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JAMMU & KASHMIR LOSES SPECIAL STATUS, STATE TO BE UNION TERRITORY

History, in one stroke

Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets Union Home Minister Amit Shah after Rajya Sabha clears the Bill to bifurcate J&K and does away with the statutory provision granting special status. *Rajya Sabha TV*

J&K UNION TERRITORY TO HAVE LEGISLATURE, LADAKH TO BE SEPARATE UT MINUS ASSEMBLY

J&K will truly be integral part of India... I want to tell Valley nothing negative will happen: Shah

Two-thirds of those present in Rajya Sabha pass Bill to bury Article 370 and redraw map of J&K

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

IN A momentous decision to confine Article 370 of the Constitution to the dustbin of history and rewrite the political landscape of the country, the BJP-led NDA government Monday revoked the special status granted to Jammu and Kashmir and secured Rajya Sabha's approval for a Bill to bifurcate the state into two Union Territories — Jammu and Kashmir with a legislature similar to Puducherry, and Ladakh without one like Chandigarh.

The Bill was passed with a two-thirds majority of the members present in Rajya Sabha. In Lok Sabha, the statutory resolution scrapping the special status was passed by a voice vote in the evening. The bifurcation Bill will be taken up in Lok Sabha Tuesday. With special provisions gone, Indian laws will now apply to the newly created Union Territories.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah, who tabled the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, 2019 and the statutory resolution in Rajya Sabha around 11 am after the Union Cabinet met at Prime Minister Narendra Modi's residence at 9.30 am to give the go-ahead, said: "Article 370 was a temporary provision... how long can a temporary provision be allowed to continue... After abrogation of Article 370, Jammu and Kashmir will truly become an integral part of India."

Saying Article 370 was at the root of terrorism, Shah told the House that full state status will be restored to Jammu and Kashmir at an appropriate time when normalcy returns.

In a bid to assuage fears of violence, Shah told the House: "*Kuchh nahin hoga* (nothing will happen)" and the region will not be allowed to turn into another Kosovo. "It was heaven on earth and will remain so... Give us five years, and we will make Jammu and Kashmir the most developed state in the country... I want to tell the youth of Kashmir Valley that have faith in Narendra Modi government. Nothing negative will happen. All these (Opposition) people are telling you lies for their own politics. Don't listen to them," he said.

The decision of the government to do away with the special status to J&K and bifurcate the state into two UTs took the nation by surprise, and came after the state was placed under a lockdown with security forces imposing prohibitory orders, and communication lines being downed.

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PDP MPs Nazir Ahmad Laway and Mir Mohammad Fayaz protest outside Parliament on Monday. *Anil Sharma*

Betrayal, say NC and PDP; powder keg lit, warns Opp, will have disastrous fallout

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

FROM BETRAYAL to lighting the powder keg and from reducing states to vassals and colonies to catastrophic consequences for the subcontinent. These were among the repercussions that Opposition parties red-flagged Monday after the Centre moved to scrap Article 370 and bifurcate Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories.

Targeting the BJP-led central government in both Houses of Parliament and outside, a stunned Opposition led by the Congress said the Centre had committed a "cardinal blunder" and a "fatal legal error".

Former J&K chief minister Omar Abdullah, who was placed under arrest according to PTI, called the two decisions "unilateral and shocking" and said the state was prepared for the long and tough battle ahead and that the government's proposal would be challenged.

Echoing him, another former CM, Mehbooba Mufti, also arrested Monday, termed the move illegal and unconstitutional and said "India has failed Kashmir in keeping its promises" and that the move will "have catastrophic consequences for the subcontinent".

But in Delhi, the Opposition stood badly divided with the AIADMK, BJD, AAP, BSP and YSRCP backing the government, as the Congress was hit by more desertions when party chief whip Bhubaneshwar Kalita resigned from Rajya Sabha. Another Congress Rajya Sabha MP,

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Using Art 370 to scrap Art 370? The legal debate ahead

APURVA VISHWANATH
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

WHILE POLITICAL disagreement on the Centre's decision to strip the preferential status of Jammu and Kashmir and bifurcate the state has taken centrestage, experts have raised questions on the legality of the move.

The government sought to dilute the special status to Jammu and Kashmir guaranteed under Article 370 of the Constitution without scrapping the provision. It did so without bringing a Constitutional amendment that would require two-thirds majority in the Parliament.

By changing the interpretation of certain terms that find mention in Article 370, Monday's Presidential order, through Article 367, alters the interpretation of the special provision. However, the President draws the power to issue such a notification from Article 370 itself. Article 370 sub clause 1(d) empowers the President to extend provisions of the Indian Constitution to Jammu and Kashmir.

"Using Article 370 to virtually scrap Article 370 is a bit like using the Constitution to wipe itself out. The provision cannot be

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From right: Narendra Modi, Murli Manohar Joshi, Satpal Jain during the 'Ekta Yatra' in 1992. *Express Archive*

Stripping J&K of its special status: Ideological project began with SP Mookerjee

RAVISH TIWARI
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

FOR THE BJP, Article 370, Uniform Civil Code and Ram Temple have been the three planks at the core of its cultural nationalist idea of India. It fulfilled one of them Monday by watering down Article 370 to remove special privileges for Jammu and Kashmir.

"*Ek desh mein do Vidhan, do Pradhan aur do Nishan nahi chalenge*," was the slogan with which Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, founder of Bharatiya Jan Sangh (BJS), precursor of the BJP, marched to Jammu & Kashmir where he died in jail in 1953. The issue was, subsequently, a rallying cry for the BJS and, subsequently, for BJP: "*Jahan hue balidaan Mookerjee woh Kashmir hamara hai, Jo Kashmir hamara hai woh saare ka saara hai*".

The issue, however,

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All laws will now apply: from property purchase to entire Indian Penal Code

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

AS JAMMU & Kashmir loses its special status with Monday's Presidential order, the region will witness a tectonic shift in laws governing the state. From property-related laws, criminal laws to crucial central laws like Right to Information & Education — these will be among the many that will be applicable to the proposed Union Territories (UTs), Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh.

Permanent citizens of Jammu and Kashmir recognised as state subjects will cease to have special privileges. The key provision of Article 35A, that bars anyone except permanent residents of the state from buying land, holding government jobs in the state would be hit as it could be held to be discriminatory against other Indian citizens. The Supreme Court is already seized with a batch of petitions that challenged Article 35A on the grounds that it discriminated against women of Kashmiri origin who have

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Valley locked down; Omar, Mehbooba, Lone locked up

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

WITH MOBILE communication and Internet services suspended and public movement restricted, all of the Kashmir Valley was in a state of lockdown from midnight Sunday, well before the Cabinet met in New Delhi Monday morning and Union Home Minister Amit Shah announced the decision to do away with Article 370 in Rajya Sabha.

PTI, quoting officials, reported that former chief ministers Mehbooba Mufti and Omar Abdullah have been arrested along with People's Conference leader Sajad Lone. The only voices of dissent from the Valley came from two PDP MPs in Rajya Sabha Mir Fayaz and Nazir Ahmed Laway.

The PDP MPs trooped into the Well along with Opposition parties shouting slogans against the Modi government's move to scrap Article 370 and bring a Bill to bifurcate the state into two Union Territories.

A police officer briefs his men in Srinagar, Monday. *AP*

The PDP members also took a copy of the Constitution from the table officers and started to tear its pages, when they were marshalled out of the House.

While the Opposition criticised the BJP's decision, the Valley did not witness violence, the government said, largely since more than 300 companies (30,000 personnel) of paramilitary forces have been pushed into the region over the last two weeks. Union I&B Minister Prakash Javadekar said in the

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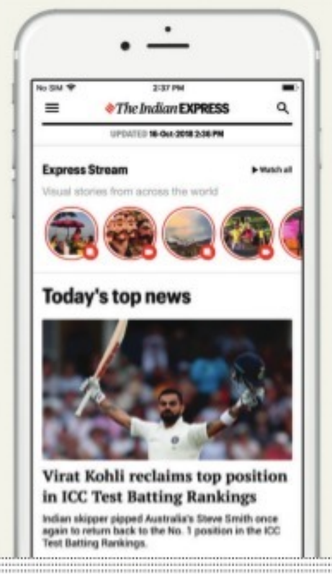

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BSP, AAP, BJD SPRING SURPRISE BY BACKING GOVT ON ART 370, JD(U) WALKS OUT

In an embarrassment for the BJP, BJP's Bihar ally JD(U), which had also opposed the Triple Talaq Bill, staged a walkout as soon as Home Minister Amit Shah moved the J&K reorganisation bill.

VIDEO OF THE DAY

GOVT SCRAPS ART 370, BIFURCATES J&K

Amit Shah says govt has scrapped the special status granted to J&K

FULL COVERAGE

ART 370 'SCRAPPED'; TROOPS DEPLOYED

Arvind Kejriwal says AAP supports Centre's decisions on J&K

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Was the move to scrap J&K's special status unconstitutional?

Dissecting the circumstances under which Article 370 was introduced in the Indian Constitution, whether the move to scrap special provisions is unconstitutional and what the fallout may be.

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Betrayal, says NC

Abhishek Manu Singhvi, also national spokesperson, said that in "personal capacity" it was hard to oppose the Centre's move while expressing concern over the security situation in Kashmir.

"Government of India (GOI)'s unilateral and shocking decisions today are a total betrayal of the trust that the people of Jammu & Kashmir had reposed in India when the state acceded to it in 1947. The decisions will have far-reaching and dangerous consequences. This is an aggression against people of the State as had been warned by an all-parties meeting in Srinagar yesterday," said Abdullah.

Soon after, PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti said the government's unilateral decision is illegal and unconstitutional. "Today marks the darkest day in Indian democracy. The decision of J&K leadership to reject the two-nation theory in 1947 and align with India has backfired...It will have catastrophic consequences for the subcontinent. GOI's intentions are clear. They want the territory of J&K by terrorising its people. India has failed Kashmir in keeping its promises," she said on Twitter.

A little after 12.30 pm, soon after the Bill to bifurcate J&K and the statutory resolution revoking Article 370 was introduced in Rajya Sabha by Home Minister Amit Shah, top Opposition leaders addressed a press conference outside Parliament. The Congress was supported by TMC, CPM, CPI, DMK, RJD and Samajwadi Party.

Leader of the Opposition in Rajya Sabha Ghulam Nabi Azad said the BJP government, drunk with power and with an eye on votes, had in one stroke abolished Article 370 and Article 35 A. He called it a "black law" and argued that the BJP government has gone to the extent of ending the existence of J&K.

"I never thought that one day will come when my state which is India's head...that head will be chopped off...It is not merely a head or a crown...It borders with Pakistan, China and PoK. We had to fight a war with China and three-four wars with Pakistan. While our Army protected our borders, the people of Jammu and Kashmir...J&K's mainstream political parties stood with the Army and fought Pakistan and China," said Azad.

"Our sources there, I have been a Chief Minister...in such border states...that too a state which shares a border with two countries...till the time the people are not with you...till the time the people don't give you information, tell you about hideouts...you may keep fighting for 1,000 years...you will not reach anywhere," he said.

Former Home Minister P Chidambaram said the revocation of Article 370 was the "worst day" in the country's Constitutional history. "We anticipated they will embark upon a misadventure. But even in our wildest dreams, we did not think they will take such a catastrophic step. What have they done? They have not simply got rid of Article 370. They have dismembered the state of Jammu and Kashmir," he told reporters.

"If this can be done to J&K, let me caution you, it can be done to every other state in India. All they have to do is dismiss the elected government, impose President's Rule, dissolve the elected Assembly, Parliament takes the power of the state Assembly, the Government moves a resolution, the Parliament approves it and the state can be dismembered," he said.

He accused the government of reducing states to "vassal" and "colonies". "An overwhelming majority in J&K do not want secession; do not want to leave the Union of India...I believe that they want more autonomy...What are you doing by repealing Article 370? I fear...that you are pushing thousands and thousands of young men from this column to join the other column of a few hundreds," he said.

MDMK leader Vaiko underscored in the RS that the Bill should be rejected lock stock and barrel, saying he feared that the scrapping of Article 370 would lead to Kashmir becoming like "Kosovo, South Sudan and East Timor".

"Now J&K has been made a powder keg. I am really worried about the future. Today, on this particular Bill, I shed my tears of blood. I am not going to live for more than ten or fifteen years. But even after my demise, my grandchildren will not forget this day. This Bill should be thrown out. This Bill should be rejected lock, stock and barrel. But the main culprit is the Congress Party. I am opposing this Bill," he said.

"...there are lakhs and lakhs of Muslim youths of Kashmir. Will you throw them out? Will you throw them out? No. No. Fire is burning. Fire is burning in the hearts and minds of the Kashmiri people. For powder keg, one spark is enough. That spark is the Bill. I oppose the Bill. This is a day of shame, murder of democracy. Today, democracy has been murdered," said Vaiko.

The legal debate

used to dilute the provision," said Alok Prasanna Kumar, senior Resident Fellow and Team Lead, Vidhi Karnataka.

The Presidential order adds a sub clause to Article 376, replacing the terms "Constituent assembly of Jammu and Kashmir" to mean "legislative Assembly of Jammu and Kashmir" and "government of Jammu and Kashmir" to mean "governor of Jammu and Kashmir acting on the aid and advice of the council of ministers".

The Presidential order also requires the concurrence of the government of the state. However, since Jammu and Kashmir is currently under Governor's rule, Governor Satya Pal Malik's concurrence is deemed to be the government's concurrence.

Advocate Aman Hingorani, an expert in Kashmir constitutionalism, said that since the Governor is appointed by the President, this concurrence could be held invalid.

"In my understanding, Parliament cannot replace the state legislature with the Governor or the Constituent assembly with the state legislature. In a roundabout way, this is the Centre seeking its own concurrence," Hingorani said.

The change in interpretation is significant because Article 370(3), the provision that talks about abrogation of Jammu and Kashmir's special status, says that the President would require the recommendation of the constituent assembly of Jammu and Kashmir to make such a change.

"Even if the words can be replaced, it breaches the spirit of the provision. The Constituent assembly's recommendation is essentially to include the key stakeholder's voice while making substantial changes to Article 370. The Centre cannot do so unilaterally," said senior advocate Raju Ramachandran.

However, former Additional Solicitor General Mohan Parasaran and Harish Salve defended the government's move. "The President exercising the power under Article 370 itself to remove special privileges to Jammu and Kashmir and clarify the terms of abrogation in fact strengthens the provision," Parasaran said. "The special privileges are not permanent and were always meant to be temporary. Privileges do not confer rights," he added.

Salve argued that Article 370 was always deemed a temporary provision and the President did not need the consent of the Jammu and Kashmir constituent assembly to change the provision. "The Constituent Assembly is gone. So how can you consult them?" he said.

All laws to apply

married outside the state and refugees of West Pakistan who are not recognised as permanent residents.

The move also allows other citizens of India to settle in the two proposed UTs — in exercise of the fundamental right to move freely throughout the India and to reside and settle in any part of India guaranteed under Article 19.

All laws passed by Parliament will be extended to the proposed UTs without exception. Earlier, every legislation, except on defence, external affairs and communications began with an exception clause stating that the law will apply to the whole of India except Jammu and Kashmir. The state that is now governed through its own constitution is set to lose legal status; the state flag would also lack recognition. The red flag with a plough and three stripes — representing the regions of Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh — was hoisted along with the tricolour.

One of the most important amendments proposed will be related to The Transfer of Property Act. The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, 2019, passed in the Rajya Sabha, proposes to omit Sections 139 and 140 of the Act which would allow the transfer of immovable property in favour of non-permanent residents of the state.

Similarly, the Bill proposes to amend the Jammu and Kashmir Land Grants Act — allowing promoters to be non-residents who can get the land on lease. The Wakf Act, that deals with regulation of movable or immovable properties for religious and charitable purposes as recognized by Muslim law, is also proposed to be applicable to the region.

The other significant change will be regarding criminal law. The Bill proposes to apply at least half a dozen laws related to the criminal justice system. The Indian Penal Code, the Criminal Procedure Code and the Indian Evidence Act — the most important statutes governing criminal trials will now apply. The other important criminal laws applicable to the region would be: National Security Act, Prevention of Corruption Act, Scheduled Caste and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, The Protection of Children From Sexual Offences Act and The Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act.

Three pieces of legislation related to protection of women and children that were not enacted by the Jammu & Kashmir Assembly and are now proposed under the bill are: The Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961; The Prohibition of Child Marriage Act and Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986. The Bill also proposes that Whistle Blowers Protection Act, 2014 applicable to the region.

Two important, rights-based central legislation The Right to Information Act, 2005 and the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 are also proposed to be applicable. Among personal laws, the Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Divorce) Act, 1986 and the Special Marriage Act enacted by Parliament and currently not applicable to the region are also proposed to be applicable. Other personal laws enacted by the Centre, The Hindu Succession Act, 1956; and The Muslim Personal Law (Shariet) Application Act, 1937; are proposed to be applicable to the region.

The High Court of Jammu and Kashmir shall continue to be the common constitutional court for both the proposed UTs. The Bill also states that the power to make to laws relating to All India Services and Anti-Corruption Bureau will lie solely with the Lieutenant Governor. These two issues along were major points of disagreement between the Delhi government and the Centre. The issue was finally decided by the Supreme Court in February 2019 in a landmark verdict where the court upheld the powers of the Centre on anti-corruption bureau while on services, the court delivered a split verdict and referred the issue to a larger bench.

Under Section 73 of the Bill, the President can suspend any or all provisions of the law if a situation arises where it is necessary or expedient to do so in the light of failure of constitutional machinery. This move can be made by the President, acting on a report from the Lieutenant Governor or otherwise.

Unlike a state which is governed by its elected government, a UT is an administrative unit governed directly by the Central government. In UTs that have a legislature, the L-G governs in consultation with the elected government. If the Bill becomes law, J&K and Ladakh will be added to the First Schedule of the Constitution along with seven existing UTs.

The Presidential Order, 2019 also extended the application of Article 376 of the Constitution, a provision that deals with interpretation of the Constitution to Jammu and Kashmir.

The notification clarified that the legislature of Jammu and Kashmir shall be deemed to be the erstwhile constituent assembly of Jammu and Kashmir, the government of Jammu and Kashmir to mean the Governor of the state acting on the aid and advice of the Council of Ministers.

These changes, in effect pave the way to potentially abrogate Article 370 since the provision can only be declared inoperable with the consent of the constituent assembly of Jammu and Kashmir.

Incidentally, the Presidential Order, 2019 notified in the official gazette is issued, exercising the President's powers under Article 370 sub section 1(d) that empowers him to extend Indian laws to Jammu and Kashmir.

Valley lockdown

House that he had learnt that there were no protests in the Valley.

On Monday, the Home Ministry dispatched another eight companies of central armed police forces (CAPFs) to Kashmir to maintain law and order and CRPF DG R R Bhatnagar is expected to stay in Kashmir for the next few days as forces brace for prolonged unrest.

This takes the total number of personnel engaged in law and order duties in Kashmir to close to 1 lakh, as 60 battalions of the CRPF are stationed in the Valley around the year.

The Home Ministry also issued an advisory to all states and Union Territories to keep security forces on "maximum alert" to "pre-empt" any attempt to disrupt "peace and public harmony", and to take "special care" to "ensure safety and security of residents of Jammu and Kashmir, specially students", living in other parts of the country.

"As you would be aware, the Union Cabinet has taken some important decisions today concerning Jammu and Kashmir, in the overall national interest and to strengthen national security. It is essential that this occasion is not allowed to be misused by inimical and anti-social elements to cause breach of security, peace and public harmony in any part of the country," said the advisory, issued by the MHA's Internal Security Division.

"It is further requested that all requisite measures may be taken to ensure that peace and communal amity is maintained in all parts of the country and special attention may be paid to communally sensitive and fragile areas," it said.

According to inputs received by the Home Ministry, the Valley is likely to see a spike in stone-pelting incidents in the coming days and more local youth are expected to join militant ranks. The input also mentioned that as many as 76 local youth have already picked up the gun this year. The inputs, sources said, also mentioned that Pakistan is likely to exploit the situation and push more terrorists into the Valley. It said 34 infiltrations have already happened this year and is likely to increase in the wake of the move to scrap Article 370.

"There will be a massive law and order fall out of this decision and we are prepared for the long haul. There may not be much violence in the next few days as too much security has been put in place. But in a week's time, we are expecting both stones and bullets as forces behind them get their act together and organise protests," said a Home Ministry official.

The All Indian Council for Technical Education (AICTE) also wrote to all institutes covered under the Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS) Monday advising them to take "special care" of all students from Jammu and Kashmir studying with them.

Another letter was written to all J&K students admitted through PMSSS asking them to approach the institute administration in case they need any help. PMSSS is a merit-based programme that offers admission to J&K students in colleges, institutes and universities across the country and pays for their tuition and board.

Key project

remained a mere war cry for the Jan Sangh given the party's strength at the national level.

Even when it got substantial heft in national politics — during Janata Party government after the Emergency — the issue had to be kept aside for the sake of anti-Congress unity. But the expulsion of Sangh members from the Janata Party that led to formation of BJP in 1980 forced the BJP to bring this issue to the frontburner.

Trying to find its feet in the changed political situation, the newly formed BJP latched on what it called the "pseudo-secularism" of the incumbent Congress which gave in to the Muslim clergy on the issue of Muslim personal laws after the Shah Bano case in 1986. It revived BJP's memory of Uniform Civil Code (UCC) which had featured first in the BJS manifesto during 1967 Lok Sabha elections.

Dubbing it "appeasement politics" by the Congress, the BJP took a decisive turn towards Hindutva when it announced its commitment to a Ram Temple at the national convention at Palampur (Himachal Pradesh) in 1989. It was merged with BJP's nationalistic agenda when the then BJP president Murli Manohar Joshi went on an Ekta Yatra, coordinated by younger Narendra Modi, that culminated in the hoisting of the Tricolour at Lal Chowk in Srinagar on January 26, 1992.

The then president of BJP's youth wing, Anurag Thakur, too, took out Tiranga Yatra from Kolkata to Kashmir in 2011 despite clampdown from Omar Abdullah government in the state to re-affirm party's commitment against Article 370.

Clearly, of the three, Article 370 is the oldest commitment by the BJP (BJS). In an attempt to create an alternative to the Congress and the socialist politics of the time, Mookerjee had sought to create a new lexicon of cultural nationalist politics. That's why he had gone to Jammu and Kashmir to register his protest against Article 370 and back the agitation launched by Jammu Praja Parishad.

Over the years, Article 370 became the stick for the BJP to run down Jawaharlal Nehru, alleging that his Western Constitutional idea of India sat at odds with that of the RSS which was banned by the Nehru government after the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi.

For the BJP, Article 370 has been a lightning rod. But political compulsions forced it to keep it on the backburner when it had to run coalition governments during 1998-2004. The RSS, on its part, tried to push the Ram Temple during that period but could not make much headway beyond hobbling the Vajpayee government.

A full majority government in 2014 offered hope to the BJP cadres. However, the party's numerical challenge in Rajya Sabha — the party had less than 50 members in 245-strong Rajya Sabha in 2014 — restrained it from pushing its agenda on Article 370. In fact, it experimented with a coalition government in J&K before it fell midway during its term in June last year.

The enhanced LS majority in 2019 buoyed cadres' expectations and offered more elbow-room to the BJP. Though the Common Civil Code remains a contentious issue, the BJP used the re-jigged numerical strength in both Houses to push through its Triple Talaq legislation. The failure of mediation attempts at the behest of SC has got the Ayodhya case back to centrestage — a verdict on the title suits is expected later this year.

J&K now truly integral part of India: Shah

Rajya Sabha saw uproarious scenes in the morning with the Opposition protesting the announcement by Shah but many in the Opposition ranks backed the government decision.

By evening, the Bill had cleared Rajya Sabha — 125 votes in favour, 61 opposed and one abstention. Opposition BSP, BJD, AIADMK and YSR-Congress voted in favour of the Bill. NDA partner JD(U) staged a walkout as did the TMC which, earlier in the day, opposed abrogation of Article 370. The TMC walked out before Shah began his reply to the debate.

Two PDP members were evicted after one of them tore a copy of the Constitution, and the other his shirt.

While the resolution was passed by voice vote, the Opposition BSP, BJD, AIADMK, TDP, AAP and YSRCP voted in favour of the Bill and the NCP said it abstained.

At 6.51 pm, as the Bill was passed, Prime Minister Modi turned towards Shah and patted him on the back. He then moved towards the Opposition benches, and shook hands with BSP's Satish Chandra Mishra, DMK's Tiruchi Siva, and walked up to Congress's Anand Sharma.

The first statutory resolution to knock down J&K's special privileges stated: "That this House recommends the following public notification to be issued by the President of India under Article 370 (3): 'In exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (3) of Article 370 read with clause (1) of Article 370 of the Constitution of India, the President, on the recommendation of the Parliament, is pleased to declare that, as from 5th of August, 2019, all clauses of the said Article 370 shall cease to be operative except clause (1).'"

Article 370 will survive on paper but will now read "All provisions of this Constitution, as amended from time to time, without any modifications or exceptions, shall apply to the State of Jammu and Kashmir notwithstanding anything contrary contained in Article 152 or Article 308 or any other article of this Constitution or any other provision of the Constitution of Jammu and Kashmir or any law, document, judgement, ordinance, order, bye-law, rule, regulation, notification, custom or usage having the force of law in the territory of India, or any other instrument, treaty or agreement as envisaged under Article 363 or otherwise'."

The second resolution regarding the Bill said the President has referred the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, 2019 to the House "under the proviso to Article 3 of the Constitution of India for its views as this House is vested with the powers of the State Legislature of Jammu and Kashmir, as per proclamation of the President of India dated 19th December, 2018."

Shah tabled the Bill and the statutory resolutions after President Ram Nath Kovind signed the official notification, The Constitution (Application to Jammu and Kashmir) Order 2019, superseding the Constitution (Application to Jammu and Kashmir) Order 1954 under which the Constitution was applied only selectively to the state.

"All the provisions of the Constitution, as amended from time to time, shall apply in relation to the state of Jammu and Kashmir..." the notification said. The government has added in Article 367 of the Constitution a clause 4 which makes four changes. The order said references to Sadar-i-Riyasat of Jammu and Kashmir shall be construed as references to the Governor of J&K. Similarly, references to the Government of J&K shall be construed as references to the Governor of J&K acting on the advice of the Council of Ministers.

With Opposition members arguing that the Bill to bifurcate J&K was not even circulated, Shah had to introduce the Bill and statutory resolutions again. Shah also introduced the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Second Amendment) Bill, 2019 providing for 10 per cent reservation for SC, ST and OBCs in J&K.

Leader of Opposition Ghulam Nabi Azad said lakhs of civilians and scores of security personnel had made supreme sacrifices to keep J&K with India. He condemned the tearing of the Constitution, but said the BJP has "murdered the same Constitution and democracy...The Article 370 through which we had given Jammu and Kashmir to India... today the Modi government has torn it to pieces."

Hitting back, Shah said the Bill he has tabled is historic. "Because of Article 370, people of Kashmir are living in poverty. They don't get the benefit of reservation... Corruption is rampant. Three families have looted Jammu and Kashmir all these years. The Leader of the Opposition has said Article 370 attached J&K to India. That is not true. Maharaja Hari Singh signed the Instrument of Accession on October 27, 1947. And Article 370 came into existence in 1949, two years later. It is not true that Article 370 attached J&K to India."

He said Article 370 was always considered temporary because it had to go one day. "But no one had the political will... then there was vote bank politics... they wanted to make a vote bank out of it. We don't want to make a vote bank and neither do we lack political will," he said.

Reading out provisions of Article 370 (3), the Home Minister said there are provisions within that state that Article 370 shall cease to be operative or can be amended and the President has the right to issue such a notification or constitutional order. "We are adopting the same path as adopted by the Congress in 1952 and 1962 by amending the provisions of Article 370 the same way through a notification," he told the House.

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READY BY 2022

Another runway, bigger terminal: Airport plans to handle more flyers

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BY 2022, the Indira Gandhi International Airport, the busiest in the country, is likely to increase its annual passenger handling capacity from 75 million to 100 million passengers per annum (MPPA). On Monday, Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) claimed this would be made possible with major infrastructure expansion at IGI airport.

As per the plan shared by DIAL, work on the expansion plan has already been started and 'Phase 3A' includes construction of a fourth runway, expansion of Terminal-1 apron area (where aircraft are parked) and dual elevated taxiway, to be completed by June 2022.

"These works, upon completion, would not only increase the passenger handling capacity of the Delhi airport to 100 MPPA in the next three years, but also enhance the airside capacity to handle 140 MPPA," said I Prabhakara Rao, deputy managing director, GMR Group.

Departure Terminal T1D and arrival Terminal T1C will be merged and expanded to accommodate 40 million passengers per annum. Rao said that under the proposed plan, the entire Terminal-1 apron would be demolished and a new and expanded apron would be constructed to provide a higher capacity layout with 82 stands.

"The new Terminal-1 apron, apart from having an increased number of stands, would be equipped with latest technological upgrades including visual docking guidance system, fuel hydrant system, ground power units, pre-conditioned air, etc. Under Phase 3A, a flyover would be constructed at Aerocity Metro station junction to reduce travel time from Terminal-1 to Terminal-3," he added.

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A senior official said that the additional runway and taxiway would help Delhi airport reduce the runway occupancy time from 60 seconds to 50 seconds and eventually take the per hour handling capacity to 128 movements against the current 75.

DIAL stated that L&T has been entrusted with the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) work for Phase 3A. "The work (under Phase 3A) has begun on all the fronts," it added.

"Keeping in view the unprecedented growth in the number of people travelling by air over the last few years, expansion of Delhi Airport has become the need of the hour to make it future-ready with enhanced passenger experience. The mega expansion of Delhi Airport would not only help the existing airlines to enhance their services but also create adequate room for new airlines to initiate their services. With this expansion, Delhi Airport will once again set a new standard for the airport experience," Rao said.

Oral History Project sees fresh push from Delhi govt: 100 interviews in two years

SOMYA LAKHANI
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

IT WAS in the '80s that the Delhi Archives department first began an oral history project by interviewing 56 personalities about the city, its history and changing nature. From politician Gulzari Lal Nanda, who served as the acting Prime Minister twice in the '60s, to Sushila Nayar, a close aide of Mahatma Gandhi — the interviews, stored in audio cassettes, detail their memories of Delhi.

After 56, however, the project was stopped. Reviving the project, the Delhi government launched the 'Oral History Programme' at the India International Centre Monday afternoon. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between Delhi Archives department and the Ambedkar University (AUD).

"We will add 100 more interviews in the next two years," said Ajay Kumar Garg, director of Archives.

The launch was accompanied by a panel discussion with historian S Irfan Habib, author and journalist R V Smith, Professor Denys P Leighton from AUD, and former All India Radio programmer Usha Purie. It was moderated by historian Sohail Hashmi and the topic was 'Mapping Delhi through Oral Histories, potential and possibilities'.

While Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, who was supposed to inaugurate the programme, couldn't make it, he said, "Through anecdotes, stories, songs and experiences, the archives will record lesser-known narratives of the public. The first phase of the initiative will map senior citizens' connect with Delhi. The elderly are a treasure trove of stories, custodians of our history."

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between Delhi Archives department and Ambedkar University

Hashmi stressed on the need to "document since history is being re-written".

In the backdrop of the Centre scrapping special status granted to Jammu and Kashmir by modifying Article 370, Hashmi said, "that people like us being able to buy land there would result in the loss of linguistic, cultural history. It will be forgotten. We need to document."

While Smith said, "oral history is not found in books but in *galis* and *mohallas*", Purie commented on accessibility of archives. She said, "Once you document, also think of accessibility. Filmmakers, research scholars want access to such archives and so do common people just for keepsake. Will it come with a rate card or be free for all?"

Archivist Sanjay Garg said that the department aims to record 50 personalities — from Smith and Mahashay Dharampal Gulati of MDH spices to farmers, traders and teachers — this year.

"The project which began in the '80s stopped due to lack of resources and manpower. This is a revival of sorts. We have the 56 recordings and transcripts too. This project has a team of 20 and will be available on the Delhi Archives website free of cost," he said.

Habib emphasised on the urgency to document as oral history "depends on people and if they disappear, the memories go away with them".

He said, "We should have done this sooner but better late than never. While recording oral history, both the interviewer and the interviewee have to report honestly what they know."

He added that unlike "written history," oral history empowers the voiceless. "An illiterate person cannot write down what he knows but he can tell that story and that needs to be recorded."

2 shot dead during robbery bid at grocery store in Ghaziabad

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TWO PEOPLE were shot dead during a robbery bid by six men at a grocery store in Ghaziabad's Loni. Police said the victims, store owner Dharmveer and his neighbour Sonu Kumar, received bullet injuries and died during treatment at GTB Hospital. Two others were injured and are currently recuperating in hospital.

"The incident took place around 3 am in Khurrana Enclave, which comes under Tronica City Police Station. As per the complaint, Dharmveer was sleeping outside when a robber entered the house, part of which was turned into a grocery shop. Afterwards, five other intruders made their way in," said Neeraj Jadaun, SP Rural, Ghaziabad.

Police said a total of six men were involved in the robbery attempt

Police suspect that one of the robbers entered the grocery store assuming that it was open. When a family member woke up and questioned him, the accused sought water, following which five others entered the house and a scuffle broke out.

"Hearing a commotion inside, Dharmveer and his wife woke up and managed to catch hold of one of the men as the others escaped. Neighbours, including Sonu, also woke up and rushed to the house. However, the men returned with guns and started shooting at the crowd in an effort to free their accomplice," Jadaun said.

Police said they are yet to find CCTV footage which could shed more light on the incident.

Woman alleges rape by cab driver, probe on

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

A WOMAN in her 20s has alleged she was raped by a cab driver in Mandir Marg area Friday night. An FIR has been registered and police are looking for the accused.

According to police, the incident came to light after they received information Sunday from Safdarjung Hospital.

"The woman, in her complaint, has alleged she was raped by an unknown man two days ago. A medical examination of the woman has been conducted," said Anil Mittal, Additional PRO of Delhi Police. "During initial investigation, we found a few inconsistencies... We are verifying all claims and investigating the matter."

The woman has alleged that the incident took place when she was returning to her hostel in South Delhi in a cab.

"She has alleged that she visited a temple and then booked a cab to her hostel, but the cab driver allegedly raped her and dropped her near IIT-Delhi the next day," an officer said. Police said officers are looking at CCTV footage to ascertain the sequence of events.

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Couple convicted for kidnapping daughter from adoptive parents

ANAND MOHAN J
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

A DELHI court has convicted a couple on allegations that they kidnapped their biological daughter when she was five years old from her adoptive parents. The girl told the court that she was beaten up by her adoptive parents and not provided food or education.

Metropolitan Magistrate Balwinder Singh, in his judgment, convicted her biological parents under sections of kidnapping and common intention of the IPC and observed, "Even if it is presumed that the contentions levelled by the accused persons that (their) daughter was ill-treated by the complainant (the girl's adoptive father) are true, then also accused persons were expected to follow due course of law to take action against the complainant... and to get back custody of their daughter legally."

The court added, "(Based on) failure on part of accused persons to prove that it was only for the purpose of treatment of the child, that too in good faith, the case of the complainant stands successfully proved against the accused persons beyond all reasonable doubt."

As per court records, the girl's adoptive father stated that he took in the daughter of the accused persons when she was 20 days old, and was "looking after the adopted child with all love and affection".

He alleged that a family dispute arose between the complainant and accused, due to which they "tried to kill" him.

A case was also registered regarding the matter at a police station in East Delhi.

The complainant further alleged that on May 20, 2008, the accused trespassed into his property with a view to persuade him to withdraw his cases. When he refused, they started threatening him, the complainant alleged.

"The complainant was taken to police station where he was detained for several hours and was released at about 11 pm. Thereafter, when he reached his house, he was informed by his mother that at about 5 pm, his adopted daughter was forcibly taken/kidnapped by the accused persons when she had gone outside to purchase some eatables," the judgment said.

The two accused, during their deposition, told the court that they met their daughter after adoption for around two years but were not allowed to meet her thereafter.

They further stated that the "complainant did not take proper care of the child and used to torture her".

As per both the accused, on the day of the alleged incident, they took their daughter to a doctor after being informed that she was unwell, and then took her to their home.The girl told the court that she wanted to live with her parents.

The court was of the view that the couple could not prove that they indeed took their daughter to the hospital, since no doctor was examined.

PARTY'S RAJYA SABHA MP ALSO VOICES SUPPORT

As Kejriwal supports Centre on J&K, his party says can't compare Delhi to Valley

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

MINUTES AFTER Home Minister Amit Shah announced a decision that effectively turns Jammu and Kashmir into a Union Territory with an assembly, Aam Aadmi Party chief Arvind Kejriwal said he supported the Centre's decision.

AAP has, since its inception, demanded full statehood for Delhi and has called the current system, where some governance matters fall under the jurisdiction of the Lieutenant Governor, a "tyranny".

Kejriwal had earlier called for a referendum in Delhi to decide whether the National Capital Territory, which enjoys a special status, should be granted statehood.

Earlier this year, Kejriwal had also announced he would go on an indefinite hunger strike for full statehood, and the party's Lok Sabha poll strategy was also centred around the theme.

On Monday, Kejriwal tweeted: "We support the govt on its decisions on J&K. We hope this will bring peace and development in the state."

AAP Rajya Sabha MP Sushil Kumar Gupta also endorsed the Centre's decision. "AAP and Kejriwal have always taken a stand for the betterment of the nation. We have opposed separatism and terrorism and that is why we support the Bill... We stand for full statehood. We will tolerate the oppression (*zulm*) of the L-G but for the unity of the nation, to end terrorism, we will support this," Gupta said in Rajya Sabha.

We hope this will bring peace and development in J&K, said Kejriwal

AAP national spokesperson Saurabh Bharadwaj said there was no contradiction between Kejriwal's tweet today and his demand for statehood for Delhi.

"It is not right to compare Kashmir with Delhi and Puducherry. Delhi and Puducherry are peaceful states where full statehood is going to bring better governance. Two-thirds of Kashmir is under the occupation of Pakistan and China. Kashmir is being infiltrated 150 times a year. It is illogical to compare the two," he tweeted.

AAP has in the past distanced itself from statements made by former founder member Prashant Bhushan on Kashmir.

In 2014, Bhushan had questioned deployment of the Army in Kashmir.

Kejriwal, who was then serving his first term as the Chief Minister, had called it Bhushan's personal view.

Rebel AAP founder member Kumar Vishwas Monday tweeted an old clip of Kejriwal speaking to a news channel, wherein he said that keeping in mind India's diversity and that several states have been granted special provisions in the Constitution, Article 370 is "ok" and there was "no need" to change what exists.

According to AAP sources, Kejriwal's statement caught many by surprise.

"Many leaders had thought the party would oppose the Centre's stand. A Rajya Sabha member was ready to make a statement... A short meeting was held at the Chief Minister's house and that's when it became clear the party would support it," a leader said.

Another leader, pointing out that the Aam Aadmi Party had always opposed a referendum in Kashmir and had backed the Army's presence in the Valley, said that there was not much change in Kejriwal's stance today.

"In any case, a party is entitled to its stand," he said.

Security at key places, Delhi Metro on alert

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

AS THE government Monday scrapped the special status given to Jammu and Kashmir, the Delhi Police beefed up security at key places in the capital. "We have increased police deployment outside the two Jammu & Kashmir Houses," said Delhi Police spokesperson DCP Mandeep Singh Randhawa. On Monday, security arrangements were reviewed by Commissioner of Police Amulya Patnaik, who also held a meeting with senior police officers. Randhawa said security arrangements have also been strengthened as Independence Day is round the corner.

"Additional force has been deployed at vital installations such as BJP and other political party headquarters, police headquarters, Delhi Secretariat, markets such as Lajpat Nagar and Karol Bagh, monuments such as Humayun's Tomb and Qutub Minar, and malls," said Randhawa.

DMRC too issued a security alert Monday, and stated that a "red alert" has been issued on the entire Metro network, as advised by security agencies. It requested commuters to allow "extra time in security checks". A DMRC source said, "Frisking has been intensified. Also, station controllers are making frequent inspections of premises. Train operators are also keeping an eye on the tracks." Senior CISF officials said enhanced security measures are put in place ahead of Independence Day every year and with the MHA circular to states, adequate arrangements have been made.

Police said that security has been heightened at sensitive areas with a "mixed population" to avoid a "communal situation". A senior police officer said Patnaik also spoke about "keeping strict vigil at places frequented by Kashmiris living in Delhi".

Randhawa said, "We are monitoring social media... From 10 pm-2 am for two days, there will be general gasht in the city."

TRAIN TO JAMMU

Passengers aboard Shalimar Express travelling to Jammu, at Old Delhi Railway Station Monday. *Abhinav Saha*

At Jantar Mantar, a protest; in DU, sweets distributed by ABVP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

STUDENTS IN different parts of the capital reacted differently to the Centre's decision on Jammu and Kashmir, from protests at Jantar Mantar to celebration in JNU and Delhi University by members of the ABVP, the student wing of the RSS.

Students from some city colleges along with activists gathered at Jantar Mantar in the afternoon to protest the move by the central government.

"We believe that Article 370 was not given as a gift, but was an agreement between representatives of Kashmir and the Indian state which has been struck down in a completely unconstitutional manner. It is a unilateral decision which needs to be revoked," said Avali, a member of Ambedkar University's Queer Collective.

Economist Jean Dreze, who was also a part of the gathering, told *The Indian Express*, "This is not going to solve the Kashmir issue... and will also lead to an intensification of harassment of Muslims in India... I'm not a lawyer but the manner in which this was done seems illegal. They cannot abrogate Article 370 without the voice of the people of Kashmir. I do not think it will stand legal scrutiny."

Addressing the gathering, All India Progressive Women's Association secretary Kavita Krishnan said: "The Delhi government wants that Delhi's status be changed to full statehood. If one night, the central government comes and makes Delhi a part of Haryana, they will say that it is a violation of federalism. But does the principle of federalism not apply to Kashmir?"

At DU and JNU, though, the ABVP organised celebrations with distribution of sweets amid chants of '*Bharat Mata ki Jai*'.

Cut off from parents, Kashmiri students say they fear the worst

ARANYA SHANKAR & AMIL BHATNAGAR
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

THE LAST time St Stephen's student Saqib Yetoo spoke to his parents in Anantnag was around 9 pm Sunday. His mother told him, "*Hum tumhe khuda ke hawale kar rahe hai, tum bhi hume khuda ke hawale kar do*." Since then, Yetoo has been unable to contact them: "I even tried calling the local police station, but in vain."

As a decision regarding their state was taken in Rajya Sabha, Kashmiri students said anxiety grew as they were unable to talk to those back home. An MPhil student at DU, who has been unable to contact her family in Baramulla, said: "The phone call last night felt like a farewell, because nobody has any idea when we will speak again."

Her sister, studying in Jamia Millia Islamia, was to return home on August 7 for Eid: "She doesn't know what to do. Who will pick her up from the airport?"

Another Kashmiri student from Ganderbal, studying in JNU, said he spoke to his father Sunday night. "He asked me to come home and said we will go through this together."

JNUSU general secretary Aejaz Ahmad Rather also said he had not been able to establish contact with his family in Kulgam.

Meanwhile, several universities and colleges in Noida and Greater Noida with a large number of Kashmiri students stepped up security. "Extra security personnel has been deployed at gates and student marshalls are patrolling inside... The faculty and staff have been sensitised as well," said Marshall Sahni, Dean Students Welfare of Amity University. The Gautam Budh Nagar administration issued a warning statement against rumour mongering online.

BRIEFLY

Man killed in hit-and-run

Gurgaon: A 35-year-old security officer at the office of a real estate developer in Gurgaon was killed allegedly after he was dragged under the wheels of a truck which knocked down his bike at Ghata T-Point Sunday.

IMA protest on August 8

New Delhi: Continuing their protest against the NMC Bill, the Indian Medical Association has called for a strike on August 8, saying that medical students will continue strikes under IMA Medical Students Network.

