Remove 'fake' content on food quality, govt tells FB & Google

Such Videos Erode Global Trust In India's Food System: FSSAI

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New Delhi: The government has instructed Google and Facebook to take down 'false and malicious' videos and other content that spreads misinformation regarding safety and quality of food in India, saying that the 'fake' information is eroding the public's confidence in institutions tasked with food safety.

The instructions to the global internet giants have been issued by the IT ministry that has asked the companies to immediately remove such content and block the accounts of people who are uploading the videos, sourcestold TOI.

The order follows a complaint by Food Safety and Standard Authority of India (FSSAI) CEO Pawan Agarwal



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spread

to IT Secretary Ajay Prakash Sawhney.

"It has come to our notice that some miscreants are misusing various socialmedia platforms for circulating fake and objectionable material, including false and malicious videos regarding safety and quality of food available in India," an official of the IT ministry said in separate written communications to the two companies.

"Such fake and malicious videos erode the public's confidence about the institutions in India which are per-

forming their job with due diligence," the official added. The IT Ministry said that the FSSAI has pointed out in-

stances where the internet

platforms had been used to

misinformation

about food quality. "Specific instances like creating false scare of plastic eggs, plastic rice, melamine in milk. One specific fake video which went viral on social media related to the presence of melamine in milk, where-

in it was maliciously project-

ed that FSSAI had given per-

mission for use of melamine

in the milk," the IT Ministry note said. The Ministry also told the companies to institute a system as part of their due diligence for prevention of uploading such imagery/ video/text.

FSSAI said that the false content on food safety had created fear in the minds of the public and eroded their confidence on food control systems in India. "... such false propaganda is neither good for citizens nor the food business. This also erodes global trust in our food system and food businesses, and potentially has farreaching public health, social and trade implications," FSSAI CEO said. FSSAI also suggested that the companies should appoint a nodal officer so that it can directly take up such issues with them for quick remedial action.

Navy abandons bid to bring out miner's body

Shillong: The Indian Navy abandoned all efforts on Sunday to pull out the decomposed body of a miner that it spotted four days ago inside a coal mine in Meghalaya's East Jaintia Hills District, officials said.

The Navy divers had spotted the decomposed body of a trapped miner on Wednesday, using an unmanned, remotely-operated vehicle at a depth of around 160 feet inside the mine's main shaft. At least 15 miners are trapped inside the mine since December 13 after one of them accidentally punctured the wall of the mine, leading to its flooding.

"The Navy suspended the pulling of the remains, which they had been trying since yesterday evening, as too much disintegration (of the body) took place with every pull by the ROV jaw," operation spokesperson R Susngi said. The families of four of the 15 miners had on Saturday urged the rescuers to retrieve the decomposed body so that they could perform the last rites.

A multi-agency operation has failed to yield any result as the water level in the mine has not gone down. PTI

How coming-out videos are striking a chord It's difficult enough to tell your family and friends that you're gay

or trans but several young people are going a step further. They're sharing their stories on YouTube to help others feel less alone

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've known I was different but it's only now that I have this kind of clarity to understand what I iden-L tify as. I definitely identify as a girl, as a woman," Trinetra Haldar Gummaraju, 21, tells the audience. The soothing background music in the YouTube video is interrupted by a record scratch sound effect, and she adds: "Okay so that sounds extremely pretty, poetic and philosophical, almost like you pop a pill, go to sleep a boy and wake up a gorgeous woman the next day. But, this is India, nothing works like that."

As a medical student and transgender woman, she is in a unique position to talk others through the ins and outs of transitioning such as the difficulties of sex reassignment surgery.

Gummaraju is one of the many Indian LGBTQ YouTubers who is using video to talk about a host of experiences such as the struggles of coming out, parental reactions, being in a relationship. Some are video blogs where the person just talks into the camera, others are comedy skits (such as a spoof on homophobic comments) and events, and portrayals of a day in their lives. Coming out videos are quite common across the globe but haven't made their way to India until recently. British Olympic diver Tom Daley famously came out on YouTube, in a video that garnered 12 million views.

The reason Gummaraju is documenting her trans life on the internet is because much of her own information came from western YouTubers which, while helpful, wasn't relatable, "They can't help you feel better about being called a 'chhakka'." she says.

