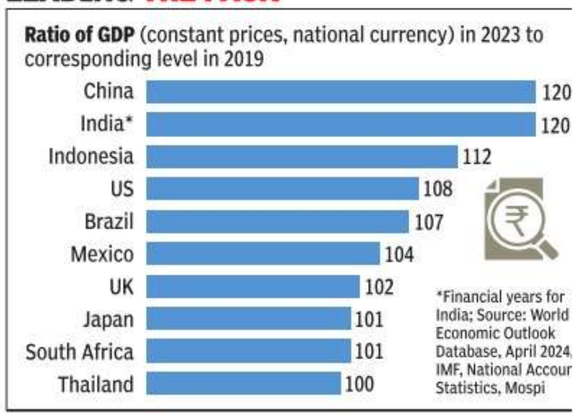
India's economy is estimated to grow by 6.5-7% in 2024-25, says Economic Survey, acknowledging that it is conservative, given the fact that market expectations are on the higher side.

The estimate is lower than RBI's projection of 7.2% growth for the current financial year. Several agencies, including IMF, have raised the country's GDP estimates sharply after better than expected expansion of 8.2% in 2023-24. IMF now expects the economy to grow by 7% in 2024-25.

The survey said domestic growth drivers have supported economic growth in FY24, despite uncertain global economic performance. It also said improved balance sheets will help the private sector cater to strong investment demand.

"A note of caution is warranted here. Private capital formation after good growth in last three years may turn slightly more cautious because of fears of cheaper imports from countries that have excess capacity." The survey listed several risks to growth, including geopolitical situation, weather related shocks and supply chain disruptions.

LEADING THE PACK



It said Indian economy recovered swiftly from pandemic, with real GDP in FY24 being 20% higher than the pre-Covid FY20 level. "Overall, Indian economy looks forward to FY25 optimistically, anticipating broad-based and inclusive growth."

The survey says short-term inflation outlook for India is benign but listed several options that could be considered from angle of long-term price stability. It called for focused efforts to increase the production of major oilseeds, such as sunflower and rapeseed, mustard, and explore the potential of non-conventional oils, such as rice bran oil and corn oil. "The possibility of expanding scope of national mission on edible oils beyond palm oil to other major oilseeds is worth an examination."

More efforts are needed to expand area under pulses, particularly lentils, tur, and urad in more districts and rice-fallow areas.

Gap between 2 NPA cycles should rise

TEAM TOI

The banking industry has been urged to lengthen the gap between two cycles of NPAs. Govt's economic report card has also said that corporate shift to capital market for funding is a positive development in this regard.

These observations come at a time when the asset quality of scheduled commercial banks has improved, with gross NPAs ratio decreasing to 2.8% in March 2024, which is a 12-year low. "Indian financial sector is at a turnpike moment. The dominance of banking support to credit is being reduced and role of capital markets is rising. For a country that aspires to be a developed nation by 2047, this is a long-awaited and welcome development.

No longer an aberration, mis-selling 'too rampant'

TEAM TOI

The Economic Survey has highlighted the malaise of mis-selling in banks and financial services and has said that it is 'too rampant' to be dismissed as an aberration of a few over-enthusiastic sales personnel.

"Acknowledgement of mis-selling and misrepresentation and compensating for consequential losses is a good business practice enjoined upon stockbroking, fund management, banking and insurance firms," it said.

This is the first time a govt agency is acknowledging mis-selling as a systemic problem. Previously, regulators viewed mis-selling as isolated instances of misconduct. The reason why financial institutions get away with mis-selling is that there is no punitive penalties for consequential loss and at best the victims get their money back after they approach the ombudsman, say consumer activists.

SYSTEMIC PROBLEM

"Identifying and correcting mis-selling and misrepresentation and compensating for losses are non-negotiable practices for sectors like banking, insurance and fund management. Stakeholders need to unite in efforts to bring the consumer and the industry on same page to build better trust and transparency between them," said Sarbvir Singh, joint group CEO, PB Fintech. He added that with tech advancement and rise of AI and ML, it has become a lot easier for the industry to detect and prevent fraud in early stages.

Addressing mis-selling, the survey also raises the issue of regulatory turf. While the insurance regulator recognises banks as corporate agents, banks are regulated by RBI. Similarly, insurance companies offer unit-linked insurance plans (Ulips), promising market returns. Stock markets are regulated by Sebi. In the past, Sebi's attempt to clamp down on returns promised by Ulips had resulted in a turf war, where finance ministry had to intervene.

Fear of losing control helps debt recovery

TEAM TOI

Introduction of insolvency code has changed behaviour of borrowers, with over Rs 10 lakh crore worth of defaults being resolved in pre-admission stage of insolvency proceedings. Borrowers' fear of losing control of their businesses after admission to insolvency prompts them to work towards resolving debt.

"A notable fact is Rs 10.2 lakh crore of underlying defaults were addressed at pre-admission stage. This change in debtor behaviour has been a big boon for banks and other lending institutions. The code has created an optimal incentive-disincentive mix to facilitate aboveboard and transparent dealings in creditor-debtor relations."

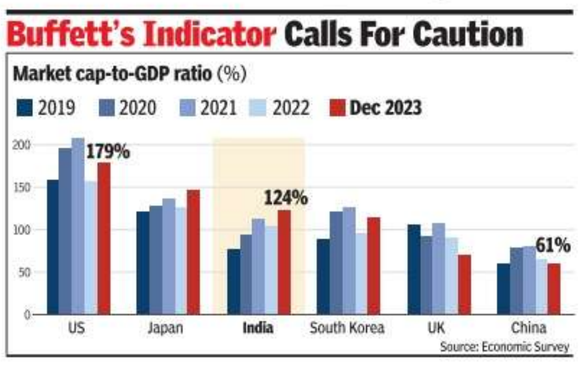
Speculation alert on high retail trade

TEAM TOI

The Eco Survey sounded a cautionary note about huge surge in number of retail investors, who may be coming to the market in search of higher returns and possibility of heightened speculation. It also warned against a runaway stock market with India's market capital-to-GDP ratio at 124% in Dec 2023, the fifth highest in the world. It was 77% in Dec 2019. This indicator says if market cap of a country is growing faster than its economy, it's time to be cautious.

The survey also warned about excessive retail participating in derivatives trading. It said financialisation of economies is a welcome move but in several developed nations, this move has not ended well, with the most recent example being the global financial crisis of 2008.

Buffett's Indicator Calls For Caution



Companies in BFSI space have been asked to keep interests of the consumers in mind and improve service quality through fair selling, disclosure, transparency, reliability and responsiveness. "Significant increase in retail investors in stock market calls for careful consideration. This is crucial because possibility of overconfidence leading to speculation and the expectation of even greater returns, which might not align with real market conditions is a serious concern."

"For a developing economy such as India, the financial sector needs to support the banking sector and fill the gap in capital required for economy's growth," the survey said. Recently, RBI governor said since investors are increasingly investing their funds in mutual funds (most of which in turn invest in stock market), banks are finding it tough to mobilise funds through fixed deposits. Till a few years ago this was not the case.

"(The) financial sector should expand at a pace that is in lockstep with economic growth. In particular, India can ill-afford the economy's over-financialisation at its current development stage."

"Market capitalisation to GDP ratio is not necessarily a sign of economic advancement or sophistication. Financial assets are claims on real goods and services. If equity market claims on the real economy are excessively high, it is a harbinger of market instability rather than market resilience."

