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PM speaks out on Jharkhand attack: Saddened, guilty must be punished

'AES deaths in Bihar biggest failure... a matter of shame'

MANOJ C G
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

IN HIS first remarks after a Muslim man died after being attacked by a mob in Jharkhand, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said Wednesday that he was saddened by the incident and the guilty must be severely punished.

Arguing that it was "our constitutional responsibility to ensure the safety of every citizen of the country", Modi said all incidents of violence, whether in Jharkhand, West Bengal or Kerala, should be treated with the same yardstick and law should take its course.

Addressing Rajya Sabha, the Prime Minister also described the death of over 130 children this month from Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (AES) in Bihar as a matter of "shame". He said it is the "biggest failure" of seven decades that the outbreak of the disease continues to kill even many years after independence.

Speaking in the Upper House for the first time after winning a second term, the Prime Minister also continued his attack on the Congress, arguing that the party has become so arrogant that it was not willing to accept the

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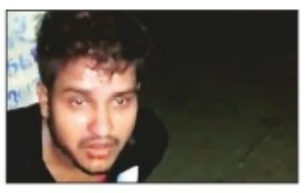
ABHISHEK ANGAD
SARAIKELA-KHARSAWAN (JHARKHAND), JUNE 26



Tabrez Ansari. *Video grab*

FROM DAILY wage labourers to men looking for work and from a gangman in the Railways to a farmer. They are among the 11 men arrested after Tabrez Ansari died on June 22 in a Jharkhand hospital, four days after he was attacked by a mob that accused him of theft.

On June 18, a mob tied Ansari to a pole, assaulted him and allegedly forced him to chant "Jai Shri Ram and "Jai Hanuman".

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A video grab of BJP MLA Akash Vijayvargiya, son of BJP general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya, attacking an official

BJP gen secy's MLA-son beats official with cricket bat, held

MILIND GHATWAI
BHOPAL, JUNE 26

AKASH VIJAYVARGIYA, a first-time BJP MLA from Indore and son of the party's high-profile national general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya, was arrested and sent to judicial custody Wednesday for beating a municipal corporation official with a cricket bat while opposing a demolition drive in the city.

Video footage showed the 34-year-old Akash chasing and beating house inspector Dharmendra Bais, who was also assaulted by BJP workers accompanying the MLA and local residents. Another corporation official also suffered injuries in the attack.

Based on a complaint from Bais, officers at M G Road Police Station booked Akash and 10 others under various IPC sections, including for assaulting a public servant, criminal intimidation and unlawful assembly. The MLA was later produced before a local court, which denied bail and sent him to judicial custody.

Officials said the incident at Ganji Compound forced them to abandon the demolition of a building in the locality that had been declared unsafe for occupation.

Speaking to reporters later, the MLA claimed that he had retaliated after the corporation staff behaved indecently with women. "The demolition squad did not have a single woman staffer, and there were no female police constables. Male officials dragged women by their feet," he claimed.

"In the BJP, we have been taught, *pehle aavedan, phir nivedan aur phir danadan* (first a plea, then request, and then attack)," *PTI* quoted Akash as saying.

Akash's father, Kailash Vijayvargiya, is the BJP's general secretary in charge of West Bengal, where the party emerged as the main challenger to the Trinamool Congress in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, winning 18 of the state's 42 seats. He was also in charge of the Haryana polls, and had served as a minister earlier in the Madhya Pradesh government.

The Vijayvargiyas wield immense clout in Indore, the commercial capital of Madhya Pradesh where a Congress government came to power last year after 15 years of BJP rule.

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Assam NRC: Another 1 lakh names dropped month before deadline

At NRC Seva Kendra in Guwahati on Wednesday. *Dasarath Deka*

ABHISHEK SAHA
GUWAHATI, JUNE 26

OVER ONE lakh people who were part of the final draft of the National Register of Citizens (NRC) published in July last year have been found ineligible and have been named in the Additional Draft Exclusion List published on Wednesday.

"As per provisions contained in Clause 5 of the Schedule of The Citizenship (Registration of Citizens and Issue of National Identity Cards) Rules, 2003, an Additional Draft Exclusion List consisting of 1,02,462 persons

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Checks & claims

THE FINAL draft NRC left out about 1.5 lakh who were included in the first draft. Now, over 1 lakh, who were listed in the final draft NRC, have been removed, adding to the 40 lakh found ineligible earlier. An NRC official said this was part of a "continuous process" of checks and verification. Those left out can file "claims", for which hearings will begin July 5.

Father & Child, Tears & Screams

Oscar Alberto Martinez Ramirez and his 23-month-old daughter Valeria drowned while trying to cross the Rio Grande from Mexico to enter the US illegally. Valeria's mother, Tania, was still on the Mexican side of the river and survived. The family was fleeing from El Salvador. The bodies were discovered days after a six-year-old Indian girl died of heat stroke in Arizona, near the border, after crossing over from Mexico illegally with her mother to seek asylum in the US. *Reuters*

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India-US ties: Pompeo says great friends disagree, Jaishankar firm on S-400 deal

SHUBHAJIT ROY
OSAKA, JUNE 26

PLAYING DOWN the divergences in the Indo-US economic relationship, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and US Secretary of State Michael Pompeo Wednesday underscored their political points on strategic, regional and global issues that include the S-400 defence deal with Russia, approach towards Iran and China, and common cause on terrorism.

Modi with Pompeo. *Reuters*

The meeting between Jaishankar and Pompeo will set the tone for the G-20 Summit at Osaka Friday, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi will meet US President Donald Trump for the first time since winning a second term. Pompeo also called on Modi in the morning and conveyed the greetings of President Trump and congratulated him on his electoral victory.

After meeting for almost three hours followed by lunch in New Delhi, Jaishankar made it clear that Delhi will look at the "outstanding issues" in trade with a "constructive and

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Ranjit Singh statue to be unveiled in Lahore today

NIRUPAMA SUBRAMANIAN
MUMBAI, JUNE 26

A LIFE-SIZE statue of Maharaja Ranjit Singh, who ruled over Punjab for close to 40 years in the early 19th century, is to be inaugurated in Lahore Thursday, on the occasion of his 180th death anniversary.

The statue has been located in an open space outside the Mai Jindian Haveli in Lahore Fort, close to the building that houses the Ranjit Singh samadhi and the Gurudwara Dera Sahib of Guru Arjan Dev. The haveli, named after Ranjit Singh's youngest queen, now houses a permanent exhibition of Sikh artefacts and is called the Sikh Gallery.

According to the invitation card for the event, the eight-feet tall statue, which depicts Ranjit Singh mounted on a horse, is being installed under the auspices of the Walled City of Lahore Authority (WCLA) — an autonomous body for the conservation of the city's heritage — in collaboration with S K Foundation, a UK-based Sikh body.

Eight-feet tall statue to mark 180th death anniversary

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MP govt cracks down on gau rakshaks: 5-year jail term, fine for violence

MILIND GHATWAI
BHOPAL, JUNE 26

IN A bid to crack down on cow vigilantism, the Congress government in Madhya Pradesh on Wednesday proposed a jail term of six months to three years and a fine of Rs 25,000-50,000 for those who engage in violence against anyone booked under the anti-cow slaughter Act.

The Kamal Nath government cleared an amendment to the Madhya Pradesh Gauvansh Vadh Pratishedh Adhiniyam, 2004 — the anti-cow slaughter law passed by the previous BJP government — to include this provision.

Speaking to *The Indian Express*, Additional Chief Secretary (Animal Husbandry) Manoj Shrivastava said the punishment will increase to minimum one year and maximum five years if a mob is involved in cow vigilantism. In case of repeat offenders, the jail term will be doubled.

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Staffer son undergoes sex change, Rlys in fix over family pension

AVISHEK G DASTIDAR
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

THE RAILWAYS has referred to the central government a letter from a 32-year-old, who underwent a sex-change operation years ago to become a woman, demanding the family pension of her father, a retired employee who died in 2017.

Officials told *The Indian Express* that the letter was received by a division under the Chennai-based Southern Railway in the middle of 2018. But with its rules providing no clarity on the "unprecedented" request, the Railways sent the letter last week to the Ministry of Personnel, Pensions and Public Grievances, and the Department of Personnel and Training, for "wider consultations".

Officials said that according to pension laws, sons over 25 years of age are not eligible for family pension in these cases. But there is no such bar on an unmarried or divorced dependent daughter, who is eligible for

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How a kachori shop in Aligarh has become a GST test case

SOMYA LAKHANI
ALIGARH, JUNE 26

FOR THREE days this month, his only job was to watch dough balls being flattened and dunked in oil; *aloo ki sabzi* being thrown in plastic bowls and *raita* poured on top. And as people jostled for a plate of *aloo-kachori*, he diligently took notes.

This was outside Aligarh's famous Mukesh Kachori Bhandar, and he was a member of the special investigations branch (SIB) of the state GST department in Aligarh deputed to prepare a "profile". The department had received a tax evasion complaint last month. And on June 20, Mukesh Kachori Bhandar was raided by a team of 12 officials.

"Our estimate is that Mukesh Kachori Bhandar's yearly turnover is between Rs 60-70 lakh, which means he is liable for GST registration but hasn't got it done... our estimate is that the owner sells *aloo-kachori* worth Rs 17,000-20,000 per day," said A K Maheshwari, Commerical Tax Officer, Aligarh.

R P S Kauntey, deputy commissioner, Commercial Tax Office, who led the investigation and the raid, told *The Indian Express*, "We did the recce in three phases — peak hours (7 am-11 am), normal hours (11 am-2 pm) and dying hours (2 pm-4 pm). The official waited for 45 minutes at 8 am for a plate of *aloo-kachori* and didn't get it because it was that crowded. During normal hours, he waited for 10 minutes, and during dying hours, he got his plate in a couple of minutes".

On June 20, during the "dying hours," Kauntey raided the Mukesh Kachori Bhandar. "Even as the raid was going on, at least 45 people were eating *aloo-kachori*, and a 100 dough balls were being readied," he said.

At the hole-in-the-wall *kachori* shop, there's not enough space to stand for owner Makhan Lal (70), his three sons Mukesh (40), Bhagwan Das (35) and Bunty (29) and their two helpers. And though business is still brisk, Lal hasn't eaten properly since the raid, while his sons run the shop. A plate costs Rs 24 and a cup of *raita* Rs 5.

Bunty (centre) and his brother Bhagwan Das (right) run Mukesh Kachori Bhandar with their father. *Karan Saraf*

"They have received the wrong information, I don't make more than Rs 2,000-Rs 3,000 a day... less than Rs 12 lakh a year. This means I am not liable to do GST registration. I am just making enough to feed 15 mouths in the family. Do they want me to add GST on *aloo-kachori* now? It will be too expensive, who will buy it?" said Lal.

Incidentally, states like Uttar Pradesh have been proactive in curbing evasion, including a renewed focus on tracking those liable to pay tax but who continue to stay out of the tax net. Apart from small businesses that attempt to stay out of the net, other evasion methods include retailers masquerading as end-consumers in their purchases from wholesalers and lakhs of registrants not filing returns despite having made purchases.

The Centre has also been

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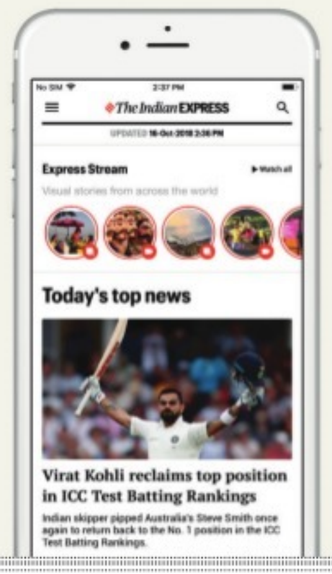

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TDP spokesperson joins BJP

Hyderabad: Telugu Desam Party (TDP) national spokesperson Lanka Dinkar on Wednesday resigned from the party and joined the BJP. Dinkar met BJP working president JP Nadda at the saffron party's headquarters in New Delhi, where he was inducted into the party.

In his resignation, Dinkar said his supporters had urged him to join the BJP. Meanwhile, several former TDP MLAs and senior leaders skipped a meeting called by party chief Chandrababu Naidu at his residence, sparking speculations of more resignations among the ranks. **ENS**

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BJP leader's son

Speaking to *The Indian Express*, Bais denied Akash's allegations. "He told us to leave within 10 minutes or face the consequences. He abused and threatened to kill me. I suffered injuries but they are not serious. He warned that he will beat me in the future, too. But I will fight. I am not scared because I did not do anything wrong," the 46-year-old said.

According to Bais, all occupants of the building marked for demolition had vacated it except one tenant, whom he described as a "BJP supporter". Witnesses claimed that Akash also removed the key from the earth mover that was to be used for the demolition.

Claiming that the incident was the result of a turf war between Kailash Vijayvargiya and Indore Mayor Malini Gaud, Congress media coordinator Shobha Oza said: "During the BJP rule of 15 years, it was common for their workers to beat up officials, blacken their faces or slap them. But now, they should not forget that there is a Congress government in the state, which will not tolerate it."

BJP spokesperson Rajneesh Agrawal alleged that corporation employees were "harassing common people" and that "the incident was a manifestation of that anger". "It is not proper to judge the young MLA on the basis of just one video," Agrawal said. Akash's lawyer said he would appeal the lower court's order in the district court.

Assam NRC

has been published today," NRC State Coordinator Prateek Hajela said in a statement.

In the draft NRC published on July 30 last year, 2.89 crore of the 3.29 crore applicants were included, leaving out over 40 lakh people. Those excluded were given a chance to appeal in the "claims and objections" round. While nearly 36 lakh people filed their "claims", "objections" were received against over 2 lakh people who were included in the final draft. The Supreme Court has set July 31 as the date of publication of the final NRC.

According to Hajela's statement, those named in the Additional Draft Exclusion List were found to be Declared Foreigner (DF), Doubtful Voter (DV), persons with cases pending at foreigners' tribunals (PFT) or their descendants, persons found ineligible after they appeared as witnesses during hearings held for disposal of claims and objections, persons found ineligible during the process of verification carried out by the Local Registrars of Citizens Registration (LRCRs) after publication of the draft NRC.

"Those persons who will be excluded will also be informed individually through Letters of Information (LOI) to be delivered at their residential addresses along with the reason of exclusion. Such persons will have the opportunity to file their claims which will be disposed through a hearing by a disposing officer. The submission of claim and its disposal by the disposing officer through a hearing will happen together. LOI will mention the details of the venue of claim submission-cum-hearing. The hearings will start from July 5, 2019 onwards. The date of hearings will also be available online on the NRC website www.nrcassam.nic.in from June 29, 2019 onwards. All such claims will be disposed thereafter and results of such persons will be declared in the final NRC on July 31, 2019," Hajela said in his statement.

The statement made it clear that the list does not include the results of the claims and objections round, held in February-June, which will be published in the final NRC.

Pompeo

pragmatic approach". With Pompeo by his side, Jaishankar said, "When you have trade, you will have issues. The real test of our intention is to address them effectively."

Later, while responding to a question meant for Pompeo, the External Affairs Minister said: "If you trade with somebody, it is impossible (that) you don't have issues. But the sign of a mature relationship is the ability to negotiate your way through that and find common ground. Perhaps that was not as effective as it could and should have been in the recent past."

While tariff barriers have been a sore point for the Trump administration, Jaishankar quoted Pompeo as saying that there has been a lot of "noise", and the two sides need to go to the basics. "My confidence is reaffirmed about our ability to address (the issues). I am reassured about the solidity of the relationship," he said.

The US Secretary of State also said the two sides need to work on these issues with "as little theatre as possible". "We have to get the economic piece right. Great friends are bound to have disagreements," Pompeo said, downplaying concerns.

While both sides publicly acknowledged that the economic relationship is under stress, both tried to calm frayed diplomatic nerves. Trump is known to make comments on India's tariff barriers in his speeches, and has even referred to India as a "tariff king". While there was an attempt to play down the differences in the economic dimension of the relationship, Jaishankar was firm on the S-400 deal with Russia as he said that Delhi will be guided by its own national interest.

"We have many relationships with many countries. Many have some standing, many have some history. We will do what is in our national interest. And again, part of the strategic partnership is the ability of each country to comprehend and appreciate the national interest of the other." The S-400 deal has been caught in diplomatic crossfire between US and Russia, with Washington threatening Delhi with sanctions if the defence deals with Russia go through. While the deal was signed last year, the Trump administration again started raising the issue of the CAATSA (Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act), and Delhi wants a waiver from this US law.

Pompeo, when asked about the CAATSA, was evasive, and said they will have to "find a way" to work through them.

On the situation between US and Iran and its impact on the region, Jaishankar underlined that India has "big stakes" there — from energy to diaspora to trade and regional stability. Talking about the energy security aspect, Jaishankar made it clear that Delhi was looking at the issue through the lens of "stability, predictability and affordability". Iran has traditionally supplied about 10% of India's crude needs.

Pompeo, however, was very pointed in his criticism of Iran, as he said that "Iran is the world's largest State-sponsor of terrorism and Indian people have suffered from terrorism."

On the Indo-Pacific, Jaishankar drew a cautious line as he said that for India, the "big point" he made is that "Indo-Pacific is for something, and not against somebody. And that something is for peace, security, stability and rules." This comes days before Modi meets Chinese President Xi Jinping and Russian President Vladimir Putin on the sidelines of G-20 summit.

On terrorism, both echoed each other, without naming Pakistan even once. Jaishankar said he expressed appreciation for the "strong support" received from the US and their policy on "zero tolerance" on "cross-border terrorism" — alluding to Pakistan-sponsored terrorism. Pompeo said that India's own experience on terrorism is "very real", and that terrorism is a constant subject of discussion, and outlined intelligence-sharing with India.

Gau rakshaks

The amendment also seeks to punish those who abet cow vigilantism by providing a jail term of one to three years. People who damage property of those charged under the anti-cow slaughter law will also be punished.

The move comes in the wake of an incident near Kachhiwara, under Dundaseoni police station in Seoni district, on May 22, when five people thrashed three persons, including a Muslim man and woman, on suspicion of carrying beef. Earlier, the state government decided to ease rules governing the transportation of cows to ensure that farmers and traders are not harassed by cow vigilantes and stopped by police. The government also decided to allow trade of cows between farmers by removing a condition that they could buy bovines only from bazaars .

Sex change

the pension after the death of her mother, the government employee's wife.

The 32-year-old's plea is that since she was already "living the life" of a woman before her father passed away, she is eligible for the pension as an unmarried dependent daughter.

"There is no precedence of a case like this in the 160-year history of Indian Railways. And since government policy on this is not quite clear, we could not address the matter at our levels," said the Senior Divisional Personnel Officer of the division that first received the letter.

"She furnished an identity card issued by the Tamil Nadu Transgender Welfare Association issued in 2009 so we treated the matter as a transgender case. But even then, the law is either silent or at best unclear," said a senior central government official. When contacted by *The Indian Express*, the 32-year-old declined comment.

Officials said the woman lives with her partner, who is a transgender, and has been pursuing the case for a year, during which the letter was discussed at the divisional and zonal levels and the headquarters in Delhi. "The DoPT will take a decision because it is the nodal office in matters of family pensions in the central government," said the official.

India's family pension policy is governed by a number of laws, including The Pensions Act, 1871, the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972, and Central Civil Services (Commutation of Pension) Rules, 1981, among others, all of which have been amended a number of times.

Kachori shop

taking measures to boost compliance under the indirect tax regime of GST, such as the e-way bill and a proposal to roll out an e-invoices system for B2B transactions from January 2020. It had also recently approved sharing of data between income tax authorities and GST Network (GSTN) to check for discrepancies between returns of direct and indirect taxes.

According to Lal, the family began selling *aloo-kachori* from the rented shop "less than two years ago" after several failed businesses. Maheshwari, however, said the business was registered with the Food Safety and Drug Administration in 2016 and is a known name in Aligarh, having existed for "over five years".

Every day, Lal's three sons reach the shop at 4 am and begin preparing 25 kg aloo-sabzi using their own masala, 15 kg dough for the kachori and raita made out of seven litres of curd. Two helpers - paid Rs 300 a day according to the family - reach the shop by 6 am, and an hour later, the crowd trickles in.

"The district court, the bus stop, the railway station and a school are around the shop and people from all over Aligarh and UP come to the shop. We are open seven days a week and on all festivals," said Das.

While his father and elder brother are worried about the raid, Das said: "It's good only... we are on Facebook and WhatsApp. We are internationally famous now."

On Wednesday afternoon, a food blogger from Lucknow took a video of helper Sushil Kumar Saini deep frying the kachoris, while regular Aman Thakur (26), a property dealer, stopped for lunch at the shop.

A regular customer Anshul Khatri (25), who works at a food mart in Aligarh, recalled buying a plate for Rs 9 a few years ago. "Of course, rates have gone up but it's worth it. My brother lives in Delhi and whenever he visits, we make it a point to come to Mukesh Kachori Bhandar...it's a part of our childhood memories," he said.

According to Kauntey, during the raid, the shop had "four commercial gas cylinders in a storeroom upstairs, and two in the shop, each costing Rs 1,800. They told us they use curd worth Rs 800 daily, a tin of refined oil and other ingredients. They are spending Rs 6,000-Rs 7,000 daily".

Kauntey said that once the report is prepared within 90 days of the raid, it will be submitted to the adjudicating wing of the state GST department, who can then send a notice to the owner of the shop.

Ranjit Singh statue

"As you know, religious tourism is one of the main themes of our government. Kartarpur Sahib, Nankana Sahib have got more attention from this government. The Ranjit Singh statue is in line with the government's focus on religious tourism, particularly Sikh religious tourism," said WCLA Director-General Kamran Lashairi. He said it was appropriate that the statue was being unveiled in Lahore, from where Ranjit Singh ruled over Punjab from 1801-1839.

The statue would be "a good sign that we are opening out more to religious tourists, particularly Sikh tourists", Lashairi said.

Since initiating the proposal last September for access to Gurudwara Darbar Sahib at Kartarpur from India through a purpose-built "corridor", Pakistan has kept up a steady outreach to the Sikh community. The Pakistan government has issued more than 450 visas to Sikh pilgrims from India for Ranjit Singh's death anniversary, which falls on June 29.

However, no representative from the Indian High Commission in Islamabad has been invited for the event, The Indian Express has learnt.

The statue was commissioned by Bobby Singh, who heads the S K Foundation. On its website, the organisation is called the S K Foundation-Singh Brothers (UK) and describes itself as "a prominent company engaged in the publication and distribution of Sikh Books and Punjabi Literature". The Ranjit Singh statue was created by three artist-sculptors from Lahore's National College of Art and Naqsh School of Art under the direction of Faqir Syed Saifuddin, a member of the family that runs Lahore's famous private Faqir Khana museum.

PM speaks out on Jharkhand attack

mandate of the people and is continuing to raise doubts on EVMs.

He also asked the Opposition not to obstruct important legislation in Rajya Sabha, where the ruling NDA does not have a majority, arguing that the verdict of the people should not be throttled in the House.

Invoking Jharkhand's pride, Modi cautioned against labelling the state as a hub of mob violence. Assembly elections are due in Jharkhand later this year. Modi said: "It was said in the House that Jharkhand has become a hub of mob lynching and mob violence. The murder of a young man has saddened us all. I am also saddened. And we all should be. The culprits should be given stern punishment."

"But is it fair to single out and blame Jharkhand alone?... Those who have done such things should be isolated and should be dealt with sternly as per law. But putting everyone in the dock...you can do politics over such things... but the situation will not improve."

Arguing that "nobody has the right to defame the entire state of Jharkhand," he said "they are also our citizens...If a crime takes place, the right way is to deal with it as per law and according to the judicial system. The Constitution, law and systems are completely equipped to deal with such incidents. And the way out is only the legal and judicial process. And for that, we should take every step we can and we should not back off."

Underscoring that attempts to distinguish between "your terrorism and my terrorism" had caused damage across the world, he said that "in cases of violence too, whether it happens in Jharkhand or West Bengal or Kerala...our yardstick should be the same. Then only will we be able to stop the violence. Only then, those who indulge in violence will realise that the country is one on this issue...that all the political parties have the same thinking on this and such things will not be tolerated."

"We all should fulfil that responsibility. There will be other occasions to score political points. I believe it is our constitutional responsibility to ensure that security of every citizen of the country. It is also our sensitive responsibility to humanity which we cannot ignore."

Taking a dig at the Congress, particularly Leader of the Opposition Ghulam Nabi Azad, who while initiating the debate on Monday had mocked Modi's "New India" slogan saying he wants the "old India" back as it had no hatred, anger and lynchings, Modi said Azad suffered from blurred vision because he looks at things with a political lens.

He asked everyone to see things not through the lens of politics arguing that they will be able to see a bright future without political spectacles.

Referring to Azad, he then recited a couplet by Mirza Ghalib. "Azad saab likes such things...*Ta umr Ghalib yeh bhool karta raha, dhool chehre par thi, aina saaf karta raha.*"

On AES deaths in Bihar, the PM said: "It is a matter of pain and shame for all of us that....we are in such a situation in the modern age. And I believe this is one of our biggest failures in the last seven decades, both as a society and government, and we should take in seriously."

He said he had rushed the Union Health Minister to Bihar to take stock of the situation and that argued his government is working with the Bihar Government to control the situation.

Meet accused : Most under 30, daily wagers

Ansari was arrested on charges of theft after the assault and sent to judicial custody, but died of his injuries in hospital.

On June 23, police arrested 11 residents of Dhatkidih village, where the attack took place, and suspended two police personnel.

Speaking to villagers and family members of the 11 arrested, The Indian Express found out that only five of the men had completed Class 10, most are either daily wage labourers, unemployed or were looking for a job.

The 11 accused:

■ Prakash alias Pappu Mandal, 28: The first person arrested, police said he was named as accused in the case. His Facebook posts show him wearing a BJP stole while residents of Dhatkidih said that he worked for "Arjun Munda's party". SP Saraikela Karthik S said, "None of the people arrested have any links to any political parties or any organisations linked to the political parties."

■ Kamal Mahto, 48: He is the complainant in the theft case against Ansari. He has studied until Class 10 and his daughter Monika Mahto, who is pursuing graduation, said, "He works as a railway gangman in Murup. All in the village are blaming us now for their ordeal. We just raised an alarm when we saw a thief." Mahto's is one of the few pucca houses in the village.

■ Sumant Mahto, 24: The son of Kamal Mahto, Sumant, police said, was the first to raise an alarm about a "thief". He is unmarried and completed an ITI course last year from Baghbera and finished an apprenticeship at a manufacturing company. His sister Monika said he was about to get a permanent job.

■ Premchand Mahli, 21: Police said Mahli was present when the incident took place and according to villagers, he has completed his Class 10 and worked in a cement factory as a labourer. He does not own any land and his parents make baskets from bamboo, which are sold in a market nearby.

■ Sonaram Mahli, 31: He is Premchand Mahli's cousin and works as a daily wage labourer. According to his neighbour, Jayanti, he has "not passed Class 10". She also said that police have arrested his father Kushal Mahli, 65, because Sonaram had left the village for work. SP Saraikela said, "I am not aware that his father was arrested. We need to check this."

■ Satyanarayan Nayak, 55: A daily wage labour, who worked in houses as a painter earning Rs 100-150 a day. Satyanarayan's family said that he did not study after Class 5 and lives in a kuccha house. His wife Saraswati Devi said that their daughter died recently. "We take care of our daughter's son from my husband's earning. Now I have nobody. He was there on June 18 but did not beat anyone," she said.

■ Madan Nayak, 30: Satyanarayan's nephew, Nayak did not study beyond Class 5 and until recently, worked at a cement factory. His son Prakash said that he hasn't been able to work over the last few days because he could not get a "gate pass". "My father was there when the incident happened but he did not attack anyone," he said.

■ Bhim Mandal, 45: He sells "aalu patties and pakoras" at local markets in the area and has studied until Class 5. His wife Nandini said, "We got to know of the incident at 5 am when we woke up. Then he went to the spot to see."

■ Mahesh Mahli, 28: He completed his Class 10, according to his mother who did not want to be named. "He had gone to Ranchi for a course and works there too but had come home. He takes care of our entire family. He only went to see what was happening on June 18," she said.

■ Sonamu Pradhan, 23: His family has not been seen since the June 18 incident and according to villagers, Pradhan has completed Class 10 and is unmarried. Locals also said that he owned a recently bought tractor to plough land and also bought a "second-hand Bolero".

■ Chamu Nayak, 40: He owns some agricultural land and has three sons. His wife Sarathi Devi said he did not complete Class 10. "He was not even at the spot where the incident took place and he has not attacked anyone," she said.

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ACCUSED WERE FACING FINANCIAL TROUBLES

Vasant Vihar triple murder: Daughter of couple's friend, her partner arrested

Accused woman spent night at couple's residence days before the crime

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

DELHI POLICE Wednesday arrested a 42-year-old woman and her live-in partner in connection with the murder of an elderly couple and their nursing attendant in Vasant Vihar. Police said one of the accused, Preeti Sehrawat alias Mona, is the daughter of the couple's family friend, and she and her partner committed the crime as they were facing financial troubles.

Special CP (Crime) Satish Golcha said Sehrawat and her partner Manoj Bhatt (39) were arrested from a hotel in Gurgaon early Wednesday morning.

The bodies of the elderly couple, Vishnu Mathur (78) and Shashi Mathur (75), and the attendant Khushboo Nautiyal (24) were found with their throats slit at their residence in Vasant Apartment Sunday morning. The three, police said, were found dead by their domestic help, Babli, Sunday.

The South West district police had earlier ruled out robbery as a motive, saying that the culprits were known to the victims as there was no forced entry into the house.

However, the inter-state cell of Crime Branch, which was also simultaneously working on the case, got a vital clue when they came to know from the daughter of the couple that Sehrawat had recently met her parents after many years.

"Sehrawat is the daughter of one of Shashi's colleagues, and on June 17, she came to meet them at their house. She even stayed with them overnight to become familiar with the house. The same night, she also spoke to the daughter of the elderly couple using Khushboo's phone," said Golcha.

Police at the couple's home; the accused Manoj and Preeti

Police said the accused had incurred business losses, following which they planned to target the elderly couple.

"On June 21, they visited the area to conduct a recce and the next day, around 11.30 pm, Sehrawat again went to meet them, claiming she was passing through the area. After spending some time, she told the couple her boyfriend Bhatt was standing outside and asked if she could call him in. Since the two were aware of CCTVs, she covered her face with a dupatta while he wore a helmet," a senior officer said.

During questioning, Sehrawat said that after the Mathurs went to sleep in their bedroom, Bhatt turned up the TV volume.

"She then asked Khushboo to prepare tea and when she was in the kitchen, Manoj stabbed her with a kitchen knife. Bhatt then went into the couple's bedroom and slit their throats. After changing their clothes, they ransacked the home for over two hours and fled the spot after looting jewellery and cash," the officer said.

Breakthrough after cell briefly switched on

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

TO MISLEAD investigators, Manoj Bhatt, one of the accused, purchased a packet of condoms and allegedly placed it under the pillow of the couple's nursing attendant Khushboo Nautiyal after the murders. This was partly the reason the South West district police were busy checking the role of Khushboo's acquaintances in the first 72 hours. The breakthrough came after the inter-state cell (ISC) of Crime Branch found that the victim Vishnu Mathur's missing phone was switched on for a minute in Gurgaon on June 23.

A team of ISC then met with the family and started scanning Shashi Mathur's call details. "Shashi's daughter then told police that Preeti Sehrawat, the second accused, met her mother recently. They checked her details and found she was staying in Gurgaon," a senior officer said.

During questioning, Preeti told police that she used to run a restaurant in Gurgaon and was married twice. "She suffered losses and started running a PG, where she met Bhatt in 2016. The two entered into a live-in relationship. Later, she shut the PG and started a restaurant, but again suffered losses. The two then allegedly conspired to murder the couple," the officer said.

The motorcycle they used to travel to Mathurs' residence, a diamond ring, gold chain and Rs 86,000 in cash were seized.

"On June 23, she checked into a hotel in Gurgaon and stayed there for two days with Bhatt. They shifted to another hotel Monday from where they were detained. Bhatt was found wearing the couple's gold chain and diamond ring," the officer said.

Bhatt had been arrested 10 years ago in connection with his wife's murder. He spent five years in jail before being acquitted.

Probe after TikTok video shows man's stunt on 'cop car'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

AFTER A TikTok video showing a man performing stunts atop what appears to be a police vehicle went viral, Delhi Police has issued a showcause notice to a private contractor and his friend for allegedly misusing the vehicle.

The video, which police say was uploaded a while ago, shows a shirtless man wearing a cap driving a white Maruti Ertiga with the Delhi Police logo on the front and a beacon light on top. With a song playing in the background, he steps out of the slow moving car, climbs atop the vehicle and does push-ups, before returning to the driver seat. Police identified the driver as Dushyant. The song in the background, *Bholenath*, has especially irked officers, it is learnt.

As the video was circulated on social media, Delhi Traffic Police tweeted that they are investigating the matter. Police looked into the TikTok account and investigated the licence plate to track down the private vendor.

Additional spokesperson for Delhi Police, Anil Mittal, clarified that the vehicle was under a private contractor, identified as Ravi. "We use these vehicles to supplement our fleet. This was not a Delhi Police vehicle. The person in the video clip is also not a policeman but the friend of the private driver of the hired vehicle... The private contractor has been issued a showcause notice for the violation, and necessary legal action will be taken," said Mittal.

A still from the video

Police have found that Dushyant erred in taking out the vehicle with the beacon light on. "We use these beacon lights in case of emergency... The driver of the vehicle made a mistake when he used that light. If officers are found negligent, we will take action...," said a senior officer.

The Delhi Police, in a bid to supplement its fleet, puts out a tender for private contractors. The cost of the fuel, repair, maintenance and salary of the driver is incurred by the private contractor, police said.

Noida police to issue 'red cards' to men found harassing women

AMIL BHATNAGAR
NOIDA, JUNE 26

IN AN effort to strengthen its 'anti-Romeo squads', Noida Police will issue red cards as warnings to men who bother women in public by following them or passing comments. In a bid to protect women from teasing and street harassment, police will also seek feedback from residents to identify areas with a greater probability of the offence.

"The red card is essentially a non-coercive measure which will serve as a warning to those who harass women verbally or non-verbally. The person's details, including his address and contact number, will be noted in a register for future record. If the person is found committing an offence of this nature again, strict action will be taken. The card is aimed at serving as a deterrent to people who make women feel unsafe," said Vineet Jaiswal, SP (Rural), Gautam Budh Nagar.

If the offence is repeated, strict action will be taken, officials said

The red card will highlight that making derogatory comments at a woman or following her are offences and can invite jail time.

Police will also distribute feedback forms at schools and colleges from Thursday, seeking suggestions from women about areas where the presence of 'anti-Romeo squads' is needed. Over the coming week, police will map these areas and deploy teams accordingly.

"There are times when women are walking home from schools, coaching centres or colleges, and men hang around these areas to harass them. The feedback form will help us identify such areas, and we can ensure strict vigil," Jaiswal said.

Each team will have at least one sub-inspector, two male and two female constables. Police personnel will be in both uniforms and plainclothes during patrolling.

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Man arrested for Barapullah shooting

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

DELHI POLICE have arrested a man days after he and an accomplice allegedly fired at an office cab ferrying two ABP journalists on the Barapullah flyover. Incidentally, the accused was arrested by Shahdara Police on June 18 in connection with a robbery and abduction case that took place last year.

Police said the accused, Tayyab, is a resident of Shahdara. He was arrested after the Special Task Force realised that another case— wherein a cab driver was shot and a passenger robbed on June 3— was carried out with a similar modus operandi as the Barapullah incident.

"On June 3, a man was heading home to Ghaziabad from the airport in a cab. Two bike-borne assailants intercepted the cab on the Barapullah flyover and opened fire on the driver," a senior police officer said.

They fled with Rs 2,500 in cash and the man's ATM card, using which they later withdrew Rs 40,000.

An FIR was registered at Kalyanpuri police station in connection with the case.

Meanwhile, the STF found CCTV footage of the accused from the ATM while he was withdrawing the stolen cash. "Police showed the footage to the man who was robbed and he identified the accused.Later, police came to know that he was recently arrested in connection with a year-old case," the officer added.

Police then questioned him and he confessed to his involvement in both the Barapullah cases. The accused has been sent to police custody for seven days, said a police officer.

6,000 VIALS OF ANTI-DIPHTHERIA SERUM ORDERED

Season's first diphtheria death, docs sound alert

ABHINAV RAJPUT
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

THE DIPHTHERIA scare has returned to Delhi's hospitals, with the first death of the season being recorded at the North MCD's Maharishi Valmiki Infectious Diseases Hospital (MVID) this month.

This is the first death out of 14 cases admitted to the hospital this month — which is also the highest admission so far this year — as per figures from the North civic body. Diphtheria is an infectious bacterial disease that affects the throat and upper airways, and produces a toxin that affects the other organs. As per the World Health Organisation, the disease can be fatal in 5-10% of the cases.

Deaths because of the disease had made headlines last year, when 11 children died between September 6 and 19, with parents attributing the deaths to a non-availability of the anti-diphtheria serum. A total of 25 children died that month. October and November saw 22 and 12 deaths. Of the 766 patients admitted to MVID hospital last year, 100 had died, most of them children.

This latest death has prompted doctors to sound an alert, saying that the hospital should be prepared as the numbers could rise from here. "The numbers could spike because this disease remains contained in extreme weather, but as the season starts getting moist, the numbers rise," said a doctor at a North MCD hospital.

He said the North MCD has ordered 6,000 vials of the serum from the Central Research Institute (CRI) in Kasauli, but has received only 2,000 so far. "We are expecting the demand to be met soon, as once the outbreak happens, existing vials will be exhausted in a month," he said.

Director of CRI Ajay Kumar Tahlan said their annual production is 6,000 vials, and they have to provide the serum to hospitals across India. "We have sent 2,000, and more will be sent in the coming months as per demand. If they need more, there are two-three private companies that can be contacted," he said.

North Corporation commissioner Varsha Joshi, however, said, "The hospital will get 1,000 vials every month from July onwards, which is as per our requirement."

She said this is from their regular supplier (CRI) and there is no need for fresh arrangements. MVID is the only hospital in Delhi that deals with the disease.

Last September, 11 children died due to the disease, with parents attributing the deaths to a non-availability of the anti-diphtheria serum. *Archive*

At the protest, Wednesday. *Prem Nath Pandey*

Safdarjung nurses protest to demand permanent jobs

RITHUPAR PATHY
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

NURSING STAFF who were let go following the end of their contracts at Safdarjung Hospital, protested at the premises Wednesday, seeking an extension of their contracts.

"We were employed at the hospital for the last 10 months before our services were terminated, without even a month's notice. This is despite a shortage of staff at the hospital. We will now be forced to seek employment in the private sector, where the pay is a fifth of what we earn and the hours are longer," said Avinash Dave, a former nurse at the hospital.

Meanwhile, hospital spokesperson Dinesh Narayan said the termination was overdue.

"We had made temporary appointments after two new units within the hospital were opened. Those who applied for these posts were aware of the fact that the period of their employment was only 90 days. We had extended their tenure due to certain requirements. Now, regular staff have been hired."

(The writer is an intern with The Indian Express)

SEARCH FOR MISSING

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General public is hereby informed that a boy (depicted in the photo), **Namely :** Jatin S/o Sh. Surender Nagar R/o H.No. B-89, Gali No. 2, Bank Colony, Harsh Vihar, Mandoli, Delhi has been missing since 14.06.2019 from the area of PS Shakarpur, Delhi. In this regard a case vide DD No. 42A dated 16.06.2019 has been lodged at PS Shakarpur, Delhi. His physical description is as under:-

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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER CD-III, L.M BUND OFFICE COMPLEX, SHASTRI NAGAR, DELHI -110031

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The Executive Engineer, Civil Division No.III, I&FC, Delhi invites on behalf of the President of India, online tender for the following works.

1. NIT No: EE/CD-III/NIT/06/2019-20
HOA : 2711 MAINTENANCE OF DRAINAGE

Name of work: Repairing of boundary wall on both bank of Ghazipur Drain from RD-6150m(Tata Telco Bridge) to RD-2100m Dharamshila Bridge. Estimated Cost: **Rs. 34,85,957/-,** Earnest Money: **Rs. 69,719/-** Period of completion : 120 Days; Last date & time of submission of tender: upto 3:00 p.m on 01.07.2019. **(Tender I.D 2019 IFC_174581_1).**
Other details can be seen at website **http://delhigovt.nic.in/tender**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, CD-III
DIP/Shabdarth/0277/19-20

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

MONISH

General public is hereby informed that one boy namely **Monish S/o Mohd. Dilshad** R/o A-220, J.J colony, Khanpur New Delhi has been missing from the area of P.S Neb Sarai, Delhi since 24.05.2019. In this regard, a case **FIR No. 183/19 U/S 363 IPC, Dated 27.05.2019 has been registered at P.S. Neb Sarai, Delhi.** The description of the missing/ kidnapped boy is as under.

Age: 15 Years, **Complexion:** Fair, **Height:** 5' 5", **Face:** Oval, **Built:** Thin, **Wearing**: Light golden Pant and Blue white check shirt. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out him but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone has any information about the missing/kidnapped boy then please inform P.S. Neb Sarai, Delhi at following Tel No. / e-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in and Website: http://cbi.nic.in

Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641
Fax No. 011-24368639
DP/5513/SD/19

Sd/- S.H.O.
P.S. Neb Sarai, Delhi
Ph. 011-29551326

पश्चिमांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लि.

ई-निविदा तिथि विस्तार सूचनाः इस कार्यालय द्वारा आमंत्रित ई-निविदा संख्या 107/2018-19 जो दिनांक 14.06.2019 को खोली जानी थी, को अपरिहार्य कारणों से दिनांक 05.07.2019 तक विस्तार की जाती है तथा ई-निविदा सं.-01/2019-20 एवं 02/2019-20 जो दिनांक 24.06.2019 को खोली जानी थी, को अपरिहार्य कारणों से दिनांक 08.07.2019 तक विस्तार की जाती है। कृपया वेबसाइट www.etender.up.nic.in पर विस्तार में सभी जानकारी विवरण/डाउनलोड तथा अन्य किसी भी प्रकार के संशोधन/विस्तार के लिए ई-निविदा खुलने की दिनांक से पहले तक लॉग ऑन करें। अधीक्षण अभियंता, विद्युत नगरीय वितरण मण्डल, मुजफ्फरनगर। **राष्ट्र हित में बिजली बचायें व बिजली चोरी की सूचना हैल्पलाइन नं.-9412207451 एवं 1800-180-3002 पर दें।** पत्रांक सं. 1506/वि.न.वि.मं./ मु. नगर/ कार्य दिनांकः 25.06.2019

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, "e"-PROCUREMENT NOTICE
WORKS DEPARTMENT

39-B
E-mail- ceroads.bbsr@gmail.com

Bid Identification No. CE-DPI & R-02/2019-20

1. The Chief Engineer (DPI & Roads), Odisha on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in ONLINE MODE form eligible contractors for Road/ Bridge works as mentioned below:
2. Nature of Work : Road works
3. No. of Work : 03 Nos.
4. Tender Paper cost : Rs. 10,000.00
5. Class of Contractor : Super Class/Special Class/'A' Class as noted against each work
6. Available of bid document in the website : From 10.00 AM of 27.07.2019 to 5.00 PM of 20.07.2019
7. Date of opening of Bid : Dt. 22.07.2019 at 11.30 AM
8. The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Futher details can be seen from the website: **https:tenderodisha.gov.in**. Any addendum/ corrigendum/ cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website.

Sd/-
34117/11/0005/1920 **Chief Engineer (DPI & Roads), Odisha**

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A.P. Greening & Beautification Corporation
Plot No.30, Road No.4, Sector No.4, Lotus land mark Kedareswarapet, Vijayawada.
www.urbangreening.ap.gov.in, email:apurbangreening@gmail.com
Phone No: 0866 - 2530833

e-Tender notice No: APUG-15021/7/2019-TECH SEC-APUGBC/ 2019-20/3(3), Dt.26/06/2019

e-Tenders are invited Maintenance of Nursery plants and Landscape (3) works with a total E.C.V. Rs.115.20 Lakhs.

Complete set of bid documents can be downloaded from ape-procurement portal **http://www.apeprocurement.gov.in/** and A.P.Greening and Beautification Corporation website **http://urbangreening.ap.gov.in.**from dt.**27.06.2019**, 10.00 AM up to **05.07.2019**, 2.00 PM.

S/d
Managing Director-APG&BC

NORTH DELHI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (PROJECT) NARELA ZONAL OFFICE BUILDING, NARELA DELHI-110040

N.I.T. No. EE (Pr.)/Narela/TC/2019-20/01 **Dated: 25.06.2019**

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Start Date of purchase/ Download of tender Document : 27.06.2019 at 5:00 PM
Last date of Tender Document online submission : 10.07.2019 upto 2:00 PM
Opening of Financial Bid : 12.07.2019 upto 12:15 PM

The Executive Engineer (Project) Narela invites on behalf of the Commissioner, North DMC sealed percentage/item rate tenders from the approved and eligible contractors. Rates hold goods for 5 months.

S.No.: 1, Name of Work: 1 Imp. & Dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC in O block Sawda JJ colony in ward no 35N In Narela Zone H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 98,16,300/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 90,78.267/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 181600/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 2, Name of Work: Imp. & dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC in pocket 5 sector 24 in Ward no 32N in Narela Zone H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 97,50,900/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 90,17,771/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 180400/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/ -, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 3, Name of Work: Imp. & dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC In pocket 6 sector 25 in Ward no 32N in Narela Zone H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 98,66,500/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 91,24,670/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 182500/- , **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 4, Name of Work: Imp. & dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC in pocket 2 sector 25 in Ward no 32N in Narela Zone H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 98,65,400/-, **Tender amount(Rs.):** 91,23,659/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 182500/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 5, Name of Work: Imp. & dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC in pocket 3 sector 25 in Ward no 32N in Narela Zone H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 99,74,300/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 92,24,380/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 184500/- , **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 6, Name of Work: Imp. & dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC In pocket 5 sector 25 in Ward no 32N in Narela Zone H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 97,44,600/-, **Tender amount(Rs.):** 90,11,984/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 180200/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 7, Name of Work: Imp. & Dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC in F block Sawda JJ colony in ward no 35N in Narela Zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 99,93,200/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 92,41,932/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 184800/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 8, Name of Work: Imp. & Dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC in R block Sawda JJ colony in ward no 35N In Narela Zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 96,48,800/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 89,23,379/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 178500/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 9, Name of Work: Imp. & Dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC In A & C block Sawda JJ colony in ward no 35N in Narela Zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 94,15,200/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 87,07,314/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 174100/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 10, Name of Work: Imp. & Dev. of lanes by pdg. RMC in S block Sawda JJ colony in ward no 35N in Narela Zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 99,62,000/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 92,13,023/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 184300/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 11, Name of Work: Construction of road by pdg. RMC from Mange ram house to Satish House alongwith M C Primary School in Bajitpur village in ward no 29N in Narela Zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 98,74,300/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 91,31,897/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 182600/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 12, Name of Work: Imp. Dev. of Lanes by Pdg. RMC from H.N0-2875 to 1584 & 1569 to 2861 Block -A, Phase-II, Metro Vihar Holambi Ward no-4N in Narela zone. H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 96,99,000/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 89,69,811/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 179400/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 13, Name of Work: Imp/Stg of Road by PDG RMC from H.N0-1 to 1568 & 1549 to 17 Block-A, Phase-II, Metro Vihar Holambi Ward no-4N in Narela zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 99,96,300/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 92,44,771/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 184900/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 14, Name of Work: Imp. Dev. of Lanes by Pdg. RMC from HNo-3053 to 1738 & 1755 to 3034 Block -A, Phase-II, Metro Vihar Holambi Ward no-4N in Narela zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 99,89,200/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 92,38,201/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 184800/- , **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 15, Name of Work: Imp. Dev. of Lanes by Pdg. RMC from HNo-1464 to 1434 & 2201 to 2265 Block -B, Phase-II, Metro Vihar Holambi Ward no-4N In Narela zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 99,20,500/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 91,74,664/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 183500/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 16, Name of Work: Imp. Dev. of Lanes by Pdg. RMC from HNo-2791 to 2826 & 2486 to 2284 Block C, Phase-II, Metro Vihar Holambi Ward no-4N in Narela zone. H/Ac. **XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 98,55,200/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 91,14,230/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 182300/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

S.No.: 17, Name of Work: Imp. Dev. of Lanes by Pdg. RMC from H. no- 3006 to 2971, 3216 to 3233, 715 to 698 & 618 to 723 Block C, Phase-II, Metro Vihar Holambi Ward no-4N in Narela zone. **H/Ac. XL-VIII-S, Estimated cost (Rs.):** 99,49,200/-, **Tender amount (Rs.):** 92,01,170/-, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 184000/-, **Tender cost (Rs.):** 1000/-, **Time of completion:** 04 Months

Detailed terms and conditions can be seen on the website **http:// www.tenderwizard.com.** Tender documents are available on the website **http://www.tenderwizard.com** for bidding by approved/ eligible contractors in M.C.D.

R.O. No. 30/DPI/North/2019-20 **Ex. Engineer (Project) Narela**

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-NOTICE OF INVITATION TENDER

Divisional Railway Manager, N.W.Rly. Bikaner for and on behalf of President of India invites open E-tender for the following works on the date shown below. **Tender No :** S&T/BKN/ET 139 **Name of Work with its Location :** " Renewal of switch & crossing with in connection with TTR work and TRR (P) work of RE-HSR section of Bikaner Division." **Approx. Cost of Work :** 3250158.73/- **Earnest Money Rs. :** 65000/- **Date & Time for submission of Tender :** Up to 15.00 Hrs. of 22.07.2019 **Website from Which complete Tender details can be seen & download : www.ireps. gov.in**

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EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE

e-tender Notice No- 19 of 2019-20 (Open) - Engg./MGS.

On line (through E-tendering) for the following work is invited by DRM/Engg./ MGS for and on behalf of the President of India from experienced and financially as well as technically sound contractors including those enlisted with the Railway, CPWD,BSNL,MES,PWD and other public sector undertakings.

Tender No.-07-MGS-Sr.DEN-III-19-20, (1) Name of Work with its location: Provision of Running room at ANH and NBG station in B.D. Section under ADEN/JPL .**(2)Approx. cost of the work:** ₹ 20000873.30**(3) Earnest Money:** ₹ 250000.00

Tender No.-08-MGS-Sr.DEN-III-19-20, (1) Name of Work with its location: Hiring of Running Multi Utility Vehicle for SSE(P.Way)/East and West/JPL under ADEN/JPL. **(2)Approx. cost of the work:** ₹ 979053.84 **(3) Earnest Money:** ₹ 19600.00

(4) Date & time for submission of e-tender : 08.07.2019, Up-to 15.00 Hrs. (5) Website particulars of e-tendering: www.ireps.gov.in

Divisional Railway Manager, Mughalsarai
PR/579/MGS/Engg./T/19-20/40

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
Tender Notice

TENDER NOTICE NO. MP-2-L-RR-RGD-TIA-1-2019, dtd.21.06.2019, Open Tenders under Two Packet System are invited on behalf of the President of India for under mentioned work. **Sl.No. 1. Name of work with its location:** Letting out of maintenance (management) contract of Running Room/RGD & Running Room/TIA under Sr. Section Engineer (Loco)/DNR for the period of 02 years. **Sl.No. 2. Approx. Cost of the work:** Rs.1,40,61,677.40 (Rupees One Crore Forty Lakh SixtyOne Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Seven and Paise Forty Only). **Sl.No. 3. Earnest money to be deposited:** Rs.2,20,300/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twenty Thousand Three Hundred Only). Payment of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in respect of e-tendering should be accepted through net banking or payment gateway only on **www.ireps.gov. in Sl.No. 4. Date & time for submission of tender and opening of tender:** Date & time for submission of tender up to 12.07.2019 at 12.00 hrs. on www.ireps.gov. in Date & time of opening of tender 12.07.2019 at 12.30 hrs. on **www.ireps. gov.in. Sl.No. 5. Website particulars & Notice Board location where complete details of tender can be seen etc. and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc:** Detailed tender notice, eligibility criteria & tender documents on website: **www.ireps.gov.in.** Detail instruction is available in Tender document.

Divisional Mechanical Engineer (DM)
East Central Railway, Danapur.
PR/594/DNR/MECH/T/19-20/44

TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT CORPORATION (CBE) LTD,
37, METTUPALAYAM ROAD : COIMBATORE-641 043.

TENDER NOTICE NO: 01/2019-20

Sealed Tenders with two cover system are invited in the prescribed format for the supply of **Leyland** and **Tata vehicle Spares,** Plasti felt, PU Solvent and EPDM Flap items from the eligible tenderers.

The tender schedules containing EMD, specifications, terms and conditions can be obtained in person from **M/s.TNSTC (CBE) Ltd.,** 37, Mettupalayam Road, Coimbatore-641 043 upto **26.07.2019 - 3.30 pm** on payment of **Rs.500/-** and **Rs.100/-** extra for Speed Post/Courier. The last date for submission of tender is **26.07.2019- 4.30 PM.**

The tender forms can also be downloaded at free of cost from **www.tenders.tn.gov.in.**

DIPR/ 2171 /TENDER/2019 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (P&W)M.P.P.G.C.L.;A.T.P.S.; CHACHAI
Phone 07659-263469; FAX 07659-263283
Web site : www.mppgenco.nic.in , Email- sepnwatps@gmail.com

No. 001-04/P&W/NIT/1412 **Chachai dtd. 25/06/19**

NOTICE INVITING TENDER
"Through E-tendering only"

M.P. Power Generating Co. Ltd. Invites electronic tenders from experienced contractors/vendors for the works/ supplies as detailed below for ATPS, MPPGCL, Chachai:-

Tender ID.	Name of works/ Material	Estimated cost (In Rs.)	Quantity / Period of work	Tender cost including GST	EMD Rs.	Last date of submission of tender	Due date of Technical opening of tender
2019_ MPPGC_ 33947	Work contract for transportation of coal from stock of Amlai OCM and unloading the coal at Sangma siding for ATPS MPPGCL Chachai	1,48,41,265/-	3,60,000 MT/ 06 Months	5000/-	3,71,100/-	06.07.19 Upto 15:00 HRS	09.07.19 From 15:30 HRS Onwards

Note: - For details please visit the website www.mptenders.gov.in For any change in specification/technical data please visit regularly our website www.mptenders.gov.in any addendum/corrigendum shall not be published in news paper.

"SAVE ELECTRICITY" **SE (P&W)**
ATPS MPPGCL Chachai

Govt. of Bihar
Department of Labour Resources, Government of Bihar
B-Wing, 2nd Floor, Niyojan Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna-800001
Phone: 0612- 2533855 Fax: 0612-2535004
Email: **seclab-bih@nic.in** Website: **http://www.labour.bih.nic.in**

Notice Inviting Request for Proposal

RFP No:**Labour-55/2018-02**

The Special Secretary, Labour Resources Department, Bihar, Patna invites e-Tenders **(Re-tendering of the RFP No. Labour-55/2018-01 dated 01.03.2019)**based on SBD (two bids) from experienced Firms / Bidders / Organization for the work of **"Comprehensive Housekeeping, Maintenance (Civil, Electrical, etc.) Security and Operation, Catering contract (for 5 year) for DashrathManjhi Institute of Labour & Employment Studies (DMILES) at Near Bihar Veterinary College Ground, Patna, Bihar"**

Kindly note that the selection of agencies under this RFP will not guarantee allocation of work and tendering authority will assume no liability or cost towards it.The tendering authority makes no commitments, express or implied, that this process will result in a business transaction between anyone.

Document Fee and Tender Processing Fee: All Applicants have to pay a non-refundable Document Fee of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees TenThousands only) and Tender Processing Fee of Rs. 1,180.00 (One Thousand One Hundred Eighty only) **through e-payment mode** (i.e. NEFT/RTGS/Credit Card/Debit Card) on E-Proc Portal.

Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): An EMD of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Two Lakh) only, in the form of a **Demand Draft** drawn from a Scheduled commercial Bank of India in favor of **"The Special Secretary, Labour Resources Department, GOB, payable at Patna** should be submitted **in the hard copy** in the office of **The Special Secretary, Labour Resources Department,** # B-Wing, 2nd Floor, Niyojan Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna-800001, on or before 03:00 PM of 19.07.2019, failing which the bid will be rejected.

Note: EMD should not be paid through on-line mode. EMD paid through on-line mode will be outright rejected.

The Proposal has to be submitted through online mode on https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in **and can be searched by clicking the Tab "Tender Free View" on home page of above website and then going to Live Tender/ Hot Tender by searching Department Name as "Labour Resources Department"**

The Proposal has to be submitted **in online mode** containing following cover stage-

A) Technical Bid Open Stage
B) Cost Bid Open Stage

The application procedure, eligibility criteria, evaluation methodology, terms and conditions and the scope of work are detailed in this RFP which can be seen or downloaded from the "e-Procurement Portal https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in and departmental **website:** http://www.labour.bih.nic.in. The RFP will be available to download from the above website from 26.06.2019 to 18.07.2019 (15:00 Hrs.). The last date for uploading of proposal/bid will be 19.07.2019 up to 15.00 Hrs. Technical Bid will be opened on 19.07.2019 at 16:00 Hrs. Please refer RFP document for complete details.

The undersigned reserves the right to issue addendum/corrigendum/modification or to accept or reject any or all proposal(s) or to cancel the whole of this RFP at any stage without assigning any reason thereof and no bidder shall have any cause of action or claim against the undersigned or DMILES for the same.