Gopu Changarathil is a Japan-based vlogger who grew up in a small town in Kerala. Changarathil has a rather simple set-up; it's just him talking into a camera in his room. What he lacks in slickness, he makes up in honesty. He says, "I didn't find many Indian YouTubers talking about things that really matter. I wanted to see the guy next door talking openly about what it means to be queer, what it means to be sexually assaulted." So, he became that guy.

Until the age of 15, he thought he was the only gay person in the whole world. Then he met a gay man from his part of Kerala, "Seeing someone from my district, speaking my language, who shared



about gender and sexuality, and poke fun at homophobia

my experiences, it was like fireworks went off in my brain. It validated that it also made videos with her girlfriend of was okay," he says.

Many videos focus on the ordinariness of everyday life. Gummaraju's videos show her playfully quizzing her family on terms relating to gender and sexual identity, and going through a day in her life at medical school. "The point was

🦰 I didn't find many Indian YouTubers talking about things that really matter. I wanted to see the guy next door talking openly about what it means to be queer GOPU CHANGARATHIL | Vlogger

to show people that even though we have our unique struggles, we're also just like everyone else. It's the same boring lectures, gossiping with friends, it's just normal life."

Dharti Patel's video about how to come out talks people through the things they should say to their parents, and points out the importance of financial independence. "If you don't know how your family will react, it's important to be financially independent. Even if they throw you out of the house, which in most cases is unlikely, you will survive," she says. The 25-year-old, whose videos

have garnered over 200,000 views, has five years — such as a comedy sketch titled 'Lesbian girlfriend: expectation vs reality'. She adds: "YouTube has started to make steps to support LGBTQ creators. Earlier, my videos were not considered 'advertiser-friendly', but in my last few videos there are ads before it, which means I can monetise my channel.'

While the YouTubers have come out the comments are mostly from closeted Indians — expressing gratitude, hope and the occasional flirtatious message YouTuber Lalit Paul says it made his "heart melt" to know that he could help people. The 23-year-old Indian-Canadian has made videos about his experiences as a gay man in a Punjabi family, and has even opened up about being molested as a child. His coming out video has 12,000 views. "After posting my coming-out video, many Indian men and women mes saged me on Instagram asking for advice on how they can come out," he says.

LGBTQ activist Harish Iyer says that every coming out story starts a chain reaction. He says, "I came out on national television many years back, and that video is now on YouTube. Till date, people use that as a reference to say it helped them. People who are out have the responsibility to put their hand in the same black hole that they were stuck in and hold the torch for another person to pull them out. You Tube videos are that torch."

Territorial fight turns into rare cannibal act by tiger

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Bhopal: An adult tigress was killed and eaten by a tiger at Kanha National Park of Madhya Pradesh, in a rare case of cannibalism. "The animal that got

killed seems to be a tigress while the cannibal is a tiger. Though there have been instances of cannibalism among animals, but in tigers, it is rare," said Kanha's field director K Krishnamurthy, adding that the killing might be a result of a "territorial fight." The partial remains of

the tigress were found by a patrol team at Mundidadar on Saturday. "It is rare where the tiger's body has been eaten to such an extent even when the area has a good prey base," Krishnamurthy added.

According to experts, the hunting tiger did not mean to satiate its hunger by eating the tigress. "It is an extension of the territorial fight," said an expert. Kanha in-fighting could be explained as it has a good population of tigers.

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A territorial fight might have led to the killing at MP's Kanha Reserve

Male tiger found dead in Periyar...

male tiger was found dead at Periyar Tiger Reserve in Kerala on Sunday, taking the toll of unnatural tiger deaths in the reserve to three in the last six months. Forest department officials found the two-day-old carcass in the Periyar lake during routine patrolling. "The big cat might have been killed in a fight with bison or elephant," said PTR assistant forest veterinary surgeon Dr

Abdul Fathah. TNN

...Another big cat killed near Corbett

 n 18-month-old tiger was M found dead near Corbett Tiger Reserve on Sunday. This is the first tiger death reported from the state this year. KN Bharti, sub-divisional forest officer of Ramnagar forest division, said, "According to a team of doctors who conducted the post-mortem, the tiger was killed in infighting. The big cat had various wounds inflicted by claws and teeth of another tiger which proved lethal." TNN