Timely, quality data must to improve policy actions

TEAM TOI

Govt's economic report card has called for strengthening the statistical system and said the statistics ministry needs to be equipped fully to produce and integrate all required data with desired quality, regularity and timelines.

It also said quality and timeliness of administrative and transactional data of the ministries must be brought to levels that facilitate timely course corrections against the backdrop of target of making India a developed nation by 2047.

The need to shore up the statistical system with good data producing capability is also required for formulating policies and timely decision-making to address societal challenges and promoting inclusive growth. In recent years, the quality of govt data has triggered a debate and there have been calls for an overhaul of data collection and dissemination systems in the country.

The report has highlighted the need to update the base year of important indicators, such as GDP, CPI and IIP to the most recent feasible year at the earliest. It said ministry has undertaken an exercise to change base year of CPI from 2012 to 2024 and has set up an advisory committee on National Accounts Statistics to decide on base year for GDP.

It also flagged the need for high-frequency collection of price monitoring data for essential food items and link them in a way that build-up of prices at each stage from farm gate to the consumer is quantifiable and monitorable. The suggestion comes against the backdrop of stubborn food inflation and the impact of weather related events on vegetables and other products and price spikes, which have confronted policymakers.

The survey has also suggested that if the granular GST data of over 1.3 crore entries is made available, it has potential to analyse the health of businesses, screen loan applications, provide support for cash flow-based lending and understand the economies of different geographies deeply. It has also called for a regular mechanism to aggregate financial flows to infrastructure and physical progress — sectorally and geographically differentiated — achieved in different infrastructure sectors, at least on an annual basis.

On the infrastructure sector, the report has mentioned that existing databases fall short on assessing the demand for infrastructure and tracking the utilisation of facilities built in the sub-sectors.

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"If someone told me that I should walk in as flagbearer, it would mean even more to me, to be honest (than winning gold). Leading an entire nation into the Olympics is simply the greatest honour an athlete can receive."

ALEXANDER ZVEREV
GERMAN TENNIS STAR

SREEJESH'S LAST HURRAH

India's Top Hockey Custodian To Retire After Paris Games

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Bengaluru: In 2002, a gawky youngster in a netted sleeveless vest and *veshti* joined the country's junior hockey team probables. He seemed out of place among the boisterous group, his troubles compounded by his language skills, or the lack of them.

He couldn't speak in any language other than Malayalam, his mother tongue. The lanky youngster was mocked by his peers for his appearance — his primitive goalkeeping pads were secured by a rope — and lack of social skills. Although the youngster was close to realising his dream of making it to the Indian team, he yearned for the comfort of his home in Pallikkara, Ernakulam district, Kerala. Every time he decided to pack his bags, he would be reminded of his family's sacrifices. His father, PV Raveendran, a man of modest means but big dreams for his two sons, sold a cow to buy him his first goalkeeping kit.

The youngster would block out the bullying and humiliation and focus on his dreams. On Monday, wearing his first-ever jersey at the Olympic Village in Paris, Parattu Raveendran Sreejesh announced to the world that Paris would be his last dance.

While the announcement was in the offing for a while, when it did materialise, it marked the beginning of the end of one of the most stirring careers in modern Indian hockey. The 36-year-old has been the wall of Indian hockey for over a decade-and-a-half.

Sreejesh is among the very special players to have taken the field for India. His agility and game awareness are his primary strengths and being an ever-dependable team man with the ability to soak up pressure only enhanced his reputation. The call-ups from the Indian junior to the senior team was delayed, but since his international debut in 2006, he has made the opportunities count and has been a crucial cog in many landmark Indian victories, including the bronze medal at the Tokyo Games.

On Monday, overcome by emotions, Sreejesh, eloquent on and off the field, was lost for words. "It was a tough call. I don't know how to put my feelings in words," he said. "Playing hockey is all that I have done in the past 24 years. Post Paris, not going back to playing hockey will be like searching for a path in the dark," he told **TOI**.

Sreejesh, the FIH best goalkeeper of 2021-22, wanted to set an example to others on the right time to announce retirement. "It was about deciding when the right time was. I believe I've played a crucial role in Indian hockey, and I wanted to finish before I was asked to leave. In Indian hockey, rarely has there been a perfect retirement. I wanted to show youngsters how to say goodbye. There could not have been a better platform than the Olympics." Before making it known to the world, Sreejesh discussed his plans with his family and spoke about it to teammates during their training camp in the Netherlands.

"I've been telling my family for the past eight years that I plan to retire. This time, when they realised I was serious, they agreed it was the right time. In the Netherlands, during a meeting, I told the team about my plans. I also told them I need their help to make my last outing a memorable one. As I gave it my best one last time, I want them to do the same," said the former India skipper. Coming from a state which doesn't have a hockey culture, Sreejesh, who refers to himself as a '*ottayan*' — a lonely tusker — thrived on self-belief. "People thought a player from Kerala wanting to make it big in the Indian team was a lofty dream. Even my parents thought so, but it didn't hamper me." Among Sreejesh's biggest career regrets is not winning the World Cup despite four appearances in the quadrennial showpiece. He now wants nothing more than a medal in Paris.

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TOKYO, AUG 5, 2021: Sreejesh sits on the goalpost while celebrating India's victory over Germany in the bronze-medal match

GOALKEEPER'S DOSSIER

Full name: Parattu Raveendran Sreejesh
Born in: Pallikkara, Kerala
Age: 36
Position: Goalkeeper
India junior debut: 2004
India senior debut: 2006
Senior caps: 328

Top Achievements

Olympics: 2020 Bronze
Asian Games: 2014 Gold, 2018 Bronze; 2022 Gold
Asia Cup: 2013 Silver
Champions Trophy: 2016 & 2018 Silver
Asian Champions Trophy: 2011, 2016, 2018 & 2023 Gold; 2012 Silver
Commonwealth Games: 2014 & 2022 Silver

Awards

2014 & 2018 Champions Trophy: Best goalkeeper
2015: Arjuna Award
2017: Padma Shri
2021: Khel Ratna
2021-22: FIH best goalkeeper

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"Participating in the Olympics is the ultimate pinnacle of achievement for any sportsperson. I have been lucky enough to represent India in four editions. I am 36. There are youngsters waiting in the wings, and I reckon it's time they take the mantle from me. And there is no better stage to end your career than the Olympics.

"It was in 2004 that my name was tagged with an Indian squad for the first time when I was included in the junior team to tour Australia. After my selection, I was handed the Indian goalkeeper's jersey. I didn't have a mirror in my room and quickly rushed to the washroom. I wore the jersey and looked at myself in the mirror. Time stood still as I saw my name printed on the back of an Indian jersey for the first time. When I came back, I gifted that jersey to my dad, who received it with tears in his eyes."

"Our goal is to do better than last time. We have the team to do that. I don't know what to say. All this while, I knew Paris would be my last tournament in Indian colours. It's just been 10 minutes since I announced my retirement decision. Suddenly, I have gone blank. Let me give myself some time and focus on the job ahead."

—PR Sreejesh
(as told to **Prasanth Menon**)

SHOOTING LEGEND BINDRA GETS IOC OLYMPIC ORDER

New Delhi: Abhinav Bindra has been awarded with Olympic Order by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) for his outstanding services to the Olympic Movement. The award ceremony will be held during the 142nd IOC Session in Paris on Aug 10, a day before the closing of the Games.

"It is with great pleasure that I inform you that the IOC executive board has decided to award you with the Olympic Order for your outstanding services to the Olympic movement," the IOC wrote in a letter addressed to Bindra.

