



(From left) Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Kazakh President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, Chinese President Xi Jinping, Kyrgyz President Sooronbay Jeenbekov, Russian President Vladimir Putin, Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan, Tajik President Emomali Rahmon and Uzbek President Shavkat Mirziyoyev in Bishkek, Friday. AP

Amid gathering trade war clouds, PM calls out protectionism at SCO



EXPRESS IN BISHKEK

SHUBHAJIT ROY
JUNE 14

AS INDIA decided to impose retaliatory import duties on 29 US items, Prime Minister Narendra Modi targeted trade protectionism at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit Friday and

underscored the need for a rules-based, anti-discriminatory and all-inclusive WTO-centred multilateral trading system.

At the summit in Bishkek, Modi said unilateralism and protectionism has not benefited anyone and that economic cooperation is the basis of "our people's future". "We need a rule-based, transparent, anti-discriminatory, open and all inclusive WTO-centred multilateral trading system so that the interests of every

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A few moments in nine hours: How Pakistan got a very cold shoulder

SHUBHAJIT ROY
BISHKEK, JUNE 14

AT 21 degrees Celsius, the weather in Bishkek was cool, away from the heat of Delhi and Islamabad. And with a spectacular view of the Kyrgyz Ala-Too mountain range, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan were in the same room for about nine hours over two days, but the shoulder could not have been colder.

Except for a few minutes when they exchanged pleasantries and a handshake in the

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CM SCHEDULES MEETING TODAY

Mamata calls for talks after HC push, doctor protests go national

Harsh Vardhan urges CM to be 'compassionate', IMA calls all-India strike Monday

RAVIK BHATTACHARYA, SWEETY KUMARI & ABANTIKA GHOSH
KOLKATA, NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

HOURS AFTER the Calcutta High Court refused to pass any interim order on the strike by junior doctors at state-run hospitals and asked the West Bengal government to persuade them to resume work and restore health-care services, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee met a group of doctors at the state secretariat Nabanna Friday. She also invited protesting students but they didn't turn up. Following talks, a meeting with them is now being called at 5 pm Saturday.

Banerjee sent Dr Pradip Mitra, Director of Medical Education, to NRS Medical College and Hospital, where the June 10 attack on doctors

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Morjeena Bibi with her child outside SSKM Hospital, Kolkata as the strike by doctors continued Friday. Ravik Bhattacharya

Doctor-patient, public-govt, lines drawn hard in the ward

'CM should reach out... BJP won so much people not scared of TMC now'

RAVIK BHATTACHARYA & SWEETY KUMARI
KOLKATA, JUNE 14

RIGHT ACROSS the main block of Seth Sukhlal Karnani Memorial (SSKM) Hospital, in the scant shade of a tree, sits Morjeena Bibi with her seven-month baby Mofiz. She has come from Balurghat in North Dinajpur and with no doctors to treat or admit

her child who suffers from hydrocephalus, she is angry. First, at the doctors, then at the ineffectiveness of the government.

A four-minute walk from her is the sprawling Academic block. On and around the staircase, more than a hundred junior doctors and interns sit holding placards: "We want justice," and "Security first, service later." Their anger's target: West Bengal

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Maoists ambush, gun down five policemen in Jharkhand

ABHISHEK ANGAD
RANCHI, JUNE 14

IN AN ambush Friday, five policemen were shot dead by 15 bike-borne Maoists in the Kurku market area in Saraikela district of Jharkhand. The policemen were attacked around 6.30 pm when they were patrolling the area, said ADG (Operations) M L Meena.

According to police, after gunning them down, Maoists snatched the guns of the two Assistant sub-inspectors, Goverdhan Paswan and Manodhan Hansda and three constables, Dhaneshwar Mahto, Yudhisthir and Dibru Purty, before crossing the state border into West Bengal.

Chief Minister Raghubar Das condemned the attack and said that the sacrifice of the policemen won't go in vain, adding that in this moment of grief, the government and the people of Jharkhand stand with the families of those killed.

Das said that the Naxals, who are counting their last days in the state, carried out the attack in anger. The government will take strong and appropriate action in the case, he said.

The Maoist ambush in Saraikela, near Jamshepur, is the third in the region since the Lok Sabha elections in Jharkhand. On May 28, 26 CRPF and Jharkhand Police personnel were injured in a series of IED blasts triggered by Maoists in the same area.

The blasts took place around 5 am when a joint team of the CRPF's special jungle warfare unit, and the police carried out searches.

A day after the polling in Jharkhand on May 20, Maoists triggered blasts that injured three personnel. Following the attacks, a series of alerts on more attacks were issued to all SPs.

On CMs' table today: Plan to revamp permit-raj food laws

RAVISH TIWARI
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

ARGUING that the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, was framed during the era of food scarcity, the NITI Aayog has proposed that the Act be scrapped because it is an "impediment in the free movement of commodities" given that the country is now self-sufficient in most. The move, part of a plan for structural reform in agriculture, is up for discussion at the state Chief Ministers' gathering Saturday for the meeting of the Governing Council of the NITI Aayog to be

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From scarcity to surplus

IN AN age of surplus production, laws regulating trade of agricultural commodities need tweaking. Since agriculture is a state subject, proposal seeks to solicit views of CMs before it moves forward.

chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

"Whether Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and Prevention of Black-marketing and Maintenance of Supplies of Essential Commodities (PBM-SEC) Act, 1980 be scrapped altogether and replaced with a modern statute balancing the interests of farmers, consumers and supply chain participants?" is one of the items top on the agenda circulated to CMs, sources said.

Alternatively, the proposal has suggested classifying commodities under the EC Act into

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Her language change: 'Non-Bengalis will have to learn to speak Bengali'

SANTANU CHOWDHURY
KOLKATA, JUNE 14

PLAYING THE Bengali card for the first time after her party took a knocking in the Lok Sabha elections which saw the BJP make deep inroads, TMC leader and Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee Friday said those living in the state will have to learn to speak



'If you live here and scare Bengalis, will not tolerate'

Bengali, and that non-Bengalis will have to face consequences if they continue to target Bengali-speaking people.

"We have to bring Bengal forward. When I go to Bihar, UP, Punjab, I speak in their language. If someone is living in Bengal, he or she has to learn Bengali," Banerjee told TMC workers at Kancharpara in North 24

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SEBI bans NDTV's Roys from market for 2 yrs, says step down

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, JUNE 14

THE SECURITIES and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) Friday banned New Delhi Television Ltd (NDTV) Ltd Chairman Prannoy Roy and Managing Director Radhika Roy from the securities market for two years and restrained them from holding any key managerial personnel or directorship in the company for two years.

In an order, Sebi said they failed "to conform to the fair and transparent principles of trades in the securities market" in a case relating to transfer of NDTV shares. The Roys, who were the promoters and majority shareholders in NDTV, will have to step down following the order which comes into force with immediate effect.

"The way loan agreements have been used to deceitfully transfers shares of NDTV up to 30 per cent to Vishvapradhan Commercial Private Limited (VCPL) without the knowledge of NDTV board or its shareholders, it can be held that the acts of the noticees (Prannoy Roy, Radhika Roy and their firm RRPR Holdings Pvt Ltd) are in stark violation of Regulation 4(1) of PFUTP Regulations, being unfair trade practices," the order said. In a statement Friday evening, Radhika and Prannoy Roy said the SEBI order was

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KARNATAKA: TWO MLAS INDUCTED IN HD KUMARASWAMY'S CABINET

This is the second Cabinet expansion since the two parties stitched up an alliance to form the government after a fractured mandate in the Legislative Assembly election held last year. A R Shankar and H Nagesh were sworn in as Cabinet-rank ministers by Governor Vajubhai Vala

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WEST BENGAL DOCTORS' STRIKE

IMA launches 3-day nationwide protest, calls for strike on June 17

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Doctors' strike in West Bengal fueling political row

Detailing why the healthcare logjam in West Bengal was waiting to happen and how the hospital protests have stirred the BJP vs TMC fight

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Modi

country specially the developing ones can be taken care of," he said.

His remarks come days after US President Donald Trump terminated India's benefits under the Generalised System of Preferences (GSP) scheme and amid a raging trade war between the US and China.

With Chinese President Xi Jinping looking on, Modi said that India is committed to making a favourable environment for economic cooperation between SCO member countries. After meeting with Modi earlier, Xi had said that India and China should uphold free trade, and multilateralism.

The Bishkek declaration adopted by the SCO countries, which included India and China, said that the situation in global politics and economy remains "turbulent and tense", and the process of economic globalisation is being "hindered" by the growing unilateral protectionist policies and other challenges in international trade.

The SCO leaders stress on the importance of further improving the architecture of global economic governance, and deepening cooperation to build a transparent, predictable and stable environment for the development of trade, economic and investment cooperation through the consistent strengthening of

the multilateral trading system based on the rules and regulations of the WTO, and through opposition to the fragmentation of global trade and trade protectionism in all its forms, it said.

"They believe that unilateral protectionist actions in violation of WTO rules and regulations undermine the multilateral trade system and threaten the world economy and trade," it said. The member states also stressed on the importance of further deepening cooperation in order to bring forth an open world economy, consistently strengthen an open, inclusive, transparent, non-discriminatory and rule-based multilateral trading system, maintain the authority and effectiveness of WTO rules, and to prevent any unilateral protectionist actions in international and regional trade.

Bengali card

Parganas district. Alleging that the BJP was responsible for spreading violence in West Bengal, the Chief Minister said there was no place for hooliganism here.

"I will not tolerate criminals who stay in Bengal and roam around on bikes. Police will take action against them. If non-Bengalis continue to target Bengali-speaking people, then will people of Bengal keep quiet? We don't want to drive out people from here

like Biharis were driven out from Maharashtra and Gujarat. But how long will they tolerate if you live in Bengal and scare Bengal? I will not tolerate this," she said.

"The BJP is targeting Bengalis and minorities. They are trying to create an atmosphere of communal tension by spreading the venom of religious fundamentalism. They are instigating post-poll violence in the state. They were trying to create differences between Rajbongshis and Bengalis, Gorkhas and Bengalis and were also instigating Biharis and people from UP who live in the state," she said.

Lines drawn

Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. In the biggest state-run hospital, politics has drawn a sharp and clear dividing line. While junior doctors, interns, nurses and even hospital staff vent their anger at the ruling party and Banerjee, most patients and their relatives back the CM but their support is laced with another anger too: anger that Banerjee has failed to find a solution to the impasse. And that her words don't seem to matter much.

For, it was here yesterday that Banerjee walked in and gave an ultimatum of a "few hours" to protesting doctors. That came and went but other than Emergency and some in-house patient services, almost everything else, including OPDs, remain shut.

This is the state's showpiece hospital — it houses the Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (IPG-MER), has a sanctioned bed strength of 1775, several departments, OPDs, special clinics, organ transplant facilities. There are 150 undergraduate MBBS seats, apart from Doctor of Medicine and Master of Surgery graduates.

"I have been here since 6 am. It's already 1 pm and no doctor is available to treat my son. I stand with the Chief Minister because she has told doctors to get back to work but the fact is no one is listening to her," says Rehman's mother Morjeena Bibi.

Unlike Morjeena, Rupala Banerjee is one of the few lucky people who's got a bed for her elderly mother suffering from Hepatitis B. But she is waiting for the doctor as well. "The treatment hasn't even begun. We can't discharge her because then where do we take her? The attack on doctors is not acceptable but have you seen how they talk to patients? I am not taking anyone's side, I support Mamata Banerjee. She will not tolerate such nonsense in a hospital. Whoever attacked doctors that day should be in jail but all those who are dying now — what about them?" Rupala said.

"My son Shiv Shankar is two and has a severe ear pain," says Lipika Ghosh. "I was told OPD was shut and I should go to Emergency. Mamata Didi has always been like this since the days of Nandigram and Singur. But she wasn't the CM then, I think she should do something soon to end this too."

Over two dozen policemen guard Emergency which is one of the entry points to the hospital. Not more than one relative of a patient is allowed in. If the CM has support here, it evaporates as you walk across to the Academic block where all want to speak but few want to be identified.

"She claimed she called students of Nirlatan Sircar Medical College Hospital (where a patient died and doctors were beaten up) and they refused to speak to her. She was the one who didn't talk to Narendra Modi during the cyclone. How will she justify that? She should have gone to NRS and spoken to them. She threatened us like her party is doing throughout Bengal since the panchayat polls and then during the Lok Sabha polls. We are not blind," said an intern.

Mamata calls doctors for talks

sparked the protests, after the crisis deepened and hundreds of senior doctors of different medical colleges and hospitals submitted resignations en masse to the health department.

The standoff snowballed with doctors in several states starting protests in a show of solidarity and the Indian Medical Association calling a nationwide strike on June 17. Earlier in the day, the Calcutta High Court directed the government to apologise it of the steps taken following the attack on junior doctors at the NRSMCH.

Union Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan too wrote to Mamata Banerjee, advising "better communication and a compassionate approach".

"It is a matter of concern that the agitation by doctors in West

Bengal is not heading towards resolution, but seems to be getting aggravated. Better communication with doctors and a compassionate approach to take care of the genuine problems being faced by them in day-to-day functioning would definitely be helpful in tiding over the crisis which has been created," he said in his letter.

He later tweeted, calling for stringent punishment to those who attack doctors: "Heinous repeated attacks on doctors across India esp W Bengal have led to this situation. Govt must pass a Law to make any attack on Docs a non-bailable offence with min 12 yr jail. Draconian Clinical Establishment Act that treats Docs as criminals must be withdrawn."

In the evening, state

Governor Keshari Nath Tripathi visited the injured doctor Paribaha Mukherjee — he was attacked on June 10 by the family of a patient who died — at the Institute of Neurosciences Kolkata (INK). Tripathi later told reporters: "I have tried to contact the CM, I have called her. Till this moment, there is no response from her. If she calls, we will discuss the matter."

Earlier, as filmmaker Aparna Sen and other leading figures joined the protesting doctors to extend solidarity and urged the Chief Minister to "come once, listen to their grievance with patience", Banerjee continued to talk tough. "Outsiders are instigating the doctors. I had rightly said that they were involved in yesterday's protest. I had seen some outsiders raising slogans

(at SSKM Hospital). I am not saying all were outsiders. There were insiders and outsiders as well," she told a public meeting in Kanchrapara, North 24 Parganas.

But her party leader and Bidhannagar mayor Sabyasachi Dutta came out in support of the protesters and said a dialogue alone could resolve the issue.

"A lot of private hospital doctors have joined the protest. There is nothing wrong in apologising before our students. If they ask me, I will bow down and apologise. I believe there is need for dialogue as early as possible. Yesterday Minister Firhad Hakim's daughter came out in support, today Kakoli Ghosh Dasidara's son has supported the doctors. There is serious need to resolve the issue," Dutta said.

Sebi imposes 2-year ban on NDTV's Roys

based on "an incorrect assessment and is a highly unusual and perverse direction". "The SEBI order delves into and presents conclusions on issues that were not raised in the show cause notice," said the statement. They will take urgent legal action within the next few days, it said.

The market regulator banned Prannoy Roy, Radhika Roy and RRPR Holdings from accessing the securities market and prohibited them from buying, selling or otherwise dealing in securities, directly or indirectly, for two years. It also said the existing holding, including units of mutual funds, of the noticees will remain frozen during the period of restraint. Sebi also restrained them from holding the position of Director or any key managerial personnel in any other listed company for one year.

In June 2018, Sebi had ordered Vishvapradhan Commercial Pvt Ltd (VCPL), a little-known company with links to some corporate houses to make an open offer to NDTV shareholders after the capital markets regulator determined that VCPL had indirectly ac-

quired a majority control in the media company nine years ago.

According to Sebi, the noticees entered into three loan agreements, one with ICICI and two with VCPL. "These loan agreements contained material and price sensitive information on many important matters pertaining to NDTV subject to prior written consent of the ostensible lender and without the knowledge of the minority shareholders of NDTV," the order said. Further, under agreements with VCPL and the two call option agreements executed as supplementary to the said loan agreements, beneficial interest in 30 per cent shares of NDTV was effectively vested in VCPL.

All this information was profoundly material and price sensitive which would have influenced the investment decision of the investors in the shares of NDTV, had they been made aware of this information at that time, the order said. "Terms of the loan agreements were devised to affect the interest of shareholders of NDTV. Although various clauses in the loan agreements deceitfully created binding obligations on NDTV,

noticees have consented to such clauses behind the back of the shareholders of NDTV to further their own private interests," said the order signed by Sebi Whole Time Member SK Mohanty.

"Having held the dominant position and being majority shareholders of NDTV, noticees have manifestly assured VCPL to ensure swift compliance of such clauses of the loan agreements pertaining to NDTV, thereby taking all other shareholders for granted and also compromising the interest of shareholders of NDTV," Sebi said. To conceal the said information from investors so that they continue to trade in NDTV shares blissfully ignorant of the fact that the promoters of the company have already vested their voting rights to the extent of 30 per cent in favour of a third external party, Notice No. 2 and 3 (Prannoy Roy and Radhika Roy) have chosen to act in flagrant breach of code of conduct of NDTV, the regulator said.

Prannoy Roy, Radhika Roy and RRPR Holdings contended that "they have been erroneously accused of having failed to disclose the loan agreements to NDTV, the company of which they are promoters." According

to them all references to provisions relating to disclosures are flowing from the provisions of the Listing Agreement, which did not bind the promoters but the company. Therefore, there was no requirement for promoters of NDTV to make disclosure under the Listing Agreement or even otherwise, about the loan agreements executed by the promoters of NDTV in their personal capacity," the order said.

However, Sebi said if the information regarding loan agreements was disclosed by the Roys to the NDTV board, the company was bound to intimate the same to the stock exchanges which in turn, would have disseminated it on their websites for information of general public.

"The loan agreements were unmistakably structured as a scheme to defraud the investors by camouflaging the information about the adversarial terms and conditions impinging upon the interest of NDTV's shareholders, thereby inducing innocent investors to continue to trade in the shares of NDTV oblivious to such adversarial developments in the shareholding of NDTV," the order said.

Said another intern: "When she came here, she saw an intern with a placard, she said you are students, behave like one. If you cross the limit, you will not be given internship completion certificate...how can you just talk to protestors like that? In the OPD, two of us have to attend to more than 200 patients per day. How much time can we give to each? We understand the suffering of the patients but the Chief Minister is to blame, not us. What if I lose my life in one of these attacks?"

Senior doctors and professors join the chorus: the CM should reach out.

"Although I am working in Emergency since she (Banerjee) asked us to, we fully support the students and junior doctors. Our CM is wrong in the way she handled this. Students are not her political opponents...Everyone feels that her grip on the government is slipping," says a senior doctor.

"We have never seen such a situation before. Earlier, when there were strikes, even during the Left regime, the hospital Super (Superintendent) used to handle it, the Health Minister would amicably settle the situation. But she has made it like a war with doctors. A war we do not want but a war we will fight if thrust upon us," said another senior doctor.

Late at night, a large posse of police personnel stand vigil. The Emergency is open, relatives of patients pack the four waiting halls. Those awake outside are

mostly ambulance drivers.

Like Subodh Das, a resident of south Kolkata. "I have been driving the hospital ambulance since 1999 and I have never seen such an impasse. For the past two days, I have no customer. I think our Chief Minister could have resolved it quickly by just talking to the young men and women doctors. She allowed the BJP to rise and now she should be careful. Just last month, the BJP won so many seats that many people are not scared of Trinamool as they used to be."

Food laws

two categories: Priority One — drugs, petroleum/petroleum products, and fertilizers; and Priority Two — foodstuffs and seeds of agricultural produce. The first category would continue to witness some controls, the second should be "decontrolled" with a caveat that controls "may" be imposed in "exceptional circumstances" like war, severe natural calamities or steep fall in production (over 10 per cent dip in a year) or sharp rise in prices (100 per cent or more over previous year).

Additionally, the proposal seeks the opinion of the Governing Council to do away with the imprisonment provision and instead adopt punishments inclined towards monetary penalties for any contravention.

The proposal holds significance given that the EC Act arms

the government with powers to impose stock limits and movement restrictions on agricultural commodities. This has come to be seen as a reminder of old licence-permit raj era that creates uncertainty for investors and stands in the way of the much-required private capital infusion into the agricultural sector.

Though the Removal of Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions on Specified Foodstuffs Order in 2016 had eased restrictions, the possibility of re-imposing restrictions hangs in the mind of those considering to make investments in the sector.

"...since they are part of ECA, the possibility of re-imposing restrictions cannot be ruled out if the circumstances warrant. Non-compliance of the same invites stringent punishment including imprisonments which deters large scale investments in the sector. This situation needs to be corrected paving the way for greater market forces to ensure supply of essential commodities to the public," reads the proposal.

It underlines that "restrictive and deterring nature of the ECA and its related statutes" have ensured that the sector hasn't witnessed any massive investment despite 100 per cent FDI allowed.

When contacted, Ramesh Chand, Member, NITI Aayog, said: "If agriculture has to move to next stage of development, it has to be

provided new kind of environment. You can't go with business as usual. That requires big investment in agriculture — production as well as processing. Who will make those investment?"

He added: "It has to be the private corporate sector. Right now share of corporate private investment in total investment in agriculture is 2.4 per cent. This is nothing. If you look at the share of agriculture in total investments by private corporate sector in India, it is only 0.4 per cent while agriculture contributes 15 per cent in GDP. They say that unless you create enabling environment, we will not. This is my big worry," Chand told The Indian Express.

Also on the table is the model Agricultural Produce and Livestock Marketing (Promotion and Facilitation) Act as well as a separate model Agricultural Produce & Livestock Contract Farming and Services (Promotion & Facilitation) Act that seeks not only to modernise legislation designed at the height of food scarcity but also provides a separate legal framework for contract farming to attract private sector investment.

"A wrong impression has been created about this APML and contract farming act. That the power of existing APMC will goor the business of those existing players will come down. This is totally misplaced. In most of the states, not more than one third of the produce comes to the APMC

mandis. It just sells informally outside the APMC. I feel that when we formalise and monetise the entire production, there will be enough business for existing player in the APMC and new players," Chand said.

Pakistan

leaders' lounge Friday far from the prying eyes of the cameras.

Pakistan Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi summed it up. Asked how much time the two Prime Ministers spent with each other, he told *The Indian Express*, "I didn't have a stopwatch."

Qureshi was the first official to confirm that the leaders met saying, "They exchanged pleasantries and shook hands." He also told Pakistani media that Khan congratulated Modi on his election victory.

Separately, the Indian government sources, too, said Modi "exchanged usual pleasantries with Pakistan PM Imran Khan in the leaders' lounge". But they were also emphatic that there was "no meeting, no pull aside".

And when Modi met Chinese President Xi Jinping Thursday, he told him that he has made efforts to initiate peace with Pakistan, but that his efforts have been "derailed".

Modi, who met Xi for a bilateral meeting, also said Pakistan needs to create an atmosphere "free of terrorism", but at this stage, Delhi has not seen that from Islamabad's side.

Earlier, though Islamabad gave overflight clearance, Modi chose to not fly over Pakistan's airspace on his way to Bishkek in a bid to make a point over Pakistan's airspace closure.

Incidentally, while Modi stayed at the Orion Hotel in central Bishkek, all other SCO leaders, including Khan stayed at the Al Archa Presidential Palace of the Kyrgyz President Sooronbay Jeenbekov. It meant Modi and Khan stayed at least 30 km away from each other.

That the Prime Minister was keeping away from Khan was evident at a round table dinner of eight leaders at the famous Frunze restaurant Thursday evening. Then, separated by at least two leaders and almost facing each other, Modi and Khan exchanged no pleasantries.

"Koi dua-salaam nahin hua (there was no exchange of pleasantries)," a source had told *The Indian Express*, after the dinner. They didn't speak at a gala concert at the Kyrgyz National Philharmonic either.

Even in the group photograph Friday morning at the Presidential Palace, the two leaders stood separated by four leaders in between, including Xi and Russian President Vladimir Putin.

The cold shoulder, by then, was loud and clear.

At the extended plenary session with Khan listening in, Modi said that countries responsible for aiding, supporting and funding should be held accountable.

In response, Khan too seized the opportunity to condemn "State-terrorism against people under illegal occupation", alluding to Jammu and Kashmir.

This was, in a way, violated the common understanding that members countries will not drag bilateral issues in the SCO platform. Madhumita Hazarika Bhagat, joint secretary, SCO, in the Ministry of External Affairs, said, "We have spoken together on terrorism. It is a strong statement and is a consensus statement."

Modi also said that HEALTH is a good template for cooperation with SCO, and de-abbreviated -H for Healthcare cooperation, E for Economic cooperation, A for Alternate energy, L for Literature and culture, T for Terrorism free society and H for Humanitarian cooperation.

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DOCTORS SAY STRIKE WILL CONTINUE TILL DEMANDS OF COLLEAGUES MET

Delhi hospitals feel West Bengal violence heat

ASTHA SAXENA
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

DOCTORS FROM government and private hospitals in Delhi are up in arms against the recent attack on two junior doctors in West Bengal, and have threatened to intensify the stir if demands of their colleagues in West Bengal are not met. Doctors in West Bengal have demanded Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's unconditional apology, and set six conditions for the state government before they withdraw their protest.

In Delhi, resident doctors from 14 government hospitals have announced a complete shutdown of OPD and OT services Saturday. On Friday, doctors from AIIMS, Safdarjung, Lok Nayak and GTB hospitals, along with several private hospitals, went on a day's strike, leaving healthcare services crippled.

"The government should ensure safety of doctors across the country. If needed, CRPF should be deployed. We will support our fellow doctors in West Bengal. If needed, the protest will be intensified in the coming days," said Dr Sumedh Sandanshiv, president of Federation of Resident Doctors' Association (FORDA), an umbrella body of resident doctors.

The Indian Medical Association (IMA) has also launched a three-day nationwide protest and will wear black



During the protest by resident doctors at AIIMS, Friday. Abhinav Saha

badges and carry out peace marches over the weekend. All non-essential services, including OPDs, will be withdrawn for 24 hours from 6 am Monday. "We have been demanding a central law against hospital violence. Safety and security in hospitals needs to be addressed with utmost priority," said RV Asokan, secretary general of IMA.

The IMA has also written to Union Home Minister Amit Shah demanding enactment of a central law to check violence against healthcare workers in hospitals. IMA said the law should have a provision for a minimum seven-

year jail term for violators. AIIMS Director Dr Randeep Guleria also backed stringent laws. "What has happened in West Bengal and what is happening in the country in terms of violence against doctors is unacceptable. We should stand up against it and there is a need to develop a strategy. At the same time, we should also look at the responsibility towards patients and be helpful. One must strike a balance — there is a need to have strict laws and people responsible for such activities should be behind bars," he said.

On Friday, resident doctors at

AIIMS wore bandages on their face and body as they gathered at Jawaharlal Nehru auditorium and spoke about increasing cases of violence against doctors. "The government needs to step in and take control of the situation in West Bengal. If the situation remains the same, we will continue with the strike. We are not going to resume work till 9 am tomorrow," said Dr Amarinder Singh Malhi, president of Resident Doctors' Association of AIIMS.

The RDA also met the Union Health Minister requesting him to intervene.

A FAMILIAR PATTERN

JAN 2019: A resident doctor at Safdarjung Hospital was manhandled, allegedly by a Delhi Police head constable's son, who had come to the hospital for treatment. Around 1,500 doctors from the hospital went on strike, demanding better security. Case under IPC sections 353/332/186/32 registered; constable transferred

APRIL 2018: Resident doctors at AIIMS went on a three-day strike after a senior doctor allegedly slapped one of their colleagues in front of patients and other staff. The senior doctor, who heads a department at the premier institute, then tendered a written apology for assaulting the resident doctor and proceeded on leave

MARCH 2018: Two doctors at Lok Nayak Hospital were beaten up allegedly by the family of a patient who came for treatment of gallbladder stones. Three people were sent to judicial custody under a non-bailable offence. Doctors were promised deployment of



50 marshals and 150 homeguards at the hospital

APRIL 2017: More than 2,500 resident doctors from 12 government hospitals went on strike after a doctor and a guard were assaulted and abused allegedly by the attendants of a patient at Deen Dayal Upadhyay hospital

FEB 2017: Resident doctors at two government hospitals were physically assaulted, allegedly by a patient and her attendant, after which FORDA had announced an indefinite state-wide strike demanding better security. It was cancelled after FORDA received assurance from the principal health secretary that their demands were being looked into

Patients from far off say caught off guard

ASTHA SAXENA
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

THE DAY-LONG strike by doctors at AIIMS, Safdarjung, Lok Nayak and GTB hospitals Friday, as a mark of protest against attacks on doctors in West Bengal, left hundreds of patients in the lurch, as out-patient department (OPD) services and routine surgeries were suspended. Emergency services, however, were not hit.

Naresh Kumar, a Bareilly resident who came to AIIMS with his wife, said: "We reached the campus at 5 am today, considering the queue for OPD registration is always long. But we were informed that no new patients will be registered due to the strike. Doctors attend to patients thrice a week: now we will have to wait till Monday." Diagnosed with high blood pressure, his wife has been referred to AIIMS for further treatment.

Hundreds of routine surgeries at top hospitals were cancelled due to the ongoing protest.

Sitting outside GTB hospital with her four-year-old daughter was Lalita. The mother-daughter duo were referred to the emer-

gency ward since OPD services were not operational.

"Doctors have asked us to come back on Monday. They have prescribed a medicine for the time being," she said while stepping out of the hospital's gate.

Meanwhile, faculty members stepped up to conduct emergency surgeries and attend to critical patients. At Delhi government's Lok Nayak Hospital, only 2,000 patients were treated Friday, while the hospital sees around 7,000 patients on a daily basis.

"We could treat around 2,000 patients only since OPD services were completely shut. Only emergency cases were taken up by senior faculty members," said Dr Kishore Singh, medical director of Lok Nayak Hospital.

The Resident Doctors' Association of Maulana Azad Medical College (MAMC) had also decided to join the protest late Thursday night.

Mukesh, an auto driver diagnosed with a brain tumour, said: "We waited for two months to get an appointment, now I have to go through the entire process again."

(With inputs from Saumya Rastogi and Ritupar Pathy)

Gurgaon SHO beaten up during liquor raid

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

A GROUP of men allegedly involved in illegal sale of liquor from a house in Gurgaon's Nathupur attacked a police team that raided the premises Thursday night. The men allegedly broke a beer bottle on the head of the DLF Phase-III police station SHO Inspector Ram Kumar, who was leading the raid, and injured other personnel. Police said the incident took

place around 10.30 pm Thursday after police received a tip-off. The group managed to flee the spot in the confusion that ensued and are yet to be arrested. The alleged altercation was captured on video.

"The injured personnel were rushed to hospital, where they were treated... A case has been registered against two people, Ankit and Pawan, and five-six unnamed people. Raids are being conducted to nab them," said Gurgaon Police PRO Subhash Boken.

Follow last year's criteria for admissions, extend registration deadline, HC tells Delhi University

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

THE DELHI High Court Friday allowed students to apply to Delhi University's UG courses based on last year's eligibility criteria. The court was hearing three pleas against the university's changes to admission norms, on the day DU was supposed to finish registration for its UG courses.

A bench of Justice Anu

Malhotra and Justice Talwant Singh asked the university to extend its registration till June 22. As of Friday night, 2.34 lakh students had signed up for various courses. The first cut-off was to be released on June 20.

"DU has been asked to notify changes in its criteria six months in advance," lawyer Charanpal Singh Bagri, who had filed a PIL challenging the new norms, told *The Indian Express*.

The bench observed that DU

could have announced the changes earlier. "There is no dispute that you have to be in tune with the times... No one is saying your decision (amendment) is not right, but your timing may not be right," it said.

The court said the eligibility criteria was meant for students who gave their Class XII board exams this year, and that DU only announced the changes a day before registration was to begin.

"Can you (DU) change it a day before? You could have given three months prior notice to students," it said.

The petitioners have alleged that the changed eligibility criteria of various courses, including BCom (Hons) and BA (Hons) in Economics, was "illegal" and violative of Article 14 of the Constitution as it was done "arbitrarily, without any prior notice".

However, DU said the eligi-

bility criteria changes every year and that the Bulletin of Information was meant for only one particular academic year. They also said there was no need to give prior notice before making changes to it. DU's lawyers also told court that no student would be deprived of admission due to the new norms and that they could approach the court or the university's grievance committee if they felt aggrieved.

(With PTI inputs)

Fire at Karol Bagh hostel, 150 women rescued

New Delhi: A fire broke out in a hostel occupied by over 150 women in Karol Bagh late Friday. A fire official said a call was received at 11.15 pm and one fire tender was dispatched. A short-circuit is suspected to be behind the fire, said the official.

Eyewitness Ramesh Chopra (70), who lives next door, said: "My wife and I were home when we smelled something burning... we saw the fire and called the Delhi Fire Services and PCR". ENS

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GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH**
Chanakya Bhawan, 3rd Floor, Chanakypuri, New Delhi - 110021

TENDER NOTICE

Ref. No. F-57/HK/L0/2019/856 Dated: 07/06/2019

Sealed tenders are invited from reputed firms for providing housekeeping and maintenance services in Chhattisgarh Sadan, 8-12, Factory Road, Safdarjung, New Delhi and providing manpower for offices located at Chanakya Bhawan, Chhattisgarh Bhawan and Chhattisgarh Sadan, New Delhi. The tender documents may be obtained from 3rd Floor, Chanakya Bhawan, Chanakypuri, New Delhi-110021 on payment of Rs. 2,000/- (non-refundable) in cash on or before 29.06.2019 between 11.00 AM to 05.00 PM on all Working days. Tender documents can be downloaded from www.rcchhattisgarh.gov.in. Last date of receipt of tender is 01.07.2019 upto 02.30 PM.

Sd/-
Resident Commissioner
Chhattisgarh Bhawan

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Superintending Engineer Rampur Circle, P.W.D Rampur
Letter No. 1980E-Tender/19-20 Dated: 11-6-2019

(Short Term E-Tender)

1. The Superintending Engineer Rampur Circle, U.P. P.W.D. Rampur on behalf of Governor of Uttar Pradesh invites the percentage rate bids on or before the eligible and approved Contractors registered with UP PWD, class A & B (For Bridge works). The Bidder may submit bids for any or all of the works. Bidders are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 4 of the Instructions to Bidders to qualify for the award of the contract.

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2. The Rate adopted in the BOQ all Other taxes but excluding GST Taxes.
3. Bids must be accompanied with the copy of UTR (Unique Transaction Receipt) bid security (EMD) and tender cost of the amount specified for the work in the table. Bid security and Tender Cost should be deposited online only by Net Banking in A/C No. 37455743456 (IFSC Code :- SBIN0006144). Bids must be published/download online 10.00 AM on date 21.06.2019 and submitted online on or before 5.00 PM on dated 28.06.2019 and the technical bids will be opened online date 29.06.2019 at 12.30 PM and Financial bids of the qualified bidders will be opened on date & time as notified. According to the provisions of Government Order No. 1/2018/3070/78-2-2018/42 17/2017 (22) Date 03-01-2018 after opening of the technical and financial bids, the bidder has to submit original documents personally in department/ office. In the event of non submission of original documents by the bidder, the appropriate action will be taken in accordance with the provisions of G.O. All terms & conditions can be seen on website <http://tender.up.nic.in>

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CORRIGENDUM-II NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
NIT No: 450/PHDP/ONG-313 dated: 26.02.2019

Name of Office: Chief Engineer/System Operation, Planning & Design (Power Plant) Dte. BBMB (PW), Flat No. 75, SLDC Complex, BBMB, Industrial Area, Phase-I, Chandigarh, Tel-Fax: 0172-2637035.

Name of Work: Design, Manufacture, Factory Test/Inspection, Supply, Erection, Testing, Commissioning and handing over of 6 sets of latest Digital Microprocessor based Static Excitation Equipment with excitation transformers at Pong Power House, BBMB, Talwara.

Tender documents Download Start Date & Time	28/02/2019 from 1000 hrs.
Late Date/Time of uploading complete Pre-qualifying document	30/06/2019 upto 1700 hrs.
Tender documents Download End Date & Time	15/07/2019 upto 1700 hrs.
Start date & time of online bid submission	28/02/2019 from 1000 hrs.
Last date & time of online bid submission (Part-I & II)	29/07/2019 upto 1700 hrs.
Date & time of online bid opening (Part-I)	30/07/2019 from 1130 hrs. onwards

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Tender No.: JHS/ELGW/T-06/2019-20. Completion period: 06 months; Closing date of tender: 08.07.2019 (upto 15.00 Hrs.). * Tenderer will submit the tender online upto 08.07.2019 (upto 15.00 Hrs.). Complete details & for submission of tenders can be seen in Indian Railway website <http://www.reps.gov.in>.

799/19 FA

Tender No.: JHSW-M&P-19-6 E-Tender Notice Date: 07.06.2019
Name of Work: Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract of Roller Bearing Cleaning Plant (Make- Ultramax Hydrojet Pvt Ltd) Plant no. 985 for Five years at NTWS Wagon Repair Workshop, Jhansi.

Description of work	Tender No.	Approx Cost (₹)	Earnest Money (₹)
Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract of Roller Bearing Cleaning Plant (Make- Ultramax Hydrojet Pvt Ltd) Plant no. 985 for Five years at NTWS Wagon Repair Workshop, Jhansi.	JHSW-M&P-19-6	38,94,000/- (Thirty Eight Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Only)	77,900/- (Seventy Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Only)

5. Cost of Tender Form: ₹ 3,150/- (3,000 + 150/- tax). 6. Completion Period: 5 Years; 7. Date of closing: 16.07.2019 at 15.00 Hrs. 1. Tender will be closed at 15.00 hrs. on 16.07.2019 and is available on Indian Railway E-Tendering website www.reps.gov.in. 2. For detailed information please visit Indian Railway E-Tendering website www.reps.gov.in.

787/19 FA

Tender No.: JHS W-M&P-19-3 E-Tender Notice Date: 07.06.2019
Name of Work: Comprehensive AMC of Laser engraving machine (Make-Yugma, model No. KT-LF30) Plant No. 1756 of Workshop / Jhansi for Five years at NTWS Wagon Repair Workshop, Jhansi through open tender.

Description of work	Tender No.	Approx Cost	Earnest Money	Cost of Tender form
Comprehensive AMC of Laser engraving machine (Make- Yugma, model No. KT-LF30) Plant No. 1756 of Workshop / Jhansi for Five years at NTWS Wagon Repair Workshop, Jhansi through open tender.	JHSW-M&P-19-3	₹ 3,12,778/- (Three Lakh Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Eight Only)	₹ 6,300/- (Six Thousand Three Hundred Only)	₹ 1,050/- (₹ 1,000+ 50 tax)

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Name of work-	Housekeeping and operation of field hostel & officer transit camp at Maneri Dam Colony, Maneri, Uttarakashi.	Annual Sweeping and Cleaning Work of DGM(CM-BV) office and Maneri Dam Colony, at Maneri Uttarakashi.
Estimated Cost	Rs 19,37,128.00 (Excluding GST)	Rs 19,57,619.00 (Excluding GST)
Earnest Money Deposit	Rs 48,000.00	Rs 50,000.00
Tender Fee	Rs 1,180.00 (including GST)	Rs 1,180.00 (including GST)
Date of availability of bid document on website	14-06-2019 From 10:00 hrs	14-06-2019 From 10:00 hrs
Last date of submission of Tender	06-07-2019 Up to 14:00 hrs	06-07-2019 Up to 14:00 hrs
Date of opening of Tender	10-07-2019 At 11:00 hrs.	10-07-2019 At 11:30 hrs

For fuller & further details kindly visit our website. The Tender documents can be downloaded from Nigam's website "www.ujvn.com"
Letter No. 279 Dated 13.06.2019
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No. MPSP/SS/PO/Science Center/2019-20/1833

E-Tender Notice

E-Tender No.: MPSP/SS/PO/Science Center/2019-20

MAHARASHTRA Prathamik Shikshan Parishad invites proposals from reputed and experienced manufacturers/ dealers/companies to participate in online competitive bidding process of e-Tender "For Set-up of Innovative Science Centres in selected Local Body Elementary Schools of Maharashtra state."

For complete and detailed Tender documents and information, please log on to www.mahatenders.gov.in. Interested bidders are requested to register themselves by visiting the above mentioned web site in order to participate in the e-Tender process.

State Project Director, Maharashtra Prathamik Shikshan Parishad reserves the rights to accept or reject any or all offers in full/part without assigning any reasons whatsoever.

Sd/-
(Vandana Krishna, IAS)
State Project Director,
MPSP, Mumbai.

DGIPR 2019-2020/681

Journalists shot at: Two detained

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

DELHI POLICE has apprehended two men days after they allegedly fired at an office cab ferrying two ABP journalists on the Barapullah flyover.

The detention was made by officers at Lodhi Colony police station Friday evening and the two men have been identified by the two journalists and the car driver, an officer said.

The incident took place around 1.30 am Sunday when a reporter and cameraman were on their way from their Noida office to report on a murder case in Karol Bagh.

"The assailants approached their car on the flyover near Jangpura Metro station. What followed was a chase across the flyover as the men fired at the car and the journalists ducked for cover," a senior police officer said. A car-jacking attempt could be a possible motive, police said.

The detention was made after South district police found CCTV footage of the same as-

salants committing a robbery. Police identified and detained them from their houses after conducting raids Friday afternoon.

Police said the journalists and the driver were called and they identified the assailants.

Earlier, Siddharth Purohit (26), the reporter, had told *The Indian Express*, "I was sitting behind and my colleague was in the passenger seat. Just before the Pragati Maidan cut on the flyover, I saw two men on a motorcycle outside the window towards my right, waving a gun at me as a signal to pull over."

Purohit said the assailants did not conceal their faces. The driver of the motorcycle was holding a gun in his left hand. "Our driver started slowing down because he did not see the gun. He thought the motorists were asking for directions. We asked him to speed up and that's when they fired three shots at us," Purohit added.

Two bullets hit the driver's side — one hit the door and the other shattered his window — Purohit said, adding that the third one missed them.

Great mimic, lone voice: Artistes remember Karnad

EKTAA MALIK
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

THE TRIVENI Kala Sangam auditorium had standing room Friday as the Delhi theatre and literary world gathered to pay respects to the late playwright Girish Karnad, who died in Bengaluru June 10. The meeting was organised by Raj Kamal Prakashan, which has published many of Karnad's writings in Hindi.

Bharat Karnad, national security expert and Girish's nephew, recalled growing up in a house not too far away from his uncle's house in Dharwad.

"I remember him as a great mimic — perhaps that is where his acting was rooted. I remember watching *Moby Dick* with him and he came home and mimicked Captain Ahab. When I went to study abroad and read *Moby Dick* again, I could only imagine Girish as Captain Ahab," said Bharat.

Girish's fearlessness in the face of intolerance was a recurring theme. "I am remembering not a playwright, writer or direc-



He died in Bengaluru on June 10

tor, but a lone voice who always spoke in the face of oppression. During the Emergency, when many chose to stay silent, he resigned from FTII in protest," said theatre artiste Arvind Gaur.

Former NSD director Devendra Raj Ankur, writer Tripurari Sharma and the atrepreneur M K Raina also recalled interactions with the stalwart. Documentary filmmaker Anwar Jamal recalled how he came close to making a film on Karnad. "He asked me where would it start from. I answered that it would unfold from a fight he and Satyadev Dubey would have at Shyam Benegal's house, and they would be thrown out for creating a ruckus by Shyamji's wife. The fighting duo would return after an hour, drunk out of their wits," said Jamal.

Will act if claims of tree felling at Rajokri are true, says forest official

SHIVAM PATEL
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

THE PRINCIPAL Chief Conservator of Forests Friday told *The Indian Express* he would act against the eco-task force (ETF) if allegations that they felled trees during plantation of saplings in South Delhi's Rajokri Forest are found true.

On Thursday, activist-lawyer Sonya Ghosh wrote to the Forest Department, claiming that fully grown trees were removed by the ETF a day earlier. A visit to the site Friday showed thick branches being used as poles for tying barbed wire fences, and trees and shrubs buried under mud and disposed behind a wall demarcating the forest.

Ishwar Singh, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, said it appears the trees have been felled, but added he will visit the spot to verify this. "We will ensure the existing flora is not damaged and will act against the task force officials if required. Existing flora will remain intact, particularly in-

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E.
How a tree is defined

THE DELHI Preservation of Trees Act 1994 defines a tree as any woody plant not less than 5 cm in diameter and not less than 1 m in height. It directs that prior permission should be taken from a tree officer before felling of a tree.

digenous flora," he said.

An ETF officer at the site said a JCB machine was used to clear land to plant saplings, and some medium-sized tree bushes were in its way and had to be removed.

Singh said the machine was used as the forest ground is rocky, which makes manual digging difficult. "We are using a JCB ma-



At Rajokri Forest, Friday

chine to get things expedited, but every effort will be made to avoid damage to indigenous flora by the machine," he said.

He also said land where work is being carried out was demarcated by the revenue department around three months ago and given to his department for plantation of saplings.

He said in around 15 years, the area would have a multi-layered forest with various fruit-bearing trees. The role of the ETF, comprising ex-Army men, is to carry out plantation and to protect the area from encroachment, he said.

Ghosh and some other resi-

dents at the site claimed the area was lush with trees before work began. "I've been visiting the forest since 2007 and it was thickly wooded. There was so much undergrowth; it was so thick you couldn't even pass through," Ghosh claimed. "It is also the natural habitat of several animals and birds. I don't know if they did an assessment before carrying out work here."

Vinod Dahiya, a member of the ETF, denied claims they had cut trees. He added that to promote tree growth, the force prunes branches, which they use as poles for fencing.