Govt mulls raising cap on scholarship

New Delhi: The Delhi government is looking to increase the fee cap and duration for sponsoring coaching for competitive exams for youngsters from scheduled castes. Currently, the maximum fee for any course is Rs 40,000 per year.

Head constable held for 'rape'

New Delhi: A 40-year-old Delhi Police head constable, who was absconding after allegedly raping a minor girl employed as a domestic help, was arrested Monday.

70-year-old shot dead

New Delhi: A 70-year-old man was shot dead outside his house in Kapashera Sunday. Police have apprehended two suspects. **ENS**

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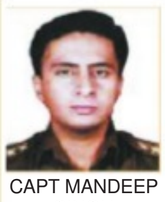

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4TH FLOOR JEEVAN TARA BUILDING, PARLIAMENT STREET, NEW DELHI - 110001.

Notice under Section 19(4) of the Recovery 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 **OA NO 545/2018/DRT-III**
CORPORATION BANK Applicants **Vs.** **MRS. PRIYA SHARMA** Defendants

D-1 MRS. PRIYA SHARMA R/O E-702, ANTRIKSH GOLF VIEW-2, SECTOR-78, NOIDA U.P.
D-2 MRS. PRIYA SHARMA R/O E-702, ANTRIKSH GOLF VIEW-2, SECTOR-78, NOIDA U.P.
D-3 M/S SUPERCITY DEVELOPERS PVT. LTD. 6 (BHARTI COLONY), 1ST FLOOR, PREET VIHAR, OPP. METRO PILLAR NO. 73, VIKAS MARG, NEW DELHI-110092

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 **23.08.2019 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 **16th day of July 2019.**

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

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CORPORATION BANK Applicants **Vs.** **PARVEEN SINGH** Defendants

D-1 MR. PARVEEN SINGH R/O E-702, ANTRIKSH GOLF VIEW-2, SECTOR-78, NOIDA U.P.
D-2 MRS. PRIYA SHARMA R/O E-702, ANTRIKSH GOLF VIEW-2, SECTOR-78, NOIDA U.P.
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NOTICE INVITING TENDER THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT

Sealed tenders are invited from the reputed and registered contractors/suppliers for the followings:

S. N.	Name of the work	Last date for submission of tenders
1	Providing Security Services at ICAR-IIVR, Varanasi and RRS- Sargatia, Kushinagar.	20.08.2019 upto 11.00 a.m.

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Senior Admn. Officer

कार्यालय नगर पालिक निगम, उज्जैन (म.प्र.)

प्रकाश विभाग

क्रमांक: प्रकाश /19/561 — दिनांक : 02.08.2019

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In the matter of **OA NO 547/2018/DRT-III**
CORPORATION BANK Applicants **Vs.** **MRS. RASHMI CHAUDHARY & ORS.** Defendants

D-1 MRS. RASHMI CHAUDHARY R/O C-467, SWARN JAYANTI PURAM, GHAZIABAD
D-2 MR. NITIN TYAGI R/O C-467, SWARN JAYANTI PURAM, GHAZIABAD
D-3 M/S PRIMROSE INFRARTECH PVT. LTD. H-56, FIRST LEVEL, SECTOR-63, NOIDA-201301
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12-METRE SAMPLE STRETCH READY FOR INSPECTION

I-Day approaching, Chandni Chowk revamp gathers pace

ASHNA BUTANI
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

GRANITE TILES in a red that compliments the Red Fort across the road set the tone for the Chandni Chowk Redevelopment Plan. Huge flower pots and bollards in red granite from Bengaluru and Rajasthan are perched on the 3.5-metre central verge of a 12-metre sample stretch in front of Central Baptist Church. Concrete painted in red, yellow and black is set on the 5.5-metre wide carriageway.

"The sample stretch is ready, the MLA will come to inspect the development tomorrow, after which major decisions, such as choosing one of the three colours for the road, will be made. Rainwater will be efficiently managed as saucer drains are placed on the footpaths," said Md Azim, an engineer from MIA Construction Services, the contractor working on the project. One can expect to find a tree every 8 metres and a stone bench every 10 metres on the central verge.

Work underway at Chandni Chowk, Monday. *Amit Mehra*

As part of the redevelopment plan, a 1.5-km stretch of the road from Red Fort to Fatehpuri Masjid will be free of vehicular traffic to decrease pollution and make Chandni Chowk more friendly for shoppers. The new design might be a contrast to the Chandni Chowk designed by Shah Jahan's daughter Roshanara during the golden days of the Mughal era, but the aim is to rid the area of encroachments, overhead wires and motor vehicles.

"The roads are designed in such a way that it is fit for pedestrians and bicycles. The engineers have chosen the tiles and their material in accordance with the plan. The entire stretch from Red Fort to Gurdwara Sis Ganj Sahib is expected to be beautified by Independence Day. The services (overhead wires and pipelines) have already been taken underground," said Chandni Chowk MLA Alka Lamba.

Meanwhile, a number of workers toil to take water lines underground — engineers say that there will be around a hundred fire hydrants placed on the stretch.

Referring to the objections made by the Delhi Urban Art Commission against setting up of transformers in the midst of a historical site, president of the Sarv Vyapar Mandal, Sanjay Bhargava, said, "The 19 transformers are placed on the central verge either way. However, the High Court has asked the Shahjahanabad Redevelopment Corporation (SRDC) to resolve this issue by August 15 and send the proposal to the Lieutenant Governor by August 30."

He added that even though the official deadline for the project is not August 15, work has been sped up so that the area is clear on Independence Day, when the Prime Minister addresses the nation from the Red Fort.

"An SRDC meeting will be held on August 7 so we can resolve the transformer issue and discuss proposals of installing e-trams in Chandni Chowk," said Lamba.

WORK UNDERWAY

At the Delhi-Meerut Expressway, near Indirapuram. *Abhinav Saha*

Three of family kidnapped toddler, got idea from TV

New Delhi: Police have arrested three members of a family from Outer Delhi's Bawana for allegedly kidnapping a three-year-old boy on Monday. Police said that an 18-year-old man kidnapped the minor boy along with his 40-year-old mother and 21-year-old sister. Police said the accused confessed to their crime and said they followed a modus operandi which they saw on an episode of a crime serial on television. A case has been registered under IPC sections 363 and 364A.

"We received information about the missing child at 1 pm. His parents said their child was last seen playing outside their house around 11.50 am. We looked at CCTV footage near the area, which showed suspicious movement of a Tata Ace vehicle — owned by the victim's neighbours. Later, we found that the family was moving out. We tracked them down and the child was found from their new house in Daryapur village," said DCP (Outer North) Gaurav Sharma.

Police said the man lured the child with a drink. **ENS**

Stun guns get police go-ahead, tender floated to get 1,000

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

TO CONTROL aggressive crowds, the Delhi Police has decided to equip personnel with stun guns and electric/shock batons. The decision to procure non-lethal weapons was made by Delhi Police Commissioner Amulya Patnaik, months after police personnel clashed with a sword-wielding tempo driver and his son in North Delhi.

On Monday, the provisioning and logistics department of Delhi Police floated a tender to procure 1,000 stun guns with lights and electric batons. "Indian companies have been invited... foreign firms have also been asked to participate through their India-based authorised dealer. The last date to apply is September 23," a senior police officer said.

Facing flak from the Delhi High Court over the handling of the North Delhi incident, wherein the driver and his son were allegedly beaten up and a police officer sustained injuries, Patnaik called a meeting last month and discussed new ways of controlling aggressive crowds.

"Officers suggested that devices such as stun guns and electric batons could be procured. The idea is to use these devices in situations where a person has to be subdued without lethal force," the officer said.

Delhi Police spokesperson, DCP Mandeep Singh Randhawa, said: "We have decided to procure these devices to control the crowd; we have floated tenders."

In 2015, the then Delhi Police chief B S Bassi had decided to procure stun guns, but the idea was later dropped. "The tender specifies that the devices have lithium-ion rechargeable batteries, with long standby life of more than three weeks. It should withstand against usage of minimum 250 shocks once fully charged and not cause permanent psychological or physical damage to people. It should also not have any effect on pacemakers or other electronic implant in the body of a person, as well as patients of epilepsy and other similar medical conditions. The firm concerned will have to submit a certificate issued by the Medical Council of India or a similar body in a foreign country," the officer said.

DU panel passes only first semester papers of 4 courses, teachers hit out

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

ACADEMIC COUNCIL member Rasal Singh, from the National Democratic Teachers' Front Monday, said Delhi University's Oversight Committee in its meeting had decided to only approve first semester papers of the four subjects — English, History, Political Science and Sociology — whose syllabus had run into controversy. However, committee chairman Professor M K Pandit did not confirm or deny the same and said a decision had been taken to benefit students.

The undergraduate syllabus of the four subjects has been under scrutiny since a certain section of teachers objected to some content. After discussion in the Academic and Executive councils, it was referred back to the departments for review. Subsequently, statutory bodies of the respective departments and faculty passed the syllabi without any major changes and sent it to the Oversight Committee.

"Only the first semesters of the four courses were passed so students don't have to suffer. The syllabi for the remaining five semesters have been referred back to the departments for a more comprehensive review. They have been told to upload the syllabus on the website for at least a month and take suggestions from more teachers and other stakeholders," said Singh.

He claimed that the Oversight Committee expressed concern over the "toxic, divisive and controversial" content in the syllabi and suggested that preference should be given to "Indian texts" over "colonial texts".

Pandit said, "We have taken a decision in the interest of students as they are the foremost stakeholders; they shouldn't suffer or remain without syllabus."

AC member Saikat Ghosh, however, said: "The decision... undermines the academic prerogative of departments concerned, makes a mockery of the hard work put in by hundreds of teachers and denies students a sense of their academic progression."

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Sub: Transfer of equity shares of the Company to Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority.

This Notice is published pursuant to the provisions of the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, as amended ("the Rules").

The Rules, amongst other matters, contain provisions for transfer of all shares, in respect of which dividend has not been paid or claimed for seven consecutive years or more, in the name of the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority.

Adhering to the various requirements set out in the Rules, the Company has, so far, transferred to IEPF Authority, on respective due dates, all shares in respect of which dividend (s) for the financial year 2011-12 (Interim) or before had remained unpaid or unclaimed for a period of seven consecutive years or more. The Company has now, vide its letter dated 19th July, 2019 communicated individually, the concerned shareholders whose shares are liable to be transferred to IEPF Authority in October /November, 2019 for taking appropriate action and submitting requisite documents to claim unclaimed dividend amount(s) before it is credited to IEPF account. Shareholders are requested to forward the requisite documents as mentioned in said communication to the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent to claim the unclaimed dividend amount on or before 18th October, 2019. A list of such shareholders whose shares are liable for transfer to the IEPF Account is displayed on the website of the Company **http://www.powergridindia.com/ Investor Relations.**

In case the Company does not receive any communication from the concerned shareholders by 18th October, 2019, the Company shall, with a view to comply with the requirements set out in the Rules would be transferring the said unpaid dividend and related shares to IEPF account without further notice in accordance with the requirement of said Rules. Please note that, upon such transfer, shareholders can claim the transferred shares alongwith the dividends from IEPF as per Rules available at www. Iepf.gov.in

Pursuant to SEBI (LODR) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, effective from 1st April, 2019, transfer of securities in physical form shall not be processed, as the law requires transfer of securities thereafter necessarily to be made in dematerialized form only. Hence, shareholders are requested to dematerialize their physical holding. Those shareholders whose folio(s) do not have complete details relating to their PAN and Bank Account, or where there is any change in the bank account details provided earlier, have to compulsorily furnish the details to RTA/ Company for registration /updation.

For any information/ clarification on this matter, concerned shareholders may write to the Company at **investors@powergrid.co.in** or contact Company's Registrar & Share Transfer Agents M/s Karvy Fintech Pvt. Ltd. Unit : Power Grid Corporation of India Limited, Karvy Selenium Tower B, Plot 31-32,Gachibowli, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Hyderabad- 500032 Toll Free No.: 18003454001. Email : **einward.ris@karvy.com**

For Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
Sd/-
Divya Tandon
CGM & Company Secretary

Date: 2nd August, 2019
Place: New Delhi

PG/CC/Notice-10(BM)-/Advt.-18/2019-20/SPAN

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Notice to candidates for Interview for the posts of Assistant Secretary of Agriculture marketing Board, Panchkula, Haryana Against Advt. No. 07/2015, Cat. No. 16

Chief Secretary to Government of Haryana vide memo No. 22/149/2015-1 GS-III dated 5th March, 2019, has informed that the State Government has decided that in respect of all advertisements where result of SBC has been put on hold due to Court Orders, the Haryana Staff Selection Commission shall treat the SBC posts to be under the Unreserved/General Category.

Therefore now, the Commission in continuation of earlier notice dated 07th December, 2017 calling the candidates for interview on the basis of scrutiny of documents already done, hereby calls the following candidates bearing following Roll Numbers for interview/viva voce provisionally and further subject to fulfillment of their eligibility conditions as per advertisement and service rules for consideration against the 06 posts belonging to General Category (earlier SBC Category).

Further in compliance of Hon'ble Punjab and haryana High Court order dated 15.07.2019 passed on CWP No. 5/2018 some candidates have also fall with in the Cut off for interview/viva voce in their respective categories, hereby calls the following candidates bearing following Roll Numbers also for interview/viva voce provisionally and further subject to fulfillment of their eligibility conditions as per advertisement and service rules.

Advt. No. 07/2015, Assistant Secretary, Cat. No. 16

GENERAL (18 General+06 SBC Posts earlier=24 Posts)

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7151614841 7151615160 7151619883 7151620314 7151620566
7151620759 7151621319 7151622442 7151624137

SC (10 Posts)

7151601759 7151605720 7151606744

EBPGC (04 Posts)

7151607387 7151621627 7151625756

1. The interview of the above candidates will be held from 10.08.2019. The candidates are advised to download the Admit Card for interview from the website of the Commission on/after 08.08.2019 candidates should report at 09.00 A.M. on 10.08.2019 in the Commission office Bays No. 67-70, Sector-2, Panchkula. All candidates are also directed to bring all original documents, set of attested copies of all documents.
2. In case a candidate does not appear for Viva-Voce/interview, he/she will be given no further opportunity thereafter. Candidates who have already been interviewed in court case, need not to appear again for interview/Viva Voce. If any candidate having any orders from any competent court of law regarding Viva-Voce/Interview, they should also be present at above mentioned date and venue along with all relevant documents.
3. While every care has been taken in preparing and uploading the result, possibility of inadvertent/technical errors cannot be ruled out. The Commission reserves the right to rectify the same later on.
4. The result is also available on the website of HSSC i.e. www.hssc.gov.in.

Sd/-
Under Secretary
for Secretary Haryana Staff Selection Commission
Dated: 03.08.2019

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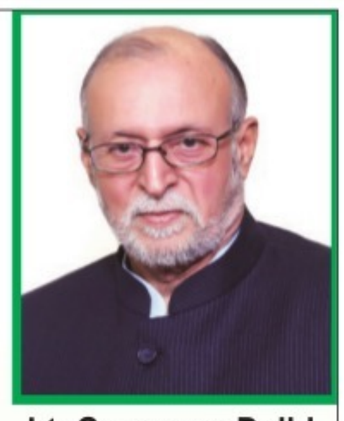

Lt. Governor, Delhi

APPEAL

My dear fellow residents of Delhi,

We all know that trees are vital for the survival of our planet, as they give oxygen, improve air quality, store carbon, preserve soil, support wildlife and give life to our Environment. Therefore, Delhi Government has set an ambitious target of planting 24 lakh seedlings this year.

Your active support and participation can help us meet this goal to enhance Delhi's green cover.

I appeal to all of you – the children, the young, the elders, RWAs, Non-Governmental Organizations and all sections of the society to come together, obtain saplings for free from nurseries of Forest Department, and plant and nurture them for a cleaner and greener Delhi.

Jai Hind !

Anil Baijal

Dip/Shabdarth/D/0075/19-20

Department of Forests & WildLife, Government of NCT of Delhi

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POSSESSION NOTICE
Common Possession Notice for Immovable Properties of more than one borrower by the same Authorised Officer
(For Immovable property)

Whereas
Punjab National Bank/ the Authorized Officer/s of the Punjab National Bank under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 read with the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued demand notice/s on the dates mentioned against each account calling upon the respective borrower/s to repay the amount as mentioned against each account within 60 days from the date of notice(s)/ date of receipt of said notice(s).
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred to him under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the date mentioned against each account.
The borrower's/ guarantor's/ mortgagor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
The borrower/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property/ies and any dealing with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of Punjab National Bank for the amounts and interest thereon.

Sr. No.	Name of the Branch	Name of the Account	Name of the borrower (Owner of the property)	Description of the property mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession Notice Affixed	Amount outstanding as on date of demand notice	Name of the Authorised Officer/s
1.	SME, Patna	**M/s Ram Pari Agro Products (P) Ltd.**	1. M/s Ram Pari Agro Products (P) Ltd. 2. Kumar Manish S/o Sitaram Sharma	Registered Simple Mortgaged Deed No.5372/5501 dated 28.07.2014 of lease deed to M/s Ram Pari Agro Products Pvt. Ltd. leased as details (in the name of M/s Ram Pari Agro Products Pvt. Ltd.) **a)** Mouza-Mani Bhakurahar, Rev. Thana No.322, Ancha-Lalganj, SRO-Lalganj, SRO-Sarai, Dist.-Vaishali (Hazipur) along with entire constructed area thereon if any: **(1)** Khata No.-90, Khesra No.-405, Area-31.50 Decimal, Boundary: N-Umesh Thakur & others, S-Basudev Thakur, E-Satyanarayan Thakur, W-Jagannath Thakur. **(2)** Khata No.-90, Khesra No.-405, Area-36.50 Decimal, Boundary: N-Kumar Manish, S-Judagi Baitha & others, E-Satyanarayan Thakur & others, W-Binda Sharma & others. **(3)** Khata No.-90, Khesra No.-405, Area-5 Decimal, Boundary: N-Birendra Singh, S-Kumar Manish, E-Kumar Manish, W-Binda Sharma & others. **(4)** Khata No.-106, Khesra No.-378 & 380, Area-37 Decimal, Boundary: N-Mantu Mahato, S-Kumar Manish hal Muni Kumari, E-Chaturi Thakur & others, W-Birender Singh & Rama Singh. **(5)** Khata No.-41, Khesra No.-381 & 382, Area-31.50 Decimal 7 katha 3.50 dhur, Boundary: N-Gramin Sarak, S-Kumar Manish Hal Muni Kumari, E-Raj Kishore & other, W-Laxman Thakur & others. **b)** Registered Simple Mortgaged Deed No.5372/5501 dated 28.07.2014 IP in the name of Kumar Manish S/o Sitaram Sharma. Mouza-Dighikala, Rev. Thana No.105, Anchal/SRO-Hajipur, PS-Sadar Hazipur, Dist.-Vaishali: **(1)** Khata No.-211, Khesra No.547, Area-19.25 Decimal, Boundary: N-Devendra Prasad Singh, Smt. Sita Devi & others, E-Smt. Rampari Devi & others, W-Soharai Ram & others. **(2)** Khata No.-211, Khesra No.547, Area-22.25 Decimal, Boundary: N-Niz Vendor, S-Madhuri Sinha, E-Vendi & Madhuri Sinha, W-Bhri Mahato. **(3)** Khata No.-302 (CS Khata) 29(RS Khata), Khesra No.307(CPS) 545(RSP), Area-5 Decimal, Boundary: N-Vendor, Devi Asthan Rasta & Vendor, dalan & Sadak, E-House of Vendor, W-Pokhar & Vendor.	26.04.2019	01.08.2019	₹ **2,76,66,728.78/-** (Rs. Two crore seventy six lakh sixty six thousand seven hundred twenty eight and paise seventy eight only) + Intt. @ applicable & other cost w.e.f. 01.04.2019	Sri Bairagi Kanhar

Date : 01.08.2019
Place : Patna

(Authorised Officer)
Punjab National Bank

DELHI CONFIDENTIAL

NO NEWS ON MOVE

WHILE IT is still a mystery how the smaller parties decided to support the government on its move to scrap special status for Jammu and Kashmir, leaders of many of these parties admitted that there was no prior information about the government's plan to bring it on Monday. SAD leader Naresh Gujral said his party was not consulted before and learnt about it only in the Cabinet meeting. BSP's Satish Mishra said he consulted party leadership after the government announced it in the Upper House. Most intriguing was the response of the leader of a regional party governing one of the southern states. Asked what his party's view has been on Article 370, this leader (name withheld on request) said there was no position. "We just took a decision today to support the government on this," he said. According to him, his party never felt it was necessary to have a stand on the matter.

IN A FIX

THE CENTRE'S proposal to bifurcate the state of Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories (UTs) left the Election Commission in a bit of a fix on Monday. The EC was supposed to take a call on schedule for conducting Assembly elections in the state after the Amarnath Yatra. First, the yatra was called off, and then a Bill was introduced in Rajya Sabha on Monday proposing bifurcation of the state. Moreover, the Bill states that a delimitation exercise will be carried out for the UT of Jammu and Kashmir. The EC is now in a quandary, as it needs to decide whether delimitation would mean a further delay in holding polls in J&K UT. The poll panel's legal eagles are learnt to be studying the text of the Bill to help the Commission make a decision.

MOVE TO SCRAP J&K SPECIAL STATUS

Cards close to his chest, Shah surprises Oppn, most ministers

LIZ MATHEW
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

HAVING BUILT a reputation for organisational prowess within the party, Union Home Minister and BJP chief Amit Shah on Monday pulled off a legislation - the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill — in Rajya Sabha that is set to define his political career in national politics.

That Shah, a quintessential organisation man, chose not to address his scheduled session to party MPs during the two-day training session over the weekend, except his brief address at the inauguration, got BJP MPs curious about the coming move.

In the last two days, Shah worked from his office in Parliament House complex, holding meetings with all those mattered on this issue.

The flawless execution — keeping cards so close to his chest that most ministerial and party colleagues were left guessing — and taking the Opposition by surprise and forcing them to take a public position on this politically contentious issue is set to become Shah's first signature stroke in national politics.

According to one party leader, it appears that only Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Shah were aware of the complete plan, and senior ministers were given information on "piecemeal basis". Union Law and Justice Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad completed drafting of the Bill as late as Sunday night, sources said.

Other ministers, it is learnt, were informed only at the Cabinet meeting on Monday morning.

"As far as the question of (Article) 370 is concerned, you must know that it is mentioned as temporary in the Constitution, not permanent. This was done in agreement with Sheikh Abdullah," Shah had told the Lok Sabha on June 28 during the debate on extending President's Rule in the state.

Seen in this backdrop, sources in BJP said, Shah had by then begun scripting this move. The two-pronged approach involved the legal drafting and also working on arranging the numbers in Rajya Sabha. Resignations by some Opposition MPs, and a few joining the BJP, were part of that larger plan for numbers, they said.

According to a Union minister, Shah had told senior ministers and party leaders to organise majority in Rajya Sabha since there were "important and crucial Bills" to be passed in Parliament.

"The RTI and triple talaq Bills tested the waters," the minister said. "We were emboldened by our success in getting those Bills passed in the Upper House even though we do not enjoy majority."

As Home Minister, Shah brought urgency to the move. While the Modi government in its previous term played the healing touch approach envisaged by Mufti Mohammed Sayeed and deployed an interlocutor even while pursuing a muscular approach against stone-pelters, militants and financial channels for militancy, Shah began with a firm hands. That he did not wait for the next session of Parliament for making this move suggested a clear urgency brought to the issue.

"He dealt with it from a position of strength," a senior BJP leader said. "Unlike his predecessors, he did not want to waste time holding peace talks with separatist leaders."

Shah, with help from National Security Adviser Ajit Doval, ensured that heavy security deployment was in place in Kashmir Valley to contain possible violence following the announcement. While political leaders of all major parties were placed under house arrest on Sunday night, all modes of communication were snapped in the Valley to foil any attempt to mobilise people for protests.

"Every step in the Valley had the Shah touch - it was his mission, and he has succeeded in it," the party leader said.

Lauding Shah's move, Prime Minister Narendra Modi today tweeted, "Home Minister @AmitShah Ji's speech in Rajya Sabha was extensive and insightful. It accurately highlighted the monumental injustices of the past and coherently presented our vision for the sisters and brothers of J&K."

In one stroke, Shah has managed to strip Jammu and Kashmir of its special status and paved the way for delimitation of Assembly constituencies of the newly created Union Territory of J&K, where the party hopes to correct the skew in favour of Kashmir Valley and enhance electoral heft of Jammu region. With this move, more Hindus — including refugees from Pakistan and PoK — can not only purchase land and settle in the Valley but also get more Dalits and people belonging to weaker sections benefit, which the party hopes will reflect in the electoral results.

While former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Shah's predecessor in the MHA, Rajnath Singh, believed in extending a healing touch to the region to gain people's faith, Shah always believed that removing special status is the only way to resolve the Kashmir crisis, a party leader said.

Home Minister Amit Shah leaves after a meeting at PM Narendra Modi's residence in New Delhi. *Tashi Tobgyal*

A green corridor was created to take the woman from KGMU Trauma Centre to Lucknow airport. *Vishal Srivastav*

Unnao rape victim airlifted to AIIMS in Delhi after SC order

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, LUCKNOW, AUGUST 5

THE UNNAO rape victim was airlifted from Lucknow's KGMU Trauma Centre to New Delhi for treatment at AIIMS after the Supreme Court directed the Uttar Pradesh government to airlift her by air-ambulance to Delhi and transfer her to AIIMS "today itself", if so permitted by the doctors in Lucknow.

The direction came from a bench of Justices Deepak Gupta and Aniruddha Bose after the family's lawyer conveyed that the woman had developed pneumonia and her mother had expressed the desire that she be shifted to AIIMS.

The court said, "Before transferring the victim from Lucknow to Delhi, the opinion of doctors at Lucknow shall be obtained as to whether she is in a fit condition to be transferred. In case the doctors opine that she is in fit condition to transfer, she shall be transferred to AIIMS at New Delhi."

It asked AIIMS authorities to make necessary arrangements for proper treatment and care of the woman and said AIIMS's responsibility "starts from the tarmac of the airport of Delhi".

Last week, the court had allowed advocate Ramkrishna Reddy, who had appeared for the family, to consult the woman's mother and let the bench know whether she wants the victim should be shifted to Delhi.

Two other members of her family were killed in the incident, and a lawyer who was representing the family in Lucknow court had been injured.

On the lawyer, the court said, "In case family members of the lawyer of the victim make a similar request to the State authorities at Lucknow by 3 pm today, he shall also be airlifted along with the victim, following the same procedure as laid down for the victim."

At KGMU, Trauma Centre in-charge Sandeep Tiwari said since only one patient could be airlifted at a time in the air ambulance, the lawyer will be taken to Delhi later.

He will be airlifted on Tuesday morning, it is learnt.

On Monday, the court was also informed that the woman's uncle, who was lodged in Rae Bareli jail following conviction in a criminal case, had been shifted to Tihar Jail. The court had allowed the movement on a plea by the family, citing threats to his life since he is also a witness in cases connected with the rape, allegedly by MLA Kuldeep Sengar.

While the woman's family had earlier expressed desire that she be shifted to Delhi, they later expressed satisfaction with treatment provided at KGMU, Lucknow.

A green corridor was made for the ambulance carrying the victim from KGMU to Lucknow airport and from IGI airport to AIIMS in New Delhi. While it took the ambulance 39 minutes to cover 33 km in Lucknow, another ambulance took 18 minutes to reach AIIMS from IGI airport in New Delhi.

Condition of victim improving, lawyer stable

Lucknow: The condition of the Unnao rape victim showed signs of improvement, a week after she was injured in a car accident, a medical bulletin issued by KGMU Trauma Centre on Monday said. "The condition of the rape survivor is improving. She is following the command and opened eyes and understanding things. The process of removing the ventilator has started, but she has to be given medicines to maintain her blood pressure," a medical bulletin issued by the KGMU Trauma Centre said. The condition of her lawyer remained "serious and stable", doctors said. **ENS**

Gujarat: Ambedkar slogan in Class 5 textbook to be corrected

PARIMAL DABHI
GANDHINAGAR, AUGUST 5

THE GUJARAT government has decided to correct a mistake in a famous slogan by Dr BR Ambedkar in one of the Class 5 textbooks of Gujarat State Board of School Textbooks (GSBST). A decision was taken by the authorities after a meeting with Education Minister Bhupendrasinh Chudasama on Monday.

Last week, *The Indian Express* reported that a group of Ambedkarites from Gujarat had submitted a protest letter to the Chief Minister's Office against "tweaking" of the historic slogan given by Dr Ambedkar in the Class 5 textbook. The same letter was also given to Deputy CM Nitin Patel, Education Minister Bhupendrasinh Chudasama and Social Justice & Empowerment Minister Ishvar Parmar.

Following this, Education Minister Chudasama called a special meeting of the officials of the Education department and GSBST Monday where it was decided to correct the slogan.

Speaking with *The Indian Express*, P Bharathi, Director of GSBST, said, "It was decided (in the meeting with the Education Minister) to correct the mistake. We all know that the mistake has been committed. We all know that quotation very clearly. We have called a small meeting of experts, those who have complained and two-three other people tomorrow (in this regard)."

"It (correction) will be final within two days and then we will give it (the textbook) for reprint...It will be changed immediately in online books," Bharathi added.

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."

IAS officer held in accident case suspended

Thiruvananthapuram: Kerala IAS officer Sriram Venkitaraman, who was arrested and remanded in judicial custody on charges of killing a journalist in a case of drunk driving accident, was suspended from service on Monday.

The suspension order, issued by the General Administration Department, stated that the IAS officer was placed under suspension with immediate effect under rule 3(3) of All India Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules.

Venkitaraman, who had gone abroad for higher studies, was last week appointed director of the state Survey and Land Records Department on return. The accident occurred early Saturday, when the car, allegedly driven by the IAS officer in an inebriated condition, rammed into a two-wheeler, killing the rider, K M Basheer, who was bureau chief with Malayalam daily 'Siraj'.

Rajasthan Assembly passes honour killing, anti-mob lynching Bills

HAMZA KHAN
JAIPUR, AUGUST 5

RAJASTHAN ASSEMBLY on Monday passed Bills against mob lynching and honour killing, which make them cognisable, non-bailable and non-compoundable offences with life imprisonment and fine up to Rs 5 lakh. The Bill to curb honour killing also has a provision of death penalty.

Following "many" such lynchings "resulting in loss of livelihood, injuries and death of persons at the hands of mob" the Ashok Gehlot government had said it hopes to "nip the evil in the bud." The state has witnessed several incidents of lynching since 2017, beginning with dairy farmer Pehlu Khan in April 2017.

Rajasthan Prohibition of Interference with the Freedom of Matrimonial Alliances in the Name of Honour and Tradition Bill, tabled by minister Shanti Dhariwal on July 30, were discussed on Monday and subsequently passed by voice vote.

During the discussion in the Assembly on the Rajasthan Protection from Lynching Bill, Leader of Opposition Gulab Chand Kataria said there are already adequate provisions in Indian Penal Code (IPC) to penalise those who commit such offences. He said that the Bill defines two people as a mob, which goes against the definition of a mob, and accused the government of trying to please a particular community through the Bill. "Don't push the state into a fire just to make a certain community happy," he said.

Deputy Leader of Opposition Rajendra Rathore termed the Bill a "black law, which will affect generations to come." He said the proposed law doesn't consider "bare minimum" carefulness.

As for Opposition's counter that the SC had asked the Parliament to pass such a law, Dhariwal said the Union government has evinced no interest in such a law and that the subject was part of the Concurrent List, so the state can move ahead with such legislation.

EXPLAINED

What the anti-lynch Bill says

Offences under new law will be investigated by a police officer of the rank of Inspector and above, and state DGP will appoint an officer of IG or above rank as state coordinator to prevent lynchings. In cases of "hurt" and "grievous hurt" from such assault, the convict may get up to seven and 10 years in jail, respectively. If the attack leads to death, the punishment is life imprisonment. The Bill also makes conspirators accountable.

Shift MLA Sengar to Tihar jail: Delhi court

ANAND MOHAN J
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

A DELHI court on Monday ordered that Uttar Pradesh MLA Kuldeep Singh Sengar and a co-accused in the Unnao rape case be shifted from the Sitapur prison to Tihar jail in the national capital.

District judge Dharmesh Sharma posted for August 7 the argument on the framing of charges in the rape case — one of the four cases transferred to Delhi.

The Supreme Court has ordered the transfer of all cases to the capital and directed the trial judge to hold the trial on a day-to-day basis and complete it in 45 days. It has also asked the CBI to "expedite" the probe into the accident case, which left the victim and her lawyer critically injured and two of her aunts dead, and complete it "preferably" within seven days and not later than 14 days.

Sengar, who represents Bangarmau in the Assembly, is an accused in the rape case and has also been booked for murder in the accident case. He was produced in court along with Shashi Singh, who allegedly lured the victim into going to the legislator's residence.

The court appointed a Special Public Prosecutor Deep Narain to represent the CBI.

Sengar at Tiz Hazari Court in New Delhi. *Prem Nath Pandey*

Elderly woman dies during NRC hearing in Assam

ABHISHEK SAHA
GUWAHATI, AUGUST 5

A 60-YEAR-OLD woman from Assam's Kamrup district died on Monday after she fell ill while attending an NRC hearing in Nagaon district.

A police officer said Rezia Khatun had complained of not feeling well and was rushed to a hospital. "She was declared dead," he said. Khatun belonged to Dakachang village in Chaomoria Revenue Circle in Kamrup (rural) district and was called for a hearing in Noltoli in Nagaon, around 250 km away. The exact cause of death is not known yet.

The Indian Express reported on Monday that thousands of people in lower Assam districts had received notices from NRC authorities on Sunday, asking them to appear in hearings over the next few days. Some of the hearings were held 300-400 km away from their homes.

The short notice and lack of information caused confusion among those summoned.

RSS ideologue moves SC

New Delhi: RSS ideologue K N Govindacharya moved the Supreme Court on Monday, seeking live-streaming or recording of the day-to-day hearing in the Ayodhya land dispute case, which is scheduled to commence from Tuesday.

The court, while refusing to accord urgent hearing, said it would require institutional decision and deliberation on the matter. **PTI**

पश्चिमांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लि.
अति-अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सूचना

इस कार्यालय द्वारा आमंत्रित अति-अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सं.-42/2019-20 एवं ई-निविदा सं.-43/2019-20 जिनके खुलने की दिनांक 31.07.2019 थी को किसी भी निविदाकार द्वारा प्रतिभाग न करने के कारण निरस्त कर रि-टैण्डर करते हुए पुनः अति-अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सं. 42 (आर-1)/2019-20 एवं अति-अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सं. 43 (आर-1)/2019-20 आमंत्रित की जाती है। जिनकी खुलने की दिनांक 10.08.2019 होगी। अन्य नियम व शर्तें यथावत रहेगी। हस्ता./- अधीक्षण अभियंता, विद्युत वितरण मंडल-प्रथम मुजफ्फरनगर। पत्रांक 2879/वि.वि.म./मु.नगर/कैम्प दिनांक 05/08/2019

SEARCH FOR MISSING

Santoshi

General Public is hereby informed that one girl namely **Santoshi** D/o **Upender Ram** R/o H.No. C-290, JJ Colony, Wazirpur, Delhi. **Age**-16 years, **Height**-5'1" **Face**-Round **Complexion**-Fair, **Built**-Thin, **Wearing**-Pink Colour T-Shirt and Black Colour Jeans and Black Colour Hawai Chappal in her feet has been missing since dated 12.07.2019. In this regard, **FIR No. 315/19 u/s 363 IPC dated 13.07.2019** has been registered in **P.S. Bharat Nagar, Delhi.**

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this girl please inform undersigned.

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CORRIGENDUM NOTICE
Sr. No. : 1. **NAME OF DEPARTMENT :** IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, HARYANA, BHIWNAI. **OLD REFERENCE/NIT NO. :** 6863-82/2A dated 22.07.2019. **NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM :** THE TENDERS (10 NOS.) INVITED VIDE THIS OFFICE LETTER NO-6863-82/2A DATED 22.07.2019 TO BE OPENED ON 13.08.2019 AT 3.00PM. TENDER SR. NO-1, 2, 3, 8 AND 10 ARE HEREBY POSTPONED DUE TO ADMINISTRATIVE REASON. **WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH :** https://etenders.hry.nic.in. **NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL :** 01664-242882/ xenjuibhiwani@rediffmail.com.
Sr. No. : 2. **NAME OF DEPARTMENT :** IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, HARYANA, BHIWNAI. **OLD REFERENCE/NIT NO. :** 5041-56/34MT dt. 25.07.2019. **NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM :** CHANGE IN DATE 06.08.2019 AT 11:00 AM TO 09.08.2019 AT 11:00 AM. **WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH :** https://etenders.hry.nic.in. **NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL:** xenmechbhiwani@gmail.com.
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FROM THE GALLERY

FROM THE CHAIR

RAJYA SABHA

"Tearing the Constitution in the House, shouting against India, will not be allowed."

M VENKAIAH NAIDU, Chairman, after two PDP MPs tore copies of the Constitution

LOK SABHA

"Don't touch. No. Don't touch."

OM BIRLA, Speaker, to Opposition members who were touching the edge of his table while protesting in the Well.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"While looking after the rights of the transgender community and talking about social inclusion, nowhere do we mention about their right of inheritance. Now, this is a major issue."

SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO, BJP member (Bolangir) during a discussion on transgender persons Bill

ROLL CALL

PRIME MINISTER: Present

SONIA GANDHI: Present

RAHUL GANDHI: Present

LS gives nod to resolution on Kashmir, Cong walks out

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

THE RESOLUTION to scrap the special status of Jammu and Kashmir was passed by a voice vote in Lok Sabha on Monday. After the resolution was tabled in the House by Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Congress MPs trooped to the Well and tore apart its copies. Following its passage, the Congress MPs, led by UPA chairperson Sonia Gandhi, walked out.

Right after the House passed The Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill, 2019, Shah proposed to table the resolution on the Bill to reorganise Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories, separating Ladakh. "I am just moving the resolution now. We will discuss the Bill tomorrow and I will reply," he said.

The Opposition benches protested, saying a resolution

A Raja, Adhir Chowdhury

cannot be tabled without the Bill. T R Baalu and A Raja of the DMK, Congress leaders Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury and Gaurav Gogoi and the party's MPs from Kerala then trooped to the Well.

Shah left the House in the middle of the din as soon as the resolution was passed. During the voice vote, members like AIMIM's Asaduddin Owaisi demanded division voting, but the Speaker did not allow it.

"The Home minister got a resolution passed and ran away," said Chowdhury. This was followed by a war of words between the Opposition and the treasury benches. The Congress then walked out.

The Speaker then started the Zero Hour and said no "point of order" would be allowed. "You are not even allowing us to speak. What kind of democracy is this?" Owaisi said.

The Speaker later allowed Baalu and TMC's Saugata Roy to speak. "This is not the custom of the House that a Bill is followed by a resolution. They are to be tabled together," Roy said.

Earlier in the day, the Lok Sabha witnessed continuous protests, during which Opposition MPs raised slogans, clapped and even sat on the floor.

The sloganeering by members of the Congress, DMK and National Conference, which began soon after the House met, lasted till Speaker Om Birla announced a lunch break. Amid the din, Birla continued with legislative business, including introduction of the Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill and The Chit Funds (Amendment) Bill and a discussion on The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill.

Though Congress president Rahul Gandhi was present, it was Sonia who was effectively leading not just the Congress pack, but also the DMK.

At one point, there was a face-off between Trinamool and Congress members. Satabdi Roy of the Trinamool Congress was speaking on the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, when Hibi Eden and T N Prathapan of the Congress made a dash to her seat and began raising slogans from her mic. TMC member Kakoli Ghosh Dastidar objected to this and Kalyan Banerjee, too, intervened. After some heated exchanges, Eden and Prathapan went back to the Well.

The illuminated Parliament House on Monday. *Renuka Puri*

Lower House passes Bill to ban commercial surrogacy

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

THE LOK Sabha on Monday passed a Bill to ban commercial surrogacy in the country.

The Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill, 2019 provides for constitution of surrogacy boards at national and state levels, as well as that intending couples should not abandon such a child under any condition.

Terming the need to ban commercial surrogacy as "the need of the hour", Health Minister Harsh Vardhan said almost all countries had banned it.

The minister assured the members that once the rules of the proposed law are in place, it would make the legislation stronger. "There are about 2,000-3,000 surrogacy clinics running illegally in the country and a few thousand foreign couples resort to surrogacy practice within India and the whole thing is thoroughly unregulated," he said.

The Bill proposes that only close relatives will be permitted to act as surrogates to infertile couples for "ethical altruistic" reasons. "There have been reports concerning unethical practices, abandonment of children born out of surrogacy and exploitation of surrogate mothers," the minister said.

He said the 228th report of the Law Commission had recommended that the government should enact a legislation to ensure that there is only restrictive surrogacy in the country and commercial surrogacy is banned.

Only Indian couples who have been legally married for at least five years would be allowed to opt for surrogacy, as per the Statement of Objects and Reasons of the Bill.

The Bill seeks to "allow ethical altruistic surrogacy to the intending infertile Indian married couple between the age of 23-50 years and 26-55 years for female and male, respectively".

Ravi Kishan of the BJP said surrogacy should not become a trade and nobody should be allowed to misuse it. AIMIM member Imtiaz Jaleel Syed opposed the Bill, saying the proposed law was "anti-children" and the authorities proposed in it would only be toothless tigers in absence of the provision for funding.

BJP's Hema Malini said the law prohibiting commercial surrogacy should be "inclusive and practical".

LS passes Bill to increase number of judges in SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

THE LOK Sabha on Monday passed a Bill to increase the number of judges in the country's apex court from the present 30 to 33.

The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill was passed by a voice vote. This paves the way for adding more judges, for the first time since 2009.

"The Honourable Chief Justice of India in a letter to the government had expressed the need for more judges citing pendency and the fact that nowadays there are many matters that require to be heard by five-member Constitutional Benches. The number of judges has been increased several times in the past," Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad told Lok Sabha while piloting the Bill. The Supreme Court has a pendency of around 58,000 cases, he said.

He also said that the government envisaged creating a separate cadre in legal service to be posted as judges in district courts.

'NEW INDIA' RESOLUTION

Speaker urges PM to take up Parliament building expansion

PRADEEP KAUSHAL
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

LOK SABHA Speaker Om Birla on Monday requested Prime Minister Narendra Modi to include the expansion and modernisation of the Parliament building in his resolution for "New India", marking the completion of 75 years of Independence in 2022.

Making an observation soon as the House met, Birla said it is the wish of members that Parliament building of the world's largest republic and democracy should be magnificent. He said all political decisions were taken in this hallowed temple of Indian republic, which has completed 92 years of existence. He also assured members that sanctity and dignity of Parliament will be kept intact.

A similar observation was made by Rajya Sabha Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu in the Upper House on Monday.

Birla has undertaken the task to make Lok Sabha's functioning paperless, even as members such as Kalyan Banerjee of Trinamool Congress sounded a note of caution, citing the example of the Supreme Court, where a similar move had to be halted due to practical problems that emerged.

A suggestion for construction of a new building for Parliament had been mooted during the tenure of former Speaker Meira Kumar. She had appointed a committee in 2011 to suggest alternatives. The argument for the move was that the heritage structure could not meet present-day demands — its walls are over-wired and sandstone tiles uneven, while large stretches of corridors have been used to add extra rooms.

Bill to empower transgender persons gets Lok Sabha nod

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

THE LOK Sabha on Monday passed a Bill to provide a mechanism for social, economic and educational empowerment of transgender persons in India.

The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill 2019 was passed by a voice vote.

MoS for Social Justice Ratanlal Kataria said the Bill makes provision for establishing a national authority for safeguarding rights of transgender persons.

"According to the 2011 census there are more than 4.8 lakh transgenders in the country," he said while replying to the discussion on the Bill. "There are provisions for penalty and punishment in the Bill in cases of offences and sexual harassment against transgender persons."

