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Ayodhya: Mediation fails, daily hearing from Aug 6

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ANNOUNCING THAT attempts to find a mediated solution to the Ramjanmabhoomi-Babri Masjid dispute have not made any headway, the Supreme Court Friday fixed August 6 to commence day-to-day hearing on appeals challenging the 2010 verdict of the Allahabad High Court on the division of the disputed Ayodhya site.

"We have received the report submitted by Justice (retd) F M I Kalifulla, Chairman of the Mediation Committee. We have perused the same. The mediation proceedings have not resulted in any final settlement. We, therefore, have to proceed with the hearing of the cases/appeals, which will commence on and from 6.8.2019 (Tuesday)," Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi, heading a five-judge Constitution Bench, said.

CJI Gogoi is due to retire on November 7 and Friday's

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Jitters in Valley: J&K calls off Yatra, tells tourists to leave

Political parties in huddle, BJP stays away; Mehbooba leads delegation to Governor

NAVEED IQBAL
SRINAGAR, AUGUST 2

AS SECURITY forces stepped up operations in the Valley and the Army corps commander and police chief spoke of "fresh inputs of increase in violence by terrorists", the J&K administration, in an unprecedented move, called off the annual Amarnath Yatra ahead of time and ordered yatris and tourists to leave the Valley immediately.

An estimated 11,000 tourists, including yatris and over 200 foreign visitors, are currently in the Valley, government officials told *The Indian Express*.

In an order issued Friday, Shaleen Kabra, Principal Secretary (Home), said: "Keeping in view the latest intelligence inputs of terror threats, with specific targeting of the Amarnath Yatra, and given the prevailing security situation in the Kashmir Valley, in the interest of safety and security of the tourists and Amarnath Yatra, it is advised that they may curtail their stay in the Valley immediately and take necessary measures to return as soon as possible."

This comes a day after Army chief General Bipin Rawat, Northern Army Commander Lt General Ranbir Singh and XV

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Lal Chowk in Srinagar after tourists and yatris were told to leave. *Shuaib Masoodi* REPORTS, P8

EXPLAINED

Unprecedented, thickens fog

THE ORDER to tourists and yatris is unprecedented. Even at the height of militancy, the Yatra kept its date. This adds to the uncertainty in the Valley. The seizure of Pak-origin weapons strengthens New Delhi's case that the terror tap from across the border is still very much open.

Days ago, Governor said no need to panic but series of orders did just the opposite

BASHAARAT MASOOD
SRINAGAR, AUGUST 2

THE UNPRECEDENTED order to curtail the Amarnath yatra abruptly is the latest in a series of government actions that has fuelled uncertainty and spread panic in the Kashmir Valley. People are queueing up at petrol pumps, outside grocery shops and ATMs, to stock up on supplies fearing the unknown. Airlines have waived cancellation charges, tourists are packing up to leave, even the National Institute of Technology in Srinagar issued a notice, citing the district administration, that class work for all courses "stands suspended till further orders".

"We have inputs of a major militant strike on the Yatra and the tourists. There have been some recoveries too, as revealed by the Director General of Police and the Corps Commander in the press conference. That's why this decision," Additional DGP (Law and Order) Munir Khan

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Jaishankar and Pompeo in Bangkok, Friday. *AP*

Kashmir talks: Trump backs off, Jaishankar draws the line

SHUBHAJIT ROY
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

HOURS AFTER US President Donald Trump said he would "certainly intervene" on the Kashmir issue if New Delhi and Islamabad wanted him to, India, for the second time in less than two weeks, rejected any mediation on Jammu and Kashmir. Significantly, Trump did not reiterate that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had asked him to intervene — a clear indication of a back-pedal from his claim last month.

This sets the stage for a possible meeting between Modi and Trump at the G-7 summit meeting in France between August 24 and 26.

India's firm but polite rejection of the offer came when External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar, after meeting US Secretary of State Michael R Pompeo in Bangkok, said on Friday that "any discussion on Kashmir, if at all warranted, will

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After L&T chief, it's HDFC chief Parekh: Slowdown is here

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

A DAY after Larsen & Toubro chairman A M Naik went public with his concerns over the state of the economy, HDFC Chairman Deepak Parekh Friday said there has been a distinct slowdown and that the problem was compounded by the tight liquidity situation in non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) and housing finance companies (HFCs) and the continuing reluctance of banks to lend.

"To my mind, what is critical is re-instilling confidence in lenders to support growth in the economy," Parekh said.

According to Parekh, the challenge today is risk averseness. "Banks are reluctant to lend and there has been a flight to

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- Car sales down; since July 2018, passenger vehicle sales fell in 11 of 12 months.
- June 2019 quarter, the worst quarter for industry in the last 18 years
- Tractors saw sharpest monthly fall in production: over 32% in June 2019.
- IL&FS crisis squeezed liquidity for NBFCs

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Deradicalisation's core curriculum step by step

Translating books to fielding officer-friends: how police worked out SOP

SAGAR RAJPUT & ZEESHAN SHAIKH
MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

FROM "FRIEND-OFFICERS" tracking "candidates" for five years to meeting at cafes and restaurants, from professional psychologists to preparing a two-volume compendium of writings on Islam, jihad and terrorism — all translated into Marathi. This is part of the core curriculum of the Maharashtra Police's deradicalisation programme. And along with this, two assurances: no criminal case will be registered against a "candidate" selected for the deradicalisation programme; and complete confidentiality — other than immediate family, not a word to relatives, neighbours or employers.

"And that word is being kept," said an IPS officer familiar with the programme who spoke on the condition that he not be named. "It took us some trial and error and efforts over 7-8 months to develop a Standard Operating Procedure. We had one by the beginning of 2017."

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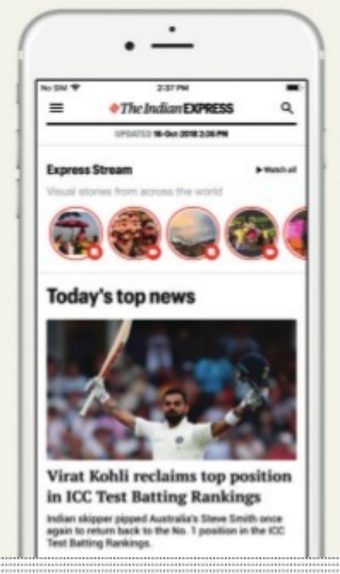

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HDFC chief

safety where a select, few, high rated NBFCs and HFCs have access to funding while for several others, access to credit has been choked," Parekh said.

"As a result, a number of NBFCs and HFCs have curtailed disbursements. This, in turn, has had spillover effects into a number of other sectors," Parekh said at the Annual General Meeting of HDFC. "One is hopeful that normalcy will be restored soon and by the time the festive season sets in, some of the risk aversenesss should taper off," he said.

"Evidently, there has been a distinct slowdown in the economy which was reflected in a lower GDP growth of 6.8 per cent in FY 2019. While there has been an across-the-board slowdown in consumption, given the inherent demand and low penetration levels, I do believe this is temporary in nature," Parekh said.

The comments of Parekh and Naik assume significance as GDP growth had fallen to 5.8 per cent in the March quarter and growth of eight core industries dropped to a 50-month low of 0.2 per cent in June as against 4.3 per cent in May.

On Thursday, L&T chairman Naik had said "we should feel 'lucky' even if GDP clips at 6.5 per cent", and recommended faster project clearances like the one in Gujarat when Prime Minister Narendra Modi was the chief minister, as a solution.

He said the "situation is challenging" on data credibility, saying one has to use one's own judgment while believing the official numbers. "Growth is going to be not more than 6.5 per cent this year. My feeling is that though they (government) claim it is 7 per cent plus, if we can maintain 6.5 per cent, we will be lucky," Naik told reporters on the sidelines of the L&T AGM.

Commenting on the real estate sector, Parekh said: "The demand for commercial real estate has been buoyant, especially across the top eight cities. One is seeing increased demand for commercial real estate, particularly from the IT sector, e-commerce and professional and services sector. Even demand for retail space has picked up in certain pockets."

"In the recent period, several investors such as pension funds, sovereign funds and private equity players with deep pockets have evinced interest in the Indian commercial real estate sector," he said.

Parekh said the challenge in the housing sector has been with the upper middle segment and high-end luxury housing. It's this segment where unsold inventory levels are high. "This is where the price of the apartments are typically upwards of Rs 2 crore. I would like to reiterate that the demand for smaller sized homes at affordable price points is still strong," he said.

Deradicalisation

As the ongoing series in *The Indian Express* showed, after speaking to officials and individuals part of the programme, the deradicalisation programme has helped pull back 120 youth, including six women, from the brink of jihadi recruitment. The programme, the only one being run by a state police force, is being looked at closely by J&K, Punjab, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat.

Candidates were chosen after the ATS monitored their Internet activity or, as in many cases, from a tip-off from the community or family that their son or daughter was "behaving strangely."

Sometimes, candidates were also selected on information from field officers, like in one case, about a WhatsApp group where radical messages were being exchanged.

"Once a candidate is identified, he is observed for months perhaps. And at each point, we try to analyse where the person is. Are they really on the edge? Are they about to cross the limit, which will force us to register a case against them? Is it still at the ideological level?" said a police officer.

"It is a razor-edge decision. The moment you allow a person to do something, you risk the lives of others. And the moment you register a case, you finish the life of the candidate. So it's a very difficult decision."

The genesis of the programme was a chance meeting at a global conference on counter-terrorism in 2015 between Atulchandra Kulkarni, who later became ATS chief, and Rohan Gunaratna, who then headed the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research in Singapore's Nanyang University.

By then, four men from Thane had flown out of India to join Islamic State (IS).

Gunaratna offered ICPVTR's expertise to run a workshop. Months later, the Mumbai police and ICPVTR organised a three-day workshop called Deradicalisation and Community Engagement.

Four academics - all Indian-origin Singaporeans - from ICVTR conducted the sessions and about 200 officers, from sub-inspectors to IPS officers, attended.

But when Maharashtra finalised its own programme, there was a key difference from the Singapore model, in which those selected for the deradicalisation programme are convicts serving jail terms. "Ours is a preventive model," said the police officer.

The deradicalisation programme is built on four prongs - the "candidate" and his family; psychologists; clergy — and the police. Once the police decided someone was eligible, the ATS contacted him and his parents.

Early in the process, police roped in a collective of psychologists who framed a questionnaire that all "candidates" are put through. This Thane-based collective also analysed the results. Last year, their role in the process was formalised through a Government Order.

Meanwhile, ATS officials also met scores of ulemas, asking them to guide Muslim youth away from forces online tempting them into a place of no return. They also roped in Muslim clerics to speak to "candidates" during their deradicalisation, "if required".

One problem early on was that officers did not like reading anything in English. So, teams of ATS officers translated relevant pages from major international works on terrorism, radicalisation and Islam, from English to Marathi.

Two in-house volumes were published, and a third is on the way. The officers were also trained in counselling and "rendering psychological help".

It is also unclear if, on the ground, all policemen involved in the programme followed the SOP exactly. The programme's participants *The Indian Express* spoke to had different experiences of how the police got in touch with them and at what stage their families were told. None said he/she was counselled by a maulvi.

The other aspect of the programme - it runs for a minimum of four weeks but varies from candidate to candidate - is that there are no goodbyes. The case officer tracks the candidate and keeps in touch with him. In some cases, such tracking had found "renewed efforts" by online recruiters to enlist the candidate, and renewed efforts by ATS to wean the candidate away.

"It would be safe to have at least a four to five-year watch. That's what we had decided," said a senior official familiar with the programme.

(NEXT: AFTER THE PROGRAMME: SKILLS TRAINING, LOANS)

J&K calls off Yatra, tells tourists to leave

Corps GOC Lt General K J S Dhillon met Governor Satya Pal Malik at the Raj Bhavan in Srinagar.

The order asking tourists and yatris to leave immediately led to panic in the Valley and people in Srinagar crowded markets to make emergency purchases and stock essential goods.

NC leader Omar Abdullah, taking to Twitter, said: "Although this unprecedented order would seem to suggest a genuine fear of a massive terror strike directed at Amarnathji yatris or/and tourists, this will do nothing to dampen the sense of fear & foreboding that prevails in the Valley at the moment."

Responding to the order, PDP leader Mehbooba Mufti tweeted: "You failed to win over the love of a single Muslim majority state which rejected division on religious grounds & chose secular India. The gloves are finally off & India has chosen territory over people."

An all-party meeting convened by the People's United Front, an alliance formed by Shah Faesal's J&K People's Movement and Engineer Rashid's Awami Ittehad Party, called for unity among political parties in the wake of "an impending constitutional crisis".

The BJP gave the meeting a miss. Later, a delegation led by Mehbooba Mufti met the Governor and expressed concern about the situation in the Valley.

Malik, in turn, informed them that there were serious and credible terror threats to the Yatra.

PDP's Waheed Para said "all parties called for senior leaders Dr Farooq Abdullah and Mehbooba Mufti to take the lead in fighting this crisis and the atmosphere of panic following these government orders and troop build-up."

Stating that an "extraordinary situation" is building up in the Valley, Shah Faesal said "everyone needs to be together and present a collaborative strategy against any possible assault. No party can afford to be alone at this point."

Speaking to The Indian Express, BJP state spokesperson Altaf Thakur said, "We will not attend any meetings called by any regional party. We are a national party and whatever is the party's stand nationally, is our stand in J&K. Besides, regional parties are creating a situation of fear and panic which we will diffuse."

In New Delhi, the Congress, at a meeting chaired by former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, urged the Centre not to take any decision "which would precipitate a deep crisis" and asked it to maintain the "constitutional guarantees" given to J&K. The party said the "massive build-up of security forces, the curtailment of the Amarnath Yatra, also the unprecedented advisories being issued to the tourists, yatris and other civilians, are all creating an atmosphere of heightened insecurity and fear".

J&K officials said the security threat to the Yatra is "significantly high" and despite extensive preparations and high deployment of troops, it is being curtailed after "careful consideration". This year, within a month of the start of the Yatra, approximately 3.40 lakh yatris have visited the cave shrine, according to official figures.

On Friday, Lt Gen Dhillon, speaking at a joint briefing by security forces in Srinagar, said a Pakistan-made mine and a huge cache of arms were recovered from along the Yatra route.

He said searches were conducted along the route after specific intelligence that Pakistan-based terrorists might target the Yatra using improvised explosive devices and attack pilgrims. The arms seized include a mine with a Pakistan Ordnance Factory stamp and an American sniper rifle M24.

Lt Gen Dhillon said the IED threat is more "pronounced" in the hinterland while the situation along the Line of Control (LoC) remains "largely peaceful". Regular infiltration attempts, he said, are being made by Pakistan-based terrorists but the Army has been foiling the bids at the LoC.

He said 83% of local people who picked up weapons had a record of stone-pelting. "I request all mothers, if today your child throws stones at security forces for Rs 500, then he will become a terrorist tomorrow."

"In 2019, 7% of terrorists were killed in the first 10 days after joining militancy. I would request mothers to listen to this carefully... 9% are killed in the first month, 17% within three months, 36% in six months and 64% of terrorists who pick up weapons are eliminated within the first one year. This is the shelf-life of a terrorist who picks up a weapon."

J&K DGP Dilbag Singh said there were "fresh inputs of increase in violence by terrorists" which made it necessary to "strengthen the counter-intelligence grid" on the ground.

How series of orders fuelled panic in Valley

told *The Indian Express*.

Just about a week ago, senior government officials were upbeat about "grassroots democracy" gaining traction in the Valley with panchayats being empowered over the last nine months since elections and were celebrating the fact that yatra pilgrims had breached the numbers recorded the previous year.

But the state government suddenly issued an advisory two days ago suspending the yatra for four days citing weather conditions. Simultaneously, it withdrew the Jammu and Kashmir Police's armed forces from the yatra duty. "For all practical purposes, the yatra is over," said an official.

Home Secretary Shaleen Kabra said that there's no need to interpret these measures as a "general threat" to residents in the state. "It's for yatris and tourists who can be easy targets (of terror)," he said.

Yet, Kabra's order is the latest in a series in the recent past that has only added to confusion and anxiety in the Valley.

On July 25, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) ordered deployment of 100 companies of Central Armed Paramilitary Forces (CAPF) to "strengthen the CI (counter insurgency) grid as well as for maintaining law and order situation in J&K". This was later described by the police as a "relief to overstretched training companies of J&K Police on duty since panchayat elections last year".

The additional troop deployment, however, had came on top of 400 companies of paramilitary forces rushed by the Centre to J&K after the Pulwama car bombing on February 14 this year.

Two days later, J&K Police sent a wireless message to police officers asking them to "communicate shortfall or riot control equipment/ gas gun...for special law and order duties". The police in the Valley were also asked to keep a satellite phone and bulldozer at every police station hinting at possible snapping of communication networks.

A day later on July 28, a Divisional Security Commissioner of Railways in the Valley asked railway officials to store ration for four months, not to keep their family members in Kashmir and to restrict staff leave due to "emergency situations". The letter said precautionary security measures have been directed after receiving inputs from "different security agencies" including SSP Railways Srinagar regarding "forecast of deteriorating situation in Kashmir valley and issue of law and order for a long period".

On the same day, another order was issued by police asking its officers in Srinagar to "provide details of mosques and their management... for onward submission to higher authorities".

The government termed these orders as "fake" and even said it would act against rumour mongers. In fact, on July 30, J&K Governor Satya Pal Malik said, "None of the orders being shown are valid, there is a lot of rumour mongering here and no need to pay attention to that. Everything is fine, everything is normal."

The Governor's advisor, K Vijay Kumar, said it would not be proper for him to counter every time there was a rumour. DGP Dilbagh Singh said the police would act against rumour mongers. "There is nothing to worry. People should not take these fake orders seriously. Some miscreants are hell bent to disturb peace in the Valley and they will certainly face the music."

The orders were not necessarily fake. For instance, in the case of the order by the Divisional Security Officer in the Railways, the Railways ministry revoked it and said, "The officer was not authorised to issue such a letter and didn't have the approval of the competent authority to do so either."

Non-BJP political leaders in the Valley claim this flurry of orders suggests that the establishment is preparing for "defining action" in the Valley which could include diluting or abrogation of Article 35A that defines the state residents of Jammu and Kashmir and their rights.

There have also been orders aimed at placating the police force in times such as these. For instance, the State Administrative Council of the government hiked the hardship allowance for police personnel to 10% from 8%, and that for classified police personnel to 12% from 10%.

On Friday, in another order, the MHA increased the honourarium of Special Police Officer (SPOs) in the state. In the Valley, these orders are seen as an attempt to prevent any disquiet within the rank and file of J&K Police.

Trump

only be with Pakistan and only bilaterally". The two ministers met on the sidelines of the 9th East Asia Summit Foreign Ministers meeting.

On July 22, in remarks that were promptly denied, Trump, in the presence of Pakistan's Prime Minister Imran Khan, had said that Prime Minister Modi had asked him to play the role of mediator on Kashmir, and "if I can help, I would love to be the mediator" between India and Pakistan. A stunned Delhi had rebutted this an hour after Trump's first remark saying "no such request has been made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi".

Jaishankar, who played a key role in crafting that denial, tweeted Friday: "Held wide ranging discussions with @SecPompeo on regional issues. Have conveyed to American counterpart @SecPompeo this morning in clear terms that any discussion on Kashmir, if at all warranted, will only be with Pakistan and only bilaterally."

While there was no official readout of the Jaishankar-Pompeo bilateral meeting from the MEA, US State Department spokesperson Morgan Ortagus did not mention anything on Kashmir. She said, "Secretary Michael R. Pompeo met in Bangkok, Thailand with Indian Minister of External Affairs Subrahmanyam Jaishankar on August 2. The two discussed our shared commitment to upholding the rule of law, freedom of navigation, and democratic values in the Indo-Pacific region. The Secretary reaffirmed the positive trajectory of the U.S.-India strategic partnership."

Sources said that Jaishankar Friday took the opportunity to reject any notion of mediation once again, since Trump had — just hours earlier — said that it was up to India and Pakistan to resolve the Kashmir issue but he was ready to assist if the two countries wanted him to help.

Asked how would he "want to resolve the Kashmir issue", Trump said in Washington early Friday, "If I can, if they wanted me to, I would certainly intervene...It's really up to Prime Minister Modi (to accept the offer of mediation)," Trump told reporters while responding to a question on India not accepting his offer of mediation, adding "Have they accepted the offer or not?".

"I think they are fantastic people — Khan and Modi — I mean. I would imagine they could get along very well but if they wanted somebody to intervene, to help them. and I spoke with Pakistan about that and I spoke frankly in India about it," Trump said. "That's been going on, that battle, for a long time," he said Friday.

Ayodhya

decision will mean that the hearing will have to be completed and a judgment delivered during his tenure, failing which the matter will have to be heard afresh.

The bench, also comprising Justices S A Bobde, D Y Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and Abdul Nazeer, said the hearing will start with appeals arising from suit numbers 3 and 5 which were filed by the Nirmohi Akhara and Ramlalla Virajman respectively.

"The hearing, which will be on day-to-day basis until the arguments are concluded, will start with the appeals arising out of Suit Nos. 3 and 5," the bench said in its order.

On September 30, 2010, the Allahabad High Court ordered a three-way division of the disputed 2.77 acres of the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid site between the Nirmohi Akhara sect, the Sunni Central Wakf Board, Uttar Pradesh and Ramlalla Virajman.

Senior advocate Rajeev Dhavan, appearing for one of the parties, said the court should first hear appeal number 4 which was filed by the Muslim parties. But the court said he will have the right to reply.

Dhavan also opposed BJP leader Subramanian Swamy's right-to-pray petition in the matter, saying he was not a party to the main suit. On this, the court said it will consider it when the hearing starts. "There are many issues... Let's first start hearing the appeals," the CJI remarked.

The bench had appointed the mediation panel under Justice Kalifulla on March 8 and given it eight weeks to complete the process. It submitted its report to the Supreme Court Registry Thursday.

In the interim, an application was filed by Rajendra Singh, son of Gopal Singh Visharad — he was one of the plaintiffs in the original civil suit in the Ayodhya land matter — stating that there was not much progress in the mediation. He urged the court to declare the mediation proceedings concluded so that hearing on the appeals could start.

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FIRST MLA TO BE DISQUALIFIED

Mishra is disqualified from Delhi Assembly

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

FORMER DELHI minister Kapil Mishra lost his Assembly membership Friday, with Speaker Ram Niwas Goel disqualifying the AAP MLA from Karawal Nagar for having campaigned for the BJP and Prime Minister Narendra Modi ahead of the 2019 Lok Sabha polls.

Mishra is the first MLA to be disqualified since the Delhi Legislative Assembly came into being in 1993.

Following a meteoric rise in AAP, Mishra had a bitter fallout with the party's top leadership, after he was dropped from the Delhi Cabinet in May 2017 for alleged non-performance.

Mishra said he will move the court against the order, which retrospectively disqualified him from January 27, 2019.

The Speaker initiated disqualification proceedings against Mishra after AAP MLA Saurabh Bhardwaj moved a motion seeking his removal as an MLA on July 1. Subsequently, a series of hearings were held, with Mishra even seeking disqualification of CM Arvind Kejriwal at one point. He also questioned the neutrality of the Speaker multiple times.

The way this case has been heard is a mockery of Assembly proceedings: Kapil Mishra

In his 26-page order, Speaker Goel dwelt at length on the allegations, accusing Mishra of routinely using "intemperate language" against him.

"All this evidence unmistakably show the respondent was actively involved in the BJP's political activities. These activities were clearly contrary to the interests of the AAP legislature party in the Assembly, given that the BJP is effectively the Opposition in the Assembly. All the evidence on record show that he is actively working for the Opposition party in the Assembly, none of which he actually denies," states the order.

Bhardwaj's allegations against Mishra included the latter's presence in a January 27 event against Kejriwal, organised by senior BJP leader Vijay Goel and Delhi BJP chief Manoj Tiwari. On May 2, he also launched a campaign, '*saaton seatein Modi ko*' (all seven seats to Modi), the petition alleged. It also lists Mishra's tweet appealing to people to join PM Modi's May 8 public rally in Delhi and added that he was one of the signatories to BJP's letters to Lt Governor Anil Baijal against the AAP government.

On neutrality, the Speaker clarified that the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution vests "adjudicatory authority solely on the Speaker/Chairman of legislative house. The tenth schedule does not bar Speaker/Chairman from being a member of political parties."

Reacting to the development, Mishra said he was ready to "sacrifice" the post of an MLA, "not just once, but a hundred times" to campaign for Modi. "In Assembly polls, I will run a campaign for all 70 seats to Modi. The way this case has been heard is a mockery of Assembly proceedings. I will move court against this illegal order," Mishra said.

'Maximum power subsidy will be capped at Rs 800'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE MAXIMUM monthly subsidy on power bills for households consuming 201-400 units of electricity in Delhi will now be capped at Rs 800, a power department official said.

Currently, for consumption between 0-200 units, the discounted per unit tariff is Rs 1 (as against Rs 3 in the rate slab) while consumption of 201-400 units category costs a discounted Rs 2.50 per unit (as against Rs 4.5 per unit in the slab).

Meanwhile, officials said the power department is assessing the potential changes in the subsidy model in the wake of the announcement made by CM Arvind Kejriwal that consumers falling in the 0-200 units bracket will get free electricity.

"The department came to know about the restructuring of the subsidy model after the CM made the announcement after a Cabinet meeting," said an official anonymously. Subsequently, the department has sought details on the number of consumers falling in the 0-200 bracket from the discoms.

"The four major discoms in Delhi have been asked to share figures with month-wise variations," the official added.

Kejriwal said the subsidy amount may touch Rs 2,000 crore from the around Rs 1,700 crore per year now.

CTET deadline for guest teachers

New Delhi: Over 1,000 government school guest teachers who are facing imminent disengagement have till October 31 to clear the Central Teacher Eligibility Test. This had become an issue when around 1,500 guest teachers who had not yet cleared the test were omitted from a list of guest teachers who were re-engaged. **ENS**

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	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)
Total Income from operations (including exceptional items)	70,653.23	2,79,643.54	65,492.67	83,486.01	3,30,687.36	74,993.91
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, exceptional and / or extraordinary items)	4,063.22	46.93	-7,255.13	5,684.80	4,754.00	-6,064.72
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after exceptional and / or extraordinary items)	4,063.22	1,607.48	-7,255.13	5,684.80	5,220.48	-6,064.72
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after exceptional and / or extraordinary items)	2,312.20	862.23	-4,875.85	2,950.50	2,299.64	-4,230.44
Equity Share Capital	892.46	892.46	892.46	892.46	892.46	892.46
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	1,95,367.42	1,95,367.42	1,93,388.12	2,08,949.26	2,08,949.26	2,04,581.50
Earnings Per Share (of Re.1/- each), (for continuing and discontinued operations). Quarter figures are not annualised						
Basic:	2.59	0.97	-5.46	3.31	2.58	-4.74
Diluted:	2.59	0.97	-5.46	3.31	2.58	-4.74

The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly Financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange websites : www.bseindia.com, www.nseindia.com, and Bank's website: bank.sbi

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Bank staff jumps to death from office building

JIGNASA SINHA
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A 26-YEAR-OLD bank employee allegedly committed suicide by jumping from the terrace of his office building in South West Delhi's RK Puram Thursday. Police identified the victim as Abhijeet Singh, a probationary officer at Vijaya Bank in Bhikaji Cama Place, and said a case under CrPC section 174 (unnatural death) was registered.

"The security supervisor of the building saw Singh talking to someone over phone while walking on terrace around 2:30 pm. In his statement, the supervisor alleged that Singh later climbed the boundary wall and jumped," said Devender Arya, DCP (South West).

CCTV footage from the area also shows Singh walking near the boundary wall of the terrace.

Singh jumped before the guard could stop him, said police."We received a call around 3 pm, following which we reached the spot and found a man lying on the road. He was severely injured and was taken to AIIMS trauma centre where doctors declared him dead. No suicide note has been recovered," said Arya. A post-mortem was conducted Friday and the body was returned to the family.

Police said the victim was alone on the terrace and no foul play is suspected so far.

The incident reportedly took place at around 2:30 pm during office lunch hours.

"We were inside the office when the guard alerted everyone about what had happened to Singh. He was friendly and would always help others. We saw him before lunch time at his desk, he then left alone for lunch. Nobody saw him going to the terrace," said one of the bank employees.

Singh's family lives in a rented house in Tara Nagar, Dwarka. Singh's father Harjeet is a CISF sub inspector. "I don't believe he committed suicide... We had breakfast in the morning and he was completely normal. He was happy with his job," he said.

POLICE ON LOOKOUT FOR HELP

Lawyer death: Accused planned to sedate, rob

AMIL BHATNAGAR
NOIDA, AUGUST 2

FROM DELHI, Jaipur, Gurgaon and Dras, to the Indo-Nepal border — the trail of accused in the murder of Supreme Court lawyer Kuljeet Kaur took Noida Police to different parts of the country before they arrested four people for the crime.

According to police, Kaur's former help Rita, her husband Lalit, the main accused Sanju, and his associate Kapil, were arrested from Noida Thursday.

The help whom Kaur had hired a few weeks before she was killed, Manisha, is still absconding.

During investigation, police found that the accused had initially planned to sedate and rob Kaur. "A dedicated surveillance team of the Sector 20 police station was monitoring digital footprints of the accused for two months. The accused kept their phones off when they were in the region... Efforts are being made to nab Manisha," said Vineet Jaiswal, SP City.

Rita and Sanju, who lived in Gurgaon, have known each other for several years, police said. The accused told police that Rita had informed Sanju that Kaur was looking for a domestic help. She also told him about jewellery and other valuables in the house, police said, after which he hatched a plan to commit robbery.

Sanju directed Manisha to approach Kaur for a job. One of the accused, Kapil, explored options on YouTube to sedate Kaur and came across the name of a medicine. He approached a medical store in Agra to purchase it but the store owner had handed over tablets of lesser dosage to Kapil.

On the evening of June 2, Manisha gave Kaur tea laced with sedatives. The accused Sanju and Kapil were waiting outside and rushed in.

Finding her conscious, the two panicked and allegedly strangulated her. The house was ransacked and jewellery and other valuable items were stolen along with the victim's Honda City. The car was later abandoned near a highway, said police.

Outside SC lawyer Kuljeet Kaur's house in Noida

CBSE makes new rules to check kids' attendance

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

OBSERVING THAT students whose lack of attendance was condoned had performed poorly in the 2019 examinations, the CBSE has laid down a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to deal with cases of children who fall short of the prescribed attendance percentage.

According to CBSE's examination bye-laws, a student will not be allowed to appear for the board's Senior Certificate Examination if he or she does not have 75% attendance in their class XII academic year. In case of students who have participated in national level sports, the attendance requirement is 60%. Students who fall short of this prescribed percentage by up to 15% are eligible for condonation (overlooking) by the CBSE chairperson in matters such as prolonged illness.

In case of shortage, the cases for exemption have to be sent to the CBSE regional offices by January 7 with relevant documents for exemption.

The area was renamed to New Aruna Nagar under Sheila Dikshit's tenure. *Praveen Khanna*

How intersection of faiths gave Manju Ka Tilla its name

SOMYA LAKHANI
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A SUFI mystic, a Sikh guru and now a bustling Tibetan settlement — the story of North Delhi's Majnu ka Tilla spans several centuries and faiths. Located close to Delhi University in North Delhi, the area includes New Aruna Nagar and Magazine Road, borrows its name from Majnu ka Tilla gurdwara. Legend goes that Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikhism, visited the area during the reign of Sikander Lodi in 1505. Here, he met a Sufi mystic from Iran, Abdulla, popularly known as Majnu by locals for his eccentricity.

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"Majnu was a simple man who meditated and ferried people across the Yamuna. Guru Nanak blessed him and at that spot, the gurdwara exists. Most gurdwaras have been built at places where a Sikh guru visited," said Dr Swapna Liddle, convener of INTACH.

Since the mystic lived atop a mound or a hillock (tilla) near the Yamuna, the area came to be called Majnu ka Tilla. At the Majnu ka Tilla gurdwara, a "history" board talks about how Guru Nanak and Majnu "heard loud cries one day and found out that a mahout was crying about the death of the emperor's elephant... Then Guru Nanak *ji* made the elephant come alive".

According to Bhai Baljinder Singh Ji, head granthi of the gurdwara, "Sikh military leader Baghel Singh built the gurdwara in 1783 to commemorate Guru Nanak's stay". City chronicler and author Rana Safvi shared an archival ASI image of a "tomb and a minar at Majnu ka Tila" dated 1935-41. The head granthi said that in the 1950s, a new gurdwara building was constructed by the sangat.

The urban legend about Majnu ka Tilla being named after star-crossed lovers Laila-Majnu, historians say, is not true.

For decades, Majnu ka Tilla, or MKT as its colloquially known, has been synonymous with the Tibetan settlement near the gurdwara. Popular among college students and tourists, it boasts a range of Tibetan restaurants, a monastery and tiny garment shops.

Its lanes are home to over 365 Tibetan families who have been settled here since the early 1960s. RWA president Kara Dorje said, "Earlier people sold rice beer or *chhang* here, so the area was also called Chhang Basti, Chhangistan and then Majnu ka Tilla. When Sheila Dikshit was CM, she named it New Aruna Nagar. It felt nice that a Tibetan resettlement colony was given a name but people still call it Majnu ka Tilla. We don't mind." Close to New Aruna Nagar is Aruna Nagar, a Punjabi colony of Partition refugees.

Don't approve new syllabus yet: DU AC members to V-C

New Delhi: Eight members of Delhi University's Academic Council (AC), belonging to the National Democratic Teachers' Front (NDTF), have written to the Vice-Chancellor asking that the contentious syllabi of the four undergraduate courses not be approved immediately.

They said that more "comprehensive" deliberations were needed on the syllabus, and therefore, barring the syllabus of the first semester, which has already begun, approval for the rest be kept on hold for now.

The AC members have also demanded that an "independent inquiry committee be constituted to expose the persons behind the conspiracy against academics, Indian culture and Indian state".

A copy of the letter has also been sent to M K Pandit, Chairman of the Oversight Committee, to which the approved syllabus has been sent for further action.

V-C Yogesh Tyagi did not respond to calls and texts seeking a comment. When asked if the Oversight Committee would consider the demand, Chairperson M K Pandit said, "It's not individuals who decide; there is a process and a committee will decide after due deliberations." He did not respond to queries regarding the next possible step, after the committee takes a decision on the syllabi. **ENS**

July air quality worst in 2 years, ozone a prominent pollutant, CPCB data reveals

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

AIR QUALITY in the capital was worse in July this year as compared to the average of the previous two years so far, with ozone being a prominent pollutant for the maximum number of days, data from the Central Pollution Control Board has revealed.

As per the data, the average air quality index (AQI) was around 136 so far this month — an increase of 32 from 2018, and 36 from 2017. The index is a measure of pollutants in the air and is calculated through their 24-hour average concentration value.

Air quality for July this year would fall under the 'moderate' category, which has an AQI range of 101-200.

Dr Gufran Beig, project director at the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune, said, "If the figures are true, then the number of rainy days last year were higher. High concentration of ozone in the air is usually witnessed in summer. If temperature increases, its production also increases."

"We did a calculation last month and found that the number of days having ozone (as a pollutant) were higher this year," he added.

There were 14 days having ozone as a prominent pollutant this month, as compared to 11 in July 2018 and just two the year before that. Ozone is formed naturally in the atmosphere as well as from other sources, including combustion of fossil fuels. Exposure to it can cause damage to human health.

A period of four days between July 11 and 14 witnessed a sudden dip in air quality, with the AQI ranging between 235 and 317. It's possible that this was caused by a duststorm coming from Rajasthan during this period.

According to the data, PM 2.5 and PM 10 were among the major pollutants. Presence of carbon monoxide was also picked up by the monitoring stations between July 16 and 18, and July 26 and 29.

As per data, average AQI was 136 in July

NOTICE BOARD

CORPORATE ASSOCIATE DIARY — EVENTS, HONOURS

EXHIBITION-CCIC

Shantmanu, IAS Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) Chairman CCIC, Ministry of Textiles, GOI inaugurated the "Kala Sampada" Exhibition on the revival of traditional craft forms in New Delhi on 1st August.

FUNCTION-CISF

On Aug 1, under the aegis of 'Sanrakshika', a function was organised at CISF 5th Reserve Battalion Campus, Ghaziabad, wherein R Ranjan, Pres-'Sanrakshika' inaugurated Rain Water Harvesting Systems and an 'Herbal & Spice Garden'.

MoU-CORPORATION BANK

Corporation Bank entered into a MoU with Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Co. Ltd for providing insurance cover for accidental death to the specified Saving Bank account holders, under the group personal accident insurance policy of the insurer.

ANNUAL STREET PLAY-RAJDHANI COLLEGE

Tryambakam- The Theatre Society of Rajdhani college performed it's annual street play production Allahu Akbar at the canteen area on Aug 1st. Principal Dr Rajesh Giri and the Cultural Convenor Dr Varsha Gupta graced the ocassion with their presence.

MoU-RailTel

RailTel has signed a MoU with RITES Ltd for providing Digital Servicesand cater to Information & Communication Technology (ICT) needs of RITES. The MoU was signed in presence of Puneet Chawla, CMD/RailTel, Rajeev Mehrotra, CMD/RITES, Directors and Senior officials of RailTel and RITES. RailTel is already providing Telepresence Service, MPLS and IBW services to RITES.This MoU is going to open up new avenue for providing Digital Services to RITES like Cloud Computing Services and Network Services, Security Operations Centre Services, Virtual Desktop Infrastructure Services and many more. RailTel and RITES also plans to collaborate in co-building IOT platforms in Indian and Global Railways.

CELEBRATIONS-TTD

The three-day-long Festival Of Pavitrotsavam concluded grandly at the TTD local temple of Sri Kodandarama Swamy temple with the Purnahuti on Tuesday. After morning rituals the utsava idols were given snapana thirumanjanam in the afternoon.

BANKING FACILITY-INDIAN BANK

Padmaja Chunduru, MD & CEO, Indian Bank launched a fully automated and user-friendly Interactive Voice Response banking facility to the customers. The Bank is consistently making efforts augmenting delightful technological banking experience.

TTD An anonymous devotee has donated a sum of ·73 lakhs to various trusts of TTD. They include donation of ·60 lakhs to the Sri Balaji Arogya Varaprasadini Trust, ·10 lakhs to SV Veda Parirakshana Trust, ·2 lakh to .SV Pranadana Trust, and ·1 lakhs to SV Anna Prasadam Trust. He handed over the DDs to the TTD special Officer Sri AV Dharma Reddy at the Tirumala camp office in the presence if DyEO of TTD.

APPOINTMENTS

GAIL Dr. Ashutosh Karnatak recently assumed charge as CMD of GAIL (India) Ltd. Dr. Karnatak carries a rich experience of over 37 yrs in the hydrocarbon sector and is also concurrently serving as Director (Projects) since March, 2014. A lifelong learner, Dr. Karnatak an Electrical Engineering alumni of HBTI, Kanpur is a post graduate from IIT, Delhi & is also a Fellow Doctorate of UPES, Dehradun. Dr. Karnatak has authored several books on a range of topics.

AFC B. Ganeshan has taken charge as the Managing Director of AFC India Ltd. (Formerly, Agricultural Finance Corporation) on 22nd July 2019. AFC is a National level premier multi-disciplinary consultancy and technical support organization established way back in the year 1968 wholly owned by Commercial Banks, NABARD and EXIM Bank.

INDIANOIL The Revenue from Operations of Indian Oil Corporation (IndianOil) is Rs. 1,50,135 cr in Q1 19-20 as compared to Rs. 1,49,747 cr in the corresponding quarter of FY 18-19. Profit for the first quarter of FY 19-20 is Rs. 3,596 cr as compared to Rs. 6,831 cr in the corresponding quarter of FY 18-19. The variation is majorly on account of lower inventory gain during the quarter.

SBI SBI Group announces the launch of 3rd edition of SBI Green Marathon. This financial year, SBI Group is hosting this mega event in 15 cities across the country pledging for a greener future.

For out-of-school children, camps show some results

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

AS PART of an intensified literacy campaign for Out-of-School Children in Delhi, a campaign to boost numerical skills will be conducted throughout this month at Special Training Centres (STCs), where they are prepared for enrollment into regular schools.

STCs are bridge-learning centres in government and municipal schools to prepare Out-of-School Children — those who have either dropped out of or have never been enrolled in a school — for enrollment into age-appropriate classes in mainstream schools.

This is the second phase of a longer literacy campaign which began in April, with a month-long programme to help these children enhance basic reading skills in Hindi. A total of 15,432 children were part of the campaign. As per education department data, the baseline assessment before the programme found 55.1% of the children could not recognise letters of the Hindi alphabet, and this number then dropped to 46.2%. The number of children who could read full paragraphs also increased from 4% to 5.7%.

The third phase of this campaign — which will be for basic language skills in English — will be conducted in December.

MAKING PROGRESS

■ Students who could not recognise Hindi alphabets

55.1% After Baseline Assessment

46.2% Post Assessment

15,432 TOTAL NO OF CHILDREN

Minor 'accidentally' shoots friend dead

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A MINOR boy was shot dead, allegedly by his juvenile friend, in East Delhi Friday afternoon. Police said a PCR call was made at 10.30 am by the owner of the shop where the incident took place, following which the juvenile was apprehended.

Police said the accused and the victim were living together in a rented accommodation in East Delhi for a few months.

"The accused works at the shop and runs errands. His two friends, who too were looking for a job, visited him Friday afternoon. While talking, the accused said that he showed them a pistol," said DCP Jasmeet Singh.

The accused, a juvenile, was showing the pistol to the victim when he accidentally pressed the trigger, said police

According to Singh, the juvenile, during questioning, claimed the victim asked him if the pistol was "original".

"The accused says he accidentally pressed the trigger, and the bullet hit the victim," said Singh. The third boy, who witnessed the incident, is being questioned and all angles are being explored, said the police.

A case under section 302 (murder) of the IPC has been filed.

BRIEFLY

Kant Enclave demolition after Aug 15

Gurgaon: An inspection by the Haryana Town and Country Planning department confirmed that all remaining households in Faridabad's Kant Enclave have vacated the buildings. Officials said that building demolition is unlikely to take place before August 15. The SC had termed constructions in the area illegal, after identifying it as 'forest land' last year.

Three held for killing minor

Ghaziabad: Three men were arrested Friday for allegedly killing a minor boy in Ghaziabad Wednesday. Police said the victim allegedly boasted of his financial wealth to the trio and mocked their financial status.

Labourer dies in hit-and-run

New Delhi: A 55-year-old labourer died after being mowed down by an unidentified truck in the Azadpur Mandi area, police said Friday.

Trafficker arrested

New Delhi: A woman was arrested for allegedly duping another woman from Assam into sex work on the pretext of giving her a job.

2 held for car theft

New Delhi: Police on Thursday said two men have been arrested for allegedly stealing cars parked outside gyms and parks across West Delhi and Haryana. **ENS**

WATERLOGGING AT MAJOR JUNCTIONS

Hour of rain wreaks havoc in Gurgaon

SAKSHI DAYAL
GURGAON, AUGUST 2

THE UNDERPASS at IFFCO Chowk was flooded, a boundary wall in Udyog Vihar gave way causing three parked cars to slip into a construction site, and several areas were waterlogged — all in the course of an hour as heavy rain lashed Gurgaon Friday. The city recorded 32 mm of rain till 5 pm.

According to officials, among the worst affected areas was the Golf Course Road, which houses several upscale gated condominiums, malls and offices. Waterlogging was reported at four major points along the stretch — Genpact Chowk, Sikanderpur, AIT Chowk and the Ghata T-point. While commuters had to wade through ankle-deep water at Genpact Chowk, water had reached up to the bonnets of the cars at AIT Chowk.

Himanshu Garg, DCP (Traffic), said, "There were instances of waterlogging across the city, including on Sikanderpur Power House Road, Jwala Mills Road and at AIT Chowk. We have a standard drill to respond to such situations, which includes ensuring enough personnel are deployed in these areas. Traffic movement was slow, but no traffic jams were reported as such."

Even as most underpasses in the city remained clear despite the rain, the right turn underpass at IFFCO Chowk, where waterlogging had been reported last month, was inundated once again Friday. The structure had been opened to commuters only in March this year.

According to officials, although all pumps inside the underpass were operational, a strong gush of water flowed in from the direction of Sikanderpur and MG Road around 4 pm, burying the structure under water.

"As a result, a small section of the ramp leading out of the underpass also collapsed, and the walls and drains of the structure were damaged. We will have to close it for some time to carry out repair work," said Saurabh Singhal, team leader and traffic transportation expert at Bloom Companies LLC, the NHAI consultant for the underpass.

"We have made provisions for pumps, but water that collects at Sikanderpur flows towards IFFCO Chowk via MG Road, and since the underpass is the lowest point, it gets collected there. It is difficult to pump it out because water keeps flowing in," Singhal added.

"The water has been pumped out, but there is some silt remaining to be removed, which will be done in the morning. We expect to open the underpass by noon," said Singhal.

Waterlogging was also witnessed at Sheetla Mata Mandir Road, Hanuman Chowk and Railway Road. Officials from the Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority (GMDA), however, claimed that waterlogging at all areas under its jurisdiction had been cleared by 5 pm.

"Water that had collected has been pumped out. We have permanent pumps installed at two vulnerable points — one in Sector 28 and the other at Jwala Mills Road. In addition, we have four tractors with eight pumps," said Lalit Arora, Superintending Engineer, GMDA. He said that it took "around an hour" to pump out water at AIT Chowk.

At a construction site in Udyog Vihar, a boundary wall collapsed, with three cars falling into the site. "There was construction activity going on around 2 pm, they were digging for a basement. As a result, the mound of sand above collapsed, and the boundary wall of an adjoining building gave way," said a police officer from the Udyog Vihar police station.

"Three cars that were parked on the other side of the boundary wall also slipped into the construction site and were damaged. Nobody was injured in the incident," the officer said.

Manoj Kumar

A wall collapsed in Udyog Vihar causing 3 vehicles to slip into a construction site.

Ambedkar Univ's clinic making mental health help accessible

SUKRITA BARUAH
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A PUBLIC health clinic at Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD) is working towards making psychotherapy accessible to people from all walks of life in the capital, with data suggesting that around 50% of those availing counselling are from outside the campus.

Ehsaas, a psychotherapy and counselling clinic under AUD's Centre for Psychotherapy and Clinical Research, has provided its services to over 1,100 persons since 2013, with 220 people approaching it in the last year itself. As per Professor Honey Oberoi, 50% of those currently availing the service are from outside the university's community of students, faculty and non-teaching staff. The service is provided either free or at nominal costs.

"Mental health, like all health services, has become the purview of the rich. And psychoanalysis is a long, in-depth process which few can afford. We wanted to bring a political corrective to the whole experience of psychotherapy, as mental health services and psychotherapy should be available to whoever is in need. So we thought of a public clinic," said Oberoi.

The centre began working on requests to provide the service to those outside the university from 2011.

Oberoi admits while a majority of those approaching the clinic are from middle and upper-middle class backgrounds, it has a special focus to provide services to those from lower social-economic classes and minority groups. The clinic operates out of four rooms, each set up with a couch for patients.

"We have people from all walks of life – housewives with crises in marriage, people feeling listlessness in life or depressed in relationships. We have a considerable male population going through familial crises back in the native family, with issues of discomfort with masculinity... Of course, crises within romantic and intimate relationships become a trigger for somebody to approach us. Young people grappling with sexual confusion and questions of sexual orientation, and with opening up within their families. We also have families, middle-aged people," she said.

"We also try to attend to people from the low social-economic strata — we've had guards, some domestic helps approaching us," Oberoi said.

Ehsaas functions both as a service and a training ground for the Centre's M.Phil students of Psychotherapy and Clinical Thinking.

Students are introduced to practising therapy with the clients in their second year — in the first year, the focus is more in theory and they themselves are required to undergo at least 15-20 psychotherapy sessions to "recognise that they are the same as their clients."

At least 50% of those availing counselling from the psychotherapy clinic are from outside the campus

Her area under water, councillor breaks down

ABHINAV RAJPUT
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A GROUP of kids from a government school in Prem Nagar in Kirari sit on a pavement and remove their shoes, before wading through three-feet-deep water that has clogged the lanes. The elderly, however, prefer to walk on the bricks placed to make a bridge to get to the other side. This is not it — the rising water level has prompted residents to dump *malba* on roads to elevate them and direct the flow to other areas.

In July, a 14-year-old boy died after he drowned in a sewer in North West Delhi's Kirari, allegedly due to waterlogging. Expressing her anguish, BJP councillor and standing committee member Poonam Parashar Jha broke down last week during the standing committee meeting of North Corporation, warning officials to act promptly to avoid more such incidents.

"100% desilting has been done, yet my locality is flooded with water, drains are choked, officials do not take my call," she said, adding: "Desilting been done only on paper. There has been a death in my area due to water logging, children are at risk."

When *The Indian Express* visited the area, several lanes were flooded with water and nullahs overflowing.

Umesh Kumar (30), a resident, said: "Water from the lane enters our house even when a bike passes by. This is leading to the spread of mosquitoes. We bought houses here thinking that the area will be developed soon. But the condition has only deteriorated."

"It has not rained for past three days and still there is water all around. We have to pump out water using buckets and mugs, we have floating furniture everywhere," he said.

North MCD commissioner Varsha Joshi said the drains, constructed by the Irrigation and Flood Control department, are elevated, as a result of which it takes time for water to recede during rains. "Pumping is done as needed," she said.

Councillor Jha, however, said, "The drains may have been constructed by a different department... the area is waterlogged because there is no outflow to water."

The water from the colony drains goes down into a bigger drain, which has no natural exit and because of which the water gets collected at the MLA ground — where the 14-year-old was found dead last week. Joshi said a *kuccha* drain will be dug along the railway land to resolve the issue temporarily. "For a long term solution, a box drain and sump will be constructed, but we will have to seek funds for it," she said.

Polythene bags, bottles, wrappers are littered on the ground and drains, and the air reeks of foul smell. "I have been requesting the North MCD to build a drain for the last two-three years so the water gets an outflow and reaches Kirari Suleman drain, but nothing has been done so far," councillor Jha said.

At Prem Nagar in Kirari, where lanes are inundated with water and nullahs are overflowing. *Gajendra Yadav*

HC puts on hold cop's suspension

Noida: The Allahabad HC in an interim order has put the suspension of a former Noida SHO, accused of extortion, on hold. Manoj Pant, former SHO of Sector 20 Police Station, was arrested along with three scribes for alleged blackmail and extortion after a raid at his police station.

"The Honourable High Court issued an order holding the suspension of Manoj Pant in abeyance. The government counsel failed to fulfil his duties despite all evidences...provided by the district police. Our side was not represented fairly. I have written a letter to the GoI to initiate action against the counsel," said Vaibhav Krishna, SSP Gautam Budh Nagar.

According to the police, Pant will be reserved to the Police Lines and will receive his salaries. Pant along with three reporters, Sushil Pandit, Raman Thakur and Udit Goyal, was arrested on January 31 for allegedly extorting a man to remove his name in a false FIR. **ENS**

Wanted men arrested in shootout

Noida: Men wanted in several cases and with Rs 25,000 bounty on their head were arrested by Noida Police in two encounters. One of the accused, Akash, was caught 16 hours after he had fled from Surajpur court while being transported for a hearing."

Akash was being taken from the District Jail to Surajpur court Thursday when he fled police custody. He was sent to jail on July 27 for robbery. We got information that he was travelling at Dadri Bypass. He was nabbed after an exchange of fire," said Ranvijay Singh, SP Rural Gautam Budh Nagar. In a separate encounter, another man accused of dacoity was arrested, said police. **ENS**

HARYANA STAFF SELECTION COMMISSION
BAYS NO. 67-70, SECTOR-2, PANCHKULA-134151
(www.hssc.gov.in)

Notice for Scrutiny of Documents to Absentee Candidates before Interview for the Post of Steno Typist (Hindi), Junior Scale Stenographer (Both Languages) and Senior Scale Stenographer (Both Languages) of various Departments, Haryana against Advt. No. 12/2015, Category No. 02, 05, 06 & 08 respectively.

In continuation of earlier Notices dated 24.07.2019, 20.07.2019, 18.07.2019 and 25.07.2019 to the Candidates for Scrutiny of Documents for the Post of Steno Typist (Hindi), Junior Scale Stenographer (Hindi), Junior Scale Stenographer (Both Languages) and Senior Scale Stenographer (Both Languages) respectively for various Departments, Haryana against Advt. No. 12/2015, Category No. 02, 05, 06, & 08 respectively, the Commission has decided to give last opportunity for Scrutiny of Documents on **05.08.2019** to Candidates who remained absent earlier for Scrutiny of Documents. The schedule for Scrutiny of Documents of the above mentioned Posts was as under:

Post	Dates for Scrutiny of Document
Steno Typist (Hindi) Advt. 12/2015 Cat. No. 02	30.07.2019 and 31.07.2019
Junior Scale Stenographer (Hindi) Advt. 12/2015 Cat. No. 05	29.07.2019
Junior Scale Stenographer (Both Languages) Advt. 12/2015 Cat. No. 06	27.07.2019
Senior Scale Stenographer (Both Languages) Advt. 12/2015 Cat. No. 08	01.08.2019

Further, any Candidate with directions of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court may also come for Scrutiny of Documents on **05.08.2019** for the above said Post.

2. The Candidates are also directed to bring all Original Documents, Downloaded Application Form, along with One Set of Self Attested Copies of All Documents mentioned in their Application Form and One ID Proof. The Notice is also available on the website: **www.hssc.gov.in** of the Commission.

3. In case a Candidate does not appear for Scrutiny of Documents before Interview, **no further opportunity will be given thereafter.**

Note:- Other terms and conditions are same as mentioned in the earlier Notice for the above said Post.

Place: Panchkula
Dated: 01st August, 2019

Sd/- Under Secretary,
For Secretary,
Haryana Staff Selection Commission,
Panchkula.

77977/HRY.

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

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

in the matter of **O.A. No. 681/2018/DRT-III**

ORIENTAL BANK OF COMMERCE Applicant
Vs
M/s Raja Components (P) Ltd. & Ors. Defendants

D-1. M/s Raja Components (P) Ltd., 3626/5, First Floor, Bhola AM Market, Mori Gate, Delhi.
D-2 Shri S.K. Goyal, A-2/6, Neevan Jyoti Apartments, Pitampura, Delhi-110034.
D-3 Shri Raj Goyal, A-2/6, Neevan Jyoti Apartments, Pitampura, Delhi-110034.
D-4 Shri Rakesh Goyal, A-2/6, Neevan Jyoti Apartments, Pitampura, Delhi-110034.
D-5 Shri Arun Goyal, A-2/6, Neevan Jyoti Apartments, Pitampura, Delhi-110034.

Whereas the above named applicant has instituted a case against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in this Tribunal **05-09-2019 at 10.30 A.M.**

Take notice that in case of your failure to appear on the above mentioned day before this Tribunal, the case will be heard and decided in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the **21th day of July, 2019.**

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

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APPENDIX – IV-A
[See proviso to Rule 9 (1)

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Public Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the Borrower and Guarantor(s) in particular that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Limited acting in its capacity as Trustee of EARC Trust SC- 18 ("EARC") viz. the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on September 05, 2019, for recovery of Rs. 12,79,56,343/- (Rupees Twelve Crores Seventy Nine Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Three Hundred and Forty Three Only) as on July 02, 2015 together with further interest and other expenses/costs thereon to EARC viz. Secured Creditor from M/s Asha Technologies (Partnership Firm) ("Borrower").

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit for each property shall be as follows:

Lot. No.	Reserve price (In Lakhs)	Earnest Money Deposit
Lot-I	66.34	Rs. 6.63 Lakhs
Lot-II	143.61	Rs. 14.36 Lakhs

Description of the immovable property:

Lot. No.	Description of property
Lot-I	Commercial Property situated at Plot No. 28, 2nd Floor, Crown Plaza, Neelam Bata Road, N.I.T., Faridabad, Harayana–121 001 admeasuring 3600 sq ft. and bounded: **North By:** Plot No. 29 **West By:** Main Neelam Bata Road **South By:** Plot No. 27 **East By:** Vacant Land
Lot-II	Plot No. 17/3, Khewat No. 96/95, Khatoni No. 104, Village Achrondha, Mathura Road Industrial Area (Near Delton Cable), Faridabad, Harayana – 121 001 admeasuring 334.20 sq. yards and bounded by: **North by:** Road **West by:** Other Property **South by:** Dalton Cable **East by :** Other Property Alonghwith all the buildings and structure thereon

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the Secured Creditor's website i.e. **www.edelweissarc.in/Propertysale**

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Place : Mumbai

Authorised Officer
Phone No: 07506642534

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Regulation 47 read with Regulation 29 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company is scheduled to be held at New Delhi on **Saturday, August 10, 2019** to, inter alia, consider, approve and take on record unaudited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter ended on June 30, 2019, after these results are reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board.