"Some of the locals are not happy with the work we do because we have removed their encroachments. The task of growing trees in a rocky terrain is immensely difficult and we work hard to do that," Dahiya said. "Some locals have cut trees for their own use in the past... There might be a possibility that some bushes came in the way of the JCB machine and had to be removed," he added.

Teen shot dead, juvenile apprehended

New Delhi: A 17-year-old boy died after he was shot in the head allegedly by a juvenile and his accomplice near his home in Outer Delhi. Police said the incident took

place at 11 pm Thursday, while his family was hosting a dinner ahead of his sister's wedding next week. The boy was rushed to a nearby hospital, where he succumbed to

the injury. "The juvenile has confessed. He said the victim used to beat up him and his friends often...," DCP (Outer North) Gaurav Sharma said. **ENS**

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6 GOVT & POLITICS



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WHAT'S COOKING?

On the eve of the fifth meeting of the Governing Council of NITI Aayog to be chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Kamal Nath had a dinner meeting with CMs of other Congress-ruled states. The move has sent many signals. The obvious intention, many said, was to coordinate the Congress's stance to be taken at the meeting. But it also has some other meanings. Rahul Gandhi is abroad and the leadership vacuum has forced the Congress chief ministers to take matter into their own hands as there is not direction coming from the AICC. Personally, Nath is also perhaps trying to emerge as a central force among the party's five chief ministers. It is another matter that both Ashok Gehlot and Amarinder Singh are multiple time chief ministers.

TAKING NO RISKS

WITH THE reputation of Home Minister Amit Shah being one having data on his fingertips, officials meeting him on even courtesy call are preparing hard before they appear before him. Chiefs of agencies and forces under the Home Ministry have been learning their success figures by rote before meeting the Home Minister. While some of them rattled off figures in the short meeting they had with them, others made sure they were not found wanting if the minister happened to ask a specific question.

WOMAN POWER

A YEAR after the National Commission For Women launched its "Digital Shakti" campaign along with Facebook and Cyber Peace Foundation, NCW chief Rekha Sharma has now rolled out the initiative in 11 states. The first-of-its-kind programme is targeted to reach 1 lakh women, to increase their digital literacy, raise awareness about cyber crimes and the many redressal mechanisms. Sharma appears to have taken a leaf out of the book of former WCD minister Maneka Gandhi, who had similarly worked with social media platforms and online marriage portals to clamp down on cyber stalking, bullying, and child pornography.

Support draft policy signed by all: NEP committee member

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

AJAWAHARLAL Nehru University professor who was part of the committee that drafted the 2018 National Education Policy said on Friday he supports the draft report signed by all members and submitted to the HRD Minister May 31, while adding that he was not in favour of imposing a language on anyone.

Mazhar Asif, Professor at the Centre for Persian and Central Asian Studies, told *The Indian Express* that he "favours" the draft recommendations "signed by all members", that had recommended the inclusion of a three-language formula for non-Hindi speaking states wherein, class 6 students could opt for a regional language, Hindi and English.

Asif is the third member to have to come out in support for the initial draft submitted May 31. The provision in question was included after detailed discussions and its removal undermines the spirit of the three-language formula, committee members KM Tripathy and Ram Shankar Kureel had first told *The Indian Express*.

Asif's remarks come in the backdrop of the draft report being revised by the Chairman of the committee, K Kasturirangan. The contentious paragraph was tweaked at the chairman's best.

Asif refused to comment on the changes. "The draft policy has been signed by all the members and was submitted to the government. And now our responsibility is over. Let the government decide on the matter. I don't want to make any comment on what the chairman has done. And I'm in favour of the recommendation that was given to government and signed by all the members," Asif told *The Indian Express*.

When asked if he communicated his objection in writing, Asif said, "that is an internal matter of the committee. And I will

Draft recommended inclusion of a three language formula for non-Hindi speaking states where class 6 students could opt for a regional language, Hindi and English

not comment on it."

Controversy had broken out over the draft policy when it was made public on May 31. Following protests by political parties, mainly in Tamil Nadu, on what they called the "imposition" of Hindi, the HRD Ministry had shared a revised document on its website, in the first week of June which dropped the recommendation.

The Centre now has to finalise on a revised draft.

"I support the three language formula. I am not in support for imposing any language on anybody. Everyone should be given an option to learn in his mother tongue," asserted Asif.

"What I suggest is that there must be also be a link language. There is a provision in the Constitution — supported by Mahatma Gandhi, Sardar Patel and Abdul Kalam Azad — that Hindi, written in Devanagiri script, would be official language of India. It is very unfortunate that after so many years, we still have not developed any link language, that can be extended throughout the country. Everyone country has one link language," he added.

"It is very unfortunate, that the five percent who know English, want to dominate," he said. The professor reiterated that the recommendation were not directed at imposing Hindi. "There is no way anyone can impose a language on anyone. If someone has to learn a particular one, it has to be voluntary. But there has to be a link language throughout the country," he reiterated.

As in Qingdao, India stays away from supporting BRI



EXPRESS IN BISHKEK

SHUBHAJIT ROY JUNE 14

INDIA ON Friday stayed away from supporting China's Belt and Road Initiative at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit's Bishkek declaration, in line with the template followed at the SCO summit in Qingdao last year.

"The Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Tajikistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan reaffirm their support for China's Belt and Road Initiative and praise the results of the Second Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation (Beijing, 26 April 2019). They note the ongoing work to implement this initiative together, including the efforts to align the Eurasian Economic Union projects with those under the Belt and Road Initiative," the Bishkek declaration, which was issued on Friday said.

It named every SCO member country except India. A similar formulation was adopted at the SCO summit in Qingdao.

The Bishkek declaration mentioned "cross-border" security threats in the context of terrorism.

India has always maintained that cross-border terrorism alludes



PM Narendra Modi at the delegation level meeting of the SCO Summit, in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, on Friday. PTI

to Pakistan-sponsored terrorism. Madhumita Hazarika Bhagat, joint secretary, SCO, in the Ministry of External Affairs, said, "We have spoken together on terrorism. It is a strong statement and is a consensus statement."

In the Qingdao declaration of 2018 as well, there was a mention of "cross-border movement of foreign terrorists and terrorist groups".

Condemning terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, the Bishkek declaration said that they call on the international community to promote global cooperation in combating terrorism with the central role of the UN by fully implementing corresponding UN Security Council resolutions and the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy in compliance with the UN Charter and the principles of international law "without politicisation and double standards" and with respect for the sovereignty and independence of all countries.

Pakistan has always maintained that listing proposals by India, including the listing of Jaish-e-Mohammed chief Masood Azhar as a global terrorist, amounts to "politicisation" of the UN listing regime.

After the Pulwama attack, Saudi Arabia and Pakistan had called for avoiding "politicisation" of the UN listing regime at a time when India was stepping up its efforts to get Azhar designated as a global terrorist.

The Bishkek declaration also said the countries believe that the 75th anniversary of Victory over Nazism, to be widely celebrated in 2020, will reaffirm its lasting significance and the current challenge to prevent new tragedies with mass casualties, as well as the need to actively counter attempts to revive the ideology of Nazism, to spread xenophobia and intolerance.

It also said the 14 member countries of SCO support Russia's initiatives to "adopt a joint statement of the leaders on the 75th



India sticks to its guns

INDIA HAS stuck to its guns at the SCO, despite being silent on the Belt and Road Forum in April this year. It has continued to register its opposition although other members remain supportive of Beijing's ambitious project. And on terrorism as well, it has kept up its approach on cross-border terrorism. In both instances, the template in Qingdao declaration has proven to be useful.

anniversary of Victory over Nazism at the next SCO Heads of State Council Meeting".

No meet with Rouhani

PM Narendra Modi could not hold a bilateral meeting with Iranian President Hassan Rouhani on the sidelines of the summit due to scheduling issues. According to a schedule put out by the External Affairs Ministry, Modi was to meet Rouhani at 3.35 pm (local time). As banquet for the SCO leaders got extended, the two leaders could not meet, sources said.

New system of approving research journals launched

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

IN ITS response to an investigation by *The Indian Express* on how India has emerged as one of the biggest markets for "predatory" and substandard journals, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has launched a Consortium of Academic and Research Ethics (CARE) to "identify, continuously monitor and maintain" UGC-CARE Reference List of Quality Journals across disciplines.

This new list of approved journals will be available at newly launched website <https://ugccare.unipune.ac.in>.

The UGC on Friday launched the new system on which it was working since the series was published in *The Indian Express* in July last year.

In a series of investigative reports, *The Indian Express* reported on how over 300 "predatory" publishers bring out journals that claim to be international and publish papers for a "charge" ranging from \$30-\$1,800 per piece.

UGC secretary Rajnish Jain has issued the notification in which there is a six-point advice to the academic society. He asked them to avoid publishing in predatory/dubious publications and not to consider any publication which comes out in a dubious journal. Vice Chancellors, selection committees, research supervisors and guides have been advised to ensure that their decision are primarily based on quality of research work and not merely on the number of publications.



Karnataka Governor Vajubhai Vala (centre), CM H D Kumaraswamy with newly inducted MLAs R Shankar (left) and H Nagesh (right) at the Raj Bhavan in Bengaluru. PTI

Cong-JD(S) looks to upset BJP gameplan, inducts Independents

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BENGALURU, JUNE 14

THE RULING Congress-JD(S) coalition in Karnataka took a desperate tactical step to prevent the toppling of the alliance government by the opposition BJP on Friday by inducting two Independent MLAs into the state Cabinet in order to prevent them from boosting BJP numbers.

One of the Independent MLAs, R Shankar, who extended support to the BJP in January after he was removed from the Cabinet, has now agreed to become a primary member of the Congress party. On Friday, he merged his one-man Karnataka Pragayavantha Janata Party with the Congress. The second Independent MLA sworn in as Cabinet minister is H Nagesh.

Shankar, who is from Rannebennur, and H Nagesh, from Mulbagal, extended support to the coalition when it was formed in May 2018 but in January this year, they announced withdrawal of support after being wooed by the BJP amid a rebellion by a few coalition MLAs.

The two Independents filled up vacancies that existed in the ministry — two on the JD(S) side and one on the Congress side. One Cabinet position available to the JD(S) remains vacant.

"Before taking oath as minister Shankar met Siddaramaiah and provided a letter for his merger with the Congress party," an aide of the former chief minister said.

The move to induct the two Independent MLAs is expected to stall BJP efforts to form government in Karnataka by get-

ting coalition MLAs to quit and defect to the BJP. The BJP at present has 105 MLAs in the 224-member assembly while the coalition has 116 MLAs apart from two Independents and a BSP MLA currently associated with the JD(S).

The Cabinet positions to the two Independent MLAs is seen as an effort by the Congress-JD(S) coalition to make it harder for the BJP to reduce the coalition to a minority by getting around 10 MLAs to resign. With the induction of the Independents the BJP would have to woo 14 coalition MLAs to reduce the government to a minority in the assembly.

The induction of the Independent MLAs is, however, set to trigger a renewed effort by a handful of Congress rebels to come together to topple the government.

Senior Congress leader D K Shivakumar, however, claimed that many senior Congress ministers are willing to give up their Cabinet posts in order to save the government. "We are all willing to sacrifice at the appropriate time," he said.

"Both Independents will join the BJP at the appropriate time despite being made ministers in the coalition. This is only a temporary thing," senior BJP leader K S Eshwarappa said Friday.

In the Congress, several veteran MLAs like Ramalinga Reddy, Roshan Baig, H K Patil have spoken out against party leaders since the loss in the Lok Sabha polls. Reddy is considered to be in the reckoning in the event of a Cabinet reshuffle but Baig, who was days ago linked to a fraud perpetrated by a private investment firm, is not likely to get a look in.

POST-POLL REVIEW

Party failed to gauge mood in Kerala: CPM

SHAJU PHILIP THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, JUNE 14

IN ITS poll review released on Friday, the Communist Party of India (Marxist) has said the party should seriously examine why its base is not expanding despite hard work and the state government's performance in Kerala.

The CPM-led Left Democratic Front (LDF) could win only one out of the 20 seats in Kerala in the parliamentary elections.

The CPM's Central Committee said the party, which was hopeful of getting a majority of the seats in Kerala, had failed to understand the mood of people. It also said that the party must ensure that its opponents don't get opportunities to label it as a perpetrator of political violence.

"Why we failed to understand the mood of the people is a matter of serious concern," it said.

It also said that the BJP getting 15.56 per cent of the votes is a matter of concern. "Patient and concerted political, ideological and organisational work is necessary to contain the growth of BJP in Kerala. Post elections, efforts to destabilise the LDF Government in Kerala will intensify. The party must strengthen campaigns for upholding principles of federalism and stand in solidarity with the state government," said the review.

The review stated that the "fear" of the BJP and Narendra Modi forming a government at the Centre caused a shift among "secular and democratic-minded sections", particularly the minorities, in favour of the UDF. The decision to field Congress president Rahul Gandhi from Wayanad was taken to enhance this, it said.

The CPM central committee said the stand taken by the party and the LDF government to uphold the Supreme Court verdict lifting age restrictions to entry of women to Sabarimala temple was correct. It said that in order to "create confusion" among a section of devotees, the Congress, RSS and BJP reversed their earlier position of supporting the Supreme Court verdict and organised a "virulent" campaign against the party and the LDF government.

"They were able to wean away a section of our traditional supporters. To ensure the defeat of the CPM and the Left, the BJP has always been transferring a portion of its votes in favour of the UDF. This time too, other than in five constituencies — Thiruvananthapuram, Attingal, Pathanamthitta, Thrissur and Palakkad — BJP transferred a portion of its votes in favour of the UDF," it said.

The review said the party's appeal to the youth continued to be "restricted". "The growth of tutorial colleges "debaring political activity" has ensured that crores of youngsters are "separated from acquiring any political consciousness".



TAMIL NADU HEADS TO NITI MEET

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami with state government representatives and AIADMK colleagues in New Delhi on Friday. He is in the capital to attend a meeting of the Governing Council of the Niti Aayog on Saturday.

Will oppose triple talaq Bill unless changes made: JD(U)

SANTOSH SINGH PATNA, JULY 14

AT A time when the BJP-led NDA government looks set to table the Bill against triple talaq in the upcoming session of Parliament, BJP ally JD(U) has decided to oppose the bill in both Houses if it is tabled without any amendment.

The JD (U) has 16 Lok Sabha and six Rajya Sabha MPs.

JD (U) national spokesperson K C Tyagi told *The Indian Express*, "We will oppose the triple talaq Bill in the form in which it was tabled in the last session. If there are suitable amendments in the Bill, we will see if we should support it in

Parliament."

He said the JD(U)'s stand on the Bill was well-known and it was only sticking to that.

"JD(U) national president and Bihar CM had responded to queries by National Law Commission on Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in January 2013. We hold that any change in triple talaq practice needs in-depth consultation with various religious groups. In absence of any such a process, any attempt at hasty or premature tampering with long standing religious practices that deal with complex issues of marriage, divorce, adoption, inheritance and the right to property and succession would be inadvisable. All the stakeholders must be taken into

confidence to make the law more broad, comprehensive and acceptable," he added.

The Bihar Chief Minister's letter to the National Law Commission on January 24, 2013, read, "JD (U) is of the firm view that democracy is based on fundamental principle of a constructive dialogue. Where the UCC is concerned, such a dialogue based on broad-based consultations with all religious denominations is particularly necessary given the multi-cultural and multi-religious nature of our society. In the same spirit of dialogue, it is essential that the UCC is first put to debate in Parliament as well as legislative assemblies of states and other forums of civil society."

Ministers hit out against Manipur CM, camp in Delhi

JIMMY LEIVON IMPHAL, JUNE 14

DEPUTY CHIEF Minister of Manipur Y Joykumar Singh and Minister Th Bishwajit Singh, who recently lost key portfolios, on Friday hit out against the N Biren Singh government.

Y Joykumar lost the finance portfolio and Th Bishwajit lost the works and power portfolio. The move came amid allegations that these departments were drawing excessive funds at a

time of financial crisis. CM Singh has taken charge of the portfolios. The Chief Minister's Office has stated that the decision was taken after a cabinet decision.

However, the deputy CM, who attended the cabinet meeting, has claimed that the cabinet only discussed the overdraft. Joykumar alleged that the CM is responsible for the overdraft and demanded that if any action were to be taken, it must be taken against him.

Bishwajit denied the allegation that the departments he lost

were drawing more funds. "Governments in the past have encountered a similar situation of overdraft, but this time, for reasons best known to them, this has been blown out of proportion," he said.

The development could spell trouble for the BJP-led manipur government which is already on a sticky wicket over the mid-term reshuffle.

A day after the development, the two ministers rushed to Delhi to apprise central leaders of the situation. Also, 10 MLAs of

the ruling party, three ministers and two MPs rushed to Delhi on Friday. However, the purpose of their visit is yet to be ascertained. BJP minister Nemcha Kipgen, NPP minister L Jayantakumar and NPF minister L Dikho were among those camping in the national capital. None of the MLAs and Ministers could not be reached for comment. The three ministers, along with Bishwajit, recently skipped a recent cabinet meeting. According to CM Singh, they did not give any reason for giving it a miss.

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NORTH

Two LeT militants killed in encounter at Pulwama

Srinagar: Two Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) militants were killed in an encounter with security forces in South Kashmir's Pulwama district on Friday. "Two terrorists were killed and the bodies were retrieved from the site of encounter," stated the J&K police in a release. The joint forces had launched a cordon

and search operation at Braw Bandina area of Awantipora in Pulwama district on Friday, following a tip-off about the presence of militants in the area. "During the search operation, the hiding terrorists fired on the search party. The fire was retaliated and an encounter ensued," the police said. **ENS**



Union minister Dharmendra Pradhan gives a cheque of Rs 3 crore to Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik, contributed by SAAIL, for relief and restoration after Cyclone Fani.

EAST

Two Maoists killed in encounter in Chhattisgarh

Raipur: Two Naxals were killed in an encounter with the security forces in Chhattisgarh's insurgency-hit Kanker district, a police officer said on Friday. The gunbattle took place on the intervening night of Thursday and Friday, 200 km from Raipur, the senior officer said. A team of the police's

District Reserve Guard was out on an anti-Naxal operation when the encounter broke out, state DGP (anti-Naxal operations) Girdhari Nayak. After the encounter, the bodies of two unidentified Naxals were recovered. Besides, two SLR rifles, a 303 rifle and a 315 rifle were also found. **PTI**

WEST

1 killed, 3 injured by robbers in Nashik gold finance firm

Nashik: An employee of a leading gold finance firm was killed and three others were injured after a gang of five armed robbers on Friday stormed into their office here and opened fire, a police official said. "A gang of five masked robbers, wielding pistols and an axe, stormed into the office. At that time, five employees and eight

customers were present there," Nashik Commissioner Vishwas Nangre-Patil said. But, they panicked after one of the employees hit the siren. After that, the robbers fired five rounds, in which computer engineer of the firm, Sajju Samuel (32), a resident of Kerala, died on the spot," said the top cop speaking to the media. **PTI**

SOUTH

Special team formed to trace missing policeman in Kerala

Kochi: A special team of the Kochi City police has launched a probe to trace a Circle Inspector who has been reported missing, police said Friday. Kochi Central Police Station Circle Inspector V S Navas was reported missing since Thursday allegedly after an argument with his senior of-

ficer over the wireless set on Wednesday night. A special four-member team headed by DCP G Poonguzhali is probing the case based on a man-missing complaint filed by Navas's wife, police said. State police chief Loknath Behera said the team would trace the missing officer soon. **PTI**

BENGAL DOCTORS' STRIKE



(Left) Junior doctors protest outside academic building at the SSKM Hospital, Kolkata on Friday. Patients and relatives wait at the hospital for doctors to call off strike. **Ravik Bhattacharya**



How doctor-patient violence plays out: A report card from other states

AS SAFETY of doctors in hospitals takes centre stage with the Indian Medical Association (IMA) calling for an all-India strike on Monday, *The Indian Express* looks at similar incidents of violence by relatives and friends of patients in hospitals in different states in the recent past. The reaction of the state government and hospitals has been varied — with immediate arrests of perpetrators of violence in Bengaluru to provision of unarmed guards in Patna and pardon of the accused and withdrawal of FIR by doctors in Ahmedabad.



A protest march to show solidarity with junior doctors in Kolkata on Friday. **Partha Paul**

upon, but did not survive. Relatives of the deceased barged into the operation theater, following which doctors and support staff fled to escape assault.

The incident led to a strike by resident doctors. Senior resident doctor of Ahmedabad Civil Hospital and former president of the hospital's Junior Doctors' Association Vidur Joshi said, "It happened in March-April last year when an accident victim with serious injuries on limb was admitted. The patient died in the OT. Following that, some relatives of the patient barged into OT with an intention to assault the doctors. The security present at the spot did not act."

"We had launched a strike and an FIR was registered against the accused and 4-5 of them were arrested. During negotiations with the state government, our demands of taking action against the accused and having proper security at the hospital were fulfilled. So, the strike ended."

Joshi said the accused had expressed regret for the act and sought withdrawal of the case. "On humanitarian ground, the doctors agreed and the accused were let off," he said.

JAIPUR, RAJASTHAN

In March this year, relatives of an 80-year-old patient attacked a woman doctor at H B Kanwatia Hospital, which is attached to Sawai Man Singh Medical College and Hospital. The doctor had referred the patient to Sawai Man Singh hospital and was completing the formalities when the relatives attacked her, allegedly over a delay.

Police arrested two persons and booked them for causing disruption in government service. They were produced in court which then sent them to judicial custody.

PATNA, BIHAR

(prevention of violence and damages to property) Act. The offences are cognizable and non-bailable. The woman also lodged a counter complaint, alleging that the doctor misbehaved with her.

On December 25, four persons went on a rampage at Global Hospital at Lakdi ka pul after a woman died during treatment. Police had arrested brothers Mohiuddin Ali Khan, Mir Barkat Ali Khan and Mir Mustafa Ali Khan and a relative Mohsin Khan for allegedly vandalising furniture and hospital equipment. They allegedly roughed up the security manager and assaulted two policemen who responded to a call from the hospital. Officials at Saifabad Police station said the men went on a rampage after Shammem Begum, 55, the mother of the brothers, died of cardiac arrest after testing positive for swine flu. Police registered cases under Telangana Medicare Service Persons and Medicare Institutions (Prevention of Violence and Damage to Property) Act and under Sections 148, 324, 427 and 149 of IPC. The accused are out on bail and a chargesheet is yet to be filed.

DHULE, MAHARASHTRA

Dr Rohan Mhamunkar was assaulted on duty in Dhule Civil hospital's emergency ward by relatives of road accident victim Chaitram Lashkar on March 12, 2017. Lashkar had suffered a head injury. It was 10.30 pm and the hospital had no neurologist on duty. Mhamunkar was beaten up by the mob when he referred the patient to another hospital.

Mhamunkar (37) suffered a damaged left eye and a fracture in his skull bone. Lashkar was taken to three hospitals in Dhule before he succumbed to the injury.

Following the assault on Mhamunkar, over 4,500 resident doctors at government hospitals in Mumbai went on mass leave.

Priyaranjan Kumar, a junior doctor of Patna Medical College and Hospital (PMCH), was attacked by a patient's relative after he asked the attendant to vacate the bed. Dr Kumar had suffered a fracture in his right hand and neck. Then a third-year postgraduate student of the surgery department, he said there was no provocation from his end as he had only asked him to vacate a patient's bed occupied by an attendant.

Dr Saurav Kumar of Residents' Welfare Association of AIIMS, Patna, said, "I was then part of PMCH and was surprised at the lackadaisical reaction of the state government. Though the accused was arrested, he got bail immediately. There was no further action."

Bihar health minister Mangal Pandey had assured security of doctors and nurses after the incident. But so far, all government hospitals have only been provided unarmed private guards.

HYDERABAD, TELANGANA

On December 28, pediatrician Dr Micheal Aranha was assaulted by two persons in his clinic at Himayatnagar. He was hospitalised with serious injuries on head and chest. Police said two persons, Gulam Mustafa and Abdul Fazil, were arrested. The duo is awaiting trial.

Officials at Narayanaguda Police Station said that during investigation, it was found that Gulam's wife went with their child to the clinic. Several patients were waiting and she asked the doctor if she could consult him out of turn. He refused. After the check-up, she called Gulam who arrived with his friend Abdul Fazil and they attacked the doctor, accusing him of insulting Gulam's wife.

A case was registered on the doctor's complaint under sections 448 and 326 IPC and Section 4 of Telangana Medicare Persons and Medicare Service Institutions

mitted his resignation Thursday. "Those arrested were identified as Md Shanawaz (19), Adil Haroon Adil (24), Sk Anwar (34), Md Yakub (45) and MD Badal alias Alan (26)," a senior police official told *The Indian Express*. They are all relatives of Mohammad Sayeed (75), whose death triggered the violence at NRS on Monday.

Apart from the complaint by the hospital authorities, the police also registered three more FIRs in this connection.

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IMA's 40,000 doctors also went on strike. In March that year, eight cases of assault on doctors were registered in Maharashtra.

Based on CCTV footage, police arrested nine of Lashkar's family members on March 13, booking them for attempt to murder, assault on a public servant, and under sections 3 and 4 of Maharashtra Medicare Service Person and Medicare Service Institution Act, 2010.

One of them, Pradeep Vetal, committed suicide in prison. The remaining were in prison for three months before the Aurangabad bench of Bombay High Court granted them bail. The case is still under trial. "They are daily wage labourers. They do not have money to afford lawyers. They hit the doctor because no one was trying to save Chaitram," said relative a Deepak Vetal.

FATEHGARH, UP

A doctor of Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital in Fatehgarh was allegedly abused and assaulted on June 4 by a relative of a patient after the doctor objected to his entry in the operation theater wearing shoes. The man, Anil Kumar Singh was a distant relative of the girl, who was undergoing operation for removal of a cyst from her thigh.

"The girl's family was asked by doctors to deposit operation fees of Rs 400. Anil got annoyed and went inside the operation theater wearing shoes. Dr Gaurav Mishra, who was conducting the operation, asked Anil to leave," said hospital superintendent Dr SP Singh. He alleged that when Dr Gaurav came out, Anil started abusing and heckling him.

SHO, Farrukhabad police station, Sanjay Mishra said three FIRs were lodged. "Two cases were filed against Dr Gaurav, including on charges of assault. The girl's father had accused Dr Gaurav for misbehaving with his daughter during operation. The third was lodged against Singh for assaulting Dr Gaurav."

Doctors of the hospital staged a protest and demanded withdrawal of the case against Dr Gaurav. "For three days, the OPD remained closed. Work resumed only after the cases were closed," said Dr SP Singh.

The SHO said, "All three cases have been expunged after both groups said they don't want to pursue them."

(With inputs from Johnson TA in Bengaluru, Sreenivas Janyala in Hyderabad, Tabassum Barnagarwala in Mumbai, Santosh Singh in Patna, Hamza Khan in Jaipur, Parimal Dabhi in Ahmedabad and Manish Sahu from Lucknow)

IN SOLIDARITY



A medical student at a protest in Bengaluru. **PTI**

BIHAR

Over 1,200 junior and resident doctors from nine medical colleges and hospitals, including Patna Medical Colleges and Hospital, AIIMS, Patna, and Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, went on a token daylong strike.

JHARKHAND

Ranchi: Doctors of three state-run hospitals staged demonstrations wearing black badges, an official of a doctors' association said. Doctors of Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences, MGM Medical College and Hospital at Janshedpur and Patliputra Medical College & Hospital in Dhanbad took part in the protest.

MADHYA PRADESH Junior doctors at government hospitals attached to medical colleges in Bhopal, Indore, Jabalpur, Gwalior and Rewa abstained from work for half a day.

CHHATTISGARH

Around 400 junior doctors of Dr B R Ambedkar Memorial Hospital, Raipur, staged a protest on the premises. They did not attend OPDs. Bhagwati Chandra Verma, president, Junior Doctors Association, said, Junior doctors in medical colleges of Ambikapur and Rajnandgaon districts staged similar protests.

MAHARASHTRA

Around 4,500 resident doctors in Maharashtra, including some 2,800 in Mumbai, went on a one-day strike Friday. The Maharashtra Association of Resident Doctors had earlier said junior doctors at government hospitals in the state will not perform surgeries or attend OPDs between 8 am and 5 pm Friday.

ODISHA

Junior doctors in Odisha on Friday staged a dharna with bandages on their foreheads and stayed away from duty.

UTTAR PRADESH

Government doctors on Friday wore black bands. Dr Amit Singh, general secretary of UP Provincial Medical Services Association, said, "A delegation of doctors submitted a memorandum addressed to the Prime Minister through the district magistrate."

Acted swiftly after incident, 5 held so far: Kolkata Police

SWEETY KUMARI
KOLKATA, JUNE 14

AS THE doctors' strike at Nil Ratan Sircar (NRS) Hospital entered its fourth day on Friday over an alleged attack on their colleagues over "negligence" on Monday, police claimed they acted immediately after a complaint was filed by the hospital authorities the same day.

As the medical fraternity from across the country began to rally behind their Bengal colleagues, the agitating doctors Friday set six conditions, including documentary evidence and

details of action taken against those who had attacked the junior medicos, to the administration for withdrawal of their strike.

"We arrested five people on Tuesday after the hospital authorities lodged a complaint the same day," a senior police official told *The Indian Express*.

The protests began after relatives of a deceased patient allegedly attacked doctors at the NRS over "negligence". Two junior doctors were critically injured in the clash. Following the incident, interns and junior doctors locked two gates of the hospital, preventing patients and their relatives from entering or leaving

the premises and also refused to release the body of the deceased.

"Five people were arrested from Bibi Bagan lane Tuesday for assaulting the junior doctors at NRS. All the accused are now in police custody. There were booked under sections 147 (punishment for rioting), 148 (rioting armed with deadly weapon), 149 (unlawful assembly), 326 (voluntarily causing grievous hurt by throwing chemical) and 324 (voluntarily causing hurt by means of dangerous weapon) of the IPC," police said. The case was registered on the basis of a complaint filed by Dr. S Chattopadhyay, superintendent of NRS, who sub-

mitted his resignation Thursday.

"Those arrested were identified as Md Shanawaz (19), Adil Haroon Adil (24), Sk Anwar (34), Md Yakub (45) and MD Badal alias Alan (26)," a senior police official told *The Indian Express*. They are all relatives of Mohammad Sayeed (75), whose death triggered the violence at NRS on Monday.

Apart from the complaint by the hospital authorities, the police also registered three more FIRs in this connection.

Entally police on Tuesday registered a case under section 119 (public servant concealing design to commit offence which

it is his duty to prevent) and 304A (causing death by negligence) of the Indian Penal Code based on a complaint filed by Md Shabir Khan (32), Sayeed's neighbour, against unnamed doctors of NRS. Another case was registered at the same on Tuesday under section 341 (punishment for wrongful restraint), 323 (voluntarily causing hurt), 506 (criminal intimidation) and 34 (acts done by several persons in furtherance of common intention) of the Indian Penal Code.

Even a journalist from a vernacular daily here was allegedly beaten up by junior doctor when he went to cover the incident.

SAILEE DHAYALKAR
MUMBAI, JUNE 14

AFTER SIX-AND-A-HALF years in jail, the Bombay High Court on Friday granted bail to four accused in the 2006 Malegaon blasts case, observing that they cannot concur with the findings of the trial court, which held that there is prima facie evidence against them.

Manohar Narwaria, Rajendra Chaudhary, Dhan Singh and Lokesh Sharma were booked by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) for the Malegaon blasts in 2006, which killed 31 and injured 312. A division bench of Justice

Indrajit Mahanty and Justice A M Badar, while granting bail, said, "we are unable to concur with the findings of the learned Special Judge, to the effect that there are reasonable grounds for believing that accusation against appellants/accused persons is prima facie true."

In 2006, the special court had rejected the bail applications of the four accused, observing that prima facie evidence collected by the NIA proves their involvement in the case.

On September 8, 2006, four bombs exploded in the premises of Hamidia Masjid, Bada Kabrastan and Mushawarat Square at Malegaon.

Rising baby deaths in Anantpur hospital set off alarm bells

REENIVAS JANAYALA
HYDERABAD, JUNE 14

THE ANDHRA Pradesh government on Friday ordered an inquiry into the deaths of 11 newborn babies in a span of 12 days at the Government Hospital in Anantpur. The deaths of four babies on June 9 and 10 caused alarm bells to go off in the administration. Health minister and one of the five deputy CMs of the state A Krishna Srinivas is scheduled to visit the facility on Saturday.

This is not the first time the hospital has come into the spotlight for such high numbers of fatalities. In March, 175 babies were admitted to the hospital in a critical condition, of whom, 30 died. In April, 34 babies of the 217 admitted died and 36 of the 264 admitted babies in May, died.

According to the hospital authorities, the cases admitted into the hospital are ones that are usually critical.

"Anantapur Government hospital is a tertiary hospital and it also has a Special Newborn Care Unit to which, all critical cases from across the district are referred. Some of the most critical cases, like prematurely-born babies, grossly underweight babies, babies born with the umbilical cord stuck around the neck, etc, are referred to this hospital," Medical Superintendent

Dr K Jagannadh said. "Apart from this, private nursing homes also refer babies born with life-threatening defects. At the Special Newborn Care Unit, we create an atmosphere like a womb for sick babies. Some survive, while others don't. Although we have 20 beds in the unit, at any given time, we have 25-30 babies in extremely critical condition," he added.

The government's line of inquiry is somewhat along the lines of these challenges. "The government wants to know if the deaths can be prevented by providing better nutrition to pregnant mothers. We also want to find out if PHCs (Primary Health Care centres) are equipped to handle emergencies," an official of Health Department said.

Doctors at the Special Newborn Care Unit said that of the four babies who died on June 9-10, three were referred by other hospitals while one was born at the facility. Each case had a different cause and complication, according to them.

"These four deaths caused some alarm among parents whose kids are undergoing treatment here, but according to us there is no cause for worry," a doctor working at the unit said.

According to Jagannadh, 28-30 babies are born every day at the unit.

Maharashtra boy tops JEE (Advanced) 2019, says staying away from social media helped

ABHA GORADIA
MUMBAI, JUNE 14

HARD WORK and staying off the social media and smartphone paved the way to success for Kartikey Gupta, who has topped the JEE (Advanced) 2019. The IIT-Roorkee announced results of the exam on Friday.

Of the 1,61,319 candidates who appeared in two papers of JEE (Advanced), 38,705 have cleared the test. Himanshu Gaurav Singh and Archit Bubna, both from the Delhi zone, secured the second and third spots, respectively.

Kartikey, who hails from Ballarpur in Maharashtra's Chandrapur district but now lives in Mumbai, scored 346 out of the total 372 marks and secured the first spot in the Common Rank List of JEE (Advanced) 2019. He ranked 18 in JEE (Mains) and scored 93.69 per cent in the Class XII exams of the state board. Kartikey passed out of Alpha Junior College in Mumbai's Vile Parle.

He had appeared for the exam from the Bombay zone, which includes Maharashtra, Gujarat, Karnataka and Goa, along with an international centre in Ethiopia.

"I didn't use a smartphone or log into social media for two years," Kartikey told *The Indian Express*. He said his favourite sub-

ject was physics, but wanted to pursue the computer science stream from IIT-Bombay.

Kartikey's father Chandresh is general manager at Ballarpur Industries Limited and his mother is a homemaker.

In Delhi, Archit, who bagged the All-India Rank 3, said he wanted to pursue the Computer Science stream from IIT Delhi or IIT Bombay.

Bubna scored 335 out of 372 marks. "I want to pursue Computer Science from IIT Delhi or IIT Bombay," said Archit, who studied at Amity International School, Push Vihar. He scored 97 per cent in his Class XII boards.

The son of a businessman father and a homemaker mother, Archit said not taking excessive stress helped his performance.

"I had joined coaching and studied everyday for three to four hours. I was regular with my studies and that will be my advice to future aspirants too, just to be regular," he said.

A cricket fan who also loves playing video games, Archit said he did not cut down on these during his preparations. "I watched the IPL and also played video games. It's just about dividing time," he said.

He said he did not find social media to be a distraction as he anyway did not spend much time on it. **WITHENS, DELHI**



Kartikey Gupta, who has topped the JEE (Advanced) 2019, in Mumbai on Friday. Prashant Nadkar



Third-rank holder Archit Bubna with his parents in Delhi.

Bihar's Super 30s students score big

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
PATNA, JUNE 14

TWO SUPER 30s in Bihar, run separately by former DGP and physics teacher Abhayanand and mathematician Anand Kumar, scripted success stories yet again. While 15 of 21 students in Abhayanand's institute cracked the entrance. The two teachers, who had collaborated for four years for the award-winning concept of 'Super 30', parted ways in 2007.

Both Super 30s have successful students from poor socio-economic backgrounds — a forte of the Super 30 concept. A biopic on Anand Kumar, focusing on success stories of the concept, is due to release soon.

At Anand Kumar's institute, Anand Chaurasia from Jharkhand ranked 6361 in the general category, said: "My father left home seven years ago and did not return. My elder brother supported me by doing odd jobs." Meanwhile, in Abhayanand's

While 15 of 21 students in Abhayanand's institute cracked the exam, 18 of Anand Kumar's 30 students cleared it. The two teachers parted ways in 2007

Super 30, Satyam Kumar from Lakhisarai secured the 2160th rank. "My father is an auto driver. I had seldom dreamt of going to IIT," he said.

Ankit Kumar, another successful student, said: "I come from an Aurangabad village and my father is handicapped. My family has some cows." On his part, Abhayanand said, "Our attempt is to give back to society and ensure transparency in education."

Anand Kumar said: "The journey begins now for our successful students. We have set high standards for ourselves and variation in number of successful students does not matter."

IS links: Coimbatore man held

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

THE NATIONAL Investigation Agency on Friday arrested one more accused from among the six it raided on Wednesday in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu for alleged links with the Islamic State (IS). The agency arrested Sheikh Hidayatullah, 38, for being an alleged member of the terror outfit. It claimed he was earlier a member of the Students Islamic Movement of India.

The agency had on Wednesday conducted raids at multiple locations in Coimbatore, including the residences of six suspected IS operatives it suspects were in touch with the Easter Sunday Sri Lanka bombing mastermind Zahran Hashim. The agency had regis-

tered a case against the six on May 30. Later in the day, they put one of the operatives — Mohammed Azarudeen (32) — under arrest.

The suspects are all residents of Coimbatore. Apart from Azarudeen, who the agency claims is the mastermind of the group, the others have been identified as Akram Sindhaa (26), Hidayatullah, Abubacker M (29), Sadham Hussain A (26) and Ibrahim alias Shahin Shah (28).

"Accused persons were questioned regarding the incriminating materials recovered during searches and the content of their social media accounts. Based on the facts revealed hitherto regarding the pro-ISIS activities of accused Shiek Hidayatullah Y, aged 38 years, resident of Kulanthai Goundar Street, South

Ukkadam, Coimbatore, he has been arrested today in this case. Scrutiny of the documents from his house has revealed that A-3 has remained associated with proscribed terrorist organization Student Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) as well, " an NIA statement said.

According to NIA officials, Azaruddin had started a Facebook page called "KhilafahGFX" through which he propagated IS ideology.

"Accused Mohammed Azarudeen has been a Facebook friend of Sri Lankan suicide bomber Zahran Hashim and other members of the module have also been sharing radical content attributed to Zahran Hashim, over social media," an NIA statement said. Hashim's attack in the neighbouring country killed more than 250 people.

Woman's headless body found: Cops look for links between two murders

AMIL BHATNAGAR
MEERUT, JUNE 14

A MONTH after the body of a woman with its head and hands severed was found in a Bulandshahr village, another beheaded and mutilated body has been recovered nearly 70 km away, in Meerut. Finding the modus operandi to be similar, police officers from both districts are working overtime to identify the bodies.

On Thursday morning, residents of a village in Meerut informed police of a dead body buried in one of the farms. The owner was visiting the farm when his dog smelt something and started barking. On looking closely, the farm owner spotted a woman's hand and alerted local villagers and police. The police then dug out a semi-nude body which was heavily decomposed. The head and the left arm had been cut off. The right arm too was mutilated.

"The first step is to identify the body. We have taken DNA samples for a lead. More infor-

A forensic team has taken impressions of the right palm for possible Aadhaar card matches. However, due to the decomposition of the body, this might not yield results

mation will come out once the post-mortem is done. It appears that the arm was cut off using a sharp object. Prima-facie, it appears that she was not raped. The post-mortem will confirm," said Meerut SSP Nitin Tiwari.

Police are questioning local residents and have sought information from police stations in the vicinity on for missing person complaints matching the description of the woman. According to police, the body has decomposed badly and appears to be a week old. The woman could be in mid-twenties, police said.

"It is too early to say if the

victim belongs to the region. No information has been received from the villages nearby about a missing woman. We cannot rule out if the crime was committed at a different place and the body was dumped here. The priority at this point is to identify her," said Tiwari.

The police said ground had to be dug up to 4 feet to recover the entire body. Salt had been sprinkled over the piece of land where the body was buried to speed up decomposition, police said.

A resident of the village said, "The owner was visiting the farm that was being watered. We barely see outsiders in the village and we don't know who could have done it. It has been two days since the body was removed but the stench is still there."

A forensic team has taken impressions of the right palm for possible Aadhaar card matches. However, due to the decomposition of the body, this might not yield results, police said.

A similar investigation was carried out by Bulandshahr police when a decapitated body of a woman was found there. Her head and palms were found almost 50 km away the following day. The victim is yet to be identified.

"A team of Bulandshahr Police was sent to Meerut and we are helping to develop the case. We cannot say at this point if these two cases are related. In both cases, the head has been severed," said Atul Kumar Srivastava, SP City, Bulandshahr.

SHUJAAT BUKHARI MURDER

Final chargesheet in case yet to be filed even after one year

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
SRINAGAR, JUNE 14

A YEAR on, the final chargesheet is yet to be filed in the case of the murder of journalist Shujaat Bukhari whose first death anniversary was observed in Srinagar on Friday.

Bukhari (51), editor of the daily *Rising Kashmir*, was gunned down outside his office in Srinagar on June 14 last year and two of his personal security officers were also killed in the attack. A memorial was held in his memory by *Rising Kashmir*, the news organisation Bukhari established and led, marked by the release of a book — *Kashmir's Thin Red Lines* — collating his writing.

Senior police officials told, *The Indian Express*, that the investigation has "almost been completed" and the final chargesheet "will be filed soon".

In its preliminary chargesheet, the police had claimed that they had "tangible evidence to establish" that the conspiracy to kill Bukhari was hatched by the Lashkar-e-Toiba in Pakistan, and executed by its operatives in the Valley.

Naveed Jatt alias Hanzullah, a Pakistani militant who was named as a prime suspect in the case was killed in an encounter with security forces in November last year. Police had also named two local militants, Muzaffar Ahmad alias Talha from Qazigund, and Azad Ahmad Malik alias Dada, the LET's former district commander in Anantnag, who was also killed in an encounter with

forces last year.

J&K police officials also stated that a fourth accused, Sajjad Gul, formerly a resident of Srinagar who is suspected to be living in Pakistan, as the person behind a "malicious" social media campaign against Bukhari. The investigators had sought assistance from Interpol and the issuance of a red corner notice in order to nab him. Officials said that "certain procedural requirements were taking time in the filing of the chargesheet."

Former Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti took to twitter to commemorate the anniversary of Bukhari's killing and said, "Remembering Shujaat Bukhari on his first death anniversary. A courageous man an influential journalist, an exceptional human being and above all a well wisher of his people. What beautiful souls we lost to this conflict!" He said.

Meanwhile, several journalists bodies of Kashmir, including the Kashmir Editor's Guild and the Kashmir Press Club paid tributes to Bukhari on his first death anniversary.

