





**WESTERN RAILWAY-AHMEDABAD  
CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION (ELECTRICAL)  
NOTICE INVITING BID**

Bid/ Package No. EL/CIAD/TRD/EPC/35/2024-25 Dated: 13-09-2024, RFP for "Design, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of 66/27 KV Traction Substation at Vadali in connection with Electrification of Himmat Nagar Khedbrahma Section in Ahmedabad Division of Western Railway" on EPC mode. The President of India represented by the Ministry of Railways, Chief Electrical Engineer (Construction), Western Railway, Asanah, Ahmedabad (the "Authority"), having its principal office at CHURCHGATE, MUMBAI, PIN-400020, India" is engaged in the development of railways and related infrastructure, and as part of this endeavour, the Authority has decided to undertake the "Design, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of 66/27 KV Traction Substation at Vadali in connection with Electrification of Himmatnagar Khedbrahma Section in Ahmedabad Division of Western Railway" ("the Project") through Engineering, Procurement and Construction (the "EPC") Contract, and has decided to carry out the Bidding process for selection of a Bidder to whom the Project may be awarded. A brief description of the project may be seen in the Information Memorandum of the Project at the Authority's website. Brief particulars of the Project are as follows:

**Name of the Project:** "Design, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of 66/27 KV Traction Sub-station at Vadali in connection with Electrification of Himmat Nagar - Khedbrahma Section in Ahmedabad Division of Western Railway" on EPC mode. No. of TSS: 01 No. **Estimated Project Cost (In Rs.):** ₹ 13,10,99,917/- The complete Bid document can be viewed / downloaded from official portal of the Railway website <https://ireps.gov.in> from 14-09-2024 to 18-10-2024 (upto 15:00 Hrs. IST). Bidder must submit its Financial Bid and Technical Bid at <https://ireps.gov.in> on or before 18-10-2024 upto 15:00 hours IST. Bidders received online shall be opened on 25-10-2024 at 15:00 hours IST. Bid through any other mode shall not be entertained.

However, Power of Attorney and Joint Bidding Agreement etc. shall be submitted physically by the Bidder on or before 22-10-2024 at 15:00 hours IST. Please note that the [Ministry/Authority/ Executing Agency] reserves the right to accept or reject all or any of the Bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.

**Address:** Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer/Construction, 3rd Floor, Wing-C, Nirman Bhavan, Near DRM Office, Opp. GCS Hospital, Near Chamunda Bridge, Amdapura, Ahmedabad-382345 Gujarat, India, Western Railway (Ministry of Railway) Mob. 972490335 e-mail: dyceccwrd1@gmail.com

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**CENTRAL RAILWAY**
**VARIOUS SIGNAL & TELECOM WORKS**

Tender Notice No. CR-BB-TELE-2024-44  
Divisional Railway Manager (S&T), 1st Floor, Parcel Office Building, Near P.O. No. 13, Central Railway, Mumbai CSMT 400 001, and for on behalf of the President of India Invites One E-Tender (Open tender) from the reputed contractors. The last date and time for submission of tender is 08/10/2024 till 15:00 Hrs. **Name of Work:** Supply, Installation, Testing and commissioning of MUX, Modem, power supply (UPS and battery bank) and Associated Systems at various stations in CSMT-Kalyan section and Integration with Existing TMS System installed in Mumbai Division of Central railway." **Approximate Cost:** Rs. 3,83,65,157/- **EMD:** Rs. 3,41,900/- **Date & Time of Closing:** 15:00 Hrs. on 08/10/2024. **Validity:** 60 days. **Completion Period:** 06 Months. Complete details of tenders with corrigendum are available at Indian Railway official website [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in). The complete tender documents can be downloaded from the website. The complete details of tenders are also available in the "Notice Board" of the Divisional Railway Manager (S&T)'s Office, Mumbai CSMT. This tender complies with Public Procurement Policy Order 2017 dated 15.06.2017

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**WESTERN RAILWAY-BHAVNAGAR DIVISION**
**PROVISION OF FOOT OVER BRIDGE & REPAIRING WORK**

No. W/118/T/NDT/E-Tender/2024-25/WA/21 Date 10/09/2024; Divisional Railway Manager (Works), Western Railway, Bhavnagar para invites e-tenders for the following works: Tender Details are as under:- Sr. No. (1); E-Tender No: 105/2024-25; Name of Work: Songadhi; Provision of Foot Over Bridge at with provision of Lift Well; Tender Value: ₹ 4,87,86,356.31; EMD: ₹ 3,93,900.00; Sr. No. (2); E-Tender No: 106/2024-25; Name of Work: Bhavnagar Division; Repairs to RCC speed breaker at different level crossing in MG section; Tender Value: ₹ 4,06,70,005.04; EMD: ₹ 3,53,400.00; For above both tenders: Bidding Start Date: 19/09/2024; Date of Bidding Closing: 03/10/2024; The NIT has been uploaded Railway web site [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in) on 10/09/2024.

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**Metro Railway, Kolkata**
**CORRIGENDUM & ADDENDUM**

• CORRIGENDUM-1 to Tender Notice No. S8/T/WORKS/08-2024 published earlier by Principal Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer, Metro Railway, Kolkata for & on behalf of the President of India. In the above tender, following modification / addition should be read as follows : ITEMS MODIFIED : Field Name—Pre-Bid Query Date & Time, Existing Value – 18-09-2024, 11:00 hrs. Modified Value – 18-09-2024, 15:30 hrs.