A contentious provision that criminalised begging by transgender people has been removed from the Bill. It was part of the Bill when it was introduced by the previous government before it lapsed.

According to the Bill, a transgender is a person whose gender does not match with the gender assigned to that person at birth and includes trans-man or trans-woman (whether or not such person has undergone sex reassignment surgery or hormone therapy or laser therapy or such other therapy), person with inter-sex variations, gender-queer and person having such socio-cultural identities as 'kinner', 'hijra', 'aravani' and 'jogta'.

Going by the Bill, a person would have the right to choose to be identified as a man, woman or transgender, irrespective of sex reassignment surgery and hormonal therapy. It also requires transgender persons to go through a district magistrate and district screening committee to get certified as a transperson.

Earlier, participating in the debate on the Bill, BJP MP Manoj Tiwari said transgenders are a symbol of happiness. They visit homes of people during celebrations and happiness and that it is important to save their culture and heritage, he added.

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Employment Notice No. 02/2019 dated 03.08.2019

ICMR-National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis, **invites applications for direct recruitment of the posts of Personal Assistant, Assistant, UDC and LDC.** Application forms and information relating to qualifications, experience, age, etc. can be downloaded from the ICMR-NIRT website **www.nirt.res.in or www.icmr.nic.in.** Details are also available in Employment News issue dated 03.08.2019. The filled-in application should reach the Institute **on or before 30.08.2019.**

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EXTRACT OF STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2019

(₹ in Crore except per share data)

Particulars	Quarter ended 30.06.2019 Un-audited	Year ended 31.03.2019 Audited	Quarter ended 30.06.2018 Un-audited
Total income from operations	3,736.13	13,150.97	3,528.13
Net Profit for the period before tax and exceptional items	319.87	1,263.61	287.68
Net Profit for the period before tax and after exceptional items	319.87	1,263.61	287.68
Net Profit for the period after tax and exceptional items	276.59	903.83	227.32
Total Comprehensive income for the period (after tax) (attributable to owners of the Company)	272.39	892.69	227.16
Equity Share Capital	480.62	480.62	480.62
Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve as shown in the balance sheet of previous year)		8,489.61 (as at 31.03.2019)	
Earnings per share (of ₹ 10/- each)			
Basic (₹)	5.73	18.70	4.70
Diluted (₹)	5.73	18.70	4.70

Extract from the Standalone financial results:

(₹ in Crore)

Particulars	Quarter ended 30.06.2019 Un-audited	Year ended 31.03.2019 Audited	Quarter ended 30.06.2018 Un-audited
Total income from operations	3,686.48	12,977.52	3,485.13
Net Profit for the period before tax and after exceptional items	316.90	1,248.36	281.53
Net Profit for the period after tax and exceptional items	276.15	889.24	221.04
Total Comprehensive income for the period (after tax)	273.27	883.03	222.35

Note:
1. The above is an extract of the detailed financial results for the quarter ended 30th June, 2019 filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the same, along with the notes, are available on the websites of Stock Exchanges at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com and also on the Company's website at www.torrentpower.com.

Place : Ahmedabad
Date : 5th August, 2019

OBITUARY

Corps of Signals salutes its following Signallers who left us for their heavenly abode during the month of Jul 2019.
(a) 15669891H CHM Rajendra Kumar Mahanta
(b) 15689994H Nk Dinesh Yadav
(c) 15684305M LNk Dhananjay Panday
(d) 15732160M Sigmn Thangamuthu G
(e) 15735884P Sigmn Dharmendra Kumar Yadav
On behalf of the Corps, we sincerely pray to Almighty for peace to departed souls & strength to the bereaved families to bear this irreparable loss.

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Public Notice

Mop-up round for the Counselling for admission to MBBS/BDS courses in all Government/Government Aided/Private Unaided Medical/Dental Institutes including those under Private universities-SGT University, Budhera, Gurugram, PDM University Bahadurgarh, Jhajjar and A1 Falah University Faridabad in the Sate of Haryana for the Academic Session 2019-20.

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It is for the information of all the eligible candidates desirous of seeking admission to UG (MBBS/BDS) courses for the academic session 2019-20 and all other concerned that fresh registration for mop-up round of counselling for admission to UG courses for the academic session 2019-20 shall be held as per following schedule:-

Sr. No.	Schedule of Admission for all category of seats	Dates
1.	Registration on the online web portal i.e. http://uhsugadmissions.in	04.08.2019 to 08.08.2019 till 11.59 PM)
2.	Document verification & Physical counseling of Mop-up round for admission to left over/vacant seats in MBBS/BDS courses at Pt. B.D Sharma UHS, Rohtak.	10.08.2019
3.	Last date of joining/deposition of original documents.	14.08.2019 upto 05.00 PM
4.	Fresh registration for MBBS/BDS courses for filling up any stray vacancy.	11.08.2019 to 14.08.2019
5.	Forwarding of list of students in order of merit ten times the number of vacant seats to the Medical Colleges by the Counselling Authority for filling up any stray vacancy (for MBBS Course only)	15.08.2019
6.	Last date of Joining.	18.08.2019

a) The candidates, who have already registered themselves for the first/second round shall not be required to register again.
b) The candidate who have been allotted seats in the second round of counseling but did not join shall be eligible to participate in the Mop-Up round with the forfeiture of fee (Rs. 10,000/-, Rs. 5000/- for SC) Rs. 1,00,000/- as the case may be).
c) The Candidates who have joined on the allotted seats in the All India Counseling/State Counseling shall not be eligible to participate in Mop-Up Round.
d) The candidates shall have to deposit original documents and fee in the shape of Demand Draft in favour of Controller of Finance, Pt. B.D. Sharma University of Health Sciences, Rohtak to the Admission Committee at the time of Mop-up round as notified below failing which their candidature shall not be considered and seat will be offered to next candidate in merit.
Government/Government aided institutions-
Complete fee as per Notifications dated 21.06.2019.

Private institutes including those under Private Universities

Type of institute	Course	Amount of fee to be deposited at the time of Mop Up Round
Private Institutions affiliated to Pt. B.D. Sharma university of Health Sciences, Rohtak	MBBS	Rs. 5.00 Lakhs
Private Institutions under Private Universities	MBBS	Rs. 8.00 Lakhs
Private Institutions including Private Universities	BDS	Rs. 2.00 Lakhs

For the convenience of the candidates, the candidates are allowed to submit multiple demand drafts as per their convenience considering different fee in Government/Government aided/Private Institutes. The fee in all Institutes has already been notified in the notification dated 21.06.2019.
e) The candidates shall have to bring all original documents and fee in the shape of demand Drafts as explained above at the time of Mop up Round failing which their candidature shall not be considered and seat will be offered to next candidate in merit.

It is informed that aspiring candidates should regularly visit the website of Pandit Bhagwat Dayal Sharma University of Health Sciences, Rohtak www.uhsr.ac.in and admission web-portal i.e. http://uhsugadmissions.in and website of Medical Education and Research Department, Haryana i.e. www.dmerharyana.org for updates.

Director
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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Regulation 47 read with Regulation 29 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 14th August, 2019 inter alia, to consider, approve and take on record the Unaudited Financial Results of the Corporation for the quarter/period ended June 30, 2019.

The financial results will be available on the website of the Corporation viz. **www.gicofindia.com** and the website of the BSE Limited (**www.bseindia.com**) and National Stock Exchange of India Limited (**www.nseindia.com**), after the approval of the Board.

Pursuant to SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015 & amendments thereto, in terms of the Policy on Code of Conduct for Insider Trading 2019 and with respect to intimation for closure of trading window submitted to BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited vide letter ref. no. **GIC Re/SE/2019-20/CTW-I** dated 18th April, 2019, the trading window is under closure from 1st July, 2019 and shall remain closed till 48 hours after the publication of financial results for the quarter/period ended June 30, 2019.

For General Insurance Corporation of India
Sd/-
Suchita Gupta
Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Place: Mumbai
Date: 05.08.2019

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

CORRIGENDUM

Reference Haryana Staff Selection Commission's Advt. No. 12/2019, dated 20.07.2019 for Direct Recruitment for 3206 Posts of Skill Development & Industrial Training Department, Haryana, which was published in the various Newspapers and also available on HSSC website i.e. **www.hssc.gov.in**.

It is notified for the information of General Public that in the above said Advertisement:-
(a) under Serial No. 2.1, under the head '**Relaxation in age**', Para (VI) is omitted; and
(b) further against Sr. No. 2, 4, under the head '**Regulatory Frame Work**' note 3 is substituted as under:-
"3. Claim of Reservation etc., if any, shall be admissible to those Candidates only, who upload the requisite valid Original Certificate along with their Application in support of their claim and of Haryana Domicile".

Accordingly, in view of above Corrigendum/ Corrections in the Advertisements, the Eligible persons may now apply through the URL Address **http://adv122019.hryssc.in/StaticPages/HomePage.aspx** from **16.08.2019 to 02.09.2019 till 11.59 P.M.,** as already given in the Advertisement. Thereafter, website Link will be disabled. The Last Date for Deposit of Fee will be 05.09.2019.

Other terms & conditions of Advertisement No. 12/2019 will remain the same.

Note:- The above Corrigendum is available on the Commission's website i.e. **www.hssc.gov.in**.

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

Place: Panchkula
Dated, the 5th August, 2019

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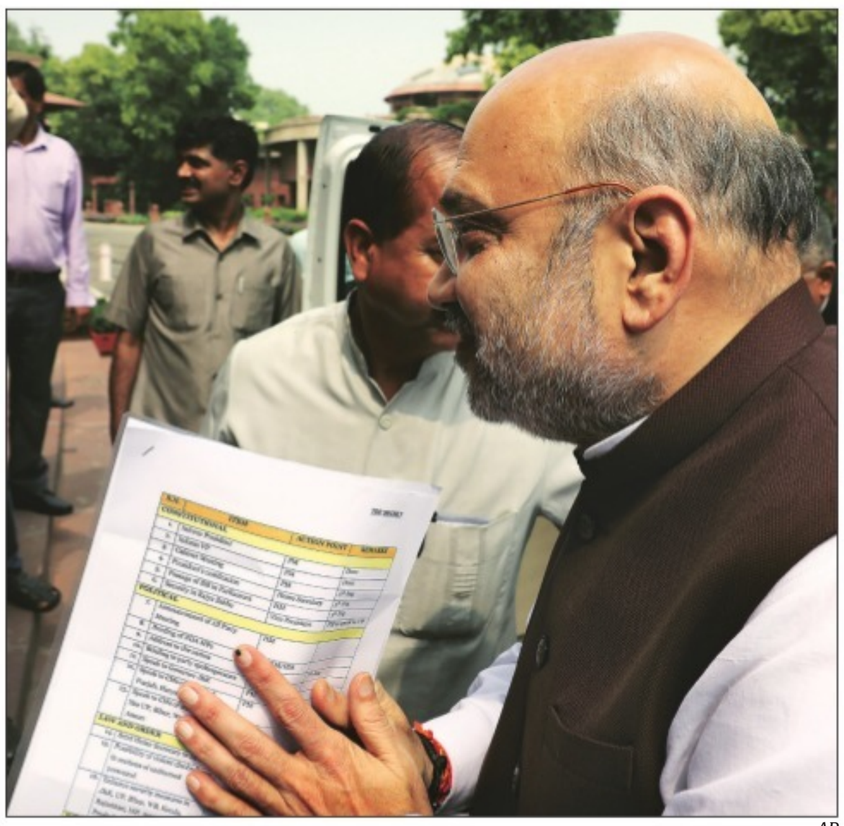
Anil Sharma



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Opposition leaders P Chidambaram, Ghulam Nabi Azad (Congress), TMC's Derek O'Brien and SP's Ram Gopal Yadav; Home Minister Amit Shah arrives with document that lists out procedure behind government's move.

History will prove you wrong: Cong to govt

Voices of dissent: Dwivedi says mistake rectified, Singhvi says astute move

MANOJ C G
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

WHILE THE Congress targeted the BJP government in Rajya Sabha for scrapping special status to J&K and bifurcating the state into two Union territories, there were differing voices within the party outside Parliament.

Speaking in Rajya Sabha, Leader of Opposition Ghulam Nabi Azad said: "I never thought that a day would come when my state, which is India's head... that head will be chopped off... It is not merely a head or a crown... It borders with Pakistan, China and PoK. We had to fight a war with China and three-four wars with Pakistan. While our Army protected our borders, the people of J&K... J&K's mainstream political parties stood with the Army and fought Pakistan and China."

"In such border states... till the time the people are not with you... you may keep fighting for 1,000 years... you will not reach anywhere. You are seeing that in Afghanistan... But here, why are we successful in every war? Because our people who are nationalists, who wanted to live in India and chose India... they always gave information to our security forces," he said.

"Maharaja Hari Singh entered into the accession treaty to be with India... Despite being of the same religion, the people of Kashmir too did not demand to be with Pakistan... they made India their home...they were ready to live with India's Hindu brothers and not Pakistan's Muslims...That was their trust. You have betrayed that trust," he said.

"We have been seeing the plight of the Chief Minister of Puducherry... a Lt Governor is not allowing him to work..." he said.

Party leader P Chidambaram called it a "black day". "Momentarily, you think you have scored a victory. The drum beats that you will hear on the streets will certainly encourage you to believe that you have scored a signal victory, or, as one of the members said, you have corrected, a so-called injustice of history. You are wrong, and history will prove you to be wrong and future generations will realise what a grave mistake this House is making today," he said.

"Article 370 enables you to modify such other provisions in the Constitution. It is beyond my comprehension how Article 370 order can be used to modify Article 370," he said, adding, "you are unleashing forces which you cannot control."

"...an overwhelming majority in J&K don't want secession, don't want to leave the Union of India... I fear... that you are pushing thousands and thousands of young men from this column to join the other column of a few hundreds," he said.

"What you are doing to J&K can be done to any other state... All you have to do is dismiss an elected government, dissolve the state legislature, promulgate President's Rule, declare Parliament to be the state legislature for the time being and divide the state... But, I think, in doing it for J&K, you have made a fatal legal error," he said.

However, outside Parliament, veteran party leader Janardan Dwivedi said a "mistake" had been "rectified". "It is not a new issue... Ever since Independence, many of the freedom fighters had been demanding that Article 370 should be removed... An Independence-era mistake has been rectified and it is a matter of national satisfaction," he said.

"Many freedom fighters, including Ram Manohar Lohia under whom my political training began, talked of abrogation of Article 370 from the very beginning. During our student and youth movement days, we used to speak against this. So, I naturally felt it is correct. There are issues about which many people held opposite views, but when the time for reckoning came they kept quiet. I feel in this issue also, people will slowly get silent," he said.

Asked why the previous governments had not done it, he said "I am not going to blame anyone."

Congress spokesperson Abhishek Singhvi called it a "legally flawed but politically astute decision." He tweeted that in his "personal capacity", it was hard to oppose the move, although it was indefensible legally. Asked about his tweets, Singhvi said the move is "legally, totally flawed", done with "zero consultation and sleight of hand."

"But I do concede that politically, it may get Modi lots of votes outside of J&K, because there is an emotive feeling he has created. But whether that should be the underlying policy decision is a question mark," he said.

Former Lok Sabha MP Deepender Hooda tweeted that Article 370 has no relevance in the 21st century and hoped the government would implement its decision in an atmosphere of peace and trust, but he later deleted his tweet. He then rephrased the tweet, with more emphasis on his advice to the government.

Jaiveer Shergill, another Congress national spokesperson, tweeted: "My personal point of view: I support abrogation of Art 370... but only in accordance with provisions & methodology provided by the Constitution of India which mandates consent of J&K state assembly..."

Article 370 miscarriage of history, separated J&K from India: BJP

KRISHN KAUSHIK
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

OPENING THE argument for the government, senior BJP leader Bhupender Yadav called it a "historic day". "What you could not do in 70 years, our Home Minister has brought that topic to this House," he said.

He said in the past too, "significant" Constitutional amendments were brought in without being taken to the Business Advisory Committee of the House. "Today, when we have brought a resolution for the progress of J&K," to take the state forward, for the integrity and unity of India, "the work of opposing it is being done by only the Congress," he said.

"Now that the expectations of the people of J&K have been raised, it is our responsibility to fulfill those expectations," he said. He said the development of Kashmir is the "duty of every Indian", and development requires a "necessary administrative structure".

Jitendra Singh, Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office called it a day of "redemption, rejuvenation and resurgence". Article 370, he said, "was a miscarriage of history and one of the gravest blunders of post-independent India". He said it was time for "repentance".

Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting Prakash Javadekar said reservations for various sections, RTI Act and Right to Education were not applicable in J&K due to "political" reasons. He said Article 370 was called a "transient provision" and led to alienation. "How much more time is needed," he said. "Because of Article 370, J&K was separated from the country," he said.

Also speaking for the government, nominated member Swapan Dasgupta said it was a "very proud day because in future, we will not have Bills which would have the clause which says 'this will not be applicable to the State of Jammu & Kashmir'." "Only the other day, in this House, we passed the triple talaq Bill. That was a very important Bill because it was a major step towards getting rid of what can be called a differentiated citizenship. Today, we have taken the other step. We have made all citizens of this country equal," he said.

"On 15th August, 1947, Pandit Nehru gave a very good speech which we call the 'Tryst with Destiny' speech. One of the statements that he used there was 'the soul of a nation long suppressed finds expression'. That expression was not fully met on 15th August, 1947. Today, I believe, we have taken a giant step towards redeeming that pledge and, I think, it is unfortunate that it has been marred by some ugly scenes," Dasgupta said.

JD(U) walks own way on Art 370

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, PATNA, AUGUST 5

AFTER WALKING out of Rajya Sabha during the debate on triple talaq Bill, NDA ally JD(U) on Monday opposed the Narendra Modi government's decision to scrap the special status given to Jammu and Kashmir.

In Patna, JD(U) national spokesperson K C Tyagi said: "We completely differ with the Central government's move on Jammu and Kashmir. There was a need for wider consultations on it, but no consultation was done even within the NDA.... We own the legacy of socialist leaders Ram Manohar Lohia and Jai Prakash Narayan, who had opposed attempts to tamper with Article 370 during Congress (government in the past)."

He said, "We are not surprised but shocked with the move."

Earlier, JD(U)'s walkout during the triple talaq Bill had helped the government get the Bill passed in the Upper House, where it was short of a majority. The JD(U) has six members in Rajya Sabha.

On Sunday, JD(U)'s Jharkhand unit chief Salkhan Murmu had announced that the party will contest the next Assembly polls on its own.

These developments come on the heels of failed talks between the BJP and JD(U) over the latter's representation in the Modi government. Nitish was hopeful of getting two ministerial berths — one Cabinet rank and another Minister of State rank — for his party.

BSP backs move, SP questions it

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WHILE THE BSP declared its support, the SP opposed the government's decision. "You could have just scrapped Article 370, why was it necessary to make it a Union Territory... why did you abolish statehood," SP leader Ram Gopal Yadav said.

"I know that you do not care if people live or die in Kashmir, you only care about boasting in the rest of the country that you have removed Article 370," he said. He mentioned the problems faced by the Delhi government and the Puducherry government with their respective Lieutenant Governors.

"Article 370 is part of the Constitution," he said, adding that "a Constitutional amendment is needed" to amend it. He said it cannot be removed by a resolution.

He accused the government of creating an atmosphere of fear in the state. Had the government taken "Kashmir's political parties and political representatives into confidence", it would not have led to doubts in people's minds, he said.

Explaining the BSP's decision to back the government's move, BSP leader Satish Chandra Mishra said the "minority Muslim community does not only live in J&K". There are more Muslims in the rest of India than in J&K, he said, and added that their right to buy property in the state had been "snatched till now".

Voices in RS: 'Dark day... don't want a Palestine', 'destroyed a 70-year-old blot'

DEREK O'BRIEN (TMC): Calling it a "dark day" for parliamentary democracy, federalism, the Constitution, Rajya Sabha and idea of India, O'Brien said: "The Constitution has been sadly, either forgotten conveniently, or, thrown into the dustbin... I would like to sincerely appeal... to my colleagues in the parties with strong regional presence, be they in Odisha, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, or anywhere else. What this basically means is that apply President's Rule on a state, then dissolve the House, then you bring a Presidential proclamation, then, in the morning, you do this..." He said the speed at which the business of the House was changed was a "mockery of Parliament". "We will fight this everyday in Parliament and outside. Let us talk about federalism. Don't believe what TMC or any other party says. Believe what Dr Ambedkar said, and Dr Ambedkar said more than once, that the heart of our Constitution is federal, and only in times of extremity, do we look at it through the lens of unitary". "Beyond the tamed television channels and the tamed media owners, I also have to see what is happening on social media today morning. It is being called by the right wing — and this is all over — 'the final solution'. Sir, the final solution! What does that mean? That means 1942. This was the Nazi plan for genocide; the code name to murder the Jews was called 'the final solution'."

TIRUCHI SIVA (DMK): Terming the government's decision as "unconstitutional and unwarranted", Siva questioned the power under which the Centre made the move. He said Article 370(3) states that the recommendation of the Constituent Assembly of the State is necessary before the President issues such a notification. He cited the Supreme Court Constitution Bench in case of Sampat Prakash vs. State of J&K to state that Article 370 is permanent, not temporary. "The architects of the Constitution, members of the Constituent Assembly were all elected, were all people who were from various quarters, from various areas; and they were all experts. After deep deliberations, this Article 370 was provided, giving special status to the people of Kashmir for various other reasons," he said, and asked whether the Centre had taken the views of the people of J&K or of the State Legislature. "Tomorrow, the same powers will be vested with you and you can convert any State into a Union Territory. It may be Tamil Nadu, it may be Bihar, it may be Bengal, it may be Maharashtra," he said.

APPASAMY NAVANEETHAKRISHNAN (AIADMK): Expressing support, AIADMK MP A Navaneethakrishnan said that under sub-clause (3) of Article 370, the President can declare that the Article ceases to be operative or stays operative with certain exceptions and hence Article 370 is temporary in nature. "Now, the central government has rightly brought forward these two Resolutions and also two enactments. Hon. Amma was well known for upholding sovereignty and integrity. So, we, the AIADMK government, Amma's government, the AIADMK party, support the two resolutions and also support the Reorganisation Bill and the Reservation Bill," he said.

PRASANNA ACHARYA (BJD): Supporting the government, Acharya drew attention to the plight of Kashmiri Pandits. "The integrity, safety and security of India is first... We are a regional party. We have our regional aspiration. But for us, our motherland, Bharat Mata, is the utmost... I would once again reiterate my point that the freedom, integrity, sovereignty and honour of Bharat Mata is utmost for us. Therefore, my only submission is that so far as Kashmir is concerned, let us all rise above petty politics," he said.

K RAVINDRA KUMAR (TDP): Stating that since 1949, scores of people have been killed in J&K, terrorism has been on the rise, and development hit, Kumar said Article 370 deprived people living in areas along J&K's international border of the benefits of jobs and education. "There was no national security for the last seven decades. The governments in power, irrespective of whoever was in power, could not provide sufficient security to them for leading a peaceful life... After the introduction of this Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, at least, this time... people of J&K must be feeling relieved from all these tensions... J&K has now become a part of our country," said Kumar.

VAIKO (MDMK): "You played with the sentiments of the people of Kashmir... For the last few days, Army personnel in large numbers are being deployed there... Kashmir should not become a Kosovo. Kashmir should not become an East Timor. Kashmir should not become a South Sudan. This may happen... Now, J&K has been made a powder keg. I am worried... Today, on this particular Bill, I shed my tears of blood," he said.

VANDANA CHAVAN (NCP): "It would have been so much better if this step was taken after discussion with leaders of the state and by building a consensus... if the will of the people of Kashmir was taken into consideration... if there was a democratic process... we hope that the government takes care that there is no backlash and there is no bloodshed. NCP decides to abstain from voting," said Chavan.

K K RAGESH (CPI-M): "We are witnessing assassination of the Constitution, the democratic ethos and secular fabric of our country is being questioned... Our Constitution is under threat... They are killing democracy. They are destroying it. There is a kind of alienation that is taking place in J&K. I request the government not to do it because we do not want a Palestine state of India," said Ragesh.

SANJAY RAUT (SHIV SENA): "When you were talking about scrapping Article 370... not only in the entire country, but I think in the entire world, wherever there are Indians, there was a festive and happy atmosphere," said Raut, adding that it was akin to "killing an evil, destroying a blot that this country, this Constitution, had been carrying for 70 years". "Those who oppose, they are the same people who exploited the population of J&K for 70 years," he said.

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INTERVIEW: PDP MP NAZIR AHMED LAWAY

'What we have torn is just a book, BJP has torn the Constitution'

PDP MP **NAZIR AHMED LAWAY** tells **LIZ MATHEW** that the government's move to scrap special status would further alienate the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

Anil Sharma

What would be the immediate implication for the state?

People are really angry, naturally. They (the central government) had not discussed this with anyone. They have done it on their own will. We are also disturbed. But the BJP says it has been a demand of the people for years. So, they say people are happy. Which part of Kashmir are they talking about? People are angry. But to express it, no one is allowed to get out. They have kept everyone locked inside their homes. This BJP government wielded a sharp-edged sword because they have power. What can people do? Today it is Kashmir, tomorrow it could be some other state. I feel that they would indulge in this kind of bulldozing wherever they feel like.

How do you react to the argument that those who have allegiance to India would be happy?

See, we are also part of this country. We are Indians. We should also be heard. There were troubles in other parts of the country, like in Punjab? Did they handle it like this? There were many states in the Northeast. It did not happen there too. I don't know why only Jammu and Kashmir gets this deal. This is a breach of trust with the people of Kashmir.

Are you planning to challenge it?

Yes, certainly. We will challenge it politically and with the other ways available to us. I think we should go back to Kashmir and organise people to protest against this. All political leaders in Kashmir should get together and discuss. We should go to court together. We have to defend Kashmir otherwise the situation in Kashmir will be worse....

You tore the Constitution.

What we have torn is just a book, but what the BJP government has torn is the Constitution. You can imagine, if people like MPs, who are conscious of the decorum of the House and Parliament, have become agitated after seeing what this government is doing, what would be the common man's reaction in Kashmir?

Now that the Centre will directly control law and order, how would it affect the people in Kashmir?

That will happen according to the laws. Law of the land should prevail. But difficulties will increase when you don't have a government of people from there.

Do you think delimitation will also happen soon?

Not immediately. But I must say that they are capable of doing anything...People of Jammu and Kashmir will be further alienated...

FULL INTERVIEW ON www.indianexpress.com

A deserted road in Srinagar on Monday. Restrictions were in force across Kashmir and in several parts of Jammu. *Reuters*

Governor reviews security, curfew clamped in parts of Jammu too

ARUN SHARMA
JAMMU, AUGUST 5

JAMMU AND Kashmir Governor Satya Pal Malik on Monday met Northern Army commander Lt General Ranbir Singh and reviewed the security situation in the state and along the border with Pakistan.

An official spokesperson said the Northern Army Commander and General Officer Commanding of 15 Corps, Lt General K J S Dhillon, met the Governor at Raj Bhavan in Srinagar and briefed him about the internal and external security management in the state in the aftermath of the Parliament passing the resolution to scrap the special status of Jammu and Kashmir. They also apprised him of the preparation to meet any unforeseen situation, the spokesperson said.

The Governor stressed on real-time co-ordination between security forces and agencies.

In the evening, he reviewed the situation during a meeting with his advisors K Vijay Kumar, K K Sharma, K Skandan and Farooq Khan, and Chief Secretary B V R Subrahmanyam. The Governor's advisors, who returned from Jammu, briefed him about the adequacy of essential supplies and delivery of public services to the people, including electricity, water supply and healthcare in both Kashmir and Jammu regions.

The Governor stressed the need to ensure safety of the public and advised the administration to give due consideration to the genuine needs of people. He also appealed to people and leaders of various social, religious and political organisations to cooperate with the state machinery to maintain law and order in the state.

Meanwhile, curfew was clamped and cellular services suspended in various parts of Jammu on Monday.

J&K Governor Satya Pal Malik

The Central Armed Police Forces were put on high alert and all educational institutions closed to prevent any untoward incident.

Curfew was imposed in areas of Pir Panjal and Chenab Valley which are adjacent to Kashmir. These included Kishtwar, Doda and parts of Ramban districts, and Rajouri and Poonch districts.

Elsewhere in Jammu, mobile internet services were suspended and prohibitory orders imposed under Section 144 of the CrPC. There were no reports of any untoward incident from any part of the region.

Normal life was not hit in areas where the curfew was not in force. Shops and other business establishments opened and traffic plied as usual in areas like Kathua, Samba and Udhampur. In Jammu city, business establishments remained closed and there was minimal traffic movement.

Sources said educational institutions will remain closed on Tuesday. Jammu University has postponed its undergraduate and postgraduate exams in view of the restrictions.

Internet services, landline, mobile network are down

PRANAV MUKUL
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

WHILE MOBILE Internet services were suspended on Sunday, cellular network, landline and broadband connectivity were also shut down in the early hours of Monday in what was described as the "worst ever" blackout of communication services in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) in at least the last decade. In the past, the restrictions were limited to Internet services.

According to the latest subscription data provided by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), as of May 2019, there were 1,01,465 wireline subscribers and 1,13,39,647 wireless subscribers in J&K circle.

According to internetshutdowns.in, a portal tracking government-imposed Internet blackouts, there have been a total of 178 Internet shutdowns in the area since 2012 — of which 118 have been in 2018 and 2019 (so far).

As per the portal, the longest shutdown was in 2016, when mobile Internet services in Kashmir were snapped for 133 days following the protests triggered by the killing of Burhan Wani in July 2016. Last year, ahead of Independence Day celebrations, cellular as well as Internet services were shut down in Kashmir region.

In order to regulate the temporary suspension of telecom services on account of public emergencies, the Centre, in August 2017, had notified rules, according to which an order from at least a joint secretary-level official was made necessary for temporarily stopping telecom services. And an order from an officer not below the rank of a joint secretary, who has been duly authorised by the Union home secretary or the state home secretary, must be obtained in case of "unavoidable circumstances, where obtaining of prior direction is not feasible".

Otherwise, such directions will have to be issued by the Union home secretary, or a state secretary in-charge of home department.

These bans, generally issued by the local authorities to control tense situations, will be reviewed by high-level committees, as per the new rules. The Indian Telegraph Act states that the Centre or a state may direct that "any message or class of messages to or from any person or class of persons, or relating to any particular subject, brought for transmission by or transmitted or received by any telegraph, shall not be transmitted, or shall be intercepted or detained, or shall be disclosed to the government..." in the interest of "sovereignty and integrity of India, security of State, friendly relations with foreign states" or to prevent "incitement to the commission of an offence".

Meanwhile, even as airline operations to and from Srinagar functioned normally, with 29 scheduled flights departing from the airport on Monday, passengers in the city could not be contacted to provide flight information due to the communication blackout. Fares on the Srinagar-Delhi sector, which had initially skyrocketed, remained subdued as private airlines implemented a cap of Rs 10,000 on the sector. Air India said it would hold maximum fare on the route at Rs 6,715 till August 15.

India briefs UNSC members, Islamabad summons Delhi envoy

SHUBHAJIT ROY
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

AS FOREIGN ambassadors reached out to the government for clarity on the move to scrap the special status granted to Jammu and Kashmir under Article 370 and bifurcate the state into two Union Territories, New Delhi moved quickly to brief foreign envoys, especially the members of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC).

Sources said that the briefing was led by Foreign Secretary Vijay Gokhale and other secretaries, who briefed the ambassadors of the US, UK, France, China and Russia, among others. Some other major countries, including Germany, Canada, Japan and ASEAN countries, were also briefed.

The UNSC members were chosen for the first batch of briefing since Pakistan is expected to take up the issue there. Pakistan summoned Indian High Commissioner Ajay Bisaria to the Foreign Office on Monday and conveyed a "strong demarche on the announcements made and actions taken" by the government over Jammu and Kashmir.

Incidentally, none of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) countries have been briefed by the government so far, according to sources. Delhi also wants to minimise the briefing on what it considers an "internal" matter, and not allow "external players" to intervene or make statements. More countries may be briefed in the next few days.

A source explained, "This is not a Balakot-type situation. We were briefing the envoys since we wanted to explain the developments in the correct perspective." Sources explained that ambassadors have been briefed earlier by the government on various issues, including issues like Kumbh mela etc.

In the briefings, it was conveyed that the "decisions were internal to India" and they are aimed at "providing good governance, promoting social justice and ensuring economic development in Jammu and Kashmir", sources said.

In the light of interest expressed by members of the diplomatic community, senior MEA officials briefed the envoys of several countries, the sources said.

Pakistan's Foreign ministry said in a statement that Bisaria was summoned by Foreign Secretary Sohail Mahmood.

"The Foreign Secretary conveyed Pakistan's unequivocal rejection of these illegal actions as they are in breach of international law and several UN Security Council resolutions," the statement said.

Pakistan's "resolute condemnation of the unlawful actions aimed at further consolidating the illegal occupation" of Jammu and Kashmir was underscored, it added.

Meanwhile, a PTI report from Islamabad said Pakistan President Arif Alvi has summoned a joint session of the Parliament on Tuesday to discuss the matter.

The joint sitting will review the tense situation in Jammu and Kashmir and along the Line of Control.

UN urges India, Pak to exercise restraint

United Nations: UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres is following with concern the tense situation in the India-Pakistan region and urges all parties to exercise restraint, his spokesperson Stephane Dujarric said here on Monday.

"We are following with concern the tense situation in the region... We urge all parties to exercise restraint," Dujarric said at the daily press briefing, adding that the UN is also aware of reports of restrictions in Kashmir.

FROM THE STATES

PUNJAB: The state government prohibited any kind of celebrations or protests that could vitiate the atmosphere. Chief Minister Amarinder Singh directed the police to be prepared to thwart any attempts by Pakistan to create disturbance. He flayed the manner in which the Centre "imposed" the decision, saying the democratic fabric of the nation has been "ripped apart" with this "unprecedented violation of the Constitutional norms".

UTTAR PRADESH: Deputy CM Dinesh Sharma on Monday termed the government's move as "historic" and said it is a bold step to strengthen the unity and integrity of the country. "While introducing the Bill, Home Minister Amit Shah was looking like Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel," said Sharma. Strict directives were issued to police to maintain vigil.

HARYANA: The Haryana Assembly passed a resolution by voice vote thanking the Narendra Modi government's decision to scrap special status for J&K. Congress leader Bhupinder Singh Hooda supported the move but asked if the BJP would fulfil promises made to Haryana in its manifesto. INLD leader Abhay Chautala also supported the Centre's decision, but said that similar provisions in states such as Himachal Pradesh should also be scrapped. Speaker Kanwarpal said that "buying land in Himachal" cannot be compared with Article 370.

GUJARAT: Chief Minister Vijay Rupani welcomed the Centre's move, saying it was a "historic and brave" decision. Terming Kashmir as the "crown" of India, Rupani said the government's decision was a befitting tribute to Jan Sangh founder Syama Prasad Mookerjee.

TELANGANA: The ruling TRS supported the move and its Rajya Sabha MPs voted in favour of the government but the party did not make any announcement publicly. DGP M Mahender Reddy said a ban has been imposed on meetings in areas under Hyderabad, Cyberabad and Rachakonda Police after the MHA issued an advisory to all the states to put the police and security forces on high alert.

MAHARASHTRA: Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis said the Centre's decision had foiled the attempts of "Pakistan and the then Congress government" to "separate" the state from India. Speaking in Chandrapur during his Mahajanadesh Yatra, he said Prime Minister Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah must be congratulated. **ENS**

'When you're far away, don't know what's happening, it's horrifying'

J&K residents living in other states — to study or work — were concerned about the situation back home. *The Indian Express* spoke to some of them:

"We feel safe in our institute, but are not aware about our parents' safety. My mother's last words to me last night were '*zinda rahenge to phir baat karenge*' (If we are alive, then we will speak again)."

SAAQIB,
STUDENT AT CT INSTITUTE IN JALANDHAR, HAILS FROM ANANTNAG DISTRICT OF KASHMIR

"The internet is down but I have been able to stay in touch with my parents. They have assured me they are safe. There are pros and cons to scrapping the special status and people will celebrate and protest according to their choice. I don't want to comment on it ."

ROHIT GANJOO,
ELECTRONICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT OF FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY AT MSU VADODARA, HAILING FROM BANTALAB IN JAMMU

"Yesterday he (his brother, a J&K policeman) gave me an indication and asked me not to call him until the situation is under control. I was told by my family that central forces have taken over and there is no clarity on the future. If the Valley remains normal for 30 days, it should show the way the future looks. For now, everything is confusing."

Sajid Khatai runs a business in Kochi

SHAHID AHMED YATOO,
18-YEAR-OLD SELLING SILK SAREES IN GOA, HAILING FROM SRINAGAR

"In 30 years of conflict in Kashmir, landline phones have never been blocked. Last night, even that happened. When you're sitting so far away from Kashmir and you don't know what's happening to your families, it's a horrifying feeling. It's like sitting on a time bomb and waiting for it to burst."

SAJID KHATAI,
WHO ARRIVED IN KOCHI AFTER HIS UNCLE BEGAN A BUSINESS, HAILING FROM SRINAGAR

"I last spoke to my parents on Saturday. There is no internet, calls are not going through. Nevertheless, I am not scared. I hope they are doing fine. Also, I am safe here and my parents know that."

YAWAR ALI GANAIEE,
STUDENT AT MSU VADODARA, HAILING FROM GANDERBAL DISTRICT IN KASHMIR

"Is this (scrapping of special status) how it should be done? Shouldn't it be done through debates and discussion? There is no way to communicate with our families. We don't know what's happening, so we follow the media."

NASAR HUSSAIN, RUNS A BUSINESS IN KOCHI, HAILING FROM SRINAGAR

ANJU AGNIHOTRI CHABA in Jalandhar, **AISHWARYA MOHANTY** in Vadodara, **VISHNU VARMA** in Kochi, **SMITA NAIR** in Panaji

In Jammu, mixed reaction among Kashmiri Pandits

ARUN SHARMA
JAMMU, AUGUST 5

THE CENTRE'S move to scrap the special status of Jammu and Kashmir has left many dissatisfied among Kashmiri Pandits and refugees from Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) — from the Hindu community — in Jammu.

Although they welcomed the government's decision, many leaders of organisations representing migrant Kashmiri Pandits said the move has not opened the road for their return to the Valley — an apparent reference to their demand for a separate homeland there.

Refugees from PoK called it a retrograde move that has converted a full-fledged state into a Union Territory.

Many refugees from Pakistan's Punjab - or "West Pakistan" — however expressed satisfaction at having been "liberated from 70 years of continuous discrimination".

"It is an unprecedented and historic decision and should have been done back in 1947. We hope this provision has something for us also," Dr Agnishekhar, chairman of Panun Kashmir, one of the main organisations of displaced Kashmiri Pandits, said, referring to geopolitical aspirations of the displaced community. "For us, the road for our return to home has not yet opened since our demand for a separate homeland within Kashmir Valley remains," he said. "However, it is the biggest victory for the Indian State, as a Muslim state within a secular India stands demolished today".

A group of Kashmiri Pandits celebrate in Lucknow on Monday. *Vishal Srivastav*

T K Dhar of Tripura Sundari Sanstha Devsar, Kulgam, said that although the decision is aimed at ensuring J&K's total integration with India, it has nothing for Kashmiri Pandits and it does not open the doors for return of Pandits to the Valley.

J&K National Panthers Party's chairman Harsh Dev Singh called the government's decision "half-hearted and retrograde", which has not only led to bifurcation of a full-fledged state but also converted it into a Union Territory. "They have retained Part-I of Article 370, which talks of concurrence of State Legislature in respect to making of laws by Indian Parliament in respect to J&K," he said.

Singh said the government should have scrapped all provisions of Article 370.

Leh celebrates Centre move, Kargil resentful

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THE CENTRE'S decision to bifurcate Ladakh from Jammu and Kashmir and turn the two regions into separate Union territories on Monday prompted jubilation in Leh and resentment in Kargil.

"Today is a historic day for the people of Ladakh which always faced discrimination and step-motherly treatment from successive governments in the past in funding shares and employment," BJP Lok Sabha member from Leh Jamyang Tsering Namgyal said.

Ladakh Buddhist Association president P T Kunzang, former MP Thupstan Chhewang, Congress leader and former MLA Tsering Samphel, MLC Chering Dorjay, Congress district president Tsering Namgyal and BJP president Dorjay Angchuk hailed the decision, terming it "historic".

In the neighbouring Kargil, politicians expressed resentment against the move. "It is a black day not only for Jammu and Kashmir but for the whole country. We are against the division of Jammu and Kashmir on the basis of religion, language and region," Congress rebel leader and former MLA Asgar Ali Karbalai said. He said the people of Kargil are against the decision and will launch an agitation. Sajjad Hussain, who fought the Lok Sabha polls unsuccessfully with the support of National Conference and Peoples Democratic Party, said the people of Kargil want to be a part of Kashmir region.

AUGUST 15, 1947

The Indian Independence Act, 1947, divided British India into India and Pakistan. The princely states were given three options - to remain independent, or join Dominion of India or Dominion of Pakistan. Jammu & Kashmir's Maharaja Hari Singh opted to remain independent.

Maharaja Hari Singh initially opted for an independent J&K, later acceded the state to India

OCTOBER 26, 1947

Hari Singh eventually signed Instrument of Accession with India. The decision was forced on him by the invasion of tribesmen from the Northwest Frontier Province, supported by Pakistan. The Maharaja sought military help from India, which sought accession in return.

2014-2018

Poles apart in ideology, PDP and BJP allied to form a government, first with Mufti Mohd Sayeed as CM, who was succeeded by his daughter Mehbooba following his death. The killing of militant Burhan Wani led to unrest in the Valley, the alliance strained, and Mehbooba eventually resigned in 2018.

Mehbooba Mufti took over as CM following her father's death. The uncharacteristic alliance between PDP and BJP eventually snapped.

2004-2014

The Manmohan Singh years, marked by the appointment of interlocutors for J&K in 2010 (Dilip Padgaonkar, M M Ansari, Radha Kumar); a meeting between the PM and Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf in New York in 2006; and unrest in 2008 over transfer of land to the Amarnath Shrine Board.

Prime Minister Manmohan Singh during a visit to Kashmir in 2013, seen with CM Omar Abdullah and UPA chairperson Sonia Gandhi

APRIL 2003

PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee made his frequently quoted speech in Lok Sabha, after a visit to J&K. "I stressed that the gun can solve no problem; brotherhood can. Issues can be resolved if we move forward guided by the three principles of *Insaniyat, Jamhooriyat* and *Kashmiriyat*."

AN EXPERT EXPLAINS

What has changed in Jammu and Kashmir...

Jammu and Kashmir has lost its special status, and reduced to two Union Territories. What is the history of Partition and accession to India that has been overturned? What are Articles 370 and 35A, that were supposed to define the special status of the state?

FAIZAN MUSTAFA

THE BJP on Monday fulfilled its election promise of removing the special status for Jammu and Kashmir in India's Constitution. Special status was withdrawn by invoking the same Article 370 which had been seen as firewalling the autonomy of Jammu and Kashmir. What are the constitutional issues in — and arising out of — this development? What will change in the state and the country? What can be the basis of a possible legal challenge to the decision of the government?

Has Article 370 been scrapped?

The Constitution (Application to Jammu and Kashmir) Order, 2019, issued by President Ram Nath Kovind "in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (1) of Article 370 of the Constitution", has not abrogated Article 370. While this provision remains in the statute book, it has been used to withdraw the special status of Jammu and Kashmir. The Presidential Order has extended all provisions of the Indian Constitution to Jammu and Kashmir. It has also ordered that references to the Sadr-i-Riyasat of Jammu and Kashmir shall be construed as references to the Governor of the state, and "references to the Government of the said State shall be construed as including references to the Governor of Jammu and Kashmir acting on the advice of his Council of Ministers". This is the first time that Article 370 has been used to amend Article 367 (which deals with Interpretation) in respect of Jammu and Kashmir, and this amendment has then been used to amend Article 370 itself.

What is the status of Article 35A now?