The Olympic Order is the highest award of the IOC, given for distinguished contributions to the Olympic Movement. It is awarded to recognize an individual who has illustrated the Olympic ideal, has achieved remarkable merit in the sporting world or has rendered outstanding services to the Olympic cause. PTI

ABHINAV BINDRA

RAFAEL NADAL

NADAL UNCOMFORTABLE AHEAD OF GAMES BID

Bastad (Sweden): Rafael Nadal will head to the Paris Olympics chasing a third gold medal but admitted his "level was so far from what it should be" after losing in the Bastad clay-court final on Sunday. The 38-year-old Spanish great went down to a straight-sets defeat to Portuguese journeyman Nuno Borges in his first final since capturing a 14th French Open in 2022.

"The level was so far from what it should be. Probably the energy too," said Nadal. "It has been a long week with long matches. Even if my body, I don't have damage, that's important. But mentally and physically, I am not used to playing four days in a row and playing long matches."

Nadal was playing his first tournament since an opening round exit at the French Open in May. He skipped Wimbledon to focus on his clay-court bag of tricks ahead of the Olympics which are being played at Roland Garros, the site of 14 of his 22 Grand Slam triumphs. AFP

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SCENIC VIEW AT CHAMP DE MARS: The beach volleyball event will be held under the shadow of the Eiffel Tower

AQUAMEN: Divers take part in a training session in Saint-Denis, north of Paris

GEARING UP FOR JAPAN: Naomi Osaka serves during a training session at Roland Garros

Israeli contingent to get round-the-clock security

Paris: Israeli athletes will receive 24-hour protection during the Paris Olympics, France's interior minister said, after a far-left lawmaker said Israel's delegation was not welcome and called for protests against their participation. The Games begin on Friday amid pronounced security concerns at a time of heightened geopolitical tensions over the wars in Ukraine and Gaza. Israel's war against Hamas has become a lightning rod among France's far left, with some critics accusing pro-Palestinian members of antisemitism.

French interior minister Gérald Darmanin said that Israeli athletes would be protected around the clock during the Games, 52 years after the Munich Olympics massacre in which 11 Israelis were killed by Palestinian militants. Darmanin spoke after far-left France Unbowed party lawmaker Thomas Portes was filmed saying Israel's Olympic athletes were not welcome in France.

On Monday, foreign minister Stephane Sejourne said in Brussels, "I want to say on behalf of France, to the Israeli delegation, we welcome you to France for these Games."

FRANCE IS READY, SAYS MACRON

Paris: President Emmanuel Macron said on Monday that France was ready to host the Paris Olympics as he visited the athletes' Village four days before the Games begin.

"We are ready and we will be ready throughout the Games," Macron said. "We have been working on these Games for years now and we are at the start of a decisive week which on Friday will see the opening ceremony and then the Olympiad which will be held in Paris, 100 years since the last one."

He added: "This is the fruit of an immense amount of work which has profoundly changed the country, in particular the area" of Seine-Saint-Denis, where the Athletes' Village is situated.

International Olympic Committee (IOC) president Thomas Bach also visited the Village to the north of the French capital, where thousands of athletes and officials are arriving, with up to 14,500 expected there at the peak of the Games. Macron promised the area would not be forgotten after the Olympics. "I will come back after the Games to see the legacy with you and to see how life has changed." AGENCIES

Manu determined to leave Tokyo woes behind

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Pune: In his autobiography, Abhinav Bindra mentioned the importance of detaching oneself from the result, his gold at Beijing being a strong validation. Much younger in age and experience, but maybe not in determination, Manu Bhaker too has started thinking along the same lines as Bindra did before the 2008 Olympics.

The pistol shooter had a forgettable outing in her first Olympics in Tokyo. Yet, it was difficult for her to forget what unfolded at the Asaka Shooting ranges three years ago. Nonetheless, the Haryana girl gathered her thoughts and corrected mistakes made in Tokyo, including getting back to her former coach, Jaspal Rana, with whom she had a fallout just weeks before the 2021 Games. Manu, 22, insists she has grown wiser as a person and stronger as a shooter.

"I have very bitter memories of Tokyo. Two years ago, when I used to think about it, I used to wonder why it happened to me and what I did wrong. But as 2023 began, I started connecting the dots. I started understanding how everything turned out the way it did. Also, what I could have done to make the results better. After all those thoughts, I am just not willing to make those mistakes again, no matter what the results are," Manu told **TOI** after the Olympic trials in Bhopal in May. "We all must make our peace with situations which are not in our hands. We cannot change the past and can't have control over the future. It took me a long time to make peace with my situation. Once I started doing it, things started falling in place," she said.

Talking about her fallout with Jaspal at a crucial juncture of her preparation for the Tokyo Games, Manu agreed that her performance could have been better with her trusted coach by her side.

Going to Paris, Manu doesn't want to sulk over the past. "When someone close to you dies, you cry for some days and go about your routine after some time. You realize crying won't bring the person back, but remembering good things about the person would make you cherish the time you had together. I think I had a similar feeling about my Tokyo experience. I was sad for some time but now I think of the good things that happened to me then," she said.

She asserted that she has come to a stage where she now only thinks of giving her best and not about the results. The process of detachment has started, and Bindra would approve. "An athlete's life is kind of a rollercoaster as we face a lot in a short span of our short careers. I have been shooting for over eight years now and now I feel I am prepared for everything."

MANU BHAKER

German sports campus boosts Paris hopes & dreams

The Sprawling Facility In Saarland, The Most 'French' State In These Parts, Gives Athletes A Taste Of What To Expect At The Games

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Saarbrucken: It is wrapping up time here at the SportCampus Saar. The sandbags are being unhooked and towed away, weights dismantled from bars and stowed one atop the other, creating a few hundred little pyramids of their own. The heating of the sauna is being brought down a few notches, the hoops and rings being pulled down in the performance halls, hurdles stacked away, badminton nets rolled away. In the cafeteria, there are unspoken instruction to prepare less quantities of food from now on.

Elsewhere, in the residential quarters, athletes are doing their final last-minute packing, looking around their rooms — which they called 'home' for the past so many weeks — to see if nothing has been left behind. Maybe they will spot a sweaty, old tee, a broken shoe, or a note from family or one to self telling the person not to give up, not give in and to go forth and conquer.

A sure favourite of Indian athletes — Neeraj Chopra has an apartment reserved for him — the sprawling nine-hectare facility will bear a vacant look from this week on as the festooning moves eastward to Paris. It's a good time for the folk that run the facility at Saarbrucken — 100 heads employed — to sit and look back at what they may have helped shape, even if sometimes recollecting the unusual. "There was a request once for a saloon from one of the members of a training team here," remembers Johannes Kopkow, chuckling at the strangest request they encountered over the past months.

Teams arrived from over 27 countries from five continents. At one point, there were 401 guests, the highest, training and acclimatizing for the Olympics in Paris, which is just and hour and 48 minutes away by high-speed train. Or, as Kopkow says, "Just 50 minutes by car and you are in France."

"Saarland is the most French state of Germany," he says, explaining how that proximity is the chief benefit the athletes sought this time. "The weather, the altitude, the cuisine here is so similar to what they will find in France."

Returning to barbershop talk, Kopkow continues, "We found him one in the city, of course, but he would insist that we should accompany him. Strange, but we agreed. But when he met us, he was already clean-shaven! We still cannot understand why he was insisting on a haircut when he had no hair?"

At 41, Kopkow, chief of the SportsCampus, happily reaffirms the old German stereotype of always needing a mission, to organize and help function like fine machinery. The go-to man, he knows the ins and outs, remembers the little details, even knows those little secrets that visiting athletes know are safe with him. He tells you about that one hour-long phone call Neeraj received from a higher-up at home, when the time came to take a decision on India's flagbearer for the opening ceremony.