Further, in terms of Code for Prevention of Insider Trading in the Securities of the Company, the Trading Window for transactions in the securities of the Company which was closed from July 1, 2019 shall remain closed until August 12, 2019 for the purpose of announcement of aforesaid results.

The said Notice may be accessed on the Company's website at **https://www.ntpc.co.in** and may also be accessed on the Stock Exchanges' website at **https://www.bseindia.com** and **https://www.nseindia.com**.

For NTPC Limited
Sd/-
(Nandini Sarkar)
Company Secretary

Place: New Delhi
Dated: 02.08.2019

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NOTICE

Re-engagement of retired Ministerial/Clerical and Inspectorate Staff in exigency of service in Claims Branch, Headquarter Office, Northern Railway, NDCR Building, State Entry Road, New Delhi.

1. Application in the prescribed proforma only with requisite enclosures are invited from retired ministerial and Inspectorate staff of Northern Railway to work in Claims Branch Headquarter Office, Northern Railway, NDCR Building, New Delhi on re-engagement basis for filling up the vacancies as detailed below:-

Department	Category	No. of vacancies to be filled up
Commercial/Claims Branch	Ministerial	05
	CI/CCI/Claims	02

2. The. prescribed proforma can be. had from/and should be submitted duly filed in with requisite enclosures at :
   a) Claims Branch, Headquarter Office, Northern Railway, NDCR Building, State Entry Road, New Delhi or Railway Website at: **www.nr.gov.in**.
3. The last date for obtaining /submitting the applications is **23.08.2019.**
4. Only Retired Railway Employees of Northern Railway are eligible to apply.
5. Preference will be given to the employee who retired from Claims Branch Headquarter Office, Northern Railway.
6. (a) Such Retired employees i.e. applicant should not have undergone any major penalty punishment (as per SF-5) in last five years.
   (b) Should not have retired under LARSGESS/ Voluntarily.
   (c) Should not have been compulsorily retired or removed/ terminated etc.
7. Essential eligibility criteria, for submitting application are as under:-
   a) General criteria is maximum age 64 years 6 months as on closing date of receiving the application i.e. **23.08.2019.**
   b) Candidate should be willing to work in overall jurisdiction of CCO, Northern Railway.
   c) Candidate should be medically fit for the category for which he has applied.
8. Monthly remuneration of re-engaged retired employee will be equal to his last pay drawn reducing pension from his/her last pay drawn.
9. The re-engagement of Retired Railway Employees still be purely on temporary arrangements and can be terminated as and when regular employees are available.
10. The re-engagement can be terminated on other grounds also by giving 15 days notice without any explanation.

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SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

FROM THE GALLERY

FROM THE CHAIR

RAJYA SABHA

"Please, no campaign is allowed in the House. No whispering. No member is supposed to go to other member. Only officers can move."

M VENKAIAH NAIDU,
Chairman, during voting on UAPA Bill

LOK SABHA

"Now, only first-timers will speak; I am calling their names. Other members, don't raise you hands."

OM BIRLA,
Speaker, during Zero Hour.

ROLL CALL

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

5 QUESTIONS

SUBRATA PATHAK, BJP LOK SABHA MP FROM KANNAUJ, SPEAKS TO **PRADEEP KAUSHAL** ON DIFFICULTIES FACED BY THE PERFUMERY INDUSTRY DUE TO UNAVAILABILTY OF SANDALWOOD—AN ISSUE HE RAISED DURING ZERO HOUR

You made a mention of the complexity of rules with regard to sandalwood. Would you elaborate on that?
The two principal states producing high-quality sandalwood are Tamil Nadu and Karnataka. You can grow sandalwood plants there, but you cannot harvest them when they grow into adult trees. Why would anyone grow them then?

Do the two state governments procure and sell sandalwood?
They used to auction sandalwood stocks earlier. Of late, those auctions have also stopped.

What is the impact of this crisis on perfumeries?
At least a dozen units are closed in my constituency, which is famous for its perfumes. Sandalwood oil is the basic input for the manufacturing of their products. In the present scenario, they can only source it from Australia.

Why Australia?
It is a pity, we have choked our industry, while Australians have taken sandalwood plants from here, developed thousands of acres for their cultivation. They are now exporting sandalwood and its oil to us.

Do you see any chance of the current situation being reversed?
Yes. We have the best climatic conditions and soil for growing sandalwood. There is a tradition of its cultivation going back by centuries. We only need the rules and policies which are pragmatic and encourage people to grow sandalwood.

Minutes after opposing it, Cong backs UAPA Bill in RS

Bill passed with 147 votes for and 42 against; Chidambaram says opposed only power to name individuals as terrorists, Shah assures there won't be misuse

MANOJ C G
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

MINUTES AFTER opposing the Bill and cautioning the government that it was doing something "hopelessly unconstitutional" that would by struck down by courts, the Congress on Friday broke ranks with many other opposition parties in Rajya Sabha and supported The Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Bill, 2019.

The Bill was passed with 147 votes in favour and 42 against.

In Lok Sabha, the Congress had on July 24 staged a walkout before the Bill was put to vote after its demand that it referred to a standing committee was not accepted.

On Friday, the party first voted in favour of motions moved by CPI(M)'s Elamaram Kareem and K K Ragesh and MDMK's Vaiko, demanding that the Bill be sent to a select committee. Minutes later, the Congress voted in favour of the Bill.

The Opposition motion was defeated 104 votes against and 84 in favour, which meant the Bill would have sailed through even if the Congress had opposed it.

The amendment Bill will allow the Centre and states to designate individuals as terrorists and seize their properties.

The Congress voted in favour after CPI(M)'s Kareem and Trinamool Congress's Sukendu Shekhar Roy demanded voting. Without the Congress, the rest Opposition managed only 42 votes. The BSP also supported the Bill.

Several amendments moved by Opposition members were also rejected by voice vote.

Senior Congress leader P Chidambaram told the media later, "We are not opposing the Bill. UAPA Act was brought by the Congress government. Every amending Bill was done by the Congress to strengthen the Act, so we are not opposing provisions to strengthen the Act. We are only opposing clause 5 and 6, which allows them (government) to name an individual."

He said, "They can name an individual at any time just because some Joint Secretary (in government) believes that an individual is involved in terrorism... he (the bureaucrat) will name him. We are opposing that."

Replying to concerns raised by Opposition members on naming individuals as terrorists, Home Minister Amit Shah said there is a need to designate an individual as terrorist since even after banning a terror outfit, an individual terrorist can easily float another group and continue "spreading terror." He said many countries such as the US, Pakistan, China and Israel, besides European Union and the United Nations, designate individuals as terrorists.

As for misuse of the law, he said the Congress should be the last to complain about misuse and recalled clampdown on the media and arrest of Opposition leaders during Emergency. Shah said the law will help agencies remain "four steps ahead" of terrorists.

Replying to Congress member Digvijaya Singh's argument that the National Investigation Agency could not secure conviction of the accused in the Samjhauta Express, Mecca Masjid and Ajmer blast cases and it did not bother to appeal, Shah said: "They were not found guilty because in these three cases there was an attempt to link a particular religion to terrorism on the basis of political vendetta.... In Samjhauta Express (case), some people were arrested earlier; then it was felt that elections are coming...(and it was felt by the then ruling party) that accusations have to be levelled against a particular religion and terrorism has to painted with a colour."

So those arrested were let off and a false case was made out and some people were arrested, Shah maintained.

"The NIA could not furnish any proof," Shah said, adding that the chargesheet in the Samjhauta Express case was filed in 2012 and 2013, when the Congress was in power.

On concerns about misuse, Shah said no person's human rights will be violated, as a four-stage scrutiny with provision for appeals has been prescribed when individuals are declared terrorists.

Participating in the debate earlier, Chidambaram had said, "I oppose this Bill because it takes power to the government to name an individual as a terrorist. I oppose it on that ground."

The Congress leader said, "We are opposing the mischievous amendment which has empowered the Central government to name an individual.... If the Central government believes that an individual is involved in terrorism, the individual will be named - there is no FIR, there is no chargesheet, there are no charges framed. There is no trial in a court. There is no conviction. If the Central government believes that an individual is involved in terrorism, he can be named."

Chidambaram said that naming a terrorist outfit is different from naming an individual. "Let me caution you, this (Bill) will be struck down. Instead of listening to us here, and making the necessary corrections, you are forcing us to go about a kilometre away to another building (referring to the Supreme Court) and present to another set of eminent gentlemen to strike it down. How does it raise the esteem of Parliament? We are doing something which is hopelessly unconstitutional. You know and I know that it is unconstitutional," he said.

"On the liberty of an individual...every judge in this country, the institutional conscience will prevail. This (amendment Bill) will be struck down on the ground that it violates an individual's liberty," he said.

Congress member P Chidambaram flanked by Vivek Tankha (left) and BJP's Bhupender Yadav at Parliament on Friday. *Anil Sharma*

IN THE HOUSE

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh at Parliament on Friday. *Renuka Puri*

Lawmakers work overtime, LS session set to be most productive in 20 years

PRADEEP KAUSHAL & ABANTIKA GHOSH
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE LAWMAKERS of India are working overtime to dispose of legislative business in both Houses of Parliament.

With three working days of the first session of the 17th Lok Sabha still left, Lok Sabha has already passed 30 Bills. The Rajya Sabha is done with 25 bills. The government proposes to pass four more legislations in the remaining three sittings of the Upper House. These are — the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Second Amendment) Bill, Dam Safety Bill, Chit Funds Amendment Bill and SC Judges Bill. The government has already discussed more than a dozen other legislations with leaders of parties for consideration and passage, but the outcome depends on how much time is available.

Asked whether four Bills can be passed in the remaining three days, a source in Rajya Sabha secretariat said: "The House has been passing Bills with extraordinary swiftness... Moreover, since these are extensions, there are no question Hours so the House has been taking up legislation right from the first half."

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi said on Thursday, "We want to pass all the Bills. I hope by the end of this session on August 7, a new history in the passage of Bills and total working hours will be created."

The government, according to him, was keen on getting all 36 Bills introduced in Parliament passed by the end of the extended session. He also gave credit for this achievement to Opposition parties. He said the Rajya Sabha had not cleared as much business as Lok Sabha because of the Opposition strength in the House. "But we are working by talking and taking everyone into confidence," he said.

According to an analysis by PRS Legislative Research, the Lower House registered a productivity of 128 per cent between June 17 and July 16. In comparative terms, the first session of the 15th Lok Sabha in 2009 had seen a productivity of 67 per cent, while that of the first session of the 16th Lok Sabha was at 66 per cent.

FULL REPORT ON www.indianexpress.com

WORK DONE

Some important Bills passed in current session

- The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights of Marriage) Bill, 2019
- The Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Amendment) Bill, 2019
- The Aadhaar and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2019
- The Indian Medical Council Bill, 2019
- The Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Bill, 2019
- The Right to Information (Amendment) Bill, 2019

Lok Sabha passes Bill on dam safety

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A BILL to set up a Central regulatory mechanism for the surveillance, inspection and maintenance of specified dams across India got Lok Sabha's approval on Friday amid apprehensions by some Opposition parties that it seeks to encroach upon the powers of the states as water is a state subject as per the Constitution.

"There is no intention of the Bill, nor of the Modi government, to usurp the rights of the states. This is about creating a safe environment for people living in areas served by dams. The water of the dams, the electricity, the land, the dams themselves, all continue to belong to respective states," Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said.

Shekhawat said that in the 37th National Committee on Dam Safety meeting, almost all states had deliberated the provisions of the Dam Safety Bill, 2019, and had agreed that the provisions are much better than the Bill's predecessor, the Dam Safety Bill of 2010.

He said the draft of the Bill was circulated to all states for comments in 2016 and states had written back. "West Bengal, unfortunately, shows no interest in taking part in the central scheme for repair of its dams," he said.

The Bill provides that a National Committee on Dam Safety be constituted, which will be chaired by the chairperson of the Central Water Commission. Other members will be nominated by the Centre - up to 20 members, with 10 nominated by the Central government, seven representing the state government, and three experts.

There will be a National Dam Safety Authority headed by an officer, not below the rank of an Additional Secretary, who will be appointed by the central government. States will set up State Dam Safety Organisations (SDSOs). All specified dams situated in a state will fall under the jurisdiction of that state's SDSO.

Bill to repeal 58 'redundant' laws passed

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE PARLIAMENT on Friday passed a Bill to repeal 58 laws, some of which dated back to the mid 19th century. The Repealing and Amending Bill, 2019, was passed in the Rajya Sabha by a voice vote after a short discussion which lasted about an hour.

Introducing the Bill, which was passed by the Lok Sabha on July 29, Union Minister for Law and Justice Ravi Shankar Prasad said that the government believes that "the country should be troubled minimum by laws".

"For ease of living, ease of doing business and ease of governance, superfluous, uncalled for, irrelevant or those laws which have lost their utility need to go," Prasad said. He also said that for the country and states, "periodic review of obsolete and irrelevant laws must become a part of good governance".

The minister mentioned a law which was to regulate horse-carts in Kolkata as an example of laws becoming obsolete. .

He told the House that a committee had identified 1,824 old laws that were redundant, of which the government has repealed a total of 1,428 laws since 2014. He said another 137 Acts have been identified to be repealed in future.

Calling the "merger" of two or more Bills a "good exciting idea", the Law Minister said that the government will also think about it. He also said that 75 laws drafted by the Centre for states under President's Rule have also been repealed.

The Bill was supported by members from across party lines, including the Opposition. However, Subhashish Chakraborty of the TMC said that half the laws being repealed by the Bill on Friday were "formulated after 2014". He said, "The government has a history of passing legislation hastily, many only to be repealed a few years later."

RS nod to Bill to regulate wages, bonus of employees

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THE RAJYA Sabha on Friday passed a Bill to regulate wages and bonuses of employees in the formal and informal sector. The Code on Wages, 2019, which seeks to consolidate several labour-related laws, will also set minimum and floor wages, and states cannot set wages lower than the floor wage.

Introducing the Bill, Minister of State with Independent Charge for Labour and Employment Santosh Gangwar said the Bill will benefit a workforce of 50 crore. The Bill, which was passed by Lok Sabha on Tuesday, was passed by Rajya Sabha with 85 votes in favour compared to eight votes against it.

Gangwar told the House that the Union government will not fix the minimum wage. That will be done by states, but the wages cannot be lower than a floor wage which will be decided by an advisory committee, he said. "The Centre will not take the rights of the states," he assured the Rajya Sabha.

The minister said a tripartite committee with representatives of trade unions, employers and states will decide the floor wage and "minimum wage will become right of every worker". In the first meeting, he said, 13 unions participated, but the participation of unions has waned since then due to "political considerations".

The Bill guarantees that workers will not be discriminated on the basis of gender, and male, female and transgenders will have the same rights and wages, the minister said.

The government has accepted 17 of the 24 recommendations made by the Standing Committee when a Bill on the same lines had been introduced in the Parliament in 2017, the minister said, a fact that was also appreciated by members of the Opposition.

Congress leader Madhusudan Mistry said it is "unfortunate" that "we are still talking about minimum wage" and "not a fair wage, not a living wage". He said the state should be an "ideal employer" but instead it was hiring people on contract. He listed out the various issues faced by labourers in the country and asked the government how it will ensure that everyone is paid the minimum wage.

Bill allowing AERA to bid out new airports gets nod

New Delhi: Parliament on Friday passed a Bill to allow the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (AERA) to bid out any new airport at a pre-determined tariff structure.

The Bill was passed by Lok Sabha by a voice vote. Rajya Sabha had given its nod to the Bill earlier.

Currently, major airports with an annual capacity to handle 1.5 million passengers come under the purview of the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (AERA). Now, with the amendments getting Parliamentary nod, the definition of major airports would be changed to any aerodrome with an annual passenger capacity of 3.5 million.

Civil Aviation Minister Hardeep Puri said the Bill should not be seen as one aimed at privatising airports. He noted that currently, the number of airports which are carrying high traffic has increased considerably and the government is hoping to ease the process of fixing tariffs which the regulator had to undertake every five years.

The AERA is a regulator that has the powers to set the tariffs charged at airports. **PTI**

LS passes Jallianwala amendment Bill as Oppn protests, Cong walks out

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THE LOK Sabha on Friday witnessed high drama over a Bill that seeks to remove the Congress president as a trustee of the Jallianwala Bagh National Memorial Trust.

Despite vociferous protests from the Opposition parties and a walkout by the Congress, The Jallianwala Bagh National Memorial (Amendment) Bill was passed by the Lok Sabha on Friday, with the government saying that the Bill was about ending the "politicisation" of Jallianwala Bagh and "acknowledging the contribution of the common man" who helped set up the memorial.

The Bill was passed by a voice vote. Amendments moved by Opposition parties were defeated by division of votes.

The Bill paves the way for the leader of the single largest opposition party in the Lok Sabha to be a member of the trust.The amendment Bill also confers power to the Central government to terminate the term of a nominated trustee before the expiry of the term without assigning any reason.

Currently, the trust which manages the memorial has the Prime Minister as the chairperson, and the Congress president, Culture Minister, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Punjab governor, and Punjab Chief Minister as its members. The current Lok Sabha, just like the previous one, does not have a Leader of the Opposition as the Congress tally fell short of the required 10 per cent mark.

Congress MP Gurjeet Aujla said the government wants to re-write the history by removing the Congress president from the trust. "This government wants to distort history, destroy history. You cannot remove the sacrifice of the Congress to the country's freedom struggle," he said.

As Aujla attacked the ruling BJP and "like-minded organisations" for "not taking part in the freedom struggle", the ruling party members countered him with slogans.

The Congress got support from the DMK's Dayanidhi Maran, who requested the government to withdraw the Bill. "We respect freedom fighters and I am proud of them. Congress is the only party which fought the freedom struggle. Other parties in the country are a byproduct of Congress," he said.

BJD's Bhartruhari Mahtab said keeping the Congress president as a trustee would bring no harm. "The UPA government had also included the Leader of the Opposition as a member. Let us not belittle ourselves by removing the Congress president," Mahtab said.

The BJD leader got support from NCP's Supriya Sule, who said the Bill was "petty".

In response, Culture Minister Prahlad Patel said the Modi government was just "reviewing (history) and acknowledging those who have been forgotten".

"The majority contribution for acquiring land for the memorial was given by common man and it was also common people who sacrificed their life there," he said.

Union minister Harsimrat Kaur Badal, who is a leader of NDA ally Akali Dal, said members of the Congress who were involved in the 1984 anti-Sikh riots.

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DISCUSS, DON'T DEBATE

VICE PRESIDENT M Venkaiah Naidu has called for 'samvaad' (dialogue) in place of 'vaad' (argument) and 'vivaad' (controversy) to promote unity and make the world a better place. In his opening remarks at 'Samvaad with Sadhguru', Naidu referred to the need for inner peace and tranquil minds to face various challenges that flow from mechanical lifestyle and work pressures that are making lives stressful. Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev addressed Supreme Court judges, ministers, Members of Parliament, top officials of the Union government and Parliament and other invitees at Uparashtrapati Niwas on Friday. He spoke on causes and consequences of individual stress and ways to manage it.

NO QUESTIONS, PLEASE

COMING ON the back of restrictions on journalists' entry to North Block, reporters were told at a hurriedly called press briefing organised by the Finance Ministry on Friday that only a statement will be read out by officials, and that no questions would be allowed. The justification offered was that this was the "beginning of the process of weekly briefings", and that the no-questions rule was "in line with MEA [Ministry of External Affairs] briefings".

SUCCESS ASHORE

BRITISH HIGH Commissioner Dominic Asquith is quite pleased about a rare feat by two British diplomats posted at the High Commission in New Delhi. The two diplomats were among 2,400 swimmers from 59 countries to compete in the 31st Bosporus Cross-Continent Swimming — an annual event described as one of the best open-water swimming events in the world - and completed in just over an hour. Katherine Ryan, who looks after regional issues at the British High Commission, swam the Bosphorous in one hour and six minutes. Turkish swimmers grabbed top spots in both men's and women's category.

In letter to Law Minister, CEC pushes for pending poll reforms

Make paid news, filing false poll affidavits punishable with jail term: Arora

RITIKA CHOPRA
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

IN A fresh push for electoral reforms, Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Sunil Arora has sought the government's "intervention" in limiting the number of seats from which a candidate can contest polls to one, amending the Representation of the People (RP) Act to bring the print media within the purview of the 48-hour silence period before voting, and extending tax exemptions only to political parties that fight elections, among others.

Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad is learnt to have received a letter from Arora last week, highlighting eight pending reform proposals. The letter states: "During a meeting held on 21.01.2019 between Election Commission and Secretary, Legislative Department, Ministry of Law & Justice, it was mentioned by Dr G Narayana Raju that the proposals of electoral reforms would be given due consideration by the Ministry, more so because many proposals have been pending for rather long."

Sunil Arora, poll panel chief

Among the proposals highlighted by Arora is one on making paid news and filing of false affidavit a corrupt practice with punishment of two years imprisonment.

Arora wrote: "In order to have 'fair' election, a level playing field is paramount. This can only be achieved by mitigating the influence of money in elections. Therefore, publishing and abetting...'Paid News' in connection with election should be added in the category of corrupt practice."

Flagging the apprehension that political parties may merely be set up for availing provisions of income tax exemption, the CEC reiterated the Commission's demand for powers to de-register a party. At present, the RP Act only provides for registration of political parties; the EC has no power to revoke that registration.

Arora has also sought changes in the contribution form (Form 24A) meant for political parties to ensure that they disclose information even for donations that are less than Rs 20,000. Currently, parties are obligated to provide details of contributions of more than Rs 20,000.

The poll panel chief has again proposed four cut-off dates for voter enrolment in a calendar year — on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. Currently, only those above 18 years as on January 1 are eligible to enrol themselves as voters that particular year. So a youth turning 18 on January 2 would have to wait until the next year for his/her enrolment and could miss voting for election/s held that year.

On capping the number of seats a candidate can contest at one - at present one can contest from two seats - the letter states, "If restricting to one seat is not acceptable, the Commission had proposed that if a person contests from two seats and wins both, resulting in a by-election from one of the two seats, he should deposit an appropriate amount to the government account as expenditure for holding the by-election."

India to Pak: Want unimpeded consular access to Jadhav

SHUBHAJIT ROY
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A DAY after Pakistan offered consular access to Kulbhushan Jadhav, India on Friday said it has asked Pakistan to provide "unimpeded" consular access in an "environment free from the fear of intimidation and reprisal", in sync with the ruling by the International Court of Justice, official sources said on Friday.

According to sources, the negotiations between Delhi and Islamabad are mainly stuck over the "privacy" of the meeting between Indian officials and Jadhav. "Basically, we don't want anyone to listen in to our conversation (with Jadhav)," a top source told *The Indian Express*.

There are a number of issues on which discussions are being held between Indian diplomats in Islamabad and Pakistani government officials: will officials from Pakistan, other than security personnel, be present; will there be a glass partition between them, and will there be an audio-visual recording of the discussion.

The two sides are also discussing the question of how many Indian representatives will conduct Jadhav's interview and what will be the meeting's duration.

India has reasoned that Article 36, Paragraph 1(a) of the Vienna Convention says that "consular officers shall be free to communicate with nationals of the sending state and to have access to them. Nationals of the sending state shall have the same freedom with respect to communication with and access to consular officers of the sending state." India is the sending state in this case.

New Delhi has also pointed out that Paragraph 1(c) says that "consular officers shall have the right to visit a national of the sending state who is in prison, custody or detention, to converse and correspond with him and to arrange for his legal representation".

But Islamabad has said it is going to follow "Pakistan's laws" since Article 36, Paragraph 2 says that "the rights referred to in Paragraph 1 of this Article shall be exercised in conformity with the laws and regulations of the receiving state, subject to the proviso, however, that the said laws and regulations must enable full effect to be given to the purposes for which the rights accorded under this Article are intended." Pakistan is the receiving state.

Sources said India does not want the meeting to become a sham and a propaganda exercise, like the one which took place in December 2017.

Top source says privacy prime concern

EXPLAINED

A test of diplomatic skills

INDIA AND Pakistan are once again locking horns over the consular access to Kulbhushan Jadhav. While Delhi is insisting on following the Vienna Convention and the ICJ verdict, Pakistan is bent on following its local laws. This dichotomy in their position is likely to play out, before a compromise is reached over the "privacy" of the meeting. It will be a test of diplomatic skills to get what India wants a "full consular access", with nobody eavesdropping on the conversation.

Union minister Ram Vilas Paswan pays tribute to his brother at the LJP office in Patna, on Friday. *Nagendra Kumar Singh*

Paswan bids farewell to brother: He was like my son, my Lakshman

SANTOSH SINGH
PATNA, AUGUST 2

AT THE LJP office in Patna, Union Minister and party chief Ram Vilas Paswan attended political leaders and common people who had come to pay last respects to his brother and Samastipur MP Ramchandra Paswan on Friday.

Ramchandra, a four-time MP, died on July 21 following a massive cardiac arrest ten days ago. The youngest of the three Paswan brothers, he defeated Congress's Ashok Ram from Samastipur in the last Lok Sabha polls.

Pointing at a portrait of his late brother, Paswan said, "I cannot believe Ramchandra is not around. Just a day before he suffered the heart attack, we had discussed setting up an educational institution in the name of our father. He liked the idea and promptly suggested land availability.... He was like my son and my Lakshman."

The Union minister recalled how Ramchandra would feel embarrassed when the LJP president held his hand at traffic intersections during their foreign trips.

Paswan recalled how he first brought Ramchandra to Patna after becoming MLA in 1969. "He showed interest in joining politics later. But he first wanted to be like a common worker," he said.

Paswan said Ramchandra was the only one who knew about his eldest brother's whereabouts during Emergency. "What struck me most about him was his humility and respect for elders. Before I left Parliament after attending sessions, I would often find him at the exit gate to see me off. He would get into his car only after seeing me off. He was an MP himself but he had always been a brother first," said Paswan.

PLOT ALLOTMENT BID

Cooperative dept has no role in fixing rates: Bihar minister

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PATNA, AUGUST 2

COOPERATIVE MINISTER Rana Randhir Singh on Friday said that the cooperative department had nothing to do with fixing rates of land under the possession of Bihar State Housing Board. His remark followed news reports about the state government's bid to register a society to allot land to serving legislators at subsidised rates.

Speaking to reporters here, the minister said: "We have not yet received any proposal regarding land allotment. The society is yet to be registered." The minister is secretary of the upcoming society and the parliamentary affairs minister is its chairman.

"Let me make it clear that the cooperative department has no role in fixing land rates for any housing society... The land under possession of Bihar State Housing Board purely belongs to it and only its management can look into or decide its rates," Singh said.

Reacting to *The Indian Express* report on the land allotment proposal published on Friday, Bihar State Housing Board Managing Director A P Singh said: ".. there was no proposal in the pipeline to allot land at minimum rates" to legislators.

Maldives ex-V-P wants political asylum in India, says his counsel

ARUN JANARDHANAN
CHENNAI, AUGUST 2

AFTER FORMER Maldives vice-president Ahmed Adheeb Abdul Ghafoor, 37, reached Tuticorin on Thursday, on board a tug vessel and without valid travel documents, his counsel issued a statement in London, stating that Adeeb had reached India for political asylum.

The counsel said "he cannot simply be returned to the Maldives, regardless of any relationship the two states may have" and added that India "must consider" his "claim in accordance with relevant national and international rules".

"An individual's rights and freedoms are at the forefront of any decision, political, diplomatic, or any other interests are not for consideration. We therefore call upon the Government of India to consider the application in an appropriate manner and offer Adeeb protection whilst his claim is under review," said a statement from Guernica, 37, an international legal firm, on behalf of Adeeb.

In 2016, Adeeb, one of the richest and influential politicians of Maldives who was Vice-President from July 22 to November 5, 2015, was sentenced to 15 years in jail for allegedly plotting to assassinate the then President Abdulla Yameen. He was also convicted of corruption and terrorism and faced a total sentence of 33 years. This year, a court ordered a fresh trial on the same charges after cancelling his convictions, citing undue political interference.

Adeeb is a key witness in a money laundering case against Yameen, who lost the presidential election to Ibrahim Mohamed Solih in September.

The statement by his counsel said they will "call upon the UN Office of the High Commission for Refugees to act with diligence in considering his application and we call upon the UN Office of the High Commission for Human Rights to ensure that his rights are protected". After the tug vessel with Adeeb on board was denied entry at Tuticorin, sources at the port said it remained off the coast. The vessel has on board nine crew members, including one Indian and eight Indonesians. On Friday, officials of foreigners registration wing visited Adeeb on board.

According to the statement on his behalf, Adeeb sought "protection of India and has initiated the process of claiming asylum" for "having been subjected to a series of politically motivated prosecutions, and attempts to coerce him into making false statements by the Maldives Security Services".

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SP MP quits Rajya Sabha, likely to join BJP

LALMANI VERMA
DEHRADUN, AUGUST 2

SAMAJWADI PARTY MP Surendra Nagar resigned from Rajya Sabha on Friday and is said to be joining the BJP, even though he has not quit the party so far.

While Nagar, a prominent leader from the Gujjar community in western Uttar Pradesh, kept quiet on his future course of action, sources said he is set to be reelected to the Upper House from UP on a BJP ticket, like Neeraj Shekhar, another SP Rajya Sabha member who quit recently and joined the BJP a day later.

Surendra Nagar

With Nagar's resignation, SP's strength in Rajya Sabha has come down to 11.

Sources said Nagar was upset with the state of affairs in the SP and a section of its senior leaders.

Congress Rajya Sabha member Sanjay Sinh had also resigned as an MP earlier this week and joined the BJP.

While Rajya Sabha terms of Sinh and Shekhar was to end in 2020, Nagar's term was to get over in 2022.

Given its huge majority in UP Assembly, the BJP is likely to win all these seats in the bypolls and add to its strength in Rajya Sabha, where it still does not enjoy the numbers.

Nagar had begun his political career in Uttar Pradesh as a Member of Legislative Council (MLC) in 1998 as an Independent candidate. In 2004, he was re-elected MLC as a joint candidate of Lok Dal and the SP — he was with Lok Dal at the time.

He joined BSP before 2009 Lok Sabha polls and was elected an MP from Gautam Buddh Nagar, defeating BJP's Mahesh Sharma. In 2014, he joined SP and sought a ticket from the same constituency but then party chief, Mulayam Singh Yadav, turned down the request and asked Nagar to support SP candidate Narendra Bhati.

Bhati lost the polls, even though SP's vote-share increased to 3.19 lakh - up from 1.18 lakh in 2009.

DAY AFTER ASSAM PRESENTS NRC DATA

Govt in contempt of court, will write to SC, says Congress

ABHISHEK SAHA
GUWAHATI, AUGUST 2

A DAY after Assam government presented before the Assembly district-wise data regarding exclusion from draft National Register of Citizens (NRC) published in July last year, the state Congress said it would write to Supreme Court — which monitors the NRC update process — that step was in contempt of the apex court.

Speaking to *The Indian Express*, Leader of Opposition Debabrata Saikia said, "I will write to the Supreme Court to draw their attention that the state government has committed contempt by sharing the data in the Assembly. If you refer to the SC judgment dated September 19, you will see the court had categorically asked for such data to be not shared because of its sensitive nature."

Meanwhile, senior BJP leader Shivraj Singh Chouhan said in a press conference in Guwahati, "The NRC should happen all over India. Our country is not a dharamshala, that anyone can come from anywhere and stay. The BJP wants NRC to happen across the country. After properly thinking, the state government has put forward what it had to say, and I would not want to say anything more on that."

On August 16 last year, the SC had asked Prateek Hajela "to file in Court, in a sealed cover, the percentage of the population in each district (district-wise) who have been left out of the final draft NRC". Hajela is the state coordinator of the NRC. He has been censured against speaking to the media by the SC.

Presenting the data on Thursday, the Assam government claimed that in districts bordering Bangladesh, the exclusion percentage was lower while in other districts it was comparatively high.

Jal Shakti Ministry: measures to save water started in 256 districts

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IN A countrywide effort to enhance water security, especially in water stressed districts, the Centre's Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) has initiated over 3.5 lakh water conservation measures in 256 districts, said officials of the Jal Shakti Ministry on Friday.

Out of these, 1.54 lakh are for water conservation and rainwater harvesting, 20,000 relate to the rejuvenation of traditional water bodies, over 65,000 are reuse and recharge structures and 1.23 lakh are watershed development projects. An estimated 2.64 crore people have already participated in the Abhiyan.

About 4.25 crore saplings were also planted as part of the efforts, the officials said. The outcome of the first phase of the Jal Shakti Abhiyan was announced at a review by Cabinet Secretary in New Delhi on Friday. Chairing a review meeting of Jal Shakti Abhiyan, Cabinet Secretary Pradeep Kumar Sinha, said . "JSA will do lot of good in the years to come. Our aim is to ensure the benefits reach the farmers at the ground-level,"he said today.

AHEAD OF NO-CONFIDENCE VOTE IN BENGAL MUNICIPALITY

On civic chief's order, CCTVs outside councillors' homes

RAVIK BHATTACHARYA
KOLKATA, AUGUST 2

AS A tug of war between Trinamool Congress and BJP continues over control of civic bodies, the chairman of Gangarampur municipality in Dakshin Dinajpur district has come up with an idea to keep an eye on councillors ahead of a no-confidence vote on August 5. Municipality Chairman Prashant Mitra has ordered installation of CCTVs outside houses of the councillors — the official reason being their security.

Trinamool Congress had won all 18 seats in Gangarampur municipality. After the Lok Sabha polls, however, Mitra's brother Biplab Mitra, who is also a former MLA and Trinamool Congress leader, joined the BJP. Following this, both brothers were expelled from the party and 11 councillors in the civic body opposed Mitra as the Chairman.

The Trinamool is trying to bring in a no-confidence motion against Mitra. The no-confidence motion is scheduled to be brought in on August 5 and followed by a vote.

On Wednesday, Mitra issued the order to install CCTVs outside the houses of all councillors. He said the CCTVs will be monitored by police.

"This is for the security of the councillors. Being the Chairman, it is my responsibility to ensure their security. That is why CCTVs will be put up outside their houses. We have earmarked Rs 80,000 for the purpose," Mitra told *The Indian Express*.

CCTV camera outside a councillor's house.

"The CCTV's will be monitored by the police. This will ensure that none of the councillors face problems ahead of the no-confidence vote. We fear that there may be attempts to threaten them or even woo them through various means. There may be attempts to mount pressure on them," said Mitra. So far, CCTVs have been put up outside the houses of 11 councillors.

Mitra alleged that councillors, who are his supporters, are being threatened by the Trinamool Congress.

"TMC is threatening the councillors, who are with me, over the phone. If they are attacked, then CCTV footage will lead us to the culprits. TMC cannot deny its involvement," said Mitra.

Meanwhile, the district TMC leadership has stated that Mitra will lose the trust vote.

Amalendu Bhushan Sarkar councillor of ward No. 2 said, "It is a hilarious and unjustified move to install CCTVs at the houses of councillors. It is a waste of public money. Only those who are supporters of the chairman and against the TMC have allowed this. I have rejected the move. We have the support of majority of the councillors and the chairman will be removed when the vote is conducted."

Arpita Ghosh, TMC head of Dakshin Dinajpur district, said: "All the councillors are from Trinamool Congress. They do not want him as the Chairman and he will lose. That is why he is levelling baseless allegations."

After the Lok Sabha poll results, in which the BJP bagged 18 seats and Trinamool 22 in West Bengal, the former has been accused of orchestrating defections and trying to grab control of civic bodies. Trinamool Congress has been able to woo back a section of the leaders and councillors. The BJP was seen trying to wrest power in several civic bodies, including Bhatpara, Halisahar and Bongaon.

Oppn parties urge Centre for caution over J&K

NC, PDP take on govt over advisory; Cong says build-up creating insecurity

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SRINAGAR, NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE NATIONAL Conference (NC) and the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), the two major mainstream political parties in the Valley, on Friday reacted strongly to the government's security advisory, asking Amarnath Yatra pilgrims and tourists to leave Kashmir at the earliest.

After addressing a press conference at her Srinagar residence late Friday evening, PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti reached out to mainstream political leaders in the Valley on how best to address the situation and the apprehension over possible abrogation of J&K's Constitutional safeguards.

In Delhi, the top leadership of the Congress met to discuss the situation and urged the Narendra Modi government not to take any decision that could "precipitate a deep crisis", and asked it to maintain "Constitutional guarantees" given to J&K.

The Left parties pointed out that Parliament should have been taken into confidence before sending out such a missive.

In a series of tweets, NC leader Omar Abdullah stated, "Although this unprecedented order [security advisory] would seem to suggest a genuine fear of a massive terror strike directed at Amarnath ji yatris or/and tourists this will do nothing to dampen the sense of fear & foreboding that prevails in the valley at the moment.... Seriously? You think an official order telling tourists to leave immediately will not cause them to run from the valley as fast as they can?"

PDP's Mufti alleged that the Centre had resorted to "military might" and "psychological warfare" in the state.

"First the avalanche of private orders about stocking up supplies that somehow made their way into public domain. And now news like this will create panic & distress," she tweeted. "So far, GOI's resorted to military might & psychological warfare like techniques vis a vis J&K. Neither will work."

She later met NC chief Farooq Abdullah at his residence, and later left for the residence of Peoples Conference president Sajad Lone, where Shah Faesal was also present. The three leaders together addressed a press conference and said they will jointly fight for safeguarding J&K's special status.

Former IAS officer-turned-politician Shah Faesal asked on Twitter, "JK Govt has asked Tourists and Amarnath Yatris to leave Kashmir immediately in view of a security threat. Is the Government considering any such advisory for locals also? Should Kashmiris also migrate to other places or is it that our lives do not matter?"

In Delhi, the Congress met under the chairmanship of former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh to discuss the developments and the prevailing political situation in the state, party leaders said.

The party said the "massive build-up of security forces, curtailment of Amarnath Yatra, the unprecedented advisories being issued to tourists, yatris and other civilians, are creating an atmosphere of heightened insecurity and fear".

The party noted that there is widespread fear and apprehension in the minds of the people across the state about the Centre's "intentions of abolishing Articles 35-A and 370."

Leader of the Opposition in Rajya Sabha Ghulam Nabi Azad said concerns were expressed at the meeting over "continuous reports emanating from both the Union Home Ministry and the State Government which were creating an atmosphere of panic and apprehension about the intentions of the government. The Congress urged the Government not to take any decision which would precipitate a deep crisis."

CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury tweeted, "Parliament is in session. Why isn't the PM taking the House into confidence? The panic and rumours allowed to fester in J&K are helping nobody."

People line up at a petrol pump in Srinagar following the government advisory on Friday. *Shuaib Masoodi*

Centre considers more flights to get tourists out; airlines offer free cancellations from Srinagar

PRANAV MUKUL
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE ADVISORY by the Jammu and Kashmir government, asking tourists to leave the Valley in light of potential terror threats to the Amarnath Yatra, has led the Central government and the aviation regulator to convene high-level meetings with air transport operators to consider the option of mounting additional flights to ferry tourists out of the Valley.

Airlines flying to Srinagar have also started offering fee waivers on ticket cancellations for flights to and from the airport. Additionally, travel operators have indicated that people have started cancelling upcoming trips to the region.

"The civil aviation ministry and the DGCA (Directorate General of Civil Aviation) are on alert following the advisory by the J&K government and are taking the relevant actions to ensure passenger safety and convenience," the official said, adding that the priority was to evacuate those on the Amarnath Yatra route. Another source said that Srinagar airport officials met airline representatives posted there to take stock of the situation and discuss various safety issues.

Over the next seven days, over 150 flights are scheduled to fly from Srinagar to various airports outside the state, including Delhi, Amritsar, Chandigarh, Lucknow, Mumbai and Bengaluru.

India's largest airline IndiGo said in a tweet: "In view of the current security situation in Srinagar and the government advisory regarding it, we are providing a full fee waiver on rescheduling/cancellation for all flights to/from Srinagar till August 9."

A spokesperson for flag-carrier Air India said that the airline "has decided to give a full fee waiver on rescheduling/cancellation for all Air India flights to/from Srinagar till August 15".

Other airlines such as SpiceJet and AirAsia India have also offered waivers on ticket changes and cancellations on flights to and from Srinagar.

At pilgrims' halt, disappointment and promises to return next year

ARUN SHARMA
JAMMU, AUGUST 2

LALITA, 48, is close to tears for not making it to the Amarnath shrine.

"I feel like crying. My children worked day and night and saved money for my pilgrimage to Amarnath. Now we are hearing that the yatra has been stopped and pilgrims have been asked to leave Kashmir Valley," she said.

A widow, Lalita has two sons who work with private firms. She is a member of a group of 42 people from Karnataka, which had been camping at Shri Amarnath Shrine Board's Yatri Niwas at Bhagwati Nagar here for the past three days. After a six-day bus journey from Karnataka, they had reached Jammu on July 30.

Jai Lakshmi, another woman in the group, has come with her son. Asked whether she will come for the pilgrimage next year, she said, "I will see. This time, too, we had saved for months to join the pilgrimage."

Pilgrims at a Srinagar hotel. *Shuaib Masoodi*

Since July 30, there have been no yatra convoys to the Valley as authorities had suspended vehicular traffic from Jammu, citing inclement weather conditions. While a sizeable number of pilgrims went back to their native places, over 3,500 people stayed back at various places in Jammu. About 1200 such pilgrims stayed at Bhagwati Nagar Yatri Niwas. However, within hours of the announcement that the yatra has been suspended due to inputs of terror threat, many pilgrims started packing their bags.

Dalip Patidar, who has come from Ujjain, has been staying at the Niwas. He said he was disappointed about the suspension of yatra. "We will come back next year," he said, adding that one shall cooperate with the administration as it has taken the decision keeping the pilgrims' safety in mind.

Several pilgrims are hoping that authorities will allow them to proceed to the shrine once the situation normalises in the next few days. "We will stay here for 3-4 days more and if allowed, we will go there," said Akash Rajput. who has come with a group of 12 people from Bhopal.

Jitender Arora, who has come with half-a-dozen people from Indore, proceeded to Vaishno Devi shrine near Katra. "As per our registration, our date of journey from Jammu to Valley is on August 6. Perhaps the situation will normalise by then," he added.

Meanwhile, after the state government issued the advisory, asking tourists to "curtail their stay in the Valley immediately", officials in Jammu have stopped on-the-spot registration of pilgrims.

"Though we have not received any formal orders, we have stopped on-spot registration of Amarnath pilgrims till further orders," said a senior officer.

"Now, in view of the fresh advisory from the government, we will be asking the yatris camping here to return home," he said.

Militant, soldier killed in ongoing encounter in Shopian

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SRINAGAR, AUGUST 2

A MILITANT and a soldier have been killed in an ongoing encounter between militants and security forces in south Kashmir's Shopian district on Friday.

"One soldier made the supreme sacrifice during the operation. Weapons and war-like stores recovered. Operation in progress," a Srinagar-based defence spokesperson said in a statement.

The spokesperson identified the dead militant as Zeenat-ul-Islam, a resident of Memender in Shopian.

"LtGenRanbirSingh, #ArmyCdrNC and all ranks salute the supreme sacrifice of Sepoy Rambir and offer deepest condolences to the family," the Army's Northern Command said on Twitter.

Police sources said a cordon and search operation was launched in Pandushan village of Shopian district on Friday morning. As the search was on, police said, militants hiding in the area fired at security personnel, leading to an encounter. "The operation is still on," said a police official.

J&K HC Bar Association suspends two for statement on Article 35A

ARUN SHARMA
JAMMU, AUGUST 2

THE J&K High Court Bar Association in Jammu on Thursday suspended two senior members from basic membership for making a statement emphasising the need to retain and strengthen Article 35A of the Indian Constitution.

The suspended members are A V Gupta and S C Gupta.

"The executive committee condemns the recent statement of some members of the Bar supporting Article 35A as it has hurt the nationalist image of Bar Association, Jammu, and projected it as taking a stand on the matter contrary to that of people elsewhere the country," said Bar president Abhinav Sharma, who is also a BJP spokesperson.

Pointing out that the decision came at a meeting of the executive committee of the Bar Association, he said, "It was decided to issue show cause notice to two lawyers and suspend their basic membership till they explain their position..."

A V Gupta, who had been president of the Bar Association, and S C Gupta were among a number of lawyers who at a recent meeting emphasised the need to retain and strengthen Article 35A.

The suspension drew strong reactions from lawyers who supported Article 35A.

"How can you stop anyone from expressing one's personal views? Are we living in a democracy like India or in Afghanistan?" asked senior lawyer Sheikh Shakeel, adding that he hoped the suspensions would be revoked.

In Valley, Tourism dept sends out buses to bring tourists back

ADIL AKHZER & SOMYA LAKHANI
SRINAGAR, NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

WITH HUNDREDS of tourists spread across the Valley, the state Tourism department is sending buses to different destinations to bring them back, in order to send them home, following the J&K administration's security advisory on Friday.

Stating that 15,000 to 20,000 tourists were in the Valley as on Friday, Director, Tourism (Kashmir), Nisar Wani told *The Indian Express*, "We have informed all officials at tourist destinations to clear tourists in their areas. We have sent state buses to these destinations so that tourists can be brought back."

At Pahalgam, assistant director of tourism, Pahalgam, Zahida Parveen said, "There were around 1,000 tourists here. Most of have them have left now. We are asking them to leave for Jammu instead of going to Srinagar."

At Gulmarg, a senior official said, "Tourists are shocked, panicked by the order, but they are cooperating. They started leaving as soon the news spread here."

Travel operators in Kashmir said they were flooded with panic calls. "I am receiving calls from customers who want to know about the situation," said Irfan Pala, who runs a tour agency in Srinagar. "Tourists groups, who were at different places, are on way to Srinagar after they were asked to leave in Gulmarg and Pahalgam."

Rouf Tramboo, president of Adventure Tour Operators Association of Kashmir, said, "It is a big blow to tourism in Kashmir, which is on ventilator. After the advisory, every tourist is in panic and confused."

Kashmir Chamber of Commerce and Industry president Sheikh Aashiq said, "There is complete chaos. How can anyone do business in such a situation when tourists are asked to leave immediately?"

In Delhi, many agents and tour operators said tourists who have gone to Kashmir, or are booked to leave in near future, are either returning or are considering cancelling their upcoming trips.

Delhi-based travel agent Ghulam Hasan Mubaraki said his four clients reached Sonamarg, 15 km from Amarnath pilgrim camping site, on Thursday and will now leave on Thursday. "This has never happened in 14 years that I have had clients for the Amarnath Yatra," he said.

Anil Rajput, joint secretary of the Association of Domestic Tour Operators of India, said the security advisory was doing the rounds on WhatsApp. "Hoteliers in J&K take very good care of tourists; they are safe and have nothing to worry about. But since the government has issued a directive, we will abide by it."

Another tour operator, Sandeep Mehta, who founded Global Indian Adventure eight years ago, said, "I had some clients due to leave for the Amarnath Yatra in the coming days, since it was (earlier) on till August 15. Today, they called to say they won't go. In the past, there have been two-day suspensions due to bad weather but tourists have never been asked to return."

Tourists leaving the Valley from the Dal Lake area. *ANI*

3 thrashed in Gujarat say attacked over 'Shri Ram' chant; cops deny claim

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
VADODARA, AUGUST 2

Police in Gujarat's Godra arrested six people on Friday for assaulting three minor boys.

According to a complaint filed by the father of one of the boys, his son and his two friends were out on Thursday night when the attack happened. The complaint says that the three were thrashed for not chanting 'Shri Ram'.

However, Panchmahals SP Leena Patil told *The Indian Express*, "(The) boys had been involved in an altercation and the attack didn't happen because of not chanting Shri Ram."

"We scanned the CCTV footage on the route and one of the cameras captured them. All the six accused were arrested. They were booked under IPC sections 143 (member of an unlawful assembly), 147 (punishment for rioting.), 323 (punishment for voluntarily causing hurt), 324 (voluntarily causing hurt by dangerous weapons or means), 506 (punishment for criminal intimidation) and 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of the peace)," Patil said.

The three victims, who sustained minor injuries, were discharged from hospital Friday.

The police have, however, not released the names of the accused.

Drops 'Agitate', Brings In 'Self-Reliance'

Gujarat govt school textbook rewrites Ambedkar slogan

PARIMAL DABHI
GANDHINAGAR, AUGUST 2

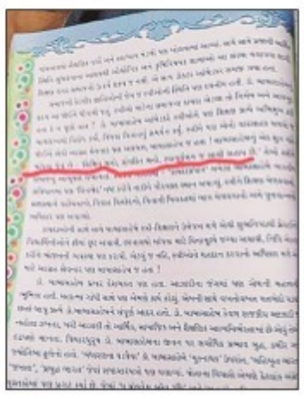
A GROUP of Ambedkarites from Gujarat have submitted a letter of protest to the Gujarat Chief Minister's Office against "tweaking" of a slogan by Dr B R Ambedkar in a Class 5 Gujarati textbook prepared by the Gujarat State Board of School Textbooks.

The group demanded the restoration of the slogan in its original form while removing the tweaked portion from it. Following this, Education Minister Bhupendrasinh Chudasama called a special meeting of Education Department and the school textbooks board next week to ascertain if there is an error that is required to be corrected.

The group also gave a copy of the memorandum to the offices of Deputy Chief Minister Nitin Patel, Social Justice & Empowerment Minister Ishvar Parmar and Education Minister Bhupendrasinh Chudasama.

The slogan by Ambedkar in the context — Educate, Agitate, Organise — has become synonymous with the Dalit movement in Gujarat. In Gujarati, it is popular as *Shikshit Bano, Sangathhit Bano Ane Sangharsh Karo*.

The activists are protesting "tweaking" of the slogan in the Class 5 textbook. A part of a chapter reads, "*Babasaheb nu ek sutra ganthhe bandhva jevu chhe: Shikshit bano, Sangathhit Bano,*



From the Class 5 textbook

Swavlamban j Sachi Sahay Chhe (One slogan of Babasaheb is worth remembering: Educate, organise and self-reliance is the true assistance)."

Referring to the slogan in the book, the Ambedkaraites, who submitted their letter earlier this week, said the slogan in the textbook was not by Dr Ambedkar. "The original slogan by Babasaheb (Ambedkar) is in English, 'Educate, Agitate, Organise'. It was the motto of Bahishrut Hitkarini Sabha founded by Babasaheb in 1924. Babasaheb used this slogan in his inspirational speech addressing a meeting of All India Scheduled Castes Federation in 1945," the letter says.

It said that the original slogan by Dr Ambedkar is world famous and people must have chanted it numerous times. "Any discretionary change in the slogan not only hurts sentiments of crores of followers of Babasaheb but will also be called distorted presentation of a historic truth," the letter said.

"The books (of school textbook board) are vetted by experts. (But) This article... has not been vetted appropriately. The experts have not performed their duty," it said, raising questions over the source of information behind the slogan coined in the chapter.

The Ambedkarites have also stated that historic slogans by legendary persons give inspirations to the future generations. "Such improper tampering with a slogan by Babasaheb (Ambedkar) in the textbook of Class 5 will create a false impression in the minds of children and it is not in the interest of anybody," the letter read.

Raju Solanki, a human rights activist and literary figure from Gujarat, who led a delegation to submit the protest letter in Gandhinagar Tuesday said, "This is a very serious issue. It is a historic slogan given by Dr Ambedkar which has been tweaked in the textbook for children. We have to get it corrected."

It is to be noted that the textbook was first published in 2014. This is for the first time that an objection has been raised against it.

Solanki said, "Somebody drew my attention to this error in the school textbook. We initiated action as soon as we came to know about it..."

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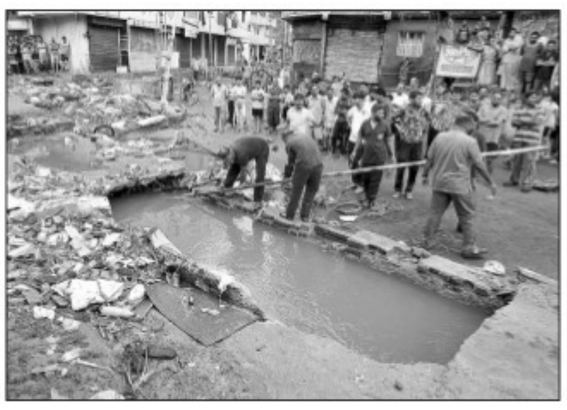
NORTH

Teen set on fire: 3 held for spreading rumours

Lucknow: The Chandauli police arrested three men for allegedly trying to cause a communal flare-up by spreading rumours on social media that a 16-year-old boy was set on fire by local youths belonging to another community after he refused to chant Jai Shri Ram. The boy died during treatment at BHU in Varanasi on July 30.

Police said the three arrested are all residents of Chandauli. SHO of Syedraja police station, SP Singh claimed that the accused instigated the teenager's father by asking him to claim to mediapersons that his son was set ablaze after he refused to chant Jai Shri Ram. **ENS**



Efforts underway to trace a person who fell into a drain during rain in Vadodara on Friday . *Bhupendra Rana*

WEST

Flood toll reaches 7, Vadodara limps to normalcy

Vadodara, Gandhinagar: Life in the rain-ravaged Vadodara is limping back to normal as the water level of the swollen Vishwamitri river, which flows through the central Gujarat city, started receding. At 10pm on Friday, the water level in the river stood at 30 feet, with several residential colonies still submerged. Vadodara witnessed nearly 500 mm of rain in 24 hours till Thursday morning.

Two more cases of drowning were reported in the city on Friday, taking the toll to seven even as several areas remained waterlogged and citizens vented out their anger on social media and on officials over the authorities failing to warn them of the floods in advance. **ENS**

EAST

Child rights panel head is co-accused in POCSO case

Imphal: Police have filed supplementary chargesheet against two persons including the Manipur Commission for Protection of Child Rights (MCPCR) chairperson in the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya sexual assault case. As per the chargesheet submitted on Friday in the special POCSO court, the chairperson and a victim's relative were named co-accused. They were charged for failing to report the crime to the police on time despite knowing about it. A Class X student of the school was sexually assaulted on January 18 inside the school campus by the then principal. **ENS**

SOUTH

Andhra IFS officer gets compulsory retirement order

Hyderabad: Indian Forest Service officer Kallol Biswas who issued notices to mining baron Gali Janardhana Reddy for violations by his company Obulapuram Mining Company (OMC) in Anantapur district in 2009 was issued a compulsory retirement order by the Centre on August 1. Biswas was Divisional Forest Officer of Anantapur, where Reddy had obtained an iron ore mining lease on 134 hectares. He issued notices regarding various violations including flouting environmental and pollution laws. However, the IFS officer was also later accused by other officers of acting in collusion with Reddy. **ENS**

UGC names 14 more names for Institution of Eminence tag

AMU, Ashoka University, KREA University fail to make the cut

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THE UNIVERSITY Grants Commission (UGC) on Friday announced names of another 14 institutions, out of the 24 recommended by the government's Empowered Expert Committee (EEC), selected for Institutions of Eminence (IoE) status.

Aligarh Muslim University, Ashoka University, KREA University and Azim Premji University are among those that failed to make the cut.

Under the public institutions category, UGC picked IIT-Madras, IIT-Kharagpur, Delhi University, Central University of Hyderabad, Jadavpur University, Anna University and Banaras Hindu University. This is in addition to IIT-Delhi, IIT-Bombay and IISc already announced last year.

AMU, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Tezpur University, Panjab University and Andhra University were left out.

Under the private category, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, VIT Vellore, Jamia Hamdard, Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, O P Jindal University and Shiv Nadar University will be awarded IoE status. The proposed Satya Bharti University, backed by Satya Bharti Foundation of Bharti Airtel group, has been selected under the controversial greenfield category. This is in addition to BITS-Pilani, Manipal Academy of Higher Education and Reliance Foundation's yet-to-be-established Jio Institute announced last year.

Azim Premji University, Ashoka University, Indian Institute of Human Settlement and Indian Institute of Public Health and KREA University, which has former RBI governor Raghuram Rajan on its board, failed to make the cut under the private category.

With Friday's announcement, the total number of universities and institutes selected for the eminence tag has gone up to 20, of which 10 are public institutions and 10 private.

When contacted on Friday, EEC chairperson N Gopalaswami told *The Indian Express*, "Although we had suggested the number of IoEs be increased to 30, the government has stuck to the 10 (private) plus 10 (public) formula."

When asked why Jawaharlal Nehru University did not make the shortlist despite figuring in international rankings, he said, "We are looking at comprehensive universities which offer both undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. JNU is primarily a postgraduate university."