For further details please visit website **www.prdbihar.gov.in**

Special Secretary,
Department of Labour Resources, Government of Bihar,
B-Wing, 2nd Floor, Niyojan Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna – 800001

PR. No. 03349(Labour Dept) 2019-20

कम उम्र की शादी रोकें, जीवन की बर्बादी रोकें।

Office of the Superintending Engineer
Central Equipment & Stores Procurement Circle-II, Irrigation & Water Resources Department, Uttar Pradesh, Ganga Sinchai Bhawan, Telibagh, LUCKNOW-226025
INVITATION FOR BIDS
e-Tender Notice No. TE-898/2019-20

On behalf of the honorable Governor of Uttar Pradesh online e-bids in three parts namely (i) Earnest Money Bid (ii) Technical bid and (iii) Price bid are invited simultaneously by the undersigned only from ISO: 9001-2008/2015 certified Original Manufacturers, registered with Director of Industries of the State/N.S.I.C./ Ministry of Industries, Government of India as original manufacturers for ISI marked M.S.(E.R.W.) Pipes, on variable price up to 17.00 Hours on 27.07.2019. The details of eligibility, qualification and procedure of submission of bids etc. are available in the bidding document uploaded on the U.P. Government e-procurement website **http://etender.up.nic.in**. The undersigned reserves the right to cancel any or all the e-bids/ annul the bidding process without assigning any reason. In case of any variation in English and Hindi version of this tender notice, English version shall prevail. Items mentioned below are for irrigation purpose only. The details of different activities are as follows:

(a)	Manufacture and supply of ISI marked Steel Tubes used for Water Wells of type- Electric Resistance Welded (ERW) Grade Fe 410 conforming to IS:4270/2001 (Third Revision) with its latest amendment if any and Departmental Technical Specifications. The workmanship for pipe manufacturing shall conform to IS/ISO: 3183-2007(para 8.4 of IS: 1978-1982) with its latest amendment if any."	
	Plain End housing Pipe Nominal Bore 350mm, wall thickness 8.0mm, weight 68.57 kg/m in length of 4 to 7 meters.	Apporx. 1038 M.T.
(b)	Date & time for Availability of the bid document on website.	03.07.2019 From 17.00 Hours onwards
(c)	Period for online Bid submission.	15.07.2019 from 10.00 Hours 27.07.2019 up to 17.00 Hours
(d)	Period upto which Hard copy of bid Document Fee, Bid Security/ Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents will be deposited in the office concerned	29.07.2019 up to 14.00 Hours
(e)	Online opening date & time of Part "A" i.e. Earnest Money Bid.	29.07.2019 at 15.00 Hours
(f)	Online opening date & time of Part "B" i.e. Technical Bid.	02.08.2019 at 15.00 Hours
(g)	Online opening date & time of Part "C" i.e. Price Bid.	09.08.2019 at 15.00 Hours
(h)	Venue of opening of bid.	Office of The Superintending Engineer, Central Equipment & Stores Procurement Circle-II, Ganga Sinchai Bhawan; Telibagh, Lucknow(U.P.)-226025. Ph. No. 0522 2442475
(i)	Bid document fee.	Rs. 29,500.00 (Rs. Twenty Nine Thousand Five Hundred only)
(j)	Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit).	Rs. 6,82,500.00 (Rs. Six Lac Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred only)
(k)	Period of Delivery (from the date of issue of acceptance letter) throughout U.P.	50 Days

UPID NO-141517 DATE-25.06.2019
WWW.UPGOV.NIC.IN

Sd/-
Superintending Engineer
Central Equipment & Stores Procurement Circle-II,
Irrigation & Water Resources Department, U.P., Lucknow

At thousands of homes along the Yamuna, no option but to wait for the water to rise

NAOMI KLINGE & AMIL BHATNAGAR
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EACH MONSOON season, Gyaan Devi and her family of eight carry their belongings to higher ground as the flooded Yamuna engulfs her home. "We make sure to pack all books because kids still have to go to school," Devi said.

Living on the floodplains in Sonia Vihar comes with the risk, or in this case, near guarantee, of relocation. Devi has lived in the floodplains for four years, and has been temporarily relocated every year.

She said the first warning comes when water begins to submerge their crops, usually around July 20. As water rises to about waist level, the families must be moved to camps placed on the adjacent, elevated road by the Delhi government.

With monsoons expected to hit Delhi in the first week of July, people on the Yamuna floodplains are already concerned about their crops.

On Tuesday, the Chief Minister held a meeting with the Chief Secretary and officials in the Irrigation and Flood Control Department, announcing that an apex committee will be set up to monitor water levels and coordinate rescue and relief measures in case of flooding.

Families at Sonia Vihar say crop damage is a constant concern. *Prem Nath Pandey*

Flood control and rescue operations require coordination between 13 government agencies, including municipal corporations, police, DDA and Delhi Jal Board.

Last year, more than 20,000 people were displaced from their homes, according to data maintained by the Flood and Irrigation Control Department. Residents believe this year will be worse.

"Last year, the officials arrived at 9 pm and told us it was time to leave, without warning," said Meena, a Sonia Vihar resident.

Up at the camps, those who are displaced are often provided more services than they have at home — food, water, electricity, bathrooms and other basic services. But they receive no compensation for the crops and homes they lose. When it's time to return home, sometimes more than two months later, their *jhuggis* made of sand and straw need to be completely rebuilt, and land for their crops can remain damaged for six months.

"People on the floodplains are the most vulnerable," said K Mahesh, district magistrate of East District, who coordinated the rescue from floodplains last year. He said many people don't want to leave their homes for the camps, but once there, services they are provided make some of them not want to go back.

But those in Sonia Vihar say that isn't always the case. "The food is often contaminated with insects, and it causes the children to fall ill with fever," Meena claimed.

Bhagirath, a resident of Geeta Colony, however said that food at the camps is good, but crops are a constant worry. "The next two weeks are crucial to see if they survive," Bhagirath said.

He fears this year could see the worst flooding in a while as water is rising in the river already, even as monsoon hit Uttarakhand, where the river originates, only on Monday. "The last time my *jhuggi* was fully submerged was in 2013, and this year I think it will come up to the roofs again," Bhagirath said. He expects the first warnings to come from the administration in early July.

Last year, the highest the Yamuna swelled was 205.98 metres on August 31. In 2013, the river reached 207.32 metres, the second highest in Delhi's recorded history. The highest was in 1978, when the water level touched 207.49 metres.

Nikhil Kumar, secretary at the Delhi Irrigation and Flood Control Department, said they monitor water levels and if it rises beyond a certain point, they alert various relief departments, coordinated by district magistrates, regarding evacuation.

"Evacuation is a need-based activity, the district magistrates take a decision on it... We can assist them in relief operations, for instance in case of waterlogging or using our motor boats for evacuation," Kumar said.

This year, a control room has been set up behind the DM's office since June 15 and it gives hourly reports of levels of the Yamuna. "There is really no reason for people to live on the floodplains," Mahesh said.

Many of the people living on the floodplains of Sonia Vihar come from villages in Uttar Pradesh, but they don't go home during the floods for fear of abandoning their farms. Mahesh said many residents even want to stay in tents that overlook their farms so they can keep an eye on them.

"They are very much attached to the place, and this is a big problem," he said.

Birendar Kumar, who has been living on the floodplains of Geeta Colony for 12 years, said he can't leave because he has nowhere else to make a stable income.

"Every year I lose around Rs 50,000 to the floods," Birendar said, adding that it's still better than earning nothing at all.

LIVING AT RISK

48 kilometres Length of Yamuna in Delhi

204.83 m Danger level

205.98 m Highest level last year

- Highest level ever recorded **207.49 m in 1978**
- People evacuated last year: **20,000**

HAD CHANGED IDENTITY

Untraced till date, accused in 2011 Neetu Solanki murder dies in Gurgaon

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

Neetu Solanki, Raju Gehlot

ABSCONDING SINCE 2011 for allegedly killing his live-in partner Neetu Solanki and dumping her body outside New Delhi Railway Station, the accused, Raju Gehlot, died in a private hospital in Gurgaon — with police having failed to track him since the murder that had made headlines.

According to police, the accused had been working with an automobiles company for the last seven years after changing his identity. He was hospitalised with a liver ailment recently.

Gehlot and Solanki lived together at a rented accommodation in Hari Nagar, and he had allegedly killed her after a heated argument. A proclaimed offender, he carried a reward of Rs 2 lakh on his head.

"A team of the inter-state cell of Crime Branch recently received information from Gehlot's relatives that he had been admitted to a hospital and had called his family. A team went to the hospital Wednesday afternoon and came to know that he had died earlier in the day," a senior officer said, adding that police will now submit his death certificate in court.

On checking hospital records, police found he got himself admitted with abdomen pain on June 21, and was diagnosed with liver infection, police said, adding that he died of organ failure.

Solanki's body had been found stuffed in a travelling bag near the New Delhi Railway Station on February 11, 2011, and she had remained unidentified until February 23. Police had only one clue — a peacock tattoo on her abdomen. Her father met police after he identified her from photographs. She used to work in the hospitality sector of a private airline.

Gehlot's involvement in killing Solanki was revealed after the arrest of his relative Naveen Shokeen, who was aware of the incident. Gehlot was then chargesheeted.

During investigation, police found that after killing her, he went to Goa, but in 2012, he came back and started staying in Gurgaon. He was initially in touch with his parents and used 15 different SIM cards and phones. "He later joined a private company after changing his identity to one Rohan Dahiya and started working as a reporting officer. He stayed in a paying guesthouse," an officer said, adding that his colleagues told police he was "low key" in office and would come early but often leave late.

Gehlot, whose uncle is a retired ACP, did his graduation from College of Vocational Studies in Delhi University. He also did a Masters in Tourism from the same college and later opted for a diploma in French from an institute in South Delhi. He joined Indian Airlines as a crew member in 2006 and was given an official accommodation in Air India Colony, Vasant Vihar. When he stopped reporting for work, airline officials locked the house.

According to police, on February 11, the day Solanki's body was found, Gehlot made several calls to his cousin, Shokeen. Gehlot allegedly confessed to the murder to Shokeen, and asked for his car to dispose of the body, police said. Shokeen told police he refused and later called a radio taxi service, but was told that no cabs were available. Solanki then boarded an autorickshaw and went to the railway station. An autorickshaw driver who saw him drop the bag was police's main witness.

BRIEFLY

'Autonomy for DU colleges possible'

New Delhi: M K Sridhar, Member of the National Education Policy (NEP) Committee, Wednesday said constituent colleges of Delhi University (DU) will be considered part of the university "to begin with", but may be autonomous later on so they can "blossom". Sridhar was addressing questions at an event organised by the ABVP-led Delhi University Students' Union (DUSU) at Constitution Club of India. Sridhar said he was in talks with stakeholders regarding the policy.

Man falls on Metro tracks

New Delhi: A man, allegedly in an inebriated state, suffered injuries when he fell on the Metro tracks at Barakhamba Road station Wednesday, DMRC officials said.

Seven injured in Narela fire

New Delhi: A fire broke out at a shop in North Delhi's Narela in the early hours of Wednesday, injuring seven people, including two minors. The blaze started from the shop on the ground floor of the building at 4.30 am and spread to the house nearby.

JNU scholar dead in road accident

New Delhi: A PhD research scholar at Jawaharlal Nehru University died after his scooter crashed a divider in Kishangarh, while he was en route to his hostel Tuesday night, police said.

AAP govt launches pilot project

New Delhi: The Delhi government Wednesday launched a year-long pilot project under which up to 1,000 electric vehicles would be pressed into service by last-mile delivery companies working for e-commerce and food portals. Over 30 players have taken part in the event hosted by the Delhi government. **ENS**

Tiwari eyes city's minority areas for 'slum stay' plan

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

Tiwari started the programme from Sultanpuri Wednesday

DELHI BJP chief Manoj Tiwari said he will focus on 12 reserved and five minority dominated Assembly constituencies as part of his 'Slum Stay' programme, during which he will spend his nights in slums and listen to issues faced by residents.

Tiwari, who kickstarted the programme from Sultanpuri Wednesday night, said he took the decision after seeing the party's performance in reserved Assembly segments in the recently concluded parliamentary elections, and because he wanted to ensure people in these constituencies continue to support the party. "We believe in our PM's vision of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas and Sabka Vishwas'..." he said.

A senior party leader said that while the exact location of Tiwari's visits to minority dominated areas is not clear, he is expected to visit Okhla, Seelampur, Matiamahal, Ballimaran and Chandni Chowk within the next month. "As Assembly elections are due next year, the BJP's strategy is to keep the existing vote share intact while focusing on areas where the party fears losing," the leader said.

Tiwari had launched the 'Slum Stay' programme two years ago to make a dent in the AAP's vote bank in slum clusters.

Meanwhile, Delhi unit of the BJP may go for an organisational reshuffle in September-October, if Assembly polls in the capital are not held early, party sources said.

Preparations for Assembly polls and party's membership drive were discussed in a meeting with national general secretary (organisation) Ramlal Monday.

WASTELAND

Spotted at Ghazipur landfill, Wednesday. As per officials, at the current rate of growth, the landfill will be taller than the Taj Mahal by 2020. *Tashi Tobgyal*

Snatchers target DU prof out for a walk in North Campus

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

OUT FOR a morning walk, a Delhi University professor was intercepted by three bike-borne men, who snatched his gold chain after a brief scuffle in the heart of North Campus Tuesday.

Police have so far been unable to track the three accused, who did not wear helmets to mask their faces. Investigators have looked into two CCTVs but have been unable to get a clear grab of their faces.

Officers said Dr Subhash Kumar Singh was attacked in an area where there's regular patrolling by PCR vans. Dr Singh, who teaches Sanskrit at Kirori Mal College and stays in the teacher's staff quarters, left for a stroll at 4:45 am, wearing a gold chain and carrying an iron rod in his hands to keep dogs away.

"I was returning to the college... it was a 700-metre stretch... I was around Ramjas College, near Sudama tea stall, when the three men came from behind. One of them got down and snatched my chain," he told *The Indian Express*.

Police said the three snatchers, who came on a bike, did not have their faces covered

In a desperate bid to get his chain back, he flinged the rod at the attacker, but the latter ducked and managed to get on the bike and flee the spot. "There have been incidents of mobile phones being snatched, but attacking a teacher like this is unheard of... That chain was a gift from my mother. But I'm not scared; I took a walk again this morning," Singh said.

Police have registered a case under IPC sections 356 (assault or criminal force in attempt to commit theft of property carried by a person), 379 (theft), and 34 (common intention) at Maurice Nagar police station. So far, police have deputed a sub-inspector, who checked a CCTV camera outside Kirori Mal Hostel and found the view blocked by trees, and another CCTV in the vicinity which was not functioning.

"We have made a list of all escape routes and will check CCTV footage. There were no eyewitnesses at the time. Since the bike-borne men did not cover their faces, we expect to apprehend them soon," said a police officer.

As per Delhi Police data, till June 15 this year, a total of 3,077 snatching cases have been registered by police. Last year, 2,983 cases were recorded in the same period. Police have laid special emphasis on clamping down on snatching as they found that a majority of the accused persons involved in such cases are first-time criminals.

Man, his brother booked for 'killing woman over dowry'

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NOIDA POLICE have booked a man and his brother for allegedly shooting the former's wife over dowry. Reena (31) was returning from work Monday when she was shot in the back by unidentified men. She was admitted to a nearby hospital where she was declared dead on arrival, police said.

"We have received a complaint from the family of the deceased against her husband, Sonu, and brother-in-law Devendra. They have alleged that the husband and his brother killed her since she could not fulfil their dowry demands. They have alleged that the victim's in-laws blamed her for being unable to bear a child. The matter is under investigation," said an official of the Phase 2 police station.

Reena, who hailed from Hapur, got married to Sonu 15 years ago. Sonu worked as a security guard at a private company and both of them lived at a rented accommodation in Baghel. "Sonu would often beat her. The family also blamed her for not bearing a child," claimed Yogesh, Reena's brother.

Inspector who first probed case kept in touch with accused kin

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL
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IN 2011, Ritesh Sharma was a sub-inspector when his superior officer received the case file of Neetu Solanki, whose body was found outside the New Delhi Railway Station. The case was later transferred to several inspectors, but Sharma constantly kept in touch with the family members of absconding Raju Gehlot, who was the prime suspect.

For the last three days, Sharma had been on leave, and was planning to go out of station when he received a call from Gehlot's relative on Wednesday morning. The relative informed him that Gehlot called his mother on Tuesday and told her that he was admitted in a hospital.

Sharma, now an inspector, swung into action and informed his seniors. He reached his office and then headed to Gurgaon to conduct a raid in the hospital where Gehlot was admitted. "After reaching there, doctors informed us that he died Wednesday due to organ failure," he told *The Indian Express*.

Sharma said, "We conducted several raids, but he remained elusive. I remained in touch with his family members and used to call them every few weeks....

"My senior officer, Additional CP Ashok Chand, was heading our unit when we got this case. Even on his retirement day, he was unhappy we couldn't solve it," he said.

MNC EMPLOYEES, EXCHANGE STUDENTS ATTEND

China to Russia, Centre's Hindi institute serves as meeting point

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

FROM SAMSUNG'S South Korean employees to Chinese students on an exchange programme, the Central Institute of Hindi run by the Ministry of Human Resource Development opens its doors every year to dozens of students keen on picking up the language.

This time, 22 South Korean employees of Samsung have enrolled for the upcoming session, which will begin in August — in the first mass enrollment to the institute by employees of a single organisation.

According to the institute's regional director Pramod Kumar Sharma, another more recent phenomenon is the frequency with which South Americans are enrolling at the institute. However, the largest number of students have consistently been from China because of government exchange programmes, and since these students receive scholarships to study at the institute.

In 2018-2019, the institute had 61 students. Of these, 22 were from China, 15 from South Korea, seven from Russia, four from Ukraine, three from Myanmar, two from Argentina, and one each from Japan, Egypt, Guatemala, Peru, Mexico, Kazakhstan and Hong Kong.

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Students from China, Russia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan are beneficiaries of scholarships through the Indian Council for Cultural Relations. Apart from this, the institute operates through an open application process and students pay a fee of Rs 31,000 per year. "The open fee-paying international teaching programme began in 1992 and initially most of those who enrolled were from the US and European countries. Recently, we have been seeing an increasing number of students from South Korea and Japan. Many are employees of South Korean companies like LG and Samsung in India...," said Sharma.

Sharma attributes the interest to a mix of factors. "There are many who cite an interest in Hindi cinema as the entry point of their interest in the language. Many see economic opportunities — they look for jobs in embassies, and want to start joint venture companies in their countries. Interestingly, translating, dubbing and subtitling for Hindi cultural content is a big business," he said.

For Chinese students though, some compulsions are different. A total of 21 of the students in the 2018-2019 batch are B.A. Hindi students in Chinese universities and the third-year of their programme is spent in the Indian institute. The students admit that for many of them, Hindi was not the first option. "I wanted to study German but I did not get enough marks in the entrance exam," said Mu Yajuan, whose "Hindi" name — given to her by her teacher back at her university — is Krisha.

But Zhong Xiaoqing — "Hindi" name Akira — said that the language came to her easily. "It's because I like watching Hindi cinema. The number of people who can speak Hindi... is increasing because students are being enrolled to it in our universities," she said.

FROM THE GALLERY

FROM THE CHAIR

RAJYA SABHA

"Elections are over. The campaign has ended. Results are out. It would be better if we now focus on what needs to be done in the future... This suggestion applies to all."

VENKAIAH NAIDU,

Chairman interjected when Kirori Lal Meena of the BJP began to speak and said that the Congress was using tribal people as a vote bank.

LOK SABHA

"Now, no one needs to thank the chair. Your names have come up in a lottery. Just go ahead and speak."

OM BIRLA,

Speaker in a bid to hasten the proceedings in the House.

ROLL CALL

PRIME MINISTER: Present
SONIA GANDHI: Present
RAHUL GANDHI: Not Present

5 QUESTIONS

TR BAALU, DMK MP FROM TAMIL NADU'S SRIPERUMBUDUR CONSTITUENCY, RAISED THE ISSUE OF WATER CRISIS IN CHENNAI. HE ACCUSED THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF INACTION AND DEMANDED THAT THE CENTRE SHOULD SEND WATER TRAINS TO TAMIL NADU. HE SPOKE TO **DEEPTIMAN TIWARY**.

How acute is the water crisis in Tamil Nadu?
All lakes which are the source of water for the city have dried up. Last year, the lakes in Chennai had 2,960 million CFT of water. On May 29 this year, the amount of water in the lakes was measured to be just 76 million CFT. Given that we are at the end of June, this must have further dropped. So you can see the sharp drop as far as Chennai is concerned. More than 10,000 tankers are bringing water from outside to meet the needs of Chennai.

What is the situation in rest of Tamil Nadu?
All major rivers in the state, be it Cauvery, Vaigai, Ponnaiyar, Amaravati, are drying up and look parched. All the sources of water in Tamil Nadu have also dried up. They have begun to look like a desert. Farmers are suffering. Many have lost crops, even in the delta area. The situation has worsened because of the government allowing hydrocarbon exploration in the delta area. People at the helm of affairs are busy celebrating the Lok Sabha victory, while people of Tamil Nadu are looking at the sky for rain.

What is the reason for this acute scarcity of water in Chennai?
The water table has been depleting. The government should have made plans in advance. When Stalin was deputy CM, construction of two desalination plants was started. But it has not been completed so far. Even after so many years, nothing has happened.

What is the solution to this problem?
The short term solution is to bring water to the city and the state through rail tankers. But long term measures need to be taken. They have to establish desalination plants across the coastal areas. At least 20 desalination plants are needed so that next year we do not face the same problem. The government should learn how to store water. People need to be sensitised on water conservation. We need to recharge the water table.

How have the state and central government responded?
They are quiet. The central government's response has been quite lukewarm. The state government also has not done anything. The government must ensure that train tankers are sent immediately to Tamil Nadu from the neighbouring states.

Those not ready to accept mistakes blame EVMs: PM

Don't have majority in RS but people's verdict should not be throttled, he says

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

PICKING UP from where he left on Tuesday in Lok Sabha, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a searing attack on the Congress on Wednesday, accusing the party of displaying sheer arrogance by rejecting the mandate of the people and raising doubts over electronic voting machines (EVMs). Referring to former President Pranab Mukherjee's remarks, he asked the Opposition not to stall important legislations in Rajya Sabha where the NDA does not have a majority.

In his nearly 70-minute speech laced with sarcasm, he said the BJP is told that "you have won the elections, but the country has lost". "There is no greater insult to India's democracy and its people...has India lost in Wayanad and Rae Bareli...in Berhampur and Thiruvananthapuram...what kind of argument is this? Does that mean that if the Congress has lost, the country has lost...so that means India means Congress and Congress means India. There is a limit for arrogance," Modi said.

Modi criticised the Congress for doubting the EVMs, calling it a new disease. He said the BJP had only two seats at one point of time but had worked tirelessly to reach where it is now. "If one doesn't have faith in oneself and if there is an absence of capability... then one looks for excuses... Those who are not ready to introspect and accept mistakes... they blame EVMs..."

He asked the Congress and the opposition not to disappoint their cadres.

"If you have the courage, come forward, prepare your cadre... this was not the last election... more elections will come... why are you so dejected?" he said. The Prime Minister said it was also mentioned in the House that the BJP won because of the media. "Is the media on sale? Was it on sale in Tamil Nadu and Kerala (where Congress and its allies won)," he asked. He also asked the political parties to consider his 'one nation, one election' suggestion instead of rejecting it without even giving it a thought.

The Prime Minister said that as many as 113 Assembly elections and four Lok Sabha elections were held using EVM, which was first used in 1982, and argued that every party has come to power in states in elections held using EVMs. Taking a dig at the Congress, he said EVMs were introduced by the party's government. "You have a penchant for taking credit for everything. Take credit for this too. Why are you crying now after losing an election? What kind of attitude is this?"

Arguing that several Bills have lapsed as the Rajya Sabha did not pass them before the end of the 16th Lok Sabha's term, Modi said the Upper House is a part of the federal structure of the country and its members must introspect and cooperate in framing of crucial legislations. He said those parties which had obstructed constructive work in Rajya Sabha have been punished by the voters in the recent general elections.

Modi said Pranab Mukherjee had once said that the majority has got the mandate to rule and the minority has the got the mandate to oppose but "nobody has got the mandate to obstruct". "We don't have majority in Rajya Sabha but the verdict of the people should not be throttled in the House," he said.

Taking a jibe at Leader of the Opposition Ghulam Nabi Azad who had said that he wanted the old India back, Modi said, "Do they want an old India where a Cabinet decision is torn in a press conference, where Navy assets are used for picnic, where scams are order of the day, where 'tukde-tukde' gang gets the support of leaders..."

PM Modi in Rajya Sabha: 'Has India lost in Wayanad and Rae Bareli... in Berhampur and Thiruvananthapuram... what kind of argument is this?' *PTI*

PM insulted RS, BJP must look into own track record: Cong

New Delhi: Hours after PM Narendra Modi said that parties which had obstructed work in the Upper House have been punished by voters, the Congress alleged that the Prime Minister has insulted the Council of States and that the BJP should look into its own track record as the main opposition party from 2004 to 2014 when several Bills were stopped.

"The Prime Minister has insulted the Rajya Sabha... He (PM) has called Rajya Sabha obstructionist... Rajya Sabha is doing its constitutional duty to ensure that every legislation goes through the legislative and parliamentary scrutiny before it is passed...," senior Congress leader Anand Sharma said. He said the BJP's own track record between 2004 and 2014, particularly between 2009 and 2014, should be made public. "How many Bills were stopped, how many constitutional amendments could not be passed..." **ENS**

BJP's idea of one election, one face, one ideology not acceptable to India: Cong

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REJECTING PRIME Minister Narendra Modi's 'one nation, one election' proposal, the Congress on Wednesday said the BJP's idea of "one election, one face, one ideology" is not acceptable to India and asked the ruling party to desist from "dividing the country for votes".

Taking part in the debate on Motion of Thanks to the President's Address, senior Congress leader Anand Sharma asked the BJP to recognise efforts made by previous governments since Independence and not disregard them. He listed out the years when IITs and IIMs were founded, Pokhran nuclear tests and space programmes to underline contributions of past prime ministers to question the assertion in the President's address that the foundations of India's journey towards development were laid in 2014.

"Don't think the country started after 2014 and not after 1947 when India achieved Independence... respect and accept India's diversity.... The achievements made by India are by its scientists and why do you not recognise them," he asked.

He asked if, as the President had said, the foundation of a developed India was laid in 2014, "which India was it whose foundations were laid on August 15 1947, when people like Jawaharlal Nehru, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Maulana Azad etc were alive?"

"Jawaharlal Nehru spent the maximum time in British jails because he did not choose to write apology letters to get out... during the British-era all the states where Congress governments fell, Hindu Mahasabha and Muslim League formed the government supported by the British," he said. The reference was to RSS ideologue Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, who had reportedly written an apology letter to the British government for release from the Cellular Jail in Andaman. Sharma also read out excerpts of Patel's and Atal Bihari Vajpayee's statements on Nehru.

Rejecting the idea of 'one nation, one election' mentioned in the President's address, he said, "There is federal polity in the country, there is diversity. Our experience speaks that when governments have fallen and alternative ones have not been formed, mid-term elections have been held."

"You cannot have a forced majority, you cannot impose your decision. You cannot take away the rights of states on elections. When governments fall in states and alternative governments are not formed, will you impose President's rule then? This will not happen... I understand your thought. There should be one country, but one election, one face, one name, one ideology is not acceptable to India," Sharma said.

Sharma, who is deputy leader of the Congress in the Upper House, alleged that no prime minister has ever fought elections over the victory of armed forces as Modi did. He recalled how Indira Gandhi after the victory of Indian forces in the Bangladesh Liberation War said it was the victory of humanity and not hers, for which then opposition leader Vajpayee had lauded her.

Former tourism minister K J Alphons said it is only during the Modi government's tenure that minorities in the government have felt secure. "Before 2014, there were instances of Christians being beaten up, churches being burnt. Have any churches been burnt since Prime Minister Modi took charge?" He described the prime minister as the biggest brand ambassador for Indian tourism and called upon the opposition to "celebrate achievements of the country".

After his speech, SP leader Ramgopal Yadav said, "Such a competent man, he should be made minister again."

Abdul Wahab of IUML accused the BJP of starting a "new branch of engineering — election engineering".

TMC Rajya Sabha MP Sukhendu Sekhar Roy with Congress MP Adhir Ranjan Choudhury at Parliament House on Wednesday. *Anil Sharma*

Pulwama attack: J&K Governor blamed intel failure, MHA says no

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

WHILE JAMMU and Kashmir Governor Satya Pal Malik had earlier blamed an "intelligence failure" for the February 14 Pulwama attack that killed 40 CRPF men, the Ministry of Home Affairs on Wednesday denied the same in Parliament.

In a written reply in to a question on "whether the reason for Pulwama attack was intelligence failure", Minister of State for Home G Kishan Reddy denied in Rajya Sabha that there was any intelligence failure. "No" was Reddy's reply to Congress MP Syed Nasir Hussain's question.

In an interview to *The Indian Express* on February 15, Governor Malik had said that the Pulwama attack was partly the result of an intelligence failure, especially as security forces could not detect the loading and movement of the explosives-laden Scorpio.

"We cannot accept that (intelligence failure). We could not detect or check the vehicle full of explosives moving on the highway. We must accept that we are also at fault," Malik had said.

Mos (Home) G Kishan Reddy: 'NIA probe has identified conspirators, suicide attacker and vehicle provider'

He had admitted that while security forces were "eliminating" local militants, including those belonging to the Jaish-e-Mohammad, there was no warning or intelligence input about any of them being trained to become a "suicide bomber".

Malik had said, "The fact that we did not know that there was a fidayeen among them is also part of the intelligence failure. I can admit that. This man (the bomber identified as Adil Ahmad Dar) was very much on our list of suspects. But due to the pressure they were under, no one was giving them shelter in their homes. So he must have escaped to the jungles or the hills and got lost. We knew about him but could not trace him. This was just a chance thing and he was the rare one who got away. The rest have been getting killed."

In his question in Parliament, Nasir had also asked if there was no intelligence failure, how had the bomber car joined the highway from a slip road carrying around 300 kg of explosives.

To this, Reddy said, "Jammu and Kashmir is affected by terrorism sponsored and supported from across the border for the last three decades. However, owing to the policy of zero tolerance towards terrorism and sustained action against terrorists by the security forces, a large number of terrorists have been neutralised in the past few years. All agencies are working in a coordinated manner and the intelligence inputs are shared among various agencies on real time basis. The investigation by NIA into the Pulwama attack so far, has resulted in identifying the conspirators, suicide attacker and the vehicle provider."

Jharkhand murder a blot on humanity: Trinamool MP

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SENIOR TRINAMOOL Congress member Saugata Roy took up the issue of the death of Tabrez Ansari, days after he was attacked by a mob in Jharkhand, during the zero hour in Lok Sabha.

Roy said the victim had been in police custody for four days. "He had severe injuries on his head, and when he was brought to the hospital, he was already half dead," Roy said, terming it "a cold-blooded murder by a religiously-motivated mob". He described it as "a blot on humanity" and said, "The unfortunate thing is that this man was beaten up and made to say, Jai Sri Ram, Jai Hanuman".

Saugata Roy: 'This is religious intolerance'

Pointing towards the treasury benches, he said, "BJP members are speaking about West Bengal. You should rather protect the people in Jharkhand, a BJP-ruled state, and other places where people are being lynched to death. This is not the first case. This is an example of religious intolerance."

OPPN PROTESTS ORDINANCE ROUTE

Bill to allow trusts to set up units in SEZs gets LS nod

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A BILL seeking to allow trusts to set up units in special economic zones by amending the SEZ law was passed with a voice vote in the Lower House on Wednesday — the first legislation to be passed by the 17th Lok Sabha.

The Special Economic Zones (Amendment) Bill, 2019, will replace the Special Economic Zones (Amendment) Ordinance, 2019, which was promulgated in March. After the amendment of sub-section (v) of Section 2 of the SEZ Act, 2005, a trust or any entity notified by the Central government will be eligible to be considered for the grant of permission to set up a unit in SEZs.

The Bill will now be moved for passage in the Rajya Sabha where the government is short of a majority.

Introducing the Bill, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal claimed that special economic zones (SEZs) had played an important role in promoting exports and economic growth of the country.

Responding to protests by Opposition members against the adoption of the ordinance route, Goyal said that the government had to resort to an ordinance since Parliament was not functioning and the Bill was stuck. He rejected the contention of Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury, Congress group leader in Lok Sabha, that the concept of SEZ had failed in India. Goyal said that if the desired results had not been achieved, the previous Congress-led UPA government was to be blamed for it. He said the withdrawal of tax incentives in 2011 was a major reason for the SEZs not achieving expected results.

Piyush Goyal in Lok Sabha. *PTI*

Goyal said in 2014, SEZs had created 12 lakh jobs, and in 2019, the figure had risen to 20 lakh. After the ordinance was issued, the government received six applications for setting up SEZs, he said.

The minister maintained that it would be a good step to include trusts and any other entity or business firms which would come under the definition of "persons". He said things had changed since the law was introduced in 2005 and trusts had come forward for investments. He said that in order to develop India as an international financial centre, the government had set up GIFT city in Gujarat. Similar plans had been drawn for other parts of the country too, Goyal said.

Later moving a resolution opposing the ordinance, NK Premachandran of the RSP said that an ordinance could be promulgated only under compelling circumstances. "This is not a good practice and good governance... What was the exigency or emergency to bring this ordinance? I can not find any reason to promulgate such an ordinance at a time of election."

Premachandran said by empowering the government to notify any entity to set up units in SEZs, the Bill would take away the power of Parliament to decide such issues. The House rejected his resolution by a voice vote.

Sudip Bandyopadhyay of the Trinamool Congress felt that the SEZ system had proved to be a miserable failure. In June 2018, Baba Kalyani, Chairman of Bharat Forge Group from Pune, "had placed 121 points in an observation report", he said. "I expected that the minister will throw some light on it. But it was kept under dark. I am interested to know out of these 121 points, how many observations have this government accepted for implementation?" he said.

BJP leader Rajiv Pratap Rudy said the government was seeking to promote economic growth. However, he expressed his concern over no SEZs being established in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Jharkhand. The former minister also said that large tracts of land had been acquired for setting up SEZs, but very limited areas had been put to use.

TDP member Jayadev Galla said that instead of SEZs the country could benefit from Rural Economic Zones.

Congress's Shashi Tharoor said that SEZs could be driving engines of the economy but the government should not resort to promulgation of an ordinance. "According to replies in the House, 150 SEZs are non-operational. Half the land notified for SEZ is lying vacant; exports are not growing fast enough to help generate employment... " Tharoor said.

BJD's Bhartruhari Mahtab sought to know if SEZs would see investments at a time when the world market was facing gloom.

C R Patil named chairman of Lok Sabha panel

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LOK SABHA Speaker Om Birla on Wednesday appointed C R Patil, BJP MP from Gujarat, as the chairman of the House Committee of the Lower House. The panel deals with all matters relating to residential accommodation for Lok Sabha members.

C R Patil

Elected from Navsari, Patil has the distinction of recording the highest victory margin in the 2019 general elections.

The members of the committee are Kalyan Banerjee (Trinamool Congress), Prataprao Jadhav (Shiv Sena), K Kanimozhi (DMK), GM Siddeshwara, Sangeeta Kumari Singh Deo, Jaskaur Meena, Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma, Sudheer Gupta and Gopal Chinayya Shetty (all from the BJP), P V Midhun Reddy (YSRC) and Manickam Tagore (Congress).

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COLLECTING ACCOLADES

LOK SABHA Speaker Om Birla, who had started off conducting business in a very strict manner, chose to turn a new leaf on Wednesday. He sat through proceedings for over three hours, delaying even the lunch-break until 2.30 pm to let members, particularly the new ones, to raise issues of public interest during Zero Hour. This prompted Trinamool Congress member Saugata Roy to remark that Birla had even "forgotten his hunger pangs". "This is an example for posterity — how a Speaker should work," Roy added.

WORD'S WORTH

SPARINGLY USED English words are generally associated with Congress MP Shashi Tharoor. An exchange on complicated vocabulary, however, broke out between Congress MP Manish Tewari and Commerce and Railways Minister Piyush Goyal in Lok Sabha on Wednesday during the Question Hour. When Tewari said that Goyal was "filibustering" through his answers, the minister objected and asserted that the word had been used wrongly. Towards the close of Question Hour, Goyal rose again and this time read out the meaning of filibustering, to which Tewari objected. As the Speaker announced end of Question Hour while they argued, both were seen breaking into boisterous laughter.

RETURNING A FAVOUR

DELIVERING HIS speech on Wednesday, US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo recalled an anecdote about a friend who has helped him understand India. Pompeo said that Charles Vijendra Ghoorah, whom he calls "Chuck", has been his friend for over 25 years and he wanted to return the favour. So in 2016, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi was to address the US Congress, Pompeo, then a member of the US Congress, gave his ticket for the event to Chuck, who was quite happy "to be in the same room" as Modi and listen to him.

MEETING WITH CONGRESS LOK SABHA MPs

Rahul makes it clear to party MPs: Firm on quitting as chief

MANOJ C G
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

CONGRESS PRESIDENT Rahul Gandhi on Wednesday told the party's MPs that he was firm on his decision to step down, arguing that the principle of accountability at all levels has to be enforced and it should begin from the top.

At a meeting of Congress Lok Sabha MPs, presided over by Sonia Gandhi, Rahul is understood to have rejected suggestions for setting up a committee for introspection, stating that such exercises are meaningless.

Sonia is understood to have remained silent — she neither asked Rahul to reconsider his decision nor suggest any steps to find his successor or put in place an alternative mechanism.

Meanwhile, a seemingly orchestrated campaign — although in no way similar in scale to the dramatic scenes witnessed when Sonia had refused to take over as the Prime Minister following the UPA's victory in 2004 — has begun to mount pressure on Rahul to continue at the helm. Scores of Youth Congress workers on Wednesday converged outside Rahul's 12-Tughlaq Lane residence here, urging him to reconsider his decision. Several middle-level party leaders plan to begin an indefinite sit-in at the party's 24-Akbar Road headquarters from Thursday with the same appeal.

Congress president Rahul Gandhi at Parliament. *Anil Sharma*

Rahul had first expressed his wish to step down as Congress president at the Congress Working Committee meeting a month ago, but he is yet to force the party to put in place an alternative arrangement, or set in motion the exercise to find his successor.

During the CPC meeting, sources said, Tamil Nadu MP S Thirunavukkarasar broached the topic, after which member after member urged Rahul to continue. Sources said Manish Tewari and Shashi Tharoor made forceful attempts to persuade Rahul and the meeting, called to discuss the party's floor strategy in Lok Sabha, turned into a exercise in persuasion. Asking Rahul to reconsider his decision, Tewari, sources said, argued that the party should rather indulge in an honest, deeper analysis of what went wrong. Rahul is learnt to have replied that committees for introspection have become meaningless — at least one leader said Rahul felt committees are a mere eyewash.

Ludhiana MP Ravneet Singh is understood to have said that Rahul would walk into a BJP trap if he resigns, and that he will preside over the Congress's disintegration if he resigns now. Tharoor is learnt to have argued that any other leader who takes over as Congress president would be seen as weak and would not be able to command the legitimacy and credibility.

Tiruvallur MP K Jayakumar said the party's candidates in Tamil Nadu won by huge margins because of the perception that Rahul could be the next Prime Minister, sources said. He is understood to have said that Rahul was projected as the next Prime Minister by DMK chief M K Stalin himself. "What will we tell the voters when we go back," he is learnt to have asked.

Congress chief whip Kodikkunnil Suresh and several other MPs too weighed in. Sources said that after hearing Rahul's argument, many, including Suresh, felt he was right.

Rahul, sources said, told the MPs that he was not going anywhere and will continue to be with them and work for the party in whatever capacity it wants him to work. He, however, was very clear that the principle of accountability should be enforced in the party and it should begin from the top, it is learnt.

Mamata's call to Cong, CPM: Need to come together to stop BJP

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WEST BENGAL Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Wednesday appealed to the CPM and the Congress to come together with her on "common issues at the national level" to take on the BJP.

Speaking in the Assembly, Banerjee said, "I feel all of us (TMC, Congress and CPM) should come together in the fight against BJP."

She said, "It does not mean we have to join hands politically, but we can come together on common issues at the national level."

The CPM, however, accused Banerjee of helping the BJP grow in Bengal. Party MLA Sujan Chakraborty told the media, "The TMC gave them (BJP) the opportunity to grow here. The Chief Minister must admit she is responsible for this. The TMC is doing nothing on the way BJP is capturing our party offices and getting hold of civic bodies through defections."

The Congress, on the other hand, welcomed Mamata's proposal. "Politics before May 23 (the day Lok Sabha polls results were announced) and after May 23 is qualitatively different with new challenges. There are people who can see this. There are others who cannot. I prefer to be in the first group. Opposing BJP is a bigger responsibility. It is a welcome call by Mamata Banerjee," Congress leader and state party vice-president Om Prakash Mishra said.

In the Vidhan Sabha, the Chief Minister accused the Centre of running a parallel administration in West Bengal during the Lok Sabha polls. "For the last five years, we are fighting (the Centre's alleged bid to run the show in Bengal), and we will continue."

She said, "We did not want post-election violence. The BJP ran a parallel administration, as the police was under Election Commission. In all, 10 people died in this violence. We are investigating how two BJP workers were killed; one death in Amdanga (under Barrackpore Lok Sabha constituency) was due to enmity. A section of the media is working as BJP's mouthpiece and are creating hype over the Barrackpore issue."

Banerjee also accused the BJP of flaming violence in Bhatpara (also under Barrackpore constituency). In a bid to "warn" the people who voted for the BJP, Banerjee said, "Just see Bhatpara and think what's happening today after voting for them (BJP).... They are hiring thousands of RSS (workers) from outside. We condemn the incident in which a man was pushed out of a train for not chanting the slogan (of Jai Shri Ram)."

BJP leader Mukul Roy accused Banerjee of giving wrong information about political killings. "She said 10 people were killed after May 23, of which eight belonged to her party. She must show us the list of TMC workers with names and addresses who have been killed — she cannot, she is lying. We have a list of 14 BJP workers killed since May 23."

On the issue of "cut money", Banerjee said there is nothing wrong in disciplining her party workers but added that they should not be maligned without evidence. The remarks come amid protests, with many people demanding return of "cut money" that TMC's elected local representatives had allegedly taken from them in order to receive benefit of state government's welfare schemes.

EXPLAINED

Enemy No 1 identified

WITH LESS than two years left for state polls, Mamata Banerjee has identified BJP as political enemy number one, and therefore her appeal to her party TMC's otherwise arch-rival CPI(M). While the appeal is for understanding at the national level, whether a call will come for a similar understanding at the state level, to cut the division of votes with a four-cornered contest, is anybody's guess.

Samant Goel named R&AW chief, Arvind Kumar to head IB

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

THE GOVERNMENT on Wednesday appointed 1984-batch IPS officers Samant Goel and Arvind Kumar as new chiefs of Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW) and Intelligence Bureau (IB), respectively. They will replace Anil Dhasmana and Rajiv Jain, who were both given six month extensions before the Lok Sabha polls with their tenures ending this month.

Arvind Kumar, who belongs to Assam-Meghalaya cadre, is the seniormost officer in the IB after Jain and has been looking after Kashmir affairs. He has earlier served as an IB officer in Bihar and in the administration department of the agency, apart from looking after inquiry branches.

Goel is an officer of the Punjab cadre and is currently second in command in R&AW, holding the post of special secretary. He has earlier served in London and is currently in Dubai. He hit headlines last year when his name cropped up in an FIR of alleged corruption registered by then CBI chief Alok Verma against his own deputy Rakesh Asthana. The case is still being investigated by the CBI.

Samant Goel

Arvind Kumar

Two separate government orders on Wednesday said Goel is being appointed as new Secretary, R&AW, with effect from June 29, when Dhasmana's tenure comes to an end. Kumar will replace Jain as the IB chief on June 30, when the latter's tenure comes to an end.

Goel, who has been credited with counter-intelligence work against Khalistani forces during his stint in London, has superseded R Kumar, the seniormost officer in R&AW currently. Kumar, who heads the Pakistan desk, is largely credited in the security establishment for making the Balakot strikes post the Pulwama attacks a success. Sources say it was his pinpointed intelligence that helped the Air Force launch a surgical strike deep inside Pakistan.

Goel's appointment also comes in the backdrop of a long-standing tussle between IPS officers and Research and Analysis Service (RAS) cadre officers for top posts within the R&AW. Goel's appointment continues the tradition of IPS officers taking the top post in R&AW. Kumar, meanwhile, joins the long list of inbred career intelligence officers being ignored for the job of leading the agency.

Since 2007, no non-IPS officer has taken the top post in R&AW — a tradition much criticised by veteran intelligence officials as it robs the agency of its multi-disciplinary vitality. Established in 1968, R&AW used to initially take officers directly from universities or from varied professions and trained them to be full-time intelligence officers. It also took officers from various Group A services including IAS, IPS, IFS and IRS apart from journalists and scientists. It used to conduct its own exams and interviews. The people so chosen served it well in 1971 war when India defeated Pakistan.

However, as issues of determining seniority for promotions began to dog it, RAS was created where those who cleared UPSC could appear for RAS interviews and be absorbed in R&AW as lifetime intelligence sleuths. Many of them, such as Vikram Sood, rose to become chief of the agency. An officer of Indian Postal Services, Sood headed the agency between 2000 and 2003 during the Atal Bihari Vajpayee regime.

Tamil Nadu points out 'discrepancies' in Niti Aayog health index data

ARUN JANARDHANAN
CHENNAI, JUNE 26

CITING SERIOUS discrepancies in assessing the state's performance in the health sector, Tamil Nadu government has strongly objected to the latest national health index data released by the Niti Aayog and condemned the method used to formulate the final report.

In the latest health index released by Niti Aayog titled 'Healthy States Progressive India,' the state was seen slipping down six places, from third in 2015-16 to ninth in 2017-2018 — considered as the most severe slump in its ranking. Tamil Nadu Chief Secretary Girija Vaidyanathan has already written to the Centre, citing "discrepancies" and "wrong interpretations" behind the decline.

State Health Minister C Vijayabaskar on Wednesday said the state has made significant improvements in several crucial areas and these stand better than the national average. "It is clear that there is something seriously wrong with the Niti Aayog report. I am writing to Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan soon. We will soon release the correct data..." he said.

For instance, the report said the state's performance declined in full immunisation coverage, institutional deliveries, tuberculosis case notification, tuberculosis (TB) treatment success rate, vacancies of medical officers in PHCs and percentage of functional 24/7 PHCs areas. However, according to the state health department, the full immunisation indicator of the state in the latest Niti Aayog data (76.1 per cent) was wrong as the denominator taken was the estimated number of births, which resulted in projecting full immunisation coverage at 76 per cent instead of the real 99 per cent if actual live births were considered as the denominator.

With the total TB case notification going wrong in the Niti Aayog report, being much lesser than the actual, the treatment success rate of new microbiologically confirmed TB cases too gave Tamil Nadu a lower grade — 76 against 90 — as the health index failed to see that disease prevalence of TB was lesser in the state while considering the increased case finding as a sign of improvement, according to the department.

Kerala topped the list of best performing states.

Maharashtra minister accused of irregularities in land deals

SANDEEP ASHAR
MUMBAI, JUNE 26

DAYS AFTER Prakash Mehta was dropped from the Devendra Fadnavis Cabinet following corruption charges, the Opposition on Wednesday levelled allegations of wrongdoing in land deals against Maharashtra Revenue Minister Chandrakant Patil.

The Opposition accused Patil of "misusing" his position to "extend undue favours to land developers at the expense of state's exchequer" in two Pune-related matters. Seeking a high-level probe, the Opposition demanded that Patil step down till the inquiry is concluded.

Chandrakant Patil

Patil refuted the allegations as "baseless" and "politically motivated".

NCP state president Jayant Patil, also the party's group leader in Assembly, spearheaded the offensive. In the first instance, he accused Patil of using his quasi-judicial power to overturn previous administrative orders categorising a 23-acre "Inam land with restricted (Class-III) tenure" in Pune's Haveli as a private land to unduly favour a builder. The second allegation pertained to another land in Pune's Balewadi.

"The minister has committed wrongdoing. He should step down immediately if he has any shame left. The chief minister should order a probe in both matters," he said. Denying the accusations, Chandrakant Patil said the NCP leader was resorting to vendetta.

J&K Governor Satya Pal Malik receives Union Home Minister Amit Shah at Srinagar airport on Wednesday. *Express*

Shah in Kashmir, reviews preparations for Amarnath Yatra

BASHAARAT MASOOD
SRINAGAR, JUNE 26

ON HIS maiden visit to Kashmir as Union Home Minister, Amit Shah on Wednesday chaired a high-level security meeting for the annual Amarnath pilgrimage and also reviewed progress of development projects in the state.

The focus of the Home Minister's visit is the Amarnath yatra that starts on July 1. While reviewing security arrangements, Shah laid emphasis on securing the twin routes to the Himalayan cave shrine and preparations to deal with "any natural calamity".

"The Hon'ble Minister directed all the security agencies to be fully alert and take all preventive steps to ensure a violence-free yatra," Union Special Secretary (Internal Security) A P Maheshwari said. "(He said) there should be no laxity and strict enforcement of SOPs (Standard Operating Procedures) should be ensured. The senior officers should personally supervise the arrangement."

The meetings, held at Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre in Srinagar, were attended by J&K Governor Satya Pal Malik, Union Home Secretary Rajiv Gauba, Chief of Army's Northern Command Lt Gen Ranbir Singh, and heads of central and state armed forces and intelligence agencies. J&K Chief Secretary B V R Subrahmanyam and Home Secretary Shaleen Kabra were also present.

The Home Minister also reviewed the ongoing development projects, the Prime Minister's Development Programme and the implementation of central schemes in the state. He asked state officers to ensure equitable development.

Earlier, Shah arrived on the two-day visit on Wednesday afternoon. He was received at the airport by Governor Satya Pal Malik. Shah is likely to visit the Amarnath cave on Saturday. He is also likely to visit the Srinagar residence of police officer Arshid Khan, who was recently killed in a militant attack in Anantnag.

PRIME MINISTER LEAVES FOR JAPAN

At Osaka G20 summit, Modi to talk global meet on terror

SHUBHAJIT ROY
OSAKA, JUNE 26

AT THE immigration hall of Kansai airport, a large yellow signage says, "stronger inspections are being made to prevent terrorism". The reference is to greater scrutiny by the immigration officials.

A train ride to the city makes the threat more clear as all overhead bins for luggage have been blocked and a message reads, "not available". The local high-speed trains have been sanitised and no luggage is being stored in these bins as the city is ready to host leaders from G-20 countries.

As Prime Minister Narendra Modi lands on Thursday morning in Osaka — known for its innovation ecosystem, food and a laid-back culture — G-20 summit preparations are in full swing in downtown Namba shopping district.

Modi, who arrives a day before the summit begins, will have a specific ask for the G-20 leaders.

On June 8, he had proposed in Male about a "global conference" on countering terrorism, much on the lines of the summits on climate change, in a bid to plug loopholes in the fight against terrorism.

"The water is now rising above the head," he had told Maldives parliament, urging world leaders to unite to combat the menace.

With G-20 being the apex global platform for leaders to consider such proposals, Modi is likely to make a case for countering terrorism. He is expected to meet French President Emmanuel Macron, US President Donald Trump, Turkey President Recep Tayyip Erdogan in the next couple of days, and raise the issue of terrorism.

Policemen stand guard near the summit venue in Osaka. *Reuters*

Modi had raised the issue in a major way in the G-20 meet in Hamburg in 2017. Equating Lashkar-e-Taiba and Jaish-e-Muhammad with the IS and al-Qaeda, he had suggested that government functionaries of countries which support terrorists should be barred from entering G-20 countries. It was part of the 11-point plan he proposed — as the lead speaker — at G-20 leaders' session on "fighting terrorism" organised by German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

In Delhi on Wednesday, after expressing his appreciation to the visiting US Secretary of State Michael R Pompeo for the support on zero tolerance for cross-border terrorism, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said, "We have, of course, Prime Minister's initiative for a global conference on terrorism and I am sure that is something the US would look at positively."

The Osaka communique is going to look at terrorism in a strong manner since the Japanese are also keen after their nationals became victims of attacks perpetrated by the IS in Bangladesh and Syria.

Modi is scheduled to meet Japanese PM Shinzo Abe on Thursday, and a couple of more bilateral meetings are being worked out on the first day. He will then address the Indian community in Osaka.

Muneo Kurauchi, Managing Director at Tokyo-based Institute for International Monetary Affairs, who is in Osaka for the summit, said, "There are high expectations that Prime Minister Modi acts as an intermediary among developed and developing countries as well as among countries in a different economic system. India and Japan have strong ties. Prime Minister Abe together with Prime Minister Modi can somehow lead to a successful G20 summit."

Meanwhile, in Osaka, where armed personnel guard every hotel housing the leaders, nightlife continues. Masahiro, a part-time student who works at a restaurant in downtown Namba, has no fears about terrorism. "We are fine here, but the government has to take care of these issues."

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5th INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

DELHI POLICE organized an integrated Yoga event at Thyagraj Stadium, New Delhi on the occasion of 5th Int'l Yoga Day. Amulya Patnaik, CP/Delhi, along with senior officers and men practiced several Yogasanas and Pranayaams.

SAIL joined the Nation in observing the 5th Int'l Day of Yoga on June 21. AK Chaudhary, Chairman, SAIL addressed the employees and urged them to make yoga a part of their lifestyle for attaining a healthier and better life.

EIL celebrated the 5th Int'l Day of Yoga on June 21, at its various establishments. At Corporate Office, New Delhi, J.C. Nakra, CMD along with Functional Directors graced the Yoga session.

POSOCO Int'l Yoga Day was celebrated at POSOCO. The prog was formally inaugurated by K.V.S. Baba, CMD, POSOCO in presence of Dir (HR), Meenakshi Davar, Dir (MO), P. K. Agarwal & Dir (SO), SR Narasimhan and other senior officials.

RailTel celebrated Int'l Yoga Day 2019 on June 21 across all its offices by organizing Yoga sessions for its employees. Yoga is an effective way to stay healthy resulting in more productivity.

NHPC celebrated the 5th Int'l Day of Yoga with full enthusiasm and gaiety on June 21. During the celebrations Balraj Joshi, CMD, NHPC participated in a community yoga session held at NHPC Residential Complex at Faridabad.

EdCIL (India) Ltd. celebrated the International Day Yoga -2019 at its corporate office in Noida. Diptiman Das, CMD, along with senior officers and employees, enthusiastically participated to make it a success.

DFCCIL celebrated 5th Int'l Day of Yoga at Corporate office and field units with full vigor and enthusiasm. MD/DFCCIL Anurag Sachan, Dir/PP Anshuman Sharma, & CVO Ashish Kumar along with other officers and staff participated in the prog.

HUDCO organised special yoga sessions for employees across the country, on the occasion of Int'l Day of Yoga. The participants practiced various breathing and stretching exercises for achieving physical, mental, & spiritual benefits.

CRPF The 5th int'l day of yoga was celebrated by GC, CRPF, Imphal on June 21 in the premises of GC, CRPF, Imphal. On this occasion, mass Yoga was performed by more than 500 personnel of M&N Sector, Range Imphal & GC, CRPF, Imphal.

NFL observed International Yoga Day at Corporate Office, all Units and Zonal Marketing Offices. Manoj Mishra, C&MD, NFLalso participated in the Yoga Session at Corporate Office.

MMTC On the occasion of Int'l Yoga Day, MMTC's Corporate Office organized a session on 'Meditation for Healthy and Happy Life', which was conducted by external experts from Brahma Kumaris.

MEET-ITBP

S S Deswal, DG ITBP called on Amit Shah, Home Minister and briefed him about the retrieval mission of the bodies in the Himalayas of missing mountaineers from Nanda Devi East by ITBP mountaineers.

MEET -PNB

BN Mishra GM, Corporate Communication Division, Punjab National Bank presented a coffee table book to Union cabinet minister Dharmendra Pradhan. Dr Rabi N Mishra, executive director RBI and director of PNB was also present.

FOUNDATION DAY-PUNJAB & SIND BANK

Punjab & Sind Bank celebrated its 112th Foundation Day on 24th June in Amritsar. S. Harisankar, CMD of the Bank along with Govind N Dongre (ED), B.P. Vijayendra (Dir), Harsh Bir Singh (Dir), and others participated in the function.

MoU-POWERGRID

POWERGRID signed MoU with EMC, Kerala to have long term association in the areas of Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Energy. The MoU was signed by Sanjay Garg, ED, POWERGRID & K.M. Dharesan Unnithan, Director, EMC, Kerala.

AWARD-DMRC

KK Saberwal, Dir (Fin), DMRC received the 'UITP Special Recognition Award' on behalf of DMRC at the UITP (Union of International Public Transport) Global Transport Summit held at Stockholm, Sweden from 9th -12th June, 2019.

MoU-NSIC

R.M. Mishra, AS&DC(MSME) & CMD, NSIC signed MoU with Dr. D.K. Tyagi, CEO, CSC e-Governance Services India Ltd on June 22 at New Delhi for enhancing new offerings for the MSME sector by synergizing each other's competence.

FELICITATION-CORPORATION BANK

Anurag Thakur, Minister of State for Finance and Corporate Affairs was felicitated by Corporation Bank Circle General Manager (Delhi) D V S Varma and Public Relations Officer Amit Pati.

APPOITNMENT

NBCC Rakesh Kumar Arora has assumed the additional charge of Dir (Fin), NBCC (I) Ltd., in addition to his current assignment of Dir (Fin) in HUDCO. An order to this effect has been issued by the Company's Administrative Ministry, the Min of Housing & Urban Affairs, GoI. Arora had earlier also held the additional charge of Dir (Fin) in NBCC from Feb 1 to Mar 12, 2018. Arora has over 32 yrs of experience in the finance discipline, including corporate accounts, investor relations, credit appraisal of power projects relating to generation, transmission & distribution, corporate social responsibility & corporate planning.