TAMIL NADU WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD	
INVITATION OF BIDS - TWO COVER - ITEMWAR TENDER SYSTEM	
IFB No :	FAWS to GVV/SDO(T)/ICE/CBE/2019/Dated 13.06.2019.
Name of Work :	Implementation of Augmentation of Water Supply from River Bhavani to the Added Areas of Goundampalayam, Vadavalli and Veerakeralam of Coimbatore Corporation (Completion period : 12 months and Trial Run : 6 months)
Approximate value of work	Rs.19.00 Crore including GST @ 12%
Bid Security :	Rs.14,25,000/-
Eligible class	Class-I
Tender Invitee	The Chief Engineer, TWAD Board, No.30, Siruvani Nagar, Bharathipark Road, Coimbatore-641 043.
Sale of Bid & Place of sale	From 17.06.2019 to 02.07.2019 at O/o. the Executive Engineer, TWAD Board, Maintenance Division(Pillar), TWAD Campus, No.4, Vilarankuchi Road, Vinobaji Nagar, Peelamedu, Coimbatore-641 004 by cash or Demand Draft on any Scheduled/ Nationalized bank payable at Salem for Rs. 1000 + GST and each by post Rs. 500/- additional (each).
Downloading	www.tenders.tn.gov.in and www.twadboard.tn.gov.in (free of cost)
1. Date and time of Pre bid meeting	26.06.2019 at 11.00 AM
2. Last date and time of downloading bid documents	02.07.2019 upto 05.45 PM
3. Last date and time for receipt of bid document	04.07.2019 upto 03.00 PM
4. Last date and time for opening of Technical bid	04.07.2019 at 03.30 PM
DIPRI 2004/TENDER/2019 Chief Engineer (I/c), TWAD Board, Coimbatore.	
SAVE WATER, CONSERVE WATER, EVERY DROP COUNTS	

BSES Rajdhani Power Limited, New Delhi					
TENDER NOTICE Date: 15.06.2019					
Sealed tenders under two Bid System (Unpriced & Priced) is invited for following job from all bidders.					
NIT No.	Brief Item Description	Estimated Cost (₹)	Cost of EMD (₹)	Due Date & Time of Submission	Date & Time of Opening
CMC/BR/19-20/RS/KM/790	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 1.1KV GRADE POWERCABLE OF SIZE 1CX630 SQ.MM.	4.00 Crore	8,00,000/-	12.07.2019 1500 HRS	12.07.2019 1530 HRS
CMC/BR/19-20/RS/KM/791	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 1.1KV GRADE POWER CABLE OF SIZE 2CX25 & 4CX25 SQ.MM	6.00 Crore	6,00,000/-	15.07.2019 1500 HRS	15.07.2019 1530 HRS
CMC/BR/19-20/RS/KM/792	RATE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF 1.1KV GRADE POWER CABLE OF SIZE 4CX50 SQ.MM	4.00 Crore	8,00,000/-	16.07.2019 1500 HRS	16.07.2019 1530 HRS

NORTHERN RAILWAY E-Tender Notice			
Sr. DEN/C/MB acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against following Tender Notice, closing date & time are mentioned against each column. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through online payment modes available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed.			
Tender No.	42-DRM-MB-19-20 Dt.: 11.06.19	43-DRM-MB-19-20 Dt.: 11.06.19	44-DRM-MB-19-20 Dt.: 11.06.19
Name of Work	(Zone no. 1 HPU) All Residential and service buildings in between GMS-GZB (Excluding GZB) including wood, steel and road work under ADEN/HPU.	(Zone no. 2 HPU) All Residential and service buildings in between GMS-MB (Excluding GMS and Excluding MB) including wood, steel and road work under ADEN/HPU.	(Zone no. 3 HPU) All Residential and service buildings in between KRJ-MTC (Excluding MTC) including wood, steel and road work under ADEN/HPU.
Tender Closing Date	18.07.2019	18.07.2019	18.07.2019
Tender Closing Time	16:00 hrs	16:00 hrs	16:00 hrs
Advertised Value (Rs.)	82,77,005.41	70,02,814.18	40,28,070.94
Earnest Money (Rs.)	1,65,600/-	1,40,100/-	80,600/-
Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)	5000.00	5000.00	3000.00
Period of Completion	Up to 30.06.2020	Up to 30.06.2020	Up to 30.06.2020
Bidding Start Date	04.07.2019	04.07.2019	04.07.2019
Tender No. 75/W/2/3/WA/DEN/HQ/T Notice Dt.: 13.06.2019 1894/19			

NORTHERN RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE	
Tender No. 53-DRM-MB-19-20	Dated: 13.06.2019
DEN/MB acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-tenders against Tender No. 53-DRM-MB-19-20 closing date 18.07.2019 16.00 hrs. Name of work : General annual repair work of service building/staff quarters from Km 1235 to 1284 including wood and road works for 2019-20 in the section of SSE/Network/SPN under ADEN/SPN. Tender closing date time : 18.07.2019 16.00 hrs. Cost of work : Rs. 71,39,380.21. Earnest Money : Rs. 1,42,800.00. Tender Cost : Rs. 5000.00. Building start date : 04.07.2019 and Period of completion : 12 Months. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. For detail information please refer to www.ireps.gov.in.	
Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through online payment modes available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. 1896/19	
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HARYANA GOVERNMENT 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/E-MAIL
1.	HVPNL	66 KV ISOLATORS AND LINE & EARTH SWITCH	12.06.2019 12.07.2019	EMD-4.03 LACS	www.hvpngl.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpngl.org.in
2.	HVPNL	132 KV ISOLATORS AND LINE & EARTH SWITCH	12.06.2019 12.07.2019	EMD-7.22 LACS	www.hvpngl.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpngl.org.in
3.	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PANCHKULA	SUPPLY OF GARBAGE COLLECTION TRICYCLE FOR MC PANCHKULA HARYANA	13.06.2019 25.06.2019	EST-16 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2583695 mcpnchkula@gmail.com
4.	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF 20 NOS. PLATFORM FOR PUBLIC BIKE CYCLE SHARING IN VARIOUS LOCATION OF SECTOR-7, 18, 10, 11, 14, 12, 12-A, 5, 20, 6 AND COMMAND HOSPITAL IN WARD NO. 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16 & 18	13.06.2019 23.06.2019	4.45 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2583695 mcpnchkula@gmail.com
5.	UHBVN	SUPPLY OF 2 NOS. VEHICLES ON HIRE BASIS (MAHINDRA CAMPHOR AND TATA FORCE OPEN FROM BACK SIDE OR EQUIVALENT VEHICLE) FOR SDO (OP) S/D BABYAL, SDO (OP) S/D KESRI	CLOSING 24.06.2019	6000	www.uhbvn.org.in	0171-2618450 xenopambalacant@gmail.com
6.	HPGCL	E-TENDER IN TWO PARTS FROM THE ELIGIBLE BIDDERS ARE INVITED FOR DESIGN, ENGINEERING, PROCUREMENT & SUPPLY, CONSTRUCTION, COMMISSIONING AND COMPREHENSIVE OPERATION & MAINTENANCE FOR FIVE (5) YEARS	CLOSING 17.07.2019	1.60 CRORE	www.hpgcl.org.in	0172-5022439 cepgl@hpgcl.org.in
7.	HPGCL	E-TENDER IN TWO PARTS FROM THE ELIGIBLE BIDDERS ARE INVITED FOR DESIGN, ENGINEERING, PROCUREMENT & SUPPLY, CONSTRUCTION, COMMISSIONING FOR SETTING UP OF GRID CONNECTED GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR	CLOSING 17.07.2019	5.7 CRORE	www.hpgcl.org.in	0172-5022439 cepgl@hpgcl.org.in
8.	UHBVN	HIRING OF 2 NO VEHICLES I.E 1 NO. FOR OFFICE USE I.E (SWIFT DESIRE OR ANY OTHER SEDAN MODEL WHITE/OFF WHITE, CREAM COLOR) TO BE USED BY THE SE 'OP' CIRCLE AMBALA	CLOSING 21.06.2019	12000	www.uhbvn.org.in	9315118217
9.	UHBVN	AUGMENTATION OF 16 NO. EXISTING 33 KV BUS STATION UNDER OPERATION CIRCLE KARNAL, PANIPAT, ROHTAK, JHAJJAR SONEPAT, KAITHAL, KURUKSHETRA	13.06.2019 08.07.2019	10 LACS	www.uhbvn.org.in	0172-2570431 cepdc@uhbvn.org.in
10.	HARYANA SEED CORPORATION DEVELOPMENT LIMITED	TENDER FOR PROVIDING SKILLED/SEMI-SKILLED MANPOWER BY OUTSOURCING FOR HSDCL	17.06.2019 25.06.2019	5 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9417669911 rakesh_vats@yahoo.com
11.	SHRI MATA MANSA DEVI SHRINE BOARD	ONLINE TENDERS ARE INVITED ON BEHALF OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SHRI MATA MANSA DEVI SHRINE BOARD FOR HIRING OF REGISTERED AGENCIES FOR MECHANIZED/MANUAL CLEANING, HOUSE KEEPING & SANITATION SERVICES	19.06.2019 07.07.2019	1 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2556019

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An-32 crash: Flight data recorder, cockpit voice recorder retrieved

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
GUWAHATI, JUNE 14

THE INDIAN Air Force (IAF) on Friday said the Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR) and Flight Data Recorder (FDR) of the An-32 flight that crashed in Arunachal Pradesh killing 13 people were recovered but the retrieval of the mortal remains of the deceased is getting delayed due to inclement weather.

"The mortal remains and other material evidence have to be picked up by helicopters and brought back to Jorhat in stages. The weather continues to be marginal and is likely to affect the pace of recovery operations. The recovery team is braving treacherous terrain and inclement weather in order to bring back the mortal remains as

soon as possible," IAF's PRO, Wing Commander Ratnakar Singh, said in a statement.

"The IAF has flown around 200 sorties towards the An-32 search and recovery operations and is sparing no effort in recovering the remains of its personnel, for which 8 helicopters have been deployed," he added.

The An-32, which took off from the Air Force Station in Assam's Jorhat on June 3 at 12.27 pm, never landed at the Mechuka Advanced Landing Ground in Shi Yomi district. The aircraft's last contact with ground staff was at 12.55pm on that day.

On Tuesday, the IAF had said that the wreckage was spotted 16 Kms North of Lipo, North East of Tato at an approximate elevation of 12,000 ft by an Mi-17 helicopter.

Cong called for sedition law end, its govt in Raipur jailed one for it

DIPANKAR GHOSE
RAIPUR, JUNE 14

TWO months after the Congress argued for the removal of section 124A (sedition) of IPC in its manifesto, the Chhattisgarh police under the new Congress government sent Mangal Agarwal, a resident of Rajnandgaon, to jail under the law for allegedly disseminating incorrect rumours about the electricity cuts in the state. Thursday, the arrest was made Thursday, but with the state government coming under fire on Friday, senior police officials said the section had been removed from the FIR. Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel also expressed his disapproval.

On June 12, NKP Singh, the law

officer for Chhattisgarh State Power Distribution Company registered a complaint with the Rajnandgaon district police station that he had been forwarded a video circulating on whatsapp by Shailendra Shukla, CEO of CSPDCL and was asked his legal opinion. The video, which The Indian Express has seen, shows a man, later identified as Mangal Agarwal, alleging he had been told by "inverter companies" that repeated electricity cuts in the area were due to a tie up between the state government and these companies.

The complaint alleges these deliberate lies are being spread to defame the power company and the Chief Minister and recommended the application of the sedition law. A case was then filed

under section 124(a) and 505(1)(b) (intent to cause fear or alarm to the public) of the IPC, with the arrest then made on Thursday.

On Friday, the Congress struggled to explain its position on the subject, with spokespersons alleging that while they had stood against 124A, it was for the local police to take a call on sections to be applied in the matter as long as the law is in existence. By 2 pm, Chhattisgarh DGP DM Awasthi told The Indian Express, "The section of sedition has been dropped. The FIR was filed based on the complaint that was made. But upon investigation it has been found that the section does not apply."

Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, who was leaving for Delhi

told reporters at Raipur airport, "Everybody should have the freedom of expression. If someone is expressing their opinion then sections like sedition should not be applied. We had even put this in our manifesto. When I got information of this, I expressed my disagreement. But I also want to say that social media should not be used to spread rumours, and there should be action under other appropriate sections."

Last week, a resident of Raipur, Lalit Yadav was arrested under section 67(a) of the Information Technology Act for allegedly obscene comments against the Chief Minister in context to the suggested demolition of the Raipur Skywalk, the semi-completed controversial Rs 70 crore project initiated by the BJP state government.

Govt to sign MoU with firm for 300 smart gaushalas, says MP minister

MILIND GHATWAI
BHOPAL, JUNE 14

MADHYA PRADESH Animal Husbandry Minister Lakhman Singh Yadav has said that the Congress government in the state is set to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with a company that has promised to build 300 "Smart Gaushalas" over the next five years.

The Cabinet Minister said the company will not charge a penny from the government, but added that it will make money by exporting items made from gaur-mutra (cow's urine), gobar (cow-dung) and the "stiff hairs on a cow's tail". The company has sought 50 acres of land for each proposed "Smart Gaushala" and will spend Rs 11 crore on each of them, Yadav said.

The ministers said that the day the company stops running the gaushala, it will "automatically return" to the government. When asked to name the company, Yadav said he cannot recall it.

Asked by The Indian Express if the company has any previous experience of running "Smart Gaushalas", the minister said he had asked them the same question and they replied that something like this had never been done before. "I asked them, 'bhai 11 crore main aisi konsi gaushala bana rahe ho; unhone kaha wo bilkul hi-tech hogi... mujhe pata nahi kya planning hogi.'" (When I asked them why would a gaushala cost Rs 11 crore; they said it will be hi-tech," he said.

"Maine poocha itna investment karoge refund kahan se loge? Unhone bataya gaumutra, gobar, gai ki poonch me jo chhoti chhoti kadak bal hote hai usse bahut sari cheezein banayenge



Lakhman Singh Yadav

aur use export karenge (When I asked them how do you plan to recover your investment, they said they will export many things made of cow urine, dung and the stiff hairs on cow's tail," Yadav added.

The minister said that once these "smart gaushalas" start operation in the state, not a single stray cattle will be out on the streets and markets, and accidents on highways and elsewhere will stop. "It will be a big achievement."

The company, he said, will pay money to people who bring stray cattle to the "smart gaushalas". He admitted that even he was surprised by the offer because the company plans to grow fodder and generate electricity.

In the first phase, the government will provide land to build five smart gaushalas near Bhopal, and will allot land for the remaining gaushalas later, the minister said. Asked if he thinks the project will take off and be successful, Yadav said the company will have to prove itself.

BJP leader Hitesh Bajpai accused the Congress of not being sincere to the cause of cows and "playing with emotions". "Smart gaushalas are an eyewash. They are preparing the ground for another fodder scam and land scam," he alleged.

Sonowal meets Shah, briefs him on law & order

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

ASSAM CHIEF Minister Sarbananda Sonowal on Friday met Union Home Minister Amit Shah and briefed him about the law and order situation in the state. Sources said the Chief Minister also discussed issues related to the National Register of Citizens (NRC), which is due for publication on July 31.

"It was a courtesy call and I congratulated him on behalf of the people for being chosen as the Home Minister of the country. I also briefed him about the prevailing law and order situation in Assam," Sonowal told reporters after the meeting.

The state faces a tense situation after more than 40 lakh people were left out in the final draft of NRC published on July 30 last year.

Those left out have the option of contesting their exclusion in the foreigners' tribunals. The Home Ministry has already told Assam that it would help it set up 1,000 Foreigners' Tribunals to sort out disputes.

Exercising powers conferred by the Foreigners Act, 1946, the central government issued an order on June 6, saying a person whose name is not part of National Register of Citizens can approach any such tribunal with a certified copy of the rejection order received from the NRC authorities along with the grounds for appeal.

"The final order of the tribunal shall contain its opinion on the matter whether the Appellant is eligible for inclusion in the NRC or not. It shall also contain the opinion of the tribunal on the reference of the District Magistrate. The final order of the tribunal shall be a concise statement of facts and conclusion based on which tribunal has arrived at such an opinion.

Sonowal also met Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Human Resource Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank on Friday.



Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal meets Union Home Minister Amit Shah, in New Delhi, on Friday. PTI

Jagan meets Shah, reiterates stand on special category status

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy on Friday met Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday to press for special status for the state and to discuss issues related to the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014, ahead of the Governing Council meeting of the Niti Aayog on Saturday.

Jagan, who won by a landslide in the recently-concluded Assembly elections in the state, arrived at the ministry around 5.30 pm and spoke with Shah for over thirty minutes.

Speaking to reporters after the meet, Jagan said the agenda of his visit to the capital was "to try and prevail on him (Shah) and also soften the PM's (Prime Minister Narendra Modi) heart on the issue of the special category status, which we'll definitely be asking for in tomorrow's NITI Aayog meeting. The agenda of my visit is tomorrow's meeting. Tomorrow, we'll be presenting our case to the NITI Aayog, which is chaired by the Prime Minister."

On whether his party would accept the post of deputy Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Jagan told The Indian Express, "This matter was not even discussed."

Functionaries close to Jagan said apart from the special status, the CM also discussed a revenue deficit of over Rs 16,000 crore in Andhra, following its bifurcation from Telangana. "Because of Hyderabad, Telangana earns higher revenue than AP. We have to bridge this gap. We want Centre to assist in this. The CM has broached this subject with the Home Minister," said a source.

He added that the issue of early completion of Polavaram dam and reimbursement of Rs 5,000 crore spent by the state on its construction were

also discussed. Notably, former Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu had earlier claimed that the Centre had stopped releasing funds for the dam, which is a Central government project, and that the state government had continued its construction on its own.

Special status for Andhra Pradesh is a pivotal issue for Jagan as it was one of his key thrusts during the run up to the Assembly elections. He had ridiculed former Naidu for failing to secure the status from the Centre, despite being an ally of the BJP in the NDA government. The traction of Jagan's arguments with the public had forced Naidu to snap ties with the BJP and launch an all-out campaign against Modi.

However, a landslide victory for the BJP in the Lok Sabha polls has shrunk negotiating space for Jagan. He has had meetings with PM Narendra Modi and Amit Shah earlier as well on the issue.

Three horses test positive for Glanders disease, euthanised

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
LUCKNOW, JUNE 14

THE GORAKHPUR district administration euthanised three horses on Thursday after a report by Hisar-based National Research Centre on Equines (NRC) report confirmed that they tested positive for Glanders disease. The three animals were euthanised to prevent the spread of the disease.

The administration was sending blood samples of 10 equines every month, which includes horses, ponies, mules and donkeys, to the Hisar laboratory for tests as part of routine checkup.

The samples of the three horses that were euthanised were sent along those samples of other animals in April.

"The NRC sent its report last month, saying that three animals tested positive for Glanders disease. The three horses belong to Rajesh Kumar, a resident of Campierganj in Gorakhpur. A team of doctors went to Kumar's residence to make arrangements for safe disposal, because the bacteria can infect both animals and humans," said chief veterinary officer of Gorakhpur, Dr DK Sharma.

After deliberations with Kumar for around two days, he agreed to hand over the animals for euthanasia.

Govt asks TV channels to display title, credits in serials in regional languages too

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

THE INFORMATION and Broadcasting Ministry on Friday asked all satellite TV channels to display the cast, credits and titles of Hindi and regional language serials that they broadcast in the respective languages too.

A statement from I&B ministry reads, "It has come to the notice of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting that several Hindi and Regional Language TV channels display the castings/credits/titles of Hindi and regional language TV serials only in English. This practise tends to deprive people versed with Hindi and regional languages of the valuable information about casting of TV serials/programmes."

The statement adds, "With a view to enhance outreach and benefit TV viewers of the country, the Ministry has advised all private satellite TV channels to consider displaying the castings/credits/titles of Hindi and Regional languages TV serials in the respective languages also."

I&B Minister Prakash Javadekar, in a video tweeted by the Press Information Bureau (PIB), said, "Today we are issuing an



Prakash Javadekar

order to all TV channels that whatever the serials they broadcast or whatever the programme they conduct, at the end of the programme or in the beginning there are titles given. Many times titles are given only in English. To promote Indian languages, we have asked channels to give those titles in the language in which they broadcast."

"In addition to Indian languages, if they want to give titles and credits in English also, they are free to do so. So, we are not restricting anything. We are actually adding the Indian languages so that the viewer who sees that understands (names of) all the actors behind the serial or the programme. And therefore, I am very sure that all will welcome this move."

He said English channels will continue to display the credits in English.

The minister added that such orders were being issued for cinema too because that is also one way of promoting Indian languages.

नीलामी विज्ञापन					
सर्वे साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि इस जिला भिवानी के भिन्न-भिन्न विभागों के कंडम सरकारी वाहन संलग्न सूची अनुसार दिनांक 26.06.2019 को हरियाणा राज्य परिवहन, भिवानी के प्रोग्राम में गडिट कमेटी द्वारा नीलाम किए जाएंगे। प्रत्येक बोलीदाता को बोली देने से पूर्व वकील जमानत राशि 10,000/- रु. महाप्रबंधक, हरियाणा राज्य परिवहन, भिवानी के कार्यालय में जमा करवानी होगी। छोड़ी गई बोली का 1/4 भाग उसी समय मौके पर जमा करवानी होगा तथा शेष राशि 72 घंटों में जमा करवानी होगी। जी.एस.टी. अलग से नियमानुसार जमा करवानी होगी। विभागा/वाहनों को किस्म वेबसाइट https://bhiwani.gov.in ल पर देखे तथा अन्य शर्तों बारे हरियाणा राज्य परिवहन भिवानी के कार्यालय से सम्पर्क करें।					
Sr. No.	Vehicle No.	Type	Model	Name of Department	
1.	HR-46-4759	TATA-407	1996	SDE, PWD B&R Mech. Bwn.	
2.	HR-16H-0036	TATA SUMO	2007	E.E.P.H. Tosham	
3.	HR-55C-3279	Bajaj Tampo	2003	DDICDP (AH) Bhiwani	
4.	HR-61-6565	TATA-Specio	2007	-do-	
5.	HR-18-8900	Tampo Trax	2002	SDM Loharu	
6.	HR-16G-3900	Bollero	2008	DIO, NIC, Bhiwani	
7.	HAR-61-3570	Bus	2005	SP, Bhiwani	
8.	HR-61-7172	Sumo Victa	2007	DETC, Bhiwani	
9.	HR-61-5528	-do-	2007	-do-	
10.	HR-70D-0053	-do-	2007	-do-	
11.	HR-07F-6262	Jeep	2002	XEN PR, Bhiwani	
12.	HR-61A-1403	Ambulance	2009	CMO, Bhiwani	
13.	HR-61A-1405	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
14.	HR-61A-1409	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
15.	HR-61A-1411	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
16.	HR-61A-1456	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
17.	HR-61A-1457	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
18.	HR-61A-1458	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
19.	HR-61A-1401	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
20.	HR-61A-1462	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
21.	HR-45A-5854	Ambulance	2010	-do-	
22.	HR-45A-5852	Ambulance	2010	-do-	
23.	HR-16H-1844	Ambulance	2009	-do-	
24.	HR-39-6232	Ambulance	1998	-do-	
25.	HR-16-8954	Mini Bus	2000	-do-	
26.	HR-39-9083	Truck	2000	-do-	
27.	HR-46-3946	Mini Bus	1995	-do-	
28.	HR-39-4391	Jeep	1998	-do-	
29.	HR-19-7753	Jeep	1997	-do-	
30.	HR-39-4390	Jeep	1998	-do-	
31.	HR-16G-9909	Swift Dzire-VXI Car	2009	Board of School Education Haryana	
32.	HR-26-0777	Bollero	6/2006	XEN, CADA Mandal, Bhiwani	
33.	HR-68-8532	Tata Sumo	11/2008	XEN, CADA Mandal, Bhiwani	
34.	HR-16B-6814	HMTR Tractor	1992	Supdt. District Jail	
35.	HY B-6190	M. Cycle	1985	Secty. Mkt. Board, Siwani	
36.	HR-18-4500	Jeep	2009	SDM, Tosham	
37.	HR-61-9999	Tata Specio	2006	Tehsildar, Tosham	
38.	HR-16L-0888	T.S. Victa	2012	CTM, Bhiwani	
39.	HR-16J-0108	Swift Dzire-VXI	2010	District & Sessions Judge, Bhiwani	
40.	HR-16K-0111	Swift Dzire-LXI	2011	-do-	
41.	HR-16K-3333	Maruti SX4-VXI	2011	-do-	

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GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
REVENUE AND FORESTS DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MANGROVE & MARINE
BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION FOUNDATION OF MAHARASHTRA
[ADVERTISEMENT FOR RECRUITMENT ON CONTRACTUAL BASIS]

Mangrove and Marine Biodiversity Conservation Foundation of Maharashtra is registered under Societies Registration Act 1860, for conservation of mangroves and marine biodiversity of Maharashtra Coast. To achieve the objective of the Foundation, applications are invited from eligible candidates for appointment for the following positions on contract basis:

Title of the Position	Number of Posts
1. Assistant Director – Livelihood Development	1
2. Human Resource Manager	1
3. Public Relations Officer	1
4. GIS Specialist	1
5. Mangrove Ecologist	1

For the detailed Terms of References and Application Form please refer to the website, <https://tinyurl.com/ybhs5dm12>

Method of Selection: Candidates shall be shortlisted on the basis of information provided in the application form. The Executive Director reserves the right to raise the criteria for shortlisting candidates. The selection process may involve a written test. The final selection will be based on performance in personal interview (and written test, if conducted).

Interested candidates will have to fill the Application Form and submit their application by email to hr.mangrovefn@gmail.com / ad.adm.mfn@gmail.com, or by post or hand delivery to **The Executive Director, Mangrove Foundation & APCCF, Mangrove Cell, 302 Wakefield House, 3rd Floor, Ballard Estate, Above Britannia & Co. Restaurant, Mumbai 400 001.**

Note: Please indicate the name of the post applied for, on the 'Application Form' and in the subject of the email, failing which your application will not be considered. **Deadline for Submission : July 05, 2019.**

TATA POWER
The Tata Power Company Limited
Corporate Identity No: L28820MH1919PLC000567
Registered Office: Bombay House, 24, Horni Mody Street, Mumbai 400 001
Tel: 91 22 6665 8282; Fax: 91 22 6665 8801
Email: tatapower@tatapower.com; Website: www.tatapower.com

NOTICE

Transfer of Equity Shares of the Company to DEMAT Account of Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority

With reference to the provisions of Section 124(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) read with Rule 6 of Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 (IEPF Rules), as amended, all shares, in respect of which dividend has not been claimed by a shareholder for a period of seven consecutive years or more, shall be credited to DEMAT Account of IEPF Authority within a period of thirty days of such shares becoming due to be transferred.

The Company has sent individual communication to the concerned shareholders whose dividend remains unclaimed and whose shares are liable to be transferred to IEPF under the Rules at their registered address. The shareholders are advised to claim such dividend by 10th September 2019. The Company has uploaded complete details of those shareholders whose shares are liable for transfer to DEMAT Account of IEPF Authority on the Company's website on www.tatapower.com.

Shareholders are requested to note that in case the dividend is not claimed by 10th September 2019, those Equity shares in respect of which the dividend remains unclaimed, shall be transferred to DEMAT Account of IEPF Authority without any further notice to the shareholders and no liability shall lie against the Company in respect of the Equity shares so transferred.

Mode of transfer of equity share(s) to IEPF:

Where shares are held in physical form: The Company will issue duplicate share certificates and transfer such shares to IEPF. Upon issue of such duplicate share certificates, the original share certificates, which stand registered in the name of the shareholder, will be deemed to be cancelled.

Where shares are held in demat form: The Company will give appropriate instructions in the form of Corporate Action to the Depositories such that the Depositories are able to transfer the said shares to the Demat account of IEPF Authority.

Attention of the shareholders is drawn to the fact that both, the unclaimed dividends and equity shares transferred to the IEPF, can be claimed by them by making an application electronically (Form IEPF-5). Upon submitting duly completed form, shareholders are required to take a print of the same and send the physical copy, duly signed, along with the requisite documents specified in Form IEPF-5, to the Company Secretary, The Tata Power Company Limited, at the registered office address mentioned above. The rules and the application form (Form IEPF-5), as prescribed by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) for claiming the shares/dividends, are available on the website of the MCA at www.iepf.gov.in.

For any queries on the above matter, shareholders are requested to contact either of the following:

The Company	Registrar and Share Transfer Agents
The Tata Power Company Limited Bombay House, 24, Horni Mody Street, Mumbai 400 001. Phone: +91 22 6665 8282 Fax: +91 22 6665 8801 Email: investorcomplaints@tatapower.com	TSR Darashaw Consultants Private Limited (erstwhile TSR Darashaw Limited) 6-10, Haji Mossa Patrawala Ind Estate, 20, Dr E Moses Road, Near Famous Studio, Mahalaxmi (W), Mumbai-400 011 Phone: 022 6656 8484 Email: csq-unit@tsrdarashaw.com

The Tata Power Company Limited
H. M. Mistry
Company Secretary
(FCS 3606)

Date : 15th June 2019
Place : Mumbai

Classifieds

PERSONAL

It is for general information I Chander Prakash Dhawan S/o Shri Lt. Pooan R/O 17/437 Kalyan Puri, Delhi-91 inform that name of my father has been wrongly written as Pura Chand in my educational documents. The actual name of father is Pooan respectfully which may be amended accordingly. 0040499288-1

I, Bhupinder Singh S/o Late S. Trilochan Singh R/O-386, 2nd Floor, Ashok Gali, Ram Nagar, Krishna Nagar, Delhi-110051 have changed my name to Bhupinder Singh Sachdeva for all purposes 0040499322-1

I, hitherto known as Sangita Chopra, w/o Kamal Chopra, Residing at H.No. 1930, 2nd-Floor, Outram-Line, Kingsway-Camp, Delhi-110009, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Sangita Shrivastava Chopra 0040499332-5

I, Vivek Bir Bahadur Singh S/o Bir Bahadur Singh R/o Flat No. 1504, Angel Mercury, Mall Road, Ahinsa Khand-II, Indrapuram, Ghaziabad, UP-201010 have changed my name to Vivek Singh. 0040499309-1

I, Vipin Yadav, S/o Sh. Balram Yadav, R/o Zaidar Building, Jhajjar Road, Rewari, HR, has changed my minor child's name from Aaditya to Aaditya Rao. 0070660383-1

I, Vipin Kumar, S/o Sh. Om Prakash, R/o 470, Pocket V, Mayur Vihar Phase I, Delhi 110091, have changed my name to Vipin Prakash. 0070660387-1

I, Vijay Kumar/Vijay Kumar Sharma, S/o, Sh. Tej Prakash Sharma, R/O-45/1, Acharya Park, Near Main-Bus Stand, Gurugram, Haryana-122001, have changed my name to Vijay Sharma. 0040499373-4

I, Anshu Khatri S/O Pardeep Kumar R/O 168, Tikri Khurd, Narela, Delhi-40, Changed My Name To Ansh. 0040499322-10

I, Usha Misra W/O Late Lt Col Bairagi Misra R/O A-104, Spaze Privy, Sec-72, CD Marg, Sohna Road, Gurugram-122101, have changed my name from Usha Rani Misra to Usha Misra for all future purposes. 0040499290-1

I, Thomas Poovatholical Kurien, S/O Poovatholical Kurian Kurian R/O C-66, E.S.I. Hospital Quarters, Basai-Darapur, Delhi-110015, Changed My Name To Thomas Poovatholical Kurian. 0040499352-4

I, Thakur Grover son of Late Sh. Remal Dass resident of House No. 293/4 Marla, Model Town, Gurugram, have changed my name from THAKUR KUMAR to THAKUR GROVER for all future purposes. 0040499381-1

I, Surendra Singh S/O Bhagat Singh R/O-1059-A.H.B.Colony, Sector-29, Faridabad, have changed my name to Surinder Singh. 0040499322-7

I, Sonika Gupta, W/O Bhanu Prakash Govil, Vill. +P.O. Kehrola, District-Bulandshahar (U.P.)-203131, D.O.B-27.08.1975, have changed my name to Sonika Govil, for all future purposes. 0040499352-5

I, Sidhak Singh Juneja S/o Manpreet Singh Juneja R/O 3/4 DLF Phase-II, Gurgaon, Haryana-122002, have changed my name to Sidak Singh Juneja for all purpose. 0040499287-1

I, Siddharth Swroop S/o Shanti Sarup R/o 11B, Second Floor, Birbal Road, Jangpura Extn Delhi-110014 have changed my name to SIDDHARTH SARUP permanently. 0040499325-3

I, Shuveta Abichandani W/O Sh. Dhiraj Abichandani R/O Flat No. 16, Pocket-B-10, Sector-3, Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name from Shuveta Abichandani (Before Marriage my name was Anita Lalwani) to Shuveta Abichandani for all future purposes. 0040499342-1

I, Seema Rehman W/O Anisur Rahman R/O C-17, NPL Colony, New Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi-110060, have changed my name to Seema Rahman for all purposes. 0040499330-1

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I, Sakshi Aggarwal W/O Kavind Aggarwal R/O 106, Lahore Apartments, Vasundhara Enclave, Delhi-96, have changed my name to Sakshi Tulsian for all purposes. 0040499359-1

I, Rohan S/O Brij Bhushan Tuteja, R/O-Flat-No-15, Shri-Hari Apartment, Sector-12, Plot.No-6, Dwarka, Delhi-110075, have changed my name to Rohan Tuteja. 0040499373-1

I, Ram Bir, S/o Sh. Lila Ram, H.No.197 Gali.No.2 Geetanjali-Colony Loni-Ghaziabad, UP, inform that Rameer Singh, S/o Lila Singh and Ram Bir, S/o Lila Ram are same and one person. 0040499352-6

I, Rajesh Kumar Dagar R/O E2/1003, Pocket-2, Golf Links Residency, Sector-18B, Dwarka, New Delhi, have changed my minor daughter's name from Anusha to Anusha Dagar. 0040499317-1

I, Rahul Shrivastava S/O Suman Shrivastav R/O-C-7, DDA LIG Flats, East of Loni Road, Delhi-110093 have changed my name to Rahul Shrivastav 0040499354-1

I, Praveen Jain S/O Sudershan Kumar Jain R/O A-158, G.F. Surya Nagar, Ghaziabad U.P. have changed my name to Parveen Kumar Jain for all purposes 0040499322-2

I, Pramod Kumar Lakhina/ Parmod Lakhina S/O Hemraj Lakhina R/O A-106, Sector-61, Noida (U.P.) have changed my name to Parmod Kumar Lakhina for all future purposes. 0040499347-1

I, Surjeet Kaur, W/O Surendra Singh, R/O C4C 286, Janak Puri new Delhi-110058, has changed my name to Surjit Kaur for all future purposes. 0040499323-1

I, Poonam Sharma, D/O Tripit Mistry and W/O Prakash Chand Sharma, R/O RZD-1/118, First Floor, Gali No. 7, Palam Dabri Road, Mahavir Enclave, Delhi-110045, have changed my name to Punam Devi Sharma for all purposes. 0070660386-1

I, Payal Swroop w/o Siddharth Sarup R/o 11B, Second Floor, Birbal Road, Jangpura Extn Delhi-110014 have changed my name to PAYAL SARUP permanently. 0040499325-1

I, Patla Singh Prathap, S/O Appala Swamy Patla Singh R/O-46-C-Block G.T.B. Hospital-Campus Shahdara Delhi-95, changed my name to Pratap Patla Singh. 0040499352-7

I, No-9112541W, RFN Mohd Arif, Unit 17 JAKLI, C/O 56 APO. In my service records, name of my wife has been wrongly mentioned as Safeena instead of Safeena Kouser. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 0020387291-1

I, No-9109213X, TS (NK) Harjeet Singh Unit JAKLI RC, C/O-56 APO. In my service records, name of my wife has been wrongly mentioned as Meemakashi Choudhary instead of Meenakshi Choudhary. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 0020387293-1

I, No-9081998N, Ex. Hav Mushtaq Ahmed Dar, R/O Mustafabad Zainakote, Tehsil/District- Srinagar. In my service records, name & DoB of my daughter's has been wrongly mentioned as Shabnam Mushtaq (DoB-07-07-1995) Aamina Mushtaq (DoB-05-08-1991) instead of Shabnum Mushtaq (DoB-07-07-1991) Aamina Mushtaq (DoB 11.05.1994) as in Board Certificate. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 0020387264-1

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I, Nidhi W/O Sachin Singhal R/O H.No.345, Sector-14, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, have changed my name to Nidhi Singhal for all purposes. 0040499332-9

I, Navratan / Navratna Goyal S/O-Ram Babu Goyal R/O-Wz-208, First-Floor, Virender-Nagar, Janakpuri, Delhi-58, Changed My Name To Navratan Goyal. 0040499322-8

I, Manjeet w/o Hariom Singh R/O-246, Block-A, Shastri-Nagar, New-Delhi-110052, have changed my name to Manjeet Kaur permanently. 0040499352-2

I, Kavita Rani W/O-Devinder Grewal, R/O-WZ-37, Nangli Zailib, B-1 Janakpuri, New Delhi-58. Have Changed My Name to Kavita Grewal. 0040499332-6

I, Kavita Kumari w/o Ravinder Kumar Dhaka R/O 112B, Double Storey, Janta Flat, Madipur, Paschim Vihar, New Delhi-110063, have changed my name to Kavita Dhaka. 0040499296-1

I, Kashish S/o Prem Chand R/O B-52A, Janta Flats, Shivaji Enclave, Raghubir Nagar, New Delhi-27, have changed my name to Tek Chand. 0040499322-4

I, Kanabis George W/O Xavier Thomas, R/O House No. 1721, Sector-3, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi-110017, do hereby solemnly and informs that my name should be considered as Kanabis George instead of Kanabis Xavier for all future purposes. D.O.B 25/10/1978. 0040499328-1

I, Jitender Singh S/O Shri Pargat Singh, R/O-820/83, Peepal Chowk, Mohan Garden, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, have changed my name from Jitender Singh to Jitender Singh for all future purposes. 0040499334-1

I, Latit Kumar S/O Tarsem Lal R/O D-12/23/1, Sector-7, Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name to Lalit Kumar. 0040499332-1

I, Ishita Aggarwal, D/o Sh. Amit Kumar Aggarwal, R/O Aster-63/3, Vatika-City, Sohna-Road, Sector-49, Gurugram (Haryana) 122018, have changed my name to Ishita Aggarwal. 0040499332-3

I, Harita W/O-Pardeep Kumar R/O-168, Tikri-Khurd, Narela, Delhi-40, Have Changed My Minor Child Name From Mayank Khatri To Mayank. 0040499322-9

I, Debosmita Goswami, R/O D1/38B, Gali No. 7, Mahavir Enclave, Palam, New Delhi-110045, have changed my name to Arunima Goswami. 0070660381-1

I, Chander Prabha W/O Ashok Kumar Khanna R/O-380P Behind Payal Cinema Sector-14, Gurgaon Haryana-122001, have changed my name to Prabha Khanna. 0040499352-8

I, Chandar Mohan Verma, R/O F 36, First Floor, Suncity, Sector-54, Gurgaon-122011, have changed my name to Chandra Mohan Verma. 0070660379-1

I, Babloo Sharma, S/O Santosh Sharma H.No-154-A, Gali.No-7, Jai Vihar Phase-2, Jai Vihar, Mundka, Delhi-110041, Changed My Name To Bablu Sharma. 0040499352-3

I, Arvind Cahudhary S/O Madan Lal Chaudhary R/O-Pnc-51 Df Ph-5 Gurgaon Have Change Surname To Arvind Choudhary. 0040499373-3

I, Anup Kumar S/O Ajay Kumar Shrivastav R/O Flat-A1, 1208, Panchsheel Greens, Sector-16B, GreaterNoida have changed my name to Anup Kumar Srivastava. 0040499332-8

I, Anshul Singh, R/O A-3, Flat No. 201, Anupam Enclave Phase-1, Saidulajab Extension, New Delhi-110030, have changed my name to Anshul Singh Patel. 0070660385-1

I, Anju Deshwal D/O-Radha Charan, W/O Vinod Kumar, R/O Ward. No.5, Shiv-Colony, Sohna, Gurgaon(Haryana)-122103, have changed my name to Anju. 0040499332-4

I, Anil Sabharwal S/O Sh. Janak Raj Sabharwal R/O 510, Block-2, Express Garden, Indrapuram, Ghaziabad, UP-201014 have changed my name to Anil Kumar Sabharwal for all purposes. 0040499294-1

I, Amrit Rani Sehgal W/O Girish Kumar Sehgal R/O Flat No.33, Pocket-B-8, Sector-4, Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name to Amrit Sehgal for all purposes. 0040499361-1

I, Amit Bansal parent of Sahil R/O 244/4, Old Grain-market, Palwal, have changed my minor son's name to Sahil Bansal. 0040499322-5

I, Shipra Rani W/O Himanshu Gugliani R/O-7/2-A, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi-110018, Changed my name Shipra Gugliani after marriage. 0040499332-7

I, Mohd Zaved Saifi, S/O Nizamuddin R/O C-96, Radhey Shyam-Park Extension, Delhi-110051, have Changed my name Mohd Zaved Saifi to Mohd Javed Saifi, for all future purposes. 0040499332-2

I, Mohammad Ismail Khan S/O Mohd Yaqoob Khan R/O F-163, Amina Manzil 3rd floor back lane, Shaheen Bagh Abul Fazel enclave 2, Jamia Nagar New Delhi -25, has changed my name to Mohd Ismaeel Khan S/O Mohd Yaqoob Khan for all purposes. 0070660403-1

I, Maysi Rawat W/O Ganesh Singh Rawat R/O Block-1/611 kailash dharm sector-50/No1da Uttar Pradesh shall henceforth be known as Maheshwari Rawat affidavit no. IN-D184881795849820R sworn before notary O.P.Chaudhary dated 08 May 2019. 0050150112-1

I, Lakshmi Kumar W/O Yogesh Kumar Singh R/O-F-14/22, Sector-15, Rohini, Delhi-110089, have changed my name to Laxmi Singh. For Future Purpose. 0040499332-10

I, Hitherto known as Kanti Lal Mehta S/O Jeetmal Jain R/O-1/7, Gali No.5, Vishwas-Nagar, Shahdara Delhi-110032, have changed my name & shall hereafter be known as Kanti Lal Jain. 0040499322-3

I, Devang Devender Kumar Gera S/O Devender Kumar Gera R/O FD-38, 2nd-Floor, Tagore Garden, Delhi-110027, Have Changed my Name to Devang Gera. 0040499352-1

I, Ashu Bajaj S/O-Gurdev Singh R/O-WZ-44A, gali.no.23, Santgarh, Tilak-Nagar, New-Delhi-110018, have changed my name to Ashwinder Singh, for all purposes. 0040499373-2

I, Tanya Varma D/O, Sunil Kumar Varma R/O Flat-45, Sadbhawana Apartment, plot-13, IP Extn, Patparganj, Delhi-92, have changed my name to Tanya Verma. 0040499310-1

I, Munish Kumar S/O Krishan Lal R/O H.No. 2, Block-11, Spring-Field Colony, Sector 31, Faridabad have changed my name to Munish Kumar Chopra. 0040499322-6

I, Madhu Manshani, W/O Narinder Lalwani, R/O Flat No.803, Tower 12, Lotus Boulevard, Sector-100, Noida, have changed my name to Deepthi Lalwani for all purposes. 0040499307-1

I, Chauhan Sushil Kumar S/O Sh. Munshi Lal R/O D-150, Rajeev Colony, Mohan Nagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201007 do hereby solemnly inform that Chauhan Sushil Kumar and Sushil Kumar Chauhan are one and same person. I will be known as Sushil Kumar Chauhan in future for all purposes. 0040499289-1

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It is notified for the information that my Original Qualifying Examination Certificate and Marksheet of main Secondary Examination of year 2013 and Roll No.8173395 issued by CBSE has been actually lost. Candidate of name Anuj Kumar Jha R/O H.No.33, Street No-18, Jha Colony, Near Dwarka Mor, ND-59 # 8586865001. 0040499329-1

Female Computer operators Fresher/Experience Gyan Avenue 12 Pragati Market Ashok Vihar Phase-2, Delhi, Near Deep Market. M: 9354096811 0040499339-1

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Public Notice: It is for General information that I, Rakesh Kumar S/O Kashi Ram Sharma residing at A-7/6, Gali no-1, Ankur Enclave, Karawal Nagar, Delhi-110094 declare that name of my wife has been wrongly written as Kusum Lata in my service record. The actual name of my wife is Nimesha Lata which may be amended accordingly. It is clarified that I have the complete complete with other legal requirement in this connection. 0040499322-5

Public Notice: My Client Sh. Ramesh Kumar Mehta and his minor children both R/O B-20/F, Street No.2, Majlis Park, Adarsh Nagar, Delhi-110033, have disowned/debarred their son Naveen Mehta and his wife Ritu Mehta (Daughter-in-law) from all their movable and immovable properties due to their misconduct, misbehaviour and irresponsible with my clients. If anybody deals with them, shall do so at his/her own risk, cost and responsibility. My clients shall not be responsible in any manner. SANJIV VERMA (ADVOCATE), Ch.No.205, Western Wing, Tishazari Courts, Delhi-54

Public Notice: It is hereby informed that my client Sh. PARDEEP KUMAR JAGTAP S/o Late Sh. Mahadev Jagtap R/O 154 C-Block Shalimar Bagh Delhi-110088, is the Owner of Property Plot No. 918-A, Khana No.29929, Block-A Gali No.126, Part-II, 25 Feet Road Mukund Pur, Delhi-110042, Area measuring 50 Sq. Yds. Situated at Mahendrapur, Delhi, and he has misplaced/lost all the Original Documents (GPA, Agreement to sell, Affidavit, Possession Letter, Receipt, Will, and with First to Last Chain respect of above said Property & have lodged a complaint/FIR/CR. Vide LF No.11497052019 dated 14.06.2019, with Police Station, Delhi. anybody finds the said document, please inform his at the above said Address or Ph. No.9953304982.

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Court Notice: (U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC) IN THE COURT OF Dr. Sanjeev Arya Addl. District and Sessions Judge as Principal Judge, Family Court, Jind Monika

vs. Hitesh CNR No.HR.JNO1-001053-2017 Next Date: 03-07-2019 Publication issued to: Hitesh Son: Surender Singh House No.92, Ambedkar Hospital, Rohini Sector-6 Delhi, Haryana In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/ respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 03-07-2019 at 10:00 a.m. For details login to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?tr=s=distrcit_notice&district=Jind

Addl. District and Sessions Judge as Principal Judge, Family Court Jind Dated, this day of 24.05.2019

Notice Inviting Tender: E-Tender ID - 2019_AAL 27517.1 Short term e-Tenders in the prescribed format are hereby invited for following Facility at CCSI Airport Lucknow: Name of facility: Car Parking Management, EMD - Rs. 15,43,000/-, MRF - 45,60,000/- and other Govt. levies. Last Date of Submission: 25.06.2019, for further details & updates visit www.etenders.gov.in / www.aal.aero

Before Debts Recovery Tribunal-III, Delhi 4th Floor, Jeevan Tara Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110001

Notice under section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1953 read with Rule 12 & 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules) 1993

In the matter of O.A. No. 388/2018 CORPORATION BANK vs Applicant Muzammil Shaikh Ali Harge & Ors. Defendants D-4 Pebbles Prolease P. Ltd. (Builder & Developer), A-169, 2nd Floor, Mandawali Fazalpur, Ganga Ram Gali, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092, Also at: C-5640, Sector-62, Noida, U.P.