The Union Cabinet had approved UGC's 'Institutions of Eminence Deemed to be Universities Regulations 2017' in August 2017. The regulations are aimed at creating an enabling architecture for 10 public and 10 private institutions to emerge as world-class institutions, since the country has little representation in international ranking of educational institutions. The private IoEs can also come up as greenfield ventures, provided the sponsoring organisation submits a convincing perspective plan for 15 years.

The IoEs are proposed to have greater autonomy compared to other higher education institutions. For instance, they will be free to decide their fee for domestic and foreign students, and have a flexible course duration and structure.

EXPLAINED

List not expanding, special criterion set

SINCE THE government decided against increasing the list of IoEs from 20 to 30, the UGC had to define a special criterion to select institutions for the eminence tag. The UGC then decided to select only those institutes which figure in international and national rankings. Those who do not feature in world rankings were kept out of the IoE list.

Ravish Kumar wins Ramon Magsaysay award

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Ravish Kumar

NDTV JOURNALIST Ravish Kumar has been chosen for the Ramon Magsaysay Award this year.

Kumar, NDTV India Managing Editor who has been with the company since 1996, is the only Indian among the five recipients of the award this year. The four others are Ko Swe Win, a journalist based in Myanmar; Thailand's Angkhana Neelapajit; Raymundo Pujante Cayabyab of Philippines; and South Korea's Kim Jong Ki.

The citation for Kumar said he has been awarded for "harnessing journalism to give voice to the voiceless".

It stated, "In electing Ravish Kumar to receive the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award, the board of trustees recognizes his unfaltering commitment to a professional, ethical journalism of the highest standards; his moral courage in standing up for truth, integrity and independence; and his principled belief that it is in giving full and respectful voice to the voiceless, in speaking truth bravely yet soberly to power, that journalism fulfills its noblest aims to advance democracy."

It also appreciated Kumar's style of journalism: "As an anchor, Ravish is sober, incisive, and well-informed. He does not dominate his guests but affords them the chance to express themselves. He does not balk, however, at calling the highest officials to account or criticizing media and the state of public discourse in the country; for this reason, he has been harassed and threatened by rabid partisans of one kind or another."

It recognised his perseverance, saying "Through all the perils and aggravations, Ravish has remained consistent in his effort to preserve and widen the space for a critical, socially responsible media..."

The Ramon Magsaysay Award is considered one of the most prestigious awards in Asia.

Congratulating Kumar, NDTV founders Prannoy Roy and Radhika Roy said in a statement that everyone at the news network is "deeply happy and proud" and "in fact not just NDTV, India is proud of Ravish and his journalism".

They said it takes "enormous courage and strength to be the journalist that Ravish is" and to "give that unique 'voice to the voiceless' and to fight for the truth". They mentioned the threats faced by Kumar "to silence that voice" and said he had "consistently fought intimidation, bullying and hatred that we all know is the antithesis of true India".

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, also an awardee, tweeted: "Welcome Ravish to the club of Magsaysay awardees and hope to see his brave journalism go from strength to strength in these difficult times". Other Indians who have won the award earlier include cartoonist R K Laxman, former IPS officer Kiran Bedi and journalist-turned-politician Arun Shourie.

Unnao rape victim's uncle who is prime witness shifted to Tihar jail

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LUCKNOW, DELHI, AUGUST 2

FOLLOWING A Supreme Court direction, the uncle of the Unnao rape victim was on Friday evening shifted to Tihar jail from the Rae Bareli prison where he was lodged since February this year.

"He was transferred to Tihar jail today following Supreme Court's directive. He was sent under security of CRPF," said Director General, Prison, Anand Kumar.

The rape victim's uncle is a complainant in the case pertaining to the accident that left the victim and her lawyer injured and her two aunts dead.

Last month, an Unnao court sentenced the uncle of the rape victim to 10 years in jail in connection with a 2010 attempt to murder case. Three cases, including a case of robbery and forgery, are pending against him. He is a prime witness in the rape case and in the murder case of the girl's father.

In the Supreme Court, the Uttar Pradesh government's counsel Ranjit Kumar said the rape victim's uncle was safe in Rae Bareli jail, but added that the state did not have any objection if his family wanted him moved to Tihar.

The court deferred taking a decision on shifting the victim and her lawyer to another hospital for better treatment. They are currently at a hospital in Lucknow after being injured in a road accident. Their families have said they want them to stay in Lucknow for the time-being. The court will decide on the matter on Monday.

Senior Advocate V Giri, who is assisting the court, told the bench that some TV channels are playing clips of an old interview with the victim. Following this, the court restrained all print and electronic media from disclosing her identity. In another development, acting on the CBI's request, the court kept in abeyance its Thursday order transferring the accident case to Delhi.

Appearing for the agency, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta said the accused in the case, which is still under probe, will have to be produced before a court for remand and it won't be feasible to bring them every time to Delhi.

A CRPF team on premises of the Lucknow hospital where the victim is admitted. *Vishal Srivastav*

'Satisfied with treatment in Lucknow, don't want to move her'

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LUCKNOW, AUGUST 2

ASSERTING THAT they are satisfied with the treatment in Lucknow, the Unnao rape victim's family Friday said that they did not want her to be shifted anywhere else. The rape victim's condition continues to be critical as she ran a fever on Thursday night.

"She had fever yesterday (Thursday), but doctors said she has been given medication and her temperature has come down. We won't go anywhere else," said her sister, who had earlier said that her family wants to shift the victim out of Uttar Pradesh.

Asked about the change in mind, she said it is a family decision. "The treatment here is okay, we are not willing to go to Delhi, we will remain here," said the mother. She said that while her family fears MLA Kuldeep Singh Sengar — accused in the rape case — they would fight till the end. "I have lost many people of my family in this fight, including my husband. My soul will not be at peace till all of them are punished for what they have done."

In a health bulletin issued earlier in the day, the doctors treating the rape victim said, "The condition of both the victims of Rae Bareli accident is critical, but stable. While male patient is able to breath without ventilator, but with support, woman (is) still on ventilator. (An) Expert team of doctors is looking after them."

Meanwhile, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Kamal Nath on Friday offered the family to settle in the state and promised to provide better treatment to the woman, besides taking her "entire responsibility".

"*Pradesh ki beti ki tarah khayal rakhenge, puri suraksha denge* (We will take care of her like the daughter of the state, will give her full security)."

The office of Kamal Nath tweeted, "We will provide better treatment to the girl. From better education to everything, we will take her entire responsibility..."

The Uttar Pradesh government on Thursday gave financial assistance of Rs 25 lakh to the victim's family following a Supreme Court order.

Responding to Supreme Court order transferring all cases related to the matter to Delhi, AICC general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Friday tweeted, "*Bepanah museebaten jhel rahi aur dard se lar rahi Unnao ki beti ko ab insaaf milne ki umeed jagi hai...* (Hope has risen for justice to the girl of Unnao, who is suffering a lot...)

She added, "*Supreme Court ka faisla Uttar Pradesh mein failey Jangalraj aur sarkar ki nakami par ek muhar hai...* (The decision of the Supreme Court has put a stamp on the widespread jungle raj in Uttar Pradesh.)"

Pointing at the BJP's decision to expel Sengar, she said, "*Ab jakar BJP ne mana ki unhone ek apradhi ko sanrakshan de rakha tha.* (The BJP has finally accepted that they were giving patronage to a criminal)".

Justice Kureshi elevation: SC gives Centre till Aug 14 to decide

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE SUPREME Court on Friday granted the Centre till August 14 to take a decision on its recommendation to elevate Justice Akil Kureshi as Chief Justice of Madhya Pradesh High Court.

A bench headed by Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi allowed the time after Solicitor General Tushar Mehta submitted that a decision would be taken after the Parliament session. The court recorded his submission in its order. "Mr. Tushar Mehta, learned Solicitor General, submits that decision of the appropriate authority of the Government will be taken within a week of the closure of the ongoing Parliamentary Session," the order read, posting the matter for August 14.

The bench was hearing a petition by Gujarat High Court Advocates' Association, challenging what the Association claimed was "arbitrary inaction" of the Centre "in withholding the appointment of" Justice Akil Kureshi as Chief Justice of Madhya Pradesh High Court despite the recommendation of the SC Collegium.

SC upholds conviction of woman who tried to flee, join IS

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Friday upheld the conviction of a woman who had tried to flee with her husband and 13 others from Kerala to join IS in Afghanistan.

A bench of Justices U U Lalit and Indu Malhotra also restored the sentence of seven years given to her by an NIA court in Ernakulam.

Yasmeen Mohammed Zahid, a resident of Bihar, was arrested from Indira Gandhi International Airport on August 1, 2016, shortly before she was planning to leave for Kabul with her child. According to prosecution, there was a criminal conspiracy involving her and her husband from 2015 pursuant to which the others left India and joined IS in Afghanistan. She, the prosecution said, was an active participant supporting terrorist activities of IS. **ENS**

कार्यालय प्रशासक महाराजा जीवाजीराव एजुकेशन सोसायटी, विदिशा

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'OBC category not to be included in Census 2021'

KARISHMA MEHROTRA
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

ALTHOUGH THE Home Ministry had declared that the OBC category would be included in Census 2021, the Registrar-General of India (RGI) will not include the data point, according to MHA sources aware of census preparations. The SC/ST category will be included in the 28 parameters.

"RGI is mandated to include SC/ST. Right now, we don't have OBC category. Moving forward, if it will happen or not, this will depend on the competent authority. The competent authority is the Cabinet, where there hasn't been approval yet. This is all in the pipeline. I cannot say yes or no," the official said.

The then Home Minister Rajnath Singh said the decennial exercise will "envisage to collect data on OBC for the time", according to a PIB statement from August 31, 2018. But the current parameters do not include the OBC category.

The officials said that the competent authority for SC/ST data is the Department of Social Welfare, and that a committee formed under former Niti Aayog vice-chairman Arvind Panagariya was constituted to find a way to publish the 2011 Socio-economic and Caste Census data. No tangible release seems to have come from the initiative.

MHA sources added that there are calls to include caste in every census, but the unreliable nature of caste data collection would decrease the credibility of the results.

Census 2021 will be conducted in 18 languages out of the 23 scheduled languages, while Census 2011 was in 16 of the 18 scheduled languages declared at that time. It also will introduce a code directory to streamline the process.

It will be conducted in two phases: the houselisting phase with 34 parameters from April 2020 to September 2020 and the population enumeration phase with 28 parameters from February 9, 2021 to February 28, 2021. A revisional round will be conducted between March 1 to March 5, 2021.

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Warders of jail where MLA is lodged transferred

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LUCKNOW, AUGUST 2

TWO WARDERS of Sitapur district jail, where rape accused MLA Kuldeep Singh Sengar is lodged, were transferred on Friday after two videos, purportedly showing one of them asking a visitor to come after 15 days to meet Sengar and another taking money from him, went viral. An inquiry has been ordered into the matter.

In one of the videos, a jail warder is seen asking a visitor, who wants to meet Sengar, to come after 15 days as "there is some strictness". In another video, the visitor is seen bribing another warder while walking out of the jail, apparently after meeting Sengar.

The visitor was identified as Ashish Saxena, a district panchayat member of Unnao.

Kuldeep Singh Sengar

Additional Inspector General, Prison, Sharad Kulshestra, said two jail warders, Mahendra Kumar Yadav and Satya Prakash Verma, were transferred Friday after the videos surfaced. While Yadav has been sent to central jail, Fatehgarh, Verma has been transferred to Mau district jail, he added. He further said a detailed report has been sought from the superintendent of Sitapur jail.

Sitapur district jail Superintendent D C Mishra said during preliminary inquiry, Yadav and Verma were identified in the two videos. "I have to check the records to get the exact identity of the person who is seen coming out of the jail in one of the videos," said Mishra.

When contacted, Saxena admitted that he Sengar in jail. He told *The Indian Express* that he went to Sitapur jail on July 21 to meet him. "While coming out of the jail, one of the warders asked for money for tea. I gave him Rs 20 and returned home. I did not bribe any jail warder."

DM issues order to cancel Sengar's arms licences

Lucknow: Unnao District Magistrate Devendra Kumar Pandey on Friday issued the order for cancellation of the three licences. "While checking the court records, I found that the MLA's lawyer had filed 25 applications seeking exemption for his appearance. Taking into consideration the number of exemption applications, I ordered cancellation of three arm licences of the MLA," said Unnao DM Pandey. **ENS**

CHANGE IN TRAIN NUMBER OF 14055/14056 DIBRUGARH -DELHI BRAHMAPUTRA MAIL

It has been decided to **change** the **Train No. 14055/14056 Dibrugarh -Delhi Brahmaputra Mail**. The existing and new train no. are as under:

Existing Train no.	Frequency	From	To	New Train no.	With Effect From
14055	Daily	Dibrugarh	Delhi	15955	09-12-2019
14056		Delhi	Dibrugarh	15956	

General Manager (Operations)
NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY

HARYANA STATE TECHNICAL EDUCATION SOCIETY (HSTES)
(Under Department of Technical Education, Govt. of Haryana)
"Takniki Shiksha Sadan",
Bay Nos. 7-12, Sector-4, Panchkula, Haryana
Website: www.hstes.org.in & www.techadmissionshry.gov.in

Public Notice for All Technical Educational Institutions/ Universities/ Polytechnics regarding Eligibility Criteria/ Credentials of the Admitted Students of Session 2019-20

It is for information of All the Technical Educational Institutions/ Universities/ Polytechnics that Eligibility Criteria/ Credentials of the Students Admitted upto last cut-off date of Admissions i.e. 15.08.2019 must be checked and verified as per the Eligibility Criteria mentioned in the respective Prospectus of Technical Course for Session 2019-20, available on the website of HSTES **(www.hstes.org.in)**. In case any non-eligible student is found to be admitted in any of the Courses then Criminal Action shall be initiated against the Institution by the Department for making the Fraudulent Admission.

Admitted Candidates also ensure that they are eligible for the Admission as per the Eligibility Criteria and valid documents have been submitted by them for the Admission otherwise Legal Action for making Fraud shall be initiated against them.

78009/HRY. Joint Director (HSTES)

Petition in SC challenges instant triple talaq law

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

SAMASTHA KERALA Jamiathul Ulema, a Kerala Sunni Muslim outfit, moved the Supreme Court on Friday challenging the constitutionality of the Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Act, 2019, which makes the practice of instant triple talaq a penal offence.

The petition stated that the law, passed by Parliament on July 30, is "class specific to Muslims" and "violative of Articles 14, 15 and 21 of the Constitution".

"The intent behind the Ordinance (which preceded the Act) is not abolition of Triple Talaq but punishment of Muslim husbands," the plea said, adding "protection of wives cannot be achieved by incarceration of husband".

"The impugned Act applies across the country and thus has national ramifications. The Ordinance has introduced penal legislation, specific to a class of persons based on religious identity. It is causative of grave public mischief, which, if unchecked, may lead to polarization and disharmony in society," it said.

The plea said that Article 123 of the Constitution enables the promulgation of ordinances only in instances requiring "immediate action" and that there was no such emergent reason to invoke it in the case of instant triple talaq.

"Triple Talaq is a practice that dates back to about 1,400 years. It was legally recognized and enforced till the majority judgment in Shahyara Bano... Despite the Central Government having had ample opportunity to abolish the practice before the judgment in Shahyara Bano... the Government chose to await the adjudication in Shahyara Bano... Once there was declaration made by this Hon'ble Court under Article 141 in Shahyara Bano..., there was no surviving action, let alone 'immediate action' warranted to... abolish the practice and penalize Triple Talaq by way of an Ordinance under Article 123. Hence the promulgation of impugned Ordinance is against the spirit of Article 123 and a fraud on the Constitution," the Samastha said.

The Samastha, an organisation of Muslim clerics and scholars in Kerala, controls most of the *mahallus* (mosque committees) in Kerala. It has a close relationship with the leadership of Indian Union Muslim League, an ally of the Congress.

Samastha general secretary Alikutty Musaliyar said the Muslim community has concerns about the new law. "It is a violation of fundamental rights and against equality. There is discrimination on the basis of religion," he said.

Meanwhile, a PIL was filed in the Delhi High Court seeking to quash certain sections of the Act.

KATHUA RAPE-MURDER CASE

J&K seeks death penalty for 3 main convicts in HC

Punjab and Haryana HC set to take up matter on August 7

SOFI AHSAN
CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 2

THE JAMMU and Kashmir administration has filed an appeal in Punjab and Haryana High Court, seeking death penalty for the three main convicts in the gangrape and murder of an eight-year-old girl in Kathua, contending that the case was "rarest of rare" and deserves capital punishment.

In two other appeals, the state sought conviction of the accused acquitted, Vishal Jangotra, and setting aside of the acquittal of three police officials from the charge of conspiracy.

The appeals are expected to come up for hearing on August 7 along with other appeals filed by convicts and complainant.

"It is not a case of any spur of the moment provocation or even a case where the accused gets overcome by lust. This is a case where a calculated and meticulously planned conspiracy was hatched, the victim was identified and targeted, and what disturbs the moral fibre of the society is that the same was done due to the enmity between the two communities, of which an innocent girl of 8 years paid the ultimate price," reads an appeal filed through Jammu Crime Branch.

The appeal seeks death penalty for the three main convicts — Sanji Ram, Deepak Khajuria and Parvesh Kumar — who were sentenced to life imprisonment by a Pathankot court on June 10.

Former Sub Inspector Anand Dutta, SPO Surinder Kumar and Head Constable Tilak Raj were sentenced to five years in jail for destruction of evidence.

A Special Investigation team (SIT) had concluded that the victim was murdered and raped in January 2018 as part of a conspiracy to "dislodge" her community from the village. The trial was conducted by the District and Sessions Judge, Pathankot, on Supreme Court's orders.

In the appeal, the State critiqued the trial court's order: "...it can be safely stated that the learned trial judge has been highly perfunctory in the discharge of judicial function in the matter of sentencing."

Submitting that the trial court "erred gravely" while accepting the plea of alibi of the accused named Jangotra, who was acquitted on the basis of alibi that claimed he was in UP to take an examination when the crime occurred, the appeal stated that the trial court ignored the confessional statement of convict Parvesh Kumar. The trial court also ignored the testimony of three witnesses regarding Jangotra's presence at the crime scene January 13, 2018, the state submitted.

Stating that the trial court has misread evidence of the handwriting expert regarding the attendance sheet of the exam Jangotra purportedly took, the state said that the trial court has relied on an interested witness, Jangotra's sister, to show that he had used a debit card at an ATM during the relevant period at Meeranpur — the card could have been used by anyone, the state pointed out in its appeal.

In its appeal against acquittal of former policemen Dutta, Kumar and Raj, who were convicted only under the charge of destruction of evidence, and not for conspiracy, the State said, "The trial court on one hand has come to the conclusion that the accused were in connivance with the other main accused but has erroneously and without application of mind acquitted the accused of other charges framed against them, which stands proved beyond any shadow of doubt."

Stating that while the trial court held the three policemen played a part in misdirecting the search party from visiting the area where the victim was confined, the state has said the court failed to draw the inference that this misdirection was not only to shield the culprits but was "in pursuance of the conspiracy hatched to execute the plan."

Judicial magistrate can order anyone to give voice sample for criminal probe: SC

ANANTHAKRISHNAN G
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE SUPREME Court on Friday ordered that a judicial magistrate will have the power to ask a person to give his or her voice sample for the purpose of investigation of a crime.

A bench of Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi and Justices Deepak Gupta and Sanjiv Khanna called upon the Parliament to make requisite changes in the law to provide for it, adding that till this happens, the magistrate will have the power to order the same.

"In light of the above discussions, we unhesitatingly take the view that until explicit provisions are engrafted in the Code of Criminal Procedure by Parliament, a Judicial Magistrate must be conceded the power to order a person to give a sample of his voice for the purpose of investigation of a crime. Such power has to be conferred on a Magistrate by a process of judicial interpretation and in exercise of jurisdiction vested in this Court under Article 142 of the Constitution of India," the bench court ruled, deciding a reference made to it following a split decision by a two-judge bench on an appeal against a 2010 decision of the Allahabad High Court.

On the question whether this would violate the fundamental right to privacy under Article 20(3) of the Constitution, which says that no person accused of any offence shall be compelled to be a witness against himself or herself, the bench said though this point was not canvassed before it, in view of the judgement in the Aadhaar and other cases, "it will suffice to note that... the fundamental right to privacy cannot be construed as absolute and but must bow down to compelling public interest."

The case which led to the appeal pertained to the arrest of one Dhoom Singh by the Electronic Cell of Uttar Pradesh Police in December 2009. Singh and one Ritesh Sinha allegedly collected money from people by promising them jobs in the police.

The investigating authority wanted to verify whether a recorded conversation recovered from Singh was between him and Sinha.

They filed an application before the jurisdictional Chief Judicial Magistrate, requesting it to ask him to give his voice sample. The court allowed the plea.

Sinha challenged this before the High Court, which upheld the order of the Chief Judicial Magistrate, following which Sinha approached the Supreme Court.

Defamation case: Cross-examination of M J Akbar's witnesses ends

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE CROSS-EXAMINATION of M J Akbar's witnesses in the criminal defamation case filed by the former Union minister against journalist Priya Ramani came to a close Friday at a Delhi court.

Akbar had resigned as a Minister of State after Ramani leveled allegations of sexual misconduct against him. He subsequently filed a defamation lawsuit against her.

On Friday, Joyeeta Basu, the editor of *The Sunday Guardian*, deposed before the court that she did give an interview to the digital edition of *NewsX*, in which she stated that her "relationship with Akbar was that of Guru and Shisya and I consider him to be my guru".

She went on to tell the court, "I had suggested to Akbar that he should take legal action and that I was ready to support in whichever way he needed me to and it was in this context he requested me whether it was okay on my part to be a witness for him."

The second witness, Manzar Ali, who has been working as a first personal assistant to Akbar for the last 25 years, was asked if he took the printouts and links of the tweets on being asked by Akbar, to which he replied in the affirmative.

Ramani will now give her statement to the court under Section 313 of the CrPC on August 23.

AGUSTAWESTLAND CASE

'Witness' to court hearing Nath nephew's case: Tortured, forced to make statement

ANAND MOHAN J
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

A MAN claiming to be a witness in the AgustaWestland money laundering case walked into a courtroom with his advocate where Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Kamal Nath's nephew Ratul Puri's anticipatory bail hearing was under way, and claimed that the Enforcement Directorate (ED) had forced him to remove his pants, tortured him in custody, and made him give a statement.

The scenes unfolded in the courtroom of Special Judge Arvind Kumar, when Special Public Prosecutor for the ED, D P Singh, was rebutting Puri's counsel Abhishek Singhvi's arguments.

The man walked in with his advocate, Ajayinder Sangwan, who told the judge, "My Lord, I am sorry for interrupting.... I have an application to submit. This is a witness and his pants were taken down...he was tortured.... He was forced to give a statement."

Sangwan identified the witness as Mahipal.

Special Judge Kumar asked, "Why no complaint was filed before the police? Your only remedy is before this court?"

Sangwan replied, "How can I complain against the ED to the police?"

The judge said, "What was the urgency? There are the police and other agencies.... You have come to this court because this matter was taking place. Did you know this matter was going on?"

Sangwan said he read about Puri's case in the newspapers and told the court that Mahipal was forced to give a statement.

The judge allowed his application to be heard on Saturday.

ED sources said Mahipal handled Puri's cash transactions. His statement was recorded by ED a month and a half ago, they said.

Sangwan has moved an application for retraction of Mahipal's statement given before the ED, stating that his client was called by ED on July 23 and wrote a dictated story after threats were issued to him.

Arguments in Puri's anticipatory bail hearing concluded on Friday and the matter has been listed for orders on August 6.

Chandrayaan-2 raises its orbit for the fourth time

ENS & PTI
PUNE, AUGUST 2

THE CHANDRAYAAN-2 spacecraft moved into a higher orbit around the earth after firing its onboard propulsion system on Friday afternoon. This is the fourth time that the spacecraft has raised its orbit after being put in an Earth-bound elliptical orbit, 17 minutes after its launch on July 22.

Chandrayaan-2, India's first lander mission to the moon, is now going around the Earth in an orbit that is 277 km from the Earth's surface at the nearest point and 89,472 km at the furthest.

"All spacecraft parameters are normal," ISRO said in a statement.

The spacecraft will raise its orbit once more, on August 6, before preparing to break free from the Earth and move towards the moon which will happen on August 14. The spacecraft will travel for six days before entering the lunar orbit on August 20.

The 3,850-kg three-module Chandrayaan-2 was launched on July 22 into an eliptical orbit around the Earth with the aim of landing a rover in the uncharted Lunar South Pole on September 7, marking a giant leap in the country's space programme. The mission, if successful, will make India the fourth country after Russia, the US and China to make a soft landing on the moon.

IITs fill all BTech seats, first time since 2013

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE INDIAN Institutes of Technology (IITs) have collectively managed to fill all BTech seats this year, for the first time since 2013.

In fact, at the moment, admissions across all 23 IITs are in excess as per the data released by the HRD Ministry. According to sources, this means the seats earmarked for the economically weaker section students (roughly 620) have also been filled. This is the first year that the EWS quota has been introduced.

Last year, about 118 seats had found no takers. Before that, 110 seats in 2017, 96 seats in 2016, 32 seats in 2015, 3 seats in 2014 and 149 seats in 2013 were vacant.

ELECTRICAL WORKS

E-Tender Notice No.: SR.DEE/GH/08 of 2019-20 **Dated:** 01-08-2019. Works tender through e-tendering system are invited for the following works: **Tender No.:** EL/GH/821. **Name of work:** (i) At Guwahati: Electrical work in connection with provision of amenities in the TTE's Rest House at par with that of running rooms of drivers/guards. (ii) At Central Hospital Maligaon: Electrical works in connection with repairs and renovation of indoor concourse area, male medical ward, maternity ward, radiology and doctor's chambers at ground floor including other ancillary works. **Tender Value:** ₹39,50,417/- **Earnest Money:** ₹79,000/-. E-Tender will be closed at **15.00** hrs. of **23-08-2019** and opened at **15.30** hrs. of **23-08-2019**. The complete information with the tender document of above e-tender will be available up to **15:00** hrs. on **23-08-2019** in website **www.ireps.gov.in**

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer, Guwahati
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E - TENDERING PRESS NOTICE

The Executive Engineer, Civil Division No.V, Irrigation and Flood Control Department, Govt. of NCT of Delhi. Near Paryavaran Complex, Saiduilajab New Delhi 110030 invites on behalf of President of India, on line percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractors registered with Irrigation and Flood Control Department up to **3:00 P.M on dates mentioned as below.**
1. **NIT** 36/2019-20/EE/CD-V/Acs/(ID No. 2019_IFC_177393_1 (Percentage rate). H.O.A:- MLALAD.
N.O.W.:- Providing and fixing open Gym equipment at Kh No. 1704 main bus stand Aya Nagar in Chhattarpur Assembly Constituency AC-46. **E.C.** Rs. 38,18,633/- **Earnest Money** Rs 76,373/- **Period of Completion** 45 Days. (Date of opening 08.08.2019).
2. **NIT** 37/2019-20/EE/CD-V/Acs/(ID NO. 2019_IFC_177397_1 (Percentage rate). H.O.A:- MLALAD.
N.O.W:- Providing and fixing of SFRC benches for various location in Chhattarpur Assembly Constituency AC-46 **E.C.** Rs. 43,86,000/- **Earnest Money** Rs 87,720/- period of Completion 90 Days. (Date of opening 08.08.2019).
3. **NIT** 62/2019-20/EE/CD-V/Acs/(ID NO. 2019_IFC_177402_1 (Percentage rate). H.O.A:- MLALAD.
N.O.W.:- Construction of RMC road from crossing of Shamshan Ghat road and Phirni road to gate of Sh. Ram S/o Sh. Hukam Singh at Phirni road in village Dera in Chhattarpur Assembly Constituency (AC-46). **E.C.** Rs. 12,55,719/- **Earnest Money** Rs 25,114/- **Period of Completion** 45 Days. (Date of opening 08.08.2019).
Note:- 1). The enlistment of the contractors should be valid on the last date of opening of tenders. In case the last date of opening of tender is extended the enlistment of contractor should be valid on the original date of opening of tenders. Earnest Money in physical form i.e. deposited at FDR/Banker cheque /Demand Draft of schedule bank issued in favour of EE CD VI&FC Deptt. should be deposited in the office of EE CD V I&FC Deptt. Govt. of NCT of Delhi Saidulajab near Paryavaran complex New Delhi 30 On or before the last date and time. 3) Details of above mentioned work can be seen and downloaded from website **http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in** 4) Tender submitted through e-procurement portal shall be accepted only. Corrigendum, if any will be published on e-procurement web side only.

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER CD.V.
DIP/Shabdarth/0483/19-20

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

Executive Engineer, Mechanical Division - IV, I & FC, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Nangloi Near DTC Depot, Nangloi Delhi - 41 on behalf of the President of India , online tender are invited from the approved and eligible agencies who conduct the similar nature of work for the following work:
(1) **N.I.T. No.:-** EE/MD-IV/2019-20/03 **Name of Work**: Running and Maintenance of Machinery for the year 2019-20. Sub. Providing of Electrical/Diesel Pump Operator (Skilled), NTS & Khallasi-cum Chowkidar-cum-Helper (Unskilled Labour) for Molar Bund, Meethapur & Durga Builder of Mechanical Division-IV. **Estimated Cost** : Rs 1965295/- **Earnest Money** : Rs 39306/- **Period of completion** : One Year 2711 (Non Plan) Period of completion 12 months (365 days), last date & time of Tender upto 3.00 P.M on 08/08/2019 Tender ID 2019_IFC_177381_1.
(2) **N.I.T. No.:-** EE/MD-IV/2019-20/04 **Name of Work**: R/M of 2 Nos. Hydraulic Excavator for the year 2019-20. Sub. Providing of Operator and Khallasi-cum-Chowkidar-cum-Helper for deployment on 2 Nos. Long Boom Hydraulic Excavator (BEML-220) for the period of 12 Months from the date of commencement of work/job. **Estimated Cost** : Rs 2295797/- **Earnest Money** : Rs 45916 **Period of completion** : One Year 2711 (Non Plan) **Period of completion** 12 months (365 days), last date & time of Tender upto 3.00 P.M on 08/08/2019 Tender ID 2019_IFC_177390_1.
1) Earnest Money in physical form i.e. FDR/Pay order/Bankers cheque/Demand Draft should be deposited in the office EE, MD-IV, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Nangloi, Near DTC Depot, Nangloi, Delhi on or before the last date & time.
2) The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in
3) Only tender submitted through e-procurement portal shall be accepted.

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MECHANICAL DIVISION-IV
DIP/Shabdarth/0481/19-20

SEARCH FOR MISSING

TEJAL

General Public is hereby informed that one girl **Namely:** Tejal, **S/o:** Sh. Bhim Singh, **R/o:** K-133 Jahangir Puri, Delhi, **Age:** 18 Years, **Height:** 4'8", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Orange kurta and Light Brown Laggi and Pink Sandal in feets has been missing/kidnapped since 04.07.2019 from the area of P.S. Jahangir Puri, Delhi. In this regard **DD No. 33A, dated 09.07.2019** has been lodged at **PS.** Jahangir Puri, **Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing/kidnapped girl please inform the undersigned.

E-Mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in
Fax: 011-27462222
DP/9164/NW/19
SHO
PS, Jahangir Puri, Delhi
Ph.: 011- 27636000

NORTHERN RAILWAY
OPEN-AUCTION NOTICE

For and on behalf of The President of India, Assistant Divisional Engineer, Northern Railway, Prayag invites to auction the fishing pond near Phaphamau Railway station for a period of three years. The auction will be held on **06.09.2019** at **11:00 a.m.** in the Office of Assistant Divisional Engineer, Northern Railway, Prayag under following terms and conditions:-
1. Interested parties can obtain detailed form along with the terms and condition from office on payment of **Rs. 2,000.00 (Rs. Two Thousand only)** (Non refundable) as cost of document in shape of DD/MR in favour Sr.DFM/NR/Lucknow.
2. Interested parties can participate in auction after the depositing the **Rs. 1,66,972.12** (Refundable) as earnest money in favour of Sr.DFM/NR/Lucknow.
3. Interested parties must provide the following documents at the time of participation.
   a) Application of participation
   b) Details of payment
4. Licensing period three years (03 Years).
5. Other Conditions:- SOP (Works matter) GCC/2018 and other conditions applicable time to time.

Note:- "All relevant information related with the above work can be obtained from the office of Assistant Divisional Engineer, Northern Railway, Prayag, on any working day." 2474/2019

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

Ref no. 868 Ranchi, Dated 02.08.2019
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: Tribal History of Jungle Mahal (1. Jhargram 2. Bardhwan 3. Midnapur 4. Bankura 5. Panchait 6. Manbhum 7. Singhbhum 8. Dhalbhum etc.)from Ancient to British Period.
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 19 /08 /2019 till 4.00 P.M. 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 a sealed envelope clearly written in BOLD **"A TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FOR *TOPIC: Tribal History of Jungle Mahal (1. Jhargram 2. Bardhwan 3. Midnapur 4. Bankura 5. Panchait 6. Manbhum 7. Singhbhum 8. Dhalbhum etc.)from Ancient to British Period.*** on or before the due date. **(Please specify the 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 21.08.2019 at 2.00 P.M. in the office of the Director, TRI, Ranchi.
Only those agencies which fulfill technical criteria will be considered for the presentation of the 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/impanel one or more firm depending on requirements.

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General Manager

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU
NAGERCOIL CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
Roc.No. E3 /3745/2018 Re Tender Notice Dt: 01.08.2019
The Commissioner Nagercoil City Municipal Corporation invites on-line Bids for SBM 2018-2019 from the eligible Contractors, only before **15.00 Hours on 04.09.2019**. For Further details may be downloaded from the following websites **https://tntenders.gov.in., www.municipality.tn.gov.in/tenders**

Package No	Name of work	Estimate Amount	E.M.D	Tender Document cost	Execution period	Contract class
1	Removal of legacy waste Dumped in Compost Yard at Valampurivilai through Bio- Mining process at Nagercoil Corporation	Rs. 1007.00 lakhs	Rs. 11,00,000	Free of cost download at website	12 Months	1st Class

1. The bid document can be downloaded from the website **https://tntenders.gov.in** at free of cost.
2. **Important dates:** 1. Date and time of Pre bid meeting: **21.08.2019 -11.00 P.M.** 2. Date and time for downloading bid documents: **03.09.2019- 3.00 P.M.** 3.Last date and time for submission of bid document, including online submission **04 .09.2019, 3.00 P.M** . 4 .Date and time of opening of the Technical Bid: **04 .09.2019 - 3.30 P.M.**
DIPR/2661/Tender/2019 **Commissioner, Nagercoil City Municipal Corporation**

66 JJR (SC) FORM NO. 7

SR. NO	PART NO.	NAME	REASON	EPIC NO.	VILLAGE
1.	124	Ritika W/o Dinesh Kumar	Shifted	TDE0224618	Jhamari
2.	124	Dinesh S/o Sube Singh	Shifted	TDE0224543	Jhamari
3.	124	Amit S/o Vijay Singh	Shifted	TDE0224683	Jhamari
4.	124	Poonam W/o	Shifted	TDE0224758	Jhamari
5.	124	Bhateri W/o	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033034	Jhamari
6.	124	Sube Singh S/o Ram Kumar	Shifted	TDE0075671	Jhamari
7.	124	Vijay Singh S/o Ram Kumar	Shifted	TDE0075689	Jhamari
8.	124	Puspha Devi W/o Vijay	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033036	Jhamari
9.	124	Santosh W/o Sube Singh	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033035	Jhamari
10.	124	Ramgopal S/o Banwarilal	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033627	Jhamari
11.	124	Matar W/o Ram Gopal	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033038	Jhamari
12.	124	Suresh S/o Ram Gopal	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033039	Jhamari
13.	124	Parwati W/o Suresh	Shifted	Hr/05/34/0033041	Jhamari
14.	124	Dharmapl S/o Saawal Ram	Shifted	BKQ1321041	Jhamari
15.	124	Jamna W/o Dharmpal	Shifted	BKQ1321033	Jhamari
16.	124	Ravinder S/o Saawal Ram	Shifted	BKQ1321819	Jhamari
17.	124	Laxmi W/o Ravinder	Shifted	BKQ1245174	Jhamari
18.	124	Mukesh S/o Dharampal	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033431	Jhamari
19.	124	Darshna Devi W/o Mukesh	Shifted	HR/05/34/0033666	Jhamri
20.	75	Ramesh Chander S/o Ram Phool	Shifted	TDE0370650	Jhajjar
21.	75	Savita W/o Ramesh Chander	Shifted	KMG1450725	Jhajjar
22.	32	Rajbir Singh S/o Kartar Singh	Shifted	HR/05/33/0432914	Gudha
23.	164	Hoshiyar Singh S/o Sawal	Shifted	HR/05/34/0243008	Niwada
24.	164	Sombir S/o Hoshiyar Singh	Shifted	BKQ0873273	Niwada
25.	164	Sangit Kaur W/o Sombir	Shifted	BKQ0873265	Niwada

उपरोक्त नाम मतदाता सूची से हटाए जाने प्रस्तावित है। यदि इन नामों के मतदाता सूची से हटाए जाने पर किसी व्यक्ति को कोई आपत्ति है तो, वह व्यक्ति एक सप्ताह के अन्दर निर्वाचक पंजीयन अधिकारी एवं उप मंडल अधिकारी (ना.) झज्जर 66 (अ.जा.) के समक्ष साक्ष्यो सहित उपस्थित होकर अपनी आपत्ति दर्ज करा सकते हैं।

हस्ता./- **निर्वाचक पंजीयन अधिकारी,**
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Classifieds

PERSONAL

I, Praveen Kumar Sharma D. O. B. - 09.04.1978, S/o Inderpal Sharma, R/o D-60,GaliNo.-17,Hindon Vihar, Sector-49, Noida, Distt. - G. B. Nagar, U. P. - 201301, inform that Praveen Sharma & Praveen Kumar Sharma both are one & the same person. 0040505241-5

It is for general information that I, Kamlesh Kaur, W/o Ravinder Singh R/o-74-A Gali No.2 Old Tezab Mill, Bholanath Nagar, Shahdara S.O.East Delhi, Delhi-110032 inform that name of my minor son Kirat Singh Aged-14-Years has been wrongly-written as Kirth Singh in his School Record. The actual name of my minor son is Kirat Singh which may be amended accordingly 0040505894-1

It Is For General Information That I, Jagriti Goyal D/O Mr.Bhanu Prakash And W/O Mr.Deepak Choudhary, R/O-C-495, SFS-Flats, Sheikh-Sarai Phase-1, New Delhi-110017 informs That I Got Divorce From My Husband Vide Court Decree Hma No.39/15, Dated-07/11/2016.Further I,Have Changed The Name Of My Minor Daughter Dhriti Aged 09-Years And She Shall Hereafter Be Known As Dhriti Goyal. 0040505905-9

I, Chandra Kant Prasad S/o Sh. Banwari Sah R/O-94C, Arawali Apartment, Sector 52, Noida here confirm that my daughter's Anjuri correct name is Anjuri Prakash for all future purposes. 0040505869-3

I, Vishwakarma Chaudhari S/o Shriram Chaudhari R/o-J120, Patel Nagar Ghaziabad have changed my name to Vishva Karma. 0040505869-2

I, Tanya D/O, Thankachan Pottayil Skaria R/o C-101, Iipa Cghs Ltd, Plot No-26, Sector-6, Dwarka, ND-75, have changed my name to Tanya Thankachan for all purposes. 0040505928-3

I, Ranjana D/o Devi Saran R/o 196 Sec-30 Gurgaon Haryana-122001. changed my name to Ranjana Sharan. 0040505905-8

I, Sunil S/O Madan Lal R/O H-4&5, Radheypuri, Krishna Nagar, Delhi-110051. Changed My Name To Sunil Badoliya. 0040505950-7

I, Sunil Rana S/o Late Sh.Amar Singh Rana R/o E-2/2/43, Sector-15, Rohini, Delhi-110089 have changed the name of my minor son from Aryan Rana to Aryan Singh Rana for all purposes. 0040505837-1

I, Summi Chopra W/o Rakesh Chopra R/o 16/12, Second Floor, West Patel Nagar, New Delhi-110008, have changed my name from Vaishali Chopra to Summi Chopra. 0040505843-1

I, Suhaib S/o Ali Hasan R/o D-618,Gali No-7,Khadda Colony,Jaitpur Extn. Part-2,Badarpur, Delhi-110044 have changed my name to Mohammad Suhaib permanently. 0040505869-1

I, Sumeet Khetwani S/O Tulsi Dass Khetwani R/O-D-162, Ashok Vihar, Phase-1, Delhi-52 Have Changed My Name To Sumit Khetwani. 0040505905-5

I, Sudhir Kumar S/o Late Chaman Lal Chanana R/o H.No.276, Sector-16, Faridabad(HR), have changed my name from Sudhir Kumar to Sudhir Chanana. My correct Name is Sudhir Chanana for all future purposes. 0040505928-1

I, Sudhanshu S/o Pankaj Kathuria R/o F-49, Kirti Nagar New Delhi-110015, have changed my name to Sudhanshu Kathuria 0040505834-2

I, Subhash Kumar S/o-Ramsahay Prasad R/o-Block-E-103, Ajronda-Metro Staff-Quarter, Faridabad, Haryana-121007.changed the name of my minor daughter.,Kumari Sanjana to Ananya Kumari. 0040505950-3

I, Shiv Kumar S/O Musaddi Lal, R/O-18/120, East-Motibagh, Street No-4, Sarai Rohilla, Delhi-110007. Changed My Name To Shiv Kumar Garg. 0040505950-5

I, Shalni Chopra(Maiden name Shalni Bhola)Spouse of Subhash Chander Chopra, resident of-B1A/88-B,Janakpuri, New Delhi-110058,have changed my name from Shalni Chopra to Shukla Chopra vide-affidavit dated-30.07.2019 at Delhi. 0040505894-9

I, Saumya Jindal D/o Rajesh Gupta R/o-A-20, Shubham-Enclave, Paschim-Vihar, New Delhi-110063.have changed my name as Saumya Gupta for all purposes. 0040505978-1

I, Sarojini Devi, Spouse Of-Lt. Col.Hari Chand Resident Of: K-300,Kangra Niketan, Vikaspuri, New Delhi-18.,Have Changed My Name from Sarojini Devi to Saroj Patial & My Date-of-Birth is 01-Jan1945 Vide-Affidavit Dated 05th-July-2019 before Shri.Natvaralal P.Sonchhatra Notary Greater Bomby, Govt.of Maharastra. 0040505894-6

I, Sarita Tripathi also known as Geeta Ram Tripathi w/o Manjul Joshi r/o 26P/203, Gali no.-1, Indra Park, Delhi-110045, have changed my name to SARITA JOSHI. 0040505886-1

I, Ankur Tara S/o Sunil Kumar Tara R/o 7/97 3rdFkoor Malviya Nagar New Delhi-110017 Changed My name to Ankur Sharma. 0040505950-1

I, Sanjeev Kumar Gupta S/o Ashok aggarwal,Shashi Aggarwal R/o-1/5912-B Kabool Nagar, Shahdara Delhi-110032,have changed my name to Sanjeev Aggarwal for all purposes. 0040505894-4

I, Renu Bala D/o Late Sh.Krishan Kumar W/o Sh.Tirath Ram Garg R/o H.No. 569/C-8, Sector-8, Rohini, Delhi-110085 have changed my name after marriage to Renu Garg for all purposes. 0040505837-2

I, Rekha W/O Sunil Badoliya R/O-H-4&5, Radheypuri, Krishna Nagar, Delhi-110051., Changed My Name To Rekha Badoliya. 0040505950-8

I, Pappu Kumar Sah R/o Gb-23, Pulprahladpur, ND-44, have changed my minor son's name from Priyanshu Kumar Saha to Priyanshu Kumar Sah for all purposes. 0040505928-2

I, Reenu Rani@Rachita Kadyan D/o Shri.Khushi Lal W/o-Shri.Anuj Virendra Singh Kadyan R/o House-No.E-001, Stellar MI Citi-Homes, Omicron-3, Greater-Noida, Uttar-Pradesh have changed my name to Rachita Kadyan.,for all purposes. 0040505905-10

I, Rajbir S/O Ramkishan R/O Rz-202/2, Street No-2, Sadh-Nagar, Palam Colony, New Delhi-110045. Changed My Name To Rajbir Yadav. 0040505950-6

I, Rahul S/o Jawahar Lal R/o- P-1/718, Sultanpuri, Nithari, West Delhi-110086 have changed my name to Rahul Mannan permanently. 0040505923-5

I, Rachna W/O Parveen Kalra R/O F-80, Himkunj-Appt, Plot-8, Sec-14, Rohini, Delhi-110085 Have Changed My Name To Rachna Kalra. 0040505905-3

I, RAJAN S/O SANJAY KUMAR residing at B-179A, GALI NO-2, SADATPUR EXTENSION, KARAWAL NAGAR, DELHI-110094. have changed my name to RAJAN PAYLA for all future purpose. 0040505923-8

I, Pinki @ Pinky @ Sunita Devi @ Sunita D/o Sh.Amar Nath Singhal W/o Sh.Sanjay Aggarwal R/o B-3/34, Rajasthali Appartment, Pitam Pura, Delhi-110034 have changed my name to Sunita Devi for all purposes. 0040505837-3

I, Parveen Kumar S/O Manohar Lal R/O F-80, Himkunj-Appt, Plot-8, Sec-14, Rohini, Delhi-110085 Have Changed My Name To Parveen Kalra. 0040505905-4

I, Pankaj Kaushik S/o Samir Kaushik R/o-D-43, Sector-40, Noida, Gautambudh Nagar, U.P.-201301 have changed my name to Panku Kaushik. 0040505923-3

I, No-JC594713K, Sub Gh Hassan Mir S/O Late Sher Ahmad Mir R/O- Batpora Trumnar, Tehsil/ District- Kupwara. In my service records, DoB of my son namely Suhail Ahmad Mir has been wrongly mentioned as 20.05.2006 instead of 20.05.2005. It needs correction. Objections be filed to 3 JAKLI within seven days. 0020390226-1

I, Nita Sethi W/o Tarun Sethi R/o-C-23, The-Summit, Golf-Course Road, Sector-54, DLF-Phase-5, Gurgaon.have changed my name to Anita Sethi.for all purposes. 0040505923-2

I, Nikhil Sehgal S/o Deepak Sehgal R/o-218.Tagore Park, Model-Town, Dr.Mukherjee Nagar, Delhi-110009 have Changed my Name to Nikhhil Sehgal for All purposes 0040505834-4

I, Milvinder Kaur Sethi W/O Late.Satinder Pal Singh R/O-60, Vidya-Apartment, Inder-Enclave, Rohtak-Road, N.D-110087. Have Changed My Name To Malvinder Kaur. 0040505923-1

I, Mehr Sharma D/o Puja Sharma R/o M-203, Second Floor, Southcity-1, Sector-41, Gurgaon (HR)-122002, have changed my name to Mehar Sharma for all purposes. 0040505908-1

I, Manoj Kumar, S/O Sh. Om Parkash Khurana R/O House No: 553, 2nd Floor Bhai Parmanand Colony, Dr. Mukherjee Nagar, North West Delhi-110009 have changed my name to Manoj Kumar Khurana. 0070668035-1

I, Mamta Semalti W/o Rakesh Parsad R/o-4/9, Railway-Colony, Sewa Nagar, Lodhi Road, N.Delhi-110003 have changed my name to Mamta Jakhmola. 0040505905-2

I, Malik Manish Kumar S/o Uday Singh H.No.5/1 Village-Rabhra Gohana Sonipat Haryana-131301 changed my name to Manish Malik. 0040505905-7

I, Kushal Kumar Sayal S/o Suresh Kumar Sayal R/o-3/147, Subhash Nagar, N.Delhi-110027 have changed my name to Kushul Kumar. 0040505923-4

I, Karan S/o Mr. Harke Ram R/o H.No.62, Block No.208, Jind-Ramrai(11), Jind, Haryana-126102, have changed my name to Karan Singh. 0040505894-5

I, Kanishka Bharadwaj son of Neeraj Sharma resident of 15 B-1 NWC New Delhi-110003 have changed my name from Kanishka Bharadwaj to Kanishk Bharadwaj vide Afidavit Dated 01-8-19. 0040505978-6

I, Jyoti W/o Sanjay Kumar D/o.Arjun Paswan R/O-L-144 ,Vijay Vihar, Phase-2,Rohini Sector-4, Rithala, North West Delhi-110085,have changed my name to Jyoti Prabha. 0040505834-3

I, Gyanendra Srivastava s/o Lallan Prasad r/o Shivalika Apartment, Plot no.-16, 7G, Dwarka, Delhi-110077, have changed my minor (aged 15 years) son's name from Aryan Srivastava to Isshaan Srivastav. 0040505886-2

I, Essombe Arsene Vanessa, W/o Mr.Sudhir Mohan Pant, R/o-70, Sultanpur-Extension, New Delhi-110030,have changed my name to Arsene Vanessa Essombe Epse Sudhir Pant. 0040505950-2

I, Dr. Deepak Buddhi S/o Sh.Chet Ram R/o-UU-67,Ground-Floor Pitampura, Delhi-110034,have changed my minor daughter's name from Arshia Buddhi to Arshiya Buddhi. 0040505978-5

I, Divyanshu S/o Pankaj Kathuria R/o F-49, Kirti Nagar New Delhi-110015, have changed my name to Divyanshu Kathuria 0040505834-1

I, Deepak Kaushik S/O Madan Lal R/O-41, Third-Floor, Old-Anarkali, Krishna-Nagar, Delhi-110051. Changed My Name To Deepak Kumar Kaushik. 0040505950-4

I, Debabrata Maji,S/o Kasinath Maji,R/o 11/16, Semal Road,Shipra Suncity, Indirapuram,Ghaziabad(U.P.) have changed my daughter's name from Sneha to Sneha Srijaya for use in all legal documents. 0040505946-1

I, Davinder Singh Awal S/O : Khem Singh Awal R/o 7968, Kharia Mohalla, Roshanara Road, Delhi-110007 have changed my name to Davinder Singh 0070668022-1

I, Charu Gupta D/o Hansraj Singhal, Anuradha Singhal W/o Sanjeev Aggarwal R/o-1/5912-B Kabool Nagar, Shahdara Delhi-110032,have changed my name to Charu Aggarwal for all purposes 0040505894-3

I, Baldeeo S/o Jagdip Singh VPO Gochh Dist-Jhajjar Haryana Pin-124107 jave changed my name from Baldeep to Baldeep Ahlawat vide Afidavit dated 01-08-19. 0040505978-7

I, Amzad Khan S/o Niaz Mohammed., H.No.602A, Part-2, Ward no.3, Flatno.D-1, 3rd-Floor, Mehrauli, Delhi-110030.,changed my name to Mohammad Amzad Khan. 0040505905-1

I, Abhilasha D/O, Govind Prasad Kukreti R/o H.N. 370A, Block A, Palam Vihar, Gurgaon, Haryana, have changed my name to Abhilasha Kukreti for all purposes. 0040505874-1

I, Aakanksh S/O Narinder Bhatia R/O.Flat.No-367, DDA SFS-Flats, Pocket-1, Dwarka Sector-22, Delhi-110077.Have Changed My Name To Aakanksh Bhatia. 0040505905-6

I hitherto known as Vikas S/o Late.Sidhya Ram R/o-H.No.D-3/49, Gali No-3, Brijpuri, Delhi-110094.have Changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Vikas Singh Shakya. 0040505894-8

I Surender Puniya S/O Dharam Pal Puniya, H.No-D-1/131, Kunwar Singh-Nagar, Nangloi, Delhi-110041. Changed my Name to Surender Kumar. 0040505978-2

I hitherto known as Kuldeep S/o Late.Sidhya Ram R/o-H.No.D-3/49, Gali No-3, Brijpuri, Delhi-110094,have Changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kuldeep Singh Shakya. 0040505894-7

I Shipra Vashisht W/O Shailender Kumar Vashist R/O-CRPF QuarterNo-107, Block-1, Pocket-2, Sector-16B, Dwarka, Delhi-110078. Changed my Name to Shipra Vashist. 0040505978-4

I Shailender Kumar Vashisht S/O Styender Kumar Vashisht R/O-CRPF Quarter.No-107, Block-1, Pocket-2, Sector-16B, Dwarka, Delhi-110078.Changed my Name to Shailender Kumar Vashist. 0040505978-3

I Prabhat Kumar S/O Hakim Singh Address-B-356, Block-D, Karan-Vihar, Part-5, Kirari-Suleman Nagar Delhi-110086.Mistekly-Written In My-Certificate.But My Correct-Name Is Prabhat Kumar Rathor. 0040505923-9

I Manoj Kumar S/o Ramphal R/o VPO- Behlba, Teh-Meham, Distt-Rohtak (Haryana) PIN-124112 have changed my minor child's name from Harsha to Harsh. 0070668039-1

I Jonty Gupta s/o Vijay Gupta R/o C31, Greenwoods City, Sector 45, Guragon have changed my name to Jatin Gupta for all purpose. 0070668036-1

I Hitherto known as Kiran Devi W/o Vijay Kumar Shah R/o-27/109/11-A Pandav Road, Jwala Nagar, Shahdara Delhi-110032, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kiran Kumari 0040505894-2

I Hither To Know As Sapna D/O-Sadal Prasad Employed As—In The Residingate-Rz-59b Block-Rzb Nihal-Vihar, Nangloi New Delhi-110041.,Here Changed My Name And Shall Herealter Be Know As Prajapati Sapna Sadalprasad. 0040505894-10

I, Gauri Shankar Bansal S/o Sh. Mishri lal Bansal R/o Ozone Park, Tower No. 8 Flat No. 14A Sector-86, Faridabad have lost Paper of Income Tax in the name of Gauri Shankar Bansal & Suman Bansal. Finder Contact # 9312106338.

I, Gauri Shankar Bansal S/o Sh. Mishri lal Bansal R/o Ozone Park, Tower No. 8 Flat No. 14A Sector-86, Faridabad have lost Paper of Sale Tax Form - 38 No. DD1423991 and Form-c no. 1628985 in the name of Sumit Sales Corporation Ghaziabad. Finder Contact # 9312106338.

LOST & FOUND

It is notified for the information that my Original Qualifying Examination Certificate of Main Senior Secondary Examination of Year 2014 and Roll No.9196546 issued by CBSE has been actually lost. Narender Kamiya, B-209/2, Birla Farm, Chattarpur Extension, New Delhi – 110074 (Mob No.:8810332751). 0040505910-1

It is notified for the information that my Original Certificate of Main Secondary Examination Year 2003, Roll. No. 6402124 and Senior Secondary Examination Year 2006, Roll. No. 6670228 issued by CBSE has been actually lost. Mandeep Kaur D/o Late Surinder Singh, 11/2 Pantnagar, Jangpura Extension, New Delhi- 110014. 0040505845-1

I, Umang Tyagi S/o Late Ravi Dutt Tyagi R/o-D-15/92, Sector-7, Rohini, Delhi,have lost Original DDA-Allotment Letter of above said property. 0040505978-9

I, Poonam Rani Ahlawat D/o Mahinder Singh Ahlawat R/o WZ-572 Madipur Village New Delhi-63, have lost my marksheet and certificate of 10th old marksheet Roll no (6329113) year 1992. 10th new marksheet roll no. (6336443) year 1993 and 12th marksheet roll no.(6617544) year 1995. Issued BY CBSE. LR No-1327510/2019. 0040505919-1

I Vikas Khanna S/o Lt.Sh.Vijay Kumar Khanna, R/o-2752, Gali no-2, Tirath-Road, Putleghar-Amritsar Punjab-143001 (Mutattee)-Have Lost Original-FDR-13971, Priority.No-18326, Appl No-74383 of Plot No-249, Pkt-A-2, Sec-35 Rohini Delhi in the name of My father Sh.Vijay Kumar Khanna. 0040505978-8

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My clients (1) Indu Kapoor W/o Anil Kapoor (2) Anandika Kapoor D/o Sh. Anil Kapoor (3) Nitika Kapoor W/o Sh. Neeraj Kapoor all R/o-E-4/20 Krishna Nagar, Delhi-51 had purchased the first Floor of building property bearing no. J-2/9 (Part) measuring 114.5 Sq. Yds IE 95.72 Sq. Mt. covered area 86 Sq. Mt. Consisting of its structure built there on along related rights & meters from Sh. Dinesh Kapoor S/o Sh. Shyam Dass R/o-J-2/9 Krishna Nagar, Delhi-51 wide sale deed dated 08/06/2018 registered on 11/06/2018 with Regn. No. 4990 my clients are the absolute owners of the said property and are interested in transferring the same said property in favour of Sh. Hitesh Kapoor S/o Raj Kapoor R/o H.N.12 Gali no.5, Radhey Puri Ext. Delhi-51 if anybody has any claim against the said above mentioned property I.E. First Floor of J-2/9 Part may contact the following within 15 days, Hitesh Kapoor R/o H.N.12, Gali No. 5, Radhey Puri Ext. Delhi-51, #8860223210, Indu Kapoor, Anandika Kapoor, Nitika Kapoor #9873437517 C/o Pawan Choudhary Advt. En D-2235/2004

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Smt. Ashok Rani W/o Late Sh. Narender Kumar, H.No.-1051, Shastri Nagar, Delhi have severed all relations from his son Manish Partap Singh & his wife Nitu and debarred from her moveable-immovable properties. If anybody deals with them, my client shall not be responsible in any manner.