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ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना

अनुभवी क श्रेणी कार्यदायी संस्थाओं/आपूर्तिकर्ताओं से विद्युत पारेषण मंडल, ग्रेटर नोएडा के अन्तर्गत निम्न सामग्री/कार्यों हेतु ई-निविदायें ई-पोर्टल etender.up.nic.in पर दो भागो मे निविदा खोलने की दिनांक को 12.00 बजे तक आमंत्रित की जाती है। जिसका प्रथम भाग उसी दिन क्रमशः 02.30 बजे (यदि अवकाश/अन्य कारण हो तो अगले कार्य दिवस में) खोला जायेगा। निर्धारित निविदा शुल्क आर.टी.जी.एस./एन.ई.एफ.टी. तथा धरोहर राशि आर.टी.जी.एस./एन.ई.एफ.टी./बैंक गारन्टी के माध्यम से (निविदा शुल्क एवं धरोहर राशि पृथक-पृथक हस्तांरित की जानी है) अधिशासी अभियंता, विद्युत 400 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र खण्ड, ग्रेटर नोएडा के पक्ष में पंजाब नेशनल बैंक की आई.सी.डी., तिलप्ता, दादरी (गौतम बुद्ध नगर),उ.प्र. शाखा में संचालित चालू बैंक खाता संख्या **0109012100000756 (IFSC Code PUNB0466300)** में जमा कराया जायेगा। निविदा के प्रथम भाग में आर.टी.जी.एस./एन.ई.एफ.टी. द्वारा जमा किये गये निविदा शुल्क एवं धरोहर राशि की पे-इनस्लिप, यथा योज्य यू.टी.आर. संख्या की प्रति, निविदा प्रपत्र, पैनकार्ड, जी.एस.टी. संख्या, इन्कम टैक्स रिटर्न की स्वयं प्रमाणित छायाप्रति, तकनीकी अनुभव यथा क श्रेणी (विद्युत सुरक्षा उ.प्र. सरकार द्वारा प्रदत्त), ई.एस.आई., पी.एफ. बीमा सम्बन्धी प्रपत्र (जोकि अनिवार्य है) इत्यादि ई-पोर्टल पर स्कैन्ड प्रतियाँ (PDF Format) तथा ई-निविदा के द्वितीय भाग में दरें एवं वाणिज्यक नियम व शर्ते ई-पोर्टल पर अपलोड की जायेंगी। निविदा की वैधता खुलने की तिथि से 90 दिन होगी।

1. निविदा संख्या टी-63/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, बुलन्दशहर के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, सिकन्द्राबाद पर 132 के.वी. मेन बस बार के सुदृढीकरण का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 25,100/- (रु. पच्चीस हजार एक सौ मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 1,770/- (कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 25.07.2019।
2. निविदा संख्या टी-64/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, खुर्जा के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, डिवाई पर परिवर्तक रिपेयर एवं ए.बी.सी.डी. की स्थापना का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 2,000/- (रु. दो हजार मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 25.07.2019।
3. निविदा संख्या टी-65/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत 400 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, ग्रेटर नोएडा पर क्षतिग्रस्त डोर पैनल को बदलने का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 4,900/- (रु. चार हजार नौ सौ मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 25.07.2019।
4. निविदा संख्या टी-66/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, बुलन्दशहर के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, सिकन्द्राबाद पर ए.सी. रिपेयर का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 2,000/- (रु. दो हजार मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 25.07.2019।
5. निविदा संख्या टी-67/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, खुर्जा के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, जहाँगीराबाद पर सर्विलांस सिस्टम की आपूर्ति एवं स्थापना का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 4,300/- (रु. चार हजार तीन सौ मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 25.07.2019।
6. निविदा संख्या टी-68/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, खुर्जा के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, खुर्जा पर 220 के.वी. स्विचयार्ड में रिपेरिंग एवं पेन्टिंग का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 5,700/- (रु. पाँच हजार सात सौ मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 1,180/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 01.08.2019।
7. निविदा संख्या टी-69/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, बुलन्दशहर के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, बी.बी. नगर पर लाइटिंग सम्बन्धित कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 2,000/- (रु. दो हजार मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 01.08.2019।
8. निविदा संख्या टी-70/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, बुलन्दशहर के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, सिकन्द्राबाद पर अग्नि शमन यन्त्रो की रिफलींग का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 2,000/- (रु. दो हजार मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 01.08.2019।
9. निविदा संख्या टी-71/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, खुर्जा के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, डिबाई पर सर्विलांस सिस्टम की आपूर्ति एवं स्थापना का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 4,300/- (रु. चार हजार तीन सौ मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 01.08.2019।
10. निविदा संख्या टी-72/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, बुलन्दशहर के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, सिकन्द्राबाद पर 132 के.वी. बे के निर्माण का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 5,000/- (रु. पाँच हजार मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 01.08.2019।
11. निविदा संख्या टी-73/डब्लू/2019-20: विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, खुर्जा के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, डिबाई पर ए.सी. रिपेयर एवं सर्विसिंग का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 2,000/- (रु. दो हजार मात्र)। निविदा प्रपत्र शुल्क रु. 590/-(कर सहित)। खुलने की दिनांक 01.08.2019।

ई-निविदा के प्रथम भाग उसी दिन निर्धारित समय पर सार्वजनिक रूप से खोला जायेगा एवं भाग द्वितीय (प्राइजबिड) खुलने की तिथि तदोनुसार वेबसाइट पर सूचित की जायेगी। निविदा भाग प्रथम में सम्बधित प्रपत्रों का अपलोड ना किये जाने की स्थिति में निविदा का भाग द्वितीय (प्राईस बिड) नहीं खोला जायेगा। ई-निविदा खुलने की तिथि पर अवकाश होने की स्थिति में ई-निविदा अगले कार्य दिवस में खोली जायेगी। ई-निविदाओं को बिना कोई कारण बताये अस्वीकार / विभाजित करने का अधिकार अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता के पास सुरक्षित रहेगा। कृपया विस्तृत जानकारी, डाउनलोड, अन्य संशोधनों एवं ई-निविदा प्रस्तुत करने के दिनांक तक विस्तार आदि के सम्बन्ध में कृपया **etender.up.nic.in** पर लॉग आन करें। **हस्ता./- अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, विद्युत पारेषण मंडल, उ.प्र.पा.ट्रा.का.लि., 400 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र, पाली, ग्रेटर नोएडा, ''राष्ट्रहित में ऊर्जा बचायें'' साधारण/ सी.एफ.एल. बल्ब के स्थान पर एल.ई.डी. बल्ब का प्रयोग करें।'' पत्रांक** 1129 **वि.पा.मं./ ग्रे.ना./ T-63 to 73/ 2019-20/ दिनांक:** 25.06.2019

कार्यालय नगर पालिका परिषद पीथमपुर, जिला धार (म.प्र.)

क्रमांक/2276/न.पा./19 — पीथमपुर, दिनांकः 20.06.2019

ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना

नगर पालिका पीथमपुर क्षेत्रान्तर्गत निम्नलिखित कार्य की निविदा सूचना ई-टेण्डरिंग पद्धति से ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट पोर्टल (http://www.mpetenders.gov.in) पर आमंत्रित है। निविदा का विवरण निम्नानुसार है।

क्र.	पोर्टल क्रं.	कार्य का नाम	अनु. लागत (लाख)	अर्नेस्ट मनी	समयावधि	टेण्डर फार्म शुल्क
1	2019_UAD_32972	वार्ड क्रं. 01 सिलोटिया पहुंच मार्ग का चौड़ीकरण कर सी.सी. रोड निर्माण	156.59	78295/-	8 माह	12500/-
2	2019_UAD_32973	वार्ड क्रं. 01 सिलोटिया पहुंच मार्ग पर पुलिया एवं रिटेनिंग वाल निर्माण	157.47	78735/-	8 माह	12500/-

नियम एवं शर्तें:-
01. निविदा प्रपत्र ऑनलाईन क्रय करने की प्रारंभ दिनांक : 20.06.2019 (प्रातः 11:00 बजे से)
02. निविदा प्रपत्र ऑनलाईन क्रय/बीड सबमीशन की अंतिम दिनांक : 20.07.2019 (शामः 5:30 बजे तक)
03. निविदा दस्तावेज (हार्डकापी) जमा करने की अंतिम दिनांक : 22.07.2019 (शामः 5:30 बजे तक)
04. निविदा खोलने की दिनांक : 23.07.2019 (प्रातः 11:00 बजे)
नोटः (01.) विस्तृत निविदा http://www.mpetenders.gov.in वेबसाईट पर देखी जा सकती है। निविदा में किसी भी प्रकार का संशोधन केवल वेब साईट पर ही उपलब्ध रहेगा। जिसकी सूचना अलग से नही दी जावेगी।

मुख्य नगर पालिका अधिकारी नगर पालिका परिषद पीथमपुर | (श्रीमती क्षमा सुभाष जायसवाल) प्रभारी लो.नि.वि. नगर पालिका पीथमपुर | (श्री हंसराज पटेल) उपाध्यक्ष नगर पालिका पीथमपुर | (श्रीमती कविता संजय वैष्णव) अध्यक्ष नगर पालिका पीथमपुर

Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Resident Commission
5-Prithviraj Road, New Delhi - 110011
Ph: 24611108, 24611210 Fax : 24601277, 24627047
Email: jkhsdelhi@gmail.com

Installation of Coffee Vending Machines and Supply of Material/ Consumables.

The Resident Commission Office, Jammu & Kashmir Government, New Delhi under the administrative control of Hospitality & Protocol Department, J&K Government invites sealed quotations for installation of (3) Coffee Vending Machines (Bean to Coffee) for supply of tetra branded milk coffee, and supply of Materials/ Consumables like coffee, sugar sachets, branded milk, wooden stirrers, etc at J&K House, 5-Prithvi Raj Road and J&K House, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi as per the details given in the tender documents.

The tender documents may be collected from Chief Pay & Accounts Officer, Resident Commission, J&K Government, New Delhi on payments of tender cost of Rs. 200/- (non-refundable) through Bank Draft in favour of Principal Resident Commissioner, New Delhi on any working day (Monday to Friday) between 10:30 AM to 05.00. The last date and time for bid submission (Technical & Financial) shall be 5th July, 2019 up till 5.00. PM. The Bid Box shall be placed at reception of J&K House, 5-Prithvi Raj Road, New Delhi.

Chief Pay & Accounts Officer
Resident Commission

KBI/Advt./1822-23/2019 Dated: 25.06.2019 — KRC/Misc/483/18/1841/2019 Dated: 24.06.2019

Delhi urban shelter improvement board
Govt. of NCT of Delhi
Office of the Executive Engineer: C-10
Inderlok, Delhi-110035
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NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

Executive Engineer, C-10, DUSIB, Inderlok, Delhi-110035 invites, on behalf of Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board, percentage rate bid (Online) on two bid systems for following work:
NIT No.16/EEC-10/DUSIB/2019-20 **Tender No.** 2019_DUSIB_174554_1
Name of work: E.I.U.S.
Sub Head: Providing & Laying CC pavement & Drainage System in J.J. Basti Outside Green Belt, near Dispensary in AC-19 (Sadar Bazar).
Estimated cost: Rs. 49,95,087.00 **Earnest Money:** Rs. 1,00,000.00
Tender Cost: Rs. 1000.00 **Period of completion:** 120 Days
Last Date & Time of submission of e-Bids: 09.07.2019 upto 15:00 Hours
Date of Opening: 09.07.2019 after 15:30 Hours
The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website **https://eprocurement.delhi.gov.in**
*All bidders are advised to visit above mentioned site regularly for any update / corrigendum related to the tenders. The corrigendum, if any, shall not be advertised in press.

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
C-10, D.U.S.I.B.
DIP/Shabdarth/0276/19-20

Delhi Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd.
An Enterprises of Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
ISBT Anand Vihar Delhi-110092

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The Executive Engineer, DTIDC invite tenders on behalf of MD, DTIDC Ltd for the following works through e-procurement solution only.

1.NIT No.	:	13/2019-20
Tender ID No.	:	2019_DTIDC_174900_1
Name of work	:	M/o ISBT Anand Vihar
SH	:	Repair of Damaged/Broken shed including AC Sheet, Ridges, Valley and kota flooring and Painting of Railing, Truss, Kerb stone, Stopper, Grill, Road Marking etc. at ISBT Anand Vihar
Estimated Cost	:	Rs. 18,72,014/-
Earnest Money	:	Rs. 37,500/-
Time Allowed	:	90 Days
Last date of receipt of Tenders	:	10/07/2019

The Tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website: **https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in/**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
DTIDC Ltd. ISBT
Anand Vihar, Delhi
DIP/Shabdarth/0285/19-20

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE

Mode of Tender	**E-Tender (Single Packet)**
Tender Notice No.	**287-Sig/C/TKJ/49/19**
Full name of work	"S&T work (Indoor & Outdoor) for provision of Centralized Electronic Interlocking at Todarpur and Masit stations and S&T work (Indoor & Outdoor) for provision of additional directional UP/DN loop line at existing Panel Interlocking Installation at Chodiala, Chakrajmal, Mewanawada, Miranpur Katra Stations on Lucknow-Saharanpur Section of Moradabad Division of Northern Railway"
Approx. cost	**Rs. 7,29,66,489.49** (Rupees Seven Crore Twenty Nine Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Nine And Forty Nine Paisa Only)
Completion period	8 (Eight) months
Earnest money amount	**5,14,800/- (Rupees Five Lakh Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred Only)**
Sale/availability of tender document on Rly. Website	Tender documents will be available on IREPS website i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** from **26.06.2019 to 25.07.2019 upto 11:30 hrs.**
Last date/Time of upload of tenders	**25.07.2019** upto **11:30** hours. Tender documents can be uploaded by the tenderer on IREPS website w.e.f. **11.07.2019 to 25.07.2019**
Date and time of opening of tender	**25.07.2019 at 11:30 hours** (immediately after close of uploading of tender (D2). In case of two packet system, Financial bids of the eligible tenderers would be opened subsequently on the date & time to be notified later on

No. 287/Sig/C/TKJ/49/19 Date : 26.06.2019 **2058/2019**

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The Institute invites Request for Proposal (RFP) from eligible firms/contractors for Empanelment of Intellectual Property (IP) Firms for the Institute.
Tender No. IIITDMJ/Tender/2019/06/54 dated 25/06/2019
Last date for submission and date for opening of Technical bid of tenders is 24/07/2019. For further details and tender document please visit our website www.iiitdmj.ac.in

Registrar

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Khurshid Lal Bhawan, Janpath, New Delhi-110050

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

On behalf of MTNL, New Delhi vide Tender enquiry:
1. No. Sr. Manager(TX-MM)/OFC Splice Closures/2018-19/15 Online tenders are invited for Procurement of " Optical Fiber Cable Splice Closures" (Estimated Cost Rs.31,28,366/-). Any further Amendment(s), Corrigendum(s) etc. will be published only on the given websites.
2. No. 01/EE(C)/CGO/MTNL/NIT/2019-20 Online item rate tenders (Two Bid System) are invited by the EE(Civil) CGO for Provision of attached toilet and internal finishing/Renovation work for offices and corridor at ground floor of TE building Karol Bagh, New Delhi(Estimated Cost Rs. 14,55,102/-)
For more information please log on to our website: **http://www.eprocure.gov.in, http://www.tenders.gov.in** and **http://etender.mtnl.net.in**

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Tender Notice No. & Description of works	Approx. Value (In ₹)	E.M.D. Money (In ₹)
08/2019/CW "Hiring of 01 No. A.c. diesel road vehicle (Maruti swift Dzire, Toyota Etios, Honda Amaze) including consumables, fuel, all maintenance, all taxes, toll taxes & driver with commercial registration etc. for the use of ADRM-T/N.E. Railway, Lucknow division for a period of Twenty four month."	11,41,272/-	22,800/-
	Cost of Tender Form : ₹ 2,000/-	
	Contract period- 24 month	

• E-Tender can be uploaded by tenderer, **up to 15.00 on 30.07.2019** and will be opened **after 15.00 Hrs. on 30.07.2019.** • Detailed information, minimum eligibility criteria, Terms and conditions regarding this e-tender are available at website **www.ireps.gov.in.** • Tenderer should check any correction/corrigendum related to this e-tender notice on web site before uploading their offer.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

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1.NIT No.	:	12/2019-20
Tender ID No.	:	2019_DTIDC_174819_1
Name of work	:	Construction of Parking Space for Vehicles and Misc. Civil Work at Jhuljhuli Transport Authority, Delhi.
Estimated Cost	:	Rs. 3,12,85,630/-
Earnest Money	:	Rs. 6,25,713/-
Time Allowed	:	Six Months
Last date of receipt of Tenders	:	09/07/2019

The Tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website: **https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in/**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
DTIDC Ltd. ISBT
Kashmere Gate, Delhi
DIP/Shabdarth/0284/19-20

NRI's suicide leads to crack in CPM Kannur leadership

SHAJU PHILIP
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, JUNE 26

THE SUICIDE of an NRI investor in CPI(M)-ruled Anthoor Municipality in Kannur seems to have led to fissures in the party's district leadership.

Family members of the deceased, Sajan Parayail, had alleged that ego clash of CPI(M) leaders in the district led to the tragedy - that Sajan took the extreme step allegedly after the municipality denied occupancy certificate for his multi-crore convention centre.

They had singled out municipal chairperson P K Shyamala, wife of CPI(M) central committee member M V Govindan, for allegedly denying the certificate on the ground that Sajan had been close to another senior leader, P Jayarajan, who had been the party's district secretary before contesting the recent Lok Sabha polls.

Shyamala had been reportedly irked over Sajan approaching Jayarajan when the municipality denied certificate for the project.

Substantiating the churning within the party in Kannur, CPI(M) legislator James Mathew is learnt to have come out against Govindan's interference in the issue. James, the MLA representing Taliparamba, which includes Anthoor, had taken strong exception to the delay in granting permission for the project. Sources said James had alleged in Monday's party state committee meeting that ego clash of leaders led to the denial of sanction.

James had taken up the delay over the project with Local Administration Minister K T Jaleel, who in turn sought a report from officials.

However, Govindan is learnt to have called up the minister's private secretary following the intervention of James for speedy clearance for the project. James had disclosed this development in the meeting, sources said.

After Sajan's death, James had visited his home in his capacity as the local legislator even as Shyamala and Govindan kept away.

The fissures over the death have pitted senior leader Jayarajan against other leaders in the party, sources said. While CPI(M) state leadership stood behind Shyamala, Jayarajan had publicly blamed Shyamala for the state of affairs in the municipality and the suicide.

FULL REPORT ON
www.indianexpress.com

India, US should embrace age of ambition, says Pompeo

KRISHN KAUSHIK
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

SETTING THE stage for a deeper relationship with India, US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on Wednesday said both countries should look at each other "with new eyes and embrace the age of ambition".

Even as he asked both nations "to deliver", Pompeo made a veiled call against data localisation, and hinted at not allowing Chinese company Huawei from accessing 5G networks in the country. Both the issues have recently become sore points between the two nations.

Pompeo said he is confident that India and the US can "work together with partners such as Japan to keep India's networks and the 5G networks of the future safe and reliable". Raising the issue of data localisation, which India seems keen to enforce, Pompeo said he is "certain that there is a way" to reach an agreement "that allows data to flow freely", which can "Balkanise the internet" and make companies "less competitive and impede economic growth".

Supporting India's claim for a permanent seat in the UN Security Council, Pompeo said, "India, more and more, is standing on the world stage, and we welcome your assertiveness because it's good for the world." This is why, he said, the US has "supported your permanent seat on the UN Security Council".

He pushed for reducing trade barriers between the two countries. He said together with the US, India can "find a new appreciation for economic freedom that complements political freedom", and that he is confident that a "solution can be found" to reduce the trade barriers for "reciprocal trade and benefits for the citizens of India and US alike".

Pompeo said his country wants India to contribute robustly in the energy security region as well, and the two nations must work together to "provide clean energy for all Indian people".

Trillions of dollars of potential US investment is "sitting on the sidelines, waiting to be put to work in the Indo-Pacific region", which can help the Indian job market, Pompeo said.

Beyond business, he also stressed on the need to protect the rights of religious minorities. He said India, which is the "birthplace of four major world religions" should stand with the US in "defence of religious freedom for all", and must "speak up together in favour of those rights; for, whenever we compromise those rights, the world is worse off."

He emphasised that both Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President Donald Trump have spoken about all countries coming together to counter terrorism and the two nations must work together even more closely to "thwart terrorism, that afflicts South, Central Asia".

The US, Pompeo claimed, was "pleased to see the UN sanctions committee" designate Masood Azhar as a global terrorist.

FULL REPORT ON
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US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and Foreign Minister S Jaishankar at a joint news conference in New Delhi. *Reuters*

ASSAM

Dropped from NRC list, most determined to appeal exclusion

ABHISHEK SAHA
GUWAHATI, JUNE 26

HALIM SIKDAR (26) found out on Wednesday morning that he was out of the draft of the National Register of Citizens (NRC), although he did feature in it when it was published on July 30 last year. The reason for his fresh exclusion, as mentioned in the Additional Draft Exclusion List published on Wednesday, is "Descendant of D Voter".

D-Voter —- or Doubtful Voter —- is a category introduced in the electoral rolls of Assam in 1997 to supposedly mark people unable to prove their citizenship during verification.

What puzzled Sikdar, though, was that his father, Samad Sikdar, was indeed suspected to be an illegal Bangladeshi and there was a case against him. But he won that case and was declared an Indian in February 2017 by Foreigners Tribunal (FT) No 7 of Assam's Barpeta district.

"Surely it has not been updated into the system that my father has already been declared as an Indian by an FT. We will appeal against this exclusion in the upcoming Claims round," says Sikdar over phone from their village, Guma, in Lower Assam's Barpeta district.

Over 1 lakh people who were part of the final draft of the NRC published last year were named in the Additional Draft Exclusion List published on Wednesday. They were found ineligible due to one of the following reasons: persons who were found to be DF (Declared Foreigner) or DV (Doubtful Voter) or PFT (persons with cases pending at Foreigners Tribunals) or their descendants, as applicable, discovered after publication of draft NRC, among others.

Not all among the excluded are as certain as Sikdar regarding the reason for exclusion but are determined to file claim against it.

Moinal Hoque (27), from Baksa district who works in a private bank's Barpeta Road branch, and one of his elder brothers, Abdul Jaleel, were in the Exclusion list. The family - comprising 13 children from his father Abdus Sattar's two marriages - had applied for inclusion in NRC through the 'legacy' of Sattar's name being in 1951 NRC. Hoque said the family had appeared as witnesses for a hearing when they filed a claim for their brother Shahidul Islam's inclusion - discrepancies emerging then could have led to the exclusion, but Hoque is not sure.

"I am no expert on technicalities of NRC updation and do not know what exactly could have caused the exclusion. But when the claim process for this list begins, we will file appeals," he said. Hoque did not visit his NRC Seva Kendra (NSK) to find out the reason of exclusion on Wednesday.

The list available online does not show the reason for exclusion.

Wednesday's list also includes a large number of children and women. In Kamrup district, farmer Nazrul Hoque's two daughters - Firoja (8) and Asmina (11) -and his brother Jiarul Hoque's son, Jubaier Jaman (8), appeared on the exclusion list. A family friend who went to the respective NSKs to check the exclusion said that in the list the reason was mentioned that the "legacy person" provided by these children is "not their grandfather". But Nazrul and Jiarul, who were in the final draft, did not get excluded.

Jiarul said, "We will have to consult those in the village who know about this process and how to file claim. How can my children be foreigners?"

A woman checks her name in the additional draft of NRC in Guwahati. *Dasarath Deka*

Antagarh tapes case: Jogis refuse to submit voice samples to SIT

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
RAIPUR, JUNE 26

JANTA CONGRESS Chhattisgarh (Jogi) supremo Ajit jogi and his son and party chief Amit Jogi on Wednesday refused to submit samples of their voices to a Special Investigation Team(SIT) probing the 'Antagarh tapes' controversy.

The duo claimed that the SIT had no understanding of the law, and that the actions of the Bhupesh Baghel-led Chhattisgath government are illegal.

In the run up to a bypoll for the Antagarh Assembly seat in the state in 2014, tapes had surfaced into the public discourse which purportedly carried voices of the Jogis, then with the Congress, and former Chief Minister Raman Singh's son-in-law conspiring to ensure that the BJP candidate won almost unopposed.

The Jogis have always maintained that the tapes were fake.

Creating an SIT to probe the matter was one of the first decisions taken by the Baghel government when it came into power.

Speaking to the media on Wednesday Amit said the government was attempting to divert attention away from its "dealings" with a private business conglomerate. "This is not about Antagarh, but an attempt to distract attention away... How is it that after months of sleeping, the SIT suddenly asks us for voice samples a day after I raise the issue of the Chief Minister meeting representatives in the backdrop of the Bailadila case, and at least four other mines?"

PROTEST AGAINST PRAGYA

NCP MLA Prakash Gajbhiye comes dressed as Hemant Karkare to Mumbai's Vidhan Bhavan on Wednesday as part of a protest against BJP MP Pragya Thakur's recent remarks against the slain IPS officer. *Ganesh Shirsekar*

Rly unions threaten protest against privatisation move

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

CALLING IT the "first move towards privatisation", Railway unions have threatened industrial unrest against the government's idea of corporatising the seven production units of Railways.

Asked to discuss the policy decision, both All Indian Railwaymen's Federation and the National Federation of Indian Railwaymen sent protest letters to the Railway ministry.

"...May result in serious threat to industrial harmony prevailing since nearly four decades over the Railway System," AIRF Secretary General Shiv Gopal Mishra wrote in the letter to the Board. "Serious unrest is brewing among the employees... against 100 Days Action Plan of the Ministry of Railways."

A senior Railway official said the unions are unaware of the details of the plan and when they come to meet the Railway Board next week their concerns will be addressed. The 100-day plan says Modern Coach Factory Raebareli will be the first to be corporatised. The apprehension within the unions is that this would be way to hive off parts of the production units to private sector.

"Facts reveal MCF has been performing very well and the efficiency parameters are fulfilled by this Production Unit. The employees on Indian Railways are also extremely agitated against the proposed move to corporatise Production Units which may be the first step towards privatization," read the letter from NFIR head, M Raghvaiyah.

Apex court releases new work roster

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

THE SUPREME Court on Wednesday released the new roster of work according to which apart from Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi, the other four other most senior judges of the Court too will get to hear Public Interest Litigations (PILs).

As per the roster, which will come into operation from July 1 when the court reopens after summer recess, the four most senior judges after the CJI — Justices S A Bobde, N V Ramana, Arun Mishra and R F Nariman — will hear among others "letter petition & PIL matters assigned by Honourable The Chef Justice of India".

Contempt of Court matters will be heard by the CJI and Justices Arun Mishra and U U Lalit.

Matters related to elections will be dealt with by the CJI or Justice Bobde.

Justices Bobde and Ramana will also hear "matters pertaining to employees of Supreme Court/High Court's/District Courts and Tribunals and Individual Judicial Officers etc".

This is the second roster approved by Chief Justice Gogoi since he assumed office in October 2018.

In the previous roster released soon after taking over, PILs were to be dealt with by the CJI and Justice M B Lokur (since retired) who then was the second most senior judge.

The allocation of cases to the various benches of the court had run into a controversy during the tenure of CJI Gogoi's predecessor CJI Dipak Misra.

CHOPPER CASE

SC stays HC order on Saxena's foreign travel

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

THE SUPREME Court on Wednesday stayed a Delhi High Court (HC) order allowing Rajiv Saxena, an accused turned approver in a money laundering case linked to the Agustawestland VVIP chopper scam, to travel abroad on medical grounds.

The court was hearing an appeal against the June 10 HC order by the Enforcement Directorate (ED).

In an additional affidavit, the ED also stated that it had decided to move the appropriate court to cancel bail granted to Saxena, as he was trying to misuse the relief after being granted pardon and turning approver.

Seven years after Indian Mujahideen suspect strangled in Pune jail, two criminals acquitted

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
PUNE, JUNE 26

SEVEN years after suspected Indian Mujahideen (IM) member and terror case suspect Qateel Siddiqui was strangled inside a high security cell of Yerwada Central Jail in Pune, a court on Wednesday acquitted two criminals who were charged with the murder.

The court of Additional Sessions Judge S H Gwalani acquitted Sharad Mohol (35) and Alok Bhalerao (29), who allegedly shared the cell with Siddiqui when the murder occurred on June 8, 2012.

Siddiqui (27), a native of Darbhanga in Bihar, was at the time facing charges in terrorism cases in Delhi, Bangalore and Pune. He was arrested by Delhi Police in November 2011 and was later handed over the Anti Terrorism Squad of Maharashtra Police for probe. During the trial, six key witnesses in the case — including some inmates of the jail at the time — turned hostile, leading to the prosecution's case being diluted.

Siddiqui was allegedly strangled with the drawstring of shorts inside the high security 'Anda' cell. Mohol and Bhalerao were lodged in the same cell for the murder of another notorious gangster in Pune, said police.

When contacted, Siddiqui's elder brother Afroz Siddiqui told *The Indian Express*, "If these two gangsters are not guilty, then who are the killers of my brother? We will not stop for fighting for justice for my brother. We will approach the High Court."

Defence lawyer for Mohol and Bhalerao, Prakash Suryavanshi, said, "The court on Wednesday acquitted both Mohol and Bhalerao. An extra-judicial confession by Mohol, which the prosecution had based their case on, was disbelieved by the court. Taking into consideration that there were no corroborations and circumstantial evidence supporting the prosecution's theory, the court has given its ruling."

Centre extends construction permit for Polavaram project by 2 years

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

THE CENTRE on Wednesday gave a two-year extension to the permission for construction work issued for the Polavaram Multipurpose project in Andhra Pradesh.

Union Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar made the announcement at Parliament complex on Wednesday

"The Polavaram project is very important to the people of Andhra Pradesh as it will irrigate nearly 3 lakh hectares of land, generate hydel power with an installed capacity of 960 MW and provide drinking water facilities to 540 enroute villages covering a population of 25 lakh, particularly in Visakhapatnam, East and West Godavari and Krishna Districts. I have signed the order for the extension today," said Javadekar.

The Centre had asked the Andhra Pradesh government in 2011 to stop construction. In 2014, the NDA government designated the dam as a national project and the ministry kept the "Stop Work Order" in abeyance to allow the construction work. The order has been kept in the same state from the past six years. Considering the immense importance of the project this time the Ministry is keeping the "Stop Work Order" in abeyance to allow construction work for two years without permission to impound water, Javadekar added.

The project envisages the construction of an Earth-cum-Rock filled dam across the river Godavari.

RAJASTHAN FARMER'S SUICIDE

Police cite 'suicidal tendency', kin say was upset over farmers' plight

HAMZA KHAN
RAISINGHNAGAR (SRI GANGANAGAR) JUNE 26

THREE DAYS after Sohan Lal Kadela (41) committed suicide and warned Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot in a video note that the Congress government's farm loan waiver had not translated into benefits on the ground, two narratives have emerged regarding the exact cause that led him to the extreme step.

While the police investigation has suggested a possible "matrimonial dispute" and "suicidal tendencies" as "there is no economic angle", Kadela's relatives say he believed in social causes and was troubled at the plight of fellow farmers and this led him to suicide.

Both sides, however, agree on some points.

On February 17, 2016, Kadela took two loans of Rs 1 lakh each from Syndicate Bank under its Syndicate Kisan Credit Card (SKCC) scheme. The first was solely drawn in his name and the second was a joint account with his mother Tilli Devi. For loan amount up to Rs 3 lakh, the applicable interest rate is 7 per cent annually but 4 per cent if paid "promptly". Bank officials say that as of June 24, 2019, Kadela owed the bank Rs 1,24,117.73 and Rs 1,23,055.33 for the two accounts, respectively.

In the video he recorded before committing suicide, Kadela said "banks trouble the farmers". Ajay Khot, Krishi Adhikari at the bank's Raisinghnagar Branch, said, "We never sent Kadela a notice. However, we may have contacted him over phone to remind him of the outstanding payments. We call several people daily."

Another fact agreed upon by both police and Kadela's family is that he owned 6.25 bighas in Raisinghnagar, which was solely dependent on rainfall and would witness only a single Jowar crop in a year if rainfall was good.

Both sides also agree that Kadela ran a grocery store with the help of his 16-year-old son Ghanshyam, gave away mattresses on rent and sold diesel. His son is in Class XI and his daughter is a BA first-year student.

Sohan Lal Kadela's son Ghanshyam and younger brother Krishan Lal at their home in Thakri village. *Hamza Khan*

However, that's where the agreement ends.

According to Kadela's younger brother Krishanlal, 35, he barely made any profit from the store. Police, however, claim that they found a register at Kadela's store in which he kept accounts of his sales. "His records show he made Rs 10-12,000 per month from the store," said an officer.

Kadela took the shop on a rent of Rs 2,000 per month from Rameshwar Lal Jat, who has told police that he always paid rent on time. The register has been sent to Forensic Science Laboratory to match his handwriting with the suicide note Kadela apparently gave to his friend and neighbour Balveer, 28, who was the first to know that he had consumed poison and had rushed to him.

According to police, including Sri Ganganagar SP Hemant Sharma, Kadela had "suicidal tendencies", and had attempted suicide on two earlier occasions. In 2008, he had consumed pesticide following a matrimonial dispute and was hospitalised. In 2018, he had climbed a water tank demanding that transfer of doctors at the local community health centre be suspended since there was a dearth of doctors — he was brought down and a case lodged against him. His relatives, however, attribute these incidents to his passion about social causes, which he pursued as a leading member of Raisingh Nagar Sangharsh Samiti.

Police investigators, who have recorded statements of at least eight persons so far, emphasise that Kadela was doing better than those around him, including his brothers Mohan Lal and Krishan Lal, and rule out the debt angle. They also point out that in the video, Kadela doesn't specifically mention his debt but of farmers in general.

According to investigators, about 5-6 years ago, Kadela had sold 22 bigha of ancestral land in Jodhpur's Phalodi for Rs 3 lakh. With some of that money he bought the land in Raisinghnagar, close to where they lived, and constructed a new pucca house. He then sold his share in the old home to his brothers for Rs 3 lakh.

All this has prompted the police to probe other angles, including betting on the ongoing Cricket World Cup, with investigators saying they are checking his call records. The family, however, claimed that Kadela had more debts, but the documents were taken away by officials as part of the investigation. His younger brother Krishan Lal said, "He owed Rs 35,000 to Bharat Financier, a local lender, and also had accounts in Canara Bank and Oriental Bank of Commerce. However, we don't know the exact amount of debts in these accounts as these documents were taken by the police."

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.etenderup.nic.in Tender Date Extension** The tender invited for through e-tender no., EAV-12/19-20 the date of bid opening is hereby further extended and details for the same have been mentioned below. **Sl No.** 1 **Tender Specification number** EAV-12/19-20 **Material Name** पूर्वांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लि. के वित्तीय वर्ष 20915-16 से वित्तीय वर्ष 2017-18 तक के वार्षिक लेखों की 1000 प्रतियां प्रति वर्ष हिन्दी में मुद्रण एवं आपूर्ति। **Last Date & time for submission of tender documents** Date: 15.07.2019 Time: 15:00 PM **Tender opening date & time** Date: 16.07.2019 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:1717/पू.वि.वि.नि.लि. (वा)/सा.प्र./अअ-I/विज्ञापन दिनांक: 26.06.2019

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CIN: U40109 KA 2002 SGC 030425

No: MESCOM/SEE(P)/EE(W)/2019-20/4207 Date: 20.06.2019

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (e-Procurement Mode only)

MESCOM Invites tender for the work of "Construction of 33kV Single Circuit line from Bolubailu to 33/11kV Sullia MUSS for a distance of 4.3kms & 1.2 kms by using Coyote ACSR Conductor & UG Cable respectively and Formation of 33kV terminal bay at Sullia MUSS in Sullia Sub-division, Puttur Division of Mangaluru Circle under System Improvement on Total Turnkey basis" vide Bid Enquiry No. **MESCOM/2019-20/EL/WORK_INDENT1232.**

The interested eligible bidders may log on to **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 01.07.2019**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele.) (Proc) MESCOM, Mangaluru

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No: PW-DPD-CB-Tender/2019: Dated:

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

The Executive Engineer, Dharampur Division, HPPWD Dharampur, Distt: Mandi (H.P) on behalf of Governor of H.P invites the Item Rate Bids, in Electronic Tendering Systems from the Eligible Class of Contractors Registered with HPPWD for the work as detailed in the Table.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (In Rs.)	Starting Date for Downloading Bid	Earnest Money (In Rs.)	Deadline for Submission of Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	C/o Combined Office Building at Tihra (SH: C/o Building Portion, Water Supply and Sanitary Installation, Approach Road and Rain Water Harvesting Tank etc.)	3,51,95,685/-	02.07.2019	3,84,500/-	16.07.2019
2.	C/o Link Road Morla to Kumakher Km 0/0 to 2/0 (SH: P/L WBM G-II and 20mm thick Premix Carpet Surfacing in Km 0/0 to 2/0).	18,28,953/-	02.07.2019	35000/-	16.07.2019
3.	C/o 2nd Floor Panchyat Bhawan in Tehsil: Dharampur, Distt: Mandi (H.P) (SH: C/o Building Portion, Water Supply and Sanitary Installation).	43,04,379/-	02.07.2019	72,000/-	16.07.2019
4.	C/o Link Road Tanihar to Baba Kamlahiya Mandir Km 0/0 to 0/735 (SH; Formation Cutting 5/7 mtrs wide, C/o R/Wall, B/Wall in Km 0/0 to 0/735).	51,13,695/-	02.07.2019	84,000/-	16.07.2019

The Bidders are advised to Note other details of Tender from the Department website: **www.hptenders.gov.in**.

Executive Engineer, Dharampur Division, HPPWD Dharampur, Distt: Mandi (H.P) on behalf of Governor of H.P

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HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

E-Procurement Notice
INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

1.The Executive Engineer, Karchham Division, HP.PWD; Bhaba Nagar Distt. Kinnaur H.P on behalf of Governor of H.P invites the online bids on item rate, in electronic tendering system, in 2 Cover System for the under mentioned work from the eligible and approved contractors/Firms registered with HPPWD Department.

Sr. No	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	EMD	Cost of Tender	Eligible class of Contractor	Time allowed
1.	Construction of Govt. Serior Secondary School building at Brua Distt Kinnaur H.P. (SH:- Site development, C/O Building portion including W.S. and S.I., septic tank and Rain water harvesting tank etc.).	Rs. 1,47,90,812/-	Rs. 1,80,400/-	Rs. 5000/-	B Class	18 month

2. Availability of Bid Document and mode of submission: The Bid document is available online and bid should be submitted in online mode on website https://hptenders.gov.in.
Bidder would be required to register in the web-site which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized Certifying Authorities (CA). "Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-tendering in HPPWD may obtain the same from the website: https://hptenders.gov.in. Digital signature is mandatory to participate in the e-tendering. Bidders already possessing the digital signature issued from authorized CAs can use the same in this tender

3. Key Dates:

1.	Date of Online Publication	09.07.2019 10:00 HRS
2.	Document Download Start and End Date	09.07.2019 10:30 HRS upto 20.07.2019 17:00 HRS
3.	Bid Submission Start and End Date	09.07.2019 10:30 HRS upto 20.07.2019 17:00 HRS
4.	Physical Submission of EMD and Cost of Tender Document	22.07.2019 upto 10:30 HRS
5.	Date of Technical Bid opening, Evaluation of Technical Bid followed by Opening of Financial Bid.	22.07.2019 11:00 HRS

4. TENDER DETAILS:
The Tender Documents shall be uploaded online in 2 Cover:
i) Cover 1: shall contain scanned copies of all "Technical Documents/ Eligibility Information".
ii) Cover2: shall contain "BOQ/Financial Bid", where contractor will quote his offer for each item.

5. **SUBMISSION OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS:** The bidders are required to submit (a) original demand draft towards the cost of bid document and (b) original bid security/Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and other Technical Documents in O/O Executive Engineer, Karchham Division HP.PWD, Bhabanagar as specified in Key dates Sr. No. 4 on Tender Opening Date, failing which the bids will be declared non-responsive.

6. **BID OPENING DETAILS:** The bids shall be opened on 22.07.2019 at 11:00 HRS in the office of Executive Engineer, Karchham Division HP.PWD, Bhabanagar H.P. by the authorised officer. The tenderers are advised to be present along with original documents at the time of opening of tenders. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.

7. The bids for the work shall remain valid for acceptance for a period not less than 90/120 days after the deadline date for bid submission.

8. Other details can be seen in the bidding documents. The officer inviting tender shall not be held liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the Employer shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidders' responsibility to verify the website for the latest information related to the tender.

Executive Engineer,
Karchham Division,
HP.PWD; Bhaba Nagar,
Distt. Kinnaur (H.P).
on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh

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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, ANJANGAON SURJI, DISTT. AMRAVATI

SHORT E-TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice 1684 **Issued Dated – 25-06-2019**

E-tenders in two packet system are invited for various works under special fund described below from the experienced contractors registered in appropriate class with the Public Works Department of Government of Maharashtra on behalf of the Municipal Council, Anjanagaon Surji. The details of the tender are can be seen on **http://www.mahatenders.gov.in** from dt. 24/06/2019. The details of the tender are as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of Work/ Name of Project	Estimeted Amount	Earnest Money Deposit	Cost of Blank Tender	Period of Work
1	**(Under special fund)** Construction of Bridge on river Shahanur connecting the city of Anjangaon Surji (From Satimata Mandir to Old Bus stand station)	79452392 10004317 89456709	794525	20000	3 Years
Online Sale of tenders		– From 24/06/2019 to 19/07/2019 up to 5.00 p.m.			
Online submission of tenders		– From 24/06/2019 to 19/07/2019 up to 5.00 p.m.			
Online opening of tenders (if possible)		– On 20/07/2019 at 5.00 p.m. or thereafter			

The details of the above work are available on the website http://www.mahatendrs.gov.in.
Terms and Conditions: 1) The tender process for the above work will be conducted online through e-tender process. Any instruction of corrigendum in terms of the above tender will be published online.

Adv. Kamalkant Ladole Chairman | **Shri Pandhari Balange** Vice-Chairman | **Shri Madhukar Gujar** Chairperson-Public Works | **Shri Shrikrishna Wahurwagh** Chief Officer

Municipal Council, Anjangaon Surji, Distt. Amravati

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, ALLAHABAD

Tender Notice No. 3320192020 **E-Tendering Tender Notice** **Dated: 19.06.2019**

Divisional Railway Manager (Engineering)/North Central Railway/Allahabad, for and on behalf of the President of India, invites E-tenders on prescribed form for the following works upto **13.30** hrs. on **17.07.2019.** The details of the tender are as under:-

Sl. No.	Tender No. & Name of Work	Approx. Cost (₹)	Earnest Money (₹)	Cost of Tender Form (₹)
1.	**108:** Composite tender for Construction of new crew Running Room & Construction of one type IV Quarter Allahabad.	₹ 2,77,52,746/-	₹ 2,88,800/-	₹ 10,000/-

Completion Period: 08 Months, Date of Opening of tender: 17.07.2019, Eligibility Criteria for"Similar work": Any building works. **Note: 1.** The complete information along with tender document of above E-Tenders are available on Website **www.ireps.gov.in** up to **13:30** hrs. on the due date of tender opening i.e. **17.07.2019**. **2.** Bids other than in the form of E-Bids shall not be accepted against above tenders. For this purpose, vendors are required to get themselves registered with **IREPS** website along with Digital Signature Certificate issued by **CCA** under **IT Act-2000**. **3.** Rates entered into Financial Rate page and duly signed digitally shall be considered. Rates and any other financial entity in any other form/letter head if attached by vendors shall be straightway ignored and shall not be considered. **4.**The tenderers shall submit a notarized affidavit on a non judicial stamp paper of ₹ **100/-** as given in the tender document in standard format, without which their tender may not be considered and shall be summarily rejected. **5.** The supplier/ contractor of goods and/or services would be subject to GST Act and Rules as applicable from time to time. **6.** Document being attached should be signed by the tenderer on its body. **7.** This tender notice has also been uploaded on **www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in**. **8.** Payment of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) & Tender Document Cost (TDC) in respect of e-tendering shall be accepted through net banking or payment gateway only. **9.** In case of any difficulty helpdesk available on the website of **IREPS** may be approached. **10.** Tender on line can be submitted upto **13.30** hrs. on **17.07.2019**. 877/19(R)

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कार्यालय मुख्य चिकित्सा एवं स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी, जिला-कबीरधाम (छ.ग.)

क्रमांक/संविदा नियुक्ति/2019/3301 ''संविदा भरती विज्ञापन'' कबीरधाम दिनांक 22 जून 2019

एनएचएम/अन्य प्रशासकीय मद/निधि विशेषज्ञ चिकित्सा अधिकारियों की नियुक्ति संविदा भता तथा जिला चयन समिति द्वारा निर्धारित नियमानुसार निम्नांकित पदों हेतु (वाक इन इंटरव्यू) मुख्य चिकित्सा एवं स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी कार्यालय में आयोजित किया जाना है इच्छुक पात्र उम्मीदवार किसी भी कार्यालयीन दिवस एवं समय 10.30 बजे से 05.30 बजे तक उपस्थित होकर वॉक इन इन्टरव्यू में भाग ले सकते है।

क्र.	पद नाम	पद संख्या	Educational Qualification	संविदा आधारित समेकित मासिक वेतन (Negotiable)	वाक इन इंटरव्यू दिनांक
1	स्त्री रोग विशेषज्ञ	01	PGMO/DNB/MS/MD	Salary 1.50 Lac. up to 2.50 Lac. (Negotiable)	किसी भी कार्यालयीन दिवस एवं समय पर उपस्थित होकर वॉक इन इन्टरव्यु मे भाग ले सकते है।
2	अस्थि रोग विशेषज्ञ	01	PGMO/DNB/MS/MD		
3	एमडी मेडिसीन विशेषज्ञ	01	PGMO/DNB/MS/MD		
4	नेत्र रोग विशेषज्ञ	01	PGMO/DNB/MS/MD		

1. साक्षात्कार उपरांत नियुक्ति आदेश तत्काल जारी किया जायेगा। 2. मासिक वेतन 1,50,000 रु. से लेकर इच्छुक आवेदक एवं नियुक्ता के मध्य Negotiation के आधार पर एक मुस्त प्रतिमाह मानदेय मांग के आधार पर वृद्धि किया जा सकता है। 3. सर्वसुविधा युक्त (जैसे:- फर्निचर, कुलर, फ्रिज इत्यादि) आवासीय व्यवस्था प्रदाय की जावेगी। 4. इच्छुक आवेदक के बच्चो के पढाई एवं सम्पूर्ण विकास हेतु जिले स्तर पर उपलब्ध सभी संस्थाओं में प्रवेश हेतु सहयोग प्रदान किया जायेगा। 5. जिला मुख्यालय के जिम एवं स्वीमिंग पुल, इनडोर-आउटडोर स्टेडियम, बैंडमिंटन कोड में सदस्यता निःशुल्क प्रदाय कराया जावेगा। 6. सप्ताहांत में मुख्यालय छोडे जोने हेतु अनुमति प्रदान की जावेगी। 7. आवश्यक पडने पर शासकीय वाहन की सुविधा उपलब्ध कराई जाएंगी। 8. अन्य आवश्यक जानकारी हेतु जिला कार्यक्रम प्रबंधक मो.नं. 8770266856 एवं जिला सलाहकार मो. नं. 8516014727 से संपर्क किया जा सकता है। अतः उपरोक्त पदों हेतु अनिवार्य नियम व शर्ते एवं आवेदन प्रारुप जिले के वेबसाईट http://kawardha.gov.in से डाऊनलोड किया जा सकता है।

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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/ EMAIL
1.	HARYANA POLICE HOUSING CORPORATION	CONSTRUCTION/UP-GRADATION/PROVIDING & INSTALLATION/SPECIAL REPAIR WORKS IN ALL DISTRICTS OF HARYANA STATE. PANCHKULA	27.06.2019 10.07.2019	1984.22 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	dbpanchkula@yahoo.com
2.	THE SHAHABAD CO-OPERATIVE SUGAR MILLS LTD.	ONLINE E-BID ARE INVITED FOR SALE OF OLD SURPLUS SUGAR PLANT & MACHINERY WITH SPARES:- AS MILL HOUSE TURBINE, FIBRIZER TURBINE, CANE UNLOADER GRABS ETC.	24.06.2019 02.07.2019	NIL	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9466114108 scsmsbd1@gmail.com
3.	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AMBALA	TOTAL 22 NO. OF DEVELOPMENT WORKS TO BE EXECUTED IN THE JURISDICTION OF MUNICIPAL. CORPORATION AMBALA(CITY ZONE).	26.06.2019 09.07.2019	179.08 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2443747
4.	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PANCHKULA	PROCUDING 50 NOS E-BIKES FOR SUPERVISOR OF SANITATION STAFF (UNDER SWACHH BHARAT MISSION, URBAN) IN MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PANCHKULA + 2 OTHER WORKS	25.06.2019 04.07.2019	EMD-2 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2583695 mcpanchkula@gmail.com
5.	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION ROHTAK	HIRING OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS FIRM FOR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, ROHTAK	24.06.2019 01.07.2019	NIL	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	saomcr@gmail.com
6.	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE INDRI	REPAIR OF STREET AND DRAIN IN VARIOUS PLACES IN WARD NO.6 + 9 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING 08.07.2019	NIL	etenders.hry.nic.in	9728900079 secymc.indri@gmail.com
7.	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION YAMUNA NAGAR-JAGADHRI	CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD ALONG WITH NALA FROM HANUMAN GATE TO SHANTI COLONY UPTO CHHACHRAULI ROAD + 4 OTHER WORKS	26.06.2019 01.07.2019	8.21 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9818656867 xen.mcynr@gmail.com
8.	MUNICIPAL COUNCIL HANSI	MCH-105 + 1 OTHER WORK	25.06.2019 01.07.2019	EMD-50000	etender.hry.nic.in	secymc.hansi@gmail.com
9.	HPGCL	OUTSOURCING OF CLEANINESS SERVICES/ACTIVITIES OF URJA BHAWAN, HPGCL, C-7, SEC-6, PANCHKULA	CLOSING 08.07.2019	65200	www.hpgcl.org.in	0172-5022439 ceplg@hpgcl.org.in
10.	HPGCL	STARTERS AND SFUS OF MAKE BCH/ L&T/ HAVELLS/ C&S/ SCHEINDER FOR PTPS COLONY, PANIPAT	21.06.2019 22.07.2019	4.30 LACS	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
11.	HPGCL	HIRING AND OPERATION OF 19 NO. MARUTI DZIRE(AC, BS-IV, MODEL NOT OLDER THAN 2017) HAVING COMMERCIAL PERMIT ON MONTHLY CHARGEABLE BASIS FOR USE AT PTPS, PANIPAT (12) FTPS, FARIDABAD (I) & HO PANCHKULA	01.03.2019 01.07.2019	79.80 LACS	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
12.	HVPN	PLUGGING THE OIL LEAKAGE/SEEPAGE OF 12.5/16 MVA, 66/11 KV T/F T-2 ECE MAKE INSTALLED AT 66 KV S/STN. TALAKAUR.	21.06.2019 10.07.2019	1.67 LACS	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
13.	HVPN	VARIOUS SIZES OF BOLTED TYPE HARDWARE FITTINGS CLAMPS & SPACERS FOR SUBSTATION.	27.06.2019 27.07.2019	2.65 LACS	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
14.	HVPN	VARIOUS SIZES OF SILICON COMPOSITE POLYMER RUBBER INSULATOR STRINGS	27.06.2019 27.07.2019	1.70 LACS	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
15.	HVPN	BUS COUPLER C&R PANEL (FOR 66 & 132KV) + 2 OTHER WORKS	27.06.2019 29.07.2019	2.30 LACS	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
16.	HVPN	PROCUREMENT OF 132 KV LIGHTENING ARRESTOR	25.06.2019 25.07.2019	EMD-2.08 LACS	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
17.	HVPN	BUS COUPLER C&R PANEL (FOR 66 & 132KV) + 2 OTHER WORKS	27.06.2019 29.07.2019	EMD-2.30 LACS	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
18.	HVPN	PAINTING OF 100 MVA 220/66 KV T/F T-2, 12.5/16 MVA, 66/11 KV T/F MK'S & ALLIED RUSTED EQUIPMENT OF 220 KV BAY AND 66 KV BAY AT 220 KV S/STN. SALEMPUR	24.06.2019 12.07.2019	1.69 LACS	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
19.	UHBVN	VEHICLE TENDER ASSANDH	CLOSING 05.07.2019	3.98 LACS	www.uhbvn.org.in	xenopuhbvnassandh@gmail.com
20.	UHBVN	E-PROCUREMENT OF DESIGN, MANUFACTURE, SUPPLY, ERECTION, COMMISSIOING AND TESTING OF BEE 5 STAR RATED SUBMERSIBLE PUMP SETS FROM 3 HP TO 30 HP AS PER NIGAM'S SPECIFICATIONS WITH 5 YEARS WARANTY	25.06.2019 08.07.2019	136.98 CRORE	uhbvn.org.in	9357189013 cemm@uhbvn.org.in
21.	UHBVN	HIRING OF 1 NO. JEEP WITH HARD TOP I.E BALERO/ SUMO WITH DRIVER FOR THE USE OF S.D.O (OP) SUB-DIVISION, UHBVN, NILOKHERI UNDER XEN S/U DIVN. NO.1, KARNAL	CLOSING 08.07.2019	7000	www.uhbvn.org.in	0184-2268525 xenopuhbvnsu1karnal@gmail.com
22.	HSAMB, PANIPAT	WIDENING AND STRENGTHENING OF LINK ROAD FROM VILLAGE SHEHAR MALPUR TO P.C JAURASI. ROAD ID H-3455 (CM-ANNOUNCEMENT CODE-24770) + 1 OTHER WORK	26.06.2019 09.07.2019	94.13 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	xenpnp2019.hsamb@gmail.com
23.	DHBVN	FIXING THE RATE CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF ACSR RACCOON CONDUCTOR 80 MM2 (NIT NO.633/DH/MM DATED 21.06.2019 AGAINST QD-814	24.06.2019 15.07.2019	5.14 CRORE	www.dhbvn.org.in	8059888680 semmdhbvn@gmail.com

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GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND
DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DEPARTMENT

Short term E-procurement notice

RFP No. - 03/CDO/Ranchi/RWSS/2019-20 **Dated : .....**

Group No.	Name of Works	RFP with Invitation of rate for preparation of PFR, DPR with Weir (wherever is required) including preparation of Bid Document in EPC / Turnkey / Item rate mode, etc. for following works is Invited from eligible Empanelled Consultants at CDO Office under DW&SD, Jharkhand, Ranchi.					
	Name of Scheme	Approximate Population	Approximate cost of DPR	Completion of Work	Cost of Earnest money	Cost of Tender Fee in Rs.	Eligibility
1	Dhengadih & 3 nos. adjoining villages in Deori Block under Giridih-1 Division	6121	Rs. 489.68 Lakh	3 months	Rs. 0.31 Lakh	10000.00	For B & C Category
Date & Time for publishing of NIT & TOR on website		28.06.2019 at 3.00 PM					
Uploading of Bid document & photo copy of Earnest money & tender fee on website		08.07.2019 up to 5.00 PM					
Date & Time for submission of Original copy of Earnest Money & tender fee at CDO Office		09.07.2019 up to 3.00 PM					
Date & Time for Opening of Technical Bid document		10.07.2019 at 4.30 PM					
Date & Time for Opening of Rate Bid		15.07.2019 at 5.00 PM					
Contact no. for procurement officer		0651-2490581					
Help line no. for e-procurement cell		0651-2480345					

Other information can be seen at :- http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in
Defaulter consultants will not be entertained. Empanelled eligible consultants are being informed by email separately to ensure the success of bid.

Sd/- (Reyaz Alam)
Executive Engineer, (Design)
CDO, D.W. & S. D., Jharkhand, Ranchi

P.R. 209975 Drinking Water and Sanitation(19-20)-D

Government of Jharkhand
Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Ranchi
Schedule Tribe, Schedule Caste, Minorities and OBC Welfare Department

Ref no. 703 **Ranchi, Dated 26.06.2019**

Expression of Interest

Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute (TRI), Ranchi invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from interested ***Universities (all colleges)/ Department of Universities/ Govt. Organization/ Educational Institute/ Research Institute/ NGOs*** for undertaking a Research Project of TRI, Ranchi during the year 2019-20 :

TOPIC: Study of Megalithic cultures in Jharkhand.

Interested agencies are hereby requested to submit Expression of Interest (EOI) duly forwarded by registrar of universities {applicable Universities (all colleges)/ Department of Universities only} along with technical bid giving relevant details of the organization necessary for evaluating the competencies on or before 27/7/2019 till 4.00 PM. The price should be all inclusive of (all requisite statutory taxes, if applicable) and not open ended.

The intending agencies may submit their bid in sealed envelope clearly written in BOLD **"A TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FOR *TOPIC: Study of Megalithic cultures in Jharkhand.* on or before due date. (Please specify name of the concerned work)"** written on the top of the envelope. These envelopes are to be addressed to the **Director, Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute (TRI), Morabadi, Ranchi-834008.** TRI will not be responsible for delay in transits or damages or loss of tender document sent by post.

Technical Bid will be opened on 31/7/2019 in the office of the Director, TRI, Ranchi.

Only those agencies which fulfill technical criteria will be considered for presentation of project.

Terms of Reference (ToR) and other details can be obtained from the office of the TRI on any working day during office hour to meet concerned Nodal person and the same can also be downloaded from the website www.prdjharkhand.in or through E-mail **tri.directorate@gmail.com** by specifying the topic & details of Institution / Organization Interested.

TRI, Ranchi reserves all rights to accept or reject all or any of the EOI's at any stage without assigning any reasons.TRI, Ranchi also reserves the right to engage/empanel one or more firm depending on requirements.

Sd/-
Director

PR 210093 Welfare (19-20)_D

WEST BENGAL

Woman cop accuses BJP men of molesting her during protest

SWEETY KUMARI
KOLKATA, JUNE 26

A WOMAN police official was allegedly heckled and molested by a group of men, who were part of a BJP protest, led by party leader Bharati Ghosh in East Medinipur district on Wednesday.

Ghosh has denied all allegations and accused the same woman of physically assaulting her. Police said Ghosh, accompanied by a number of BJP supporters, was on her way to Kanthibari in East Medinipur district, where she was likely to hold a public rally. However, police stopped her convoy before she could enter the Khejuri block.

Ghosh got out of her car and sat on the road to protest against the police. Soon, hundreds of other BJP supporters joined her and started raising slogans against police. The agitators also allegedly threw stones at the police officials.

Meanwhile, Ghosh claimed that she had been illegally stopped by police on her way.

"The police stopped me for no reason. I was going to meet a party worker. Who gave police the right to stop me from going anywhere. They pulled me out of my car. A woman police official also physically assaulted me," said Ghosh.

She denied all the allegations levelled against the BJP workers.

Police said the BJP had no permission of holding any rally or protest and so, they were stopped. Several BJP workers and police officials, including officer-in-charge of Khejuri police station Gopal Patra, were injured in the clash.

Later, Ghosh left the place on a motorbike and had addressed a rally at Haria in East Medinipur.

A bulldozer razes the Praja Vedika building in Amaravati. *Express*

Praja Vedika razed, Naidu's bungalow likely target next

SREENIVAS JANYALA
HYDERABAD, JUNE 26

THE PRAJA Vedika built by former chief minister N Chandrababu Naidu was demolished on Wednesday evening. AP Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA) officials removed the remaining furniture and reusable things, and bulldozers worked throughout the day to bring down the structure.

YSRCP MLA from Mangalagiri, A Ramakrishna Reddy, who has been complaining against illegal constructions along the Krishna river, said that the building stood on agriculture land which was forcibly acquired by the TDP government. "The land originally belonged to two farmers-Nagaiah Rao and Sambasiva Rao. They were threatened with false cases and harassed until they gave the land under land-pooling scheme. This entire operation was done under the guidance of then Municipal Administration Minister Dr P Narayana. Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy has made it clear that all such structures built in blatant violation of norms will be pulled down. He has set an example by pulling down this structure built by Naidu," Reddy said.

Sources in YSRCP said that the government will now put pressure on Naidu to vacate his bungalow, Lingamaneni Guesthouse, adjacent to the Praja Vedika. The guesthouse belongs to an infrastructure company which was leased as Naidu's official residence. The guesthouse was also allegedly built in violation of River Conservation Act and maybe Jagan's next target.

Naidu who returned from abroad on late Tuesday night met some of his MLAs and senior party leaders at his residence on Wednesday morning. "The former chief minister condemned the demolition and said it was political vendetta. He also said he may have to look for alternative accommodation. Some TDP supporters have offered their land to Naidu if he wants to build his house in Amaravati region but he refused. He is exploring other options. All leaders suggested Naidu to vacate the bungalow before the YSRCP government humiliates him further by giving an eviction notice," a TDP leader said. TDP leaders and Naidu's supporters were scouting for alternative guesthouses and bungalows at safer locations.

Jagan forms panel to probe TDP-era contracts

SREENIVAS JANYALA
HYDERABAD, JUNE 26

ANDHRA PRADESH Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy asked officials on Wednesday to prepare the grounds to register corruption cases against several former Telugu Desam Party(TDP) ministers and officials, for allegedly causing huge losses to the state exchequer by awarding contracts at higher prices.

Jagan held meetings with officials of Energy Department, AP Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA) and AP State Transport on Wednesday and formed a Cabinet sub-committee to review contracts offered under all departments, including Power Purchase Agreements(PPA), contracts awarded under the CRDA, mining leases and permits. The sub-committee was formed after preliminary a inquiry revealed irregularities in PPAs and awarding contracts in CRDA for construction of capital buildings in Amravati. Sources said that after scrutinising the PPAs made in the five years of TDP rule, Jagan concluded that by purchasing power at higher rates, the state lost of Rs 2,636 crore. Similarly, all contracts awarded in Amravati through APCRDA were at higher rates than existing market rates. Jagan has already cancelled all projects awarded by the TDP Government after April 1, 2019.

Defying a letter from the Centre to AP to not to disturb the PPAs made by the TDP Government, Jagan has decided to investigate them. In a letter last month to AP Chief Secretary L V Subramanyam, the Secretary of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Anand Kumar wrote that cancelling or revisiting PPAs is not good for confidence of investors and may affect future investments.