• NEW ITEM ADDED : Document description – Pre Bid Details, File Name – PreBidDetails.pdf. All other contents remain same. Details to be viewed on [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in) Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer/Con

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Sd/-  
Gloria Colaco  
Administrator

**WESTERN RAILWAY**
**OHE MODIFICATION WORK**

Sr.DEE/TRD/Valasat invites e-Tender Notice No. EL-TRD-W-118-24-25-dated 12.09.2024. Name of Work: OHE modification work in connection with provision of UoP Loop for giving preference to Mail/Express train over Mumbai Division at ATUL station in Virar-Surat section of Mumbai Division. Advertised value : ₹ 94,48,851/-, EMD: ₹ 1,89,000/- Date & time of submission : till 15:10:2024, 15:00 hrs. Date & time of opening: on 04.10.2024, 15:00 hrs. For further details please visit our website [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in). Manual offers will not be considered.

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**"ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION MAHARASHTRA STATE CENTRE"**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of St. John Ambulance Association, Maharashtra State Centre for the year ended 31.03.2024, will be held on Thursday, 26th September 24 at 4pm at the Red Cross and St. John Ambulance Building, 141, S. Bhagat Singh Road, Town Hall compound, Mumbai :- 400 001.

Sd/-  
Gloria Colaco  
Administrator

**WESTERN RAILWAY**
**SUPPLY OF POTABLE DRINKING WATER**

Divisional Railway Manager (WA), Western Railway, 6th floor, Engg. Deptt., Mumbai Central, Mumbai - 400 008 invites E-tenders as per details given as follows.

Sr. No.	Tender Notice No. & Date	Work and Location	Approx. cost of work in ₹	EMD in ₹
1.	BCT/24-25/164 dt.12.09.2024	Khar to Jogeshwari Section: Supply of potable drinking water through tankers for 730 days in the jurisdiction of SSE (W) Santacruz	19,98,158.52	40,000.00
2.	BCT/24-25/165 dt.12.09.2024	Vasai Road, Naigaon & Bhayandar: Supply of potable drinking water by tankers to Vasai road Colony, Station, Service Building and Naigaon Colony along with RPF Barrack at Bhayandar & Bhayandar Rest house for a period of 730 days.	1,72,94,795.00	2,36,500.00
3.	BCT/24-25/166 dt.12.09.2024	Borivali-Virar section: Supply of potable drinking water through tankers on railway station for a period of 730 days.	98,78,400.00	1,97,600.00

Date & Time of submission for all above tenders : Till 08.10.2024, 15:00 hrs. Date & Time of opening for all above tenders : On 08.10.2024 at 15:30 hrs. Note:- For further details please visit our website [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in). Manual offer will not be considered.

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**A REGIONAL UNIT OF  
(MAHARASHTRA HOUSING AND AREA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY)**


Tel. No. 022-66405432, E-mail - [ewest.mslb@mhada.gov.in](mailto:ewest.mslb@mhada.gov.in)

**e-TENDER NOTICE**

Executive Engineer (West) Division, Mumbai Slum Improvement Board, (Unit of MHADA) Room No. 537, 4th Floor, Grha Nirman Bhavan, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400051 Phone Number (022) 66405432 is inviting Open Tender / Regular e-Tender for the 37 number of work in the form of B1 (Percentage Rate) from the contractors registered with PWD / MHADA / CPWD / CIDCO / MESJ / MJP / MIDC / Indian Railway / BPT / MCGM in the corresponding appropriate class of contractor or any Govt. / Semi Govt. organization, via online e-tendering system. The detailed Tender Documents shall be available & can be downloaded from Government of Maharashtra portal <https://mahatenders.gov.in>. Bidding documents can be loaded on the website. The tender schedule as follows.

Sr. No.	Stage Dese.	Date of time period	Sr. No.	Stage Dese.	Date of time period
1	Documents sale start	19/09/2024 10.30 am.	2	Documents sale end	26/09/2024 6.15 pm.
3	Technical bid opening	30/09/2024 10.30 am. onward	4	Price bid opening	03/10/2024 10.30 am. onward

The Competent Authority reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason thereto Conditional offers will not be accepted.

Note. 1 Please refer detailed tender notice on website.

Note. 2 Corrigendum / Amendments if any could be published only on the website.

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ADEE/GSU/BB  
Central Railway, Mumbai

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# Modi to launch Subhadra Yojana for women of Odisha on his b'day

Scheme to provide 1 crore women with cash assistance of Rs 50K

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
@Bhubaneswar

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi is going to fulfill one of the major promises made by the BJP during the general elections, the eagerly awaited Subhadra Yojana, at a state level function at Janata Maidan here, on his 74th birthday on September 17.

Considered to be the single largest women centric scheme ever launched anywhere in the country, Subhadra Yojana is among the 21 top promises under "Modi Nka Guarantee for Odisha 2024" in the BJP manifesto. The scheme aimed at empowering one crore women in the age group of 21 to 60 years with a cash assistance of Rs 50,000, in two equal instalment of Rs 5,000 each annually, over a period of five years.

The Prime Minister will initiate the fund transfer on Tuesday and the first instalment of Rs 5,000 will be credited to the accounts of more than 10 lakh beneficiaries through direct benefit transfer scheme. He is scheduled to

interact with some selected beneficiaries.