Whereas the above named applicant has instituted a case against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in this Tribunal 01-07-2019 at 10.30 A.M.

Take notice that in case of your failure to appear on the above mentioned day before this Tribunal, the case will be heard and decided in your absence. Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this 06th day of May, 2019.

By Order of the Tribunal Assistant Registrar DRT-III, New Delhi

Office of the Executive Engineer, Road Construction Department, Road Division, Garhwa

CORRIGENDUM Tender Reference No.: RCD/GARHWA/509/19-20 [PR 208314 Road (19-20) D]

NAME OF THE WORK	Reconstruction of Nagaruntari- Dhurki-Ambakhoriya Road (MDR-139) Total Length 24.90 Km. under Central Road Fund for the year 2019-2020
CORRIGENDUM TITLE	Change in Clause 1 of column 5 for Bid (IFB)
CORRIGENDUM DETAIL	Please read - Cost of Document Rs. 10,000.00 Online payment on NTRP Portal - https://bharatdoak.gov.in/MinistryInfo.aspx in favour of "Regional Pay and Accounts Officer (NH), MoRT&I, Kolkata payable at KOLKATA". EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, R.C.D., Road Division, Garhwa

P.R.208912 Road(19-20)-D

NORTHERN RAILWAY E-Tender Notice

DEN/II/MB acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against Tender No. 33-DRM-MB-19-20 closing date 16/07/2019 16:00 hrs. Name of Work : Interlocking of manned LC gates (LC-228, 229-A, 238, 245 & 249 etc.) of main line and (LC-36,40 & 50 etc. in RAC-PSC section) under DEN/II/MB. Tender closing date/time 16/07/2019 16:00. Cost of Work Rs. 48,80,838.64, Earnest Money Rs. 97,620.00. Tender Cost: Rs. 3000.00. Bidding start date : 02.07.2019 and Period of Completion : 03 Months. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. For detail information please log into www.irops.gov.in Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through online payment modes available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. Tender No. 33-DRM-MB-19-20 Dated : 12.06.2019 1886/2019

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No. RMRC/DIB/S&P-15(Adv. 1 Proj. (Paragonimiasis)/2019-20/777 Date: 13/06/2019

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The Director, Regional Medical Research Centre, N.E. Region (ICMR), Dibrugarh, Assam invites Sealed Tender in double bid system i.e Technical and Price Bid from the reputed foreign/ Indian manufacturers, authorized dealers/stockists and in case of imported item from their authorized Indian agent for supply & satisfactory installation of the following Equipments/ Instruments for its Research Centre. Interested suppliers are requested to go through the website "<http://www.rmrcne.org.in>" & "Central Public Procurement Portal (ePublishing)" for the list of equipments and details specifications and terms & conditions. The last date of submission of tender/quotation: 3rd July 2019.

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11 BODY & MIND

Art of stillness in a world that cannot be silent

Meditation builds little sanctuaries in our rushed existence where we can disengage from the endless chatter of mind, and be still and present in the here and now



IMAGINE
BY SHELJA SEN

YOU KNOW those annoying people who cannot stop talking about meditation, on how it can transform the way we live and relate to the world? Well, I am one of them. Unapologetically so and yes, my friends, colleagues and family start rolling their eyes every time I start this evangelical spiel or look around furtively for the nearest exit.

I know many of you parents with little kids might be throwing up your hands in the air with, "Where's the time?" Trust me, one thing parents need in their chaotic life is some time for themselves when they can just be still, even if it is for five minutes. If you have not done this before, you might dismiss it with "Not my cup of tea!" Fair enough, but let's take this analogy one step further as in this day and age when there is this mind-boggling range of tea available for each person's palate, whim and fancy, there is nothing like, "Not my cup of tea." Similarly, there is no one-size-fits-all in meditation and let's see what will work for you.

BREATHING: Find a comfortable position, close your eyes and just focus on your breathing. There is no need to make it deep and slow, just breathe naturally, and in time you will notice that it will slow down. You could focus on the rise and fall of your abdomen, the rush of air in your throat or the tickling feeling in your nostrils. To give your-

self an anchor, you could count your breaths from one to hundred. Be mindful of any thoughts that come up and stay curious but do not engage with them.

INSIDE OUT: One thing that helps me meditate is what Eckhart Tolle, spiritual teacher and author of *The Power of Now and A New Earth*, calls 'feeling your body from inside-out'. Focus on your right foot, even with your eyes closed. Can you feel the sensation inside it? Disengage from every other part of the body and feel that sensation. Slowly scan the rest of your body, one part at a time from the inside out. Just become aware of the sensations — heaviness, tingling, pinching, burning or cold sensation. As you breathe in and out, lose the shape of your body and see all the sensations as a cloud. Let your rhythmic breath loosen the tightness around these sensations so that the heavy cloud feels lighter and makes you feel as if you are floating.

METTA OR BUDDHIST LOVING-KINDNESS MEDITATION is one of my favourite forms of meditation and I do it almost every day. In this, while meditating, we practise self-compassion — only when we are compassionate towards ourselves can we be compassionate towards others:

SELF - As you breathe gently, infuse your body with loving kindness. Allow warm feelings of love and acceptance to flow through your body, open your heart and feel the compassion at a cellular level with "May I be happy, may I be safe, may I be healthy and may I live in peace". (You can say anything that directs warmth and acceptance to your own self.)

LOVED ONES - Now, visualise one or more people you are close to, whose presence gives you a sense of joy. Open your heart and direct the same messages to them.



Illustration: Suvajit Dey

NEUTRAL PERSON - Now, bring into your awareness somebody for whom you have neutral feelings and send loving kindness to that person.

CONFLICTED RELATIONSHIP - At this step, bring into awareness somebody you have been experiencing conflicting feelings towards. Maybe your heart might be completely closed towards them. Gently open your heart and send loving kindness to them. It's alright if initially, you cannot muster much of it, only do what seems possible to you at that time.

LIVING BEINGS - In the last step, you can open your heart wide open and softly send this loving kindness to all the living beings in the world. With some practice, you will find that by this stage, you will feel expanded and your heart will be suffused with a sense of love, peace, acceptance and attunement with the world. Now, take this loving kindness feeling into the rest of your day. If there

is a niggling voice saying to you right now, "All this is rubbish! I can barely go through the day and she is asking me to become a Buddha!" Listen to that voice, smile and then let it go.

CIRCULAR BREATHING: This meditation by Peter Levine's Somatic Experiencing approach can do wonders for people who are experiencing pain in their body. Sit down on a chair, planting your feet firmly on the ground. Suppose you have pain in one leg, imagine that you are breathing in from one leg, directing your breath up your leg, towards your open heart from where it goes down the other leg into the ground. It goes through the ground back to the first leg where you breathe it in again to repeat the circle of breath — in from one leg, up to the heart and then out of the other leg. Visualise the breathing in bringing in cool, relaxing breath and breathing out cleansing your

body of all the discomfort. You could also see the breath as white light, which gently massages your body. You could do at least ten breathes or more till the time your body feels more relaxed and easy.

LETTING IT GO: Breathe softly and scan your mind for any resentment or pain you are keeping locked in. Visualise it as a tight knot holding you down. Breathe into it slowly and deeply. Now imagine it slowly melting away and leaving you feeling light and free. Try 'healing hands' where you rub your hands together and then gently place them where you are experiencing pain and slowly visualise letting it go. Through these strategies, you will train yourself not to 'brace and tighten' and get stuck in the pain cycle (emotional or physical) but to relax and let it go.

WALKING MEDITATION: You could also try walking meditation, where you go for a gentle and slow rambling walk in a park and just quietly observe the world around you. Each step connecting you to the ground you walk on, almost like kissing the earth and feeling grounded in the present moment. I practised this for the first time in a retreat with Thich Nhat Hanh, the Zen Buddhist master, and it was one of the most powerful and transformative experiences.

MEDITATION APPS: There are also some fantastic apps like Waking Up, Calm and Headspace that can give you bite-sized guided meditation. I use them often while I am travelling and suggest it to my therapy clients as they are a brilliant resource.

However, for whatever reason, if you feel that you are not ready for meditation, then I would suggest that at least spend a little time every morning, or whenever you get out of bed, to practise mindfulness. Mindfulness is about slowing down our minds, coming back

to our body and experiencing inner stillness. It could be while you just have your cup of tea, go for a walk or just water your plants.

I firmly believe that if there is anything we need in this frenetic, stressed-out, "living in the fast lane" world, then it is stillness and silence that daily practice of meditation can give us. Most importantly, do remember that meditation is a practice and the more regular you are with it the better you will become; so do not become disheartened if initially, your mind keeps squirrelling away. Start with just five minutes and then slowly build it up. Keep your expectations low, we are talking about bringing in the stillness and not enlightenment (though hats off to you if you do manage that).

Professor Richie Davidson, author of *Science of Meditation*, is one of the most prominent scientists who has done a lot of research in this area along with the Dalai Lama and other Buddhist monks. He talks about how our present world is very 'stimulus driven' where our attention is constantly being hijacked without our awareness by various shiny objects — anybody who has spent endless hours scrolling social media posts and YouTube videos will get that — and how meditation can help us become more "self driven" where we start taking charge of where we want to direct our attention and energy. It builds little sanctuaries in our hurried, rushed existence where we can disengage from the endless chatter of the mind, and just be still and present in the here and now. As travel writer Pico Iyer put it beautifully, "In an age of constant movement, nothing is more urgent than sitting still."

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DIET DIARY

The gut and brain connection

Autism Spectrum Disorder, rare until two decades ago, is rapidly growing in incidence now



BY ISHI KHOSLA

AUTISM IS a complex developmental and neurological condition that typically appears during the first three years of life. A wide range of symptoms are referred to as Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Autism affects brain function, particularly in areas of social interaction and communication skills. Classic symptoms include delayed talking, lack of interest in playing with other children, not wanting to be held or cuddled and poor eye contact.

According to researchers, children with ASD also have one or more associated conditions like allergies, asthma, eczema, Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, dyslexia, clumsiness, behavioural problems, hyperactivity, obsessive compulsive disorders, depression, bipolar or eating disorders. There is no known cause for ASD, but both genetics and environment are believed to play a role.

ASD was believed to be a rare disorder and until two decades ago, the incidence was one in 10,000. However, according to recent reports in 2014 in the US Centers for Disease Control, the incidence has increased to one in 59.

What is causing this sharp increase is not clearly known, but may be attributed to multiple factors, including increased maternal age, impact of gut health and gut microbiome of the mother, maternal and child's nutritional status, maternal infections, immune imbalance, food sensitivities, some vaccines and possibly environmental toxins.

According to researchers, most children diagnosed with ASD have digestive disorders which begin to manifest early in life. Constipation, colic, reflux, diarrhoea and abdominal discomfort, and bloating are common in the first year of life. Fussy eating and limited food choices at age two are typical. According to many experts, a child's digestive system holds the key to mental development.

As a result, dietary management appears to have a profound affect in the mechanisms in development of the condition and, therefore, its management.

As per recent reports by leading neu-

rologist Dr Natasha Campbell McBride, the gut-brain connection is so strong that it is referred to as the GAPS syndrome — Gut and Psychology syndrome.

The Father of modern psychiatry, French psychiatrist Philippe Pinel, concluded in 1807 that "the primary seat of insanity generally is the stomach and intestines".

It is not surprising that parents of autistic children rarely describe their child's stools as normal. The father of modern medicine Hippocrates also stated that all chronic diseases begin in the gut. While the exact mechanisms are not clear, what is postulated is an increased intestinal permeability also called the "leaky gut".

A damaged gut wall allows a large number of toxic substances and partially digested foods to enter the blood stream, reach the brain and trigger food sensitivities, autoimmunity, seizures and other neurological disorders. This could also be responsible for deficiencies of several micronutrients like Vitamin B-12, folic acid, Vitamin B-6, magnesium, manganese, Vitamin D, iron, amino acids and essential fatty acids. The diet guidelines to manage the condition revolve around gluten-free and casein free. In general, high starch and free sugars should be restricted and replaced by healthy fats like Omega-3 rich fats, butter, ghee, virgin coconut oil,

extra virgin olive oil, nuts and avocado. High starch grains can be replaced with nut flours like coconut, almond flours or lentil flours.

Due to cross-reactivity, corn, oats and soy are best avoided. Proteins can be taken in moderation through nuts, lentil, beans, sprouts or through fish, free range chicken, eggs. All in all, gut flora has to be rebuilt with pre- and probiotics, nutritional supplements and healthy diet rich in brightly coloured vegetables. No processed food with artificial ingredients must be taken.

A food sensitivity test under the guidance of a qualified professional can be useful. ASD is a result of a complex interplay of environmental, dietary and genetic factors. While genetic factors cannot explain its rise in the last 20 years, environmental triggers have to be identified. It is important to know that with the GAPS protocol, there is a good chance to completely overcome this condition, especially if started early.

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What insomnia does to you

Chronic insomnia is linked to an increased risk of developing hypertension, Type 2 diabetes, heart attack, depression and anxiety

JANE E BRODY

HOW DID you sleep last night? If you're over 65, I hope it was better than many others your age. In a study by the National Institute on Aging of over 9,000 Americans aged 65 and older, more than half said they had difficulty falling asleep or staying asleep. Many others who believe they spend an adequate number of hours asleep nonetheless complain of not feeling rested when they get up.

Chronic insomnia, which affects 5 per cent to 10 per cent of older adults, is more than just exhausting. It's also linked to an increased risk of developing hypertension, Type 2 diabetes, heart attack, depression, anxiety and premature death. It may also be a risk factor for dementia, especially Alzheimer's disease.

Studies based on more than 1,700 men and women followed over many years by researchers at Pennsylvania State University

College of Medicine found that the risk of developing hypertension was five times greater among those who slept less than five hours a night and three-and-a-half times greater for those who slept between five and six hours. But there was no increased risk among those who regularly slept six or more hours. Likewise, the risk of developing diabetes was three times greater for the shortest sleepers and twice as great for those who slept between five and six hours.

People with insomnia often complain that they can't concentrate or focus and have memory problems. While the evidence for this is inconsistent, the Penn State studies showed that people with insomnia are more likely to perform poorly on tests of processing speed, switching attention and visual memory. And most studies have shown that insomnia impairs cognitive performance, a possible risk factor for mild cognitive impairment and dementia.

The many reasons for the high rate of poor or interrupted sleep among the elderly include chronic medical problems that cause sleep-disrupting pain or emotional distress, a need to urinate several times a night, and caregiving responsibilities that do not respect the clock. Once awakened well before morning, many people have difficulty falling back to sleep.

Underlying many of these problems is how the body reacts to stress. Stress stimulates the release of substances like cortisol that are known to cause arousal and sleeplessness, and healthy middle-aged people are more vulnerable to the sleep-disturbing effects of these stimulating hormones. This may explain why older people are more likely to suffer from insomnia. Dr Alexandros HVGontzas and Julio Fernandez-Mendoza wrote in *Current Psychiatry Reports*.

They added that all people with insomnia experience increased cortical arousal during sleep to some degree, which may explain why

so many people complain their sleep is neither restful nor restorative, no matter how many hours of sleep they get.

However, sleep problems are not a normal part of aging, according to Dr Nabil S Kamel, a geriatrician in Springfield, Missouri, and Dr Julie K. Gammack, a geriatrician at the St Louis University Health Sciences Center. The amount of sleep people need varies from person to person; there is no "gold standard" for how much sleep an older person needs. Rather, it's based on how people feel and how well they function on the amount of sleep they get.

Among the factors that can affect nearly every older adult are biological changes in sleep patterns and circadian rhythms that accompany ageing. Beginning in middle age, people naturally spend less time in deep sleep and REM sleep, during which dreaming occurs, and so-called sleep efficiency — the proportion of time spent in bed asleep — continues to decrease past 60, Adam P Spira, a sleep researcher at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, and colleagues reported.

A shift called a circadian phase advance naturally occurs with advancing years, causing you to feel sleepy and wake up earlier than you used to. You may be able to delay your bedtime by consuming caffeine or taking an afternoon nap, but don't be surprised if you then have difficulty falling asleep at bedtime or staying asleep until it's time to get up.

"A 20-minute nap helps a lot of people, but it may not be a good thing to do if you are having trouble sleeping at night," Dr Spira said.

Many of the factors that can cause poor sleep can be easily treated and often eliminated entirely by knowing how to adapt to age-related changes in sleep structure and by modifying sleep-disruptive behaviours.

Start by practising good sleep hygiene. Avoid or minimise use of caffeine, cigarettes, stimulants and especially alcohol. It's true that a glass of wine may help you fall asleep more quickly, but it can — and often does — disrupt the quality and duration of sleep.

Exercise regularly, outdoors if possible, but not close to bedtime. Exposure to natural light during the day and early evening can help set your biological clock to foster sleepiness at bedtime. Avoid eating a heavy meal just before bed. Reading before lights-out is fine, but the National Sleep Foundation cautions against exposure at bedtime to the blue light of e-readers (such as the Amazon Kindle), smartphones, tablets, computers and even televisions. If errant thoughts pop into your head when you're trying to fall asleep, or you're afraid you might forget something important, keep a pad and pen next to the bed and write yourself a note, then shut down your brain until morning. **NYT**

SHORT COURSE

[0-20 YEARS]

Smartphone application may help treat anorexia



AS A SMARTPHONE app-based therapy can help anorexic people restore eating habits and regain normal body weight, scientists say. The approach is based on the theory that slow eating and excessive physical exertion, both hallmarks of anorexia, are evolutionarily conserved responses to short food supply that can be triggered by dieting — and reversed by practising normal eating. Researchers from Karolinska Institute in Sweden suggest that eating disorders should not be considered mental disorders. "Anorexic patients can normalise eating rate by adjusting food intake to feedback from a smartphone app," said Per Sodersten, lead author of the research in *Frontiers in Neuroscience*. "In contrast to failing standard treatments, most regain a normal body weight." **PTI**

[20-40 YEARS]

Red meat, white meat equally harmful: Study on cholesterol



MANY PEOPLE choose white meat over red in the belief that white meat is less likely to lead to high cholesterol levels. But when it comes to cholesterol, there may be little difference. A new study, in *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*, randomised 113 healthy adults, aged 21 to 65, to one of two diet programmes. The first consumed a high-saturated-fat diet with 25 per cent of energy coming from protein in three different sources for four weeks each: red meat, white meat and nonmeat. The second did the same programme on a low-saturated-fat diet. High-saturated-fat diets resulted in higher LDL (or "bad" cholesterol). And both meat diets resulted in higher levels of LDL. But in either programme, red meat and white meat resulted in same levels of LDL and total cholesterol. **NYT**

[40+ YEARS]

Heartburn drugs can lead to fatal heart or kidney disease



THE HEARTBURN drugs called proton pump inhibitors, or PPIs, are known to have serious side effects. Now researchers have documented the ways in which they may be deadly. The report, in *BMJ Open*, used a Veterans Affairs database of 1,57,625 new users of PPIs like Prevacid and Prilosec, and 56,842 people prescribed a different type of acid-suppressing medicine called H2 blockers (Pepcid and Zantac, for example). Over 10 years of follow-up, the researchers calculated that there were 45 excess deaths for every 1,000 users of PPIs, with most deaths a result of cardiovascular disease or chronic kidney disease. But half of the people on PPIs had none of the common indications for taking them, including peptic ulcer, gastroesophageal reflux or Barrett's esophagus. **NYT**

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BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

Metro bonanza

Free rides for women in public transport is a part of Delhi government's push to make the city safe, inclusive



JASMINE SHAH

THE DELHI GOVERNMENT'S decision to make public transport free for women in the national capital has ignited a welcome debate on safety and mobility of women in Indian cities. The policy is being debated on two fronts: Whether it is desirable at all to adopt such a policy, and if it is feasible for the Delhi government to implement it at present.

Any discussion on the desirability of this or any subsidy targeted at women must begin by accepting the shocking gender divide that exists in India and particularly, Delhi. India ranks a lowly 95 out of 129 countries in the recently released SDG Gender Index. A survey by Thomson Reuters Foundation in 2017 ranked Delhi as the most unsafe megacity in the world for women. Official data shows that crimes against women in Delhi have seen a phenomenal increase of 83 per cent between 2007 and 2016. Analysis abounds on factors that contribute to this — ineffective policing, poor conviction rates, dark spots, unsafe modes of transport, social norms towards women, among others — but there is hardly any talk of transformative solutions.

The Delhi government's decision solves an important part of this problem by making public transport the default mode of transport for the city's women. Experts across the globe vouch that public transport is the safest mode of transport — there's safety in numbers. In Delhi, a large fraction of women from poor and lower middle classes, often living at the margins of existence, are constrained to walk long distances or use unsafe modes of transport than buying a bus ticket. The metro is not even an option for most of them.

By providing unrestricted access to public transport, the Delhi government's decision also provides women an opportunity to reclaim public spaces. Besides further enhancing safety, this directly impacts the second objective of the Delhi's government's decision — economic empowerment of women by significantly improving access to education and job opportunities.

A detailed study published last year by the Sustainable Urban Transport Project (SUTP) and backed by the Government of India shows how women forego opportunities to work outside their neighbourhoods if they perceive transport fares and services to be expensive and unreliable. A 2017 study by a World Bank

economist, Girija Borker, in Delhi's colleges covering 4,000 students shows that female students are willing to choose a lower quality college, travel longer and spend much more than men in order to travel by safer route.

This is important since India is among the few countries globally that has seen decreasing participation of women in the workforce in the past decade, despite stellar economic growth. In Delhi, women account for only 11 per cent of the workforce — perhaps the least among Indian cities. India cannot aspire to be global superpower by ignoring the constraints faced by 50 per cent of its population.

This brings us to the feasibility of implementing the free public transport policy. Majority of the critiques offered so far suggest that public transport system may get choked or that last-mile connectivity and pedestrian safety also matter. Some have advised the Delhi government to spend public money on buying more buses and improving their reliability, while some others have invoked fancy economic theories like "broken window fallacy" that are completely irrelevant to this debate.

The big problem with all these critiques is they frame these policy choices as an either/or debate. The Delhi government has never claimed that making public transport free is a silver bullet to ensuring women's safety — a lot more should and must be done by all public agencies concerned, especially the Delhi Police, which reports to the Centre.

On its part, the Delhi government has been making necessary financial allocations and implementing all the above policy measures year-on-year. Delhi's 5,576 buses currently operate on average at 80 per cent of their passenger carrying capacity and can easily handle an estimated 10 per cent additional load due to this policy. Further, Delhi's bus fleet is all set to increase by 1,000 in the next six months — an increase by 18 per cent. Another 2,000 buses are at different stages of procurement.

Delhi government has deployed dedicated bus marshalls in 60 per cent of its buses to exclusively deal with women safety issues, a first such effort by any city in India. The same is being extended to cover the remaining buses. Connect Delhi, the most ambitious reform so far to improve the reliability of Delhi's buses, is also under way. The initiative promises to

rationalise the bus and feeder services in Delhi so that all parts of Delhi are connected with a reliable public transport facility within 500-metre walking distance and at every 15 minutes. In March, the first leg of this reform was launched in Najafgarh covering 17 bus routes that are now seeing schedule adherence upwards of 90 per cent.

The present decision of making public transport for women free comes in the backdrop of these multiple reform efforts, and backed by the fiscal space the Delhi government has created for itself by sound management of state finances: Delhi's budget has doubled from Rs 30,900 crore to Rs 60,000 crore in the last five years. That's also the reason why all doomsday predictions of the AAP government ruining the state exchequer by its decision to give free water and power subsidy have proven to be untrue.

In fact, by carefully-targeted subsidies and an unprecedented expansion of social infrastructure such as schools and hospitals, what the AAP government has managed to achieve is build the economy from below by investing in people — what Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia calls as "Trickle Up Economics". The current decision of making public transport free for women is designed to work in a similar fashion.

Meanwhile, accountability must also be fixed on the Central government whose flawed decision of doubling fares of the Delhi metro in 2017 has seen a shock decrease in metro ridership from 28 lakh per day in 2017 to 25 lakh per day today even as the total length of metro network has increased by 55 per cent in the same period. This single move has upended all ridership targets of Delhi metro that was designed to reach 40 lakh by end of Phase 3, hitting the economically disadvantaged sections the most, including women.

The worsening state of women safety and workforce participation in Indian cities in the past decade are the result of a policy failure. Delhi government's decision to make public transport free for women is a welcome policy innovation in this context — something the rest of the country can learn from.

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A HOME IN SPACE

ISRO's plan to build a permanent space station is a natural progression of the vision to expand its footprint beyond earth

ISRO HAS DECLARED its intention to build a permanent space station for itself, possibly in the next five to seven years. After the mission to moon and Mars and a proposed manned space flight before 2022, this is the next logical step for the agency. What the step seems to suggest is that, in the coming years, ISRO would be undertaking many prolonged space exploration projects and sending many astronauts into space, such that it would require a permanent station for itself.

For four decades since its inception in the early 1960s, ISRO had, apart from building its capacities, focused primarily on harnessing space technologies for societal benefits. Yash Pal, the first director of Space Application Centre in Ahmedabad, once described India's space mission as "almost a sociological programme" as much as a technological programme. Vikram Sarabhai, the father of India's space programme, used to repeatedly make the point that India must be second to none in the application of advanced technologies to "the real problems of man and society". Even as late as in 2015, Prime Minister Narendra Modi got all government departments to sit down with ISRO and identify the areas where space technology could help them achieve their objectives. In the next phase, beginning this century, ISRO established itself as a reliable and economical launcher of commercial satellites. It demonstrated its capabilities to launch all kinds of satellites, and delivered close to 300 payloads of foreign countries in space in the last 12 years. This service is likely to continue since it generates the much-needed revenue to fund ISRO's various missions.

However, ISRO is signalling that it is now ready to take a leap into space exploration. Chandrayaan-2 and Gaganyaan are, in fact, heralding ISRO into this new phase. There is a mission to the sun coming up next year, while another to Venus has also been announced. More inter-planetary explorations, and possibly a human flight to the moon, are also in the pipeline. The space station is a facility India would need in the context of missions such as these and more. NASA's International Space Station, the only one functional right now, is slated to retire by 2025, or latest by 2028, and no replacement for it has been confirmed so far. It is likely that future space stations would be commercial facilities, available to anyone for a fee. For an agency that is still to execute a successful human space flight, all this might seem a little premature. And the proposed five to seven-year timeline to achieve it, surely, is ambitious. But ISRO is known to set ambitious targets, and achieve them as well.

WELCOME MEASURE

Lower contributions to employees' state insurance could boost formalisation further

IN A WELCOME move, the Union government has announced a significant reduction in the contribution by workers and employers towards the employees' state insurance (ESI) scheme. From July 1, the overall contribution to ESI is slated to decline from 6.5 per cent to 4 per cent, with employers' contribution falling from 4.75 per cent to 3.25 per cent, and that of employees from 1.75 per cent to 0.75 per cent. This decision, which lowers the cost of hiring for employers, should be seen in conjunction with recent initiatives such as the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojna (PMRPY) that aim to boost the creation of formal jobs by lowering the costs associated with formalisation.

The ESI Act provides for medical care and cash benefits in case of contingencies to employees drawing a salary up to Rs 21,000 per month. It is one of the pillars of the social security architecture in the country. But, its current cost structure is prohibitive. A look at its accounts shows that the current levels of contribution far exceed the benefits disbursed by it — in fact, only around half of the contributions are paid out as benefits. For instance, in 2016-17, while total contributions stood at Rs 16,852 crore (including interest income of Rs 3,069 crore), total expenditure incurred for medical benefits was only a fraction at Rs 6,409 crore. This growing divergence between collections and disbursement has led to a substantial build up of its reserves. At the end of March 2018, its corpus stood at Rs 73,303 crore, up Rs 13,920 crore from last year. Between 2012 and 2017, it earned Rs 19,993 crore as interest income alone on this corpus. But this rise in income hasn't translated to greater benefits. As the standing committee on labour noted in a report last year, people continue to be deprived of the benefits of the ESI scheme "due to lack of coverage of ESIC scheme, poor functioning of hospitals, etc.". This suggests that contributions can be substantially lowered, while maintaining benefits at current levels.

Prohibitive mandatory contributions such as the provident fund/employee state insurance tend to act as deterrents to formalisation. As the experience of PMRPY has shown, lowering these costs tends to have a positive impact on formalisation. In fact, much of the recent rise in the EPFO subscriber base is on account of PMRPY. Lowering costs further, or offering employees the choice of who handles their contributions, could accelerate the process further.

ONE SMALL STEP

NASA's recognition of African American women's role in the first moon mission is a welcome act of contrition

IN 1969, THREE of the people who were an essential part of Neil Armstrong taking "a giant leap for mankind", each working at the cutting edge of mathematics and astrophysics, were not allowed to eat, study or even use the same bathroom as their white peers. The seminal contribution of Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson — among several other African-Americans — to the Apollo 11 mission was little known until the 2016 book, *Hidden Figures*, brought it to light for the general public. NASA has now renamed the street outside its Washington headquarters Hidden Figures, to honour those that were once treated as second-class citizens even as they literally shot for the moon, and managed to hit the target.

The whitewashing of the role that Black Americans had in the moon-landing and their suffering under segregation only brings to focus the many petty cruelties — the institutionalised inequalities — that have been as much a part of modernity as the great achievements of our times. That one of the great advances in modern science and technology can exist, almost without comment, with as immoral and counter-intuitive a practice as segregation on the basis of skin colour presents a disturbing contradiction.

There is some evidence, though, that things in 2019 have progressed since 1969. While the contradiction between modernity and deeply retrograde systems of discrimination abide, the acknowledgment by the world's leading space agency of those that helped it become so is a welcome correction. And perhaps a much-needed attempt at expressing contrition. Meanwhile, it appears that the ISRO is unlikely to repeat NASA's mistakes: Chandrayaan 2, India's second exploration of the moon, is being headed by two women — Ritu Karidhal and Muthayya Vanitha — and ISRO has been only too keen to publicise their role. As space exploration moves to new horizons, it appears, thankfully, that there are no more hidden figures.

ON A STICKY WICKET

Cricket and religion have combined to impose a disturbing piety in Pakistan



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DOES CRICKET LEAD to religious piety? Or is religious piety so deeply ingrained in certain players that they go "pious", which in Pakistan means growing a flowing beard, shaving off the moustache and putting a cap on? In Pakistan it is not a "phase" that you outgrow — it is a permanent transformation. And, it seems to pay off. In India, former cricketer Gautam Gambhir has embraced Hindutva but it is not the same thing. In Pakistan, you can even become the prime minister.

In the case of Imran Khan, it is all explained in his book *Pakistan: A Personal History* (2011), where he recalls the "early signs" of being "chosen". He writes: "Pir Gi from Sahiwal said I would be very famous and make my mother a household name." But the man who stood by him as his spiritual mentor was Mian Bashir, who shocked him by naming the Quranic verse his mother used to read to baby Imran. Bashir also predicted that Allah had turned the tables in Khan's favour in the Allan Lamb-Ian Botham libel suit whose reparations would have pauperised Khan.

Till the 1992 World Cup, no one prostrated before Allah Almighty after getting a rival player out or scoring a century. Today, it is an unspoken rule. The selector, former captain Inzamam-ul-Haq, is today heavily bearded. He was the one who "changed" during his captaincy and "persuaded" the entire team to "embrace Islam". In the book, *White on*

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Green (2016), Richard Heller and Peter Osborne note the "piety" trend gaining ground after preachers like Dr Israr of Lahore called cricket a lascivious anti-Islam entertainment with Khan rubbing the cricket ball "sinfully" in the "groin area".

Before Khan, another captain, Fazal Mahmood, had suddenly become Islamic after retirement from the police department, writing a book, *Urge to Faith* (1970), indicating that something indeed happens to famous sportsmen forced to stay away from normal life during their careers. Before Khan, there was the former captain Saeed Ahmad who first "played around", marrying and divorcing a "society girl", before growing a beard and joining tableeghi jamaat that has transformed many other cricketers since: Ahmad himself often barged into dressing rooms and treated the team to sermons of piety.

The case of leg-break bowler and test player S F Rehman is serious. He is now Maulana Sheikh Fazlur Rahman Al Azhari following the Wahhabi path of Islam — this after an MA degree and a PhD in Islamiyat, and going to Cairo to embrace the "hard Islam" of Wahhabism, which rejects the "imitative" jurisprudence of Pakistani Islam. He defended the killer of Punjab governor, Salmaan Taseer, saying that the act represented a reaction against "liberalism" that aims "to destroy all faiths". Taseer had defended a Christian woman wrongly accused and convicted to

death for blasphemy.

Ex-captain and Christian Yusuf Yohanna secured himself against trouble by converting to Islam during his career as a batsman. He benefitted from conversion but many Christian men who tried to follow his example were not similarly rewarded. Though, leg-spinner and Hindu test-player, Danish Kaneria, usefully cultivated the habit of saying inshallah and mashallah as part of his conversation in a state increasingly hostile to non-Muslims, something like what India is in the process of becoming.

Tableeghi Jamaat seduced Shahid Afridi too but this was nothing compared to the marvelously gifted opener Saeed Anwar who, understandably, succumbed to Inzamam's evangelism after a tragedy in his family.

Osborne refers to an article in the 2006 edition of *Wisden Cricketers' Almanack*: "Rare today in the Pakistani cricket is the soundbite or even private utterance not bracketed by Bismillah (in the name of Allah) or inshallah (God willing). The team prays together fastidiously, recites ayats (Quranic verses) in its huddles and celebrates personal and collective milestones with sajda (the act of kneeling in Muslim prayers); they all fast during Ramadhan, some even during games."

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JUNE 17, 1979, FORTY YEARS AGO

LABOUR NUMBERS UP DESPITE THE EMPHASIS on rural development, the number of landless workers in India has increased by 220 lakh in 14 years, at the rate of nearly 15 lakh per year. Their daily earnings have also gone down from Re 1 to 88 paise. These figures have been culled partly from the rural labour enquiry reports of 1964-65 and 1974-75, and partly from the latest data the Planning Commission has collected for the Sixth Plan. According to these sources, agricultural labourers numbered 310 lakhs in 1964-65, but this figure increased to 460 lakhs in 1974-75 and to 530 lakhs in 1977-78. This means that marginal farmers have been swelling the labour force. They

have been forced to part with their land either because of new burdens or old debts. Apparently, the thousands of crores channelled to rural areas has gone to big farmers.

INDO-SOVIET BOND INDIA AND THE Soviet Union voiced their opposition to "any interference by outside forces in the internal affairs of Afghanistan". A joint statement, signed by Prime Minister Morarji Desai and Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev was released in Leningrad at the end of Desai's visit to the Soviet Union. The statement did not mention Pakistan by name but it is clear that the message was primarily meant for Islamabad.

AVIATION CENSORSHIP FACED WITH A spate of adverse publicity in recent months, the Ministry of Tourism and Civil Aviation has imposed strict censorship on the departments and public sector undertakings under its charge. Officers of Air India, Indian Airlines and the Directorate-General of Civil Aviation have been forbidden from speaking to the press. Even the directors of public relations have been asked to remain mum. So scared are officials that copies of any press statement are immediately dispatched to the ministry by special messengers, so that the ministry's mandarins do not complain that they learn of developments from the morning newspapers.

GDP growth, again!

Is it possible that growth was over-estimated by a large 250 bps a year for five years and no one knew about it, including economists in government?



NO PROOF REQUIRED
BY SURJIT S BHALLA

FORMER CHIEF ECONOMIC Adviser to the Ministry of Finance, Arvind Subramanian (hereafter AS) contends in a working paper at the prestigious Harvard University that India's GDP growth between 2012 and 2016 (period II) likely averaged somewhere between 3.5 and 5.5 per cent yielding an average AS growth of 4.5 per cent. Given that the official GDP growth for this period was 7 per cent, there is an average overstatement in the official GDP statistics of around 2.5 percentage points (ppt) a year. You can search far and wide, in journals and in newspapers, but no one, absolutely no one, has made such a calculation, and assertion, that AS has done for any non hyper-inflation economy for such a long period of time (except for one China estimate — see below).

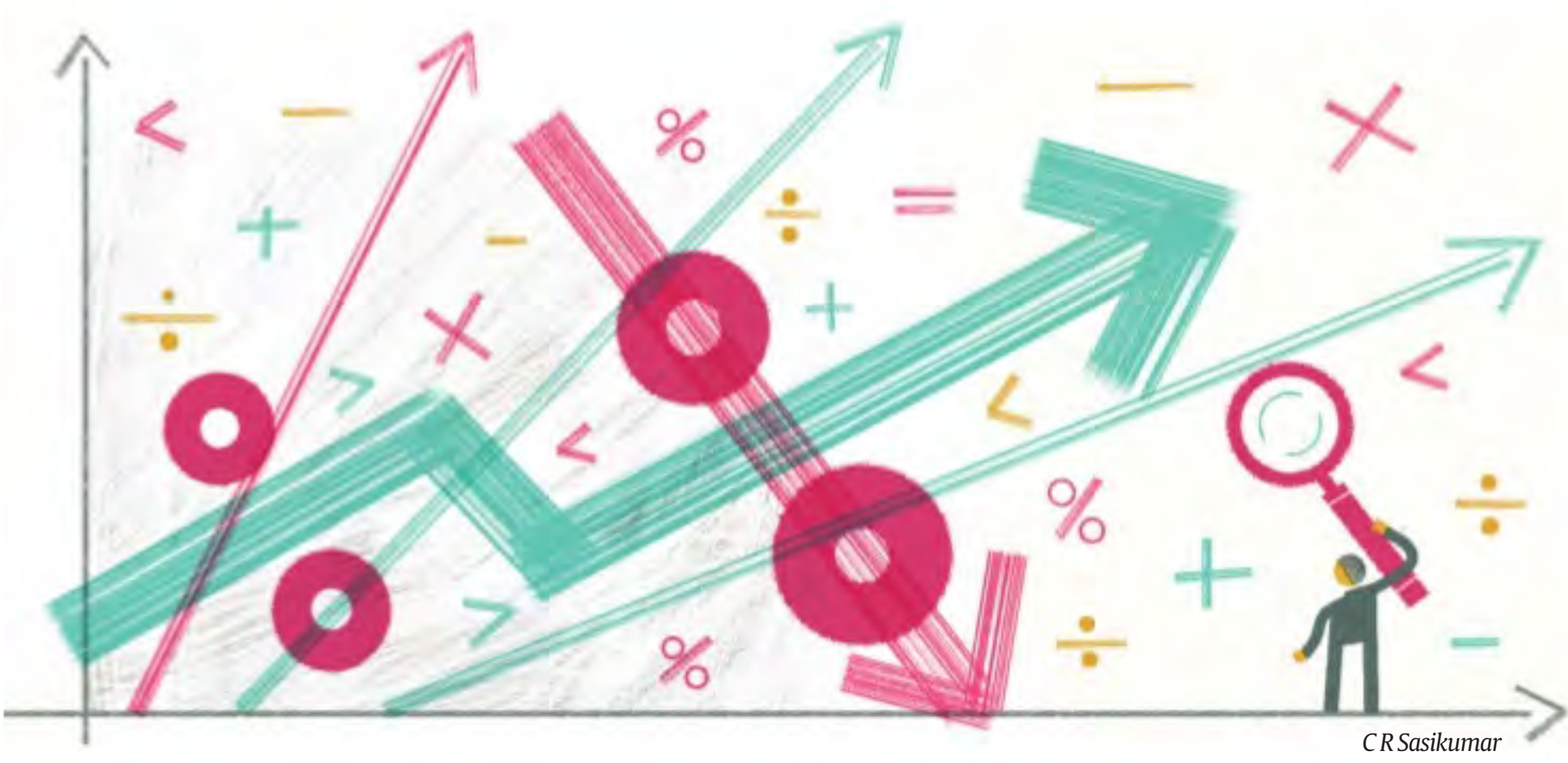
Coincidentally, AS's assertion is similar to the contention of two Hong Kong-based economists, that for the nine-year period 2008-2016, official statistics-reported GDP growth for China was higher by an average 1.7 ppt a year. However, there is one paper by history and economics professor at the University of Pittsburgh, Thomas Rawski, who asserted that cumulative GDP growth in China between 1998 and 2001 averaged just 3 per cent over the four years 1998-2001, compared to the official estimates of 8 per cent-plus. Rawski based his calculations on electricity consumption and his estimates were soon discarded by experts who used trade data to demolish his thesis. The question remains whether the same fate awaits AS's estimates.

We examine AS's computational method below, but first a few general comments. One had thought that post election 2019, politics would not encroach upon the substantive mis-measurement conclusions reached by AS. Unfortunately, there are still journalists and "experts" congratulating themselves that their election-oriented assertion that the Narendra Modi government had presented lies about the economy has now been proven right by AS's paper.

Two points need emphasis. For the period studied 2001-2016, is there any additional data that AS now has that he did not have when he was CEA from October 2014 to June 2018? The answer is no and while we all have doubts about all forms of data (in India, China, the US and the world) the fact remains that there are no known revisions of the data post 2018 (and post 2017) for the data used by AS. Given this fact, the question obviously arises that if no new information is available, then what is the point about AS's contention about mis-measurement of GDP growth for the period 2012-2016?

The second point relates to GDP revisions involved with the base-year change from 2004-5 to 2011-12. This is a routine exercise, undertaken for most economies (especially developing economies) from time-to-time. The normal occasion for this revision is the availability of new household survey data on expenditure (or components of income). The consumer expenditure survey data for 2017-18 is expected to be released shortly; so brace yourself for another round of base-year revisions over the next year or two.

However, it is relevant to point out, and AS is well aware of this fact, that 2014-15 base year revisions had important components of



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"structural change" in data collection and interpretation. In particular, balance-sheet data from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) was used to estimate value-added in manufacturing and service industries. Previously, the CSO used the index of industrial production and the Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) data (available with a two-year lag) to estimate value-added in industry. For an important part of the service sector — wholesale and retail trade (WRT) — accounting for 10-15 per cent of GDP, the CSO used the previous growth rate in employment as observed via the Employment and Unemployment Surveys. For example, for the years 2004-5 to 2011-12, the CSO used employment growth trends for 1999-00 to 2004-5 to assume WRT employment (and hence value-added) trend between 2004-5 and 2011-12. It turns out that this estimation led to a gross overestimate of the WRT sector since employment growth was less than 1 per cent between 2004-5 and 2011-12, a big decline from the near 3 per cent annual employment growth observed between 1999-00-2004-5.

All of this was well known by all the statistical experts when they sat down, in multiple committees, to design a new method of estimation for GDP for industry and services. It is important to emphasise that international experts from the UN, World Bank and IMF were involved in the review exercise and most of this was completed before Modi became PM. The CSO report and method was finalised in January 2015, when AS was already in office for four months. Since all major economists were privy to this revision method (along with the National Statistical Commission — again, all appointees of the Manmohan Singh government) it is a bit unexpected for AS to now claim that he had doubts about the new method of estimating GDP.

For the period 2011-2016, there is the whole statistical world (and UPA) approving of the new method — and AS has now positioned himself against these experts and himself (pre-2019 AS). To finish this line of argument, what would have been most useful if AS had documented the source of the new data (information) and how this new data has changed his interpretation of reality. Note that GDP revisions undergo revisions, around the world, of 10-50 basis points, but a revision of 250 bps, annually, is unheard of, at least since Rawski made a parallel attempt two decades ago.

What about the statistical method that AS uses to reach his conclusions about gross-estimation? Perhaps mindful of Rawski's fate (AS has written a laudatory book on China's GDP growth), AS's estimation is based on four major variables — export and import growth, real credit growth and electricity consump-

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tion. He chooses two time-periods — 2001-2011 and 2012-2016. I have absolutely no disagreement with his choice of time-periods. The High Level Advisory Group (HLAG) to the commerce minister, which I had the privilege and honour of heading, used precisely these break points to measure trade performance in the world. The reason being that world trade literally fell off a cliff in 2012. Between 2001 and 2011, world exports grew at double digit levels (in nominal dollars) and collapsed to -1.5 per cent pa in the 2012-16 period. In real terms, the fall in world exports was from 4.6 to -1 per cent.

The world has changed in many ways since 2011: World trade is down, drastically, and world inflation is now at 3 per cent levels (distributed roughly at 1-2 per cent levels for the developed world and around 2-4 per cent levels for the developing world). I will be examining the AS methodology regarding GDP over-estimation in a detailed research note. For the moment, let me point out a few salient facts which suggest that AS may not have got it right in his over-estimation prediction of 250 bps of annual growth.

Manufacturing — value-added vs IIP growth: In period I, the two growth rates are virtually identical: 7.7 vs 7.3 per cent pa. In period II value-added in manufacturing increased at 7.2 per cent pa and IIP increased at only a 3.1 per cent rate. If the MCA data for period II are considered problematic, and IIP correct, then there is an over-estimation of 4.1 per cent per year. With a weight of 15 per cent, this will lead to an over-estimation of GDP of 60 bp per year in period II.

Wages in manufacturing (ASI data): Real wage per day growth was only 0.4 per cent an annum in period I which accelerated to 2.2 per cent pa in period II.

Agricultural wage growth: For (unskilled) ploughmen, this accelerated from 1.9 per cent in period I to 3.3 per cent in period II; for (semi-skilled) rural carpenters, the acceleration was much sharper — from 0.9 per cent to 4.5 per cent.

Real wage growth is an important component of GDP growth, and both Annual Survey of Industries and rural wage growth indicators suggest that the second 2012-16 period (spanning both UPA and NDA) contributed a higher portion to aggregate GDP growth. The trend in wages conflicts with AS's derivation of over-estimation of GDP growth. A meaningful analysis of AS's assumptions, and cross-country estimation methods, deserves serious investigation — especially a comparison of how other countries performed for the two growth periods.