"PPAs for renewable energy projects are signed by developers with the State Government with tariffs fixed by State Electricity Regulatory Commission as the guidelines issued by the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission or through open competitive bidding. The SERC conducts public hearings in both cases for fixing the tariffs," the letter stated.

"The CM feels that there is a need to revisit the PPAs because they caused huge loss to AP as power was purchased at higher prices," an official said.

Ordering a review of contracts awarded in Amaravati's construction, Jagan said that not more than 5,000 acres was required to construct the city and therefore all the 33,000 acres that was acquired under the land pooling scheme by TDP Government was not necessary. "Jagan is of the view that out of the 33,000-odd acres acquired, the government will keep 5,000 acres to continue construction and return the remaining 28,000 acres to farmers," said Municipal Administraion and Urban Development Minister Botsa Satyanrayana.

Uttarakhand minister's son killed in UP crash

Lucknow: Uttarakhand Education Minister Arvind Pandey's son Ankur (25) was killed after his car collided with a truck on National Highway 24 in Bareilly early on Wednesday.

His friend Munna Giri (26) also died in the accident. Another friend Gyanendra Yadav (25) was injured and admitted to a hospital where he is in coma. They were on their way to attend Giri's brother's wedding.

"Family members and several relatives of Giri were also travelling in another car and a bus. The three youths were taken to a local private hospital where Pandey and Giri were declared brought dead," said Ramananad Rai, circle officer (CO) of Faridpur.

He said the truck driver fled. No FIR was registered at the time of going to press. Pandey is a resident of Uttarakhand's Rudrapur district. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and Uttarakhand's Trivendra Singh Rawat have expressed grief over the deaths and extended condolences to the bereaved family.

Rawat attended Pandey's cremation at Goolarbhoj in Udham Singh Nagar. **ENS**

Goa Cabinet clears bill that allows women to work in late night shifts

Panjim: "To end discrimination against women and provide equal job opportunities", the Goa cabinet on Wednesday proposed an amendment to the Factories Act, 1948, which, if cleared, would legally facilitate women to work in state factories in sunset shifts - from 7 pm to 6 am.

Deputy Chief Minister Vijai Sardesai said the opportunity was "in the interest of gender equality". The amendment bill, will now be introduced in the Legislative Assembly. The amendment also looks to allow for security features to be introduced in work sites before women are allowed to work late hours. Speaking to reporters, Sardesai said the move was made after much thought to allow companies to become more productive. **ENS**

Class X student tries to commit suicide in Kolkata school

Lucknow: Days after a student of a premier school was found dead with her wrist slit on campus, another Class 10 student of Ballygunge Shiksha Sadan allegedly attempted to commit suicide inside the school washroom on Tuesday. However, quick intervention of an attendant saved her life.

According to the school authorities, the girl entered the washroom and locked the door, which was immediately noticed by the attendant. They then started knocking on the door and convinced her to come out. After a while, she gave in to their requests. It was found that she had tried to slit her wrist. However, the injuries were minor and the school itself treated them by provided first-aid.

"She suffers from violent streaks, during which she tries to harm herself. On Tuesday, the same thing happened. She was undergoing treatment for this problem, but we were unaware of it... Her condition is absolutely fine now," said Sunita Sen, principal of Ballygunge Shiksha Sadan. **ENS**

Militant killed in Tral encounter

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
SRINAGAR, JUNE 26

A MILITANT affiliated to Ansar Ghazwat-ul-Hind (AGH) was killed in an encounter between militants and security personnel in Tral forests in South Kashmir's Pulwama district on Wednesday.

Jammu & Kashmir Police said in a release that a joint cordon and search operation was launched by security forces at Branpatri area of Tral following the presence of militants in the area. "In the ensuing encounter, one terrorist was killed and the body was recovered from the encounter," the release said.

The slain militant was identified as Shabir Ahmad Malik from Nagbal Tral in Pulwama.

"As per the police records, he was initially affiliated with proscribed terror outfit LeT and later on was part of Zakir Musa group," the police said.

"Several terror crime cases were registered against him including case.of Police Station Trikuta Nagar (Jammu) pertaining to the planning and making preparations for carrying out terror attacks in Jammu," the release said.

Health officials in Tral told *The Indian Express* that two people with pellet injuries were brought to the hospital for treatment. Two people were injured in the clashes between stone throwing youth and security forces.

Maldives former Vice President in Pune hospital

Pune: Former Vice President of Maldives, Ahmed Adeeb Abdul Ghafoor, who is facing charges of involvement in a bomb attack in his home country, is undergoing treatment at a hospital in Pune.

Ghafoor became the Vice President of Maldives in July 2015. He was arrested for his alleged role in bomb attack on September 28, 2015, that targeted the then President of Maldives.

He was recently brought to Pune for eye treatment.

"He was brought under heavy security to our hospital five days ago and we have checked him. Investigations are underway," said Dr Vardhaman Kankariya, Director of the Asian Eye hospital. **ENS**

4 Unnao jail staff in dock as video of convict 'with clay gun' emerges

Lucknow: Three days after a video from Unnao jail showing an inmate roaming around with what appears to be a pistol went viral, departmental action has been initiated against four jail staff members.

An inquiry report by jail superintendent A K Singh found that two prisoners, with the help of head jail wardens Mata Prasad, Hemraj, Awadhesh Sahi and Salim Khan created the whole scenario "to put pressure on the prison administration."

"A video related to Unnao jail showing what appeared to be a pistol in the hands of an inmate, Amrish, who was transferred from Meerut to Unnao. After inquiry, it was found that another inmate, Gaurav Pratap Singh, who is a painter, made the object out of clay," claimed a statement released by the administration.

"The same object was seen in the video. About eatables shown in the video, they were routine food items given to the prisoners," it said. **ENS**

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Corrigendum

This is with reference to release of Admission Notice/ Advertisement dated 02 June 2019, published in various newspapers and uploaded Admission prospectus data of BFA and MFA on college website.

It is informed to all applicants that due to the implementation of 10% reservation for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) vide order No. F. DHE.I (119) Estt./2018-19/2549-76 dated 17.06.2019, issued by the competent authority, the revised seat matrix of BFA & MFA Intake Capacity for Admission 2019-20 is uploaded and applicants may visit or download for their reference from the college website "http://colart.delhigovt.nic.in".

Hence, the following schedule may please be noted by all applicants.

1. **Admission in EWS (Economically Weaker Section) category in MFA (Master of Fine Arts):** The date for submission of Application Form by hand has been extended upto Wednesday, 10 July, 2019 4.00pm and by Registered/Speed Post/Courier on or before Thursday, 11 July, 2019 4.00pm, **only for applicants belonging to EWS category.** Eligibility list of EWS category will be displayed on Friday, 12 July, 2019 4.00pm.
   NOTE: There is NO CHANGE in Dates of Interviews/Viva for all streams of MFA. Admission will be held as per schedule, as mentioned earlier.
2. **Admission in EWS (Economically Weaker Section) category in BFA (Bachelor of Fine Arts):** Application form for BFA along with requisite fees, supporting documents, duly completed, should be submitted by hand, from Wednesday, 10 July, 2019 4.00pm to Wednesday, 24 July, 2019 4.00pm and by Registered/Speed Post/Courier on or before, Friday,26 July, 2019 4.00 pm., only for applicants belonging to EWS category. Eligibility list of EWS will be displayed on Tuesday, 30 July, 2019 4.00pm.
   NOTE: Entrance Test for applicants of EWS category will be held on Sunday, 04 August, 2019. Result of EWS category will be declared and uploaded on college website on Tuesday, 13 August, 2019 4.00pm.

The Applicants are advised to check the college website for all details. No separate intimation/letters will be sent for the above purpose ibid.

Sd/-
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प्रेस विज्ञप्ति

प्राधिकरण की आवासीय भूखण्ड योजना 2018 (I) के अन्तर्गत आवंटित भूखण्डों के आवंटियों की प्रथम किश्त दिनांक 01.07.2019 को देय है जिस हेतु कार्यालय द्वारा समस्त आवंटियों को उनकी किश्तों के पेमेन्ट शिड्यूल डाक के माध्यम से उपलब्ध पते पर भेजे जा चुके हैं। यदि किसी कारणवश आवंटियों को उक्त शिड्यूल प्राप्त नहीं हुए हों तो वे प्राधिकरण के आवासीय भूखण्ड लेखा विभाग से सम्पर्क कर जानकारी प्राप्त कर सकते हैं।

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ODISHA JOINT ENTRANCE EXAMINATION-2019 (OJEE - 2019)

No-283/OJEE19 Date:26/06/2019

Document Verification and Odia Test for the OL category candidates for admission into (B. Tech / B. Plan) Courses

The candidates having JEE (MAIN)-2019 rank and belonging to OL-category (Odias belonging to outlying Odia speaking tracts) as per notification No.13411-sc-6-64/69-Gen political & service Department, Government of Odisha, Dated 8/8/1969 and interested to take part in the counselling process of OJEE 2019 are required to attend Document Verification / Odia Test at Nodal Centre, JEE Cell, Gandamunda, Bhubaneswar on

29th and 30th June, 2019 (Reporting Time : 10AM to 11AM).

All OL candidates are advised not to lock their choices. They can lock their choice only after the OL test and document verification.

Sd/-
Chairman, OJEE-2019

ODISHA JOINT ENTRANCE EXAMINATION (OJEE) - 2019

No:282 /OJEE2019 Date: 25-06-2019

PUBLIC NOTICE

It has come to our notice that an advertisement has been published on 21.06.2019 in a leading local newspaper in the name of OJEE – 2019 offering help to candidates seeking admission in B. Tech. courses under OJEE – 2019. The advertisement also gives two mobile phone nos. as OJEE helpline numbers.

In this connection, we want to make it clear that the above advertisement has nothing to do with OJEE – 2019 and the helpline numbers are also not OJEE numbers. Thus, the said advertisement is completely fake and possibly, a part of some nefarious plan to dupe the candidates.

Therefore, the OJEE Committee requests all the candidates and their Guardians to remain alert and to not fall prey to such notorious plans.

Instead, they are advised to refer to the official website of OJEE (**ojee.nic.in** / **odishajee.com**) which provides all relevant rules, information and instructions regarding counselling and admission under OJEE – 2019.

In case of any problem or doubts, the candidates and their guardians should visit or contact the OJEE office at Gandamunda, Bhubaneswar for assistance using the phone nos. given here : 0674-2382101, 0674-2382108.

Sd/-
CHAIRMAN, OJEE

IMPORTANT NOTICE

It is notified for the information of passengers that Railways have decided to revise the timings/ the number of following trains w.e.f. 01.07.2019 as under:-

54309/54310 Delhi-Rewari-Delhi Passenger Train will run upto Hisar From 01.07.2019

Train No.: 54309		STATIONS	Train No.: 54310	
ARR.	DEP.		ARR.	DEP.
----	05.20	Delhi	12.20	----
No change in timings between Delhi Sarai Rohilla to Kumbhawas Mundhalia Dabri			No change in timings between Kumbhawas Mundhalia Dabri to Delhi Sarai Rohilla	
08.10	08.15	Rewari	09.25	09.30
08.28	08.29	Nangal Mundi	08.25	08.27
08.39	08.40	Dahina Zainabad	08.12	08.14
08.49	08.50	Kanina Khas	08.00	08.02
08.56	08.57	Gurha Kemla	07.53	07.54
09.03	09.04	Bojawas	07.46	07.47
09.12	09.14	Mahender Garh	07.36	07.38
09.22	09.23	Zerpur Pali	07.27	07.28
09.30	09.31	Nangal Degrota	07.19	07.20
09.38	09.39	Nanwan	07.11	07.12
09.45	09.46	Satnali	07.03	07.05
09.56	09.57	Sohansra	06.52	06.53
10.03	10.10	Loharu Jn	06.40	06.45
10.18	10.20	Kushal Pura	06.30	06.31
10.27	10.29	Parvezpur	06.21	06.23
10.39	10.41	Rampura Beri	06.10	06.12
10.47	10.48	Gugalwa Kirtan	06.03	06.04
10.53	10.54	Bewar Bhojan	05.57	05.58
11.02	11.04	Harpalu	05.47	05.49
11.10	11.11	Kandharan	05.40	05.41
11.45	12.10	Sadulpur Jn	05.10	05.30
12.17	12.18	Suratpura Jn	04.50	04.51
12.27	12.28	Laseri	04.40	04.41
12.36	12.38	Jhunpa	04.31	04.32
12.54	12.56	Siwani	04.13	04.15
13.03	13.04	Naloi Barwa	04.05	04.06
13.10	13.12	Charaud	03.57	03.58
14.00	----	Hisar	----	03.40

Note:- Due to Extension of **54309/54310** Delhi-Rewari-Delhi Passenger train to/from Hisar, the **74845/74848** Rewari-Hisar-Rewari DEMU train will be discontinued from 01.07.2019.

Renumbering of 74847/74846 Rewari-Hisar-Rewari DEMU as 54315/54316 Rewari-Hisar-Rewari Passenger with revision in timings From 01.07.2019

Train No.: 54315		STATIONS	Train No.: 54316	
ARR.	DEP.		ARR.	DEP.
---	20.30	Rewari	19.50	----
20.43	20.44	Nangal Mundi	19.14	19.16
20.54	20.55	Dahina Zainabad	19.02	19.04
21.04	21.05	Kanina Khas	18.50	18.52
21.11	21.12	Gurha Kemla	18.43	18.44
21.18	21.19	Bojawas	18.36	18.37
21.27	21.32	Mahender Garh	18.26	18.28
21.40	21.41	Zerpur Pali	18.17	18.18
21.48	21.49	Nangal Degrota	18.09	18.10
21.56	21.57	Nanwan	18.01	18.02
22.03	22.04	Satnali	17.53	17.55
22.14	22.15	Sohansra	17.42	17.43
22.25	22.30	Loharu Jn	17.30	17.35
22.38	22.39	Kushal Pura	17.18	17.19
22.46	22.47	Parvezpur	17.10	17.11
22.56	22.58	Rampura Beri	16.59	17.01
23.04	23.05	Gugalwa Kirtan	16.52	16.53
23.10	23.11	Bewar Bhojan	16.46	16.47
23.19	23.20	Harpalu	16.37	16.38
23.26	23.27	Kandharan	16.30	16.31
23.37	00.05	Sadulpur Jn	15.55	16.20
00.12	00.13	Suratpura Jn	15.39	15.40
00.22	00.23	Laseri	15.29	15.30
00.31	00.32	Jhunpa	15.20	15.21
00.48	00.50	Siwani	15.02	15.04
00.58	00.59	Naloi Barwa	14.54	14.55
01.06	01.13	Charaud	14.47	14.48
01.55	----	Hisar	----	14.30

Note:-The **54315** Rewari-Hisar passenger (Old name **74847** Rewari-Hisar DEMU) will depart from Rewari at 08.30 p.m. instead of 07.25 p.m. to arrive at Hisar at 01.55 a.m. the next day instead of 00.20 a.m. from 01.07.2019. In the return direction, the **54316** Hisar-Rewari Passenger (Old name **74846** Hisar-Rewari DEMU) will depart from Hisar at 02.30 p.m. instead of 01.50 p.m. to arrive at Rewari at 07.50 p.m. instead of 07.10 p.m. from 01.07.2019. Timing of the **54315/54316** Rewari-Hisar-Rewari Passenger train at stations enroute will be revised accordingly in both the directions.

Change in timings of 14812 Delhi Sarai Rohilla-Sikar Express From 01.07.2019

STATIONS	Existing Time		Revised Time (w.e.f. 01.07.19)	
	ARR.	DEP.	ARR.	DEP.
Delhi Sarai Rohilla	---	06.50	---	06.50
Rewari	08.30	08.40	08.30	08.35
Dahina Zainabad	08.56	08.57	08.56	08.58
Mahender Garh	09.10	09.12	09.17	09.19
Loharu Jn	09.55	10.30	10.30	10.50
Surajgarh	10.47	10.49	11.08	11.10
Chirawa	11.01	11.03	11.21	11.23
Jhunjhunu	11.32	11.35	11.50	11.52
Dundlod Mukandgarh	12.04	12.06	12.20	12.22
Nawalgarh	12.20	12.22	12.36	12.38
Sikar Jn	13.10	----	13.20	----

Note:- The 14812 Delhi Sarai Rohilla-Sikar Express train will depart from Delhi Sarai Rohilla at 06.50 a.m. to arrive at Sikar at 01.20 p.m. instead of 01.10 p.m. from 01.07.2019.

Timings of the 14812 Delhi Sarai Rohilla-Sikar Express train stations enroute will be revised accordingly.

Note:- For any kind of information passengers are requested to contact Railway Enquiry No. 139 or visit Indian Railways website www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in

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E-TENDER NOTICE

Dy. CSTE/P/SW, DIVISIONAL RAILWAY MANAGER OFFICE, 2ND FLOOR, ROOM No. 203, State Entry Road, New Delhi - 110055 for & on behalf of 'President of India' invites online OPEN E-tender in single packet system from the experienced & established contractors having sufficient experience in similar work and satisfying minimum eligibility criteria on the prescribed form for the under noted work:

1	Name of work	"Provision of OFC & associated equipments in ASR-ATT, ASR-PAX, PAX-KEMK, ASR-DBNK, BAT-QDN, BEAS-GWSB & GWSB-TTO Sections of FZR Division."
2	Approximate cost of the work	Rs. 6,91,21,590.43 (Six Crore Ninety One Lakh Twenty One Thousand Five Hundred Ninety and Forty Three only).
3	Cost of tender form	Nil .
4	Address from where tender document can be downloaded.	Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in** from 27.06.2019 from 11:00 hrs.
5	Earnest money	Rs. 4,95,600.00 (Four Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Six Hundred only).
6	Completion period	11 (Eleven) months.
7	Date and time of submission of tender and opening of tender	Tender to be submitted online on Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in** from 08.07.2019 up to 11:00 hrs of 22.07.2019.
8	Date of tender Opening	22.07.2019 at 11:30 hrs.
9	Detailed Tender Notice	Available at Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in.**

No. 172-SIG/P/SW/NR/T-187 Dated : 26.06.2019 **2050/19**

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NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

Invitation of Tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems)

	N.I.T. No.	(13,14)-19-20-W-2 dated 24.06.2019			
1	Name of work with its location	A)	Construction of limited height sub-way (5X4.5 Mtr.) at temporarily Manned L-Xing No 55,59,62 under Railway Track between DSA-SMQL-TPZ section under ADEN/ SMQL.		
		B)	Construction of limited height sub-way (4X3.6 Mtr.) at temporarily Manned L-Xing No. 73, 114, 119, 128 & 143 under Railway Track between DSA-SMQL-TPZ section under ADEN/SMQL.		
2	Approx. Cost of work	A)	83384190.22	B)	94390074.85
3	Earnest Money	(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. as per Railway Boards letter no 2015//CE-I/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016).			
		A)	566900.00	B)	622000.00
4	Completion period of work	A)	06 Months	B)	06 Months
5	Cost of tender on cash/by post	(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. as per Railway Boards letter no 2015//CE-I/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016).			
		A)	11800.00	B)	11800.00
6	Date and time for submission of tender and opening of tender	Upto 15.00 hrs on 19.07.2019 Opening of tender at 15.00 hrs. On 19.07.2019			
7	Similar nature of Work	A)	Construction of bridges with pipe & box pushing technique/ crossing of underground cable/pipe line etc.		
		B)	Construction of bridges with pipe & box pushing technique/ crossing of underground cable/pipe line etc.		
8	Website particulars 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 (13,14)-19-20-W-2 Dated : 24.06.2019 **2054/19**

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-: नीलामी सूचना :-

सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि वर्ष 2019-20 दिनांक 01.07.2019 से 30.06.2020 तक की अवधि के लिए मृत पशु शवों को उठाने एवं उनकी हड्डियों के निस्तारण हेतु नगर निगम द्वारा दिनांक 19.06.2019 से 20.06.2019 तक खुली बोली रखी गयी थी , उक्त दिनांको में किसी भी बोलीदाता के द्वारा बोली नहीं लगाने के कारण आगामी खुली बोली दिनांक 26.06.2019 से 27.06. 2019 तक रखी जाती है। इन दिनांको में अगर बोलीदाताओं के द्वारा बोली नहीं लगाई जाती है अथवा उचित बोली प्राप्त नहीं होने की दशा में अगामी कार्यादिवसों में बोली निरन्तर जारी रहेगी। ठेके की अन्य शर्तें यथावत रहेगी।

(डॉ. प्रदीप के. गावंडे) I.A.S
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Sl. No	Tender Inviting Authority	Specification No.	Total
1	SE/MM-I	M02	1
	TAMIL NADU TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LTD.		
2	SE/Transmission-III	2116	1
3	SE/Transmission-II	T.2098, T.2099, T.2100, T.2101 T.2103, T.2105, T.2109, T.2110, T.2112, T.2113, T.2115, T.2118	12

For details of works/Procurement/Due date of submission/opening, viewing and downloading of e-tenders, please visit websites: www.tangedco.gov.in, www.tantransco.gov.in, www.tenders.tn.gov.in, www.tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app

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(Through e-Tendering)

Tender Enquiry No.: 110/MM-I/MA/O&M/GHTP/2019

SHORT DESCRIPTION: Routine, Breakdown & Preventive Mtc. and Overhauling Jobs of various Mechanical Auxiliaries Comprising of Hydrogen Gas Plant, DM Plant, Fire Fighting System, Vertical & Horizontal Pumps, Air Compressors etc., connected LP Piping & Valves, Operation & Maintenance of Mechanical WOrkshop and Plant Drainage Pumps of 2x210 MW & 2x250 MW GHTP Stage-I & II, on lump sum basis for a period of one year.

EMD: @2% of Tender Value (Minimum Rs. 5000/-).
Last Date & Time for Bid Submission: 29.07.2019 upto 11.30 hrs.
Date & Time of Opening of Tender: 29.07.2019 upto 12.00 hrs.
Detailed NIT and Tender Specification can only be downloaded from PSPCL website: **https://pspcl.abcprocure.com** from 25.06.2019 onwards.

NOTE:

1. The prospective Bidders can obtain clarification regarding tender specifications from this office. For registration of Digital Signatures and Uploading of Tender, information may be sought from M/s. e-Procure Technologies Ltd., Contact No. +91-(79)-40016866/ 40/38/18/21.
2. It is informed that in case the Tender Process is not completed due to any reason no Corrigendum will be published in Newspapers. Detail regarding Corrigendum may be seen on PSPCL official web-site i.e. **https://pspcl.in.**

Sd/- Dy. Chief Engineer/O&M,
Mechanical Mtc. Circle-I,
GHTP, Lehra Mohabbat-151111,
District Bathinda (Punjab).
E-mail ID: se-mmc1-lehra@pspcl.in
GHTP-34/19 **Ph.: 0164-2756434, Fax No. 0164-2756255**
C-5967/Pb. **Mobile No.: 96461-17606**

BRIDCUL (ब्रिडकुल)

ब्रिज, रोपवे, टनल एण्ड अदर इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर डेवलपमेंट कॉरपोरेशन ऑफ उत्तराखण्ड लिमिटेड

(उत्तराखण्ड सरकार का उपक्रम), पूर्व में उत्तराखण्ड राज्य अवस्थापना विकास निगम लिमिटेड प्रधान कार्यालयः अवस्थापना भवन, 583-ठ, राजकीय आई०टी०आई० निरंजनपुर के सामने, माजरा, सहारनपुर रोड, देहरादून-248001 टैलीफैक्स- 0135-2522941, ई-मेल-bridcul@gmail.com, CIN No - U45203UR2008SGC032591

Ref:1048/BRIDCUL-33/19 Dated: 26/06/2019

Call for E-Tendering Notice

On behalf of Hon'ble, Governor of Uttarakhand, E-Tender is invited by BRIDCUL from interested Firms/Travel Agencies for following work:-
1. Name of Work:- Requirement of Diesel Vehicles for office uses from interested Firm/Agencies on monthly/ daily rental basis on Contract **2. Earnest Money -** Rs. 50,000/- **3. Cost of Tender Document** – Rs. 5000.00 +18% GST, **4. Document Download Start Date –** 27.06.2019, 1500 Hrs, **5. Bid submission End Date -** 15.07.2019, 1500 Hrs, **6. Date of Bid Opening -** 15.07.2019, 1530 Hrs

The details of e-tender of above work can be obtained directly from website **www.tenderwizard.com/BRIDCUL**. Any changes will be uploaded in this website.

General Manager (HR)

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY

TENDER FOR VARIOUS TYPE OF WORKS.

E-Tenders are invited for execution of the following works by Divisional Railway Manager (Engg.), E.C. Railway, Dhanbad:- Dhanbad, dt, 24/06.2019, **Sl.No. 1. E-Tender No.** 151-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Extension of passenger platforms KSHR, CBH, DSME, YDD, SMND & HRE to accommodate full train length and provision of sheds etc. under Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Railway, Gujhandi. 09 (Nine) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 69,47,138.16, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 1,39,000/- **Sl.No. 2. E-Tender No.**152-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Extension of rail level passenger platforms (UP & DN) at GJD,TKN, BNF to accommodate full train length along with provision of sheds etc. under Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Railway, Gujhandi. 12 (Twelve) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 48,21,574.34, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 96,400/- **Sl.No. 3. E-Tender No.** 153-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Repair to cess in UP & DN GC in the section of Asstt. Engineer (1), E. C. Railway, Gomoh. 08 (Eight) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 1,24,86,076.31, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 2,12,400/- **Sl.No. 4. E-Tender No.** 154-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Extension of high level passenger platforms (UP & DN) at Parsabad to accommodate full train length along with provision of circulating area, station approach roads, sheds etc. under Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Railway, Gujhandi. 10 (Ten) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 1,61,11,558.88, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 2,30,600/- **Sl.No. 5. E-Tender No.** 155-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Special Repair work of staff quarters at Barkakana Railway Colony under Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Railway, Barkakana. 08 (Eight) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 98,58,329.40, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 1,97,200/- **Sl.No. 6. E-Tender No.** 156-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Extension of platforms to accumulate full length of stopping train at Tokisud, Chapar & Hendegir station in the section of Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Railway, Barkakana. 08 (Eight) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 1,58,28,417.29, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 2,29,200/- **Sl.No. 7. E-Tender No.** 157-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Extension of platforms to accumulate full length of stopping train at TELO, JNN, RJBE, BHME, AMLO & BERMO station in the section of Asstt. Engineer (2), E. C. Railway, Gomoh. 18 (Eighteen) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 2,04,19,665.01, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 2,52,100/- **Sl.No. 8. E-Tender No.** 158-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Laying of GI Pipe Line for compressed air supply at Diesel Shed and Mini Shed etc. at PTRU under Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Rly., Barkakana. 02 (Two) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 12,08,020.07, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 24,200/- **Sl.No. 9. E-Tender No.** 159-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Preparation of Engineering Drawing by AUTO-CAD of any size/type and original to be printed on good quality film paper (Thickness not less than 75 microns) over Dhanbad Division. 06 (Six) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 27,78,310.00, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 55,600/-**Sl.No. 10. E-Tender No.** 160-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Provision of FOB from PF 2-3 to CYM Cabin at Patratu. 12 (Twelve) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 1,59,08,960.27, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 2,29,600/- **Sl.No. 11. E-Tender No.** 161-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Zonal contract in Zone No-19 for General, wood, Pipe & Sanitary and Road work of Gomoh Sub-Division under Asstt. Engineer(2), E.C. Rly, Gomoh. (30.06.2020). **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 73,17,310.00, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 1,46,300/- **Sl.No. 12. E-Tender No.** 162-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Dhanbad Division: Provision of Rubberized Pad at Level Crossing Gates of National Highway/State highway Road (06 Nos.) under ADEN/CPU & RNQ in jurisdiction of Sr. DEN/4/DHN. 06 (Six) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 91,11,916.61, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 1,82,200/- **Sl.No. 13. E-Tender No.** 163-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Supplying, stacking and loading of 40,000 cum (Nominal size 50mm gauge) machine crushed track ballast as per Railway specification and loading the same into any type of Railway wagons from Billi Railway Ballast Depot under Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Railway, Chopan. 06 (Six) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 7,80,00,000.00, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 5,40,000/-**Sl.No. 14. E-Tender No.** 164-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Supply of petrol along with skilled & unskilled labour for welding of 60Kg./52Kg. rail joints by SKV process for CIC section under Asstt. Engineer, E.C. Railway, Daltonganj. 12 (Twelve) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 36,63,860.50, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 73,300/- **Sl.No. 15. E-Tender No.** 165-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Repairs of existing Road Over Bridge No. 200 'A' at GHD in the section of SSE/W/BRWD under ADEN/DTO. 12 (Twelve) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 44,63,037.17, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 89,300/- **Sl.No. 16. E-Tender No.** 166-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Provision of 5 IBH in CIC (i) BRWD-CPDR (Length 9.76 Km.) (ii) TORI-CTQ (Length 9.56 Km.) (iii) CTQ-RCGT (Length 8.33 Km.) (iv) KMND-HHG (Length 10.67 Km.) (v) DTO-KFT (Length 10.47 km.) under Sr. DEN/1/DHN. 12 (Twelve) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 45,04,555.48, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 90,100/- **Sl.No. 17. E-Tender No.** 167-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Renovation of Control Building at BRKA under Asstt. Engineer, E.C.Rly., Barkakana. 06 (Six) Month. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 1,28,33,912.44, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 2,14,200/- **Sl.No. 18. E-Tender No.** 168-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Renovation & repair work of UP-gradation of Running Room at BRKA under Asstt. Engineer, E. C. Rly., Barkakana. 03 (Three) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 87,68,780.46, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 1,75,400/- **Sl.No. 19. E-Tender No.** 169-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Comprehensive maintenance and upkeep for Railway Colonies through outsourcing for 24 months in the jurisdiction of SSE/W-2/Dhanbad under Asstt. Engineer (1), E.C. Railway, Dhanbad. 12 (Twelve) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 3,31,37,314.73, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 3,15,700/- **Sl.No. 20. E-Tender No.** 170-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Improvement of RPF Barrack at Barkakana under Asstt. Engineer, E.C. Rly., Barkakana. 06 (Six) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 38,00,513.78, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 76,000/- **Sl.No. 21. E-Tender No.** 171-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** CTR(P)-1.2 Km of UP Main line (Previously loop) Karmahat and balance AT welding of all joints of loop lines of newly commissioned doubling line between JGBR-KHMT under Asstt. Engineer (2), E.C. Railway, Gomoh. 06 (Six) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 1,00,11,699.08, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 2,00,100/- **Sl.No. 22. E-Tender No.** 172-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Supply of 1,00,000 cum machine crushed track ballast as per Railway specification and loading the same into any type of Railway wagons F.O.R. Pakur for E.C. Railway. 08(Eight) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 8,79,91,000.00, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 5,90,000/-**Sl.No. 23. E-Tender No.** 173-DHN-2019-20, **Name of the work with its location & completion period:** Repair of track by welding of fish plated joint by SKV method in the jurisdiction of Sr. DEN/4/DHN under ADEN/CPU and ADEN/RNQ. 06 (Six) Months. **Approx cost of work (In Rs.):** 76,45,692.89, **Earnest Money (In Rs.):** 1,52,900/- **Date & Time for closing and opening of e-tender:** Date of closing of e-tender at 17-00 hours on 24.07.2019. Date of opening of e-tender from 12:00 hrs. on 25.07.2019. **Website Particulars: http://www.ireps.gov.in** No manual tender will be accepted against e-tendering.

Divisional Railway Manager (Engineering),
East Central Railway, Dhanbad.

PR/592/DHN/ENGG/T/19-20/232

कार्यालय प्राचार्य

शासकीय दन्त चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय, रायपुर (छ.ग.)

क्र./3759/क्रय/जीडीसी/2019 रायपुर दिनांक 21/6/19

//निविदा सूचना//

शासकीय दंत चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय, रायपुर के लिये 2019-2020 में लगने वाले डेन्टल मटेरियल/कन्युमेबल सामग्री के क्रय हेतु मोहरबंद निविदायें निर्माताओं तथा उनके अधिकृत विक्रेताओं (Dealers or Sub Dealers) से आमंत्रित की जाती है। निविदा प्रपत्र शासकीय दंत चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय रायपुर के कार्यालय से आवेदन प्रस्तुत कर रुपये 500/- (रुपये पाच सौ मात्र) का प्राचार्य शासकीय दंत चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय रायपुर के नाम से देय डिमांड ड्राफ्ट अथवा नकद जमा कर प्रकाशन तिथि से दिनांक 18/07/2019 तक कार्यालयीन दिवस में प्राप्त किये जा सकते है, जो वापसी योग्य नही है।

निविदा बिक्री की अंतिम तिथि	18/07/2019 समय 5.30 बजे सायंकाल तक
निविदा जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि	22/07/2019 समय 5.30 बजे सायंकाल तक
निविदा खोलने की तिथि	23/07/2019 समय दोपहर 12.00 बजे
निविदा जमा करने का स्थान	शासकीय दंत चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय, रायपुर
निविदा खोलने का स्थान	शासकीय दंत चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय, रायपुर

हस्ता/-
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Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Resident Commission
5-Prithviraj Road, New Delhi - 110011
Ph: 24611108, 24611210 Fax : 24601277, 24627047
Email: jkhsdelhi@gmail.com

Open tender for the supply of material of Tea, Coffee and other items at Resident Commission, Government of Jammu & Kashmir, 5 Prithvi Raj Road, New Delhi

The Resident Commission, Govt. of J&K Government, 5 Prithvi Raj Road, New Delhi invites sealed quotations for supply of material of tea, coffee and other items at Resident Commission, J&K Govt, 5-Prithvi Raj Road and Chanakyapuri, New Delhi and its sub offices located at Amritsar, Chandigarh and Mumbai for 01 year from the date of awarding of the contract. The contract shall be valid for 01 (one) year from the date of awarding of tender. The indicative requirement of tea, coffee and other items is as per Annexure-II.

The sealed cover containing the bids superscripted "Open tender for supply of material for tea, coffee and other items" should be addressed to Chief Pay & Accounts Officer, Resident Commission, Government, of Jammu & Kasmir, 5 Prithvi Raj Road, New Delhi alongwith all the particulars of the agency as per Annexure-I and dropped in tender box at ground floor near reception, J&K House, 5 Prithvi Raj Road, New Delhi-110011 by 3.00 PM on or before 10.07.2019. The bids received after the stipulated date and time will not be considered. The bid opening date shall be notified separately. Vender or his representative can be present at the time of opening of the sealed bids.

The tender documents can be had from this office on any working day upto 5.00 PM against a cash payment of Rs. 50/- (Rupees Fifty only)

Chief Pay & Accounts Officer
Resident Commission

KBI/Advt./1824-25/2019 KRC/Estt./239/2019/1840
Dated: 25.06.2019 Dated: 24.06.2019

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Notice Inviting E-Auction (Corrigendum) AD-ID-30503

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बिहार राज्य आवास बोर्ड के विज्ञापन दिनांक-18.02.2019 एवं दिनांक-30.04.2019 द्वारा पटना अवस्थित बहादुरपुर एवं लोहियानगर आवासीय कॉलोनियों में स्थित निम्नांकित व्यावसायिक एवं आवासीय सह व्यावसायिक भूखंडों का ई-नीलामी हेतु सूचना एवं नीलामी कार्यक्रम प्रकाशित की गयी थी, जिसमें अग्रधन एवं आवेदन शुल्क प्राप्त करने की अंतिम तिथि 07.06.2019 निर्धारित की गयी थी। निर्धारित तिथि तक व्यापक प्रचार-प्रसार के आभाव में कुल 25 सम्पदाओं के लिए अपर्याप्त आवेदन प्राप्त होने की स्थिति में तथा कतिपय सम्पदाओं के लिए केवल एक आवेदन प्राप्त होने की स्थिति में अग्रधन एवं आवेदन शुल्क प्राप्त करने की तिथि तथा नीलामी कार्यक्रम को निम्न प्रकार विस्तारित किया जाता है :-

(1) ई-नीलामी कार्यक्रम :

कम संख्या	गतिविधि		तिथि/समय : अवधि
1.	निबंधन की अंतिम तिथि (यह तिथि उन सम्भावित बोलीदाताओ के लिए भी लागू है, जिनका पूर्व निबंधन की अवधि समाप्त हो चुकी है तथा पुनः निबंधन नवीकरण अपेक्षित है) **(For E-Auction Website Registration Only)**		22.08.2019 अपराह्न 5:00 PM बजे तक **(Through E-Procurement Portal https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/BELTRON)**
2.	निलामी दस्तावेज बिकी शुल्क, अग्रधन राशि एवं प्रोसेसिंग शुल्क जमाकर दस्तावेज अपलोड प्रारंभ करने की तिथि		25.06.2019 पूर्वाहन 10:00 AM बजे **(Through E-Procurement Portal https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/B ELTRON)**
3.	अग्रधन राशि एवं आवेदन शुल्क जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि विभाग में तथा उसकी पावती रसीद पोर्टल पर अपलोड करने की अंतिम तिथि और समय (निम्नांकित सारणी का स्तम्भ-10)		प्रारम्भिक तिथि-25.06.2019 **(Through E-Procurement Portal https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/BELTRON)** अंतिम तिथि-22.08.2019 **DD/MM/YYYY (Through E-Procurement Portal https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/BELTRON)**
4.	अग्रधन राशि एवं आवेदन शुल्क जमा करने की तिथि (निम्नांकित सारणी का स्तम्भ-10)		बोर्ड के खाता संख्या-442920110000068 में आर0टी0जी0एस0/ एन0ई0एफ0टी0 के माध्यमसे (बैंक ऑफइण्डिया,सचिवालय शाखा, पटना IFSC - BKID0004429)- **IMP-** Kindly mention the property number as mentioned in the advertisement in the remarks coloumn.
5.	ई-नीलामी की तारीख और समय		निम्नांकित सारणी का स्तम्भ-13 एवं 14 https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/BELTRON
6.	ई-नीलामी समाप्ति की तारीख और समय		निम्नांकित सारणी का स्तम्भ-13 एवं 14 https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/BELTRON
7.	वृद्धि मूल्य	न्यूनतम वृद्धि मूल्य	रू0 10,000/-
		अधिकतम वृद्धि मूल्य (न्यूनतम वृद्धि मूल्य का गुणक)	अधिकतम रू0-1,00,000-/ (अर्थात् न्यूनतम वृद्धि मूल्य रू0 10,000/- का गुणक 10)

(2) नीलामी विवरणी :

Sr. No.	Location (Sector/Phase Wise)	Type of Property	Property No. (Auction Sub Item)	Area (Sq.ft.)	Proposed Base Price (Auction Ceiling Price/Estimated Cost)	Width of Road	Bid Security Deposit (Earnest Money Deposit) Only, NEFT/RTGS Mode)	Application Fee (Auction Form Fee)	Total Amount Payable through Online/ Offline before E-Auction (8+9)	Auction Processing Fee (To be paid only online on http://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in /BELTRON) in Rs	Bid Increment Value	E-Auction schedule (Proposed) Start	End
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	Bahadur pur	RC	RCC/38	2003.76 Sq.ft.)	95,01,300/-	60'00"	10,00,000/-	2000.00	10,02,000.00	1180.00	10,000.00	24-09-19 10:00 AM	24-09-19 01:00 PM
2	Bahadur pur	RC	RCC/39	2003.76 Sq.ft.)	95,01,300/-	60'00"	10,00,000/-	2000.00	10,02,000.00	1180.00	10,000.00	24-09-19 02:00 PM	24-09-19 5:00 PM
3	Bahadur pur	RC	RCC/40	2003.76 (Sq.ft.)	95,01,300/-	60'00"	10,00,000/-	2000.00	10,02,000.00	1180.00	10,000.00	25-09-19 10:00 AM	25-09-19 1:00 PM
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TELLING NUMBERS

How the states scored in NITI Health Index: top and bottom 3 in key indicators

OVERALL PERFORMANCE
LARGER STATES (TOP 3 & BOTTOM 3 IN BOTH REPORTS)

STATE	SCORE		RANK		CHANGE
	2015-16	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	
Kerala	76.55	74.01	1	1	–
Andhra	60.16	65.13	8	2	▲
Maharashtra	61.07	63.99	6	3	▲
Punjab	65.21	63.01	2	5	▼
Tamil Nadu	63.38	60.41	3	9	▼
Rajasthan	36.79	43.10	20	16	▲
Odisha	39.43	35.97	18	19	▼
Bihar	38.46	32.11	19	20	▼
UP	33.69	28.61	21	21	–

Smaller states: Mizoram (1), Manipur (2), Meghalaya (3), bottom Nagaland (8).
UTs: Delhi ranks 5 among 7. Top Chandigarh, bottom Daman & Diu (7).
Source for all data: NITI Aayog report

IN THE second edition of the NITI Aayog health index report card (*The Indian Express*, June 26), Kerala was once again ranked the best among the states while Uttar Pradesh was at the bottom. The "Healthy States, Progressive India" rankings. These rankings are on the basis of a Health Index, which is a composite score incorporating 23 indicators covering key aspects of performance in the health sector, These include several indicators relating to health outcomes (such as neonatal mortality rate, under-five mortality rate, low birth weight among newborns), indicators relating to governance and information (such as integrity of data) and inputs/processes (such as positions vacant at hospitals). The graphics show the performers of the top three and bottom three in some of the major indicators relating to health outcomes.

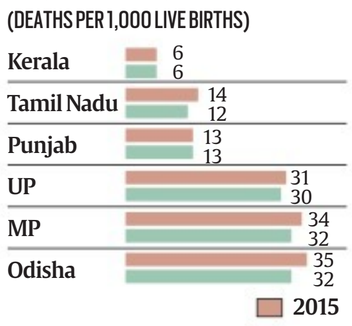
TOTAL FERTILITY RATE

State	2015	2016
W Bengal	1.6	1.6
Tamil Nadu	1.6	1.6
Punjab	1.7	1.7
MP	2.8	2.8
UP	3.1	3.1
Bihar	3.2	3.3

LOW BIRTH WEIGHT (%)

State	2015	2016
J&K	5.9	5.5
Andhra	6.7	5.6
Jharkhand	7.4	7.1
Tamil Nadu	13.0	15.5
W Bengal	16.4	16.4
Odisha	19.2	18.2

NEONATAL MORTALITY RATE
(DEATHS PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS)



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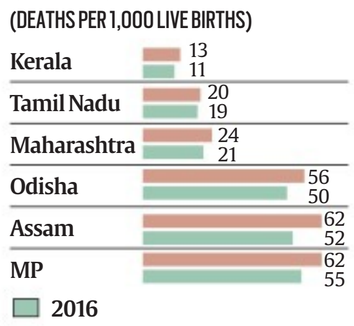
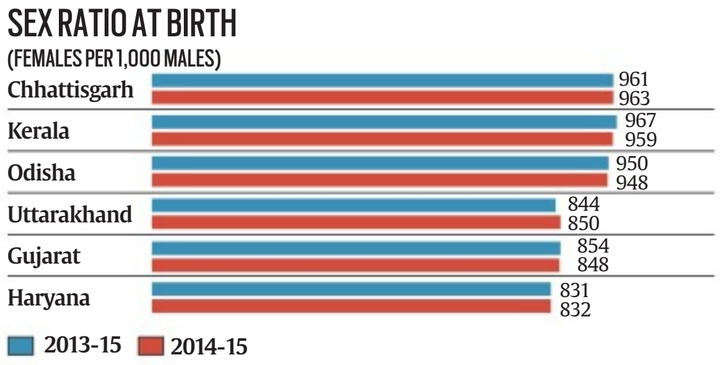


SEX RATIO AT BIRTH
(FEMALES PER 1,000 MALES)



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SIMPLY PUT QUESTION & ANSWER

Rain check: large area, low amount

The delayed monsoon has finally picked up and covered large parts of the country, but rainfall is still 36% short of normal for this time. What factors held it back, what is the forecast for the rest of the season?

ANJALI MARAN
PUNE, JUNE 26

AFTER A two-week delay, the monsoon is finally progressing northwards, and has covered most parts of southern, central and eastern India. The monsoon has reached Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, and most of Madhya Pradesh.

However, it is still bringing less than expected rainfall. For the month of June so far, the rainfall over the country as a whole has been deficient by 36% compared to what is normal until this stage. This deficit is unlikely to be made up in any substantial manner in the remaining days of the month. But the India Meteorological Department has predicted good rains in July and August.

Delayed arrival

During the onset phase over the Indian mainland, the monsoon currents were severely oppressed by the prevailing mid-latitude regime, forcing these currents to take longer to establish. Since the winter of 2018, there were strong and frequent western disturbances passing through much of the southern latitudes and altogether delaying the onset over Kerala. The continuous flow of strong western disturbances, too, made it difficult for the already weak monsoon currents to penetrate. As a result, the onset over the Kerala coast happened on June 8 instead of the normal date of June 1.

After that, the monsoon has progressed much slower along its western arm than along the eastern arm. This has been due to a number of reasons.

East-West mismatch

Soon after its onset over Kerala, the very severe cyclonic storm Vayu was formed in the Arabian Sea. As it progressed northwards, it hindered the advance of the monsoon which lay centred over Kerala for nearly a week. This, because the system attracted significant amounts of moisture from the southern peninsular regions and also from parts of Maharashtra, thereby slowing down the pace during the initial advancement of the monsoon.

Last winter, an Arctic burst had resulted in severe cold including sub-zero temperatures across the globe. The Indian southwest monsoon appears to be affected by some of its remnants, even in June. Meteorologists observed extra-tropical circulation prevailing over much lower latitudes over the Indian subcontinent and adjoining north Indian Seas (Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal) until a few days ago — even after the onset of the monsoon over the Indian mainland. This resulted in conditions that were not supportive enough for the smooth inflow of monsoon currents blowing from the Arabian Sea, A K Srivastava, head, climate research division at IMD,Pune, told *The Indian Express*.

Under normal atmospheric conditions, warmer northwestern regions and a relatively cooler equatorial belt facilitate and pull over the monsoon currents from southern hemisphere across the Arabian Sea along the western coast towards the land. However, this year, extra-tropical anomalies over the extreme northwestern region and the neighborhood left the entire region cooler, acting as a deterrent to the incoming monsoon winds. Besides, there was no low pressure system formed over the Arabian Sea that could have alternatively aided the monsoon progress along the west coast.

These, according to IMD officials, led to slower-than-expected progress of the western branch of the Southwest monsoon. Consequently, it did not bring significant amounts of rainfall over regions along the west coast. The otherwise heavy rainfall-experiencing areas including Kerala and Konkan-Goa remain rainfall-deficient by 35% and 54%, respectively, until June 26.

Contrarily, the situation with respect to the eastern branch of monsoon progressed faster, as a low pressure system formed in the Bay of Bengal fuelled for its swifter progress over the east and Northeast. On June 26, the northern limit of the monsoon currently was passing along Veraval, Surat, Indore, Mandla, Pendra, Sultanpur, Lakhimpur Kheri and Mukteshwar areas.

The late surge

The monsoon progress remained largely stagnant for nearly 10 days and stuck around south interior Karnataka and central Tamil Nadu until June 19. Thereafter, it made progress to some parts of southern Maharashtra on June 20The pace of its progress since then showcased a marked improvement as Maharashtra, along with all states in the Northeast, east, and south and some states in central India, were rapidly covered as on June 25.

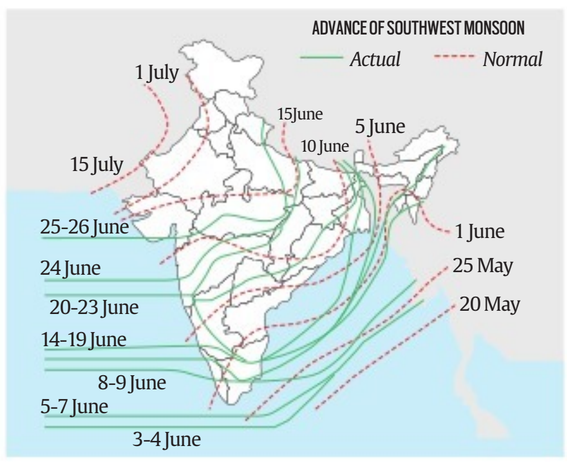
As of June 26, the monsoon has fully covered Kerala, Lakshadweep, Tamil Nadu, Andaman and Nicobar islands, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Odisha, West Bengal, Assam, Nagaland, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra and partially covered Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat.

With the monsoon in its active phase — rainfall intensity between light and moderate spells — the countrywide rainfall deficiency as of June 26 stood at 36%. In other words, the actual rainfall of 86.3 mm is 36% lower than the normal of 135.6 mm for this time of the year.

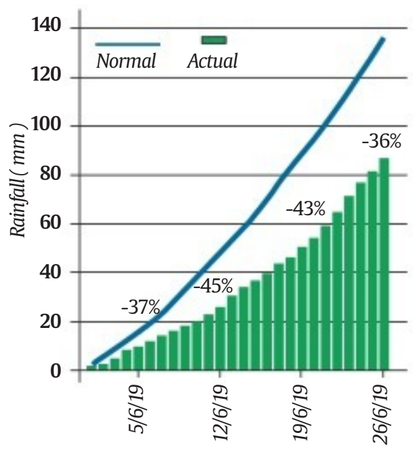
IMD subdivision-wise, Andaman and Nicobar (66%), East Rajasthan (32%) and Jammu and Kashmir (25%) have so far received above normal rainfall this season and have been categorised under the excess rainfall category. North Interior Karnataka (-1%) and Lakshadweep (-17%) have had normal rainfall. The remaining 31 subdivisions have had deficient rain or none.

The monsoon is expected to strengthen towards the end of this month. Forecasts suggest the formation of a fresh low pressure system over the Bay of Bengal around June 29 or 30. This system will then send a fresh monsoon pulse that will help the further advancement of monsoon to the remaining areas along northwestern and Central India during July 1-July 3. The IMD has forecast heavy rains around July 2 and July 3 along the west coast, mainly for Konkan-Goa and north interior Karnataka.

MONSOON MARCH



Monsoon has covered most parts of southern, central and eastern India; it has reached Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, and most of MP, but rainfall has been short so far.



SHORTFALL HIGHEST IN TN
(JUNE 1 TO JUNE 26)

State/UT	Rainfall departure
Tamil Nadu	-71%
Manipur	-61%
Jharkhand	-60%
Maharashtra	-57%
W Bengal	-47%
Bihar	-44%
Meghalaya	-43%
Mizoram	-39%
Tripura	-38%
Arunachal	-38%
Telangana	-38%
Kerala	-35%
Assam	-34%
Chhattisgarh	-31%
Odisha	-28%
Andhra	-28%
Nagaland	-27%
Karnataka	-25%
Lakshadweep	-17%
Sikkim	15%
Andaman	66%

Source: IMD

THIS WORD MEANS: NON-PERMANENT MEMBER, UNSC

India seat endorsed: how are countries elected?

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
MUMBAI, JUNE 26

INDIA'S CANDIDATURE for a non-permanent seat in the Security Council has been endorsed unanimously by the Asia Pacific group, which comprises 55 countries, including Pakistan. "A unanimous step. Asia-Pacific Group @UN unanimously endorses India's candidature for a non-permanent seat of the Security Council for a 2-year term in 2021/22.," India's permanent representative at the UN, Syed Akbaruddin tweeted.

10 countries, 5 seats

The endorsement means that India has a "clean slate" candidature – that is there is no other contestant from the group – for the elections that will be held for five non-permanent members next year, for the 2021-22 term.

Each year, the General Assembly elects five non-permanent members out of a total of 10, for a two-year term. These 10 seats are distributed among the regions thus: five for African and Asian countries; one for Eastern European countries; two for Latin American and Caribbean countries; two for Western European and other countries.

Of the five seats for Africa and Asia, three are for Africa and two for Asia; there is an informal understanding between the two groups to reserve one for an Arab country. The Africa and Asia Pacific group takes turns every two years to put up an Arab candidate.

Elections for terms beginning in even-numbered years select two African members, and one each within Eastern Europe, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean. Terms beginning in odd-numbered years consist of two Western European and Other members, and one each from Asia-Pacific, Africa, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Asian contests

Unlike Africa, which has formalised a system of rotation of its three seats according to the region, the Asia-Pacific grouping often seen contests. Last year, there was a contest between Maldives and Indonesia.

Irrespective of whether a country is a "clean slate" candidate and has been endorsed by its group, it needs to secure the votes of two-thirds of the members present and voting at the General Assembly session (a minimum of 129 votes if all 193 member states participate). Formal balloting takes place at elections to all the main UN bodies.

When contested, the elections for non-permanent seats can be fraught and can go on for several rounds, In 1975, there was a contest between India and Pakistan, which went to eight rounds. Pakistan won the seat that year. In 1996, India lost a contest to Japan.

India has been a non-permanent member of the Security Council eight time previously: 1950-51, 1967-68, 1972-73, 1977-78, 1984-85, 1991-92 and 2011-12. For the 2011-12 term, India won 187 of 190 votes after Kazakhstan stood down from its candidacy.

The 55 countries that comprise the Asia-Pacific group are: Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Cyprus, North Korea, South Korea, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kiribati, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Lebanon, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Qatar, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Syria, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, UAE, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Vietnam, and Yemen.

FACT CHECK, GROUND REALITY

Did high methane level indicate life on Mars? The science and the setback

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

LAST WEEK, NASA's Curiosity rover discovered high amounts of methane in the air on Mars, leading to excitement whether this was an indication of life on the Red Planet, or beneath its surface (*The New York Times* report published in *The Indian Express*, June 24). But on Monday, NASA reported that the methane had fallen back to usual levels. The setback means the question of life remains unanswered. What were scientists hoping to find, and what does methane signify?

What is methane?

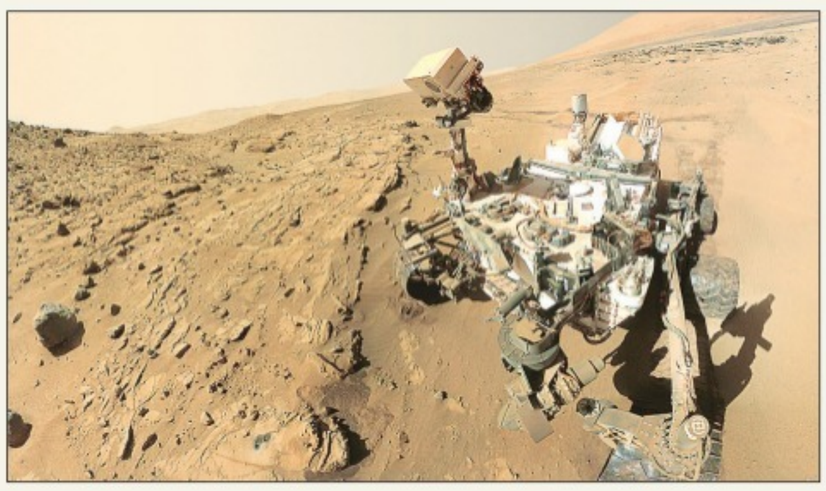
On Earth, methane (CH_4) is a naturally occurring gas. Most of the methane on Earth is produced in biological processes — some of it by microbes, and some occurring as underground natural gas that hd been formed by earlier generations of microbial life. Many of these methane-producing microbes live in the digestive systems of animals, especially cows.

However, methane can also be produced by abiotic processes (those that do not involve living organisms). It has been found to occur in formations such as rocks, springs and aquifers, and studies have concluded that it was formed there by chemical reactions between carbon and hydrogen atoms at low temperature.

Once it is released into the atmospheres of either Earth or Mars, methane is relatively short-lived. Since the time the gas was first detected on Mars, it has been considered a potential biomarker. The first time was in 2003 by the Mars Express, a European Space Agency orbiter. Since then, there has been further evidence of the gas in Mars' atmosphere.

So what's new?

In most previous observations, the concentration of methane in the Martian air has been low. Then in 2013, Curiosity — which had landed on Mars in 2012 — detected methane in a concentration of seven parts per billion by volume. Now, methane concentrations on Earth are much higher — the global mean is over 1,800 parts per million — but the Mars measurement caused excitement because it was much higher than previous readings. This concentration continued for about a couple of months, then ebbed away before scientists could establish where the methane came from.



Curiosity Rover, which has detected high methane level. *NASA*

Last week's readings were an unprecedented 21 parts per billion. On Earth, it created excitement to the extent that scientists at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory cancelled Curiosity's original schedule for the weekend, so that it could repeat the experiment. They were hoping to detect the source of the gas, and in the process clues that might point to the existence of life on the Red Planet.

What now

On Wednesday, NASA reported that the second reading had fallen back to less than 1 part per billion..

This suggests that last week's methane detection was a transient methane plume, which has been observed in the past, NASA explained on its website. While scientists have observed the background levels rise and fall seasonally, they haven't found a pattern in the occurrence of these transient plumes.

Curiosity doesn't have instruments that can definitively say whether the source of the methane is biological or geological. "With our current measurements, we have no way of telling if the methane source is biology or geology, or even ancient or modern," the NASA website quoted Sample Analysis at Mars (SAM) Principal Investigator Paul Mahaffy of NASA's Goddard Spaceflight Center as saying.

To determine where the plumes are located on Mars, scientists would need a clearer understanding of these plumes, combined with coordinated measurements from other missions, NASA said.

"The methane mystery continues. We're more motivated than ever to keep measuring and put our brains together to figure out how methane behaves in the Martian atmosphere," NASA quoted Ashwin Vasavada, Curiosity's project scientist at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, as saying.

THE EDITORIAL PAGE

WORDLY WISE

HE DID NOT WANT THE APPLE FOR THE APPLE'S SAKE, HE WANTED IT ONLY BECAUSE IT WAS FORBIDDEN. — MARK TWAIN

The Indian EXPRESS

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BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

NO MOBOCRACY

PM Modi has expressed anguish at Jharkhand lynching. His message must be urgently heeded — and enforced

ELEVEN MEN HAVE been arrested and two policemen suspended for the murder of Tabrez Ansari, who died on Saturday, four days after a mob grievously assaulted him for suspected theft in Jharkhand. On Wednesday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in the Rajya Sabha that the lynching in Jharkhand has "pained" him. "Doshiyon ko kadi se kadi saza milnee chahiye (the guilty should be punished severely)", he said. On coming back to power with an enhanced mandate, PM Modi had added "sabka vishwas" to his pledge of "sabka saath, sabka vikas". Recent reports that have come in from some states of mobs forcing Muslim men to chant "Jai Shri Ram" and "Jai Hanuman", and the murder of Ansari, who, too, was forced to do so by the mob that tied him to an electric pole and attacked him, have drawn attention to the urgent need for the PM's message to be heeded — and enforced.

The incident in Jharkhand adds to a grim tally: At least 18 persons have been reportedly targeted and killed by a mob in the state since March 2016. There have been few convictions in these cases. Shockingly, in one instance, men convicted in a lynching incident at Ramgarh were later honoured by Jharkhand BJP leaders, including then Union minister Jayant Sinha. Mob violence is not confined to Jharkhand, nor is it a feature only of BJP-ruled states. However, the impression that the party in power condones mob justice, or looks the other way, especially if it targets individuals of the minority community, seems to have empowered vigilante groups in BJP-ruled states. It has also added a communal dimension to mob violence in these states. Shaken by these incidents, a three-judge bench of the Supreme Court headed by then Chief Justice of India, Dipak Misra, ruled in July last year that Parliament must "create a separate offence for lynching and provide adequate punishment for the same". The Court said "a special law in this field would instil a sense of fear for law amongst the people who involve themselves in such kinds of activities". A Group of Ministers was set up to look into the matter. There has been no visible progress on the matter since.