With over 60 lakh women stated to have registered under the scheme and the state government have conducted a test run by crediting one rupee to the beneficiaries accounts, those who have not received the token money are running from pillar to post to know what went wrong with their registration.

Deputy chief minister Prabhati Parida who is also the minister for Women and Child Development and Mission Shakti addressed their concerns by clarifying that all eligible beneficiaries will be covered under the scheme.

"We have conducted a trial run by crediting Re 1 to the accounts of registered beneficiaries to check the efficacy of the system. Those who did not receive the token amount will still get the first instalment on September 17," Parida assured at a media conference here. She, however, advised beneficiaries not to fall prey to cyber

frauds who have become active by avoiding suspicious links on the scheme sent to them.

The Prime Minister will launch a slew of projects during his visit to the state. He is scheduled to lay foundation stones and dedicate to nation railway projects worth Rs 2,800 crore and National Highway projects worth Rs 1,000 crore through virtual mode. He will also release the first instalment of financial assistance under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Gramin (PMAY-G) to approximately 13 lakh beneficiaries across 14 states. As many as 26 lakh PMAY (Gramin and Urban) beneficiaries will celebrate Griha Pravesh during this occasion.

Rajesh Diggavi, a villager from Halligudi, said, "We have no youth in Halligudi and surrounding villages because of unemployment. We have also requested the government that the industries which come here should give a job to at least one person in each family."

Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U) 2.0.



## 6 HELD FOR THROWING STONES AT MOSQUE IN M'LURU

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
@Mangaluru

MANGALURU city police arrested six people for allegedly pelting stones at a mosque in Surathkal on Sunday. The accused have been identified as Bharat Shetty (26), Chennappa Shivanna Chalavadi (19), Nithin Hadapa (22), Sujith Shetty (23), Annappa (24) and Pree-

tham Shetty (34). According to a complaint filed by KH Abdul Rahiman, president of Majidullah Hudajumma Masjid of Katipalla, the miscreants arrived on two bikes at around 9.50 pm, pelted stones at the mosque and damaged window glasses to create unrest among the Hindus and Muslims. A special team, led by inspector Magesh Prasad was formed to nab

the culprits. They were arrested near Kadri Manjunatha Temple Road on Monday morning. Bharat Shetty is facing 12 cases while Chennappa has five cases against him. Nithin, Annappa and Preetam are also facing two cases against them. Police have seized a car, two bikes and four mobile phones. The arrested will be produced before court on Monday.



The six accused

## 'BYV acquired benami MUDA properties in Mys'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Mysuru

BJP state president BY Vijayendra has acquired benami properties in Mysuru by colluding with BJP district president LR Mahadevaswamy and MUDA former commissioner DB Natesh, alleged Karnataka State Backward Classes Awareness Forum president KS Shivaraju here on Monday.

He told reporters that MUDA had acquired a 1.3-acre land on survey number 85/2 in Eranagere in 1974-75. In July 2021, Syeda Nusrath Afja and Syed Shakeeb Ur Rehman, submitted an application to MUDA demanding alternative sites, claiming to be the children of late Syed Abdul Rahman, owner of the land.

MUDA at its meeting in August 2021 decided to give alternative sites under the 50:50 scheme to the two. "But the MUDA commissioner also allotted an additional 50x80 sqft site to Afja and Rehman by receiving Rs 5.35 lakh in April 2022. But in September 2022, the site was transferred to the then Zoo Authority of Karnataka Chairman LR Mahadevaswamy's wife Sowmya," he added.

"As per market value, the site is worth over Rs 7 crore, but Sowmya purchased it for Rs 5.36 lakh. As Natesh and Mahadevaswamy are close aides of Vijayendra, it is a conspiracy by the trio to acquire the site in the posh locality," he charged.

WESTERN RAILWAY		
Material Management Department		
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY		
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/51/2024 Date 12.09.2024		
S.N.	Short Description of Item	T.O.D.
631	Flexible Hose Connection (500MM)	8482 Nos 10-Oct-24
632	10 KV DA Set for DETCUS	20 Nos 14-Oct-24
633	IOH KIT for Compressor	84 Set 14-Oct-24
634	Engine Lube Oil - Mobil RR	171000 Ltr 14-Oct-24
635	10125 MM riding curved Switches for 1 in 12 turn out	70 Set 15-Oct-24
REVERSE AUCTION		
50	1 in 8 1/2 BG 60Kg Weldable CMS Crossing to RDSO drawing no-T-6441	146 Set 14-Oct-24
51	Fabricated switches to RDSO Drg. No. T-4219	377 Set 14-Oct-24
Regarding detailed notice of EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website <a href="http://www.reps.gov.in">www.reps.gov.in</a> and <a href="http://www.indianrailways.gov.in">www.indianrailways.gov.in</a> . 0541		
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No.3062/PW/PH/DB-WWI/F.No.578/2024-25  
GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

Puducherry, the 16.09.2024

e-TENDERING NOTICE INVITING BID BY EPC MODE

e-Tender No.11/PHD/2024-25

On behalf of the President of India, Bids are invited for the work of "M/W : Supply, erection, testing and commissioning of brackish water desalination plants at various tubewell sites in Puducherry. S/W : Supply, erection, testing and commissioning of brackish water desalination plant (BWDP) at Swadeshi Mill OHT Campus, Puducherry." on EPC mode of contract. Approx Estimate Cost ₹ 3,85,00,000/- (Inclusive of GST) & Bid Security ₹ 8,10,000/- For further details please refer the website [www.pudutenders.gov.in](http://www.pudutenders.gov.in) from 10.00 A.M. on 19.09.2024

No.209/DIP/AD(Press)/2024-25

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (PHD)

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Lost of Document  
I D. Christina W/o late S Devdas, Residing at No. 467, B/11, BDA Flat 3rd Floor Neelashabdha Bangalore-560047. Have lost my Sale deed Document No 4520/79-7-80, Page No 115-117 Volume No 3167 Book 1 Date on 07-12-1979. Place of lost Chamundi Nagar, Lost Report No.1241098/2024, if anyone finds this documents please contact this number: 8050822860 / 9845476296 or handover to the nearest police station bangalore, if anyone mis uses this document will be prosecuted.