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST' CALL-02

"PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION / MAINTENANCE AND TRANSFER OF RAJIV GANDHI THEME PARK AT KALABURAGI " KALABURAGI MAHANAGARA PALIKE KALABURAGI/KALABURAGI MUNCIPAL CORPORATION (KMP/KMC) invites Expression of Interest (EOI) through E-portal website of Government of Karnataka: https://eproc.karnataka. gov.in in a Single Cover (both Technical & Financial Bid) system with Proposed Concepts from reputed Organizations with proven Track Record for the Selection of Private Partners to Develop Rajiv Gandhi Theme Park at Kotnoor in Kalaburagi District in Public Private Participation (PPP) mode, as per the terms and conditions aid down in Document. KALABURAGI MUNCIPAL CORPORATION (KMC) has envisaged the following 'CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION / MAINTENANCE AND TRANSFER OF RAJIV GANDHI THEME PARK AT KALABURAGI' from Leisure, Recreation, Adventure, Theme and Entertainment Sectors.

- 1. Theme and Entertainment Park with an array of Innovative and unique Theme and Entertainment concepts such as water world, Adventure zones, Multi-Dimensional stimulations & VR games.
- Children's Adventure Park with Fun & Entertainment zones such as Kids House, Aquarium, Vortex, Horror House, Mirror Maze, Karaoke Studio, Abcd Studio.
- 3. Family Entertainment Center (FEC) with 12 D Theater, Observatory Tower with Sky Café & Planetarium, Varieties of Food courts, Roof Top Cafeteria along Event Area for Conducting Local Folk Dances and Different Shows.
- Sports & Recreation Arena with Indoor Gymnasium, Mini Golf & Hydrotherapy
- Wellness Center such as Aerobics, Yoga meditation, Steam Bath, Jacuzzi & Sauna
- 6. Landscape Variety Of Theme Based Gardens (Lush Green Lawns & Flower Beds), Artificial Turf area, Shanti Vana, Sanjivani vana, Semi Arid & Cactus Land . Topiary & Green Maze Etc
- . Water Entertainment such as Water Games with Slides Mini Wave Pools, Rain Dance Attraction, Mini Hydro Therapy Pool of 2 To 3 Feet Depth, Beautiful Marble water Fountains etc.

The 'Developers' shall be free to implement their own concepts and Designs taking into consideration the approved master plan from KMC/KMP and all the applicable Building Regulations, Bylaws/ Norms & Zonal regulations as applicable for the Project site and all civil constructions shall be Green rated Buildings.

Calendar of Events

01) Pre Bid Meeting: 28.01.2019 04.00 PM

02) Last date for submission of EOI application: 05.02.2019 05.30 PM

03) Date of opening of EOI: 07.02.2019 11.00 AM

Superintendent Engineer Mahanagara Palike Kalaburagi can be contacted (Mobile No 9448140095) for 'Site visit' with prior intimation. Renowned Developers with proven Track record in implementing similar projects can download the 'Expression of Interest'(EOI) Document from E-portal website of Government of Karnataka: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

The filled in 'Expression of Interest' Document should be uploaded on E-portal website of Government of Karnataka: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in Sd/- Commissioner,

Kalaburagi Mahanagara Palike, Kalaburagi. DIP/Kalaburagi/842/MC&A/2018-19

VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED (AGovernment of Karnataka Enterprise)

Office of the Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP Division No.5 Chitradurga. Ph: 08194 230102, Fax No 08194 230102, E-mail:eeubp.d5cta@gmail.com No: No: EE/UBP/VJNL/DIV-05/CTA/22TANK /CALL-2/2018-19/ 2021 Date: 01 .01.2019

SHORT TERM e-TENDER NOTIFICATION (TWO COVER) (Only through E-PROCUREMENT PORTAL)

Percentage rate tender is invited in Two cover system by the undersigned on behalf of Managing Director, VJNL, Bangalore, from eligible contractor for Work "FILLING OF 22 TANKS IN HOLALKERE TALUK THROUGH GRAVITY PIPED NETWORK BEYOND 4.534KM OF HOLALKERE FEEDER CANAL UNDER CBC OF UPPER BHADRA PROJECT"(INDENT NO: VJNL/2017-18/IW/ WORK_INDENT747/CALL-2), Amount put to tender is Rs. 9500.69 Lakhs & Details and tender document may be downloaded through website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. The contractors can request download e-procurement document from 10-01-2019. And last date for submission of tenders up to 11-02-2019 till 16:00, Opening of Technical bid is on 12-02-2019 from 16:30 onwards at the office of Chief Engineer, VINL, Upper Bhadra Project Zone Chitradurga. Any further changes in the tender will be published only in website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in only. Further details such as Name of work, EMD, Amount, Stipulated Time etc., can be obtained in website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or by contacting Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP, Div No.5, Chitradurga. Phone:-08194-230102.during the office hours on any working day.