Article 35A stems from Article 370, and was introduced through a Presidential Order in 1954. Article 35A does not appear in the main body of the Constitution — Article 35 is followed by Article 36 — but appears in Appendix I. Article 35A empowers the Jammu and Kashmir legislature to define the permanent residents of the state, and their special rights and privileges.

Monday's Presidential Order has extended all provisions of the Constitution to Jammu and Kashmir, including the chapter on Fundamental Rights. Therefore, the discriminatory provisions under Article 35A are now unconstitutional. The President may also withdraw Article 35A. This provision is currently under challenge in the Supreme Court on the ground that it could have been introduced in the Indian Constitution only through a constitutional amendment under Article 368, and not through a Presidential Order under Article 370. However, Monday's Presidential Order, too has amended Article 367 without following the amending process.

So, what has changed in Jammu and Kashmir?

Rajya Sabha on Monday approved The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, 2019. The Bill will come up in Lok Sabha on Tuesday, and is expectedly to pass easily. In effect, the state of Jammu and Kashmir will now cease to exist; it will be replaced by two new Union Territories: Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh. UTs have become states earlier; this is the first time that a state has been converted into a UT. The UT of Jammu and Kashmir will have an Assembly, like in Delhi and Puducherry.

Article 3 of the Constitution gives Parliament the power to amend the Constitution by a simple majority to change the boundaries of a state, and to form a new state. But this change requires that such a Bill be first referred to the concerned state Assembly by the President for ascertaining its views. Explanation II of Article 3 says Parliament's power extends to forming Union Territories.

Not only has Jammu and Kashmir lost its special status, it has been given a status lower than that of other states. Instead of 29, India will now have 28 states. Kashmir will no longer have a Governor, rather a Lieutenant Governor like in Delhi or Puducherry.

It is also likely that corporates and individuals will be able to buy land in Jammu and Kashmir. Non-Kashmiris might now get jobs in Kashmir. A process of demographic change might begin, and progress over the coming decades.

What is the significance of Article 370?

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2014-2018

Poles apart in ideology, PDP and BJP allied to form a government, first with Mufti Mohd Sayeed as CM, who was succeeded by his daughter Mehbooba following his death. The killing of militant Burhan Wani led to unrest in the Valley, the alliance strained, and Mehbooba eventually resigned in 2018.

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2004-2014

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APRIL 2003

PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee made his frequently quoted speech in Lok Sabha, after a visit to J&K. "I stressed that the gun can solve no problem; brotherhood can. Issues can be resolved if we move forward guided by the three principles of *Insaniyat, Jamhooriyat* and *Kashmiriyat*."

AN EXPERT EXPLAINS

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FAIZAN MUSTAFA

THE BJP on Monday fulfilled its election promise of removing the special status for Jammu and Kashmir in India's Constitution. Special status was withdrawn by invoking the same Article 370 which had been seen as firewalling the autonomy of Jammu and Kashmir. What are the constitutional issues in — and arising out of — this development? What will change in the state and the country? What can be the basis of a possible legal challenge to the decision of the government?

Has Article 370 been scrapped?

The Constitution (Application to Jammu and Kashmir) Order, 2019, issued by President Ram Nath Kovind "in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (1) of Article 370 of the Constitution", has not abrogated Article 370. While this provision remains in the statute book, it has been used to withdraw the special status of Jammu and Kashmir. The Presidential Order has extended all provisions of the Indian Constitution to Jammu and Kashmir. It has also ordered that references to the Sadr-i-Riyasat of Jammu and Kashmir shall be construed as references to the Governor of the state, and "references to the Government of the said State shall be construed as including references to the Governor of Jammu and Kashmir acting on the advice of his Council of Ministers". This is the first time that Article 370 has been used to amend Article 367 (which deals with Interpretation) in respect of Jammu and Kashmir, and this amendment has then been used to amend Article 370 itself.

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Article 35A stems from Article 370, and was introduced through a Presidential Order in 1954. Article 35A does not appear in the main body of the Constitution — Article 35 is followed by Article 36 — but appears in Appendix I. Article 35A empowers the Jammu and Kashmir legislature to define the permanent residents of the state, and their special rights and privileges.

Monday's Presidential Order has extended all provisions of the Constitution to Jammu and Kashmir, including the chapter on Fundamental Rights. Therefore, the discriminatory provisions under Article 35A are now unconstitutional. The President may also withdraw Article 35A. This provision is currently under challenge in the Supreme Court on the ground that it could have been introduced in the Indian Constitution only through a constitutional amendment under Article 368, and not through a Presidential Order under Article 370. However, Monday's Presidential Order, too has amended Article 367 without following the amending process.

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Rajya Sabha on Monday approved The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, 2019. The Bill will come up in Lok Sabha on Tuesday, and is expectedly to pass easily. In effect, the state of Jammu and Kashmir will now cease to exist; it will be replaced by two new Union Territories: Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh. UTs have become states earlier; this is the first time that a state has been converted into a UT. The UT of Jammu and Kashmir will have an Assembly, like in Delhi and Puducherry.

Article 3 of the Constitution gives Parliament the power to amend the Constitution by a simple majority to change the boundaries of a state, and to form a new state. But this change requires that such a Bill be first referred to the concerned state Assembly by the President for ascertaining its views. Explanation II of Article 3 says Parliament's power extends to forming Union Territories.

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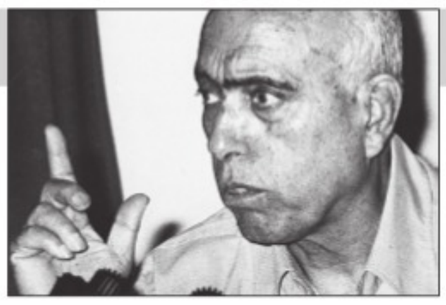

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AUGUST 9, 1953

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MAY 14, 1954

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FEBRUARY 24, 1975

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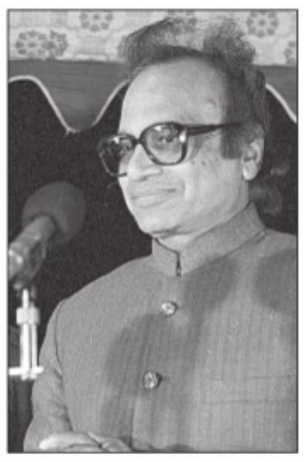

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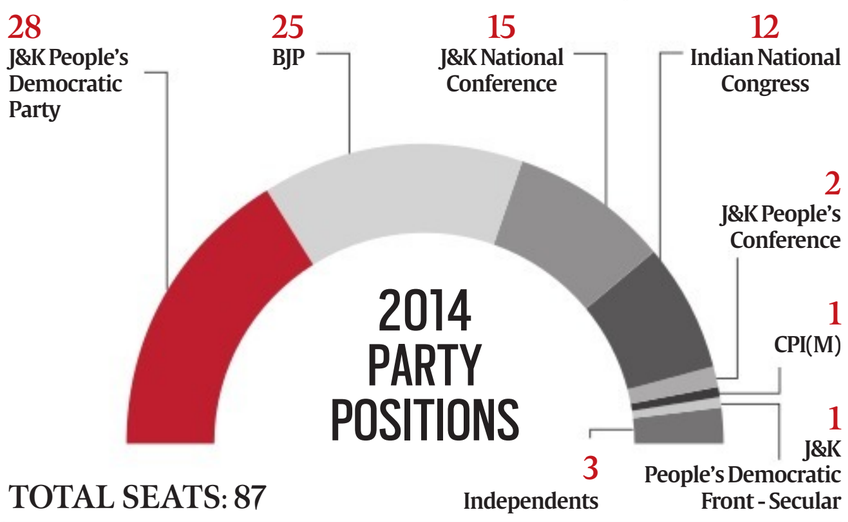

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Article of faith: History of the RSS and BJP opposition to 370

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THE UNION government's move to strip the special status of Jammu & Kashmir was one of the three core issues of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh. The other two issues were the Common Civil Code and the Ram Temple.

On Monday, RSS Sarsanghchalak Mohan Bhagwat "congratulated the courageous step taken by the government" and said that it "was very necessary not just for Jammu and Kashmir but (also) for the whole nation. Everyone should rise above political interest and difference and support the initiative".

The RSS has always held that "Article 370 is a provision to break Kashmir from Bharat", and it has always demanded the removal of Article 370 of the Indian Constitution. A total of 51 resolutions on Kashmir have been passed in the annual meetings of the Akhil Bhartiya Karyakari Mandal (ABKM), Akhil Bhartiya Pratinidhi Sabha (ABPS) and the Kendriya Karyakari Mandal (KKM) since the early fifties, and a majority of them have demanded the scrapping of Article 370. Even though Article 370 has not been scrapped, the end result — the removal of special treatment for J&K — has been achieved by the government on Monday.

As far as the division of the state is concerned, the RSS supported the idea in 1995 when it demanded in its resolution that the Jammu region "be granted an autonomous council". Later, in 2002, the RSS passed a resolution to divide the state.

1952: The first resolution on J&K was passed in a meeting of the RSS's KKM in which it condemned the "Pak-American Pact" and said that the "open aggression in Kashmir" was still on.

1953: J&K Praja Parishad, an organisation formed by the late Bharatiya Jana Sangh leader Balraj Madhok, started a movement for "complete integration" through a resolution at the ABPS. Later, Syama Prasad Mookerjee, the founder president of the Bharatiya Jana Sangh, who was protesting the special status of J&K, died in mysterious circumstances in a Srinagar jail on June 23, 1953. During his last agitation against Article 370, the BJS's main slogan was: *"Ek desh me do vidhan, do pradhan, do nishan, nahi chalega, nahi chalega* (One country cannot have two constitutions, two Prime Ministers, and two flags)".

Prime Minister Narendra Modi pays tributes to Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee on his birth anniversary in Parliament House last year.
Express Archive

1964: A resolution of the ABPS, titled "Bharat's Kashmir Policy," stated that "Article 370, which was incorporated in our Constitution as a temporary provision on Kashmir, must be immediately repealed and the state brought in line with the other states".

1982: The J&K government passed a Resettlement Bill, which sought to enable all Kashmiri Muslims who had migrated to Pakistan to return to Kashmir and acquire Indian citizenship. After that, the ABKM of the RSS passed a resolution that reiterated that the J&K Assembly is using Article 370 to achieve separatist and communal ends, and that the Article should be scrapped.

1984: The ABKM passed a resolution stating Article 370 was "being used to fan separatist tendencies" and demanded its repeal.

1986: The demand was reiterated in an ABPS resolution.

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1995: In a resolution, the ABKM demanded that the Jammu region "be granted an autonomous council".

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2000: When the BJP-led government was in power at the Centre, and the J&K Assembly passed a resolution demanding "autonomy," the RSS's ABKM passed a resolution stating, "things would not have come to this pass had the transitory Article 370 been abrogated in time".

2002: The RSS's ABKM passed a resolution stating that "the people of Jammu think that the solution to their problems lies in the separate statehood for Jammu region. This has been demonstrated by the agitation spearheaded by Jammu and Kashmir National Front (JKNF) and other organisations". The ABKM offered its support to the JKNF's demand for a separate state. The JKNF too, was formed by some members of the RSS.

2010: The last resolution on this issue was passed in the ABPS that year. It stated: "Article 370, which was included in our Constitution as a 'temporary and transitional provision', instead of being abrogated, continues to be a tool in the hands of the separatist and secessionist elements".

However, since 2014, when the BJP received a full majority in Lok Sabha and Narendra Modi became Prime Minister, the RSS has not passed any resolution in any of its meetings.

Repeal of Article 370 has not always figured in the BJP's election manifestos. For instance, the 1984 manifesto did not mention it, and the 1989 manifesto only promised a "regional council" for Jammu. In 1991, the BJP stated this clearly — but this promise did not find mention in 1996, 1998, 1999 and 2004. In 2009 and 2014, the BJP reiterated its stand on the abrogation of Article 370. In 2019, the BJP's Sankalp Patra stated: "We reiterate our position since the time of the Jana Sangh to the abrogation of Article 370".

...and what the govt's move could lead to

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Didn't Congress governments too misuse Article 370?

Yes, they did. A number of Presidential Orders were issued against the letter and spirit of the Instrument of Accession. By the Presidential Order of 1954, almost the entire Constitution (including most constitutional amendments) was extended to Jammu and Kashmir. Ninety-four out of the 97 entries in the Union List are today applicable to Jammu and Kashmir as to any other state. Two hundred and sixty out of the 395 Articles of the Constitution have been extended to the state. Seven out of the 12 Schedules of the Constitution of India too, have been extended to Jammu and Kashmir.

Over the years, the central government has used Article 370 to amend a number of provisions of the Jammu and Kashmir constitution, even though that was not the power given to it under this Article of the Constitution of India. Article 370 had a limited mandate to extend the applicability of the Constitution of India to Jammu and Kashmir.

Thus, Article 356 (on the imposition of President's Rule in the states) was extended to Jammu and Kashmir, even though a similar provision was already there in Article 92 of Jammu and Kashmir's constitution. To change the provision in the Jammu and Kashmir constitution regarding the Governor being elected by the state Assembly, Article 370 was used to convert the position into a nominee of the President.

Governors have proved to be the Centre's agents in the state. Monday's Order has now extended the remaining Articles of the Constitution after withdrawing all the earlier Orders.

Why didn't governments before this take such a step?

Nehru probably lacked the political will, and wanted to honour the constitutional pact with Maharaja Hari Singh. He also had a sentimental connection with Kashmir. Atal Bihari Vajpayee's idea was that of the healing touch — in the form of *Kashmiriyat, Insaniyat* and *Jamhooriyat*. The first Modi government was in an alliance with the PDP in Jammu and Kashmir till 2018. The Home Minister has said that once peace returns and the situation improves, the government will restore statehood to Jammu and Kashmir.

Can the Presidential Order be challenged in the Supreme Court? On what grounds?

It will most likely be challenged. However, the Supreme Court will consider that Article 370 does, indeed, give sweeping powers to the President. It might also take two to three years for a Constitution Bench of the court to decide such a challenge.

The possible grounds of challenge could include the argument that the conversion of Jammu and Kashmir into a Union Territory is in violation of Article 3, as the Bill was not referred by the President to the state Assembly. Also, can the Constituent Assembly mean Legislative Assembly? Are the Governor and the state government one and same?

The constitutional relevance of Instrument of Accession will also be examined by the court. Whether Article 370 was part of the basic structure will likely be considered. The use of Article 367 in amending Article 370 will also be examined.

So, is Kashmir now fully integrated with India?

Article 3 of the Jammu and Kashmir constitution itself declares the state to be an integral part of India. In the preamble of the Jammu and Kashmir constitution, not only is there no claim to sovereignty like in the Constitution of India, there is, rather, a categorical acknowledgment that the object of the Jammu and Kashmir constitution is "to further define the existing relationship of the state with the Union of India as its integral part thereof".

Integration thus, was already complete. Article 370 merely gave some autonomy to Jammu and Kashmir, which has now been withdrawn.

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Sheikh Abdullah, Ayyangar, Sardar Patel: How Article 370 was negotiated, debated

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IN JULY 1949, Sheikh Abdullah and three others were nominated by the ruler of Jammu & Kashmir to the Constituent Assembly in Delhi. They negotiated the special status of J&K, leading to the adoption of Article 370. (It was Article 306A while being debated in the Constituent Assembly.) The negotiations were carried out over several months between N Gopalaswami Ayyangar (cabinet minister without portfolio and former Dewan of Kashmir) and Sheikh Abdullah and others.

The first meetings were held during May 15-16, 1949 at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's residence with PM Jawaharlal Nehru present. When Ayyangar prepared a draft letter from Nehru to Abdullah summarising the broad understanding reached, he sent it to Patel with a note: "Will you kindly let Jawaharlal*ji* know direct as to your approval of it? He will issue the letter to Sheikh Abdullah only after receiving your approval."

Ayyangar, who eventually drafted Article 370, spoke in the Constituent Assembly on October 17, 1949: "We have also agreed that the will of the people, through the instrument of the Constituent Assembly, will determine the Constitution of the State as well as the sphere of the Union's jurisdiction of the state... You will remember that several of these clauses provide for the concurrence of the Jammu & Kashmir state. Now these relate particularly to the matters not mentioned in the Instrument of Accession and it is one of our commitments to the people and the Government of Kashmir that no such additions should be made except with the consent of the Constituent Assembly which may be called in the state for framing its Constitution."

Later, Abdullah insisted that the Article should not extend the Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles to Jammu and Kashmir, but leave it to the state's Constituent Assembly to decide whether or not to adopt them. Patel was unhappy but allowed Ayyangar to proceed. Nehru was abroad then; Patel wrote to him on November 3, 1949: "After a great deal of discussion, I could persuade the [Congress] party to accept". When Sheikh Abdullah threatened to resign from the Constituent Assembly, Patel asked Nehru to get him back on board.

In November 1963, in a debate in Parliament, when Hari Vishnu Kamath argued that Kashmir was "not fully" integrated, Nehru asserted that it was, indeed, "fully integrated" with India. He said: "The House will remember that we have some such restrictions with respect to NEFA and other places; outsiders cannot buy land. This is also in some other districts, the hill districts of Assam. This is to protect them."

Former MP Karan Singh, son of Maharaja Hari Singh, wrote in *An Examined Life*: "The right wing seems to resent that J&K carries a special status. That has always surprised me. We are a great country, we should be large-hearted. J&K came to India under complex and difficult circumstances. Now after all these years to ask why it holds a special position is baffling. It will always be special because it was born out of a special historical event and subsequent political developments. In England they have all sorts of governing systems...,we should feel so lucky that J&K, a Muslim-majority state became a part of India despite the religion-led Partition. Cherish that; relish that; honour that."

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New Delhi reappointed former Governor Jagmohan. Following raids on people's houses, a crowd protested at Srinagar's Gawakadal Bridge. CRPF troops fired on unarmed protesters. Over 100 died, Schofield writes. The state came under Governor's Rule in February.

Mufti Mohammad Sayeed (centre) was made Union Home Minister by PM V P Singh (left)

1989

That year marked the real beginning of insurgency, writes historian Victoria Schofield (*Kashmir in Conflict*). Strikes were frequent, many militant groups emerged. Days after Mufti Mohd Sayeed had been appointed Union Home Minister, his daughter Rubaiya was kidnapped.

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WORDLY WISE

TYRANNY EMERGES NATURALLY OUT OF DEMOCRACY.

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BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

RUPTURE IN HISTORY, STITCHING A FUTURE

Historic changes draw an audacious red line across Jammu and Kashmir and its compact with the Union. How government carries this forward will decide many things for India

THE NDA GOVERNMENT'S decision to abrogate the special status to Jammu and Kashmir under Article 370 fulfills a nearly 70-year-old project of Hindutva parties, their promise that they would one day make the "integration" of J&K with the Union of India a reality. The Constitution (Application to Jammu & Kashmir) Order 2019 supersedes the 1954 order, which included Article 35 A, and defined the state's special status. Article 35 A has ceased to exist. Although Article 370 remains, it's effectively dead. The government has simultaneously proposed the bifurcation of the state through the Jammu & Kashmir State Reorganisation Bill 2019, under which it will become two Union Territories, one comprising Ladakh without a legislature, another comprising Jammu & Kashmir, with a legislature.

But the special status guaranteed to Jammu and Kashmir was not a partisan or personal decision of the founding fathers of the Indian republic. It was based in the imperative of nation-building. It was a recognition of the role a Muslim majority state — its unique demography protected by the Constitution — would play in belying the claims on which Partition had taken place, and in strengthening the secular "idea of India". The developments of August 5, 2019, are in no small measure about rewriting history, changing that very demography, and bringing in a new idea of India, with the stamp of Narendra Modi firmly on it. The changes are no less than historic, they draw an audacious red line over and across the Nehruvian idea of India.

But what is this new idea of India, and how will it be given shape? What will also go down in history is the manner in which the momentous change in J&K's status has been brought about. There is no parallel in the history of independent India for the secrecy and stealth deployed by the government to bring in something that is politically and communally contentious. To do this at a time when Parliament is in session, to present it as a virtual fait accompli to the House, may be the BJP's way of doing business, as it believes it has the mandate. But it goes against every democratic convention and norm.

Curiously, government officials put out the red herring of a purported terror plot emanating from Pakistan to justify the induction of additional troops in the Valley and cancellation of the Amarnath Yatra. As it has turned out, these were law and order measures in anticipation of a backlash to the government's real plans. For the first time since the 1953 arrest of Sheikh Abdullah, the government placed two former chief ministers, both leaders of mainstream political parties, under arrest.

The promise of resolving the Kashmir issue through partnership and dialogue with Kashmiris, articulated by a BJP prime minister, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, and carried forward by a Congress prime minister, Manmohan Singh, was implicit in the PDP-BJP alliance of 2015-2018. It failed, yet as recently as last year, Prime Minister Modi invoked Vajpayee's "insaaniyat, jahmuriyat, Kashmiriyat" credo for resolution in Kashmir. It now seems that he and his trusted lieutenant believe that the people of Kashmir need not be consulted at all about their political fate, and that the use of force can overcome their opposition.

NOW THAT THE die has been cast, how the government proposes to carry this forward from here, how it will deal with the legal and political fallout and the reactions in the Valley, will decide many things for India. If the unkept promise of autonomy in Article 370 was the genesis of the Kashmir problem, the government has significantly departed from that, not just by its definitive move to scrap the constitutional guarantee of that autonomy but by demoting the state into truncated union territories that will now be governed directly by the Union home ministry through an all powerful Lt. Governor, working with an emasculated legislature.

Regional parties, such as AIADMK and TRS, that have supported the government's move, might do well to ask themselves what they would do if the Centre decided that Tamil Nadu, with a traditionally strong regional ethos, be carved up into union territories. But the challenge for the Opposition is also more than a distant thought experiment. It is real and it is already here: A BJP that is bringing its "core issues" — for long relegated to the backburner — to centrestage. A BJP with a mandate that will have its way, few questions asked.

It cannot be the government's intention to keep voices in the Valley suppressed forever. For starters, it must release Omar Abdullah, Mehbooba Mufti and Sajjad Lone, leaders with a following in the Valley and in Jammu too. It must remove restrictions on movement in the Valley, allow telecommunications to be restarted. It must demonstrate that its political confidence to do what it has done in Kashmir does not flow out of the barrel of a gun or a numerical majority alone. There will be other challenges, such as the changing dynamics in the region, especially the deal with Pakistan's help, in Afghanistan between the US and Taliban. This is hard work in progress even though the deed has been done.

A JUST WAY

Ayodhya is back in court. It is upto the Supreme Court to ensure that due process is respected above all

THE SUPREME COURT'S initiative to push for a negotiated settlement in the Babri Masjid case has failed to find traction. The three-member panel set up by the apex court conducted extensive consultations with the stakeholders in the dispute, but evidently could not convince the parties to agree to an out-of-court settlement. This does not come as a surprise. Previous attempts to mediate, too, had failed since the parties to the dispute refused to budge from their stated positions. The case has become a political battleground involving history and myth, faith and identity. Within the deadline set by the Court, it was ambitious perhaps to expect that the mediation committee could provide a breakthrough for an over seven-decade-old matter. The panel led by retired Supreme Court judge, Justice F M I Kalifullah, including Art of Living Founder Sri Sri Ravi Shankar and senior advocate Sriram Panchu, was set up in March this year with a deadline of eight weeks, which was extended till July 31.

The committee reportedly persuaded one side to come with a proposal that included a plan to build a mandir and masjid adjacent to each other at the disputed site. That, however, did not elicit a response from the backers of the temple. The committee also presented a possible deal premised on shifting the mosque outside the contested site. This deal had four elements, among them freezing the status of all places of worship as per their status on August 15, 1947 (as stated in The Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act, 1991) and providing alternative land and funds to build a mosque anywhere. The parties to the dispute appear to have discussed the proposal, but failed to reach a consensus. Those seeking to build a Ram temple at the site where the masjid stood before it was pulled down by kar sevaks on December 6, 1992, see it as a political project and are unwilling to cede any ground. The other side insists that the land where a masjid stood could not be given for any other purpose.

Now that the mediation effort has failed, it is for the Supreme Court to decide this sensitive and fraught issue. It must ensure that due process is respected by both sides. The litigation itself has gone on for long and the accumulated layers have only added to the complexity of the issue. The challenge before the Court is to separate the multiple strands in the dispute and settle it in a way that is fair and is seen to be so too.

Blood and Betrayal

BJP thinks it is going to Indianise Kashmir. Instead, we will see, potentially, the Kashmirisation of India

PRATAP BHANU MEHTA

THERE ARE TIMES in the history of a republic when it reduces itself to jackboot. Nothing more and nothing less. We are witnessing that moment in Kashmir. But this moment is also a dry run for the political desecration that may follow in the rest of India. The manner in which the BJP government has changed the status of Jammu and Kashmir by rendering Article 370 ineffective and bifurcating the state is revealing its true character. This is a state for whom the only currency that matters is raw power. This is a state that recognises no constraints of law, liberty and morality. This is a state that will make a mockery of democracy and deliberation. This is a state whose psychological principle is fear. This is a state that will make ordinary citizens cannon fodder for its warped nationalist pretensions.

The narrative supporting a radical move on Kashmir is familiar. Article 35(a) was a discriminatory provision and had to go. Article 370 was not a mechanism for integration but a legal tool for separatism. The Indian state, despite the horrendous violence it has used in the past, has never had the guts to take a strong stand on Kashmir. The radicalisation within Kashmir warrants a crackdown. The treatment meted to Kashmiri Pandits has never been recompensed either through justice or retribution. The international climate is propitious. We can do what China is doing: Remake whole cultures, societies. We can take advantage of the fact that human rights is not even a hypocrisy left in the international system. We can show Pakistan and Taliban their place. Let us do away with our old pusillanimity. Now is the time to seize the moment. Settle this once and for all, if necessary with brute force.

There are kernels of truth to many of these arguments. The status quo was a double whammy: It did nothing to address the well-being of Kashmiris who have now endured two generations of what was effectively military occupation. And it increased the gulf between Kashmir and the rest of the nation. So some movement was inevitable. But the kernel of truth is being deployed with an armoury of evil. The solution being proposed is an annihilation of decency. The fact that these measures had to be done under stealth, with a tight security noose and informational blackout is a measure of the evil of the step taken. This is not the dawn of a new constitutional settlement, designed to elicit free allegiance. It is repression, plain and simple, reminiscent of the Reichstag or Chinese constitutional ideology that sees federalism as an obstacle to a strong state and homogenous culture.

> There will be a sullen peace, militarily secured, that we will mistake for victory. The very army, behind whom every patriot now hides, will now potentially be put in even more harm's way: To be used more and more as the sole basis for keeping India together. And even if we concede to the tragic necessity of force, that force can work only in the context of a larger political and institutional framework that inspires free allegiance, not fear. But even if Kashmir resigns to its fate, pummelled by military might, the prospect of radicalisation in the rest of the country cannot be ruled out. There are already incipient signs of that. The theatre of political violence will shift.

Think of the proposal's broader ramifications. India has betrayed its own constitutional promises. India has many asymmetric federalism arrangements outside of Kashmir. This act potentially sets the precedent for invalidating all of them. How can we justify offering Nagaland asymmetric federalism but deny it to Kashmir? Its implication is that the government can unilaterally declare any existing state to be a Union Territory. This is a constitutional first. We are simply a union of Union Territories that happen to be a state at the discretion of the Centre.

Let us also not put too fine a point on this. Even if Article 370 were to be scrapped, the proposal to alter Jammu and Kashmir's status to Union Territory, even if temporarily, is designed to humiliate an already subjugated population. How dare a Muslim dominated state exist in India? Kashmir can now not even be trusted to be a state. The optics of this measure is not integration, it is humiliation, of a piece with subtle and unsubtle reminders to minorities of their place in India.

Let's take the argument that this pain is worth the price, if it actually solves the problem. But will it? There will be a sullen peace, militarily secured, that we will mistake for victory. The very army, behind whom every patriot now hides, will now potentially be put in even more harm's way: To be used more and more as the sole basis for keeping India together. And even if we concede to the tragic necessity of force, that force can work only in the context of a larger political and institutional framework that inspires free allegiance, not fear. But even if Kashmir resigns to its fate, pummelled by military might, the prospect of radicalisation in the rest of the country cannot be ruled out. There are already incipient signs of that. The theatre of political violence will shift. In the context of the communally sensitive arc from UP to Bengal and in Kerala, India will seem more fragile.

For, fundamentally, what this change signals is that Indian democracy is failing. It is descending into majoritarianism, the brute power of the vote; it will no longer have the safety valves that allowed inclusion. The feckless abdication of the Opposition will only deepen the sense of alienation. There are no political avenues for protest left. Most of the so-called federal parties turned out to be more cowardly than anyone anticipated; the Congress can never stand for any convictions. Not a single one of us can take any constitutional protections for granted. Parliament is a notice board, not a debating forum.

Let us see what the Supreme Court does, but if its recent track record is anything to go by, it will be more executive minded than the executive. Kashmir is not just about Kashmir: In the context of the UAPA, NRC, communalisation, Ayodhya, it is one more node in a pattern hurtling the Indian state towards a denouement where all of us feel unsafe. Not just Kashmiris, not just minorities, but anyone standing up for constitutional liberty.

The larger worry is the fabric of our culture that is making this possible. There is a propaganda machinery unleashed with the media that builds up a crescendo baying for blood and calls it nationalism. There is the coarsening of human sentiments that makes empathy look worse than violence. There is the sheer political impatience with any alternative. The old Congress system of dealing with these issues appears so decrepit and corrupt that even a total carpet bombing of institutions and morality will be better. There is a kind of cruel aestheticism in our politics where audacious evil will be celebrated for its audacity, and mundane goods will invite contempt because they are mundane.

These proposals are not about solving a problem. What is playing out in Kashmir is the warped psyche of a great civilisation at its insecure worst. The BJP thinks it is going to Indianise Kashmir. But, instead, what we will see is potentially the Kashmirisation of India: The story of Indian democracy written in blood and betrayal.

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WE ARE JUST AT THE BEGINNING

Centre has failed Kashmiris who believed in the Constitution, stood by India

IMAD UL RIYAZ

IN THE LAST 24 hours, I have not been able to reach out to my family in Kashmir; I have no clue as to their safety. In a constant state of frenzy, I keep checking to make sure I have my ID card, passport and mobile phone with me so I can negate any suspicion and even arrest.

I have been a pious Indian throughout, diplomatic, balanced and politically correct. People who have known me would tell you "this is how Kashmiris and Muslims should be". But this attitude, the belief in dialogue and accommodation, can also backfire. In the conflict-ridden area I call home, the choice is to be pro-Kashmir, pro-India or pro-Pakistan — and I chose India. I grew up reading and gradually gaining a deeper understanding of the Indian Constitution. For many at home, my blind faith in the Gandhian path of non-violence and peace was something to scoff at.

I could stand up for my beliefs, and found refuge in a conflict-torn region in the idea of India, because of the Constitution's values that were at its core.

The very first page of the Constitution says that the country is a "Union of States", which implies a syncretic union of diverse cultures, languages, religions, etc. The political mainstream in Kashmir recognises this, and many have died so that Indian democracy had a chance to thrive there. Yes, the mainstream leaders can be corrupt, and they have made serious errors time and again. But the positions they occupy, their legitimacy, is made possible by the countless, faceless workers on the ground, including BJP workers.

> Today, we are dejected, appalled and feel betrayed. The issue is not just about the abrogation of Article 370 — it is about the unconstitutional manner in which the exercise is being carried out, the way national and international treaties have been violated. Most importantly, it is about the manner in which the views of the people of Jammu and Kashmir were ignored.

Today, we have failed all of them. We have failed the political workers, the security establishment and every person who thought a truce, and eventually reconciliation, is possible. Babaseheb Ambedkar's fear, and his warning, that mere political democracy is not enough, is coming true. This push for homogeneity and towards implementing a unitary idea of India by the ruling party should, perhaps, come as no surprise. The people who have disrespected the Constitution, those who never truly believed in the spirit that animates the document, could never understand its importance. What they want is political and social hegemony. And, it seems, that dream will soon come true.

My appreciation for India, and that of many other Kashmiris, and the desire to stand by it in the face of hostility and bullying back home, was sustained by the Constitution. Today, we are dejected, appalled and feel betrayed. The issue is not just about the abrogation of Article 370 — it is about the unconstitutional manner in which the exercise is being carried out, the way national and international treaties have been violated. Most importantly, it is about the manner in which the views of the people of Jammu and Kashmir were ignored.

The dispensation currently in power has made a mockery of democracy and the idea of India. This could mark the beginning of our end. For "people like me", there is now only insecurity. With the UAPA amended, it is easier to frame me as a terrorist and put me behind bars. Perhaps "peace" can also be brought about by killing thousands back home. But this historical blunder will not be forgiven. Sooner or later, an injustice of this scale will be noticed.

Finally, today it is us, tomorrow it could be you. The process of destroying constitutional democracy, of the rights that were inalienable, has just begun. Such a process does not discriminate, in the long run, between castes, religions and communities. In Pakistan, it began with non-Muslims, but soon enough, the forces unleashed consumed the society entirely. There are lessons to learn from our neighbours and from history, before it's too late. Kashmir is just the beginning.

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AUGUST 6, 1979, FORTY YEARS AGO

INDIAN EXPRESS

Army rebellion in Kabul crushed after heavy fighting

KABUL REBELLION

HEAVY FIGHTING INVOLVING tanks, helicopters and automatic weapons broke out in Kabul, diplomatic sources in Islamabad and the BBC reported. Sketchy reports coming in from Pakistan's capital mentioned a possible army rebellion because fighting started around the old Bala-Hissar fort at the edge of the inner city, used as military barracks. Government tanks and helicopters opened fire to quell the outbreak, which started at 12.45 pm and lasted four hours. Afghan authorities claimed to have quelled a disturbance created by what they said were "Iranian and Pakistani infiltrators", who had made their way to Kabul.

ANTI-CHARAN MOVE

THE JANATA PARTY launched a campaign to topple the Charan Singh government as early as possible. Addressing a huge rally at the Ramlila Grounds in Delhi, Jagjivan Ram, leader of the Janata Parliamentary Party, said that the induction of this "government of defectors" was a shameful chapter in world history. "The sooner it is toppled the better it will be for the country," he said. The rally was organised by the Janata Party to protest against what it described as the "betrayal of the people's faith by Charan Singh".

COSTLY ELECTIONS

RAJ NARAIN, CHAIRMAN of the Janata (S), said in Patna that he had told Jayaprakash Narayan that a poor country like India could not afford the luxury of mid-term elections frequently. Narain claimed that Narayan had heard his appraisal of the political situation in the country with "sympathy" and his reaction "appeared to be favourable" (towards the present dispensation at the Centre). Narain said that in line with his party's policy Prime Minister Charan Singh had set the date for summoning Parliament but he was not in a position to say if the confidence vote would be sought on the very first day, August 20. Replying to questions, he said he was confident about the outcome of the confidence vote.

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"The radicals are nothing but cowards trapped by utopian illusions. Only can relentless law enforcement wake them up so they will realize that Hong Kong has never abandoned the rule of law."

—GLOBAL TIMES, CHINA

Correcting a historic blunder

Abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A is a much-needed step for the complete emotional integration of people of Jammu and Kashmir with the Indian Union

RAM MADHAV

C R Sasikumar

AUGUST 5, 2019, will go down in the constitutional history of India as a glorious day. A historic blunder committed about 70 years ago, on October 17, 1949 during the course of the Constituent Assembly debates has finally been set right. Article 370, which entered the draft constitution 70 years ago as Article 306A, has finally been abrogated.

Nobody should complain because the abrogation of this discriminatory article has always been a running theme for the BJP and Jana Sangh. Nobody should have entertained any doubt that Prime Minister Narendra Modi, a leader possessing grit and determination, who was instrumental in hoisting the Indian Tricolour at Lal Chowk on January 26, 1992, would have spared this illogical entity in our Constitution when the appropriate moment came.

Article 370, which became history yesterday, has a notorious history. It was introduced into the draft constitution on by N Gopalaswami Ayyangar as Article 306A. Through this provision, Ayyangar had proposed that "Kashmir state" would have special powers to be excluded from the purview of the laws that the Parliament of India would make and also would have the power to make its own laws.

"Why this discrimination?", asked Maulana Hasrat Mohani, the member from United Provinces. Ayyangar gave an unconvincing reply, that there existed special circumstances in the state and hence the special provisions. He was challenged by members like Mohani who asked why different accessions were being treated differently. Ayyangar's logic was bizarre. The Instrument of Accession's relevance was limited to joining the Dominion, he argued, adding that what mattered for the Indian Republic that was going to take shape on 26 January 1950, was the decisions in the Constituent Assembly. He was no doubt clever in making this distinction between the Dominion and the Republic, but not logical.

Some five months before Ayyangar's introduction of Article 306A, on May 27, 1949, another important discussion took place on the question of nominating members to the Constituent Assembly from Jammu & Kashmir. The rules said that out of the four nominations, two may be made by the ruler and two from the provincial legislature that was in existence before the accession. The rule was scrupulously followed in the case of all the princely states, whereas in the case of J&K, Jawaharlal Nehru insisted that the Jammu Kashmir Praja Sabha, the state legislature under Maharaja Hari Singh, shouldn't be authorised to nominate the members. The Praja Sabha elections in 1946 were a fraud, insisted Nehru, and hence, he wanted the Maharaja to nominate all the four members through consultations with National Conference leader Sheikh Abdullah.

It must be noted that Sheikh Abdullah's party had boycotted the 1946 Praja Sabha elections, refusing to accept Maharaja's authority. While the rest of the country was fighting the British with Quit India as the mantra, Sheikh Abdullah had launched the Quit Kashmir agitation against the Maharaja. It was in him that Nehru had reposed his trust and got four members nominated — Abdullah himself, together with Mirza Afzal Baig, Maulana Masoodi and Moti Ram Baigra. It was this clique that had supported 306A when it came up for inclusion in the draft constitution.

With such a notorious background, one can easily imagine how illogical it was to continue with such a discriminatory article. In order to further strengthen Article 370 came another provision, Article 35A. Article 35A too found its way into the Constitution in 1954 in an unconstitutional and surreptitious manner, by bypassing the procedure for amending the Constitution as stipulated in Article 368. Article 35A was inserted not through parliamentary assent, which is mandatory for amendments, but through a presidential proclamation.

All this was happening under Nehru, whom the apologists never tire of projecting as a quintessential democrat. The credit goes to B R Ambedkar for inserting Article 370 in Part XXI of the Constitution of India, which is titled "Temporary, Transient and Special Powers".

The Opposition's argument that Article 370 was a link to the state's accession to India is fallacious. The state's accession had concluded on October 26, 1947, when Hari Singh signed the Instrument of Accession. Article 370, according to Ayyangar's own words, took birth as a temporary provision because of the "special circumstances" in the state. The criticism by the Congress is even more specious because it is this party that has affected at least 44 amendments to this article in almost as many years.

This article had remained as an anachronism in our polity providing irrationally special powers to one state, which were being thoroughly misused by the regional leaders and parties. If Article 370 has benefited anybody in all these years, it is only the political leadership in the state. While the people have suffered from a lack of development, progress and prosperity, the leaders enjoyed a lack of accountability and enriched themselves. The last major industry to come into J&K was in the mid-1950s.

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On the other hand, Article 370 had also become an instrument in the hands of the separatist and anti-national forces to propagate a lie that J&K was special and perpetuate sentiments of separatism in the Valley. Putting an end to this article was the much-needed measure for the complete emotional integration of the people of J&K with the Indian Union.

The decision to bifurcate the state is also a strategically shrewd move. It will insulate Ladakh from the happenings in the other two regions and provide for greater development of the region. The situation emerging in the western neighbourhood and the possible re-ascendance of the Taliban in Afghanistan call for greater attention and care to be taken in what will remain as J&K after bifurcation. Making it an Union Territory with a legislature makes a lot of strategic sense.

"You say yes, when others say no; you do what others will not; you blaze trails; you always step up to a challenge; you make it happen; you raise the bar on what is possible; you are strong and powerful; you are a leader." That is the kind of leadership we see in Narendra Modi and Amit Shah.

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For Naya Kashmir

Kashmiris have been let down by a politics that doesn't create economic opportunity

MANISH SABHARWAL

ECONOMIST ALBERT HIRSCHMAN'S book, *Passions and Interests*, is a wonderful meditation on how interests (jobs, skills, enterprises, assets, income, growth) blunt passions. As somebody born in Jammu and Kashmir, I am sad that today's youth there don't have memories of the wonderful place it was to grow up in before 1989. As somebody who went to school in the Valley, I got a great education and strong foundations. As somebody who made pre-exam visits to sufi shrines like Aishmuqam, Makhdoom Sahib, and Baba Reshi, I know that the Wahabi intolerance is alien, recent and fragile. As somebody who is a first generation post-reform entrepreneur, I am anguished by the notion that Pakistan — whose GDP is lower than Maharashtra and recently made its 22nd trip to the IMF — has anything to offer anybody in the Valley. But as somebody who works for a people supply-chain company that has hired someone every five minutes for the last decade, I despair at J&K's economic infancy. I would like to make the case that Kashmiris should spend the next decade creating the economic complexity that blunts passions by creating interests.

A recent conference at Harvard's Centre for International Development offers context. Professor Ricardo Hausmann suggested that the only predictor of sustained economic success is economic complexity, and development was like a game of scrabble; the more letters you have, not only can you make more words, but you can make longer words. Vowels are provided by the government. So development is about creating new letters and vowels. Hausmann believes that new letters in the private sector come from migration, diaspora, venture capital, inbound investment, skills, studying overseas, business travel. Professor James Robinson suggested that inclusive economic systems need vowels from inclusive political systems that distribute political power broadly rather than concentrate, monopolise or hoard it.

Kashmir is an economic infant with low economic complexity. There is no wage premium in handicrafts; carpet weavers get Rs 150 a day while construction labour costs Rs 600 per day (and comes from outside the state). There are only 200 dental and 600 medical doctor seats in the whole state. Less than five per cent of fruits and nuts are processed. Fifty per cent of the state's 50,000 graduates go onto do a masters degree, only to stay out of the labour market. The fiscal deficit is more than twice the prescribed ratio and government debt is 50 per cent of GDP. Private Credit to GDP is less than Bihar and the J&K Bank is a shame. Private investment last year was less than Rs 1,000 crore. More than 30 per cent of families directly work for the government. Land costs as much as in Gurugram. The state accounts for less than 0.7 per cent of India's GDP. There is only one listed company and only one company with a paid up capital of Rs10 crore. Their 28 employment exchanges cost almost Rs 50 crore a year to run and have given few jobs to anybody in a decade. There is no employer in the Kashmir Valley who pays provident fund and no private employer with more than 500 formal employees; hardly fertile soil for economic vibrancy.

The solution is not easy but obvious; a 10-year strategy for education, employment and employability that leverages India's economic complexity. Kashmir needs a new skill university that spreads higher education with employability. We should convert Hari Niwas into a world class hotel management institute in partnership with ITE Singapore or EHL Lausanne. We must double the direct flights and directly connect Srinagar to Jammu and Delhi with a three-hour and 12-hour train. We need revamped employment exchanges that operate a digital jkrozgar.com that offers job matching, assessments, apprentices, and online degrees. We must temporarily suspend our justified fear of economic planning and commit massive funds to infrastructure and cluster creation. We need a massive design and distribution mission for handicrafts and fruits that raises the realisation of actual producers. Most importantly, we must get the huge, skilled, and motivated Kashmiri diaspora to return and reduce informal self-employment by creating more formal wage employment.

Historians warn against "presentism" and Kashmir's history is too long and complex to belong to any party, community, individual or religion. But it would be foolish to deny that Kashmir's last few maharajas were distracted and disinterested in development. Monarchies or hereditary leadership are ineffective because they think of citizens or voters as a necessary evil that must be tolerated, possibly patronised, but certainly ignored. Naya Kashmir — a memorandum that Sheikh Abdullah submitted to Maharaja Hari Singh in 1944 — outlined a plan to convert J&K from an absolute monarchy to a constitutional democracy, called for universal franchise, freedom of expression and press, ability of women to work in all trades and professions, and a detailed economic plan. Much of what he sought is enshrined in our Constitution but his vision of social justice, economic progress and poverty reduction — which he couldn't achieve in his lifetime — is highly relevant for Kashmir today.