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WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"Americans should be concerned by anything that might diminish the Federal Reserve's political independence, actual or perceived."
— THE WASHINGTON POST

Preening nationalism

India has gone from false hopes in 2014 to false pride in 2019



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NARENDRA MODI'S STUNNING victory in the recent general elections is no doubt a great personal achievement for a leader whose oratorical and political skills (often tinged with a bit of venom) are indeed impressive and matched by indefatigable energy. Of course, he has been helped by disproportionately large corporate donations that gave him a megaphone to drown other voices, by a largely supine media that, apart from allowing him to escape hard questioning, became used to blowing his trumpet, by a fragmentary Opposition with immature leadership, by an army of volunteers canvassing both door-to-door and via WhatsApp, and, of course, a last-stage unexpected gift from Masood Azhar in the form of a terrorist incident to "boldly" respond to. But all this is not enough to fully explain the victory that Indian voters have handed him.

These are early days to carry out a full analysis of the electoral data for deciphering the range of explanatory factors, but there are enough straws in the wind to venture some guesses. First, it is unlikely that the economic achievements of the Modi regime played much of a role, and it is not a coincidence that the ruling party campaigns, particularly in periods of apparent desperation, did not much emphasise them either. Some did talk about toilets (though the actual use of those toilets lagged far behind their bureaucratic targets of construction) and gas cylinders for the poor (though evidence suggests refills of those cylinders lagged far behind their initial acquisition), but their impact on voting behaviour was likely to have been marginal (as suggested by the opinion polls by mid-February). One, of course, did not hear much about the slaying of the dragon of corruption through demonetisation, the grand hoax of November 2016. The stories of agrarian distress, which led to the hurried start of the PM-KISAN scheme, did not melt away and with the current state of land records, the two-hectare limit in the scheme must have been a block in implementation in large parts of the country. The other economic concern about the lack of good jobs for young people remained uppermost in many a mind, a promise of 2014 obviously belied.

People often talked about Modi's incorruptibility, but the same was true of Manmohan Singh, the leader of a regime associated with corruption scandals. Corruption is not necessarily associated with dynastic politics. Even if it were, the latter is not completely absent in the ruling party (a significant fraction of its MPs are "dynasts"), and its NDA partners. More importantly, there is only a thin line between public corruption and crony capitalism which has been rampant in both UPA and NDA regimes. Besides, in India's system of highly secretive election funding — made murkier by electoral bonds — a party

far ahead of others in benefiting from that system cannot deny complicity.

There have been many accounts of young people telling press reporters that they may not have jobs, but Modi has ensured that India is respected in the league of nations: Undoubtedly, this has been important to many voters. This kind of preening nationalism is based on a deep inferiority complex, that the rest of the world does not give us enough respect. Many people abroad have not been much impressed by India's actions in the Balakot airstrike, and, many in India are unaware that India's reputation abroad has substantially declined as well in several respects under the Modi regime. India used to be respected for its pluralism and democracy. In the widely-cited report of the Economist Intelligence Unit on the State of Democracy in the World for 2018, India's rank declined sharply in just four years since 2014. The lynchings of Muslims, atrocities on Dalits, the assault on some universities by goons and politicians, the repression of dissent, and the prominence given by the regime to Hindu supremacists (like Yogi Adityanath or Pragna Thakur) have brought us disgrace in the civilised world. Politicians pontificating on plastic surgery or test-tube babies by ancient Hindus, or rants against evolution or the cancer-curing properties of cow urine, have made us a laughing stock in the world. Yet, in our echo-chambers, there will be non-stop hype about the Modi regime raising our national prestige.

Yes, nationalism can have a positive role in unifying people and transcending inter-ethnic group conflicts, but the kind of ethnic pseudo-nationalism that the RSS/BJP propagates is highly divisive, not unifying. If it is really the case that, as some people believe, Modi's appeal can cut across castes and regions, and therefore is a positive step for India, then this nationalism has to transcend majoritarian ethnicity. It has to be, instead, a kind of "constitutional nationalism", based on our constitutional values and norms. Modi once called the Constitution his "holy book", but that has been mere empty rhetoric; in reality he has connived with his party members and associates, frequently violating the Constitution in letter and spirit. Majoritarianism is not democracy — I don't like the oxymoronic term "liberal democracy", used by many people, from Fared Zakaria to Viktor Orban, as this ignores in some sense the essence of democracy. Effectively turning nearly 200 million people in our country into intimidated, second-class citizens is a violation of that constitutional nationalism, however impressive Modi's electoral victory may be. Concentration of power in one person, intimidation of critics and dissenters, weakening of institutions of checks and balances and misuse of police, bureaucracy, tax and investigative agencies against political opponents, are all gross violations of the Constitution which can put the world's largest democracy to shame.

If the victory in 2014 was partly based on false hope, then that of 2019 seems based on false pride.

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Justice that heals

Why cases under POCSO law should deploy restorative justice

ABOUT FOUR MONTHS ago, when news about a district court in Madhya Pradesh sentencing a person to death under the POCSO (Prevention of Children from Sexual Offences) Act was doing the rounds, research conducted by the Counsel to Secure Justice (CSJ) and National Law University Delhi (NLUJ) offered significant insights. Drawing from a survey conducted with the survivors and family members, as well as the accused, in child sexual assault cases in areas in and around Delhi, this study revealed that the meanings of "justice" tend to vary for the victim, offender, family, and community. The survivors or their families did not necessarily want the death penalty — or even strict punishment — for the accused. Rather, in many cases, they wanted the offenders to acknowledge their wrongdoing or tender an apology for their act.

These ideas are a part of "restorative justice", which is emerging as a powerful tool in the criminal justice process, especially with regard to conciliation and mediation. The concept involves bringing the victim and offender together to remedy the harm — it makes the offender accept his/her offence. Criminologist Howard Zehr notes that crime violates both people and relationships. Restorative justice involves the victim, offender and the commu-

nity in its quest for solutions, which are about repairing, reconciliation, and reassurance.

Punitive options, including the death penalty, are not the product of the concerns of victims or their families — they are notions of the state and therefore, driven by political considerations. Punishment seldom matches with the idea of justice held by the victims, their families or the community. Victimisation leads to trauma, shame, insecurity, and several other social and emotional consequences. Most people who were interviewed in the CSJ-NLUJ study felt that the offenders need to go through similar pain and trauma. The victims wanted society to punish the offenders by shaming them as "rapists" or "molesters". Other victims wanted the offender to tender an apology as it gives them a sense of empowerment. The survivors felt that the criminal justice process is inconsequential if it doesn't drive the offender to experience regret, a sense of guilt and an obligation of reparation.

The study revealed that families of victims often felt that the offenders usually do not experience any remorse or guilt even after undergoing the severest of punishments. The stakeholders in these communities felt that, apart from harsh punishment, measures like community service, education — or even treatment for the offender — and restorative programmes ought to be initiated.

A restorative justice approach would require the POCSO Act to concentrate on the victims' needs — material, financial, emotional and social. POCSO ought to recreate or restore a community that supports the rehabilitation of victims and offenders — and in doing so, prevent crime. Adoption of such strategies will also obviate the costs and delays associated with the current legal justice system.

In 90 per cent cases of child sexual abuse, the offender is not only known to the victim but is also a close relative. Many organisations worldwide have "victim offender reconciliation programmes" or "sentencing circles". These involve trained facilitators who make the parties discuss possible solutions by driving the offenders to own up to their offence.

The current justice system often ignores the need to restore relationships that were broken, because family members blamed victims and failed to support them. The aim of the criminal justice process ought to be the creation of peace and, more importantly, enabling the community to deal with the effects of crime — as well as preventing it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

UNHEALTHY STRIFE

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Get back to work' (IE, June 13). The developments related to the doctor's strike in West Bengal are nothing new in our country. There is a tendency in India to give a political colour to what is otherwise a completely non-political issue. West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee should not threaten the striking doctors. The BJP should avoid trying to gain political mileage out of this unfortunate incident. The patients and their families need to have complete faith in the doctors. And lastly, the doctors need to get back to work, though their anger is justified.

Bal Govind, Noida

ROT IN CONGRESS

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Let him go' (IE, June 14). Rahul Gandhi has shown some character by owning up to the Congress's debacle, but the party does not seem to have the gumption to accept his resignation. The Congress must show courage and try to be a party of substance rather than a party of sycophants. It's high time the Grand Old Party develops inner-party democracy and involves grass root workers in electing its working committee.

Ashok Goswami, Mumbai

LANGUAGE, WISDOM

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'The enigma of English' (IE, June 13). The approach when it comes to language must not be to devalue English. Rather, it must be to work to develop the language and culture of non-English

LETTER OF THE WEEK

SOFT POWER

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Neighbours first', (IE, June 11). Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Male and Colombo underlines the importance of these island states in India's foreign policy. It seems a subtle tactic to wean away these countries from Chinese influence. While India cannot compete with China economically, it can use the soft power approach. It can also extend generous lines of credit, step up initiatives such as joint counter terror drills and enhance maritime trade and commerce, which can help India to exercise its influence in the Indian Ocean regions.

Pranay Kumar Shome, Kolkata

speakers. Mother tongue is the only way to inculcate values and basic knowledge. The Constitution's Article 343(1) lays down that: "Over a period of 15 years from enactment, use of English as an official language is to cease, unless Parliament decides otherwise." But it still holds the status of the "subsidiary official language" of the Union. English emerged as a lingua franca for commercial, diplomatic and administrative convenience. But the language one is born into is apt for foundation knowledge.

Arshpreet S Ekhnor, Fazilka

TOP OF THE WORLD



Sarah Sanders

USA
White House press secretary Sanders resigns

Washington: White House Press Secretary Sarah Sanders, who famously said God "wanted Donald Trump to become president" has resigned, becoming the latest senior aide to exit his administration. President Trump made the announcement on Twitter that Sanders will step down at the end of the month. "After 3 1/2 years, our wonderful Sarah Huckabee Sanders will be leaving the White House at the end of the month and going home to the Great State of Arkansas..." Trump said in a tweet Thursday.

SYRIA
Bombardment by Russia, regime kills 28

Beirut: Regime and Russian air strikes and shelling killed at least 28 people including seven civilians in embattled northwest Syria, a war monitor said Friday, despite a ceasefire announced by Moscow. The civilians were killed in regime air strikes and shelling on the south of Idlib province and the north of Hama province Thursday, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said. Russian and regime air strikes also killed 21 jihadist and Islamist fighters in the same region the same day, the Britain-based monitor added.

ISRAEL
Jets hit Gaza after rocket fire into Israel

Jerusalem: Israeli aircraft struck Hamas bases in Gaza early Friday, the military said, after a rocket fired by Palestinian militants hit a Jewish theological seminary in southern Israel. There were no reported casualties. "Last night, a rocket was launched from the Gaza Strip into Israeli territory," Friday's military statement said. It said that in response the Israeli Air Force "fighter jets and aircraft targeted terror infrastructure in military compounds and a Hamas naval force military compound as part of a strike on a number of Hamas terror sites in the Gaza Strip."

SRI LANKA
Chief inspector found guilty of child abuse

Colombo: The Supreme Court fined an award-winning woman police officer for illegally detaining and intimidating a teen girl to frame a local politician for rape, officials said Friday. Chief Inspector Waruni Bogahawatte was also ordered to pay \$570 as compensation to the victim while the state was also ordered to pay 50,000 rupees earlier this week. The 15-year-old girl was forced by Bogahawatte to undergo repeated medical examinations to establish if she had been sexually attacked.

Trump blames Iran for attack on two tankers, Tehran calls accusations alarming and false

PARISA HAFEZI & MAKINI BRICE
DUBAI/WASHINGTON, JUNE 14

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump blamed Iran on Friday for attacks on two oil tankers at the entrance to the Gulf despite Tehran's denials, stoking fears of a confrontation in the vital oil shipping route.

Iran has dismissed earlier US charges that it was behind Thursday's attacks that crippled two tankers. It has previously suggested it could block the Strait of Hormuz, the main route out for Middle Eastern oil, if its own exports were halted.

Asked how he planned to address Tehran and prevent any further incidents, Trump told Fox News: "We're going to see." He also said any move to close the Strait of Hormuz would not last long.

"We want to get them back to the table," Trump said. "I'm ready when they are." He added that he was in "no rush".

The US military released a video on Thursday which, it said, showed Iran's Revolutionary Guards were behind the blasts that struck the Norwegian-



An Iranian navy boat sprays water to extinguish a fire on an oil tanker. AP

owned Front Altair and the Japanese-owned Kokuka Courageous in the Gulf of Oman, at the mouth of the Gulf.

Iran said the video proved nothing and that it was being made into a scapegoat.

"These accusations are alarming," Foreign Ministry spokesman Abbas Mousavi said.

Iran has accused the United States and its regional allies such

as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates of "warmongering" by making accusations against it.

Tehran and Washington have both said they have no interest in starting a war.

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres told the UN Security Council on Thursday the world could not afford "a major confrontation in the Gulf region".

China, the European Union and others have called for restraint from all sides. In a notable signal that close US allies are wary of Washington's position, Germany said the US video was not enough to apportion blame for Thursday's attack.

Britain said it took the matter "extremely seriously" and, if Iran was involved, "it is a deeply unwise escalation". REUTERS

FLYING OBJECT STRUCK TANKER: OPERATOR

Tokyo: One of the tankers that were attacked in the Gulf of Oman was struck by a flying object, the ship's Japanese operator said Friday, disputing at least part of the account of US officials who blamed Iran for the attack.

It was attacked by a flying object," said Yutaka Katada, president of the operator, Kokuka Sangyo.

Katada, citing accounts from the ship's crew, said: "I do not think there was a time bomb or an object attached to the side of the ship." NYT

Strait of Hormuz: World's most important oil artery

WHAT IS THE STRAIT?

- The strait lies between Oman and Iran
- It links the Gulf north of it with the Gulf of Oman to the south and the Arabian Sea beyond
- The UAE and Saudi Arabia have sought to find other routes to bypass the Strait, including building more oil pipelines

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

- Almost a fifth of the world's oil passes through the Strait — some 17.4 million barrels per day (bpd) versus consumption of about 100 million bpd in 2018, data showed
- OPEC members Saudi Arabia, Iran, the UAE, Kuwait and Iraq export most of their crude via the Strait

Anger as accused in Christchurch attack pleads not guilty

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
CHRISTCHURCH, JUNE 14

THE MAN accused of shooting dead 51 Muslim worshippers in the Christchurch mosque attacks in March smiled Friday as his lawyers entered not guilty pleas to multiple murder and terrorism charges.

The self-proclaimed white supremacist appeared in court via audio-visual link from a maximum-security prison in Auckland.

Tarrant, a 28-year-old Australian national, was committed to stand trial next year on 51 counts of murder, 40 of attempted murder and engaging in a terrorist act. His smiling demeanour enraged survivors still reeling from the worst massacre in modern



A courtroom drawing of Brenton Tarrant. AP

New Zealand history. "I feel sad that someone can be so unhuman and take the lives of innocent people," Abdul Aziz, who confronted the gunman and chased him off the premises, said he wanted to see Tarrant's face. "He was laughing there (in court) and he thinks he was so tough, but he was a coward when he faced me and he ran," he said.

Five Easter bombing suspects repatriated from Saudi Arabia

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
COLOMBO, JUNE 14

A PROMINENT member of a banned Sri Lankan terror outfit involved in the Easter Sunday bombings was among the five suspects repatriated from Saudi Arabia, police said on Friday as they questioned them for their alleged links to the carnage.

Police spokesperson Ruwan Gunasekera said that Mohamed Milhan was a key associate of Zahran Hashim, a leader of the banned National Thawheed Jamath (NTJ) who killed himself in the blast.

Milhan, also listed as a terror suspect in the intelligence warnings issued before Easter Sunday

terror attacks, is also wanted since November for the killing of two police constables in the eastern Kathandudy area where Hashim had his base.

Four others also wanted in connection with the Easter bombings that killed 258 people and injured 500 others were arrested in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

"A team of CID officers brought the suspects back to Sri Lanka this morning," Gunasekera said. The suspects were arrested by a team led by an assistant police superintendent, he was quoted as saying by the Times Online.

The suspects have been identified as N M A Milhan, M A Mohamed Mila, A Abusally, MIM Ismail, and M M M. Shah Nawaz Sabri, the report said.



FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Protesters carry banners and placards during a strike against the gender pay gap in Zurich on Friday. Reuters

- Hundreds of thousands of women across Switzerland held a strike Friday to highlight the nation's poor record on female rights, in a reminder of the last such walkout 28 years ago.

- Swiss women earn roughly 20 per cent less than men. While that is an improvement from about a third less in 1991, the discrimination gap has worsened since 2000, data show.

- "It's not just about wages. The equal opportunity is not there. At least for the next generation it needs to be there," Zurich city councilwoman Karin Rykart said.

- "Equality is enshrined in the constitution, but real, material, effective equality doesn't exist for all women," said organiser Tamara Knezevic, 24.

WHO may declare Ebola a global emergency

STEPHANIE NEBEHAY
GENEVA, JUNE 14

THE WORLD Health Organisation (WHO) should and is likely to declare an international emergency over the Ebola epidemic in the Democratic Republic of Congo that has now spread to Uganda, experts said as a WHO advisory panel met on Friday.

The WHO said on Thursday two people had died in Uganda having arrived with the disease from Congo. A panel of 13 independent medical experts on the WHO's Emergency Committee (EC) were meeting from midday

to evaluate the latest evidence and whether the epidemic constitutes a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC).

Such a decision would lead to boosting public health measures, funding and resources, and could include recommendations on trade and travel, academic experts and aid groups said.

"Will @WHO declare global emergency for #Ebola? I predict yes. My sense is @DrTedros will call PHEIC if #EC recs it. He understands depth of crisis," Lawrence Gostin, professor of global health law at Georgetown University Law School in Washington, DC, tweeted. REUTERS

EXPLAINED E In the past decade, WHO has declared four emergencies

THE DRC'S Ebola epidemic is considered to be the second worst worldwide, after West Africa's Ebola outbreak in 2014-16. The WHO has declared four international emergencies in the past decade, with the one in Congo likely to be the fifth.

The current Ebola outbreak has led to 2,084 cases and 1,405 deaths since being declared in August 2018, reported Reuters. Experts say while the risk at the international level remains low, declaring the matter an emergency would increase international political support and lead to the release of more resources with which to tackle the outbreak.

'HE OVERCAME ODDS OF SLAVERY, PREJUDICE AND RACISM'

A step to sainthood for ex-slave who was first black priest in US

LIAM STACK
NEW YORK, JUNE 14

AUGUSTINE TOLTON was born into slavery in Missouri in 1854, escaped to freedom as a child during the chaos of the Civil War, and later became the first African-American priest in the Roman Catholic Church.

This week, he took the first step toward becoming the church's first African-American saint.

Pope Francis put Tolton on the path to sainthood Wednesday when he issued a decree "declaring the heroic virtues" of the priest, who was the only American on the list, which con-



Father Augustine Tolton. AP

tained the names of eight candidates for sainthood.

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops said Wednesday that Tolton was the first Catholic priest "publicly known to be black"

when he was ordained in 1886. Bishop Joseph Perry of the Archdiocese of Chicago called Tolton "a bright light in a difficult period of this nation's history."

"His life and ministry still speak to the problems of our day where communities, neighborhoods and churches continue to evidence separations among race and class and the disturbances that erupt periodically from these social contradictions," Perry said in a statement. "Father Tolton is a model for priests and laity who live and work in these situations while they strive to work for harmony and peace..."

There are two more steps on the road to sainthood. If church in-

vestigators attribute a miracle to Tolton, he will be beatified and declared "blessed" by the pope. A second miracle would lead to his canonization, which would make him a saint.

Church officials are studying "at least one potential miracle" that may have been the result of Tolton's "prayerful intercession," Diocese of Springfield in Illinois said Wednesday. It said it and the Archdiocese of Chicago had spent 16 years advocating his sainthood.

Tolton was born in Brush Creek, Missouri, on a plantation owned by a white Catholic who had his slaves baptised and given religious instruction, according to a biography published online by

the Diocese of Springfield.

He was named Augustine after the Christian theologian from Roman North Africa, he said later in life. As a child, Tolton fled across the Mississippi River one night in a row boat with his mother and two siblings as Confederate soldiers shot at them from the shore.

He did not think he would return to the US and planned to work as a missionary in Africa,

studying its history and languages. But after he was ordained in Rome at age 31, his plans were scrapped by Cardinal Giovanni Simeoni.

Simeoni sent Tolton back to Quincy. He wanted him to undertake missionary work of a different kind.

"America has been called the most enlightened nation in the world," the cardinal said, according to the biography. "We shall see if it deserves that honor. If the US has never before seen a black priest, it must see one now."

Tolton spent three difficult years in Quincy. He faced racial hostility, including from a white priest in the parish who used racial slurs to refer to him and con-

PAKISTAN

Anti-graft body arrests Zardari's sister in fake accounts case

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
ISLAMABAD, JUNE 14

PAKISTAN'S STOP anti-graft body has arrested sister of former president Asif Ali Zardari in a case related to money laundering through fake bank accounts.

Faryal Talpur, 61, was arrested by the officials of the National Accountability Bureau from Islamabad, days after the anti-graft body apprehended her brother and Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) co-chairman Zardari on Monday. The Islamabad High Court on Monday rejected the two leaders' bail plea in connection to a high-profile case of money laundering allegedly through fake bank accounts.

In its orders, the court allowed the NAB to arrest Zardari and Talpur. The brother-sister duo now have the option of appealing the order in the Supreme Court.

Chairman of the PPP Bilawal Bhutto, son of Zardari, told media that his party would not bow before the high-handedness of the government. "This government has violated the respect of women by arresting Talpur but we are not going to bow before such tactics," he said.

An arrest warrant was handed to NAB Rawalpindi three days ago, following which it constituted a team to arrest the PPP leader Talpur, Geo News quoted NAB officials as saying.

She will be presented before an accountability court on June 15 to secure her remand to probe the allegations against her, the NAB officials said.

China trains guns on 'Cold War warrior' Pompeo

BEN BLANCHARD
BEIJING, JUNE 14

BEIJING HAS found its villain in its multi-fronted conflict with the United States: Secretary of State Mike Pompeo.

The former CIA chief has been singled out for scorn, in Chinese state media and even at the foreign ministry, over his criticism of everything from Chinese tech giant Huawei to its record on human rights.

During a regular media briefing on Monday, China's Foreign Ministry accused Pompeo by name of telling lies, a striking departure from its usual practice of referring to foreign officials as "the relevant person", or using similar wording.

Relations between the world's two largest economies have nosedived amid a bitter trade war, U.S. sanctions on Huawei Technologies Co Ltd, Washington's support for Chinese-claimed Taiwan and criticism of a China's treatment of Muslims in its western region of Xinjiang.

Pompeo has also angered Beijing with warnings about Chinese activity in the Arctic and President Xi Jinping's signature Belt and Road infrastructure programme. REUTERS

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY
NOTICE OF INVITING E-TENDER
DRMIS and T acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against Tender No. SNT-JP-10-2019-20 closing date 11.07.2019 15:00. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through only payment modes available ON IREPS portal LIKE net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. Name of work with its location : Provision for Two District Signals on Connecting lines for reception of Trains at Phulera, Hironda and Khalwas Stations over Jaipur Division. Approx. Cost of work (Rs.) : 8144940.13/- Earnest Money (Rs.) : 162900/- (Online Payment Only) Date & Time for Submission up to on www.ireps.gov.in : 11.07.2019 Up to 15:00 hrs. Website particulars & Notice board location : www.ireps.gov.in and DRM office/NWR/Jaipur. 1559-DU19 Please join us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/NWRRailways) [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/NWRRailways) [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/NWRRailways)

NORTHERN RAILWAY
OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE
Invitation of tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems)
The Sr. Divisional Engineer-IV, Northern Railway, Delhi Division for and on behalf of President of India invites E-Tender on prescribed form for the following work.
1. Name of work with its location: Erection of 30.5 mtr tall Indian flag mast at different station of Delhi Division.
2. Approx. cost of work: Rs. 1,89,70,110.62
3. Earnest money: Rs. 2,44,860.00
4. Date and Time of submission of tender and opening of tender: Up to 15:00 hrs. on 21.06.2019 opening of e-Tender at 15:00 hrs. on 05.07.2019
5. Website particulars, published e-tender, notice location etc. complete details of tender can be seen and website where the tender form can be downloaded: Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in
No. 128-W/260/Tender Notice/46/19-20/W-4 Date: 13.06.2019 1888/2019
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NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE
Invitation of tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems)
S. N.I.T. No. NIT-12A-19-20-W-2
1. Name of work with its location: Annual zone for repair and maintenance of staff quarters and service building in the section of SSE/ W/E/GZB under ADENI/GZB for the year 2019-20 FE 30.06.2020
2. App. Cost of the work: ₹ 14798070.95/-
3. Earnest Money: ₹ 224000/- (It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway only. Note:-FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on as per Railway Boards letter No. 2015/CE-1/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016
4. Completion Period: 12 Months
5. Cost of tender on Cash/ by post: ₹ 5900/- (It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway only. Note:-FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS Railway Boards letter No. 2015/CE-1/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016
6. Date and time for Submission of tender and opening of tender: 25.06.2019 to 09.07.2019 upto 15:00 hrs Opening of tender 09.07.2019 at 15:00 hrs
7. Similar Nature of Work: Any Civil work other than track work.
8. Website particular notice board location complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc. Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in
NIT-12A-19-20-W-2 Dated: 13.06.2019 1887/19
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PRESS NOTICE
Executive Engineer (E) South Elect. Div., PWD, 11th Floor, MSO Bldg., New Delhi on behalf of President of India invites ONLINE item rate e-bids for auction of unserviceable material. Earnest Money : Rs. 1,00,000/-. The last date to fill/upload e-auction bid through e-tendering is 26.06.2019 upto 3:00 PM & Opening of auction bids at 3.30 P.M. Tender I.D. No. 2019 PWD_173922_1. The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in> and respective tender IDs. DIP/Shabdhar/0217/19-20

GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER
MAHANADI GODAWARI BASIN RAIPUR (C.G.)
e-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE
eProcurement Portal: <https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in> (3rd Call)
System Tender No. : 51717/NIT No.: 04/SAC/2019-20, Gariaband, Dated : 11.06.2019
Online Tenders are Invited for The Following Works up to 01.07.2019 at 17:30 Hour (IST) :-
Name of Work- CANAL LINING OF FINGESHWAR DISTRIBUTARY FROM CH. NO. 0 TO 48 OF PAIRI PROJECT OF CHHURA BLOCK IN GARIABAND DISTRICT.
Probable Amount of Contract - Rs. 204.87 Lakhs
The details can be viewed and downloaded online directly from the Government of Chhattisgarh Integrated e-Procurement Portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) from Date 20.06.2019, at 17:31Hours (IST) on wards.
NOTE :- All eligible/interested contractors/bidders are mandated to get enrolled on the Integrated e- procurement Portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) and get approval on specific vendor class from PWD under Centralized Contractor/Supplier Registration in order to download the tender documents and participate in the subsequent bidding process.
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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Water Resources Division, Gariaband
for, Chief Engineer, Mahanadi Godawari Basin
Water Resources Department, Raipur (C.G.)
70642

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION KHANDWA
NIT No. 37/JK/PWD/E-Tender/2018-19 Khandwa, Date: 06/06/2019
NOTICE INVITING TENDER (IInd Call)
Online digitally sealed tenders in three (02) envelope system are hereby invited on behalf of Municipal Corporation Khandwa (M.P.) for the following works in form 'A' on percentage rate basis respectively and same will be received online at <https://www.mptenders.gov.in> as per key dates.
Table with columns: NO., Name of the work (package), Probable amount of contract (in Rs. Lacs), Earnest Money (in Rs.), Cost of Tender Document (in Rs.), Time of completion.
1. 2019_UAD_29809_1 CONSTRUCTION OF NEW OFFICE BUILDING FOR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION KHANDWA BEHIND LAW COLLEGE HARSOOD ROAD KHANDWA 529.31 Lacs, 2,64,655/-, 25,000/-, 12 months including rainy season.
1. The bidders intending to participate in this tender are required to get enrolled/ registered on the e-procurement web site <https://www.mptenders.gov.in> and get empanelled on the sub portal of public empanelment on the above portal and sub portal is mandatory. Tender documents can be purchased last date 27/06/2019 as on 17:30 pm & bid submission only online from <https://www.mptenders.gov.in> in by making online payment of portal fees as online processing charges last date 27-06-2019 up to 17:30 pm. The bidder can participate and submit the tender having registration in equivalent category in Government Department of any state Government of Govt. of India. The successful Bidder has to be registered with GoMP prior to signing the agreement. The brief tender notice and all the conditions and specifications can be seen in details in the tender document. The NIT is also available at www.mpurban.gov.in
Note : For details on tendering procedure through the electronics tendering system, please refer to "Guidelines for using Electronic Tendering System" documents available along with tender documents and portal <https://www.mptenders.gov.in>. The NIT is also available at www.mpurban.gov.in.
Commissioner
Municipal Corporation Khandwa

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR, SHER-I-KASHMIR INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, SOURA OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MECHANICAL
E-mail: mechanicalskims@gmail.com
SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS
Gist of e-NIT NO. 08 OF 2019-20 Dated: 12.06.2019
For and on behalf of Governor of Jammu & Kashmir State, Executive Engineer, Mechanical, SKIMS, Soura, Srinagar, invites Online e-Bids in Two (02) Cover System from Registered Firms/ Agencies having expertise as detailed in the Tender Document for the following works:
Sr. No. Name of the Work Estimated Cost (In Rs.)
1. Shifting of Cooling Tower of Oxygen Concentrator Plant 750LPM from its Existing Place to 1st Floor of Manifold and Medical Gas Section with Stair Way at SKIMS, Soura 208960/-
The complete Tender Document is available at website: <http://jktenders.gov.in>. Interested Bidders/Tenderers may view, download the e-Bid Document, seek Clarification and Submit their Bids Online upto the Date and Time mentioned in the Table below. Tender Documents contain Qualifying Criteria for Bidders, Specifications, Bills of Quantities, & Terms and Conditions of the Contract and other relevant details.
Table with columns: i) Date and Time of Downloading/Sale of Tender Documents (Starting Date), ii) Date and Time of Bidding Queries/ Clarification/Pre-Bid Meet, iii) Last Date & Time of Bid Uploading, iv) Date of Submission of Hard Copies. (Only Original EMD/DD for Document Fee), v) Date & Time of Commercial/ Technical Bid (Cover-I) Opening Day, vi) Date & Time of Financial Bid (Cover-IInd) Opening of the Qualifying Bidders, vii) Cost of e-Bid Document, viii) Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (CDR/ FDR), ix) Completion Time, x) Budget Head.
No.: SIMS 139 Ex. 453/19-20-468-78-3148-315/ Dated: 12.06.2019
Sd/- Executive Engineer, Mechanical, SKIMS

Government of India
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre
BARC Facilities, Visakhapatnam
CORRIGENDUM
Tender No. BARCF-V / 2019 /02
The last date for down load of Tender documents for the above mentioned Tender has been extended up to 20-6-2019 (17:00 hrs.) .Further details are available in e-tendering website www.tenderwizard.com/DAE
(D. Venkateswarlu)
Regional Director, BARCF(V)
for and on behalf of the President of India

KOLKATA METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
e-NIT No.: 03/SE/C-III/R&B/KMDA of 2019-20
Superintending Engineer, Circle-III, R&B Sector, KMDA, Udayan Bhavan, Block-D, 3rd floor, Bidhan Nagar, Kolkata-700 091 invites online bids of the said NIT from bonafide, reliable, experienced & resourceful firms/individuals/contractors, joint ventures/consortium for the work: Name of work: Construction of boundary wall with grill barricading under Baghajatin ROB (Tender ID-2019_KMDA_228091_1); Value of the work: ₹ 2,31,00,731/-; Earnest Money: ₹ 4,62,015/-; Time of Completion: 150 days. Last date & time of online bid submission is: 10.07.2019 upto 12.00 hours. For details please contact the above office or visit both of our websites. KMDA/97/Pressman/4/2019-20
Visit Website : www.kmdaonline.org/www.wbtenders.gov.in

GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION
Solid Waste Management Department
S.W.M.C.No.A7/1434/2019 Dated : 14.06.2019
E- Tenders are invited for the following works in Single stage two cover system as detailed below.
The Superintending Engineer (SWM) Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC), invites online tender for "Selection of Concessionaire for incineration of dry waste (50MT capacity) into reusable for Construction Materials for Chennai city in DBFOF model under PPP mode." Bid documents are available online on www.tntenders.gov.in from 14.06.2019 onwards.
Date of Pre Bid Meeting: 21/06/2019 at 11 AM
Last Date and Time of Submission of Bid: 18/07/2019 up to 3.00 PM
Bid Opening Date and Time: 19/07/2019 at 4.00 PM
Cost of Tender documents and EMD: Cost of documents: Rs.20,000/-; EMD: Rs.9,50,000/-
DIPR/1992/Tender/2019
Superintending Engineer/SWM

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice
Sealed (Open) tender are invited by Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/CMB for and on behalf of President of India on the prescribed form with the following details: (a) Name of Work : Hing of multiutility Road Vehicle (Scorpio, Innova, Tata Safari, Toyota, Mahindra, Xylo, Chevrolet, Tavera or similar) for 24 Hrs in one day for Sr. DSTE/Co/MB/DRM's Office N.Riy. Moradabad for day to day official work for local journey/Travel at Moradabad as well as other part of Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Delhi etc. with minimum running of 2400 Kms. in a month for one year. (b) Approximate Cost: Rs. 599381.94 (c) Earnest Money : Rs. 12000/- (d) Last date and time for submission of tender and opening of tender : 15.07.2019 up to 14.00 hrs. and 15.07.2019 at 15.00 hrs. (e) Website particulars, Notice board location where complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased : www.ireps.gov.in
Tender documents only be available at www.ireps.gov.in EMD and tender cost will be submitted on same website. Tender No. 01/S&T/Sig/MB/Vehicle/2019-20, Date : 11.06.2019 1883/2019
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In order to clear extra rush of passengers during 'Amamath Yatra' Northern Railway have decided to run the following Special Train as per schedule given below:-
04401/04402 Anand Vihar Terminal-Udhampur-Anand Vihar Terminal Express Special Train (By-Weekly) 28 Trips
Train No. 04401 STATIONS Train No. 04402
Arr. Dep. Arr. Dep.
- 23:00 Anand Vihar Terminal 05:55 -
13:30 - Udhampur - 16:05
Days of Run: 04401 Ex Anand Vihar Terminal on Monday & Thursday from 01.07.2019 to 15.08.2019 and 04402 Ex Udhampur on Tuesday and Friday from 02.07.2019 to 16.08.2019.
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Table with columns: Sr. No., Name of Post, Age Limit, No. of Post, Honorarium (Per Month).
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5. Psychiatric Social Woker Upto 42 Years 1 12,500/-
6. Monitoring and Evaluation Officer, NMHP Upto 42 Years 1 12,500/-
The Interested Candidates to visit website: nrhmharyana.gov.in for Application Form, Detailed Advertisement like Number of Posts, Eligibility Criteria, Date of Written Test/ Interview and Important Instructions etc. Name of the Post applied for must be superscribed at the top of the Envelope as under "Application for the Post of ...". Application Forms complete in all respect should reach in this Office "District Health and Family Welfare Society, O/o Civil Surgeon, A-Block, 5th Floor, Sector-6, Panchkula-134109 before Closing date i.e. 25.06.2019 by 05.00 P.M. through Registered Post/ By Hand. Incomplete Application Forms will be rejected and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained.
Applications Forms or Documents received after the Closing Date will not be accepted and no correspondence in this matter will be entertained. In case, Gazetted Holiday falls on Closing Date, then next working day shall be considered as Last Date for Submission of Application Forms. Please see Corrigendum (if any) regarding this advertisement on website: nrhmharyana.gov.in
Sd/- Civil Surgeon, Panchkula
76901/HRY.

North Eastern Railway E-Tender Notice No. 2 of Year 2019-20
E-Tenders are invited by Divisional Railway Manager (S&T), N.E. Railway, Imtarnagar for and on behalf of the President of India for the following works :-
Table with columns: Description of Works, Approx. Value, EMD, Cost of Tender Form, Completion Period.
(1) Miscellaneous ₹ 72,81,159.71 ₹ 1,45,000/- ₹ 5,000/- 365 Days
Signalling work in connection with construction of Sub-way (LHS-58 Nos.) at various Level Crossing Gates over Izzatnagar division.
Date & time of Closing of e-tenders : 19.07.2019 at 15:00 Hrs.
Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. The tender can be viewed at website <http://www.ireps.gov.in>. The tenderer/bidders must have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate & must have register on IREPS portal. All relevant papers must be uploaded at the time of participating in e-tendering.
CPRO/Sig-28 Sr. Div. Signal & Telecom Engineer, N.E. Railway/Izzatnagar
About any Passenger-Agency complaint SMS on Mob. No. 09794845955
Never travel on roof and foot boards

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE
The Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer (Diesel) North Western Railway, Abu Road For & on behalf of the President of India invites tenders for following works.
1. Tender No. : M 233/163/18-19 (CCTV)
2. Name of work : Supply installation and commissioning of CCTV surveillance system at Diesel Shed, ABR (as per scope of work).
3. Approx. cost of the work : Rs. 23200/-
4. Earnest Money to be deposited : Rs. 23200/-
5. Date & time of closing of E-Tender on : 19.07.2019 at 14.00 hrs.
6. Date & time of opening of E-Tender on : 19.07.2019 at 14.00 hrs.
7. The tenders complete detailed information available on web site of www.ireps.gov.in and also scan the notice board of Sr. DME (Diesel)'s office, Diesel Shed Abu Road. 1632-D/19
Please join us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/NWRRailways) [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/NWRRailways) [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/NWRRailways)

HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED
(A State Government Undertaking)
"PRESS TENDER NOTICE"
(E-Tendering Mode Only)
ON LINE TENDERS are hereby invited on lumpsum basis (two part bid) by the undersigned for & on behalf of Managing Director, HPSEB Ltd., Shimla-4, from the Bidders/Joint venture firms/Co-operative Societies of Retired Employees of HPSEB Ltd. having A-Class Electrical contractor license from Chief Electrical Inspector, for the following work :-
Table with columns: Tender NO., Name of Work, MIT Cost, Earnest money, Cost of Tender Documents, Completion Period, Tender Documents, Last Date of Receipt of Tenders, Opening of Tenders, Commercial bids.
Construction of 33 KV single Circuit Line with ACSR 6/74.72 (100 mm²) conductor on 11 meter long Steel Tubular Poles with double continuous earth wire from 132 KV Sub-Station Gaura tapping point kurgal to proposed 33/11 KV 2x3.15 MVA Sub-station at Ghail under Electrical Division, HPSEB-Ltd., Solan.
Rs. 107.67 Lacs 2.69 Lacs Rs. 5000.00 12 Months From 24.06.2019 to 04.07.2019 (Upto 5.00 PM) 09.07.2019 (Upto 5.00 PM) 10.07.2019 (at 03.00PM)
The detailed tender notification can be viewed/downloaded free of cost from the web site <http://www.tenderwizard.com/HPSEB> and Tender documents can be had after making prescribed payment. Any clarification/amendment shall be uploaded on the above website. For further details for e-tendering, please contact on these telephone Nos. 0177-2658377.
Chief Engineer, (OP) South, HPSEB Ltd., Shimla-4.

Office of the Executive Engineer, Transmission Line Construction Division-1, Bemina, Srinagar.
Tele Fax: 0194-2492429, E-mail: tlcdistpdd@gmail.com

NOTICE INVITING TENDER
No.: TLCD-I/04 of 2019-20 Dated: 11.06.2019
Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st Bemina, Srinagar on behalf of the Governor of Jammu & Kashmir State invites e- Tenders (In Two Cover System) valid for 180 days from Reputed, Experienced and Financially Sound Electrical Contractors and Executors fulfilling the Eligibility Criteria specified in the standard bidding documents for the work detailed below. e-Tenders need to be accompanied by Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in the shape of DD/CDR/BG from any Nationalized/Scheduled Bank equivalent to 2% of the advertised cost pledged to Accounts Officer with Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar, PDD, Kashmir, J&K. The complete bidding process is Online. However, Hardcopies consisting of Tender Fee & EMD (Original Instruments) in Cover-I and Techno-Commercial Bid (As per SBD) in Cover-II has to be submitted only by the Lowest Bidder in the Office of Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar, on the day which will be communicated to lowest bidder. Financial Bids must be submitted Online only as per prescribed format. The Standard Bidding Document is available at Govt. e-Procurement website: <http://jktenders.gov.in>
Table with columns: NIT Reference, Scope of The Work, Esti. Cost (Rs. in Lacs), EMD (Rs. in Lacs), Cost of Tender Documents, Last Date of Online Submission of Bids, Time of Completion after issuing of LOA.
TLCD-I/02 of 2019-20 Dt.:11.06.2019 Construction of 132 KV LINE BAY-1 WITH DOUBLE MAIN 4 ISOLATORS SCHEME AT KULGAM GRID STATION, ALL Electrical Works as per BOQ 148 Lacs 2.96 Lacs Rs. 5,000 13.07.2019 6 Months
Total Estimated Cost Rs. 148 Lacs
Position of Funds: Demanded
CRITICAL DATES
1. Issue of NIT 11.06.2019
2. Downloading of Bidding Documents (Start) 13.06.2019 (02.00 P.M.) onwards
3. Downloading of Bidding Documents (End) 13.07.2019 (04.00 P.M.)
4. e-Bid Submission (Start) Date & Time (Submission of e-Tender Fee, EMD and other Supporting Documents in PDF Formats) 14.06.2019 (10.00 A.M. onwards)
5. e-Bid Submission (End) Date & Time (Submission of e-Tender Fee, EMD and other Supporting Documents in PDF Format) 13.07.2019 (04.00 P.M.)
6. Online Techno-Commercial e-Bid Opening Date and Time. 15.07.2019
7. Venue of Opening of Techno-Commercial Bids Office of the Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar
8. Cost of e-Bid Document (To be Submitted in the Form of e-Challan or Treasury Challan/Receipt) Rs. 5,000/-
9. Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (2% of Advt. Cost) Rs. 2,96,000/-
Only the Bidders Possessing the Qualifying Criteria as mentioned in the SBD should participate in the Bidding Process.
Clarifications can also be sought from the office of the undersigned on E-mail: tlcdistpdd@gmail.com or Fax: 0194-2492429.
Participating in the Bids, the Bidder shall acquaint himself with the Site of Work and Local Conditions.
The Department reserves the right to reject any or all the Bids without assigning any reason thereof.
No.: TLCD-I/539-41 Dated: 11.06.2019
Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, PDD Bemina, Sgr. DIPP-NB-1164/19

Office of the Executive Engineer, Transmission Line Construction Division-1, Bemina, Srinagar.
Tele Fax: 0194-2492429, E-mail: tlcdistpdd@gmail.com
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
No.: TLCD-I/01 of 2019-20 Dated: 11.06.2019
Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st Bemina, Srinagar on behalf of the Governor of Jammu & Kashmir State invites e-Tenders (In Two Cover System) valid for 180 days from Reputed, Experienced and Financially Sound Electrical Contractors and Executors fulfilling the Eligibility Criteria specified in the standard bidding documents for the work detailed below. e-Tenders need to be accompanied by Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in the shape of DD/CDR/BG from any Nationalized/Scheduled Bank equivalent to 2% of the advertised cost pledged to Accounts Officer with Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar, PDD, Kashmir, J&K. The complete bidding process is Online. However, Hardcopies consisting of Tender Fee & EMD (Original Instruments) in Cover-I and Techno-Commercial Bid (As per SBD) in Cover-II has to be submitted only by the Lowest Bidder in the Office of Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar, on the day which will be communicated to lowest bidder. Financial Bids must be submitted Online only as per prescribed format. The Standard Bidding Document is available at Govt. e-Procurement website: <http://jktenders.gov.in>
Table with columns: NIT Reference, Scope of The Work, Esti. Cost (Rs. in Lacs), EMD (Rs. in Lacs), Cost of Tender Documents, Last Date of Online Submission of Bids, Time of Completion after issuing of LOA.
TLCD-I/01 of 2019-20 Dt.:11.06.2019 Rate Contract for Supply of Different Spares/ Tools/ Material required for Preventive and Breakdown Maintenance of Grid Stations and Transmission Lines coming in the Jurisdiction of TLCD-1st for the Financial Yr. 2019-20 10 Lacs Rs. 20,000 Rs. 1000.00 (One Thousand in the shape of Non-refundable treasury Chalan) 01.07.2019 180 days
Total Estimated Cost 10 Lacs
Position of Funds: Demanded
CRITICAL DATES
1. Issue of NIT 11.06.2019
2. Downloading of Bidding Documents (Start) 12.06.2019 (02.00 P.M.) onwards
3. Downloading of Bidding Documents (End) 01.07.2019 (04.00 P.M.)
4. e-Bid Submission (Start) Date & Time (Submission of e-Tender Fee, EMD and other Supporting Documents in PDF Formats) 13.06.2019 (10.00 A.M. onwards)
5. e-Bid Submission (End) Date & Time (Submission of e-Tender Fee, EMD and other Supporting Documents in PDF Format) 01.07.2019 (Upto 04.00 P.M.)
6. Online Techno-Commercial e-Bid Opening Date and Time. 02.07.2019
7. Venue of Opening of Techno-Commercial Bids Office of the Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar
8. Cost of e-Bid Document (To be Submitted in the Form of e-Challan or Treasury Challan/Receipt) Rs. 1,000/-
9. Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (2% of Advt. Cost) Rs. 20,000/-
Only the Bidders Possessing the Qualifying Criteria as mentioned in the SBD should participate in the Bidding Process.
Clarifications can also be sought from the office of the undersigned on E-mail: tlcdistpdd@gmail.com or Fax: 0194-2492429.
Participating in the Bids, the Bidder shall acquaint himself with the Site of Work and Local Conditions.
The Department reserves the right to reject any or all the Bids without assigning any reason thereof.
No.: TLCD-I/530-52 Dated: 11.06.2019
Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, PDD Bemina, Sgr. DIPP-NB-1165/19

Office of the Executive Engineer, Transmission Line Construction Division-1, Bemina, Srinagar.
Tele Fax: 0194-2492429, E-mail: tlcdistpdd@gmail.com
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
No.: TLCD-I/01 of 2019-20 Dated: 11.06.2019
Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st Bemina, Srinagar on behalf of the Governor of Jammu & Kashmir State invites e-Tenders (In Two Cover System) valid for 180 days from Reputed, Experienced and Financially Sound Electrical Contractors and Executors fulfilling the Eligibility Criteria specified in the standard bidding documents for the work detailed below. e-Tenders need to be accompanied by Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in the shape of DD/CDR/BG from any Nationalized/Scheduled Bank equivalent to 2% of the advertised cost pledged to Accounts Officer with Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar, PDD, Kashmir, J&K. The complete bidding process is Online. However, Hardcopies consisting of Tender Fee & EMD (Original Instruments) in Cover-I and Techno-Commercial Bid (As per SBD) in Cover-II has to be submitted only by the Lowest Bidder in the Office of Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar, on the day which will be communicated to lowest bidder. Financial Bids must be submitted Online only as per prescribed format. The Standard Bidding Document is available at Govt. e-Procurement website: <http://jktenders.gov.in>
Table with columns: NIT Reference, Scope of The Work, Esti. Cost (Rs. in Lacs), EMD (Rs. in Lacs), Cost of Tender Documents, Last Date of Online Submission of Bids, Time of Completion after issuing of LOA.
TLCD-I/01 of 2019-20 Dt.:11.06.2019 Rate Contract for Supply of Different Spares/ Tools/ Material required for Preventive and Breakdown Maintenance of Grid Stations and Transmission Lines coming in the Jurisdiction of TLCD-1st for the Financial Yr. 2019-20 10 Lacs Rs. 20,000 Rs. 1000.00 (One Thousand in the shape of Non-refundable treasury Chalan) 01.07.2019 180 days
Total Estimated Cost 10 Lacs
Position of Funds: Demanded
CRITICAL DATES
1. Issue of NIT 11.06.2019
2. Downloading of Bidding Documents (Start) 12.06.2019 (02.00 P.M.) onwards
3. Downloading of Bidding Documents (End) 01.07.2019 (04.00 P.M.)
4. e-Bid Submission (Start) Date & Time (Submission of e-Tender Fee, EMD and other Supporting Documents in PDF Formats) 13.06.2019 (10.00 A.M. onwards)
5. e-Bid Submission (End) Date & Time (Submission of e-Tender Fee, EMD and other Supporting Documents in PDF Format) 01.07.2019 (Upto 04.00 P.M.)
6. Online Techno-Commercial e-Bid Opening Date and Time. 02.07.2019
7. Venue of Opening of Techno-Commercial Bids Office of the Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, Bemina, Srinagar
8. Cost of e-Bid Document (To be Submitted in the Form of e-Challan or Treasury Challan/Receipt) Rs. 1,000/-
9. Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (2% of Advt. Cost) Rs. 20,000/-
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Clarifications can also be sought from the office of the undersigned on E-mail: tlcdistpdd@gmail.com or Fax: 0194-2492429.
Participating in the Bids, the Bidder shall acquaint himself with the Site of Work and Local Conditions.
The Department reserves the right to reject any or all the Bids without assigning any reason thereof.
No.: TLCD-I/530-52 Dated: 11.06.2019
Executive Engineer, TLCD-1st, PDD Bemina, Sgr. DIPP-NB-1165/19

NORTHERN RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE

DEN/MB acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against Tender No. 55-DRM-MB-19-20 closing date 18.07.2019, 16:00 hrs. Name of work : General annual repair work of service building/staff quarters from Salipur city-Rozza (Excluding Rozza) including wood and road works for 2019-20 in the section of SSE/Works/SPC under ADEN/HR-II. Tender closing date/time- 18.07.2019, 16:00. Cost of work : Rs. 68,26,343.60, Earnest Money : Rs. 1,36,600.00, Tender Cost : Rs. 5,000.00, Bidding start date : 04.07.2019 and Period of Completion : 12 Months. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. For detail information please log into www.reps.gov.in. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through online payment modes available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. Tender No. 55-DRM-MB-19-20 Dated: 13.06.2019 1895/2019

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E-Bid Number/CE/2019-20/ 3352 Dated : 12.06.2019

NOTICE INVITING E-BIDS

Electronic online Technical and Financial Bids are invited upto 2:00 PM of June 28, 2019 for Outsourcing of University Examination related computer based processing including Online work, Pre Examination work, Coding work, Post Examination work, work of supplementary Examination, Revaluation Work, Management Information System (MIS) for entire Examination work Preparation of Final Database, and bilingual database of passed out students etc. Details may be seen in the Bidding document on the website of the State public Procurement Portal <http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in>

UBN : URA1920WSOB00030 REGISTRAR

RAJASTHAN STATE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENT CORPORATION LTD.