The fact is that existing laws are sufficient to tackle mob violence and vigilantism — if the executive has the political will to do so. The Raghubar Das government in Ranchi has done well to arrest those suspected of lynching Ansari. But its work is not yet done. It needs to ensure that due process is taken to its just conclusion, the culprits are punished and help is provided to the victim's family. A stern message needs to be sent out that any attempt to subvert the law and due process will be punished quickly and firmly.

SMALL STEPS FORWARD

A new report suggests measures to ease woes of small businesses. Its recommendations are well-judged

THE COMMITTEE SET up to undertake a comprehensive review of the micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME) sector, which has submitted its report to the RBI, has examined issues such as access to finance and infrastructure bottlenecks that continue to plague the sector. Broadly, its suggestions are well-judged.

Lack of access to finance continues to be an impediment to the sector's growth. Bank lending continues to be disproportionately geared towards large entities, leaving a huge funding gap for MSMEs. The committee traces this skew to two factors — high level of non-performing assets (NPAs), and high cost to servicing. Typically, banks tend to restrict credit flow to MSMEs, discouraged by the high level of bad loans, which range between 8 to 11 per cent. A major reason for these bad loans is delay in buyer payments. MSMEs struggle to recover their dues from both the private and the public sector. To address this problem, the committee has suggested that public sector procurement from MSMEs be routed through the GeM portal to bring transparency in procurement and to quicken payments. This, if monitored closely, could help shorten the payment cycle considerably. There is also the suggestion that the MSME development act be amended to ensure that all MSMEs mandatorily upload their invoices to an information utility, which will display names of defaulting buyers. This, it hopes, could "act as a moral suasion on buyers", ensure timely payment, and thus minimise NPAs. But this is easier said than done. Big companies, with greater bargaining power, are likely to continue to stretch out the credit cycle. There is also the issue of documentation. Banks are wary of lending in the absence of detailed financial information as it makes assessing credit worthiness difficult. The problem is compounded by lack of collateral. To address this issue, the committee proposes a novel approach. Rather than relying on the traditional balance-sheet based funding route, it has proposed shifting to a cash flow based lending model. This not only provides greater clarity on the payment capacity of firms, but can also help in determining the repayment schedule.

The committee has also suggested doubling the collateral free loan limit to Rs 20 lakh, up from the current limit of Rs 10 lakh. While the move could address the sector's cash flow issues considerably, coming at a time when concerns are being voiced about the true extent of bad loans under Mudra, this could be a risky proposition.

GIFTING A SLOGAN

By banning a barb against Imran Khan, Pakistan's deputy speaker may have handed Opposition a rallying cry

QASIM KHAN SURI, deputy speaker of Pakistan's National Assembly (its central legislature), should have stuck to the tried-and-tested "sticks and stones" defence. Instead, he let a word get to him. When the House echoed for over an hour with chants of Imran Khan being a "selected" prime minister, Suri banned the use of the word. To make sure the implication of the Opposition's taunt is made clear to everyone who learns about the incident through the media, Suri added: "This is a House of elected representatives!"

Even a passing glance at the proceedings of Pakistan's Parliament and provincial legislatures is enough to register, among Indians, a sense of familiarity. The same raucousness, sense of manufactured outrage, trading of insults — and yes, genuine debate — can be seen in snatches in Pakistan. But, and this is important, its legislative office-bearers seem not to have realised exactly how to balance the neutrality of their office and the loyalty to their political formations. And in using the former to please the latter, one is likely to do more harm than good. Already, a motion has been filed in the Punjab Provincial Assembly condemning the ban, and the Opposition seems to be realising that the word carries enough meaning to be a rallying cry against PM Khan.

After all, "selected prime minister" begs the question: Selected by whom? The Pakistan "deep state" — army, intelligence networks, etc — of course. By banning the use of the word in the assembly, the deputy speaker has ensured its implication is widely discussed outside. What he should have done was leave the trading of barbs to those who are still officially partisan legislators. Or he could have taken a cue from his counterparts in India, where Speakers maintain at least the appearance of being non-partisan. A ban, after all, could turn a barb — which could have been responded to by the treasury benches in kind — into a slogan.

Let's politicise health

It is time the political leadership adopted a zero-tolerance policy to laxity in healthcare

SUJATHA RAO

AS PER MEDIA reports, 172 children have died in the space of three weeks in Muzaffarpur, Bihar. This is higher than the 122 deaths recorded in the 2014 outbreak. Clearly, no lessons seem to have been learnt. This is unacceptable and the media outrage is justified.

A similar tragedy occurred at Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh in 2017, when over 600 children reportedly died of Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (AES). Now, in Muzaffarpur, AES is once again in focus. The *Lancet Global*, a leading and authoritative medical journal, published a study analysing the 2014 deaths in Muzaffarpur.

The findings were disturbing: The case fatality rate was 31 per cent; 55 per cent of the sick children were boys with three quarters of them below four years age; the case patients' measurements showed that 16 per cent of them were "wasted" and 65 per cent "stunted" (due to chronic hunger). Drawing from the detailed examination of the case records, blood tests, socioeconomic profiling, etc, the experts concluded that the plausible — not necessarily sufficient — causal pathway to deaths could have been litchi consumption on an empty stomach, causing hypoglycemia, requiring treatment. The study concluded that three steps need to be taken to prevent such deaths: Reduce litchi consumption by children during the peak season; ensure consumption of the evening meal; and in suspected cases requiring treatment, ensure a rapid glucose correction.

The *Lancet* study, along with the evidence of AES around Muzaffarpur, brings out three unacceptable factors: One, the continued lack of clarity on the direct and distal causal factors that should and could have been addressed on priority, enabling the formulation and enforcement of protocols for prevention and treatment. This is particularly saddening since within a space of five years, we have had at least four outbreaks of child deaths in Bihar and UP — 2014, 2016, 2017 and now 2019 accounting for over 1,700 children dying needlessly.

Two, the children who died were all from poor families whose poverty status was multidimensional — unclean habitation, poor housing, overcrowding, hunger and illiteracy. The recent case has two more important points to be noted. Eating litchis *per se* is not the cause: Eating unripe, rotten litchis, from the ground and partially consumed ones, followed by no meal are. It does not require much imagination to understand the typology of the children who eat such type of litchis and "skip" evening meals. One article suggested that the enquiry showed that some of the deceased children had no food for three days. So, the causal factor is clearly poverty-associated hunger and dietary practices.

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The third factor is the collapse of the primary healthcare system. Bihar does have a legacy issue. Healthcare in general and primary care in particular has been severely neglected in the past. The 52nd Round of the NSSO had clearly shown that 22 of the 33 million people impoverished due to health expenses were from the four northern states of rural UP, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan. This was the justification for the NRHM initiative. The improvements in rural healthcare resulted in Bihar reducing its IMR from 60 per 1,000 live births in 2005 to 38 and maternal mortality is 165 per 1,00,000 births in 2016. Even as the agenda of revitalising a moribund primary healthcare system is unfinished, policy attention shifted to non-communicable disease control and hospital insurance. These are misplaced priorities as the disease burden of Bihar, as per the ICMR study of 2015, shows that communicable diseases alone account for 43 per cent of the disease burden — others being non-communicable and chronic diseases which too can be largely prevented and require to be diagnosed early and managed in primary healthcare settings. Significantly, 70 per cent of deaths are premature, with almost 30 per cent of them among children under 14 years, while the top four causal factors of mortality are malnutrition, air pollution, contaminated water, poor sanitation and poor diet — high levels of anemia.

These risk factors which provide a home to virus and bacteria, again require to be addressed at the household/community levels by primary healthcare workers. Preventive measures and simple treatments like providing glucose correction can be done in PHCs and community centres at the block level. Thus, while the condition of district hospitals — without basic equipment and adequate skills is unacceptable and require to be improved without delay — adding 1,500 beds is not the answer. As the Ebola experience of Sierra leone and Liberia conclusively demonstrated, constructing big hospitals at great expense was not what contained the epidemic, strengthening community health did.

The nation-wide anger of the junior doctors and of people in Muzaffarpur is a wake up call for country's political leadership to go beyond rhetoric. Infectious diseases know no boundaries and are unafraid even of the powerful. Containment of these diseases requires waging a war against their underlying social determinants — clean air, water, sanitation and nutrition and access to primary healthcare.

This is not a choice but an imperative and a fundamental pre-requisite for development. Economists advising governments on achieving growth need to appreciate this factor, one that several other countries have long understood. Growth needs to be measured not in GDP terms nor on ease of business, but on longevity of life, ease of living, productivity, well-being and innovation. To drive home this point, that countries like India continue to deny, the World Bank developed the Human Capital Index showing that the drivers of growth are education and health: A fact that the Commission on Macroeconomics and Health chaired by Jeffrey Sachs noted in 2000. Under the HCI, India ranks 115 out of 157 countries.

Health is a political question. It is time that the political leadership collectively agrees to set aside partisan acrimony and adopts a zero-tolerance policy to any laxity on matters related to health. It is time that leaders decisively demonstrate that they care and that every life counts.

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GREENER PASTURES

The anti-defection law is routinely misinterpreted

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THE 10TH SCHEDULE of the Constitution, commonly referred to as the anti-defection law, is facing the most serious challenge yet in its 34 years of existence. The challenge is not judicial, but political. Legislators show a tendency to ignore the law and defect to the parties in power. Earlier this month, 12 out of the 16 members of the Congress Legislature Party in Telangana "merged" with the TRS, the ruling party in Telangana. Close on the heels of this defection, four members of the Rajya Sabha, from the Telugu Desam Party "merged" with the BJP and became members of the legislature party of the BJP in the Rajya Sabha. Quite surprisingly, the media in general has approved of this act of defection as a valid exercise in accordance with the law — that if two-thirds of the legislators of a party merge with another party, it would be a legally valid merger. This is a wrong interpretation of the law.

The 10th Schedule was enacted to put an end to the scourge of defection. The political class viewed defection as such a serious menace to the stability of the democratic system that the anti-defection law was made a constitutional law. Constitutional authorities such as the Chairman of the Rajya Sabha and the Speaker of Lok Sabha, who act as tribunals in defection cases, have scrupulously followed the spirit of the law in deciding the cases under the 10th Schedule.

The spate of defections taking place now have brought back the focus to this law once again. Does any provision of this law actually allow any legislator to move out of his party and join another party without any legal hitch? This question has assumed great importance in the context of the Telangana Congress MLAs merging in the TRS and the TDP MPs of Rajya Sabha merging with the BJP. They seem to assume that having two-third of the total number of members of their respective parties means they can merge with the other parties, without incurring disqualification.

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Para 2(1)(a) of the 7th Schedule disqualifies a legislator, however, if he voluntarily gives up the membership of his party. So any MLA or MP is liable to be disqualified if he leaves his party voluntarily. But Para 4 is in the nature of an exception. It exempts such legislators from disqualification upon fulfilling two conditions: One, his original political party has merged with the other party; two, two-thirds of the legislators of that party have agreed to such a merger. The Speaker can exempt them from disqualification only on the fulfilment of these two conditions. This makes it clear that any merger mentioned is between the original political party and the other party. But a mere merger between two parties is not enough for invoking the protection of Para 4.

After all, the entire 10th Schedule relates to the defection of legislators. Therefore, their role in the merger process is very crucial. Thus, this Para says, that for the purpose of exempting a defecting legislator, the merger shall be deemed to have taken place only if two-thirds of the legislators have agreed to such a merger. If the legislators have not agreed to the merger, there is no merger under Para 4. The lawmakers have used words very carefully. The words "two-thirds of the Members. have agreed to such merger", used in Para 4(2), make it abundantly clear that the merger takes place between two parties and the requisite number of legislators of that party must agree to such merger. Thereafter, the speaker exempts those legislators from disqualification. It may be noted here that the legislators do not merge, they only agree to the merger done by their original political party. Thus, a merger between the political parties concerned has to take place first. Only then can the legislators "agree to such merger".

In all the cases mentioned above, the legislators have acted on the assumption that all that is required to do is for them to "merge" with the other party and the merger of their original political party is not necessary.

This is a misreading of the law. The sooner they realise it, the better for them as well as for the democratic system.

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441 CRP personnel in Trivandrum dismissed

BOEING'S RACISM

THE BOEING AIRCRAFT Company and Lloyds of London have stated in a Washington court that since an average Indian earns only a dollar a day, his life is cheaper than an American's. Consequently, any financial damages given to an Indian passenger, who died aboard Air India's 147 flight 855, on January 1, 1978, should not be computed on Californian living standards. In making this racial and arbitrarily comparative observation on human life, the Boeing company has refrained from adding that the price of its aircraft do not differ when sold to poor or wealthy nations. Also the grief at the loss of a family member is the same universally, and cannot be weighed in dollars and cents. The multi-million dollar case on behalf of the 213 people who died off the Bombay coast has been intensifying gradually.

CRP DISMISSALS

ABOUT 441 CENTRAL Reserve Police personnel in Trivandrum were dismissed from service. The dismissal was ordered for their participation in the strike that began on June 21, said an official spokesman. Action against some more would be taken soon. However, they would be given time to explain their position, the spokesman said. The action against the CRP personnel came in the wake of the announcement by the Union home minister, H M Patel, that four battalions, including two stationed near Trivandrum, would be disbanded.

KARNATAKA CONG PLAN

THE GENERAL BODY of the newly formed Karnataka Congress party called upon its rank and file to safeguard political stability and economic development in the state. The chief minister, Devaraj Urs, was elected leader of the break-away majority of the Karnataka Congress Legislature Party. The economic resolution adopted by the general body noted that in Karnataka, economic development and political stability have been like two sides of the same coin.

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"The demolition job on the Obama climate legacy continues: the rules limiting methane emissions from oil and gas wells, the climate agreement in Paris, now the clean energy plan. Next on the hit list? Probably Mr. Obama's fuel economy standards."

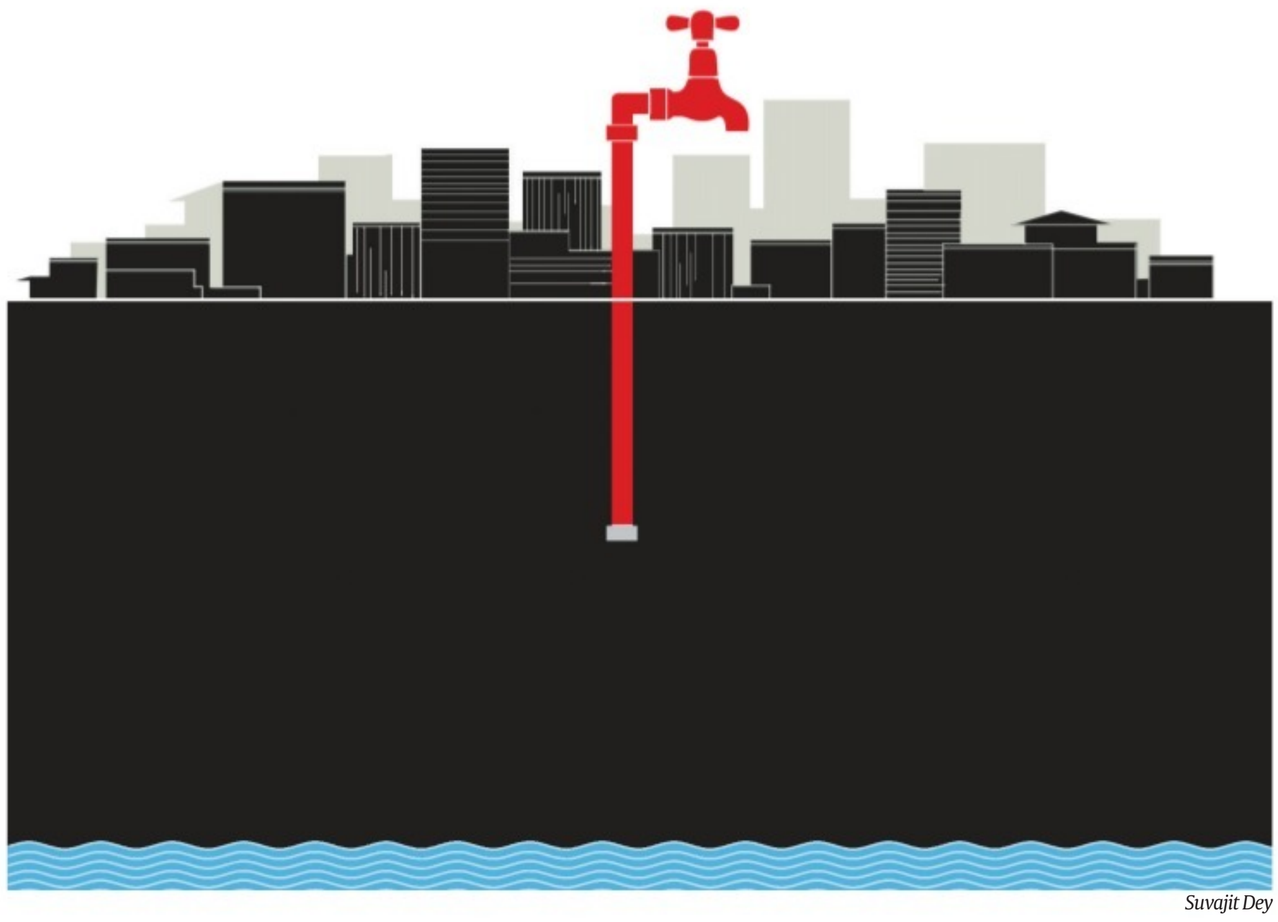
—THE NEW YORK TIMES

Not just pipes and tankers

A compact between the Centre and states is necessary to address India's water-related challenges. This should involve local governments and communities of water users

CITIES AT CROSSROADS

BY ISHER JUDGE AHLUWALIA



Suvajit Dey

CHENNAI HAS BEEN in the news recently for its water crisis. Scuffles and suffering have been reported from different parts of the city. Water crimes in Ranchi have also hit the headlines. Cities in Madhya Pradesh have seen stabbings and killings over water, and the police has been called upon to guard water tankers and water sources. Cape Town in South Africa was the first major city in the modern era to face the threat of running out of drinking water, as reported by the BBC in February 2018. The BBC listed another 11 cities most likely to run out of water. This list included Bengaluru.

The 2030 Water Resources Group on "Charting Our Water Futures" set up by the erstwhile Planning Commission in 2009 had projected that if the current demand pattern for water continues, by 2030, the available water will meet only about half of India's demand for water. Ten years later, in 2019, the water crisis is here and it is taking its toll in rural as well as urban areas of India. We are staring at a train wreck in slow motion and we need to act fast and act boldly to avoid the crash.

Water scarcity in India has come about not so much from insufficient supply as from the way in which we manage the water we have. Agriculture uses 78 per cent of India's water, and uses it very inefficiently (agricultural water use efficiency is 30 per cent for surface water and 55 per cent for groundwater in India, compared with 77 per cent in Israel). Notwithstanding the large investments in irrigation networks, about two-thirds of water used for irrigation comes from groundwater. Two factors — the huge electricity subsidies for farmers to pump groundwater and the fact that groundwater is largely unregulated — have led to a steady explosion in groundwater use through tubewells for irrigation over the past several decades. About 80 per cent of the rural demand for drinking water is also met by groundwater.

Urban India's inefficiency in water use arises from inadequate, old and dilapidated distribution networks, inefficient operations, inadequate metering, incomplete billing and collection, and a general state of poor governance. Another source of inefficiency comes from not treating wastewater and using the recycled water for specialised uses such as horticulture, and also for flushing toilets. Under-pricing of urban water also contributes to wasteful use. If something is under-priced, users will use more of it.

Most of us living in cities expect to have access to drinking water from taps in our homes. This requires a distribution network of pipes which can bring water from the basic source of bulk supply to our homes. However, access to treated tap water is available to only 62 per cent of urban households (Census 2011). Those who are unconnected to the piped network and include mostly, but not only, the poor, have to rely on buying water from tankers at exorbitant rates. This leads to increasing but unaccounted use of groundwater by extensive digging of borewells to meet the demand deficit.

There is clearly a need to expand coverage to the "unconnected" population. This will call for the expansion and renovation of the infrastructure of the distribution network. It will also call for additional supplies of water, especially because the groundwater that is currently being used to supply this population is expected to dry up. The Niti Aayog has projected that the groundwater of 21 cities will run out by 2020 (that is, next year) and the cities include Bengaluru, Delhi, Chennai and Hyderabad.

Financing the expansion in urban water supply will be a problem. Even if the capital cost of the infrastructure is made available either through National Missions or public-private partnership, the operation and maintenance cost of running the system (and in the case of PPP, a large part of the capital cost) will have to be recovered through user charges. Pricing water is important both for demand management and for economic viability of water delivery systems.

We also need to mobilise more supply of water from basic natural sources. Only then can greater connectivity result in piped water delivery to all in urban areas. The mobilisation of additional supplies poses a major challenge since the natural recharge zones are increasingly eroded because of unplanned urbanisation.

We also need to deal with the supply constraints arising from the neglect of the rivers, lakes, ponds and other waterbodies in and around our cities that feed the reservoirs which are the bulk sources of water. These water bodies need to be protected from encroachment so that our catchment area for water storage and rainwater harvesting is not reduced. This requires strict vigilance on land-use planning and building permissions in our cities. It may even warrant removal of existing encroachments. An important role has to be played by the state governments concerned, including ensuring compliance with the environmental guidelines laid down by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change and the National Green Tribunal. Above all, increased water-use efficiency in agriculture is critical to release water supply from agriculture for other uses.

The quality of water issue is also very significant because of its serious implications for public health. Only about 30 per cent of the municipal waste water or sewage is treated and the rest is released untreated into the rivers and/or the ground. Because of the density and concentration in urban areas, contamination from wastewater happens much faster. It is also important to ensure that untreated sewage is not dumped into open stormwater drains through which it is carried and discharged into water bodies. Surveys of groundwater in recent years show higher and higher levels of microbiological contamination. It is essential to ensure that the wastewater is treated before it finds its way back into our basic source of water and contaminates it.

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Water is even more important than food for survival. No wonder that water governance is intimately linked to politics. It reminds me of the Pakistani play *Kaala Mainda Bhes* (*Black is My Attire*), which I saw in Delhi some 20 years ago. In the play, the owner of the only well in the village, Khooay Shah (literally, the Lord of the well), reigned supreme and his rule was called "Khooay Shah di Sarkar" which was subordinate only to what was called the Vaddi Sarkar, that is, the Almighty. Cities in Tamil Nadu and Madhya Pradesh certainly have no *Khooay Shah* yet, but the crisis of water supply seems just as acute.

It is clear that management of water requires a holistic approach, taking account of the multiple aspects that have been spelt out above. In a way, setting up of the Ministry of Jal Shakti is a recognition of this, except that the ministry deals with rural water needs only. We cannot split urban water from rural. Water will flow from rural to urban and vice-versa, and has always done so. Besides, reshaping water governance will require state governments and local governments to take coordinated action in a federal system. What is needed is a political compact between the Centre and states to jointly address the challenges of saving India's water, while actively involving local governments and engaging with the communities of water users. It is a tall order but there is no alternative but to begin.

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Speaking in many tongues

Emphasis of New Education Policy on teaching multiple languages is welcome. But do we have enough skilled teachers?

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THE DRAFT New Education Policy (NEP) places great emphasis on language education. It identifies the benefits of children being multilingual, states how the knowledge of and fluency in English creates an elite group within the country and how knowledge of foreign languages can be beneficial to employability. This considerable attention and importance to language education in the draft policy goes all the way from primary education to the doctoral level.

The policy proposes that children from class 1 (age 6) onwards are taught three languages simultaneously. There is a proposal that one of the Indian classical languages (Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, etc) is taught between class 6 and 8. An additional compulsory course is the "Languages of India" for all students at the upper primary level (class 6-8), which will cover all the major languages of India — a few phrases, their history, heritage and structure. At the secondary level (class 9-12), children will be able to chose one or more foreign languages. The new higher education policy envisages a liberal arts approach, which means that the continued learning of language will be possible (and, in fact, encouraged) throughout the degree programmes whether in science, engineering or medicine. Finally, those pursuing doctoral research will have to study how to communicate scientific aspects of their work in a local language so as to promote their ability to communicate outside their professional domain in an Indian language.

Research around the world has concluded that children are enthusiastic about learning new languages. Many European countries already teach up to three languages to their children at the primary level and it is understood that being multilingual has advantages not only for employment but also for intellectual development. If the NEP is implemented unchanged, Indian students will have the record of being prepared with the maximum number of languages when they leave school education. The question is: How well can such a policy be implemented in all parts of the country within a short span of time? The educational policy document has not delved into the question of how to translate the policy in the field. Good intentions alone cannot deliver the desired educational outcome.

Take the question of three languages being taught in primary school as an example. India has about 1.4 million schools imparting elementary education. Currently, they mostly impart education only in their mother tongue with a very small percentage that teach English at the elementary level. Assuming that one will need at least one teacher per school to teach one language, it will take at least one million English teachers and another one million teachers in other languages to have this policy implemented. While English language teachers could still be found locally, where will the teachers for the third language come from?

If 2,21,000 elementary schools in Uttar Pradesh need to teach a language in addition to English and Hindi, one would need 2,21,000 teachers of Malayalam, Tamil, Bengali, Gujarati, etc, to be available in UP. While it is true that children are enthusiastic and able to study many languages when they are young, the research also presumes that the teaching of such languages is also competent. Considering that our country still has 92,000 single teacher schools, will the single teacher then end up teaching English as well as another language? Can such teaching be efficient and competent? The net result could be that only students in urban areas and elite schools will be able to afford the full implementation of the policy.

The same holds true for foreign languages. As the curriculum provides option for learning a foreign language, urban and elite schools will soon have French, Spanish, German, Chinese, etc. in their curriculum. How soon can that be scaled across 1,35,000 secondary schools and 1,09,000 senior secondary schools? Do we have so many foreign language teachers in India? Will this proposal further widen the rural-urban, rich-poor divide in educational outcomes?

These apprehensions notwithstanding, I am very enthusiastic about the potential of the NEP on many aspects, including languages. If the government truly apply its mind, there are many ways to bridge this gap. For example, retired English teachers and English graduates can be mobilised in a nation-wide campaign to ensure that every child in India has access to English language. Undergraduate students from across the country can be given basic pedagogic training and "teach for India" scholarships to go and stay in another state and teach their language. India could offer1,00,000 scholarships to foreign nationals to come and teach their native languages (including English). All these will not only improve our language education but also broaden our perspective.

Technology, in many ways, is eliminating or at least reducing the importance of language learning. But in the interim, we can leverage technology to teach languages as well as improve the standard of language teachers.

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Naive like a puppy

It's time humans stop expecting cats to relate to them as dogs

SIMANTINI GHOSH

THE EDITORIAL, 'Puppy eyes' (IE, June 19) claims that dogs have evolved to manipulate human emotions, based on a finding by a research group at the University of Portsmouth. The cited study finds that there is a specialised muscle found above the eye sockets of dogs that allows them to modulate their facial expressions, and specifically assume the fabled "puppy eyed" look to which we hapless humans find ourselves jelly-legged with love and adoration. The research is a legit find, having made its way into one of the world's foremost scientific journals with extremely wide readership. But even then the study — and the editorial — left me a bit baffled with its (almost puppy-like) naïveté.

The idea that humans react fondly to facial features that reflect those of babies of our own species has been the leading theory in this field since being proposed in 1943 by Konrad Lorenz, whose work in instinctive behaviour instills a gospel-like reverence, despite his Nazi politics. Since that time, there has been an abundance of evidence that indeed, humans do respond to the young of most vertebrate and mammalian species because of the similarity of facial and bodily features in human babies — a flat head, chubby cheeks, round big eyes, a small pudgy nose, rotund bodies and short extremities. In that sense, almost all species have evolved, including our own, to invoke feelings of love that ensure protection, nourishment, shelter instead of cruel treatment or harm. The evidence in the University of Portmouth study is at best a missing piece in the jigsaw puzzle trying to understand the biological changes that underlie the process of domestication and bifurcation of the canine species from the wolves. However, as for whether dogs are capable of emotional bonding, there is so much scientific evidence in its favour, that it is not a question anymore, actually. Dogs and wolves share 99.9 per cent of their genomes but in chromosome six, at a few loci, our canine friends differ in the expression of few genes that influence social interactions, suggesting they are hard wired to interact favourably with our species.

DEAR EDITOR, I DISAGREE

A fortnightly column in which we invite readers to tell us why, when they differ with the editorial positions or news coverage of 'The Indian Express'

The erstwhile cat parent in me takes offence at the bad rap that is in the share of cats, including in the editorial. Cats are not manipulative: We just don't understand as much about their behaviour as we do for dogs. Even genetically, the difference between domesticated cats and their feral counterparts are not as stark as the difference between dogs and wolves. Further, research suggests that while dogs recognise us as a separate species and their endearing behaviours are reserved for human interactions, a dog is likely never to behave with a fellow canine as he might react with a human. A cat, in contrast, treats us just as physically bigger cats. All their behaviour towards humans, hissing, purring, kneading, rubbing their bodies, raising their tails are behaviors they routinely conduct with other cats. This does not make them manipulative, it is just our lack of understanding the feline world.

But what tickled the funny bone in me was the obviousness of the research — and at points, the editorial too. Before the existence of this muscle was known, no one knew their dogs had them wrapped around their little finger-err-paw? It is almost similar to the analogy of the clinical trial testing on whether jumping without a parachute increases the chances of death in pilots. Of course, biological features in all domesticated animals evolved to evoke feelings in humans that would be of evolutionary advantage to such animals. The jump from evolution to manipulative is so abrupt, I am reminded of the Bengali litterateur Sandipan Chattopadhyay, who while once critiquing the love of jargon in leftist theoreticians had remarked, it is but a pity that the frog is not aware of its own scientific name.

Turns out, not only dog owners, the poor canines are equally ignorant about their own manipulative abilities.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RESPECT DISSENT

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Ease the tension' (IE, June 26). The resignation of RBI Deputy Governor Viral Acharya was expected. He had fallen out of favour with the government with his dissent. However, creative tensions amongst the various policy makers are a good sign and augurs well for a democracy. The resignations in the RBI should serve as an eye-opener for the government and push it towards becoming more accommodating of divergent points of view.

Deepak Singhal, *Noida*

BSP'S CHALLENGE

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Family firm' (IE, June 26). By giving important posts to her brother and nephew, the BSP supremo Mayawati is walking the path of dynastic politics, without sensing the political churn in the country. Moreover, the tendency of Dalits to vote as a community has undergone a change. As the results of the 2019 elections show, Dalits do not follow the herd mentality.The BSP is on the wane and the induction of Mayawati's family members will do nothing but hasten the party's downfall.

Vijai Pant, *Hempur*

POOR DECISION

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Nature vs nuptials' (IE, June 26). It is difficult to understand why the Uttarakhand government allowed the mega wedding at Auli, considering that it had all the makings of an environmental disaster.

Sangeeta Kampani, *Delhi*

LETTER OF THE WEEK AWARD

To encourage quality reader intervention, The Indian Express offers the Letter of the Week award. The letter adjudged the best for the week is published every Saturday. Letters may be e-mailed to editpage@expressindia.com or sent to The Indian Express, B-1/B, Sector 10, Noida-UP 201301. Letter writers should mention their postal address and phone number.

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MAKE POLLS SIMPLE

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Pollarising' (IE, June 21). After the Indian republic came into being, the first few elections were held along with the Lok Sabha elections. The system went askew when governments began to fall before the completion of their term. The Narendra Modi government's initiative of reverting to the old system is welcome. The modalities of the proposal, though, need debate.The Opposition's boycott, therefore, is unfortunate. The onus is now on the NDA government to allay their fears.

Lal Singh, *Amritsar*

MEANWHILE

MOON SAMPLES SEALED FOR DECADES TO BE OPENED

Inside a locked vault at Johnson Space Centre is treasure few have seen. The lab is home to a large number of moon rocks collected by Apollo astronauts a half-century ago. For the first time in decades, NASA will open some of the samples and let geologists take a crack at them with 21st-century tech.

TOP OF THE WORLD

Stephanie Grisham

USA

Melania top aide to replace Sarah Sanders as press secretary

Washington: Stephanie Grisham, communications director for first lady Melania Trump and a longtime aide to President Donald Trump, will succeed Sarah Sanders as White House press secretary, it was announced on Tuesday. Melania Trump announced the development in a tweet to conclude the president's search for a press secretary after Sanders decided to resign and go back home to Arkansas earlier this month. Grisham, 42, a fixture in the Arizona Republican Party, was one of Trump's first hires for his presidential campaign — as a press aide in 2015.

UAE

Dubai accident: Omani bus driver faces 7 yrs in jail

Dubai: The Omani driver, who was held responsible for the Dubai bus accident that killed 17 people, including 12 Indians, will stand trial and the prosecution will seek seven years imprisonment and a huge sum as blood money, according to media reports on Wednesday. Twelve Indians were among those killed in the tragic bus accident on June 7 when the bus, coming from Oman, wrongly entered a road not designated for buses and crashed into a height barrier that cut the left side of the bus and killed passengers sitting on that side.

BRITAIN

Grandmother gets 'dying wish' — to be arrested

London: A British grandmother who has never strayed onto the wrong side of the law in all her 93 years has fulfilled one of her dearest wishes — to be arrested. To her great delight, Josie Bird was handcuffed by officers and taken off to the local police station. Her granddaughter, Pam Smith tweeted that Josie hadn't been well and she "wanted to be arrested for something before it's too late". She was well-behaved all her life and "wanted to know what it was like to be naughty".

Rosa Ramirez holds toys that belonged to her nearly 2-year-old granddaughter Valeria, at her home in San Martin, El Salvador, on Tuesday. Valeria and her father Óscar Alberto Martínez Ramírez drowned while trying to cross the Rio Grande river. *AP*

Grim drowning at US border underlines peril facing many who make the journey

PETER ORSI & AMY GUTHRIE
MEXICO CITY, JUNE 26

Óscar Alberto Martínez Ramírez, reportedly frustrated because his family was unable to request asylum from US authorities, decided to swim across the river with his daughter

THE MAN and his 23-month-old daughter lay face down in shallow water along the bank of the Rio Grande, his black shirt hiked up to his chest with the girl tucked inside. Her arm was draped around his neck suggesting she clung to him in her final moments.

The searing photograph of the sad discovery of their bodies on Monday, captured by journalist Julia Le Duc and published by Mexican newspaper *La Jornada*, highlights the perils faced by mostly Central American migrants fleeing violence and poverty and hoping for asylum in the US.

According to Le Duc's reporting for *La Jornada*, Óscar Alberto Martínez Ramírez, frustrated because the family from El Salvador was unable to present themselves to US authorities and request asylum, swam across the river on Sunday with his daughter, Valeria.

He set her on the US bank of the river and started back for his wife, Tania Vanessa Ávalos, but seeing him move away the girl threw herself into the waters. Martínez returned and was able to grab Valeria, but the current swept them both away.

The account was based on remarks by Ávalos to police at the scene — "amid tears" and "screams" — Le Duc said.

Details of the incident were confirmed Tuesday by Martínez's mother back in El Salvador, Rosa Ramírez, who spoke with her daughter-in-law by phone afterward.

"When the girl jumped in is when he tried to reach her, but when he tried to grab the girl, he went in further ... and he couldn't get out," Ramírez said. "He put her in his shirt, and I imagine he told himself, 'I've come this far' and decided to go with her." **AP**

CONGRESSIONAL PROBES INTO US PRESIDENT

Mueller to testify publicly before two House committees

Trump accuses former special counsel of illegal activity

REUTERS & NYT
WASHINGTON, JUNE 26

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump lashed out at the former special counsel, Robert Mueller, on Wednesday, dredging up accusations about the conduct of investigators after House Democrats announced that Mueller would testify publicly next month.

The President, without offering evidence, said Mueller "terminated" FBI communications in what he called an illegal move.

"Mueller terminated them illegally. He terminated all of the emails... Robert Mueller terminated their text messages together. He terminated them. They're gone. And that's illegal. That's a crime," Trump said in an interview with Fox Business Network, referring to two former FBI employees who exchanged disparaging messages about the President.

Mueller agreed to testify in public before Congress next month about his investigation into Russia's election interference and possible obstruction of justice by Trump.

Coming nearly three months after the release of Mueller's report, two back-to-back hearings on July 17 before the House Judiciary and Intelligence committees promise to be among the most closely watched spectacles of Trump's presidency. The hearings could potentially reshape the political landscape around his reelection campaign and prompt a possible impeachment inquiry by the Democrat-controlled House.

Mueller, a strait-laced former FBI director who has spoken publicly only once about his work as special counsel, had resisted taking the witness stand. His 448-page written report, he had asserted, should speak for itself.

In the end, though, the two committees issued subpoenas compelling Mueller to speak, and he accepted.

The former special counsel will testify on July 17. *AP*

EXPLAINED

Hearings key amid 2020 campaign, impeachment talk

WITH MUELLER agreeing to publicly testify before the House committees, the Democrats are keen for Americans to see the widely respected former FBI director speak about his report's conclusions. The Democrats hope that the TV coverage of the testimony by Mueller, who has already said his report does not rule out criminal activity by Trump, will moved those watching to take a stand against the President in a way the 448-page report did not. With campaigns having begun for the 2020 elections, and the Democrats divided over impeachment, the hearings could a turning point.

President Sirisena signed the death warrants Wednesday

Lanka to execute 4 convicts, ending 40-yr suspension of death penalty

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
COLOMBO, JUNE 26

SRI LANKAN President Maithripala Sirisena on Wednesday signed the death warrants to hang four drug convicts, ending a four-decade-long moratorium on capital punishment in the country.

Sirisena said he was committed to bringing back capital punishment for drug offenders, months after vowing a tougher line on spiralling narcotics-related crime.

The last execution in Sri Lanka was 43 years ago.

"I have signed the relevant documents and forwarded them to the concerned authorities," Sirisena said Wednesday. He said he treats the drug menace as the main problem in the country where over 60 per cent of the island's 24,000 people in jail are convicted on drug charges.

Drug trafficking is a capital offence in Sri Lanka, which authorities believe is being used by peddlers as a transit hub.

US tariffs on China goods to raise Bible cost, upset religious groups

LALIT K JHA
WASHINGTON, JUNE 26

THE TRADE war that Donald Trump has initiated with China by imposing massive tariffs on the Chinese products has upset one of his core support bases, the influential church community, that fears the US President's import duties would increase the cost of the Bible in America.

The US and China have been locked in a bruising trade war since Trump imposed heavy tariffs on imported steel and aluminium items from China in March last year, a move that sparked fears of a global trade war.

Trump has already imposed 25 per cent tariffs on $250 billion in Chinese imports and China has retaliated with tariffs on US goods.

The Christian community has been angered by Trump as his import duties on Chinese products are set to increase the cost of the Bible in the United States.

According to Congressman Josh Harder, more than half of the Bibles produced in the world originate from China. "The recently proposed tariffs on an additional $300 billion in Chinese goods, including printed materials, could have significant negative effects on our religious groups, churches, schools, ministries, and non-profit organisations," Harder said. "More than half of the Bibles printed in the world originate in China due to the unique paper and technologies required," he said. **PTI**

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> US CONGRESSMAN

South Korean President Moon Jae-in

US, North Korea in talks over 3rd Trump-Kim meet, says Moon

HYONHEE SHIN
SEOUL, JUNE 26

THE US is in behind-the-scenes talks with North Korea over a possible third summit after negotiations had been stalled following the second such meeting in February, South Korean President Moon Jae-in said on Wednesday.

Moon, in written answers to questions posed by visiting foreign journalists, said there was no reason to talk of a "stalemate" just because there had been no official dialogue, aimed at the denuclearisation of North Korea.

US President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un held their second meeting in the Vietnamese capital of Hanoi in February but failed to reach a deal due to differences between US calls for denuclearisation and North Korean demands for relief from sanctions.

The US had made a proposal for working-level talks, Moon said, urging North Korea to return to the negotiating table "at the earliest date possible". **REUTERS**

Trump: No boots on the ground if action taken against Iran

TIM AHMANN & BABAK DEHGHANPISHEH
WASHINGTON, GENEVA, JUNE 26

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump said on Wednesday he was "not talking boots on the ground" should military action be necessary against Iran, and said any conflict would not last long.

Asked if a war was brewing, Trump told Fox Business Network: "I hope we don't, but we're in a very strong position if something should happen."

"I'm not talking boots on the ground," Trump said. "I'm just saying if something would happen, it wouldn't last very long."

The comments come just days after Trump cancelled air strikes minutes before impact, with allies warning that the increase in tensions since the United States pulled out of a nuclear pact with Iran last year could accidentally lead to war.

Iran suggested it was just one day from breaching a threshold in the agreement that limited its stockpile of uranium, a move that would put pressure on European countries that have tried to remain neutral to pick sides.

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The fate of the 2015 nuclear deal, under which Iran agreed to curbs on its nuclear programme in return for access to international trade, has been at the heart of the dispute which has escalated and taken on a military dimension in recent weeks.

Washington sharply tightened sanctions last month, aiming to bar all international sales of Iranian oil. It accuses Iran of being behind bomb attacks on ships in the Gulf, which it denies. **REUTERS**

Israel: Mysterious GPS disruption in airspace, but all planes secure

REUTERS
JERUSALEM, JUNE 26

Many pilots reported lost GPS signals near Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport

ISRAEL IS experiencing unexplained GPS disruptions in its airspace but measures are in place to allow safe landings and takeoffs at its main international airport, the government said on Wednesday.

The announcement by the Israel Airports Authority (IAA) followed a report on Tuesday by the International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations (IFALPA) that "many" pilots had lost satellite signals from the Global Positioning System around Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport.

Confirming there had been GPS disruptions for approximately the past three weeks, an IAA statement said these affected only airborne crews and not terrestrial navigation systems.

Israeli authorities have been working to identify the problem and fix it, it added. Asked if an explanation had been found, an IAA spokesman said: "No. I don't know." Asked for comment, a spokeswoman for Israel's Defence Ministry said only that the disruption was an IAA matter. "At no stage has there been a safety incident stemming from the GPS disruption in the context of the precision of navigation and flight corridors," the IAA said.

Maggots ate Sherin's organs before her body reached morgue, says pathologist

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HOUSTON, JUNE 26

WHEN THE body of 3-year-old Indian toddler Sherin Mathews reached the morgue, maggots had eaten her internal organs, the doctor who performed the autopsy on the toddler in 2017 has told jurors in Dallas, Texas.

The Indian-American foster father of Sherin, Wesley Mathews, in an unexpected move, pleaded guilty on Monday to injury to a child by omission, a lesser charge, at the start of what was supposed to be his capital murder trial.

On the second day of the trial on Tuesday, 39-year-old Mathews said in a testimony that he raised his voice at Sherin while he was trying to get her to drink her milk in the garage. That startled her, and she began to choke on the milk.

He initially claimed that as punishment for not drinking her milk, he sent Sherin to stand by a tree outside the backyard of their home in Richardson, Texas, at 3 am. When he checked in on her 15 minutes later, Mathews said Sherin was missing.

Two weeks later, when Sherin's body was found in a nearby culvert by a cadaver dog, Mathews changed his story, claiming he "physically assisted" his adopted daughter in drinking the milk and that the toddler choked.

Mathews and his wife Sini Mathews, both from Kerala, adopted Sherin from an orphanage in Bihar in 2016.

Dr Elizabeth Ventura, the pathologist who performed Sherin's autopsy in October 2017, testified that she could not determine how Sherin died as the body was too decomposed to get an official cause of death. She told the jurors that maggots had eaten Sherin's internal organs away as her body was discovered in a trash bag in a culvert two weeks after her death.

THE TOWN OF HADAT IS AN EXAMPLE OF LEBANON'S DEEPLY ROOTED SECTARIAN DIVISIONS

Lebanese town bans Muslims from buying, renting property

ASSOCIATED PRESS
BEIRUT, JUNE 26

MOHAMMED AWWAD and his fiancee, both Muslims, recently found an affordable apartment for rent online in a town in Lebanon, southeast of Beirut.

The 27-year-old journalist called the number and asked the owner when they could drop by to take a look. He was stunned by her response: Muslims are not allowed to settle in the town, she said.

The apartment owner apologised to Awwad, saying she wouldn't mind renting to people of any sect but officials in the town of Hadat issued orders years ago that only Christians be allowed to buy and rent property from the town's Christian residents.

The young Shia Muslim man could not believe what he heard and asked his fiancee, Sarah Raad, to call the municipality and she, too, was told that the ban had been in place for years.

Hadat is a small example of Lebanon's deeply rooted sectarian divisions that once led to a 15-year civil war that left more than 100,000 people dead.

Christian communities feel under siege as Muslims leave overcrowded areas for once predominantly Christian neighbourhoods.

Three decades ago Hadat was almost entirely Christian, but today it has a Muslim majority. *AP*

"There are people who live in fear and feel threatened and this can be removed through (state) policies that make citizens equal," said Pierre Abi Saab, a Lebanese journalist.

Three decades ago Hadat was almost entirely Christian, but today it has a Muslim majority because the Muslim population expanded greatly between 1990, when the war ended, and 2010, when the ban was imposed. Since then, the Muslim population has hovered between 60 per cent and 65 per cent.

The ban only applies to Christian property — a Muslim resident or landowner of Hadat is allowed to sell or rent his property to Muslims from outside the town or to whomever he wants.

Hadat is the only area where such a ban is publicly announced. Local officials in Christian areas in central, eastern and southern Lebanon impose such bans in more discreet ways.

In the predominantly Christian southern region of Jezzine, some local officials have changed the status of land in their villages from commercial to agricultural in order to prevent mass construction projects while in other villages and towns only locals are allowed to buy property.

"As a Lebanese citizen, I don't see that there is justification for fear and mixing with others is our salvation in Lebanon," said Abi Saab, deputy editor-in-chief of the daily *Al-Akhbar* newspaper. **AP**

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*Indian basket as on June 25, 2019

SENSEX: 39,592.08 ▲ 157.14 **NIFTY:** 11,847.55 ▲ 51.10 **NIKKEI:** 21,086.59 ▼ 107.22 **HANG SENG:** 28,221.98 ▲ 36.00 **FTSE:** 7,428.58 ▲ 6.15 **DAX:** 12,284.46 ▲ 56.02

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SECTOR WATCH
AVIATION

'SpiceJet, IndiGo gain most from downfall of Jet; market share likely to rise by 5-6%'

The slots would be returned to Jet in case it is able to get back up

PRANAV MUKUL
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

IN THE aftermath of collapse of Jet Airways, the Ministry of Civil Aviation temporarily reallocated over 2,500 of the airline's slots, including prime ones in airports such as Delhi and Mumbai. On the back of these new slots, a research report by securities firm Elara Capital said, the market share of low-cost carriers SpiceJet, IndiGo and GoAir are expected to go up by 6 per cent, 5 per cent and 2 per cent, respectively.

Owing to a financial crunch, Jet Airways suspended operations on April 17, and was admitted by the National Company Law Tribunal for bankruptcy proceedings under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code on June 20. The Aviation Ministry, in order to prevent a sudden crunch in capacity leading to a rise in fares, reallocated Jet's slots to other airlines for three months. A senior government official had said that the slots would be returned to the airline in case it was able to get back up.

The research report noted that about 43 per cent of the slots vacated by Jet Airways in Delhi and Mumbai were picked up by SpiceJet, while 32 per cent were allocated to IndiGo, followed by GoAir at 13 per cent, and Vistara and AirAsia India at 7 per cent and 4 per cent, respectively. "Given Delhi & Mumbai airports comprised 60 per cent of domestic passenger movement during FY19; we believe these two airports are proxy of all-India market share gain by carriers at the expense of Jet Airways," the report pointed out, adding that the grounded airline used 24 per cent of the slots at the two largest airports in the country.

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Of the total slots reallocated in Delhi and Mumbai, Elara Capital said, 33 per cent are peak slots. 50 per cent of the 548 peak slots have been allocated to SpiceJet while 34 per cent have been given to IndiGo. GoAir and Vistara have been allocated 7 per cent and 8 per cent of the peak slots at these airports, respectively.

Earlier, the Aviation Ministry and the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) had exhorted that slot allocation would happen on the basis of airlines being able to show aircraft capacity necessary to operate on the said slots.

According to data sourced from the DGCA, IndiGo's domestic market share in the months of April and May was 49.9 per cent and 49.0 per cent, respectively, while that of SpiceJet was 13.1 per cent and 14.8 per cent, respectively. Sectoral experts have pointed out that IndiGo could face antitrust scrutiny and might have to undergo regulatory oversight in case of fare setting once its market share crosses the 50 per cent mark.

IMPACT OF THESE INVESTMENTS ON FUND'S ACCOUNTS BEING MONITORED

IL&FS default: EPFO moves to secure risky investments, may stall rate hike

Finance Ministry has already flagged IL&FS investment & those in other risky entities

AANCHAL MAGAZINE
NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

WITH IL&FS making its first default in the interest payment of Rs 21 crore to the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), the retirement fund body is taking "all possible steps" to secure its other bleeding investments, including in Reliance Capital, YES Bank and DHFL, officials indicated.

While the ensuing impact of these investments on the Fund's accounts is also being monitored by the Ministry of Labour and Employment, there is an emerging consensus that the recommended 8.65 per cent interest rate for 2018-19 — the first hike in three years — looks increasingly untenable.

"IL&FS made one default of interest payment of Rs 21 crore before March 31. It was making interest payments till January. The fund managers have been asked to do due diligence for all such investments and the situation is being closely monitored," an official said.

The Finance Ministry, which is yet to give its final nod for the rate hike recommended by the EPFO's Central Board of Trustees (CBT), had already flagged the IL&FS investment and those in other risky entities in a missive to the Labour Ministry in May.

The Labour Ministry is learnt to be reconsidering its decision to hike the interest rate, an issue which is likely to be taken up in the next CBT meeting that is expected to be held after the current session of Parliament.

The EPFO is also making efforts to avail partial redemptions of investments in several debt instruments and has also directed its fund managers not to invest in private bonds for now. "We have restricted them from investing in private bonds since this is not the time to invest in them. So they will invest as per as the (approved) pattern of investment," the official said, adding that the fund is also applying the early redemption clause wherever possible.

EPFO's investment in IL&FS is pegged at Rs 574.73 crore, while investments by exempted firms, which manage EPF accounts on their own for their employees, is over and above this amount.

In February, the CBT of the EPFO had recommended hiking the interest rate for its 6-crore active subscribers to 8.65 per cent for 2018-19 from a five-year low of 8.55 per cent in the previous financial year. At 8.65 per cent, the interest rate would be at the same level as in 2016-17 and the EPFO will be left with a surplus of Rs 151.67 crore.

Retaining the previous year's rate of 8.55 per cent would have resulted in a surplus of Rs 771.37 crore, while an interest rate higher than 8.65 per cent would have resulted in a deficit. As per convention, after the EPFO's CBT recommends the interest rate, it has to be ratified by the Finance Ministry before being credited in the accounts of subscribers.

The recommendation to hike EPFO's interest comes at a time when most other small savings instruments offer an interest rate below 8 per cent and amid downward direction in rates set out by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

Small savings rates, which are linked to yield on government securities, are reset on a quarterly basis. For the January-March 2019 quarter, the government had kept rates for most schemes unchanged compared to the previous quarter. The rate on Public Provident Fund (PPF) scheme was also kept unchanged at 8 per cent in the January-March quarter.

EPFO'S INVESTMENT IN IL&FS IS ₹574.73 CR

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No bar on payment processing abroad but data should be stored in India only, says RBI

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, JUNE 26

THE RESERVE Bank of India on Wednesday clarified that "there is no bar on processing of payment transactions outside India" by the payment system operators (PSOs) but the "data should be stored only in India" after the processing.

"In case the processing is done abroad, the data should be deleted from the systems abroad and brought back to India not later than the one business day or 24 hours from payment processing, whichever is earlier. The same should be stored only in India," the RBI said. The central bank last year mandated companies to store their payments data only in India so that the regulator could have "unfettered supervisory access" forcing entities such as Mastercard and Visa to initiate steps to store data in India. However, the RBI move had met with resistance from US payment companies.

"The complete end-to-end transaction details should be part of the data," the RBI said. "However, any subsequent activity such as settlement processing after payment processing, if done outside India, should also be undertaken/ performed on a near real time basis. The data should be stored only in India," it said.

However, with data storage issue becoming a thorny issue between US payment companies and India, the RBI said a copy of the domestic component of cross border transaction data — consisting of a foreign component and a domestic component — may be stored abroad. US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said last week ahead of his visit to New Delhi, "we'll also push for free flow of data across borders, not just to help American companies, but to protect data and secure consumers' privacy."

On June 18, Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal met technology firms and heard their concerns about various plans to push for more stringent rules on data storage, which government officials say would help them better access data and conduct investigations. The government had then said the RBI will look into concerns about data storage rules that have been raised by companies.

According to the RBI, the directions are also applicable in respect of the transactions through system participants, service providers, intermediaries, payment gateways, third party vendors and other entities (by whatever name referred to) in the payments ecosystem, who are retained or engaged by the authorised / approved entities for providing payment services.

The data should include end-to-end transaction details and information pertaining to payment or settlement transaction that is gathered, transmitted or processed as part of a payment message or instruction. This may include customer data (including name, mobile number, email, Aadhaar number, PAN number), payment sensitive data (customer and beneficiary account details), payment credentials (OTP, PIN, passwords) and transaction data (originating and destination system information, transaction reference, timestamp and amount).

"The data may be shared with the overseas regulator, if so required, depending upon the nature or origin of transaction with due approval of the RBI," it said.

EXPLAINED

A thorny issue for US payment companies

ON THIS contentious issue, while the RBI has said there is no restriction on processing of payment transactions outside India by payment system operators, this comes with the rider that the "data should be stored only in India" after the processing.

Additionally, if data processing is done abroad, it should be deleted from the systems abroad and brought back to India and stored here. The data storage issue has been a thorny issue for US payment companies such as Mastercard and Visa and has been raised by the US Government as part of its trade negotiations strategy.

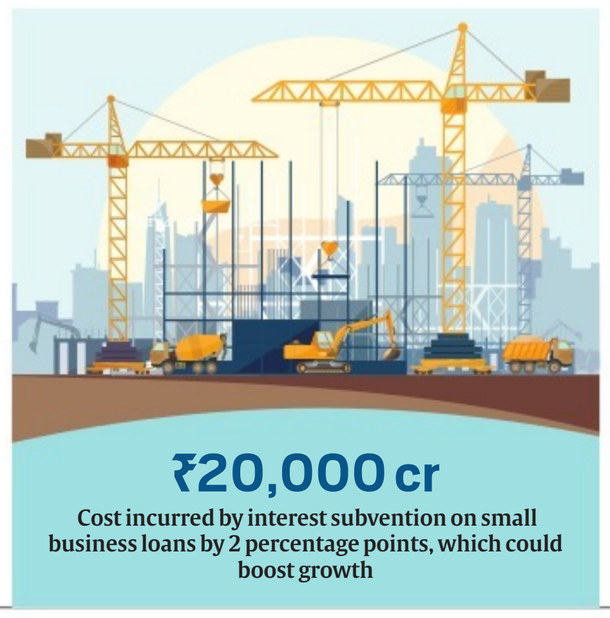
'Govt can raise ₹95K-cr from infra bonds'

As it looks for means to push growth, the government can plan issuing infrastructure bonds via a special purpose vehicle (SPV), which could mop up over Rs 95,000 crore or 0.5 per cent of GDP, economists at Bank of America Merrill Lynch said

NO ADVERSE MARKET REACTION: Even though the move will increase the overall public sector borrowing, the market will not react adversely as the money raised will be tied to funding specific needs

NO IMPACT ON BANK deposits/credit growth: The funds raised thus can flow out of fixed deposit to the SPV if the public buys the bonds, and it will not have an impact on bank deposits or credit growth

₹4,700 cr: Actual loss, adjusted for savings on money flowing from the fixed deposit of the public to the SPV, which "can surely be fiscalised"



₹3 lakh cr: Excess capital that is likely to be identified by the Jalan committee and can be used for bank recapitalisation

0.25%: Likely jump in deposit rates, which economists say can be "fiscalised"

0.3%: Expected extra public spending, with Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman likely to retain the interim Budget's fiscal deficit target of 3.4 per cent

G20 LEADERS TO GATHER IN OSAKA FOR 2-DAY MEETING FROM FRIDAY

US-China trade spat, Iran tensions to dominate Summit

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THE TRADE battle between the US and China, and fears that spiralling tensions with Iran could erupt into conflict are poised to dominate a high-stakes G20 summit from Friday. With hotspots North Korea and Venezuela and a slowing world economy also high on the agenda, the two-day gathering of leaders from the world's group of 20 leading nations in Osaka, Japan, could be one of the most pivotal in years, analysts say.

Trump last week sparked hopes for a detente in the long-running trade war when he said he would hold "extended" talks with Xi after a "very good telephone conversation".

For his part, Xi told Trump that "China and the US will both gain by co-operating and lose by fighting", according to Chinese state media. The two sides were close to a deal when talks broke down abruptly last month and markets are hoping the leaders' first face-to-face talks since December, when they met at the last G20 in Argentina, can break the deadlock.

The venue of the G20 summit in Osaka, western Japan. The two-day summit starts Friday. *AP*

Observers said a decisive breakthrough was possible at the talks, which are expected on Saturday, but was not the most likely scenario given the complexity of the issues. "President Trump likes deals, so he might agree to something," noted Matthew Goodman, an economics expert at the US-based Center for Strategic and International Studies. "More likely is that they will agree to a truce and to restart talks and... try to come to some sort of deal within three months," added Goodman.

Economists and markets are hoping some sort of pact can be agreed as the stuttering global economy can ill afford further trade tensions between its two biggest players.

"This is bad for everyone... it's a no-win situation," said Denis Hew, director of the Policy Support Unit for APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation).

Alice Ekman, head of China Research at the French Institute of International Relations, said the world should brace for a lengthy period of frosty relations as Washington and Beijing also scrap over technological domination.

"The tensions are such that even if we get to a deal... this (the trade war) will leave its mark, and we are now engaged in a long-term rivalry," she said.

Iran will also loom large after Trump called off a planned military strike but then imposed sanctions against its supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and threatened the country with "obliteration" if it seeks war.

Trump says it is possible he may make trade deal with China's Xi

REUTERS
WASHINGTON, JUNE 26

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump said on Wednesday it was possible he would emerge from a meeting with Chinese leader Xi Jinping this week with a deal that means there was no need to impose more tariffs on goods from China.

Trump is expected to meet with Xi at the G20 summit in Japan this weekend, in the first meeting between leaders of the world's biggest economies since November. Relations between the two countries have deteriorated since talks to end a trade war collapsed in May, when the United States accused China of reneging on pledges to reform its economy.

"It's absolutely possible ... We have to get a good deal," Trump said in an interview with Fox Business Network. "It's possible that we'll make a deal but I'm also very happy where we are now."

Negotiators have not met since trade talks broke down, and US and Chinese sources informed on the state of talks have told Reuters the best-case scenario for the Xi-Trump meeting is to resume negotiations.

Trump said Chinese leaders "want to make a deal. They want to make a deal more than I do."

Trump has previously said he would raise tariffs if there is no progress on the trade dispute at the meeting, and repeated that on Wednesday. "I would do additional tariffs, very substantial additional tariffs, if that doesn't work, if we don't make a deal," Trump said. Trump on Wednesday said he could consider placing a 10 per cent duty on another $300 billion or so of Chinese goods rather than 25 per cent.