Sd/- Executive Engineer RO.No.299:DIPR/CTA/MCA/2018-19

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No: TMC/PURCHASE/RC/O-I/2019-2021

TENDER NOTICE

TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF DUST BINS & GARBAGE BAGS TO TATA MEMORIAL CENTRE ON RATE CONTRACT BASIS FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL 2019 TO 31ST MARCH 2021

TMC invites sealed Tenders in Two Part basis i.e. Technical Bid (Part-I) and Price Bid (Part-II) from the eligible bidders for the supply of Dust bins & Garbage bags. Bid documents will be available for sale from 21-01-2019 to 09-02-2019 (upto 4.30 pm). Bids shall be received on or before 11-02-2019 upto 2.00 pm. Technical bids (Part-I) will be opened on 11-02-2019 at 03.00 p.m. onwards in front of those tenderers who wish to be present. Date & time of opening of Price Bid (Part-II) will be intimated only to those tenderers who have qualified after evaluation of Technical Bid (Part-I).

For the detailed bidding documents please visit our web site tmc.gov.in or may contact Purchase Department, 4th floor, Service Block, Tata Memorial Hospital, Parel, Mumbai-400012. Contact no- 022-24177000 Extn-4644. Director, TMC reserves right to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons thereof.

PURCHASE OFFICER

Dt: 17-01-2019

'CIC search panel introduced names of disinterested outsiders for top post'

New Delhi: The search committee for selection of chief information commissioner (CIC) did not short-list two senior information commissioners who had applied for the post and brought in four others who didn't show interest in it, documents made pub-

lic by the government show. The search committee led by the cabinet secretary had finalised five names to be put before the selection panel, led by PM Narendra Modi and comprising finance minister Arun Jaitley and leader of Congress in Lok Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge.

All the three commissioners in the Central Information Commission — Sudhir Bhargava, Bimal Julka and Divya

PAPERS REVEAL

Prakash Sinha — were among 68 applicants for the post of the chief information commissioner. The panel led by cabinet secretary did not consider the names of Julka and Sinha to be put in the list of five short-listed candidates.

short-listed Bhargava, former MSME secretary Madhav Lal, former additional chief secretary of Gujarat SK Nanda, former secretary of department of administrative reforms and public grievances Alok Rawat and for mer expenditure secretary R P Watal — to be placed before the PM-led panel.

Lal, Nanda, Rawat and Watal had not applied for the post. The PM-led panel considered all the applicants along with names short-listed by the search committee and picked Bhargava for the post. PTI

Government of Maharashtra

District Water Conservation Officer, Soil Water & Conservation Department, Bagh Colony, Govindpur, Gondia

e-Tender Notice No.06/2018-2019 (3rd Call)

Online e-tenders in "B-1" forms are invited by the District Water Conservation Officer, for the following works from Experienced Contractor registered in appropriate class of the Public Works Department, Government of Maharashtra. Main Tender document shall be downloaded from Govt. Website http://mahatenders.gov.in. All rights are reserved to accept or reject any or all Main Tender Documents by the District Water Conservation Officer. Conditional Tender will not be accepted.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost (Rupees)	Earnest Money (Rupees)	Cost of Blank Tender form (Rs.)	Time limit in Tender (Calendar Months)	Class of Registration
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Construction of Lift Irrigation Scheme at Nilaj, Tah.Mohadi, Distt. Gondia	Rs.1,00,10,204/-	Rs.1,00,000/-	Rs.5000/-	09 Months	IV and Above

A) Period of e-tender available online :- Dated 21/01/2019 18.55 to 31/01/2019

B) Opening of e-tender

Dated :- 14/01/2019

13.00 hrs.

Gondia

:- Dated 01/02/2019 Time 13.00 hrs.

Place (Regional Water Conservation Officer, Soil & Water Conservation Department, Ajni, Nagpur)

(If there is any changes it will be published on above website)

Outward No./106/T.C./ Not. 6(Third Call)/19

(R. R. Choudhari) **District Water Conservation Officer**

Soil & Water Conservation Department, D.G.I.P.R. 2018/2019/5980