The lockdown and the pandemic forced a reinvention of the facility, and Kopkow too. Looking for a new 'mission' after having run one of the biggest sports clubs in the east near Nuremberg, he travelled west here. "We wanted a more local feel to it, so we rechristened it, adding 'Saar' to the title."

Expecting a windfall with the Olympics nearing, Team SportCampus got to work, pumping in nearly two million euros over two years to reach this level of expertise. SportCampus banks on a unique funding concept to keep it running. The trust has 42.5% stake in SaarToto, a regional lottery company based in Saarland, and one-eighth of the revenue from it (nearly 14 million euros annually) goes for the running of SportCampus.

It doesn't come cheap for the visiting athlete. Depending on the facilities and services they avail, an athlete per head could cost their respective countries anything from between euros 100 to 130 per day. Thereafter, it's an all-access facility with minimal or zero presence of policing. "Everything is free to use, in that sense. That is our philosophy," says Kopkow.

But sometimes, they overreach. Nearly two years ago, they found an army of IOC lawyers at their door. Reason? "We had bought a website domain, 'Paris2020.saarland' for training registration purposes. It cost us just 24 euros, but the Paris organisers would not have any of it. We didn't have the legal means to fight so it was changed to 'trainingcamp.saarland'.

The tiny tweak has worked. "The IOC still doesn't recognize us as an official training facility, but see the results," says a satisfied Kopkow, pointing to the bustling activity in the boxing hall, where over a dozen national teams are training. "We are the busiest training facility closest to Paris. We can already see nearly 40 medals floating here in SportCampus."

Pix: SportCampus Saar

MODEL OF EFFICIENCY: The SportCampus Saar (above) offers 'unofficial' residential and training facilities in Saarbrucken, Saarland, where Brazil (on the right) beat Germany 3-1 in a volleyball friendly on Sunday

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'Captain should be on the park more often than not'

Fitness, Not Form, The Reason Behind Surya's Elevation As T20I Skipper Over Hardik, Says Chief Selector Agarkar

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GAMBHIR (L) AND AGARKAR IN MUMBAI BEFORE DEPARTURE TO SRI LANKA

Mumbai: One of the contentious issues after the team for the T20I series against Sri Lanka was announced was the appointment of Suryakumar Yadav as skipper, with rising young batting star Shubman Gill named as his deputy. Hardik Pandya was vice-captain to Rohit Sharma in India's victorious campaign in the T20 World Cup and had a great tournament with bat and ball (144 runs at a strike-rate of 151.57 and 11 wickets at an average of 17.36) and was the hero of the final too against South Africa.

It was expected that Pandya will be the natural successor to Rohit. On Monday, prior to the team's departure to Sri Lanka from Mumbai, Agarkar revealed that Pandya's battles with fitness was the prime reason why the selectors took that call. "The captain should be on the park more often than not," was Agarkar's blunt take on Pandya's demotion.

"Why Surya as captain? Because he is one of the deserving candidates," Agarkar stated.

Growing dressing room respect for the dashing Mumbai batter was also another reason revealed by Agarkar. "He's been around the group over the last year, we get feedback from the dressing room a lot. He has a good cricket brain and is one of the best T20 batters in the world. One of the main issues we discussed was that you want a captain who is likely to play all the games. We think he is a deserving candidate and hopefully we'll see how he develops into the role," Agarkar explained.

Agarkar though was full of praise for Pandya's skillsets and utility he offered to the team.

Why was Rahul overlooked?

KL Rahul, a player who has led India across formats, was another cricketer who could be entrusted with the responsibility of captaincy. But judging by the selectors' calls, one feels that Gill is the chosen one for the future. "KL hasn't been part of T20Is now for a while. We've got a chance to hit the reset button. When Hardik got injured, captaincy became a challenge as Rohit wasn't playing T20Is. Because he was still around, it made our life easier, and he could come and lead. We don't want that situation where suddenly we have to look around for a captain in case there are injuries or loss of form. Shubman has shown decent leadership qualities, and we want him to get experiences."

Why the snubs to Abhishek, Sanju and Ruturaj

Agarkar was asked if the calls to drop players like Sanju Samson (dropped for ODIs despite getting a hundred in his last outing vs SA in a series-decider), Abhishek Sharma (dropped from T20Is despite getting a hundred in Zimbabwe) and Ruturaj Gaikwad (dropped despite impressing in both ODIs and T20Is) were justified. "Every player who is left out feels hard-done by. Our challenge is to pick only 15. To try and get the best balance possible, someone is likely to miss out. You've got to see who is picked ahead of them (KL Rahul, Shreyas Iyer). Are those guys not deserving?" Agarkar asked.

Jadeja not dropped from ODIs

"We know what Jaddu has done. He's had a terrific 50-over World Cup. He hasn't been dropped. We had Axar Patel in the squad and either of them wouldn't have played all three games if we'd taken both. A big Test season is coming up, where he's likely to feature in a lot of the Tests," said Agarkar.

"We haven't discussed Surya for ODIs. Shreyas is back, KL is back. They had great World Cups. Rishabh is back as well, so there is some quality through that middle order. At this point Surya is just a T20 player."

"Now that Rishabh's back, you want to get him around the group again. KL has been terrific in One-day cricket. He had a great World Cup as well. This is a big Test season (10 matches), we obviously feel these two will have a huge role to play." —Ajit Agarkar

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FIRST TEST: Gautam Gambhir (C) and the Indian team & support staff arrive in Colombo on Monday

A PRIVATE MATTER

Relationship With Virat Not For Public Consumption, Says New Head Coach Gambhir Ahead Of Team's Departure To SL, Adds Rohit, Kohli Have Plenty Of Cricket Left In Them

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Mumbai: The rumour industry had been working overtime ever since it was announced that former opener Gautam Gambhir will be the head coach for India. His firebrand altercations with batting talisman Virat Kohli in the IPL (2013 KKR vs RCB) and 2023 (LSG vs RCB) were probably the reasons for that.

There was more history. Gambhir was dropped from the side in 2016 after the Rajkot Test against England and KL Rahul, who was reportedly still unfit, made a curious return as opener. Incidentally, Kohli was the captain then.

However, on a rainy Monday in Mumbai, it seemed like plenty of water had flown under the bridge. Ahead of the team's departure to Sri Lanka for a six-match white-ball series (three T20Is and three ODIs), the gritty former left-handed opener put theories that suggested it will be a difficult dressing room with him and Virat in it, to rest.

"What kind of relationship I share with Virat Kohli, I think it is between two mature individuals. It may be good for TRP, but it's not public," Gambhir said and justified the run-ins with the superstar batter by adding, "On the field, everyone has got the right to fight for their own team, their own jersey, and want to come back in a winning dressing room."

Putting his India hat on, Gambhir further stressed, "But you are representing India and 140 crore Indians now, and I am sure we are going to be on the same page and try and make India proud."

That their relationship was not in cold storage was evident during the 2024 IPL when both met cordially and Kohli, targeting headline seekers, had famously said, "*logon ka masala khatam*" during an event.

Gambhir was asked if he and Kohli had chatted or exchanged texts after he was named coach and he stressed, "How many chats have I had with him, after my announcement or before my announcement, during the games, after the games… sometimes just because we want headlines…. it is not important."

But he reiterated the respect he has for the man who he gave away his man of the match award for after Kohli's first international hundred in 2009 in Kolkata. "He is a thorough professional, a world-class athlete, a world-class player. I have huge respect for him as a player and it is going to continue. And hopefully we can work together really well."