(A Rajasthan Government Undertaking)

Udyog Bhawan, Tilak Marg, Jaipur-302 005, Phone : 0141-2227751, 4993201 Fax : 0141-4593210 E-Mail : rilico@rilico.co.in Website : www.rilico.co.in

E-TENDER NOTICE

RILICO invites tenders/bids costing more than Rs. 200 lacs through eproc.rajasthan.gov.in from registered, reputed and experienced contractors for under mentioned works. As such, this is to inform all the prospective bidders/contractors registered in appropriate class in any department or public undertaking of any state in India/GOI, that they may download & submit online tenders/bids for following works:

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (Rs. in Lacs)
1	Sr. Regional Manager, Sawai Madhopur	
1.1	Development of Residential Colony at Industrial Area Gangapurcity UBN-RDC1819WSOB00314	348.76
1.2	Development works at Industrial Area Kherda UBN-RDC1819WSOB00315	320.36

For details information and instruction for online submission of tender/bid, please log on www.rilico.co.in and www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in. For queries please contact : raj.sawai@rilico.co.in 0141-4593233

HARYANA STAFF SELECTION COMMISSION BAYS NO. 67-70, SECTOR 2, PANCHKULA-134151 (www.hssc.gov.in)

ANNOUNCEMENT

Final Result for the Post of Accountant M.C. of Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board, (HSAMB) Panchkula, Haryana against Advt. No.7/2015, Cat No. 18

On the basis of written examination (Computer Based Test), scrutiny of documents and Interview/Viva-Voce for the post of Accountant (M.C.) of Haryana State Agriculture Marketing Board, Panchkula, against Advt. No. 7/2015, Cat. No. 18, the Commission has finalised and declared the result. The result has been shown Roll No. wise and category-wise and the marks secured by the last selected candidate in each category have been shown in the bracket.

Advt. No. 07/2015, Cat. No.18, Accountant (M.C.) (Total 47 Posts)

General (14 Posts + 04 SBC Earlier = 18 Posts)

7151801741	7151803177	7151803239	7151803407
7151803775	7151804439	7151804600	7151804710
7151804821	7151805099	7151805110	7151806353
7151806549	7151807221	7151807250	7151807795
7151808015	7151808236		

General Waiting (144)

7151800429	7151804415	7151804726	7151805789
7151806864			

SC (07 Posts) (137)

7151800276	7151800283	7151800285	7151804849
7151806510	7151807885	7151808216	

SC Waiting (114)

7151803305	7151807988		
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BCA (04 Posts) (74)

7151804790	7151805296	7151806082	7151808090

BCB (04 Posts) (111)

7151800617	7151802405	7151804484	7151805906

ESM GEN (03 Posts) (99)

7151803073	7151806398	7151807197	
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ESM SC (01 Post) (109)

7151801715			
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ESM BCB(01 Post) (110)

7151808183			
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OSP SC(01 Post) (91)

7151802427			
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Note: ESM BCA (02 Posts) , OSP BCA (01 Post) and PHC VH (01 Post) remained Vacant due to Non-availability of Eligible Candidates.

CRITERIA ADOPTED FOR SELECTION

- WRITTEN EXAMINATION..... 200-MARKS
 - INTERVIEW/VIVA-VOCE.....25-MARKS
- TOTAL: 225-MARKS**

Note:

- The result of EBP category (05 Posts) has been with held in Compliance of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court order date 16.05.2019 in CM-5052-CWP-2019 in/and CWP No. 7607 /2019. The EBP Category candidates, except those who have availed the benefit of age relaxation, have been considered against general vacancies
- The result of the Petitioners in CWP No.1269/2019, 23042/2018, 4485/2019, 4602/2019, 4603/2019, 4643/2019, 24165/2018, 4246/2019, 4817/2019, 4336/2019, 4618/2019, 1268/2019, 24386/2018, 4161/2019, 25087/2018, 4036/2019 and 488/2019 have been kept in sealed cover in Compliance of direction of Hon'ble High Court and the above result is subject to the final outcome of these writ petitions and any other writ petitions pending in the Hon'ble High Court.
- While every care has been taken in preparing and uploading the result, possibility of inadvertent/technical errors cannot be ruled out. The Commission reserves the right to rectify the same later on.
- The result is also available on the website of HSSC i.e. www.hssc.gov.in.

Sd/- (Secretary)
Haryana Staff Selection Commission
Dated: 14.06.2019

CORRIGENDUM

The desired persons are hereby informed that the date of e-tender No. 113700 of Manager Panjiri Plant Gurugram Deptt. of Women & Child Development Haryana Panchkula has been extended till 25.06.2019. Last date of bid submission is 25.06.2019 upto 5.00 P.M. Date of opening 26.06.2019 at 11.00 A.M. All the terms and conditions will remain same.

Sd/- Manager,
Panjiri Plant, Gurugram.
76894/HRV.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROPAR

CONTRACT FOR RUNNING HOSTEL MESS

Last date of receipt of Tech. Bids & Financial Bids 04.07.2019, before 03:00 PM
Date of opening of Tech. Bids 04.07.2019, at 03:30 PM

JIT Ropar invites Tender from reputed firms/companies/ caterers for running Mess Services in hostels at IIT Ropar:
Main Campus, ANNAPURNA DINING HALL-II (Approximate 700 Students)

Tender documents containing detailed terms & conditions can be downloaded from institute website www.iitr.ropar.ac.in. Director, IIT Ropar reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons thereof. The institute will not be responsible for any loss due to postal delay of the documents in transit. REGISTRAR

HOSTEL SECTION

SARDAR VALLABHBHAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SURAT - 395 007, PHONE - 91-0261-220-1602

TENDER NOTICE

Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institution of Technology (SVNIT), Surat invites sealed tender for providing Annual Mess and Operation Contract for Various Hostels of SVNIT, Surat. For more information visit Institute website <http://www.svnit.ac.in>.

14.06.2019 Director

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INVITING SHORT TERM E-BID NOTICE

Online technical and financial bid are invited up to 28.06.2019 at 3:00 pm for the Empanelment of Advertising Agency. Details of Bid may be seen in the Bidding Document available at our office or at the website of <http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in> or the State Public Procurement Portal <http://sppp.raj.nic.in> or our website www.uniraj.ac.in of the University of Rajasthan, Jaipur. The bidding document may be downloaded from the same.

UBN : URA1920SLOB00031 C.F. & F.A

BHAKRA BEAS MANAGEMENT BOARD (POWER WING)

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

ENIT-2/2019-20/BLB

Name of Concerned Office: Addl. Superintending Engineer, Operation & Maintenance Division, BBMB, Balliagarh, Distt-Faridkot (Haryana)-121004

Name of work: Repair of A. C. & S. R. Xan, quarters at 220 KV S/3th BBMB, Balliagarh.

Approx. Cost of work Rs. 27.48 Lacs

Earnest Money Rs. 27,490/-

Tender Document Cost Rs. 2000 + 18% GST Extra

Last date of receipt of tender: 26.07.2019 up to 01.00 hrs.

The detailed NIT may be downloaded from BBMB Website www.bbmb.gov.in and <https://bbmbeproc.abprocure.com>.

1064-PR-TS-4 For your Better Tomorrow Save Energy Today

NORTHERN RAILWAY Tender Notice

DEN/MB acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against Tender No. 54-19-20 closing date 16.07.2019, 16:00 hrs. Name of work : General annual repair work of service building/staff quarters from Km 1186 to 1235 including wood and road works for 2019-20 in the section of SSE/Works/RAC under ADEN/SPN. Tender closing date/time: 16.07.2019, 16:00 hrs. Cost of work : Rs. 68,54,294.37, Earnest Money : Rs. 1,77,100.00, Tender Cost: Rs. 5,000.00, Bidding start date : 04.07.2019 and Period of Completion: 12 Months. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. For detail information please log into www.reps.gov.in. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through online payment modes available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card, etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. No. : 54-DRM-MB-19-20 Dated: 13.06.2019 1897/2019

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BHAKRA BEAS MANAGEMENT BOARD (POWER WING)

Corrigendum-IV NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

NIT No.: 535/PNGS-746 Dated: 25.01.2019

Name of Office: Chief Engineer/Transmission System, Planning & Design (TS) Directorate, SLD, Complex, Industrial Area, Phase-I, BBMS, Chandigarh-160002. Tele Fax: 0172-2654466

Name of Work: Design, manufacturing, testing and assembly at manufacturer's works before despatch, supply, delivery FDR destination of Power Transformer and Erection, Testing & Commissioning of One no. 66/11 KV 4MVA Transformer for 222 KV Switchyard of Pong Power House (PPH) Talwara

Last date & time for receipt of request 26/06/2019 upto 17:00 Hours for issue of tender documents

Last date and time of submission of bids 09.07.2019 upto 11:00 Hours

Date & time of Opening of Bids 09.07.2019 from 15:00 hours onwards

For cost of specification, pre-qualifying criteria, Earnest Money Deposit and detailed NIT please visit BBMB Website <https://bbmbeproc.abprocure.com> & www.bbmb.gov.in

1065-PR-TS-4 For your Better Tomorrow Save Energy Today

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, NARMADA CANAL PROJECT OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, FIELD WORKSHOP DIVISION, SANCHORE

TENDER NOTICE NO 01/2019-20

E-tenders are hereby invited on behalf of the Governor of State of Rajasthan for operation and maintenance work of various pumping stations at Narmada Canal Project for 2 years enlisted contractors of the appropriate class of the Water Resources Department or Contractors enlisted with CPWD, Postal, Telecom, Railway equivalent suitable class of Rajasthan are also eligible after giving prescribed Earnest Money. Date of online downloading of tender document is 14.06.2019 at 9.30 am 15.07.2019 up to 9.30 am and Date of online uploading of tender documents is 14.06.2019 at 6.00 pm to 15.07.2019 up to 6.00 pm. Technical bid will be open on dated 16.07.2019 at 3.00 pm. Pre-Bid Meeting of these works mentioned in the NIT will be held on 09.07.2019 at 3.00 Pm in the office of undersigned The detail of estimated Cost of work , earnest money and processing fees is available on website www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in and www.diproline.org, www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in

UBN Code: NCP1920A0002
NCP Code: NCP1920WSOB00004, NCP1920WSOB00005,
NCP1920WSOB00006 Sd/-
Executive Engineer Field Workshop, Division
N.C. P. Sanchore
DIPRC/4311/2019

Office of Chief Coordinator Planner (NCR)

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING DEPARTMENT, HARYANA

3rd FLOOR, 1st BLOCK, HSPV COMPLEX, SECTOR-6, PANCHKULA
Tel. 0172-2578086, 2581737; E-mail: cepnrc4.haryana@gmail.com

REQUIREMENT OF TOWN PLANNER ON CONTRACT BASIS

Applications are invited from the qualified Town Planners for filling up of Two Posts of Research Officer/Research Assistant in NCR Cell (Haryana), Panchkula purely on contractual basis with consolidated remuneration of Rs. 35,000/- per month.

The above mentioned posts are purely contractual in nature for a period of one year, which is extendable further as per requirement. The interested candidates may submit applications in prescribed application format along with self attested copies of the educational qualifications/work experiences by 05.07.2019.

The details regarding essential qualification with age limit, nature of work, application form and selection criteria with weightage of marks is available on the official website of the Department i.e. <https://tchpharyana.gov.in>. The shortlisted candidates will be informed for interview by e-mail (E-mail address is mandatory for further communication). The applicants are advised to refer the website of the Department regularly for further details and updates.

Sd/- Chief Coordinator Planner,
(NCR), Haryana, Panchkula.
76907/HRV.

OFFICE OF MISSION DIRECTOR, NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION, UTTARAKHAND

(Uttarakhand Health & Family Welfare Society, Deptt. of MH&FW, Govt. of Uttarakhand)
Danda Lakhond, Sahasthradara Road, Dehradun-248001
Email: mdnhmk@gmail.com Phone/Fax 0135-2698646
Letter No. 699/HR/NHMUK/2019-20/305 Date-14.06.2019

TENDER NOTICE

SCHEDULE OF BIDDING PROCESS

1. Purpose of RFP	"Hiring of Service Provider to provide Housekeeping, Cleaning and Security Services at NHM, State Program Management Unit premises as per the requirement of National Health Mission, Uttarakhand"
2. Tender No and Date of Issue	699/HR/NHMUK/2019-20/305 Dated: 14.6.2019
3. Earnest Money Deposit	Rs. 27000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Thousand Only)
4. Tender Fee	Rs. 1,000/- Plus 18% GST (Rupees One Thousand Plus Eighteen Percent GST only)
5. Pre Bid Meeting	On 24.06.2019 at 03:00 PM (in case any holiday falls on this day, then meeting will be held on the next working day)
6. Last Date for Submission	By 02:00 PM on 09.07.2019
7. Bid Validity	180 days from the date of submission of the bid
8. Address for Submission of bid	Office of Mission Director, National Health Mission- Uttarakhand, Third Floor, Health Directorate, Danda Lakhond, Sahasthradara Road, Dehradun-248001
9. Date of Opening of Technical bid	On the last day of submission of bid at 03:00 PM
10. Date of Opening of Financial bid	To be notified at a later date after the Technical Bid Evaluation is completed. Shortlisted Bidder shall be notified in writing or through e-mail.
11. Date and Time of availability of Tender documents (RFP) on website	On 15.06.2019 at 04:00 PM
12. Contact for any queries	mdnhmk@gmail.com

All related corrigendum/ addendum will be uploaded on website www.uktdenders.gov.in
Note: Original DD of EMD and Tender fee to be submitted by Government Indian Post only before last date of submission.

Sd/- Mission Director
National Health Mission

Purvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (PuVVNL)

(A subsidiary of UP Power Corporation limited) Purvanchal Vidyut Bhavan, Vidyut Nagar, P.O.-D.L.W., Varanasi-221004
Website: <http://www.etender.up.nic.in>

The tender invited for through e-tender no., EAV-124,145,146/18-19 & EAV-06, 07, 08, 09,10,11/19-20 the date of bid opening is hereby further extended and details for the same have been mentioned below. **SI. No.: 1, Tender Specification number: EAV-124/18-19, Material Name: 11 KV PPMC (Different Ratio), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 2, Tender Specification number: EAV-145/18-19, Material Name: 11 KV TV (Type- C), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 3, Tender Specification number: EAV-146/18-19, Material Name: LT TVM (Type-A), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 4, Tender Specification number: EAV-06/19-20, Material Name: Supply & Installation of Energy Meter Single Phase two wire (10-60 Amp.), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 5, Tender Specification number: EAV-07/19-20, Material Name: Supply & Installation of Energy Meter Single Phase two wire (10-60 Amp.), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 6, Tender Specification number: EAV-08/19-20, Material Name: Supply & Installation of Energy Meter Single Phase two wire (10-60 Amp.), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 7, Tender Specification number: EAV-09/19-20, Material Name: Supply & Installation of Energy Meter Single Phase two wire (10-60 Amp.), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 8, Tender Specification number: EAV-10/19-20, Material Name: Supply & Installation of Energy Meter Single Phase two wire (10-60 Amp.), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM SI. No.: 9, Tender Specification number: EAV-11/19-20, Material Name: Supply & Installation of Energy Meter Single Phase two wire (10-60 Amp.), Last Date & time for submission of tender documents: Date: 28.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Tender opening date & time: Date: 29.06.2019 Time: 15:00 PM Other terms and conditions shall remain same. Sd/- (S.K. Bharati) Superintending Engineer (MM-I) "SAVE ELECTRICITY IN THE INTEREST OF THE NATION" पत्रांक: 1602/ पू.वि.नि.लि.(चा.)/सा.प्र./अअ-1/विज्ञापन दिनांक: 14.06.2019**

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr. P. C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Dharamraj @ Dharmu @ Deepak R/o H.No.D/220, Sakur Pur, J.I. Colony, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence under case **FIR No. 266/10 U/s 379/411/34 IPC** has been registered at **P.S. Rani Bagh, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said **Dharamraj @ Dharmu @ Deepak** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Dharamraj @ Dharmu @ Deepak** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Dharamraj @ Dharmu @ Deepak** accused of **FIR No. 266/10 U/s 379/411/34 IPC** required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 31.07.2019.

By Order
Ms. Ekta Gauba,
Addl. Chief, MM,(North- West),
Room No.101, 1st Floor,
Rohini Courts, Delhi

DP/2321/OD/19-
(Court Matter)

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER, GANGA POLLUTION CONTROL UNIT, U.P. JAL NIGAM, PRAYAGRAJ

N.I.T No.2026/610/230
Date: 11/06/2019
E-TENDER CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

The General Manager, Ganga Pollution Control Unit, U.P. Jal Nigam, Prayagraj U.P. Jal Nigam invited bids in electronics tendering for works in Sewerage District-D of Prayagraj City "for proper disposal of sewer in problematic areas and to level manhole covers with road surface for safe traffic movement" through NIT No. 1922/610/217 Dated: 31.05.2019 and corrigendum notice No. 1965/610/223 dated 04.06.2019 which is being corrigendum with immediate effect due to unforeseen reasons. The complete details about e-bid of above items/works will be available in the tender document on the U.P. Govt's e-procurement website <https://etender.up.nic.in> from 15.06.2019 to 22.06.2019 at 12:00 Hrs. Which will be opened on 22.06.2019 at 15:30 hours in the Office of the General Manager, Ganga Pollution Control Unit, Prayagraj. The cost of the tender document is mentioned in the detailed notice.

E-TENDERING PRESS NOTICE

The Executive Engineer, CD-XII, Irrigation & Flood Control Department, GNCTD Opp. ESI Hospital, Basai Darapur Office Complex, New Delhi-110027 invites on behalf of the President of India, online Item rate tender from approved and eligible contractors for the works:-

- NIT No. EE/CD XII/19-20/01- (ID No. 2019_IFC_173926_1)- HOA-4217- Development of unauthorized colonies in N.C.T. of Delhi. SW-Restoration of streets and side drains in Nihal Vihar, E-Block, Unauthorized Colony (reg. no. 1086) in Nangloi Jat AC Distt. West, Delhi (including maintenance for five years), E.C. Rs. 3,34,44,172/- Earnest money Rs. 6,68,883/- period of completion 180 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 25.06.2019 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:30 P.M. respectively). AE-III.
- NIT No. EE/CD XII/19-20/02- (ID No. 2019_IFC_173929_1)- HOA-4217- Development of unauthorized colonies in N.C.T. of Delhi. SW-Restoration of streets and side drains in Nihal Vihar, B-Block, Unauthorized Colony (reg. no. 1086) in Nangloi Jat AC Distt. West, Delhi (including maintenance for five years), E.C. Rs. 3,37,20,283/- Earnest money Rs. 6,74,406/- period of completion 180 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 25.06.2019 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:30 P.M. respectively). AE-III.
- NIT No. EE/CD XII/19-20/03- (ID No. 2019_IFC_173942_1)- HOA-4217- Development of unauthorized colonies in N.C.T. of Delhi. SW-Restoration of streets and side drains in Nihal Vihar, A-Block, Unauthorized Colony (reg. no. 1086) in Nangloi Jat AC Distt. West, Delhi (including maintenance for five years), E.C. Rs. 4,39,59,292/- Earnest money Rs. 8,79,186/- period of completion 180 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 25.06.2019 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:30 P.M. respectively). AE-III.
- NIT No. EE/CD XII/19-20/04- (ID No. 2019_IFC_173943_1)- HOA-4217- Development of unauthorized colonies in N.C.T. of Delhi. SW-Restoration of streets and side drains in Nihal Vihar, C-Block, Unauthorized Colony (reg. no. 1086) in Nangloi Jat AC Distt. West, Delhi (including maintenance for five years), E.C. Rs. 3,22,29,925/- Earnest money Rs. 6,44,599/- period of completion 180 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 25.06.2019 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:30 P.M. respectively). AE-III.
- NIT No. EE/CD XII/19-20/05- (ID No. 2019_IFC_173944_1)- HOA-4217- Development of unauthorized colonies in N.C.T. of Delhi. SW-Restoration of streets and side drains in Nihal Vihar, D-Block, Unauthorized Colony (reg. no. 1086) in Nangloi Jat AC Distt. West, Delhi (including maintenance for five years), E.C. Rs. 2,76,96,126/- Earnest money Rs. 5,53,923/- period of completion 180 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 25.06.2019 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:30 P.M. respectively). AE-III.
- NIT No. EE/CD XII/19-20/06- (ID No. 2019_IFC_173945_1)- HOA-4217- Development of unauthorized colonies in N.C.T. of Delhi. SW-Restoration of streets and side drains in Nihal Vihar, D-Block, Unauthorized Colony (reg. no. 1086) in Nangloi Jat AC Distt. West, Delhi (including maintenance for five years), E.C. Rs. 2,76,96,126/- Earnest money Rs. 5,53,923/- period of completion 180 Days. (Date of submission & opening of bid on 25.06.2019 at 3:00 P.M. & 3:30 P.M. respectively). AE-III.

Note:- (i) Details of above mentioned works & eligibility criteria can be seen and downloaded from the web site <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>.
(ii) Amendment(s)/ alteration(s)/ corrigendum if any, will be available at website only.
(iii) EMD in the form of Banker's Cheque or Demand Draft or Fixed Deposit Receipt (drawn in favour of EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CD XII, I&FC DEPTT., GNCT OF DELHI) shall be scanned and uploaded to the e-tendering website within the period of bid submission. The

POLICY WATCH TAXATION

Compounding of offences: CBDT issues fresh set of guidelines

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

NORMS IN EFFECT FROM JUNE 17

■ **Compoundable offences are those which can be conciliated by the parties under dispute, without requirement of permission of court**

■ **Centre not to allow compounding of offences under the Black Money law, Benami law and money laundering**

ISSUING NEW set of guidelines for compounding of offences, the Central Board of Direct Taxes on Friday said the offences related to tax evasion, such as through money laundering, generation of bogus invoices without actual business and any offence under the Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act and the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act will not be normally allowed to be compounded. The new guidelines will come into effect from June 17, the CBDT said.

The CBDT issued the guidelines for compounding of offences under Direct Tax Laws, 2019, in supersession of its earlier guidelines dated December 23, 2014. Compoundable offences are those which can be conciliated by the parties under dispute, without the requirement of the permission of the court.

The new guidelines have classified offences into two categories, Category A for TDS / TCS related defaults under Sections 276, 276B and 276BB of Income Tax Act, failure to furnish return of income under Section 276C and Section 278 relating to abatement of false return.

Category B includes offences about failure to produce accounts under Section 276D, wilful attempt to evade tax under Section 276C. The guidelines also state that offences under sections 275A, 275B (for contravening orders relating to search - seizure operation under Sections 132(1)(3)) and Section 276 (dealing with removal, concealment, transfer or delivery of property to thwart tax recovery) will not be compounded.

Other offences which shall normally not be compounded include Category 'A' offence on more than three occasions, Category 'B' offence other than the first offence, offences com-

mitted by a person for which he was convicted by a court of law under Direct Taxes Laws, any offence where it is proved that he has enabled others in tax evasion such as through entities used to launder money or generate bogus invoices of sale/purchase without actual business, or by providing accommodation entries in any other manner as prescribed in section 277A of the Act.

Offences committed by a person which, as per the information available with the Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax and other officials concerned, have a bearing on a case under investigation (at any stage including enquiry, filing of FIR/complaint) by Enforcement Directorate, CBI, Lokpal, Lokayukta or any other Central or State Agency are also not to be normally compounded, the CBDT said.

However, the guidelines state that the Finance Minister may relax restrictions in deserving cases, on consideration of a report from CBDT on the petition of an applicant. "Notwithstanding anything contained in these Guidelines, the Finance Minister may relax restrictions in Para 8.1 above for compounding of an offence in a deserving case, on consideration of a report from the Board on the petition of an applicant," it said.

FINMIN EXPECTED TO ISSUE NOTIFICATION SOON

Almonds to apples, Centre plans retaliatory tariffs on 29 US items

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

AMID RISING trade tensions, India is likely to impose long-promised retaliatory tariffs on 29 products imported from the US, *The Indian Express* has learnt. The Finance Ministry is expected to issue an official notification to this effect before Sunday, according to a government official.

The move comes almost two weeks after the Trump administration announced its decision to withdraw India's duty-free benefits under the US select trade programme and may hit imports of products like almonds, apples, pears, chickpeas and walnuts.

Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal last week indicated that India may not pursue a resolution to the withdrawal of trade benefits under the programme, known as the Generalised System of Preferences (GSP). "We also believe that in our development cycle, certain countries were giving us support, which was an added benefit to our efforts to move out of our problems faster. But, (if) some countries have chosen a different path, we accept it gracefully and I think we'll reorient ourselves to become competitive even without that," Goyal had said.

The retaliatory tariffs learnt to be notified soon may see import duties of some of these products, like walnuts, go up as much as 120 per cent. While trade between India and the US stood at about \$142.1 billion in 2018, the US is one of India's largest trading partners, exporting \$33.1 billion worth of goods to India in 2018. However, India still had a goods trade surplus of \$21.3 billion. In 2018, India imported US almonds worth \$543 million which were more than half of US almond exports during the year. India is also the second largest buyer of US apples with imports of \$156 million in 2018.

According to the June 2018 notifications, the government has proposed import duties of products like chickpeas to be hiked up to 60 per cent from 30 per cent earlier, while fruits like apples will have an import duty of 50 per cent. Import duties on shelled almonds will be raised to Rs 120 per

DUTY PROPOSED BY GOVT

PRODUCT	PROPOSED DUTY	IMPORTS IN 2018-19
Almonds	Rs 120/kg	\$615.12 million
Apples	50%	\$145.20 million
Diagnostic Reagents	10%	\$145 million
Walnuts	120%	\$16.50 million
Chickpeas	60%	N/A

Source: CBIC, Ministry of Commerce and Industry

kg from Rs 100 per kg earlier, while duties on products like boric acid and diagnostic reagents have been set at 7.5 per cent and 10 per cent. India had first notified the retaliatory tariffs on over \$200 million worth of goods in June 2018 after the US imposed tariffs on steel and aluminium products. However, the government deferred the move several times over the course of the last year. The deadline that India had last deferred its decision to was June 16.

Meanwhile, New Delhi and Washington were engaged in negotiations over the US Trade Representative's review of India's benefits under GSP, which allows some countries duty-free exports of thousands of items to the US. The USITR announced its decision to withdraw India's beneficiary status in March this year, but initially held off on notifying the withdrawal in May while the Lok

Sabha elections were on. However, soon after the re-elected government was sworn in, US President Donald Trump announced that he was terminating India's benefits under the GSP scheme, a move that the Commerce Ministry called "unfortunate". India was the largest beneficiary under the GSP scheme.

"India, like the US and other nations, shall always uphold its national interest in these matters. We have significant development imperatives and concerns and our people also aspire for better standards of living," the ministry had stated earlier. "Initially, India acted cautiously, deciding not to impose tariffs and hoping to find a solution through mutual consultations. This stance was possibly misread by the US as a sign that India was seeking a compromise," said Biswajit Dhar, professor, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, Jawaharlal Nehru University.

"India's move to retaliate puts the record straight. The government has clearly signalled that it can adequately respond when there are such affronts on its trading rights", he told *The Indian Express*. US officials earlier this week reportedly said they were open to dialogue to resolve differences, but demanded India drop its trade barriers. Trump has in the past called India a "tariff king".

SEEKING TO COMPLETE PROBE UNDER PMLA

ED moves NCLT to stop liquidation of Winsome Diamonds

KHUSHBOO NARAYAN
MUMBAI, JUNE 14

THE ENFORCEMENT Directorate (ED) has approached the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) to stop liquidation of country's second largest wilful defaulter Winsome Diamonds and Jewellery Ltd, till it completes its investigation against the diamond firm under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).

Winsome Diamonds promoted by Jatin Mehta and its subsidiaries owe nearly Rs 10,000 crore including interest to a consortium of 15 banks led by Standard Chartered and Punjab National Bank. The company also figures in the list of top 10 bank loan defaulters that former Reserve Bank of India Governor Raghuram Rajan sent to Prime Minister's Office (PMO) in 2015 seeking "concerted" action.

The ED wants the liquidation to be halted as it is in the midst of establishing the money trail that led to an alleged loan fraud of \$1.26 billion (around Rs 8,800 crore) by the company in 2013.

The ED has so far attached assets worth Rs 220 crore of Winsome Diamonds under PMLA as proceeds of crime and has found that the company allegedly diverted at least \$750 million (Rs 5,175 crore) to six entities in Hong Kong, Bahamas and UAE, directly or indirectly controlled by its promoter Jatin Mehta, through a web of 'dummy companies'.

Winsome Diamonds and Mehta, who became a citizen of a popular tax haven - St Kitts and Nevis, in 2013, are currently being investigated by the CBI, Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO), Income Tax and ED in connection with the bank fraud, criminal conspiracy and tax evasion. Both the CBI and ED have written to Interpol to issue a Red Notice against Mehta but the global agency is yet to issue the notice.

The creditors of Winsome, mainly banks, want the liquidation of the company to begin even as they are staring at a haircut of 98 per cent since the diamond firm has assets of only about Rs 200 crore in its balance sheet that can be liquidated. The creditors fear that these assets may lose value with time said a lawyer familiar with the case.

While ED's plea to halt Winsome's liquidation will come up for hearing on July 10,

ALLEGED LOAN FRAUD OF \$1.26 BN

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the company law tribunal has asked the resolution professional of Winsome Diamonds and the suspended board of the company to file their response to ED's application in court.

Emails to Winsome Diamonds and Jatin Mehta did not elicit any response.

Winsome Diamonds and its subsidiaries were taken to NCLT in February 2018 and its resolution process has failed as no bidder has emerged.

The CBI has alleged that 13 UAE-based companies controlled by Mehta and a Jordanian national - Haytham Salman Abu Ali Obaidah have defaulted on payments of \$1.26 billion to Winsome, which had led to the latter's loan default.

On June 28, 2018, the CBI filed its chargesheet against Winsome, Mehta and 21 others, including senior public sector bank officials. In July, the ED filed a separate prosecution complaint (chargesheet) in the Winsome case.

Winsome Diamonds, which was classified as a "wilful defaulter" in October 2013, has claimed that it did not divert funds and was a victim of non-payment by Obaidah's firms.

The company has claimed that Obaidah and his associate firms suffered losses of about \$1 billion in derivatives and commodity trading and were unable to pay their dues to Winsome.

Last week, the CBI registered two fresh cases of bank loan fraud of Rs 700 crore against Winsome and Mehta. It also searched the offices of the company across the country.

Crude steel output grows 5% to 9.235 MT in May

India's crude steel output grew 5.2 per cent to 9.235 million tonnes (MT) during May 2019, according to official data from the Steel Ministry

18.020 MT: During April-May 2019-20, crude steel production stood at 18.020 MT, up 3.4 per cent from 17.432 MT in corresponding period last fiscal

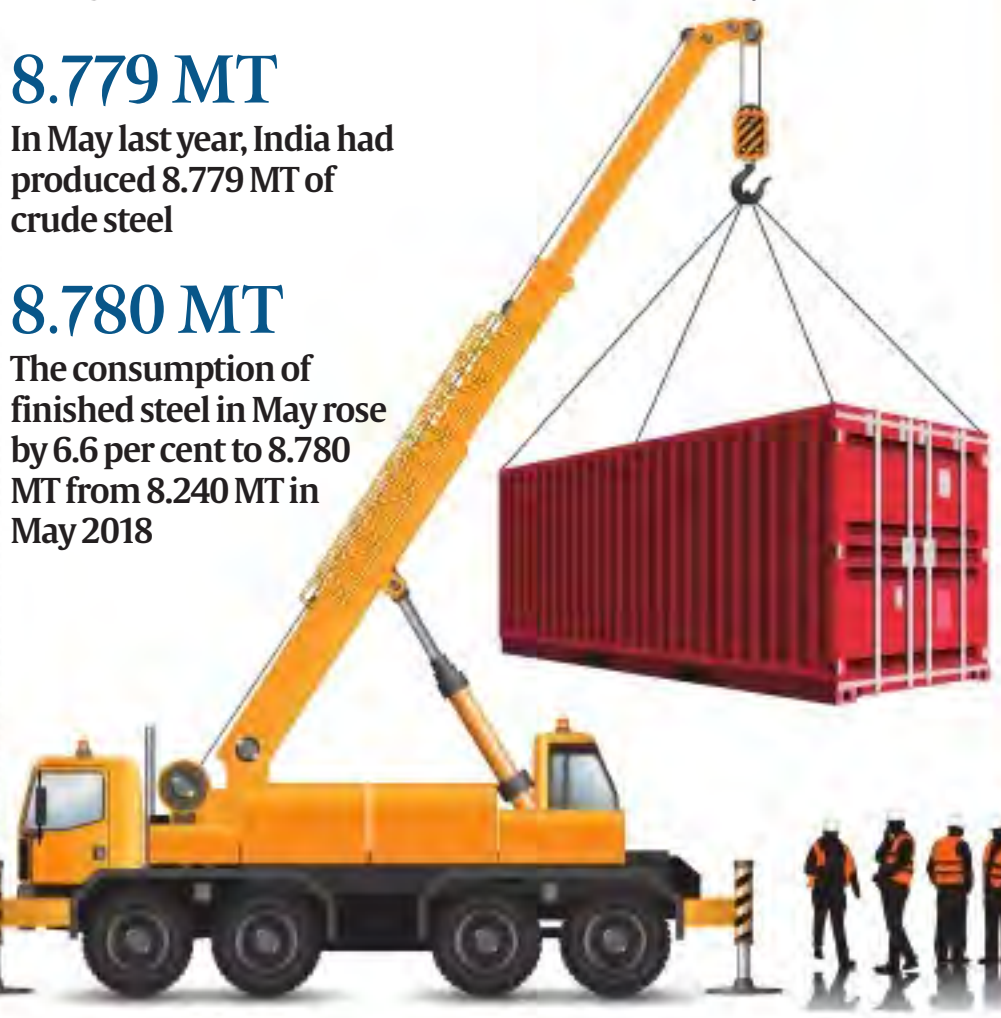
10.848 MT: Production of finished steel in May rose 1.6 per cent to 10.848 MT, from 10.674 MT in the year ago month

21.371 MT: During April-May, output of finished steel at 21.371 MT was 1 per cent higher than 21.156 MT in same period last year

16.286 MT: Consumption in the first two months of current fiscal was at 16.286 MT, 6.5 per cent higher than 15.286 MT in April-May 2018-19

8.779 MT
In May last year, India had produced 8.779 MT of crude steel

8.780 MT
The consumption of finished steel in May rose by 6.6 per cent to 8.780 MT from 8.240 MT in May 2018



EXPORTS & IMPORTS:

0.318 MT: Exports in May fell 28.5 per cent to 0.318 MT from 0.445 MT a year ago

0.715 MT: For April-May, exports were down 29.8 per cent at 0.715 MT, as against 1.018 MT in the year-ago period

0.535 MT: Imports in May fell 13.6 per cent to 0.535 MT from 0.619 MT a year ago

1.121 MT: Imports of finished steel in April-May was at 1.121 MT, 8 per cent lower than 1.218 MT in April-May in FY19

SENSEX DECLINES ON UNCERTAINTY IN GLOBAL MARKETS

Rupee falls 30 paise on rising oil prices, strengthening dollar

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, JUNE 14

THE RUPEE on Friday fell by 30 paise to close at 69.80 against the US dollar, hit by strengthening dollar and rising crude oil prices. With investors rushing to the exit door, the BSE SENSEX also followed suit and fell 289 points amid weak global cues.

The rupee had settled at 69.50 against the US dollar Thursday. "The rupee weakened for a second day against US dollar, taking cues from the other Asian currencies," said V K Sharma, head-PCG & Capital Market Strategy, HDFC Securities. Brent crude futures

rose over 4 per cent over the past two days. The dollar index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, rose 0.10 per cent to 97.11.

Meanwhile, after a subdued opening, the benchmark faced sudden selling pressure in the last half-hour of trade to close at 39,452.07, down by 289.29 points, or 0.73 per cent. The NSE Nifty tumbled 90.75 points, or 0.76 per cent, to finish at 11,823.30.

On the global front, investors scurried to safe-haven assets after China's industrial output growth in May sank to more than 17-year lows, highlighting risks to world growth. Flaring up of geopolitical tensions in the Middle East fol-

lowing attacks on two oil tankers and continued uncertainty over US-China trade talks also weighed on risk sentiment.

Jayant Manglik, president, Religare Broking, said, "Markets traded volatile and ended lower, tracking weak global cues. The sentiment dampened on the news of geopolitical tension, after the attack on two oil tankers in Gulf of Oman. After the initial fall, Nifty hovered in a range for most part of the session but sharp fall in the last half an hour pushed the index to 11,800. Mostly sectoral indices traded in line with the benchmark index and closed lower."

"The ripple effect from a weak global market while premium val-

EXPLAINED Global cues, liquidity issues likely to keep markets volatile

RISING DOLLAR and crude oil prices and flaring up of geopolitical tensions led to the Indian rupee depreciating on Friday.

Tensions in the Middle East following attacks on two oil tankers and continued uncertainty over United States-China trade talks also weighed on risk sentiment, as both Indian stocks and currency ended lower while bonds inched up. Global jitters, along with liquidity issues at non-banking finance companies, are likely to keep domestic markets volatile ahead of the Union Budget next month.

uation and slow economy is hurting the market. Continuous exchange of words between US and Tehran regarding the oil tanker attack, progress of US-China trade war, Fed policy outcome on June 19 and progress of monsoon will be closely watched by the investors. The market is cautious today awaiting these important events while highly leveraged companies are being mostly impacted," said Vinod Nair, head of research, Geojit Financial Services.

Sectorally, BSE realty, telecom, bank, auto, finance and FMCG indices ended up to 2.11 per cent lower. Capital goods gained 0.21 per cent. The broader BSE midcap and smallcap indices followed the

benchmarks, shedding up to 1.02 per cent. "Markets were in narrow range as stable inflation, decent IIP growth print and falling crude prices supported markets even as fresh concerns related to the ADAC group and Dewan Housing led to selling pressure in banks. Also, the NBFC sector stocks were under pressure on fears of default and more regulatory measures from the RBI," said Sanjeev Zarbade, vice president - PCG Research, Kotak Securities Ltd.

In Asia, while Tokyo stocks ended in the green, bourses in Shanghai, Hong Kong and Seoul closed lower. Exchanges in Europe were also trading in the red in early deals.

ATTACKS ON TWO OIL TANKERS IN THE GULF OF OMAN HAVE GIVES PRICES A FLOOR

Oil price rises but set for weekly loss as demand fears outweigh geopolitics

REUTERS
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OIL PRICES rose about 1 per cent on Friday after attacks on two oil tankers in the Gulf of Oman this week raised concerns about potential supply disruptions, but prices remained on track for a weekly loss on fears that trade disputes will dent global oil demand.

Brent crude futures were up 66 cents at \$61.97 a barrel by 1457 GMT. US West Texas Intermediate crude futures were up 49 cents a barrel at \$52.79. The attacks on oil tankers near Iran and the Strait of Hormuz pushed up oil prices by as

much as 4.5 per cent on Thursday. It was the second time in a month tankers have been attacked in the world's most important zone for oil supplies as tensions increase between the United States and Iran.

"Yesterday's attacks on the Japanese and Norwegian tankers in the Gulf of Oman underscore the severity of the security risks stemming from the Iran crisis and the difficulty of achieving a diplomatic off-ramp as long as the crippling US sanctions remain in place," RBC bank said.

Still, Brent was on course to register a weekly decline of about 2 per cent and United States crude



Yutaka Katada, president of Kokuka Sangyo Co, the Japanese firm operating one of two oil tankers attacked near the Strait of Hormuz, shows a photo of the attacked tanker on Friday. AP

was down nearly 3 per cent. "The deteriorating demand outlook is holding back prices, de-

spite these tensions," said John Kilduff, a partner at Again Capital LLC in New York.

Slowing economic conditions have eaten into demand growth, overshadowing ongoing tensions between the US and Iran, Kilduff said. As a result, prices may be stuck in a holding pattern. "We are stalemated here."

On Thursday, the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) cut its 2019 forecast for growth in global oil demand even lower than the IEA, to 1.14 million bpd.