Another Albert Hirschman book, *Exit, Voice, and Loyalty*, synthesised three choices that confront citizens; leave, speak up, or capitulate. Most Kashmiri elites have economically diversified away from the Valley but the masses can't exit and have lost their voices because of Kashmir's economic infancy and oligopolistic democracy. Political royalty over the last few decades have ensured that Kashmiri democracy lived up to Iqbal's warning that "*Jamhuriyat ik tarz-e-hukumat hai ki jis mein bandon ko gina karte hain taula nahin karte*" (democracy is a system where people are counted but not weighed). The grandiloquence of political royalty about the threats to civilisation sound like scorn for the more prosaic concerns of Kashmiri youth who are more skilled, entrepreneurial, and aspirational than the past generations. India and J&K are tremendously and permanently intertwined. When one does well, the other does well. And when we both do well, we are unstoppable. Time for Sheikh Sahib's dream of Naya Kashmir.

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Possibilities in the Northwest

After altering J&K's status, Delhi needs strategy to manage external environment

C RAJA MOHAN

INDIA'S BOLD MOVE to alter the status of Jammu and Kashmir comes at a moment of rapid diplomatic developments in Afghanistan. It was the intensification of the efforts for a political settlement in Afghanistan that had emboldened Pakistan in the first place to escalate tensions on the Line of Control and prepare a major offensive in Kashmir. Delhi's Kashmir move begins a rewriting of India's strategy to cope with an entrenched conflict on its north western frontiers.

But first to Afghanistan. Contrary to the widespread scepticism about a political breakthrough in the peace process, there is a new momentum since Pakistan's army chief General Qamar Jawed Bajwa and Prime Minister Imran Khan traveled to Washington last month. The US-Pakistan talks arrived at a broad understanding that the Pakistan army will help "extricate" (in US President Donald Trump's words) the US from its longest war and Washington will reset the relationship with Islamabad that has frayed badly in recent years. American mediation in Kashmir is part of Pakistan's wishlist in the planned reset.

Meanwhile, the Bajwa-Imran visit to Washington set the stage for the eighth round of talks between the US and the Taliban over the weekend in Doha, Qatar. Just before the talks, US special envoy for Afghanistan, Zalmay Khalilzad said the Taliban might be willing to compromise now that the US is "ready for a good agreement."

Khalilzad's visit to Kabul and Islamabad on his way to Doha has generated expectations that a deal between the US and the Taliban may well be signed by next week. The agreement is expected to be built around a US commitment to withdraw troops and assurances from the Taliban that it will not let al Qaeda and other international terror groups operate from Afghanistan.

Until now, the Taliban has insisted that the US must withdraw all its forces from Afghanistan. The US, on the other hand, wants to leave a small force to execute counter terror missions. Pakistan is expected to nudge the Taliban into accepting a phased withdrawal of American troops. The US also wants early talks between the Taliban and the Afghan government in Kabul. The Taliban has resisted until now any direct engagement with what it calls America's "puppet regime" in Kabul. Last month, the Taliban acquiesced in the participation of Kabul's representatives, in their personal capacity, in an intra-Afghan dialogue in Doha.

There is speculation that talks between the Taliban and the government might take place quite soon in Oslo, immediately after the US and the Taliban agree on withdrawal and counter terror assurances. Kabul is said to be preparing to send a delegation to the Oslo talks. If these reports turn out to be true and the Taliban agrees to observe a ceasefire as part of the dialogue with the government, Pakistan can claim to have "delivered" the Taliban to the US.

Sceptics would say these are very big "ifs". On top of it, there are reports that the US wants all elements of the deal — a phased withdrawal of US troops, Taliban's terror assurances, talks with Kabul and a ceasefire — tied up pretty quickly. President Trump seems to have set a deadline of September 1.

If a comprehensive framework is ready by then, Trump might visit Afghanistan to preside over the signing ceremony. From there it is but a short hop to Islamabad for a thanksgiving visit.

The Pakistan army certainly understands that an Afghan peace deal would be a huge personal and political triumph for President Trump as he approaches his election campaign next year. Facilitating a deal, even a shaky one, that is in tune with Trump's political calendar will help Pakistan repair the damaged relationship with the US. Islamabad also hopes that it will restore Pakistan's value in the US's strategy towards South Asia that had tilted in favour of India in recent years.

India learnt, through repeated crises since the 1980s, to fend off Pakistani pressures on internationalising the Kashmir question. Delhi has also got better at navigating the triangular dynamic with Pakistan and the United States. Delhi has also become adept at turning the crises with Pakistan to focus less on Kashmir and more on the sources of terrorism originating from Pakistani soil.

A number of factors have facilitated this. For one, Delhi is a lot stronger than it was when the first Afghan crisis broke out in 1979 after the Soviet Union occupied Afghanistan. For another, the gap in comprehensive national power has widened in favour of India. And the quality of India's relations with the great powers too has significantly improved. The biggest change, however, is the decision in Delhi to stop being defensive on Pakistan and Kashmir. We have seen so in the response of the Modi government to the terror attacks at Uri in 2016 and Pulwama in 2019.

Having rolled the dice on Kashmir, Delhi now needs an effective strategies to contain potential violent reactions at home and manage international diplomatic fallout. If India plays its cards well, the change in the internal status of Kashmir might provide the basis for addressing the international dimensions of a question that has long hobbled India and the Subcontinent. Much in the manner that the creative diplomacy that followed India's defiant nuclear tests of 1998 helped end the nations's prolonged atomic isolation, Delhi must now develop an external strategy that will facilitate a final settlement of the Kashmir question.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ABOUT THE VALLEY

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'New Delhi, old line' (IE, August 5). It argues that the government must have taken into confidence the two major political parties and the steps it has taken are against the claims made by Narendra Modi government for winning over Kashmir with love, dialogue and good governance. This is one part of the story. The other part of the story pertains to the violence against the minorities in the state. The Hindus of the Kashmir Valley were forced to flee their homes and leave behind property after they were targeted by Islamist insurgents between 1989 and 1990. What every Indian, including the common resident of Kashmir, wants is peace in the state.

Krishan Chugh, *Delhi*

THIS REFERS TO the editorial 'New Delhi, old Line' (IE, August 5). The atmosphere of fear and uncertainty in the Kashmir Valley is because of New Delhi's ambivalent stand on the state. The abrupt calling off of the Amarnath Yatra last week has heightened the feeling of anxiety and fear among people in the Valley. New Delhi needs to reach out to the people in the Kashmir Valley. Taking on the terrorists with guns is one thing and winning the Kashmiris' trust is another. Sadly, the latter issue appears to be nowhere in the Modi government's agenda.

Vijai Pant, *Hempur*

LETTER OF THE WEEK AWARD

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THE LAST RESORT

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Helpless in Unnao' (IE, August 5). It reveals five truths. One, reforms in the criminal justice system continue to remain in limbo. Two, our leaders have no ideology. Three, despite slogans for ensuring justice for all, power takes precedence. Fourth, the CBI is a caged parrot. Fifth, the Supreme Court remains the last resort for justice.

Tarsem Singh, *Mahilpur*

"I think that it is in some way a good sign. It proves that we are actually making a difference and that people feel threatened by us. All we're doing is communicating and acting on the science..."

— GRETA THUNBERG, the 16-year-old climate activist, on some critics calling her 'dangerous'

Hong Kong on brink, says leader as protests bring city to standstill

Carrie Lam defies calls to resign as riot police clash with protesters, paralysing transport network

DONNY KWOK & CLARE JIM
HONG KONG, AUGUST 5

POLICE FIRED teargas at protesters in multiple parts of Hong Kong on Monday after a general strike hit transport and the city's Beijing-backed leader warned its prosperity was at risk.

What started several months ago as demonstrations over an extradition Bill that would have let people be sent to mainland China for trial have grown into a much broader backlash against the city government and its political masters in Beijing.

The protests are the greatest political threat to the former British colony's government since it returned to Chinese rule and one of the biggest popular challenges to Chinese leader Xi Jinping since he came to power in 2012.

Amid extensive disruptions to trains and traffic, tens of thousands of demonstrators fanned out across Hong Kong, spreading pockets of activism to most of its main three regions: Hong Kong island, Kowloon and the New Territories.

Police stations were besieged and roads occupied.

In the evening, a group of men armed with sticks tried to attack the black-clad protesters in the North Point district.

Riot police used tear gas in districts including Wong Tai Sin, Tin Shui Wai, Tai Po, and Admiralty close to the city's government headquarters.

Speaking to the media for the first time in two weeks, Lam remained defiant, rejecting calls to resign, condemning violence and saying the government would be resolute.

She warned that the protests were putting Hong Kong on a path of no return and had hurt its economy. "They claim they want a revolution and to restore Hong Kong. These actions have far exceeded their original political demands," said a stern-faced Lam, flanked by some, but not all senior members of her administration.

"These illegal acts that challenge our country's sovereignty, and jeopardise 'one country two systems', will destroy the stability and prosperity of Hong Kong," Lam said. **REUTERS**

At a protest in Hong Kong on Monday. *AP*

EXPLAINED

Increasing in scale, intensity

THE PROTESTS in Hong Kong, which started as a reaction to a proposed Bill that would have allowed for the deportation of anyone facing trial to mainland China, has broadened into a major pro-democracy movement whose demands include the resignation of Chief Executive Carrie Lam. Lam has declared the deportation Bill dead, but protesters have ramped up their stir, aimed at both Hong Kong authorities and Beijing. While most of the recent mass protests have come during the weekend, this Monday's protest has paralysed the financial hub and wreaked havoc on its transportation system. The protests have also got more violent as police have begun using more forceful means of crowd control.

DAYS AFTER COLLAPSE OF INF TREATY

Putin to Trump: We'll develop new nuclear missiles if you do

POLINA DEVITT & TOM BALMFORTH
MOSCOW, AUGUST 5

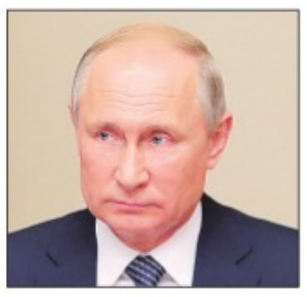
RUSSIAN PRESIDENT Vladimir Putin warned on Monday that Moscow would be forced to start developing short and intermediate-range land-based nuclear missiles if the United States started doing so after the demise of a landmark arms control treaty.

The United States formally left the Intermediate Nuclear Forces (INF) treaty with Russia on Friday after determining that Moscow was violating the treaty and had already deployed at least one banned type of missile, an accusation the Kremlin denies.

The pact banned land-based missiles with a range of between 500-5,500 km, reducing the ability of both countries to launch a nuclear strike on short notice.

Putin on Monday held a meeting with his Security Council after which he ordered the defence and foreign ministries and Russia's SVR foreign intelligence service to closely monitor any steps the United States took to develop, produce or deploy missiles banned under the defunct treaty.

"If Russia obtains reliable information that the United States has finished developing these systems and started to produce them, Russia will have no option other than to engage in a full-scale effort to develop similar missiles," Putin said in a statement.



In the meantime, he said Russia's arsenal of air and sea-launched missiles combined with its work on developing hypersonic missiles meant it was well placed to offset any threat emanating from the United States.

It was now essential, he added, for Moscow and Washington to resume arms control talks to prevent what he described as an "unfettered" arms race breaking out.

"In order to avoid chaos with no rules, restrictions or laws, we need to once more weigh up all the dangerous consequences and launch a serious and meaningful dialogue free from any ambiguity," Putin said. **REUTERS**

TOP OF THE WORLD

Javad Zarif

WEST ASIA

Iran says US acting alone as allies 'ashamed'

Tehran: The US is acting alone against Tehran and its allies are too "ashamed" to join its forces in the Gulf, Iran's top diplomat said Monday, dismissing Washington's calls for talks as a sham. Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif also confirmed he had turned down an offer to meet President Donald Trump last month despite the threat of US sanctions against him. "Today the United States is alone in the world and cannot create a coalition. Countries that are its friends are too ashamed of being in a coalition with them," Zarif told a news conference.

AFGHANISTAN

Policeman opens fire on colleagues, kills 7

Kabul: An Afghan policeman in the southern province of Kandahar opened fire on his colleagues, killing seven other policemen before fleeing the scene, a provincial official said Monday. The Taliban claimed the attack, saying the policeman had joined their ranks. The shooting is the latest case of so-called "insider attacks" when an Afghan policeman or soldier — or a Taliban insurgent wearing a police or military uniform — turns his weapon on Afghan or international troops.

THAILAND

Bangkok seeks 10 suspects for bombs during ASEAN meet

Bangkok: Thai security forces are hunting more than 10 suspects in connection with a series of bomb attacks in Bangkok last week, Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha said on Monday. Six bombs exploded in the Thai capital on Friday as the city's hosted a meeting of Southeast Asian foreign ministers, that was also attended by top diplomats from the United States, China, and other world powers. Authorities now say that six other firebombs also went off on Friday in central Bangkok, including two that caused fires a in shopping malls in a central shopping district popular with tourists.

BRITAIN

6-yr-old thrown from London gallery 'stable'

London: A six-year-old boy who was thrown from a 10th floor viewing platform at the Tate Modern art gallery in central London is in a critical but stable condition in hospital, police said on Monday. The boy was reportedly thrown from the 10th floor viewing platform of the attraction in central London on Sunday afternoon and was found on a fifth floor roof, police said. He was rushed to hospital by helicopter. His mother was heard by witnesses screaming "Where's my son, where's my son?". Police said the injured boy remained in a critical but stable condition.

People extinguish a fire from a blast outside the National Cancer Institute, Cairo. *Reuters*

Car bomb hits other vehicles near hospital in Cairo, 20 killed

SAMY MAGDY
CAIRO, AUGUST 5

A CAR packed with explosives being driven to carry out an attack collided with other vehicles and exploded in central Cairo, killing at least 20 people, the Interior Ministry said Monday, the deadliest attack in the Egyptian capital in over two years.

The blast went off Sunday night on the busy Corniche boulevard along the Nile River, setting other cars on fire and injuring at least 47. It damaged Egypt's main cancer hospital nearby, shattering parts of the facade and some rooms inside, forcing the evacuation of dozens of patients.

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Authorities had initially said the explosion was caused by a multi-vehicle accident. But later Monday, the Interior Ministry acknowledged that a car bomb was involved.

It accused a militant group known as Hasm, which has links to the outlawed Muslim Brotherhood, saying it was moving the car to carry out an attack elsewhere. The ministry did not say what the intended target was. The car had been stolen months earlier in the Nile Delta, it said.

President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi called it a "terrorist incident" in a tweet, expressing condolences for the dead and vowed to "face and root out terrorism".

The attack is the deadliest in Cairo since a bombing at a chapel adjacent to Egypt's main Coptic Christian cathedral killed 30 people during Sunday Mass in December 2016. That attack was claimed by Egypt's affiliate of the Islamic State group. Smaller bombings have taken place more often, targeting security forces. **AP**

AFTER TWO MASS SHOOTINGS WITHIN 24 HOURS IN U.S.

Trump condemns white supremacy, also blames Internet, video games

MICHAEL CROWLEY, EILEEN SULLIVAN & SHERYL GAY STOLBERG
WASHINGTON, AUGUST 5

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump forcefully condemned white supremacy Monday in the wake of twin mass shootings over the weekend, citing the threat of "racist hate" and calling for national unity in devising a response.

"In one voice our nation must condemn racism, bigotry and white supremacy," Trump said.

But Trump stopped well short of supporting the kind of broad gun control measures that activists and Democrats have sought for years, instead calling for stronger action to address mental illness, violence in the media and in video games, as well as "the perils of the Internet and social media."

Speaking at the White House, Trump took no questions and did not repeat his call on Twitter earlier in the morning for Republicans and Democrats to work together to strengthen background checks for prospective gun buyers, but his proposal to link new gun control measures with immigration restrictions is likely to leave Democrats sternly opposed.

Trump's Twitter comments came as the country mourns mass shootings in Texas and Ohio that together killed 29 people.

"Republicans and Democrats must come together and get strong background checks, perhaps marrying this legislation with desperately needed immigration reform," he wrote in a pair of Twitter posts.

It was not immediately clear what gun control proposals Trump was referring to. The House passed back-to-back bills on firearms soon after Democrats took control, voting in February to require background checks for all gun purchasers, including those at gun shows and on the Internet, and to extend waiting periods for would-be gun purchasers flagged by the existing instant-check system.

But Senator Mitch McConnell, the majority leader, has given no indication that the measures would be taken up in the Republican-controlled Senate. On Monday, Democratic Senator Chuck Schumer, the minority leader, urged Trump to demand that McConnell put the universal background check measure up for a vote in the Senate. **NYT**

People with the Mexican flag and the US flag take part in a rally a day after the mass shooting in El Paso, Sunday. *Reuters*

"In one voice our nation must condemn racism, bigotry and white supremacy."

— DONALD TRUMP
US PRESIDENT

Classmates: Ohio shooter kept a 'hit list' and a 'rape list'

ASSOCIATED PRESS
DAYTON, AUGUST 5

HIGH SCHOOL classmates of the gunman who killed nine people early Sunday in Dayton, Ohio, say he was suspended for compiling a "hit list" of those he wanted to kill and a "rape list" of girls he wanted to sexually assault.

The accounts by two former classmates emerged after police said there was nothing in the background of 24-year-old Connor Betts that would have prevented him from purchasing the .223-caliber rifle with extended ammunition magazines that he used to open fire outside a crowded bar.

Police on patrol in the entertainment district fatally shot him less than a minute later.

Both former classmates said Betts was suspended during their junior year at suburban Bellbrook High School after a hit list was found scrawled in a school bathroom. That followed an earlier suspension after Betts came to school with a list of female students he wanted to sexually assault, according to a man and a woman who are both now 24 and spoke on condition of anonymity out of concern they might face harassment.

HISTORIC OLD CITY AT CENTRE OF ALEPPO SAW SOME OF THE WORST BATTLES OF THE EIGHT-YEAR CIVIL WAR

Centuries-old bazaar in Syria's Aleppo making slow recovery

BASSEM MROUE
AUGUST 5

BIT BY bit, Aleppo's centuries-old bazaar is being rebuilt as Syrians try to restore one of their historical crown jewels, devastated during years of brutal fighting for control of the city.

The historic Old City at the centre of Aleppo saw some of the worst battles of Syria's eight-year civil war. Government forces finally wrested it away from rebel control in December 2016 in a devastating siege that left the eastern half of Aleppo and much of the Old City — a UNESCO world heritage site — in ruins.

The bazaar, a network of covered markets, or souks, dating as far back as the 1300s and running through the Old City, was severely damaged, nearly a third of it completely destroyed. Most of it remains that way: blasted domes, mangled metal and shops without walls or roofs.

But planners are hoping that by rebuilding segments of the bazaar and getting some shops back open, eventually they re-inject life into the markets. Before the war, the historic location drew in Syrians and tourists, shopping for food, spices, cloth, soap made from olive oil and other handicrafts.

The latest to be renovated is al-Saqatiyah Market, a cobblestone alley covered with arches and domes dotted with openings to let in shafts of sunlight. Along it are 53 shops, mostly butchers and shops selling nuts and dried goods. This souk had seen relatively less damage, and the $400,000 renovation took around eight months, with funding from the Aga Khan Foundation.

The bazaar in Aleppo's Old City dates back to the 1300s. *AP*

One butcher, Saleh Abu Dan, has been closed up since rebels took over the Old City in the summer of 2012. Now he's getting ready to open again in the next few weeks. He said he's happy with the renovation, which added a solar power electrical system, though he still needs to spend about $2,000 to fix his refrigerator and buy a new grill and meat grinder.

"I inherited this shop from my grandfather and father and I hope that my grandchildren will work here," he said.

The market's official inauguration is scheduled for later this month. But rebuilding is one step — bringing life back is another. Al-Saqatiyah is the third souk to be rebuilt in Aleppo, after the Khan al-Gumruk and the copper market.

A year after their reopening, both those souks still struggle to attract customers. Most days they are largely empty.

"I open for few hours a day but rarely sell anything," mourned the owner of a cloth shop in Khan al-Gumruk.

Many of the customers who used to throng the markets before the war have either left the country or got used to shopping in other parts of the city since business stopped in old Aleppo after rebels stormed eastern and central neighbourhoods seven years ago, and tourism is non-existent. Getting into the opened markets in the souk today is still difficult as many of the alleys are closed and deserted.

Aleppo, Syria's largest city, was the country's main commercial centre before the war. Reconstruction of its devastated eastern sector has hardly begun.

Basel al-Dhaher, the architect who led renovation of al-Saqatiyah market, said it will take tens of millions of dollars to rebuild the entire bazaar. Western sanctions that block money transfers to and from Syria are delaying work, he said.

He said al-Saqatiyah was chosen for renovation because the work could be finished quickly and inspire others to rebuild in other parts of the bazaar.

Some shopkeepers are hopeful that strategy can work. In the copper market, Ahmad Zuhdi Ghazoul used his hammer to gently tap an embossed decoration into a copper piece. Across the alley, workers were fixing the ceilings in two other shops.

"Thank God they are all coming back to renovate," said Ghazoul, who has been a copper worker for three decades. "Business will be stronger than before." **AP**

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(3) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **06.09.2019**, for recovery of **Rs. 56,83,010.00 (Rupees Fifty Six Lacs Eighty Three Thousand Ten only)** as on 31.12.2018) + Future Interest thereon from 01.02.2019, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **M/S Tiwari Automobiles Prop : Shri Shiv Shanker Tiwari S/O Shri Santosh Kumar Tiwaril.** The reserve price will be **Rs. 52,00,000.00 (Rupees Ffty Two Lacs only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs 5,20,000.00 (Rupees Five Lacs Twenty Thousand only)**
Description of the immovable property : (1) All that part & parcel of the property consisting of shop situated at Mohalla Pure Mitaiee Nagar panchayat Hydergarh Barabanki. Shop admeasuring area 43.215 Sq mtrs, jointly owned by (i) Shri Rama Shanker Tiwari (ii) Shri Ravi Shanker Tiwari (iii) Shri Karuna Shanker Tiwari. Boundries : East : House of Surendra, **West:** Road Haidergarh Barabanki, **North :** Shop of Bhola Lal Rawat, **South :** Shop of Raja Ram Rawat.
(2) All that part & parcel of the property consisting of residential house situated at Mohalla Pure Mitaiee Nagar Panchayat Hydergarh Barabanki. Residential House & plot admeasuring area 134.10 Sq mtrs, jointly owned by (i) Shri Rama Shanker Tiwari (ii) Shri Ravi Shanker Tiwari (iii) Shri Karuna Shanker Tiwari. Boundries : East : Plot Prem Das, **West :** Avas Jai Narain etc, **Noth:** House of Bhola Lal, **South :** House of Rajaram
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(4) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **06.09.2019**, for recovery of **Rs. 11,91,814.00 (Rs. Eleven Lacs Ninety One Thousand Eight Hundred Fourteen only)** as on 31.12.2018 + Future Interest thereon from 01.01.2019, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **M/s. Amar Wooden Furniture Udyog Prop : Shri Amar Singh S/o Late Kamta Prasad.** The reserve price will be **Rs. 12,55,000.00 (Rupees Twelve Lacs Fifty Five thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 1,25,500.00 (Rupees One Lac Twenty Five thousand Five hundred only)**
Description of the immovable property : Plot No. 2607, Mohalla Sultanpur Bachhra, Ward Haweli Awadh, City & District Faizabad. Area :- 92.93 Sq. mt. (1000 Sq. ft.) Boundaries : East-Dr. Saroj House, **West-**Land Mohd. Aman, **North-**House others, **South-**Rasta 15'ft, Property in the name of **Smt. Nand Kumari W/o Shri Amar Singh**
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

(5) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **06.09.2019**, for recovery of **Rs. 40,23,081.52 (Rs. forty lac twenty three thousand eighty one and fifty two paise only)** as on 30.11.2017 + Future Interest thereon from 01.12.2017, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **(1) M/S Deepak Stationers and Book Sellers (Prop.- Smt. Javitri Singh W/O- Shri Kamal Singh)** Shop No.- 17 & 18 UFG, Ashirwad Plaza, Sector-A, Ram Ram Bank Chouraha, Sitapur Road Yojna, Lucknow-226021. **(2) Sh. Kamal Singh S/O Sh. Kripal Singh**, 46, Nayak Nagar, Faizullaganj, Lucknow-226021 **(Guarantor)**. The reserve price will be **Rs. 27,00,000.00 (Rupees Twenty Seven Lac only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs 2,70,000.00 (Rupees Two Lac Seventy Thousand only)**
Description of the immovable property : All that part and parcel of the property consisting of commercial property situated at plot no.- C.P-A., "Ashirwad Plaza" , Shop No.- 17 and 18 (Upper Ground Floor) , Sector- A, Sitapur Road Yojna, Lucknow, measuring area 24.163 Sq. Mtr. In the name of **Sh. Kamal Singh S/O Sh. Kripal Singh** vide Regd Sale Deed No. 9569 on 20.11.2006 at book 1, zild No.-3701 pages 185 to 210 with Sub Registrar-IV, Lucknow.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

(6) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 67,41,366/- (Rupees Sixty Seven Lac Forty One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Six only)** as on 31.12.2016 + Future Interest thereon from 01.01.2017, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **(1) M/S Hanuman Cycle Store (Proprietor Sri Shyam Murari Gupta) Behjam Road, Idgah, Lakhimpur Kheri. (2) Smt Prabha Devi W/o Sri Shyam Murari Gupta, Behjam Road, Idgah, Lakhimpur Kheri (Guarantor). The reserve price will be Rs. 40,00,000.00 (Rupees Forty Lac only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs 4,00,000.00 (Rupees Four Lac only)**
Description of the immovable property : Smt. Prabha Gupta w/o Shyam Murari Gupta Property address: House Situated at Moh-Idgah,Behjam Road, Lakhimpur Kheri, Nagar Palika Khata No. 440, Area: 158.643 Sq. mtr. Boundaries : East-House belong to Smt. Gyan Wati Agnihotri, **West-**House belong to Sri Noor Khan, **North-**07-08 ft wide Street, **South-**Grave Yard & Mosque. Property owned by **Smt. Prabha Gupta W/o Sri Shyam Murari Gupta.**
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

(7) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 21,06,610.00 (Rs. Twenty one lacs six thousand six hundred ten only)** as on 12.10.2018 + Future Interest thereon from 13.10.2018, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **(1) M/S Janta Trading Company (Prop. Mr. Sahabuddin S/O Mr. Shaban Ali)**, Vill.- Tikaitganj, PO- Tikaitganj, Fatehpur, Barabanki, (UP), PIN- 225302, **(2) Smt. Shireen Fatima W/O- Mr. Sahabuddin** Vill.- Tikaitganj, PO- Tikaitganj, Tehsil- Fatehpur, Barabanki, (UP), PIN- 225302, **(3) Smt. Zareena Khatoon W/o- Mohd. Javed,** Vill.+P.O.- Tikaitganj, Tehsil-Fatehpur, Distt.- Barabanki (U.P.), PIN- 225302. The reserve price will be **Rs. 40,24,000.00 (Rupees Forty Lac Twenty Four Thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs 4,02,400.00 (Rupees Four Lac Two Thousand Four Hundred only)**
Description of the immovable property : (1) Commercial property at Gata No.- 2148, Vill.- Mohsand, Pargana- Kursi, Tehsil- Fatehpur, Admeasuring: - 120.81 sq. mtr., Owner: Smt. Shireen Fatima W/o- Sh. Shahabuddin and Smt. Zareena Khatoon W/o- Mohd. Javed, Boundaries : East-Plot and shop of Shiv Kumar Maurya, **West-**Plot of purchaser, **North-**Plot Baura, **South-**Road Tikaitganj to Ghunghter (As per Title Deed).
(2) Commercial property at Gata No.-2148, Vill.- Mohsand, Pargana- Kursi, Tehsil- Fatehpur, Admeasuring: - 199.81 sq. mtr., Owner: Smt. Shireen Fatima W/o- Sh. Shahabuddin and Smt. Zareena Khatoon W/o- Mohd. Javed. Boundaries : East-Plot of Ram Narain, **West-**Plot of Kanshiram, **North-**Khet Baura Kori, **South-**Road Tikaitganj to Babaganj (As per Title Deed)
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

(8) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 15,33,228.00 (Rupees Fifteen Lac Thirty Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Eight only)** as on 14.10.2013 + Future Interest thereon from 15.10.2013, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **Mrs. Mehraj Fatima,** Flat No. G-1 Gr. Floor, Abbas Apartment, 159 Tulsi Das Marg(Chowk-Nakhas Road) Dist.- Lucknow. The reserve price will be **Rs. 16,10,000.00 (Rupees Sixteen Lac Ten Thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs 1,61,000.00 (Rupees One Lac Sixty One Thousand only)**
Description of the immovable property : Flat No. G-1 Gr. Floor , Abbas Apartment, 159 Tulsi Das Marg(Chowk-Nakhas Road) Dist.- Lucknow. Area- 65.05 Sq. Mtr. Boundaries : East-8'-0" open to Common passage, **West-**Flat No-2, **North-**House of other, **South-**Flat No.3,Corridor. Property owned by **Mrs. Mehraj Fatima**
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(9) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 3,99,98,829.00 (Rs. Three Crore Ninety Nine lac Ninety Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Nine only)** further interest from 05.04.2019, + Future Interest thereon from 06.04.2019, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **(1) M/s NPS Power Industries(Proprietor- Sh. Sandeep Kumar S/o- Lt. P. N. Dwivedi)**, H. No.- C-38, J-1 Park, Mahanagar Extension, Lucknow (U.P.) and **Guarantors : (1) Smt. Anushi Dwivedi W/o- Sh. Sandeep Kumar**, House No.- C-10 , H Park, Mahanagar Extension, Lucknow. **(2) Mr. Sanjay Dwivedi S/o- Late P. N. Dwivedi**, House No.- 499/118/1, Hasanganj Par, Daliganj, Lucknow-226006. **(3) Smt. Pushp Lata Dwivedi W/o- Late P. N. Dwivedi**, House No.- 499/77, Hasanganj Par, Daliganj, Lucknow-226006
Description of the immovable property : (1) Plot No. 2/51, situated at Vikas Khand, Gomti Nagar Lucknow. Area : 200.00 Sq. mtr., Reserve Price (Rs. In lacs) : **Rs. 117.00**, Earnest Money will be Deposit : **Rs. 11,70,000/-, Property owned by Sh. Sandeep Kumar.**
(2) House No. 499/118 (old municipal No. 499/88), Hasanganj, Ward-Daliganj, Lucknow. Area : 89.59 Sq. mtr., Reserve Price (Rs. In lacs) : **Rs.29.63**, Earnest Money will be Deposit : **Rs. 2,96,300/- , Property owned by Sh. Sandeep Kumar.**
(3) House No. 499/118/1 (old municipal No. 499/88) Hasanganj, Ward-Daliganj, Lcuknow. Area : 90.42 Sq. mtr., Reserve Price (Rs. In lacs) : **Rs.25.63**, Earnest Money will be Deposit **Rs. 2,56,300/-, Property owned by Mr. Sanjay Dwivedi.**
(4) House No. 499/107,(old municipal No. 499/77) Hasanganj, Ward- Daliganj, Lucknow. Area : 109.35 Sq. mtr., Reserve Price (Rs. In lacs) : **Rs. 55.00**, Earnest Money will be Deposit **Rs.5,50,000/-, Property owned by Smt. Pushp Lata Dwivedi**
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(10) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 24,14,710.85 (Rs. Twenty four lac fourteen thousand seven hundred ten and eighty five paise only)** further interest from 01.06.2016 + Future Interest thereon from 02.06.2016, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **Sh. Pradeep Kumar Tiwari and Rohini Tiwari**, Rohini Montessori School, 19, Shivam Nagar, Manas Nagar, Alambagh, Lucknow-226023. The reserve price will be **Rs. 1,15,00,000.00 (Rupees One Crore Fifteen Lac only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs 11,50,000.00 (Rupees Eleven Lac Fifty Thousand only)**
Description of the immovable property : Property owned by : Sh. Pradeep Kumar Tiwari S/O- Sh. Ram Milan Tiwari. All that part and parcel of the property consisting of residential property situated at plot no.- 29, part of Khasra No.-2321 (Rohini Montessory School), 19, Shivam Nagar, Manas Nagar, Alambagh, Lucknow, measuring area 2610 Sq.ft. In the name of **Sh. Pradeep Kumar Tiwari S/O- Sh. Ram Milan Tiwari vide Regd Sale Deed No. 6061 on 03.02.1989 at book 1, zild No.-3467 pages 123 to 125 with Sub Registrar, Lucknow. Boundaries : East-**20 ft. wide road, **West-**20 ft. wide road, **North-**Plot of Shubhakar Shukla, **South-**Arazi of samiti.
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(11) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 1,19,80,665.00 (Rs. One crore Nineteen lac Eighty thousand Six hundred Sixty Five only)** as on 31.12.2016 + Future Interest thereon from 01.01.2017, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **(1) Prop. Smt. Renu Jaiswal W/o Raj Kumar Jaiswal M/s. R.K.Garments** R.K.Tower, Khaprail Bazar,Lakhimpur Kheri, **(2) Smt. Ram Rani Jaiswal W/o Shri Santosh Kumar Jaiswal**, Mohalla Idgah, Behjam Road, Lakhimpur Kheri. **(3) Shri Raj Kumar Jaiswal S/o Shri Santosh Kumar Jaiswal**, Mohalla Idgah, Behjam Road, Lakhimpur Kheri. The reserve price will be **Rs. 22,00,000.00 (Rupees Twenty Two Lac only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs 2,20,000.00 (Rupees Two Lac Twenty Thousand only)**
Description of the immovable property : Property in the Name of **Smt. Ram Rani Jaiswal, House at Mohalla Idgah, Lakhimpur Kheri, Admeasuring : 125.464 Sq. mt. (1350 Sq. ft.), Boundaries : East-**Rasta 16ft. wide, **West-**Talab, **North-**House Brij Kishore, **South-**House Sadiq Ali
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

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Description of the immovable property : Property in the Name of **Smt. Shashi Jaiswal, House at Mohalla Idgah, Behjam Road, Lakhimpur Kheri, Admeasuring: - 138.0112 Sq. mt. (1485 Sq. ft.), Boundaries : East-**18 ft. wide road, **West-**Talab, **North-**House of Kailash Bihari, **South-**House of Ram Rani Jaiswal
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Description of the immovable property : Property of **Smt. Aruna, House Built on the Plot No.07, Mohalla-Lonionpurwa, Sitapur. Area- 91.97 Sq. mt., Boundaries : East-**10 Ft. wide Road then house of Sri Sunder Lal Verma, **West-**House of Sri Ram Pal Dixit, **North-**10 Ft. Wide road then house of Mr. Pandey, **South-**House of Sri H. Lal
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Description of the immovable property : Property in the name of **Smt. Hema Kalakoti W/o Sh. Avneesh Krishna.** Property in the name of **Smt. Hema Kalakoti W/o Sh. Avneesh Krishna at house No.-10, Sainik Nagar, Haibatmau Mawaiya, Lucknow, Area – 307.42 Sq. Mtr. (3309 Sq. ft.). Boundaries : East-**Property of Nawab Suleman, **West-**Road 20 ft wide, **North-**Plot No. 9, **South-**Property of Nawab Suleman
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Description of the immovable property : All that part and parcel of the property consisting of residential property situated at House at Plot No.- 8A, at Khasra No.-14 Min, area -111.524 Sq. mtr. at Takrohi, Ward- Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Lucknow, in the name of **Smt. Madhu Tiwari W/O- Sh. Pravesh Kumar Tiwari vide Registered sale deed dated 11.10.2013 registered in book no. 1, Jild No. 10132 on page 167-184 at Sr. No. 7670 in the office of Sub registrar-III, Lucknow.**
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Description of the immovable property : Minjunli of Khasra No.-210, Mohammedpur Khatri, Presently as Seemant Nagar, under ward Shankarpurwa, Kanchana Bihari Marg, Lucknow, U.P. As per regd. Deed this property belong to Smt. Girjawati sharma W/o-Sh. Dinesh Sharma area- 46.468 sq. Boundarries : East-House Deegar, **West-**15 ft wide Road, **North-**House Ranjeet Singh, **South-**Bhukhand Rajendra Yadav
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(17) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 39,59,057.00 (Rupees Thirty Nine lacs Fifty Nine Thousand fifty Seven only)** as on 28.11.2017 + Future Interest thereon from 28.11.2017, expenses and other charge due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **(1) Ajay Kumar singh & Mrs. Pooja Singh**, House at plot of khasra no.155 SA, Kanchanpur, Matiyari, Lucknow. The reserve price will be **Rs. 32,50,000.00 (Rupees Thirty Two lacs Fifty Thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs 3,25,000.00 (Rupees Three lacs Twenty Five Thousand only)**
Description of the immovable property : Immovable property House at part of Gata No.-155 SA, Vill-Kanchanpur Matiyari, Deva Road, Lucknow. Area: Double storage residential building on a rectangular shaped plot of size 7.12m x 16.54m measuring a regd. (Area 115.799 sq. Mtr. Or 1246 sq. Feet). Boundaries : East-House Arazi Khasra No. 155 S minjumla rest area, **West-**25 ft wide Road, **North-**25 ft wide Road, **South-**House of other person
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Description of the immovable property : Commercial Property Chamber No.-8, 3rd Floor, Homawazir chamber at 34-Lalbagh, Hazratganj, Lucknow, area-11.52 sq. mtr. Boundaries : East-Chamber No.-7, **West-**Chamber No.-9, **North-**Corridor, **South-**Corridor, **Property owned by: Shri Ajay Dixit**
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(19) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described movable property charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs. 14,01,751.00(Rupees Fourteen lacs one thousand seven hundred fifty one only)** upto 14.03.2018 + Future interest thereon from 15.03.2018 expences and other charge and less recovery due to State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **Shri Parvez Siddiqui.** The reserve price will be **Rs. 10,32,000.00 (Rupees Ten lacs thirty two thousand only)** and the ernest money deposit will be **Rs. 1,03,200.00 (Rupees One lac three thousand two hundred only)**
Description of the movable property : Mini Bus in the naame of **shri Parvez Siddiqui, Bus: EICHER MINI BUS, Engin No : E413CDHB127467, Chasis No MC2ASHRTOHB363567**
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Description of the immovable property : Plot No 3/452, Vikalp Khand Gomti Nagar Lucknow U.P., **Boundaries :** East-Plot N0. 3/451, West-House No 3/453, **North-**7.50 mt wide road, **South-**Plot No 3/469. Area; 200 Sq Mtr.,
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Description of the movable property : Trunck open body : Mahindra, Registration NO.: UP32EN8484, Engin NO : BA14ZC0220, Chasis NO : MESPFAHBCE6C48884
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Description of the movable property : Truck in the name of shri Sunder Lal Giri, Registration No.: UP32EN5931, Truck open body : Eicher 35.3, Engin No : E683CDEC531418, Chasis NO : MC242KRCCDEC005926.
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(1) EM of resi. Property admn. Area 39.41 sq.mtrs. situated at Nai Basti (Gautiya), Pilibhit. Standing in the name of **Smt. Heera kali W/o Shri Fakir Chand, Nai Basti, Pilibhit. Boundaries : East-**Rasta, **West-**H/o-Shri BhajanLal, **North-**H/o Shri Om Prakash, **South-**H/o-Smt. Heera kali. The reserve price of immovable asset of **Shri Rajendra Sharma S/o Shri RamcharanLal Sharma,** vill- MuseypurKalan,, PO- Sahpura, Bisalpur, Pilibhit , will be **Rs.6.50 lac (Rs. Six lac fifty thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. Rs.65,000.00.**
(2) EM of resi. House admn. Area 75.24 sq.mtrs, situated at vill- Baraha (Rajeev colony), Back of silver Hotel, Pilibhit standing in the name of **Shri Rajendra Sharma S/o Shri Ramcharan Lal Sharma, vill- MuseypurKalan, PO- Shahpur, Bisalpur, Pilibhit. Boundaries : East-**Plot of Shri Jamina Pd, **West-**Kachha Rasta, **North-**Plot (House) Srivastava, **South-**H/o-Shri Tejram
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Description of the immovable property : EM of a open plot i.e. Gata no. 629 / 929 situated at Ward no.20, Nai Basti, Nr. Bus stand, Nawabganj, Bareilly standing in the name of Smt. Munni Devi w/o Shri Krishan Pal, R/o- Nawabganj, Bareilly admeasuring area 240.93 sq.mtrs., Boundaries : East-Khet of Manohar Lal, **West-**Plot of Sardar, **North-**09 ft Wide Rasta, **South-**Khet of Manohar Lal.
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Description of the immovable property : EM of Plot, surrounded by boundaries standing in the name of Smt. Nahid W/o Aneesuddin situated at Bhindaulia, Khasra no. 516 (M) Nr. Transport Nagar, Bareilly admeasuring area 186.04 sq.mtrs. Boundaries : East-Rasta Private 12 ft., **West-**Land of bhai Ji Itra Wale, **North-**Land of seller, **South-**Land of Smt. Usha & land of seller
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Description of the immovable property : Property owned by **Mr. Irshad S/o Asgar Hussain, Residential land measuring 210.66 Sq mt, Gata No. 143, Mohalla Buduan Darwaza (Bahar Chungi) Near Bulbul Wali Masjid Hasanpur Road, Distt. Sambhal (U.P.). Boundaries : East-**Aara Ji Mukir, **West-**Aara Ji Mukir, **North-**Aara Ji Shri Shamshad Hussain, **South-**Rasta 15ft.
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Description of the immovable property : EM of Plot, now house property Situated at Plot No. 2, Vasundhara Colony Phase II, (Pakadia Naugawa Chak Bahar Chungi) Teh. & Distt. Pilibhit. in the name of **Smt. Poonam Gangwar W/o Shri Balwant Singh Gangwar, admeasuring area 98.80 sqmt. Boundaries : East-**Rasta, **West-**Plot Vimlesh Tiwari, **North-**Rasta, **South-**Park
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Description of the immovable property : (1) The reserve price will be **Rs.102.29 lac (Rs. One crore two lac & twenty nine thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 10,23,000.00. Equitable Mortgaged by Shri. Lala Ram S/o Shri Ram Das. Location Gata No.568 mi, measuring Area-0.405 hect. i.e.4050 sq. mt. Dalelpur, Jagdishpur Pargana & Tehsil Powayan, Distt. Shahjahanpur. Boundries : East-**Araji-Vijay Verma, **West-**Sadak Banda Powayun Road, **North-**Araji-Vijay Verma, **South-**Araji- Rati Ram.
(2) The reserve price will be **Rs. 37.69 (Rs. Thirty seven lac sixty nine thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. Rs.3,77,000.00. Equitable Mortgaged by Shri. Lala Ram S/o Shri Ram Das. R/O Vill.-Dalelpur, Jagdishpur, Pargana & Tehsil Powayan, Distt. Shahjahanpur. Location Gata No.146,151,159, & 117, measuring Area-1.598 hect. Chihauta, Pargana & Tehsil Powayan, Distt. Shahjahanpur. Boundries : East-**Araji-Mohan Lal (118), **West-**Chak Marg (111), **North-**Araji-Chheda Lal (116), **South-**Chak Marg (124).
(3) The reserve price will be **Rs.36.84 lac (Rs. Thirty six lac & eighty four thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. Rs.3,70,000.00. Equitable Mortgaged by Shri. Lala Ram S/o Shri Ram Das. Location Gata No.548, measuring Area-1.562 hect. Dalelpur, Jagdishpur, Pargana & Tehsil Powayan, Distt. Shahjahanpur. Boundres : East-**Chak Road & Khet Ram Charan, **West-**Khet Ganga Ram, **North-**Khet Gendan, **South-**Khet Mahendra
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Description of the immovable property : Residential House MLIG 1/699, Ruchi khand-1, Sharada Nagar, Lucknow. Area : 52 sq.mtrs. Boundaries: East-6Mtr wide Road, **West-**MLIG H.NO.01/638, **North-**MLIG H.No. 01/698, **South-**MLIG H.No.01/700.
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Description of the immovable property : Residencial Property Owned By : Smt. Priyanka Singh W/o Sri Indrajeet Singh, Flat No. 9/502, Malhar Delux, Sahara Grace, Jankipuram, Lucknow admeasuring area 109.52 Sq mtrs. Boundaries: East-Flat no. 9/503, **West-**Flat no.8/503, **North-**open, **South-**Flat no. 9/501.
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Description of the immovable property : Property owned by: **Mr. Bhudev Prasad Kardam S/O Late Mangli Ram, Residential land measuring Area 255.37 Sq. Mtr., situated on H.No. 13/125, Sector-13, Indira Nagar, Lucknow-226018. Boundaries** : **East-**H.No.13/126, **West-**4.00 mtr wide road, **North-**H.No. 13/124, **South-**12.00 mtr wide road.
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Description of the immovable property : Property owned by: **Smt. Farida Khan W/o Mohd. Sayeed, Residential land measuring Area 102.23 Sq. Mtr. situated at House on Plot No. 213, Harsh Nagar, Khasra No. 280, Bhaptamau, Ward Haiderganj, Lucknow.** Single storeyed residential Building, **Boundaries : East-**Plot No. 212, **West-**15 feet wide road, **North-**Plot No. 214, **South-**Arazi Deegar Seller.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