Another player, Gambhir will have to work closely with is Rohit Sharma, who has retired from T20Is, like Kohli, but will continue to lead India in Tests and ODIs. And he hoped that Rohit and Kohli still have a lot of cricket left in them.

"They have both shown they can deliver on the big stage, be it the T20 World Cup or 50-over World Cup. One thing I can be clear of is that both have a lot of cricket left in them. More importantly, with the Champions Trophy and a big tour of Australia coming up, they would be motivated. If they can keep their fitness, the 2027 ODI World Cup as well."

For the record, Kohli will be 39 in 2027, and Rohit will be 40.

> Workload management for someone like Jasprit Bumrah is important. For a batter, if they can play consistently, if they're in good form, might as well just play all the games. Rohit and Virat are not playing T20 cricket. We only have two formats to look after. I'm sure they're going to be available for most of the games."
>
> **"A happy dressing room is a winning dressing room."**

"It is important to give players freedom and not have a relationship of a head coach and a player. The best relationship is one built on trust."

"Sometimes international cricket can be tough. It can be insecure as well because only 15 can be picked. It is the job of support staff to keep them happy."

—Gautam Gambhir

Dravid to return to RR as head coach?

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ROYALS CALLING: DRAVID

Colombo: Team India's former head coach Rahul Dravid is likely to return to the Rajasthan Royals as the IPL franchise's head coach, **TOI** has learnt. "Talks are going on between RR and Dravid, and an announcement in this regard is round the corner. He is likely to return to RR, " a reliable source told this paper. The 51-year-old Dravid, a legendary India batsman, has had a long relationship with the Royals, having been their captain who led them to the Champions League T20 final and IPL playoffs in 2013, before taking on the mentor's role with the Jaipur-based franchise in 2014 & 2015, when they finished third in the IPL. It was in his stint with RR that players like Sanju Samson and Stuart Binny blossomed and eventually went on to play for India.

From 2015, Dravid was associated with the BCCI as the head coach of the India Under-19 and India A teams, then the chairman at the National Cricket Academy, before finally taking over the head coach of the Indian men's team from Oct 2021. It's not clear if the franchise would retain Sri Lankan great Kumar Sangakkara, who has been the Royals' director of cricket since 2021 or relieve him after Dravid comes on board.

Meanwhile, Sri Lanka are taking the help of an Indian hand to prepare for a six-match white-ball series (three ODIs and three T20Is) against India, which will commence in Pallekele from July 27.

Zubin Bharucha, the high-performance director of the Rajasthan Royals, is currently taking a nearly week-long 'batting master class' for Sri Lanka's players here in Colombo.

A former Mumbai batsman, Bharucha is known for his rigorous training methods for the batsmen, which have played a key role in the rapid development of India's talented young batsmen, opener Yashasvi Jaiswal and wicketkeeper-batsman Dhruv Jurel.

"I'm assisting Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) coaches in how they are setting up practice for all their age groups, from the academy to the international players, as well as reviewing the technical aspects of their players across all formats," Bharucha told **TOI** on Monday.

As the director of cricket at RR, Sangakkara has seen the impressive work put in by Bharucha. "It was Sangakkara who recommended his name," a source informed.

GALLERY

Randhir set to become first Indian to head OCA

New Delhi: Former international shooter and veteran sports administrator Randhir Singh is set to become the first Indian president of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) after emerging as the sole candidate for the top post for the September 8 elections. The 77-year-old Singh, a former member of the International Olympic Council and ex-secretary general of Indian Olympic Association, is currently serving as the acting chief of the OCA.

Fils upsets Zverev to win Hamburg Open: France's Arthur Fils came out on top after a gruelling three-set encounter with Alexander Zverev to win the Hamburg Open by 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (7/1) margin. After victory in Lyon last year, it is the 20-year-old's second ATP title as he confirms his position as one of the leading next-gen players. Fils overcame Zverev after just over three-and-a-half hours on court.

Zheng defends Palermo clay-court title: China's Zheng Qinwen successfully defended her Palermo clay-court title with a three-set win over Karolina Muchova in a major confidence boost ahead of the Olympics. Top seed Zheng, runner-up at the Australian Open earlier this year, defeated second seeded Muchova of the Czech Republic 6-4, 4-6, 6-2. It is world number seven Zheng's third career title, having also won in Zhengzhou last year.

Indian boys and girls lose in quarters: India's boys and girls lost narrowly in the quarterfinals of the team competition at the World Junior Squash Championships in Houston, USA. The sixth-seeded boys went down 1-2 to fourth seed South Korea, while the girls lost by an identical margin to third seed Malaysia.

In a first, women's hockey team trains at Indian Naval Academy: Unarmed combat training, endurance runs and boat pulling were some of the elements of a first-ever "transformative training camp" that the national women's hockey team underwent at Indian Naval Academy (INA), aimed at making the side mentally stronger, and more disciplined. The unique camp was held at the INA in Kannur, Kerala, from July 15 to 21.

Sri Lanka, Bangladesh win: Sri Lanka and Bangladesh produced superlative performances to secure victories over Malaysia and Thailand in Group B to inch closer to semifinals at the Women's Asia Cup T20 tournament on Monday. While hosts Sri Lanka thrashed Malaysia by 114 runs, Bangladesh defeated Thailand by seven wickets. AGENCIES

ACTION TODAY

CRICKET: Women's Asia Cup T20Is, Pakistan vs UAE, 2 pm; India vs Nepal, 6.30 pm (Star Sports)

ICC forms 3-member committee to review conduct of T20 WC

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Colombo: As was widely expected, the International Cricket Council (ICC), soon after the conclusion of its four-day annual conference here on Monday, announced that it had formed a three-member committee to "review the delivery" of the T20 World Cup which was co-hosted by the USA and the West Indies last month.

The committee includes three directors: former New Zealand batsman Roger Twose, Lawson Naidoo and Imran Khwaja -- the deputy chair of ICC.

"The ICC board confirmed that there will be a review into the delivery of the ICC T20 World Cup. This will be overseen by three directors, Roger Twose, Lawson Naidoo and Imran Khwaja, who will report back to the board later in the year," the ICC stated in a release soon after the conclusion of its Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Reportedly, the ICC has incurred losses over $20 million for conducting matches in New York, Florida and Dallas. Apparently, the tournament's expenses for the US leg overshot the allocated budget by a long margin, something that was pointed out by Pankaj Khimji of Oman. It was reported that the resignation of two ICC officials was related to the conduct of the World Cup, although a reliable source in the ICC maintained that both Claire Furlong and Chris Tetley had made up their mind to quit last year itself but were asked to stay back for the Women's T20 World Cup (Furlong), and the Champions Trophy next year (Tetley).

NO DISCUSSION ON INDIA'S CT PARTICIPATION

Meanwhile, **TOI** understands that there was no discussion on the ICC Champions Trophy -- to be held in Pakistan in 2025 -- or India's participation in the tournament.

USA, CHILE PUT ON NOTICE

In what is certainly a big setback for cricket in the United States, just a few days after their national team stunned everyone by beating Pakistan and making it to the T20 World Cup Super 8s, USA Cricket along with Cricket Chile, have been formally put on notice and given 12 months to comply with ICC's associate membership criteria.

Apparently, the USAC has been in breach of associate members protocols on two counts -- not having a full-time CEO and not having recognition of the US Olympic and Paralympic Committee.