Surging US supply, as well as gains from Brazil, Canada and Norway, would contribute to an increase in non-OPEC supply of 1.9 million bpd this year and 2.3 million bpd in 2020.

IEA cuts 2019 estimate for oil demand growth

REUTERS
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THE OUTLOOK for oil demand growth in 2019 has dimmed due to worsening prospects for world trade, the International Energy Agency (IEA) said on Friday, although stimulus packages and developing countries should boost growth going into 2020.

The Paris-based IEA, which coordinates the energy policies

of industrial nations, revised down its 2019 demand growth estimate by 100,000 barrels to 1.2 million barrels per day (bpd), but said it would climb to 1.4 million bpd for 2020.

"The main focus is on oil demand as economic sentiment weakens... The consequences for oil demand are becoming apparent," the IEA said in its monthly oil report. "The worsening trade outlook (is) a common theme across all regions", it added.

Hexaware acquires Mobiquity for \$182 mn

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, JUNE 14

IT CONSULTANCY firm Hexaware Technologies on Friday acquired US-based Mobiquity Inc for a total consideration of about \$182 million (around Rs 1,260 crore).

Under the cash deal, Hexaware will make an upfront payout of up to \$131 million and a deferred consideration of up to \$51 million, part of which is contingent on earnouts, Hexaware said in a regulatory filing. This acquisition would help gain traction in banking and pharma verticals, which are the focus areas for Hexaware, the filing said.

Mobiquity is a digital consultancy that partners with the world's leading brands to design and deliver compelling digital products and services for their customers. It creates digital products for brands like Amazon Web Services, Rabobank, Philips, Wawa, Backbase and Otsuka. Mobiquity group revenue was \$70 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. "This is the largest ever investment by Hexaware and the combined entity aims to directly compete with large digital agencies and consulting firms," Hexaware said in a statement.

R Srikrishna, CEO of Hexaware Technologies, said with this acquisition, Hexaware enters an exciting new phase of growth and capability.

CITU, AITUC oppose decision to reduce ESI contribution rate

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

ADAY after the Centre announced reduction in contribution under the Employees' State Insurance (ESI) Act from 6.5 per cent to 4 per cent, trade unions opposed the decision saying it is a unilateral decision and not in line with the decision taken by the tripartite governing council of the ESI.

The Centre of Indian Trade Union (CITU) said it is a gross violation of the 175th tripartite Governing Body meeting of ESI held on September 18, 2018, where it was unanimously decided to reduce the employers' contribution to ESI to 4 per cent of the wages of the enrolled workers from 4.75 per cent and the workers' contribution to 1 per cent from 1.75 per cent making the total ESI contributions at 5 per cent annually.

Subsequently, in the 177th governing body meeting held on February 19, 2019, chaired by the Union Labour Minister, ESI Budget for the coming financial year (2019-20) was finalised on the basis of this contribution generation of 5 per cent, CITU said.

As per the Centre's decision announced Thursday, employers' contribution under ESI scheme has been reduced to 3.25 per cent from 4.75 per cent and that of employees down to 0.75 per cent from 1.75 per cent, taking the total contribution to 4 per cent. The government estimates that the reduced rates, effective July 1, are likely to benefit 3.6 crore employees and 12.85 lakh employees.

Meanwhile, the All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC), in its statement, said that instead of reducing the rate of contribution,

'HUGE BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYERS'

■ CITU said the decision "would lead to huge benefits of employers to the tune of estimated Rs 8,000-Rs 10,000 crore"

■ AITUC said more benefits should be planned under health insurance scheme

more benefits should be planned under the health insurance scheme and inspections should be restored to ensure compliance.

CITU added that employers' obligation to ESI being reduced by 1.5 per cent and that of workers' by only 1 per cent "would lead to huge benefits/savings of the employers to the tune of estimated Rs 8,000-Rs 10,000 crore."

Reduction in ESI contribution is mainly to benefit the employers/business class, CITU said, adding that the increase in enrollment in ESI as claimed by the government is due to upward revision of entitlement level from Rs 15,000 to Rs 21,000 from January 1, 2017, as decided by the Tripartite Governing Body.

"This is going to create serious difficulty to meet its obligations of social security and medical benefits to the enhanced number of beneficiaries. CITU vehemently condemns such arbitrary move of the NDA-II government in the interest of the corporate lobby and demands implementation of the Governing Body decision on ESI contribution dated on September 18, 2018 in letter and spirit," it said.

WPI inflation near 2-yr low at 2.45% in May

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

WHOLESALE PRICE-BASED inflation hit a 22-month low of 2.45 per cent in May helped by falling prices of food articles, fuel and power items, and this in turn may prompt the Reserve Bank of India to go for another cut in key interest rates in the current fiscal.

The Wholesale Price Index (WPI)-based inflation was at 3.07 per cent in April this year. It was 4.78 per cent in May 2018.

Inflation in food articles basket was 6.99 per cent in May, 2019, down from 7.37 per cent in April, official data released Friday said.

However, onion prices spiked during the month with inflation at 15.89 per cent, as against (-) 3.43 per cent in April. Inflation in pulses continued in double digit for four consecutive months at 18.36 per cent in May, up from 14.32 per cent in the previous month.

WPI inflation in May this year is the lowest in 22 months, since July 2017, when it was at 1.88 per cent.

PRE-BUDGET MEETING WITH ECONOMISTS, SOCIAL SECTOR REPRESENTATIVES

IBC-type framework for NBFCs, simplified GST among several issues raised with FM

Government committed to improving skilling of youth, enhancing job opportunities: Finance Minister

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

FOCUS ON boosting growth and a debate on whether or not fiscal targets should be eased formed part of the pre-Budget discussion of economists with Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman Friday. The economists in their meeting also stressed on the need to promote labour intensive sectors and manufacturing through Make in India, further simplification of GST, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)-type framework for NBFC sector, implementation of Direct Tax Code and constitution of independent fiscal policy committee, a Finance Ministry statement said.

S Mahendra Dev, director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, said the discussion focused on growth and jobs. "The fiscal policy and monetary policy need to be improved. Some people asked the sanctity of FRBM, whether it can be relaxed. Some were of the opinion that fiscal space isn't there. For monetary policy, transmission of interests are not taking place. Banking system should be stabilised. The Budget should be growth-oriented. PM Kisan and all being done, concentration



Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman (right) with Rajiv Kumar (left), Secretary, Department of Financial Services, during a pre-Budget consultation meeting with representatives from social sector, in New Delhi, Friday. PTI

should be on growth. Coming to jobs, value chains need to be improved," Dev said.

Former Chief Economic Adviser Arvind Virmani suggested GST simplification and labour reforms can help attract investment. "Make in India manufacturing is a once in a generation opportunity. Tax reforms were some of the things one can do. Cross-border ease of doing business has not improved. GST simplification, labour reform can help attract investment," he said.

The meeting was attended by NITI Aayog Vice-Chairman Rajiv Kumar, Finance Secretary Subhash C Garg, Revenue Secretary Ajay Bhushan Pandey, Chief Economic Adviser K V Subramanian and other senior officials of the Ministry of Finance.

Other economists who attended the meeting included NIPFP chief executive and director Rathin Roy, SBI chief economist Soumya Kanti Ghosh, Aditya Birla Group chief economist Ajit Ranade, and former RBI Deputy

Governor and economist Rakesh Mohan among others.

Manoj Panda, director, Institute of Economic Growth, said agriculture must be liberalised and subsidies should be rationalised, otherwise budgetary burden cannot be managed. "I am telling for recalibration of subsidies, to protect the interests of the farmers. Like direct benefit transfers. Current regime of subsidies add to exchequer and is inefficient at the crop level, distorting market prices," Panda said.

Economists further gave suggestions on tariff reforms, removing bottlenecks in supply-chain, EXIM policy for agriculture, removal of specific duties on textiles, maintaining fiscal consolidation, revival of inter-state councils for holistic domestic growth, boosting employment by focusing on skilling and giving fillip to services and manufacturing sector.

Earlier in the day, Sitharaman also held a meeting with representatives of social sector, wherein they suggested the government should focus on education, hygiene, women safety and nutrition of infants in the forthcoming Budget.

They also asked the Minister to levy higher taxation on sweetened and salted products,

rationalise taxes on medical devices, earmark funds for healthcare infrastructure, and provide free drugs as well as diagnostic facilities.

Sitharaman, in her opening remarks, said that the present government is committed to improving educational standards, skilling the youth, enhancing job opportunities, reducing disease burden, empowering women and improving human development in order to have an inclusive development. The main areas of discussion included issues relating to health, education, social protection, pensions and human development.

They also suggested expansion of healthcare infrastructure, provision of free drugs and diagnostic facilities, rationalisation of taxes on medical devices, promotion of public private partnership in secondary and tertiary healthcare sectors, fiscal incentives for recycling of waste water and rain-water harvesting, among others.

National Commission for Women chairperson Rekha Sharma, Centre for Policy Research president Yamini Aiyer, Helpage India chief operating officer Rohit Prasad, and National Commission for Protection of Child Rights chairperson Priyanka Kanoongo attended the meeting.

Exports up 3.93% in May; trade deficit widens to \$15.36 bn

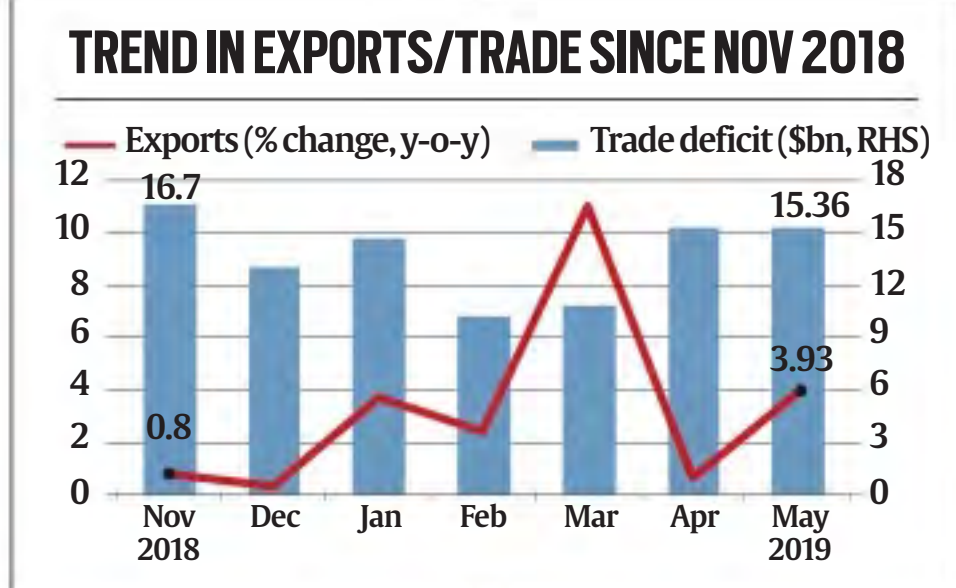
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INDIA'S EXPORTS increased by 3.93 per cent in May to \$30 billion on the back of healthy growth in electronics and chemicals shipments, even as the trade deficit widened to a six-month high, official data showed Friday. Imports increased by 4.31 per cent to \$45.35 as crude oil and gold shipments shot up in the month.

The trade deficit, difference between imports and exports, aggregated at \$15.36 billion, the widest since November 2018, when it stood at \$16.67 billion.

Sectors which recorded healthy export growth included electronics (51 per cent), engineering (4.4 per cent), chemicals (20.64 per cent), pharma (11 per cent) and tea (24.3 per cent).

However, certain key sectors including petroleum products,



man-made yarn/fabrics, gems and jewellery, marine products, coffee and rice recorded negative growth in May, according to Commerce Ministry data.

Oil imports grew by 8.23 per cent to \$12.44 billion and non-oil imports expanded by 2.9 per cent.

Gold imports jumped by 37.43 per cent to \$4.78 billion in May.

Cumulatively, exports in April-May FY20 rose 2.37 per cent to \$56 billion. Imports grew 4.39 per cent to \$86.75 billion, resulting in a trade deficit of \$30.69 billion.

Commenting on the data, Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) president Ganesh Kumar Gupta said exports and interest subsidy support to all agri exports.

growth in view of sluggish global trade.

"Such a growth in exports is a reflection of extremely modest growth in global trade and increasing protectionism. MSME sectors are still facing the problem of liquidity besides various other challenges including uncertainties owing to tariff war, volatility in commodities/currencies, rapid rise in trade restrictive measures and constraints on the domestic front," he said in a statement.

He also expressed concern on the rising trade deficit primarily on account of swelling crude import bill with further northward movement of prices and ban on Iranian imports along with rising gold imports. Kumar added that the government needs to look at issues like access to credit, cost of credit especially for merchant exporters and interest subsidy support to all agri exports.

India's services exports up 2.8% to \$18 bn in Apr

Mumbai: India's service sector exports rose by 2.8 per cent to \$18.06 billion in the first month of the current fiscal, Reserve Bank data showed Friday. The services receipt or exports in April 2018 stood at \$17.56 billion.

Services payments or imports in April 2019 were at \$11.4 billion, up by 4.6 per cent from \$10.92 billion in the same month of 2018-19, according to the RBI data on India's international trade in services for April 2019.

The RBI releases monthly data on India's international trade in services with a lag of around 45 days. PTI

'No trust deficit between govt, industry'

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URGING THE industry to join hands in bringing innovative ways of financing, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari Friday said there was no "trust deficit" between industry and the government, which has been constantly doing away with "red-tapism".

Gadkari said the ban on the entry of corporates and private players in MSME sector has been lifted to pave way for formation of 700 clusters in order to reduce dependence on imports as well as for job creation.

Addressing 100 CEOs from across the country in their first interaction with the new govern-



Union Minister Nitin Gadkari meets delegates during the CII National Council Meeting in New Delhi, Friday. PTI

ment at CII National Conference, the Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Minister also said that to promote innovation a 'Bank of Idea and

Innovation' was on the anvil. "There is no trust deficit between the government and industry. Government is very positive and has faith and trust in the

industry. We are bringing improvements as per suggestions of industry and request for more recommendations.

"Government is investor-friendly and wants to support industry for employment, growth and exports. It is constantly striving to usher in more reforms and industry should come forward to be a partner in this journey of growth," Gadkari said.

Defining MSME as a sector with huge growth and employment potential, the minister said a decision has been taken to lift the ban on the entry of corporate and private sector in MSME clusters and urged them to come forward with suggestions and ideas which in turn would be supported by incentives like land.

Data movement important ... but will be based on reciprocity: Prasad

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

THE GOVERNMENT is ready with draft personal data protection law, and it may allow data mobility overseas based on reciprocity, IT and Telecom Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad said Friday.

He also said that people are not pleased with European data protection law, and are looking the way it will shape up in India.

"India will uphold its data sovereignty. That will not be negotiable. India is a huge country, generating a lot of data. I do acknowledge that some degree of data movement is important in a

digital world but that will be based on reciprocity and understanding," Prasad said at a CI event here.

The draft of Personal Data Protection Bill, 2018 - which is based on the recommendations of the government-constituted high-level panel headed by Justice B N Srikrishna - restricts and imposes conditions on the cross-border transfer of personal data, and suggests setting up of Data Protection Authority of India to prevent any misuse of personal information. "Data is going to become an important area of growth, commerce and vulnerable area of dispute. Data protection law we have finalised. I will take it to the cabinet. I feel data

anonymity should also be kept in focus. Anybody, Indian or international, seeking to indulge in data commerce will have to follow the rules of the game," Prasad said.

In response to a question from former Infosys executive vice-chairman Kris Gopalakrishnan, Prasad said the world is now looking at proposed data protection regulation in India.

"I went to Stanford to give a lecture and all of them are waiting for India's data protection law. All of them, because they are not happy with European product at all. Therefore, (the) world is looking at India. What is important, is India's moment must be seized properly," the minister said.

Thyssenkrupp: Indian-origin Premal Desai is new CEO

ADITI KHANNA
LONDON, JUNE 14

THYSSENKRUPP ON Friday announced the appointment of Premal Desai as the new chief executive officer for its steel division to oversee the restructuring of its business, following the collapse of a proposed joint venture with Indian steel manufacturer, Tata Steel, in Europe.

The 50-year-old Indian-origin executive, who has been chief financial officer of ThyssenKrupp Steel Europe AG since 2015, will take charge as the Chairman of the Executive Board of the company.

Having also served as a former Head of Strategy at ThyssenKrupp AG, Desai will now be in charge of formulating a "sustainable strategy" for the steel division. "Shaping the future of steel is a challenging task. There's a lot to do," he said. REUTERS

GOQii, Flipkart resolve legal dispute over predatory pricing

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, JUNE 14

IN AN out-of-court settlement, start-up healthcare products firm GOQii on Friday said it has 'amicably' resolved a legal dispute with Flipkart and the products of the company will be listed back on Flipkart's platform.

"Flipkart engaged with us in a transparent way and their team worked on a resolution benefitting the brand and the customers. We look forward to a continued fruitful association and help serve millions of Flipkart customers in a better way," said Vishal Gondal, founder and CEO at GOQii, in a joint statement with Flipkart.

GOQii, a California-based preventive healthcare platform, last month took Walmart-owned Flipkart to court on charges of predatory pricing. Two of GOQii's products were

"Flipkart engaged with us in a transparent way and their team worked on a resolution benefitting the brand and the customers."

VISHAL GONDAL
FOUNDER & CEO, GOQII

being sold at a discount of about 70 per cent on Flipkart without GOQii's consent, a source had said earlier.

Gondal had told news agency Reuters that the firm signed an agreement in September with a Flipkart unit, allowing it to sell the two GOQii devices at a price not below Rs 1,999 and Rs 1,499 after discounts. But GOQii last month found Flipkart's website showed the devices on sale for Rs 999 and Rs 699, respectively.

The case had been filed in a Mumbai city civil court, which on June 7 had adjourned the

matter to June 26. Earlier, the court had asked Flipkart and its sellers to halt sale of GOQii products.

"We are in the process of withdrawing the suit," said Amit Vyas, founder partner at Vertices Partners, the law firm representing GOQii. Vyas declined to give further details.

Adarsh K Menon, vice-president and head of private labels, electronics and furniture at Flipkart, said, "Flipkart is a customer-focused marketplace that works closely with brands and seller partners to ensure that all policies are aligned to industry standards and are in compliance with all applicable Indian laws.

"We have a zero tolerance policy on incidents that impact customer trust. In the last few days, we have ensured constant engagement with GOQii to resolve any differences and we are glad that the brand will be back on Flipkart." FE

US suspends WTO IPR litigation against China

TOM MILES
GENEVA, JUNE 14

THE US has halted a World Trade Organization dispute over China's treatment of intellectual property rights until December 31, the WTO dispute panel hearing the case said in a statement published on Friday. The panel of three adjudicators said the United States asked for the suspension on June 3 and China agreed the next day.

It was not clear if the suspension might signal a thawing of trade relations between the United States and China ahead of a possible meeting between Presidents Xi Jinping and Donald Trump at a G20 summit in Japan later this month. US and Chinese officials did not immediately respond to requests for comment, and the panel's statement did not disclose any reason for suspension of the dispute. REUTERS

Trump says he plans to keep criticising US Fed over interest rates

MARTIN CRUTSINGER
WASHINGTON, JUNE 14

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump says he has no intention of ending his public attacks on the Federal Reserve's interest rate policies even though he knows he has made Chairman Jerome Powell's job more difficult.

Trump told ABC NEWS in an interview released Friday that he thinks economic growth and stock market indexes would be substantially higher if the chairman "wouldn't have raised interest rates so much." The Fed raised rates four times last year. But Powell has signalled that the Fed is prepared to cut rates should it decide that Trump's trade war with China threatened the economic expansion.

The Fed has long sought to operate free of political influence to maintain its credibility as the

world's leading central bank. Powell, whom Trump elevated to chairman, has said before that he wouldn't resign despite pressure from Trump.

In the ABC interview, which will air Sunday, Trump is asked if he was concerned that his public attacks on Powell were inappropriate and were putting the Fed chairman "in a box."

"I'm gonna do it anyway because I've waited long enough," Trump said.

"If he did the interest rate increases half as much, if he didn't do tightening," the economy would be growing faster and the stock market would be higher.

In an earlier interview this week with CNBC, Trump lamented he had to deal with a Fed that is "very destructive to us" and suggested that President Xi Jinping of China was much luckier because Xi essentially controls his country's central bank. AP

BRIEFLY

Corporation Bank cuts 1-yr MCLR by 5 bps

New Delhi: Corporation Bank Friday said it has reduced marginal cost of funds based lending rate (MCLR) for one-year tenor loan by 5 basis points to 8.85 per cent. The one-year MCLR is the benchmark against which most customer loans such as auto, personal and home loans are priced.

Jet Airways shares tumble nearly 12%

New Delhi: Shares of grounded Jet Airways continued the downward trend, plunging nearly 12 per cent Friday, after stock exchanges, earlier this week, decided to impose restrictions on its stock trading from June 28. The scrip tanked 10.77 per cent to close at Rs 82.05 on the BSE. Intra-day, the airline's stock tumbled 13.37 per cent to touch its multi-year low at Rs 79.65.

'Grout ATMs to wall, pill or floor to boost security'

Mumbai: The Reserve Bank on Friday asked banks to ensure their ATMs are grouted to a wall, pillar, or floor by September-end, except those installed in high secured premises such as airports, to enhance security of the cash vending machines. In 2016, the RBI had set up a Committee on Currency Movement (CCM) to review the entire gamut of security of treasure in transit.

Tata Commam sells Singapore data centre stake

New Delhi: Tata Communications said on Friday its data centre arm has sold its entire stake in the Singapore unit to STT GDC. "Tata Communications International Pte Ltd (TCIPL) has divested 26 per cent stake in STT Tai Send Pte Ltd, which operates data centre business in Singapore, to STT APDC Pte Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of STT GDC Pte Ltd at an agreed consideration based on fair market value and changing market conditions," a Tata Communications said. PTI

Shukla takes charge as CMD of MCL

New Delhi: Bhola Nath Shukla Friday took charge as chairman-managing director of Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL), a subsidiary of Coal India. Having spent 37 years in the coal industry, Shukla was the director (technical) at Ranchi-headquartered sister subsidiary Coal Mine Planning and Design Institute Ltd, before taking charge of MCL. MCL is targeting 167 million tonne coal production this financial year. ENS

Malmstrom hopes Trump, Xi can reduce trade tensions

REUTERS
GENEVA, JUNE 14

EUROPEAN UNION Trade Commissioner Cecilia Malmstrom is hoping United States President Donald Trump meets his Chinese counterpart, Xi Jinping, at the G20 summit in Japan later this month to try to reduce trade tensions between the two countries.

"If they are meeting, I think the whole world thinks that is a good idea," Malmstrom said in an interview on Friday. "The fact that there is at least a possibility that escalations will de-escalate rather and that these two countries are talking to each other would be a good sign for the whole world."

But the issues between the United States and China would not all be solved in Osaka, she further said.

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MEN IN BLACK: INTERNATIONAL ★★

Director: F Gary Gray **Cast:** Chris Hemsworth, Tessa Thompson, Liam Neeson, Kumail Nanjiani, Emma Thompson, Rebecca Ferguson

Only the Suits are Sharp

SHUBHRA GUPTA

MEN IN Black: International is the fourth in that series where the men wear sharp black suits-and-shades as they wrestle with evil aliens and other beasties and save the world.

This time around there's a woman in black too (two, actually), and about the only time this instalment comes to life is when newbie Tessa, and old-hand Emma, both the Thompson ladies, are kicking butt.

The rest of it is pretty much a seen-it-

done-it-dusted-it, why-am-I-watching-this-kind-of flick. Sure, there are such exotic locations as Marrakesh, and colourful souks leading to secret rooms which house cute little other-worldly critters (one is called Pawny, and is voiced by Nanjiani). There are some energetic set pieces (the one in a night club is a stand out). And there is the handsome Chris Hemsworth giving his ensemble a workout.

But a patina of sameness settles over it all, as the two new partners, Hemsworth and Thompson, scurry from Paris to Men-In-Black-HQ to London to Marrakesh in

search of a, gasp, mole in the MIB gang. There's also a weapon-that-can-destroy-the-world caroming around: can there be a dull moment when so much is going on? You betcha, Fletcher.

The 1997 original *Men In Black*, starring Tommy Lee Jones and Will Smith, was zingy and zippy and a barrel of non-stop fun. Nothing later has matched up, even if both part 2 and 3 had their share of hi-jinks, and Jones and Smith riffing off each other didn't get old.

Here Hemsworth looks as if he has wandered in from a superhero movie in his spare

time. It is Tessa Thompson who makes this thing work. She's perky, and shares a few funny lines with Pawny, who has a thing for queens and pressing red buttons.

A character in the film says: someone press something. Yep, as generic as that. Right at that moment you feel like pressing the exit button. A busy, nicely-done finale just about makes up for it.

How about, going forward (oh yes, there will be more, never fear), call the next one 'Women In Black'? It's time.

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More of the Same



THE SECRET LIFE OF PETS 2 (Animation) ★★

Director: Chris Renaud
Voices of: Patton Oswalt, Eric Stonestreet, Kevin Hart, Harrison Ford, Tiffany Haddish, Jenny Slate

THE FIRST edition of *Secret Life of Pets* (2016) was a bright, cheerful look at what pets do when their humans go off on their pursuits. We met Max, and his owner Katie, and saw how the former's life changes when the latter brings in another dog, the huge shaggy Duke. The big lesson in that one was that sharing is caring, and Max's other pals learnt to be good to each other too, after many exciting adventures.

The new film is more of the same. Max and Duke are both thrown into another churn: Katie is now married and a baby has arrived. How is Max to keep the little one safe? At every step, in the house and out, in the city and on the farm, where the family heads out for a spell,

there looms danger. Meanwhile, there's an evil circus ringmaster who has kidnapped a tiger. Tomorrow, you will be a rrrrrug, he says, and the poor thing cowers. And in another thread, pretty Gidget who has a thing for Max, has managed to lose his favourite squeaky toy, Busy Bee. Will the tiger be safe from the dastardly kidnapper? Will Busy Bee be found?

Of course, we know the answers. All threads are neatly tied up, though some of the manic running round feels a bit stretched and unsupported after a point.

Still, it's pleasant enough, and should make for a satisfying summer holiday outing for the under 8s. The best part of this instalment is the wise farm hound who calls himself Rooster (voiced by the gravelly Harrison Ford), who shakes off Max out of his therapy-induced stupor (yes, he has a therapist, like all spoiled Manhattan dogs) and provides him with the most useful life lesson: anxiety is a bad thing, but it can be overcome.

And, yes, everyone has to grow up.

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On the Loose



GAME OVER ★

Director: Ashwin Saravanan
Cast: Taapsee Pannu, Vinodini Vaidyanathan, Sanchana Natrajan, Ramya Subramanian, Anish Kuruvilla

WHAT WOULD you do if you have been left petrified of the dark after a traumatic incident? *Game Over* builds swiftly up to its main act, which has the broken-in-spirit Swapna (Pannu) trying to rebuild her courage, using her work as distraction, and her affectionate house help Kalamma (Vaidyanathan) as constant companion.

The prelude has a string of gruesome murders, and the victims are all nubile young women. So we know that sooner or later, Swapna will be the target: no surprises there.

The job of films which coast on this trope — terror-struck young women being stalked and attacked in a closed house — is to bung in enough shockers to keep us on the edge. That doesn't happen, so the game is never really on.

We've seen Pannu grow as an actor in her past few films (*Mannmarziyaan*, *Mulk*). Here she is pretty much in the centre of the frame

practically the entire time, and her performance shifts between only two registers — distressed and terrified — with no other variation. Within minutes, the film turns flat.

The writing is flabby, key sequences get repetitive, the threads which are woven in the plot are weakly dealt with: a tattoo and the tattooist plays a part, as does a grieving mother, but at no point do these elements feel meshed in. Worse, the reveal comes too early, and the suspense leaches out.

Also, we are left with too many niggling questions: why are Swapna's domestic arrangements the way they are? Who are the bad guys? Why do they do what they do? Even those slasher-without-a-cause grislies that Hollywood churns so frequently, manage a certain rhythm, which this disjointed film doesn't achieve. Is this a horror/supernatural or killers-on-a-spree flick? There's confusion, and we are confounded.

The other problem is the Hindi dubbing (the film is made in Telugu/Tamil), and in too many places the lines seem out of sync.

There are a couple of genuinely scary moments, but the rest of it is too stretched: even the 102-minute run time feels too long, with not enough thrills or chills.

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MUSIC THIS WEEK

Come Rain, Come Shine

KABIR SINGH
★★★

Composer: Sachet-Parampara
Lyrics: Irshad Kamil

SUANSHU KHURANA

SACHET-PARAMPARA is a relatively new name in the world of Bollywood music. The two — Sachet Tandon and Parampara Thakur — began their composing careers after being finalists in the reality show *The Voice* (2015), and since then, have come up with mediocre tunes such as *Subah ki train* (*Toilet: Ek Prem Katha*) and *Nazarbattu* (*Yamla Pagla Deewana*). Their new compositions feature in Sandeep Reddy Vanga's *Kabir Singh*, remake of his Telugu film *Arjun Reddy*. Starring Shahid Kapoor and Kiara Advani, the duo's compositions serve as a backdrop to the story of a surgeon who becomes an alcoholic after his girlfriend marries another man. The singer-composer combination impresses with this latest offering but the song patterns and concepts stay superficial. The depth lurks around, it seems, close by.

Adhering to the theme, a blast of riffs from an electric guitar opens *Bekhayali*, a



song that's finding much attention on air and social media. It's easy to like the raw soulfulness of the piece, which sounds similar to a lot of those Arijit Singh-Jeet Ganguly and Arijit Singh-Mithoon combos. Tandon is an adept vocalist whose timbre moves easily between smooth and gruff comfortably. The problem, however, is the expression in the voice. There isn't much. What appeals much more than the composition is the orchestration — the three interludes, one on the violin, the other a combination of saxophone and bass guitar, and the one absolutely brilliant one towards the end on an electric guitar. The tune is an earworm, yes. The richness is added through the orchestration. But by itself, it panders to the

populist tendencies of the current times in Bollywood. The same swells and shrinks, the same remains of the day.

The piece also has an Arijit Singh version. The gaps, which we didn't think existed in Tandon's version, are filled up by Singh. He is delicate with it and we loved that he takes a very ordinary composition and turns it into something of remarkably high quality by sighing and slowing at the right places. Singh follows this with *Tujhe kitna chahne lage*, a composition, the various elements of which, sound like cut-copy-paste from a plethora of songs of today. Orchestration wins here too. Like *Bekhayali*, it's better than the composition.

Mere sohneya is a pleasant Punjabi folk ditty that uses a shehnai in its backdrop along with piano, guitar, and soft drum beats. We hear Parampara's bass voice here, which goes well with the simple hook. *Kaise hua* sounds like an impressive college song and has anthemic qualities. It stomps and gets the kick drum to put one foot forward. The cymbals are hit and singer Vishal Mishra sings with passion. It registers exactly how it's created. It impresses in that moment but is forgotten right about when it ends.

In *Kabir Singh*'s songs, one keeps looking for depth. There is a bit of amateurishness to the compositions but promise as well. If the composer duo does not get stuck with what people want to hear and instead tries out what they'd want to present to the world, things are likely to look starkly different. We will be listening.

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The Joy of Jazz

BLUE NOTE RECORDS: BEYOND THE NOTES (Documentary)

Director: Sophie Huber
Cast: Ambrose Akinmusire, Art Blakey, John Coltrane, Michael Cuscuna, Miles Davis

GLENN KENNY

THIS DOCUMENTARY directed by Sophie Huber makes a point right off that Blue Note Records, the influential jazz label, is still very much a thing of the present. The opening scene shows a convocation of young musicians, including the pianist Robert Glasper and the trumpeter Ambrose Akinmusire, assembling in a studio. Don Was, the musician and producer who now oversees the label, talks up a "Blue Note All-Stars" session.

In time the younger players are joined by Herbie Hancock and Wayne Shorter, surviving alumni of what jazz aficionados would term the label's third golden age, that of the 1960s.

Francis Wolff and Alfred Lion, German jazz fans who fled Nazi Germany and landed in New York, founded the label in 1939. At first it was a fan pursuit; they merely wanted to make transcriptions of the music they cared about. But the label soon developed a roster, including Thelonious Monk, that gave it cachet and a signature sound.

The recording engineer Rudy Van Gelder, who got more than 400 Blue Note albums on tape, and who died in 2016, is here with reminiscences and anecdotes. Blue Note Records had a look as well as a sound, beginning with the in-studio photos shot by Wolff. Shorter and Hancock fondly recall that when they saw Wolff doing a little bop dance rather than shooting, they knew they had the take.

Lion and Wolff's legacy wound up feeding hip hop musicians, who sampled Blue Note LPs for grooves. But artists like Kendrick Lamar heard more than just samples in this stuff. "You gotta do the music or you going to die," Terrace Martin, a musician, rapper and producer who has worked with Lamar, says admiringly of the Blue Note ethos. This tidy, thoughtful film gets at jazz's joy and pain.

NYT

The Future Feels Real

LEILA (streaming on Netflix)
★★★

Directors: Deepa Mehta, Shanker Raman, Pawan Kumar
Cast: Huma Qureshi, Siddharth, Arif Zakaria, Seema Biswas, Rahul Khanna, Akash Khurana, Sanjay Suri

IT IS the near future, not too many years from now. The air on the planet has turned noxious, water has vanished, and the rain is viscous and black, more curse than manna from heaven.

In the land of Aryavarta, there live the haves (manicured and gated enclaves, high walls, guards and dogs), and the have-nots (filthy slums, water tankers, and poverty). The only currency that can save you is your purity quotient: the pure will survive and thrive, the *doosh* or the *dooshit* will be forever servile, and the *mishrit* (mixed-blood) will be obliterated.

Based on Prayaag Akbar's harrowing novel *Leila*, the new Netflix series which has begun streaming Friday, serves up a chilling portrait of dystopia which is at once com-

PELLING and repelling.

The series makes some sweeping departures from the book. Some work; the others are not as effective. The book is slower, more ruminative, more affecting; it covers a longer span. The six episodes in Season One build up to a pacy dark near-thriller feel.

That may have been a deliberate choice by the creative executive producer Deepa Mehta, who shares direction credits of the six episodes in Season One, and the team of writers. But the sense of foreboding and unease that mark this future time and place feel real, feel like they could be around the corner, that this could be where we will find ourselves sooner versus later.

And that, despite its problems, is the strong point of *Leila*, which takes its name from a lost young girl, and the search, long and exhausting and heartbreaking, that her mother, Shalini Rizwan Chaudhary (Qureshi), undertakes, to find her.

The double-barreled name bodes trouble. It speaks of a willful woman who married for love (the pure call it 'lust') and was so enamoured that she forgot her husband's



religion is not her own. A child born out of a Hindu-Muslim union will not be tolerated in Aryavarta, where the blandly sinister figure of Joshiji (Suri) towers over everyone.

It took me a while to get into the series. The initial bits remind you, disconcertingly, of *The Handmaid's Tale*, in which Shalini is forced to congregate with fallen 'women like her', as they wait for the attention of Guru

Ma (Zakaria). And then, once Shalini is moved along the chain, lowered to the portals of hell, the plot starts to thicken. And takes hold.

Qureshi's face is in close up so often that you learn its contours. But her Shalini, despite some bumps, is always on point, her focus on getting her daughter back unwavering. Seema Biswas, who shows up as a

compatriot who may be harbouring a secret, shows how good an actor she is: she doesn't have to act as if she belongs to a labour camp; she just is. By comparison, Siddharth comes off stiff. There are some awkward threads that hang; some English-Hindi usage which doesn't sound right.

But *Leila*'s powerful sum is more than its unequal parts. It takes us into a time where we will all live in 'our' communities, dissected neatly by religion and class and caste. Flyers high in the air will link the gleaming towers, and the meek and the helpless will crawl on the ground, seething with rebels. Where women will breed to order, and where only the 'arya' by birth will be able to breathe clean air.

The resonances are clear, even if they get submerged in the swift thriller-like approach. Saffron is replaced by red, but there's no doubt about what and who guardians like Joshiji are, and where they come from.

Those who live in Delhi will recognise many spots in the series. The spirited Nehru Place market, lost in a jangle of computer part shops, had gone over to the dark side long back. And the mountain of garbage that towers on the outskirts of the Capital is a sight straight out of purgatory. Future? Dystopia is here.

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RICHEST WIN OF ALL

For her debut novel, *Idaho*, Emily Ruskovich has won the International Dublin literary award — the world's richest prize at €100,000. For this, public libraries across the world nominate their favourite novels to form a longlist. *Idaho* was nominated by just one library.

Not the Same River

Amitav Ghosh's novel sails into troubled waters. The voyage is action-packed but disappointing



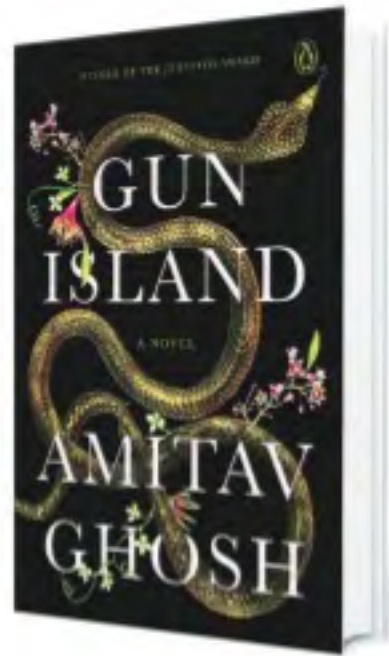
People aboard a small ferry in the Sunderbans Wikimedia Commons

AMRITA DUTTA

JOURNEYS ARE essential to an Amitav Ghosh novel. But, as a generation of readers who have grown up on his fiction know, you must discard the old maps on the way — for a fresh, disorienting look at the idea of home and world, nation and borders. I am thinking, of course, of the narrator of *The Shadow Lines* (1988), poring over an atlas, and tracing the violent, twinned destinies of Khulna (in Bangladesh) and Calcutta through geography as much as history. One might also travel, on the tide of words, as the anthropologist in *In An Antique Land* (1992) does, discovering through older texts, and the echoes of language, the old linkages between civilisations. Ghosh's scholarly, geeky imagination has decentred the postcolonial experience, by illuminating the blind spots of history, by nudging us to see that the implacable walls of the present were once pitstops on the restless routes of human endeavour. By scraping an old, familiar word, he has shown us the ore of history it carries. We enter the puzzling maze of his new novel, *Gun Island*, holding the thread of one such word — *bundook*, derived from *al-Bunduqqiya*, the Arabic word for Venice. It chances upon Deen, the book's diffident (and often annoyingly earnest) narrator, when he hears of the legend of Bonduki Sadagar and his duel with Ma Manasa, a subaltern goddess of snakes, who represents forces of nature beyond the thrall of human conquest and reason. The novel follows from Ghosh's urgent belief (articulated in *The Great Derangement*, 2016) that literature must engage with climate change, as apocalypse is now. But a fiat is often a death-wish for fiction.

Ghosh docks again at the Sunderbans, the mesmeric tide country of one his finest novels, *The Hungry Tide*. The cast of characters

from the 2004 novel are now bit players — Kanai Dutt, the entitled Delhi Bong, is now a news TV regular; Moyna, the young Dalit nurse whose ambition could not accommodate her fey boatman-husband Fokir, is a fretting mother; Piya, the cetologist whose life Fokir died saving, is a benefactor of Moyna and her son. The Sunderbans itself is more ravaged than ever — the islands are slipping away, and cyclones have displaced and blown thousands into squalid cities. For those who remain, life is even more precarious. The fish are scarce, the groundwater poisoned, and vulnerable creatures are either trafficked (women) or surrender silently to death (dolphins). Nilima Bose urges Deen to visit the shrine of Bonduki Sadagar, before the rising waters claim it. Thus is launched



GUN ISLAND
AMITAV GHOSH
Penguin/Hamish Hamilton
287 pages
₹ 699

this fast-paced, even thrilling narrative, which seems to be driven by the quickening forces of climate doom, but which ultimately chooses velocity over any real tragic vision.

Truly, dear reader, you cannot step into the same waters twice. While *The Hungry Tide* was a masterly evocation of place — an endlessly elusive, morphing one — *Gun Island* remains unmoored. It is propelled from Brooklyn to Calcutta to the Sunderbans and, finally, Venice, as it follows the thread of a mysterious legend. Deen's is the rational, humdrum voice accompanying us on the way. Like the rest of us clinging to rationality in late capitalism, he is befuddled by the invasion of the supernatural in his world, by forces that seem to drive the plot from the margins. Central to this is Moyna's son Tipu, a wild native of the untamed web, who is transformed by the bite of a cobra into the shadowy *sutradhar* of this tale. With his friend Rafi, he joins the tide of refugees heaving against the borders of nation-states, and dissolving the map of the world. "The plight of these refugees was indeed similar to that of the indentured workers who had been transported from the Indian subcontinent," Ghosh writes. While slaves and coolies produced goods for colonial appetites, now the desires of the disenfranchised were the same as that of the rulers. "Rafi, Tipu and their fellow migrants had launched their own journeys... enabled by their own networks..." The systems that had enabled the imperial capitalist project "had now achieved escape velocity: they were no longer under anyone's control."

While this is urgent, insistent and contemporary, the journalistic impulse to explain a changing world is not sublimated into the demanding terms of fiction. The novel falters in the thinness of its metaphor and language, which rarely give you occasion to pause, to admire. In *The Hungry Tide*, Ghosh had created the incantatory rhythm of wa-

ter through words. One is struck by the number of times the reader is taken along as its characters are found straining their eyes at the landscape. Piya looking through her binoculars or plunging into the occluded waters; Nirmal Bose relating why the tide country resembles a desert ("it can trick the eye with mirages") — all building up to the sense of human impotence, the limits to what we can see and know. "She had never known the human race to be so faint, so undetectable," thinks Piya.

By contrast, while *Gun Island* offers a critique of European project of Enlightenment reason and individualism (also the progenitors of the realist novel), analysing how it narrows human knowledge by divorcing it from nature, it remains just that — an argument. Faced with the apocalyptic dissolution of categories that climate change has brought, can the novelist's choice of form remain untouched?

In the best of his work, Ghosh's research, while never invisible, is worn lightly. The sweeping, salty tide of history is felt on the skin of the individual, it comes to ebb in the marshy soil of the human heart, with all its imperfections, deceit and self-delusions. *Gun Island* suffers because the intellectual hijinks — including the solving of a hieroglyph puzzle, a la an erudite Dan Brown — do not make us care much about its people. The narrator, especially, could well be named Dull Deen, whose inelegance of thoughts can thwart the most sympathetic reader. Even a tacked-on romantic subplot does not make him more interesting.

In its last pages, *Gun Island* turns into an action-packed adventure that ends on the seas with a miracle of nature. There is no pity, nor terror, but an unconvincing, uplifting end. This is a gripping novel, for sure. But from this faithful Amitav Ghosh reader, this is only faint praise.

Lest We Forget

A direct account of the Jallianwala Bagh massacre in the poetry of Nanak Singh

SHUBHAJIT ROY

A DINNER-time conversation between Indian diplomat Navdeep Suri and some old friends brought out a level of ignorance about the Jallianwala Bagh massacre. Suri recalls how they mixed up Brigadier General Reginald Dyer (one who ordered the shooting) with Punjab's Lt Governor Michael O'Dwyer (who ordered the arrest of Satya Pal and Saifuddin Kitchlew).

For Suri, that was a painful moment. After all, his grandfather, Nanak Singh, was at Jallianwala Bagh that fateful afternoon on April 13, 1919, when troops of the British Indian Army, under the command of Reginald Dyer, fired indiscriminately into a crowd of Indians gathered for a peaceful protest to condemn the arrest and deportation of two leaders, Pal and Kitchlew.

And, Singh, a 22-year-old survivor of the massacre, wrote a 900-line poem in May 1920, where he used the poem as a form of protest against the massacre. Published as a pamphlet, it was titled *Khooni Vaisakhi*. It was promptly banned by the British.

Suri's father discovered the banned poem after 60 years, since Singh did not talk about the poem during his lifetime, except a passing reference in his autobiography. About a year ago, Suri — currently India's ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, who has also served as envoy to Egypt and Australia — spoke to his parents, and, the idea to translate this poem into English was born. The result is a masterpiece in translation which remains faithful to the original, not just in content, but rhyme and rhythm.

The poem systematically recounts the entire history of the time: all that took place before that fateful day which led to the order by Dyer to open fire on the public. One of the most powerful lines that depict the incident reads: "Under the tyrant's orders, they opened fire/ Straight into innocent hearts, my friends./ And fire and fire and fire they did/ Some thousands of bullets were shot, my friends. / Like searing hail they felled our youth/ A tempest not seen before, my friends".

The translation of the poem is accompanied by a chapter by Suri, who rediscovers his roots — he was born in Amritsar, a stone's throw away from Jallianwala Bagh, and lived his first eight years there.

In a narrative about his "bauji", Suri recalls fond memories about Singh, and places the poem in a historical context of 1919. In those 37 pages, Suri carefully describes the time, giving sharp perspective about the massacre and the events leading up to it, and its aftermath.

But, the most significant chapter is by BBC journalist Justin Rowlatt, whose great grandfather Sir Sidney Rowlatt, authored the infamous Act that Singh and others were protesting against that day. The Rowlatt Act was dubbed then as "no Dalil, no Vakil, no Appeal."

In a deeply moving account, Rowlatt, who was BBC's South Asia correspondent in Delhi between 2015 and 2018, writes about his strong reaction when he went to Jallianwala Bagh. He writes about the sense of conflict in his mind, as he struggled with shame and guilt, due to the acts of his great-grandfather.