China and the United States have already imposed tariffs of up to 25 per cent on hundreds of billions of dollars of each other's goods in a trade war that has lasted nearly a year.

'G20 to call for need promotion of free trade'

REUTERS
TOKYO, JUNE 26

LEADERS OF the Group of 20 economies will likely call for the "promotion of free trade" as a means to achieve strong global growth when they meet this week, Japan's *Asahi* newspaper reported on Wednesday.

In a draft communique, the G20 nations also stressed the importance of creating a positive cycle where the benefits of solid growth are distributed broadly across economies, it said. The bitter US-China trade war has hurt business sentiment and jolted financial markets, casting a shadow over the two-day G20 summit to be held in Osaka, western Japan, from Friday. Under pressure from administration of US President Donald Trump, the G20 removed a phrase calling for need to resist protectionism from its communique at last year's summit in Buenos Aires. A communique signed off by G20 finance leaders at their meeting earlier this month also does not include language denouncing protectionism.

But some EU nations are demanding that upcoming summit's communique include language warning against the spread of protectionist policies, the Asahi said.

CBDT asks I-T dept to share info of loan defaulters with PSBs

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CITING PUBLIC interest, the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has instructed its field formations to share details of assets and accounts of all loan defaulters against whom a recovery process has been initiated by a public sector bank.

"Board is of the view that sharing of information with PSBs in respect of assets held by defaulters of loans, so as to enable recovery of loans from such defaulters, is in the public interest and hence, can be furnished. Besides statement of Assets, if requested, information such as details of bank account, sundry debtors of the loan defaulter which may aid recovery of loan by the PSB from the loan defaulter, can also be provided," the directive said. The tax department will cull out this information from the Income Tax Return (ITR) of an assessee. Central Board of Direct Taxes, that frames policy for the I-T department, has issued an order in this context to all its field offices on Wednesday.

It said the order has been issued after a number of such requests were received from public sector banks (PSBs) seeking information of immovable assets of a loan defaulter to effect recovery from them. This sharing of vital and classified data of an assessee, who is identified as a bank loan defaulter, will be done under section 138 (1)(b) of the I-T Act which states that if a prescribed application is made to the jurisdictional Principal Chief Commissioner or Principal Commissioner of I-T, he or she can furnish the information if they are satisfied that this sharing will be in public interest. The order said the department possesses such information by way of ITR of an individual or Hindu Undivided Family (HUF), having total income in excess of Rs 50 lakh per annum, and is supposed to furnish particulars of assets and corresponding liabilities to the taxman every year under the direct taxes (I-T) law.

It, however, added that the taxman can furnish this data to the banks in respect of the "borrower, mortgager and guarantor only." "At the time of supply of such information a confidentiality clause may be included specifying that such information be used only for the purpose of recovery of loan and will not be shared with any other person or agency," CBDT said. An undertaking to this effect shall be obtained from bank and an officer not below the rank of branch manager should sign document, it said.

The order states that "tax dues" of such a defaulter should also be kept in mind and before the taxman shares such information with the bank, an undertaking should be obtained from them that they will obtain a no objection certificate (NOC) from the I-T officer "before appropriation of the surplus amount recovered from sale of immovable or movable assets of the defaulter". The move is expected to aid in the recovery process of public sector banks.

Scope of panel on direct tax laws expanded

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THE CBDT has expanded the scope of the panel constituted for re-writing the direct tax code by including five more items in the terms of reference (ToR) of the committee, sources said. The timeline for the panel to submit its recommendation remains unchanged to July 31.

The new items in the ToR include faceless and anonymised scrutiny assessments, reduction of litigation and expeditious disposal of appeals at CIT(A) stage and going up to the Supreme Court. The issue of sharing of information between GST, customs and other government bodies that hold data on taxpayers has also been included.

Additionally, simplification of the procedure to reduce compliance burden and system-based cross verification of financial transactions have also been included in the ambit of the panel.

Rakesh Nangia, managing partner at Nangia Advisors (Andersen Global), said: "The additional aspects signify the focus areas of the government which revolve around taxpayer-friendly administration, transparent and effective exchange of information among various departments and verification of financial transactions to control tax evasion. These additional aspects are quite significant and would aid in shaping up a better compliance-oriented administration and increasing taxpayers' trust." **FE**

RBI guidelines for financial benchmark administrators issued

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THE RESERVE Bank of India on Wednesday unveiled the norms for Financial Benchmark Administrators (FBAs), which control 'significant benchmarks' in the markets for financial instruments regulated by the banking regulator.

FBAs control the creation, operation and administration 'benchmarks' like prices, rates, indices, values or a combination thereof related to financial instruments that are calculated periodically and used as a reference for pricing or valuation of financial instruments or any other financial contract.

"On the Reserve Bank notifying a benchmark as a 'significant benchmark', the person administering that benchmark should make, within a period of three months from the date of the notification, an application for authorisation to continue administering that benchmark," the central bank said.

FBA should be a company incorporated in India with a minimum net worth of Rs one crore at all times, the RBI said.

On October 6 last year, the Reserve Bank had announced that it will introduce a regulatory framework for financial benchmarks in markets regulated by it. The robustness and reliability of financial benchmarks are critical for efficient pricing and valuation of financial instruments, the RBI said.

"The London Inter-Bank Offered Rate (LIBOR) controversy and the related events underlined the need to establish or reform the frameworks for administration and governance of financial benchmarks," the banking regulator said.

The need for setting standards for the benchmark administrators has since been accepted worldwide in several jurisdictions, it added.

"The directions are based on the practices recommended by the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) in their report on Principles for Financial Benchmarks as well as in the report of the Committee on Financial Benchmarks set up by the RBI," the Reserve Bank said.

Directions on rupee IRDs released

Mumbai: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Wednesday issued Rupee Interest Rate Derivatives (Reserve Bank) Directions consolidating and simplifying all previous regulations with a view to protect small and retail participants.

Regulations on interest rate derivatives (IRDs) have so far been issued separately for each product, including for products traded on exchanges.

These regulations were framed with a view to guide the initial evolution of the market through prescriptive requirements.

"Given the evolution of the market, there is now a need to permit flexibility for exchanges and market-makers in the design and innovation of products while ensuring that relatively less informed participants using these derivatives markets are adequately protected," the RBI said while issuing the directions.

The directions consolidate, rationalise and simplify all previous regulations issued on interest rate derivatives, the central bank said.

Exchanges have been provided with the flexibility to design and structure standardised products based on market requirements, it added. **PTI**

STERLING BIOTECH CASE

ED attaches assets worth ₹9,778 cr of Sandesara Group, promoters

Second attachment by Directorate under PMLA; last attachment was of assets worth ₹4,730 crore

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

IN CONNECTION with its money laundering probe into the Gujarat-based pharma firm Sterling Biotech case, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) has attached close to Rs 10,000 crore worth of foreign assets belonging to the Sandesara Group and the promoters Nitin, Chetan and Deepti Sandesara.

The assets include oil rigs and ships based in Nigeria, apart from a residential property in London. "The attached properties include four oil rigs and oil field, namely OML 143, located in Nigeria and held by Sterling Energy Exploration Pvt Co Ltd (SEEPCO) Nigeria; ships, namely 'Tulja Bhawani', 'Varinda', 'Bhavya', 'Brahmani' etc which are registered in Panama and held in the name of company Atlantic Blue Water Services; aircraft 200 Gulfstream registered in USA held by M/s SAIB LLC and a residential flat in London. All these companies are controlled by SBL (Sterling Biotech Ltd)," an ED statement said Wednesday.

The ED has put the cumulative value of the attachment at Rs 9,778 crore. This is the second attachment of Sandesara assets made by the ED under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA). Its previous attachment of assets worth Rs 4,730 crore was already confirmed by the PMLA Adjudicating Authority. The Directorate's probe is based on an FIR registered by the Central Bureau of Investigation against Sterling Biotech Ltd in October 2017. The CBI had alleged that the group had wilfully defaulted on loans of over Rs 5,000 crore from a consortium of banks led by Andhra Bank and diverted the money for promoters' personal purposes.

"It is revealed during investigation that the loan funds were diverted for non-mandated purposes, layered and laundered through a web of multiple domestic as well as offshore entities. The main promoters have not only siphoned off loan funds to finance their Nigerian Oil Business but also for their personal purposes," the ED statement said. According to the ED, the group was engaged in round tripping of Standby Letters of Credit (SBLCs) funds to the tune of Rs 4,500 crore by violating conditions laid by the RBI while sanctioning the loan.

"The said SBLCs were later on devolved on the guarantor banks causing wrongful loss to these public sector banks and to the public at large. Their strategy included incorporation of multiple shell companies, conducting circular transactions to artificially inflate turnover of flagship companies, claiming higher depreciations on non-existing machinery to avoid tax liabilities, artificial share trading with the shell companies, layering and laundering of proceeds of crime within India and abroad through web of multiple shell companies," the ED statement read.

It alleged that the Sandesaras used their employees' names and incorporated 249 domestic and 96 offshore shell companies. "The original PAN cards, stamps, seals, Memorandum of Association and signed blank cheque books of shell companies have been seized from promoters. All these shell companies were controlled, managed and beneficially owned by the main promoters and were used in the process of money laundering," the ED statement said.

The ED also claimed to have found that the promoters created a web of corporate and accounting structures abroad. "They have incorporated 96 entities in various countries including UAE, USA, UK, BVI, Mauritius, Barbados, Panama, and Nigeria. The main entities outside India include Richmond Overseas, Sunshine Trust Corporation, SEEPCO BVI, SEEPCO Nigeria, Atlantic Blue Water Services Pvt Ltd. Geodynamic Geospectra Limited, SAIB LLC, Goldcoin Construction etc. It is revealed during investigation that the funds were rotated through various structures and ultimately parked in Nigeria to cater to the personal interests of the main promoters," its statement read.

ED INVESTIGATION BASED ON FIR BY CBI

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BRIEFLY

Niti Aayog CEO Kant gets 2-yr extension

New Delhi: The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet on Wednesday gave a two-year extension to Amitabh Kant as chief executive officer of the Niti Aayog, an official order said.

FinMin to host meet on opiate trafficking

New Delhi: The Finance Ministry on Wednesday said it will host a two-day meeting beginning June 27 of the expert working group on illicit financial flows deriving from the trafficking of opiates originating in Afghanistan.

Canara Bank to raise ₹1.5K crore via bonds

New Delhi: Canara Bank on Wednesday said it has proposed to raise Rs 1,500 crore through bonds, to fund business growth.

Google Maps launches 'Stay Safer' feature

New Delhi: Google Maps has introduced an India-first 'Stay Safer' feature for users that will alert and notify users travelling in taxis and auto-rickshaws when their vehicle goes off-route.

IndiaMART IPO subscribed over 36 times

New Delhi: The IPO of online marketplace IndiaMART InterMESH was subscribed 36.16 times on the final day of bidding Wednesday. **PTI**

Self-driving tech: Uber buys AI firm

Washington: Uber said Wednesday it has acquired computer vision startup Mighty AI to help advance its technology for self-driving cars. **AFP**

Bitcoin value reaches 18-month high

London: Bitcoin jumped to an 18-month high on Wednesday, trading close to $13,000. Analysts said this was caused by traders looking for alternative investments and expectations of Facebook's Libra turning crytocurrencies mainstream. **REUTERS**

Cabinet okays amended AERA Act, govt gets more power to set tariffs

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THE POWERS of the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA), with regard to setting user charges for passengers as well as airlines, just got eroded due to an amendment approved by the Union Cabinet in the AERA Act, 2018, earlier this week.

Once the amendment is passed by Parliament, the Civil Aviation Ministry is empowered to bid out private airport projects on the basis of pre-determined tariff and in such cases the airport regulator will have no power to set or revise user charges. However, the government will consult or seek recommendations of AERA in setting such pre-determined tariff. Thus, in an area where AERA had final powers, its role at best will become advisory.

"Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-sections (1) and (2), the Authority shall not determine the tariff or tariff structures or the amount of development fee in respect of an airport or part thereof, if such tariff or tariff structures or the amount of development fees has been incorporated in the bidding document, which is the basis for award of operatorship of that airport," the amended Act reads.

Another major change in the Act, which reduces the power of AERA, is a change in the definition of categorisation of airports. Hitherto, AERA had the power to set tariffs for airports handling over 1.5 million passengers per annum. Now, it can set tariff for airports handling 3.5 million passengers per annum. As a result, around 17 airports will go out of the ambit of AERA's regulation with regard to tariffs. Previously, AERA regulated 30 airports and will now regulate only 13. **FE**

Icra cuts Piramal Capital's long-term rating to AA

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ICRA ON Tuesday downgraded the long-term rating of Piramal Capital & Housing Finance (PCHFL). The rating agency cut ratings of non-convertible debentures (NCDs), subordinated (Tier-II) bonds, long-term funds-based limits and long-term loans from AA+ to AA, amounting to Rs 20,867 crore. The rating on commercial paper (CP) programme remained unchanged at A1+, amounting to Rs 9,000 crore.

Fund houses such as Aditya Birla Sun Life MF, Axis MF, Franklin Templeton MF and Kotak MF, among others, have investments in PCHFL of nearly Rs 3,600 crore.

"The outlook on the long-term rating continues to remain negative given its predominantly wholesale book, with large sized exposures particularly in real estate and infrastructure segment," Icra said. As per the asset-liability statement as on March 31, 2019, PCHFL has debt repayments aggregating to approximately Rs 10,300 crore due in the 6-month bucket. **FE**

Risk parameters developed to audit taxpayers filing annual GST returns

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THE AUDIT department of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has developed risk parameters for selecting taxpayers to be audited on the basis of annual returns. However, the department has directed officials to move to desk-based filing for small taxpayers, instead of the traditional premise-based audits.

In a detailed letter on how to conduct audits, the department said premise-based audit still has to be conducted for medium and large category of taxpayers. Further, such audits should be undertaken in a time-bound manner to ensure completion within the stipulated time period of three months from the commencement of audit, it said.

In a detailed letter on how to conduct audits, the audit department of CBIC said premise-based audit still has to be conducted for medium and large category of taxpayers

GST audits were earlier scheduled to commence from July 1 for those taxpayers who have filed their GST annual return. However, the GST Council in its last meeting extended from the last date for filing audit forms to August 31. The audit plans shared with zonal heads of indirect tax said in case of insufficient number of taxpayers who file annual audit returns, central excise and service tax audits should continue.

The risk assessment plan has for conducting audit has divided taxpayers into three categories based on turnover. The audit list contains only those taxpayers who are under central (CGST) administration and have filed more than 3 GSTR-3B returns for FY 2017-18. However, for some audit commissionerates, the categories have been tweaked to ensure adequate representation of risky taxpayers in each category.

Further, it has been proposed that 40 per cent of available manpower should be deployed on larger taxpayers. While the list of taxpayers shared with each audit commissionerate contains about 80 per cent of the total taxpayers, many others falling in the balance 20 per cent might get picked up based on local risk factors. **FE**

'89% Indian firms optimistic about growth prospects'

Despite subdued macro-economic conditions, Indian businesses have the second most optimistic outlook after Indonesia, with 89 per cent firms expecting to grow over next two years, HSBC survey on over 2,500 firms said

INVESTMENT APPETITE: Indian businesses have the greatest investment appetite across the 14 markets and none mentioned any plans to decrease their level of investment

FUNDING: Just like Indonesia, the UK, the US and Mexico, Indian businesses are more likely to fund from their existing profits

WHERE THEY INVEST: Indian businesses intend to invest in activities ranging from skills and training to selling more products/services online, enhancing customer experience and on research/innovation and sustainability

77% Percentage of Indian firms are more optimistic than they were a year ago

44% Percentage of exporters who expect rise of more than 5 per cent in exports

DRIVING FACTORS: Innovation as well as effective utilisation of technology, will be critical in driving the next phase of growth for Indian businesses, HSBC India said

SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT: 59 per cent of Indian businesses, second only to the level in mainland China, plans to increase their investment in sustainability

GOING FORWARD: AI, IoT and 5G are technologies that will provide the most opportunities for growth for Indian firms

French consumer group launches class action against Google

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE
PARIS, JUNE 26

A FRENCH consumer rights group said Wednesday that it has launched a class action lawsuit against US tech giant Google for violating the EU's strict data privacy laws.

The UFC-Que Choisir group said in a statement that the goal of its class action is to "end the insidious exploitation of users' personal data, particularly those using Android devices with a Google account, and compensate them for up to 1,000 euros ($1,135)". This compensation claim is a first in France as well as Europe," UFC-Que Choisir president Alain Bazot told *AFP*.

"If the judge rules in favour, there are potentially 28 million Android users in France that could be entitled to compensation," he added. So far 200 people have joined the class action, said Bazot.

Google said it had not yet received details concerning the case and declined to comment for time being. The class action comes after the internet behemoth suffered two recent blows in France.

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In January, France's CNIL data watchdog slapped Google with a record 50-million-euro fine for failing to meet the EU's tough General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which came into force in May last year.

Then in February, the Paris district level court ordered Google to remove "abusive" clauses from the service conditions it requires consumers to accept. UFC-Que Choisir on Wednesday accused Google of "drowning consumers in endless confidentiality rules" and "maintaining a veritable obstacle course" when it comes to users' geolocation. "It's a real invasion of privacy," said Bazot, adding that "even when you do not use Google's services, your phone geolocates you 340 times a day!"

NCLAT asks Amtek Auto lenders to consider bids of DVI

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

THE NATIONAL Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) Wednesday asked lenders of Amtek Auto to consider resolution plans submitted by Deccan Value Investors (DVI) along with others based on the original information memorandum inviting bids.

Besides, a two-member NCLAT bench, headed by Chairman Justice S J Mukhopadhaya, slammed the committee of creditors (CoC) of Amtek Auto for issuance of fresh information memorandum inviting new resolution plans.

"We have not allowed the committee of creditors or resolution professional to issue fresh information memorandum or invitation calling for more applications," said NCLAT. On June 13, the resolution professional of the auto component maker had issued a fresh information memorandum inviting fresh submission of resolution plans.

Airlines, regulators meet to discuss 737 MAX un-grounding

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MONTREAL, JUNE 26

AIRLINES AND regulators are gathering at a closed-door summit in Montreal on Wednesday to exchange views on steps needed for a safe and coordinated return of Boeing Co's grounded 737 MAX aircraft to the skies following two deadly crashes.

The meeting, organized by industry trade group the International Air Transport Association (IATA), comes as airlines grapple with the financial impact of a global grounding of nearly 400 737 MAX jets that has lasted three months.

Boeing, the world's largest aircraft manufacturer, has yet to formally submit proposed 737 MAX software and training updates to the US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), which will kick-start a re-certification process that could take several weeks.

IATA Director General Alexandre de Juniac has said "shoring up trust among regulators and improving coordination" within an industry that grounded the MAX planes on different dates in March would be priorities at Wednesday's summit.

It is the second such meeting organized by IATA.

China was first to ground the MAX after a March 10 crash in Ethiopia within five months of a similar crash off Indonesia, killing a combined 346 people, while the United States and Canada were the last.

Regulators including Transport Canada, the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore and the FAA will join airlines at the meeting, representatives from the authorities, who wished to remain anonymous, told *Reuters*.

Once regulators approve the MAX for flight, airlines must remove the jets from storage and implement new pilot training, a process that will differ for each airline but that US carriers have said will take at least one month.

Some airlines and regulators have argued that pilots should be trained in a MAX simulator before flying, though Boeing's minimum training requirements do not call for flight simulators, according to draft proposals. **REUTERS**

US STATE DEPARTMENT FACT SHEET

US wants India to embrace 'fair & reciprocal' trade, lower barriers

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WASHINGTON, JUNE 26

THE TRUMP Administration wants Prime Minister Narendra Modi to lower the trade barriers and embrace "fair and reciprocal" trade, the US said Tuesday as Secretary of State Mike Pompeo reached New Delhi for crucial talks with the new government.

Bilateral trade is likely to be an important topic of discussion during Pompeo's key talks with the new Indian leadership and ahead of this week's meeting between Prime Minister Modi and President Donald Trump on the sidelines of the G20 summit in Osaka, Japan.

"There is enormous potential to grow our trade relationship and create the high-quality jobs that Prime Minister Modi wants if India lowers trade barriers and embraces fair and reciprocal trade," according to a State Department Fact Sheet released on Tuesday.

US companies see great opportunity in India, and increased economic openness and investment will yield mutual benefit.

INDIA'S NUMBER ONE OVERSEAS MARKET: US

- **The US State Department said as India's number one overseas market, the US purchases close to one-fifth of its exports. It is also fastest growing major market for American goods**
- **Two-way bilateral goods and services trade with India totalled $142 billion in 2018, up 12.6 per cent**
- **US crude oil exports to India are surging, increasing India's energy security while reducing its bilateral trade deficit**
- **US defence sales to India are estimated to reach approximately $18 billion by 2019 from near zero in 2008, boosting India's national security capabilities**

"The Trump Administration is working to ensure that American companies operating in India have the same level playing field that Indian companies enjoy in the United States," it said.

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Two-way bilateral goods and services trade with India totalled $142 billion in 2018, up 12.6 per cent, or almost $16 billion, over the previous year.

US crude oil exports to India are surging, increasing India's energy security while reducing its bilateral trade deficit.

The United States exported nearly 50 million barrels of crude to India in 2018, compared to less than 10 million barrels in 2017, and is on pace to export even greater volumes in 2019, it said. US defence sales to India are estimated to reach approximately $18 billion by 2019 from near zero in 2008, boosting India's national security capabilities and increasing employment in both countries, it said. **PTI**

WATER AND AGRICULTURE

Seeding change

Why a proven technology to grow paddy without transplantation has failed to pick up in Punjab

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THIS IS the third year Surjit Singh is growing paddy through "direct seeding". In these three years, he has doubled his area using this technique, as opposed to normal transplanting, to 8 acres. That includes 6.5 acres under PR-126 and PR-127 varieties, sown on June 3. The balance 1.5 acres are under Pusa-1121 basmati paddy, which he will plant in early July for harvesting towards October-end.

"The results are good and I am gradually increasing my DSR (direct seeded rice) area," says the 45-year-old, who farms 30 acres of joint family land in Simbli Gujjran village of Pathankot district and tehsil. "This year, I will have DSR paddy on 8 and sugarcane on 12 acres. In the remaining 10 acres, I will grow PR-126 and PR-127 (short-duration non-basmati varieties that can be transplanted in early July and harvested by mid-October) using the traditional method. Going for 100 per cent DSR might be risky and it's better to sow by early-June," he adds.

In normal transplanting, farmers prepare nurseries where the paddy seeds are sown and raised into young plants. These saplings are uprooted and replanted 25-35 days later in the main field (the nursery seed bed is 5-10 per cent of the total area to be transplanted).

In DSR, there is no nursery preparation or transplantation; the paddy seeds are, instead, directly drilled into the field by a tractor-powered machine. "The savings in water and labour are massive," states Surjit Singh (47), who is from Gakhlan village in Jalandhar city's outskirts and grows paddy on 50 out of his 60-acre holding, half of it taken on lease. This slightly older farmer by the same name tried out direct seeding in 2018 on six acres, which he has expanded this year to 10 acres of PR-126 and PR-127 paddy.

Transplanting consumes huge quantities of water. The field where it takes place has to first be "puddled" (tilling with standing water) using tractor-drawn disc harrows. For the first three weeks after transplanting, the plants have to be irrigated almost daily to ensure water-logged conditions at 1.5-2 inches. Even for the next 5-6 weeks, irrigation is given every 2-3 days. The underlying principle is simple: Water prevents the growth of weeds by denying them oxygen in submerged state, whereas the soft aerenchyma tissues in rice plants allow air to penetrate through their roots. Water, thus, acts as a weedicide for the paddy till its tillering stage is over. After about 60 days, the threat from weeds recedes, obviating the need to maintain a flooded field.

In DSR, water is replaced by real chemical weedicides: Pendimethalin (one litre mixed in 200 litres of water per acre; cost Rs 400-500), Bispyribac sodium (100 grams in 150 litres; Rs 500-600) and Fenoxaprop-P-ethyl (400 grams in 150 litres; around Rs 450). The first one is a "pre-emergent" weedicide, applied within 24 hours of sowing to prevent the weed seeds from germinating. The latter two are "post-emergence" chemicals sprayed 20-25 days after sowing, depending upon the type of weeds that may have appeared.

"The cost of weedicides is about Rs 1,500 per acre. That, along with the DSR sowing machine charges of Rs 500-600 (diesel plus labour), will add up to just over Rs 2,000. This is negligible compared to what we spend on labour and water for transplanting," notes Surjit Singh of Gakhlan village. Transplanting workers charge Rs 3,000 for an acre that takes more than 10 hours; the DSR machine covers the same area within an hour.

Moreover, in the transplantation method, 25-27 irrigations are needed, while only 11-12 through DSR, which requires no puddling or flooding. "You just have to keep the field moist and give the first irrigation only after 15 days. My paddy yields, too, are the same, at 28-30 quintals per acre," he claims.

Farmer Surjit Singh at his direct-seeded paddy field in Gakhlan village of Jalandhar, (above) Surjit Singh of Simbli Gujjran of Pathankot sowing paddy with DSR. *Anju Agnihotri Chaba*

The DSR technique basically treats paddy as an "amphibian" and not "aquatic" crop dependent on flood irrigation for survival. Yet, it hasn't fully caught on in Punjab — which has recorded an average subsoil water decline of over 50 cm annually. A recent Central Ground Water Board report has warned about the state turning into a "desert" in the next 25 years. A major culprit here has been paddy cultivation.

Punjab grows paddy on some 30 lakh hectares (lh), which includes 5 lh under aromatic basmati varieties. The real water guzzlers were long-duration non-basmati varieties such as Pusa-44; their nursery sowings had to be before April last week and transplanting by mid-June, to enable harvesting from October. With the breeding of new varieties like PR-126, the overall seed-to-grain duration has reduced from 160 days to hardly 125 days. This has allowed transplantation to be done closer to the monsoon's arrival, leading to less water consumption than in the peak summer period.

But the technology that can be a true gamechanger — DSR — hasn't quite got off the ground, despite being introduced in 2005. The maximum area covered under it in Punjab, roughly 1.60 lh, was in 2015. Thereafter, the area fell drastically to 19,600 hectares in 2016, 1,100 hectares in 2017 and 5,000 hectares in 2018. "This year, we expect DSR sowing on 8,000 hectares. Many farmers will also grow basmati varieties using this technique," Sutantra Airy, director of Punjab's Agriculture Department, tells *The Indian Express*.

Experts believe that there are three reasons for the technology's poor adoption.

The first is Punjab's policy of supplying free power to farmers, incentivising excessive pumping of groundwater and transplanting even in May. This has been only partially addressed through a 2009 law that prohibits nursery sowing and paddy transplantation before May 15 and June 15, respectively. The second is the development of shorter-duration paddy varieties, which permit greater flexibility in transplantation time. The third is the lack of promotion and awareness regarding DSR.

"It's not easy to convince farmers that paddy cultivation can be done without puddling and transplantation. I myself wasn't sure about the effectiveness of the weedicides being used," points out Avtar Singh, who is growing Sava 127 and Sava 134 — paddy hybrids of a private company Savannah Seeds, said to yield up to 34 quintals per acre — on 2.5 acres of his 10-acre land.

This farmer from Dalli village in Jalandhar's Bhogpur tehsil has a simple advice for the state government: "Don't give free electricity. It only increases our expenditure on deepening of tube-wells. Further, ban puddling, especially in areas where the water tables have depleted to dangerous levels."

CROP INSURANCE

Time to reboot PM's flagship scheme; let it be weather-based

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SHIV SENA chief Uddhav Thackeray has threatened to shut the shops of insurance companies for not paying farmers' crop loss claims under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY).

The Union Agriculture Ministry's own data, based on a Parliament question reply on June 21, shows that insurance firms have approved only Rs 9,473 crore out of the Rs 13,471.44 crore estimated claims made for the 2018 kharif season. Further, actual claims paid so far are just Rs 8,540.11 crore. This, despite more than 7-8 months after the bulk of last year's kharif crop being harvested. As for the 2018-19 rabi crop, whose harvesting was completed by May, the admissible claims "have not yet been worked out in most of the states".

A major cause of delayed claims settlement is crop cutting experiments (CCE) that now form the basis for assessing yield losses.

The PMFBY's operational guidelines require state governments to carry out at least four CCEs in every village panchayat for every notified crop and submit the yield data to insurance companies within a month from the date of harvest. Given the roughly 2.5 lakh gram panchayats in India, it means undertaking 10 lakh CCEs in a single season. The numbers will be higher if more than one crop is grown in the same village or even by the same farmer.

Getting states to do so many CCEs in a short time span has, not surprisingly, proved to be the biggest impediment to proper implementation of the Narendra Modi government's flagship crop insurance scheme. Insurance firms are supposed to pay claims within two months of completion of CCEs that generate actual yield data to estimate losses vis-à-vis seven-year average thresholds. Since that doesn't come on time, it leads to delays in farmers getting their claims as well.

There is a way out of this mess, though. That solution could come from automatic weather stations (AWS). These machines — basically automated versions of traditional weather stations costing Rs 50,000-100,000 each, which includes installation expenses that may vary according to location — measure simple parameters such as temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and direction, and rainfall. They can capture this data every 10 minutes or so and transmit it on an hourly basis through mobile communication to a remote computer/cloud server.

The weather data recorded by the AWS sensors are a good proxy for yields. A spike in March temperatures, for instance, translates into poor grain-filling in wheat — just as below-normal rains during July-August are bad for most kharif crops, high relative humidity at this time is conducive for pest infestation in cotton, and heavy winds in February-March may cause damage to the standing mustard or *chana*. 80-90 per cent of crop yield losses are clearly attributable to the said weather parameters, which can

be measured, recorded and archived in data loggers using AWS.

The Uttar Pradesh government is in the process of floating tenders for installation, operation and maintenance of 2,750 AWS. Each of them, to be installed at specific locations based on geospatial mapping, would cover an area of 10 square km. "Simply put, we will now have accurate weather data for almost the state's entire crop land. This will be available for not just every district having, say, a 100-sq km area, but even a cluster of villages within a tehsil or block. The data, in turn, can be used to implement a weather index-based crop insurance programme," said a top UP government official.

According to Jatin Singh, managing director of Skymet Weather Services Pvt. Ltd, insurance companies would be willing to accept products based on data from AWSs. "They need some basis for paying out claims. CCEs, conducted by state revenue or agriculture department official, take time. Insurers can't be blamed for not paying until they get reliable yield data. But with AWS data, there is more transparency, less moral hazard and claims settlement can be quick, which is what farmers would also want. You could even implement this scheme using blockchain technology, to enable automated verification of claims and payments," he pointed out.

There are an estimated 15,000 AWSs currently in India. Of these, 10,000-odd are operated by private companies such as Skymet, National Collateral Management Services and Weather Risk Management Services Pvt. Ltd, and the rest by various Central/state government departments and universities. Skymet – which claims to have 6,500-plus weather sensors – has already installed over 2,000 AWSs across Maharashtra under "Mahavedh", a public-private partnership project. It envisages establishing an AWS network at the rate of one machine for every revenue circle, covering 12-sq km area in lowlands and 5 sq km for highlands.

Then question to ask is: Can these state government-promoted initiatives make crop insurance a viable proposition for farmers (insurance firms are certainly making a killing at present, with their gross premium collections far exceeding payouts). And can they help salvage PMFBY?

REFORMS 2.0

The focus must shift from agricultural production to marketing

Indian farmers have limited choices for selling their produce. Expanding that should be a priority today

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SINCE THE Green Revolution, successive governments have emphasised raising agriculture production to make India self-reliant in feeding its growing population. However, agricultural marketing hasn't received the corresponding attention, despite being a corollary to increased crop production.

Indian farmers today have very limited choices for selling their produce — whether at the farmgate or local market (*haat*) to village aggregators; at the APMC (agricultural produce market committee) wholesale *mandi* to private traders; or at the minimum support price (MSP) to government procurement agencies, if they exist. In all these cases — barring MSP, which is given only on produce meeting "fair average quality" norms — the buyer decides the price. In most other businesses/commodities, the seller fixes the price.

A perfect market pre-supposes many sellers and buyers, whereas the farmgate and *haat* have monopsonies. APMCs technically have multiple buyers, but the system of open auctions for determining prices through transparent bidding is, in practice, non-existent. In most APMCs, buyers have to route all purchases through licenced *aadhatiyas*. These middlemen charge commission for their "services" — many times, both from the buyer and seller. The *aadhatiya* is also often a moneylender, supplying seeds, fertilisers and pesticides to farmers on credit. They, then, are forced to sell through him and settle their dues in perpetuity.

The Union Agriculture Ministry's Model Agricultural Produce and Livestock Marketing (APLM) Act seeks to expand farmers' marketing choices — by allowing private markets (as against only APMCs), permitting direct bulk purchases from the farmgate, declaring warehouses or cold storages as deemed markets, and demolishing the existing concept of a "market area". Currently, an APMC's purview extends to the entire *tehsil* and villages in that sub-district, with any trade undertaken in this so-called market area liable for payment of *mandi* fee. The Model APLM Act recognises only the market yard, i.e the area within the boundary walls where actual trade in the *mandi* takes place.

Not surprisingly, few states have adopted the Model APLM Act in toto. The opposition is primarily due to the delineation of "market area", which has a bearing on the earnings of APMCs. There is also fear that it might lead to traders moving out, to save on *mandi* fees levied on transactions within the market yard. This would eventually affect the functioning of APMCs, which is definitely not in farmer interest.

Auction of *chana* crop at an APMC market in Latur, Maharashtra. *File*

Against this background, a few policy suggestions may be worth considering:

■ Uniform *mandi* fees: These now range from 0.5% to 5% on the value of sale, while varying across states and commodities. It is proposed that a uniform *mandi* fee of 0.25% or 0.50% be levied nationwide for foodgrains, oilseeds and fruits & vegetables. The consequent losses to APMCs may be compensated by the Centre and state governments, as in the case of the Goods and Services Tax. The Model APLM Act restricts an APMC's market area only to the *mandi* premises. To ensure this arrangement does not unduly favour trading outside the APMC — farmers, too, benefit from open auctions, unlike direct trade where prices are set by single buyers — a level-playing field should be created for those transacting within the market yard. This can be done by lowering *mandi* fees and other levies.

■ Abolish *mandi* fees on inter-state trade: Charging *mandi* on produce brought to a state from other states (where it would already have been levied) amounts to double taxation, besides violating the idea of a single national market. The practical difficulty is to verify whether the commodity has actually come from another state, as traders sometimes use this route to pass on their unaccounted stocks. A way out is to make e-way bills mandatory for all inter-state trade and *mandi* fee exemptions be given only against these. But once the delineation of APMC area is limited to the market yard, the requirement of permits for movement within the state should be done away with. There may be some documentation requirement for stocks exiting APMC premises, which can be generated online by *mandi* officials or traders. The objective here is only to ensure payment to farmers and of *mandi* fees. Once the produce leaves the premises, no documentation is needed for any onward movement.

■ Eliminate *Aadhatiya*-based trading: All trade in APMCs should be through open auctioning, involving multiple bidders for each lot. Such trades should be directly between buyers and sellers, with no middlemen charging commission. The *aadhatiya* can participate only as a trader. The farmer should have total freedom to sell his produce at the farmgate, *haat*, APMC yard, private markets, deemed markets (warehouses/cold storages) or e-trading platforms.

■ Enable sample-based sales: Farmer today brings his whole produce to the APMC and the buyers do physical inspection before bidding. The successful buyer, then, sort and grade it before onward supply, resulting in double transportation — from the farmgate to APMC and from the APMC to the ultimate destination. If grading and sorting facilities exist closer to the farmgate, the farmer need take only a sample of his produce, along with the relevant quality certification documents, to the *mandi*. It would save him the trouble of hauling a trolley-load, while the trader benefits by getting sorted and graded produce that can be directly transported to the destination. There will be less crowding at the APMCs as well.

■ Storage and banking facilities near APMCs: At *mandis* the lowest prices are during the 3-4 post-harvest months and highest in the immediate pre-harvest period. Farmers undertake maximum sales just after harvest, as they need to purchase inputs for the next sowing season. Such distress sales can be avoided if facilities for bagging and storage, along with loans against warehouse receipts, are available to meet immediate cash requirements. These should exist in the vicinity of APMCs. When farmers have the choice to sell or store their crop, it will force traders to pay the actual value of produce based on quality.

■ Promote FPOs in marketing: Producer organisations/companies should be encouraged to take up direct marketing of their members' produce to large buyers and processors. Besides, they can be given *mandi* to trade in APMCs. There are some FPOs that do such trading; it has been found to result in more competition and better prices at APMCs.

■ Relax/abolish Essential Commodities Act: Increased production, liberalised imports and food inflation well under control, restrictions on stocking, movement and export of farm produce have become redundant. The dismantling of such controls under ECA and other regulations would expand trade and lead to better realisations for cultivators.

■ Common e-NAM trading licence: Electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) online trading platform has helped connect 585 APMCs across India. The ground reality, however, is that much of trading in e-NAM is still being done by traders within the same *mandis*. The reason is the individual licencing system adopted by each APMC. What is needed is a common licence valid across all e-NAM APMCs. This can be issued with a rider that the trader will deposit upfront the margin money/funds in any APMC where he wishes to undertake physical buying on any given day. An e-wallet or plug-and-play facility of this kind will multiply the number of buyers and meet the e-NAM's primary objective of promoting better price discovery.

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PERSONAL

It is for general information that I Pradyum, Son of Suresh Kumar, Residing atH No.1602, Gali No-53/2 Molarband Ext, Badarpur, Jaitpur, New Delhi-110044, declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as Pradyune Kumar in my cast certificate no. SC/10/103/2004/23/8/2013/90 519731019931/1468. The actual name of mine is Pradyum, which may be amended accordingly. 0070662133-1

I,hitherto known as KM Nazmi Alias Najmi, W/o Mr.Nafees Ahmad R/o-A-12, 2nd Floor, Okhla-Vihar, P.O.Jamia-Nagar, N.D-110025.have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Najmi Fatima. 0040500848-10

I,Tripteesh Kaur Bagga D/O Charanjeev Singh Bagga R/O-610, Navniti-Apartments, 51, I.P.Extension, Patparganj, Delhi-110092.Have Changed My Name To Tripteesh Kaur 0040500843-1

I, Syed Laeeq Ahmad Rizvi S/O Sh. Iqbal Ahmad Rizvi R/O-Flat.No. 96, Block-B-3, Arawali Appartment, Sector-34, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P. Have Changed My Name To Laeeq Rizvi All Purposes. 0040500760-1

I,Ritesh Surendra Sabharwal S/O Surindra Kumar Sabharwal, R/O-House.No-141, Duplex-II, Rajat Vihar, Sector-62, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh-201301.Have Changed My Name To Ritesh Sabharwal. 0040500843-10

I,Rakesh Singhal R/o-D-4/85, Ratiya Marg, Sangam Vihar, New.Delhi-110080 have changed my son's,name from Harshit Singal to Harshit Singhal,for all future purposes. 0040500866-5

I,Prem W/o Gopal Charan R/o-108, Mangla Vihar-First, New PAC-Lines, Kanpur Nagar, U.P.-208015,have changed my name to Prem Sharma for all future purposes. 040500863-2

I, Meenakshi Bagga W/O Rahul Walia R/O B5-503, Cherry County Techzone-IV, Near Ek Murti Greater Noida West UP have changed my name to Meenakshi Tandon for all purposes 0040500682-2

I,Manish Kumar Dhand/Munish Kumar S/O Hans Raj Dhand R/O WZ-27B, Second-Floor, Street NO-17, Krishna-Park Extn.,Tilak-Nagar, New-Delhi-110018. Have Changed my Name to Manish Kumar. 0040500848-4

I,Hari Bahadur Suncheuri S/o Makhan Singh Suncheuri. R/o.23, Pocket-2, Schedule-A, P.B.G. NDMC, Rashtrapati Bhawan New Delhi-110004.my Service Record my father name wrongly written as Vikra Bahadur instead of Makhan Singh Suncheuri. 040500868-1

I,Gurvinder kumar Dhand S/O Hans Raj R/O-WZ-27B, Second-Floor, Gali NO-17, Krishna-Park Extn.,Tilak-Nagar, New Delhi-110018.Have Changed my Name to Gurvinder Kumar. 0040500848-5

I,Sunita Rani W/O Yogesh Kumar Bhandari, H.No-3-A, Dda, Mig-Flats, Pocket-C, Shivam Enclave, Delhi-110032. Have changed My Name to sunita bhandari. 040500843-2

I,Faiz Uddin S/o Iman Uddin,R/o-C-85, 3rd-Floor, Back-Side, Shaheen Bagh, Abul Fazal Enclave, Part-2, JamiaNagar, Okhla, Delhi-110025,have Changed my name to Faiz Uddeen 0040500866-4

I,Dalip Kumar R/O 3808, Gali Ramnath Patwa, Pahar Ganj, New Delhi-110055 Have Changed My Daughter Name Yashika To Yashika Gola. 0040500853-8

I,Ashu Nagpal S/o Bhagwan Dass,R/o-103, Sector-15, Sonipat have changed my minor daughter',name Manshaa and Mansha to Mansha Nagpal,for all purposes. 0040500866-3

I,Ashu Nagpal S/o Bhagwan Dass R/o-103, Sector-15, Sonipat have changed my minor daughter's,name Vanyaa Nagpal to Vannya Nagpal,for all purposes. 0040500866-1

I,Arjun Dev Arora S/O Hari Chand Arora R/O D-19, Hakikat Rai Road, Adarsh Nagar, Delhi-33 Changed My Name To Arjun Dev. 0040500868-4

I,Anupama W/o Neeraj Sharma R/o-A-105, Parsvnath, Vaibhavkhand, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, U.P.-201014,have changed my name to Anupama Sharma for all future purposes. 040500863-1

I, Vishnu Kant Lundia R/o 406, Kakrola Housing Complex, Kakrola, Dwarka, New Delhi-110059, have changed my minor daughter name from Nishka Lundia to Nishka Agarwal. 0040500812-1

I, Vikas Gupta R/o-F-125, 3rd Floor Prashant Vihar Rohini Delhi-85. changed my minor Son's name Kavya Garg to Kush Garg. 0040500856-9

I, Vijay Juyal, R/o C-411, Sector-22, NOIDA-201301, Dist. Gautam Budh Nagar U.P. informs that my son Anmol Juyal have changed his name from Anmol to Anmol Juyal as appeared in his 10th Class Certificate for all purposes vide affidavit sworn before Advocate on 26 June 2019. 0040500867-1

I, Vignesh Aiyer S/o V. Neelakantan R/o C2B/2C, Janakpuri, New Delhi-58, state that both names Vignesh Aiyar and Vignesh Aiyer are of one and same person and I will be known as Vignesh Aiyer for all purposes. 0040500798-1

I, Urmila Devi W/o Late Sanjay Sharma R/o F-278A Pandav Nagar, Patparganj, Delhi 91, do hereby declare that my husband taken LIC policy. In which his name mentioned as Sanjay Kumar Thakur who expired on 27.11.18. I undertake that Sanjay Kumar Thakur and Sanjay Sharma was the one and same person. 0040500805-1

I, Surinder Singh S/o Sh.Sohan Singh R/o 4/62, Second Floor, GeetaColony, Delhi-110031. have changed my name to Surinder Singh Arora. 0040500843-8

I, Suman Bala W/O Arjun Dev R/O D-19, Hakikat Rai Road, Adarsh Nagar, Delhi-33 Changed My Name To Suman Arora. 0040500868-3

I, Sonam W/o Ankit Malik R/o-230 Second Floor BU-Block Pitampura Delhi-110034. changed my name to K Sonam for all purposes. 0040500853-5

I, Shweta D/o Vinod Kumar, R/o H. No.25, Village & PO-Ursaan, Kanpur Dehat, UP-209301, have changed my name from Shweta to Shweta Katiyar, vide affidavit Dt. 27/04/2019 0040500786-1

I, Sheena Saji D/o Joseph R/o D-67, Flat No.206, Gali No.2, Budh Vihar, Badarpur, New Delhi-110044 have changed my name to Sheena Joseph for all purposes. 0040500788-1

I, Surbhi D/O Vijay Kumar R/O B-16, Amar Colony, Lajpat Nagar-IV, N.D-110024 Changed My Name To Surbhi Ichpal. 0040500853-4

I, Satnam Singh S/o Amar Singh Bains R/o G-8, Police Station, Lajpat Nagar-III, N.D.-110024, have changed my name to Satnam Singh Bains for all future purposes. 040500784-1

I, Saswat Sahu S/o Sh. Muralidhar Sahu R/o-J-49/First Floor,J-Block,Mayfield Gardens,Sector-51, Gurugram, Haryana,have changed my name to Shashwat Sahu for all future purposes. 040500760-2

I, Sanjay Kumar Mishra S/o Ram Nath Mishra R/o E-3/36, second floor Sector-11 Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name to Sanjay Mishra for all purposes. 0040500787-1

I, Sadhna Prakash W/O Anand Prakash R/O 5/5, F.F, Indira Vikas Colony, Delhi-110009. Changed My Name To Sadhana Prakash. 0040500848-9

I, S. Deepak Iyer S/O, Mahalingam Chandrashekhar R/o 272-f Pocket-5 Mayur Vihar Phase-1, New Delhi 110091, have changed my name to Deepak Chandrashekhar for all purposes. 0040500860-1

I, Rosy Arora W/o Atul Kumar R/o 12/482, BatraColony, Sonipat have changed my name to Rosy for all purposes. 0040500866-2

I, Ritu D/o Panna Singh R/o S-219/196, Ashoka Bindusar Camp, East of Kailash, New Delhi-110065 have changed my name to Ritu Kumari for all purposes. 0040500790-1

I, Reshu Rani W/O Rahul Gupta R/O C-270, 2nd Floor, Vivek Vihar Phase-1, Delhi-110095.Have Changed My Name To Reshu Gupta 0040500863-6

I, Renu Kakkar w/o Tarun Bhandari r/o B-170, Phase-1,Ashok Vihar, Delhi-52, have changed my name to RASHI BHANDARI. 0040500778-1

I, Rashmi Khurana W/o Anil Khurana R/o 10/123, Geeta Colony, East Delhi. have changed my name to Sangeeta Khurana. 0040500853-6

I, Rajesh Kumar Sharma S/o Late Shri Inder Raj Sharma R/o-RZ-A-127, SitaPuri Part-1,New Delhi-110045,inform that my minor daughter name wrongly-written as Diksha in her school record.Actual name of my minor daughter is Diksha Sharma . 0040500863-8

I, Rajesh Kumar Gupta S/O Tilak Raj Gupta R/O B-39/G-2, Dilshad Colony, Delhi-110095. Have Changed My Name To Rajesh Kumar. 0040500853-9

I, Rajeev Sati S/o A.B. Sati R/o-41-A, Pocket-C, Mayur-Vihar, Phase-II, Delhi have changed my name to Rajiv Sati for all future Purposes. 040500856-7

I, Raghuraj Yadav S/o Shri Ram Sunder Yadav R/o Vill: Shivdaspur (DDBA), Post: Jyotisadan, Distt: Ayodhya, U.P., do hereby solemnly affirm that Ram Sunder and Ram Sunder Yadav are the same person who is my father. 0040500893-1

I, RITU GUPTA W/O RAKESH KUMAR R/O-109, PKT-8, SECTOR-21, II-FLOOR, ROHINI, DELHI-110086. CHANGED MY NAME TO RITU SINGHAL. 0040500843-3

I, Preety Kapoor W/O Parveen Malik, H. No.118, West Mukherjee Nagar, Delhi-110009 Changed My Name To Preeti Malik 0040500868-2

I Rajesh,Rajesh sethi s/o Roop Chand Sethi R/O DG2/227C 2ND Floor Vikaspuri Delhi-110018. have changed name to Rajesh Kumar Sethi. 0040500843-7

I Ramesh Chand Madaan @ Ramesh Madan @ Ramesh Chander @ Ramesh Chand S/o Late Sh. Dewan Chand R/o 52, Street No.6, Sarojini Park, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-110031 have changed my name to Ramesh Chander Madaan for all purposes. 0040500808-2

I, Praveen Kumar S/o Megh Raj Singh R/o H.No.-53, Gali No-7, Balbir-Nagar, Extn., Shahdara, Delhi-110032 have Changed my name from Praveen Kumar to Praveen Kumar Gupta for all future purposes. 0040500848-3

I, Naveen Kumar s/o Om Parkash Verma r/o 2/139, Veena Enclave, Nangloi, Delhi-110041, have changed my name to NAVEEN. 0040500777-1

I, Prabhakar Singh S/o Vaidya Nath Singh R/o Flat No.-C-16, Parivahan Apartment, Sector-5, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, U.P-201012, have changed my minor son's name from Aayansh Singh to Ayansh Singh. 0040500775-1

I, Poonam Kaushal W/O Umesh Kaushal R/O E-1/26, Dlf, Sector-11, Faridabad, Haryana-121006, have Changed My Name To Poonam Sharma. 0040500863-10

I, Parveen Kumari W/o Sanjeev Kumar Jain R/o Flat No. 334, DDA SFS Flats, Golden Junilee Apartments, Sector-11, Rohini, Delhi-110085 have changed my name after my marriage on 29.06.2001 from Parveen Kumari to Ritu Jain for all future purposes. 040500825-1

I, Parmjeet Kaur W/O Mohabbat Singh R/O HNo.17, Gali No.1, Sanjay Nagar, Delhi-110033. Have Changed My Name To Paramjeet Kaur. 0040500863-7

I, Nisha W/O Sushil Kalra Add- F-15/23, Pkt-15, Rohni Sec-15, Delhi-89. Have Changed My Name To Neesha Kalra. 0040500853-3

I, Neha D/o Shri Inder Kumar, W/o Shri Kapil Monga R/o House No. 662/3, Pandit Park, Krishna Nagar, East Delhi, Delhi-110051 informs hereby that I Have changed my name from Neha To Neha Monga Forever. 0040500801-1

I, Neelam W/o Mukesh R/o AB-330, Amarpuri, Krishna Basti, Ram Nagar, Paharganj, New Delhi-110055 have changed the name of my minor daughter Shallu to Shalu. 0040500780-1

I, Naveen Kumar S/o Gyan Singh R/o D-5/22, Krishna Nagar, New Delhi-110051, have changed my name to Naveen for all purposes. 0040500810-1

I, Mohammad Zafar S/O Mohammad Sharif Khan H.No-110, B-Block, Street No-3, BrijPuri, Delhi-110094.Have Changed My Name To Mohammad Zafar Khan. 0040500853-2

I, Milan Sharma S/o Devender Sharma R/o U-164, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092, inform that my mother name is wrongly written as Pooja Sharma instead of Madhu Sharma in my Educational Documents. 0040500774-1

I, Meera Samajpati W/O Bicharan Samajpati R/O 319, Chopal-Waligali, Sarai-Pipal Thala Adarsh-Nagar, Delhi-110033. Changed my Name to Meera Rani Samajpati. 0040500843-6

I, Mahabir Prashad S/o Late.Ramchander R/o T-2578, Gali No.21A, Baljeet Nagar, N.Delhi-110008. have changed my name to Mahabir Prashad Mundra. 0040500863-5

I, Laxmi Rani W/o Kiran Pal Singh R/o-9/192, A4, Sector-3, Rajendra-Nagar, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad, have changed my name to Laxmi Devi. 0040500853-7

I, Lalita Juyal, w/o Vijay Juyal, R/o C-411, Sector-22 NOIDA-201301, Dist. Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P., have changed my name from Lalita to Lalita Juyal for all purposes vide affidavit sworn before Advocate on 26 June, 2019. 0040500882-1

I, Kushagra Nagpal S/o Raman Nagpal R/o-120, Vaishali Pitampura Delhi-34. changed my name to Kushagr Nagpal for all purposes. 0040500863-9

I, Kunal S/o, Anil Singh R/o H-34 J.J. Colony Wazirpur, Ashok Vihar, North West Delhi, Delhi-110052have changed my name to Kunal Singh. 0070662148-1

I, Kum.Manju Kumari, W/O Piyush Chahar R/O.Flat.No-244, Swarup Sadan, C.G.H.S. Plot No-4, Sector-13, Dwarka, New Delhi-110078.Changed My Name To Manju Chahar. 0040500848-7

I, Khushboo Devi D/O Subhash Chand W/O Atul Garg R/O-S-42, Budhvihar Phase-1, Delhi-110086.Changed my Name to Khushboo Garg After Marriage. 0040500853-10

I, Ishansh S/o Mahabir Prashad Mundra R/o T-2578, Gali No.21A, Baljeet Nagar, N.Delhi-110008 have changed my name to Ishansh Mundra. 0040500863-4

I, Inderjeet Kaur W/o Satnam Singh Bains R/o G-8, Police Station, Lajpat Nagar-III, N.D.-110024, have changed my name to Inderjeet Kaur Bains for all future purposes. 0040500784-2

I, Harish Narula S/o Late Shri Girdhari Lal Narula R/o 132, Chowk wali gali, Village Punjab Khore, Kanjhwala, Delhi-110081, informs that Girdhari Lal Narula is my father and his name is mentioned as Girdhari Lal in various documents and both are same person. All concerned may note. 0040500779-1

I, Harish Chander S/O, Late. Krishan Lal Sharma R/o T-235/1A, Baljeet Nagar have changed my name to Harish Sharma for all purposes. 0040500865-1

I, Gurmit Singh Ramgaria S/O Bahadur Singh R/O-4/C, Taimoor Nagar, Opp. Gurudwara, Nr.Newfriends Colony, Delhi-110065. Changed my Name to Gurmeet Singh. 0040500848-6

I, Gulinder Singh R/o H.No.A-105, Kenwood Tower, Charmwood-Village, Faridabad, HR-121009, have changed my minor daughter's name Suhaila to Suhaila Kaur. 0040500863-3

I, Dhani Ram S/O Reet Ram R/o Flatno.180, Pkt-6, Sector-33, Rohini, Delhi-110099.Changed my Child Name Samyak Jesus To Samyak Rishi. 0040500843-5

I, Deepak Kumar Sharma S/o Harbans Lal Sharma residing 3/37, Block-3, Roop Nagar Delhi have changed my name to Deepak Sharma for all purposes. 0040500831-1

I, Deepak Batra R/o TP-136 Pitampura, Maurya Enclave, New Delhi-110034, have changed my minor daughter's name from Sanya Batra to Ssanya Batra for all the purposes. 0040500772-1

I, Carol Veronica Thorpe W/o Sh. Oscar Thorpe R/o A-3/8, Top Floor, Alok Kunj, Sector-15, Rohini, Delhi-110089, have changed my name to Carol Thorpe for all purposes. 0040500855-1

I, Birender S/o Sh. Govid Prasad R/o BC-526 JJ Bondo Camp, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi 70, do hereby declare that my another name is Surender Kumar. I undertake that Surender Kumar and Birender is the one and the same person. 0040500805-2

I, Begam Khaleda, W/o Rofiul Alam R/o Village & PO-Geetgram, P.S.-Bharatpur, Dist. Murshidbad, W.B.-742401 inform that my correct name is Begam Khaleda as per all certificate, But my name is wrongly written as Miss Khaleda in my husband Army Record. My respect be used Begam Khaleda for all purpose. 0040500783-1

I, Ashok Dogra S/O Mulraj R/O 1/10402/2-A 2nd Floor Street No-3 Mohan-Park Naveen-Shahdra Delhi110032,Have Changed My Name To Ashok Kumar. 0040500853-1

I, Ashmeet Guliani D/o Puneet Singh residing H.No. 90/1A, Malviya Nagar Delhi have changed my name to Ashmeet Kaur for all purposes. 0040500831-2

I, Arvind Verma s/o Om Parkash r/o 2/139, Veena Enclave, Nangloi, Delhi-110041, have changed my name to ARVIND. 0040500777-2

I, Arpana Kumari Singh,W/o Shashi Kant Singh R/o-Plot no.415, Ground-Floor-3, Sector-5, Vaishali-Ghaziabad, U.P. 201010,have changed my son's name from Shlok to Shlok Singh for all future purposes. 0040500843-4

I, Arif Mohammad Khan, R/o-FF-1, Plot No-1045, NitiKhand-1, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, U.P. 201014, Changed My Minor Son Sahir Khan To Sahir. 0040500848-1

I, Anil Bhadana S/O, Rambir Singh R/o 1013, Sector 17 B Gurgaon, have changed my name to Anil Kumar for all purposes. 0040500864-1

I, Aman S/O Vijay Kumar Moria R/O-H.No-1400, Road No-7, Wazir-Nagar, KOTLA MubarakPur, N.D-110003. Have Changed My Name To Aman Moria. 0040500848-8

I, 9102669K, L/Hav Mushtaq Hussain S/O Mohd Fazal Unit 06 JAKLI, C/O -56 APO. In my service records, my name has been wrongly mentioned as Mushtaqe Hussain instead of MUshtaq Hussain. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 0020387952-1

I hitherto known as Meenakshi Bala W/o Ashish Singh D/o Kamal Kant Singh R/o H No. 42, IInd Floor, Gopal Nagar, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi-110018, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Meenakshi Singh. 0070662143-1

I Talagapu Mani W/O No, JC-663809A, Rank Sub Major Talagapu Simhachalam, R/O Vill-Veerabhadrapuram, P/O-Venkatapuram, Tehsil/ Palasa, District/ Srikakulam Andra Pradesh- 532220. I have changed my name Sanjeeva Mani to Talagapu Mani vide affidavit, BT 325450 dated 24-06-2019 before notary Govt of J&K. 0020387948-1

I Simple Kumari W/o Anand Kumar Jain R/o RZ-A-6, 1st Floor, Nand Ram Park, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Simple Jain for all Purposes 0040500809-1

I Naresh Kumar Luthra S/O Ram Prakash Luthra R/O-384, 2nd Floor, Nirankari Colony, Delhi-110009. Changed My Name To Naresh Luthra. 0040500848-2

I Kiran Gupta D/o Shri Ram Gupta W/o Sh. Vinod Jaiswal R/o F-22/110, Sector-3, Rohini, Rohini Sector-7, North West Delhi, Delhi-110085 have changed my name after marriage to Kiran Jaiswal for all purposes. 0040500808-1

I Kavita Khetwal, R/o 147/B, PKT-M, Sarita Vihar, Delhi-110076 Have Changed My Name To Kavita. 0070662146-1

I Hitherto known as Shingara Ram S/o Ram Dhan R/o-VPO-Heon Tehsil-Banga,SBS-Nagar-144505 Punjab, India Presently at new delhi,have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Shingara Singh. 0040500856-8

I Hitherto known as Manoranjana/Manoranjana Masih/Manoranjna D/O Prakash Masih W/O Ivan Asim R/O 1079/A, Ward No-1, Mehrauli, South Delhi-110030, have changed my Name and shall hereafter be known as Manoranjna Masih. 0040500856-6

I Ahmed Hussain S/O Haji Tajammul Husain R/o-145 Gali No.10 Jafrabad Delhi-110053,have changed my name to Ahmed Husain Ansari for all purposes. 0040500843-9

I ,No- 9113773K, RFN Bilal Ahmad Shah Unit JAKLI RC,C/O -56 APO. In my service records, name of my son has been wrongly mentioned as Arsalaan Bilal Ahmad instead of Mohd Arsalaan Shah. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 0020387907-1

I, Jagbiri Devi W/O Nb Sub Surajmal have changed my name to Jagbeeri Devi. My correct DOB is 05/07/1948. 0050150646-1

I ,No- 9108219M, TS (NK) Ghulam Ahmad Parray S/O Gh. Mohd Parray Unit JAKLI RC,C/O -56 APO. In my service records, name of my son has been wrongly mentioned as Arfat Ahmad instead of Arfat Ahmad Parray. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 020387911-1

I ,No- 9107438F, NK- Nazir Ahmad Awan Unit JAKLI RC,C/O -56 APO. In my service records, name of my wife has been wrongly mentioned as Rukhsana Muzafar instead of Rukhsana Begum. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 0020387912-1

I ,JC-593951K, Sub/Maj H/LT-Ashwani Kumar,Unit JAKLI RC,C/O -56 APO. In my service records, name of my daughter has been wrongly mentioned as Priynka instead of Priyanka. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within seven days. 0020387915-1

I, Ashok Kumar Sharma S/o Banshi Dhar Sharma R/o D-3/12, Vashist Park Pankha Road ND-46, have changed my name to Ashok Sharma for all purposes. 0040500836-1

I, Kapil Kumar S/o Sh. Madan Lal Malhotra R/o WB-40, 3rd Floor, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092, have change my name from Kapil Kumar to Atul Malhotra for all future purpose. 0040500785-1

I, Kiran Mehra W/O Ashok Kumar, H.No-Wa-29, WA-Block, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092. Have Changed My Name To Kiran. 0040500632-3

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that my client Shrvan Singh alias Sarwan Singh S/o Tulsa Singh R/o C-350, C-Block Resettlement Colony, Khyala, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi-110018 do hereby disowned and severed all his relations with his daughter Harvinder Kaur alias Inderjit Kaur and her son Jaspreet Singh and debar them from all his movable and immovable properties as they are out of control of my client. In future any body deals with them shall do so at their own risk and responsibility. My client shall not be responsible for their any acts and deeds.