WOMEN'S T20 WORLD CUP EXPANDED TO 16 TEAMS IN 2030

The ICC board approved an expansion of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup to 16 teams in 2030, aligning with its ongoing commitment to equity between the men's and women's games.

The CEC approved the appointment of ex-Australian pacer Paul Reiffel to the Cricket Committee as the Elite Panel representative.

ECB open to IPL money in Hundred

Nottingham: English cricket chiefs confirmed on Monday that they have held talks with Indian Premier League (IPL) owners about acquiring a stake in their domestic 'The Hundred' competition.

The fourth edition of the controversial 100-balls per side tournament, which features eight specially created teams -- each with a men's and women's side -- rather than the traditional 18 first-class English counties, starts on Tuesday.

Its future remains uncertain, with the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) looking to secure private investment in a bid to cement its position in the global calendar and boost the finances of the domestic game.

The ECB are trying to balance a desire for a cash injection while retaining control of the Hundred by selling off a 49 percent stake in each team to private investors, with host teams retaining the remaining 51 percent of shares. But the hosts could sell part or all of their shares. "Control comes at different levels, it comes at team level and it comes at competition level -- that's not something we are ceding control of," ECB chief executive Richard Gould told reporters during a conference call. "Different investor groups have different needs, for some it is about control of what happens on the field, for others it's the commercial element. You're right about the strength of the Indian market -- it represents probably 90 percent of the revenues coming into the ICC (International Cricket Council) and we have seen the proliferation of IPL teams moving outside of their home market into other national markets. I think that's to be welcomed."

There is a view that IPL owners, such as the billionaire Ambani family who are in charge of the Mumbai Indians, would only be interested in full control of a Hundred team. AFP

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Oval Invincibles won the men's competition at the 2023 Hundred

SPOTLIGHT

'Bashir has shown the world what he can do'

Nottingham: England captain Ben Stokes heaped praise on young spinner **Shoaib Bashir** after his series-clinching figures of 5-41 in second innings that handed the hosts 241-run victory against West Indies at Trent Bridge on Sunday. England have taken an unassailable 2-0 lead in the three-match series. Bashir played a huge role in setting up mammoth victory as he became the youngest English bowler to take a five-fer in a home Test and also the first spinner to take five wickets in a Test innings at the Nottingham venue since 2006.

"He has got so much talent and he's got an unbelievable desire to get better," Stokes said of Bashir. "His intent is to always take wickets and never just to hold an end up. It's really good for a young guy to put in a performance that wins England a Test. He was pretty emotional at the end. It's a pretty cool day for him. He has shown the world what he can do."

Bashir's rise from relative obscurity has been well known. He was spotted and selected for the India trip earlier this year after England captain Stokes watched recordings of him bowling to Alastair Cook on X (previously Twitter). Despite not being a regular for Somerset, the youthful offspinner's 2.35-metre release point and length control were thought critical for a hard trip of the subcontinent.

Bashir confirmed his inspired selection pick with 17 wickets in three Tests in India, including five-fers in Ranchi and Dharamsala.

"The decisions we make are all based around not only how far we think talent can take a player, but if we think they're good enough for international cricket straight away," Stokes said. "Bash showed what he could do in India with conditions in his favour, but the pitch this week didn't really offer much for spin and he has taken seven wickets in the match. The ability he had to be able to change his pace, change his line, and manipulate how he wanted the ball to react out of the surface was top-class. I don't want to sound like it's an 'I told you so' kind of thing, but it sort of is." AGENCIES

Villa seal swoop for Everton midfielder Onana

London: Aston Villa signed Belgium midfielder Amadou Onana from Everton in a deal worth a reported £50 million ($64 million) on Monday. Onana agreed a five-year contract with Villa, who had been searching for a replacement for Douglas Luiz after the Brazilian's move to Juventus. The 22-year-old failed to make an impact at Everton after arriving from Lille two years ago. But, after featuring for Belgium at Euro 2024, Onana has been given the chance to revive his Premier League career by Villa boss Unai Emery.

"Aston Villa is delighted to announce the signing of Amadou Onana from Everton," the club said on their website.

Capped 17 times by Belgium, Onana made 72 appearances for Everton, scoring four goals.

He joins Villa with the club looking forward to their first Champions League campaign since 1983 after last season's fourth-place finish in the Premier League.

Reuters

BIG BUY: Amadou Onana

Spurs star Son's dad accused of verbal abuse: Tottenham Hotspur star Son Heung-min's father has been accused of verbally abusing a young player at his football academy in South Korea, according to a police interview transcript given to AFP by a lawyer on Monday.

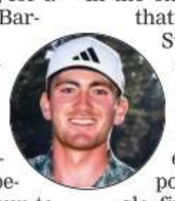
Former footballer Son Woong-jung is a public figure in South Korea and authored a best-selling memoir detailing how he helped his son become one of the best strikers in the English Premier League. But the family of a 12-year-old, identified only as Kim, told police he was the target of foul language just weeks after his enrolment at Son senior's academy in November.

Fishcake fury cancels match in Norway after VAR protest: The match in the Norwegian top-flight between Rosenborg BK and Lillestroem was suspended after fans showed their displeasure with the Video Assistant Referee (VAR) by throwing fishcakes on the field. The protests started from kickoff and after a two-minute bombardment of fishcakes, the referee stopped the match and sent the players to dressing room.

The match was restarted, but protests intensified with tennis balls and smoke bombs thrown onto the field. The referee abandoned the match around the half-hour mark with the score 0-0. VAR has stirred several controversies in the Norwegian league. AGENCIES

Dunlap first in PGA Tour history to win as amateur and pro in same year

Truckee, USA: Nick Dunlap became the first player in PGA Tour history to win as an amateur and a professional in the same year, rallying for a two-point victory in the Barracuda Championship.



In January at The American Express in La Quinta, the 20-year-old Dunlap — then a sophomore at the University of Alabama — became the eighth amateur to win a tour event and the first in 33 years. He turned professional days later.

"I never thought that I would have my name next to that, but it's definitely an honour," Dunlap said about the amateur-pro double. "It's been a little tough after AmEx. You kind of lose a little bit of confidence and wonder if you can do it again."

At Tahoe Mountain Club, in the only PGA Tour event that uses the modified Stableford scoring system, Dunlap took the lead with a 55-foot eagle putt on the par-5 15th. Players receive eight points for a double eagle, five for eagle and two for birdie. A point is deducted for bogey and three for double bogey. "I hadn't made an eagle yet this week, so that was kind of the goal, and just play aggressive, not reckless," Dunlap said. "This course, it allows you to make a lot of birdies if you're in position." AP

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Kanwar yatra: SC stays order to name owners

Court: Only Kind Of Food Needs To Be Mentioned

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Following SC's order, owners and employees of Muslim-run fruit carts, tea stalls and eateries on the yatra route heaved a sigh of relief | P 13

New Delhi: Supreme Court on Monday halted UP, Uttarakhand and other state govts from implementing their directives to compel shop owners and hawkers along the routes of the kanwar yatra to display their names along with those of staff members and said that only the kind of food they serve should be mentioned.

▶ **EDIT: Cooking It Right**

A bench of Justices Hrishikesh Roy and S V N Bhatti also suo motu impleaded MP govt after it was brought to its notice that Ujjain municipal corporation had also passed a similar order against shopkeepers. The court issued notice to UP, MP, Uttarakhand and Delhi govts seeking their response by July 26.

"We deem it appropriate to pass interim order prohibiting the enforcement of the impugned directives. In other words, food sellers (including dhaba owners, restaurants, foods and vegetable sellers, hawkers, etc) may be required to display the kind of food that they are serving to the kanwariyas. But they must not be forced to display the name/identity of the owners and the employees," the court ordered.