(33) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs.1637560.00 (Rs. Sixteen lac Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty only)** as on 22.12.2015 plus Further Interest, expenses and other charges due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **Smt. Poonam Mishra W/o Late Ram Bharosey**. The reserve price will be **Rs. 6,00,000.00 (Rs. Six Lac only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 60,000.00 (Rs. Sixty Thousand only).**
Description of the immovable property : Property owned by: **Smt. Poonam Mishra W/o Late Ram Bharosey, Residential land measuring Area 65.06 Sq. Mtr. situated at House on Plot Khasra No. 177 & 178, Village Para, Ward-Alamnagar, Lucknow. Boundaries : East-**Arazi seller Sriram, **West-**Arazi seller Sriram, **North-**Arazi seller Sriram, **South-**15' wide Road.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

(34) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs.2140655.00 (Rs. Twenty One lac Forty Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Five only)** as on 04.06.2018 plus Further Interest, expenses and other charges due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **Smt. Sheela Devi & Shri Mahesh Kumar**. The reserve price will be **Rs. 15.46 (Rs. Fifteen lac Forty Six thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 154600.00 (Rs. One lac Fifty Four Thousand Six hundred only).**
Description of the immovable property : Property owned by: **Smt. Sheela Devi & Shri Mahesh Kumar, Residential land measuring Area 102.23 Sq. Mtr. situated at House constructed on plot No.3, Khasra No. 1583 & 1584 at S.R. Puram, Vill, situated at village Sadrauna, Pargana-Bijnor, Tehsil & Distt. Lucknow. Single storeyed residential Building, Boundaries : East-**Arazi Deegar, **West-**20 feet wide road, **North-**Plot No. 2 Nelu, **South-**Part of Plot No. 3 Seller.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

(35) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on 06.09.2019, for recovery of **Rs.23139390.00 (Rs. Two Crore Thirty One lac Three Nine Thousand Three Hundred Ninty only)** as on 26.02.2018 plus Further Interest, expenses and other charges due to the State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow (Secured Creditor) from **M/s. Virat Products, Prop. Mrs. Shilpi Khanna**, 350/59, Dariyapur, FCI Road, Talkatora Road, Lucknow. **(2) (Guarantor) Mr. Ratan Khanna S/O Late Kanhaiya Lal Khanna,** 411/32A, Khanna Sadan, Hata Bhikham Khan, Pulgama Chowk, Lucknow.The reserve price will be **Rs. 85.00 (Rs. Eighty Five only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 8.50 (Rs. Eight lac Fifty Thousand only).**
Description of the immovable property : Property owned by: **Mrs. Shilpi Khanna, Residential land measuring Area 212.625 Sq. Mtr. Single storeyed residential building, situated at H.No. 1/304,Type -C, Rashmi Khand, Sharda Nagar Scheme, Raibareilly Road, Lucknow. Boundaries : East-**H.No. 1/305, **West-**12.0 mtr. wide road, **North-**7.50 mtr. wide road, **South-**H.No. 1/325.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, SARB, Lucknow Secured Creditor's website https://www.sbi.co.in/portal/web/home/sarfaesi-others

Dated : 06.08.2019 **Place : Lucknow** **Authorised Officer, State Bank of India**

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PERSONAL

It is for general information that I, MAMTA SHARMA W/o VIKAS SHARMA, residing at 1/4327, First floor, Ram Nagar Extension, Ambedkar Gate Wali Gali, Shahdara, North East Delhi, Delhi-110032, declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as Vandana Sharma in my minor daughter MEGHA SHARMA aged 13 years in her School Record. The actual name of mine is MAMTA SHARMA, which may be amended accordingly. 0040506266-1

I,hitherto known as Ashwini Kumar,Son of late.Sh.D.C. Varma employed as CTO in the ICAR-IASRI,N.D-110012, residing at-B-84, Naraina-Vihar, New Delhi-110028.have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Ashwani Kumar. 040506339-7

I,Vaani sachdeva,D/o Ashok kumar peswani,W/o-Shanky sachdeva of passport M6287305 has changed name from Komal peswani to Vaani sachdeva.Address:- 1366,street.no.4,Faiz Ganj,Azad market,Delhi-110006. 0040506354-6

I,Satish Kumar S/o-Mr.Bhagwal Dass Chawla R/o-House.No.421/10,Near Durga Mandir, Chhattarpur,New Delhi-74,have changed my name to Satish Kumar Chawla for all purposes. 0040506391-3

I,Sat Narayan Soni S/o Late Sh.Ram Chander R/o 6354/7,Block No.7, Gali No.1, Dev Nagar,Karol Bagh, Delhi-110005 have changed my name to Satya Narayan Soni for all purposes. 0040506268-1

I,Sanjay Kumar,S/o Sh.Hardev Sao,R/o-Flat.No.203,Shyama Sadan,Gali.No.24,Sadh Nagar-II,Palam-Colony,New Delhi-110045,have changed my Son's.,From Manvendra to Manvendra Gupta vide-affidavit dated-05 August-2019,before notary public,New Delhi. 0040506354-5

aI,Rakesh S/o Sh.Bhagwan Singh R/o-H.No.221/8, Gali.No.8, Hans Enclave,Near Rajiv-Chowk, Gurugram, Haryana,have changed my name to Rajesh for all future purposes. 0040506391-4

I,Purnima Jain W/o Amit Jain R/o D-8A Punjabi Basti Nangloi New-Delhi-41,inform that my name has been wrongly-written as Ritu Jain in my my minor Daughter's & Son Aditi Jain aged 11years, Mahika Jain aged 9years & Arham Jain aged 5years school record and birth certificate the actual name of mine is Purnima Jain. 0040506391-7

I,Parveen kumar s/o shri.Sukhbir singh,R/o-h.no-23,Narayna-village New-Delhi-28,infrom that name of my wife has been wrongly-mentioned as Sheetal my minor daughter kritika in her Educationa Documents.My wife correct-name is Gayatri.for all future purposes. 0040506339-9

I,Jai Singh S/o Late Beer Singh R/o-114-C Village-Pitampura Delhi-110034,inform that my,minor daughter's Manvi DOB wrongly-mentioned. 29.09.2006.in her School-record but correct-DOB is-29.04.2006. 0040506354-1

I,Ayushi Garg,S/o sh.Umesh kumar garg,R/o-1/3589,2nd-floor, galino.3,tyagi-colony,ram-nagar-extension,shahdara, delhi-110032.inform that name of my has been wrongly-mentioned as ayushee garg in my Documents But my correct and actual name is ayushi garg,for all future purposes. 0040506339-6

I,Vibha W/o Sharat Latta R/o H-19, Sec-22, Noida, Gautam Budh nagar, have changed my name to Vibha Yadav Latta. 0040506339-3

I,Asha Rani W/o Shri Purshotam Aggarwal R/o-O-11,Vijay Vihar,Uttam Nagar,New Delhi-110059,have changed my name to Nisha Aggarwal for all future purposes 040506391-1

I, certity that I, Mohd. Hassan Murtaza has changed my name from Mohd. Hassan Murtaza to MD Hassan Murtaza, R/o Village-Damalbari, Post-Singhia, P.S. Paharkatta, Distt.-Kishan Ganj, Bihar-855107, for all future purposes. 040506433-1

I, Vipul Jain S/o Tirlok Chand Jain R/o H.no-367, Kothi Wala Bagh, Bharat Nagar Delhi-110052 Have Changed My Name to Vipul Chandra Jain. 0070668421-1

I, Vijander Singh S/O Om Parkash R/O 304, Ward No-8, Janaula Gurgaon Have Changed My Name To Vijender Singh. 0040506354-11

I, Tikshita D/o Basant Manchanda R/o B-107, Subhdra Colony Sarai Rohilla, Delhi-110035, have changed my name to Tikshita Manchanda for all purposes. 0040506317-1

I, Tara Singh S/o Bahadur Singh Negi R/o H.no-675 Gali no-10, SBS Colony, Karawal Nagar Delhi-110094 Have Changed My Name to Tara Singh Negi. 0070668407-1

I, Susan Thomas W/o Chacko Thomas R/o G-3/24, Sector-16, Rohini, Delhi-110089 have changed my name to Susamma Thomas. 0040506313-1

I, Surinder Kaur Saini W/O Mohinder Singh R/O-A-1/516-17, Sector-6, Rohini, Delhi-110085. Have Changed My Name To Surinder Kaur. 0040506370-3

I, Suresh Kumar Kutty, S/o Late Shri Sankaran Kutty, R/o B342, Kendriya Vihar, Sector-51, Gautam Budh Nagar, Noida, (UP), have changed my minor daughter's name from SUNAINA to SUNAINA SURESH KUMAR for all future purposes. 0040506267-1

I, Sujata Kumari D/O, Rajendra Singh R/o Flat No 70, DDA Sfs Flat, Sector 22, Dwarka, have changed my name to Sujata Singh for all purposes. 0040506360-1

I, Sonia Rajan / Sonia Verma W/o Pradeep Rajan R/o D-15 Gali no-6, Behind MCD School, Hari Nagar Extn Delhi-110044 Have Changed My Name to Sonia Pradeep. 0070668382-1

I, Simaranjeet Kaur D/O Didar Singh R/O-I-1737, 2nd-loor, Chittranjan-Park, Delhi-110019.Have Changed My Name To Simranjeet Kaur. 0040506354-8

I, Shivani W/O, Rahul Sirohi R/o Flat No-44 Evergreen Apartment Plot No-9 Sec-7 Dwarka ND-75 have changed my name to Shivani Sirohi for all purposes. 0040506436-4

I, Shashi Kawal s/o Madan Lal r/o 10/329, First floor, Sunder Vihar, Paschim Vihar, Delhi-110087, have changed my name to SHASHI KANWAL SACHDEVA. 0040506275-1

aI, Shamal Khan S/o Abdul Samad H.No-1088, IV Floor Kamra Bangash darya Ganj New Delhi-110002 have chnaged my name to Shamaz Khan for all Purposes. 0040506280-1

I, Sapan Rakheja S/O Jagdish Chand R/O-G1/1 Indra-Enclave Sec-21d Faridabad Have Change Name To Sapan Kumar For All. 0040506354-3

I, Santosh W/o Harish Kothari R/o D-9311 5th Avenue, Gaur City -1 Sector-4 Greater Noida West -201009 Have Changed My Name to Santosh Kothari. 0070668413-1

I, Saheeba Ansari D/O, Bhim Bahadur R/o Jalpura, Kuleshra, Gb Nagar have changed my name to Gudiya Bahadur for all purposes. 0040506436-5

I,Rajesh Kumar Sharma S/o Dwarka Nath Sharma H.No.11, 2nd Floor,Pocket-A-2 Sector-3 ,Rohini Delhi-110085,have change my name to Rajesh Sharma. 0040506354-7

I, Sachin S/o Kuldeep Singh R/o 379, Gandhi Chowk Tikri Kalan Neelwal Village Delhi-110041 Have Changed My Name to Sachin Rathi. 0070668385-1

I, Ritika S Bansal W/o Vaibhav Bansal R/o Flat No-801, Shiv Shakti Appt Sector-54 Gurgaon-122001 Have Changed My Name to Ritika Sahni. 0070668377-1

I, Rekha Aggarwal,W/o-Satish Chand Gupta R/o-176-B, Extension.No.-2C, Nangloi,Delhi-110041,inform that Rekha Aggarwal &-Rekha Agrawal both are one & the same person. 0040506370-9

I, Rambir Singh S/O Banwari Lal R/O B-4/70, Sector-11, Rohini, Delhi-110085. Have Changed My Name To Rambir Dagar. 0040506370-1

I, Rakesh Kumar/Ralesh Kumar S/O Dewan Chand R/O C1-47, Bhdh Vihar Phase-1, Delhi-86 Have Changed My Name To Rakesh Singla. 0040506391-5

I, Raju R/o-Village Pochanpur, Sec-23,Dwarka,New Delhi-110077, inform that Raju and Raj Kumar both name are one and same person. 0040506391-2

I, Rajiv Jain S/O Pawan Kumar Jain R/O Hno.4/2606, Gali Pipal Wali, Kinari Bazar, Delhi-110006. Changedmy Nameto Rajiv Kumar Jain. 040506370-5

I, Rajendra Kumar S/o Narayan Singh residing at F-174, Aman Vihar,Kirari Suleman Nagar Delhi-110086, have changed my name to Rajender Singh for all purpose. 0040506346-1

I, Raeesh Ahmad,S/o Anis Ahmed R/o-A1/61, First-Floor, Chanakya-Place, Part-1, Uttam-Nagar, NewDelhi-110059.have changed my name to Raees Ahmed. 040506354-4

I, Priyanshi D/O, Shyam R/o 23/45A, Second Floor Tilak Nagar, New Delhi-110018, have changed my name to Priyanshi Shyam for all purposes. 0040506363-1

I, Pournima D/o Shri Ramshankar R/o C-232, Ground Floor, C-Block, Gali No–39, Mahavir Enclave Part–3, DK Mohan Garden, New Delhi–59, have changed my name to Purnima for all future purposes. 0040506308-1

I, Pateeram Sharma S/o Omprakash Sharma R/o 1/1617, G/F, Mansarovar Park Shahdara Delhi-110032 Have Changed My Name to Pati Ram Sharma. 0070668420-1

I, Nishtha Sharma W/o Naveen Sharma R/o 133, MIG Suraj Appartment, Main Suraj Kund Road Pul Pehladpur Delhi-110044 Have Changed My Name to Poonam Sharma. 0070668418-1

I, Narender Kumar S/o Balbir Singh Khareta R/o F-148, Devli Village, New Delhi-80 have changed my name to Narender Kumar Khareta. 0070668419-1

I, Nandkishor S/o Sh. Manak Chand R/o T-73, First Floor, Street No. 2, Indra Colony, Narela, Delhi-110040, informs that Nandkishor & Nandkishore Sharma are same person. 0040506331-1

I, Mohinder Singh Saini S/O Sohan Singh R/O A-1/516-17, Sector-6, Rohini, Delhi-110085. Have Changed My Name To Mohinder Singh. 0040506370-2

I, Meenakshi Kumari D/O Sh Anand Kumar R/O M.No.550,P.P Colony,Vill Baprola,New Delhi-43 Have Declared That My Name And Father Name Has Been Wrongly Written As Meenakshi D/O Anand In DelhiCaste Certificate Instead Of Meenakshi Kumari D/O Sh. Anand Kumar Which Is My & Father's Correct Name For All Purposes VideAffidavit Dtd 03/08/2019 0070668370-1

I, Km Jyoti D/O-Karoon Chandra Majoomdar R/O-Wz-13, S-F, Naraina-Village, Delhi-110028.Have Changed My Name To Jyoti Majumdar. 0040506354-10

I, Mamta Ajay Sangra w/o Ajay Sangra R/o-D-1201, 12th Floor,Tower-D, Plot.No.GH-02, RG-Residency, Sector-120,Noida, G.B.Nagar, U.P.,have changed my name to Mamta Sangra for all Purposes. 0040506319-2

I, Leena Kumari W/O Naresh Kumar H.No-C-7 Green Wood-City Sector-45 Gurgaon-122001 Have Changed My Name To Leena Kumar. 0040506370-8

I, Karminder Singh Saini S/O Mohinder Singh R/O A-1/516-17, Sector-6,Rohini, Delhi-110085. Have Changed My Name To Karminder Singh. 0040506370-4

I, Kamal Krishan S/o Raghubir Singh R/o Village Dhani Kumbhawas, PO Bhora Kalan, Tehsil Pataudi, Gurgaon informs that Kamal Krishan and Kamal Kishan both name are the same and one person. 0040506384-1

I, Jainder Singh S/o Late Sh. Hukam Singh Sajwan R/o H.No. A-15,Anupam Enclave-Ph-1, Saidulajab Extn., IGNOU Road,New Delhi-110030,have changed my name to Jainder Singh Sajwan. 0040506320-1

I, Jagmet Singh S/O Saran Singh R/O-H-1477, 2nd-Floor, Chittranjan-Park, Delhi-110019 Have Changed My Name To Jagmeet Singh. 0040506354-9

I, Gurpreet Kaur w/o Kulwant Singh Passi d/o Harnam Das r/o B-1, New Moti Nagar, Delhi-110015 have changed my name to GEETA RANI w/o Kulwant Singh Passi d/o Harnam Das and also declare that Gurpreet Kaur and Geeta Rani are one and the same person. 0040506283-1

I, Gurmeet Singh Bhalla S/o Sh. Balbir Singh Bhalla, R/o C-56, Gali No–3, Mahendru Enclave, Delhi–33, have changed my minor daughter name from Mehar Bhalla to Mehar Kaur Bhalla for all future purposes. 0040506310-1

I, Devinder Singh Lamba, S/o Avtar Singh Lamba, R/o. WZ-621/1,TF, Gali-19, Shivnagar Extn, Delhi-110058 have changed my name to Devinder Pal Singh. 0040506307-1

I, Devendra Pal Singh R/o-118-IIB Second-Floor Sector-2 Vaishali Ghaziabad-201010 UP.Changed my minor daughter's name Sneha to Rinee Janmejay. 0040506370-10

I, Charan Gopal Shriyan, F/o Dishan R/o C2/1604, Supertech-Livingston, Crossing-Republic, Ghaziabad have changed minor son name Dishan Charan Shriy 0040506339-5

I, Bhremender Gupta S/o Gayadeen Gupta R/o D-66A, Mohan Garden ,Block-D Extn Uttam Nagar Delhi-110059 Have Changed My Name to Bhremender Prakash Gupta. 0070668415-1

I, Babila Dalal, spouse of Sh. Ombir Singh Dalal, resident of Ramgopal Colony, Rohtak, Haryana-124001, have changed my name from Babila Dalal to Babila Devi vide Affidavit dated 03-08-2019 before Notary Rohtak. 0040506309-1

I, Ashok Mann S/O Prehlad Singh R/O 246, Village-Holami Kurd, Delhi-110082. Changed My Name To Ashok Kumar Mann. 0040506370-6

I, Ashok Kumar Jangid, resident of Shaym Vihar, New Delhi-43, have changed my daughter's name from `Diksha' to `Diksha Jangid' vide Affidavit dated 05 Aug 19, before Notary New Delhi. 0040506309-2

I, Ashish Kumar S/o Subhash Chandra Gupta R/o 30A, Sec-2B, Sadhana, Vaishali, Ghaziabad, have changed my name to Ashish Gupta. 0040506339-4

I, Anita Sharma w/o Mr.Shiv Kumar Sharma R/o House.No.1495, Sector-21D, Faridabad do hereby solemnly affirm and inform that Anita Sharma/Anita Rani Sharma/Aneeta Rani are the names of the same person for all purpose. 0040506436-3

I, Manish S/o Rishi Kumar Aggarwal R/o H.no-4, Gali no-2, West Guru Angad Nagar Laxmi Nagar Delhi-110092 Have Changed My Name to Manish Aggarwal. 0070668411-1

I, Anant Bir Singh, S/O Jasvinder Singh, R/O H.No 40, C2A, Janak Puri, New Delhi-110016, have changed my minor daughter's name from Maheep Meher Sassan to Meher Kaur for all future purposes. 040506284-1

I, Anamita Imran W/o Hammad khan R/o D-65 III Floor Abulfazal Enclave I Jamianagar New Delhi-110025 changed my name Anamita Imran To Anamta Imran Permanently. 0040506281-1

I, Amardeep S/O Sharwan Kumar R/O Wz-623, Rishi-Nagar, Rani Bagh, Delhi-110034. Have Changed My Name To Amardeep Rajput. 040506370-7

I Subhash Chand Jain S/o Gauri Shankar Jain R/o 176 Block-C Sector-11 Faridabad. have changed my name from Subhash Chand Jain to Subhash Jain for all purposes. 0040506436-1

I Satpal S/o Sh.Kanwar Singh R/o House No.137, Rajapur Village,Sector-9, Rohini,Prashant Vihar, North West Delhi-110085 have changed the name of my minor son from Kavya Sisodia to Kartik Sisodia for all purposes. 0040506268-4

I Sanjay Kumar S/o Late Kushal Pal Singh R/o H.No. 156,A-Block,Dwarka Sector-8,Delhi-110077 have changed my name to Sanjay Ahluwalia for all purposes. 0040506268-3

I S.Veera Swamy S/O Late Sopangi Kamraju R/O H.No.238 Vasant-Enclave, Vasant Vihar,Delhi-110057. Have Changed my Name to Sopangi Veera Swamy. 0040506339-2

I Ranju Kumari Jain W/o Subhash Jain R/o 176 Block-C Sector-11 Faridabad have changed my name from Ranju Kumar Jain to Ranju Jain for all purposes. 0040506436-2

I Prashant Kardam S/O Vijay Pal Singh R/O D-213, Govindpuram, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh-201013, Have Changed My Name Prashant Singh. 0040506391-6

I Pooja Rani D/O, Murli Dhar Aggarwal R/o Room No C-204, Girls Hostel, NIPGR, Delhi, have changed my name to Pooja Aggarwal for all purposes 0040506278-1

I Nupur Gupta alias Bhavya Aggarwal D/o Sushil Gupta and W/o Munish Aggarwal R/o House No-93, Ashok Vihar, Street No-05, New Sodal Road, Jalandhar, Punjab-144004, have finally changed my name to Bhavya Aggarwal for all purpose 0070668401-1

I Nupur Gupta alias Bhavya Aggarwal D/o Sushil Gupta and W/o Munish Aggarwal R/o House No-93, Ashok Vihar, Street No-05, New Sodal Road, Jalandhar, Punjab-144004, have finally changed my name to Bhavya Aggarwal for all purpose 0070668401-1

I Manju Bala W/O, Neel Kamal Sood R/o 218 3rd Floor Bhera Enclave Paschim Vihar ND-87 have changed my name to Manju Sood for all purposes. 0040506277-1

I Kuldeep Singh alias Kuldeep Singh Batra S/o Sh. Gurbachan Singh R/o H-32, G.S. Apartment, Sector-13, Rohini, Delhi-110085, have finally changed my name to Kuldeep Singh Batra 0070668386-1

I Gagan Deep Suneja S/O, Mr. Chander Prakash Suneja R/o M-1/58, Second Floor, Phase 1, Budh Vihar,new Delhi have changed my name to Gagan Suneja for all purposes. 0040506279-1

I Bindu D/o Late Ravindra Singh W/o Sh.Sanjay Ahluwalia R/o H.No.156, A-Block,Dwarka Sector-8, Delhi-110077 have changed my name to Bindu Ahluwalia for all purposes. 0040506268-2

I Anu Chaujar D/o Tharian Koshy and W/o Ravinder Kumar Chaujar R/o E-95, City Apartments, Vasundhra Enclave, Delhi-110096, have changed my name to Annie John for all purpose. 0070668400-1

I Aman Mehrolia S/O Adeep Kumar Mehrolia R/O RZF-2/87A, Gali No-4, Mahavir-Enclave, Palam, New-Delhi-110045 Have Changed my Name to Aman. 0040506339-1

I Akash Kumar Srivastava S/o Gauri Shankar Lal Srivastava R/o Meharallipur Bhawari, Jangipur, Thana Rasulpur, Kandhwara, Ghazipur, UP-233001, mine and my father's name is wrongly written as Akash Kumar Srivastva and Gaurishankerlal Srivastva respectively in my Educational Certificates and Degree. But mine and my father's correct name is Akash Kumar Srivastava and Gauri Shankar Lal Srivastava respectively 0070668391-1

I Aakriti Garg W/o Kunal Gupta R/o B-054 DLF Capital-Greens Shivaji Park Karampura Delhi-110015.have changed my name to Aakriti Gupta. 040506339-10

I, Purender Goyal S/o Jagdish Parshad Goyal R/o Flat no-9 , Chardham Appt. Sector-9 Rohini Delhi-110085 Have Changed My Name to Purender Kumar Goyal. 0070668423-1

I Ajay Sangra S/o Hans Raj Sangra R/o-D-1201, 12th Floor Tower-D, Plot.No.GH-02, RG-Residency, Sector-120,Noida, G.B.Nagar, U.P.,have changed my minor daughter name from Aadya Ajay Sangra to Aadya Sangra for all the future purposes. 0040506319-1

I Barkha Uppal D/o-Brij Mohan Khurana H.No-003, Sphinx-tower Omaxe-Nile Sohna-Road Sector-49 Gurgaon Haryana-122001.have changed my name to Barkha Khurana. 0040506354-2

I,Ram Sakhi,W/o Shri.Mahender Pal,R/o-H.No.117,Shalimar-Bagh, Singalpur,Delhi-88.,inform that my name has been wrongly-written in my son's school record as Saki.My actual name is Ram Sakhi which may amended accordingly. 0040506339-8

I,Anwara W/o Noor Mohammed R/o E-2034 Pilanji Kotla,Mubarakpur Lodhi Road Delhi-110003 Inform that my Daughter's(Namely Sabana)School,Mine and my Husband's name are wrongly Mentioned,correct name is Anwara Khatoon and Noor Mohammed. 0040506288-1

I, No.17013161A SEP Shaik Chandana Naseersha,Serving at-147 Fd Wksp Coy, inform that in my service records my Brother's name is wrongly mentioned as SHAIK CHANDANA ZAKEERSHA His correct name is SHAIK CHANDANA JAKEER HUSSAIN SHA which may be amended accordingly 0040506340-1

I, Pankaj Kaushik W/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, BaldeeP 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, Raju Rathore S/o Shri Virendra Kumar R/o-E-348,New Ashok Nagar,Delhi-110096,have changed my name from Raju to Raju Rathore for all purposes. 0040502499-6

LOST & FOUND

I, Anamika Singh D/o Kanwarpal Singh R/o C-132, Sector-51, Noida (UP)-201301. Lost my 10th pass Certificate Index No. T/4243/009-2010 passed-Christu Jyoti Convent School, Baghpat (UP), if found return to above address. 0040506296-1

I, Prachi Devi D/o Rakesh Kumar Tiwari, R/o Chilla village New Delhi-91, Have lost my Certificate of Class 10th Issued by CBSE Year 2017 Roll No.8600078, contact no. 9312957526 0040506299-1

I,Ashwini Dhingra,S/o Late P.L Dhingra R/o-5C /63,New Rohtak Road,Karol-Bagh ND-110005 have lost my original Perpetual Lease Deed.Dt-05/10/1943 of Property.No.5C/ 63,Finder.plz. Contact(M).No.9868982322 0040506339-11

Lost my Original Mutation letter(Transfer) issued-by UPSIDC on dated-02/07/2001 and other documents of my Plot-No.C-693, Sector-C-2, Tronica City, Loni, Ghaziabad (UPSIDC). Finder may Contact-D.N.Dhar at Flat-No.B-44,Adarsh Arya Apartment, Plot-No.39A, Sector-6, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075. 0040506314-1

Lost: 12th Class Certificate Roll no.-6667643, passing Year-1992, CBSE. Kuldeep Singh s/o Jaspal Singh r/o A-43, Punjabi Basti, Baljeet Nagar, New Delhi-110008. 0040506322-1

I, Alok Kumar Misra S/o Late B. K Misra R/o 581, Skylark CGHS Ltd, Sector-6, Dwarka, Lost Original Share Certificate No 00412 On 09/07/2019. Finder please contact above address. 0040506287-1

PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it Known to all that the property number 878, Kedar Building Subzi Mandi, clock Tower, Delhi-110007, owned by Mr. Subhash Chand Rathour, Mrs. Kushal Rathour, Mr. Prem Prakash Rathour, and Mrs. Asha Rathour is mortgaged in favour of India Overseas Bank, Lok Kala Manch Branch New Delhi and original Documents- (a) Original Conveyance deed dated 06.12.1958, executed by Sh. Panna Lal Jain, Sh. Parjan Kumar Jain, Sh. Parjan Kumar Jain, Sh. Sarjan Kumar Jain, Sh. Dhanendra Kumar (Master) through his legal guardian and father, Sh. Panna Lal Jain, Sh. Menu Babu (master through his legal guardian and father, Sh. Parjan Kumar Jain in favour of Sh. Gulzari Lal Bhargava with respect to property bearing no. 878, ward no. XII, situated at Shora Kothi, Subzi Mandi New Delhi-110007, Area of the plot is 365 sq. yds duly registered as no. 1740 in addl. Book I Volume 443 at pages 53-68 dated 20.03.1959 (b) Original Gift deed executed by Sh. Gulzari Lal in favour of Sh. Vinod Kumar with respect to property bearing no. 878 ward no. XII, situated at Shora kothi, Subzi Mandi, Delhi-110007. Areaof the plot is 365 sq. yd duly registered as no. 5395 in addl. Book I Volume 2068 at pages 82-86 dated 31.08.1968, which are the chain documents, are misplaced or lost. Anybody dealing with the same shall do at their own cost.

Sd/-
KAMAL SINGH
Advocate
Regn. No. D-748/14
Chamber No. 512, Fifth Floor,
Distt. Court, Rohini, Delhi-85

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public at large is hereby informed that my clients **Sukh Pal S/o Late Gian Chand** R/o L-392, J.J.Colony Shakurpur, Delhi-110034, and his wife Smt. Krishna Devi disowned and severe all relationship with their only son namely Vinod Kumar debarred him from all their movable and immovable properties acquired or to be acquired because of their mis-behaviour & conduct and his nature is being disobedient. And any kind of civil and criminal proceeding against him, my clients have no matter in any manner. Any person dealing and relation with him in any manner shall be at their own risk, cost & consequences and my clients shall not be responsible for any act and deed of the aforesaid.

SURENDER KUMAR (ADVOCATE)
Enrl. No. D/152/88

PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it know that my clients (1) **SHRI ANIL MAKKAR (UID NO. 4635 4556 4199)** S/O SHRI JAGANNATH MAKKAR AND **(2) SMT. SEEMA MAKKAR (UID NO. 5324 0848 6421)** W/O SHRI ANIL MAKKAR BOTH R/O 758, FIRST FLOOR, RISHI NAGAR, RANI BAGH, DELHI-110034 has disowned and served all their relation with their son **(1) SHRI AKHIL MAKKAR** S/O SHRI ANIL MAKKAR AND HIS WIFE (2) **SMT. SUNAKSHI KHURANA** W/O SHRI AKHIL MAKKAR BOTH R/O 2176, FIRST FLOOR, RANI BAGH, SHAKUR BASTI, DELHI-110034 and debarred them from their movable and immovable properties/assets due to their misbehavior. Any body dealing with them in civil and criminal matter shall be doing at his/her/their own risks, cost and responsibility.

SURENDER KUMAR (ADVOCATE)
Enrol No. D/152/88

PUBLIC NOTICE

BE IT KNOWN THAT MY CLIENTS RASHID PARVEEZ S/O LATE HAJI BANNE MIAN, AND (2) SMT. KOUSAR JAHAN WIFE OF SHRI RASHID PARVEEZ, BOTH RESIDENTS OF D-1/2, 4TH FLOOR, THOKAR NO. 8, SHAHEEN BAGH, ABUL FAZAL PART-2, JAMIA NAGAR, OKHLA, NEW DELHI-110025, HAS DISOWNED THEIR SON MOHD KAMRAN, FROM THEIR MOVABLE AND IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES AND SEVERED ALL RELATIONS WITH HIM DUE TO HIS MISBEHAVIOUR. IF ANY BODY DEALS WITH HIM WILL DO SO AT HIS/HER/THEIR OWN RISK. MY CLIENT SHALL NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACTS DONE BY SAID SON.

Sd/-
MEENA SHARMA (Advocate)
Law Chamber 94, Patiala House,
New Delhi-110001

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, on behalf of my client(s), (1) Mr. Ashok Munjal s/o Late Sh. Raj Kishan Munjal R/o 13/189, Geeta Colony, Delhi, hereby notify to all concerned that my client had disinherited & disowned his son Mr. Dheeraj Munjal s/o Sh. Ashok Munjal, from all his movable, immovable properties & bank accounts, business & other assets vide public notice dated 30.03.2016 published in The Indian Express Newspaper as his son was not under his control.

As now the behavior of Sh. Dheeraj Munjal son of my client has changed towards my client & he is performing all moral obligations as son towards my client & is under control of my client, hence public notice dated 30.03.2016 published in The Indian Express Newspaper is being withdrawn by my client & all the relations with him are resumed as a legal heir of my client.

Vipin Chaudhary (Advocate)
Ch.No. 277, Saket Court, New Delhi-110017

PUBLIC NOTICE

BE IT KNOWN TO ALL THAT MY CLIENT MRS. SUDESH ARORA W/O LATE SH MOHAN LAL ARORA R/O 319/2, MEHRAULI GURUGRAM ROAD, OPP NEW CITY POLICE STATION, GURUGRAM, HARYANA HAS DISINHERITED HER DAUGHTERS (1) SUVINA SAINI, HER HUSBAND SIDDHARTH SAINI BOTH R/O 107, MEGHDOOT APARTMENT, SECTOR 10A, GURUGRAM AND THEIR CHILDREN AND (2) RITU SATIJA AND HER HUSBAND SH MADHUSUDHAN SATIJA BOTH R/O 5002, HERITAGE CITY, MEHRAULI GURGRAM ROAD, GURUGRAM, HARYANA AND THEIR CHILDREN FROM HER ALL MOVEABLE AND IMMOVEABLE PROPERTIES AND SEVERED ALL HER RELATION FROM THE SAID DAUGHTERS, THEIR HUSBANDS AND CHILDREN FOR EVER AND ANY BODY DEALING WITH THE ABOVE SAID PERSONS WILL BE DOING SO AT HIS/HER OWN RISKS AND CONSEQUENCES AND MY CLIENT SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR THEIR ACTS AND DEEDS.

B.P.SHUKLA (Advocate)
Ch. No. 367 Saket Court New Delhi

PUBLIC NOTICE

"My Clients Sh. Madan Lal S/o Late Gyarsa Ram and his wife Smt. Krishna Devi both R/o 16/660H, Gali No. 13, Hardhyan Singh Road, Bapa Nagar, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005 have severed all relationship from their son Sh. Mahinder Kumar and his wife Sunaina and their children from all their moveable and immovable properties and my clients have nothing to do with them. My clients shall not be responsible for their acts, deeds from now onwards.

Sd/-
LAJPAT RAI (Advocate)
Seat No. 1-E, P.S. Rathi Block, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is for general information that I, Pradeep Gouri S/o Sh. Baldev Singh R/o WZ-283/187, Maddi Wali Gali No-7, Vishnu Garden, New Delhi-110018 declare that name of my and my wife name has been wrongly written as Pradeep Kumar and Veenu Narang respectively. The actual name of my and my wife Pradeep Gouri and Veenu Gouri respectively in their all documents and name of my both minor sons name has been wrongly written as 1). Sahil Narang and 2). Gourav Narang respectively in their all documents. The actual name of my both minor sons 1). Sahil Gouri and 2). Gourav Gouri respectively which may be amended accordingly. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BE IT KNOWN TO ALL PRESENT THAT I, for and on behalf of my client Shri Pal S/o Sh. Bishan R/o N-209/33, Shakti Nagar Extension, Ashok Vihar PH-3, Near Bharat Nagar Delhi-110052, do hereby severe all relations from his son Shri Akash S/o Pal and holder of Aadhar Card bearing no. 551735161024 and debar him from inheriting any Movable and Immovable property of my aforesaid client on account of misdeeds, Acts and bad habits of my son. That my son is unmarried at the time of execution of this notice and therefore even after his marriage his wife and children also shall be debarred from inheriting my Movable and Immovable property whatsoever in future.

If anybody deals with him in any manner or monetary-wise then he may do so at his own risk and responsibility and no liability of any nature whatsoever would be fastened upon my aforesaid client.

ASHWANI KUMAR (Advocate)
F-19/48, Sector-8, Rohini, Delhi-85

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MY CLIENT **NARENDER KUMAR SHARMA** S/O LATE SH. RAM LAL SHARMA R/O 108, BACK PORTION, BHARAT NAGAR, DELHI - 110052, I RENU BALA (ADVOCATE) SERVE THIS PUBLIC NOTICE THAT HENCEFORTH MY CLIENT HEREBY SEVERE ALL HIS RELATION WITH **HIS DAUGHTER ANJANA RATAN, SON-IN-LAW JEEVAN RATAN S/O SH. RAJ KUMAR RATAN, GRAND DAUGHTER VANSHIKA RATAN (MINOR) & GRAND SON DAKSH RATAN (MINOR)** R/O SK-14/78, SINDHORA KALAN, DELHI - 110052 AND HEREBY DEBAR AND DISOWN THEM FROM ALL HIS MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES, AS THEY ARE NOT OBEDIENT TO MY CLIENT & DUE TO THEIR DISRESPECTFUL, OUT OF CONTROL BEHAVIOR. ANYONE DEALING WITH THEM WILL BE DOING SO AT HIS/HER/THEIR OWN RISKS AND IN CASE THEY HURT OR MAKE FRAUD WITH ANYONE, MY CLIENT SHALL HAVE NO CONCERN.

RENU BALA (ADVOCATE)
Enrl. No. D/4533/2014

PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it known to general public that my clients Sh. Prahlad Rai Garg S/o Late Sh. Babu Ram Garg, and Smt. Sunita Rani Garg W/o Sh. Prahlad Rai Garg, both R/o. AH-44, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi, do hereby disown/debar their son Sh. Pankaj Garg and his wife Smt. Sugandh Garg from their moveable and immovable properties and severe all their relations with them due to uncivilized behaviour and ill-treatment given by them.

Any body dealing with them will do at his own cost and risks and my clients shall not be responsible in any manner and they will be doing at their own cost and risks.

Sd/-
JITENDRA PANCHARIA (Advocate)
Ch. No. 330, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-54

PUBLIC NOTICE

Know all men by these presents that my client Smt. Laxmi Devi W/o Late Shri Om Parkash R/o WZ-1660, Nangal Raya, New Delhi-110046 have debarred her son Sumit Kumar and Daughter-in-law. Smt. Sejal from all her movable and immovable properties and severed all relations with them. Any person dealing them shall be doing so at his/her own risk and responsibility,

Sd/- MAHENDER PAL ARORA, ADVOCATE
C-3/159,Janakpuri,New Delhi-110058

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Ashok Kumar Baid S/o Late Jagat Singh Badi R/o BA-14, Chirantani Park, Near S.D. Tower, Prafullakanan, Kolkatta has severed his relations with his son Sujash Baid and debarred him from movable and immovable properties due to misconduct. My client shall not be responsible for any acts committed by him.

Sd/-
KALPANA JAIN
Advocate

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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED WOMAN

Preeti

General public is hereby informed that this woman namely **Preeti** W/o Manoj Kumar R/o H.No. B-23, Vijay Vihar, Ph-II, Delhi **Age :** 30 years, **Height :** 5'3", **Face :** Round, **Complexion :** Fair, wearing saree and sandle in feet, has been missing/kidnapped since 24.07.2019 from the area of P.S. Vihay Vihar, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 17-A dated 25.07.2019 u/s 363 IPC has been lodged at P.S. Vijay Vihar, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this missing/Kidnapped woman may kindly inform to the following.

E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Website: http://cbi.nic.in
Fax: 24368639,
Tel.: 24368638/24368641

SHO : P.S. Vijay Vihar, Delhi
Ph. : 011-27282350, 27280435

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Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

Regional Office, Salawala, Hathibarkala, Dehradun-248001

वेबसाइट- https://rodehradun.kvs.gov.in, ई-मेल- ackvsroddr@yahoo.co.in दूरभाष 0135-2749510/2743192/2746371

TENDER NOTICE-CORRIGENDUM

The tender notice published in the newspaper dated 11.07.2019, the last date for submission of bids for printing and supply of study material and question papers for the session 2019-20 has been extended from 01.08.2019, 17.00 hrs to **16.08.2019, 15.00 hrs.** The tender will be opened in the office of the undersigned on **16.08.2019 at 16:30.** Tender documents are available on the website of this office **"https://rodehradun.kvs.gov.in".** Other terms and conditions will remain unchanged.

Deputy Commissioner

IT DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (ITDA)

ITDA

Department of Information Technology
Government of Uttarakhand
IT Bhawan, Plot No. IT-07, IT Park,
Sahastradhara Road, Dehradun
Telefax: 0135-2608330, Emall:diritda-uk@nic.in
EOI No 01/ITDA-60 (B-1)/2019 dated 03/08/2019

Expression of Interest (EOI) for Telecom Service Provider for providing Connectivity for UKSWAN for Govt. of Uttarakhand

EOI (Expression of Interest) is being issued by ITDA, Department of IT, Uttarakhand to the reputed ISP companies meeting the qualification criteria for Telecom Service Provider for providing Connectivity for UKSWAN for Govt. of Uttarakhand

The EOI document can be downloaded from **www.uktenders.gov.in** from 03.8.2019 from 10 AM onwards .

The parties willing to participate in the EOI will have to apply through the Electronic Tendering Procedure (e-Tendering) as per the guidelines issued by Government of Uttarakhand available on the above mentioned web site under the link "Bidders Manual Kit".

Director ITDA reserves the right to cancel the EOI at any point of time, without assigning any reason thereof.

DIRECTOR

NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

Department:-	Electrical (TRD)	Electrical (TRD)
Tender No.	T-05-TRD-MB-19-20	T-07-TRD-MB-19-20
Name of Work	Provision of AT's in connection with "provision of IBS at 11 nos. Of locations in between LKO-SRE section "over Moradabad Division	Provision of Auxiliary Transformer at L-xing gate no. 36, 40, 50 (RAC-SPC section) 238, 249, 361 (BE-LKO section), 21, 30, 60, 77, 85, 93 (MB-GZB section) 402,404 & Rampur stn. (BE-MB section) in connection with Interlocking of gates
Tender Closing Date & Time	30.08.2019, 15:00	30.08.2019, 15:00
Advertised Value (Rs.)	38,96,464.45 (Incl. GST)	59,01,279.87 (Incl. GST)
Earnest Money (Rs.)	77,900.00	1,18,000.00
Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)	3,000.00	5,000.00
Validity of offer (Days)	45 Days	45 Days
Period of Completion	180 Days	180 Days
Website particulars & Address of office	www.ireps.gov.in Divisional Railway Manager's Office, Northern Railway, Moradabad	www.ireps.gov.in Divisional Railway Manager's Office, Northern Railway, Moradabad

Tender Notice No.: Elect/TRD/MB/2019-20/TN-05 Date: 02.08.2019. 2516/19

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

Bihar School Examination Board

NOTICE INVITING SHORT TERM e-TENDER

(Through e-procurement mode only over https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)

Tender Notice No.:- PR 335/2019

Bihar School Examination Board, Patna invites e-tenders under two bid systems from the reputed Agency/ Sound Firms/Companies for **Selection of Agency for Conducting Pre Examination Activity of Bihar Secondary/ Senior Secondary Teacher Eligibility Test (BSITET) 2019 with biometric thumb impression and face capturing as** per Scope of Work section of this document.