भारत सरकार - अंतर्राष्ट्रीय विभाग / GOVERNMENT OF INDIA - DEPARTMENT OF SPACE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP, SDSC-SHAR श्रीहरिकोटा / नेल्लूर (जिला), आप्रा. / SRIHARIKOTA - 524124

संधिपत्र ई-निविदा सूचना / Brief E-TENDER NOTICE

ई-निविदा सूचना सं. / e-Tender Notice No: SHAR/CMD/AC/G2482707/2024-25

मार्केट के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, "एफएलपी द्वारा, एसपीएसरी रेगिस्ट्रेशन में एसपीएसरी सुविधा में एक कॉलेशनिंग संचालन का प्रतिस्थापन (प्रयोगकौशल कार्य)। (अनुमति लागत: ₹190.35 लाख) के लिए ई-निविदा के माध्यम से मात्र दर निविदाएँ आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदा दस्तावेज 30.09.2024 को 14:30 बजे तक डाउनलोड किए जा सकते हैं। विस्तृत सूचना देतु इन्विदाकारी हार्डवेयर वेबसाइट [www.isro.gov.in](http://www.isro.gov.in) या [www.tenderwizard.com](http://www.tenderwizard.com)/ISRO के लिए संदर्भ।

On behalf of President of India, Item Rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for "Replacement of Air conditioning plant at SPB facility at AFL area, SDSC SHAR.(Air condition work)" (Estimated cost: ₹190.35 Lakhs). Tender documents can be downloaded up to 30.09.2024, 14:30 hrs. Interested tenderers may visit [www.isro.gov.in](http://www.isro.gov.in) or [www.tenderwizard.com](http://www.tenderwizard.com)/ISRO for details.

इस्तमालिंग समूह प्रबान, सीएमजी / एसपीएसरी शर्करा / SdI- GROUP HEAD, CMG / SDSC SHAR

'Crop loss forced many to leave their hometowns'

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If the project had started, over 10,000 villagers would have got direct or indirect employment and business opportunities.

Though industrialisation is desperately needed in these parts, most entrepreneurs eye only Kappagudda hills because of their rich mineral resources. But the hills are a biodiversity hotspot and many prominent citizens have been carrying out campaigns to protect the zone.

Villagers from Halligudi and other villages have approached the Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board (KIADB) and other departments concerned, requesting them to push industries in these parts.

Rajesh Diggavi, a villager from Halligudi, said, "We have no youth in Halligudi and surrounding villages because of unemployment. We have also requested the government that the industries which come here should give a job to at least one person in each family."



### SLUSH RACE

Paddy farmers race their cattle at Vazhithala Kannadikandam Thodupuzha in Idukki district on Monday

## Golden Chariot could be back on track soon; haulage charges a burden

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

In a bid to give a fillip to the state's own luxury express, Golden Chariot, which has been struggling to draw tourists and ensure smooth operations, the government is now looking at other luxury expresses to help promote the train.

Stakeholders and tourism department officials are looking at Maharaja Express and Palace on Wheels for marketing support, to promote Karnataka's luxury express.

The two trains, that are a flagship venture of the Rajasthan government's tourism department, have been drawing domestic and international tourists in large numbers.

However, Karnataka has been unable to make ends meet, and we are looking at possible options. We are also studying financial models of other luxury expresses and what needs to be done. We are

looking at joint marketing strategies from Maharaja Express and Palace on Wheels," a senior tourism official told *The New Indian Express*.

At the recently held meeting of all southern states with Union Tourism Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, in Bengaluru, the need for resuming Golden Chariot operations was discussed. At the meeting, Karnataka Tourism Minister HK Patil placed the demand to address changes in haulage charges and a Golden Chariot tour policy, to make operations smooth and affordable for tourists.

To promote and operate the train, the Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation (KSTDTC) had, in March 2020, entered into an agreement with Indian Railways Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC). But operations did not take off during the pandemic.

An IRCTC official said: "In November 2022, an agreement was signed on operations and maintenance, which included fixed and variable haulage charges. But now it has been realised that the charges are a burden. A proposal has been made to revise it. The product belongs to KSTDTC, and IRCTC is only operating it. We have invited bookings from tourists to start operations from October 2024 to March 2025 for the two itineraries of Golden Chariot -- 'Pride of Karnataka' and 'Jewel of the South'."

As per the agreement, the fixed haulage charge for a full rake of the Golden Chariot, comprising 18 coaches, is Rs 2.04 crore, Rs 10,439 per annum, applicable from financial year 2022-23 to financial year 2026-27.

The tourism department official said the Golden Chariot has operational issues, despite assistance from the central government under the Bharat Gaurav scheme.

### INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

(Government of India Undertaking)  
101, 3rd Floor, LAXMINARAYAN COMPLEX, PALACE ROAD, VASANT NAGAR, BANGALURU- 560052

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Indian Overseas Bank invites offers for commercial premises space of 1000 Sq ft to 1500 Sq Ft on lease for shifting of its Devasandra Branch, #19, Devraj Complex, 1st floor, Balaji Jawahar Nagar Layout, Devasandra Main Road, K R Puram, Bengaluru-560036, within approximately 01 Kms distance from existing premises. Interested persons may submit the bids under two bid system-Technical & Financial in prescribed format in 2 separate sealed envelopes to Chief Manager, Indian Overseas Bank, 101, III LAXMINARAYAN COMPLEX, PALACE ROAD, VASANT NAGAR, BANGALURU-560052 within 21 days of this advertisement. Application form & detailed terms and conditions can be downloaded from our website [www.iob.in](http://www.iob.in) under tenders section.

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# जम्मू-कश्मीर में पहले फेज में हष्ट-कांग्रेस भारी: अलायस को 24 में से 12-13, BJP को 4-6 सीट, PDP जीत सकती है 4-5 सीटें

'जम्मू-कश्मीर में वेरोजगारी सबसे बड़ा मुद्दा है। यूथ परेशान है। यहां न सरकारी नौकरियां मिल ही हैं, ना इन्वेटर सेक्टर इतना आगे बढ़ा है कि जॉब मिल जाए। मैं पोस्ट ग्रेजुएट हूं। नौकरी नहीं मिली। इस बजाए से कार्र एसरसी की छोटी सी दुकान चला रहा हूं।'

ये सिफेरे जम्मू-कश्मीर के अनंतनाग में रेखे वाले इरफान अहमद सोफी की परेशानी नहीं है। यहां का हार युवा इसी मुश्किल का सामना कर रहा है। युवा मूजेर कहते हैं, 'बड़े क्षुद्र करने वाले भी घर चढ़ते हैं। मैं नौसिंह की पढ़ाई नहीं मिली।' इनकी नौसिंहीं की छोटी सी दुकान चला रहा है।'

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'हालांकि, इस बयान पर स्वतंत्र भी साफ कर दिया है कि अगर आप कोई ऐसा रेजोल्यूशन लाते ही हैं तो उसके कोई मायने नहीं हैं। इसलिए आर्टिकल-370 एक बड़ा मामला जारूर है, लेकिन बोटिंग सिफेर इसी आधार पर होगी।'

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इंजीनियर राशिक की आवाजी इत्तेहाद पार्टी के कैडिट भी कहते हैं। एक से दो सीटों पर निर्वलीय कैडिट जीत सकते हैं।

कुलगाम सीट पर जमात से समर्थन वाले स्थायर अहमद रेसी 2-8 साल से हर चुनाव जीतने वाले CPI(M) उम्मीदवार यूसुफ तारिगामी को टकर दे रहे हैं।

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सीनियर जर्नलिस्ट बिलाल फुरकानी कहते हैं, 'रामबन और बनिहाल में नेशनल कॉन्फ्रेंस और उत्तरां के सीनियर रोडमप नहीं हैं। ये कैसे होगा, इसके लिए कोई रोडमप नहीं है। अलायस होने के बाबजूद दोनों

## इन 4 पॉइंट्स में समझिए रुझान और सियासी समीकरण

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# After Nipah death, strict restrictions imposed in KL dist

Health dept makes face masks mandatory, bans public gatherings in Malappuram

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FOLLOWING the confirmation of Nipah death, the Malappuram district administration, based on instructions from the health department, imposed strict restrictions across the district. As part of the general restrictions in the district, public gatherings should be minimised wherever possible.

Individuals must wear masks while going outdoors, during travel, and at any gatherings. Students and teachers are required to wear masks during school hours. For events such as weddings, funerals, and other gatherings, attendance should be kept to a minimum, and social distancing must be maintained. Self-treatment for fever or other symptoms is strictly prohibited, and individuals are advised to consult a registered medical practitioner. Fruits that have been bitten by birds, bats, or other animals, or those that have fallen from trees, should not be consumed under any circumstances.

All fruits and vegetables must

Surveillance beefed up on Kovai border

Coimbatore: In the wake of a Nipah virus death reported in Malappuram district in Kerala, the TN Health Department has increased surveillance at the borders of Coimbatore. On Monday last, a 24-year-old PG medico from Tiruvallu panchayat in Malappuram died after he was infected with the virus. More than 150 people who came into contact with him are kept under observation. Meanwhile, health department officials held a meeting on Monday deciding to intensify screening at the border areas, according to sources.

be thoroughly washed before use. If symptoms such as fever, vomiting, or other discomforts arise, individuals should seek medical advice from a registered practitioner and inform authorities at 0483-2732010 if there is any risk of infection spreading. The district collector instructed the police to ensure Nipah-related restrictions are enforced.



## BATTLE ROYALE

Boat race held at Kavanattinkara bridge as part of the 36th Kavanattinkara Tourism Water Fair in Kerala on Monday | EXPRESS

# Pvt buses to ply on weekends, fest days

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"ALTHOUGH new buses have been introduced to replace older ones, demand on festivals and auspicious days continues to rise each month. On a few occasions, commuters have even staged protests at the Kilambakkam terminus in Chennai due to shortage of buses," said an official.