▶ **'Can't usurp powers', P 13**

Bareilly admin razes 11 houses, jails 35

The administration in Bareilly started demolishing 11 houses of people belonging to the minority community Monday following the death of a person after stone-pelting during Muharram procession. This came even as 35 people were sent to jail. **FLAP INSIDE**

Tax analyst found dead in Gzb hotel

A tax analyst, 25, who worked in Gurgaon is believed to have died by consuming pills after checking into a Kaushambi hotel on Monday. Police said they found a note apparently written by him. **P 8**

Fire & firefight damage warship, sailor missing

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INS Brahmaputra was undergoing a refit at Mumbai dockyard

A frontline Indian frigate, INS Brahmaputra, suffered extensive damage after a major blaze erupted on board and the warship keeled over due to flooding during fire-fighting operations at the naval dockyard in Mumbai on Sunday.

A junior sailor is missing after the mishap, which has once again raised questions on the planning and management of refits at naval dockyards and the "watertight integrity and air-pressure tests" conducted on warships.

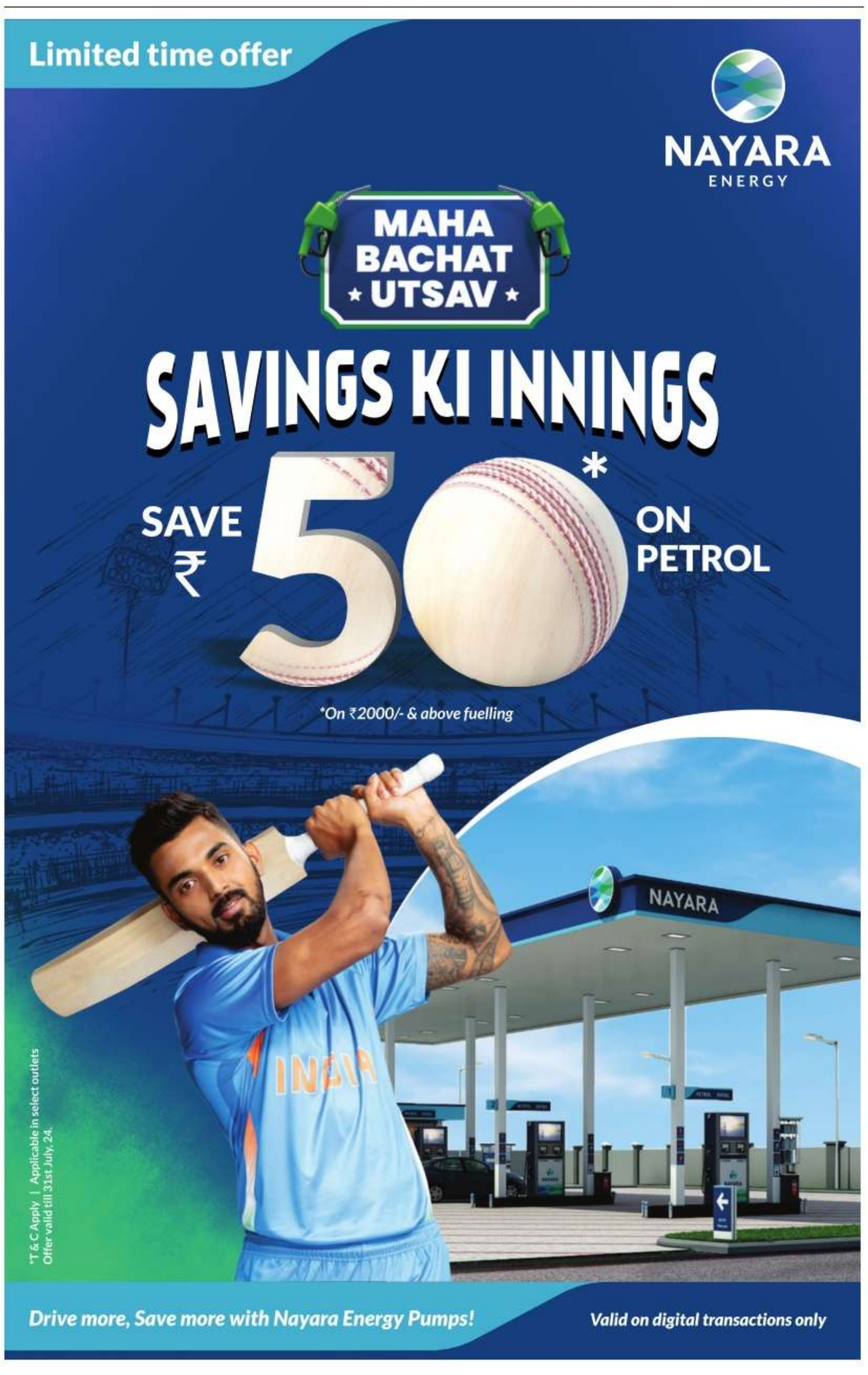
"The guided-missile frigate is now resting on one side on the jetty. It will be extremely difficult to salvage the warship," an officer said. A multi-role 3,850-tonne warship like INS Brahmaputra would easily cost upwards of Rs 6,000 crore.

▶ **Attempt to jump off, P 15**

B'luru cops file FIR against two ED officials

The tribal fund scam in Karnataka took a new turn Monday as Bengaluru city police registered an FIR against two top Enforcement Directorate officials on a complaint by a social welfare dept officer that they pressured him to implicate the CM, finance department and former minister B Nagendra.

The complainant, Kallesh B, alleged ED assistant director Muruli Kannan assured him of help if he "confesed" that there were instructions from Nagendra and finance dept, and threatened to arrest and detain him without bail for two years. **P 10**



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New Delhi: The Centre confirmed Monday that govt employees would no longer be penalised for associating themselves with RSS, ending a prohibition that has been in force since 1966 and which had not been done away with even by previous BJP govts.

As was reported by **TOI** in its July 22 edition, a notification to this effect was issued on July 9, sources said.

The order, which was flagged by Congress to attack govt, may appear to give only a de jure status to the reality of RSS activists occupying senior positions in govt as members of Union cabinet. But its significance is its timing, coming amid a perception in some quarters about Sangh-govt differences. More importantly, it marks another step towards "mainstreaming" of Sangh, which has long faced curbs because of its alleged Hindu majoritarian agenda.

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The first order, issued by the then Congress govt in 1966, had tagged RSS with Jamaat-e-Islami, stating that "govt have (sic) always held the activities of these two organisations to be of such a nature that participation in them by govt servants would attract the provisions of sub Rule 1 of Rule 5 of Central Civil Services Conduct Rules, 1964)". The rule states that no govt servant shall be a member of or be associated with any political party or any organisation which takes part in politics, or shall take part in, subscribe in aid of or assist any political movement or activity.

Following a ban on RSS after the Emergency clamped by Indira Gandhi govt in 1975, DoPT issued another order on Nov 25 banning RSS, Jamaat-e-Islami, Anand Marg and CPI(ML). The ban meant that any person who associates with such organisations could invite up to seven years in jail and/or fine.

Relief for RSS and other organisations, however, came after the Indira govt was dislodged in 1977 by the Janata alliance. A DoPT clarification dated April 23, 1977, stated that consequent upon lifting of the ban on RSS, Jamaat-e-Islami, Anand Marg and CPI(ML) etc, the Nov, 1975 OM referred to above relating to the aforesaid organizations may be treated as deleted.