D.S. Rana & Associates (Advocate)

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My Clients, namely Jaswant Singh S/o. Ranbir Singh & Smt. Bimla W/o. Jaswant Singh B/R/O 82, Village Bhorgarh Delhi - 110040, has severed all type of relationship with his son namely Bharat, daughter-in-law namely Ms. Naina, grandson Master Dimple and grand daughter namely Ms. Shakshi and also debar them from their entire moveable and immovable property, due to misconduct and hostile behavior of their son and daughter in law, grandson and grand daughter named above, towards the family. Anybody dealing with them in any manner, shall do so at its own cost, risk and responsibilities and consequences and my clients shall not be responsible for the same.

S.K. VAHSISTHA-ADVOCATE
Ch. No. K-154, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi -110054

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client SURESH RAJPAL S/O LATE SH. B.D. RAJPAL AND HIS WIFE RASHMI RAJPAL BOTH R/O B-60, FIRST FLOOR, PRASHANT VIHAR, DELHI has severed all their relations and debarred their son MOHIT RAJPAL, his wife RUPAL KALSI RAJPAL and his daughter TARISHKA from all their movable-immovable properties on account of their hostile behavior and out of control. My clients shall not be responsible and liable for their any kind of acts/deeds in future.

Sd/-
(SUNIL DAHIYA) Advocate
CH.No. 729 Rohini Court Delhi-85

Public Notice

"Under the instructions of my Client Shri Ram Avtar S/o Late Shri Atma Ram, I hereby inform the general public that his sons (1) Kapil Goel and (2) Farish Bharti and their children, are neither residing with him nor they are in our Clients' control. The behavior of Kapil Goel and Farish Bharti and their children are not good towards our Client. Therefore, our Client has disowned their sons Kapil Goel and Farish Bharti and their children from his moveable and immovable property and have severed all relations with them with immediate effect. Anyone dealing with them, shall be responsible for his acts or omission and commission and that our Client will not be held liable in regard thereto" **Harpreet Singh Popli, Adv.**
C-184, Vikas Puri, New Delhi-18

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The public at large is hereby informed that my client Sh. Ravinder Singh Dahiya (UID No.6235 4242 7136) S/o Late Sh. Ram Chand and Smt. Pushpa Devi (UID No.5964 8095 0469) W/o Sh. Ravinder Singh Dahiya R/o VPO Rohat, Sonipat, Haryana, have debar their son namely Ishan Dahiya (UID No.6911 5849 5469) and his wife Smt. Rinku Hudda (UID No.5040 7986 7758) and their daughter Avira Dahiya R/o VPO Rohat, Sonipat, Haryana from their life due to their bad conduct/ quarrel/ gambling/ addict/ alcoholic and disobedient towards my clients and their family and my clients have no control of any manner over them and my clients are residing separately from them and daughters of my clients were already got married and have no concern with them and my clients disowned them from their all movable and immovable properties and my clients had already relinquished/transferred 5 Kanal 10 Marle land of his share to his brothers at the instance of Ishan Dahiya, if any one deals with them will be at his/her own risk then my clients and their family and daughters will not responsible in any manner and my clients and his family and daughters have snapped their relations with them in all manner for all purposes.

RAVINDER KHATRI (ADVOCATE)
Ch. No. 832, Rohini Courts, Delhi-110085

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client Smt. Shakuntala Devi Wd/o Late Hari Prakash Sharma R/o H. No. RZ 883A/13, Gali No. 9/3, Sadh Nagar, Palam Colony, New Delhi-110045, have severed all relations with her Son Vinod Kumar Sharma and his wife Ms. Tulsi Devi and their children, Nidhi @Guddu, Mukul Sharma @ Mannu all R/o H. No. RZ 883A/13, Gali No. 9/3, Sadh Nagar, Palam Colony, New Delhi-110045, and have disowned/disinherited Vinod Kumar Sharma, Tulsi Devi, Nidhi @ Guddu, Mukul Sharma @ Mannu from all her movable and immovable properties with immediate effect. Anyone dealing with them shall be doing so at his/her own risk and consequences. The general public is further notified that my client shall not be responsible for any acts, deeds, well being /future life of Vinod Kumar Sharma, Tulsi Devi, Nidhi @ Guddu, Mukul Sharma @ Mannu in any manner.

KANWAR UDAI BHAN SINGH SEHRAWAT (ADVOCATE)
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Executive Engineer, Civil Division No. IV, Irrigation & Flood Control Department Govt. of NCT of Delhi, L.M. Bund Office Complex, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-31 invites on behalf of President of India online Percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractors registered with of Irrigation & Flood Control Department upto 3.00PM S. NO. 1 to 6 dated on 08.08.2019 and NO. 7 to 14 dated on 19.08.2019 for the works:

H.O.A.: 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTEANCE DRAINAGE
1. **NIT No.** 07/RE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177217_1) **Name of work:** - Construction of steel barrier for protection of flooding material in Trunk Drain No.1 at Delhi-U.P. Border RD 13387m. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 3,46,686/- **Earnest Money Rs** 6,934/- **period of completion** 60 days

H.O.A.: 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTEANCE DRAINAGE
2. **NIT No.** 26/RE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177223_1) **Name of work:** Demolishing of existing damaged boundary wall and Re-Construction of RCC retaining Wall including thematic painting in Railway side along Ramp to bridge at RD 6300m of Trunk Drain No 1. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 36,72,461/- **Earnest Money Rs.** 73,449/- **period of completion** 75 days

H.O.A.: Development of Unauthorized Colonies
3. **NIT No.** 28/RE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177206_1) **Name of work:** - Development of streets pavement and side drains of U-Block, Shiv Vihar, Karawal Nagar in Mustafabad Constituency AC-69 (Regn. No.276/1642) including Maintenance for 5 years. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 63,00,512/- **Earnest Money Rs** 1,26,010/- **period of completion** 120days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 4. **NIT No.** 51/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177202_1) **Name of work:** - Improvement of main road/gali with side drains/raising of side drain in main road (attached railway line) gali Sl.No.1 to gali Sl. No.8 of Pratap Nagar Colony in Gokalpur Constituency (AC-68) . **Estimated Cost of Rs** 82,83,916/- **Earnest Money Rs** 1,65,678/- **period of completion** 180days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 5. **NIT No.** 62/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177423_1) **Name of work**: - Renovation of existing Chaupal in Village Babarpur in Babarpur Assembly Constituency 67. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 51,19,144/-**Earnest Money Rs** 1,02,383/- **period of completion** 180 days

H.O.A.: 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTEANCE DRAINAGE
6. **NIT No.** 55/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177457_1) **Name of work**: Deployment of Security Guard for offices of I&FC Department, GNCTD located at L. M. Bund Office Complex, Shastri Nagar, Delhi - 110031. **Estimated Cost of Rs** Rs.44,28,691/- **Earnest Money Rs.** 88,574/- **period of completion** 365 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 7. **NIT No.** 56/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177460_1) **Name of work**: - Improvement of damaged street No. 1, 2 & its of Bhajanpura C- Block in Ghonda AC 66. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 82,02,036/- **Earnest Money Rs** 1,64,041/- **period of completion** 150 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 8. **NIT No.** 57/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177461_1) **Name of work**: - Improvement of damaged street No 7 to 12 of Subhash Mohalla in Ghonda AC-66 **Estimated Cost of Rs** 88,81,804/- **Earnest Money Rs** 1,77,636/- period of completion 120 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 9. **NIT No.** 58/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177463_1) **Name of work**: - Improvement of damaged street of Bhajanpura CA-Block in Ghonda AC-66. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 25,74,175/- **Earnest Money Rs** 51,484/- **period of completion** 45 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 10. **NIT No.** 59/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177471_1) **Name of work**: - Improvement of damaged street No 3,4,5 & its link of Bhajanpura C-Block in Ghonda AC 66. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 69,15,124/- **Earnest Money Rs.** 1,38,302/- **period of completion** 120 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 11. **NIT No**. 60/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177474_1) **Name of work**: - Improvement of damaged street of Sanjay Mohalla in Ghonda AC-66. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 71,86,327/- **Earnest Money Rs** 1,43,727/- **period of completion** 120 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 12. **NIT No.** 61/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177476_1) **Name of work**: - Improvement of damaged street No 1 to 6 of Subhash Mohalla in Ghonda AC-66. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 89,15,968/- **Earnest Money Rs** 1,78,319/- **period of completion** 120days

H.O.A.: 4406 PLAN FOREST
13. **NIT No.** 65/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177482_1) **Name of work**: - Construction of interlocking tiled pathway and boundary wall at Taj Enclave City Forest, under North Forest Division. **Estimated Cost of Rs** 18,06,790/- **Earnest Money Rs** 36,136/- **period of completion** 60 days

H.O.A.: 4711 PLAN OTHER DRAIANGE WORKS
14. **NIT No.** 66/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177487_1) **Name of work**: Construction of Service Road from R.D. 3800 m to R.D. 5750 m of L.F. Bund Estimated Cost of Rs 4,08,20,602/- **Earnest Money Rs** 8,16,412/- **period of completion** 180 days

Note: 1) The enlistment of the contractors should be valid on the last date of opening of tender. In case only the last date of opening of tender is extended, the enlistment of contractor should be valid on the original date of opening of tenders.
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1	28/निविदा प्रकोष्ठ दिनांक 26/07/19	2019_ CPA_ 41583_1	राजीव गाँधी प्रौद्योगिकी विश्वविद्यालय परिसर में आर.जी.व्ही. वाटर सप्लाय स्कीम का, इंजिनियरिंग, प्रक्यूरमेन्ट, निर्माण, टेस्टिंग एवं कमिशनिंग, जिसमें 0.92 एम.एल.डी. ट्रीटिंग पानी विश्वविद्यालय के गेट के समीप से नर्मदा लाईन से प्राप्त करना, ग्रेविटी मेन, पम्पिंग मेन, डिस्ट्रिब्यूशन का स्थापना, जी. एस.आर.एवं पंप का प्रदाय एवं स्थापना आदि कार्य टर्न की आधार पर किया जाकर सम्पूर्ण स्कीम का 10 वर्षो तक संचालन एवं रख रखाव कार्य किया जाना,	रू. 1,82,11,000/- (एक करोड़ बयासी लाख ग्यारह हजार)	रू. 1,82,110/-	रू. 10,000/-	अधीक्षण यंत्री, राजधानी परियोजना प्रशासन, भोपाल
2	29/निविदा प्रकोष्ठ दिनांक 26/07/19	2019_ CPA_ 41612_1	नेशनल लॉ इंस्टिट्यूट यूनिवर्सिटी स्थित राजीव गाँधी सैबर लॉ सेन्टर हेतु समाधान भवन, प्रशासनिक भवन का विस्तारित भवन निर्माण कार्य.	रू. 5,21,95,898/- (रू. पाँच करोड इक्कीस लाख पिन्चानब्बे हजार आठ सौ अठानब्बे)	रू. 5,21,989/-	रू. 20,000/-	_तदैव_
3	30/निविदा प्रकोष्ठ दिनांक 26/07/19	2019_ CPA_ 41638_1	सेन्ट्रल बैंक चौराहा शाहपुरा से इन्कम टैक्स कॉलोनी, भरत नगर तक बी.टी. मार्ग का नवीनीकरण कार्य.	रू. 54,63,092/- (चौवन लाख त्रिसठ हजार बयानब्बे)	रू. 54,631/-	रू. 10,000/-	_तदैव_

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

N.I.T. No.: 20-19-20-W-2 **Name of Work with its location :** Upgradation of Assets (Colonies) in doubling projects between MTC-MOZ-TPZ and raising of PF 1/MUT with VDC flooring in the section ADEN/MUT. **Approx. Cost of work:** Rs.31267792.92/- **Earnest Money:** Rs.306300/- (It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway Only. Note:- FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on as per Railway Boards letter No 2015/CE-I/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016) **Completion Period:** 06 Months. **Cost of tender on Cash/by post :** Rs. 11800/- (It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway only. Note:- FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS Railway Boards letter No 2015/CE-I/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016) **Date and time for submission of tender and opening of tender:** 09.08.2019 to 23.08.2019 upto 15:00 hrs Opening of tender 23.08.2019 at 15:00 hrs. on **Similar Nature of Work:** Any Civil work other that track work. **Website particulars notice board location complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can purchased etc.:** Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in NIT-20-19-20-W-2 Dated : 31.07.2019** 2471/19

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified male namely Sukhdev S/o Sultan **Age :** 40 years, **Height :** 5'11", **Complexion :** Sallow, was found in accidental condition on 24.07.2019 at footpath, Ring Road, Nigam Bodh Ghat, Kashmere Gate, Delhi. He was admitted in Trauma Centre, Civil Lines, Delhi. During the treatment doctor declare him dead. In this regard a FIR No. 199/2019 dated 24.07.2019 has been registered at P.S. Kashmere Gate, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this found person may kindly inform to the following:-

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TENDER NOTICE

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/Co/MB for and on behalf of President of India invites Open tenders through E-Tendering system for the following works.

S. No.	Tender No. & Description of work	Approx. Cost Rs.	Earnest Money Rs.	Cost of Tender form Rs.	Last date and time for submission of tender and opening of tender.
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	**01(RT-2)/S&T/Sig/MB/MUV (Pick Up Van)/2018-19** "Hiring of Multi Utility Vehicle (Pick up Van) in the section of SSE/Sig at including major/minor repair cost of lubricants, driver and fuel in c/w day to day maintenance at Moradabad-II Hapur, Nazibabad, Laksar & Haridwar of Moradabad Division for One year."	Rs. 1989360.60	Rs. 39800.00	Rs. 2000.00	30.08.2019 up to 14:00 hrs. and 30.08.2019 at 15:00 hrs.
2	**S&T/Sig/MB Yard/2019-20** Indoor alteration work of route relay interlocking (RRI) of Moradabad Division.	Rs. 5122535.38	Rs. 102500.00	Rs. 5000.00	

Note:- Complete details of tender can be seen at **www.ireps.gov.in. Tender Notice No.-01(RT-3)/S&T/Sig/MB/MUV (Pick Up Van)/2018-19 Date : .07.2019** 2493/2019

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SIGNAL AND TELECOM WORKS AT TINSUKIA DIVISION

E-Tender Notice No. N-2019-20-TSK-NIT-07, Dated: 30-07-2019. Works tender through E-Tendering system are invited for the following work. **E-Tender No.:** N-2019-20-TSK-T-11; **Brief Description of item:** S&T works for Provision of signal movement at line no. 9 of Dibrugarh Town station for direct reception/dispatch facility. **Tender Value:**₹80,07,917/-. **Earnest Money:** ₹1,60,200/-. **Date** and **Time** of **Closing** of **E-Tender** at **15:00** hrs. on **23-08-2019**. **Date** and **Time** of **Opening** of **E-Tender** at **15:30** hrs. on **23-08-2019**. Detailed tender notice and document can be seen in website **www.ireps.gov.in**

Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer, Tinsukia

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O.A. No. 459/2018

CANARA BANK Vs **SH. GAURAV SHARMA** (Prop. M/s Sharma & Sharma Enterprises & Ors.)
Applicant **Defendants**

To,

D-1 **SH. GAURAV SHARMA,** S/O SH. KRISHAN DUTT SHARMA, PROPRIETOR OF M/S SHARMA & SHARMA ENTERPRISES HAVING HIS REGISTERED OFFICE AT: F-6/93, SECTOR-15, ROHINI, DELHI-110089.

D-2 **SH. SAURABH SHARMA,** S/O SH. KRISHAN DUTT SHARMA, R/O F-6/93, SECTOR-15, ROHINI, DELHI-110089.

D-3 **SMT. SHAKUNTALA SHARMA** W/O SH. KRISHAN DUTT SHARMA, R/O FLAT NO. 7/118, SECTOR-15, ROHINI, DELHI-89.

Whereas the above named applicant has instituted a case against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in this Tribunal **03.09.2019** at 10.30 A.M.

Take notice that in case of your failure to appear on the above mentioned day before this Tribunal, the case will be heard and decided in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the **29th day of June 2019.**

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

NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tender No. : 09-TRD-NDLS-2019-20 **Dated : 02.08.2019**

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/Traction Distribution, DRM's Office, State Entry Road, New Delhi for & on behalf of President of India, invites open e-tender under single packet system for the under noted work :

1.	**Name of work with its location**	Hiring of road vehicle on monthly basis for the office of ADEE/TRD/PNP for a period of Three years.
2.	**Approx. Cost of work**	RS. 20,30,400/- (excluding GST)
3.	**Earnest Money Deposit**	Rs. 44,600/-
4.	**E-Tender Bid Online submission period**	14.08.2019 (00:00 hrs.) to 28.08.2019 (15:00 Hrs.)
5.	**E-Tender Bid submission End date & E-tender open Date & Time**	28.08.2019 (15:00 hrs.)
6.	**Website particulars where complete details of tender documents can be seen**	**www.ireps.gov.in**

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

Ref no. 864Ranchi, **Expression of Interest** **Dated 02.08.2019**

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 19/08/2019 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 21/08/2019 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.

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P.R. 213482 Welfare(19-20)-D

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Director

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR VACANCIES AT
AGRA SMART CITY LIMITED
AGRA NAGAR NIGAM AGRA

Advertisement No: **ASCL/RECT/01/2019 Dated 02/08/2019**

Agra Smart City Limited (ASCL) is seeking suitably qualified people to submit Expressions of Interest (EOIs) for the following vacancies:

S. No.	Designation	Qualifications	Experience
1.	Chief Finance Officer	Chartered Accountant or MBA (Finance) from an institute of repute like IIMs	10 years of working experience in the Corporate sector finance/accounts with good knowledge of requirement under Companies Act.
2.	Technical Officer (Civil)	B.E./B.Tech/AMIE in Civil Engineering or Diploma in Civil Engineering	10 years experience with BE/B.Tech/ AMIE in infrastructure development related works or 15 years with diploma in Civil Engineering in the same field.
3.	Intern	Graduates in Planning/ Architecture/Engineering/ Economics/Finance	Fresher with basic knowledge of working with computers

HOW TO APPLY
Candidates fulfilling the above mentioned criteria must mail complete CV and contact details to:
growthmodeconsulting@gmail.com and agrasmartcitylimited@gmail.com

LAST DATE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS:
12th August 2019 by 5:00 p.m.

FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATIONS KINDLY CONTACT:
Ms. Niharika
Growthmode Consulting Limited
+91 8008804997

Chief Executive Officer,
Agra Smart City Limited

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division, RR Nagara Zone, No.144, 2nd Main, Jagajyothi Layout, Bengaluru - 560 056.

No.: EE/KNG/TEND/24/2019-20 Date: 02-08-2019

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)

(Two Cover System) (Through GoK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division, BBMP, Bengaluru on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP invites tenders from eligible contractors for the below mentioned construction work.

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Amonunt Put to Tender (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
1	Drilling of Borewell, Sinking of motors and Providing pipeline works and Supply of water through Tankers in areas Surrounding Doddabidarakalu SWM Plant. **Project Cost of Work: Rs. 199.98 Lakhs**	167.50	3,00,000/-

Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **16-08-2019** from **4.00 PM. (2)** Pre-Bid Meeting: **28-08-2019 at 3.00 PM at Chief Engineer, RR Nagar Zone, RR Nagar. (3)** Last date and time for receipt of Tenders: **03-09-2019 upto 4.00 PM. (4)** Opening of Bids: **05-09-2019 at 4.00 PM at above office.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division

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Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute,
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Ranchi-834008

Phone No. 0651-2551824, E-mail-tri.directorate@gmail.com/**dir-triran@gov.in**
Ref. no. 865 **Ranchi,** **Dated 02.08.2019**

Expression of Interest

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TOPIC: TAMAR REVOLT /FROM YEAR 1767 to SARDARI MOVEMENT: ARCHIVAL, NON ARCHIVAL AND ORAL SOURCES BASED COMPILATION AND ANALYSIS

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 19/08/2019 by 4.30 P.M. 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 on or before the due date. Technical proposal should be sealed in a separate envelope clearly marked in **BOLD "A TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FOR *TOPIC: TAMAR REVOLT /FROM YEAR 1767 to SARDARI MOVEMENT :ARCHIVAL, NON ARCHIVAL AND ORAL SOURCES BASED COMPILATION AND ANALYSIS* (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.

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HARYANA GOVERNMENT

TENDER NOTICE

Sr. No.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT/EMD (APPROX.) in Rupees	WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT	NODAL OFFICER
1.	PWD B&R, NARAINGARH	CONSTRUCTION OF HIGH LEVEL BRIDGE 4 SPAN 21M EACH ROAD FROM LALPUR TO RAJAULI IN AMBALA DISTT.	03.08.2019 12.08.2019	943.98LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
2.	PWD B&R, AMBALA	REPAIR AND RENOVATION OF HOUSE NO.J2A INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION OF BATHROOM & SERVANT ROOM IN THE CAMPUS OF JUDICIAL COMPLEX AT AMBALA CITY IN AMBALA DISTRICT (RE-INVITED) + 3 OTHER WORKS	03.08.2019 13.08.2019	52.53 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	8221827829 Pwd-eepd1-ambala@hry.nic.in
3.	PWD B&R, NARNAUL	WIDENING & STRENGTHENING OF ROAD FROM BOND KALAN DADRI CHIRYA KANINA ATELI ROAD KM. 48.57 TO 66.92 (MDR-124) IN MOHINDERGARH DISTRICT. (ROAD ID 2764) UNDER HEAD-NABARD (RIDF-XXIV)(PART-B)	CLOSING DATE 15.08.2019	1427.46 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01282-251267 / pwd-eepd-narnaul@hry.nic.in
4.	PWD B&R, PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF NEW OF ALIGNMENT OF PANCHKULA MORNI ROAD MDR-118 AT RD 22.850 TO 23.500 IN PANCHKULA	02.08.2019 13.08.2019	160.13 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	pwd-eepd-panchkula@hry.nic
5.	PWD B&R, NUH	CONSTRUCTION OF ANGANWARI CENTRE AT VILLAGE AGON, RANIYALA AND MANDAPUR BLOCK FEROZEPUR JHIRKA IN NUH DISTT. (RE-INVITED) + 2 OTHER WROKS	06.08.2019 16.08.2019	39.99 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01267-271237
6.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, SONIPAT	CONSTRUCTION OF SLWM PROJECT AT VILLAGE GUDHA & 9 NO.'S OTHER WORKS DISTT:-SONIPAT	13.08.2019 27.08.2019	527.95 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
7.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, YAMUNA NAGAR	CONSTRUCTION OF COMMUNITY CENTER IN VILLAGE DEVDHAR BLOCK PARTAP NAGAR	01.08.2019 13.08.2019	61.58 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01732-237833 prexeeng.ynr@hry.nic.in
8.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, HISAR	PROVIDING SERVICE WITHIN ONE CLUSTERS OF THREE GRAM PANCHAYATS NAMELY BALSMAND, BASRA AND BURAK FOR COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION, SCIENTIFIC PROCESSING AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE ETC	01.08.2019 09.08.2019	27 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
9.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, BERI	PROVIDING SERVICES WITHIN ONE CLUSTERS OF FOUR GRAM PANCHAYATS NAMELY CHHOCHI, DIMANA, CHAMANPURA, GANGTAN BLOCK BERI FOR COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION, SCIENTIFIC PROCESSING AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE, CLEANING ETC	26.07.2019 16.08.2019	9 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01251-220224 bdpoberi@gmail.com
10.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, HISAR	PRINTING OF BOOKS OF ACCOUNTS ETC (WITH MATERIAL)	02.08.2019 13.08.2019	3.02 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
11.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, AMBALA	CONST. OF SLWM PROJECT AT VILLAGE TEPLA BLOCK SAHA + 2 OTHER WORKS	02.08.2019 13.08.2019	38.98 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2551368/ prexeeng.amb@hry.nic.in
12.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, AMBALA	PDG. E.I. WORK IN COMMUNITY CENTRE AT VILLAGES SAIDPUR, MUBIRKPUR, DAULTABAD-I, DAULTABAD-II DISTT. GURUGRAM + 2 OTHER WORKS	01.08.2019 09.08.2019	7.75 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	94678-07024 0171-2550510 /prexeengelec.amb@hry.nic.in/ anujgupta0198@gmail.com
13.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, KAITHAL	COMPLETION OF VETERINARY HOSPITAL VILLAGE SANCH	02.08.2019 12.08.2019	11.66 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-234748
14.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, NARNAUL	CONST. OF I.L.P.B. STREET AND AWC	06.08.2019 13.08.2019 Re-date 14.08.2019 19.08.2019	255.16 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	9812711163/01282-260296/ prexeeng.nrl@hry.nic.in
15.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, RAJPUR RANI	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR SELECTION FOR AGENNCY FOR COLLECTION TRANSPORTATION, SCIENTIFIC PROCESSING & DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE IN CLUSTERS OF GRAM PANCHAYATS (RAIPUR RANI, KHERI, TIBBI MAJRA, RATTA TIBBI, GARHI KOTAHA) IN HARYANA,	02.08.2019 09.08.2019	TO BE QUOTED BY THE BIDDER	http://harpanchayats.gov.inhttp://haryanadp.gov.inhttp://panchkula.nic.in	Bdpo.raipur_rani@hry.nic.in
16.	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT HARYANA PANCHKULA	ANNUAL MAINTENANCE OF 90 NOS. TOSHIBA MAKE PHOTOCOPIER AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN HARYANA IRRIGATION & W.R DEPTT., HARYANA.	05.08.2019 20.08.2019	21.60 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	xenproc@gmail.com 0172-2582542
17.	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, PALWAL	RE-INVITED REPLACEMENT OF V.R. BRIDGE AT RD 7M 6F 310 FT OF HATHINDISTY. (C.M CODE NO. 22399 DT. 10/06/2018) + 3 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 13.08.2019	50.58 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01275-252179 xenpwl79@gmail.com
18.	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT , JHAJJAR	SUPPLY OF FLOOD MATERIAL	02.08.2019 10.08.2019	EMD 4000	www.hid.gov.in	xenmechjjr@gmail.com
19.	WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPTT., KARNAL	TENDER IS INVITED FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE CCTV CAMERAS IN PLACE OF SAFETY, MADHUBAN, KARNAL	CLOSING DATE 14.08.2019	_____	https://karnal.gov.in	0184-2270175, 0184-2272020
20.	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGG, REWARI	PROVIDING SEWERAGE SYSTEM AND CONSTRUCTION OF 3.00 MLD STP AT RAMPURA.	01.08.2019 13.08.2019	7 CRORE	http://etenders.hry.nic.in TENDER NO. 2019_HRY_90968	01274-260317 ee1rewari@ phedharyana.gov.in
21.	FOREST DEPTT, PINJORE	CONSTRUCTION OF LALMUNIA FOREST REST HOUSE AT MORNI IN PANCHKULA DISTT.	01.08.2019 15.08.2019	1.59 CRORE	http://etenders.hry.nic.inTENDER NO . 2019_HRY_89426_1	dfomorni@gmail.com
22.	FOREST DEPTT, KURUKSHETRA	MAINTENANCE & WORKS	03.08.2019 12.08.2019	4.12 CRORE	http://etenders.hry.nic.inTender No. 29-67K/2019-20 TH & PH	01744 230743 dfo.kkr-hry@nic.in
23.	CONTROLLER, PRINTING & STATIONERY DEPARTMENT, HARYANA, CHANDIGARH	PURCHASE OF PRESS MATERIAL	CLOSING DATE 02.09.2019	5.5 LACS	pandsharyana@gov.in	6239476892 basurajender1964@gmail.com

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अनुसूचित जनजाति, अनुसूचित जाति, अल्पसंख्यक एवं पिछड़ा वर्ग कल्याण विभाग
रॉंची –834008 दूरभाष–0651–2551824, E-mail-tri.directorate@gmail.com

पत्रांकः 866/रॉंची, दिनांकः 02.08.2019

इच्छा की अभिव्यक्ति के पुनर्प्रकाशन

दिनांक 04/06/2019 को संस्थान के पत्रांक–641 रॉंची/P.R. 207950 Welfare द्वारा प्रकाशित इच्छा की अभिव्यक्ति को रद्द किया जाता है एवं इसके लिए पुनः इच्छा की अभिव्यक्ति का प्रकाशन किया जा रहा है।

डॉ० रामदयाल मुण्डा जनजातीय कल्याण शोध संस्थान, रॉंची (टी०आर०आई०) ने वर्ष 2018–19 के दौरान संस्थान के संग्रहालय हेतु आवश्यक जनजातीय आभूषण की आपूर्ति के लिए इच्छुक एजेंसियों /फर्मों/सोसाइटी से इच्छा की अभिव्यक्ति आमंत्रित किया गया है। इच्छुक एजेन्सियों से वर्ष 2018–19 के दौरान संस्थान के संग्रहालय के लिए आवश्यक जनजातीय आभूषण की आपूर्ति के लिए तकनीकी निविदा और वित्तीय निविदा प्रस्तुत करने का अनुरोध किया गया है। इच्छुक एजेन्सियाँ अलग–अलग सीलबंद लिफाफे मे अपनी तकनीकी और वित्तीय निविदा दिनांक–....19/08/2019.. समय–03 बजे तक जमा करे। तकनीकी निविदा और वित्तीय निविदा के लिफाफे निदेशक को सम्बोधित करते हुए डाक द्वारा या हाथोंहाथ डॉ० रामदयाल मुण्डा जनजातीय कल्याण शोध संस्थान, रॉंची (टी०आर०आई०), मोराबादी रॉंची–834008 में जमा करे। निविदा दस्तावेज के हस्तांतरण में देरी या क्षति या नुकसान के लिए डॉ० रामदयाल मुण्डा जनजातीय कल्याण शोध संस्थान, रॉंची जिम्मेवार नहीं होगा। अंतिम तिथि के बाद इच्छा की अभिव्यक्ति पर किसी प्रकार का विचार नहीं किया जाएगा।

तकनीकी निविदा दिनांक–...21/08/2019..... को..समयः 03 बजे अपराह्न निदेशक, टी0आर0आई0, रॉंची के कार्यालय में खोली जाएगी।

वित्तीय निविदा दिनांक–....21/08/2019. को..समयः 04 बजे अपराह्न निदेशक, टी0आर0आई0, रॉंची के कार्यालय में खोली जाएगी।

नियम एवं शर्तें वेबसाईट www.prdjharkhand.in से डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है अथवा **tri.directorate@gmail.com** से अनुरोध कर या व्यक्तिगत रूप से कार्यालय अवधि में आकर प्राप्त की जा सकती है। जनजातीय आभूषण की विस्तृत सूची ANNEXURE-I में उल्लेखित है। निविदा के सम्बन्ध में किसी भी अन्य जानकारी के लिए टी0आर0आई0, रॉंची के कार्यालय से संपर्क किया जा सकता है।

निदेशक, टी0आर0आई0, रॉंची बिना किसी कारण बताए किसी भी स्तर पर इच्छा की अभिव्यक्ति के सभी या किसी स्तर पर स्वीकार करने या अस्वीकार करने के सभी अधिकार सुरक्षित रखता है। टीआरआई, रॉंची को आवश्यकताओं के आधार पर एक या एक से अधिक एजेन्सी को संलग्न करने का अधिकार सुरक्षित है।

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निदेशक

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झारखंड सरकार ग्रामीण विकास विभाग (ग्रा0का0मामले) मुख्य अभियंता का कार्यालय
102, द्वितीय तल्ला, अभियंत्रण भवन, कचहरी रोड, रांची
ई– निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना

ई– निविदा संख्या:- 73/2019-20/RDD(RWA)/GODDA दिनांक : 02.08.2019

मुख्य अभियंता, ग्रामीण विकास विभाग(ग्रा0का0मा0), झारखंड, रॉंची द्वारा निम्न विवरण के अनुसार e-procurement पद्धति से निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है।

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1.	RDD(RWA)/ GODDA/02/ 2019-20	सियरकटिया मोड़ से दुल्लू भवानी भाया बुढ़ीकुरा तक पथ का सुदृढ़ीकरण कार्य (लं– 7.500 कि0मी0)	1,94,57,000.00	एक करोड़ चौरानवे लाख सनतावन हजार रू0 मात्र	12 माह
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SHORT COURSE

[0-20 YEARS]

Living near oil, gas wells tied to heart defects in babies

RESEARCHERS WRITING in *Environment International* reported on 3,324 infants born in Colorado from 2005 to 2011, comparing 536 babies with heart defects to 2,860 controls matched for sex, maternal smoking, race and ethnicity. They correlated maternal addresses with locations of oil and gas wells and estimated intensity of maternal exposure (drilling, well completion, production) from three months prior to conception through the second month of pregnancy. Compared to the one third with the lowest intensity of exposure, the one third with the highest were 70 per cent more likely to have a baby with a heart defect. The association was more prominent in rural than urban areas, perhaps because other sources of pollution in cities may mask potential harms from drilling sites. The study is observational. Still, there are plausible reasons for the association.

"The greatest suspect is hazardous air pollutants emitted during production of oil and gas," said lead author, Lisa M McKenzie, assistant research professor at the Colorado School of Public Health. **NYT**

[20-50 YEARS]

An apple carries about 100 million bacteria: Study

BESIDES CONTAINING fibre and vitamins, an apple carries about 100 million bacteria, and whether these microbes are good or bad for health may depend on how the fruit was grown, according to a study. The study, published in *Frontiers in Microbiology*, shows that organic apples harbour a more diverse and balanced bacterial community — which could make them healthier and tastier than conventional apples. "The bacteria, fungi and viruses in our food transiently colonise our gut," said Professor Gabriele Berg, of Graz University of Technology, Austria. "Cooking kills most of these, so raw fruit and vegetables are particularly important sources of gut microbes," Berg said. To help us choose our colonic colonists wisely, the team analysed the microbiome of one of the world's favourite fruits: the apple.

"Freshly harvested, organically managed apples harbour a significantly more diverse, more even and distinct bacterial community, compared to conventional ones," said Berg. **PTI**

[50+ YEARS]

Vitamin A intake linked to lower skin cancer risk: Study

INTAKE OF vitamin A may be associated with a lower risk of a common type of skin cancer, a study claims. The study of about 125,000 Americans found that people with the highest intake of vitamin A lowered their risk of squamous cell skin cancer by around 15 per cent. Most of the vitamin A they consumed came from foods, according to the study published in *JAMA Dermatology*. "These findings just add another reason to have a healthy diet with fruits and vegetables. Vitamin A from plant sources is safe," said Eunyoung Cho, associate professor at Brown University in the US. Sources of vitamin A include sweet potato, cantaloupe, carrots, black-eyed peas, broccoli, spinach, fish and meat. **PTI**

Gracia Lam/NYT

For a torn ligament, considering repair rather than replacement

Repair may be especially helpful for children, who are more likely than older patients to reinjure a reconstructed anterior cruciate ligament, a pioneer of the surgery says

JANE E BRODY

MY SON Erik, then 23, was playing basketball when an opponent stepped on his foot and the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee ruptured with an audible pop. This critically important ligament, best known as the ACL, is a ropelike structure that connects the femur (thigh bone) to the tibia (shin bone), stabilising the knee joint.

A torn ACL is an all-too-common injury that typically results in complex surgery and prolonged rehabilitation. It can spell the demise of a promising athletic career and limit an amateur's ability or willingness to participate in sports like tennis, basketball, soccer, football, skiing and gymnastics that involve quick twists and turns or pounding stress on the knee.

But Erik was lucky. His ACL tore about a quarter of the way down the ligament, and the orthopaedic surgeon he consulted immediately after the injury was a maverick decades ahead of his time. Ignoring long-standing professional practice that still calls for removing and reconstructing the torn ligament with a tendon from elsewhere in the leg, Erik's surgeon simply stapled the longer piece of the torn ACL to his femur.

Twenty-seven years and countless hours of tennis and basketball later, Erik's repaired knee is still intact, stable and pain-free. He recently learned that, despite continuing orthopaedic orthodoxy that insists on reconstruction, many others with a torn ACL — perhaps as many as 40 per cent with this injury — could benefit from a modern version of the simplified procedure and more rapid recovery Erik experienced.

One of the pioneers in modernising simpler ACL surgery is Dr Gregory S DiFelice, who has done ACL repairs, instead of reconstructions, on about 250 patients during the last decade at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York. DiFelice maintains that repair rather than reconstruction is especially helpful for children 18 and younger who are more likely than older patients to reinjure a reconstructed ACL. Overall, he said in an interview, the risk of reinjury with the repair method has been no greater than that following reconstruction.

Reconstruction involves removing the torn ligament and replacing it with a graft — a tendon surgically removed from the patient's hamstring, quadriceps or kneecap, or sometimes taken from a cadaver — and attaching it with screws or buttons through tunnels drilled into the femur and tibia. As it heals, the grafted tendon develops scar tissue that results in a firm, reliable knee joint with an overall failure rate of about 5 or 10 per cent.

But DiFelice said that when the damaged ACL is removed, the patient loses the nerve endings within it that send signals to the brain about what the knee is doing. Also, range of motion may be compromised, and during the lengthy recovery that can take six to eight months or longer for the graft to be strong, thigh muscles atrophy and must be rebuilt before the patient can safely return to demanding activity.

Whether repair or reconstruction is done, postoperative physical therapy starting right after the operation is vital to a successful outcome

Thus, DiFelice said he wants to encourage other practitioners and their patients to pursue the lesser surgery and shorter rehab whenever circumstances permit, especially when the full length of the ACL tears directly off the bone. However, he explained that even when the torn ligament is not quite long enough to reach the bone, he's developed an augmentation procedure to add a small strut to make it reach. Using this method, he said, he now has to resort to the standard reconstruction surgery for less than a third of the patients he sees.

There are at least two important caveats to this story:

1) Unlike the introduction of new prescription drugs, new surgical procedures are not subject to government approval and typically are not tested in controlled clinical trials, at least not until they have been used for years. So patients must rely on what surgeons tell them about the effectiveness of their procedures, supplemented perhaps by reports from patients.

2) Training and practice are required before a surgeon attempts what DiFelice does, and thus far there are not many already adept at the technique. Changes in medical practice can sometimes proceed at a glacial pace, and it may be up to patients to pressure doctors to depart from accepted procedures. Also, it may require pressure on medical insurers to cover the costs of a new operation.

Another surgeon in the New York area now doing ACL repairs in lieu of reconstruction is Dr Howard J Luks, at Westchester Medical Center. He reports that the loss of nerve connections to the brain following ACL reconstruction may explain why such knees sometimes feel unstable.

However, Luks emphasised that "current repair techniques only allow us to consider tears which occur high in the ACL near the femur insertion" and that "the tear cannot be too old. If the tear is old, then the ligament will degenerate, and it may not be able to be brought back to the part of the bone it needs to be repaired to".

Keep in mind, too, that there are risks associated with any surgery, including infection, stiffness, pain, blood clots and with the ACL, ligament failure. For children who are still growing, there is a risk of damaging growth plates during the surgery.

Those with an ACL injury should also know that surgery is not their only option. My brother, in his 50s when he tore his ACL while skiing, opted not to have surgery. Instead he did extensive physical therapy, and by wearing a leg brace for added support, was able to ski and play tennis despite his damaged ligament.

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons suggests that non-surgical management may be appropriate for those with partial tears and no symptoms of instability; those with complete tears without instability during low-demand sports who are willing to give up high-demand sports; people who do only light manual work or are sedentary; and children whose growth plates are still open.

The academy says that a person's activity level, not older age, should be a considered when deciding on surgery. "Active adult patients involved in sports or jobs that require pivoting, turning or hard-cutting as well as heavy manual work are encouraged to consider surgical treatment", including older patients once excluded from surgical consideration, the academy wrote.

Whether repair or reconstruction is done, postoperative physical therapy starting right after the operation is vital to a successful outcome. The academy cautions that patients should return to sports only after pain and swelling are gone and full range of motion, muscle strength, endurance and leg function are restored. **NYT**

DIET DIARY

It's time to become sugar wise

Not all sugars are equal, so knowing the properties of each is key to making prudent choices

BY ISHI KHOSLA

UNTIL ABOUT two decades ago, becoming 'sugar wise' was only for diabetics. But now it has become a red flag for everyone, including our children. Going zero sugar is a popular trend as sugar as become the new tobacco. But are all sugars the same and do we treat them equal?

The answer is no and it would be helpful to know one from the other to make prudent choices . The sweet tooth needs to be tamed for sure, but a lifelong ban is unlikely to sustain and may be unwarranted.

WHITE SUGAR: White sugar, which is called sucrose in chemical nomenclature, is the most commonly produced sugar made from heating sugarcane juice using a Double Sulphitation process. It is rather white in colour and the most common form of sugar consumed.

REFINED SUGAR: It is the purest and most refined form of sugar . It is sulphurless as it does not go through sulphurisation during processing .The ultra white and shiny sugar is devoid of any minerals and uses phosphoric acid to get the desired properties. Its use has increased in the last few years.

RAW SUGAR: It is a less pure form of sugar, like brown sugar, and produced in India as a precursor to refined sugar and is mostly sulphurless. It is not easily available to consumers as it is used by industry or exported.

MOLASSES: Cane molasses is an important by-product in the manufacture of cane sugar. It is dark-coloured, viscous and syrupy. In India, molasses is obtained during the production of raw sugar which does not involve sulphurisation. This means our molasses contains no sulphur. It also is rich in magnesium, zinc, potassium, iron, calcium and potassium.

GUR: Gur is prepared by heating clarified juice of sugarcane. It is generally prepared in the form of solid lumps that are golden yellow to light brown in colour. Gur contains minerals and antioxidants like manganese, magnesium, chromium, iron and zinc. It is also sulphurless. Shakkar is a powdered version of gur and may be slightly more refined to lighten colour.

MISRI AND BURA SUGAR: Misri and Bura are made from white sugar which has sulphur. Sucrose content of both Misri and Bura sugar is more or less similar to white sugar. Misri is in large crystalline form while Bura is powdery.

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Morning exercise may offer the most weight loss benefits

GRETCHEN REYNOLDS

PEOPLE WHO exercise in the morning seem to lose more weight than people completing the same workouts later in the day, according to a new study of workouts and waistlines. The findings help shed light on the vexing issue of why some people shed considerable weight with exercise and others almost none, and the study adds to the growing body of science suggesting that the timing of various activities, including exercise, could affect how those activities affect us.

The relationship between exercise and body weight is somewhat befuddling. Multiple past studies show that a majority of people who take up exercise to lose weight drop fewer pounds than would be expected, given how many calories they are burning during their workouts. Some gain weight.

But a few respond quite well, shedding pound after pound with the same exercise regimen that prompts others to add inches.

This variability interests and puzzles Erik Willis, a data analyst with Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention at the University of North Carolina. For almost a decade, he and colleagues at the University of Kansas, University of Colorado Denver and other institutions have overseen Midwest Exercise Trial 2, an extensive examination of how regular, supervised exercise influences body weight.

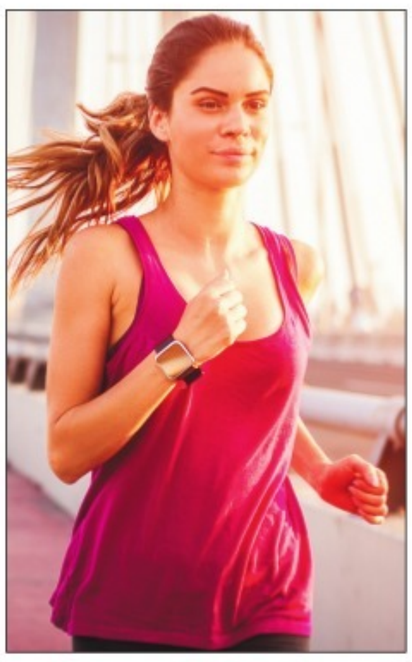
In that study, about 100 overweight, previously inactive young men and women worked out five times a week at a physiology lab, jogging or otherwise sweating until they had burned up to 600 calories per session. After 10 months of this regimen, almost everyone had dropped pounds. But the extent of their losses fluctuated wildly, even though everyone was doing the same, supervised workouts.

When, for a 2015 study, the researchers tried to tease out what had distinguished the biggest losers from those who had lost less, they turned up surprisingly few differences. In line with other recent studies, they found that some participants, especially men, had begun eating more than before the study, but only by about 100 calories or so a day.

Flummoxed, Willis and one of his collaborators, Seth Creasy, a professor of exercise physiology at the University of Colorado Denver's Anschutz campus, started brainstorming other possible, perhaps unexpected contributors to the enormous variability to weight loss.

They hit upon activity timing.

The science of chronobiology, which studies the ways in which when we do something alters how our bodies respond, is of great interest now. Many recent studies have looked at how meal timing, for instance, affects weight control, including whether exercising before or after breakfast matters. But far less has been known about whether the timing of exercise, by itself, influences whether people lose weight with workouts.



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So, for the new study, published in July in *The International Journal of Obesity*, Willis and his colleagues sifted through their data again, this time looking at when people in the Midwest trial had shown up at the university lab.

In that study, participants could visit the gym whenever they wished between 7 am and 7 pm, signing in each time, so researchers had plenty of precise information about their schedules. The scientists also had tracked everyone's calorie intakes and daily movement habits throughout the 10 months, using activity trackers and liquid energy tracers. They knew, too, whether and by how much people's weights had changed.

Now, they checked weight change against exercise schedules and quickly noticed a consistent pattern.

Those people who usually worked out before noon had lost more weight, on average, than the men and women who typically exercised after 3 pm (For unknown reasons, very few people went to the gym between noon and 3.)

The researchers uncovered a few other, possibly relevant differences between the morning and late-day exercisers. The early-exercise group tended to be slightly more active throughout the day, taking more steps in total than those who worked out later. They also ate a bit less, although the difference amounted to barely 100 calories per day on average. Over all, such differences were barely discernible.

Yet, they may cumulatively have contributed to the striking differences in how many pounds people lost, Willis says.

Of course, this study was not large or designed from the start to delve into the chronobiology of exercise and weight. The researchers had not randomly assigned people to work out at particular times, so the links between exercise timing and weight loss they saw now in their re-analysis could be odd accidents related to individual participants' preferences and schedules with little relevance for the rest of us.

Still, the statistical associations were strong, Willis says. "Based on this data, I would say that the timing of exercise might — just might — play a role" in whether and to what extent people drop pounds with exercise, he says.

But he also points out that most of those who worked out later in the day did lose weight, even if not as much as the larkish exercisers, and almost certainly became healthier.

"I would not want anyone to think that it's not worth exercising if you can't do it first thing in the morning," he says. "Any exercise, at any time of day, is going to be better than none." **NYT**

THE EDITORIAL PAGE

WORDLY WISE

THE ART OF MEDICINE CONSISTS IN AMUSING THE PATIENT WHILE NATURE CURES THE DISEASE.
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BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

IT'S THE SLOWDOWN

Government should use its political capital to push through difficult reforms, instead of tightening CSR norms

ON TUESDAY, PARLIAMENT passed amendments to the Companies Act to tighten the norms pertaining to corporate social responsibility (CSR). Failure to comply with these new norms — for an activity that should ideally be voluntary — will not only attract fines but could also lead to imprisonment. Provisions such as these, which pave the way for the exercise of greater bureaucratic discretion, are unlikely to go down well with India Inc. More disquietingly, rather than revive animal spirits, these moves, which go against this government's stated belief in minimum government, will only further dampen sentiment, and distract even more from the pressing need to address the slowdown in economic activity.

Multiple indicators suggest that, despite various initiatives of the government, the Indian economy is the midst of a structural slowdown. With income growth slowing down, households have been dipping into savings and borrowing to finance their consumption. This is unsustainable. As it is, demand in both rural and urban areas is falling, as most high frequency indicators such as car and two-wheeler sales suggest. In such a situation, the temptation to squeeze the rich for short-term revenue considerations should have been avoided. Exports continue to remain subdued and are unlikely to perk up as global growth and trade are expected to moderate. The corporate sector, which is in the midst of deleveraging, is unlikely to ramp up investments quickly. The earnings season so far has been lacklustre. The issues in the NBFC segment are yet to be contained. The government's tax revenues in the first quarter of the current financial year provide a clear indication of how deep the slowdown is. Growth forecasts for the current financial year are already being pared down.

At this juncture, a business as usual approach will not suffice. With tax revenues growing at less than nominal GDP, the space for counter cyclical policy seems to be exhausted. Instead, the government may end up cutting its expenditure. Monetary policy has little capacity to reverse this decline in growth in the short term. With the limits of state-led growth being realised, it underscores the need to carry out deeper structural reforms. The hard-won political capital is better spent on pushing through contentious but necessary factor market reforms rather than expending it on misguided policies such as tightening CSR norms. An ambitious reform agenda is needed to create conditions conducive for a revival of private demand, investments and exports. Failure to course correct will undoubtedly dampen the hopes of achieving the $5 trillion target.

HOMELESS IN ASSAM

The battle over NRC data pits government against Supreme Court, could open new faultlines

THE NATIONAL REGISTER for Citizens (NRC) process in Assam seems to be spinning out of control with the state government refusing to toe the line set by the Supreme Court. On Thursday, a senior BJP minister in the Assam government, Chandra Mohan Patowary, revealed the district-wise break-up of the NRC inclusion and exclusion data (from the draft report published in July last year). The Court had instructed the NRC coordinator, Prateek Hajela, to submit this sensitive data in a sealed cover. The minister's act is in defiance of the spirit of the Court order, therefore, and it may trigger new divides in the state. The move comes in the backdrop of the Court refusing to entertain the government's plea for a 20 per cent re-verification of the data in districts bordering Bangladesh. The Court also noted that Hajela had submitted that NRC officials re-verified 27 per cent of the data when it adjudicated on the citizenship claims.

The intent behind the state government's move to reveal the NRC data at this juncture is, clearly, political. The BJP government in Assam considers the NRC an instrument to isolate those who it sees as people who came from Bangladesh after March, 1971. It has been argued that districts bordering Bangladesh are prone to high levels of illegal immigration. However, the NRC has altered the picture and threatens to subvert the narrative on illegal migration. According to the figures revealed by Patowary in the state assembly, maximum exclusion from the NRC has been reported from districts not on the border but in Hojai and Darrang in central Assam. And, ironically, a large percentage of the people who have failed to prove their citizenship claims are members of indigenous tribes and Bengali-speaking Hindus. The anachronism is hardly surprising since the sort of documentation demanded of people by the NRC is not readily available or easy to produce, especially in non-urban and tribal areas with low penetration of the government. The government is apprehensive that the exclusions may trigger a backlash. It should have anticipated this situation since these concerns were flagged by civil society groups at the very outset.

Both the Supreme Court and the government need to be sensitive to the enormous impact the NRC will have on the people. An estimated four million persons may lose citizenship rights and would be forced to relocate to camps as non-citizens or doubtful voters. The enormity of the crisis on hand seems to have escaped the authorities — the SC frames the NRC as a legalistic exercise while the government views it through an ideological lens. Neither approach is helpful to resolving the human tragedy unfolding in Assam.

CONSTITUTION GIRL

The video of a Russian teenager laying down the law to riot police has gone viral. For Putin, this isn't good news

VLADIMIR PUTIN MAY have shrugged off accusations that his enemies have been meeting their deaths in suspicious circumstances. And he had a good laugh at the expense of the international press when he was asked about Russia hacking the US election. But he may find it much harder to shake off the shadow of a 17-year-old Russian girl who knows her rights, has read the Russian Constitution and persistently read it out to Putin's riot police, who had been called out to quell a street protest in Moscow. Especially the part which guarantees the right to peaceful assembly.

Olga Misik, 17, joins the ranks of iconic young protesters of our times, who have been captured on film wherever government is tyrannical and protest is brutally repressed. The wave is presumed to have begun with flower power, when a young man was photographed sticking carnations into the rifle muzzles of military police during the March on the Pentagon in 1967, which called for an end to the Vietnam war. However, there were images from behind the Iron Curtain, too, of guns and bayonets versus flowers and babies. And the icon of 20th century protest is Tank Man, who halted heavy armour in Tiananmen Square simply by getting in the way.

Olga Misik is perhaps the first such protester who has spoken freely about her motives. The agitation objected to the banning of opposition politicians from forthcoming elections to the Moscow Duma, but she took a longer view — today, the Duma, tomorrow, a province. And she herself wanted to remind the police that the protesters were there "with peaceful purposes and without weapons." The Mahatma would have been delighted to learn of such a fearless pupil in Moscow.

The name is dollar bond

Government's proposal is the right way forward but it's an idea whose time has yet to come

DUVVURI SUBBARAO

THE FINANCE MINISTER'S budget announcement that out of its total borrowing requirement, the government will raise a modest amount in foreign currency in foreign markets has become quite contentious with many critics panning the decision as needless adventurism. It's not as if the government does not borrow from foreign parties; foreign portfolio investors are allowed, albeit within some limits, to buy the government's onshore rupee bonds. The difference now will be that the bonds will be offshore, denominated in hard currencies, and the government, rather than the investor, will bear the exchange risk.

For a country that has often showed off its abstinence from sovereign foreign currency exposure, even under great temptation, as a badge of honour, this is a surprising move. It has triggered two broad questions. Why this foray into uncharted waters? And why now?

The budget proposal responds to these questions in typically parsimonious language. The statement claims that at 5 per cent, the ratio of India's external debt to GDP is among the lowest in the world, thereby implying that the government can raise cheap money by tapping opportunistically into the global savings glut at a time when interest rates are at historic lows.

The other rationale advanced by the government is that by moving a part of its borrowing offshore, it will vacate space in the domestic capital market for corporates and thereby stimulate much needed private investment. This could have been a substantive motivation. An egregious consequence of our fiscal responsibility law has been for the government to keep its on-budget borrowing within the prescribed limits by pushing a significant amount of borrowing off-budget. Indeed, India's total public sector borrowing today, on and off budget, not only gobbles up the entire financial savings of households but also eats into corporate savings. The government's intent, perhaps, is to repair this damage.

> The biggest fear is that this adventurism will make India hostage to the wild swings of global sentiment. Investors are, after all, fair weather friends; they lend liberally when the going is good, but swiftly back out at the slightest hint of trouble, exposing the country to volatile exchange rates and ruthless market turmoil. For a country that had a devastating external payments crisis in 1991 and came close to another one during the taper tantrums of 2013, these are dire warnings.

It's not as if the proposal is outrageous, as painted by some critics. From a purely objective point of view, a persuasive case can be made for the dollar bonds. By far the biggest benefit will be the intangible impact of the government signalling its confidence about opening up the economy. For a country that has an unsavoury reputation of being excessively cautious in liberalising its external sector, the positive externalities of this unexpectedly bold decision can be significant. We will attract not just larger foreign portfolio flows but, in time, also larger foreign direct investment.

It is true, as the critics have argued, that the cost of borrowing in external markets will not be any cheaper than borrowing in rupees in the domestic market. The lower coupon rate will be offset by the cost of hedging against the foreign exchange risk. But if we view this not just from the narrow perspective of the government but from the larger perspective of the overall economy, there will in fact be cost savings. This is because the sovereign will command a lower interest rate than any other entity. If the proposed foreign borrowing just means the government displacing external commercial borrowing within the same overall debt ceiling, there will be net welfare gains for the economy.

The policy shift will also pave the way for Indian bonds entering global indices which will draw in index-tracking funds and reduce yields overall. Further, a dollar bond will enable India's risk premium to be more accurately estimated, potentially leading to a rating upgrade.

As against these putative benefits, there are formidable concerns. The biggest fear is that this adventurism will make India hostage to the wild swings of global sentiment. Investors are, after all, fair weather friends; they lend liberally when the going is good, but swiftly back out at the slightest hint of trouble, exposing the country to volatile exchange rates and ruthless market turmoil. For a country that had a devastating external payments crisis in 1991 and came close to another one during the taper tantrums of 2013, these are dire warnings.

Critics have also contended that issuing debt in foreign currencies is a route followed by countries which are unable to issue debt in their own currency. India is certainly not in that category. If the idea is to attract more foreign inflows, it could be done by raising the ceiling for foreigners into onshore rupee bonds.

Moreover, the proposed dollar bonds may not raise overall foreign funding. Many investors who are now buying rupee bonds in the domestic market will happily pass on the currency risk to the government and switch to dollar bonds in the external market.