Scope of work : Selection of Agency for Conducting Pre Examination Activity of Bihar Secondary/ Senior Secondary Teacher Eligibility Test (BSITET) 2019 with biometric thumb impression and face capturing.

Cost of Tender document (In Rupees)	Tender processing Fee (Non Refundable) (inclusive of GST @18.00%) to be paid through e-payment mode (i.e. NEFT/RTGS/Credit Card/Debit card) (in Rupees)	Earnest Money (In Rupees)
₹ 1,000 /- (One Thousand Rupees only)	₹ 1,180/- (One Thousand One Hundred Eighty Rupees only)	₹ 1,00,000/- (One Lakh Rupees only)

Tender Schedule/ Programme:

Date and Time for Activity	Date/Time : Duration
Online Sale/Download date of Tender documents	From : 06/08/2019 (11:00 Hrs.) to 20/08/2019 (11:00 Hrs.) (https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)
Last Date/Time for submission / uploading of offer/Bid	20/08/2019 upto 13:00 Hrs. (https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)
Submission of form fee & EMD in Hard copy/ Original	20/08/2019 upto 13:30 Hrs. (Bihar School Examination Board, Sinha Library Road, Patna-800017)
Date & Time for opening of Technical Bid	20/08/2019 at 14:00 Hrs. (https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in) (Bihar School Examination Board, Sinha Library Road, Patna-800017)
Financial Bid Opening Date and Time	Date to be announced later by competent authority

- Detailed descriptions of the items and instructions for submitting your offer can be downloaded from e-tender website **https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in**
- For support related to e-tendering process, Bidders may contact at "e- Procurement HELP DESK First Floor, M/22, Bank of India Building, Road No-25, Sri Krishna Nagar, Patna- 800001 Ph. No: 0612-2523006, Mob- 7542028164" or may visit the link "Vendor Info" at (**https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in**).
- Corrigendum / Addendum, if any, will be published on e-Procurement Portal , Bihar **https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in** itself.
- **Contact Details:** Sh. Jai Kishore Singh, Nodal officer - +91 6299923095, E-Mail ID – **eproc.bseb@gmail.com**

Note :- Bihar School Examination Board reserves the right to accept/reject/reschedule any or all tenders without assigning any reasons.

Secretary

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, ALLAHABAD

Pension Adalat conducted by North Central Railway, Agra

As per guidelines issued by Railway Board, Pension Adalat will be conducted by North Central Railway, Agra Division on 23rd August 2019 (Friday). The Pensioner/Family Pensioners, retired wef December 2003 only from Agra division may submit their grievances if any, related to pension or settlement payment in the given format, latest by **14.08.2019** on the following address:-

Address for application	Venue of Pension Adalat
Sr. Personnel Officer (Settlement) North Central Railway, Agra	Goverdhan Meeting Hall North Central Railway, Agra

Format of Application:- 1. Name of the applicant - **2.** Name of the Ex. Employee- **3.** Designation & Last place of posting- **4.** Relation of the applicant with Ex. Employee- **5.** Present Postal Address- **6.** Date of retirement - **7.**Nature of retirement (Normal/VR/CR)- **8.** P.P.O. no. (Photocopy to be enclosed)- **9.** Last pay drawn and scale of pay- **10.** Grievance in detail-

Signature of the applicant

Note:-Plese mention "Pension Adalat-2019" on the top of the envelope.

North central railways www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in @CPRONCR 1143/19(I)

GOLD	RUPEE	OIL	SILVER
▲ ₹36,970	▼ ₹70.73	▼ $60.89	▲ ₹43,100

*Indian basket as on August 2, 2019

SENSEX: 36,699.84 ▼ 418.38 **NIFTY:** 10,862.60 ▼ 134.75 **NIKKEI:** 20,720.29 ▼ 366.87 **HANG SENG:** 26,151.32 ▼ 767.26 **FTSE:** 7,244.98 ▼ 162.08 **DAX:** 11,657.11 ▼ 215.33

International market data till 1900 IST

SECTOR SCAN
E-COMMERCE

Transparency on details of sellers among key features of draft guidelines

Dept of Consumer Affairs seeks stakeholders' feedback by Sept 16

PRABHA RAGHAVAN
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

IN AN effort to curb sale of counterfeit products online and "unfair" trade practices by e-commerce companies, the government has drafted guidelines aimed at making these entities and their sellers more transparent and accountable to consumers.

The guidelines formulated for this purpose include conditions mandating e-commerce firms to accept returns on "defective" and "spurious" products and measures directing them to display details of their sellers.

The e-Commerce Guidelines for Consumer Protection 2019 will be applicable on all business-to-consumer (B2C) e-commerce platforms, according to the Department of Consumer Affairs, which has sought feedback from stakeholders by September 16.

According to the draft, a copy of which *The Indian Express* has viewed, the government proposes to make it mandatory for e-commerce entities to accept returns in the event the products delivered are "defective, wrong or spurious" or if they do not have the characteristics or features advertised.

E-commerce companies will also have to display details about the sellers on their website.

These include identity of the seller's business, legal name, principal geographic address, products they sell, their website, email address and other contact information along with details on how customers can contact them.

The e-commerce firm also has to clarify what sort of business entity the seller is, the guidelines state.

Currently, several e-commerce sites, including popular shopping and restaurant platforms, do not furnish full details about their sellers and consumers have to return goods, regardless of whether or not they are counterfeited, within a specific timeline.

The draft guidelines also propose to increase transparency in contracts signed between e-commerce entities and the sellers, directing them to display terms of their contracts relating to aspects like return, refund, exchange, warranties and guarantees, delivery and shipment, mode of payments and redressing grievances.

This is to enable consumers to make "informed choices", it states.

The draft has also sought transparency on the procedure followed to address complaints, directing e-commerce companies to publish contact details of their grievance officers on their websites and setting a one-month timeline for them to redress issues from the time the complaint is registered.

E-commerce platforms will also not be allowed to "directly or indirectly" influence the price of the products and services they offer, according to the draft.

It also says they cannot adopt any trade practice "for the purpose of promoting the sale, use or supply" of any goods or services or use "unfair" and "deceptive" methods and practices that may influence the consumer's transactional decisions.

The guidelines also aim to restrict sellers from "falsely" representing themselves as consumers or posting reviews as well as misrepresenting and exaggerating the quality and features of products on their sites.

"Currently, most e-commerce platforms don't disclose seller details or their general terms with them, so the consumer has very little in their hands to hold them accountable in case a fake product is received or a return is rejected. These guidelines, if enforced, will change that," said Sachin Taparia, founder of community engagement platform LocalCircles, which conducted the preliminary consumer consultations for these guidelines.

He expects the guidelines to be applicable to e-commerce businesses like inventory-based platforms, marketplaces for new and used goods, service-based platforms like ride-hailing applications, food delivery platforms, travel and hotel booking services, event ticketing platforms and online pharmacies.

APPLIES TO ALL B2C PLATFORMS

- **The e-Commerce Guidelines for Consumer Protection 2019 will be applicable on all business-to-consumer (B2C) e-commerce platforms**
- **According to the draft the Centre proposes to make it mandatory for e-commerce entities to accept returns if the products delivered are "defective, wrong or spurious" or if they do not have the features advertised**

FINANCE MINISTER MEETS HEADS OF PUBLIC & PRIVATE BANKS

Govt set to meet FPIs, industry, MSME players to revive growth

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

TO ADDRESS economic slowdown across a number of sectors, the government will start a series of consultations with financial market stakeholders, as well as industry leaders from automobile, real estate and MSME sectors, in order to amend policies and announce changes aimed at promoting growth. Top Finance Ministry officials will also meet leading foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) over a number of Budget issues including the surcharge on income tax that have led to outflows from equity markets and a sharp plunge in share prices.

Addressing reporters after a review meeting with heads of public and private sector banks Monday, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said the Centre is open to hear out concerns of FPIs and other sector specific issues that are affecting the broader economy.

The government will come out with a "considered response after hearing out all the stakeholders," she said, indicating that the government may announce policy changes aimed at addressing sector specific issues and promoting growth.

The Centre also reviewed credit growth of public sector banks and issue of transmission of lower policy rates into reduction in lending rates of banks.

"I have made it absolutely clear that if there are FPIs who want to tell me something about, I am quite open to hearing out what they have to say. We have not just left it at that. The list of meetings that the Finance Secretary (Rajiv Kumar) spoke about, in that, the stock market and investor representatives are also meeting us," she said.

Moreover, Department of Economic Affairs Secretary Atanu Chakraborty would hold discussions with representatives of FPIs to address their concerns.

In the Budget 2019-20, the government raised surcharge on income tax from 15 per cent to 25 per cent on taxable income between Rs 2 crore and Rs 5 crore, and from 15 per cent to 37 per cent for income above Rs 5 crore. It would also be applicable for FPIs operating as trusts or as association of persons.

This is being seen as the key reason for relentless outflow of funds from Indian financial markets since tabling of the Budget on July 5. Equity markets have been under pressure and it has been led by FPI outflows.

While they pulled out a net of Rs 12,418 crore in July following the Budget announcements, they have pulled out another Rs 7,538 crore in August taking the net outflow between July and August at Rs 19,956 crore.

On another issue resulting in negative sentiment in equity market, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) will hold consultations with market players on Budget proposal of raising minimum public shareholding norm to 35 per cent from 25 per cent. Any final view on its roll out will be taken after these consultations.

"On 25 per cent to 35 per cent shareholding, I think the Sebi had come out saying they are initiating consultation to hear the views much before a position is taken and this mention was there in Budget speech not as a part of decision which has been made already," the FM said. The government is yet to initiate the proposal.

A higher public shareholding requirement is seen as increasing supply of shares in the market, thereby depressing prices.

On a question related to sovereign bonds, Sitharaman said "nothing more has been done" apart from the announcement in the Budget as the Ministry was busy in dealing with three bills, including amendment to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC). The government has announced it would start raising a part of its gross borrowing programme from external markets in foreign currencies.

EXPLAINED

Resolving tax surcharge issue a prime concern

IN THE Budget 2019-20, the government raised surcharge on income tax for taxable income between Rs 2 crore and Rs 5 crore, and for income above Rs 5 crore.

This is being seen as a major reason for relentless outflow of funds from Indian financial markets. Hearing out concerns of FPIs is among the measures that will help address issues that are affecting the broader economy.

Rupee plummets 113p to 70.73 against USD; Sensex falls 418 points

J&K uncertainty, global currency jitters, yuan diving past 7/dollar hit sentiment

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, AUGUST 5

INDIA'S FINANCIAL markets — stocks and the rupee — on Monday took a heavy beating as political uncertainty over the Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir as well as the sharp fall in Chinese yuan hit the sentiment.

The rupee declined sharply by 113 paise, the biggest single-day drop in past six years, to close at a five-month low of 70.73. Following jitters in global currency markets, the sharp fall in yuan, capital outflows and the J&K issue, the benchmark BSE Sensex plunged by 418 points. After falling over 700 points in intra-day trade, the 30-share index pared losses to close at 36,699.84, still down by 418.38 points, or 1.13 per cent. It hit a low of 36,416.79 and a high of 36,844.05.

The Nifty lost 134.75 points or 1.23 per cent to close at 10,862.60 points, even as the Centre abolished Article 370 which gave special status to Jammu and Kashmir, and moved a separate bill to bifurcate the state into two separate union territories of Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh.

"Chinese yuan lost 1.4 per cent while the rupee which lost more than Yuan was down by 1.66 per cent against the dollar, being the worst performer among other Asian currencies. The panic across asset classes is evident. There is a flight to safety towards US Treasuries, gold and carry currencies like euro and Japanese yen," IFA Global said.

Gold prices, meanwhile, hit a six-year high in global markets while futures surged to record highs in India.

Deepak Jasani, head of retail research, HDFC Securities, said, "Markets resumed the downtrend on Monday. A bounce back in the afternoon session helped to curb the losses. The weakness came on the back of rising tension in Jammu and Kashmir and weak global markets triggered by intensifying trade tiff between US and China. The Nifty has now given up up all the gains of 2019 with foreign portfolio investors continuing their selling spree."

The Chinese yuan slipped to 7.03 level against the US dollar, which investors consider as a key threshold, amid reports that Beijing was devaluing its currency to support exporters, and neutralise US President Donald Trump's decision to impose fresh 10 per cent tariffs on $ 300 billion in Chinese goods.

Ajit Mishra, vice president, Religare Broking, said, "The markets started the week on a negative note led by on-going tensions in Kashmir and unsupportive global cues. However, the Nifty reversed some of its losses but still ended lower by at 10,859 levels."

"The broader markets ended largely in line with the benchmark with BSE midcap and BSE Smallcap ending with losses of 1.3 per cent and 1.7 per cent respectively," he added. Among sectoral indices, except IT and telecom which ended with gains, all other indices ended with losses, with banking, consumer durables and realty being the top losers.

"Going forward, we expect volatility to remain high in the near term and maintain our cautious stance on Indian markets. Given the comforting inflation data and declining growth, expectations are rife for a fourth consecutive rate cut of 25 bps by the RBI in its policy meet on August 7. However, the commentary on growth and inflation would be more important factor in deciding the course of the markets," he said. Further, the on-going turmoil in Kashmir may induce volatility in the markets, Mishra added.

In a highly volatile trade, the rupee opened at 70.20 at the interbank forex market and touched a low of 70.59 and a high of 70.18 against the American currency before closing at 70.73.

Gold prices at all-time high

Mumbai: Gold prices Monday rose by over 2 per cent to record levels, as prices soared in overseas markets and the rupee fell sharply.

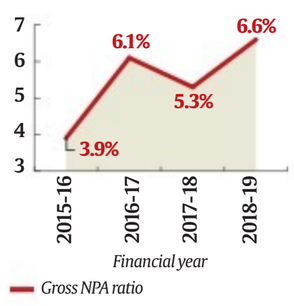
Gold futures hit an all-time high of Rs 36,970 per 10 gram, taking their gains to more than 17 per cent in 2019. However, traders said demand has fallen due to higher prices with dealers offering a discount over official domestic prices, the highest since August 2016.

The domestic price includes a 12.5 per cent import tax and 3 per cent sales tax. India's gold consumption declined 1.5 per cent last year to 760.4 tonnes, below a 10-year average of 838 tonnes, according to data compiled by World Gold Council. **ENS WITH PTI**

Gross NPA ratio of NBFCs at 6.6% in FY19

NBFCs form a key link between India's banking sector and customers, especially in hinterland. The liquidity crisis being faced by certain NBFCs, mainly due to asset-liability mismatches, has been a cause for concern

AS PER RBI data, gross NPA ratio of NBFCs (deposit-taking and Systemically Important non-deposit-taking NBFCs) in last four fiscals are as under:



NUMBER OF REGISTERED NBFCs UNDER REGIONAL OFFICES OF RBI

Regional Office	No. of NBFCs as on June 23, 2019
Ahmedabad	253
Bangalore	133
Bhopal	103
Bhubaneswar	20
Kolkata	4,541
Chandigarh	215
Chennai	331
New Delhi	2,013
Guwahati	118
Hyderabad	155
Jaipur	198
Jammu	32
Kanpur	143
Mumbai	1,214
Patna	35
Thiruvananthapuram	139
Total	9,643

Source: Reserve Bank of India

NO. OF REGISTERED HFCs UNDER NHB AS ON JUNE 24, 2019

State/UT	No. of HFCs
AP	1
Delhi	19
Gujarat	5
Haryana	3
Karnataka	5
Kerala	2
MP	1
Maharashtra	40
Manipur	1
Mizoram	1
Rajasthan	6
Tamil Nadu	15
West Bengal	2
Total	101

Source: National Housing Bank

'JAMMU AND KASHMIR LOSING FINANCIAL AUTONOMY MAY NOT AUGUR WELL FOR FISCAL FEDERALISM'

With J&K status change, 15th FC will have to redo math

P VAIDYANATHAN IYER
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

WITH JAMMU and Kashmir set to lose its statehood, it would not be eligible for any share of tax devolution from the Centre's divisible pool as decided by the Finance Commission, leaving fund allocation entirely in the hands of the central government.

"Jammu and Kashmir will lose its financial autonomy, and it does not augur well for fiscal federalism," said an ex-member of a previous finance commission. Funds for union territories (including Delhi, Puducherry, etc) are decided by the central government in the Union Budget and voted by Parliament.

The Finance Commission recommends how tax revenues collected by the central government should be shared between the Centre and the states.

Further, the panel also recommends inter se distribution of these resources among states.

For the five years ending 2019-20, the Union Finance Ministry had agreed to the Fourteenth Finance Commission's recommendations that 42 per cent of tax collections (compared with 32 per cent recommended by the Thirteenth Finance Commission for the previous five years ending 2014-15) by the central government should go to states. Of the states' share, the Commission had recommended that Jammu and Kashmir should receive 1.854 per cent from 2015-16 till 2019-20. This was higher than 1.551 per cent the state received during the previous five years.

Jammu and Kashmir was one of the few states that was accorded a special category status by the central government.

Almost 30 per cent of the devolution was earmarked for these states. Further, they received favourable treatment in terms of the grant versus loan mix compared with other states.

The Fourteenth Finance Commission did not have make specific recommendations for these states with special category status, but accounted for their special characteristics by assigning weightage to forest cover and international border lengths in allowing for higher devolution. "Special category status is not really a Constitutional category," said another former member.

According to sources close to the development, the Fifteenth Finance Commission chaired by NK Singh may have to rework its calculations for horizontal devolution (sharing of resources among states) with the change in status of Jammu and Kashmir's statehood. The state is proposed to be organised into two union territories – Jammu and Kashmir (with Legislative Assembly) and Ladakh (without Legislative Assembly). "Instead of 29 states, devolution would be for 28 states. They will have to redo the arithmetic," said a source, who did not wish to be named.

The Union Cabinet had on July 17 approved a proposal to extend the tenure of the Fifteenth Finance Commission by six more months. It is expected to now submit its report by November-end 2019. Members of the Commission have completed visits to various states for consultation with stakeholders, including state government functionaries.

BRIEFLY

Indian Bank Q1 net profit jumps 74.5%

Chennai: Public sector Indian Bank posted a 74.55 per cent jump in its net profits for the April-June quarter, at Rs 365.37 crore, the bank's MD and CMD Padmaja Chunduru said on Monday. **PTI**

Razorpay acquires Thirdwatch

Mumbai: Payments solution firm Razorpay made its first acquisition as it took over Gurgaon-based Thirdwatch, which specialises in big data and machine learning for real-time fraud prevention. Details of the transaction were not disclose. **ENS**

'China stops buying US farm products'

Beijing: China's Commerce Ministry said Tuesday that Chinese companies have stopped buying US agricultural products, and that China will not rule out imposing import tariffs on American farm products that were bought after August 3. **REUTERS**

SOURCES SAID DEPRECIATION AIMED AT PREVENTING RISKS, INCLUDING TENSIONS WITH US

'Yuan's slide past 7/dollar had policymakers' blessing'

KEITH ZHAI & ZHENG LI
SINGAPORE/SHANGHAI, AUGUST 5

CHINESE MONETARY authorities let the yuan slide past the key 7-per-dollar level so that markets could finally factor in concerns around the Sino-US trade war and weakening economic growth, three people with knowledge of the discussions said on Monday.

The yuan tumbled 1.4 per cent and past 7-per-dollar level for the first time in more than a decade on Monday, following two days of weaker than expected midpoint settings by the People's Bank of China (PBOC).

Those fixings on Friday and Monday followed US President Donald Trump's announcement that he will impose 10 per cent tariffs on the remaining $300 billion of Chinese imports from September 1, abruptly breaking a brief month-long ceasefire in a long-running trade war.

"We have had serious internal discussions, including issues such as the timing of the announcement, how to guide the market, and made some arrangements on such issues," a policy source told *Reuters*. "The regulators had a half-resisting, half-allowing idea for the yuan to fall past 7 to the dollar."

The PBOC had no immediate comment on the report, but earlier in the day said it was confident and capable of keeping the yuan basically stable at reasonable and balanced levels.

Meanwhile, US President Donald Trump on Monday slammed China's decision to let its yuan breach the seven-per-dollar level for the first time in over a decade, calling it "a major violation" and jabbing the US Federal Reserve. **REUTERS**

People sit in front of a board showing market information at a securities brokerage house in Beijing, China, on Monday. *Reuters*

Have to take growth to 9-10% level: Uday Kotak

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, AUGUST 5

KOTAK MAHINDRA Bank vice chairman and MD Uday Kotak on Monday said the economy needs to grow 9-10 per cent to make the country a $5 trillion economy in the next couple of years.

"The economy needs to grow by 9 per cent in the next 20 years to get India where China is today. We need to grow by 10 per cent in the next couple of years," Kotak said while delivering the Lalit Doshi Memorial Lecture. When asked whether India will be able to become a $5 trillion economy as projected by the government in the wake of the ongoing slowdown in the economy, Kotak said, "We got to make it happen. We have to take the growth to the 9-10 per cent level."

GDP growth fell 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. Last week, L&T Chairman Naik had said,"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."

On the current liquidity issue in the financial sector, Kotak said, "it's not a systemic issue."

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Container Corporation of India Ltd. shall be auctioning scrap items, empty damage containers and unclaimed/uncleared imported cargo landed at the terminals of Northern Region, Northern Central Region & Eastern Region, those containers arrived on or before **30.06.2019** through e-auction on **23.08.2019 & 30.08.2019** on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"**. All details **along with Terms & Conditions of auction sale & cargo details will be available on www.concorindia.co.in & www.mstcecommerce.com** w.e.f. **08.08.2019 & 14.08.2019.** All importers including Government Undertakings/ Departments whose containers/goods are lying unclaimed/uncleared and falling in the said list uploaded in website at respective terminals, because of any dispute, stay by Court/ Tribunal/others or any such reason may accordingly inform the concerned Executive Director at Northern Region, Northern Central Region & Eastern Region CONCOR as well as Commissioner of Customs of the concerned Commissionerates, and file their objections/claims regarding disposal of such goods within **7 (Seven Days)** of this notice failing which the goods will be auctioned on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" without any further notice. For full details please log on to **www.concorindia.co.in** & **www.mstcecommerce.com**

Executive Director,
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IInd Floor, Above Passport office, Kushabhau Thakre Inter-State Bus Terminal (ISBT) Campus, Ambedkar Marg, Near Chetak Bridge, Bhopal (M.P)

No.: BMC/2019/06 **Bhopal, Date: 05/08/2019**

Tender for online submissions are invited on website **www.mptenders.gov.in** under "Live Tender" and Department Name "Bhopal Municipal Corporation" for following work. Detailed NIT, Tender Schedule and other information can be seen on the website **www.mptenders.gov.in.**

S. NO.	System NIT no.	Name of Work	Earnest Money (in Rs.)
1	2019_UAD_34980_2	APPOINTMENT OF AGENCY TO CARRY OUT GAP ANALYSIS STUDY, PREPARATION OF IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ALONG WITH SUPERVISION AND MONITORING (SECOND CALL)	2,00,000/-

Corrigendum and Amendment for above NIT shall not be issued separately in newspapers & correction if any, would be Published on website only.

T.N. 751/019/020

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Municipal Corporation, Bhopal

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SHORT e-TENDER NOTICE

Tender No.: JNP/PPD/M-II/CT-Canteen Renovation/T-31(R)/2019 dt. 03/08/2019

Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust invited tender on **15/07/2019 for the work of "Renovation of Canteen and Shift in-charge Office Building inside Custom Bound Area of JN Port".** The Bill of Quantity is revised and is re-invited. The bidders are requested to download Revised Bill of Qunatity from the e-tender portal **http://eprocure.gov.in** and JNPT's website **www.jnport.gov.in** All other tender condition remain same.

Chief Manager (PP&DD)

भारतीय विमानपत्तन प्राधिकरण
AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA

TENDER NOTICE

Airport Authority of India invites Item rate tender through E-tendering portal by AGM (Engg-C), Bareilly Airport, Bareilly on behalf of Chairman, AAI from eligible contractors for the work of **"Development of New Civil Enclave at Bareilly, SH: Earth Filling in side strips of Taxi way, apron & other adjoining areas and Construction of Drain with Rain Water Harvesting"** for an estimated cost of **Rs 765.59 Lakhs excluding GST** with a period of completion as 08 (Eight Months) months [including 30 Days considered for rains].

Last date & time of submission of bid documents is **16.08.2019 upto 1800 hours.** For detailed information, log on to CPP e-Procurement Portal reference **https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app or www.aai.aero.**

Further clarifications /corrigendum, if any, will be notified through e- Procurement portal at **https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app.**

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, ALLAHABAD

No.: JHS/ELG/W/T-10/2019-20 **Tender Notice** **Dated:** 31.07.2019

For and on behalf of President of India, the Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (General) North Central Railway, Jhansi invites open tenders through online (E-Tendering) for the following work:

Tender No.	Description of Work	Tender value ₹	Earnest Money ₹
JHS/ELG/W/T-10/2019-20	Hiring of 01 no. non AC Commercial diesel vehicle multiutility (Tavera/ Innova/Scorpio or similar) round the clock 24 hours 2000 KMs per month for ADEE/G/Gwalior at Gwalior for a period of 03 years.	₹ 1368958.68	₹ 27400/-

Cost of tender Document: ₹ 2100.00 **Closing date of tender: 26.08.2019** (upto **15:00 Hrs.**) **Completion period:** Three years (36 Months) Tenderer will submit the tender online upto **26.08.2019** (upto **15:00** Hrs.) Complete details & for submission of tenders can be seen in Indian Railway's website **www.ireps.gov.in** **1121/19(I)**

GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION

NIT No: S.W.M.C. No.A7/2117/2019 **Dated: 05.08.2019**

INVITATION OF TENDER

The Superintending Engineer (SWM) Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC), invites on-line tender for "Selection of Concessionaire to collect and process the Wet Waste and convert it to Bio-CNG (50 MT Capacity) in DBFOT Model under PPP mode'' are available online on www.tntenders.gov.in.

Cost of the Tender Documents	Rs.20,000/- plus 12% (twelve) as GST payable by Demand Draft
Earnest Money Deposit	Rupees 9,50,000/- only

For detailed scope of work and tender conditions, prospective bidders may refer to RFP which can be downloaded from the web portal : **https://tntenders.gov.in**.

Start of Tender Documents Downloading Date	**06.08.2019 onwards**
Date of Pre-Bid Meeting and time	**14.08.2019 at 11 AM**
Last Date of Downloading of Tender Documents	**28.08.2019**
Last Date and Time of Submission of Bid	**28.08.2019 upto 3.00 PM**
Bid Opening Date and Time	**29.08.2019 at 4.00 PM**
Place of Submission and Opening of Bid	Office of the Superintending Engineer (SWM), Fourth Floor, Amma Maligai, Greater Chennai Corporation, Ripon Building Campus, 1131, EVR Periyar Salai, Chennai-600 003, India

For Further Information, Please Contact:
The Office of the Superintending Engineer (SWM)
Contact No.: 044-25619228/25303839
Email: seswm@chennaicorporation.gov.in

DIPR/2678/Tender/2019

Tender No.: JHS/DYCEE/WS/T/04/2019-20 **E-Tender Notice** **Date:** 31.07.2019

Name of work	Approx Cost of work	Earnest Money ₹	Cost of tender form ₹	Completion Period
Photocopy work of workshop and allied offices on contract basis for a period of 36 months (Three years).	₹ 7925299/-	₹ 158500/-	₹ 5250/- (5000+250 ST)	36 months

Date of Closing & opening: 26.08.2019, Closing at **15:00** Hrs. and opening **15:30** hrs. **Validity of offer:** 45 Days **Eligibility Criteria: 1.** The tenderer must have successfully completed any of the following during last 07 (seven) years, ending last day of month previous to the one in which tender is invited **(a)** Three similar works costing not less than the amount equal to 40% of advertised value of the tender, or **(b)** Two similar works costing not less than the amount equal to 50% of advertised value of the tender, or **(c)** One similar work costing not less than the amount equal to 80% of advertised value of the tender **2.** The tenderer must have received contractual payments in the previous three financial years and the current financial year upto the date of opening of tender, at least 150% of the advertised value of the tender: **Definition of similar nature of work:** A Tenderer who has completed the work of photo copy (with all consumable, papers, minimum 04 Nos machines at its operator along with maintenance of machines) of value atleast. **(a)** Three similar works costing not less than the amount equal to 40% of advertised value of the tender, or **(b)** Two similar works costing not less than the amount equal to 50% of advertised value of the tender, or **(c)** One similar work costing not less than the amount equal to 80% of advertised value of the tender. During last 07 years, ending last year of month previous of to the one in which tender is invited. **1.** Tender will be closed at **15:00** hrs on **26.08.2019** and is available on Indian Railway E-Tendering website **www.ireps.gov.in 2.** For Detailed information please visit Indian Railway E-Tendering website **www.ireps.gov.in** **1122/19(I)**

North central railways www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in @ CPRONCR

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

E-TENDER NO. 14 FOR 2019-20

BIDS for the works detailed in the table given below are invited online (e-tender) on Public Work Department Government of Maharashtra through website https://mahatenders.gov.in by the Executive Engineer, Public Work Division Sawantwadi in (B-2) from for the following works by the Executive Engineer, Public Works Division Sawantwadi from all the Contractors who fulfills all the criteria required to carryout the following works. Executive Engineer Public Work Division Sawantwadi reserves right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason. The Conditional tender will not be acceptable.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost (Rupees)	Earnest Money (Rupees)	Time limit in Tender	Type of Tender & Cost of Tender	Class of Contractor
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Construction of Multispecial Hospital Building at Sawantwadi Tal Sawantwadi Dist. Sindhudurg	208309810/-	1042000/-	24 (Twenty Four) Calendar Months (including monsoon)	B-2 (Rs. 3000/-) +GST	Other

E-Tender time table

1	Download Period of online Tender and Bid Preparation	Dt. 05.8.2019 at 1030 Hrs to 14.8.2019 at 1700 Hrs.
2	Date and time of Pre-bid meeting	Dt. 09.8.2019 at 1400 Hrs. Office of the Chief Engineer P. W. Region, Konkan Mumbai.
3	Place, Date and timing of opening Technical bid and Financial bid.	Dt. 16.8.2019 at 1705 Hrs. office of the Superintending Engineer P. W. Circle Ratnagiri (If possible)

Note :-

1. All eligible/interested contractors who want to participate in tendering process should compulsory get enrolled on e-tendering portal **"https://mahatenders.gov.in"** the appropriate category applicable to them.
2. For any assistance on the use of Electronic Tendering System, the Users may call the below.
   Toll Free-Ph. No. 180030702232- E-Mail : eproc.maharashtra@gmail.com, cppp-support@nic.in
3. It is compulsory for all participates to submit all documents online.
4. Other term and conditioned displayed in online e-tender forms. Right to reject any or all online bid of works without assigning any reasons thereof is reserved.
5. Above Tender Notice is displayed on P.W.D. website **www.mahapwd.com.**

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DELHI MINORITIES COMMISSION

GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI
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Tender regarding study on the socio-economic & educational status of Sikh victims and their survivors of the 1984 riots

Delhi Minorities Commission is desirous of conducting a study on the socio-economic and educational status of the Sikh victims and their survivors in the 1984 riots. The study will be prepared in English language.

Delhi Minorities Commission requires technical and financial bids from empanelled NGOs, research organisations, reputed research centres and university departments (who have at least three years experience of similar kind of research). All applicants have to enclose their technical and financial bids (proposed research methodology) within one month of the publication of this advertisement.

The application should be addressed to the Secretary, Delhi Minorities Commission and delivered by hand or by Speed Post at the above address: DMC is free to accept the best bid in its opinion, taking into account the research methodology and the past experience of the applicant in the field. Financial bids of only those applicants will be opened whose technical bids are accepted by the Commission.

DIP/Shabdarth/0475/19-20

Secretary, DMC

मध्यप्रदेश राज्य सहकारी विपणन संघ मर्यादित

मुख्यालय : जहांगीराबाद भोपाल

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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, KARNAL	PROVIDING AND FIXING OF ROAD SIGNAGE ON MAHATMA GANDHI CHOWK TO HOSPITAL CHOWK RD 0 TO 800 UNDER "HARYANA VISION ZERO" INITATIVE + 1 OTHER WORK	02.08.2019 13.08.2019	16.08 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	0184-2251029 pwdeepdkarnal@hry.nic.in
2.	PWD B&R, KAITHAL.	SPECIAL REPAIR OF ROADS IN THE CAMPUS OF MINI SECTT. (DISTT. ADMINISTRATION CENTRE & JUDICIAL COMPLEX) AT KAITHAL	CLOSING DATE 13.08.2019	11.14 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-222282 pwd-eepd-kaithal@hry.nic.in
3.	PWD B&R, AMBALA	DEVELOPMENT OF PARKING AREA IN WEST SIDE, NEAR ARJUN CHOWK SOME PORTION, PUNJABI DHARAMSHALA AND PROVIDING & LAYING OF CC PAVER BLOCK ON BERMS BOTH SIDE OF BIRLA MANDIR ROAD IN BRAHMSAROVER AT KURUKSHETRA.	02.08.2019 13.08.2019	132.36 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement. gov.in	9041200125 pwd-eepd1-kurukshetra@hry.nic.in
4.	PWD B&R, NARNAUL	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVT. VETERINARY HOSPITAL AT VILLAGE-NAYAN IN MOHINDERGARH DISTRICT (CM ANNOUNCEMENT CODE NO. 10254) (RE-INVITED)	CLOSING DATE 12.08.2019	21.60 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01282-251267 / pwd-eepd-narnaul@hry.nic.in
5.	PWD B&R, KURUKSHETRA	DEVELOPMENT OF SARASWATI MANDIR IN VILLAGE KHERI MARKANDA IN DISTRICT KURUKSHETRA	01.08.2019 10.08.2019	6.03 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01744-238066
6.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, REWARI	PROVIDING SERVICES WITHIN ONE CLUSTER OF GRAM PANCHAYATS NAMELY MASANI, BLOCK REWARI FOR COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION, SCIENTIFIC PROCESSING AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE ETC + 2 OTHER WORKS	06.08.2019 14.08.2019	37.98 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
7.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, YAMUNA NAGAR	CONSTRUCTION OF COMMUNITY CENTER IN VILLAGE DEVDHAR BLOCK PARTAP NAGAR	02.08.2019 12.08.2019	61.58 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01732-237833 prexeeng.ynr@hry.nic.in
8.	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT GURUGRAM	REMODELING / EXTENSION OF WATER COURSE OUTLET RD 6930-R BHADANA MINOR AND 3 NO'S WORK FOR EXTENSION OF WATER COURSES	CLOSING DATE 07.08.2019	29.55 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	xen-wsgrg.irr@gov.in
9.	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT HARYANA NARWANA	REHABILITATION OF CHHATTAR MINOR WITH CEMENT CONCRETE LINING FROM RD 0 TO 30788 OFFTAKING FROM RD 11000/L OF BADSIKRI MINOR. + 3 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 13.08.2019	5.36 CRORE	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	xenwsnwa@gmail.com
10.	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT HARYANA FARIDABAD	REPLACEMENT OF 2 NO. GATES, PLATFORM BASE SHEET & SUPPORTING CHANNELS, WINCH MACHINE ALONGWITH ROPE DRUMS AND STEEL WIRE ROPES, PAINTING OF GATES AND COMPLETE STRUCTURE AT RD 26772 NSB.	CLOSING DATE 12.08.2019	4.85 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	xen-wsmfbd.irr@gov.in
11.	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT HARYANA PALWAL	RE-CONSTRUCTING MEERKA MINOR FROM RD 0-4921 (INCLUDING HEAD REGULATOR FROM RD 14400/L TO RD 13800/L OF PONDARYDISTY.)	CLOSING DATE 19.08.2019	280 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01275-252179 xenpwl79@gmail.com
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13.	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT HARYANA REWARI	REPLACEMENT OF 1 NO. 5 CS AFVT PUMP, 1 NO. 25 HP MOTOR & 1 NO STARTER 25 HP AT PUMP HOUSE PATUWAS- 4. + 25 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 13.08.2019	EMD6.89 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	xenmech@yahoo.com
14.	IRRIGATION & W.R. DEPARTMENT MAHENDERGARH	CONSTRUCTING PIPE REGULATOR IN NARNAUL BRANCH OFF-TAKING AT KM. 19.900 R/S FOR RELEASING WATER IN DOHAN RIVER THROUGH ESCAPE CHANNEL AND CONSTRUCTING HUMP/REGULATION STRUCTURE IN DOHAN RIVER NEAR M/GARH DISTY. X-ING + 3 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 12.08.2019	167.45 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01285-220287 xen-wsmgarh.irr@gov.in
15.	DIRECTORATE OF STATE TRANSPORT, HARYANA	PUTTING UP ADVERTISEMENT BOARDS/ HOARDINGS ETC. AT BUS STANDS/ WORKSHOPS OF HARYANA ROADWAYS. THE CONTRACT OF JHAJJAR DEPOT IS VALID UP TO 31.12.2019 THEREFORE THE CONTRACT OF THIS DEPOT SHALL START AFTER EXPIRY OF THIS CONTRACT.	06.08.2019 28.08.2019	EMD5 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	DIRECTOR, STATE TRANSPORT, HARYANA, CHANDIGARH.
16.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, FARRUKHNAGAR.	CONST. OF AYUSH DISPENSARY AT VILLAGE ALIMUDINPUR BLOCK F-NAGAR + 1 OTHER WORKS	06.08.2019 12.08.2019	54.91 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	0124-2221122 prexeeng.grg@hry.nic.in
17.	PANCHAYATI RAJ, PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF ONE STOP CENTRE DOUBLE STOREY SECTOR-16, PANCHKULA	05.08.2019 16.08.2019	24.61 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2576698
18.	FOREST DEPARTMENT, ROHTAK.	DISMANTLING OF EXISTING BIRDS AVIARY AND PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF WATER BIRDS AVIARY AT ROHTAK ZOO.	02.08.2019 13.08.2019	23.95 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in TENDER NO 970/2019_HRY_91226	01262274377 dwlorohtak@yahoo.com
19.	FOREST DEPARTMENT, FATEHABAD	AHRWAN BEAT (NEW PLANTATION & MAINTENANCE OF OLD PLANTATION) + 10 OTHER WORKS	31.07.2019 08.08.2019	EMD1.65 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01667-220313 dfo.fatehabad@yahoo.co.in
20.	HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NARNAUL	PROVIDING SUPPORT SERVICES SUCH AS HOUSE- KEEPING, GENERAL DUTY ASSISTANT, MALI AND DHOBI AND ADDITIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES SUCH AS MAINTENANCE OF CIVIL WORK, ELECTRICAL WORKS, COMPUTER OPERATOR, ETC. AND SECURITY SERVICES AT VARIOUS SDH/CHC/PHC IN DISTRICT MAHENDERGARH	05.08.2019 16.08.2019	5 CRORES	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	CIVIL SURGEON
21.	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGG, REWARI	ROUGH COST ESTIMATE FOR PROV. & INSTALLATION 8 NOS T/WELL AGAINST LESS DISCHARGE T/WELL AND LAYING OF CONNECTING PIPE LINE IN VARIOUS WARDS OF PANIPAT TOWN	02.08.2019 16.08.2019	64.33 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.inTENDER NO 2019_HRY_91241	01274-260344 eegwirewari@phedharyana.gov.in

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
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ANDHRA PRADESH DISASTER RECOVERY PROJECT
WORLD BANK FUNDED PROJECT-CREDIT NO: 5694-IN
INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (NCB)

IFB NO: 8/APDRP/R&B/CE/DEE/AEE 2/2018-19 dt:02-08-2019 (2nd call)

Government of India has received a credit from the International Development Association towards the cost of Andhra Pradesh Disaster Recovery Project and intends to apply a part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the contracts for construction of works. The Chief Engineer & Project Manager (R&B) APDRP Visakhapatnam invites online item rate e-bids from the registered bidders of Government of Andhra Pradesh or other State Governments/Government of India, or State/Central Government Undertakings for the construction of the following package in East Godavari district for construction of roads through website of Central Public Procurement Portal **http://eprocure.gov.in** of National informatics centre from 07.08.2019. The IFB No : **8/APDRP/R&B/CE/DEE/AEE2/2018-19 dt: 02-08-2019 (2nd call)**

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S. No.	District	IFB No	Name of the Road	Est Amount Rs: in Crores	Period of Completion	Name of the Superintending Engineer, R&B
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NO-DEAL PLANNING

Boris's game of chicken

Preparing for no deal is a paradoxical process

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson, with farmer Ingrid Shervington, holds a chicken at Shervington Farms near Newport, South Wales, on July 30. *AP*

THE RULES OF chicken are simple: two parties hurtle towards each other at speed and the first to move out of the way—the chicken—loses. After posing with feathered friends at a poultry farm in Wales, Boris Johnson, the new prime minister, made it clear that he would not be the first to swerve.

Mr Johnson demands that the EU bin the Irish backstop agreed on as part of the deal reached with Theresa May, his predecessor. The EU has repeatedly ruled this out. If they can't compromise, he squawked, "if they really can't do it, then clearly we have to get ready for a no-deal exit." The game may play itself out in many different ways before October 31st, the date on which Mr Johnson is committed to leaving the EU.

Crucial to winning the game is to appear determined not to chicken out. Brexiteers say that the EU never really believed Mrs May's "no deal is better than a bad deal" line, which weakened Britain's negotiating hand. Mr Johnson has gone all-out to show that he means it.

Sajid Javid, the new chancellor, has pledged an extra £2bn ($2.5bn) for no-deal preparations, on top of the £4bn-odd that Philip Hammond, his predecessor, set aside. Some £100m will be spent on adverts warning the public and businesses to prepare for the worst. Michael Gove, who led the Vote Leave campaign with Mr Johnson in 2016, meets top officials daily to orchestrate "no-deal" preparations. Add the magic words "no deal" to any spending request and it will find its way to the chancellor's desk almost immediately, says an aide.

Yet when it comes to no-deal preparations, separating theatre from reality is tricky. Beneath the fresh bluster, in most departments preparations involve blowing the dust off old plans. Britain has been here before. In March and April, the last time a no-deal exit loomed, departments were running 24-hour response units. According to the Institute for Government (IFG), 16,000 civil servants were beavering away on Brexit plans.

Some progress has been made since. Earlier this month the Bank of England noted that "UK-based firms have made further preparations to be able to serve EU clients" in the event that Britain leaves without a deal. It does not expect lending to firms and households to seize up. An upgraded customs system, needed to handle the large number of customs declarations that will have to be made once tariffs are in place, was not ready for March or April, but will now be partly in place by October.

A lot more still needs to be done. By dint of its EU membership Britain has around 40 free-trade deals with non-EU countries. The government has said that it wants to reach bilateral agreements with these countries, so that the agreements roll over even if Britain leaves the EU without a deal. So far it has managed to roll over less than half. Britain has made even less progress on other international agreements to which it is party through its EU membership, including on nuclear research and competition.

Yet there is only so much the government can do. Most of the issues thrown up by a no-deal Brexit are inherently bilateral, requiring the EU to play nice, points out Anand Menon of UK in a Changing Europe, a think-tank. Britain may throw open the port at Dover, for instance, but it would be for naught if officials in Calais enforce checks. The Confederation of British Industry says that the EU's preparations lag behind Britain's. And while the government will determine the route Britain takes out of the EU, it is businesses that will feel the effects, and that must take action to mitigate them. But "businesses do not want to," says Sam Lowe, a researcher at the Centre for European Reform, another think-tank. "They want government to bear this cost."

Kicking business into action is harder than it looks. The first problem is Duke of York syndrome. Some firms put in place contingency measures the last time a no-deal exit loomed. Many felt that their money was wasted. "Marching them back up the hill again will be a challenge," said Martin McTague, from the Federation of Small Businesses, a lobby group, especially when Mr Johnson himself said during his campaign to become prime minister that no-deal has a "million to one" chance of happening. "The million-to-one line will resonate more than a technical notice or a billboard from government saying 'get ready'," says Joe Owen of the IFG.