Currently, major bus terminals in Chennai, such as the Kalaignar Centenary Bus Terminus at Kilambakkam, Chennai Mofussil Bus Terminus, and the Madhavaram Mofussil Bus Terminus, as well as bus stands in Tiruvannamalai and Vellore, face large crowds on weekends, often leading to altercations with

depot staff. According to official documents, the private buses hired by the state transport corporation will be deployed on weekends (Fridays and Saturdays), full moon and new moon days, days prior to these lunar events, days before major festivals, and mohurtham days (wedding-related auspicious days).

"The demand for buses to Tiruvannamalai during Porunam girivalam has multiplied in recent years. There is high demand for buses from Vellore to Tiruvannamalai, as many devotees from Andhra Pradesh board buses here. Additionally, buses from Chennai and Puducherry to Tiruvannamalai

have seen significant increases," an official from Vellore region noted. Already, MTC has issued tenders for operation of 500 electric buses on a GCC basis, with ticket fares yet to be finalised.

CITU state president A Soundararajan opposed the move, calling it a form of creeping privatisation. "The DMK had opposed anti-labour measures, including running buses on a GCC basis and employment of staff on contract basis, just months before the (2021 Assembly) elections. However, the same government has now adopted these measures. We will oppose these actions on the appropriate platforms," he said.

## MMK members block toll gate over fee hike

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AS many as 500 members of Manitaneya Makkal Katchi (MMK) held a blockade protest on Monday near Pallikonda toll gate on the Chennai Bangalore National Highway over the recent hike of toll fees. From September 1, the National Highway of India increased the toll fee at 25 toll plazas from 5 to 7 percent.

During the demonstration, tensions escalated when members allegedly damaged the glass of the toll booth at lane 10. As a result, the police detained all participants and moved them to a private marriage hall in Pallikonda.

Members of the party criticised the excessive toll gates in Tamil Nadu, highlighting that while Kerala and Maharashtra have fewer toll booths for longer distances, Tamil Nadu has 70 toll gates for 5,789 kilometers of road.

They condemned the continued operation of expired toll gates like Paranur and the frequent 5-7% toll hikes, terming it "daylight robbery".

## ON SP'S ADVICE

# Deceased was locked up in separate cell for security

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HE was kept in a separate cell with his co-accused for security reasons on the advice of Superintendent of Police (East) Lakshmi Soujanya. During counselling he expressed remorse and wanted to end his life, Bhaskaran said. Since then prison authorities were keeping a close watch on him, with a separate warden assigned to keeping a close vigil on these two prisoners, he added.

However, about a month ago, during the visit of the Chief Judge to the prison, Bhaskaran said Vivekanandan requested the judge to allow removal of the handcuffs at night, claiming



he was not harbouring any suicidal thoughts and had changed following counselling. Around two weeks ago, the prison officials removed his handcuffs. Prison sources added that, with a shortage of staff, the special security was also relaxed. Meanwhile, the cell has been sealed and Karuna has been shifted to a separate cell.

Security has been tightened with a 24x7 warden deployed to guard him, Bhaskaran said. Vivekanandan's estranged family, comprising of his wife, son and daughter were intimidated of his death. Sources said the son, who attended the call, wept before requesting the police for a quiet funeral.

## 'A moneylender forced Malaiselvi to clean loo'

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1: Police said that although the couple had borrowed money from several people only the two accused had harassed them. However, Malaiselvi's father T Packiyam told TNIE that one woman who had lent ₹60,000 to Malaiselvi had forced his daughter to work as a domestic help in her house and clean toilets. It was also alleged that when Malaiselvi stopped going to the woman's house after paying off the interest, the woman allegedly came and used abusive language against her. However, the police refuted his claims. In the note she'd written before her suicide bid, Malaiselvi had said none was available to help them overcome usury. She'd asked police to protect her daughters from money-lenders on her death. (Assistance to those having suicidal thoughts is available at Tamil Nadu Health Department Helpline 104 and Sneha's helpline 044-24640050)



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Chennai,  
17.09.2024

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# Choreographer booked for sexually assaulting ex-aide

AJAY TOMAR @Hyderabad

A case has been filed choreographer Shaik Jani Basha, popularly known as Jani Master, for allegedly sexually assaulting, harassing his 21-year-old former assistant. He recently won the national award for Tamil song 'Megham Karukatha'.

According to the FIR, the complainant claimed that Jani Master sexually assaulted her multiple times during film shoots in Chennai, Mumbai, Hyderabad and also at her residence in Narsingshi after she moved to Hyderabad in 2017. She stated that he regularly

asked for sexual favours and, upon refusal, would physically abuse and threaten her if she revealed the matter to anyone. Speaking to TNIE, Rajender Nagar DCP Ch Srinivas said, "We have completed recording the

Shaijan Basha

woman's statement, and her medical examination has also been conducted. Jani Master is currently absconding, and we are taking further action."

When asked whether a POCSO Act would be included, as the complainant was a minor at the time of the alleged sexual assault, the police stated that they needed to conduct further examination.

Taking to X, singer Chinmayi Srivada said, "I truly wish this girl all the strength to fight through this."

Jani Master, who is a member of Jana Sena, worked for several hits, including 'Ala Vaikunthapuramulu' and 'Pushpa', and also in Tamil and Hindi.

The Jana Sena party of Andhra Pradesh Deputy CM Pawan Kalyan in a statement has asked him to stay away from party's programmes.