Sd/- B.B.N. DEO, ADVOCATE
SR-II, B. Coumpus, Janakpuri, New Delhi-58

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client Smt. Sudha Sodhi w/o Late Sh. Sucha Singh Sodhi, R/o 2/31, Kalkaji Extension, New Delhi-110019 has severed all relations with her elder son Sh. Harvinder Singh Sodhi and has disinherited him and his family from all her movable and immovable properties. Sh. Harvinder Singh Sodhi and his wife Smt. Honey Sodhi have been constantly abusing, threatening and physically assaulting my client. My client also expresses serious apprehension to her life and limb from the said Sh. Harvinder Singh Sodhi and his wife. My client shall not be responsible in any manner for acts and deeds of Sh. Harvinder Singh Sodhi and his family.

Sd/
PARIKSHIT SINGH
ADVOCATE
ENROLMENT NO-UP 06833/2014

NOTICE

"I, Rakhi Bansal W/o Sh. Parveen Bansal R/o Property no. 76, Maulana Azad, lotus Enclave, Pitampura, New Delhi-110034 inform you that original property documents i.e. original agreement to sell dated 20.05.2005., original general power of attorney dated 20.05.2005 and original special power of attorney dated 20.05.2005 for Residential Property no. 76, Maulana Azad, lotus Enclave, Pitampura, New Delhi-110034 have been lost on 17.08.2007 at Pitampura, delhi-110034 on the road and FIR No.1183255/2019 dated 24.06.2019 has been lodged in this regard"

PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT MY CLIENTS SHRI VED PRAKASH GUPTA S/O SHRI MUSADI LAL GUPTA AND HIS WIFE SMT. NEELAM GUPTA W/O SHRI VED PRAKASH GUPTA BOTH R/O WZ-276-G/1, INDERPURI, DELHI-110012. DISOWNED AND DEBARRED HIS SON NAMELY SHRI TARA GUPTA S/O SHRI VED PRAKASH GUPTA AND HIS WIFE VISHAKHA GUPTA W/O SHRI TARA GUPTA WHO HAVE BEEN LIVING SEPARATELY FROM THEIR PROPERTIES BOTH MOVABLE AND IMMOVABLE. MY CLIENTS HAVE SEVERED ALL THEIR RELATIONS WITH SHRI TARA GUPTA AND HIS WIFE SMT. VISHAKHA GUPTA AND SHALL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY KIND OF ACTS, IF ANY, COMMITTED BY THEM IN FUTURE. ANY PERSON DEALING WITH THEM IN ANY RESPECT WHATSOEVER SHALL DO SO AT HIS/HER/THEIR OWN RISK.

Sd/
AMIT TYAGI (Advocate)
692, Main Road, Burari, Delhi-84

NOTICE

1.) It is published for the information of all concerned that Mr. Ketan Bhagat S/o Late Shri Kulbhushan Raj Bhagat (Age about 30 years) resident of H.NO 456, Rishi Nagar, Rani Bagh, Shakurbasti, Delhi-110034 left home of his own accord / will along with his wife Shriya Bhagat (Age About 25 years) on 14th May, 2019 with a brief note without telling anyone.
2) He is debarred from the share of property as per the WILL made by me on 07th July, 2011. He is also debarred from all the moveable and non-moveable Property for one reason or other.
3) His where about are not known till date.

Sd/-
HARI KISHAN BHAGAT
(Grand Father)
456, RISHI NAGAR, SHAKURBASTI, DELHI-110034
Ph: +91-9811622692

VINOD WADHWA
(ADVOCATE)
EN NO. D/769/2005

Public Notice

I,Ram Bhawan Singh S/O Sri Lal Bahdur Singh R/o, 6/FA, Vikas Vihar, Vikas Nagar, Uttam Nagar New Delhi-110059.Have disowned my son Yogesh Kumar & his wife Mrs.preeti Singh from all of my movable & immovable properties. hearafter I shall not be responsible for any kind of their act.

Sd/. (Anil Kumar) Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client Harish Sachdeva Son of late Shyam Lal, aged 72 years and his wife Veena Sachdeva aged 68 both resident of 19/1, West Patel Nagar, Delhi and permanent resident of 16/11, old Rajinder Nagar, New Deli-110060, has no control over his son namely Jatin Sachdeva and his wife and due to their unpleasant behaviour neither they nor any of their legal heirs will have any right whatsoever in the movable and immovable property of my clients. If anybody/persons deal with him, he/she shall be liable of its own at their own risk and consequences for any purpose, my client and his family will have no responsibility for any acts and transactions entered into by him. My client and his family members shall not be held responsible for the same in any manner whatsoever.

Manish Arya (D561/07)

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to all whosoever is concerned that my client Shankar Dayal Gupta S/o Late Shiv Bachan Gupta & Kanti Devi W/o Shri Shankar Dayal Gupta both R/o H. No. 37/2, Gali No. 14, Sarai Enclave Part-I, Mohan Garden, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059 being fed up with our daughter Ms. Priyanka Kumari disquieting and maltreatment of her serve or break up all her relationship with her from this day onwards and hereby disown her from self-earned properties as well as from all other immoveable and moveable properties and shall not responsible for her act. Anybody deals with her shall be doing so at their own risk responsibilities and they shall not have any lawful relationship with my client.

Avdhesh Kumar Advocate,
A-107, R.G. Complex, D.B. Gupta Road, New Delhi-55, Mob. 9910050625

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby informed that Smt. Neetu Modi @ Nitu Modi W/o Sh. Anand Kumar D/o Sh. Keshav Prasad Modi R/o C-3/402, Capital Apartments, Vasundhra Enclave, Delhi-110096, formerly residing at Flat No. 11D, Highway Apartments, Ghazipur, Crossing, New Delhi is the same person. True spelling of her name is "Neetu Modi" however in-advertently in some of her documents the spelling of her name is mentioned as "Nitu Modi".

NOTICE

Informed Public at large that my client MAHAJABI wife of Late Mahfooz Ali resident of H.No.P-50B, Sharma Colony, Budh Vihar Phase-II, Delhi-110086, has debarred her son Mr. NAUSHAD son of late Mahfooz Ali, and his wife named SAHIN. from her movable and immovable properties and severed her all relations from them. If in future anybody deals with them to do so his/her own costs, risks and responsibilities, my clients will not be responsible for the same in any manners whatsoever.

SAMUNDRA SINGH
(Advocate)
Office-QU-259A, Pitampura Delhi-34.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it known to all that my clients Vishnu S/o Mahesh Chand and Smt. Jugal Devi w/o Vishnu both R/o House No. 991, Block-S, Mango! Puri, Delhi-110083, have severed all the relations with their both son Kumar Bahadur S/o Vishnu, his wife Sarita and Manoj Kumar S/o Vishnu, his wife Renu and disowned them from all their movable and immovable properties. For all references, my clients are not related, interested, concerned or responsible in any manner for the acts, deeds, commitments and liabilities of above said Kumar Bahadur S/o Vishnu, his wife Sarita and Manoj Kumar S/o Vishnu, his wife Renu as they have gone beyond their control and are living and acting as per their own wishes. Anyone dealing with above said Kumar Bahadur S/o Vishnu, his wife Sarita and Manoj Kumar S/o Vishnu, his wife Renu shall be doing so entirely at his/her own personal risk and liability.

Sd/-
SUMIT GARG
ADVOCATE
Enrollment No. D/3790/2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

Known to General public that my client Sushma Jain is going to purchase property i.e First Floor with roof rights, of plot no. 167, Delhi Union CHBS Ltd., Kapil Vihar, Pitampura, New Delhi and Ritika Goyal is going to purchase Ground floor of the said plot no., from Sh. Amitabh Singhal and further mortgage with Axis Bank Ltd. And said Sh. Amitabh Singhal became owner of the said property in capacity of only legal heir of Late Sh. Krishna Avtar Singhal after death of Sh. Krishan Avtar Singhal. And said Sh. Krishna Avtar Singhal purchased the said property from DDA vide conveyance deed no. 7398 dt. 15.03.2014. And if any person is having any objection, right or claim in respect of the said property in capacity of legal heirs of said Sh. Krishna Avtar Singhal in any manner or said mortgage then he may contact the undersign within 7 days of publication of this Notice.

Ad Rem Legal Solution
760, Lawyer's Chamber, Dwarka Court, Sector-10, M. 9899013918

PUBLIC NOTICE

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT LARGE THAT OUR CLIENT'S CUSTOMER, MR. RAJEEV RANJAN, INTENDING TO PURCHASE 2ND FLOOR WITH ROOF RIGHTS, ON PROPERTY NO. RZ-12, KHASRA NO. 54, VILLAGE BINDAPUR, SANTOSH PARK, UTTAM NAGAR, NEW DELHI FROM SMT. YASHIKA AGGARWAL WHO ACQUIRED THE SAME VIDE SALE DEED DATED 06.09.2018 AS DOC NO. 22001 FROM SH. GAUTAM CHADHA WHO ACQUIRED THE SAME VIDE RELINQUISHMENT DEED DATED 06.03.2018 AS DOC NO. 5561 WHO IS CLAIMING THE OWNERSHIP BY WAY OF SUCCESSION/ INHERITANCE AFTER THE DEATH OF HIS MOTHER LATE SMT. RAJ KUMARI CHADHA
AND THE SAID PROPERTY IS BEING MORTGAGED WITH LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED JEEVAN PRAKASH BUIDING, 7TH FLOOR, 25, K.G. MARG, NEW DELHI AFTER EXECUTION OF THE SALE DEED IN FAVOUR OF OUR CLIENT'S CUSTOMER.
ALL PERSONS, IF ANY, INCLUDING OTHER LEGAL HEIR/S OF LATE SMT. RAJ KUMARI CHADHA, AND THE BANK/S OR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION/S, OR ANY PARTY/IES, HAVING ANY CLAIM, DEMAND, RIGHTS, IN RESPECT OF OR AGAINST THE SAID PROPERTY OR ANY PART THEREOF BY WAY OF INHERITANCE, ASSIGNMENT, MORTGAGE, CHARGE, LIEN, POSSESSION, OR OTHERWISE, HOWSOEVER NATURE, ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO MAKE THE SAME KNOWN IN WRITING WITH DOCUMENTARY SUPPORT TO THE UNDERSIGNED WITHIN FIFTEEN DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PUBLICATION, FAILING WHICH THE SAID CLAIM OF SUCH PERSON/S, IF ANY WILL BE CONSIDERED AS WAIVED AND SETTLED AND NOT BINDING UPON MY CLIENT CUTOMER.

MR. SAMIR KUMAR / LALIT KUMAR (ADVOCATE)
M/S. EXCEL LAW GROUP
OFFICE AT ADDRESS: 87-D, ON 3RD & 4TH FLOOR, POCKET-2, SECTOR-6, DWARKA, NEW DELHI.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is inform general public at large for and on behalf of my client Sh. Chander Shekhar Khanijow S/o Late Sh. Q.L. Khanijow (Adv.) R/o B-74, Gujranwala Town, Delhi- 110007 and presently R/o 1700 EGRET LANE, South Lake, Texas-76092 U.S.A., that my client has divorced his wife Ruchika Dhawan D/o Smt. Usha Dhawan and Jagbir Dhawan R/o H.No.269, R, Model Town, Karnal, Haryana, who was also living in U.S.A. at the time of the divorce and appeared in the divorce proceeding in the Court. The Divorce was granted by the District Court, 231, Judicial District, Tarrant County, TEXAS, U.S.A. on 30th April, 2019. If anyone deals with the aforesaid divorcee wife, he/she/they may do so at their own risk, costs & consequences. My client or his family members shall not be responsible in any manner for the acts, deeds or misdeeds of the aforesaid Ruchika Dhawan.

D.S. CHOUDHARY (Advocate)
Ch.No. 371-372, W.Wing, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

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This is to bring to the notice of the General Public that our Client 1) Mrs. Kalpna Harit; 2) Abhisek Harit and 3) Ms Jyotsna, having acquired the schedule property vide registered Partition deed dated 18.03.1999 and propose to avail certain credit facilities by creating security interest over the schedule property.

Any person having an interest in the said property or having any objection to the ownership and transaction may contact or send his/her written objection at the below mentioned address within 07 days from this notice.

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91-11-42458152-53

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients SURESH S/o Sh. Rage Ram and USHA W/o Sh. Suresh, Both R/o 26/3, Old APS Colony, New Delhi-110010, have break their all relations and disowned their Son ARUN from all their moveable-immovable properties, due to disobedience, my clients shall not be responsible for the any act done by him.

Sd/-
NEELAM SHARMA
Advocate
Ch. No. 165A, PHC, New Delhi-110001

PUBLIC NOTICE

"Be Known to all, that my clients Amir 'Ahmad S/o Niyaz Ahmad and Ruksana W/o Amir Ahmad Both R/o 209, Gali No 4, Jyoti Nagar Rishi, Kardam Puri, has debarred & disowned their Son Mohd Danish from their all moveable and immovable properties. My clients had also severed all their relations and connections from the all above said persons. If any body deals with them in any manner, then my clients will not be responsible for any of their deeds and acts."

Sd/-
PAWAN GUPTA
(ADVOCATE)
878, LAWYERS CHAMBER
BLOCK SAKET COURT,
NEW DELHI 110017

सार्वजनिक सूचना

सर्वजन को सूचित किया जाता है कि मेरे मुवक्किलान नसीर अहमद पुत्र हाजी करीमुद्दीन एवम इनकी पत्नी रुकसाना ई–75, गली नं 4, चाँद बाग दिल्ली–110094, ने अपने पुत्र अमजद खाँ एवम पुत्रवधु शबनम उर्फ आशिया को दुर्व्यवहार करने, घातक धकियाँ देने व नियंत्रण से बाहर होने के कारण उन्हें अपनी चल–अचल संपत्ति से बेदखल कर पारिवारिक रिश्ते समाप्त कर लिये हैं। भविष्य में उनके अच्छे–बुरे कार्यों के प्रति मेरी मुवक्किलान जिम्मेदार नहीं होगी।

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EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE

e-tender Notice No- 18 of 2019-20 (Open) - Engg./MGS.

Online (through E-tendering) for the following work is invited by DRM/Engg./ MGS for and on behalf of the President of India from experienced and financially as well as technically sound contractors including those enlisted with the Railway, CPWD,BSNL,MES,PWD and other public sector undertakings.

Tender No.-010-MGS-DEN-HQ-19-20, (1) Name of Work with its location: Construction of new officers rest house at Lodhi colony for 1st floor and 2nd floor NDLS under ADEN/HQ/MGS. **(2) Approx. cost of the work:** ₹ 14051091.44 **(3) Earnest Money:** ₹ 220300.00 **(4) Date & time for submission of e-tender : 13.07.2019, Up-to 12.00 Hrs. (5) Website particulars of e-tendering: www.ireps.gov.in**

Divisional Railway Manager, Mughalsarai
PR/578/MGS/Engg./T/19-20/32

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER

DRM (Electrical) NWR Ajmer on behalf of the The President of India invites E-Tenders for the following work upto 15.00 Hrs. on the mentioned date. **Tender No. :** DRM-Elect-30-2019-20 **Name of work :** Electrical work due to repairing work of running room at Marwar Junction. **Approximate cost of work :** 716036/- **Earnest Money :** Rs. 14300/- **Tender No. :** DRM-Elect-31-2018-19 **Name of work :** Electrical work for provision of 2-Seater modular toilet at end of platform and ancillary works at various stations between Ajmer to Palanpur section. **Approximate cost of work :** 2927806/- **Earnest Money :** Rs. 58600/- **Tender No. :** DRM-Elect-32-2018-19 **Name of work :** Electrical work due to Raising of high level platform on. 06 in connection with Second entry at Ajmer & Rail level to high level platform at Daurai station on MD-PNU section. **Approximate cost of work :** 5634791/- **Earnest Money :** Rs. 112700/- Date & Time of closing E-Tender 18.07.2019 at 15.00 Hrs. Date & Time of opening E-Tender 18.07.2019 at 15.30 Hrs. The details of above E-tender are available on website **www.ireps.gov.in** *605-AL/19*

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Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board

Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi
Office of The Executive Engineer, C-11
Rana Pratap Bagh, Delhi-110007
Email ID : eec11.dusib@gmail.com

Press Notice For Inviting e-Tenders

NIT NO. 10/EEC-11/DUSIB/2019-20
Tender ID.: 2019_DUSIB_174842 _1

The Executive Engineer C-11, DUSIB, invites on behalf of DUSIB online Percentage rate bid on two bid system for following work.

Name of Work: - EIUS

Sub Head: - Providing and laying CC pavement & Construction of drains in JJC Basant Dada Pati Bhalaswa

Estimated Cost Rs. 25,11,965.00
Earnest Money Rs. 50,250.00
Tender Cost Rs. 500.00
Period of Completion- 120 Days
Last Time and date of submission of bid on 11.07.2019 upto 15.00 Hrs.

The bid form and other details can be obtained from the web site (**https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in**)

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER-C-11
DUSIB. (9717999284)
DIP/Shabdarth/0283/19-20

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(Government of Rajasthan undertaking)

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website: www.rtdc.in, Email: pow@rtdc.in

No. POW/E-BID/2019-20/633 E-BID NOTICE Date: 21-06-2019

E-bids are invited from the leading firms/companies to hire services for (1) Volvo Buses, Luxury Cars & Meals in hotels (2) Empanelment of Shopping Emporia (3) Operation of Royal Spa (4) Supply of linen items for the guests of Palace on Wheels for the season 2019-20. Detailed notice inviting bid can be viewed and to be download from our web site www.rtdc.tourism.rajasthan.gov.in, www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in and www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in.
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Raj. Samwad/C/984/2019-20 Executive Director (Fin.)

कार्यपालक अभियन्ता का कार्यालय, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल, हजारीबाग

–:: शुद्धि पत्र ::–

पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल, हजारीबाग अन्तर्गत आमंत्रित निविदा (CHHUTHARI_KATIA BARKANGANGO) P.R. No.:- 207670 (Drinking Water and Sanitation) 2019-20 (D) को अपरिहार्य कारणवश संशोधन किया जाता है।

क्र0	विवरणी	संशोधन के उपरान्त
2	Date of Tender uploading in website	Date:- 01.07.2019 at 03.00 PM
3	Date of Pre-bid Meeting	Date:- 08.07.2019 at 12.30 PM in the office of Engineer-in-Chief, D. W. & S. Department Jharkhand Ranchi
4	Last date receipt of Bid	Date:- 16.07.2019 upto 05.00 PM
5	Last date submission cost of BOQ and EMD (in hard copy)	Date:- 17.07.2019 upto 01.00 PM in the office of the Executive Engineer, D. W. & S. Division, Hazaribagh Superintending Engineer, D. W. & S. Circle, Hazaribagh
6	Date of opening tender	Date:- 18.07.2019 at 05.00 PM

कार्यपालक अभियन्ता
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PR210032 (Drinking Water and Sanitation)19-20*D

Government of Odisha

"e" Procurement Notice

WORKS DEPARTMENT

35-B

Bid Identification No. S.E.K.C., Keonjhar No. 03/2019-20
e-mail : sekcpwd_keonjhar@yahoo.com
Letter No. 1781 dt. 19.06.2019

1. Name of the work : Observation Home and Special Home at Rourkela for the year 2019-20 :- incl E.I. and P.H. work (Balance left out portion of G.Floor and F.Floor area
2. Estimated cost : Rs. 162.11 Lakhs
3. Period of completion : 06 (Six) Calendar Months
4. Date and Time of availability of Bid document in the portal : From 11.00 Hours of 29.06.2019 to 16.00 Hours of 16.07.2019
5. Last date / Time for receipt of bids in the portal : 16.00 Hours of 16.07.2019
6. Date of opening of Bid from Portal : 12.00 Hours on 17.07.2019
7. Name and address of the officer inviting Bid : Superintending Engineer, Keonjhar (R&B) Circle, Keonjhar-758001.

Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal "**http://tendersodisha.gov.in**"

Sd/-
Superintending Engineer
Keonjhar (R&B) Circle, Keonjhar

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TRUMP 2020

Greatest hits

Identity politics, with a focus on guns, crime and immigration, is likely to dominate Trump's re-election campaign

Donald Trump at his re-election kick-off rally at the Amway Center in Orlando, Florida, on June 18. The president launched into the improbable balancing act— extreme triumphalism mingled with extreme grievance. *AP*

TO DESCRIBE THE event President Donald Trump held in Orlando's Amway Centre on June 18th as his re-election campaign launch does not do justice to its strangeness. It would also be only narrowly true, because he has never stopped campaigning. Since filing his re-election papers over two years ago, on the day he took office, Mr Trump has held over 50 "MAGA rallies" across the country, revelling in the adulation of his devoted fans. This week's event, in the crowded, but not completely full, home of the Orlando Magic basketball team, was merely an extravagant example.

As always, Mr Trump opened with a shout-out to the independent witnesses to his pending performance, "the fake news". (Outside the arena, a Trump supporter would shortly become the first of the new campaign to be arrested for attacking a journalist.) The president then launched into the improbable balancing act—extreme triumphalism mingled with extreme grievance—that represents both his state of mind and his political method.

He claimed to have "accomplished more than any other president" in his first two and a half years. Much of what he offered in support of that claim was dubious. He exaggerated how much border wall he is building to keep Mexicans out; he falsely represented the size of the tax cuts he signed; he repeated his mischaracterisation of tariffs as a cost on Chinese exporters, not American consumers, and so on.

He claimed to have meanwhile been labouring "under circumstances that no president has had to deal with before…the great and illegal witch-hunt". The Mueller investigation unearthed a lot of evidence of malfeasance by the president. Yet far from being hounded, he has in fact faced remarkably little comeuppance. His Democratic opponents are averse to taking up articles of impeachment, as previous opposition politicians might have done.

Mr Trump did not thank them for their restraint. "Our radical Democrat opponents are driven by hatred, prejudice and rage," he cried. "They want to destroy you and they want to destroy our country." To be pro-Trump is to be a patriot, to oppose him treason. It was nearly an hour into his prepared speech before he turned to the economy, including growth of 3% in the first quarter, rising wages and the lowest unemployment rate for half a century.

It may contravene James Carville's maxim, but Mr Trump's re-election campaign is not primarily about the economy. That is partly a reflection of his character, because his sense of grievance swamps his feelings of triumph. But it is also tactical. The idea that elections are decided by the state of the economy rests on an assumption that there is a critical mass of swing voters, persuadable by either side. And that mass had been dwindling for years, owing to partisanship, even before Mr Trump's extreme divisiveness accelerated its demise. Only 51% of Americans approve of his performance on the economy, despite its rude health—and the economy is easily his strongest measure. His overall approval rating has rarely reached 46%, the share of the popular vote he won in 2016; it is now a couple of points below that. He is the only president never to have reached 50% since Gallup began polling on the issue.

These poor numbers make it hard to see Mr Trump winning any state he lost in 2016. To win again he must therefore walk the same path to an electoral college majority he trod that year—through Florida, Ohio and a trio of formerly Democratic rustbelt states, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. The fact that all have lots of older white people, his most reliable constituency, is why he remains competitive, despite his low ratings. Yet he has a major worry. While Florida and Ohio are becoming more Republican, the more northerly states appear to be reverting to the Democrats. And they are doing so, results in the mid-terms suggested, because the working-class voters Mr Trump recruited from the left in 2016 are cooling on him.

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Four years ago he wooed them with a combination of paternalistic economic promises and white identity politics. Only the second of these may now be available to him. Having failed to provide universal free health care, bring back coal-mining and regenerate long-shuttered factory towns, among other unlikely pledges, he is now struggling to repeat them. (Mr Trump's recent vow to unveil a new health-care plan "in about two months" carried a hint of desperation.)

Mr Trump may yet find a way to fill this void. A trade deal with China or a cut in illegal immigration could help. Yet it is likely that identity politics, in the form of fierce rhetoric on guns, crime and immigration, will dominate his campaign. Mr Trump warmed up for his appearance in Orlando by vowing to round up "millions of illegal aliens"—starting "next week". He also refused to retract his demand for five black teenagers convicted of assaulting and raping a jogger in Central Park to be executed—though they were exonerated by DNA evidence and freed 17 years ago. Outside the Amway Centre a white chauvinist crew called the Proud Boys flashed "white power" signs at reporters.

Though these are early days, in short, it seems highly probable that Mr Trump will re-run his previous campaign. To hear him, it seems to be 2016 still. He persists in whipping up his supporters with denunciations of Hillary Clinton ("Lock her up!" they screamed in Orlando). By far the biggest uncertainty, perhaps the only one, therefore concerns who the Democrats send out to face him in her stead.

Betting markets put his chances of re-election at 50%, which reflects uncertainty about who the Democrats will pick. Though incumbency gives him a boost, absent some game-changing event Mr Trump would struggle against a strong opponent. His hopes may depend on the Democrats putting forward another dud, too weak or compromised to survive his attacks. Do not put it past them.

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RUSSIA

The new musketeers

The improbable careers of Putin's bodyguards

Vladimir Putin enters St. Andrew's Hall in the Grand Kremlin Palace in Moscow. He has become closer than most to the men of Russia's Federal Protective Service. *AP*

VLADIMIR PUTIN was asleep upstairs when the bear arrived. The Russian president's bodyguard, Alexey Dyumin, stared at the creature through the glass doors of the mountain home. "It was quite large," Mr Dyumin later recalled. "I opened the door and emptied my pistol at his legs." The bear wisely turned and ran.

Politicians often develop special relationships with those assigned to protect them. Mr Putin has become closer than most to the men of Russia's Federal Protective Service (FSO). Since 2016, four FSO officers from his personal guard have been appointed regional governors, making the unusual leap from the shadows into public life. A fifth became head of the newly formed National Guard. Mr Dyumin was elevated in 2013 to a post in the defence ministry, where he commanded special forces and reportedly oversaw the operation to annex Crimea in 2014. In 2016 he became governor of the Tula region, an arms-industry centre south of Moscow. "It was a little bit like the butler was suddenly made a duke," says Mark Galeotti, an expert on the Russian security services.

The bodyguards' rise reflects a broader shift in the Kremlin's priorities: from protecting Mr Putin himself to ensuring the longevity of the system he has built. With the president in his last constitutionally permitted term, the spectre of a post-Putin era looms. Hoping to manage the generational shift, Mr Putin has sought fresh cadres to replace ageing loyalists. Nationwide leadership contests have been launched to identify talent in a system that lacks mechanisms for elevating personnel, a role that the Soviet-era Communist Party and its youth league, the Komsomol, once played. One group of new reinforcements has become known as the "technocrats"—bespectacled experts who have been elevated to run regions and ministries. Yet those Mr Putin trusts most are still those he knows best; and after nearly two decades in power, those he knows best are often the men beside him on a daily basis.

In the shadowy world of the Russian security services, the FSO occupies a rarefied position. Though lacking the investigative firepower of the Federal Security Service (FSB) or the cloak-and-dagger cachet of the foreign intelligence services, the FSO possesses an invaluable resource in Russia's Byzantine system: dostup k telu, or closeness to the body. As Konstantin Gaaze, an analyst, puts it: "Proximity is power."

FSO agents are Mr Putin's travelling companions on the road and his chefs at home. This lets them into the Russian elite. Mr Dyumin, for example, became a fixture in the president's evening hockey league, an important informal meeting ground, long before he stepped onto the public stage. A sense of superiority is bred into the FSO's culture. Some call them a Praetorian guard. Evgeny Minchenko, a consultant close to the Kremlin, says they prefer the label "Musketeers".

The FSO's remit stretches far beyond the traditional bullet-stopping and gun-wielding into public-opinion polling, political analysis and the management of vast swathes of federal property. They are meant to protect government communications, but this means they also have access to them, says Andrei Soldatov, an author. The FSO produces intelligence reports for the president and operates the government's Situation Centres. Last year Mr Putin charged the FSO with developing "information-warfare measures, detections, warnings and consequence-management of computer attacks on Russian information resources". He also told them to track the implementation of his latest social and economic policies.

Guards have long played key roles in Russia's political architecture. The FSO traces its modern history back to 1881. That was when Tsar Alexander III created a special guard service in the wake of his father's assassination. "They have always protected the authorities from the people," says Gennady Gudkov, a former KGB general. During the early Soviet era, Stalin's bodyguard, Nikolai Vlasik, had a hand in everything from state policy to raising Stalin's children (he was ultimately rewarded with a Gulag sentence). The guard service was later rolled into the KGB, where it became the Ninth Directorate. After the collapse of the Soviet Union, Alexander Korzhakov, Boris Yeltsin's bodyguard, confidant and drinking buddy, built a new guard service on its ashes. He became one of the most powerful men in Moscow. "He would say: 'Work is done for the day'," Mr Korzhakov recalls, "and there would be a bottle of cognac for two."

When Mr Putin came to power, he installed an old associate, Evgeny Murov, at the helm of the FSO. Under Mr Murov, the FSO took on a role of "watching over the innermost elite", says Mr Galeotti. The agency's leaders have done well: an investigation by the Organised Crime and Corruption Reporting Project and Novaya Gazeta, an independent Russian newspaper, claimed that a small coterie of FSO men have acquired oodles of prime real estate for a pittance. Though the FSO is said to have become less powerful since Mr Murov left his post in 2016, the rise of its alumni attests to its enduring influence. Some analysts even see Mr Dyumin as a candidate to succeed Mr Putin.

Yet whether the Musketeers can adjust to public roles remains to be seen. Few have demonstrated much aptitude as politicians. One ex-bodyguard became an internet meme last year after posting a bizarre video address challenging Alexei Navalny, Russia's leading opposition politician, to a duel. Another flamed out as governor of Kaliningrad after just two months and was moved to become minister for emergency services. Earlier this month a third unexpectedly stepped down as governor of the Astrakhan region after less than ten months in the job. One thing, though, seems certain: whatever the order, Mr Putin's Musketeers will heed his call. As Mr Dyumin himself put it, "there's never been a time when he's given me a task and I've said 'no'."

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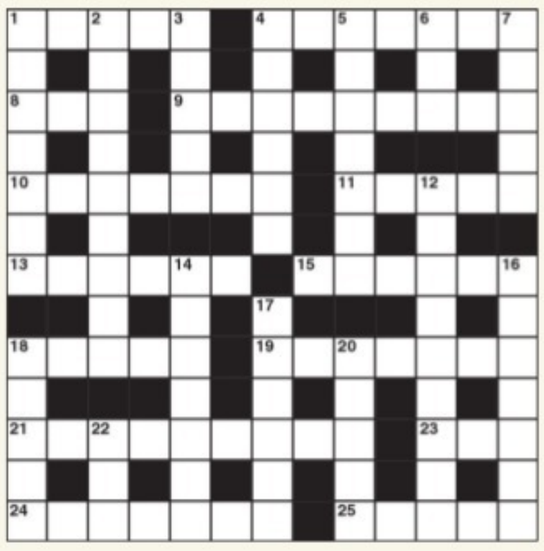

ACROSS

1 It's worn for a spell of work (5)
4 Found the tea cold perhaps (7)
8 Once always included in prayers (3)
9 Drawn wine ready to be put out (9)
10 Put into bonds, on account of great interest? (7)
11 Walk carelessly from blame (5)
13 Notice a dog inside and tie it up (6)
15 Be back in time for a parliamentary occasion (6)
18 Go out with a girl (5)
19 Indeed it's 12½ cents charged to one's account (7)
21 Foolishly pulverise something offensive (9)
23 Song birds take to it (3)
24 He breaks down in the course of an investigation (7)
25 Part of a clergyman's estate? (5)

Down

1 They allow sailors to make steady progress (3,4)
2 A client I'd made perfectly agreeable (9)
3 Get thinner and lighter (5)
4 Uncommonly haughty (6)
5 Motoring investigation reveals a body (7)
6 How to judge an effort (3)
7 Act evasively (5)
12 A mainline express? (4,5)
14 Uncommon payment for an author (7)
16 Possibly sore after the finish, finished second (7)
17 Loose draft I put in order (6)
18 First class railway return to southern country (5)
20 Fish looks right in the light (5)
22 In shape and size one is very like another (3)

Solutions Crossword 3842: Across: 1 Thundering, 8 Fusee, 9 Mae West, 10 Reins in, 11 Opera, 12 Tremor, 14 Stupor, 17 Llama, 19 Polygon, 21 Station, 22 Ankle, 23 Minute hand. **Down:** 2 Hostile, 3 Needs, 4 Ermine, 5 Iceboat, 6 Geese, 7 St Lawrence, 8 First-class, 13 Oration, 15 Pigskin, 16 Spinet, 18 Alarm, 20 Leash.

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis

CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson

MARVIN by Tom Armstrong

DAY TODAY

BY PETER VIDAL

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
You have every right to be pleased with your prowess at work. However, over the next few days you will have to face up to a number of hard choices which will affect your personal life and colour the way other people see you. Yet nobody at the moment seems to be able to grasp the real truth.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)
Is there some way in which you can rearrange your work to reflect your creative aspirations? Certainly there are many intriguing ideas afoot, all of which could form the basis of an interesting experiment. If you have any doubts or questions, you might not get the right answer until next week.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
You can ignore family pressures or domestic irritations no longer. Today's steamy Lunar angle will give you the chance to deal with all long-delayed questions. Don't expect instant agreement or approval though, as it's just one of those times when everyone has their own opinion.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Important discussions may be more difficult than you anticipate. The simple reason is that everybody seems to place such unrealistic hopes on the outcome. Stick to your guns for now, otherwise partners will imagine that you're a right old push-over.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)
The financial news may not be what you expected, but the net result could be positive if it enables you to reorganise your affairs. There are some commitments which cannot be changed, but you still have some room for movement. In love, it's time to tell someone how you feel about them. You can keep quiet no longer.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)
Your current planetary aspects will offer you a shot in the arm, shaking you out of any complacent corners or ruts you've been hiding in. Don't expect dramatic events just yet — you may have to wait a few more days before the lie of the land is clear.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)
Something may happen to worry or upset you. Perhaps you will feel that other people are blaming you unfairly for things you haven't done. However, such concerns are illusions which will be dispelled when the facts are known. But that might not be until late next week.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)
You'll enjoy social activities all the more if you are ready for anything and happy to join in without worrying about the consequences. Don't be hung up on excessively conventional standards of behaviour. Instead, you may try to carve an individual path for yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 23)
It is professional rather than private affairs which are the focus of your concern today. The last thing you want to do is get involved in a quite unnecessary public slanging match, so watch your step. You may not be in the wrong but, then, nobody will care whose fault it is!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
The planets are on your case so to speak. The cosmos is expecting you to do your duty by combining self-interest with your higher principles. Quite apart from such lofty questions, you are still experiencing powerful travel stars. You may even go exploring new lands.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Check out new investment opportunities, and don't be unduly concerned if a previous course of action now appears to be distinctly unpromising or unprofitable. You'll act fast but keep your options open, just in case circumstances change as fast for you as they have done for others.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)
There's a burst of turbulence in the cosmic atmosphere today, so expect stormy weather emotionally. Even if you keep your cool, partners are determined to pick a fight or provoke you somehow. You can always escape by going a long way away, or at least round the corner.

JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given quip.

All the____run into the__; yet the__is not__- King Solomon (6,.,3,..3,.,4) (one word twice)

DAEER

OWYLLS

STIRK

AORFUV

SOLUTION: EARED, SKIRT, SLOWLY, FAVOUR
Answer: All the **rivers** run into the **sea**; yet the **sea** is not **full** - King Solomon

SUDOKU 3890

Difficulty Level 4s
Instructions
To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Difficulty Level
1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy; 3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard; 6s = Genius

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SOLUTION SUDOKU 3889

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE (Through e-tendering)
Name of work with its location: Provision of interlocking at L-xing no. 109 & 133 in section of ADSTE/ROK of DLI Division. **App. Cost of the work:** Rs. 50,85,862.38/- only. **Tender Document Fee:** Rs. 5,900/- only. **Earnest Money Deposit:** Rs. 1,01,700/- only. **Address of the office:** Senior Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer-I, Northern Railway, 3rd Floor, Annexe-1, DRM office, New Delhi-110055. **Date & Time for upload the tender/closing of tender:** Tender uploading/closing date & time-17.07.2019 up to 15:00 hrs. **Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.:** See the Northern Railway website www.ireps.gov.in & Notice board at S&T branch, 3rd Floor, DRM office, State Entry Road, New Delhi-110055. **No.: 558-Sig-16-M-Tender-1282 Dated: 26.06.2019.** 2055/2019
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अधिवक्ताओं और कानूनी फर्मों को सुचीबद्ध करने के लिए अधिसूचना
रेल भूमि विकास प्राधिकरण (आरएलडीए) रेलवे अधिनियम, 1989 में संशोधन द्वारा स्थापित रेल मंत्रालय के अधीन गैर टेरिफ उपायों द्वारा राजस्व उत्पन्न करने के प्रयोजन के लिए वाणिज्यिक उपयोग के लिए रेलवे की अतिरिक्त भूमि के विकास हेतु एक सांविधिक प्राधिकरण है। आरएलडीए दिनांक 31.10.2006 तथा 05.01.2007 को संशोधित असाधारण राजपत्र अधिसूचना के संदर्भ में गठित किया गया है। आरएलडीए की कार्य शैली के नियम दिनांक 04.01.2007 के असाधारण राजपत्र में भी अधिसूचित किए गए हैं।
आरएलडीए द्वारा दिल्ली/नई दिल्ली क्षेत्र में संगठन के कानूनी मुद्दों से निपटने के लिए अधिवक्ताओं और कानूनी फर्मों का पैनल बनाया जाना है।
सूचीबद्ध करने के लिए आवेदन करने के इच्छुक अधिवक्ता और कानूनी फर्म निर्धारित फॉर्मेट में आवेदन कर सकते हैं जिसे आरएलडीए की वेबसाईट से डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है। और **25.07.2019 (शाम 05.00 बजे तक)** आवेदन की समापन तिथि को या उससे पहले जमा कर सकते हैं। **शर्तों तथा निबंधनों के संपूर्ण विवरणों के लिए कृपया वेबसाईट www.rlda.indianrailways.gov.in और www.rlda.in देखें।**
(समरजीत सिंह)
सहायक कानूनी सलाहकार

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE
The Deputy Chief Engineer/Const./ Northern Railway Shivaji Bridge, New Delhi, for and on behalf of the President of India invites open e-tender under Single-Packet system, for the following work: **Name of work and location:** "Construction of 02 Lane Road Over Bridge having span 1 x 58.040 M (Bow String steel Girder) c/c of pier, along with Limited Height Subway (Internal size 5.500 X 2.60 M) including design and Drawing of sub structure & foundation in lieu of L-xing No. 36 Spl at Km 58/15-17 near Ganaur Railway station on Delhi-Ambala section of Northern Railway. **Completion period of the work:** 12 (Twelve) months. **Approx. Cost of work:** Rs. 975.07 lakh **Earnest Money to be deposited:** Rs. 6,37,600 /-only **Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tender:** Tenders may be uploaded upto11.30 hrs on **19.07.2019** on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in. The bidders can participate in the e-tender, the tender will be opened **at 11.30 hrs on 19.07.2019. Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document:** The detailed e-tender notice is available on Northern Railway web site i.e. www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and tender document is available on www.ireps.gov.in from 28.06.2019 to 19.07.2019 Above tenders document will be available for submission of offer on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in from **05.07.2019** to **19.07.2019** All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office. **No. 463-Acs-ROB-36-Ganaur-CSB Dated 26.06.2019** 2056/19
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कार्यालय जिला रैडक्रास समिति, पंचकूला
मार्फत वृद्धाश्रम, सैक्टर-15, पंचकूला दूरभाष नं. 0172-2595009
पुनः ई-निविदा सूचना
जिला रैडक्रास समिति, पंचकूला द्वारा सैक्टर-1, पंचकूला स्थित जिला सचिवालय में बहुमंजिली पार्किंग स्थल को वाहन पार्किंग चलाने के लिए etenders.hry.nic.in पर आन-लाईन ई-निविदा दिनांक 09.07.2019 तक प्रातः 11.00 बजे तक अपलोड की जा सकती है। इस etender से संबंधित विवरण, नियम व शर्तें तथा आन-लाईन आवेदन करने हेतु कृपया etenders.hry.nic.in पर आएं। etendering में हिस्सा लेने के लिए अग्रिम रूप से मु. 1,00,000/- रु. का बैंक ड्राफ्ट जो कि जिला रैडक्रास समिति, पंचकूला के पक्ष में हो, जमानत के रूप में जमा करवाना होगा तथा जमानत राशि के बैंक ड्राफ्ट की छाया प्रति आनलाईन upload भी करनी होगी। इसके इलावा बोलीदाता को अपना पहचान पत्र व पार्किंग चलाने का कम से कम एक वर्ष का अनुभव प्रमाण पत्र (सरकारी संस्था/बोर्ड, निगम इत्यादि) शपथ पत्र की bidder किसी भी अपराधिक मामले में संलिप्त नहीं है भी आनलाईन upload करना होगा तथा यह सभी दस्तावेज जिला रैडक्रास समिति पंचकूला के कार्यालय में दिनांक 09.07.2019 को सायं 4 बजे तक जमा भी करवाने होंगे। यदि आनलाईन अपलोड किए गए प्रपत्र व दस्ती रूप से कार्यालय में जमा करवाए गए प्रमाण प्रपत्रों का मिलान नहीं होता तो उस बिड को रद्द कर दिया जाएगा। देरी से निविदाएं स्वीकार नहीं की जाएगी। इस निविदा से संबंधित Technical Bid व Financial Bid क्रमशः दिनांक 10.07.2019 को 3.00 बजे व 12.07.2019 को 3.00 बजे नगराधी। पंचकूला के कार्यालय में खोली जाएगी। जिला रैडक्रास समिति पंचकूला को अधिकार होगा कि वह बिनाकार बताए किसी भी या सभी निविदाओं को रद्द कर सकता है।
Note:- In addition to above bank Draft in favour of District Red Cross Society Panchkula for Tender fee of Rs. 100/- and Tender Processing fee of Rs. 1000/- will also upload with Tender Document and Deposited in the office.
उपायुक्त एवं प्रधान,
जिला रैडक्रास समिति, पंचकूला।

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice
Dy. CSTE/P/SW, DIVISIONAL RAILWAY MANAGER OFFICE, 2ND FLOOR, ROOM No. 203, State Entry Road, New Delhi - 110055 for & on behalf of 'President of India' invites online OPEN E-tender in single packet system from the experienced & established contractors having sufficient experience in similar work and satisfying minimum eligibility criteria on the prescribed form for the under noted work :

1	Name of work	"Provision of OFC & associated equipments in JUC-HSX, PGW-NSS, PHR-LNK, JUC-NRO, NSS-JJJ & NSS-RHU Sections of FZR Division."
2	Approximate cost of the work	Rs. 7,79,19,860.79 (SEVEN Crore Seventy Nine Lakh Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty and Paisa Seventy Nine only).
3	Cost of tender form	Nil
4	Address from where tender document can be downloaded	Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in** from 27.06.2019 from 11:00 hrs.
5	Earnest money	Rs. 5,39,600.00 (Five Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Six Hundred only).
6	Completion period	11 (Eleven) months.
7	Date and time of submission of tender and opening of tender	Tender to be submitted online on Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in** from 08.07.2019 up to 11:00 hrs. of 22.07.2019. **Date of tender Opening :** 22.07.2019 at 11:30 hrs.
8	Detailed Tender Notice	Available at Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in.**

No. 172-SIG/P/SW/NR/T-186 DATE : 26.06.2019 2051/2019
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AIR INDIA ASSETS HOLDING LIMITED
FIFTH CORRIGENDUM to GLOBAL INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR PROPOSED STRATEGIC SALE AND TRANSFER OF MANAGEMENT CONTROL OF AIR INDIA AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES LIMITED BY AIR INDIA ASSETS HOLDING LIMITED
A Preliminary Information Memorandum for inviting Expression of Interest (PIM) has already been issued on 12th February, 2019 followed by a First Corrigendum, Second Corrigendum, Third Corrigendum and Fourth Corrigendum which were issued by Air India Assets Holding Limited on 5th March 2019, 26th March 2019, 24th April 2019 and 25th May 2019 respectively.
Interested bidders can download the Fifth Corrigendum with respect to the PIM from websites of AIAHL at **http://www.aiahl.com/, AIATSL** at **http://www.aiatsl.com** and Transaction Advisor at **http://www.ey.com/in/en/home**

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SHED NO. 1/1, VIDYUT BHAWAN, JYOTI NAGAR, JAIPUR-302025
Phone: 0141-2740006, e-mail: fuel.rvun@gmail.com
E-TENDER NO. TN-25 (RVU1920GLOB00503)
Online tenders are invited for Sale/collection of fly ash (ESP dry fly ash/bottom ash/pond ash/mound ash) generated from various coal based thermal power plants of RVUN located at KSTPS/Kota, SSTPS/Suratgarh, CTPP/Chhabra, KaTPP/Jhalawar. Tender details are available on websites **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** (for e-tender), **www.energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rvunl & www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in. RVUN/PR-3238**
Raj.Samwad/C/970/19-20 **Superintending Engineer (Fuel)**

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI
Head Office, Information Technology Department, Star House-2, 8th floor, C-4, G Block, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai-400051.E-mail: headoffice.it@bankofindia.co.in
END TO END ONSITE SUPPORT FOR SFMS APPLICATION
Ref: BOI:HO:IT:AL:337 Dated: 21/06/2019
The captioned RFP is available on Bank's corporate website **www.bankofindia.co.in** under **"Tender"** section since **24.06.2019**. Subsequent changes if any, will henceforth be uploaded only on the website. **The last date of submission: 15-07-2019**

HARYANA GOVERNMENT
CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

Sr. No.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	OLD REFERENCE/NIT NO.	NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1.	DHBVN	NIT NO 621/DH/MM DATED 21.12.18 AGAINST QD-802/109006	DATE EXTENDEING UPTO 05.07.19	www.dhbvn.org.in	8059888680 semmdhbvn@gmail.com
2.	DHBVN	NIT NO 628/DH/MM DATED 29.1.19 (TE NO. QD-809)	CLOSING DATE FURTHER EXTENDED FROM 18.6.2019 TO 03.07.2019	www.dhbvn.org.in	9812556355 semmdhbvn@gmail.com
3.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 09/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019. NIT NO. 20/TS/BHW/2018-19	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
4.	HVPNL	DATED 05.03.2019 MEMO NO. CH- 10/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019. NIT NO. 21/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
5.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 11/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019.NIT NO. 22/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UPTO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
6.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 13/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019.NIT NO. 24/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
7.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 14/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019.NIT NO. 25/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
8.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 15/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019 NIT NO. 26/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
9.	HVPNL	17/CCD-274 DATED 28.02.2019	THE LAST DATE OF ONLINE BID SUBMISSION IS EXTENDED UPTO 05.07.2019	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
10.	HPGCL	603/MP-7001/BULLET SHOT/2018 DATED 26.02.2019 (EVENT NO. 120453)	OPENING DT 26.02.2019 AT 17.00 HOURS & CLOSING DT 24.07.2019 AT 13.00 HOURS. SUB:- ARC FOR CONDENSER TUBE CLEANING (BY BULLET SHOT METHOD OF CONDENSER OF 250 MW UNIT-7&8, PTPS PANIPAT	www.hpgcl.org.in	9355869303 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
11.	HPGCL	E-NIT NO 451/F-795/CHP-II/PTPS DTD.31.05.2019 (EVENT NO.2019-HBC-78431-1)	START DATE 31.05.2019 AT 15.00 HOURS & CLOSING DT. 01.07.2019 AT 15.00 HOURS.	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
12.	UHBVN	NIT-239 /XEN/R-II/2019 (B-583)	CORRIGENDUN-V DATE OF CLOSING OF E-TENDER: 11.07.2019 UPTO 13.00 HRS.	www.uhbvn.org.in	3019140 cepdc@uhbvn.org.in
13.	UHBVN	NIT-238 /XEN/R-II/2019 (B-582)	CORRIGENDUN-V DATE OF CLOSING OF E-TENDER: 11.07.2019 UPTO 13.00 HRS.	www.uhbvn.org.in	3019140 cepdc@uhbvn.org.in
14.	UHBVN	NIT NO. 02/XEN/SU-II/2019-20 DATED 10.06.2019	HIRING OF VEHICLE (DATE EXTENDED) SALE OF TENDER FORM 10.07.2019 UPTO 17.00 HRS. LAST DATE OF RECEIPT OF TENDER FORM 11.07.2019 UPTO 15.00 HRS. OPENING AFTER 15.30 HRS.	www.uhbvn.org.in	0184-2268351
15.	UHBVN	NIT NO. 01/2019-20 DATED 11.06.2019	TENDER DATE EXTENDED UPTO 2.7.2019 CLOSING & OPENING AT 3.30 P.M.	www.uhbvn.org.in	9315118217
16.	HPGCL	IV CORRIGENDUM 09/CMDP-I/2018-19 (EVENT NO 98010)	START DATE 07.09.2018 UPTO 20.00 HOURS & CLOSING DT 16.07.2019 UPTO 13:00 HOURS. SUB:- REPAIR OF REFRACTOR AND INSULATION IN RCC CHIMNEY UNIT-5 & 6 (180 MTR HEIGHT HAVING TWIN FLUES) AT PTPS PANIPAT	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
17.	HPGCL	E-NIT NO PTP/POM-222115 (EVENT NO 120733)	START DATE 27.02.2019 UPTO 12.30 HOURS & CLOSING DT. 03.07.2019 UPTO 13:00 HOURS. SUB:- SUPPLY OF ENERGY METER FOR PTPS COLONY, PTPS	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com

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

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
Tender Notice
Open Tender Notice No.: - SPJ-ST-S-16-2019 DRM (S&T)/Samastipur invites open e-tenders on behalf of president of India for following work. **Sl.No.1. Name of work with its location:** Interlocking of LC gates of Samastipur division (06 nos.) in connection with work-"East Central Railway-Interlocking of level crossing gates (58 Nos.)". **Sl.No.2. Approx. cost of the work:** Rs. 1,78,17,196/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy Eight Lakh Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Ninety Six Only). **Sl.No.3. Earnest Money to be deposited:** Rs. 2,39,100/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand One Hundred Only). **Sl.No.4. Date & Time for Submission of tender & opening of tender:** 12/07/2019 Up to 16:00 Hrs, 12/07/2019 at 16:30 Hrs **Sl.No.5. Particulars of website where full details of tender may be seen:** www.ireps.gov.in. For further details, please visit the website **www.ireps.gov.in.**
Divisional Rail Manager (S&T)
E.C. Railway, Samastipur
PR/589/SPJ/S&T/T/19-20/32

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
Tender Notice
L.No. M/29/AC Coach/Escorting/MFP, dt: 24.06.19, For and on behalf of president of India invites e-open tender (E-Tender Notice no- CW-Sonpur-17-2019) from experienced contractors for the work given below: **Sl.No.1. Name of work with its location:** Escorting of AC Coaches to perform ACCA duty in train no.12257/58 & 15227/28 for 03 years. Location: Muzaffarpur Coaching Depot. **Sl.No.2. Approx cost of the work.** 1,66,30,420.43 (Rs. One Crore Sixty Six lacs Thirty Thousand Four Hundred Twenty and Forty Three paise only). **Sl.No.3. Cost of Tender Form.** 5,000.00 (₹ Five Thousand only) (Non-refundable). **Sl.No.4. Earnest Money to be deposited.:** ₹ 2,33,200.00 (Rs. Two Lacs Thirty Three Thousand Two Hundred only). **Sl.No.5. Date & Time for submission of tender and opening of tender:** Tender submission date & time : Up to 15:00 Hrs , 23.07.19, Opening date & time :After 15:00 Hrs 23.07.19. **Sl.No.6. Website particulars & Notice Board location where complete details of tender can be seen etc.:** Available on website **www.ireps.gov.in.** Railway administration reserves the right to postpone/ modify or to cancel the tender any time without assigning any reasons. **DEE/TL-AC/Sonpur**
PR/591/SEE/MECH/T/19-20/36

BLAST FROM THE PAST

ACTOR TOM Hiddleston will continue his journey as the Lord of Mischief, Loki, even after his departure from the Avengers franchise, in a web series. Titled *Loki*, the show will be set in the '70s and will be featuring the younger days of the Asgardian god.

SNAP SHOTS

Stage to Screen

THE TONY-NOMINATED Broadway musical *The Prom* is being made into a film, with a star studded cast. Meryl Streep (*pictured*), Ariana Grande, Nicole Kidman, James Corden, Andrew Rannells, Awkwafina and Keegan-Michael Key have been roped in for American screenwriter and director Ryan Murphy's rendition of musical. The story revolves around two veteran Broadway performers (Streep and Corden) who endure a major flop. With a hope to reverse their career narrative and get better publicity they decide to find a charitable cause. After intense scrutiny, they decide to help an Indiana high school student named Emma, whose prom is cancelled because she wants to bring her girlfriend. The movie is set to premiere in the fall of 2020.

Roll of Honour

ANNA BURNS' experimental project, *Milkman* (*book cover pictured*) and Patrick Radden Keefe's book *Say Nothing* were announced as the winners of the Orwell prize 2019. *Milkman* was awarded the inaugural prize for political fiction and *Say Nothing* took home the prize for political writing. Both the books revolve around troubles of Northern Ireland. The awards are worth £3,000.

Back For More

STAN LEE'S first book for adults, *A Trick of Light*, co-written with Kat Rosenfield, will be published on 17 September, 2019 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. Lee was the iconic comic book writer who co-created many celebrated characters including Spiderman, Iron Man and Thor. The book is being released after he died last year at the age of 95. The superhero origin book is about the friendship between Cameron, who gets superpowers after a freak accident, and Nia, a coding genius and how the two need to combine their powers to save the world.

Fake It Till You Make it

AN ABORIGINAL art company, Birubi Art, was fined $2.3million after it was found to have made false or misleading representations of their products. The company claimed it sold products that were hand-painted in Australia by Australian aboriginals, but the products were made in Indonesia. This is a breach of the indigenous art code of the Australian consumer law. The fine is the largest penalty of its kind ever to be awarded by the federal court, however, the art seller is not likely to pay up, as the company is in liquidation.

Anu Menon (below); a still from *Wonder Menon*

Best of Both Worlds

TV personality and stand-up comic Anu Menon on living with her alter ego, Lola Kutty, her new show, and making fun of everything and everyone

EKTAA MALIK

I KNOW what you are thinking. *Arre*, Kangana Ranaut *moti ho gayi hai*? I get it all the time, Kangana, Kangana!. Then I check my bank balance. *Aukat*!," says Anu Menon as she opens her first stand-up special, *Wonder Menon*, on Amazon Prime. The audience on the show responds with peals of laughter. *Wonder Menon* marks the full-fledged return of Anu Menon, otherwise is better known for her TV avatar Lola Kutty, to the screen. Menon as Kutty remains one of the most popular VJs on Channel V in the first decade of the 21st century.

The hour-long act has Menon channeling her inner 'Wonder Woman'. She is sporting a large cuff bracelet and gladiator sandals — in a nod to the eponymous superhero — and is in a blue tunic dress while addressing a packed hall in Bangalore. "I am glad you noticed," says Menon over the phone. " This stand up had been on the cards for a while. My management company had been after me to do something. One always works backwards from a deadline, or else you will keep procrastinating — oh I have to fetch my son, and do other boring chores— who wants to sit and write? We got this show on the floors last year, end of February," says Menon.

The stand-up special has Menon meander over a range of issues, her own curly hair for starters. She says on the show, "But this Kangana Ranaut has really monopolised the curly hair market... I am willing to do everything that Kangana Ranaut rejects, including Hrithik Roshan," says Menon with intense concern on her face, eliciting roars of laughter from the audience. Her "vegetarian Gujju husband", her mother and mother-in-law, and how she deals with the other tiger and helicopter moms that are super active on whats app groups are featured prominently in the act. Her own community, the Malyalis, is also at the receiving end of many a one liner. "All of these things have happened to me personally in some capacity or the other. I always believe that joke telling is in some way truth telling. Either the public will relate to it, or it will be so beyond their frame of context that they will find it funny. You either sympathise or empathise. Everyone has a different route to humour. I believe that if you just pander to what you think will work, the falsehood of it will come across and it won't ring true," adds Menon.

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> ANU MENON

There are digs at Shashi Tharoor and "his favourite book, *The Oxford English Dictionary*"; Narendra Modi and Amit Shah, and at the same time there are references to Yashraj, *sarson ke khet* and others. "Yes I am all over the place. But, seriously speaking, many of them are throwaways. I admire political comedians, for I know that I can never be that. I am not so inclined. I only did what seemed to ring true," says Menon. And yes, she has braced herself for the brickbats as well, though she asserts that it's not easy to develop a super thick skin. "I am pretty democratic and secular, I have spoken with equal disregard, love and affection for every community and people. And if we start caring about 'will this offend people', then what will I talk about? Apart from saying hello, how are you, people now take offence to everything. I believe it should be our national pastime. I understood very early on, that whatever I did was very niche. You cannot be all things for everyone," she says.

Menon was one of the first veejays to have embraced her heritage and ethnicity, turning it into a pop culture phenomenon. Her Kanjeevaram wearing, bespectacled, coconut-oil laden and heavily accented version — Lola Kutty — inspired an entire generation. In the cold open for *Wonder Menon*, Kutty and Menon are put in the same frame, the two sit across each other and we can see traces of one in the other. "I never had to struggle through open mics to test my material as I was known through Lola. And it was equally difficult as I had never been my own self. I had always been a character. Initially people would either be severely disappointed — that 'oh you are nothing like Lola' or be like 'wow, you are nothing like her'. Lola was this lower-middle class girl, unmarried, from a village in Kozikhode. She came to Mumbai with a certain dream. She had to look and sound like that. She couldn't look or sound like Anu, who came from an english-speaking, educated family from Chennai," shares Menon, who has also had a thriving career simultaneously in theatre, having acted in plays such as *Zen Katha*, *The Verdict* and *Only Women*.