In 1980, however, the Indira regime was back in office and the restrictions on participation of govt employees in RSS and Jamaat-e-Islami activities were back in force.

BJP, RSS & Union ministers hail govt move, say ban was politically driven

Rahul Refuses Comment, Says, 'I'm Focusing On NEET Right Now'

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New Delhi: Govt and BJP Monday put up a strong defence of the decision lifting the ban on govt employees' participation in RSS activities, while the saffron fountainhead welcomed the move saying the previous ban was imposed for political reasons. The opposition, however, suggested that the decision was motivated to appease Sangh.

The govt decision is appropriate and strengthens the democratic system of India, said RSS media head Sunil Ambekar in a post on X. "Due to its political interests, the then govt had baselessly banned govt employees from participating in the activities of a constructive organisation like Sangh," he said.

The govt move came against the backdrop of a perception of Sangh-govt differences and a few media reports about incoherence between the two in the Lok Sabha polls leading to substantial loss of seats for BJP.

Welcoming the govt move, Union minister Piyush Goyal said opposition parties were only interested in appeasement politics and had displayed a negative attitude towards Hindus. Goyal described RSS as a nationalist organisation whose members were full of patriotism.

Union minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan expressed gratitude to PM Modi, saying, "RSS is not an ordinary organisation, it is a movement for the nation rebuilding..."

Surprisingly, leader of opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi refused to react on the issue unlike his party functionaries Jairam Ramesh and Pawan Khera, who have adopted an aggressive stance. "No no, right now I am focusing on NEET," Rahul said when reporters asked him about the order. Congress's deputy leader in Lok Sabha, Gaurav Gogoi, however, said, "I feel this is a jugalbandi of RSS-BJP. Govt is taking such a decision to end the resentment of Mohan Bhagwat... Today UPSC, NTA are in such a bad state because RSS people are infiltrating every section of the govt."

AIMIM chief and LS MP Asaduddin Owaisi termed the govt decision totally wrong. "The oath of RSS states that it doesn't believe in pluralism, it talks of Hindu nationalism. Do the NDA allies believe in this decision?" he said.

Minister of social justice and empowerment Ramdas Athawale said, "I think it's not right to discuss such things. All parties have employees who support them, and they do their work within limits."

Jairam: Babus can come in knickers

Slamming govt's decision, Cong chief Mallikarjun Kharge claimed PM Modi wants to politicise government offices and employees on an ideological basis. "Sardar Patel banned RSS after Gandhiji's assassination. Modiji has lifted a 1966 ban after 58 years," Kharge said. "The bureaucracy can now come in knickers too, I suppose," added Jairam Ramesh. PTI

Appeasement, say Mayawati, Akhilesh

BSP chief Mayawati and SP president Akhilesh Yadav Monday said govt's order was a "politically motivated move to appease the organisation" and demanded its withdrawal. "It is meant to do away with the tension between govt and RSS," Mayawati said. "I hope that intervention by SC (in the Kanwar order) will prompt the govt to withdraw orders like 'lifting ban on other practices' as well," Akhilesh said. TNN

Migrant worker found living in kennel, Kerala orders probe

Thiruvananthapuram: Kerala may be 'God's own country', but for guest workers, it's a dog's life out there. At least, for Shyam Sundar, the expression has been true, quite literally. The 37-year-old migrant worker from Bengal was found living in a kennel, and even paying Rs 500 as monthly rent.

A daily wager, Sundar sought shelter in a kennel on a house compound in Piravom South in Ernakulam district due to financial constraints. As news spread, police visited the spot and took Sundar for a medical checkup. However, cops said no case had been filed against the landowner as the worker said that he preferred to stay in the kennel on his own. Sundar opted for the tiny space as he could not afford the Rs 3,000 monthly rent he was earlier paying for a house nearby.

However, taking note of media reports, state's labour minister Vasudevan Sivankutty has sought a report from the labour commissioner. TNN

BULLDOZERS KEEP ROLLING IN UP & RAJ

5 houses flattened, 35 held days after Muharram clash

Bareilly: The administration in Bareilly started razing 11 houses of people belonging to minority community Monday following the death of a man injured in stone pelting during Muharram procession last week when members of two communities targeted each other, reports **Kanwardeep Singh**.

Bulldozers were brought in hours after Tej Ram, 23, succumbed to injuries sustained during the July 18 fracas. Five houses had already been brought down at the time of filing the report, with the action set to continue Tuesday, confirmed police.

This came even as 35 individuals, all Muslims, were sent to jail following the clash. Violence began when antisocial elements disrupted the Muharram procession as it passed by a temple. It sparked a confrontation that escalated into stone-pelting. Videos of the incident circulated on social media added to the tensions. prompting administrative response. Next day, the groups clashed again, resulting in injuries to several. Police filed an FIR for rioting against several members of the minority community.

The wife of one of the jailed accused told **TOI**, "Police have taken one-sided action. No one is interested in our side of the story."

MISSION DEMOLITION

House of kingpin in police exam paper leak razed

Jaipur: Rajasthan authorities demolished illegal structures in Churu town built at the house of Pankaj Bhambhu alias Unique, the alleged kingpin of a 2021 SI exam paper leak on the run since this Feb after joining as forest ranger. The demolition came amid a continuing wider crackdown on cheating rackets in the desert state. The structures pulled down were allegedly constructed by Bhambhu on two plots in Churu's Poonia Colony.

Investigations indicated that Bhambhu hid inside a school in Jaipur's Hasanpura area where he "discreetly prised open envelopes containing the sub inspector test papers with a cutter and stole them before sealing the envelopes with tape", said sources in Rajasthan Police's special operations group that is handling the leak probes. A hunt is on for Bhambhu, also under the scanner in other paper leaks through which he accumulated significant wealth, sources said.

Bhambhu later passed the forest ranger exam and was undergoing training in Alwar. Sources said he would arrive at the training centre in luxury SUVs, raising eyebrows. On Feb 17, just days after he had arrived, he abruptly applied for leave and left. TNN

Dahi handi goes pro, gets corporate touch

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Mumbai: The stakes have risen at the annual Pro Govinda Dahi Handi competition that is backed by Maharashtra govt. This year, wealthy franchisees are acquiring govinda teams, much like bidders do for individual players in IPL. The difference is that an entire govinda pathak involving scores of players will be hired, not select members.

CM Eknath Shinde made the announcement of Pro Govinda League 2024 Monday. Thirty-two govinda teams have registered for pre-qualifiers that will be held in Thane Jul 27-28. The final shortlisted 16 teams will participate in the main event at Dome SVP Stadium in Worli on Aug 18.

A total of 32 govinda teams have registered for pre-qualifiers. Of them, 16 teams will be shortlisted and will participate in the main event on Aug 18

Shinde said, "Dahi handi embodies Maharashtra's rich traditions, bringing communities together. Pro Govinda competition will help us promote this tradition nationwide and encourage players for maximum participation."

Purvesh Sarnaik, son of Sena MLA Pratap Sarnaik who is the founder chairman of Pro Govinda League, is president of the league. He said, "It was my dream to transform dahi handi into a brand recognised nationwide, like the Pro Kabaddi League. We have combined IPL and Pro Kabaddi in the Pro Govinda League."

Purvesh said, "Already 12 franchisees have acquired teams. The govinda groups will wear team jerseys and will be known by their new names, say Thane Tigers or Mumbai United, with their old names like Jai Jawan or United Kokan Nagar used as a suffix. Each group will receive a handsome fee running into lakhs of rupees and the prize money is substantial too. CM Shinde will announce the amount."

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