By far the biggest and possibly clinching argument against moving forward is the peril of the "original sin" which has brought many emerging markets to grief. Experience shows that governments start off believing that they will remain prudent, open their doors wider, and soon become so addicted to foreign money they wouldn't stop until a crisis hits them. To believe that markets can discipline governments is a stretch. The stories of Argentina and Turkey are telling examples.

There is no guarantee that India will not succumb to this temptation. Given our still fragile fiscal and financial sector situation, the costs of irresponsibility can be intolerably heavy. The government's proposal is the right way forward but it's an idea whose time has yet to come.

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MADRASSA AS MAINSTREAM

Religious seminaries have made literacy toxic in Pakistan

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SOME RETIRED GENERALS regularly appearing on TV in Pakistan — the army chief is on record saying they are not briefed by the army — have been recommending the "mainstreaming" of religious elements, dubbed "terrorist" at the UN. They presume that the "mainstream" is "normal" and "harmless". Some mainstreaming was visible during the last election which brought Imran Khan's Tehreek-e-Insaf to office. The "parties" fronting such madrassas, as the terrorist-declared Lashkar-e-Taiba, did rather well by cutting into the votebank of the rightwing Pakistan Muslim League, which lost the election and was pilloried for "corruption".

Notwithstanding the FATF ban on some madrassa-based non-state actors, the madrassa is powerful in Pakistan. Because of the decades of "jihad" in Afghanistan, they became well-funded because their graduates brought home "power" along with the money from "outside". One madrassa became so powerful that it took on the state, General Pervez Musharraf in fact. He took on the Lal Masjid madrassa of Islamabad which was visited often by "messengers" from the army of Osama bin Laden.

In 2007, after Lal Masjid attacked massage parlours in Islamabad for being "un-Islamic", Musharraf decided to "correct" the madrassa, only to have his commandos killed by the "mujahideen". His Operation Silence destroyed the seminary, killed the brother of Maulana Abdul Aziz, the head of the madrassa, while the "Islamised" people of Islamabad disliked the Operation. The commando unit that carried out the operation was attacked by a suicide-bomber at its Haripur headquarters, killing 15 soldiers. Al Qaeda declared the foundation of Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) in response to Operation Silence.

> Pakistan's basic education sector is broken. Azmat Abbas in his book, 'Madrassa Mirage: A contemporary History of Islamic Schools in Pakistan' says the 3,03,446 schools that cater to 1.7 million children are taught by teachers who can hardly impart the kind of education the children coming from poor homes need. The teachers simply reinforce the religious content prescribed in the provinces. This is the 'mainstream' that Pakistan thinks is 'safe'.

The madrassa was actually "mainstream"; General Musharraf and his army were not. After nearly a decade, Musharraf went into exile while Maulana Abdul Aziz stayed put, amply rewarded by a Supreme Court compensatory verdict. In 2017, on the eve of the election that was to replace the government of Nawaz Sharif, Abdul Aziz threatened to observe the Martyrs' Day for "900 innocent girl seminarians" killed by Musharraf. Backed by the Taliban, he was the most powerful person in Pakistan. When Islamabad tried to talk "peace" with the Taliban, the latter chose Maulana Abdul Aziz and Imran Khan as their "vakils" (lawyers).

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According to Abbas, the madrassas are getting ready to "mainstream" Pakistan instead in the ways of extremist faith. After "mainstreaming" was suggested on TV, the madrassas responded by a remarkable proliferation. It is not easy to set up a functioning madrassa with facilities that state schools can only dream of. Abbas writes: "Recent statistics show that the number of madrassas was less than 14,000 in 2013-14. By the end of 2016, however, they increased to 32,272, marking a growth of over 50 per cent."

One can't ignore the fact that most of the organisations declared terrorist abroad or seen as violent by Pakistanis are madrassa-based. This pattern has grown out of the practice of using "non-state actors" by the state. "Given the information available," Abbas argues, "most of the militant sectarian and jihadi organisations either originated at madarassas or were established by those who studied at Islamic religious schools. For instance, Tehrik-e-Nifaz-e-Fiqa-e-Jafaria was formed by Mufti Jafar Hussain, a student of Madaris in Lucknow and Hauza Imam-e-Najaf, Iraq; Maulana Haq Nawaz Jhangvi, a student of Darul Ulum Eidgah Kabirwala, established the Sipah-e-Sahaba Pakistan; Maulana Masood Azhar, a student of Jamia Ulum Al-Islamia, Banuri Town, Karachi, established the Jaish-e-Muhammad; Maulana Fazlur Rehman Khalil, a student of Jamia Ulum Al-Islamia, Banuri Town, Karachi, established Harkatul Mujahideen; Qari Saifullah Akhtar, a graduate of Jamia Ulum Al-Islamia, Banuri Town, Karachi, founded Harkatul Mujahideen, and later Harkat-e-Jihad-e-Islami and so on."

In Pakistan, early education is heavily ideological. Scholars like Javed Ahmed Ghamidi who recommend that early education be non-ideological can no longer live in the country. Literacy, therefore, has become toxic, broken in part only if you send your children to an English-medium school. But under the current government, this stream of education is under threat. English-medium schools are seen as creating "two nations" instead of the "single" one desired by their reading of the constitution. A Supreme Court chief justice, now thankfully retired, took punitive action against them — before going to England to see his son being educated in a university which is "English-medium".

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AUGUST 3, 1979, FORTY YEARS AGO

INDIAN EXPRESS

Khanna resigns from Cabinet

Hidayatullah unanimous choice for Vice-President

India bundled out for paltry 96

VAJPAYEE ON RSS

ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE'S open criticism of the role of the RSS has prompted some rethinking in the socialist camp and brightened the prospects of George Fernandes' breakaway group rejoining the Janata Party. In a letter to Vajpayee, Fernandes wrote: "Just a line to say that I appreciated your article in 'The Indian Express' today. The question is now to carry to the logical end the issues you have raised in the article, particularly on the RSS and its role. I am willing to sit with you and work out a solution, if you think it is possible to do it." In his article, Vajpayee wrote: "The RSS, claiming to be a social and cultural organisation, should have taken greater pains to demonstrate that they did not seek a political role." Vajpayee had said it was possible that some people felt genuinely apprehensive about the RSS. Calling for a "clear enunciation by the RSS that by "Hindu Rashtra" it means the Indian nation, which includes non-Hindus as members," Vajpayee said the RSS should, alternatively function "only as a Hindu religious-cum-social cultural organisation".

JUSTICE KHANNA QUITS

UNION LAW MINISTER Justice H R Khanna resigned from the Cabinet. In his resignation letter to Prime Minister Charan Singh, Khanna is believed to have stated that he is not cut out for politics. Many of Khanna's friends in the bench and the bar are believed to have told him that they were surprised to see him in the government, which was in the saddle because of Mrs Gandhi's support.

HIDAYATULLAH FOR VP

POLITICAL PARTIES HAVE agreed to adopt former Chief Justice of India, M Hidayatullah, as candidate for vice-presidentship. Hidayatullah, 74, has been leading a retired life after serving the judiciary. Hidayatullah served a brief stint as Acting President after then vice-president V V Giri resigned from the post to contest for presidentship in 1969 following Zakir Hussain's death.

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"The time is right to take up US President Donald Trump's offer of mediation between Pakistan and India, specifically focusing on Kashmir." — **DAWN**

Borrow abroad and profit

Cross-country evidence supports the conclusion that the sooner India engages in foreign currency borrowing, the quicker it can profit from this market imperfection

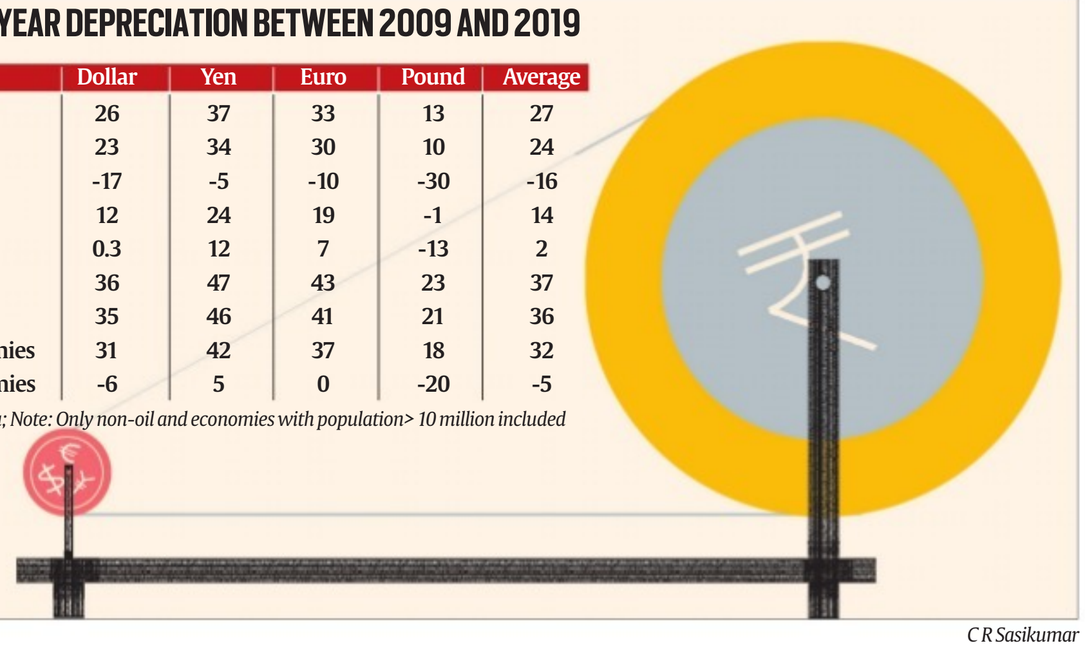
NO PROOF REQUIRED

BY SURJIT S BHALLA

AVERAGE 10 YEAR DEPRECIATION BETWEEN 2009 AND 2019

Country	Dollar	Yen	Euro	Pound	Average
India	26	37	33	13	27
Indonesia	23	34	30	10	24
Thailand	-17	-5	-10	-30	-16
Brazil	12	24	19	-1	14
Chile	0.3	12	7	-13	2
Mexico	36	47	43	23	37
South Africa	35	46	41	21	36
Emerging economies	31	42	37	18	32
Advanced economies	-6	5	0	-20	-5

Source: IMF WEO data; Note: Only non-oil and economies with population> 10 million included



C R Sasikumar

THE FINANCE MINISTER'S budget speech contained a new policy statement — GOI was planning to issue 10 year bonds denominated in foreign currency. This proposal has generated a controversy, unlike most others. Every budget has good, bad, and ugly components. And critics are free to choose and comment on what they like, or hate. There are very few, if any, analysts who believe that the income-tax proposals in Budget 2019 have any merit. Likewise, there are very few experts who believe that issuance of foreign currency bonds is a good idea. Indeed, the list of eminent experts who think it is an ugly idea is near endless.

Former RBI governor and distinguished economist Raghuram Rajan states the following in a recent *Times of India* article: "Foreign bankers often meet finance ministry officials, trying to persuade India to issue a foreign bond. In my experience, they usually started by saying that such borrowing would be cheaper because dollar or yen interest rates are lower than rupee interest rates. This argument is bogus - usually the lower dollar interest rate is offset in the longer run by higher principal repayments as the rupee depreciates against the dollar." He has been joined by my ex-PMEAC colleague and good friend Rathin Roy who went a step further and stated: "Show me one country after world war which has done a foreign currency sovereign bond and not paid dearly for it." Further: "I would pay very careful attention to what several governors of the Reserve Bank are saying, that these are sovereign liabilities in perpetuity. I think there are serious issues regarding loss of sovereignty, which need to be addressed. I do not think that the argument that it is cheaper is a good one, I think it doesn't even hold if you add hedging costs and I don't buy the simple argument that if something is cheaper, it is good." (*Business Standard*, July 23, 2019).

In addition, the Swadeshi Jagran Manch (SJM) has stated that the issuance of foreign denominated bonds is anti-patriotic, that it would lead to a loss of sovereignty, and would lead to currency depreciation. To my knowledge, this is the first time esteemed economists and SJM are on the same side of an economic argument — can both be right, or are both wrong?

The only eminent person (known for his balanced views) to publicly favour a sovereign foreign bond (SFB) is former RBI governor Bimal Jalan who stated "At the moment we are in a fortunate position. Our debt to GDP ratio is not very high, exchange rate is stable, and foreign exchange reserves are high. So foreign borrowing, if its long term, which it would be, is not a problem." Former RBI governor Y V Reddy had a more nuanced comment stating that if foreign bond issuance was accompanied by a move towards greater capital account convertibility then it may be worth pursuing.

The key issue in this debate, as nearly always, is empirical, and has to do with currency depreciation. Show me the money (evidence) and win the argument. Simple accounting math about foreign borrowings is as follows. All examples are with respect to dollar borrowings, but the same set of arguments apply to borrowing in the other three currencies - yen, euro, and the British pound. A country pays a country premium for borrowing in dollars; currently the US 10-year bond is trading at 2 per cent and Indonesia just borrowed in June 2019 at around 3.6 per cent; at the time it borrowed, it paid close to a 1.5 per cent premium. A complex set of factors determine the country premium, but the magnitude of reserves and foreign currency debt are important attributes. About 40 per cent of Indonesia's debt is denominated in foreign currency; in India it is less than 5 per cent. India should be able to borrow at a somewhat lower premium than 150 bp, possibly 130bp.

India can borrow abroad in dollars at 3.3 per cent or borrow foreign money in rupees (a masala bond) at a 3 per cent higher premium, or at 6.3 per cent (the current government 10 year bond is trading at 6.35 per cent). The difference between 3.3 and 6.3 per cent is the depreciation premium that emerging countries pay.

This is what the market "demands" and it is unlikely that this premium has shifted too much for emerging markets over the last 20 years. Over a 10 year period, the 3 per cent annual depreciation assumption means an economy pays 35 per cent more with a masala bond than with an FCB. If the cumulative depreciation at the end of 10 years is more than 35 per cent, the borrowing country loses; if less, than the borrowing country gains. The entire argument against foreign bonds (except the patriotic one) is whether this depreciation has been (and is expected to be) more than 35 per cent over a 10-year period.

Data on 10 year currency depreciations are reported for several countries for the period 2009 to 2019. This assumes that each country started borrowing in 1999, one year after the East Asian crisis. Respected scholars (and policymakers) hark back to the Asian crisis for clues about what will happen to India's exchange rates over the next decade. Do these esteemed scholars recognise (let alone appreciate) that the rupee/dollar exchange rate was Rs 42 in 1998 (Asian crisis) and Rs 40 10 years later in 2007? This despite Indian inflation rates averaging 3 per cent higher, per year, than the USA during this period.

In the sample of countries chosen, I have included three countries from Latin America (Chile, Brazil, and Mexico) to satisfy the critics' assumption that if India were to borrow $10 billion, or $30 billion, even $50 billion, we would face a Latin American crisis. Serious economists have invoked this "threat" in their arguments, so it is prudent to account for it. Note that the period chosen is a fairly long one (20 years) and involves close to 90 countries.

> All the empirical evidence (past and expected future) suggests that the finance minister's idea of floating FCB's is a terribly good idea — one whose time has definitely come. It will also help to significantly lower the real repo rate to respectable levels. No country, has grown at "trend" rates with a real repo rate around 3.4 per cent, not even 2.4 per cent and not even 2 per cent. So please MoF borrow abroad; and please RBI/MPC, smell the real rate before deciding on monetary policy.

What do the results show? Unambiguously, that it pays for a country to borrow abroad. Let us take the case of India first. Against the US dollar, the average 10-year depreciation since 2009 for India (or average annual depreciation since 1999) is 26 per cent. Which means that India would have made a profit of close to 10 per cent for each 10-year bond that it floated.

Recall what Rajan said about this possibility. He called it bogus. The two worst-performers are Mexico and South Africa, and even these two economies break even. Even an average emerging economy makes a profit of 5 bp on every FCB bond it has floated over the last 20 years. This puts into question Rathin Roy's conclusion that every country has paid dearly for FCBs; empirically, the result is the opposite — since the East Asian crisis, most countries have profited handsomely. I don't know the veracity of his conclusion post WWII; maybe the few who borrowed abroad (particularly in Latin America) paid dearly between 1945 and 1998. But for each Latin American disaster, there is an Asian success story. So which continent does Roy (and others) believe that India is comparable too?

Indian inflation has moved structurally downward over the last three years and thankfully the post Patel-Acharya MPC realises this fact. However, in the six months prior to Das's first rate cut in early February 2019, inflation had averaged 3.7 per cent and the real repo rate had averaged 2.8 per cent (defined the RBI/MPC way of current repo rate minus two month earlier inflation). In the six months since (February 2019 to July 2019), two-month lagged inflation has averaged 110 bp *lower* at 2.6 per cent that is, despite 75 bp of repo rate cuts, the average real repo rate has moved higher to an average of 3.4 per cent, an increase of 60 bp.

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Two plus one

Imran-Trump talks in Washington have some significant messages for Delhi on Afghanistan and Kashmir. The dynamic has changed again

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THE GROUND BENEATH India-Pakistan relations has moved once again, and all it took was the coming together of two maverick celebrities-turned-heads of state in a distant capital jamming about Afghanistan and Kashmir.

Five months ago, India celebrated what Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the BJP described in election speeches as a victory over Pakistan. Others more circumspect demurred from describing the IAF strike in Balakot, carried out after the Pulwama bombing, in victory-defeat terms. After all, India had lost one aircraft to Pakistani fire with the pilot captured; another aircraft with six IAF personnel plus a civilian on the ground to friendly fire; and could put up no hard evidence, at least in the public domain, to back the claim that the IAF airstrikes had killed terrorists in a Jaish-e Mohammed training camp. Still, there was no denying that despite the nuclear overhang, India had found the space to carry out a conventional military response to a terrorist attack claimed by a Pakistan-based group.

The seeming international isolation of Pakistan at that time and the pressure on it to return the pilot captured when the IAF plane was downed, were seen as a success of PM Modi's diplomacy in the world. The UN designation of JeM head Masood Azhar was the icing on the cake. It all came together nicely for India then, not to speak of how it was milked for the election. Later, there was euphoria that Pakistan had been kept out of the guest list for the new government's inauguration. The FATF's threat to blacklist Pakistan by October was received in Delhi with a sense of vindication.

What India forgot, or ignored, was that, for the US, when it came to Pakistan, it was always going to be about Afghanistan. Pakistan is no longer looking isolated. Prime Minister Imran Khan's visit to Washington has shown that US need to engage with Pakistan on Afghanistan is greater than its need to isolate it. It has shown three other things — Delhi cannot push its own ties with Pakistan into a freezer and forget about them, and expect the world to forget about them too; two, with Trump ready to make deals with Pakistan, the government cannot be as gung-ho about the BJP's ideological projects in Kashmir as statements by senior ministers suggest; and three, it is Delhi that is looking isolated on Afghanistan.

Riding on its credentials as the facilitator of the Afghan peace talks, Pakistan looked very much at home in Washington. And Imran Khan, who was being excoriated by opponents back home for a below average one year in office, returned home on the anniversary of his election victory, as he said, not as a PM coming back from a visit to the US, but like a cricket captain coming home with the World Cup.

What did Pakistan get out of the visit? Nothing tangible yet — military aid that the US suspended in January 2018 remains suspended; the $125 million announced days after Imran Khan's visit is for end-use monitoring of Pakistan's F 16s and was likely unrelated to the visit.

But never since 2001 has Pakistan heard so much praise and gratitude from the US. For the first time in nearly two decades, here is a US President who has not asked Pakistan to "do more", and is focussed instead on how to "extricate ourselves" from that country. The Pakistan Army's key role in bringing the Taliban to the table has pushed to the far recesses of Trump's transactional mind his outbursts against "lying" "deceitful" Pakistan. In gratitude, he played Pakistan's song by offering to mediate on the Kashmir issue.

India dissed Trump's remark that PM Modi asked him to play the role of mediator in Kashmir as untrue, but that did not prevent the US President from making the same offer once again, a week later. There was another India reference at the Khan-Trump meeting, recorded in the transcript: "But we will be talking about India; a very big part of our conversation today. And I think maybe if we can help intercede and do whatever we have to do. But I think it's something that can be brought back together. And we'll also be talking about Afghanistan... we will be talking about India and Afghanistan very much so," President Trump said.

No joint statement was issued after the Imran-Trump meeting, which mostly means there was nothing spectacular to say. But while the Trump Administration may not have materially shifted its position on Pakistan, in the coming weeks and months expect Pakistan to milk Trump's change of heart for what it is worth before it changes again, a real possibility if the Rawalpindi lot fail to deliver on their commitments in Afghanistan — getting the Taliban to agree to a ceasefire, and to talk to the Afghan government. For starters, Pakistan must be eyeing the looming October deadline set by the FATF. The FATF is a US baby.

India has also just conceded, while dismissing Trump's offer of mediation on Kashmir and asserting that all outstanding issues with Pakistan will be settled bilaterally, that Kashmir is a bilateral issue. So, contrary to what the Modi government has maintained all along, there is something to be discussed with Pakistan on Kashmir. But if India and Pakistan cannot resolve Kashmir bilaterally, others are going to want to help them do that, especially if they have to step in from time to time to separate the two during fights. For now, Trump's repeated offers of mediation make it difficult, if not impossible, for the BJP to ram through its dream constitutional changes in J&K, even though the manner in which senior members of the government have been rattling the Kashmir cage indicates otherwise.

What the government should be obsessing about more than its ideological project in J&K right now, is how the Afghan deal in the making, in which Pakistan has emerged as the main player and India has no role to play, could impact the situation in Kashmir, and further, how to begin an engagement with Pakistan, if not outright dialogue, that would help Delhi extricate itself from a self-painted corner and prevent outsiders from rushing in with offers of help.

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Losing the golden hour

What does it say about health care if even celebrities don't get critical first aid?

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WILL WE GET timely healthcare when we need it is a question often asked by people in India. The answer, unfortunately, is no. Cardiac arrest revival needs to be done within four minutes, angioplasty in a heart attack needs to conducted within 90 minutes and a road traffic accident victim needs to be provided on the spot first aid within 10 minutes and the victim's vital parameters should stabilise in an hour. Advanced ambulance care needs to reach the victim within four minutes. But even in Delhi, a patient cannot get such care.

The right to health and right to timely medical care is a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution. But are we getting timely medical care? The December 16, 2012 rape victim, for example, was transferred from Munirka to Safdarjung Hospital — a distance of 6.2 km allegedly covered in 45 minutes — without any help.

The then NDMC chairman, Imtiaz Khan, died on April 23, 1998, at his office in the building which housed the health department. Were advanced resuscitation measures administered to him?

Congress leader, Rajesh Pilot died in 2000 in a car accident in Dausa less than 100 km from Jaipur. He was in a coma when he was admitted to the Sawai Man Singh Hospital, Jaipur. The situation could have been different if he was carried in an advanced ACLS ambulance? The golden hour was lost.

Former president, Giani Zail Singh, died in Chandigarh on December 25, 1994 after receiving multiple injuries in an accident on November 29 that year. The accident happened near Kiratpur Sahib in Ropar district. He was shifted to Chandigarh, 45-km away. Was he shifted in ACLS ambulance or provided a golden hour first aid in Ropar?

Former Delhi chief minister, Sahib Singh Varma, died on June 30, 2007, when his car collided with a truck on the Jaipur-Delhi highway (NH-8). He was taken to the Shahjanpur Civil Hospital, 13 km away from the accident site. Obviously no ACLS care was available for so short a distance.

Gopinath Munde, then the Union Minister for Rural Development, met with an accident at Prithviraj Road-Tughlak Road roundabout in Delhi at 6 am on June 3, 2014. He was brought to the AIIMS by his driver and assistant. The doctors said that Munde was not breathing when he was brought. Why was he shifted to the hospital? The ambulance should have come to him. Did the ACLS ambulance reach the spot?

One report of the death of former president A P J Abdul Kalam quotes his secretary, Srijan Pal Singh. Singh apparently heard a long pause from the former president when he was two minutes into his speech at IIM-Shillong. Singh's account is is a class description of an impending heart attack. Kalam's eye's were three-quarters closed as he collapsed, according to his former secretary. When there was a doctor at the site, why did the former president's secretary attempt to revive him?

Singh's recollection that Kalam's hands were clenched, his face was still and his eyes motionless, is a classic representation of cardiac arrest caused by ventricular fibrillation. As per Singh's statement, he was brought to the nearest hospital within five minutes of the cardiac arrest. There are three phases of cardiac arrest. The electrical phase comprises the first four to five minutes and requires immediate defibrillation. The hemodynamic phase lasts about four to 10 minutes following a sudden cardiac arrest (SCA). Patients in the hemodynamic phase benefit from excellent chest compressions to generate adequate cerebral and coronary perfusion and immediate defibrillation. The metabolic phase occurs following approximately 10 minutes of loss of pulse. Few patients who reach this phase survive.

In the first 10 minutes, there are high chances of revival using hands only CPR followed with DC electric shock.

A study in *The Lancet* has shown that about 15 per cent of patients who survived needed at least 30 minutes of resuscitation. Why was not advanced CPR given to Kalam for the full period?

Former minister of state for external affairs, E Ahamed died on February 1, 2017. He suffered a cardiac problem while the President was addressing Parliament. There were over 30 doctors amongst the MPs at that time. No one was approached. He was shifted to Ram Manohar Lohia hospital, where he died. Why can't the President's speech be stopped for such emergencies?

Former Delhi CM, Sheila Dikshit, died on July 20, 2019 at the Escorts Heart Institute. She experienced breathlessness at her home in Nizamuddin and was shifted to Escorts in Sarita Vihar in a car — a distance of six km, which takes up to 24 minutes as per the Google map. She had a cardiac arrest on the way. Why was she not provided an ACLS ambulance at her home?

Amitabh Bachchan was saved because of timely local first aid. On August 2, 1982, on the sets of the film Coolie, he had a near-fatal accident and was shifted to nearby hospital. He was shifted to Mumbai later. The early treatment helped in saving his life.

We have a fundamental right to receive point of care advanced first aid within four minutes. But people in need don't always get it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ARCHAIC LAWS

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Power not justice' (IE, August 1). Since criminal punishment for a civil wrong is against the basic principles of criminal jurisprudence, why has the dichotomy in Muslim personal law regarding polygamy not addressed? It is coercive to uphold archaic practices in the personal law. Criminalisation of talaq-e-biddat should be the first step towards a secular and a non-discriminatory uniform civil code.

Karan Dhawan *via e-mail*

HOPE FOR CURE

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Healthcare is ailing' (IE, August 2). The health sector has been ignored by successive governments. People have lots of hope from the Narendra Modi government as regards the health sector. One of the main reasons for the poor state of affairs in healthcare is the paucity of good hospitals for the poor. The medical profession has become akin to commercial business. Funds should be allocated for medical research.

Veena Shenoy, *Thane*

FOOD UNITES

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Eat,pray,love' (IE, August 2). The Upanishads describe food as god. Any food item is composed of ingredients which come from agricultural lands which have been worked upon by several workers. It is quite likely that all such people do not have a single religious belief. To a hungry or thirsty man, food is greater than religion. Sujata's food was precious for Gautama. Who was Sujata? That would be a foolish question.

Tapomoy Ghosh, *Kolkata*

LESSONS NOT LEARNT

THIS REFERS TO the editorial 'Bleak math'(IE, August 2). The economic slowdown is becoming more serious by the day because the NDA government continues to extol its policies like demonetisation instead of learning a lesson from them. Its talk of a $5-trillion economy is nothing but hyperbole.

Tarsem Singh, *Mahilpur*

LETTER OF THE WEEK

GETTING HOT

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Cool Down' (IE, July 30). The editorial is smart and funny. But the ability of Indians to adapt to heatwaves could only be a boon in the short term. We should be focussing on controlling global warming and climate change. Because I'm afraid that after some time, even dhotis and gamchas will not serve any purpose.

Divyam Khandelwal, *Jaipur*

72 YEARS AFTER PARTITION

PAKISTAN OPENS DOORS TO GURDWARA

Seventy-two years after Partition, Pakistan Friday opened the doors of the Gurdwara Choa Sahib in Punjab province to Sikh devotees, including from India, in the run-up to the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev in November. Lying closed since 1947, the gurdwara in Jhelum district of Punjab province was in a state of neglect. It was reopened in a colourful ceremony in the presence of officials and community members.

TOP OF THE WORLD

Hamza bin Laden

ASIA

Hamza was very threatening to US, says Trump

Washington: Al-Qaeda's Hamza bin Laden was very threatening to the US, President Donald Trump said Thursday as he refrained from making any comment on news reports about the death of the son of Osama bin Laden. "I can't comment about that. But he was very threatening to our country. He was saying very bad things about our country," Trump told reporters at the White House when asked if the US had any role in the death of Hamza bin Laden.

UN

'July equalled or surpassed hottest month'

United Nations: Latest data from World Meteorological Organisation shows July "at least equaled if not surpassed the hottest month in recorded history" - and it followed the hottest June ever, United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said Thursday. Guterres said the weather data, including temperature-shattering records from New Delhi and Anchorage to Paris, Santiago, Adelaide, Australia and the Arctic Circle, means the world is on track for the period from 2015 to 2019 "to be the five hottest years on record."

RUSSIA

US imposes sanctions over spy poisoning

Washington/Moscow: US President Donald Trump has imposed another round of sanctions on Russia over the poisoning of a former spy in Britain, the White House said Friday. Skripal, a former colonel in Russia's GRU military intelligence service, and his daughter were found slumped on a bench in the southern English city of Salisbury in March last year after Novichok nerve agent was smeared on his front door. "I think this is primarily connected to US domestic politics," Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov said.

SRI LANKA

Mayor gets five years in jail for threatening MPs

Colombo: A Sri Lankan court on Friday sentenced Hambantota Mayor Eraj Ravindra Fernando to five years in jail for threatening to physically harm a group of parliamentarians in 2014. Along with Fernando, the first accused in the case Premasiri Paranamana was also sentenced five years in jail. Both have been ordered to a pay a fine of Rs 60,000. In 2014, Fernando, holding a pistol, threatened to physically harm a group of Opposition MPs who had gone to Hambantota to inspect Chinese investment projects.

FOR YEARS, US HAD SAID RUSSIA WAS VIOLATING ACCORD

To counter China, US ends Cold War missile treaty with Russia

NATO blames Russia for pact end, vows 'measured' reply

THE NEW YORK TIMES
WASHINGTON, AUGUST 2

THE UNITED States on Friday terminates a major treaty of the Cold War, the Intermediate Nuclear Forces agreement, and it is already planning to start testing a new class of missiles later this summer.

But the new missiles are unlikely to be deployed to counter the treaty's other nuclear power, Russia, which the United States has said for years was in violation of the accord. Instead, the first deployments are likely to be intended to counter China, which has amassed an imposing missile arsenal and is now seen as a much more formidable long-term strategic rival than Russia.

At a moment when the potential for nuclear confrontations with North Korea and Iran is rising, the US decision to abandon the 32-year-old treaty has prompted new worries in Europe and Asia, and warnings that echo an era that once seemed banished to the history books. The resurgence of nuclear geopolitics was evident in the Democratic debate on Tuesday night, when presidential hopefuls grappled with whether the United States should renounce "first use" of nuclear weapons in any future conflict.

The 9M729 land-based cruise missile in Kubinka, Russia, in January. *AP*

Today hundreds of missiles in southeast China are within range of Taiwan, the self-governing democratic island supported by the United States. Missiles at other sites can hit Japan and India, and there are Chinese missiles that can strike the US territory of Guam and other potential targets in what American strategists call the second-island chain.

"Unilateral constraint was a losing proposition: China developed the world's foremost force of missiles precisely within the ranges that INF would prohibit," said Andrew Erickson, a professor of strategy at the U.S. Naval War College. "So this increasingly antiquated treaty had no future."

NATO blames Russia

Responding to the development, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization said, "Russia bears sole responsibility for the demise of the Treaty." "We regret Russia has shown no willingness and taken no demonstrable steps to return to compliance with its international obligations," it said.

"A situation whereby the United States fully abides by the Treaty, and Russia does not, is not sustainable," it added.

"NATO will respond in a measured and responsible way to significant risks posed by the Russian 9M729 missile to Allied security," it said. **WITH PTI INPUTS**

US President Ronald Reagan (right) and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev sign the treaty at the White House on December 8, 1987. *Reuters/File*

Resolving a key vulnerability

EXPLAINED

ONE OF the reasons the US and Russia signed the INF treaty was the potential threat of Russia's intermediate-range missiles to Europe.

Europe must now find a way to fill a significant vulnerability, which experts fear will lead to a "less stable world". NATO's "measured response" may come as enhancements to its defences against intermediate-range and ballistic missiles. It is feared that any military solution will be a temporary fix, likely to delay a long-lasting solution. If the ongoing Euro-Atlantic issues are not addressed, they will likely contribute to a rapid build-up of arms in the Euro-Atlantic region.

Bombings rattle Bangkok during ASEAN summit

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
BANGKOK, AUGUST 2

TWO MEN from Thailand's insurgency-hit "Deep South" have been arrested and linked to several small bomb attacks which rattled Bangkok Friday as it hosted a regional summit attended by US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, leaving four people wounded but not disrupting the diplomatic event.

Thailand, which has a grim history of political violence and is fighting a long-running rebellion in the Muslim-majority south, remains deeply divided after a controversial March election returned a junta to power as a civilian government.

Prime Minister Prayut Chan-O-Cha, who led the former junta, told reporters "there were nine successful or attempted explosions... we haven't ruled out any motives." Two men from the far south were arrested after wires and ball bearings were found in an inactive device outside Thai police headquarters late Thursday, in what police said was a linked incident.

Police chief Jakthip Chaijinda confirmed the men came the Muslim-majority area bordering Malaysia which is in the grip of a 15-year insurgency. But he said it was "too early" to clearly tie them with the rebellion.

Thai investigators examine the site of an explosion in Bangkok on Friday. *AP*

Occasionally the shadowy rebel cells take their violence outside their region to mark key anniversaries or kickback against specific Thai actions.

Outrage is boiling in the south over the treatment of a 34-year-old rebel suspect who was left in a coma hours after being taken into a notorious military interrogation centre in Pattani province.

The blasts in Bangkok appeared to be symbolic attacks aimed at embarrassing the government but not designed to cause mass casualties.

Saudi says women can travel without male guardianship

BEN HUBBARD
NEW YORK, AUGUST 2

SAUDI ARABIA announced Friday that it would allow adult women to obtain passports, travel and work without securing the permission of a male relative, dealing significant blows to the kingdom's guardianship system that has long been criticized by rights campaigners as oppressive to women.

The new regulations, made by the Saudi Cabinet and published in a government publication, are the latest in a series of steps by the kingdom's de facto ruler, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, to shake off the kingdom's image as one of the world's most restrictive places for women.

Since his father, King Salman, ascended to the throne in 2015 and began handing tremendous powers to his son, Crown Prince Mohammed has launched initiatives aimed at diversifying the Saudi economy, confronting the kingdom's regional foes and loosening strict social restrictions by allowing concerts and opening movie theaters.

Under the guardianship system, all women had to have a male "guardian," usually a father or husband, but sometimes a son or other male relative, whose permission was required for a woman to obtain a passport, travel abroad, get a job or seek certain medical procedures.

When asked about guardianship in an interview last year, Crown Prince Mohammed suggested he would like to diminish regulations but had to balance between Saudis who wanted change and conservative families who did not. "Saudis don't want to lose their identity, but we want to be part of the global culture," he said. "We want to merge our culture with global identity." **NYT**

WHAT IT ENTAILS

Reuters File

- The new regulations give any adult Saudi, regardless of sex, the ability to obtain a passport and travel
- It allows them to register births, marriages and divorces
- It grants the ability to serve as the legal guardian of minors
- It also declared that 'work is the right of the citizen' and that employers could not discriminate against employees based on sex, age or handicaps

MIGRANT BOAT CAPSIZES

Libyan Red Crescent workers stand near the body of a migrant, who died after a boat capsized, in Khoms, Libya. *Reuters*

Johnson loses first test against pro-EU party, Parliament majority down to one after bypoll

REBECCA NADEN
LLANELWEDD, AUGUST 2

BRITAIN'S PRO-EUROPEAN Union Liberal Democrats won a parliamentary seat from the governing Conservative Party, taking new Prime Minister Boris Johnson's working majority to just one as he tries to steer the country through Brexit.

Johnson is expected to face a showdown with lawmakers in the autumn over his vow to take Britain out of the European Union on Oct 31 with or without a divorce deal. His government already relies on the support of a small Northern Irish party to pass legislation, with only a few rebels in his own Conservative Party needed to lose key votes.

Johnson is expected to face a showdown in the autumn over his no-deal Brexit vow

The Liberal Democrats, who are calling for a second referendum on EU membership, won the Welsh seat of Brecon and Radnorshire with a majority of 1,425 votes.

"Boris Johnson's shrinking majority makes it clear that he has no mandate to crash us out of the EU," said Liberal Democrat leader Jo Swinson, whose party now have 13 seats in parliament.

A narrow majority of voters in the area had supported leaving EU in 2016 referendum and Swinson said the result showed her party could win in Brexit-supporting areas. The Brecon vote was called after Conservative lawmaker Chris Davies was ousted by a petition of constituents after being convicted of falsifying expenses. **REUTERS**

HONG KONG

Thousands of civil servants defy govt to join protest

FELIX TAM & GREG TORODE
HONG KONG, AUGUST 2

THOUSANDS OF civil servants joined in the anti-government protests in Hong Kong on Friday for the first time since they started two months ago, defying a warning from the authorities to remain politically neutral.

Protests against a proposed bill that would allow people to be extradited to stand trial in mainland China have grown increasingly violent, with police accused of excessive use of force and failing to protect protesters from suspected gang attacks.

Chanting encouragement, crowds turned out to support the civil servants at their rally on Friday which halted traffic on major roads in the heart of the city's business district.

"I think the government should respond to the demands, instead of pushing the police to the frontline as a shield," said Kathy Yip, a 26-year-old government worker.

The rally on Friday came after an open letter penned anonymously and published on Facebook set out a series of demands to the Hong Kong government by a group which said it represented civil servants.

"At present the people of Hong Kong are already on the verge of collapse," the group wrote in the letter, saying it was "a pity that we have seen extreme oppression." **REUTERS**

O'BRIEN HAS SPENT HIS TENURE TRYING TO FREE AMERICANS FROM PLACES LIKE AFGHANISTAN, YEMEN, SYRIA

US hostage affairs envoy takes on an unlikely case: ASAP Rocky

JULIA JACOBS
ADAM GOLDMAN
& KATIE ROGERS
NEW YORK, AUGUST 2

IT STARTED with a cordial phone call to the Swedish prime minister. It escalated into a series of tweets that expressed disappointment, first with the prime minister, then with Sweden itself.

Now President Donald Trump's bid to rescue a rap star, ASAP Rocky, who is being held in a Stockholm jail, has spiraled into a situation the administration has apparently decided requires a diplomat typically used to free hostages from war-torn countries.

But the country in question has not been touched by war in more than 70 years, and Rocky is not a hostage — or, in any case, not by any commonly accepted definition of the term. He is a defendant in a criminal case, accused of assaulting a man on a Stockholm street a month ago.

Trump's special presidential envoy for hostage affairs, Robert C O'Brien, first appeared Tuesday in the courtroom in Stockholm, where Rocky and two members of his entourage are standing trial. O'Brien said in an interview Tuesday Trump had asked him to come to support the defendants.

"I'll be here until they come home," he said.

It's an uncommon task for a diplomat whose job is to advise senior government officials on hostage situations overseas. O'Brien has spent his tenure trying to free Americans from places like Afghanistan, Yemen, Libya and Syria.

A courtroom sketch of the trial in Stockholm. *Reuters*

His unlikely path to Sweden is the result of two ultra-famous celebrities having a direct line to Trump, a commander-in-chief who has been otherwise shunned by the entertainment elite. Trump views the opportunity to free Rocky as a way to earn praise from critics and news outlets he feels treat him unfairly, as well as add another American to his list of released captives, according to two people familiar with the situation.

The mission in which O'Brien is now involved began in early July when rapper Kanye West suggested to his wife, Kim Kardashian West, who has made frequent visits to the White House in the name of criminal justice reform, that she reach out to the White House on Rocky's behalf, according to two people familiar with the process.

Embracing the rapper's case, Trump deployed his diplomatic and social media influence. He tasked his secretary of state, Mike Pompeo, who oversees O'Brien, to work with the Swedish authorities; urged the Swedish prime minister, Stefan Lofven, to intervene in the case; and circulated the hashtag "#FreeRocky" on his Twitter account.

Whether appropriate or not, the framing of Rocky's case as akin to a hostage situation appears to have taken hold at the White House.

A senior administration official said the main motivation for Trump is continuing his track record of getting hostages freed.

In the courtroom Thursday, as Rocky gave his account of the street brawl, saying he was acting in self-defense, O'Brien sat in a gray suit next to his chief of staff. Asked whether this case was appropriate for a hostage affairs envoy to oversee, he said, "The president sent me here, so it's totally appropriate."

"I also help free people that are held by governments," O'Brien told reporters, "so unjustly detained Americans." **NYT**

RAPPER TO BE FREED FROM JAIL WHILE JUDGES MULL CASE

Stockholm: Rapper ASAP Rocky and two other US suspects will be freed from jail until Aug 14, when judges are expected to announce a verdict in the assault case against them, a Swedish court announced Friday.

It wasn't immediately clear from the decision by Stockholm District Court whether the three would be able to leave the country. Prosecutors asked that the 30-year-old rapper get a six-month sentence during closing arguments Friday. **AP**

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, ALLAHABAD

Tender Notice

Tender Notice No.: DY-CE-C-II-2019-04 **Dated:** 31.07.2019

Deputy Chief Engineer (Construction-II), North Central Railway, Jhansi for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Tender on prescribed form, for the following work up to **15:00** hrs. on the opening date of tender . The details of the tenders are as under:-

Tender No.	Name of Work	Approx Cost ₹	Earnest Money ₹
DY-CE-C-II-2019 -04 dated 31.07.2019	Hiring of one Non AC multi utility 4 wheeler motor vehicle TATA safari, Xylo, Inova, Tavera or of similar make vehicle in good working condition for the use of XEN(C) CNB to inspect the work site under the jurisdiction of Dy, CE/C/II/JHS	₹ 393124.32	₹ 7900.00

Cost of tender form: ₹ 1000.00 **Date of opening: 22.08.2019 Completion Period:** 12 (Twelve)Months including harvest & monsoon period **Validity:** 45 days **Note:** For compete details and submission of tender please see Indian Railway's website **www.ireps.gov.in** **1112/19(I)**

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
PLANNING AND INVESTIGATION DIVISION
ROAD CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT (RCD),RANCHI
Nirupan Bhawan,3rd Floor,Room No. 401,56-Set,Doranda,Ranchi-834002
e-Procurement (Short Re-Tender Notice)
Letter of Re- invitation (LOI) no-08/2019-20
2nd Call

e-Re-Tender Ref No:– RCD/PID / RAN/ 08/677 Dated- 01-08-2019

1	(a)Name Of Work	Consultancy Services for Preparation of Combined GAD and Detailed Project Report for the Construction of Approach of proposed ROB near Level crossing no-MB-21 at Km -383/16-17 Between Muri-Barkakana under RNC Rly. Div. in the State of Jharkhand from empanelled consultant with RCD under category-II vide letter No. 686(S) WE Dated 2901-2019.
2	Tentative Length	NA
3	Period of Completion of Work	60 Days
4	Cost of Tender documents	Demand Draft/Banker Cheque of any Scheduled Bank (non-refundable fee) of Rs 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) only. EMD:- 2 % of the quoted amount (Net of GST) in the form of current issue of NSC, Fixed Deposits of a Scheduled Bank (all the above mentioned form of Security deposits money issued within the State of Jharkhand), Bank draft an d Bank Guarantee issued by any Scheduled bank anywhere in India Payable at Ranchi in favour of Executive Engineer, Planning& Investigation Division, Road Construction Department,(RCD), Ranchi for a period of 45 days beyond the validity of bid.
5	Mode of Bid Submission	e-tendering(http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in)
6	Date/Time of Publication of Tender on Website	03.08.2019,10:30 AM
7	Last Date/Time of Bid Submission	09.08.2019 15:00PM
8	Last Date/Time of Submission of Tender Fee & EMD	09.08.2019 15:00PM
9	Date and Time of Bid opening	13.08.2019 15:30 PM
10	Bid validity	120 days
11	Bid Submission Address	Chief Engineer(Communication),Road Construction Department,1st Floor, Engineer Hostel No.-2, Dhurwa, Ranchi-834004
11	Designation and Contact no. of Tender inviting Officer Office	Executive, Engineer, Planning and Investigation Division,RCD,Ranchi Mob 94311-65712

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Note-:Only e-Tender shall be accepted.

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PLANNING & INVESTIGATION DIVISION
ROAD CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT(RCD),RANCHI

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E-TENDER PRESS NOTICE

The EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CD-XIII, I&FC Department Govt. of Delhi, on behalf of the President of India, invites Online Percentage rate tender from the approved and eligible contractors registered with IRRIGATION AND FLOOD CONTROL DEPARTMENT. The contractors who are registered with other department and now got their registrations verified from I&FC Deptt. are eligible to participate in Tender process for the work:-

1. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/40 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177328 1) Major Head of Account 2711 (Revenue) Name of Work: Plantation of Trees on Right bank (on side slope) inner side of drain from RD 0m to RD 10362m of Mungeshpur Drain. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 25,55,945/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 51,119/- Time allowed 30 Days + 1095 Days for maintenance period. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
2. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/41 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177305_1) Major Head of Account 2711 (Revenue) Name of Work: Plantation of Trees on Mundella brain between RD 11050m to RD 12550m and its maintenance upto (03) three years. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 10,86,230/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 21,725/- Time allowed 30 Days + 1095 Days for maintenance period. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
3. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/42 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177321_1) Major Head of Account 4406 (Plan) Name of Work: Construction of Chain link fencing boundary wall a Malikpur Pocket-E in N.G. Block. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 22,40,073/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 44,801/- Time allowed 120 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
4. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/43 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177339_1) Major Head of Account 4406 (Plan) Name of Work: Construction of Chain link fencing boundary wall a Malikpur Pocket-A in N.G. Block. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 33,48,475/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 66,970/- Time allowed 120 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
5. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/44 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177368_1) Major Head of Account 4406 (Plan) Name of Work: Construction of Chain link fencing boundary wall it Malikpur Pocket-D in N.G. Block. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 7,69,433/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 15,389/- Time allowed 120 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
6. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/45 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177345_1) Major Head of Account 2711 (Revenue) Name of Work: Plantation of Trees on Mundella Drain between RD 4000m to RD 6320m and its maintenance upto (03) three years. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 21,30,066/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 42,601/- Time allowed 30 Days + 1095 Days for maintenance period. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
7. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/20/9-20/46 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177351_1) Major Head of Account 2711 (Revenue) Name of Work: Plantation of Trees on Left bank (on side slope) inner side of drain from RD 0m to RD 10362m of Mungeshpur Drain. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 25,55,945/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 51,119/- Time allowed 30 Days + 1095 Days for maintenance period. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
8. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/47 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177372_1) Major Head of Account 4406 (Plan) Name of Work: Protection of forest land by providing fencing in pocket C bearing Kh. No. 47/1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 24 at village Issapur in N.G. Block. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 17,67,910/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 35,358/-Time allowed 60 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
9. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/48 (ID No. 2019_IFC_177380_1) Major Head of Account 4406 (Plan) Name of Work: Protection of forest land by providing fencing in pocket D bearing Kh. No. 47/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 at village Issapur in N.G. Block. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 25,24,451/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 50,489/- Time allowed 60 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.
10. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/14(2nd Call) (ID No. 2019_IFC_176664_1) Major Head of Account 2711 (Revenue) Name of Work: Plantation of Trees on Left bank near RD 330m to RD 1800m of Mungeshpur Drain and further maintenance for three years. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 12,09,637/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 24,193/- Time allowed 60 Days + 1095 Days for maintenance period. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 07-08-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.

Note:-

1) Details of above mentioned works & eligibility criteria can be seen and downloaded from the web site **https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in**
2) Amendment(s)/ alteration(s)/ corrigendum if any, will be available at website only.
3) EMD in the form of Bankers Cheque/DD/Fixed Deposit receipt in F/o EE/CD-XIII, I&FC Deptt Shall be scanned and uploaded to the e-tender website within the period of bid submission. The original EMD should be deposited in the office of EE/CD-XIII, I&FC Deptt within the period of bid submission.

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CD-XIII
DIP/Shabdarth/0480/19-20

NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE
(through e-tendering)

S.No.: 1 **Name of work with its location:** Hiring of 02 Nos. Multi utility Vehicle (Innova, Safari, Xyolo, Scorpio) for period of 03 years at S&T control office of Delhi Division. **App. cost of the work (in Rs.):** Rs. 32,65,920/- only. **Tender inviting officer address:** Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/C, Northern Railway, 3rd Floor, Annex-1, DRM office, New Delhi-110055. **Tender Document Fee (in Rs.):** Rs. 3,540/- only. **Earnest Money to be deposited (In Rs.):** Rs. 65,300 only. **Date & Time for Closed of tender:** Tender uploaded date & time-28.08.2019 upto 15.00 hrs. **Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.:** See the N. Rly. 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/1288 Dated:01.08.2019** **2490/2019**

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The Kerala State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd intends to purchase Pulses, Spices, Rice and Sugar through e-tender, which will be accepted up to 12.00 Noon on 13-08-2019 and will be opened thereafter. Tender Form and Terms & Conditions may be downloaded from our website www.supplycokerala.com or www.tenderwizard.com/KSCSC. For additional details please contact at the above address. Only suppliers possessing digital signatures will be permitted to participate in the e-tender. Sd/-
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DELHI URBAN SHELTER IMPROVEMENT BOARD
Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (C-9)
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No.EE/C-9/DUSIB/2019-20/D-424 Dated :29.07.2019

Press Notice For Inviting e-Tenders

The Executive Engineer C09, DUSIB, invites on behalf of DUSIB online Percentage rate bid on two bid system for following work:-

S. No.	NIT No./e-Tender ID	Name of work	Estimate cost	Earnest Money	Tender Fee	Time
1	30/EE/C09/DUSIB/ 2019-20 & 2019_DUSIB_177_194_1	Name of work: EIUS. Sub Head: Construction of approach road and SW drains near J S C - 5 5 CJ1240 and improvement of remaining lanes and C/O SW drains at block-1, 2 & 3, JJ Cluster, Indira Camp, Trilokpuri.	Rs. 27,84,871/-	Rs. 55,700/-	Rs. 500/-	90 days

Last time and date of submission of bid 16/08/2019 upto 15:00 PM. The bid form and other details can be obtained from the web site. (**https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in**) from 05/08/2019 to 16/08/2019 upto 15:00 PM.

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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER C09
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DIP/Shabdarth/0477/19-20

SBI

Sustainability Department, Corporate Centre, State Bank Bhavan, 9th Floor, Madame Cama Road, Mumbai - 400 021.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

State Bank of India (SBI) invites application from interested parties for engagement as consultant for preparation of Bank's Sustainability report for the F.Y 2019-20. Proposals are invited by 17.30 hours (IST) on 23.08.2019 from reputed firms/companies to undertake the assignment. For further details, interested parties may visit our website **https://www.sbi.co.in** or **https://bank.sbi**

Place: Mumbai
Date: 03.08.2019

Sd/-
Deputy General Manager
(Sustainability)

NORTHERN RAILWAY

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Name of work and its location	30-Elect-30-T-2019-20-E3 Electrical work in connection with GMs Annual Inspection ROK-RE-DLI section
Approx. cost of the work in	Rs. 109.24 lacs
Address of the office	Sr. Divil Elect. Engineer/General, New Delhi
Earnest Money	Rs. 204600.00
Date & time of submission of tender	22.08.2019, 15:00 Hrs.
Opening of tender	22.08.2019, 15:15 Hrs.
Website & notice board	**www.ireps.gov.in** & Sr. Divl. Elect. Engineer/ General, New Delhi **2467/19**

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

For Comprehensive on-site maintenance contract for maintenance and facility management of Network Equipment & Peripherals at our Head Office, Star House-2

The captioned RFP is available on Bank's corporate website till **21.08.2019.** Details available on the Bank's Corporate Website **www.bankofindia.co.in** under **"Tender"** section from **01.08.2019.**

NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/Traction Distribution, DRM's Office, State Entry Road, New Delhi for & on behalf of President of India, invites open e-tender under single packet system for the under noted work: **Name of Work with its location:** Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of GPS based Current Collection System (OLIVE R-G Kit) for OHE and Route Mapping of OHE Masts by OLIVER-G Kit with use of GPS system in 25 KV AC OHE System between section NDLS-PWL, NDLS-CYZ, DLI-GZB, GZB-SRE, Ring Railway, DEE-RE, DLI-BTI, DLI-MOY, PNP-JIND, PNP-ROK, KKDE-NRW & RE-ROK of Delhi Division. **Approx. Cost of work:** Rs.42,47,724.16 **Earnest Money Deposit:** Rs.85,000/- **E-Tender Bid Online Submission Period:** 13.08.2019 (00.00 Hrs.) to 27.08.2019 (15.00 Hrs.) **E-Tender Bid Submission End Date & E Tender Open Date & Time:** 27.08.2019 (15.00 hrs.) **Fund Allocation:** 43377103 **Website particulars where complete details of tender documents can be seen:** www.ireps.gov.in. **E-Tender No.: 08-TRD-NDLS-2019-20 Dated : 01.08.2019** **2491/19**

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF VOCATIONALISATION OF SCHOOL EDUCATION IN ODISHA

Letter No.: 2110 **Date : 02.08.2019**

Odisha Madhyamika Shiksha Mission (OMSM),
Samagra Shiksha
Department of School and Mass Education
GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

OMSM invites Expression of Interest from qualified entities in the field of VOCATIONAL EDUCATION in Govt. Secondary Schools for implementation of the Program in 142 Schools in ODISHA under Samagra Shiksha.

Please download the detailed EOI from: **www.oavs.in** / **www.opepa.odisha.gov.in**.

Last Date of EOI Submission : 04.09.2019 (3 PM)

Sd/- **Financial Advisor**

KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LTD

(A Government of India Undertaking)

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

General Manager/ Project/ IV, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., invites Open Tender in Single Bid system through E-Tendering on IREPS portal from eligible contractors for the following work: **Name of Work:** Shotcreting with Synthetic Polyster fibre and Rock bolting and undercut removal in Padi Tunnel at Km 463/600 to 465/00 in Karwar region. **Tender Notice No.:** KR-CO-SW-T-RBSC-2019-09. **Total Estimated Cost:** Rs 1.978 Crores. **Biding Start Date :** 09/08/2019. **Closing Date/Time:** 23/08//2019 up to 15:00 Hrs. for submission of online Offers/Bids. **Completion Period:** Nine Months including Monsoon. Manual offers shall not be accepted. Please visit **www.ireps.gov.in** website for details/ participation. Corrigendum / addendum will be hosted in this website only.

कार्यालय मुख्य महाप्रबन्धक, निर्माण विंग
उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल संसाधन विकास एवं निर्माण निगम
(उत्तराखण्ड सरकार का उपक्रम)
403/01, इन्दिरा नगर, देहरादून। दूरभाष/फैक्स–0135–2764075
e-mail : cgmnirmanwing@yahoo.com, gmnirmanwing@gmail.com

Bid Identification no: 2472/Tender(Gr)/78 Date: 02.08.2019

National Competitive Bidding
Government of Uttarakhand "e" procurement Notice

Bid Identification no:

1.	**Name of the Works**	Construction of Shooting Range of Maharana Pratap Sports College (M.P.S.C.),Raipur,Dehradun (Remaining / Balance works)
2.	Estimated Cost	Rs. 1800.00 Lakh
3.	Period of Completion	15 Months
4.	Date and Time of Availability of bid documents in the portal	05/08/2019 - 15.00 Hrs.
5.	Last Date/Time for receipt of bids in the portal	22/08/209 - 17.00 Hrs.
6.	Name and Address of Officer inviting the Bid	General Manager, Construction Wing, Uttarakhand Pey Jal Nigam, 403/1, Indra Nagar, Dehradun
7.	Pre bid meeting details (if required) Date & Place	13/08/2019 - 15.00 Hrs.
8.	Details of subsequent addendum / corrigendum / cancellation etc. may be obtained from the website	**"http://www.uktenders.gov.in"**

Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal **"http://www.uktenders.gov.in"**

General Manager

जल श्रोतों को प्रदूषित होने से बचायें | वैधानिक चेतावनी – जल श्रोतों को प्रदूषित करना दण्डनीय अपराध है।

DR. RAM MANOHAR LOHIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

VIBHUTI KHAND, GOMTI NAGAR, LUCKNOW-226 010
Phones : 0522-4918502, 4918510, Fax : 0522-4918506 ; Website : www.drrmlims.ac.in

Ref. No. RMLIMS/MM(eq)/2019-20/1771 Date : 02.08.2019

RE-TENDER/E-TENDER NOTICE

On line offers are invited through e-tender from Manufacturer/Direct Importers/Authorized distributors for the supply of various items. **The offers submitted earlier for the listed items by the bidders against Re-tendered advertisement no. RMLIMS/MM(eq)/2019-20/1341 dated 05.07.2019 will be treated as cancelled. Therefore, those who have already submitted their offer against above advertisement are also required to submit again and they are required to deposit tender fee and EMD afresh and enclose its proof in technical bid as per tender terms & conditions, along with their complete offer. Earlier EMD deposited against the above mentioned cancelled tenders will be refunded to the bidder on their request.**

For detailed information like Name of Equipments, Date of submission, tender fee and opening of tender etc., you may please visit the e-tender portal www.etender.up.nic.in. The offer will be accepted on line only on e-tender portal with terms and conditions as mentioned in tender document. Details are also available in our website www.drrmlims.ac.in for reference only.