While Channel V may not exist anymore, it surely gave the nation a plum crop of youth icons, and Lola Kutty was one of them. "It was the most talented bunch of people I ever worked with. Gaurav, Purab, Yudi — they were all super creative and were at the forefront. Then we had Juhi, Piya and I, the second crop. When anything new starts, the intention is that we will be *hatke*, but it all sadly came to TRPs. Then *Kyunki Saas..* had a TRP of 16, and Channel V was 0.1. That's how niche we were," recalls Menon.

Odd One Out

Production designer-turned-director Vandana Kataria on adapting Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice* for her debut feature, *Nobleman*

A still from *Nobleman* (above); actor Kunal Kapoor plays a drama teacher in the film

ALAKA SAHANI

THE LATEST cinematic adaptation of *The Merchant of Venice* — *Nobleman* — written and directed by Vandana Kataria, uses the tried and tested story-within-a-story device. The movie, which is set to have a limited release this Friday, is the story of a 15-year-old who is subjected to extreme bullying at an idyllic boarding school even as the students prepare for their foundation day where Shakepeare's iconic play is to be staged. The film follows a chain of events, triggered by bullying, which results in loss of life and innocence. In the process, it also touches upon the rarely discussed topic of homophobia in boys schools.

In 2016, Kataria started working on *Nobleman* soon after winning accolades for the production design of Dibakar Banerjee-directed *Detective Byomkesh Bakshy!* (2015). The National Institute of Design (NID) graduate in film and visual communications "always wanted to direct and write". She directed commercials and music videos even as she was handling production design for movies such as *Oye Lucky! Lucky Oye* (2008) and *Shanghai* (2012). "I'm a trained filmmaker. I always wanted to make movies. After *Byomkesh Bakshy!*, many people within the industry, including producers and directors, got to know me and appreciated my work. It became easier to knock on the doors and say that I have a script," she says.

Kataria was always intrigued by the themes in *The Merchant of Venice*. "It is the story of the oppressor and the oppressed. The desire for revenge is the cause of downfall. I wanted to explore these themes," she says. Ahead of *Nobleman*'s release, the writer-director says, "I'm hoping that people will find it engaging and the movie makes them think. After watching the movie, there should be something to talk about ."

The movie was shot over 22 days in two boarding schools in Mussoorie. "We lived in one of the schools with the cast and crew. We shot during the winter. We all slept in the dormitory and used to line up for hot water and food," says Kataria. Having such a close-knit team helped her wrap up the shoot in such a short period. Prior to the shoot, the actors underwent two weeks of workshop. "The workshop was all about being in the moment. That helped in getting natural performance from them in front of the camera," says the director.

For the role of the drama teacher, Kataria had Kunal Kapoor in mind and he came on board. The casting of students took around three months. Young actors from Bangalore. Pune, Kolkata, Delhi and Calcutta were auditioned. "Most of the cast is from Delhi and some are from Mumbai," she says. One of the prominent characters is being played by 19-year-old Ali Haji, who as a child actor featured in *Fanaa* (2006) and *Ta Ra Rum Pum* (2007).

For her sophomore directorial project, Kataria will travel to Kerala in the winter. Produced by RSVP Movies, that will be a family drama set in a matriarchal home in Kerala. "This is the first movie I wrote. It is a comedy and story of a dysfunctional family," says Kataria.

Man vs Food

An exhibition sheds light on how we consume food and its influence on our ethical, economic, and artistic values

SMRTI KRISHNANUNNI

TO BE startled by a cockroach leaping about a screen isn't exactly what one expects to encounter in an exhibition that talks about food politics. Natasha Gabriella Tontey's *Pest to Power* is an installation that chooses the route of virtual reality to tell the story of a sustainable future led by pests — the cockroach being the only species with the ability to survive after several extinctions. According to Tontey, humans do not care about the waste that they generate with their reckless food practices and the cockroach is capable of feeding off the waste and survive till the end. The artist presents the idea through theory, fiction, codes, recipes and web-based images in this work. *Pest to power* is on display at the exhibition, "The Food Diplomacy: Makan Ngga Makan Asal Kumpul", at Delhi's Korean Cultural Centre. *Makan Ngga Makan Asal Kumpul* is an Indonesian term that refers to the cultural gathering of family and friends over food. Curator M Haryo Hutomo extends that idea to get together artists who engage in food practices critically related to health, culture, and socio-politics.

"Since some Asian countries have similar cultural backgrounds on food related to bio-political practices and its impact on the way people consume without considering where the food comes from. How do we as a society separate the casual relations inherent in capitalism? The aim of this project is to spread awareness with regards to how the chain of food production and distribution have their exclusive scale in influencing ethical, economic, and artistic values," says Hutomo.

In a mixed media installation, titled *Cooking in Pressure*, The Bakudapan, a food study group, has chosen the medium of knitting and hand illustration to showcase their research conducted with the former female political prisoners of 1965. This was when mass killings took place during a coup in the country. They use linen to embroider on and make illustrations using black ink to bring alive imagery of violence on women, indigenous methods of cooking, rat infestation, public defecation affecting vegetation among several other images that are related to one of the darkest socio-political eras in Indonesian history. One of the embroideries is made by Ibu Hartiti, a former female political prisoner.

In *Everlost* (*pictured*), artist Fajar Abadi discusses the political trade of food on a regional and global scale. In the installation, we see rice, which is a local staple, and crackers, a foreign edible, stacked one atop another and intertwined in an unnatural fashion inside a transparent punching bag. Taking the idea forward, Adi Sundoro's lithographs and alugraphs (aluminium plates), created out of readily available kitchen stuff, catch the eye. A set of drawings based on digital print on paper with a coat of chili powder is titled "Grandpa Kitchen: loving, caring, sharing and nostalgia for the bygone childhood days", and emphasises the role of grandparents in the domestic sphere.

Artists Liyana Popo, Gamaliel and Dhies from House of Natural Fiber, a collective that responds to technological; development and its practical use in daily life, have created a video installation titled *Atlas of the dead* that talks about the death of the human body and draws on information from morphologic and clinical lab studies to chart the realm of diseases. Meanwhile, Fransisca Retno, a new media artist, conducts a participatory performance by persuading people to be involved in the process of making herbal concoctions with a mixture of species.

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The Lion in winter

Dhoni can still hold sway against the short ball, but his other limitations have been exposed in the World Cup

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THE OTHER day, after the Afghanistan game, Sachin Tendulkar urged MS Dhoni to show "positive intent", but one fears it isn't a matter of intent as much as it is of ability and confusion over his self-defined role. What is Dhoni now? A revivalist of mini-crises in middle overs, an end-overs destroyer, someone who stitches one end up? All those roles need two traits: a remarkable self-confidence under pressure (which he has), and the skill set to match that (which is now waning).

A maverick marauder, captain cool, exploder who tamed himself into the greatest finisher of all time, greatest stumper of all time, uber-brand... dog-instagrammer, daughter-instagrammer — and now a human, like the rest of us. There is a tenseness, a tightness, in his batting, not seen before. A hesitancy in mind.

Dhoni now has two problems: hitting immediately on arrival at the crease, and hitting good bowlers on song. In his pomp, the decision not to swing away when he was new to the crease was a choice. His will. In his control.

He made procrastination feel sexy. An art form. There weren't any doubts that he could if he wanted to, if the situation warranted. Now, that is in doubt. The recent past has lot of examples, but episodes from this World Cup will do as well.

Against Pakistan, he made the decision to free his arms as soon as he came. But it wasn't one of the IPL seamers but Mohammad Amir, who slanted it away from a length. Dhoni edged his attempted heave and was caught by the wicketkeeper.

Next game, of course, was against Afghanistan where he did what he does: stretched, pulled, waited, dragged the game on and suddenly realised 250 was now a blur if he didn't do something about it. And so, he tried but there was a whiff of desperation about it. He ran down the track and launched himself into a slog, both feet in the air, and was stumped for the first time in eight years.

With anyone else, it would be a meaningless stat. With anyone else, that shot wouldn't have registered. A typical dismissal of a batsman looking for runs. But such is Dhoni's aura, such is his remarkable past, that it makes one wonder. Was he desperate there, a word that didn't seem to exist in his headspace?

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That tightness, let's focus on it now. But before that, it's prudent to describe his difficulties of a couple of years and how he sorted them out.

The essence of Dhoni's batting is balance at the crease. When that goes awry, his game is affected. Back in those troubled days, he employed a trigger movement with his backfoot – nothing major but it was tilting his entire balance. He then had to drag himself forward for length deliveries which meant his hips would be opened up – which meant the bat came down at a wider angle which didn't allow him to hit cleanly. He would get almost locked and the hips would open up too much. Not good for most batsman, not ideal for Dhoni's style.

There is a story recounted by Prasanna Agoram, South Africa's performance analyst and who has worked with Dhoni in IPL. How he had feverishly, diligently prepared all his slides and course-corrective measures and would keep approaching Dhoni with them.

Deliveries from a length are a challenge. Dhoni is almost loathe to get forward, worried as he is about his balance. When he does, he can defend it of course, but when he tries to heave, things can go wrong — as it did against Amir.

Not much luck. A smile, 'some other day', and he couldn't move beyond small talk. One day, he said 'okay, come tell me but remember, nothing heavy. Keep it simple.' He heard the analyst out and told him to come next morning and watch him at the nets.

Dhoni did his thing, Prasanna did his thing. Things started to improve. In Prasanna's mind, Dhoni had to stand more upright and cut out the backfoot movement. He doesn't take credit for it, sees himself as one who observed more than influenced, but those two features started to appear in due course. Prasanna would write later in this newspaper, "The downswing comes from outside the eyeline, too far away from the body that he actually has to drag the bat in, and he ends up a touch open-chested, the hip rotation isn't smooth."

Last year when Prasanna saw Dhoni on the telly during IPL, he liked what he saw. "He stood a bit upright, and the bat-swing came down in a straight line. The front shoulder remained high due to his upright stance, and didn't drop down at all. The bat came down in a straight line, the hip rotated smoothly, the follow-through of the bat was full, and despite the full-length of the ball, the bottom hand kicked in enough to generate the power."

Problem solved, the sixes returned. The swagger returned. And the Chepauk crowd would throng in their thousands just to see him biff around at practice. It was the age of Kohli but in the IPL world, Dhoni was still the king. Rather, is still the king.

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But here is the rider. That phase felt different as it was clear that was a technical problem – and players like him usually get over such trivialities. Especially, Dhoni with his clarity of mind. So, one didn't fret too much about it.

Now, the situation is different. It isn't just a technical issue; it doesn't involve trigger movements and such irritants. It's about how he feels – the ageing, the inner clarity.

Here is a debatable hypothesis: Does he feel more in control than he actually is? Is he like Amitabh Bachchan of the 1980s, when he still thought he was the Hero but market reality proved something different. He then had to retreat, reinvent himself and come back. Is Dhoni biting more than he can chew? Only he will know the truth but that's the feeling one gets.

Now where does one see the problem in his batting? He is pretty fine with short deliveries. He swivels, uses his body to place himself in the right position and then helps it along or crashes it to the square-leg boundary. The short ball, as of now, doesn't upset his balance. All he needs to do is a hip-swivel.

Deliveries from a length (from good bowlers) are a different challenge, though. When it seams around, obviously. He is almost loathe to get forward, worried as he is about his balance. When he does, he can defend it of course, but when he tries to heave, things can go wrong as it did against Amir.

And so, he waits. Tick tock, tick tock, the overs go by. In IPL, with the presence of bowlers who aren't that good and even with the good bowlers, the pressure of a T20 match is something different. They come on for an odd over, then stop and do it all over again later — not many can do it. So, one will see now Dhoni trying to capitalise at the start of a new spell from a bowler. He has the smarts to work it out in that manner.

But he can't delay it and think he can make it up later. *Match banake, phir maarna.* That will still be his modus operandi, of course, but a bit smarter in the way he goes about it. No one senses moments in a game like him. One can see it on the field when he is the wicketkeeper. When he calls a bowler for a chat at the end of an over. When he intervenes to set a particular field. Or to bring on a bowler. He has retained that in his batting as well – that's why he chose to go after Amir, that's why he decided to go after Rashid Khan, but then it depends on his skill living up to his intent.

The team management too needs to set his role more clearly. He can't be the floater, drifter, attacker, anchor, finisher – a bit more clarity will help. It will be utterly fascinating to watch him from here on. If the West Indies bowlers continue with their recent error of bowling consistently short even on slow tracks, they will play right into Dhoni's hands. If they move it off a length or nip it here and there from back of a length, it would be interesting to see Dhoni's approach. A self-aware Dhoni, one who knows his limitations, is the one that the team needs.

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Gayle plans retirement after India series in Aug

Manchester: Dashing West Indies batsman Chris Gayle will retire from international cricket after the home ODI and Test series against India scheduled in August-September, revising his earlier plan to call it quits after the ongoing World Cup.

Among the high profile players in the last two decades, Gayle will follow the in footsteps of Steve Waugh (2004) and Jacques Kallis (2013), who announced their international retirement after playing against India.

It is expected that Gayle will play his final international game, a Test against India, at his home ground Kingston in Jamaica starting August 30. The 39-year-old had last month stated that he would retire after the World Cup but speaking to the media on the eve of the game against India here, the left-hander said he has had a change of mind.

"It's still not the end. I still have a few games to go. May be another series to go, as well. Who knows, we will see what happens," Gayle said when asked about his career which was supposed to end after the World Cup.

When he was asked a specific questions on his plans post World Cup, he did spill the beans. "My plans after World Cup? I may play a Test match against India and then I will definitely play the ODIs against India. I won't play the T20s for sure. That's my plan after the World Cup," Gayle said.

India's tour of West Indies comprises three T20 Internationals, three ODIs followed by a couple of Test matches. There will be two T20 games in Florida on August 3 and 4, followed by a third in Guyana.

'I'm up there with the greats'

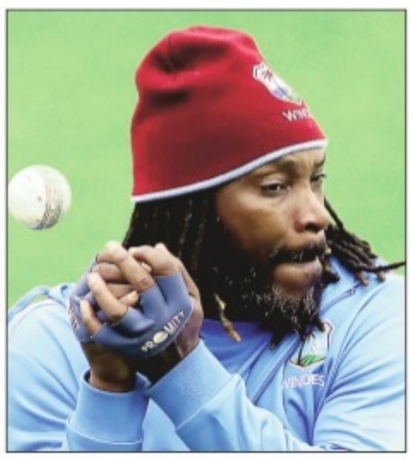
When asked where he sees himself among the pantheons of greats in West Indies cricket, Gayle said: "I'm definitely up there. I'm definitely up there with the greats without a doubt.

"I started my career with the likes of Courtney Walsh, Curtly Ambrose, you watch them on TV and you realize they're in the dressing room, it's just a bunch of guys. And Brian Lara, the first captain as well, Carl Hooper. So it's some quality moments when you look back on it.

"I could not have had a better career as a player representing the West Indies."

In the current team, Gayle finds Nicholas Pooran as a "savage youngster" who could potentially be a 'mini Universe Boss'.

"Mini-universe boss, that's a serious name. Nicholas Pooran is going to be a savage youngster, trust me on that one. I must commend Pooran's work ethic. It's fantastic for a youngster to actually just come into the team. And he's going to be a world record beater," he said. **PTI**



Chris Gayle has had an average outing in the World Cup so far. *AP*

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Milestones become millstones

A BILATERAL series provides a safety valve, an opportunity to set things right the next day. But the high pressure and the different challenges posed by different teams seems to have caught up with the pre-tournament favourites, who are now in serious danger of choking, reckons former skipper Nasser Hussain wrote in his column for Daily Mail. "You face different sides with different strengths, going from the spin and unorthodox action of Lasith Malinga against Sri Lanka to the pace and swing of Australia in successive matches. And they haven't coped with either."

The hosts are still in contention, but Hussain believes they are very vulnerable and will now be looking over their shoulders. "We are talking about a clash against an India side at Edgbaston on Sunday on what is likely to be a turning pitch with the weather becoming hot. India are not invincible and are weaker for the loss of Shikhar Dhawan but that is still a very difficult task for England."

Hussain points out this is a bad time to lose successive home games for the first time in four years. Writing in the same paper, Lawrence Booth opined that if England didn't get their act together soon, the 2019 showing will be regarded as their most disappointing World Cup campaign. "Whisper it, but the stage is set for England's biggest World Cup letdown of the lot. If you thought 1996, 1999, 2003, 2007, 2011 and 2015 weren't great, try stumbling in front of your home crowd because the favourites tag around your neck is starting to resemble a millstone," Booth wrote.

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'Drive safe, Brisbane'

On Wednesday, a day after the England-Australia cricket match, there was a lot of rain in...Australia. And there was good reason for the wet day, as the Queensland Police graciously explained on Twitter: "The tears of English cricket fans have made driving conditions tricky this morning. Drive safe Brisbane."

That's when the floodgates really opened, online.

"How about using a sandpaper to enhance the tyres' grip?" came one reply. Then there was a picture of the emotional Steve Smith and David Warner during the ball-tampering fiasco, with the caption "The Aussies would know all about tears."

Still, it was the original tweet from the Queensland Police that proved to be the most appreciated. Their subtle dig touched 5700 'hearts'.

Comedian Michael McIntyre and the England football team's manager Gareth Southgate were among those who attended England's match against Australia at Lord's on Tuesday. *Reuters*

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So cheerful, BBC

"Brink of calamity", the BBC declared. England's World Cup journeys follow a pattern, be it cricket, football or any sport for that matter. First, it's the hype - players are put on a pedestal so high that they seem unconquerable. A couple of defeats and the world around them collapses - the same players who are revered are brought down to earth with crushing brutality.

BBC writer Tom Fordyce echoes the pessimism of most of England. "If it can go wrong, it will. When it does, it will do so in spectacular fashion: breathtaking collapses, ghastly whitewashes, resignations and wholesale retirements. It was all that this new England are no longer meant to be. It was the old England back when no-one wanted them."

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KP taunts Morgan

It's one thing smashing minnows Afghanistan for a world-record 17 sixes, and an entirely different proposition facing up to the pace, swing and hostility of Mitchell Starc. At least, that's what Kevin Pietersen implied when jibing Eoin Morgan over his all-too-short stint at Lord's on Tuesday. Morgan shuffled uneasily and looked ill at ease against the fire-spewing left-armer. He was soon put out of his misery when he desperately flailed at a well-directed short ball and was caught at fine-leg, prompting Pietersen, whose own international career was abruptly cut short by the England and Wales Cricket Board, to term Morgan as a 'weak' captain and hint that England may be in some trouble in days to come. "The England captain stepping to square leg when Starc bowled his first delivery to him made me think England could have a little problem over the next week or so," KP tweeted. "I hope not, but I've not seen a captain show such a weakness for a while..."

Morgan was obviously salty post the defeat and it didn't help that a scribe brought up Pietersen's tweet at the post-match press conference, saying he'd looked scared of the ball and was backing away from Mitchell Starc. "Really? Excellent. I didn't feel like that way at all," Morgan replied, before quickly moving to the next question.

Warner cops it from fans

The English crowd gave David Warner a trailer of what's to come in the coming months. A man in England's retro jersey grabbed all the attention. As Warner strode into bat, he, yelled: "You will never walk alone, coz you're a cheat!" The crowd chorused: "You're a cheeeeeaaaaat!" Even when they didn't take his name, they reminded Warner of what they felt. Like when Aaron Finch batted, they kept booming. "We love you, because you're not a cheat."

Predictably Pakistan

Nearly out of the Cup less than a week ago, Sarfaraz & Co keep semifinal hopes alive after Afridi's burst and Babar ton

EXPRESS AT WORLD CUP

SRIRAM VEERA
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THERE CAME a moment in the chase when Babar Azam played a shot that convinced you that the game was done. Mitchell Santner was ripping it a lot, the ball breaking away sharply and pretty rapidly for a pitch that was supposedly slow. Time and again, Mohammad Hafeez was beaten. Anyone would be. Then came the Azam touch. There was a slip in place and the ball spun away from him, but he let his hands and the malleable wrists follow his instinct. The hands glided away, the bat-face turned, and he steered the ball almost with the bat-face turned around, behind square, and the ball winked past the slip fielder, who must have been astonished by the elegance, the skill, the touch. New Zealand had recovered from 46 for 4 to 237 but Azam and Haris Sohail ensured Pakistan were well and truly back in the tournament.

Sarfaraz Ahmed has faced all sorts of abuses ever since the loss against India but he silenced everyone with a fabulous diving catch to snap up Ross Taylor. Off he flew to his right with an outstretched hand, triggering 1992 nostalgia again when Moin Khan dived in front for first slip to take a blinder.

New Zealand misread the pitch, going in with just one spinner that forced Kane Williamson to roll in some offspin for eight overs but even with the arsenal they had, this wasn't an easy chase. That there was a chase at all was due to a splendid 121-run partnership in little over 20 overs between Jimmy Neesham and Colin de Grandhomme.

It resuscitated New Zealand who were almost knocked out in the first round by Shaheen Afridi's triple strike. Even though they lost the game, New Zealand can take great heart from that Neesham-Grandhomme stand: it means they aren't just Williamson-Taylor outfit, it means they can not only expect Neesham or Grandhomme to help a Kane or Ross to win a game (as they did against South Africa) but they can also trust them to lift them from near-dead situations on their own.

But this was a day that Pakistan would remember more fondly – the 1992 memes are alive, back then it was Inzamam-ul-Haq, now its Haris Sohail who has lifted the whole team with his refreshing approach. With the 'Professor" Mohammad Hafeez in fine fettle, though he is yet to convert a start into something really big, and the openers looking solid, Pakistan are now in a really good position in the tournament. Especially, if Shaheen Afridi can provide such blast with the new ball, the only area that was lacking thus far.

The chase will be remembered for how Pakistan converted what looked like a weakness into a strength. The old-fashioned approach of starting slow, consolidating, keeping wickets, and then outmanoeuvring the opposition. It takes great skill and in Azam, they have found a batsman for the ages.

He flicks and punches, he cuts and runs down the track, he drives and lofts – and he has a solid defensive technique. Together first with Hafeez, he slowly settled down the nerves if any in the camp and with Sohail, he provided an exhilarating finish. New Zealand had their chances, one came in the 22nd over when Santner got one to turn and jump. It chipped off the outer edge off Azam but Tom Latham, the wicketkeeper, couldn't hold on to it. Azam was on 38 then, and the game was still in the balance – not after that, though.

When one walked into the stadium, there was this indescribable confidence among Pakistan's fans. And their journalists. As if this game was already done. "We will win this and Afghanistan, it's Bangladesh we are worried about a bit. Only they can stop us. Not New Zealand." And within 30 minutes of play, the first half of their prediction had almost come true. The next stop is Afghanistan before we come to why they are a bit worried about Bangladesh. If that's their worry, their wish is for an India-Pakistan final.

Babar Azam, who scored his 10th ODI hundred, became the first middle-order batsman from Pakistan to score a World Cup century in 32 years. *Reuters*

Swing, seam or hit-the-deck: dial Shaheen

SRIRAM VEERA
JUNE 26

Ayaz bhai, I will play for Pakistan" Shaheen Afridi was 15 when he shared his destination with Ayaz Akbar Yousafzai, the head coach at Pakistan's age-group camps held for teenagers. "He said it matter-of-factly. Sometimes, kid say na, I want to play for Pakistan — this wasn't like that. He wasn't telling his wish. He was confident," says Yousafzai. So was the coach himself. It was a U-15 camp when he saw him first, brought to him by an owner of the cricket club where Afridi was playing.

Yousafzai knew Afridi's brother Riaz, who had played for Pakistan. He had been the bridge for Riaz as well, from youth cricket to first-class. But he would be a bit surprised one day when Riaz walked up to him and told him to allow his younger brother to play first-class cricket for Khan Laboratories.

"He is too young for first-class, I thought," Yousafzai tells *The Indian Express.* "But the team asked me and then Riaz came and kept asking him until I agreed. *Unka Waalid saab,* also I knew and then I decided chalo, let him play." Afridi took eight wickets in that match. "Then what? *ho gaya kaam!"* Yousafzai says. He went to play for Pakistan U-19 but by then, he was already touted as next big thing.

Pak passion is a great site for most things cricket but obviously for Pakistan. Devoted cricket fans obsess over every little thing—technical, mental, body language and it comes out in raves, disses, and genuine appreciation. But above all, the first thing whenever the forum discusses a new fast bowler is his speed. Shaheen Afridi Pace Watch is a recurring thread of sorts. Videos are somehow procured. There you can see Afridi as a 17-year old, him knocking out stumps and yorking batsmen.

Even bowling from round the stumps, which in a previous era used to be considered as hard work, something that requires years of practice. The forum obviously lists out his speeds across ages. 145 kmph., 147… someone would fret that the run-up isn't smooth or that he isn't coming closer to stumps. You put those 'problems' to Yousafzai and he laughs. "You know what, we did work a lot on the run-up. He had almost everything else. A true natural. Inswing, outswing, hitting the deck, swinging it, he had it. *Thak jaata tha* with his run-up (he would get tired). Tall boy and the strides and the way he would run in are important. For any bowler, but for someone tall, it becomes that more crucial – and can upset rhythm if it's too long or too short a stride. We would work on it. And another thing was the line and length, but that was obvious as he was young and was learning the tricks of the trade."

Shaheen ran through New Zealand's top order with a three-wicket burst.

"Shaheen, *kabhi toh has ley tu!"* (Laugh sometimes!) Yousafzai would tell Afridi, a serious, focused kid, almost always talking about bowling or fussing about his run-up or whatever that they were working on. "His work ethics stood out, *bahut hi mehnati bacha hai.* Not many are like that, especially the ones who are naturally talented like him. They think the game comes easily but not Shaheen."

Once, when a PCB official landed up at the camp and asked Yousafzai whether there were any problems, he went, *"Bus, Shaheen late aata hai"* and he laughed. To him and to the official, it was clear that it was a joke. By then the word had spread about Afridi's discipline. "But he took it seriously, had a long face, *mooh latkake baita,* and refused to speak to me for a while." I told him, beta voh toh joke tha but he felt I shouldn't have. It took him a while to get over it."

On Wednesday, Shaheen smiled. He even air-kissed. Three wickets in a bunch. So much so that at the end of six overs, many team-mates ran to congratulate him and pat him on the back. It seemed the end of his spell.

He was walking away with a smile when his captain Sarfaraz summoned him. Both had a chat, Afridi nodding away and it was clear that he would bowl one more over. No wickets came, but it made Yousafzai smile at his Islamabad home. "Even as a kid he was always ready to bowl long spells and it was one of the reasons I was worried about his early first-class debut. Kahin, they won't break his body with such spells."

He had reason to be worried. Not that Afridi was prone to injury but he wasn't this well-built as he is now. "Patla tha, slim boy. The experts advised him on dieting and how to build his body. He immersed himself with all that – ghus hi gaya." Seven overs, 11 runs, three wickets. Of the three, Yousafzai enjoyed the Colin Munro's wicket. "Munro is an attacking batsman but he didn't worry about it. It was on a good length and moved away. Kind of stuff, I remember we used to talk and work on when he was younger." Well, he is still 19.

"What makes Shaheen special is that he is flexible – shoulders, hands, and the wrist," Yousafzai says. It's an interesting observation and it explains a lot about his bowling. At times, he can look like a hit-the-deck bowler. That's the shoulder taking on the main role. Rarely do left-arm fast bowlers are effective hit-the-deckers. Brett Shultz was one but he didn't last long. Usually, the lefties are more slingy, swingy, curlers. Afridi can, if he desires, operate as an effective hit-the-deck er. Like he was against Australia (though not a wise option then). Like he was here against New Zealand in phases.

The flexible wrists come into view when he got the ball to bend away. It almost flexes at the last instant, as if he is doing it slow motion, a separate piece of his arm – the wrists take over at the last instant and he gives it a quite fierce whip. The wrist snaps and the ball swings. "It's that flexibility I am talking about," Yousufzai says. New Zealand didn't have many answers to that fluidity, that flexibility and they succumbed. Ross Taylor couldn't even be blamed, he had leaned forward in defense, drawn forward by the length but the ball jagged away to clip the edge.

Already, Pakistan Twitter is ablaze with memes. The big jaw, the big forehead, and that hair, parted in the centre and buffed up on top make for easy gifs and jokes. The pace threads in fan forums will be flooding for a while. But, now, time has come to appreciate and rave about the other things he does: the way the ball fizzes, the way it seams, the lengths at which it kicks off, and those flexible wrists and shoulders that make him a unique left-arm pacer of our times: someone who can hit the deck and also swing the ball. Double jeopardy for the batsmen.

QUALIFICATION SCENARIO

- Pakistan's win over New Zealand means three semifinal spots are still up for grabs with seven suitors.
- The Kiwis are yet to seal a last-four berth while Pakistan kept their hopes alive and would fancy their chances against Afghanistan and Bangladesh.
- India can make sure by winning two of their remaining four matches, while New Zealand will have to beat either Australia or England to feel safe.
- England's position is jeopardised with Bangladesh, Pakistan, West Indies and Sri Lanka eyeing the knockouts. The hosts need to beat India and New Zealand to qualify.
- Windies have no margin of error while Bangladesh need to beat either India or Pakistan, preferably both. Sri Lanka face India, West Indies and South Africa and must win at least two to stay in contention.

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NEW ZEALAND 237/6 IN 50 OV

M Guptill b Md Amir	**5** (4b, 1x4)
C Munro c Haris Sohail b Shaheen Afridi	**12** (17b, 2x4)
K Williamson (c) c †Sarfaraz b Shadab Khan	**41** (69b, 4x4)
R Taylor c †Sarfaraz b Shaheen Afridi	**3** (8b)
T Latham † c †Sarfaraz b Shaheen Afridi	**1** (14b)
J Neesham not out	**97** (112b, 5x4, 3x6)
C de Grandhomme run out (Md Amir/†Sarfaraz)	**64** (71b, 6x4, 1x6)
M Santner not out	**5** (5b)
Extras: (b 2, lb 3, w 4)	9

Fall of wickets: 1-5 (Martin Guptill, 1.1 ov), 2-24 (Colin Munro, 6.2 ov), 3-38 (Ross Taylor, 8.6 ov), 4-46 (Tom Latham, 12.3 ov), 5-83 (Kane Williamson, 26.2 ov), 6-215 (Colin de Grandhomme, 47.4 ov)

Bowling:

Md Hafeez	7-0-22-0
Md Amir	10-0-67-1
Shaheen Afridi	10-3-28-3
Imad Wasim	3-0-17-0
Shadab Khan	10-0-43-1
Wahab Riaz	10-0-55-0

PAKISTAN 241/4 IN 41.1 OV

Imam-ul-Haq c Guptill b Ferguson	**19** (29b, 3x4)
Fakhar Zaman c Guptill b Boult	**9** (10b, 2x4)
Babar Azam not out	**101** (127b, 11x4)
Md Hafeez c Ferguson b Williamson	**32** (50b, 5x4)
Haris Sohail run out (Guptill)	**68** (76b, 5x4, 2x6)
Sarfaraz Ahmed (c) † not out	**5** (3b)
Extras: (w 7)	7

Fall of wickets: 1-19 (Fakhar Zaman, 2.6 ov), 2-44 (Imam-ul-Haq, 10.2 ov), 3-110 (Mohammad Hafeez, 24.5 ov), 4-236 (Haris Sohail, 48.3 ov)

Bowling:

TA Boult	10-0-48-1
M Henry	7-0-25-0
L Ferguson	8.1-0-50-1
C de Grandhomme	2-0-12-0
M Santner	10-0-38-0
J Neesham	3-0-20-0
K Williamson	8-0-39-1
C Munro	1-0-9-0

POINTS TABLE

Team	M	W	L	T	N/R	PT	NRR
Aus	7	6	1	0	0	12	+0.849
NZ	7	5	1	0	1	11	+1.028
Ind	5	4	0	0	1	9	+0.809
Eng	7	4	3	0	0	8	+1.051
Ban	7	3	3	0	1	7	-0.133
Pak	7	3	3	0	1	7	-0.976
SL	6	2	2	0	2	6	-1.119
WI	6	1	4	0	1	3	0.19
SA	7	1	5	0	1	3	-0.234
Afg	7	0	7	0	0	0	-1.634

Top 4 teams after the ninth round will qualify for the semis.

This is my best innings. The wicket was difficult and turned a lot in the second half. The plan was to go through to the end and give my 100%."

BABAR AZAM, PAKISTAN'S NO.3

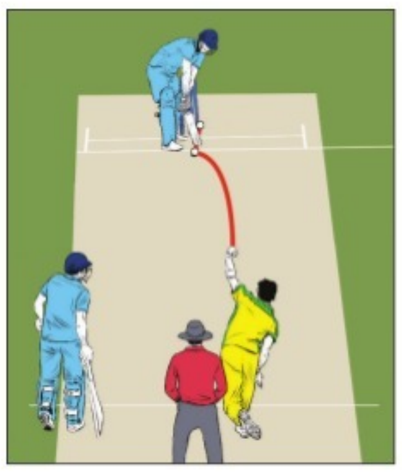
Yorker from hell: How Starc's blinding pace, devious swerve & laser-guided precision deceived Stokes

METHOD AND MAGIC: It seemed pure magic, the ball seemingly wobbling away, before curling in, at high pace, before subtly deviating away off the surface as Ben Stokes plonked his bat to defy the low-flung projectile. But the ball was perfection embodied, with every aspect in its making well-weighted — speed, length, line, degree of movement, deviation off the surface.

It was as fast as they come — a 90mph corker. But pace without direction is redundant. So if the line had strayed a few centimetres away from the off-stump, the ball would have escaped the stumps. Similarly, a couple of centrimetres onto his pads, it could have evaded the leg-stump. The late inward movement made it deadlier — the amount of swing was neither too less nor too much. Starc had absolute control over the degree of swing. It began to swing only after traversing two-thirds of its track. Had the ball begun tailing in when it was mid-path, Stokes could have second-guessed the trajectory.

Equally important was where it began to swing. It started hemming in just outside the line of the off-stump and ended up inside the line. Stokes thought he had covered the line (though belatedly), but after pounding on the turf, the ball marginally shaped away from the batsman off the seam. The length, too, was millimetre perfect. A little bit either side of where it pitched, Stokes would have managed to retrieve the ball and prevent it from blasting his stumps. In that sense, it was crafted chicanery, than a freak, magical ball that negotiated an inconceivable S- shape.

THE SET-UP: Lost in that moment of genius was how he gnawed at Stokes, weaving a dreamy web of assurance. Stokes, to begin with, was extremely wary. He knew if he weathered Starc's spell, he could shepherd England home. With the old ball, neither Pat Cummins nor Jason Behrendorff pose as much threat as Starc. The first ball was a floaty full ball that moved away, drivable though Stokes was a trifle too late.



Starc's corker could easily go down as the ball of the 2019 World Cup.

The next one was on middle stump, shaping into him at back-of-a-length. The England all-rounder was expecting it, and the length made it comfortable for him to tuck it onto the leg-side for a single. The balls he didn't face too left an impression. Both were back-of-length-ish, creating an impression he was looking to exploit the spongy bounce (and sometimes variable too) that was on offer. A case of the ball holding up, or stopping at the batsman. If anything, Starc looked a little rusty. So Stokes hung on the back-foot. Mistake, he should have known Starc doesn't trade in weaker currencies.

THE MECHANICS: The strapping Australian is a programmable yorker-emitting bowling machine- he bowls one every five balls. He attributes this to hours of practice and the imbued conviction that he can do no wrong with his machine. As much as his precision might have helped in perfecting yorkers, what makes Starc's yorker unplayable at times is his action and build.

A few anatomical quirks have helped him. One of them is his hyper-extended elbow. Though it's not as pronounced as Jasprit Bumrah's, he does hyper-extend his elbow, going slightly beyond the perpendicular, creating a slingshot effect without actually keeping his release at a lower point. It also gives him another yard of pace.

Moreover, because of his identical release positions, it's difficult to pick whether he's ganging up for a bouncer or yorker. He's also a master of disguise. Generally, he goes wide off the crease for that exaggerated inward bend to the left-hander. But here he was bowling closer to the stumps, thus camouflaging his intentions. It's this angle that initially created an impression that the ball was moving away.

Equally noticeable is the position of his arm, which is below the horizontal when he prepares to bring it through to release the ball. So naturally, the whip of the arm has to be quicker. A quicker arm-whip means a quicker delivery too. And of course, the taller the bowler (and naturally higher the release point) the more difficult it is to negotiate his yorkers.

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LEADING SCORERS

500 David Warner (AUS), 496 Aaron Finch (AUS), 476 Shakib al Hasan (BAN)

LEADING WICKET-TAKERS

19 Mitchell Starc (AUS), 16 Mohammad Amir (PAK), 16 Jofra Archer (ENG)

BRIEFLY

Davis Cup: India likely to travel to Pakistan

New Delhi: An Indian Davis Cup team is likely to travel to Pakistan after 55 years with the national tennis federation AITA hinting that the central government will allow the players to compete against the neighbouring country in September. No Indian Davis Cup squad has travelled to Pakistan since March 1964 and in that tie, held in Lahore, India had won 4-0.

IOA chief Batra elected IOC member

Lausanne: Indian Olympic Association president Narinder Batra was on Wednesday elected as a member of the International Olympic Committee. Batra was elected to the prestigious seat during the IOC Session here. He secured 58 votes out of 62 while four voted against him. His election is linked to his function in a National Olympic Committee — that is president of IOA.

Boxer Goyat injured in road accident

New Delhi: Indian pro boxer Neeraj Goyat has been hospitalised after suffering "severe injuries" following a car accident, ruling him out of next month's WBC Pearl World Championship clash against British star Amir Khan. The 27-year-old from Haryana met with the accident when he was returning home after training. Neeraj was set to take on Khan, a two-time world champion, in the WBC Pearl World Championship bout in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia on July 12.

Chennaiyin FC fail to advance despite win

Kathmandu: Chennaiyin FC beat Manang Marshyangdi Club of Nepal 3-2 in their final group match but fell short of clinching a maiden knock-out berth in the AFC Cup here Wednesday. The win at the ANFA Complex was not enough for Chennaiyin to progress to the Inter-Zone Semifinals, as Bangladesh's Abahani Limited Dhaka clinched top spot after beating Minerva Punjab 1-0 in the other Group E tie in Guwahati.

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In search of cloud nine

Twenty years after making his debut, Roger Federer returns to Wimbledon hunting for a ninth title

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TWENTY YEARS after his debut, Roger Federer will take aim at a ninth Wimbledon title and a place in history as the oldest man to capture a Grand Slam singles crown. Federer, who turns 38 in August, is already the oldest player to win the Wimbledon men's title in the modern era, a feat achieved in 2017 when he was 35. Australia's Ken Rosewall was only just past 37 when he won the 1972 Australian Open, an age barrier Federer hopes to smash when Wimbledon starts Monday. "I love being around here. It's a good vibe. I have great memories. My heroes all won here," said 20-time major winner Federer. "Every time I come back here, I try to be like them."

However, despite his lifetime affection for the All England Club, the tussle to add to his London silverware has become increasingly fraught. His eighth and most recent Wimbledon title came off a straight-sets demolition of an injury-hit and tearful Marin Cilic in the 2017 final. Federer was a force of nature that year, not dropping a set in the entire fortnight as title rivals fell by the wayside.

Novak Djokovic retired with an elbow injury in the last-eight against Tomas Berdych while Rafael Nadal was stunned by Gilles Muller 15-13 in the final set of his last-16 engagement. Federer's seventh Wimbledon title had come five years earlier with a final win over Andy Murray. His first six arrived in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2009.

But 2017 aside, recent trips to London have proved disappointing for the Swiss star whose first experience of Wimbledon was an opening-round loss to Jiri Novak of the Czech Republic in 1999. In 2013, he was shocked in the second round by Ukrainian serve-and-volleying journeyman Sergei Stakhovsky. The next two seasons saw runners-up finishes to Djokovic while the 2016 campaign ended with a five-set loss in the semi-finals, blown away by the heavy artillery of Milos Raonic.

Last year was particularly painful for Federer, beaten by Kevin Anderson in the quarter-finals in a 13-11 final set. "The losses hurt more, that you don't want to be on the loser's side. It motivates me to do extremely well here because I don't want to sit here and explain my loss. That's the worst feeling you can have as a tennis player," he said in the aftermath of that loss to the giant South African in a tie where he held match points in the fourth set.

Despite that shattering loss 12 months ago, Federer will still go into this year's Wimbledon as one of the favourites alongside four-time champion Djokovic. Having seen Nadal win a 12th Roland Garros to move within two majors of Federer's record 20 for the first time, the Swiss headed to Halle where he won a 10th title at the grass court event. "To win 10 times in one place is a very special moment in my career," said Federer who now has 102 career titles, just seven off the all-time record held by Jimmy Connors.

It also made him the oldest tour-level champion since 43-year-old Rosewall won at Hong Kong in 1977. "Every time I've won in Halle, I went on to play really well at Wimbledon," added Federer. "It's never a guarantee of course, but I've been on the Tour for long enough to know what it means."

Federer seeded 2, Nadal 3

Federer was seeded No. 2 for Wimbledon, one spot ahead of Rafael Nadal, reversing their positions in the ATP rankings and creating a debate about whether the All England Club's seeding system should be changed. Top-ranked Novak Djokovic, the defending champion, was seeded No. 1 on Wednesday at the grass-court Grand Slam tournament, where recent results on the surface are used to help determine seedings. The other majors do not do that.

Nadal told a Spanish TV station that he doesn't think it makes sense that Wimbledon is the only tournament that uses its own seeding system. Former U.S. Davis Cup captain Patrick McEnroe and former player and coach Brad Gilbert tweeted that they thought Nadal should have been seeded No. 2.

The ATP's top 32 men are seeded at Wimbledon, but the order is based on a formula that gives players additional credit for ranking points earned at tournaments played on grass over the preceding two years. That allowed Federer, who won his 10th title at Halle, Germany, last week, to jump ahead of Nadal, who potentially could have to beat both Djokovic and Federer to win what would be his third championship at Wimbledon.

Last year's runner-up, Kevin Anderson, was seeded No. 4, even though he is ranked only No. 8 this week; 2018 semifinalist John Isner is seeded No. 9, ranked No. 12; 2017 runner-up Marin Cilic is seeded No. 13, ranked No. 18. This year's women's seedings at the All England Club strictly follow the WTA rankings, so French Open champion Ash Barty is at No. 1. Naomi Osaka is No. 2, followed by Karolina Pliskova. Seven-time Wimbledon champion Serena Williams is seeded 11th, the same place she holds in this week's rankings. The draw is Friday; play begins Monday.

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RAMKUMAR BOWS OUT

Ramkumar Ramanathan yet again failed to crack a Grand Slam main draw, losing the second round of the men's singles qualifying event at the Wimbledon championships to Poland's Kamil Majchrzak. The unseeded Indian lost 6-7 (5) 3-6 to 11th seed and world number 111 in one hour and 19 minutes. Ramkumar, who possesses a big serve and a lethal inside out forehand, did not get a single breakpoint in the match while his opponent converted two of the seven chances. PTI

Trump in a public feud with US player

AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE
WASHINGTON, JUNE 26

PRESIDENT DONALD Trump accused US women's World Cup soccer star Megan Rapinoe of "disrespect" Wednesday after she swore not to visit his White House. In the latest of his public feuds with high-profile athletes and celebrities, Trump sent multiple tweets complaining about Rapinoe, whose short, dyed hair has made her one of the most recognizable faces of the mighty US team.

"Megan should never disrespect our Country, the White House, or our Flag, especially since so much has been done for her & the team. Be proud of the Flag that you wear," he tweeted. In the same series of tweets, Trump announced he was inviting the US women's team to the White House and said "I am a big fan."

Rapinoe, however, "should WIN first before she TALKS! Finish the job!" he wrote. The president's outburst followed the broadcast of a video clip in which Rapinoe dismisses the idea of visiting the White House. Such events are a longtime tradition for successful sports teams and athletes but have run into a political minefield during the controversy-filled Trump presidency.

"I'm not going to the fucking White House," the US co-captain exclaimed in the clip on Eight by Eight, a football magazine. "No. I'm not going to the White House."

The reigning world champions have swept aside all challengers so far in the World Cup and meet the hosts France on Friday for a quarter final that Rapinoe says she hopes will be "wild and crazy."

Dutch ensure Euro dominance

Rennes: A last-minute Lieke Martens penalty took the Netherlands through to the women's World Cup quarter-finals as they joined Italy in the last eight, confirming Europe's supremacy at the tournament and ending Asian interest already.

The Dutch on Tuesday scraped past Japan 2-1 to set up a quarter-final on Saturday in Valenciennes against the Italians, who had beaten China 2-0 earlier in the day thanks to goals from Valentina Giacinti and Aurora Galli. Those results mean seven of the eight quarter-finalists in France are European, with holders and favourites the United States the sole exception. There had never previously been more than five European sides in the last eight of a women's World Cup.

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE
The Deputy Chief Engineer/Const./ Northern Railway Shivaji Bridge, New Delhi, for and on behalf of the President of India invites open e-tender under Single-Packet system, for the following work: **Name of work and location:** "Construction of 02 Lane Road Over Bridge having span 1 x 58.040 M (Bow String steel Girder) c/c of pier, along with Limited Height Subway (Internal size 5.500 X 2.60 M) including design and Drawing of sub structure & foundation in lieu of L-xing No. 36 Spl at Km 58/15-17 near Ganaur Railway station on Delhi-Ambala section of Northern Railway. **Completion period of the work:** 12 (Twelve) months. **Approx. Cost of work:** Rs. 975.07 lakh **Earnest Money to be deposited:** Rs. 6,37,600 /-only **Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tender:** Tenders may be uploaded upto11.30 hrs on **19.07.2019** on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in. The bidders can participate in the e-tender, the tender will be opened **at 11.30 hrs on 19.07.2019. Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document:** The detailed e-tender notice is available on Northern Railway web site i.e. www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and tender document is available on www.ireps.gov.in from 28.06.2019 to 19.07.2019 Above tenders document will be available for submission of offer on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in from **05.07.2019** to **19.07.2019** All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office. **No. 463-Acs-ROB-36-Ganaur-CSB Dated 26.06.2019** 2056/19
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मार्फत वृद्धाश्रम, सैक्टर-15, पंचकूला दूरभाष नं. 0172-2595009
पुनः ई-निविदा सूचना
जिला रैडक्रास समिति, पंचकूला द्वारा सैक्टर-1, पंचकूला स्थित जिला सचिवालय में बहुमंजिली पार्किंग स्थल को वाहन पार्किंग चलाने के लिए etenders.hry.nic.in पर आन-लाईन ई-निविदा दिनांक 09.07.2019 तक प्रातः 11.00 बजे तक अपलोड की जा सकती है। इस etender से संबंधित विवरण, नियम व शर्तें तथा आन-लाईन आवेदन करने हेतु कृपया etenders.hry.nic.in पर आएं। etendering में हिस्सा लेने के लिए अग्रिम रूप से मु. 1,00,000/- रु. का बैंक ड्राफ्ट जो कि जिला रैडक्रास समिति, पंचकूला के पक्ष में हो, जमानत के रूप में जमा करवाना होगा तथा जमानत राशि के बैंक ड्राफ्ट की छाया प्रति आनलाईन upload भी करनी होगी। इसके इलावा बोलीदाता को अपना पहचान पत्र व पार्किंग चलाने का कम से कम एक वर्ष का अनुभव प्रमाण पत्र (सरकारी संस्था/बोर्ड, निगम इत्यादि) शपथ पत्र की bidder किसी भी अपराधिक मामले में संलिप्त नहीं है भी आनलाईन upload करना होगा तथा यह सभी दस्तावेज जिला रैडक्रास समिति पंचकूला के कार्यालय में दिनांक 09.07.2019 को सायं 4 बजे तक जमा भी करवाने होंगे। यदि आनलाईन अपलोड किए गए प्रपत्र व दस्ती रूप से कार्यालय में जमा करवाए गए प्रमाण प्रपत्रों का मिलान नहीं होता तो उस बिड को रद्द कर दिया जाएगा। देरी से निविदाएं स्वीकार नहीं की जाएगी। इस निविदा से संबंधित Technical Bid व Financial Bid क्रमशः दिनांक 10.07.2019 को 3.00 बजे व 12.07.2019 को 3.00 बजे नगराधी। पंचकूला के कार्यालय में खोली जाएगी। जिला रैडक्रास समिति पंचकूला को अधिकार होगा कि वह बिनाकार बताए किसी भी या सभी निविदाओं को रद्द कर सकता है।
Note:- In addition to above bank Draft in favour of District Red Cross Society Panchkula for Tender fee of Rs. 100/- and Tender Processing fee of Rs. 1000/- will also upload with Tender Document and Deposited in the office.
उपायुक्त एवं प्रधान,
जिला रैडक्रास समिति, पंचकूला।

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice
Dy. CSTE/P/SW, DIVISIONAL RAILWAY MANAGER OFFICE, 2ND FLOOR, ROOM No. 203, State Entry Road, New Delhi - 110055 for & on behalf of 'President of India' invites online OPEN E-tender in single packet system from the experienced & established contractors having sufficient experience in similar work and satisfying minimum eligibility criteria on the prescribed form for the under noted work :

1	Name of work	"Provision of OFC & associated equipments in JUC-HSX, PGW-NSS, PHR-LNK, JUC-NRO, NSS-JJJ & NSS-RHU Sections of FZR Division."
2	Approximate cost of the work	Rs. 7,79,19,860.79 (SEVEN Crore Seventy Nine Lakh Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty and Paisa Seventy Nine only).
3	Cost of tender form	Nil
4	Address from where tender document can be downloaded	Indian Railways website www.ireps.gov.in from 27.06.2019 from 11:00 hrs.
5	Earnest money	Rs. 5,39,600.00 (Five Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Six Hundred only).
6	Completion period	11 (Eleven) months.
7	Date and time of submission of tender and opening of tender	Tender to be submitted online on Indian Railways website www.ireps.gov.in from 08.07.2019 up to 11:00 hrs. of 22.07.2019. Date of tender Opening : 22.07.2019 at 11:30 hrs.
8	Detailed Tender Notice	Available at Indian Railways website www.ireps.gov.in.

No. 172-SIG/P/SW/NR/T-186 DATE : 26.06.2019 2051/2019
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AIR INDIA ASSETS HOLDING LIMITED
FIFTH CORRIGENDUM to GLOBAL INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR PROPOSED STRATEGIC SALE AND TRANSFER OF MANAGEMENT CONTROL OF AIR INDIA AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES LIMITED BY AIR INDIA ASSETS HOLDING LIMITED
A Preliminary Information Memorandum for inviting Expression of Interest (PIM) has already been issued on 12th February, 2019 followed by a First Corrigendum, Second Corrigendum, Third Corrigendum and Fourth Corrigendum which were issued by Air India Assets Holding Limited on 5th March 2019, 26th March 2019, 24th April 2019 and 25th May 2019 respectively.
Interested bidders can download the Fifth Corrigendum with respect to the PIM from websites of AIAHL at **http://www.aiahl.com/, AIATSL** at **http://www.aiatsl.com** and Transaction Advisor at **http://www.ey.com/in/en/home**

RAJASTHAN RAJYA VIDYUT UTPADAN NIGAM LTD.
SHED NO. 1/1, VIDYUT BHAWAN, JYOTI NAGAR, JAIPUR-302025
Phone: 0141-2740006, e-mail: fuel.rvun@gmail.com
E-TENDER NO. TN-25 (RVU1920GLOB00503)
Online tenders are invited for Sale/collection of fly ash (ESP dry fly ash/bottom ash/pond ash/mound ash) generated from various coal based thermal power plants of RVUN located at KSTPS/Kota, SSTPS/Suratgarh, CTPP/Chhabra, KaTPP/Jhalawar. Tender details are available on websites **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** (for e-tender), **www.energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rvunl & www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in. RVUN/PR-3238**
Raj.Samwad/C/970/19-20 **Superintending Engineer (Fuel)**

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI
Head Office, Information Technology Department, Star House-2, 8th floor, C-4, G Block, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai-400051.E-mail: headoffice.it@bankofindia.co.in
END TO END ONSITE SUPPORT FOR SFMS APPLICATION
Ref: BOI:HO:IT:AL:337 Dated: 21/06/2019
The captioned RFP is available on Bank's corporate website **www.bankofindia.co.in** under **"Tender"** section since **24.06.2019**. Subsequent changes if any, will henceforth be uploaded only on the website. **The last date of submission: 15-07-2019**

HARYANA GOVERNMENT
CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

Sr. No.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	OLD REFERENCE/NIT NO.	NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1.	DHBVN	NIT NO 621/DH/MM DATED 21.12.18 AGAINST QD-802/109006	DATE EXTENDEING UPTO 05.07.19	www.dhbvn.org.in	8059888680 semmdhbvn@gmail.com
2.	DHBVN	NIT NO 628/DH/MM DATED 29.1.19 (TE NO. QD-809)	CLOSING DATE FURTHER EXTENDED FROM 18.6.2019 TO 03.07.2019	www.dhbvn.org.in	9812556355 semmdhbvn@gmail.com
3.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 09/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019. NIT NO. 20/TS/BHW/2018-19	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
4.	HVPNL	DATED 05.03.2019 MEMO NO. CH- 10/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019. NIT NO. 21/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
5.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 11/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019.NIT NO. 22/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UPTO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
6.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 13/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019.NIT NO. 24/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
7.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 14/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019.NIT NO. 25/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
8.	HVPNL	MEMO NO. CH- 15/TSB-5A DATED 11.06.2019 NIT NO. 26/TS/BHW/2018-19 DATED 05.03.2019	DUE TO NON-RECEIPT OF SUFFICIENT BIDS I.E. MINIMUM 3 NO. BIDS. HENCE THE CORRIGENDUM IS REQUIRED. NOW THE OPENING DATE OF NIT IS HEREBY EXTEND UP TO 01.07.2019 AT 13.00 HRS.	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
9.	HVPNL	17/CCD-274 DATED 28.02.2019	THE LAST DATE OF ONLINE BID SUBMISSION IS EXTENDED UPTO 05.07.2019	www.hvpn.org.in	0172-2583789 pro@hvpn.org.in
10.	HPGCL	603/MP-7001/BULLET SHOT/2018 DATED 26.02.2019 (EVENT NO. 120453)	OPENING DT 26.02.2019 AT 17.00 HOURS & CLOSING DT 24.07.2019 AT 13.00 HOURS. SUB:- ARC FOR CONDENSER TUBE CLEANING (BY BULLET SHOT METHOD OF CONDENSER OF 250 MW UNIT-7&8, PTPS PANIPAT	www.hpgcl.org.in	9355869303 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
11.	HPGCL	E-NIT NO 451/F-795/CHP-II/PTPS DTD.31.05.2019 (EVENT NO.2019-HBC-78431-1)	START DATE 31.05.2019 AT 15.00 HOURS & CLOSING DT. 01.07.2019 AT 15.00 HOURS.	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
12.	UHBVN	NIT-239 /XEN/R-II/2019 (B-583)	CORRIGENDUN-V DATE OF CLOSING OF E-TENDER: 11.07.2019 UPTO 13.00 HRS.	www.uhbvn.org.in	3019140 cepdc@uhbvn.org.in
13.	UHBVN	NIT-238 /XEN/R-II/2019 (B-582)	CORRIGENDUN-V DATE OF CLOSING OF E-TENDER: 11.07.2019 UPTO 13.00 HRS.	www.uhbvn.org.in	3019140 cepdc@uhbvn.org.in
14.	UHBVN	NIT NO. 02/XEN/SU-II/2019-20 DATED 10.06.2019	HIRING OF VEHICLE (DATE EXTENDED) SALE OF TENDER FORM 10.07.2019 UPTO 17.00 HRS. LAST DATE OF RECEIPT OF TENDER FORM 11.07.2019 UPTO 15.00 HRS. OPENING AFTER 15.30 HRS.	www.uhbvn.org.in	0184-2268351
15.	UHBVN	NIT NO. 01/2019-20 DATED 11.06.2019	TENDER DATE EXTENDED UPTO 2.7.2019 CLOSING & OPENING AT 3.30 P.M.	www.uhbvn.org.in	9315118217
16.	HPGCL	IV CORRIGENDUM 09/CMDP-I/2018-19 (EVENT NO 98010)	START DATE 07.09.2018 UPTO 20.00 HOURS & CLOSING DT 16.07.2019 UPTO 13:00 HOURS. SUB:- REPAIR OF REFRACTOR AND INSULATION IN RCC CHIMNEY UNIT-5 & 6 (180 MTR HEIGHT HAVING TWIN FLUES) AT PTPS PANIPAT	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com
17.	HPGCL	E-NIT NO PTP/POM-222115 (EVENT NO 120733)	START DATE 27.02.2019 UPTO 12.30 HOURS & CLOSING DT. 03.07.2019 UPTO 13:00 HOURS. SUB:- SUPPLY OF ENERGY METER FOR PTPS COLONY, PTPS	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xenmtcplg1@gmail.com

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EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
Tender Notice
Open Tender Notice No.: - SPJ-ST-S-16-2019 DRM (S&T)/Samastipur invites open e-tenders on behalf of president of India for following work. **Sl.No.1. Name of work with its location:** Interlocking of LC gates of Samastipur division (06 nos.) in connection with work-"East Central Railway-Interlocking of level crossing gates (58 Nos.)". **Sl.No.2. Approx. cost of the work:** Rs. 1,78,17,196/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy Eight Lakh Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Ninety Six Only). **Sl.No.3. Earnest Money to be deposited:** Rs. 2,39,100/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand One Hundred Only). **Sl.No.4. Date & Time for Submission of tender & opening of tender:** 12/07/2019 Up to 16:00 Hrs, 12/07/2019 at 16:30 Hrs **Sl.No.5. Particulars of website where full details of tender may be seen:** www.ireps.gov.in. For further details, please visit the website **www.ireps.gov.in.**
Divisional Rail Manager (S&T)
E.C. Railway, Samastipur
PR/589/SPJ/S&T/T/19-20/32

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
Tender Notice
L.No. M/29/AC Coach/Escorting/MFP, dt: 24.06.19, For and on behalf of president of India invites e-open tender (E-Tender Notice no- CW-Sonpur-17-2019) from experienced contractors for the work given below: **Sl.No.1. Name of work with its location:** Escorting of AC Coaches to perform ACCA duty in train no.12257/58 & 15227/28 for 03 years. Location: Muzaffarpur Coaching Depot. **Sl.No.2. Approx cost of the work.** 1,66,30,420.43 (Rs. One Crore Sixty Six lacs Thirty Thousand Four Hundred Twenty and Forty Three paise only). **Sl.No.3. Cost of Tender Form.** 5,000.00 (₹ Five Thousand only) (Non-refundable). **Sl.No.4. Earnest Money to be deposited.:** ₹ 2,33,200.00 (Rs. Two Lacs Thirty Three Thousand Two Hundred only). **Sl.No.5. Date & Time for submission of tender and opening of tender:** Tender submission date & time : Up to 15:00 Hrs , 23.07.19, Opening date & time :After 15:00 Hrs 23.07.19. **Sl.No.6. Website particulars & Notice Board location where complete details of tender can be seen etc.:** Available on website **www.ireps.gov.in.** Railway administration reserves the right to postpone/ modify or to cancel the tender any time without assigning any reasons. **DEE/TL-AC/Sonpur**
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