The chapter is passionately written and well-argued. Journalist Rowlatt's courage



KHOONI VAISAKHI: A POEM FROM THE JALLIANWALA BAGH MASSACRE, 1919
NANAK SINGH (AUTHOR), NAVDEEP SURI (TRANSLATOR)
Harper Perennial India
144 pages
₹ 399

in accepting what happened was wrong is commendable. "I still am sick to my stomach at the way the British forces behaved in Jallianwala Bagh", he writes at one place. He also explains how his great-grandfather became a part of this draconian legislation, and refers to some of the previously-unseen private correspondence.

There is also a chapter by professor Harbhajan Singh Bhatia, former dean of languages at Guru Nanak Dev University in Amritsar, where he is effusive in his praise of Singh and his body of work. Singh, who would describe himself as "fourth grade pass or fifth grade fail" learnt to read and write by reading Hindi novelist Munshi Premchand. Bhatia has delved well into the craft of this trailblazing writer, who won the Sahitya Akademi award in 1962 for *Ik Myan Do Talwaraan*. He wrote an astounding 59 books, which included 38 novels and an assortment of plays, short stories, poems, essays and even a set of translations. His novel *Pavitra Paapi* (The Watchmaker, translated into English by Suri) was made into a film in 1970, while *Chitta Lahu* was translated into Russian. His book *Adh Khidya Phul* (A Life Incomplete) has also been translated by Suri.

Throughout the book, Suri's tone — in translation of the poem and in his chapter — is one of "lest we forget" about the Jallianwala Bagh massacre.

In a year which has seen many books on the massacre to commemorate its 100th anniversary, what sets this book apart is that it is a contemporaneous account by someone who was actually present there.

The book's chapters, however, have some typographic errors — the years 2018 and 2015 have been printed, instead of 1918 and 1915. And, in a chapter by Justin Rowlatt, Tushar Gandhi is wrongly identified as Mahatma Gandhi's grandson — he is actually the great-grandson.

At 127-pages, however, this book is an essential quick-read for those who want to dive into Singh's powerful poetry and learn about the Rowlatt Act, and, the broader historical context in which the protests and the massacre took place.

Light of the Firefly

Kaifi Azmi's writings on love and rebellion continue to bedazzle

SEEMA CHISHTI

KAIFI AZMI, like love, is a many splendoured thing, and he is being discovered in a hundred ways in his centenary year.

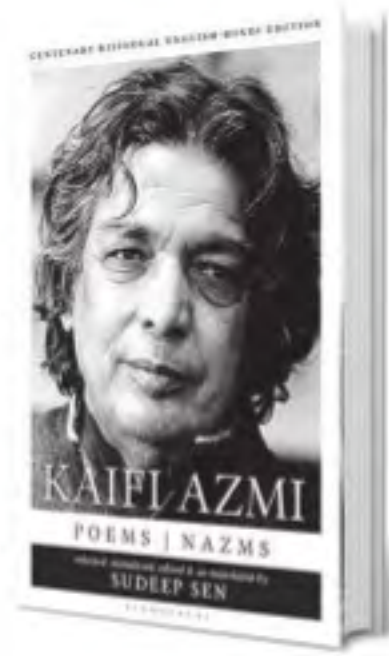
This book is, perhaps, the hundred and first way. It is a charming scrap-book, with special photos, old book covers and images of inscriptions. There is a personal touch, too — a tribute from a contemporary poet who, while never having met him, established a unique rapport with him. Though it is somewhat marred by the ode to Mont Blanc pens — Azmi's fascination for the pens is well-known — one will let that pass for the moment.

This collection is also a tribute to translations that keep Azmi alive 18 years after his death in the minds and hearts of those who don't know Urdu. A bridge-engineer, an academic, a poet, a cinematographer and a former MP-cum-poet throw their weight behind translating and rendering Kaifi in their own specific frames and simultaneously enlivening different facets of the extraordinary Azmi.

Pritish Nandy, when he speaks of Azmi's unique contribution — "the virile diction, the simplicity and sensitivity of a language that has been shorn of all the traditional trappings of its literary heritage and fashioned to meet the demands of a new contemporary consciousness" — does special service to the poet by putting across succinctly all the dimensions that make Azmi special. Nandy's reference to the "people's poet", with his enthralling recitation skills,

bringing "social consciousness to Indian poetry at a time when nightingales, roses and peacocks to Ganga maiyya reigned supreme", leaves very little room to add much more.

Except, when Azmi is invoked, room must be made to accommodate the various kinds of poems he wrote — from the revolutionary fire of *Telangana*, celebrating social change and revolution, to the sensuous-



KAIFI AZMI: POEMS | NAZMS NEW & SELECTED TRANSLATIONS
Selected and co-translated by SUDEEP SEN
Bloomsbury India
224 pages
₹ 499



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(Left) Kaifi Azmi and Shabana Azmi; and (below) Kaifi Azmi with his family on his 25th marriage anniversary

ness of *Ek Bosa* or One Kiss. His lesser known but supremely romantic *Tum*, strikes a deep chord:

Jise na boojh saka ishq woh paheli ho tum/ Jise samajh na saka pyaar bhi woh pyaar ho tum/ Khuda kare kisi daaman mein jazb ho na sake/ Yeh mere ashq-e-haseen jinsse aashkaar ho tum (You are a riddle that love is yet to solve/ You are the love that comes off all loving/ Let these tears of sorrow find no absolution/ For what these tears reveal is you).

Azmi's collections do not just represent manifestos that are a nod to action, though he left nothing unsaid when he joined the Communist Party in the prime of his youth, staying in communes and helping win followers through his pen. However, there was



much more that he brought to the world with the passion he displayed for all aspects of life. There is something for every mood or *rasa* of life in this collection. This volume definitely does justice to being a signature set that captures his many sides.

A Padmashree, Azmi was also popular and feted in his lifetime, enjoying all the markers of "success". His years of struggle on the footpaths of Bombay were rewarded, eventually, by recognition and acclaim in the world of glamour. His dedicated children, Shabana and Baba Azmi, and his son-in-law, the very well-known writer-lyricist Javed Akhtar, indefatigably celebrate Azmi's life, ensuring he is never forgotten. Commercial success often leads to a charge that things have been simplified at the altar of popularity, but Azmi manages to evade that charge: his work is so well-crafted and honed, that it is almost a textbook case for why, to be profound, you don't need to be obscure.

Azmi died in May 2002, well before his desire to "die in a socialist India" could come true (he said at the end of his life that he was "born in a slave nation, grew up in independent India and hoped to die in a socialist India").

The last page of this collection does well to quote from one of the most powerful poems of the man, *Charaaghiaan: Haan magar ek diya jiska naam hai ummeed/ Jhilmilata hi chala jaata hai!* (But there is one lamp, one named hope/ One that continually flickers, glows!)

Urdu is written from the right to the left. So what is the last page in English books, is usually the first page in Urdu books. However, Azmi, whether read in translation from the left or in its original from the right, does more than flicker. He shines and glows all the way.



Hope floats at Old Trafford: Rain relents ahead of *the* match

SRIRAM VEERA
MANCHESTER, JUNE 14

"CAN'T BELIEVE it. For sure, we will get a game. Oh yeah!" The CEO of the International Cricket Council (ICC) Dave Richardson beams as he walks out of a coffee shop that adjoins Old Trafford cricket stadium in Manchester. The sun's above his head and a sunny smile is on his lips, as Manchester on Friday lifted the gloom that has draped the India vs Pakistan game. As the train wound its way towards Manchester from Nottingham, where India's match with New Zealand was washed out, a persistent drizzle was a constant companion, but as it snaked into the city in the morning, the rain stopped. We shall have a game, or so hope floats. Later in the day, though, the skies opened up once again. The forecast for Sunday remained relatively encouraging, however, with light showers predicted amid sunny intervals. Tickets sold out? Richardson almost sneezes incredulously at that query. He doesn't even affirm it verbally, just nods vigorously as he walks away. Rarely has he looked

this happy even during his accomplished career as a wicketkeeper-batsman for South Africa. The greatest box-office hit in cricket will now play out and why wouldn't the organisers be delirious? Trams plummet along close to the stadium, carrying a few Indians and Pakistanis. Some fans are already swirling around the stadium. The Pakistan team bus had rolled out an hour ago after training and India's practice is scheduled Saturday but a few are lolling about. "Mahol dekhna aaye (came to see the mood)," says a fan from Delhi. "Bas, jeet jaaye hum parson (We need to win on Sunday)." The hotels, backpackers, and Airbnb hosts aren't complaining. An elderly lady, Maggie, ushers one into a room in her Airbnb home and smiles. "Five other people are coming in later this evening. Booked fully. Is there something happening at football?" A leisurely walk inside the empty stadium reveals the last-minute preparations. Yellow men, in charge of security and hands on their belts, stand around, looking at nothing in particular. Some food stalls (Indian Curry, says the banner) are being cleaned and readied for the game. Electricians are poking around the

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boxes on the pillars. Inside, the big advertising hoardings fencing the boundary lines are being checked. The grass is lush-green - probably the prettiest, greenest outfield of this tournament thus far. "It looks fabulous, right?" says a member of a broadcasting crew setting up his camera equipment. The 2011 census shows Pakistanis outnumber Indian immigrants in the city (20,712 to 6,433) and in the last eight years, both numbers have likely swelled. Not long ago, Haseeb Hameed, England's Indian-origin opening batsman who played in a Test series in India was invited to launch a

community-cricket programme in this city. The game is being used to make the British-Asians feel more included in the society. It has already received 100,000 pounds of funding from Lord's Teverners, a leading UK charity. It will engage young kids, from ages 8 to 15, to not just play the game but also provide them with life skills. Integrate them, improve education and health benefits so that they don't go astray in life. The cricket world cup has energised the programme further and there's nothing like an Indo-Pak game to inspire more kids to enrol in the programme. In the here and now, though, community development isn't the chief concern. The organisers are happy and fans are thrilled that rain has stayed away and, in all likelihood, we should get a game that Virat Kohli has called an "honour to be part of a marquee event". Honour, and loads of fun. In 2016, the pop diva Rihanna had enthralled a packed audience at the Old Trafford cricket stadium but it had led to residential neighbourhoods near the stadium complaining about the noise. They better get ready for some noise explosion on Sunday for cricket's biggest attraction is coming to town.



India's match against New Zealand in Nottingham was washed out. AP

A tale of two captains

With questions over his tactical acumen, Sarfraz faces Kohli's India in a battle to reclaim admiration and bragging rights

SRIRAM VEERA
MANCHESTER, JUNE 14

CLAD IN a white *salwar kurta* — *awami* suit as it's called in Pakistan, dark jacket, and a white *topi* on his head, Inzamam-ul-Haq stood at the indoor nets at Old Trafford. By his side stood Pakistan's captain Sarfraz Ahmed and the bowling coach Azhar Mahmood. An animated Inzamam held court for 15 minutes at least, Sarfraz stood hands across his chest and so did Inzybhai's former team-mate Mahmood, who kept shuffling sideways. It was as intense as one has ever seen Inzamam on the field. Outside the arena, the sun was sucking out the dampness from the roads and parks and infusing hope in the fans about the possibility of cricket on Sunday.



In some respects, both Virat Kohli and Sarfraz Ahmed have a similar perception hurdle to climb. Despite winning a historic Test series in Australia (without MS Dhoni), Kohli is yet to be seen as a tactical guru. AP

Sarfraz is a fascinating character. Perhaps, the Pakistan captain with the least regal aura about him. A common-man turned king. He talks fast, really rapid as Michael Slater gasped during a PSL tournament. He lisps in Urdu, but it seems less when he converses in English. He not only speaks rapidly but talks a lot on the field. Shouts occasionally. When Hasan Ali was strangely subdued on the field in the Champions Trophy game against India, Sarfraz yelled, "Calm, *sab chodd dey, bhaag*". (Forget being calm, run!) When Rumman Raees didn't listen to Sarfraz's suggestion to mix up his deliveries, he shouted out, "C'mon Rumi! *Hadh kar di yaar tune*, four balls same place? What are you bowling?" In the Thursday game, at Taunton, he was again all over his team, admonishing Wahab Riaz for spraying a rare delivery, speaking a lot to Shaheen Afridi, and saying no many times to Babar Azam, standing next to him at slips and presumably sharing ideas. "I know him for long, *jiska niyat theek hai na* (whose integrity and intent is good), you don't mind them shouting. It's for our good, for the team," Imaad Wasim had said once about Sarfraz's yelling.

But life hasn't been as great as it was in the immediate aftermath of Champions Trophy triumph. Back then, he was the people's hero. People thronged his house and continued to pour in for weeks. "After Shahid Afridi, I'm seeing this public adulation — a special crazy sort of love — for the first time. There've been other big players like Misbah and Younis who have people's respect, but only Afridi commanded such love. Now it's Sarfraz. He is the biggest cricketer star right now," Salim Khaliq, a sports editor who lives across the street from Sarfraz, had told this newspaper.

His father, a religious man, owned a stationery shop and had two tutors come to teach Quran to his son — Sarfraz was a hafiz by the age of 10, one who has memorised Quran and could quote at will. He has a pleasant singing voice for Naats (poetry in ode of the Prophet) and videos swirl around of him singing naats in mehflis and even in cricket dressing rooms. He also sings Hindi movie songs, with his teammates in car drives. These days, it seems, that love is fading a bit. Pakistan haven't done as well in the recent times — and in fact, all the three men huddled by the nets are facing some criticism back home. Inzamam copping it as selector, Mahmood for the bowling troubles that occasionally pipe up, and Sarfraz for the results. For some reason, Sarfraz isn't considered a great tactical captain. At least not yet. Even in the past, during times of success, the raves were couched as street-smartness. Outsiders like some of us need more empirical evidence before one can agree or disagree with that perception about strategy.

Street-smartness is there for sure, no doubt. Before the semis against much-fancied England in the champions trophy, he told his bowlers, "yeh *darok team hai*, when wickets fall, *balla nahi uthega* (this is a cowardly team, they won't raise their bats)." And that's how it played out. Nothing washes out the perceived faults in an Indian or Pakistani cricketer like a win against the other team. Sarfraz can reclaim the love. In some ways, Virat Kohli is more Pakistani than Sarfraz — as far as the cricketing world of perceptions goes, that is. The aggressiveness, the self-confidence, the swagger, the talent — we have seen in a few Pakistani captains in the past. Like how the Pakistani cricketers would use "voh *toh Pakistani jaisa khelta hai*" about Manoj Prabhakar. There was a picture that went viral the other day — a fan with Kohli's jersey, riding



his bike in Lahore. Sarfraz hasn't spilled over to the Indian streets, yet. Unlike Sarfraz, Kohli has no worries about losing fans. His batting alone garners him their admiration. His aggressive style on the field too has huge legion of admirers, and a few critics. In some respects, both have a similar perception hurdle to climb. Despite winning a historic Test series in Australia (without MS Dhoni), Kohli is yet to be seen as a tactical guru. Even his coach Ravi Shastri has said that his strategic skills can only improve. He has been a lot calmer on the field in this World Cup and it has even resulted in (or is it because of?) statesmanlike overtures off it. In the matured way he handled Kagiso Rabada's critical comments or how he reached out humanely to Steve Smith. Both possess a good bowling attack; India's is better, more variety in pace and spin. But Pakistan have two very good left-handed seamers in Mohammad Amir and Wahab Riaz — historically, Indians haven't had a great time against (talented and in-form) left-hand pacemen. And Shaheen

Afridi too is there, another lefty. Rohit Sharma would especially be tested. He is having problems with his leg-side play — he cut out the flicks against South Africa and when he tried one against Australia, the square-leg fielder dropped the catch. If he falls early, and in the absence of Shikhar Dhawan, India's middle order could come in for their first real test. If India have Kohli, Pakistan have the classy young talent Babar Azam. Fakhar Zaman is yet to fire — the aggressive openers usually do well against India. Many Indian fans and self-doubting Pakistani fans (in UK at least) reckon India would prevail. One Pakistani fan summarised the situation thus: "If there is no cloud cover, if the conditions aren't really bowler friendly, then India would score so much that our batsmen can't chase. And if India bowl first, they have a better attack even for flat tracks, especially against our batsman." The sun is out as of Friday evening; the good thing is we don't have to wait too long to find out what happens. Just one day more. Bragging rights are waiting to be seized.

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Sri Lankan newspaper 'Daily News'. "The pitch being prepared for our match against Australia on Saturday here at the Oval is green. It is not (a case of) sour grapes that we are complaining but it is very unfair on the part of the ICC that they prepare one type of wicket for certain teams and another type for others," said De Mel. He also complained that the bus, which has been assigned to the 1996 World Cup winners, is a small with less seating capacity, as compared to Pakistan who have been given a spacious double-decker bus. "Even the practice facilities provided at Cardiff were unsatisfactory. Instead of three nets they gave us only two and the hotel we were put up at Bristol did not have a swimming pool," added the manager. PTT

Aiming to bat like Kohli, Babar takes video tutorials

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
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PAKISTAN BATSMAN Babar Azam models himself on Virat Kohli and is preparing for Sunday's high-voltage World Cup clash between the arch-rivals by watching videos of the Indian captain. Babar, who scored a brilliant 63 in Pakistan's victory over England, is a key player for Pakistan as his side seeks its maiden World Cup win over India. "I watch his batting and the way he bats in various conditions and try to learn from them," Babar told reporters on Friday. "His (Kohli's) winning ratio is higher (for India) so I am trying to achieve that as well," the 24-year-old right-handed batsman said.

Babar said his side would take inspiration from their Champions Trophy final victory over India two years ago. "The Champions Trophy win gave us confidence and will also help here as well because the team is mostly the same and that win is always an inspiration," he said. Pakistan suffered a 124-run defeat against India in the opening match of the Champions Trophy but hit back by crushing their arch-rivals in the final. Their 180-run win at the Oval is the biggest over India in all ODIs.

"That win can never go off our memories and it's a big inspiration. We are well prepared for this match because India and Pakistan matches are exciting and demanding and the whole world watches it," Babar said. "The whole team is positive so we are looking forward to the match. Not only me but all the players want to finish on a high, whoever hits form wants to win it."

Asked about India's lethal attack led by world number one ODI bowler Jasprit Bumrah, he said, "No doubt, India have a good bowling attack but we have played well against England who also have a very good pace attack so all of us are confident the Indian pace attack will be properly handled."



Babar Azam is the lynchpin of Pakistan's batting.

Minnows Afghanistan, South Africa eye first win

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CARDIFF, JUNE 14

Winless so far in the tournament, both South Africa and Afghanistan will be eagerly looking to tick the victory box when they take on each other in a World Cup encounter here on Saturday. Down and out, the two bottom-placed teams know that this will be their best chance to post their first win in the ongoing 50-over showpiece. This is perhaps the first time that South Africa, from the very beginning, were never in contention to make it to the semifinals but remaining winless after four matches is something unexpected. After three straight losses against England, Bangladesh and

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WEATHER FORECAST
Intermittent rain and a moderate breeze

India, their fourth match against the West Indies was abandoned due to rain. Afghanistan faced a similar fate, losing all three of their matches till now to defending champions Australia, Sri Lanka and New

Zealand. However, the players of the war-torn nation can take confidence from the fact that they gave a good account of themselves against the Sri Lankans and almost pulled it off. While Afghanistan will be fancying their chances against a lowly South Africa side, the Proteas would be more than keen to live up to their past reputation and make a statement against the Asian minnows. **Shaky batting** South Africa have been mostly done in by their inexperienced batting line-up, coupled with injuries to a few of their key players. The Protea batsmen have been struggling, and even in the wash-out game against West Indies, they were down at 29/2 before the match was called off.

SL complain of green tracks, poor facilities

London: Complaining of step-motherly treatment meted out to them, Sri Lanka has expressed dissatisfaction at the types of pitches provided, inadequate training and transport facilities and a below-par accommodation. Sri Lanka team manager Ashantha de Mel has written to the ICC, stating that Sri Lanka were made to play on two green decks in Cardiff, where they lost to New Zealand before defeating Afghanistan, whereas other teams who played on same venue were provided high-scoring pitches. De Mel said another green track awaits Sri Lanka ahead of their match against Australia on Saturday. "This is a World Cup where the top 10 countries are taking part and I feel that all the participants should be treated equally. What we have found out is that for the four

LIVE ON STAR SPORTS

Aus vs SL

3 pm onwards from London

WEATHER FORECAST
Sunny intervals and a moderate breeze

matches we have played so far at Cardiff and Bristol the ICC has prepared a green pitch, and at the same venues where the other countries have played the pitches are brown and favourable for high scoring," De Mel told

LEADING SCORERS

279 Joe Root (ENG), 260 Shakib Al Hasan (BAN), 255 David Warner (AUS)

LEADING WICKET-TAKERS

10 Mohammad Amir (PAK), 9 Jofra Archer (ENG), 9 Pat Cummins (AUS)

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ENG vs WI

Southampton | Toss: England

WEST INDIES 212 IN 44.4 OV

C Gayle c Bairstow b Plunkett 36 (41b, 5x4, 1x6)
E Lewis b Woakes 2 (8b)
S Hope lbw b Wood 11 (30b, 1x4)
N Pooran c Buttler b Archer 63 (78b, 3x4, 1x6)
S Hetmyer c & b Root 39 (48b, 4x4)
J Holder c & b Root 9 (10b, 1x6)
A Russell c Woakes b Wood 21 (16b, 1x4, 2x6)

C Brathwaite c Buttler b Archer 14 (22b, 1x6)
S Cottrell lbw b Archer 0 (1b)
O Thomas not out 0 (11b)
S Gabriel b Wood 0 (3b)

Extras: (lb 5, w 12) 17

Fall of wickets: 1-4 (E Lewis, 2.6 ov), 2-54 (C Gayle, 12.6 ov), 3-55 (S Hope, 13.2 ov), 4-144 (S Hetmyer, 29.5 ov), 5-156 (J Holder, 31.6 ov), 6-188 (A Russell, 36.2 ov), 7-202 (N Pooran, 39.4 ov), 8-202 (S Cottrell, 39.5 ov), 9-211 (C Brathwaite, 43.4 ov), 10-212 (S Gabriel, 44.4 ov)

Bowling:
C Woakes 5-2-16-1
J Archer 9-1-30-3
L Plunkett 5-0-30-1
M Wood 6-4-0-18-3
B Stokes 4-0-25-0
A Rashid 10-0-61-0
J Root 5-0-27-2

326 As many as 326 deliveries (off the 495 balls) in the England versus West Indies match were short balls, the highest short-ball percentage in this World Cup.



LEAP ABOVE THE REST

Joe Root dismantled a dangerous 89-run alliance between Nicholas Pooran and Shimron Hetmyer before completing his 16th ODI century. Reuters

ENGLAND 213/2 IN 33.1 OV

J Bairstow c Brathwaite b Gabriel 45 (46b, 7x4)
J Root not out 100 (94b, 11x4)
C Woakes c sub (FA Allen) b Gabriel 40 (54b, 4x4)
B Stokes not out 10 (6b, 2x4)

Extras: (lb 2, nb 1, w 15) 18
Fall of wickets: 11-95 (JM Bairstow, 14.4 ov), 2-199 (CR Woakes, 31.5 ov)

Bowling:
S Cottrell 3-0-17-0
O Thomas 6-0-43-0
S Gabriel 7-0-49-2
A Russell 2-0-14-0
J Holder 5.1-0-31-0
C Brathwaite 5-0-35-0
C Gayle 5-0-22-0

England won by 8 wickets

POINTS TABLE

Team	M	W	L	T	N/R	PT	NRR
NZ	4	3	0	0	1	7	2.163
Eng	4	3	1	0	0	6	1.557
Ind	3	2	0	0	1	5	0.539
Aus	4	3	1	0	0	6	0.57
SL	4	1	1	0	2	4	-1.517
WI	4	1	2	0	1	3	.666
Ban	4	1	2	0	1	3	-0.714
Pak	4	1	2	0	1	3	-1.796
SA	4	0	3	0	1	1	-0.952
Afg	3	0	3	0	0	0	-1.493

Top 4 teams after the ninth round will qualify for the semis.

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SOUTHAMPTON, JUNE 14

JOE ROOT hit his second century of the tournament after England pace battery tormented the West Indies batsmen to set up a thumping eight-wicket win in their World Cup match here Friday. West Indies got a taste of their own medicine -- they had troubled the Pakistanis with bouncers in their only win thus far -- as the England pace battery unleashed fiery spells to bundle them out for 212 in 44.4 overs.

England overhauled the target with remarkable ease, completing the win in 33.1 overs as Root remained unbeaten on 100, which came off 94 balls. In his 16th ODI hundred, Root found the boundary rope 11 times.

West Indies owed their total to Nicholas Pooran (63), who chose the biggest stage to strike his maiden ODI fifty, and Shimron Hetmyer's (39) sensible batting on a pitch which had no demons. They added 89 runs for the fourth wicket but West Indies' big guns failed to fire.

Extravagance, when the situation demanded patience, resulted in Chris Gayle (36) and Andre Russell (21) throwing their wickets away. The T20 style batting in the longer format cost their side dear. Young pacer Archer (3/30) had the West Indies batsmen dancing on the pitch, troubling them with the steep bounce.

Archer, Mark Wood (3/18), Chris Woakes (1/16) and Liam Plunkett (1/30) delivered the goods for the home favourites after home skipper Eoin Morgan opted to field. For de-



West Indies' top-scorer Nicholas Pooran (63) had to see through a testy spell of hostile fast bowling. So did his top-order colleagues. Reuters

fending 212, West Indies needed early wickets and openers Root and Jonny Bairstow (45) punctured all their hopes with a commanding 91-run stand.

It seemed the two batsmen were competing to hit most the elegant shots one can hit. Their cover and straight drives were like unrestrained stream of a river. Left-arm pacer Sheldon Cottrell did ask a few tough questions to the English duo but Root and Bairstow were up for the task. Bairstow departed when his square cut off Shannon Gabriel landed straight into the big hands of Carlos Brathwaite.

Root and Woakes (40), promoted to number three, then added 104 runs for the sec-

ond wicket to push the side to the doorstep of a comfortable win. The result catapulted England (6) to the second spot in the table behind New Zealand (7). Earlier, the ball was hurrying on to the batsmen and whether it was a Shai Hope (11) or the big-hitting Gayle, the Caribbeans found the going tough as timing the ball was a challenge.

They had already lost Evin Lewis (0), bowled by Woakes off a yorker. Gayle, out of frustration, pulled one from Woakes, just managed an edge but escaped as Wood grassed a sitter. The marauding batter did hit a few big shots, including a massive straight six off Woakes, but did not last long, edging

Out-bounced, out-paced

Archer's bounce and Wood's pace rattle West Indies, as the latter stumble to second defeat

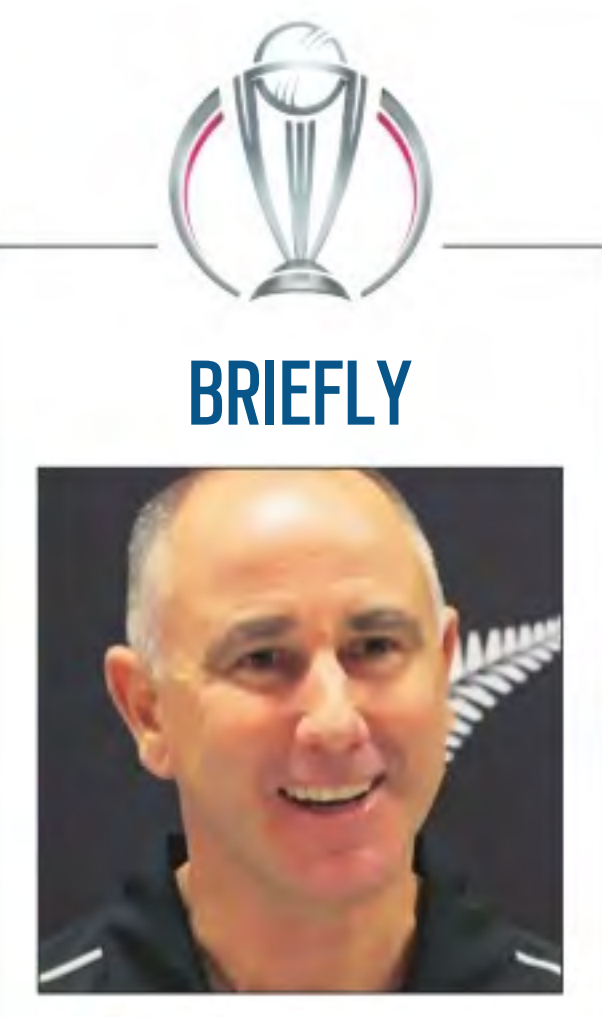
one straight to Jonny Bairstow off Plunkett. Hope's torturous stay was ended by Wood when he had him trapped after reviewing the umpire's not out decision.

Pooran and Hetmyer then chose restraint over flamboyance, steadying the innings. The duo did all the hard work, working the ball around to keep the scoreboard going in their partnership, which got broken when Joe Root had Hetmyer caught off his own bowling. The part-time off-spinner struck in his next over too, dismissing the rival captain Jason Holder (9) in similar fashion.

In came Russell and the ball was soon flying into the stands. He twice dispatched leg-spinner Adil Rashid into the crowd after being dropped but was dismissed, attempting another big shot off Wood.

Joe Root said he was happy to open the innings after a long time. "It was a really good toss to have won today, and it was good to take the opportunity and use the conditions. Rest of the guys helped build big partnerships. It's just nice to get some time in the park. Tried to hit the gaps, and it's not much difference between opening and lower down."

He also explained the rationale behind sending Woakes and Stokes up the order. "The way Woakes also came in and batted was very good. We spent two days in the indoor nets and (played) plenty of short stuff there. You need to have the method and you need to back yourself to do it. We pride ourselves in having our basics covered. (On bowling) I've just been trying a few things. When you don't have the skills some of the other guys have, you try out a few things."



I think it's important that you manage your breaks. We travel to Birmingham now but the players have the option to go elsewhere with their families. They have the option to stay elsewhere for a couple of days and get a bit of down time.

GARY STEAD
NEW ZEALAND COACH,
ON MANAGING PLAYERS' WORKLOAD

Tendulkar sues Australian bat manufacturer

Melbourne: Sachin Tendulkar has sued an Australian cricket bat manufacturer for allegedly failing to pay him USD 3 million under an exclusive licensing agreement to use his name and image on the company's products. The 45-year-old Tendulkar, who holds a plethora of records in international cricket, was signed up by the Sydney-based company Spartan Sports in 2016. It was co-founded by Indian entrepreneur Kunal Sharma. It is not known what damages were sought by Tendulkar. Interestingly, David Warner used a bat manufactured by Spartan while hitting 107 against Pakistan in the World Cup match in Taunton on Wednesday. PTI

When Harbhajan nearly flung a fork...

CALL IT pressure of high-voltage clash between India and Pakistan that once Harbhajan Singh and Mohammed Yousuf were ready to tear into each other with forks in their hands during the 2003 World Cup in South Africa. "It started with a joke but then got ugly. I was dropped for that game and Anil bhai (Kumble) was playing because the team management felt he was a better choice keeping in mind his good record against Pakistan. I was a bit down and it can happen when you aren't in the XI," Harbhajan told PTI. "During the lunch time, I was sitting at one table and Yousuf and Shoaib Akhtar were at the other table right across... We were pulling each other's legs when he first made a personal comment and then remarked about my religion. I gave him a fitting reply. Before anyone realised we both had fork in our hands and got up from our chairs ready to attack each other," he laughed. PTI

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Valuable lessons from Virat for Aussie rules footballers

THERE'S A lesson to be learnt for the Aussie rules footballers and fans from Virat Kohli, columnist and author Peter FitzSimons has mentioned, writing for the Sydney Morning Herald. Overwhelmed by Kohli's action to ask the Indian fans not to boo Steve Smith and rather applaud him at The Oval, FitzSimons of the rugby war and Gallipoli fame has written: "Bravo. I wonder, in the face of it, how many Aussie Rules players who saw the Goodes doko wish they had done what Kohli had done and called on their own fans to pull their heads in?"

Even the day before the Kohli act of great good sportsmanship, Goodes' former team-mate Brandon Jack had written for the Herald after seeing The Final Quarter: "I was angry with myself for not recognising racism enough... I wish I had done more. I heard the booing. We all did. It was relentless and it was sickening. It was so persistent that it was clearly motivated by something other than what was happening on the field."

The Final Quarter is a documentary on AFL legend Adam Goodes, who fell out with the fans during the final year of his career. "Every time he touched the ball, over 17 rounds that repugnant bullying b@\$#\$dry that racists in crowds thrive on broke out," FitzSimons wrote.

He mentioned how the audience at the State Theatre gave a standing ovation to an "amazing piece of work, for Goodes, for the extraordinary strength and dignity he displayed throughout".

The India versus Australia World Cup match was played just four days after The Final Quarter had its premier. FitzSimons went on: "But the lesson from this week is also clear. Should a situation like that which happened to Goodes occur again, not only does the AFL need to move much more quickly, but it behooves the club captains to rise above it all, and insist their fans pull their bloody heads in."

"In the meantime, bravo Virat Kohli. You've shown the way forward."

Caffeine intertemperance

Fast bowling, real fast bowling, is a lot of hard work. It involves racking up insane leg miles, twisting and contorting the body, leaping near the stumps and hurling a five and a half ounce leather ball at blinding pace, putting the body under strenuous stress. On a normal match-day, they end up walking the equivalent of 40km. So, naturally, they spent most of the non-match days cooling their heels in hotel rooms, which though can be boring during long tours. So what does the dreaded Aussie pair, Mitchell Starc and Pat Cummins do? "Starcy and me end up grabbing a lot of coffee. We go out exploring the streets for different types of coffee. There are plenty of good cafe and you get to taste flavours that you don't back home," he tells FoxSports. The only drawback, he says, is that they sometimes get caffeine pangs in the middle of the match.



JUST FOR THE KICKS

The World Cup fever, apparently, has caught up with Barcelona too.

Nou Camp, Auld game cricket

"Quite simply the best, a captain who leads by example on the field and who has record after record in the sport, Leo Messi is..." a) KL Rahul; b) Rohit Sharma; c) Virat Kohli
It's off-season in Europe, Messi is away in Brazil for the Copa, the transfer market hasn't warmed up yet and Barcelona's home page is talking cricket. Indian cricket. In a post headlined 'Who is Indian cricket's Leo Messi?', the Spanish champi-

ons are comparing the skill-sets of their players with Indian stars. La Liga and its clubs have been pushing hard to woo the Indian market in the last few years by getting celebrities on board as ambassadors and stepping up their marketing campaign here. La Liga India's chief has been to IPL games, Bollywood stars have visited Spanish league matches and the Catalan giants themselves have been trying to capture the market with their soccer schools across India. The World Cup post

is another attempt to reach out to the Indian fans. It's a snap poll, which has questions like the one above - Dhoni, for instance, is likened to goalkeeper Ter Stegen; Hardik Pandya has drawn comparisons with Barca's 'Mr. Versatile' Sergi Roberto while Nelson Semedo's pace has been compared with Jasprit Bumrah's. And Messi? It's an obvious answer: Kohli.

"Lasith Pawlinga" for paw-crushing yorkers

Most of us have probably heard about Taunton's very own feline star Brian the Somerset Cat. The brown fuzzy-haired cult hero has been a resident of the club since 2013 and knows the sport inside out. On Tuesday, the feline star decided to announce his "World Cat Squad" out of the blue. The 12-member side included the likes of "Lasith Pawlinga", "Meoween Ali" and "Fafdu Purrissis" - purr intended. The announcement was made through the official World Cup handle and even a collage of the members with cute cat filters was released. One Twitter user wasn't happy that an obvious choice like "Purrera" couldn't make the cut. A few others weren't amused by the light-hearted, harmless word play by the organisers. "This is ridiculous, please remove it as soon as possible," fumed a certain Waqas Sardar. The ICC promptly replied, "Please don't disrespect the Chairman of Selectors". Here's the complete squad:

Pat Cummins, Aftabby Alam, Ben Stokes, Cat-Giso Rabada, Faf du Purrissis, Hasan Alicat, Lasith Pawlinga, Liam Pluncat, Meoween Ali, Chris Meowris, Nicholas Purrin, Mohammad Kitthun, Mohammad Ameerkat and Sheldon Cattrell. Okay, here's a dad joke going with the theme. What would we call this team's campaign if they fail miserably: a cat-astrophe, duh!

The lucky charm

Till a month ago, Beuran Hendricks, was preparing to wrap up a highly successful season, and take off for a nice vacay with the missus. Then came the summons to replace the injured Dale Steyn. Earlier this year, he had filled in for an injured bowler to win the IPL with Mumbai Indians, though he got no game time. "I am hoping to be the good luck team needs," he said on landing in England, hoping to shake up the luckless Proteas. His otherwise sunny-positive posts on twitter while traversing the world playing T20 leagues had one rare sulk, carping about how disposable paper straws were not the best of inventions, after landing in India which is increasingly getting rid of plastic. He reckons every stint in his 29 years has taught him new things - from his latest in the IPL, he learnt about paper straws, and how challenges like straws, can fall limp if you dwell too long on them.

Yes they Can

Canada's Toronto Raptors beat Golden State Warriors to become the first non-American team to win NBA



Raptors with the NBA title after beating Warriors 4-2 in the 7-game finals. USA TODAY Sports

REUTERS
CALIFORNIA, JUNE 14

The Toronto Raptors celebrated their first NBA championship on the Golden State Warriors' home floor Thursday night. The two-time defending champs, meanwhile, scheduled their consolation party at a local hospital. Fred VanVleet gave Toronto the lead for good on a 3-point shot with 3:46 remaining, and the Raptors took advantage of another serious Golden State injury to beat the Warriors 114-110 on Thursday night and reward Canada with its first NBA championship. Pascal Siakam and Kyle Lowry scored 26 points apiece while VanVleet and Kawhi Leonard added 22 each in a balanced attack that allowed the Raptors to win at Oracle Arena for the third straight time en route to a 4-2 win in the best-of-seven NBA Finals.

"It means a lot for our city and the country and for these players, staff," Raptors coach Nick Nurse said of the magnitude of the achievement. "I don't know if it would have meant any more or any less (beating a team other than the Warriors), to be honest with you. You get the win and you're just happy you got it and celebrate that fact."

Going for a fourth title in five years, the Warriors put up a valiant effort in their last game at Oracle Arena without Kevin Durant, who ruptured his right Achilles tendon in Game 5, and for the final 14:22 without Klay Thompson, who had 30 points be-

Raptors' Leonard was chosen the Finals MVP, allowing him to join Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and LeBron James as the only players to claim the honor for two different teams.

fore sustaining a left knee injury late in the third quarter. "When Klay goes down and is out for the game, it's just sort of a, 'You got to be kidding me, like, this has to stop,'" Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "But it's just the way it's gone. I don't know if it's related to five straight seasons of playing 100-plus games and just all the wear and tear, but it's devastating."

The game was tied three times in the fourth quarter before VanVleet buried his fifth 3-pointer of the game for a 104-101 Raptors advantage. Toronto went on to lead by as many as six before a 3-pointer by Draymond Green cut the deficit in half, and the Warriors rallied within 111-110 with 18.5 seconds left.

Golden State then forced a Toronto turnover on a bad pass from Danny Green with 9.6 seconds to go, but Stephen Curry misfired on a 3-point attempt with eight seconds left that could have put the Warriors in front. "I just thought it was in," Kerr said of his reaction to Curry's shot. "I always think every shot Steph takes is going in. But they don't all go in. But

what a warrior, no pun intended. Steph was getting hounded this entire series. Toronto did a great job on him sending two, three people at him, hounding him and harassing him. And especially without Klay to rely on in that fourth quarter, I thought he got a little worn down."

Curry finished with 21 points, but he shot just 3-for-11 from 3-point range. He wound up 23-for-67 on threes in the series, setting a Finals record for most misses (44) in a six-game Finals. After a wild scramble for the rebound of Curry's shot, the Warriors were assessed a technical foul for calling a timeout with 0.9 seconds remaining when they had none left.

Leonard made it a two-point game by sinking the free throw, then added two more after getting fouled on the inbound pass to secure Toronto's third road win in the series. No team had accomplished that feat since the Los Angeles Lakers in 2001.

Leonard was chosen the Finals MVP, allowing him to join Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and LeBron James as the only players to claim the honor for two different teams. Leonard, who won the honor with the San Antonio Spurs in 2014, is the only one to win the honor in both conferences.

The pending free agent went out of his way to praise his teammates, even though Leonard put up the third-most points in a single postseason, 732. He total trails only Michael Jordan's 759 in 1992 and James' 748 last year. "It was a whole group collectively," Leonard said.

Shivpal finishes 8th in world-class field

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ON HIS maiden appearance in IAAF's elite Diamond League in Oslo, javelin thrower Shivpal Singh managed a lowly 8th-place, with a best attempt of 80.87m. Considering it was his first major world event in a top-level field, which included German giants Johannes Vetter and Thomas Rohler, Shivpal fared decently. The Asian Championship silver medalist felt he missed a golden chance to win a medal at the event as his personal best of 86.23m, achieved in Doha earlier this year, is better than what Rohler (85.27m) threw on Thursday for the top spot.

"Coming into the event, I was really confident of finishing on the podium. I thought I would leave everyone behind but it turned out the other way. But I am happy with the experience I have gained. Rubbing shoulders with the best in business boosts your confidence immensely," the brawny athlete told The Indian Express.

Shivpal said a back niggle and the chilly weather were other factors that held him back. But he wasn't alone.

The rest of the elite field also put up a poor show compared to the lofty standards they have set for themselves. With Rohler bagging the gold, Estonia's Magnus Kirt (84.74) settled for the second spot as Cheng Chao-Tsun of Taiwan took home the bronze medal for 84.30m.

Post competition, Shivpal re-



Shivpal with Asian champ Cheng Chao-Tsun in Oslo.

turned to his current base in Poland where he's training with the other national throwers, including Davinder Kang, under Uwe Hohn. Shivpal, who will focus on his recovery for the next few weeks, said the experience of taking part in the Diamond League was overwhelming. "I have only seen some of these athletes on Youtube and now all of a sudden I was competing against them. Although I didn't give them a tough fight, I believe I wasn't very far away from them. If my back was better I was certain to bring home a medal," he said.

The Oslo event also gave Shivpal an opportunity to meet his friend and the man with Asia's best thrower Cheng. It was Taiwan thrower who pipped Shivpal for gold in the Asian Championships in Doha.

"It was fun. We both were roommates here. We spoke a little about our upcoming events and then went out for a meal."

Japan back on track with 2-1 win over Scotland

REUTERS
RENNES, JUNE 14

STRIKERS MANA Iwabuchi and Yuika Sugawara were on the scoresheet as Japan got their women's World Cup campaign back on track with a 2-1 victory over Scotland in Rennes on Friday.

Japan, champions in 2011 and finalists four years ago, were coming off a uninspiring goalless draw with lowly-ranked Argentina in their opener but looked much sharper in the attacking third against Scotland. They got a breakthrough when striker Iwabuchi controlled a poor headed clearance from Scotland captain Rachel Corsie before unleashing a powerful strike high into the net from 20 metres.

Sugawara doubled Japan's lead from the spot in the 37th minute after another defensive error from Corsie, who was penalised for tugging back the forward in the box. It was one-way traffic at Roazhon Park as Japan continued to launch wave after wave of attacks, with midfielder Hina Sugita coming closest when her shot crashed into the crossbar just before half-time.

Shelley Kerr's Scotland responded with a physical approach going forward in the second half and pulled one back through a curling effort from substitute Lana Clelland but Japan held on to the advantage to seal their first win of the tournament.

India beat Japan, enter last round of Tokyo qualifiers

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
BHUBANESWAR, JUNE 14

India outplayed reigning Asian Games champion Japan 7-2 to storm into the summit clash of the FIH Series Finals hockey tournament here on Friday, assuring themselves a place in the year end's Olympic qualifying event.

Returning to the side after a long injury lay-off, Ramadeep Singh (23rd, 37th minutes) finally got his mojo back with a double strike, while Harmanpreet Singh (7th), Varun Kumar (14th), Hardik Singh (25th), Gursahibjit Singh (43rd) and Vivek Sagar Prasad (47) also registered their name on the scoresheet.

Japan's goals were scored by

Kenji Kitazato (2nd) and Kota Watanabe (20th). India will face South Africa in Saturday's final while Japan will square off against USA in the third-fourth place play-off match. South Africa had earlier defeated USA 2-1 in the first semi-final.

For the first time in the tournament, the Indian defence was literally tested as world no. 18 Japan gave a good account of themselves in patches. To the dismay of the home crowd, Japan took the lead in the second minute from a counter attack. Kitazato slammed home past Indian goalkeeper Krishan Bahadur Pathak after receiving a pass from Kenta Tanaka from their first attack.

The stunned Indians got their act together quickly and created a



Drag flicker Harmanpreet Singh, who played his 100th international match on Friday, scored India's opening goal.

flurry of opportunities. Young Gursahibjit Singh was guilty of wasting a golden chance in the

fifth minute from close range after he was beautifully set up by Nilkanta Sharma and Ramadeep.

Two minutes later, India secured back-to-back penalty corners and Harmanpreet equalised from the second chance.

The Indians kept up the pressure and earned three consecutive short corners in the 14th minute and this time Varun beat Japan defence with a powerful grounded flick to hand the hosts a 2-1 lead. But the Japanese caught the Indian defence off-guard once again in the 20th minute with another fine counter-attack when Watanabe scored after being set up by Kazuma Murata.

Japan's joy was shortlived as India restored their lead three minutes later through Ramadeep, who scored his first goal for the country after returning from a year's injury hiatus.

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