Director

NORTHERN RAILWAY

OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE

The Sr. Divisional Engineer-III, Northern Railway, Delhi Division invites E-Tender for the following work.

1.	**Name of work**	Construction of staff toilets at different level crossing (1C, C-4 NDLS), (4-C, 8-C, DLI) and PWI store at SSB, DLI, NDLS, ANVR etc. in S/o ADEN/Spl/NDLS.
2.	**Approx cost of work**	Rs. 47,02,924.49/- (Rupees Forty Seven Lakh Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Four and Forty Nine Paise only)
3.	**Earnest Money to be deposited**	Rs. 94100/- (Rupees Ninety Four Thousand One Hundred Only)
4.	**Cost of tender document**	Rs. 3540/-
5.	**Date & Time of submission of tender bid and opening of tender**	27.08.2019 @ 15:00 Hrs.
6.	**Website particulars where complete details of tender documents can be seen**	**www.ireps.gov.in**

- The tenderer/s must be registered on the Indian Railway E-Procurement system (IREPS) site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** for participating in the e-tender system.
- For all terms and conditions please refer tender document.
- No manual offers are acceptable.
- Cost of tender document and Earnest money will be acceptable through net banking or payment gateway only.

No. 128-W/280/e Tender Notice/NIT/20/2019-20/W-3 Dated : 01.08.2019 **2500/2019**

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Delhi urban shelter improvement board
Govt. of NCT of Delhi
Office of the Executive Engineer: E-04
Rana Pratap Bagh, Delhi-110007
Email ID : eee4.dusib@gmail.com
Cell No. 9717999347

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

Executive Engineer, E-4, DUSIB, Rana Pratap Bagh, Delhi-110007 invites, on behalf of **Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board**, Item rate bid (Online) on two bid system for the following work:
NIT No. 10/EE/E-4/DUSIB/2019-20, **Tender No.** 2019_DUSIB_177440_1, **Name of work:** Construction and Management of Night Shelter., **Sub Head:** Supplying M.S. Beds of Size 1910x920x490 mm (LxBxH) with Bed stead height as 385 mm and having Fire retardant plywood base of thickness 12mm at various Night Shelters falling under jurisdiction of DUSIB in Delhi & NCR. **Estimated cost:** Rs. Item Rate, **Earnest Money:** Rs. 4,50,000.00, **Tender Cost:** Rs.1500.00, **Period of completion:** 180 Days, **Last Date & Time of submission of e-Bids:** 20.08.2019 upto 15:00 Hours, **Date of Opening:** 20.08.2019 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
E-4, D.U.S.I.B
DIP/Shabdarth/0482/19-20

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THE PUNJAB STATE COOPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS FEDERATION LTD.
SCO 153-155, SECTOR 34-A, CHANDIGARH-160022. EPABX NO. 0172-5041812-13

Notice Inviting Tender **www.verka.coop**

e -Tenders are hereby invited for the purchase and supply of following items –

Sr No	Name of the Item	Qty/ Contract Period	Consignee/ Place of Tender Opening	Tender Cost (Rs.)	E.M.D (Rs.)	Date & Time for Sale/ downloading of e-tenders online	Last Date & Time of Submission of online e-tenders	Date & Time of opening of e-tenders
1.	C. Boxes for Different Milk Products	Half Year Rate Contract	Verka Head Office, SCO No. 153-155, Sector 34A, Chandigarh.Ph No. 0172-5041836-37-38	200/-	5,00,000/-	03.08.2019 From 10:00 AM	16.08.2019 Up to 10:00 AM	Technical Bid 16.08.2019 at 01:00 PM
2.	C. Boxes for Defence Supply i) 2x10 Kg WMP Tins ii) 12x1Ltr Tetra Pack	-do-	-do-	200/-	1,00,000/-	03.08.2019 From 10:00 AM	16.08.2019 Up to 10:00 AM	Technical Bid 16.08.2019 at 01:00 PM
3.	C. Boxes for Export Ghee Tins I) 24x1/2 Ltr. ii)12x1Ltr. iii) 6x2 Ltr. iv) 4x5Ltr. v) 8x1Ltr.	-do-	-do-	200/-	25,000/-	03.08.2019 From 10:00 AM	16.08.2019 Up to 10:00 AM	Technical Bid 16.08.2019 at 01:00 PM
4.	Automatic Machine Made Ghee Tin with C. Boxes i) ½ Ltr. ii) 1 Ltrs. iii)2 Ltrs. iv) 5 Ltrs.	Annual Rate Contract	-do-	200/-	6,00,000/-	03.08.2019 From 10:00 AM	16.08.2019 Up to 10:00 AM	Technical Bid 16.08.2019 at 01:00 PM

Bidders shall have to pay required Tender Processing fee through online mode only i.e. through debit/credit card for getting registered for e-tendering system. EMD should be made only through online mode i.e. Credit/Debit card, NEFT/RTGS, Internet Banking. For participating in the above e-tender, the parties shall have to get themselves registered with our e-Tendering portal i.e. **eproc.punjab.gov.in** and get USER ID and Password well in time. For downloading tender through e-tendering, process flow, please contact e-Procurement help desk on given Nos. 0172-2970263, 2970284 immediately so that process of timely registration and downloading the tender is completed in time by the date of tender opening. For additional details regarding e- tendering please visit website **eproc.punjab.gov.in**
Note:- Tender processing Fee is Non- Refundable.

General Manager (QA&E)

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1.	Hiring of Diesel Cars (Swift Dzire/Toyota ,Etios or Equivalent) at Milk Union, Bathinda for Procurement Section	3 Nos.	General Manager, Verka Bathinda Dairy. Ph No. 0164-2212825, 2214825	500/-	10,000/- (Each Vehicle)	05.08.2019 from 5:00 PM	16.08.2019 upto 4:00 PM	Technical Bid 19.08.2019 at 11:00 AM
2.	Hiring of Diesel Cars (Swift Dzire/ Toyota Etios or equivalent) at Milk Union, Bathinda for Sale Depot	1No.	-do-	500/-	10,000/-	05.08.2019 from 5:00 PM	16.08.2019 upto 4:00 PM	Technical Bid 19.08.2019 at 11:00 AM
3.	Hiring of Diesel Cars (Swift Dzire/Toyota Etios or Equivalent) at Milk Union Bathinda for Marketing Section	1No.	-do-	500/-	10,000/-	05.08.2019 from 5:00 PM	16.08.2019 upto 4:00 PM	Technical Bid 19.08.2019 at 11:00 AM
4.	Supply Installation and commissioning of 100 KVA DG Set for MCC Sardulgarh	1No.	-do-	500/-	50,000/-	01.08.2019 From 11:30 AM	18.08.2019 upto 5:00 PM	Technical Bid 19.08.2019 at 11:30 AM

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General Manager (QA&E)

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Guwahati Metropolitan Development Authority

STATFED Building, Bhangagarh, Guwahati - 781005
Website: www.gmda.co.in Tel: 0361-2529650/9824
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No. GMDA/DEV/79/2019/98 **Dated: 02-08-2019**

SHORT NOTICE INVITING RFP

Guwahati Metropolitan Development Authority (GMDA) invites Request for Proposal (RFP) for engagement of Project Management Consultant (PMC) having reputation with experience, for **Construction Supervision & Monitoring of 107 MLD South Guwahati West Water Supply Project** to perform the functions mentioned in the Terms of Reference (TOR) of the RFP for Construction Supervision & Monitoring of 107 MLD South Guwahati West Water Supply Project under JNNURM at Guwahati, Assam.

Cost of Tender document: ₹5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand) only (Non refundable)

Earnest money: ₹1.0 Lakh (Rupees One Lakh) only.

The cost of tender paper and earnest money shall be submitted in the form of Demand Draft from a Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank to be pledged in favour of Chief Executive Officer, Guwahati Metropolitan Development Authority, payable at Guwahati.

Date of issue of Tender Paper: Tender document can only be seen and downloaded from **https://assamtenders.gov.in** from **6.00 P.M. of 03-08-2019**.

Date & time of Pre Bid query meeting	06-08-2019 at 14:00 Hours.
Seek clarification end date	08-08-2019 up to 14:00 Hours
Last Date & time of receipt of Tender	14-08-2019 up to 14:00 Hours
Date & time of opening of Technical Bids	14-08-2019 at 15:00 Hours
Date & time of opening of Price Bids	To be intimated later

The details of the tender is available on GMDA website: **www.gmda.assam.gov.in** & **www.assamtenders.gov.in**

The authority reserves the right to make the changes to the terms of RFP documents and reject any or all offers without assigning any reasons thereof.

Sd/- **Chief Executive Officer**
Guwahati Metropolitan Dev. Authority
Bhangagarh, Guwahati - 781005

Purvanchal Vidyut Vitaran Nigam Limited Vidyut Nagar, P.O.- DLW Varanasi-221004 E-Short Term Tender Notice E-Short Term tender are invited for the following material. The tenderer will be accepted up to at 15.00 hrs. Please visit website **www.etender.up.nic.in** for details/ download and for any other corrections/ amendments/ modifications/extensions till the date of submission of bids. **Sl. No.** 1., **Tender Specification No.** EAV- 28/19-20, **Name of Material** Different type of 11 KV Cable Jointing Kit, **Qty.** 7730 Nos. **Name of Material** Different type of 33 KV Cable Jointing Kit, **Qty.** 3990 Nos. **Earnest Money (Rs.)** 14,90.000.00, **Tender Fee (Rs.)** 10,000.00+GST @ 5%, **Last date & Time for online submission of tender document** 26.08.2019 15.00 Hrs., **Last date & Time for online opening of tender part-I** 27.08.2019 15.00 Hrs. **Sl. No.** 2., **Tender Specification No.** EAV-29/19-20, **Name of Material** 3 KV Post Insulator, **Qty.** 900 Nos. **Earnest Money (Rs.)** 9000.00, **Tender Fee (Rs.)** 5,000.00+GST @ 5%, **Last date & Time for online submission of tender document** 26.08.2019 15.00 Hrs., **Last date & Time for online opening of tender part-I** 27.08.2019 15.00 Hrs. Sd/- **SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (MM-I)** "Save Electricity in the interest of Nation" पत्रांकः 2166/पू.वि.वि.नि.लि.(वा.)/सा.प्र./अअ-I/ विज्ञापन दिनांकः 01.08.2019

उत्तर प्रदेश पावर ट्राँसमिशन कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड निविदा सूचना इस कार्यालय के द्वारा निम्नलिखित कार्य/सामग्री की आपूर्ति संपादन हेतु अनुभवी, दक्ष एवं जी.एस.टी. में पंजीकृत ठेकेदारों से निम्नलिखित ई-निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है जिसका विस्तृत विवरण ई-टेंडर वेबसाईट **www.etender.up.nic.in site** पर उपलब्ध है। **अल्पकालीन निविदा संख्या- ईटी-87/2019-20** विद्युत प्रेषण खण्ड प्रथम, कानपुर के अन्तर्गत कण्डक्टर एवं अर्थवायर ड्रमों का मौदहा, हमीरपुर स्टोर से रनिया पर पहुंचाने संबंधी समस्त कार्य। **निविदा संख्या- ईटी-88/2019-20** विद्युत 400 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र पनकी के अन्तर्गत सेन्ट्रल स्टोर पर बारबेड वायर फेन्सिंग की पेन्टिंग आदि का कार्य। **अल्पकालीन निविदा संख्या- ईटी-89/2019-20** विद्युत प्रेषण खण्ड-प्रथम, कानपुर के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. रसूलाबाद पर फायर इक्सटिंयूगसर की आपूर्ति। **निविदा संख्या-ईटी-90/2019-20** विद्युत प्रेषण खण्ड-प्रथम, कानपुर के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. दादानगर पर घास कटाई आदि का कार्य। **निविदा संख्या-ईटी-91/2019-20** विद्युत प्रेषण खण्ड-प्रथम, कानपुर के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. आर.पी.एच. पर घास कटाई आदि का कार्य। **ई-निविदा संख्या-टी-92/2019-20** विद्युत प्रेषण खण्ड-प्रथम के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र रसूलाबाद पर घास की कटाई एवं केबिल ट्रेन्च की सफाई आदि का कार्य। **ई- निविदा संख्या-टी-93/2019-20** विद्युत प्रेषण खण्ड-प्रथम के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र रसूलाबाद पर वार्षिक अनुरक्षण संबंधी समस्त कार्य। **ई-निविदा संख्या-टी-94/2019-20** विद्युत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र पनकी पर घास की कटाई एवं केबिल ट्रेन्च की सफाई आदि का कार्य। **ई-निविदा संख्या-टी-95/2019-20** विद्युत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र पनकी पर लान के अनुरक्षण संबंधी समस्त कार्य। अल्पकालीन **निविदा संख्या-ईटी-87 एवं 89** दिनांक 17.08.2019 को 14.00 बजे खोली जायेगी। एंव निविदा संख्या ईटी-88 90, 91 दिनांक 22.08.2019 को 14.00 बजे एवं 92 से 95 तक दिनांक 24.08.2019 को 14.00 बजे खोली जायेगी। **हस्ता./- अधीक्षण अभियंता विद्युत पारेषण मंडल, प्रथम पनकी, कानपुर ''राष्ट्र हित में बिजली बचाएं'' उपभोक्ता सेवा हेतु संपर्क करें- www.etender.up.nic.in** पत्रांक 639/वि.प्रे.म.प. (का.)/टी.-1 दिनांक 02.08.2019

MADHYANCHAL VIDYUT VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED HEAD OFFICE, 4-A, GOKHALE MARG, LUCKNOW:- 226001 Phone No. 0522-2207065, 2208737, CORRIGENDUM The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of the following tenders should be read as follows: a. **Saubhagya/0085/2019** - Rs. 160.00 Lakhs in place of Rs. 159.00 Lakhs All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged. Sd/-, **Superintending Engineer (Saubhagya) E-mail: saubhagyamvvnl@gmail.com, SAVE ELECTRICITY IN NATIONAL INTEREST. USE L.E.D. BULBS.** पत्रांकः 157/प्र.नि./जन.स.अधि./विज्ञापन दिनांकः 02/08/2019

U.P. POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED TENDER NOTICE E-Tenders in two parts, **Part-I** (Earnest Money, Technical and Commercial details etc.), **Part-II-**(Prices for Civil works and Electrical/ Mechanical works) valid for six months are invited for the work mentioned hereunder. Construction and commissioning of 01 (One) No. 160MVA, 220/132 kV GIS ICT bay at 400/ 220/ 132kV GIS Substations, Sec-148, Noida (U.P.) with SAS on turnkey basis including supply, erection, testing & commissioning of all equipments /material shall be as per details mentioned below:- **Sl. No.:** 1., **Specification No.:** ESD-8/138, **Description of work:** Construction and commissioning of One no. 160MVA , 220/132 kV GIS ICT bay at 400kV GIS S/s Sec-148, Noida, **Transformation Capacity MVA:** 1X160 MVA, **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 22 Lacs, **Schedule date & time of submission:** 28.08.2019 (16:00 hrs.), **Schedule date & time of opening:** 30.08.2019 (16:00 hrs.) The offer in general includes but not limited to design engineering, manufacturing, fabrication, testing at manufacturers works, delivery, unloading at site, handling, safe storage and erection, testing and commissioning at site of the complete indoor SF6 gas insulated metal enclosed switchgear (GIS) and associated equipments including transformers, control and protection panels, integration with existing Bus Bar Protection Panel and Substation Automation System based on IEC 61850 protocol, metering system, main and auxiliary structures, cables (power & control cables, XLPE cables), station grounding, lighting system, and all associated essential electrical and civil works including earth filling, earth mat inside the GIS buildings and in the outdoor yard, foundations, anchor bolts, cable trenches, drainage etc. as per latest national/ international standards and terms and conditions of tender specifications. The offer also includes testing and commissioning of the ICT bay in a time bound schedule and all items accessories required for completion and commissioning shall be deemed to be in the bidders' scope whether specifically covered in this notice, BOQ and bid documents or not. Tender documents against this bid specification can be downloaded from e-Procurement website **https://etender.up.nic.in**. Bidder will require to pay a non-refundable fee of Rs. 11,800/- (inclusive of 18% GST) online through RTGS/NEFT in bank account SBI A/C No. 30231982762" (IFS Code SBIN0003347) in favour of U.P. Power Transmission Corporation Limited and scanned copy of pay-in-slip, countersigned by the bidder is required to be uploaded, without which tender shall not be opened. Bidder may submit EMD either through RTGS/NEFT or in the form of Bank Guarantee. In case of RTGS/ NEFT, bidder shall be required to pay EMD amount in the bank account mentioned above and scanned copy of pay-in-slip, countersigned by the bidder is required to be uploaded. In case of EMD submitted in the form of BG, it should be executed on a non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 10,000/- in favour of Superintending Engineer, Electricity 765/ 400 kV Substation Design Circle, UPPTCL, 11th Floor, Shakti Bhawan Extn, Lucknow, in the prescribed proforma given in the bid document and scanned copy of the BG need to be uploaded with the E-tender document. The original EMD shall have to be submitted in the office of Superintending Engineer, Electricity 765/400KV Substation Design Circle, UPPTCL, 11th Floor, Shakti Bhawan Extn, Lucknow, within one week from opening of the tender part-I without which tender part-II (price part) shall not be accepted. All the required documents as per tender specification e.g. prequalification, schedules etc. have to be uploaded along with the Bid. In case of any discrepancy between the documents downloaded by the prospective bidder and the documents issued by Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Ltd., the later shall prevail. Tender document can be submitted on e-Procurement website **https:// etender.up.nic.in** up to scheduled date & time and one copy of techno-commercial bid must be submitted in original within a week from the date of opening of Tender part-I. Tenderers are requested to get themselves registered with U.P. Electronics Corporation, Ltd. so as to obtain digital signatures for participation. Only firms registered under GST are eligible to participate in tender and have to quote their GST number. Part-I of the tender shall be opened publicly on the scheduled date and time as specified or on next working day in case of holiday, whereas Part-II containing prices of Civil & Electrical/Mechanical works shall be opened separately at a later date which will be informed accordingly. Undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any offer without assigning any reasons thereof. Please visit website **https:// etender.up.nic.in** regularly for any other corrections/ amendments/ modification/ extensions till the date of submission of tenders. **Superintending Engineer, Electricity 765/400 kV Substation Design Circle, U.P. Power Transmission Corporation Ltd., 11th Floor, Shakti Bhawan Extension, 14-Ashok Marg, Lucknow-226001 (U.P.)** e-Procurement website- **https://etender. up.nic.in** ***"SAVE ELECTRICITY IN THE INTEREST OF NATION"*** सं.-468/ईएसडी-8/138/**II** दिनांकः 01 अगस्त, 2019

Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Directorate of Agriculture Talab Tillo Jammu
Phone: 0191-2505201, 2552145
www.diragrijmu.nic.in

ABBREVIATED e-TENDER NOTICE

For and on behalf of Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, e-tenders are invited from the Manufacturers/ Duly Authorized Dealers, Government undertakings for supply of the Plant Protection Chemicals required for fixing the Rate Contract for the year 2019-20 as per specification laid down in the Tender form.

S. No	Particulars	Earnest Money	Cost of Tender document
01	Supply of Plant Protection hemicals.	a) Rs. 20,000/- b) For SSI units Rs.5000/- as per Government Policy.	a) General Rs. 500/- b) For SSI Units as per Government Policy.

➢ Date of Publishing of Tender Notice	**31/07/2019 at 10:00 AM**
➢ Period of downloading of documents	From **31/07/2019 to 20/08/2019 up to 04:30 PM**
➢ Date of submission of online documents	From **07/08/2019 to 21/08/2019 up to 4:30 PM**
➢ Date of submission of Hard Copy	From **07/08/2019 to 21/08/2019 up to 4:30 PM**
➢ Date of Opening Technical bid	**22/08/2019 at 01.00 P.M** or subsequent convenient date

The tender documents along with Terms and Conditions of the NIT and relevant documents can be downloaded from the State e-Procurement portal www.jktenders.gov.in. The tender shall be uploaded in the electronic format on the State e-Procurement portal www.jktenders.gov.in. The bidder shall have to upload scanned copy of all the necessary documents like CDR/ PAN/ GST. **The cost of tender documents shall be in the form of Bank Demand Draft drawn in favour of Accounts Officer, Directorate of Agriculture, Jammu, Payable at Jammu, and Earnest Money shall be pledged to Member Secretary, SLPC (Accounts Officer, Directorate of Agriculture, Jammu).** Cost of tender document is non-refundable, while the Earnest money is refundable.

(Kiran Kumari)
Accounts Officer,
Member Secretary, SLPC
Directorate of Agriculture, Jammu.

No. Acctt/PS/NIT/2019-20/
Dated: - /07/2019
DIPJ-1956

Delhi Agricultural Marketing Board
(Govt. of NCT of Delhi)
9, Institutional Area, Pankha Road, Janakpuri, New Delhi-110058
Tel:- 28522085, 28525232 Fax:- 011-28522085,
Email:- ambdl@nic.in, Website:- www.delagrimarket.nic.in

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

The following item rate e-tender is invited through e-tendering on behalf of Secretary, APMC Keshopur:

S. No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time of compln.	Last Date & Time of receipt of tenders through e-procurement	Tender ID no/ NIT No.
1	Contract regarding parking of vehicles to be parked in the parking site of Fruit and Vegetable Market of APMC, Keshopur on license fee basis for a period of one year.	Rs. 29,76,000/-	Rs. 1,20,000/-	12 months	16.08.2019 Up to 14:30 hrs	2019_DAMB_177451_13/DAMB/Engg /2019

To be opened online in the office of **Executive Engineer-I: (i) Technical Bid opening at 15:00 Hrs. on 16.08.2019**.
Terms and Conditions and details can be seen at website **https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer-I
DAMB

DIP/Shabdarth/0476/19-20

दक्षिणांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लि., कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, विद्युत वितरण मण्डल, चित्रकूट, अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सूचना अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता द्वारा निम्नलिखित कार्य को कराये जाने हेतु ई-निविदा आमन्त्रित की जाती है। विस्तृत जानकारी एवं नियम व शर्तें उ.प्र. शासन की आधिकारिक ई-प्रोक्योरमैंट पोर्टल https://etender.up.nic.in पर उपलब्ध हैः- 1. **ई-निविदा विशिष्टीकरण संख्या- 16/ SE/ EDDCkt/ 2018-19: कार्यः** विद्युत वितरण खण्ड, चित्रकूट की सीमान्तर्गत शहरी क्षेत्र में बकायेदार विद्युत उपभोक्ताओं के संयोजन विच्छेदन हेतु उपखण्डवार एक अद्द विद्युत संयोजन विच्छेदन गैंग (01 कुशल व 02 अकुशल श्रमिक प्रति गैंग) गाडी (डीजल चलित वाहन) के साथ एवं ग्रामीण क्षेत्र में बकायेदार विद्युत उपभोक्ताओं के संयोजन विच्छेदन हेतु अवर अभियन्तावार एक अद्द विद्युत संयोजन विच्छेदन गैंग (01 कुशल व 02 अकुशल श्रमिक प्रति गैंग) गाड़ी (डीजल चलित वाहन) के साथ 03 माह के लिये उपलब्ध कराने का कार्य। 2. **ई-निविदा विशिष्टीकरण संख्या- 17/ SE/ EDDCkt/ 2018-19: कार्यः** विद्युत वितरण खण्ड, राजापुर की सीमान्तर्गत शहरी क्षेत्र में बकायेदार विद्युत उपभोक्ताओं के संयोजन विच्छेदन हेतु उपखण्डवार एक अद्द विद्युत संयोजन विच्छेदन गैंग (01 कुशल व 02 अकुशल श्रमिक प्रति गैंग) गाडी (डीजल चलित वाहन) के साथ एवं ग्रामीण क्षेत्र में बकायेदार विद्युत उपभोक्ताओं के संयोजन विच्छेदन हेतु अवर अभियन्तावार एक अद्द विद्युत संयोजन विच्छेदन गैंग (01 कुशल व 02 अकुशल श्रमिक प्रति गैंग) गाड़ी (डीजल चलित वाहन) के साथ 03 माह के लिये उपलब्ध कराने का कार्य। **हस्ता./- अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, विद्युत वितरण मण्डल चित्रकूट, पत्रांक** 407/ **वि.वि.मं.चि./ निविदा प्रकाशन/** 2019-20, **दिनांक** 01.08.2019

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY

ई- निविदा सूचना

सं.: M-11-2019-All दि.: 01.08.2019

वरिष्ठ मंडल यांत्रिक इंजीनियर (सवारी व माल) अजमेर, भारत के राष्ट्रपति एवं उनकी ओर से निम्नलिखित कार्य हेतु दिनांक 27.08.2019 को 15:00 बजे तक ई-निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। **(1) कार्य का नाम :** PFR cleaning of terminating train and dry sweeping of train no. 79301/02 at Bhilwara station for four years. **(2) कार्य की अवधि:** 04 वर्ष **(3) निविदा दस्तावेज की कीमत:** ₹3,000/- **(4) बयाना राशि :** ₹ 69,300/- **(5) कार्य की अनुमानित लागत :** ₹34,61,017.60/- **(6) ई-प्रस्ताव का खुलना :** प्रस्ताव दिनांक 27.08.2019 को 15:30 बजे यांत्रिक विभाग (सवमा), मंडल रेल प्रबंधक कार्यालय, उ.प.रे. माल रोड, अजमेर-305001 में खुलना। **(7) वेबसाइट का विवरण:** www.ireps.gov.in

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Contact helpline no. 182 for railway security complaints

मत्स्य पालन हेतु पट्टा शिविर का आयोजन

सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि निम्नांकित विवरणानुसार मत्स्य पालन हेतु तालाब/पोखर/मीनाशय एवं जल प्रणालियों के 10 वर्षीय आवंटन हेतु पात्र व्यक्तियों के मध्य नीलामी शासनादेश संख्या 3736/1-295-रा.-2 दिनांक 17.10.95 के अनुसार की जायेगी।

क्र. सं.	ग्राम का नाम/ब्लाक व तहसील का नाम		तालाब/पोखर/मीनाशय एवं जल प्रणालियों का विवरण		नीलामी की तिथि व समय	नीलामी का स्थान
	ग्राम	विकास खण्ड	खसरा सं.	क्षेत्रफल (है.)		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	नौरसपुर	लोनी	8	0.3290	14.08.2019 को प्रातः 11.00 बजे	तहसील परिसर/नगर पालिका परिषद लोनी में
2	शरीफाबाद राजपुर	लोनी	309	0.3290		
3	मेवला भटटी	लोनी	131	0.5830		
4	मेवला भटटी	लोनी	133	0.6960		
5	सिखरानी	लोनी	90	0.9480		
6	अफजलपुर	लोनी	187	0.3160		
7	फतियाबाद निठोरा	लोनी	199 ख	0.3020		

नीलामी की शर्तें:-
1- तालाब यथास्थिति में ही नीलाम होंगे।
2- बोली से पूर्व ग्राम के सामने अंकित जमानत धनराशि जमा करनी होगी। बोली उपरान्त धनराशि वापस कर दी जायेगी।
3- राजस्व संहिता 2006 के अनुसार पात्र व्यक्ति नीलामी में भाग लेंगे।
4- नीलामी पर अंतिम निर्णय उपजिलाधिकारी लोनी का मान्य होगा।
5- नीलामी की सर्वाधिक बोली का 1/4 भाग तत्काल तथा शेष धनराशि स्वीकृति के उपरान्त जमा करना अनिवार्य होगा।
6- नीलामी से संबंधित समस्त जानकारी एवं अन्य शर्तें रजिस्ट्रार कानूनगो तहसील लोनी के कार्यालय से किसी भी कार्य दिवस में प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

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तहसीलदार
लोनी

UTTAR HARYANA BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM
CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

Sr. No.	Letter/Memo No. & Date	Name of Deptt./Board/ Corp/Auth.	Old Reference/ NIT/Tender No.	Nature of Corrigendum	Website of the Deptt./Board/ Corp./Auth.	Nodal Officer/ Contact Details/E-mail
1.	Ch-13/XEN/ R-APDRP/ SG-AMC/ FMS NIT-24 Dt. 29.07.2019	Chief Technology Officer	24/XEN R-APDRP/ SG-AMC/ FMS/2019	**DATE EXTENDED**	www.uhbvn.org.in **77965/Hry**	9317554907 seprojects@uhbvn.org.in

DELHI JAL BOARD: GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SOUTH) II
JAL SADAN: LAJPAT NAGAR: NEW DELHI
NIT No. 15/S-II/2019-20
Press Tender

S. No.	Name of work	Reserve price	Date of release of tender in e procurement solution	Last date and time for download & RTGS through e procurement solution
1	Replacement of old damaged main sewer line of Garhi Village Main Market under EE(S)II (AC-42 Kasturba Nagar) Re-invite	3782252/-	2019_DJB_177493_11.08.2019	17.8.2019 upto 2.00 PM
2	Replacement/shifting of sewer line from Lalit Kala Academy Campus to main road upto nallah opp. East of Kailash SPS under EE(S)II (AC-42 Kasturba Nagar) Re-invite	3253464/-	2019_DJB_177493_11.08.2019	17.8.2019 upto 2.00 PM
3	Trapping of sewerage system of flyover Market (Jangpura Extension side) by P/L outfall sewer line under EE(S) II (AC-42 Kasturba Nagar)	3503940/-	2019_DJB_177493_11.08.2019	17.8.2019 upto 2.00 PM

Further details in the regard can be seen at **govtprocurementdelhi.gov.in**
ISSUED BY P.R.O (WATER) Sd/-
Advt. No. J.S.V. 233 (2019-20) **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SOUTH) II**

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
DAM REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
(Loan No.7943-IN and IDA credit No.4787-IN)
INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
BID INVITATION No.03/ PBC / Tvmalai /2019-20 /F-460-DRIP/ JDO-2/ Dt:02.08.2019.

1. The Government of Tamil Nadu through GOI has received a credit (4787-IN) from the International Development Association (IDA) and a loan (7943-IN) from the International Bank for Reconstruction & Development (IBRD) towards the cost of **Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Project** and intends to apply a part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the contracts for the work as detailed below. Bidding is open to all bidders from eligible source countries as defined in the IBRD Guidelines for Procurement. Bidders from India should, however, be registered with Government of Tamil Nadu under Class - I or other State Governments / Government of India, or State / Central Government Undertakings, Bidders who are registered as a Small Scale Industrial Unit in the Department of Industries and Commerce of the Government of Tamil Nadu or Ministry of Micro Small & Medium Enterprises, Government of India are also eligible. **Bidders are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 4 of the Instructions to Bidders to qualify for the award of the contract.**
2. For and on behalf of Governor of Tamil Nadu, the **Superintending Engineer, PWD., WRD., Pennaiyar Basin Circle, Thiruvanamalai – 606 603,** Tamil Nadu invites bids for the of work detailed in the table. The bidders may submit bids for any or all of the following works.
3. Bidding documents (and additional copies) may be purchased from the office of **the Superintending Engineer, PWD., WRD., Pennaiyar Basin Circle, Thiruvanamalai – 606 603 from 03.08.2019** to **05.09.2019 upto 17.45 hours (IST)** for a non-refundable fee (three sets) of Rs.15,000/- cost of bid documents + Rs.1800/- (GST @12% on cost of Bid documents) Total Rs.16800/- in the form of cash or Demand Draft on any Scheduled bank payable at **Dharmapuri** in favour of the **Executive Engineer, PWD., WRD., Upper Pennaiyar Basin Division, Dharmapuri – 636 705** for the work mentioned in the table. Interested bidders may obtain further information at the same address. Bidding documents requested by mail will be despatched by registered / speed post on payment of an extra amount of Rs.500/- **The Superintending Engineer, PWD., WRD., Pennaiyar Basin Circle, Thiruvanamalai – 606 603** will not be held responsible for the postal delay if any, in the delivery of the documents or non-receipt of the same. Bidding documents may also be downloaded from in website **" www.tenders.tn.gov.in"** at free of cost. In such case the bidder will be responsible for ensuring that any addenda available in web site, it is also downloaded and incorporated.
4. Bids must be accompanied by security of the amount specified for the work in the table below, drawn in favour of the **Executive Engineer, PWD., WRD., Upper Pennaiyar Basin Division, Dharmapuri – 636 705.** Bid security will have to be in any one of the forms as specified in the bidding document and shall have to be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the bid.
5. Bids must be delivered to the **Superintending Engineer, PWD., WRD., Pennaiyar Basin Circle, Thiruvanamalai – 606 603** on or before **12.00 hours IST** on **06.09.2019** for the work mentioned and will be opened on the same day at **12.30 hours IST** in the presence of the bidders who wish to attend. If the office happens to be closed on the date of receipt of the bids as specified, the bids will be received and opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.
6. A pre-bid meeting will be held on **14.08.2019** at **11.00 hrs. IST** at the office of the **Superintending Engineer, PWD., WRD., Pennaiyar Basin Circle, Thiruvanamalai – 606 603** to clarify the issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage as stated in Clause 9.2 of 'Instructions to Bidders' of the bidding document.
7. Other details can be seen in the bidding documents.

TABLE

S.No.	Name of work	Approximate value of work (Rs. in lakhs)	Bid security (Rs. in lakhs)	Cost of documents	Period of completion (Including Rainy season Period)	Date and Time of Bid opening
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	**Design, Procurement, Fabrication, Corrosion Protection, Transportation and Delivery at Project site, local transportation at Project site, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of Gates in vent No.2 to 8 in Krishnagiri Dam in Krishnagiri taluk & district under DRIP** (Loan No.7943-IN and IDA credit No.4787-IN)	Rs.1907.00 (Including GST)	38.15 Lakhs	Rs.15000 + 1800(GST)	24 Months (Including Rainy Season period)	**06.09.19 12.30** Hrs IST

Note :
Index plan: Refer section 6 of Bid Document
Period of rainy season (Approximated): 6 Months.

Superintending Engineer, PWD.,WRD., Pennaiyar Basin Circle, Thiruvanamalai.
Office Ph. No. : 04175 - 236921
Fax No: 04175 - 236921
email ID :sepbc52@yahoo.co.in

DIPR/2656/Tender/2019

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
DIRECTORATE OF SPORTS
CHIMPU :: ITANAGAR

NIT No. DS/EW/91/2018-19 Dated :26.07.2019

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Deputy Director (Technical), Department of Sports on behalf of Government of Arunachal Pradesh invites sealed tender quotation from All Registered Contractor of class-ii categories within the territorial jurisdiction of Districts (as per District based entrepreneur Act 2015) which is mentioned below upto 1100 Hrs of Dated 19th August 2019 i.e Last Date for submission of tender paper. It will be opened at 1200 Hrs on 19th August 2019, in presence of all bidders at office of Deputy Director (Technical) at Sangay Lhaden Sports Academy Complex, Chimpu, Itanagar. The Tender Paper and details terms and condition can be obtained from the Deputy Director (Technical) Office, Chimpu, Itanagar (A.P) from 5th August 2019 to 12th August 2019 during office working Hrs on payment by Demand Draft against Deputy Director (Tech) Sports Deptt.

Sl. No.	Name of Works	Amount put to Tender (In lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in lakhs)	Cost of Tender Paper (in Rs.)	Name of District entitled to participant	Comple-tion periods
1	**Construction of Multipurpose Hall at Mer under East Siang District A.P.**	**800.00**	**8.00**	**5000**	**Class-ii contractor of East Siang District, A.P.**	**36 Months**
2	**Construction of Multipurpose Hall at Bilat Under East Siang District A.P**	**800.00**	**8.00**	**5000**	**Class-ii contractor of East Siang District, A.P.**	**36 Months**

Contractor should be registered contractor under APPWD, CPWD, BSNL, MES in Civil category and as per the minimum class mentioned against the scheme. The intending bidder should produce PRC (permanent residential certificate), Bankers Certificate/ Solvency Certificate from recognised bank (Minimum 50% of the tender amount), PAN card, GST Registration Certificate, NOC from Apex Bank, Civil work experience etc. The details clauses, terms and conditions shall be mentioned in Tender Paper. EMD shall be in Demand Draft in favour of Directorate, Sports & Youth Affairs payable at SBI Itanagar, which is refundable without interest. The detaiis clauses, terms, conditions and eligibility criteria shall be mentioned in tender Paper.

Sd/-
Deputy Director (Technical)
Department of Sports

DIPR/ARN/1237-40/2019

CHITTARANJAN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS

E-TENDER NOTICE
E-TENDER NOTICE NO.: CLW-DKAE-AMC-FLT-HYDRA

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GOLD	RUPEE	OIL	SILVER
₹35,630	₹69.60	$62.96*	₹41,900

*Indian basket as on August 1, 2019

SENSEX: 37,118.22 ▲ 99.90 **NIFTY:** 10,997.35 ▼ 7.35 **NIKKEI:** 21,087.16 ▼ 453.83 **HANG SENG:** 26,918.58 ▼ 647.12 **FTSE:** 7,446.68 ▼ 138.19 **DAX:** 11,937.77 ▼ 315.38

International market data till 1900 IST

SECTOR SCAN
PHARMACEUTICALS

Sun Pharma set to shut down part of Vadodara R&D unit, 80 staff may lose jobs

PRABHA RAGHAVAN
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

IN A move that may leave around 80 employees jobless, Indian drug maker Sun Pharmaceutical has decided to shut down two of its clinical pharmacology units (CPUs) in the country for not being "cost competitive compared to the industry."

In a letter to employees about the move, parts of which *The Indian Express* has viewed, Sun Pharmaceutical has announced it will shut down its Tandalja and Akota CPUs, part of the company's Vadodara Research and Development (R&D) unit.

This is because of the "sub-optimal utilisation" of these units, which were found not to be cost competitive, according to the letter.

A clinical pharmacology unit (CPU) is dedicated to conducting early-phase clinical studies.

The decision to close these units has been made "after a long and careful review of available options", according to the letter. At the same time, it added that the company would be "supporting the affected employees over and above contractual and legal obligations" and would also provide "the services of an outplacement firm as well as that of a counselor."

A Sun Pharma spokesperson confirmed the development and that the units together employed "around" 80 persons.

"While we continue to make investments in our R&D operations, we also constantly evaluate our resources and future capacity requirements to bring in efficiencies in cost and processes. To ensure optimal utilisation of Clinical Pharmacology Units that conduct bio-equivalence studies, we are discontinuing operations at two centers at Tandalja & Akota, Vadodara," stated the spokesperson in response to an email by *The Indian Express*.

"The bio-equivalence studies from these centers will be transferred to our other facilities. We are offering full support to the affected employees and helping them with outplacement services. We are intimating all regulatory authorities and ensuring that we comply with all regulations," the spokesperson added.

However, the spokesperson did not respond to queries about whether the pharma major was reviewing any additional CPUs for similar action. Sun Pharma has 10 R&D units, including according to the company's website.

The move to discontinue these units comes as a result of pricing and competitiveness pressures faced by Indian generic firms in the United States, according to the company's letter.

'SUB-OPTIMAL UTILISATION'

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PROVISIONS FALL

SBI profit at ₹2,312 cr, NPAs down but fresh loan slippages rise sharply

I'm looking at the sky and praying to God that 3 large accounts get resolved: Chairman

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

RIDING ON lower provisioning and stable asset quality, State Bank of India (SBI), India's largest commercial bank, has reported a standalone profit of Rs 2,312.20 crore for the quarter ended June 2019, as against a loss of Rs 4,875.85 crore in the same period last fiscal. On a quarter-on-quarter basis, it reported a 176 per cent jump in profit against Rs 838.40 crore in March quarter even as fresh loan slippages rose sharply.

While higher other income and operating income also boosted profitability, tepid net interest income (NII) growth limited profits. Net interest income grew 5.2 per cent year-on-year (y-o-y) to Rs 22,938.8 crore in June quarter 2019, with loan growth of 13.8 per cent on a y-o-y basis.

Significantly, gross non-performing asset (NPA) ratio fell to 7.53 per cent of advances, down 316 basis points from 10.69 per cent in June last. Gross NPAs in absolute terms fell both sequentially as well as y-o-y basis. Gross NPAs were Rs 168,494 crore in June 2019 as against Rs 212,840 crore a year ago. However, fresh slippages rose sharply to Rs 16,212 crore this June, from Rs 9,984 crore a year ago and Rs 7,505 crore in March quarter.

"Every quarter I am looking at the sky and praying to God that the three large NCLT accounts stuck in the middle of resolution get resolved. These alone will give us Rs 16,000 crore write-back," SBI Chairman Rajnish Kumar said.

Kumar said one regular account of a Maharatna company which became NPA of another bank further impacted the gross slippage. Another account failed to successfully implement the resolution plan, adding Rs 2,000 crore to the slippages, he said. It has made Rs 1,200 crore provision on standard account of a stressed housing finance company.

According to SBI, 453 accounts with outstanding of Rs 113,809 crore have been admitted to NCLT.

Accounts under the two lists have a fund-based outstanding of Rs 38,741 crore. "Three accounts are in an advanced stage of resolution with expected recovery of 62 per cent. Post June 7 RBI circular, 46 accounts (24 NPA and 22 standard) were eligible for signing ICA (inter-creditor agreement), of which six NPAs filed/admitted in NCLT and two standard accounts have since been regularised," the bank said. Bad loans in the agriculture portfolio rose to Rs 26,298 crore (13.08 per cent of advances) in June 2019 from Rs 21,830 crore (11.60 per cent) a year ago. The agri portfolio in just one state contributed around Rs 2,000 crore to slippages in the wake of debt waiver issues.

On the auto sector which is now facing a slowdown, SBI said it has an exposure of Rs 11,500 crore, but clarified that there was no risk of concentration of stress. It said that robust domestic credit growth at 11.89 per cent was driven by both retail (18.68 per cent growth) as well as high rated corporates (11.62 per cent). Domestic net interest margin rose to 3.01 per cent in Q1 of FY20.

EXPLAINED

Decline in gross NPAs in absolute terms a big positive

THE SBI chief has warned that it would be difficult to increase the bank's net interest margins (NIM), a key indicator of the bank's profitability, on account of subdued credit growth.

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A govt trying to raid balance sheet of a central bank ... not a good thing: Subbarao

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

FORMER RESERVE Bank of India Governor Duvvuri Subbarao on Friday spoke out against "raiding" the reserves of the central bank, stating it shows the government is "desperate" and "we should be very careful, very wary of what decision is ultimately taken on the transfer of the surplus reserves."

"A government trying to raid the balance sheet of a central bank anywhere in the world is not a good thing. It shows that the government is desperate," he said while speaking at a CFA Society India event here.

Opposing the desperate attempts to carve out the reserves, Subbarao, who was the RBI Governor from 2008-13, said the risks undertaken by the Reserve Bank are different from other central banks and it will not be entirely beneficial to draw from international practices. Central banks of many nations have transferred a portion of their reserves to their respective governments.

Subbarao's observations have come at a time when the Bimal Jalan committee is in the final stages of finalising its report on identifying the appropriate capital for the RBI and how to transfer the excess reserves to the government. During the tenure of Urjit Patel as the RBI Governor, the government had sought transfer of a part of the reserves, but Patel vehemently opposed the proposal.

Acknowledging that transfer of excess reserves was one of the key causes of tension between the RBI and the government in the run up to Patel's resignation, Subbarao seemed to suggest that there is little use of the transfers from a fund inflow perspective. He said international investors look at balance sheets of both the government and also its central bank, and that the same applies to distress time lending by the IMF as well.

"I do want to say that we should be very careful, very wary of what decision is ultimately taken on the transfer of the surplus reserves," he said.

Subbarao, who now teaches at the National University of Singapore, advocated maintaining the autonomy of the RBI as essential because its horizons extend far beyond the immediate objective of elections which a government can be guided by.

However, Subbarao said he would be "ok" if a sovereign bond issue in foreign currency is done once just to test the waters. Differing from his predecessor YV Reddy and successor Raghuram Rajan, Subbarao said, "I would say that as a one-time measure, just to test the waters, it's ok."

However, the former governor made his apprehensions on the instrument from a long-term perspective clear. "But the fear and concern that strike me is that this will become a thin end of the wedge and once we see that it has become very successful, we might keep on doing it and get into pressure situations needlessly."

The government can just print its way out of issues on domestic debt, which will not be possible in case of external debt, he warned. There are significant benefits, there are considerable costs of such a move, Subbarao said. The benefits include signalling a confidence to the global investors about opening up the economy which is generally perceived to be cautious on opening up, he said.

He said concerns on issuing sovereign bonds stem from being made hostage to global rate movements and exposing the systems to volatilities. **WITH PTI**

Kotak proposes lowering tax on risk capital

Mumbai: Amid the growing worries over higher taxes that have roiled the markets, banker Uday Kotak Friday called for a relook at the levy on risk capital saying as much as a whopping 60 per cent of one's income is taken away by government.

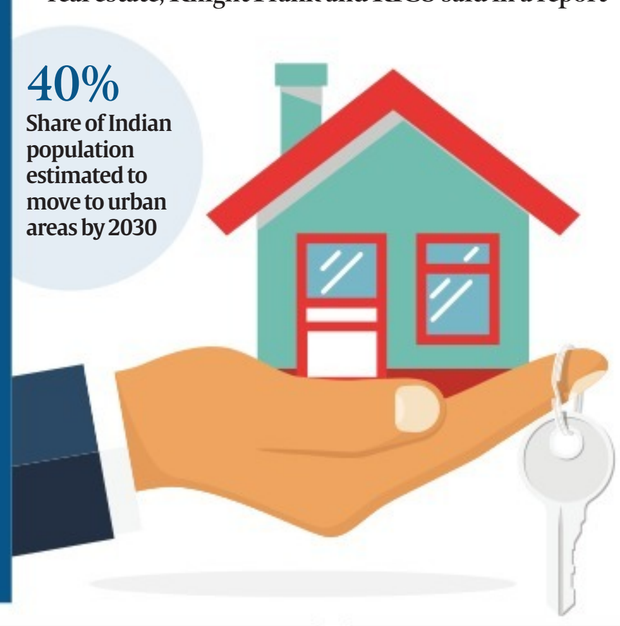
In comments that come amid many industry stalwarts like engineering giant L&T's AM Naik speaking out publicly about the gloomy economic scenario, Kotak — speaking at a CFA Society India event — urged the policymakers to "dramatically flood" the market with liquidity to prop growth up. **PTI**

'$34 bn PE investment into real estate since 2014'

Indian real estate has attracted $34 billion private equity investment since 2014, largely in commercial real estate, Knight Frank and RICS said in a report

STATUS OF 'HOUSING FOR ALL' INITIATIVE

- **8.36** million houses sanctioned by government, as of July 2019
- 4.9 million units, construction started
- 2.6 million units, construction completed
- **1.64** million houses more likely to be sanctioned by December 2019
- **10** million houses, possible target for 2022
- Rs 1 trillion, projected subsidy disbursement over next three years



10 MILLION
No. of homes targeted by government for delivery by 2022, as per the Brick by brick - Moving towards 'Housing for All' report

25 MILLION
Projected additional requirement of affordable homes by 2030

~$2 BILLION
Private equity investment into affordable housing projects since 2014

10 MILLION
Estimated supply shortage of homes in urban areas, with most shortage in EWS and Lower Income Group segment

FM to meet heads of banks on Monday

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

FINANCE MINISTER Nirmala Sitharaman will on Monday meet heads of public sector as well as major private sector banks, to review flow of credit to important sectors of the economy, such as MSME, housing and automobile, an official statement said Friday.

Generally, the Finance Minister holds review meeting with heads of state-owned banks and financial institutions, but the Ministry has invited private sector lenders as well this time.

The statement said the meeting will "review matters relating to growth of credit in various important sectors of the economy, such as MSME, retail, automobiles, affordable housing, NBFC/HFCs and areas of priority for the banking sector in the coming months for accelerating GDP growth."

The statement further said, Sitharaman will hold a meeting with stakeholders and representatives of other ministries to discuss recommendations of the U K Sinha committee report on the MSME sector.

The Sinha panel, which submitted its report to the government in June, has made over a 100 far reaching recommendations for the MSME sector, one of the largest job creating segments in the country.

The recommendations encompass various domains, such as credit, equity funding, technology, marketing, delayed payment issues, institutional arrangement, need for legislative changes, rural enterprises, and risk mitigation.

Meanwhile, sources said secretaries of department of revenue and Corporate Affairs Ministry too would be attending the meeting. In the last few months, there have been signs of revival in public sector banks.

India's largest bank, SBI has posted a profit of Rs 2,312 crore in the first quarter of this fiscal as against a loss of over Rs 4,876 crore in the year-ago period on better asset management.

PSU banks have recovered Rs 3.59 lakh crore over the last four financial years, including record recovery of Rs 1.23 lakh crore during 2018-19, the government said in a reply to a question in Parliament recently. **WITH PTI**

TO REVIEW CREDIT FLOW TO MAJOR SECTORS

ACCORDING TO a Finance Ministry statement the meeting will "review matters relating to growth of credit in ... sectors ... such as MSME, retail, automobiles, affordable housing, NBFC/HFCs and areas of priority for the banking sector ..."

NBFCs barred from charging loan foreclosure penalties

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

THE RESERVE Bank of India on Friday barred non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) from charging pre-payment penalties or foreclosure charges from individual borrowers.

"NBFCs shall not charge foreclosure charges/pre-payment penalties on any floating rate term loans sanctioned for purposes other than business to individual borrowers, with or without co-obligants," the central bank said in a notification. However, the central bank did not specify from when the new rule will be effective.

The central bank said the relevant rules governing the same have been updated to reflect the change. Foreclosure charges are part of the fee income for any lender and adds to its bottomline. These direction covers both deposit-taking and non- deposit-taking NBFCs which are considered systemically important ones.

In May 2014, the RBI had barred commercial banks from charging such fees or penalties from individual borrowers with mortgage loans. But banks are free to charge same on non-secured loans like personal loans. The notification, which will take away an income line for these players, comes at a time when NBFCs are struggling with a host of issues, starting with liquidity crisis.

RBI slaps ₹11 cr fine on 7 PSBs

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

THE RESERVE Bank of India has imposed a collective penalty of Rs 11 crore on seven public sector banks for violating norms on current account opening. Allahabad Bank and Bank of Maharashtra have been imposed a fine of Rs 2 crore each, Bank of Baroda, Bank of India, Indian Overseas Bank and United Bank of India have been slapped with fines of Rs 1.5 crore each, while Oriental Bank of Commerce has been imposed with a penalty of Rs 1 crore.

Maruti Suzuki employs 6% less temp workforce in Jan-June

1,181 less hired over same period last year

REUTERS
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

MARUTI SUZUKI India Ltd has cut the number of workers it employs on temporary contracts following a plunge in vehicle sales, it said.

The auto industry, which accounts for nearly half of India's manufacturing output, is going through one of its worst slowdowns in nearly a decade, with vehicle sales falling rapidly and little sign of a revival anytime soon.

The company said it employed 18,845 temporary workers on average during the six months ended June 30, down 6 per cent, or 1,181 people, from the same period last year, adding that job cuts had accelerated since April.

It is the first time the reduction has been reported. The listed company doesn't have to disclose reductions in temporary workers.

Maruti Suzuki, majority-owned by Japan's Suzuki Motor Corp, said it had not reduced its permanent workforce - which numbered 15,892 at the end of March - over the past year but declined to say whether further reductions were planned.

Maruti Suzuki, which produces about one in two of the passenger vehicles sold in India, on Thursday reported a 36 per cent decline in domestic passenger car sales in July compared with July 2018. **WITH ENS INPUT**

ADDITIONAL DUTIES TO BE IMPOSED FROM SEPTEMBER 1

China warns of retaliation after US threatens fresh tariffs on imports

REUTERS
BEIJING/WASHINGTON, AUG 2

CHINA ON Friday said it would not be blackmailed and warned of retaliation after US President Donald Trump vowed to slap a 10 per cent tariff on $300 billion of Chinese imports from next month, sharply escalating a trade row between the world's biggest economies.

Trump stunned financial markets on Thursday by saying he plans to levy the additional duties from September 1, marking an abrupt end to a truce in a year-long trade war that has slowed global growth and disrupted supply chains. Beijing would not give an inch under pressure from Washington, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying said.

"If America does pass these tariffs then China will have to take the necessary countermeasures to protect the country's core and fundamental interests," Hua told a news briefing in Beijing.

"We won't accept any maximum pressure, intimidation or blackmail. On the major issues of principle we won't give an inch," she said, adding that China hoped the US would "give up its illusions" and return to negotiations based on mutual respect and equality.

Trump also threatened to further raise tariffs if Chinese President Xi Jinping fails to move more quickly to strike a trade deal.

The newly threatened duties, which Trump announced in a series of tweets after his top trade negotiators briefed him on a lack of progress in talks in Shanghai this week, would extend tariffs to nearly all Chinese goods that the United States imports.

The president later said if trade discussions failed to progress he could raise tariffs further — even beyond the 25 per cent levy he has already imposed on $250 billion of imports from China.

Senior Chinese diplomat Wang Yi told reporters on the sidelines of an Association of Southeast Nations event in Thailand that additional tariffs were "definitely not a constructive way to resolve economic and trade frictions".

US Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer, Chinese Vice Premier Liu He and Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin in Shanghai on Wednesday. *AP File Photo*

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, who was also in Bangkok, decried "decades of bad behaviour" by China on trade and said Trump had the determination to fix it. The news hit markets hard.

On Friday, Asian and European stocks took a battering and safe-haven assets such as the yen, gold and government bonds jumped as investors rushed for cover.

Moody's said the new tariffs would weigh on the global economy at a time when growth is already slowing in the United States, China and the euro zone. The tariffs may also force the Federal Reserve to again cut interest rates to protect the US economy from trade-policy risks, experts said. One Chinese official said it was not the first time Trump had "flip-flopped", and that though the time between the talks being declared constructive and Trump's threat of new tariffs was short, officials in Beijing were already prepared.

US trade deficit shrinks; exports, imports fall

Washington: The US trade deficit fell slightly in June as both imports and exports fell, suggesting the Trump administration's "America First" policies were restricting trade flows. The Commerce Department said on Friday the trade deficit slipped 0.3 per cent to $55.2 billion. **REUTERS**

HDFC posts 46.2% rise in Q1 net profit at ₹3,203.1 cr

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

MORTGAGE FIRM Housing Development Finance Corporation (HDFC) on Friday reported a 46.2 per cent increase in its net profit for the quarter ended June 2019 at Rs 3,203.10 crore, compared to Rs 2,190 crore in the same period a year ago.

HDFC said following the Reserve Bank of India's directive not to hold more than 9.9 per cent stake in Bandhan Bank post merger, it sold 6.35 crore shares of GRUH Finance in the first quarter of the fiscal 2019-20, which resulted in a pre-tax gain of Rs 1,894.21 crore.

HDFC's revenue from operations rose by 30.6 per cent to Rs 12,990.29 crore in the April-June 2019 period, as against Rs 9,951.98 crore a year ago.

Total interest income increased by 19 per cent to Rs 10,781.07 crore in the first quarter of the current fiscal, from Rs 9,095.70 crore a year ago.

Net interest income grew 11 per cent to Rs 3,041.80 crore in the quarter under review, as compared to Rs 2,743.02 crore a year ago.

Union Bank net up 73.2%, NII falls to ₹2,518 cr in Q1

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

UNION BANK of India on Friday reported a 73.25 per cent increase in its net profit to Rs 224.43 crore for the three-month period ended June 2019, as against Rs 129.54 crore in the year-ago period.

The bank's provisions during the quarter under review decreased 33.63 per cent to Rs 1,519.34 crore, from Rs 2,289.07 crore a year ago.

In the preceding quarter of the current fiscal, the state-owned lender had set aside Rs 5,766.15 crore in provisions.

Net interest income (NII), or the difference between interest earned on loans and that paid on deposits, decreased 4.11 per cent to Rs 2,518.19 crore, against Rs 2,626.12 crore in the corresponding quarter of last financial year.