## SI, CONSTABLE SUSPENDED FOR LINKS WITH ROWDY

Thoothukudi: A sub-inspector and constable attached to Authoor police station were placed under suspension pending inquiry due to their ties with a history-sheeter. An inquiry has been initiated against them regarding a robbery attempt of ₹9 lakh. SI Sundaram, constable Gunasundar, along with history-sheeter Kali of Kurumbur, had waylaid Chinnathurai, who was travelling with cash from Tiruchendur to Authoor. Sundaram took the cash. The victim lodged a complaint with Tiruchendur police against the SI and the constable. Sundaram and Gunasundar were transferred to the Armed Reserve force following an inquiry by Tiruchendur DSP Vasantha Raj. The SI returned the money to Chinnathurai, and the latter withdrew his complaint. Tirunelveli Range DIG P Moorthy placed the cops under suspension pending inquiry. ENS

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It is hereby informed to the general public at large that we are investigating the ownership, title and interest of all that piece and parcel of lands measuring 35 (Thirty Five) Acres 58 (Fifty Eight) Cents comprised in the below mentioned survey numbers [listed in the Serial Nos. 1 to 37] situated at Krishnapuram Kandigai Village, (formerly Kannigaiper Revenue Village) and the land in Survey No 6382 [listed in the Serial No.38] measuring 78 (Seventy Eight) Cents, situated at Kannigaiper Revenue Village, in all totally admeasuring an extent of 36 (Thirty Six) Acre 30 (Thirty Six) Cents, Uthukottai Taluk, Thiruvalur District, Tamil Nadu, and situated within the Sub-Registration District of Arani-Thiruvalur and Registration District of Thiruvalur (hereinafter referred to as the "Schedule Property")

S. Survey No.	Extent (in Acre)	S. Survey No.	Extent (in Acre)	S. Survey No.	Extent (in Acre)
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140/3	1.03	155/2	0.16	30. 140/1	0.54
3. 146/1	1.05	17. 136/2	1.40	31. 135	2.31
4. 147/2A	0.83	18. 132/1	0.79	32. 138/1	0.64
5. 147/2B	0.57	19. 133/1	0.03	33. 138/2	0.83
6. 156/1	0.87	20. 154/2	0.29	34. 141	0.60
7. 139	1.18	21. 136/1	1.37	35. 148/2	0.53
8. 145	2.44	22. 147/1	0.51	36. 157/2A	1.16
9. 146/4	3.52	23. 148/1	1.41	37. 144	1.07
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12. 146/2	0.87	26. 150/1	0.67		
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Dated: 05.09.20



# Israeli airstrikes kill 16 in Gaza, including 4 children, Palestinians say

The war has caused vast destruction and displaced about 90% of Gaza's population of 2.3 million

## AGENCIES

GAZA, 16 SEPTEMBER

Palestinian officials say Israeli airstrikes killed 16 people in the Gaza Strip on Monday, including five women and four children.

A strike flattened a home in the built-up Nuseirat refugee camp in central Gaza, killing at least 10 people there, including four women and two children. The Awda Hospital, which received the bodies, confirmed the toll and also said 13 people were wounded. Hospital records show that the dead included a mother, her child and her five siblings.

Another strike on a home in Gaza City killed six people, including a woman and two children, according to the Civil Defense, first responders who operate under the Hamas-

run government.

Israel says it only targets militants and accuses Hamas and other armed groups of endangering civilians by operating in residential areas. The military rarely comments on individual strikes, which often kill women and children.

Gaza's Health Ministry says more than 41,000 Palestinians have been killed in the territory since Hamas' Oct. 7 attack triggered the Israel-Hamas war nearly a year ago. The ministry does not differentiate between fighters and civilians in its count but says a little over half of those killed were women and children. Israel says it has killed over 17,000 militants, without providing evidence.

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RAMALLAH, West Bank — Palestinians say Israeli settlers wielding sticks stormed a Palestinian school in the occupied West Bank, beating staff members and tying up the principal.

The Israeli military said Palestinians had attacked an

Israeli nearby, inflicting a head injury, before fleeing to the school on Monday. It said a group of Israelis followed the attackers and a confrontation ensued in which a number of Palestinians were hurt.

Hassan Malihat, a Palestinian lawyer who at the time

was visiting the school near the city of Jericho, said the settlers entered at around 8 a.m. He says the Israeli army arrived about two hours later and arrested three staff members, including the principal.

The military said soldiers and police were dispatched to the school, ended the confrontation and arrested a number of suspects.

The Palestinian Red Crescent rescue service says seven Palestinians were wounded in the confrontation.

Settler violence has surged across the West Bank since Hamas' Oct. 7 attack ignited the war in Gaza. In some cases, Israeli settlers have stormed Palestinian villages setting cars and properties ablaze.

There has also been a rise in car-ramming, stabbing and shooting attacks carried

out against Israelis by Palestinian militant groups and lone attackers.

Israel captured the West Bank, along with Gaza and east Jerusalem, in the 1967 Mideast war — lands the Palestinians want for a future state.

The 3 million Palestinians in the West Bank live under Israeli military rule, with the Western-backed Palestinian Authority exercising limited autonomy in some areas. Over 500,000 settlers with Israeli citizenship live in well over 100 settlements considered illegal by most of the international community.

ANKARA, Turkey — Initial findings from an autopsy by Turkish authorities indicate that Turkish-American activist Aysenur Ezgi Eygi who was killed by Israeli fire in the West Bank died from a gunshot wound to the head.