The bank further said that its gross non-performing assets (NPAs), as a percentage of total advances, were at 15.18 per cent in the June quarter, compared with 14.98 per cent in the March quarter and 16 per cent in the year-ago period.

Data of 10,000 customers exposed, says Aegon Life

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

AEGON LIFE Insurance India on Friday announced that a vulnerability on its website exposed information of some Indian customers who had used web forms to get in touch with Aegon Life.

The insurer added that it immediately fixed the vulnerability and has since informed all customers of this exposure. Aegon Life estimates that up to 10,000 customers were possibly affected.

The company said in a statement: "We will initiate an outreach programme in coming days to offer guidance to affected customers and to let them know what information was exposed. At Aegon Life, data security and customer privacy are of utmost importance and we will continue to be transparent with customers as we investigate further." **FE**

AIMED AT EASING LIQUIDITY CRISIS, FINANCE MINISTRY SAYS

NHB to inject additional ₹10K cr into HFCs to boost flow of funds

Will be over and above what NHB would give HFCs via its two existing schemes

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE NATIONAL Housing Bank (NHB) will infuse an additional Rs 10,000 crore into eligible housing finance companies (HFCs) in its financial year through June 2020 to shore up liquidity and improve flow of funds for affordable housing loans for individuals, the Finance Ministry said on Friday.

This infusion will be over and above what the NHB would provide to the HFCs through its two existing refinancing schemes.

In a statement on Friday, the Finance Ministry said, "Now ... the backstop guarantee to banks for NBFC portfolios taken over by them has become effective. Banks will be utilising this guarantee support as per the contours of the scheme."

Following the announcements in the Union Budget 2019-20 to ease the liquidity woes in the financial sector, the Reserve Bank of India has initiated a number of steps for banks to avail additional liquidity of Rs 1.34 lakh crore.

Under the plan announced in the Budget, the government will offer a one-time six-month partial guarantee of Rs 1 lakh crore to public-sector banks for purchasing consolidated high-rated pooled assets of financially-sound non-banking financial companies (NBFCs). This will cover the banks' first loss of up to 10 per cent.

"This would ease the liquidity stress in the NBFC sector and increase the access of these NBFCs to bank finance, and, in turn, enable them to continue to play their role in meeting the financing requirement of the productive sector of economy," the Ministry added.

Meanwhile, the government has also received a proposal from the Reserve Bank of India on draft modalities of the guarantee to operationalise the Budget announcement. The Finance Ministry has approved the modalities that would be set in motion by the RBI.

"The Department of Financial Services would put in place an oversight mechanism for the scheme," the statement added. **FE**

BACKSTOP GUARANTEE TO BE UTILISED

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RBI tightens rules for selection of elected directors on bank boards

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

Also clarifies on people who will not be eligible for directorship

THE RESERVE Bank has tightened rules for elected directors on boards of public sector banks, setting strict eligibility criteria and a negative list of people who would not be eligible for directorship.

In its new direction on fit and proper criteria for elected directors on the boards of banks, RBI said the candidate should not be holding the position of a Member of Parliament or state legislature or municipal corporation or municipality or other local bodies.

"The candidate should not be acting as a partner of a chartered accountant firm which is currently engaged as a statutory central auditor of any nationalised bank or State Bank of India," the RBI directive said.

"No person should be elected or re-elected on the board of a bank if he/she has served as director in the past on the board of any bank, FI, RBI or insurance company under any category for six years, whether continuously or intermittently," it said, adding, "The candidate should not be engaging in the business of stock broking."

According to the RBI, all banks are required to constitute a Nomination and Remuneration Committee consisting of a minimum of three non-executive directors from the board of directors, out of which not less than one-half should be independent directors and should include at least one member from risk management committee of the board for undertaking a process of due diligence to determine the 'fit and proper' status of the persons to be elected as directors.

As per the directions, the candidate who wants to become an elected director should at least be a graduate. The candidate should be between 35-67 years old as on the cut-off date fixed for submission of nominations for election.

'Govt likely to stall 35% minimum shareholding rule for listed entities'

AFTAB AHMED
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE GOVERNMENT is likely to put on hold a plan to raise the minimum public shareholding in listed companies, a source with knowledge of the matter said, amid concerns it could force the issuance of billions of dollars worth of shares.

Indian stock markets fell sharply when Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced the proposal to raise the minimum public shareholding in companies to 35 per cent from 25 per cent in her July 5 Budget speech.

"We may not notify this year the 35 per cent minimum shareholding norm as we have got some representation on the issue and we will look into it in detail and understand the viability of such a proposal," the source said on Friday. **REUTERS**

300 charging stations by Tatas

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MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

TATA POWER and Tata Motors have joined hands to install 300 fast charging stations for electric vehicles (EV) by end-FY20, across key five cities, Mumbai, Delhi, Pune, Bangalore and Hyderabad.

"The first seven charging stations were inaugurated in Pune on Friday to enable the e-mobility drive in the city. Over the next two months, 45 more chargers will be installed across the other four cities. These chargers will be installed at Tata Motors dealerships, certain Tata Group retail outlets and other public locations," the companies said Friday. The chargers will be operated by Tata Power and adhere to Bharat Standard (15 kW) for the initial 50 chargers.

Bharti Airtel to shut down 3G across India by March

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

BHARTI AIRTEL on Friday said it will completely shut down its 3G network by the end of the current financial year and utilise the spectrum in the band to offer 4G services. The 3G customers will be shifted to the 4G network.

Talking to analysts on a conference call a day after declaring its first quarter results, Gopal Vittal, MD and CEO, Bharti Airtel (India and South Asia), said that by September this year, 3G will be shut down in six-seven circles, and all the remaining circles will be done by March next year.

In June, the telco had shut down its 3G network in Kolkata, becoming the first incumbent operator to do so. The spectrum used for offering 3G will be refarmed for 4G services. "Airtel will offer 2G and 4G services and shut down 3G completely," Vittal said. **FE**

BRIEFLY

Gold bonds: Issue price set at ₹3,499/g

New Delhi: The issue price of Sovereign Gold Bonds 2019-20 (Series III) has been fixed at Rs 3,499 per gram of gold, the finance ministry said in a statement on Friday. The Bonds will be open for subscription on August 5 and close on August 9.

Rupee slumps 54 paise to 69.60 vs USD

Mumbai: The rupee dived 54 paise Friday to close at an over six-week low of 69.60 against US dollar as soaring crude oil prices and a fresh flare up in US-China trade tensions weighed on emerging market currencies.

No Q1 results at CDEL's board meet next week

New Delhi: Coffee Day Enterprises (CDEL) has decided to postpone its earnings announcement as the company's board will not consider June quarter results at its meeting next week.

UrbanClap raises $75 mn funding

New Delhi: Home services company UrbanClap Friday said it has raised $75 million in funding, led by Tiger Global. The round also saw participation from existing investors Steadview Capital and Vy Capital, it added. **PTI**

Job growth for July slows down in US

Washington: US job growth slowed in July and manufacturers slashed hours for workers, the US Labor Department's report showed Friday. Nonfarm payrolls increased by 164,000 jobs, while average workweek fell to its lowest level in nearly two years as manufacturers cut hours for workers. **REUTERS**

Moody's cuts MDL's rating from B2 to B3

Mumbai: Mumbai: Moody's Investors Service on Friday downgraded the corporate family rating of Macrotech Developers (MDL), formerly known as Lodha Developers, to B3 from B2. **ENS**

I-T raids on Mumbai realty firm; '₹700 cr tax evasion detected'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

THE INCOME-TAX department on Friday said it has conducted raids at 40 premises of a Mumbai-based real estate firm and claimed to have detected tax evasion worth Rs 700 crore.

The CBDT, that frames policy for the tax department, issued a statement saying the operation was conducted on July 29 on a "prominent group involved in real estate development" and its premises in Mumbai and Pune were searched.

While the CBDT statement did not identify the group, official sources said it was the Hubtown group.

During the course of search operations, the statement said, the department unearthed evidences related to receipt of 'On Money' on sale of commercial and residential blocks, bogus unsecured loans taken, bogus Long Term Capital Gains (LTCG) and various other sham transactions to evade income aggregating to about Rs 700 crore.

"The search action has unravelled peculiar transactions wherein by way of accounting jugglery, income on transactions worth about Rs 525 crore has been evaded," it said.

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Director of Mines
Steel & Mines Department
Government of Odisha

E mail: directorminesl@orissaminerals.gov.in

Date: July 31, 2019

Notice Inviting Tender

"Invitation of bids for grant of Mining Lease for Limestone, Graphite and Chromite Minerals"

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 10(B) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and in accordance with the Minerals (Auction) Rules, 2015 as amended from time to time notified thereunder, the Govt. of Odisha has identified 7(Seven) Mineral Blocks, 4(Four) blocks of Limestone, 1(One) block of Graphite and 2 (Two) blocks of Chromite for electronic auction and hereby invites tenders for the purposes of grant of Mining Lease.

Accordingly, financial bids are invited in digital format only and technical bids are invited both in digital and physical format from eligible bidders.

Eligibility conditions, date and time for participating in the electronic auction are provided in the Tender Document. Detailed Tender Documents alongwith timelines, notification, updates and other details for the e-auction process for the mineral blocks are available in electronic form only and can be download from the website of MSTC Limited.

(https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auction home/mlcl/index.jsp)

Interested and eligible bidders can register themselves on the above website. On successful registration, eligible bidders will obtain login ID and password necessary for participation in the e-auction process. Model Tender Document and Mineral Block Summary are available free of cost on the website of MSTC Limited.

(https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mlcl/index.isp)

Last date for purchase of Tender Documents, after payment of a Tender fees as stated below, on website of e-auction platform provider is Wednesday, September 11, 2019 and the last date for submission of the bid Friday, September 20, 2019 on or before 17:00 hours (IST).

The List of Mineral Blocks for Auction

Sl. No.	Block Name	Mineral	Tender Document Fee
1	Pipalmunda Block	Limestone	2,00,000
2	Khatkurbahal Block (North)	Limestone	5,00,000
3	Behera Banjipali Block	Limestone	2,00,000
4	Garramura Block	Limestone	2,00,000
5	Jagdalpur Block	Graphite	2,00,000
6	Saruabil Block	Chromite	5,00,000
7	Kamarda Block	Chromite	2,00,000

Sd/-
Director of Mines
Orissa, Bhubaneswar

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Karnataka Water and Sanitation Pooled Fund Trust
KUIDFC, Nagarabhivridhi Bhavan #22,17th 'F' cross, Old Madras Road, Indiranagar 2nd Stage, Near BMTC Bus Depot, Bangalore-5600038
Phone No.080-25196124 mail: info@kuidfc.com

Notification No: KWSPFT/MBs/CF-/2019-20 Date: 02.08.2019

APPOINTMENT OF CREDIT RATING AGENCIES

Karnataka Water and Sanitation Pooled Fund Trust (KWSPFT) approved by Government of Karnataka to function as a **"State pooled Finance Entity"** for implementation of Pooled Finance Development Fund(PFDF) scheme of Government of India, **process to mobilize of Rs.174.10 crore during FY 2019-20** The funds raised by used for financing to Complete of spill over works under North Karnataka urban Sector investment Programme, (NKUSIP) (ADB) Project. Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development and Finance Corporation (KUIDFC) is acting as the Fund Manager of KWSPF Trust.

KWSPF Trust desires to engage the services of Rating Agencies to Structure and rate the proposed borrowing through term Loan/s. The Rating Agencies should fulfill the following minimum conditions to be eligible for consideration.

1. Rating Agencies should be approved by SEBI.
2. Should have been in existence for a minimum period of 3 years.
3. Should have rated at least 3 infrastructure related Term Loans during the previous 2 years.

Documentary proof for fulfilling the minimum conditions has to be submitted along with quotes.

Rating agencies are requested to **offer competitive quotation** for initial fee, annual surveillance fee and any other expenses in clear terms. The quotation shall be **submitted by 5.00 PM on or before 07.08.2019** The quotations submitted by the Rating Agencies **will be opened** in the presence of the Rating agencies or their representatives at KUIDFC Corporate Office as per address mentioned above **on 09.08.2019 at 3.00 PM.** The KWSPF Trust reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers submitted by the Rating Agencies, at its sole discretion. The Structure and rating work should **be completed by 17.08.2019**.

Sd/- Member Secretary, KWSPF Trust

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, अंतरिक्ष विभाग DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
इसरो नोदन कॉम्प्लेक्स ISRO PROPULSION COMPLEX
महेंद्रगिरि पी ओ MAHENDRAGIRI PO
तिरुनेलवेली जिला TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT– 627 133, तमिलनाडु TAMILNADU

क्रय व भंडार प्रभाग/PURCHASE & STORES DIVISION दिनांक /DATE: 01.08.2019

निविदा सूचना सं. आईपीआरसी/प्र.क.व.भं/पीडी/ई-प्रापण/10/2019-20/TENDER NOTICE NO.IPRC/HPS/PT/e-PROC/10/2019-20

भारत के राष्ट्रपति के लिए और उनकी ओर से प्रधान, क्रय व भंडार, इसरो नोदन कॉम्प्लेक्स (आईपीआरसी), महेंद्रगिरि निम्नलिखित की आपूर्ति हेतु ऑनलाइन निविदाएं आमंत्रित करते हैं। For and on behalf of the President of India, Head, Purchase & Stores, ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC), Mahendragiri invites online tenders for supply of the following:

क्र. सं. Sl. No.	निविदा संदर्भ सं. Tender Ref. No.	संक्षिप्त विवरण Brief Description	निविदा प्रस्तुतीकरण की अंतिम तिथि व समय/ Last Date & Time for Tender Submission
1.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0341701 (एक-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0341701 (Single-Part)	द्वि डिस्क सेफ्टी हेड असेम्बली और रप्चर डिस्क्स Dual disk safety head assembly and rupture disks	Upto 13.08.2019 11:00 बजे/hrs. तक
2.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0327501 (एक-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0327501 (Single--Part)	यांत्रिक संहनित्र भंडारण प्रणाली Mechanical Compactor Storage System	Upto 04.09.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
3.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0335001 (दो-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0335001 (Two-Part)	20 कि.लि. द्रव ऑक्सीजन टैंकर सहित सेमी ट्रेलर की आपूर्ति Supply of 20kl LOX Tanker with Semi Trailer	Upto 06.09.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
4.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0328902 (दो-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0328902 (Two-Part)	सार्वत्रिक बेलनाकार अपघर्षण मशीन की आपूर्ति Supply of Universal Cylindrical grinding Machine	Upto 26.08.2019 11:00 बजे/hrs. तक
5.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0349501 (एक -भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0349501 (Single-Part)	रॉकेट नोदक ग्रेड केरोसिन की आपूर्ति Supply of Rocket Propellant grade Kerosene	Upto 26.08.2019 11:00 बजे/hrs. तक
6.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0347601 (एक -भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0347601 (Single-Part)	नया पीएस2/जीएस2 चरण एकीकरण भवन हेतु ऐलिवेटर Elevator for New PS2/GS2 stage integ. building	Upto 26.08.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
7.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0327601 (एक-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0327601 (Single-Part)	एस.ओ.वी. क्यूबिकल बॉक्स की आपूर्ति Supply of SOV Cubicle Box	Upto 20.08.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
8.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0347201 (दो-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0347201 (Two-Part)	हस्त गेट वाल्व Manual Gate Valves	Upto 20.08.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
9.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0344501 (एक-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0344501 (Single-Part)	एस.एस. नम्य होज़ों की आपूर्ति Supply of SS Flexible hoses	Upto 22.08.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
10.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0343901 (दो-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0343901 (Two-Part)	सीएमईएसटी में क्रियाकलापों हेतु कार्य संविदा Work contract for activities at CMEST	Upto 21.08.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
11.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0344001 (दो-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0344001 (Two-Part)	एस.आई. पाइपलाइनों की आपूर्ति, उन्निर्माण एवं कमीशन करना / Supply, erection and commissioning of SI pipelines	Upto 13.08.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक
12.	आईपीआरसी/क्रय/2019ई0340701 (दो-भाग) IPRC/PUR/2019E0340701 (Two-Part)	डी.पी. संवेदक DP Sensor	Upto 15.08.2019 10:00 बजे/hrs. तक

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प्रधान, क्रय व भंडार/Head, Purchase & Stores, फोन सं./Ph. No: 04637-281599/281550/1552/1553/1554

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, KALYANI
Kalyani, Nadia-741235, West Bengal
(An institute of National Importance under MHRD, Govt. of India)

Advt. No.: IIITK/Tender/2019/16

Sealed Quotations are Invited from bonafide suppliers for VLSI Design Software/Hardware. For Details, please visit **www.iiitkalyani.ac.in.**

Registrar (Offg.)

TRANSMISSION CORPORATION OF TELANGANA LIMITED
e - PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

The TSTransco invites bids online for the following works: **(1) Spec. No.: e-TSTLI-01/2019:** Supply of Material/Equipment, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of Additional 2 No's 220 kV Bays at 220/11 kV Rampur Substation in Jagityal district - Under Lift System from FFC to SRSP on Turnkey Basis. **Tender Availability on web site:** 30.07.2019. **(2) Spec. No.: e-TSTLI-02/2019:** Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of i) 220/11kV Devannapet Sub-Station. ii) 220kV Twin Moose DC line from 400/220kV Jangaon Sub-Station to Devannapet Sub-Station (55 KM) and iii) 2 Nos. 220kV Bay extension at 400/220kV Jangaon Sub-Station in Warangal (Urban) Dist. Under Phase-III, J.Chokka Rao Devadula Godavari Lift Irrigation Scheme on Turnkey Basis. **Tender Availability on web site:** 01.08.2019. further details can be seen in **website: tender.telangana.gov.in, Phone/Fax No.: 040-23323565, 040-23396000, Extns:** 3752/ 3724/ 3585/ 3501.

R.O.No. 23/19 **Sd/- Executive Director, Lift Irrigation Schemes**

NMDC Limited
(A Government of India Enterprise)
PELLET PLANT, DONIMALAI COMPLEX
DONIMALAI TOWNSHIP - PO, SANDUR - TALUK, BALLARI DISTRICT
KARNATAKA, PIN CODE - 583 118. PHONE - 08395-274613

Corrigendum No. 1, dated 03.08.2019

Bid Notice No. and Name of work:

1. NO.: DNM/PPT/O&M/BP/2019/ **Date:08.07.2019**
"Operation & Maintenance of Beneficiation Plant at 1.2 MTPA Pellet Plant, NMDC Donimalai, Karnataka"

2. No.: DNM/PPT/O&M/PP&MRSS/2019 **Date: 08.07.2019**
"Operation & Maintenance of Pelletisation Plant and MRSS at 1.2 MTPA Pellet Plant, NMDC Donimalai, Karnataka"

Clause No. 20.0 (Payment of SRNPP), in General Conditions of Contract (GCC)/Part-I of Tender Document (Page. 89 for Sl.No.1 and Pae - 89 for Sl.No.2) Under the heading Contract Labour Regulations is applicable.

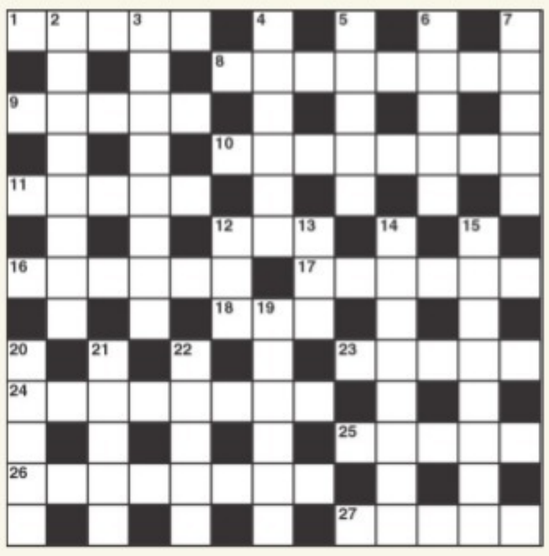
Existing:	Read as:
20. Amendments: Central Government may, from time to time.....	20. Amendments: Central Government may, from time to time.....
~~The Bidder shall consider an amount of Rs. 140/- per day over and above statutory minimum wages on actual attendance payale as "Special Relief for NMDC Production project (SRNPP)" to the Contract Labourers towards SRNPP in the price bid.~~	The Bidder shall consider an amount of Rs. 140/- per day over and above statutory minimum wages on actual attendance payable as "Special Relief for NMDC Production project (SRNPP)" to the Contract Labourers towards SRNPP in the price bid.

Bid subimission last date extended upto **16-08-2019** at **15.00** hrs for the tender at S.No.1 & 2. All other terms and conditions remain the same.

For further details logon to "Tender Section" of our website **"www.nmdc.co.in"**

For and on behalf of NMDA Ltd
Dy. General Manager (M), Pellet Plant

CROSSWORD 3875



ACROSS

1 Sheep providing tufty wool (5)
8 Calculates that the factory must now be on strike (5,3)
9 Firm I sold out (5)
10 Terrier breed Ena transformed (8)
11 He goes into top gear - at a very low rate (5)
12 Take a chance with the better half (3)
16 Colourless type out on bail (6)
17 Unnatural cunning (6)
18 Chest expander (3)
23 Intends to change names (5)
24 The takings to pass on to somebody else? (8)
25 Starring roles for ushers (5)
26 Diana's bloomer will result in catastrophe (8)
27 Frank can be obtuse (5)

DOWN

2 Noose offering escape? (8)
3 A number claim it is changeable, like the weather (8)
4 Twice appearing as an understudy (6)
5 Go around in a woman's garment (5)
6 Want a partner for animal surgery? (5)
7 Where one may sit or get to one's feet (5)
12 Large jungle creeper (3)
13 It helps to make road repairs a work of art (3)
14 Herein a peculiar tale, out of this world (8)
15 Attacked and made to run? (6,2)
19 The evergreen trees that baffle exiles (6)
20 Room for mental improvement, perhaps (5)
21 Many get reckless and have a smash (5)
22 Trick includes nothing to cause provocation (5)

Solutions Crossword 3874: Across: 1 Treble clef, 6 Fair, 10 Truss, 11 Small arms, 12 Palomino, 13 Creel, 15 Smitten, 17 Rarebit, 19 Ignores, 21 Cheerio, 22 In bed, 24 Albanian, 27 Throw over, 28 Vouch, 29 Adds, 30 Editorials. **Down:** 1 Tots, 2 Education, 3 Lasso, 4 Cushion, 5 Enamour, 7 Agree, 8 Resolution, 9 A la carte, 14 Aspidistra, 16 Turn down, 18 Barracuda, 20 Starved, 21 Cabaret, 23 Bored, 25 Never, 26 Thus.

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)
Seldom have you been in such a strong position to make decisive moves. You're finding it much easier than in the past to take decisions without arousing opposition from close colleagues and associates. That's a very special skill, and one which will stand you in good stead in the future.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)
You're not supposed to be an intellectual, yet Mercury's relationship to radical, revolutionary, inventive Uranus has been supplying you with the best and brightest ideas in town. You have the chance to prove all your detractors and critics completely wrong.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
The Moon now turns your attention back towards routine issues of survival. Over the next few weeks you must ensure that any new offers or alterations in your earnings will be to your advantage. It's all about making certain that your dreams come true.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Even those who were once so close or supportive may now be going their own ways. Don't panic: partners, colleagues and associates will be doing you a good turn if they loosen the bonds even a little. Perhaps you should have the confidence to stand on your own feet.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)
Shaken, but not stirred — that's what your planets are at the moment. Even unwelcome or unexpected changes will be to your advantage in the long run, such is the beneficial power to be felt from the Sun influencing the region of your chart dealing with long-term hopes and wishes.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)
Current planetary activity is forcing you to look outside the narrow limits of your current existence. If you wish to resuscitate long-buried ambitions, especially in the personal sphere, now is your chance. This time you can do it without worrying about other people's opposition.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)
Five planets in angles of your chart ruling home and work are bound to raise major issues. The question is whether the emotional satisfaction you receive from public affairs will be sufficient to take your mind off certain family or domestic frustrations.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)
You have made the right moves, and now it is up to others to make the required concessions. However, if you start being unreasonable and demanding contrition from partners, events may eventually blow up in your face. Give them all the space they need to come to terms with their own behaviour.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 23)
Partners now need to have their say. You must be prepared to wait a little longer before you see your plans and ideas put into practice. And do remember that, for the next four weeks, certain additional restrictions will be placed on your freedom of action.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)
You're not entirely in control of circumstances at the moment. One plan or proposition cannot be developed much further until others prove they are ready to play their full part. I can see that any help and assistance that you require will be forthcoming just as soon as you say the word.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)
Being so emotional, the Moon can be an irritating influence from the Aquarian point of view. You may be reminded of a number of responsibilities that you would rather forget or push to one side. But, then, it's always uncomfortable to face the truth.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)
You may be feeling rather restricted or restless, but I hope that today's gentle lunar alignments will calm you down. You will realise that it is no good longing for another time or place and that it's where you are now that counts. The answers to your questions are right under your nose.

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.

The only_____I have ever had was with music - Ravel (4,6)

GALEA

HITYFL

BTIOR

EIRYFV

SOLUTION: ALGAE, ORBIT, FILTHY, VERIFY
Answer: The only **love affair** I have ever had was with music - Ravel

SUDOKU 3927

Difficulty Level 1s
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

3	4				6			5
		1		9				2
		2		8	4	3	7	
4		7	5		8			
	5	6		1		7	3	
			2		7	4		6
	7	3	8	5		2		
9				4		1		
8			9				6	3

SOLUTION SUDOKU 3926

4	9	8	2	3	5	1	7	6
5	6	7	8	9	1	3	2	4
2	3	1	6	4	7	5	9	8
9	2	6	3	1	4	7	8	5
3	8	5	9	7	6	4	1	2
7	1	4	5	2	8	9	6	3
1	7	2	4	6	3	8	5	9
6	5	3	1	8	9	2	4	7
8	4	9	7	5	2	6	3	1

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-NOTICE INVITING TENDER

For and on behalf of President of India, Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (RSO), Northern Railway, Delhi Division, New Delhi invites 'E-Tender' in prescribed tender form for the following work. **1. Name of work with its location:** Deployment of private security guard (for security arrangement) at Electric Training Centre, Ghaziabad for the period of one year. **2. Approx. Tender value (Rs.):** Rs. 15,54,900/- (Excluding GST). **3. E.M.D. (Rs):** Rs. 31,100/-. **4. Date and time of submission of tender bid and opening of tender:** 15.00 hrs. on 26.08.2019. **5. Website particulars where complete details of tender documents can be seen:** www.ireps.gov.in **No.: 230-Elect-RSO-30-ETC-SEC, Dt.: 30.07.2019.** 2463/2019

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EASTERN COALFIELDS LIMITED
(A Subsidiary of Coal India Limited)
PUBLIC NOTICE

All the Stakeholders of Rajmahal Opencast mining project of M/S Eastern Coalfields Limited are hereby notified that Rajmahal opencast mining project is operating under Environment Clearance obtained as per EIA notification 1994 MoEF & CC vide letter no J-11015/30/2004-IA. II(M) dated 11.05.2005. As per MoEF&CC notification vide S.O. 1530 (e) dated 06.04.2018, Environment Clearance of this project is proposed to be revalidated as per EIA notification 2006. In this context, your suggestions/ comments are invited at the address mentioned below within 30 Working days.

General Manager (I/C), Office of the General Manager, Rajmahal Group of Mines, Dhankunda, P.O. Bara Simra, Distt: Godda, Pin: 814 615.

VISIT US AT www.easterncoal.nic.in

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
Executive Engineer
P. W. Division, Palghar,
E-TENDER NOTICE NO. 43 FOR 2019-20

ONLINE Tenders (e-tender) in **"B1" form** for the work is invited by the Executive Engineer, P.W. Division, Palghar on Government of Maharashtra Electronic Tender Management System from the registered contractors in appropriate class of Public Works Department of Maharashtra State.

This tender notice contains **1 (One)** work and their details can also be viewed and downloaded online directly from the Government of Maharashtra e-tendering Portal **http://mahatenders.gov.in** and sub portal **www.mahapwd.com**

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	Fund Head
1.	Stregthening to MSH No.4 Jalwai Khunawade to MDR No.6 Road MDR No.5 Km. 8/500 to 13/050, Tal. Dahanu, District Palghar.	1,16,67,851/-	5054 Capitol Outlay on Road & Bridge (04) DOR, 800 & Other Expenditure,

The Executive Engineer P. W. Division, Palghar Reserves right to Accept or Reject any offer. Conditional offers will not be accepted.

All registered contractor should note.

E-Tender Available Date 06.08.2019 to 15.08.2019
Last Date of Submission 15.08.2019
E-Tender Opening Date 19.08.2019

O. C. Approved By E. E. Sd/-
No. P. W./Palghar/Tender/**4639** **Executive Engineer**
Office of the Executive Engineer P. W. Division, Palghar
P. W. Division, Palghar, Vevur Road, for
Old Government Rest House, Palghar (E)-401404
Date : **30.07.2019**

DGIPR/2019-2020/1685

NORTHERN RAILWAY
Tender Notice

SRDEN/C/MB acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against following tenders closing date **03.09.2019, 16:00.** Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money **only through online payment modes** available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed.

Tender No. / Date	85-DRM-MB-19-20 Date :- 30.07.2019	86-DRM-MB-19-20 Date :- 30.07.2019
Name of work	Hiring of Multi utility vehicle (Toyota Innova, Tata Safari Storme, Mahindra Scorpio, TUV-300, Chevrolet Tavera, TATA Sumo Gold & Mahindra Xylo) on monthly basis for official use of station director Haridwar (HW) for the period of one year under Sr.DEN-I/MB.	Hiring of Multi utility vehicle (Toyota Innova, Tata Safari Storme, Mahindra Scorpio, TUV-300, Chevrolet Tavera, TATA Sumo Gold & Mahindra Xylo) on monthly basis for official use of station director Dehradun (DDN) for the period of one year under Sr.DEN-I/MB.
Tender Closing Date Time	03.09.2019, 16:00	03.09.2019, 16:00
Advertised Value (Rs.)	512820.00	512820.00
Earnest Money (Rs.)	10300.00	10300.00
Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)	2000.00	2000.00
Bidding Start Date	20.08.2019	20.08.2019
Validity of Offer (Days)	45 Days	45 Days
Period of Completion	12 Months	12 Months

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NORTH DELHI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
Office of the Ex. Engineer (M-I) Narela
Zonal Office, Narela, Delhi-110040
NOTICE INVITING TENDER

No. : EE/M-I/Narela/2019-2020/6 Date : 31.07.2019
Start Date of Sale Download of Tender Document : 31.07.2019 17.30 Hrs.
Last Date of Tender Document online Submission : 20.08.2019 upto 12.00 Hrs.
Opening of Financial Bid : 23.08.2019 upto 12.30 Hrs.

For online tendering time table please refer http://www.tenderwizard.com sealed percentage Rate tenders are invited for execution of the following works by the North DMC from eligible registered contractor having experience in the similar field and will be received as per time table and will be opened at 23.08.2019 on 12.30 Hrs. on website http://www.tenderwizard.com by MCD E-Tendering in the office of EE (M-I)/Narela Zonal Building, Narela Zone, Delhi-110040. The eligible contractor has to quote their rates subject to the conditions that they are neither black listed nor debarred at the time of submission of their tenders through e-tendering process.

S. No.	Name of Work	Tender No.	Tender Amount (Rs.)	E.M.D. (Rs.)	Time of Completion
1.	Improvement and Development of lanes in Sector A-9 Pkt. 4 Narela in ward No. 1N Narela Zone. **H/A : XL-VIII-S (D).**	EE/M-I/Narela/TC/2019-2020/6.1	67,69,873/-	1,35,397/-	6 Months
2.	Improvement and Development of lanes in Sector A-5 Pkt. 1 and Pkt. 13 Narela in ward No. 1N Narela Zone. **H/A : XL-VIII-S (D).**	EE/M-I/Narela/TC/2019-2020/6.2	89,79,573/-	1,79,590/-	6 Months
3.	Improvement and Development of lanes in Sector A-9 Pkt. 3 Narela in ward No. 1N Narela Zone. **H/A : XL-VIII-S (D).**	EE/M-I/Narela/TC/2019-2020/6.3	52,94,213/-	1,05,884/-	6 Months
4.	Improvement and Development of lanes in Sector A-9 Pkt. 1, Gr-I and Gr-III Narela in ward No. 1N Narela Zone. **H/A : XL-VIII-S (D).**	EE/M-I/Narela/TC/2019-2020/6.4	87,40,330/-	1,74,800/-	6 Months

Validity of Rates : 5 Months each, for all the above works; **Tender Cost :** Rs. 1,000/- each, for all the above works.

Note :- The work at S.No. 1 to 4 are of Dense carpeting, the contractor having his own hot mix plant and Machinery required for carrying out the dense carpet work are only eligible for downloading the tender documents.

Bidding documents can be downloaded from the website http://www.tenderwizard.com.

R.O. No. 48/DPI/North/2019-20 Ex. Engineer (M-I) Narela Zone

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Name of work and its location	**30-Elect-26-T-2019-20-E3** Electrical work in connection with replacement of depleted wiring at ROH depot & DSL shed TKD.
Approx cost of the works in	Rs. 80.39 lacs
Address of the office	Sr. Divil Elect. Engineer/General, New Delhi.
Earnest Money	Rs. 160800.00
Date & time of submission of tender	22.08.2019, 15.00 Hrs.
Opening of tender	22.08.2019, 15.15 Hrs.
Website & notice board	**www.ireps.gov.in** & Sr. Divl. Elect. Engineer/General, New Delhi

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE

The Sr.DME/Diesel, Northern Railway, Diesel Loco Shed, Tughlakabad for and on behalf of the President of India invites e-tenders for the following work. The tender will be accepted online only in the prescribed tender document:- **Name of work:** "PU Painting of 37 (Thirty Seven) nos. (WDP4D & WDP4B) HHP Diesel Locomotives at Diesel Shed, Tughlakabad". **Place of work:** Diesel Shed, Tughlakabad, New Delhi-110044. **Completion Period:** 36 months. **Approximate cost of work:** Rs. 48,98,996/- (Rs. Forty Eight Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand Nine Hundred And Ninety Six Only) including GST @ 18%. **Tender Document Cost:** Rs. 3,540/- (Rs. Three Thousand Five Hundred Forty only). **Earnest Money:** Rs. 98,000/- (Rs. Ninety Eight Thousand only). **Website to download and upload e-tender document:** ireps.gov.in. **Due date & time of uploading of Tender by tenderer:** 26.08.2019 at 15:00 Hrs. **Place of opening of tender:** Accounts Branch, Divisional Railway Manager office, State Entry Road, New Delhi. **Date & Time of Tender opening:** 26.08.2019 Soon after 15:00 Hrs. **Validity of offer:** 45 days from opening of tender. **Allocation:** 05-0311-32. Tender Document can be downloaded from Indian Railway website www.ireps.gov.in. For details of work experience, scope of work and terms & conditions please see Tender document. **No.: DSL/TKD/PU PAINTING WDP4/2018-19 dtd.: 31.07.2019.** 2470/2019

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Interested parties are requested to visit our website **www.petronetlng.com** for detailed eligibility criteria along with other necessary details for issuance of Tender document.

Note: PLL reserves the right not to issue the tender document and / or accept or reject any or all the bids at any stage of the process and/or modify the process without assigning any reasons on its sole discretion. No separate notification shall be issued in press. Bidders are requested to visit the website regularly to keep themselves updated.

Dy. General Manager (C&P)
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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

Sazid Khan

General public is hereby informed that a boy namely **Sazid Khan S/o** Nizamuddin Khan **R/o** Village-Mathara, P.S. Jamaniya, Dist. Ghazipur, U.P. has been missing/kidnapped since 25.07.2019 from his sister's house no.1787, Gali Khatikan, Chowk Shah Mubarak, Hauz Qazi, Delhi. In this regard a case vide **FIR No. 95/19 u/s 363 IPC, dated 26.07.2019, has been registered at P.S. Hauz Qazi, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing/ kidnapped boy but no clue has come to light so far. The description of the missing/kidnapped boy is as under:

Name: Sazid Khan, **Gender:** Male, **Age:** 9-10 years, **Height:** 3'4", **Hair:** Normal **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Normal, **Wearing:** Green colour T-Shirt, Black colour Half Nikkar and Hawai Slippers in Feet.

If anyone has any information regarding this missing/kidnapped boy, kindly inform SHO/ Hauz Qazi, Delhi.

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Date of opening of Tech. Bids	22.08.2019 at 03.30 PM

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1ST TIME EXTENSION

1st Time extension for e-procurement tender floated vide **NIT 28/PR/JBVNL/19-20** under Deposit Head for Erection of 33 KV trenchless double circuit XLPE U.G. cable from 33/11 KV PSS Srido to proposed 33/11KV PSS BIT Mesra in Deposit head under Electric supply section Vikash as per General and Technical Report (Section VI)

1	Availability of tender document on website	:-	**From 06.07.2019 at 10.00 AM to 22.08.2019 up to 06:00 PM**
2	Last date and time for submitting e-tender	:-	**From 06.07.2019 at 10.00 AM to 22.08.2019 up to 06:00 PM**
3	Last date and time of submission of original DD towards Cost of BOQ & EMD etc.	:-	**23.08.2019 upto 17:00 Hrs**
4	Date and time of opening of tender (Techno-Commercial Cover) i.e Cover-I	:-	**24.08.2019 at 03:00 PM.**
5	Date and time for opening of Tender Part-II (Price Part)	:-	**Will be Communicated later on**

1. Tender time Extension Notice is also available on our website : www.juvnl.in
2. Tender available of www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in
3. For any clarification please contact : **0651-2490467**

Note :-In Section I, Clause No. 6 Para II of NIT, specified Bidder shall upload scan copy of Bid Security/EMD for an amount of Rs. 5,55,000.00(Rupees Five Lac Fifty Five Thousand Only) against NIT in the form of BG/DD of any Nationalized/Scheduled or Commercial Bank of India in favour of "Accounts Officer, Deposit Head, Ranchi Electrical Circle, Ranchi" payable at "Ranchi".

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ASH IS PUREST WHITE (STANDARD MANDARIN WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES) ★★★

Director: Jia Zhangke **Cast:** Zhao Tao, Liao Fan

Love of a Lifetime

SHUBHRA GUPTA

ASH IS Purest White is the star-crossed love story of Bin and Qiao, a gangster and his moll. But it is not your standard bang-bang shoot-outs-in-the-triads kind of movie. It is, more successfully, an elegiac look at a China that used to be.

Bin (Fan) runs a mah-jongg parlour in Datong, a small town whose coal mine-led economy is dying. His lover Qiao (Tao), her lovely face framed by a glossy black bob, is his helper and confidant. Here gather the men who banter and bicker and whose serious differences are papered over by Bin, who dispenses a rough but fair sense of justice.

A shift in the old order is imminent. It comes from a push to shut down towns like Datong, and to create huge dams, unmindful of the human cost. Displacement is terrifying. Its fear is equally potent. It's almost inevitable that both Bin and Qiao will be forced to abdicate their pole positions. Both are jailed after an incident, in which she takes the fall for no fault of hers, and saves him from a tougher, longer incarceration.

The film spans eighteen years, and we see the two, worn and tired, but still tenuously together. She's got lines on her unmade face, but her will is undimmed. He is not able to walk, but his ego is intact. And when finally he struggles to his feet, he chooses not to stay.

It feels like a blow, and would have been more bitter if the narrative hadn't slipped in between. Just like an ancient country, with its courtly old-fashioned mah-jongg parlours, has had to make way for huge industrial wastelands, and modern gambling dens, the heart has also calcified. At least as far as the man is concerned.

Fan plays his part well. But this film is owned by Tao, the director's muse and wife. While it may not be as effective as some of Zhanke's others (*A Touch Of Sin*, *Mountains May Depart*) in its best portions, it does manage to speak to us. Tao's face is a map of brilliant, wordless emotion. The question she is left with — when love leaves, what is left behind — she leaves for us. To think and to feel.

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Need for Speed

FAST & FURIOUS PRESENTS: HOBBS & SHAW

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Director: David Leitch
Cast: Dwayne Johnson, Jason Statham, Idris Elba, Vanessa Kirby

SHALINI LANGER

IT'S FOOLHARDY, sure, to expect a franchise that is now into nine films and its first spin-off — apart from short films, a TV series, and theme park attractions — to reinvent its wheels. Still, if it's all about being only fast and furious, one can hope that Chernobyl would be one of the places kept out. But in *Hobbs & Shaw*, the battle where the most things are blasted is staged in a location standing in for the site of the world's worst nuclear disaster; the eerie ruins of an abandoned plant a scary reminder of the fact.

Samoa, Johnson's native place, as of his character Hobbs in the film, is another exotic location the film moves to — complete with barechested natives wielding rudimentary weapons and doing a war dance.

It's only the plot regarding which *Hobbs & Shaw* makes no pretensions. Since it's a film "derived" from *Fast & Furious*, it doesn't have to carry any of that baggage either, only borrowing two of its many charismatic and action-friendly characters. If Johnson is Hobbs again, an American stealth forces expert, Statham is his British counterpart, Shaw. They started squabbling in *Fast & Furious*, and continue their mostly-tiresome banter here, even when the "fate of the world" comes to rest on their shoulders — doing it for the "fourth" time, Hobbs reminds. Lending more than an able helping hand is Hattie (Kirby), the good MI6 agent mistaken for bad.

The world is threatened this time by a cyber-enhanced former MI6 agent, Brixton (Elba), who now has powers that have rendered him virtually un-killable — a "Black Superman", so to speak. He is after a genetically programmed virus — of "Biblical proportions" — with the potential to liquidate organs of anybody exposed to it. The plan is to eliminate "the weak" and replace them with many Brixtons, thus creating an "augmented" human race. (Though one wonders if it might not be just easier to clone Johnson, who in a mighty impressive scene, holds a helicopter down with a chain.)

So how seriously should we take this end-of-the-world exercise? Brixton puts it best — "genocide", "schemoncide", call it what you will. For, one thing is sure: this is certainly not the end of the *Fast & Furious* world.

PS: Sorely missed after *The Crown*, where she played the delectable Princess Margaret, Kirby brings to the film everything her role demands and more — brawn, beauty, brains, and the hint of being human.

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Hush, No More

KHANDAANI SHAFAKHANA

★★

Director: Shilipi Dasgupta
Cast: Sonakshi Sinha, Varun Sharma, Annu Kapoor, Priyanshu Jora, Badshah, Nadira Babbar, Kulbhushan Kharbanda, Rajesh Gupta

BABY BEDI (Sinha) of Hoshiarpur, Punjab, is your average young woman, trying to hack a living. And then one day, she receives an unusual bequest from her *mamaji* (Kharbanda), a wise, kindly *hakim*, and her life changes.

For most of us, even those who reside in big cities with its so-called 'broad-minded' swathes, a 'sex clinic' is the subject of nudge-wink jokes, a place where non-virile men go to get 'fixed', and women, if they at all venture into such a *badnaam* place, are usually unwilling tagalongs.

For a Bollywood movie to place its small-town leading lady squarely in charge of a *khandaani shafakhana* is a brave step. And there are some unexpected delights in this film, helmed by a debutante director: a sperm sample is called, straight-facedly, 'wiggle wiggle', brawny males submit to the medical ministrations of a clearly inexperienced girl, and, in a terrific throwaway moment, a matron terms her husband's nether part as an always pumped-up 'balloon'.

The trouble with this film is that quite soon it chickens out. From a comedy with a strong 'social' component, which could have been a barrel of meaningful laughs, it turns into a soppy melodrama. Baby, along with her brother Bhushit (Sharma, in familiar jokester mode), mother (Babbar, wasted in a whiny role), and supportive love interest (Jora), is surrounded by relatives, neighbours and nosy townspeople, who mock her *ganda, ashleel kaam*. That's all it takes for Baby, and the film, to promptly dissolve into a soppy puddle.

Why? Because a young woman talking frankly about sex, and exhorting everyone else to do so, is still an anomaly. She can go down that untrodden path a little bit, make some noise, but will then have to subside because of the threat of family 'shame'. She will need to be rescued by feminine tears and a manly intervention by a famous rapper (Badshah, in a nice turn, as himself).

This insistence on a 'balancing act' lets the film down. Which is a pity because this film could have been something. Annu Kapoor, playing a sympathetic lawyer here, reminds us of *Vicky Donor*, which first opened up conversation around sex and virility and fertility. *Khandaani Shafakhana* could have been a great extension, a vehicle to shed inhibitions and talk, really talk, especially with a young woman in the lead. Female desire could have been brought up, not just as a brief joke which perks things up momentarily. But it doesn't, and the film stays, in most part, flat, and yes, limp.

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Making of a Paradise

JAY MYSELF (DOCUMENTARY)

Director: Stephen Wilkes
Cast: Jay Maisel

GLENN KENNY

THE CAREER of the 88-year-old American photographer Jay Maisel has been blessed both by his individual talent and by some very good fortune. That latter component manifested itself in the early 1960s, when Maisel bought a six-story, 36,000-square-foot former bank building in Manhattan's SoHo, on the corner of Bowery and Spring.

As he recalls in *Jay Myself*, an energetic documentary directed by Stephen Wilkes (his former intern), he could not afford the building at the time. The $25,000 down payment was forbidding. But a magazine assignment fee turned out to be a per-page deal, not a flat rate, and the pages were many. Voilà, a down payment.

The space enabled Maisel to become a hoarder, albeit a hoarder of genius. Several overhead shots in the movie show a floor covered by transparencies of his work; the views are reminiscent of the final shots of *Citizen Kane* or *Raiders of the Lost Ark*. Maisel also invented gizmos, collected objects of various attractive colours (there's concern expressed in the movie over the ultimate fate of a group of blue bottles), and more. The structure was also where he lived, had a small family, and relaxed. One floor housed a basketball half-court. At its far end was a gallery of Maisel's work, which covers as much under the sun as a single photographer can capture in a lifetime.

The making of the film was occasioned by Maisel's sale of the place a couple of years ago. He unloaded it for $55 million. The downside was that he and his wife and adult daughter had to vacate. And Maisel had to part with much of his idiosyncratic stuff.

It's a fun journey. The process is fascinating and looks exhausting. (Just as the 2017 documentary *Thy Father's Chair* functioned as an endorsement of the service Home Clean Home, this one shows Moishe's Self Storage doing a bang-up job.) As Wilkes depicts one chapter of the master's life ending, he threads a narrative of the past, including Maisel's studies with the artist Josef Albers.

As much as Maisel's eclectic subject matter, ranging from poverty-stricken back alleys in South America to *Sports Illustrated* swimsuit- models, shows a bracing engagement with the real world, the photographer's home base functioned as a bubble. "He's completely oblivious to all the things in the world that are relevant and important," his daughter, Amanda, notes, matter-of-factly but with a smile.

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BREAKING DOWN NEWS

BY PRATIK KANJILAL

Guns and Roses

With a Russian teenager reading the constitution in front of a riot police and a food delivery system shutting down bigotry, a new form of resistance emerges

TODAY, THE face of nonviolent resistance is that of Olga Misik, reading the Russian constitution to Vladimir Putin's riot police during a crackdown on protesters in which over 1,000 were arrested. She takes on the mantle of Tank Man, the unidentified protester who had halted an armoured column in Tiananmen Square in 1989 by refusing to get out of the way. And of the anti-Vietnam war protester variously identified as George Edgerley Harris or Joel Tornabene, snapped by Bernie Boston during the March on the Pentagon in 1967, spiking the guns of military police with carnations. At the same protest, French photojournalist Marc Riboud immortalised Jan Rose Kasmir, a girl offering a flower to a police line. In an interview for *Smithsonian Magazine*, Riboud had said: "I had the feeling the soldiers were more afraid of her than she was of the bayonets." Her image, titled *The Ultimate Confrontation: The Flower and the Bayonet*, is still widely seen in exhibitions and on posters.

The tyranny of the weak, which Mahatma Gandhi had once harnessed to deal a body blow to colonialism, is still alive and well. Interestingly, it is wielded by the young, who are generally perceived to repose more faith in aggression. Misik is 17, as Kasmir was during the March on the Pentagon. Tank Man's identity is unknown, but a British newspaper suggested that he was a 19-year-old student. And the carnation-wielding man is visibly young.

These are powerful images of youth versus morally bankrupt authority, of disarming innocence facing down the armed might of the state. Their sheer ordinariness is powerful — the shopping bags in the hands of Tank Man are simply unforgettable. Now, a video of a girl sitting cross-legged in the street and reading out a toothless constitution has swept around the world. Putin had stonewalled accusations of assassination operations in the UK, and laughed helplessly when he was asked about Russian meddling in US elections. But the video of Olga Misik, who currently faces charges, will be much more difficult to shrug off.

In India, the speed with which the Zomato vs ritual purity story spread, it seemed like the entire Indian press — print, TV, radio and digital — had been dying to see a bigot ragged in public. Or, perhaps, they were just waiting for an affirmation that though the public display of bigotry has become commonplace, the majority is not bigoted. The story of the observing Hindu in Madhya Pradesh who cancelled a Zomato order because it was being delivered by a Muslim, whose demand for chaste Hindu delivery was stoutly resisted by the company, and who was then was taken to task on social media, was picked up by news providers across at least a dozen languages.

The obscure bigot is now internationally infamous, too, the story having been covered by the BBC, CNN, Straits Times, the Independent, Quartz, Mashable, Scripps TV and RT. Meanwhile, NDTV reported that the Zomato user was sent a notice by the Madhya Pradesh police, "warning of jail over tweets". And in an intriguing change of strategy, Arnab Goswami bowled his fans a googlie by denouncing an "almost xenophobic bigot… shut up and shut down" by Zomato and calling the incident the beginning of a national movement against hatemongers.

But the story that really needs to be talked up is not as visible on television as it should be: the general slowdown in the economy. The Nifty closed below 11,000 on Thursday, when the US Fed tightened its fist, the automobile market is at its most sluggish since the 20th century, and housing and construction remain in deep trouble, Airtel, the pioneer in cellular telephony, closed a quarter in the red, and bad loans continue to be written off. This is being talked about in print and online, but TV remains obsessed with the troop deployment in Kashmir and matters of Hindu-Muslim disunity. Wonder why we call them North Korean channels. They're actually Rwandan channels of 1994 vintage.

The coverage of two business stories could have been better. The death of Coffee Day group promoter VG Siddhartha was initially approached as a human interest story, and some Kannada channels were apparently distastefully intrusive, with images of the corpse and the family in its first moments of grief. Then, it developed into speculation about financial wrongdoing, blame for which Siddhartha had already accepted. The real burden of the story was ignored — that the Indian ecosystem is immature. Elsewhere, allegations about tax terrorism would have attracted an investigation, and investors would have been happy to shoulder the burden of a brand as valuable as Cafe Coffee Day. Indeed, Blackstone is now buying into its real estate, but after the event. Also, hardly any attention was paid to another story: that executives who failed to expend corporate social responsibility budgets would face jail. Obvious question: would the government apply the same criterion to its ministers and bureaucrats, and jail those who fail to spend allocated budgets?

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A Story To Tell

Edward Snowden, former CIA agent and NSA contractor, who broke away from the American intelligence agency in 2013 to reveal the US government's pursuit of mass digital surveillance, is set to reveal all in his memoir *Permanent Record* (Macmillan Publishers), out globally on September 17.

House for History

Despite the centrality of the question of privilege, Anand Bhawan, the Gandhi residence in Allahabad, was also the place where the most influential vision of India's modernity — and socialism — was born

ALOK RAI

THIS WOULD have been a difficult book to write at the best of times. At a time when it has become *de rigueur* in public life to boast about the humbleness of one's origins, it must have been doubly difficult. There is a considerable literature of great houses – *Brideshead Revisited* and *Howard's End* are the ones that come first to mind, as the symbolically resonant foci of densely imagined lives — but the English country house is a durable narrative device in both high, and popular, literature. But the device — as much in Evelyn Waugh as in Agatha Christie — inevitably brings with it a certain limitation of social range. At a certain point in her "intimate history" of our own great house, Anand Bhawan, Gitanjali Surendran remarks that it had become "an idea and not just a place." I am not quite sure if she quite understands how problematic an assertion that is, particularly in a time when another inevitably related "idea" — the "idea of India", which is so much in the air, and up in the air — is so fiercely contested.

Apropos Clive Bell's innocently insular book, *Civilization* (1928), someone remarked acidly that Bell made civilisation sound like "a tea party in Gordon Square" — where Leonard Woolf ran Hogarth Press in his basement, Virginia spun her fragile fictions in her study and, a few houses down the road, John Maynard Keynes reconfigured the foundations of the global economy. The great danger in writing a book like the one under review, is that of diminishing great historical transformations into domestic trivia. Gandhi is a frequent house guest; Gandhi, Patel and others plot Quit India in the library even as Indira's wedding ceremony is winding down; and "Uncle Harcourt" — Harcourt Butler, the detested 'Laat Sahib' of the United Provinces at a particularly difficult time in the sharpening national movement — drops in for tea and cakes. They are all here — the Saprus who are conservative, as against the progressive Nehrus, and the Katjus have Hindu proclivities — and they, Kashmiri Pandits all, live within a few miles of each other, and share the usual social emotions of affection and antagonism. I'm not sure if the problem — of scale, of marrying the domestic and the historical — is one that is easily solved. But it must first be confronted.

The question of privilege is, of course, central to any account of Anand Bhawan. Even today, when hundreds of pilgrims file through the museumised rooms of Anand Bhawan, it still takes one's breath away to see the unabashedly aristocratic location where the most influential vision of India's modernity — and, yes, socialism — was born. And this, be it known, is only the new, "compact" residence that was built by Motilal Nehru, in contrast to the sprawling old Anand Bhawan — now renamed Swaraj Bhawan — which he bought from Sir Syed's son, Ross Masood. It is to Surendran's credit that she does not seek to underplay the luxury of life at Anand Bhawan. There is full detail here about the many servants and underservants, the horses and the grooms, the governess who sought to bring some "English" discipline into what could easily have become the typically spoilt existence, particularly of a male member of the Indian elite. I was particularly taken by one resonant detail — Indira's wedding sari was made of fine pink Khadi which had been spun by her father in jail, and woven with a border of silver thread. How much history is packed into that one detail! But what this account of Jawaharlal's aristocratic origins does — apart from catering to the celebrity-hunger for stellar lives — is to enable one to get a measure of the heroic reinvention that was involved in the making of all these lives: Motilal, throwing up his phenomenal legal practice in response to Gandhi's call for non-cooperation; the incomparable Jawaharlal; Indira, growing up alone in the verandahs and halls of the great house, practically orphaned by the demands of the national movement, and improbably making herself into the formidable leader whom Vajpayee hailed as Durga; Rajiv, too soon gone... All the cavilling about dynasty cannot take away from the aspiration to nobility that informs these lives. After all, in a country that is still basically feudal, there are many other 'dynasties' that are rather less noble. Of course, they are relatively "humble" dynasties but — to adapt Winston Churchill's famous quip about Clement Attlee — they have much to be humble about.

These are not matters that Surendran engages with. To be fair, this book is an altogether different kind of creature. It is a commissioned "intimate history" of Anand Bhawan — commissioned by the Nehru Memorial Trust. I imagine that the commission brings with it certain responsibilities as well as certain limitations. Surendran starts out with a potted history of Allahabad, which is perhaps strictly not relevant to her appointed task — but is nonetheless useful in the context of the historical fictions that are being circulated in order to legitimise the renaming of a well-established Mughal-colonial town after a fine train that runs between Allahabad and Delhi. The imposition of 'Prayagraj' on Allahabad is merely a symptom of a cultural disease.

Any account of this book would be incomplete without mentioning the priceless photographs interspersed throughout the text. The Trust is a jealous guardian of its archive, and this access to a past that is relentlessly and rapidly being eroded by assiduous Sanghi calumny is, therefore, particularly welcome. Naturally, these archival photographs are in black and white. There is a particular pathos that attaches to them — Indira posing in the Anand Bhawan garden after becoming Congress president in 1959, with a bed of black and white flowers at her feet; a full family group, with the women in black and white saris... It is curiously touching: these distant ancestors, stranded behind a pre-colour threshold. In a peculiar way, this absence of colour becomes a metaphor of the distance between that world and our raucous, all-too-colourful present.

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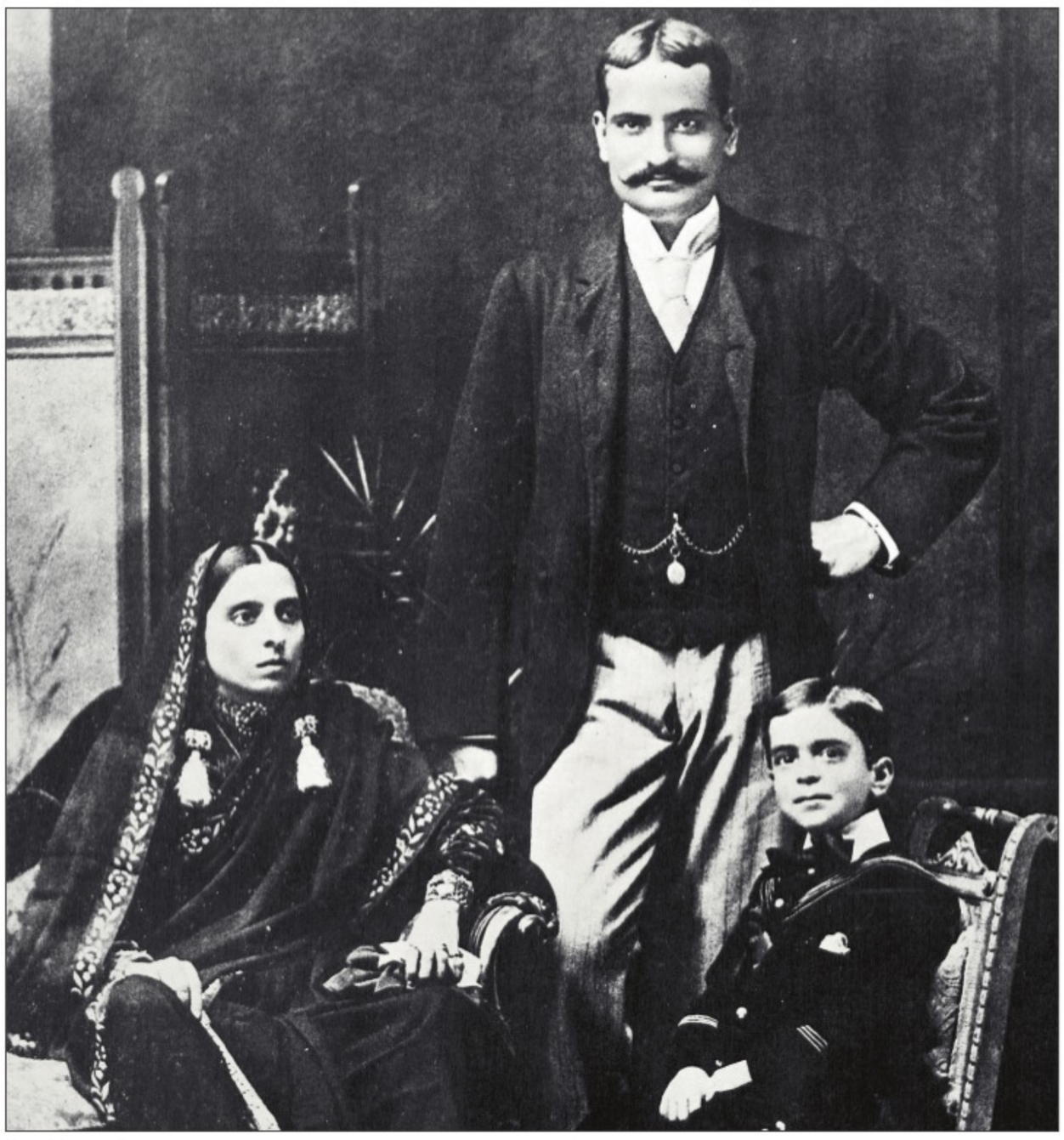

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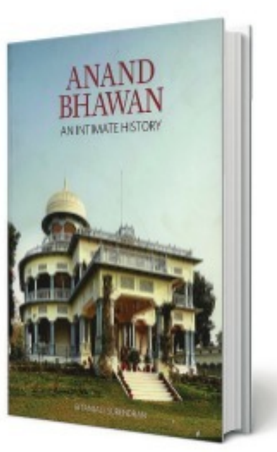
Motilal Nehru with wife Swarup Rani and son, a young Jawaharlal, in 1894



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Mission Possible

How the first moon landing created our world

PRATIK KANJILAL

THE MOON is a harsh mistress. While the world celebrates 50 years of the first men on the moon, it seems unlikely that humanity will be able to return there before the 50th anniversary of the last manned moonshot, in December 2022. Apollo 17 was not only the last manned moon mission, it was also the last to carry a crew beyond low earth orbit, as space programmes turned conservative. Manned lunar missions are prohibitively expensive, offer no financial returns and operate at the cost of welfare. It explains why, before Apollo 11, public enthusiasm was tepid.

But 50 years after, two Asian nations and some private companies are shooting for the moon, and Charles Fishman argues that a profit and loss account misses the point entirely. Apollo 11 was JFK's political gambit to demonstrate technical superiority in the Cold War, and without it, the world could have been a different place today. Besides, while the project failed to ignite a race to the stars as expected, but it kicked off the digital age and rapid growth in high technology in our era. "Space didn't get us ready for space," writes Fishman. "It got us ready for the world that was coming on earth."

Instead of focusing on the Apollo 11 astronauts and their mission, Fishman brings to centrestage the back office of the operation — the 2,000 companies and over 4 lakh scientists and technicians who made sure that the Saturn V thundered off the launch pad, that the Eagle lander made touchdown, and that every last piece of equipment worked reliably. They included the seamstresses who stitched the spacesuits for the three astronauts, and General Motors engineers who noticed a wedge-shaped space free on the Eagle, and proposed a rover for future missions just months before Apollo 11 was launched.

Fishman outlines the unprecedented scale of the challenge that Nasa faced in 1961, when Kennedy announced the moonshot. At the time, he points out, Americans had spent a grand total of 15 minutes in space. Even the depth of moondust was a matter of debate, and some scientists expected the lander to sink into it for ever. What would astronauts live on? Science fiction has predicted a meal in a pill, but dietitians had to work with everyday foods that might run, spill or crumble in zero gravity. Floating debris might get into the eyes of astronauts, or between the contacts of circuits at a critical moment, severely endangering the mission. The medical profession did not even know how humans would tolerate weightlessness over extended periods. Would they remain rational enough to use a computer and do the math that steering to the moon required?

In retrospect, perhaps the most significant elements of Apollo 11 were computer circuits and programming. At a time when a computer typically filled an air-conditioned hall and could not run for more than a few hours without a hardware failure, the Apollo Guidance Computer was quite small and was the first to use integrated circuits. Each IC contained a single logic gate, and the rig had 2kb of RAM. Equally creative was the programming of the computer, done by Margaret Hamilton's team at MIT. References to her are littered throughout the book — quite naturally, because she was one of the people who elevated programming to the level of engineering. While programming was originally regarded as a woman's job, and consisted of wiring and rewiring circuits in the manner of a telephone switchboard operator of the time, Hamilton sought respect for her team by calling them software engineers.

One Giant Leap is one of three notable books which have appeared coinciding with the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11. The others are Douglas Brinkley's *American Moonshot: John F Kennedy and the Great Space Race*, which offers a snapshot of the time and its politics, and James Donovan's *Shoot for the Moon: The Space Race and the Extraordinary Voyage of Apollo 11*, which retraces the back story of Apollo 11 — the earlier missions to space, all the way back to Sputnik. Like Fishman's account, it marvels at how a nation that could barely get to space could imagine, with complete conviction, that it would make it to the moon. But Fishman's book is richer for the tiny details that it is littered with. For instance, he tells us that the Apollo spacesuits were stitched by hand. Now, who could have imagined?

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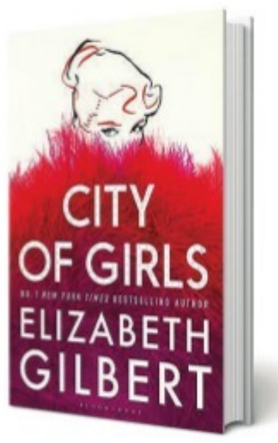

CITY OF GIRLS
ELIZABETH GILBERT
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480 pages
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IT'S 1940. Europe, Africa and Asia have been deadly theatres of war for nearly a year while the USA enjoys its brief summer of isolationism. The attack on Pearl Harbour is still over a year away. Our story begins in New York City during this fleeting time of peace as America tries to look the other way and pretend that the world is not already on a course to irrevocably change the old order of things. A young girl from a privileged WASP background, who has recently blotted her copybook in the most embarrassing way (expelled from Vassar for not being academically-inclined) finds herself thrust into the exciting world of theatre in the Big Apple — considered by most Americans at the time as a 20th century equivalent of Sodom and Gomorrah, but viewed by Vivian Morris, our 19-year-old protagonist, as the portal that will lead her towards adulthood and freedom.

Elizabeth Gilbert's *City of Girls*, in that sense, fits neatly with the going-on-a-journey archetype. There are two types of journeys here: America's initially reluctant but finally enthusiastic passage into a post-Europe world and Vivian's journey towards self-discovery and self-acceptance as a sexual being, and, it's clear immediately which story is the one that needs more urgent telling. After all, enough books have dissected this particular period of American history. On the other hand, books about the dreams and desires of young women during this time have been far too few. And even if such books do exist, one would be hard-pressed to find a story that has such a light — almost comedic — touch.

Not that this means Vivian's dreams and disillusionments — she inevitably finds out that there are worse things than being expelled from college — are treated as frivolous. If anything, Gilbert accords her protagonist the honour of treating her youthful dreams with the utmost seriousness. Vivian may be vain and naive and her ambitions may not include anything more edifying than just having a good time, but she is the kind of female protagonist that we need to see more of. She makes mistakes but she picks herself up again, without doing us the disservice of pitying herself (at least, not for too long). Yes, there's shame — a particularly shameful episode is the turning point for Vivian's story. But Gilbert has used it — rather subtly, one might add — to make the important point that shame is patriarchy's chief weapon against women. This understanding is something that dawns on Vivian just as it dawns on the reader, and we're spared a protagonist who, in a different kind of story, would have tied herself into all kinds of knots as she sought salvation. And so, till the end, Vivian remains the kind of woman who doesn't let the fear of making mistakes control who she is and what she wants to do. As one character observes, "I'm sorry for many of the things I've done, too. Everyone is sorry. It's good to be sorry — but don't make a fetish of it."

POOJA PILLAI

The Warmest Colour

Vinod Kumar Shukla's literary universe is lit up by a culture of slowness and shyness

SUMANA ROY

EVERY BOOK is a stranger, or was meant to be. We came to it accidentally — on a relative's bedside table, in a library, in second-hand bookstores, and, occasionally, in book reviews, the imagination drawn to an unusual title. I speak of a time that no longer exists, goaded as we are by the *deus ex machina* of publishing today, where what is outside the text, in print and social media, is meant to drag our attention to what is inside it. Vinod Kumar Shukla is, therefore, a lovely anachronism — he belongs to a culture of slowness and shyness, of both the writer and the way his works journey, travelling on foot instead of the brokered and artificial speed of immediate canonisation that is now commonplace. It is slightly wrong that I should begin with the writer and not his writing — for here is a man who rejects, and indeed subverts, the personality cult of the artist.

Here I must share an anecdote about Shukla that his translator Arvind Krishna Mehrotra narrated to an audience at a symposium last year. At the Jaipur Literature Festival, 2011, Shukla asked translator Sara Rai why were there so many people standing in line, each clutching a book. Told that they were all waiting to have their books signed by JM Coetzee, he looked puzzled. Hindi writers sign books, but privately, and seldom is there a line of people waiting for them. Moreover, the name Coetzee meant nothing to him, nor did the names of the other world writers present on the occasion.

I was in the audience, and I turned to look at the faces around me. What I saw on those faces was an odd mix of relief, confusion and embarrassment. Most of us in the audience had signed up for the surgical strike of the book promotion, even if involuntarily, and now, suddenly reminded of the first impulses that had brought us to writing and reading, we were ashamed of where we'd come to be. Why do I say all this about the writer Shukla when I should be talking about his book? It is because Shukla's writing is as untouched by the fads of what passes for literature today.

The space of his writing, untouched by the noise of literary movements, is therefore as fresh as the drawings in the Altamira caves. Shukla's translators say that these are stories of 'modest, smaller-than-life people'. I've been struggling to find a suitable phrase with which to describe the experience of reading them. Yes, this is a literature of experience, but all categories seem insufficient. And I realise that the truly original writer will always challenge the existing vocabulary of criticism.

Shukla's writing is almost devoid of similes and metaphors. These figures of speech enable the existence of two diverse, even disparate, worlds in the same frame. His rejection of the comparative does not really make him belong to a tradition of minimalism, say of Raymond Carver and Hemingway, still resident gods of MFA programmes, but of a culture that, perhaps, comes from closer home, of naming, of the mantra and scriptures. Tagore, for instance, invokes the same tradition when he says '*Amari chetonar rangey panna holo shobuj* (It is the colour of my consciousness that has made emerald green)'. Or, as Shukla would say, 'Blue is like blue'. The poetry that comes from the act of naming, whether in 'Call me Ishmael' or a list of food items in an Arun Kolatkar poem, is one that Shukla uses beautifully, but the things he names are almost inevitably common nouns. This is because his world is of the common noun: by mentioning them he makes them come alive. His eye records things that are usually rejected by a tradition of writing that is 'serious' and driven by authorial intentions to substitute news with stories.

Shukla's stories challenge the idea of narrative, and so it seems natural that Mani Kaul should make a film on his first novel, *Naukar ki Kameez*. Like Shukla, Kaul's investment is in the 'poetic' — it is a literature of a 'leaf in the pocket', of strangeness. 'This is a story but there is no meaning in it. And it will go on like this, if a child is narrating it,' says Kaul. So, we don't ask why, for instance, numbers keep appearing in almost every Shukla story — it is a tic of that universe, a world where there's always little money, and the imagination creates a literature of frugality, the stories as light and necessary as the money in them, which keeps appearing and disappearing, so that not people but currency notes become the object of interest in these gentle-paced thrillers. It is only right that the translators give us the dates of publication of these stories, for it is a reminder that we don't have to go to the historical novel and science fiction to experience time — and the times — in fiction.

"I had time on my hands," declares the protagonist of the extraordinary story 'Man in the Blue Shirt'. It is an amazing (and anachronistic) declaration, particularly in our era, where time is as difficult to earn and keep as money in Shukla's stories. The people in them usually live in single room habitats, almost in contrast to the 'world' writers that the translators mention semi-ironically in their introduction. These stories remind us of a time when the explosion of money hadn't hijacked our affection for life, for its intimate strangeness. When I close the book, I feel sad – I long for the world where Didi "held his chin with her left hand when she combed his hair."

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Opener Burns hits maiden Test ton, Root chips in with half-century to put England on course for a big score

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BIRMINGHAM, AUGUST 2

RORY BURNS hit his first Test century to give England the chance to build a big first-innings lead over Australia as the hosts reached 267-4 at stumps on Friday in the Ashes opener. England trails Australia by only 17 runs and has a deep batting lineup — No. 9 Chris Woakes hit a Test ton against India — still to come.

Burns faced the first and last deliveries of day two, finishing on 125 not out, though Australia missed a chance to dismiss him leg before wicket by not reviewing Nathan Lyon's delivery when the batter was on 21. Ben Stokes (38 not out) is the other batter at the crease and has an unbeaten fifth-wicket stand of 73 runs with Burns.

Burns shared the key partnership of the day — 132 runs for the second wicket with captain Joe Root (57) — after England resumed on 10-0 and quickly lost opener Jason Roy (10). Root was the only batter out in the afternoon session. Peter Siddle reacted quickly by sticking out his right hand — with the umpire already making plans to get out of the way of Root's shot — and caught and bowled the England captain at 154-2.

Australia convinced the umpires to provide another ball and hit back in the evening session by claiming Joe Denly (18) and Jos Buttler (5) before Burns and Stokes — man of the match in England's winning World Cup final against New Zealand last month —came together on 194-4. Pacer James Pattinson took 2-54 for Australia and Siddle was the most economical bowler with 1-43 off 21 overs.

Earlier, England had reached tea at 170-2 after going to lunch at 71-1. The home team were 10-0, with left-hander Burns four not out and Surrey team-mate Roy six not out, when play resumed Friday in slightly overcast conditions. Roy made a blistering 85 in eventual champions England's World Cup semi-final win over Australia at Edgbaston last month. But in just his second Test, he never looked comfortable against Australia's fast bowlers and, on 10, he edged a good length ball from James Pattinson low to Smith at second slip, with England then 22-1. Root had returned to number three from four in a bid to lead from the front.

Fortune favours England

But the star batsman was almost bowled leaving off-spinner Nathan Lyon's first ball, a sharply turning delivery that just missed the stumps. Root had an even bigger slice of luck on nine when he was given out caught behind off Pattinson only for his review to reveal the ball had hit the off stump without dislodging a bail.

Meanwhile Burns patiently bided his time and picked off anything loose, such as an over-pitched ball from Pat Cummins that he on-drove for four. England were 71-1 at lunch, with Burns 41 not out and Root unbeaten on 11.

Burns went to fifty in 110 balls when he hit Lyon for the seventh four of his innings. Root then had another moment of good fortune when given out lbw to recalled paceman Peter Siddle on 14. But in a match already full of overturned decisions, his immediate review revealed an inside edge.

Root cashed in by driving Lyon for four and leg-glancing Cummins for another boundary as he too completed a 110-ball fifty. But, frustratingly for a batsman whose conversion rate of fifties to hundreds is relatively poor — 42 to 16 — he fell soon afterwards when he chipped a ball back to Siddle.

Australia's pacemen allowed Burns to settle by repeatedly bowling around the wicket and so feeding him runs on the leg-side. By the time they bowled over the wicket at him, he was well set with Burns — whose highest Test score prior to this game was the 84 he made against the West Indies in Bridgetown in January — cutting Lyon for four. Australia hold the Ashes but they have not won a Test series away to England in 18 years.

AUSTRALIA FEEL THE BURNS

Burns was batting on 125 at the end of Day Two of the first Ashes Test. England were 17 runs behind Australia's first-innings score of 284, with six wickets in hand *Reuters*

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AUSTRALIA 1ST INNINGS	284
ENGLAND 1ST INNINGS	267/4
R Burns not out	**125** (282b, 16x4)
J Roy c Smith b Pattinson	**10** (22b, 2x4)
J Root c &b Siddle	**57** (119b, 6x4)
J Denly lbw b Pattinson	**18** (36b, 3x4)
J Buttler c Bancroft b Cummins	**5** (10b, 1x4)
Ben Stokes not out	**37** (69b, 6x4)
Extras: (b 5, lb 7, w 2)	**14**

Fall of wickets: 1-22 (Jason Roy, 7.2 ov), 2-154 (Joe Root, 49.6 ov), 3-189 (Joe Denly, 62.1 ov), 4-194 (Jos Buttler, 65.4 ov)

Bowling:
Cummins 21-6-**65-1; Pattinson** 17-2-**54-2; Siddle** 21-5-**43-1; Lyon** 28-4-**79-0; Wade** 1-0-**7-0; Travis Head** 2-1-**7-0**

Joe Root fell soon after completing his half-century. *Reuters*

'There were times...where I didn't know if I was ever going to play cricket again'

AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE
BIRMINGHAM, AUGUST 2

AUSTRALIA'S STEVE Smith said he had contemplated the end of his career after marking his first Test since a year-long ball-tampering ban with a superb century on the opening day of the 2019 Ashes.

The tourists were struggling at 17-2 at Edgbaston on Thursday when former Australia captain Smith walked out to bat and they later collapsed to 122-8.

But Smith, ignoring the repeated boos of the crowd, made 144 in a total of 284 after current Australia skipper Tim Paine won the toss before England closed on 10-0.

Smith's 24th Test century was the star batsman's first international hundred since he returned to Australia duty during a World Cup where he made 85 in last month's Edgbaston semi-final defeat by eventual champions England.

"There were times throughout the last 15 months where I didn't know if I was ever going to play cricket again," Smith, renowned for his obsessive devotion to the sport, told reporters after stumps.

"I lost a bit of love for it at one point, particularly when I had my elbow operation. It was really bizarre that it was the day I got the brace off my elbow, I found a love for it again.

"I don't know what it was, it was like a trigger that just said 'right I'm ready to go again, I want to play and I want to go out and play for Australia and make people proud and just do what I love doing'.

Steve Smith walks out before the start of play on Day 2 of the first Test. *Reuters*

There were many familiar Smith traits on show in Birmingham, including the repeated fidgeting in his stance, while the crowd could scarcely have been tougher on the 30-year-old than he was when berating himself for the occasional loose shot.

Also on display was Smith's ability to bat well alongside tailenders, with Australia's last two wickets more than doubling their score.

Smith's near six-hour innings was a chanceless affair until he was last man out, with his biggest scare coming when given out lbw for 34 to Stuart Broad not playing a shot only to overturn the decision on review.

Then skipper Smith and Warner, his deputy, were both given 12-month bans for their roles in the scandal in South Africa, while Cameron Bancroft — the man who brazenly applied sandpaper to the ball during a Test in Cape Town — was suspended from international duty for nine months by Cricket Australia.

All three batsmen were dismissed by Broad on Thursday, with openers Bancroft and Warner managing just 10 between them for the Ashes-holders.

The trio were booed on their way out to the middle and when they were dismissed, with even Smith's century a cue for yet more jeering.

"I know I've got the support of the boys in the room and, for me, that's all that really matters," insisted Smith following what he labelled one of his "best" centuries.

"They went berserk on the balcony when I got to my hundred and just looking up at them, it sent shivers down my spine." When Broad eventually bowled Smith, the paceman had his 100th Test wicket against Australia after completing an innings haul of 5-86.

Broad paid tribute to Smith but, having been on the receiving end of a "bit of stick" by Australian crowds, refused to condemn spectators for their taunts.

"It's part of being a professional sportsman," he said. "Footballers get it all the time but it's a bit unexpected sometimes in cricket. Smith seemed to deal with it OK."

BRIEFLY

Patrick Farhart joins Delhi Capitals

New Delhi: Former Indian cricket team's physio Patrick Farhart joined IPL franchise Delhi Capitals on a three-year contract on Friday. Farhart, whose fruitful tenure with the Indian team ended with the World Cup, has also worked for Kings XI Punjab and Mumbai Indians in the IPL. "I am delighted to be working in the Indian Premier League again. Delhi Capitals is a team that has made some very positive changes in its setup over the last couple of years, and the result is there to see in the side's third place finish in the 2019 season," said Farhart, an Australian of Lebanese heritage. Farhart worked with the Indian team for four years before deciding to part ways.

"It's an absolute honour for all of us at Delhi Capitals to have Patrick on board with us," said Delhi Capitals CEO Dhiraj Malhotra. "There is no doubt that he is among the best in the business. Patrick not only has an enviable body of work, but he also commands tremendous amount of respect among cricketers. I am absolutely confident that our players will benefit hugely from Patrick's presence," he added.

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Knee injury rules Wood out of Ashes

London: England fast bowler Mark Wood will play no part in the ongoing Ashes series after suffering a left knee injury while helping his country win the World Cup last month. The Durham quick helped tournament hosts England win the World Cup for the first time, taking 18 wickets at an average of 25.72. Wood was not included in England's team for the first Test at Edgbaston currently in progress and was already set to miss the Ashes matches at Lord's and Headingley because of a left side strain he sustained during a World Cup final win over New Zealand. England announced on Friday that Wood had been struggling with a knee problem as well as a longstanding ankle injury.

"England fast bowler Mark Wood has had left knee surgery to address an injury sustained during the ICC Cricket World Cup," said a team statement. "The Durham player will continue rehabilitation for this and the left side strain that he sustained in the World Cup final. "As a result of these injuries, he will be unavailable for any cricket for the remainder of the season."

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Windies A extend lead to 235

Port-of-Spain: India A pacer Sandeep Warrier and spinner Krishnappa Gowtham shared five wickets between them but West Indies A still managed to extend their lead to 235 on the third day of the second unofficial Test here on Friday. West Indies A had started the day at 12 for four in their second innings, but overnight batsmen Sunil Ambris (48 batting) and Jermaine Blackwood (30) ensured that they cross the three-figure mark, as the hosts took lunch at 107 /7.

Shivam Dube broke their stand by dismissing Blackwood and then Gowtham removed Shane Dowrich (5) and Raymon Reifer (0). Giving Ambris company at the break was Rakheem Cornwall (6). On Thursday, India A's first innings folded for 190, a total they owed to Dube (79 off 85) and opener Priyank Panchal (58 off 125). They shared a 124-run stand for the sixth wicket after the batting collapse.

BRIEF SCORES: West Indies A: 318 and 107/7 in 30 overs (S Ambris 48 not out; S Warrier 3/43, K Gowtham 2/2); **India A** 190/10 in 46.5 overs (Dube 79, Panchal 58; Chemar Holder 5/54).

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INDIA'S TOUR OF WI

In Sunshine State, Team India look to put World Cup gloom behind

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LAUDERHILL, AUGUST 2

BACK ON the road following their unfulfilled World Cup campaign, India will begin their preparations for the T20 showpiece event next year with a three-match series against the West Indies beginning here on Saturday. As captain Virat Kohli pointed out before leaving for the Caribbean tour, the main objective of the T20s and the subsequent ODI series against the West Indies is to try out the fringe players who are on selectors' mind.

Kohli was expected to be rested for the limited-overs leg of the tour but a full strength squad has been picked barring the absence of star pacer Jasprit Bumrah who will join the side ahead of the Test series beginning August 22. All-rounder Hardik Pandya has been rested for the entire tour. It will be a crucial couple of weeks for Shreyas Iyer and Manish Pandey, who are back in the mix after being sidelined from India's 50-over World Cup plans.

Pandey last played for India in November 2018 and Iyer in February 2018. With India looking to solidify their brittle middle-order in ODIs, both batsmen have a good opportunity to make their case in the coming six games.

Both Pandey and Iyer, who were part of the recently-concluded A series in the Caribbean, come into the senior team with runs under their belt. Spin all-rounder Washington Sundar and pacers Khaleel Ahmed and Deepak Chahar are also back in the T20 squad while speedster Navdeep Saini and Deepak's brother Rahul are in line to make their India debut.

With Rohit Sharma and a fit-again Shikhar Dhawan set to open, the number four spot seems likely to be occupied by K L Rahul, who has fond memories of the Central Broward Regional Park Stadium, having scored an unbeaten 110 in his last innings here almost three years ago. Rohit was top-scorer in the World Cup, with a record five hundreds, and would be keen to carry that form amid the off-field drama of a speculated rift with Kohli, who has categorically denied any differences with his deputy.

Rohit Sharma is four big hits away from Gayle's record.

From this tour onwards, Rishabh Pant will have more responsibility on his shoulders with the selectors backing him as the number one wicketkeeper in all formats amid little clarity over the future of Mahendra Singh Dhoni.

Russell out

India will be expected to beat the West Indies, though they are most dangerous in the shortest format. The explosive Kieron Pollard and spinner Sunil Narine are back in the side though Chris Gayle will only be seen in the ODIs. The West Indies suffered a blow as swashbuckling all-rounder Andre Russell has been ruled out due to an injury, being replaced by Jason Mohammed for the first two matches. The 32-year-old Mohammed, who has captained West Indies in both limited-overs formats, is returning to the international fold for the first time in more than a year. The regional side will be aiming to get over the disappointment of World Cup with a good result against India.

Coach Floyd Reifer expects the series to be high on entertainment. "The team is young, and we like to mix the experienced players with the youth. We have a good blend. We are looking forward to the matches here in Florida. It should be a very exciting weekend, we lots of entertainment for the fans," Reifer said.

Kohli hasn't had a cheat day in two years, says trainer

BHARAT SHARMA
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 2

HE CAME in when the Indian cricket team was "looking for a fitness culture" and former strength and conditioning coach Shankar Basu says his stint has ended with the satisfaction that none of the players would be able to "leave the regimen even if they wanted to".

The 50-year-old's four-year tenure ended with the World Cup. While Kohli was always a "freak" who has not taken a cheat day in the last two years, the Chennai-based professional is most satisfied about the transformation he has brought in the fitness levels of speedsters Jasprit Bumrah, Bhuvneshwar Kumar and Mohammad Shami.

"When I started it was a challenge to transform the culture, now 90 per cent of the team trains very professionally. There will always be one or two in every team who require the extra push," Basu, whose contract with the Indian team ended on July 30, said.

He also worked extensively with the others including KL Rahul, Hardik Pandya, Ishant, Dinesh Karthik and Ravichandran Ashwin. The list goes on. Ravindra Jadeja, according to him, is a natural athlete who knows his body well and probably the best fielder in the world. Basu decided against continuing with the Indian team due to family reasons and says it time for him to move on to the next phase in his life.

"Looking back, I came at the right juncture (in 2015). The Indian team was looking for changes and that was one of the responsibilities thrust on me, to bring about the culture. To be very honest I was very blessed with a set of boys who were looking for this change.

"When I joined I made a pact with myself that I will tirelessly work to bring in the much needed improvisations and culture to augment the team's needs. I was very fortunate to work with a coaching and support team which allowed me to make independent decisions with regards to training.

"Most of the boys had already worked with me during their under-19 days and it was easy to sell the concepts."

And having a leader like Kohli in the side helped him in being more effective in his job.

"When you see someone like him, it is difficult not to be inspired," said Basu. "His cheat days come once in a blue moon, I have not seen him take one in the last two years. I am telling you that fellow is a freak. There will be months together he would go on and I would force him to take rest."

The Indian teams of the past were not known for their fitness but under Kohli India has become one of the fittest sides around. "It is very simple. You hit one and then you hit two. In a team if the captain sets the example everyone starts following, it is tough otherwise. And you cannot paint everyone with the same brush. They need to buy in, unless they buy in there is no way you can be effective as a coach. When they started seeing the change, they all started embracing it. Now we have come to a stage, even if they want to leave it, they won't be able to. it is ingrained in their system," said Basu. **PTI**

Virat Kohli's cheat days come once in a blue moon, says trainer Basu.

Bridging the age gap

Braving busy school life and 'gambling' taboo, three Indian juniors have made it to the Junior Bridge World Championship. Next challenge, however, is to find partners of their own age

SHAHID JUDGE
MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

IN A cards room at the Matunga Gymkhana in Mumbai, a bastion for seniors, three 'kids' saunter in unblinkingly to play a tournament of bridge. The elders, a mixture of people in their 50s, 60s, 70s, a handful younger and some much older, are shocked and surprised by the new entrants. "Wow," comes the first mono-syllabic reaction, according to Pankaj Tanna, a 63-year-old bridge enthusiast. "Have they finally started playing bridge at schools?" he wonders.

It's a natural reaction from the seniors.

"Our thinking has always been for a sport like this to get younger players, it needs to be introduced at school levels. So when we saw these kids come in, that's the first thing we thought."

Those reactions came some years back, and those 'kids' are now staples in the cards room. Soon they'll be going to Opatija, Croatia for the Junior World Championship. Still, they remain the regular misfits in a sport mostly played by seniors. "You need to have a lot of patience and time to play bridge," Tanna explains. "That's why it's the oldies who play it because they've retired and have the time. Kids have school and then they get jobs, so they're busy.

"The other problem," Tanna adds. "Is that at least in India card games are considered taboo because of the whole gambling element. Bridge is not gambling, but since it is played with cards, it's misunderstood."

That 'taboo' didn't exist for 13-year-old Kunj Chheda though. Hailing from Kutch, playing cards is a favoured family pastime in the Jain community he belongs to. The most popular game played there is called 'No Trump' or 'Notrum,' – akin to the top call in ascending order above club, diamond, heart and spade in contract bridge

"He was probably four or so when he started playing cards with his grandparents playing cards," explains his mother Nita Chheda. "If he saw anyone free at home he'd catch them to play cards, and he couldn't sleep without playing a game or two at night. So that was ideal punishment for me to give him; if he misbehaved, then no card games for him that night."

He hadn't heard of a full-fledged game of contract bridge though until he joined a boarding school in Mumbai four years ago and was introduced to it during a summer camp. "The teacher there called it 'Keeda' or insect," Kunj recalls. "The name itself sounded cool. So I started playing and since it's similar to Notrum it was easy to get into."

The oldest of the three boys, 15-year-old Tilakraj Chowdhury only started playing the game in January, after his father Debraj, who had been playing for four years, introduced him to it. Since then, the teenager has partnered his father for each of the weekend tournaments they enter in the city.

India juniors playing bridge at the Matunga Gymkhana.

"Whenever I make a mistake, my father tells me about it after the match and explains what I should have done," he says. "So I think about it and try and analyse what happened. Often those discussions continue even over the dinner table."

"It's something completely different," says Debraj Chowdhury, Tilakraj's father who introduced the sport to the teenager. "I'm an engineer, so I've worked in the corporate industry all my life. I hate it. I don't want him or my younger son Tirthraj (9) to get into it."

Meanwhile, the youngest of the trio, 10-year-old Anshul Bhatt, who will be competing at the HCL Bridge event in New Delhi – one of the world's richest events with a total prize purse of Rs 18 crore or USD 262,000 – started playing four years back when he couldn't find a chess coach.

"He started playing chess when he was about three or four," explains his father Mehul Bhatt. "But we couldn't find a coach here. But he was always into maths and used to play around with cards and do calculations. So bridge seemed like a good option."

They're now known names among their 'friends who are much older' (as Anshul puts it). But they are still novelties among the seniors, and the subject of much attention and encouragement. "Almost every time I play a tournament, seniors come up to me and tell me I'm doing well, and then they say to please keep playing," Tilakraj says. "They say that it's very easy to get young people to come and play, but very difficult to make them stay. So they hope we don't leave."

Under the watch of seniors

Tanna explains further that the seniors make it their own responsibility to keep the youngsters improving and upbeat. "We've always had the thinking that we need younger people in bridge for it to survive. Bridge players are competitive so we don't go easy on them, but we help them out at every step because we don't want to demoralise them. We need them."

Dealing with adults has been a breeze for the youngsters. It gives them the opportunity to play and learn. "Sometimes when I make a mistake, the seniors, even an opponent, will tell me I've made a mistake and then let me change the cards," Kunj says.

Finding partners for junior championships has been the bigger struggle. For the trick-card taking game that needs a strong memory and sharp mind – requirements that make the sport a favourite for the likes of Bill Gates and Warren Buffett – good team chemistry is essential. But in this age group, younger guns have been harder to find. For Anshul especially, it's finding a partner in the same age group.

"My partner for Croatia is about 15. So next year he'll go into the Under-21 category and I'll be in the Under-16s. So I'll have to find someone new," he says.

Explains Arvind Vaidya, chief organiser of the tournament in Mumbai: "Abroad, there are teams that are sponsored or owned by big corporates or personalities who provide them with everything. It's essentially a full-time job and sometimes players get salaries worth millions. But in India there is no such system like that. So players mostly have to fend for themselves."

The game is much more evolved among the younger generation in the west. The 2017 World Player of the Year Dennis Bilde, for example, is 29 and had started winning top titles in his mid-20s. In India though, the game hasn't quite roused the younger generation, which is why the trio in Mumbai, despite being on the circuit for a few years, are still considered novelties.

Often, partners can get into arguments on the bridge table, but the youngsters keep it jovial. They realise their lack of experience and take the game in their stride. And now, they're wholly consumed by it.

Anshul spends hours poring over a folder filled with match scenarios for him to analyse; Tilakraj has forgone all his previous 'bad' habits of watching excessive television and playing computer games, and instead practices bridge online as often as possible. Kunj meanwhile, is looking forward to his first trip abroad. "When I first heard he's going to Croatia, I told him it's nice that he will get a new place to see," says Nita. "But he was only interested in playing bridge. His thinking is so different."

Reddy-Shetty in semifinals of Thailand Open

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INDIA'S SATWIKSAIRAJ Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty qualified for the men's doubles semifinals but B Sai Praneeth crashed out of the men's singles event at the Thailand Open here on Friday. While Rankireddy and Shetty registered a hard-fought win over qualifiers Choi Solgyu and Seo Seung Jae of Korea, Sai Praneeth suffered a straight game defeat against seventh seed Kenta Tsuneyama of Japan. After posing some challenge in the first game, Sai Praneeth, who reached the semifinals of last week's Japan Open, surrendered 18-21 12-21 in the men's singles quarterfinals.

With Sai Praneeth's exit, Indian challenge has ended in the men's singles event.

However, the unseeded Indian combination of Rankireddy and Shetty fought valiantly for exactly an hour to get past the Korean rivals 21-17 17-21 21-19 in a quarter-final duel.

The win was Rankireddy and Shetty's maiden victory over the Korean pair to enter the semifinal, their first in 2019 on the BWF World Tour circuit. They had earlier won the Brazil International Challenge and reached the semifinals of Denmark Challenge.

The 16th ranked Indians will take on another Korean combo of Ko Sung Hyun and Shin Baek Cheol in the semifinals on Saturday. Rankireddy and Shetty kept a steady lead against their South Korean opponents to take the first game with ease.

The second game, however, saw the South Koreans change their strategy. Choi-Seo started playing lot straighter and flatter as they made a strong comeback to take the second game 21-17 and draw parity.

But the Indians got their act together soon and pocketed the decider with sharp anticipation skills at the net and brilliant steep smashes. Speaking after the match, Rankireddy said, "With every tournament we can see our game is improving. In today's match, we knew if we stay positive and confident till the end we can win and we really played well in the last two points in the end. Also staying calm and positive has really worked in our favour."

However, it was curtains for Rankireddy in the quarterfinals of mixed doubles event as he and Ashwini Ponnappa lost in straight games to bow out of the tournament. Rankireddy and Ponnappa were no match for third seeds Yuta Watanabe and Arisa Higashino of Japan, losing 13-21 15-21 in a lopsided encounter that lasted just 28 minutes.

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2021 Formula One season may have 22 Grand Prix races

REUTERS
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FORMULA ONE could expand to a record 22 races next year, with 24 on the horizon for 2021, under discussions between teams and commercial rights holders Liberty Media.

Teams have to approve the increase and principals told reporters at the Hungarian Grand Prix on Friday that U.S-based Liberty had canvassed them on increasing the calendar from this season's 21.Liberty has a potential 22 already after the Catalan government approved a one-year extension for the Spanish Grand Prix at Barcelona's Circuit de Catalunya. Barcelona was out of contract after this year's race and considered one of those most at risk of dropping off the schedule.

The regional government said in a statement they had authorised the signing of an extension for 2020 with Formula One that would "guarantee the celebration of the 30th consecutive edition of this event at the Barcelona-Catalunya circuit."

Germany, which hosted a thriller at Hockenheim last weekend, looks likely to be dropped. Vietnam is set to make its debut with a race in Hanoi, while the Netherlands returns for the first time since 1985 to make the most of Red Bull driver Max Verstappen's popularity. Mexico is also out of contract after this year's race and facing a loss of government funding, but Formula One is keen to retain one of its best-attended events.

Monza has a new deal agreed but unsigned, although a calendar without Ferrari's home Italian race would be unthinkable to most F1 fans. Beyond that, Liberty is keen to add races in China and the United States.

"In principle we support the direction of going for 22 races next year," McLaren's Andreas Seidl told reporters, while expressing concern for employee welfare in a season that already runs from March to December. Bosses also expressed concern about eroding the sport's exclusivity and the possibility of exhausting 'triple headers' with races on three successive weekends.

Red Bull's Christian Horner said he was open to 22 races."I think in principle, yes, is the answer, but it has to be combined with what other activities are going on," he said, suggesting less testing and an increase in the allocation of power units from three to four per driver for a season. Haas principal Guenther Steiner said, however, that four engines did not make financial sense for a small team like his who buy them from Ferrari.

Ferrari's Mattia Binotto agreed with that assessment.

"We are supportive on a 22nd race if that means some more revenues but we need to certainly be careful on the costs, the extra costs," he said. "If you look as well at 2021 at the moment we are discussing for 24 races but no extra engines, no extra units, so I think it's only a path to 2021."

Formula One's current agreements with teams expire at the end of 2020 and the sport is seeking major changes after that to improve the racing, create a more level playing field and fairer distribution of revenues.

More races also means more hosting fees for Liberty, and potentially a bigger pot for the teams to share.

Hamilton fastest in practice

Formula One champion Lewis Hamilton lapped fastest overall for Mercedes in Hungarian Grand Prix practice on Friday as rain limited meaningful track action in the afternoon. With soggy fans huddled under plastic ponchos and umbrellas, Red Bull's Pierre Gasly and Max Verstappen ended the day one-two on the timesheets in the drizzly second 90 minute session with Hamilton third. The Briton's morning lap of one minute 17.233 seconds was still the day's best, with Gasly producing a 1:17.854 effort on the fastest soft tyres in the afternoon when the track was still suitable for slicks. "This afternoon I only got a few laps on the hard tyre, then we stopped because running in the wet is kind of irrelevant when you know that the race is most likely going to be dry," said Hamilton.

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Lahiri tied 46th after first round

Anirban Lahiri opened the Wyndham Championship with a bogey-free three-under 67 and was placed tied 46th at the end of the opening round in Greensboro. Lahiri landed an eagle from 18 feet on fifth, his 14th hole, besides a birdie on second. He had nine pars on the first nine, which was the first nine for the Indian ace. Korean duo Sungjae Im and Byeong Hun An were tied for first at 8-under with Patrick Rodgers, Rory Sabbatini, Johnson Wagner, and Mackenzie Hughes tied for third at 7-under. Jordan Spieth, Ryan Armour, Kiradech Aphibarnrat, Ted Potter, Jr., Brandt Snedeker, Webb Simpson, Brice Garnett, Seamus Power, and Josh Teater were tied for seventh at 6 under. Brandt Snedeker and Webb Simpson joined Jordan Spieth among the nine players at 6-under 64. .

Indian walk team upgraded to bronze

Seven years after India missed a podium place at the IAAF World Race Walking Cup in Russia, the country was on Friday handed a bronze medal upgrade following disqualification of a member of the second-placed Ukrainian team for dope violation. The Indian team of KT Irfan, Babubhai Panucha and Surinder Singh had finished fourth in the men's 20km team event behind China, Ukraine and Australia in May 2012 at Saransk. But Ukrainian race walker Ruslan Dmytrenko was disqualified after seven years on the basis of his biological passport analysis, and that led to the Indian team's result being upgraded to bronze.

Mohun Bagan beat Md Sporting 2-0

Mohun Bagan dazzled with a brace by Salvo Chamorro as the Mariners kick-started the 129th Durand Cup with a 2-0 win over Mohammedan Sporting in Kolkata on Friday. Just a minute after West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee inaugurated the oldest tournament of Asia amid a heavy downpour, the former Barcelona B and Villarreal B forward clinically headed one home from a free-kick by his compatriot Joseba Beitia. 20 minutes later, Chamorro virtually killed the contest with another brilliant header from a through ball by Ashutosh Mehta, giving their Spanish coach Kibu Vicuna a perfect debut.

Neeraj entered the final of the Magomed Salam Umakhanov Memorial tourney. *File*

Neeraj beats 2016 World champ Mesiano

Reigning India Open gold medallist Neeraj stunned 2016 World Champion Alessia Mesiano to enter the final of the Magomed Salam Umakhanov Memorial International Boxing Tournament in Kaspiysk, Russia on Friday. Neeraj, a bronze medallist at the Strandja Memorial, eked out a narrow 3-2 win over Mesiano in the 57kg category to assure himself at least a silver medal. It was a neck-and-neck fight between the two boxers but a series of clear punches from the Indian in the final round sealed the tie in his favour. Earlier, Commonwealth Games gold medallist Gaurav Solanki and 2019 India Open silver medallist Govind Sahani assured two more medals for India by entering the semi-finals on Thursday. Gaurav, a bronze medallist at this year's India Open, defeated Russia's Maksim Chernyshev 3-2 in a split verdict to enter the last-four round of 56kg category. Gaurav initially played patiently against his Russian opponent before increasing the tempo with a flurry of punches to secure the win.Later, Govind, a silver medallist at the GeeBee Boxing earlier this year, outboxed Tajikistan's Shermukhammad Rustamov in the 49kg category to earn the first RSC win of the tournament.

Sonam wins second gold in a row

India's Sonam Malik dished out a dominating performance and conceded just three points on her way to a second successive gold medal at the World Cadet Championship while Komal assured herself at least a silver in Sofia, Bulgaria.Hailing from a small village Madina in Haryana's Sonepat, Sonam trounced China's Binbin Xiang 7-1 in 65kg final, adding to the gold she won last year Sonam, coached by Ajmer Malik at Gohana, began with a 9-1 win over Tunisia's Khadija Jlassi and followed it up with wins over Lillian Alene Freitas (7-1) and Ekaterina Glukhareva (4-0) en route the final. In the 40kg final, Komal will fight it with American Sterling Blayke.

Archana beats Krittwika in decider

Archana Kamath came from behind to pip Krittwika Sinha Roy in the deciding fifth match, steering Goa Challengers to a narrow 8-7 win over Dabang Delhi in the Ultimate Table Tennis. Archana beat a valiant Krittwika 6-11 11-2 11-8 in the reverse women's singles to clinch the issue for her side. Delhi's Sathiyan Gnanasekaran unexpectedly lost to Spain's Alvaro Robles 1-2 in the reverse men's singles. He and Bernadette Szocs claimed the mixed doubles 2-1 but that was never going to be enough for his team after Amalraj's win over Jon Persson.

Kvitova withdraws from Rogers Cup

Twice Wimbledon champion Petra Kvitova has withdrawn from next week's Rogers Cup in Toronto with a nagging forearm injury, Tennis Canada announced on Friday. The 29-year-old Czech, who won the Rogers Cup in 2012, initially injured her forearm while training in Paris ahead of the French Open and has not competed since her loss in the last 16 at Wimbledon last month. "My forearm injury is continuing to cause some problems so, on the advice of my medical team, I have made the decision not to travel to Canada," Kvitova said in a Tennis Canada news release. "I will really miss being in Toronto this year." The injury has interrupted what has been an impressive season for Kvitova, who triumphed in Sydney, finished runner-up at the Australian Open and then won the title in Stuttgart.

Nagal rises above the challenges

With five Challenger semis and ATP 500 appearance, Indian puts aside transit, financial woes to break into top 200

SHAHID JUDGE
MUMBAI, AUGUST 2

SUMIT NAGAL has a certain familiarity with the clay courts of Germany. For years, the youngster had trained on them, as he worked towards building a career for himself in tennis. The big ATP events there wouldn't welcome him though, as his world ranking was never good enough to allow him a spot in the qualifiers – let alone the main draw.

That barrier was broken last week. The 21-year-old had weaved for himself a string of performances that resulted in five semi-final finishes in seven consecutive Challenger events. Eventually, the Hamburg Open offered him a qualifiers entry. Four sets of tennis later, he made it to the main draw of an ATP 500 for the first time in his career.

A straight-set loss to former world no 7 Richard Gasquet put an end to his German sojourn, but the 20 ranking points Nagal won from the tournament helped him break into the top 200 for the first time in his career.

"It's a great step for me to get into the top 200," says the world no 196. "Now I have to make new targets for myself."

This has been the most fruitful year for Nagal on the world tour, despite the new ATP rules making it difficult for him to enter any tournament at any level earlier in the year. The ATP, along with the International Tennis Federation (ITF) decided to streamline the conveyor belt of tennis players at the start of the 2019 season by removing ranking points from Futures tournaments – events that till then Nagal had used judiciously to give him momentum as he struggled with shoulder injuries.

ATP Challengers provided slots to only players with higher ranking points. Because of that, Nagal had no certainty about where he might be playing next.

"The rules were pretty bad, especially for people ranked 300 and beyond," says Nagal, who started the year ranked 361. "You couldn't get in anywhere and I didn't get to play much for the first three months. It was bad."

With no certainty of tournament entries, drawing up a schedule, or a convenient travel plan became a problem.

His first tournament came in Vietnam, followed by a Challenger in Germany and then one in Chennai. Then he took an over 16000 km trip to Chile in South America, then up to Canada in North America, followed by a trip to Italy, and then back to the United States. Till date, Nagal has travelled over 82000 km this year in 16 tournaments.

The travel plans had no flow, but he was determined to keep at it.

"You had no idea if you'd get into tournaments. I was getting emails around Thursday or Friday saying 'hey, you got into this tournament,' then you have to rush to get there," he explains. "It was tough and was getting very annoying, mentally, and financially. You were never really prepared to play for a particular tournament because you spent most of the time just hoping you can get in. I just wanted to play because I was hungry and motivated to play. That's why it didn't stop me from going all those distances."

The struggles in transit forced him to work harder when he finally got on court – even if it meant playing against bigger and better opponents. In June, he beat former world no 17 Alber Ramos-Vinolas in Lyon, and then got the better of former world no 24 Martin Klizan on his home turf in Slovakia – the biggest wins of his career.

"I really enjoyed playing these top players and beating them just gave me a lot of confidence and belief that I can get there," he says. "It helps to get wins like this, especially when you're very young because you can start believing in yourself soon."

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Training routines, even pre-match rituals have changed over the years for Nagal. In 2017, he opted not to undergo shoulder surgery and instead embark on the longer five-month recovery process. He had to skip two months last year as well. Naturally, the shoulder has become the most focused part off-court.

"I've started doing a lot of rehabilitation work with Milos Galecic, who has worked with Somdev (Devvarman) before. There's just been a lot more focus on the shoulder and doing those exercises daily," he says.

The travel times have been going down, just as his rank has been going up. The grind of emails, flights, travel, matches, and then doing it all over again has taken its toll. But Nagal refuses to complain. It's just made him appreciate each match much more, and made every win even sweeter.

"I'm happy that in the process I got a lot out of it. Not just through ranking points and money, but I got mature, smart and learnt a lot of things about my game," he says. "Yes it has been tough. But when I look back, this has been the best year of my career. So I really can't complain."

K-League blasts Juve over Ron's no-show

AFP/REUTERS
SEOUL, AUGUST 2

South Korea's K-League has accused Juventus of "deception" after superstar Cristiano Ronaldo sat out last week's friendly in Seoul, enraging thousands of fans.

The Korean league said it felt "disappointed and cheated" and demanded an apology from the Italian football champions after the Portuguese forward spent Friday's game on the bench.

A sell-out crowd of 65,000 made its displeasure known during the game against a K-League all-stars team, which was delayed for an hour after Juventus arrived late from the airport. After a flight delay, Juventus requested a police escort and also asked for the game to be cut to two 40-minute halves -- a proposal that the K-League branded "ridiculous and insulting". "K-League cannot help but feel disappointed and cheated by Juventus for its shamelessness," a K-League statement said. More than 2,000 fans plan to sue the sports agency that organised the game, one of a series of pre-season appearances by European teams keen to promote themselves in Asia. The K-League was unhappy with Juventus's response to an initial complaint, saying it did not contain an apology or explanation. The football body accused Juventus of a breach of contract by not playing Ronaldo, rejecting its explanation that he was rested on medical advice.

"Ronaldo did not play even for a minute, contrary to the contract guaranteed that he will play for at least 45 minutes," the K-League said. "If Ronaldo was unable to play, it would be a blatant deception to include Ronaldo as a substitute on the start list," it added. The K-League also criticised the club's travel arrangements, and questioned its assertion that it took nearly two hours to get through the airport.

"K-League clearly register our profound indignation and disappointment to Juventus's irresponsible behaviour and manners, and we strongly urge Juventus to offer a sincere apology and explain the reason for Ronaldo's no-show," the statement said. Fans have lashed out at Ronaldo, urging a boycott of products promoted by the five-time Ballon d'Or winner, while "doing a 'Naldo" has become a popular term for avoiding work in the office.

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The controversy was even dragged into the political arena when opposition lawmaker Na Kyung-won reportedly said: "There is one thing in common between (North Korean leader) Kim Jong Un and Ronaldo. They both perceive South Korea as a pushover."

'Ronaldo above all'

Cristiano Ronaldo may not be the most popular footballer in South Korea at the moment but he has an ardent fan in India cricket captain Virat Kohli, who changes his club allegiance every time the Portuguese forward is transferred.

"For me, Cristiano is above everyone else. His commitment and work ethic is unmatched. He wants it that bad - you can see it every game. I support every club at which he plays. He inspires me," Kohli, who is currently in Florida for a T20 series against the West Indies, told 'FIFA.com'.

Joining the never-ending Messi vs Ronaldo debate, Kohli said for him, the Portuguese captain has had a better career than the Barcelona talisman.

"In my opinion Ronaldo has taken on more challenges and succeeded at all of them. He's the most complete player I have seen and his work ethic is unmatched. He inspires people. I don't think many people do that. He's also a leader and I love that. Absolutely love it. He has amazing belief too," he reasoned.

United to offer $97m for Leicester defender Maguire

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MANCHESTER UNITED is set to break the world transfer record for a defender after agreeing to pay $97 million to sign Harry Maguire from Leicester, a person with knowledge of the deal said Friday.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the transfer for the 26-year-old Maguire is yet to be finalized. United has been pursuing the center back for more than a year since his standout performances at the 2018 World Cup for England and finally agreed to Leicester's asking price with just a week remaining in this summer transfer window ahead of the Premier League season opening.

The fee eclipses the deals for Matthijs de Ligt to leave Ajax for Juventus last month for 75 million euros (then $85 million), and for Virgil van Dijk to join Liverpool from Southampton for up to 75 million pounds in January 2018.

Leicester's hand in the negotiations with United was strengthened by Maguire signing a new five-year contract last September. Leicester will be receiving 80 million pounds two years after paying around a fifth of that fee to sign Maguire from Hull. As it stands Maguire will be the seventh central defender at United going into the season, alongside Eric Bailly, Phil Jones, Victor Lindelof, Marcos Rojo, Chris Smalling, and Axel Tuanzebe. United opens its campaign against Chelsea on Sunday, Aug. 11. Ole Gunnar Solskjaer's side is trying to return to the Champions League after finishing sixth in the Premier League last season.

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Real woes following worst pre-season since 1980

Public spat between a star player and superstar manager, dysfunctional team and embarrassing defeats: Real Madrid's pre-season has been rocky, with little relief in sight

MIDFIELD MUDDLE

It's just pre-season, but Real are showing same frailities as last season, which was one of their worse in recent memory. Zidane's squad is plagued with multiple problems but none look as grim and fragile as their defensive midfield. Luka Modric and Toni Kroos can usually be very reliable but both have been overrun and overwhelmed in most matches, much like the entire last season. Such has been their emergency that Brazilian midfielder Casemiro came back from his holidays - after Copa America - earlier than planned to shoulder the burden.

PURSUING POGBA

Zidane has been fervently chasing Manchester United's Paul Pogba and you can understand why. The Frenchman played 47 games last season, scored 16 goals and provided 11 assists. Modric was a part of 46 games, scored 4 and had 8 assists. Casemiro scored 4 goals in 43 matches and no assists while Kroos had 1 goal and 6 assists in as many matches. Combined, the three Madrid players scored 9 goals, 7 less than Pogba and managed 14 assists, 2 less than the World Cup winner.

THE BALE PROBLEM

It looks like the Pogba move will happen if Gareth Bale is indeed forced out of Madrid, as Zidane has publicly wished. After leaving out the Welshman of Real's first pre-season game on July 21, Zidane told reporters: "We hope he leaves soon. It would be best for everyone." That set the cat among the pigeons, with Bale's agent calling Zidane 'a disgrace'. While it is evident that Bale does not fit into Zidane's plans, Real are finding it tough to attract suitors because of his £600,000-a-week wage at Real Madrid. With no European club willing to match that, he was linked to a move to China. However, China's transfer deadline has passed so that is now out of question. The saga rolls on...

The Bale saga has severely impacted Real's preparations.

RESULTS

- vs Bayern Munich: lost 3-1
- vs Arsenal: drew 2-2 (won 3-2 on penalties)
- vs Atletico Madrid: lost 7-3
- vs Tottenham Hotspur: lost 1-0
- vs Fenerbahce: won 5-3

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This is Real Madrid's worst pre-season since 1980, when they conceded 17 goals and included a 9-1 hammering at the hands of Bayern

> **I'm not concerned, but I'm hurt. You don't play to lose. But... I'm convinced I've got a team here that is going to compete at the top level.**
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> **ZINEDINE ZIDANE**

Pep slams Klopp over 'fantasy land' jibe

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MANCHESTER CITY manager Pep Guardiola has hit back at Liverpool boss Jurgen Klopp's claim the Premier League champions operate on a transfer "fantasy island".

Klopp named City, along with Real Madrid, Barcelona and Paris Saint-Germain, as teams who can carry on spending millions seemingly regardless of UEFA's Financial Fair Play restrictions.

"It looks like there are four clubs in the world who can do it constantly. Madrid, Barcelona, City and PSG. Whatever they need, they do," Klopp had said.

City and Liverpool meet on Sunday in the Community Shield, the curtain raiser for the English top-flight season.

And Guardiola lit the fuse on the early clash between the two teams who are likely to slug it out for the Premier League title when he insisted Klopp was wrong to float the idea City only succeed because they out-spend everyone.

"It bothers me," Guardiola told reporters on Friday. "Of course it bothers me because it's not true that we spend Pound 200 million in every transfer market."

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