European Commissioner Breton resigns over row with von der Leyen



AGENCIES

BRUSSELS, 16 SEPTEMBER

position of the future College (of Commissioners), you asked France to withdraw my name — for personal reasons that in no instance you have discussed directly with me," Breton said in a letter to von der Leyen which he also published on Xinhua news agency reported.

"(You) offered, as a political trade-off, an allegedly more influential portfolio for France in the future College," he added, saying that the latest developments are "further testimony to questionable governance" which is why he can no longer act as a European Commissioner.

Outgoing French Minister of Foreign Affairs Stephane Sejourne will replace Breton as France's nominee for European commissioner, the Elysee said in a statement.

Last week, Slovenia also put forward a new candidate for the European Commission after its initial nominee, Tomaz Vesel, withdrew. Vesel cited disagreements with President von der Leyen's vision for how the Commission should operate.

Israeli minister says time running out for diplomatic solution with Hezbollah

## AGENCIES

JERUSALEM, 16 SEPTEMBER

Israeli Defence Minister Yoav Gallant on Monday told his American counterpart that time was running out for a diplomatic solution to prevent a full-scale war with Hezbollah in Lebanon.

In a telephone call, Gallant told US Defence Secretary Lloyd Austin that "the possibility for an agreed framework is running out," according to a statement released by his office.

"The trajectory is clear" as long as Hezbollah "continues to tie itself to Hamas," Gallant said, Xinhua news agency reported.

According to the statement, the two also discussed efforts to achieve an agreement for the release of hostages still held by Hamas in Gaza. Gallant emphasised that Israel will "continue to operate with the aim of dismantling Hamas and ensuring the return of hostages held by Hamas in Gaza -- by any means."

The call came as White House senior advisor Amos Hochstein arrived in Israel on Monday to discuss the ongoing fighting, in which Israel and Hezbollah have been exchanging fire and since October last year, and amid diplomatic efforts to achieve de-escalation between the two. Hochstein is expected to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Gallant.

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## 20 killed as two tribes clash near gold mine in Papua New Guinea



AGENCIES  
SYDNEY, 16 SEPTEMBER

At least 20 people have been killed in heavy fighting that has erupted between two tribes near a gold mine in Papua New Guinea, while women, girls, the elderly, and young boys rushed to escape the area, reports said on Monday.

The fight in the Porgera Valley in Enga province, home to one of the country's largest gold deposits, started last week when two factions of illegal miners fought among themselves and one faction killed two men from the other faction, Xinhua news agency reported quoting the local newspaper Post-Courier.

About 20 people have been killed, including two local mine workers, and the number increased steadily each day, Post-Courier reported, adding that Porgera has seen a mass exodus of more than 5,000 people.

Police Commissioner David Manning has declared emergency orders to safeguard infrastructure and residents in Porgera due to "escalating law and order issues," local newspaper The National reported.

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ing the legitimate use of force to remove combatants in order to protect critical infrastructure including the Porgera Mine, Manning said.

Security personnel will use legitimate lethal force where appropriate to protect the innocent, meaning that any person carrying an offensive weapon in public will be considered a threat and dealt with accordingly, with force," Manning said. "This worsening situation is caused by illegal miners and settlers who are using violence to victimize and terrorise the traditional landowners."

We have 122 security personnel on the ground, including mobile squad, dog squads and Sector Response Unit as well as personnel from Papua New Guinea Defense Force," he said.

Enga Governor Peter Ipatas on Sunday called on the government to implement a state of emergency due to a surge in tribal violence in the Porgera Valley over the past few days.

"The violence has led to the loss of many innocent lives, displacement of people, property destruction and heightened fears for the safety of local residents and businesses," he said.

## Balochistan Liberation Front claims responsibility for attacks that killed five Pakistan soldiers

### AGENCIES

BALOCHISTAN, 16 SEPTEMBER

The Balochistan Liberation Front (BLF) has claimed responsibility for two separate attacks targeting Pakistani military personnel in the province which left five soldiers dead and four others injured, the Balochistan Post reported.

In a statement, BLF spokesperson Major Gwahram Baloch said that the first attack took place on September 14, when BLF launched an assault on the Pakistani military headquarters in Awaran's main bazaar.

The fighters carried out a coordinated attack using heavy weaponry from two directions, the spokesperson said. The assault, which lasted for 20 minutes, reportedly killed four military personnel and left three others critically injured.

Major Gwahram Baloch claimed that high-ranking military officers, including

home to several violent groups, which carry out repeated attacks against state oppression, demanding a greater share of the region's resources and concerns over the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).

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Turkish drone attack kills one, wounds two in Iraq : A Turkish drone strike on Monday killed a member of the Kurdish Workers' Party (PKK) and wounded two others in Iraq's northern province of Nineveh, the Counter-Terrorism Service of the neighbouring semi-autonomous Kurdistan region said in a statement. The airstrike occurred at 9:45 a.m. local time (0645 GMT) when a Turkish drone attacked a gathering of PKK militants in Makhmour refugee camp, southeast of the provincial capital Mosul, the statement said, Xinhua news agency reported. IANS

## EASTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No. : 222-S/1W-II, dated 13.09.2024. Following e-tender is invited online by Divisional Engineer/HQ, Eastern Railway, Sealadah, Remote Control Building, DRB Building, Kaizer Street, Kolkata-700014 for the following work : Tender No. : TN-147-24-25. Name of the work :

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