Second, scaring business into action sits uneasily with Mr Johnson's pathological optimism. A description of the threat of no-deal alarming enough to get business to prepare energetically would frighten the horses; too rosy an account of the future and people will not prepare.

The markets, at least, are taking seriously the government's apparent determination to leave with or without a deal. In Mr Johnson's first week as prime minister the pound fell by 3% on a trade-weighted basis. It is nearing $1.20 against the dollar, its lowest level since the referendum.

The government hopes that talk of a big fiscal boost will counterbalance the gloom. It is said to be planning an autumn budget that would get the economy "going gangbusters" by exit day. Mr Johnson has floated various giveaways, including raising the thresholds at which people start to pay the higher rate of income tax and more money for the NHS and police. At the poultry farm he promised to compensate farmers who lose out from any no-deal disruption.

Yet Britain will not be able to spend its away out of no-deal chaos. In such an event, annual borrowing would anyway rise by some £30bn (1.4% of GDP) as the economy slowed, official estimates suggest. A government which promised lots of extra spending and tax cuts on top of that would test the confidence of investors. And a no-deal Brexit is likely to be primarily a shock to the supply side of the economy. Fiscal stimulus aimed at supporting demand would do nothing to help bottlenecks at Dover or firms that were no longer legally allowed to sell into the eumarket. Not all types of chicken come cheap.

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DIGITAL PAYMENTS

The dash from cash

Rich countries must start planning for a cashless future

FOR THE past 3,000 years, when people thought of money they thought of cash. From buying food to settling bar tabs, day-to-day dealings involved creased paper or clinking bits of metal. Over the past decade, however, digital payments have taken off—tapping your plastic on a terminal or swiping a smartphone has become normal. Now this revolution is about to turn cash into an endangered species in some rich economies. That will make the economy more efficient—but it also poses new problems that could hold the transition hostage.

Countries are eliminating cash at varying speeds. But the direction of travel is clear, and in some cases the journey is nearly complete. In Sweden the number of retail cash transactions per person has fallen by 80% in the past ten years. Cash accounts for just 6% of purchases by value in Norway. Britain is probably four or six years behind the Nordic countries. America is perhaps a decade behind. Outside the rich world, cash is still king. But even there its dominance is being eroded. In China digital payments rose from 4% of all payments in 2012 to 34% in 2017.

Cash is dying out because of two forces. One is demand—younger consumers want payment systems that plug seamlessly into their digital lives. But equally important is that suppliers such as banks and tech firms (in developed markets) and telecoms companies (in emerging ones) are developing fast, easy-to-use payment technologies from which they can pull data and pocket fees. There is a high cost to running the infrastructure behind the cash economy—ATMs, vans carrying notes, tellers who accept coins. Most financial firms are keen to abandon it, or deter old-fashioned customers with hefty fees.

In the main the prospect of a cashless economy is excellent news. Cash is inefficient. In rich countries, minting, sorting, storing and distributing it is estimated to cost about 0.5% of GDP. But that does not begin to capture the gains. When payments dematerialise, people and shops are less vulnerable to theft. Governments can keep closer tabs on fraud or tax evasion. Digitalisation vastly expands the playground of small businesses and sole traders by enabling them to sell beyond their borders. It also creates a credit history, helping consumers borrow.

Yet set against these benefits are a bundle of worries. Electronic payment systems may be vulnerable to technical failures, power blackouts and cyber-attacks—this week Capital One, an American bank, became the latest firm to be hacked. In a cashless economy the poor, the elderly and country folk may be left behind. And eradicating cash, an anonymous payment method, for a digital system could let governments snoop on people's shopping habits and private titans exploit their personal data.

These problems have three remedies. First, governments need to ensure that central banks' monopoly over coins and notes is not replaced by private monopolies over digital money. Rather than letting a few credit-card firms have a stranglehold on the electronic pipes for digital payments, as America may yet allow, governments must ensure the payments plumbing is open to a range of digital firms which can build services on top of it. They should urge banks to offer cheap, instant, bank-to-bank digital transfers between deposit accounts, as in Sweden and the Netherlands. Competition should keep prices low so that the poor can afford most services, and it should also mean that if one firm stumbles others can step in, making the system resilient.

Second, governments should maintain banks' obligation to keep customer information private, so that the plumbing remains anonymous. Digital firms that use this plumbing to offer services should be free to monetise transaction data, through, for example, advertising, so long as their business model is made explicit to users. Some customers will favour free services that track their purchases; others will want to pay to be left alone.

Last, the phase-out of cash should be gradual. For a period of ten years, banks should be obliged to accept and distribute cash in populated areas. This will buy governments time to help the poor open bank accounts, educate the elderly and beef up internet access in rural areas. The rush towards digital money is the result of spontaneous demand and innovation. To pocket all the rewards, governments need to prepare for the day when crumpled bank notes change hands for the last time.

A shopkeeper swipes a customer's debit card at an electronics goods store in Kolkata. *Reuters*

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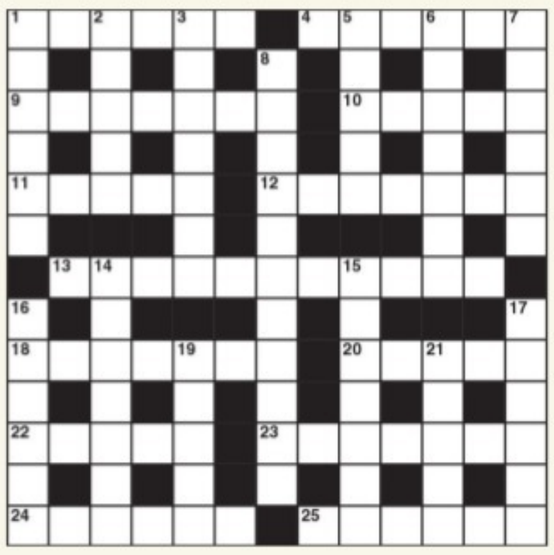

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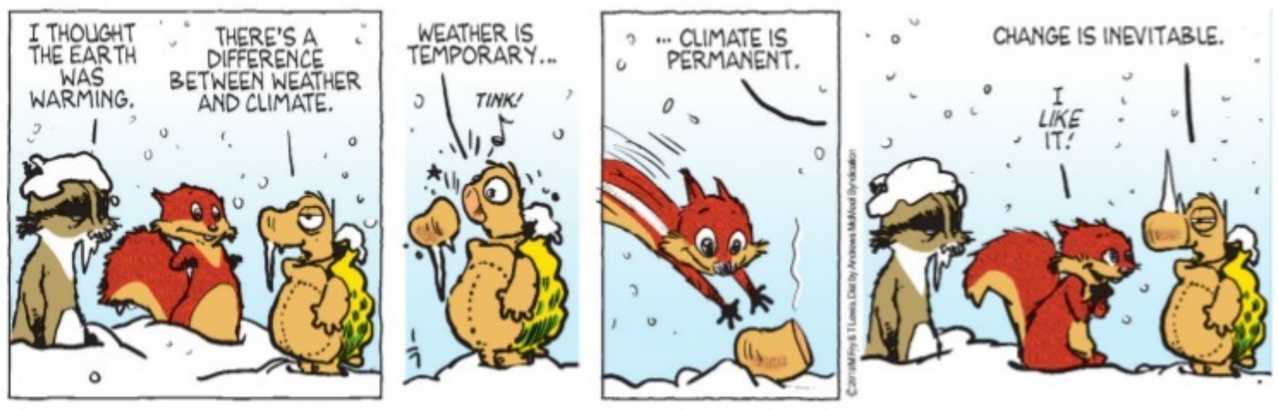
11 Anne's brought back a plant (5)
12 Alice's top drawer? (7)
13 Dead tired? (3,2,6)
18 International insurance show (7)
20 Artist when old retires south (5)
22 Victor loses his head going round the bull (5)
23 It's often faced with resolution (3,4)
24 Rarely seen part of the French president's residence (6)
25 A Spaniard is a handsome fellow (6)

Down

1 Confront with small account charge (6)
2 Flier appears to steal in (5)
3 A burning issue may rise out of it (7)
5 Mr Welles gave no backing to horse he withdrew (5)
6 One who may take one to arms, perhaps (7)
7 Settle down to some earnest letter writing (6)
8 Sticking out for the potato insect (11)
14 Not shrewd? That's strange (7)
15 Given an income, but at the end was in debt (7)
16 She can turn out to be an upper class niece (6)
17 Assumes in pretence (6)
19 Five Gaelic lines of poetry (5)
21 Gather it could be an angel (5)

Solutions Crossword 3875: Across: 1 Soprano, 5 Times, 8 Purple emperor, 9 Award, 10 Airlift, 11 Radish, 12 Genius, 15 Liaison, 17 Eland, 19 Orchestration, 20 Talon, 21 Detente. **Down:** 1 Sepia, 2 Part and parcel, 3 Alludes, 4 One day, 5 Toper, 6 Mortification, 7 Sprites, 11 Rule out, 13 Elegant, 14 United, 16 Stern, 18 Dense.

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis



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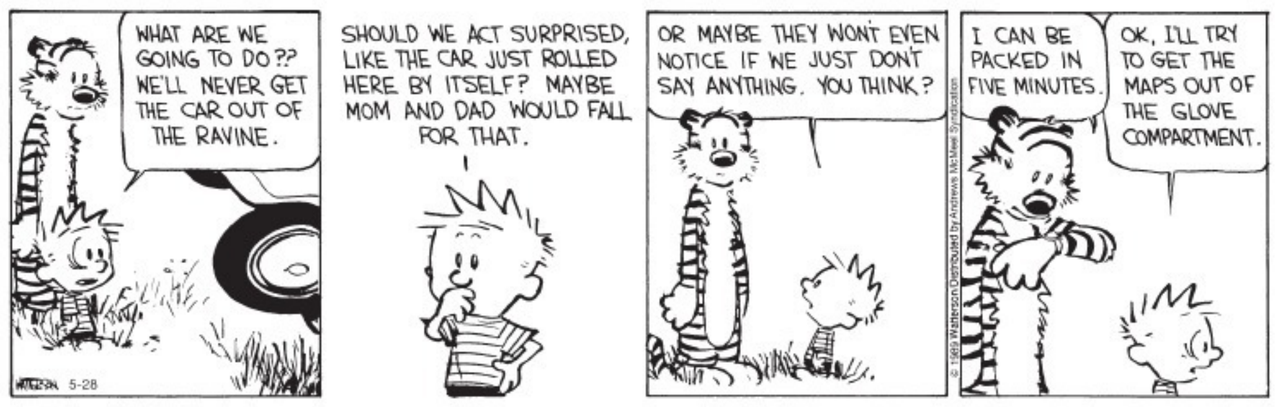

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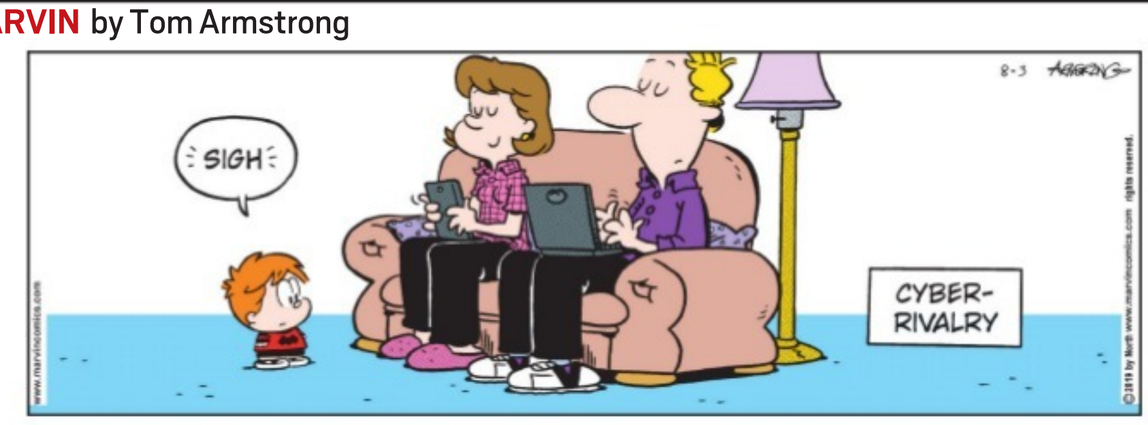

DAY TODAY

BY PETER VIDAL

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
Somewhere along the line you appear to have upset someone whose influence could help you in the future. There is no time like the present for putting shaky relationships back on a firm footing. At work you need to take a more creative course. Is there a new skill you can learn?

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)
The financial picture remains rather uncertain, possibly because you have allowed an opportunity to slip through your hands. Optimism is all very well, but don't allow unrealistic hopes to influence your actions. While your head is in the clouds keep one foot on the ground.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
The current relationship between Jupiter and Saturn is undoubtedly positive, and you should use the opportunity to implement plans which you have been considering for some time but frankly felt were not in your line of business. Oh — and within the month you will have forgotten that certain current problems ever existed.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
The emotional Moon is now impacting on a sociable area of your horoscope, revealing that you have everything to gain from associations with other people, especially those who are clearly in the know. Even at work you'll have to operate as part of a team. Go it alone and you may do yourself long-term damage.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)
The period you've just been through has not been entirely to your liking. However, every astrological cloud has a silver lining, and very soon the benefits derived from recent upsets will be made plain. In the end you'll decide that the wait was worth it.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)
Tensions are building up at home, although there is no reason why this should be considered bad. Anything which forces you to get out of your rut and make improvements is to be welcomed. There seems to be a great deal going in your favour at home, so any difficulties could be a result of your own impatience.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)
You are fortunate to be born under the sign of Venus, a planet which has been affording you a great deal of protection lately. Now, however, you must learn to stand on your own two feet. It's fine to depend on partners sometimes — but not all the time.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)
You may have been sitting on confidential information or keeping a secret on behalf of a friend. However, be prepared for everything to come into the open before the week is out. There is no way that partners will let you off the hook, so you'd better have your story ready.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 23)
Seeing as there is shortly to be a critical planetary alignment in your sign, you should tread carefully. It's necessary to retain your sense of optimism regarding the future, yet your downfall could be over-confidence. My advice would be to double-check every detail.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Today's lunar positions offer you the strongest possible advice to listen to close partners. You may be astonished at the quality of their ideas, and quite possibly pleasantly surprised by the outcome. Your other planets are pointing the way to monetary success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
It will seem terribly unfair when people who hardly know you feel they have the right to comment critically on your behaviour. Yet this is what may happen today and tomorrow, so don't rise to the bait. You'll get everything you need by watching and waiting until the time is right.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)
A professional upset is on the cards, yet the changes which result may be to your liking. Meetings or communications at the end of the week may clarify the picture, so don't sign on the dotted line just yet. In fact, a commitment may not be necessary until next year.

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.

Love the ___ more than the __. -Brigham Young (5,..,4)

PPEIR

AIMNGG

HMSIT

IILYFV

SOLUTION: PIPER, SMITH, GAMING, VILIFY
Answer: Love the **giver** more than the **gift**. -Brigham Young

SUDOKU 3930

Difficulty Level 3s
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				
	9	5			2		3	
4		1	9					
			2		1			
3		7				5		2
			8		5			
					6	7		4
	2		7			8	5	
				9		6		

SOLUTION SUDOKU 3929

5	3	8	9	2	1	7	6	4
1	4	2	7	8	6	5	9	3
6	7	9	5	3	4	8	1	2
4	2	1	6	7	8	3	5	9
9	5	3	1	4	2	6	7	8
8	6	7	3	5	9	2	4	1
2	1	4	8	6	7	9	3	5
3	9	6	2	1	5	4	8	7
7	8	5	4	9	3	1	2	6

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e-NIT NO : B&R / HO / 51165 / TD / ER – NEW BG LINE / 01

Online "Single Percentage rate" Bid(s) / offer(s) are invited in two part system for "Earthwork in Cutting and Filling, Blanketing and Construction of Minor Bridges, ROB and RUB/LHS, Retaining Wall, Toe Wall and other ancillary works in between Godda to Pathergama including Ghatballia Station limit from Km 31.892 to Km. 46.892 in connection with construction of new BG Line between Pirpainti to Godda at Jharkhand."

Date of hosting in CPP Portal:- 06.08.2019.
Last date of submission of offer: - 20.08.2019. within 4.00 P.M.
Interested Bidder(s) have to enroll & register with the Government e-Procurement System and download the Tender document through logging on to https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app
Corrigendum / Addendum, if any shall be hosted in CPP Portal: https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app and in Company's Website http: www.bridgeroof.co.in.

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e-Tender Notice

e - Tenders are invited from eligible bidders for the following work-

Name of Work: Design, Supply, erection and Commissioning work (including civil jobs) for Modernisation with efficiency improvement of **The Nawanshahr Cooperative Sugar Mills Ltd. Banga Road, Nawanshahr, Distt. Saheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, PUNJAB - 144514** on turnkey basis.

Terms & Conditions: Tender notice, NIT, Terms & conditions and bid documents can be downloaded free of cost at website:- http://eproc.punjab.gov.in. from 03.08.19 at (03:00 PM) and interested bidders can upload the tender bid at website upto 29.08.19 at (11:00 PM). Any subsequent corrigendum shall be published only at the website http://eproc.punjab.gov.in. For participation in the above e-tendering process, the bidder shall have to get themselves registered with website:- http://eproc.punjab.gov.in. and get user ID, Password, Class-3 Digital signature is mandatory to participate in the e-tendering process. For any clarification /difficulty regarding e-tendering process flow, enrolment please contact help desk of NIC on 0172-2970263, 0172-2970284, 0172-5051471, 9855449650. The undersigned reserves all rights of rejection / postpone of the tender without assigning any reason.

Managing Director

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
HYDERABAD METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD
O/o Chief General Manager (Engg), O&M Circle-III, Goshamahal, Hyd-012.

e -tender Notice No. & Date	Name of Work	Estimate Contract Value.
36 & 37 /CGM (E) / O&M C.III/ D5/2019-20, Dt..30.05.2019 (4th Call) (As per G.O MS No.73, Dt:27.06.2009. I & CAD Dept.)	Strengthening and Improvement of water supply System in Bholakpur (Chilkalguda Source) Package-I and Bholakpur (Mekalamandi Source) Package-II under Boats Club Section of Sub Division-I of O&M Division.V.	Ranging from Rs.337.92 Lakhs to Rs.782.93 Lakhs

1. Tender Documents will be available online from **Dt. 05.08.2019 from 7.00 P M** onwards and the last date for receipt of tenders is **Dt.19.08.2019.**
2. Name & address of **Chief General Manager (Engg), concerned -. Chief General Manager (Engg), O&M Circle-III, HMWSSB, Goshamahal, Hyderabad-12.**
3. The Contractors / firms are requested to upload the information in the 'ZIP' format preferably.
4. Further details can be seen @ **http://www.eprocurement.gov.in**

Sd/- Chief General Manager (Engg), O&M Circle-III, Goshamahal, Hyderabad-500 012.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SHRI MATA VAISHNO DEVI SHRINE BOARD, KATRA

Extension of Tender Notice

In reference to Abridged Tender Notice No. CO/Cat/333/430 dated 09.07.2019, the Last Date for Submission of Tender from Principal Firms/ Authorized Franchisees/ Firms/ Any Individual, for Providing Catering Services from the Premises of the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board, is hereby further extended upto 12th of August, 2019, 1500 hrs.

The other terms and conditions of the Tender shall remain the same. The NIT along with detailed terms & conditions can be downloaded from official website of the Shrine Board (**www.maavaishnodevi.org**), Free of Cost.

No. CO/Cat/333/569 — **Sd/- (Dr. J.C. Mehra) KAS**
Dated: 05.08.2019 — **Dy. Chief Executive Officer**

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NOTICE FOR INVITING E-TENDER

No. DFCC/All/AD/Vehicle Hiring/2019/01 — **Dt: 02.08.2019**

CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER, DFCCIL, A-1, Circular Road, Ajmer for and on behalf of DFCCIL invites single packet open e-tenders for the following work: **Tender No.** DFCC/All/AD/Vehicle Hiring/2019/01 **Name of Work:** Hiring of 18 (Eighteen) Nos. of Four wheeler Diesel driven commercial field vehicles for the official use of DFCCIL/ Ajmer unit spread over Ajmer to Abu Road. **Estimated cost of work:** Rs. 1,99,95,280/-, **Completion Period:** 24 (Twenty Four) Months, **Type of Bid:** Single packet open e-tenders, **Bid Documents Cost:** Rs. 5900/- (including GST), **Earnest Money:** Rs 3,99,906/-, **Availability of Bid Document:** From 15.00 hrs. of **08.08.2019** to **15.00** hrs. of **05.09.2019, Date & Time for Submission of filled tender document:** Upto 15.00 hrs. on 05.09.2019, **Date & Time of Opening Tender:** 15.30 hrs. of 05.09.2019. **Tender documents should be downloaded from the website address www.tenderwizard.com/DFCCIL. No tender document will be available offline. Downloading of tender documents online and submission of tenders online is mandatory for this tender.**

Address for Communication: Office of the Chief General Manager, Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Ltd., A-1, Circular Road, Ajmer-305001 Tel/Fax No.: 0145-2970463. Detailed terms & conditions and future corrigendum/addendum will be posted on **www.tenderwizard.com/DFCCIL** only.

CGM/Ajmer

SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN, SIRSA (HARYANA)

TENDER NOTICE

Sealed Tenders are invited from the Registered Firms/ Suppliers/ Manufacturers/ Whole Sale Dealers/ Distributors/ Reputed Firms for the Purchase of the following Items **for the Session 2019-20** for the Hostel Students of KASTURBA GANDHI BALIKA VIDHYALA, RATTAKHERA (DABWALI), CHATHA (ODHAN), FATEHPURIA NIYAMAT KHAN (BARAGUDHA), KEHARWALA (RANIA), DHOLPALIA (ELLENABAD), RAMPURA DHILLON (NATHUSARI CHOPTA) DISTRICT SIRSA.

The Tender Documents containing requirements, specifications and terms & conditions can be obtained from the Office of the undersigned on any working day w.e.f. 06.08.2019. The Last Date for Submission of Sealed Tenders in the Office of the undersigned is **20.08.2019** at **11.00 A.M.** Tenders will be **Opened on 20.08.2019** at **02.00 P.M.** onwards by the District Level Committee under Chairmanship of the ADC-cum-Chairman, SSA, Sirsa. Interested Vendors or their Authorized Representatives may remain present at the time of Opening of Tenders. The details of the Items, to be Purchased is as under:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Articles/Tender	Expected Purchase as per Requirement/Approximately Nos.
1.	Kiryana Items	As per requirement
2.	Sanitary/Toiletry Items	As per requirement
3.	Bedding Items	As per requirement
4.	Uniform	As per requirement

OFFICE ADDRESS:-
DISTRICT PROJECT COORDINATOR,
ROOM No. 60-67, 2nd FLOOR,
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RECRUITMENT NOTIFICATION

Institute invites online application(s) from the Indian Nationals for the filling up of following post(s) upto 06/09/2019:
Advt. No.7/2019: Non-Teaching post(s): Dy. Registrar, Executive Engineer (Civil), Medical Officer, Superintendent, Superintendent (on contract), SAS Assistant, Junior Engineer (Civil/Electrical), Junior Assistant, Technician and Office Attendant.
Advt. No.8/2019: Special Recruitment Drive for Divyaang and Ex-Servicemen: Assistant Librarian, Technical Assistant, Library Assistant, Superintendent, Stenographer and Technician.
The applicants may refer the Institute website **www.nituk.ac.in** for the details of educational qualification, experience, age, last date for submission of online application and other terms & conditions for the filling up of application(s) for the above post(s). The age relaxation as per Govt. of India norms shall also be applicable to the applicants. Any addendum/ corrigendum shall be posted only on the Institute website. Applicants/ incumbents are requested to visit the Institute website regularly.
The Director, National Institute of Technology, Uttarakhand reserves the right to fill or not fill any vacancy in the absence of deserving candidate and to cancel application or all applications without assigning any reasons.

Date: 06/08/2019 — **Registrar**

KOLKATA METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

e-NIT No. : KMDA/CIVIL/HOUSING/SE/C-IV/09 of 2019-20

Superintending Engineer, Circle-IV, Housing Sector, KMDA, Unnayan Bhawan, 2nd Floor, Block-L, Salt Lake City, Kolkata - 700 091, invites online e-tender from reliable, resourceful, bonafide and experienced firms/companies/individual contractors/Joint Venture/Consortium for the work; **Name of Work :** Construction of Infrastructure works and Structural & finishing works upto 2nd floor level for Part-III building of Proposed (G+5) Storied Logistic Hub at Garden Reach, Kolkata; **Estimated Amount :** 16,69,61,441/-; **Earnest Money :** 33,39,229/-; **Time of Completion :** 7 months; **Last Date & Time of online Bid submission is 03.09.2019 upto 5 pm;** For details please contact the above office or visit our both websites.

KMDA/T-292/SPAN(4)/19-20

Visit Websites : www.kmdaonline.org / www.wbtenders.gov.in

OFFICE OF THE MANAGING DIRECTOR
ASSAM STATE TRANSPORT CORPORATION,
PALTAN BAZAR, GUWAHATI -781008

NIT No. ASTC/TENDER/OIL TANKER/2019-20/0372 dtd. 02-08-2019

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders in two bid system are invited from reputed and authorized POL Tank Lorry fabrication firms having PESO certification and ARAI approval for the "Construction of fully equipped oil tankers having capacity of 12 kL and 20 kL over new chassis."
Interested tenderers may collect the tender document from the office of the undersigned on any working day during office hours on payment of Rs.1000.00 (Rupees One Thousand) only in cash at the cash counter.
The tender document can also be downloaded from our website: **www.astc.assam.gov.in** w.e.f. 30.07.2019 upto 22.08.2019. Any new information related to the tender document will be published in the website only. In case the tender document is downloaded from the website and tender is submitted, the tender document fee of Rs.1000.00 (Rupees One Thousand) only in the form of bank draft drawn in favour of the Managing Director, ASTC, payable at SBI, South Guwahati, Assam shall have to be submitted along with the Technical Bid.
Only the firms having necessary approval from appropriate authority to construct oil tankers may submit tender.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES (e-Tender Notices Sl.No.1 to 5)

Sl.No. — Tender Ref./Scope of supplies & Qty. Reqd.

1. **UNIT: M.M. COMPLEX: PTE: ENQ/19-20/001172/MM18 (03), Dt.23.07.2019.** Procurement of Napthanic based EHV quality transformer oil as per IS: 335/2018 - Fifth revision (Type - I). **Qty: 281450 Litres.** **Due date of opening:** 22.08.2019
2. **PTE No: ENQ/19-20/001224/MM01 (03), Dt.29.07.2019:** 900 KW Bucket Wheel Gear Box shell complete with Lubrication Lines. **Due date of opening:** 28.08.2019
3. **PTE-ENQ/19-20/001203/MM01 (05), Dt.29.07.2019: 10 Items** of Belt Drums. **Due date of opening:** 28.08.2019
4. **ENQ/19-20/001157/MM23 (01), Dt.30.07.2019:** Ring Main Units - **3 Nos.** **Due date of opening:** 28.08.2019
5. **PTE No: ENQ/19-20/001229/MM01(03) dt.31-07-2019:** Drive Drum & Return Drum Shafts. **Due date of opening:** 29.08.2019

FOR e-TENDER DOCUMENTS/DETAILS/CORRIGENDUM VISIT: www.nlcindia.com

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NIT No. ASTC/Tender/Oil tanker Chassis/2019-20/0374

dtd. 02-08-2019

Tender Notice

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Managing Director,
A.S.T.Corporation, Guwahati

Kempegowda INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BENGALURU

Name and Address of the entity seeking EOI:
Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL)
BIAL Project Office,
Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru
Bengaluru 560 300
Web: www.bengaluruairport.com

NOTICE FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Civil and architectural work for Terminal 1 (T1) elevated pedestrian walkway at the Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru (the "Project").

The scope of work includes, but is not limited to civil and architectural work such as masonry, plastering, flooring, water proofing, painting, cladding, false ceiling, handrails together with associated work and all related work with interface management for completion of the fully operational Project (Work).

BIAL invites interested applicants to submit their EOI to carry out the work and successfully hand over the Project. Consortium/ joint venture participation is not permitted.

Information on the EOI can be obtained from the BIAL website www.bengaluruairport.com (http://www.bengaluruairport.com/ourBusiness/tender.jspx). Bidding for this Project is through e-tendering. Applicants shall register on https://www.bialtenders.com/ as per the e-Tendering instructions provided with the Information Document.

Applicants shall view/ download the EOI document from https://www.bialtenders.com/ from 1400 hrs IST on August 6, 2019 to 1600 hrs IST on August 20, 2019. The EOI must be submitted online at https://www.bialtenders.com/ on or before 1700 hrs IST on August 20, 2019.

Addendum, if any, to this EOI shall be made available on the BIAL website and https://www.bialtenders.com

A Morning Scene

The National Gallery in London has acquired a rare work by artist Richard Parkes Bonington. The 1952 landscape shows a morning view of the River Seine. It has been acquired under the acceptance in lieu scheme, which allows people to offset inheritance tax bills.

SNAP SHOTS

Dramatic Outing

VETERAN FILMMAKER Martin Scorsese's long-awaited film *The Irishman* will close this year's British Film Institutes's London Film Festival. To be screened on October 13, this will mark the international premiere of the film. Produced by Netflix, the drama stars Robert De Niro, Al Pacino and Joe Pesci in the lead. "Scorsese is one of the true greats of cinema — as both a creator and a tireless champion of preservation and film history — and here he and his creative team have delivered an epic of breathtakingly audacious scale and complexity, exploring relationships of trust and betrayal, regret and remorselessness, which dominated a period of American history," said Tricia Tuttle, director of the film festival, in a statement posted on the festival's official website. *The Irishman* has been adapted from Charles Brandt's novel, *I Heard You Paint Houses*.

New Frontiers

ACTOR SHABANA AZMI is all set to star in the Showtime series *Halo*, which is being produced by Steven Spielberg's Amblin Entertainment. The series directed by Otto Bathurst will go on the floors later this year in Budapest. It is an adaptation of the popular video game of the same name. The show also stars Natascha McElhone, Bokeem Woodbine, Bentley Kalu, Natasha Culzac and Kate Kennedy. Azmi will be playing Admiral Margaret Parangosky, the head of the Office of Naval Intelligence. On the home front, Azmi will be seen in *Sheer Qorma*, director Faraz Arif Ansari's LGBTQ short film.

Last Call

THE FANTASY series *Supernatural (pictured)* and superhero show *Arrow* are all set to make their final appearances this season on CW channel. The two have been flagship shows of the channel. *Supernatural*, which stars Jensen Ackles and Jared Padalecki, will premiere its last and fifteenth season on October 10, and *Arrow*, which features Stephen Amell in the titular role, will showcase its eighth season on October 15.

Each Month, Every Year

SHAKESPEARE AND his famous heroine Juliet have inspired the 2020 edition of the Italian brand Pirelli's annual calendar. It features prominent British actors Emma Watson (*pictured*), Claire Foy and Kristen Stewart. Some behind-the-scenes photos revealed photographer Paolo Roversi working with the actors. The calendar has been shot in Verona and Paris and it promises to present a different side of the tragic heroine. British actor Mia Goth, Chinese singer Chris Lee, American actor Indya Moore and Spanish singer Rosalía will also feature in the calender. The calendar began in 1963 as an unpublished mock-up.

(Clockwise from above) Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji with Pt Kishan Maharaj; Ut Vilayat Khan; Jagjit Singh Ji with Ut Bismillah Khan; Taranjiet Singh Namdhari

The Art of Listening

A documentary explores the legacy of the late Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji and the lasting relationship between the Namdhari Sikhs and Indian classical music

ANUSHREE MAJUMDAR

WE'D WRAPPED up a show in Hyderabad and we had a performance the next day in Aurangabad. The journey was by road and it was such a long one that our driver was falling asleep at the wheel. I decided to drive the car, and it took us several hours to reach the venue. When we reached, we saw the audience was already present, and we washed our faces and went on stage, and began playing. Oh, what an excellent show it was!" says Ustad Zakir Hussain, reminiscing about the first sangeet sammelans organised by the late Satguru Jagjit Singh (1920-2012) and the Namdhari Sikhs, back in the 1970s. Hussain had a flight to catch but there was no way the maestro was going to miss the premiere of *Sangeet – Saroop – Satguru: A Music Journey of His Holiness Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji*, held in Mumbai a little while ago. "Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji would conduct sessions where all the classical musicians of different gharanas would gather together. When he lived, it was a moment in time when art was supreme," he adds.

Conceived by Taranjiet Singh Namdhari, nearly two decades ago, the documentary is a labour of love. "As a Namdhari, I was always aware that Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji was our religious leader but for most part, I'd been trying to escape that side of my background. But in early 2000, I visited Bhaini Sahib (the village in Ludhiana district, which is the seat of the Namdhari Sikhs) for the first time as an adult. I wasn't going through a great patch in my life and I wanted to connect with my roots. After I met him, I felt that I should make a documentary about him," says Taranjiet, 48, who made a career for himself as an editor in Bollywood, working on films such as *Mohabbatein* and *The Great Indian Escape*, and designed visual promotions for blockbusters such as *Dil Toh Pagal Hai* and *Kuch Kuch Hota Hai*.

At Bhaini Sahib, he found a treasure trove — 8 mm and 16 mm films, a large number of audio cassettes dating back to the 1970s-80s — but with no way of knowing what was contained in those reels and tapes. "I went through them and saw that over the years, musicians such as Ustad Alla Rakha, Ustad Vilayat Khan and Pandit Ravi Shankar had travelled and performed at Bhaini Sahib. Satguru Ji's foresight resulted in history being recorded. I started digitising whatever I could," says Taranjeit, adding, "Watching those tapes, I realised that this was not just about performances, but something larger was at work here. In 2007, I decided that the documentary would be about the relationship between Satguruji, Bhaini Sahib and music."

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> PANDIT SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

The documentary begins with a brief history of the Namdhari Sikhs, especially of Satguru Partap Singh. "The Gurbani is written in different raagas, and he brought singers and musicians to the village to learn how it should be sung. Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji was brought up in that environment," says Taranjiet. When he became the spiritual leader of his people, Jagjit Singh Ji carried forward his father's legacy and invited notable musicians to the village. "He understood that listening is learning, and that while music helped one practice discipline and focus, it was also a way to look inward. Post-Independence, there is no one who was a patron of Hindustani classical music in the way he was," says Pandit Shiv Kumar Sharma in the documentary. Pandit Rajan and Sajan Mishra agree, they owe a great debt to Jagjit Singh Ji. "Panditji was working at the time, he was yet to become famous. Satguru Ji asked him to leave his job and gave him a monthly stipend so that he could focus on his craft. Later, Pandit Sajan Mishra joined his brother in Delhi from Varanasi. Soon after, they had their first performance on AIR," says Taranjiet.

Throughout the two-hour long documentary, musicians like Hussain, Sharma and Ustad Amjad Ali Khan mention how Jagjit Singh Ji was an accomplished singer and musician himself. "Especially dhrupad," says Taranjeit, "it's slow in tempo, one pays attention to the words, the cadence, in a way that khyal does not." "He played the dilruba with such mastery, in a way that was unique to him," said Sharma at the premiere.

Taranjiet hopes to do a limited release of the film in cinemas in Punjab, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh. "Those are the places where most people will know about the history of Satguru Ji. We've also done a five-part series, each is 55 minutes long, from the film and we hope to release it online in October. In addition, the musicians featured in the documentary will be screening the film at their respective institutions, starting with the Ustad Alla Rakha Institute of Music in Mumbai," says Taranjeit.

Fit For Their Age

Duckbill's hOle book series aids children to transition from picture books to independent reading of longer text

SURBHI GUPTA

IN *Susie Will Not Speak*, Susie decides not to talk after boys in the park tease and call her Thoothie, for she has a lisp; and in *The Shy Supergirl*, Nina is given the task of finding a silver owl that has disappeared from the neighbour's house. Many such simple and everyday stories feature in the hOle book series, published by Chennai-based Duckbill Books. They are meant for children transitioning from picture books to independent reading of longer text. Each book in the series has a hole on the right hand corner. "Die-cut books are nothing new; we think why the hOle captured kids' imagination was partly its sheer pointlessness and the fact that the illustrations play with the hole," say publishers and founders Sayoni Basu and Anushka Ravishankar, in an email interview. With 22 books in the series, over one lakh copies have been sold, an impressive figure for an indie publishing house in India. Excepts from an interview with Basu and Ravishankar:

What does selling one lakh copies of a book series mean to a children's publication house in India?

The number in itself is quite modest. The last *Harry Potter*, one reads, sold 2.6 million in the UK alone by the first weekend of its release. For us, the number is significant because in India children's books do not sell in large numbers unless they are well-known international series or Ruskin Bond and possibly Sudha Murthy. So for a series of Indian chapter books, many of the authors of which were first-time writers or first-time children's writers, the number is impressive. Secondly, the Indian children's market is notoriously skewed towards books which teach something or books with a mythological/religious slant. The numbers renew our faith that Indian kids are more receptive to fun Indian stories than market surveys would suggest.

What was the gap that you saw with children's books that you decided to create the hOle book series?

While India has many publishers who create diverse picture books, and there are a reasonable number of interesting middle-grade novels available, early chapter books were few. These are an essential stepping stone between picture books and novels, for children to get accustomed to less illustration, more text, and the concept of division of the narrative into chapters. Given the dearth of Indian books, children who were ready to graduate to chapter books had to turn to western books. We felt it was important for young children to have books with recognisable contexts, peopled with the kind of characters they might encounter around them.

Books from the hOle series; (top, left to right) Ayushi Saxena, Anushka Ravishankar, Sayoni Basu, Ashish Sood from Duckbill

Could you take us through the process of selecting stories for the series?

The kind of dilemma or challenge the protagonist faces is usually what helps decide — is it something that a child of six to nine would identify with? Is the story complex enough for a chapter book? Length is obviously a more tangible concern, and the visual possibilities also play a role. We have also been working to have stories with protagonists from more diverse backgrounds.

What are the problems that children usually face while moving from picture books to independent reading?

In a picture book, the storytelling is done equally through visuals and words. In novels, storytelling is done primarily through words. Even if there are illustrations, their function is more decorative usually, in the sense that the progression of the narrative is not reliant on the illustrations. Picture books entice with colour, bells, whistles and play. By contrast, the novel, even for younger readers, seems forbiddingly wordy.

Did any child, teacher or parent share on how did the books help in the transition?

It makes us very happy to hear that in several government schools, where English is the second language, kids are reading these books in Classes VI and VII because the stories are interesting and the vocabulary is simple.

Being a Child

Artist Indira Purkayastha draws attention to the pressures faced by children

VANDANA KALRA

BENT DOWN to the ground, the little girl sculpted in wood is hiding under a helmet, coaxing the onlookers to wonder what plagues her. Artist Indira Purkayastha tells them she is just one of the several children escaping social and academic pressures. Titled *Dreaming Inside A Shell*, the child here is seeking shelter. "This is a child withdrawing from the overburdened environment and trying to escape constant expectations," says the Raipur-based artist.

She dedicates her first solo in Delhi titled "No Child's Play" to the pressures faced by children today. "We think children have no sense of the real world but they are aware. I am trying to present the perspective of children," says Purkayastha, 49. The postgraduate in art from Banaras Hindu University, who studied under well-known sculptor Balbir Singh Katt, recalls her own childhood spent in the hills of Chhattisgarh, where she would play with adivasi children. "The memories have stayed with me. My sculptural language is informed by those experiences and the folk art and craft of Chhattisgarh," she adds. She notes how her liking for the medium of wood is also perhaps influenced by the wood craft of Bastar, apart from its textural quality. "I used to make collages as a child and during my graduation I began making shapes with wood pieces, pasting them together according to the different textures and colours," says Purkayastha.

Teaching sculpture at Bharatiya Vidya Bhawan in Raipur and mother of a 18-year-old, Purkayastha notes how several works in the exhibition are based on her own experiences. If *Gods Best Creation* has shirts hanging on a stand to remind parents that the constant societal pressures inhibit the holistic development of children, in *Dreaming of Dreams* she has a child with angelic wings in a garden. "We should let children dream. As a teacher, I never tell children what to make, I let them imagine," says the artist.

Artist Indira Purkayastha; (right) her work *Macaulay Express*

In the titular work, we see her daughter wearing Purkayastha's saree. "I had huge expectations from my daughter when she was young and wanted her to do what I did as a child. She wanted to do her own thing and would explain her position to me through her play sessions," says the artist. She sends the viewers back with a warning. In *Assembly of Angels*, the ants are metaphors for the future citizens. On a conveyor belt, each of them adhere to the norms and are tailored to fit the expectations, suggesting how both people and the education system fail to encourage individuality. "Here I compare children to robots. They face constant terror," says Purkayastha, forewarning a graver future if the present is not improved.

The exhibition at Visual Arts Gallery, India Habitat Center, is on till August 7

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England's Ben Stokes is caught by Australia's Tim Paine off the bowling of Nathan Lyon (6/49) on the fifth day of the first Ashes Test at Edgbaston. *Reuters*

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ENGLAND 2ND INNS	146

OVERNIGHT	13/0
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J Roy b Lyon	**28** (58b, 4x4)
J Root c Bancroft b Lyon	**28** (57b, 3x4)
J Denly c Bancroft b Lyon	**11** (16b, 2x4)
J Buttler b Cummins	**1** (25b)
B Stokes c Paine b Lyon	**6** (28b, 1x4)
J Bairstow c Bancroft b Cummins	**6** (8b, 1x4)
M Ali c Warner b Lyon	**4** (28b)
C Woakes c Smith b Cummins	**37** (54b, 7x4)
S Broad c Smith b Lyon	**0** (1b)
J Anderson not out	**4** (9b, 1x4)
Extras: (b 4, lb 4, nb 2)	**10**

Fall of wickets: 1-19 (Rory Burns, 9.5 ov), 2-60 (Jason Roy, 21.2 ov), 3-80 (Joe Denly, 25.5 ov), 4-85 (Joe Root, 29.1 ov), 5-85 (Jos Buttler, 32.6 ov), 6-97 (Jonny Bairstow, 36.6 ov), 7-97 (Ben Stokes, 37.1 ov), 8-136 (Moeen Ali, 47.3 ov), 9-136 (Stuart Broad, 47.4 ov), 10-146 (Chris Woakes, 52.3 ov)

Bowling:

P Siddle	12-2-**28-0**
N Lyon	20-5-**49-6**
J Pattinson	8-1-**29-0**
P Cummins	11.3-3-**32-4**
S Smith	1-1-**0-0**

Australia won by 251 runs

Aussies urn their stripes

Visitors lay down marker as Lyon stars in 251-run win in 1st Ashes Test to end England's run off 11 successive wins at Edgbaston

AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE
BIRMINGHAM, AUGUST 5

NATHAN LYON took six wickets as Australia thrashed England by 251 runs at their Edgbaston 'fortress' to win the first Ashes Test on Monday. England, set a daunting 398 for victory, lost four wickets for 12 runs either side of lunch on the last day as they slumped to 97 for 7.

They were eventually dismissed for 146 in their second innings, with off-spinner Lyon taking 6-49 — a haul that included his 350th Test wicket — and fast bowler Pat Cummins 4-32 in the first match of the new ICC World Test Championship.

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Australia were in dire straits at 122 for 8 in their first innings but were rescued by man-of-the-match Steve Smith's 144, which lifted them to 284. The star batsman then made 142 in the second innings of his comeback Test following a ban for his role in a ball-tampering scandal, with Australia captain Tim Paine declaring on 487 for 7 late on Sunday.

"I thought we were certainly up against it at that stage (122-8) but we had the best player in the world at the crease," Paine said. "We're running out of things to say about Smithy. He's probably the best Test batsman we've ever seen."

Paine added: "Nathan bowled superbly but our three quicks took a lot of pressure off him at the other end as well."

Smith, David Warner and Cameron Bancroft were all returning to Test cricket following ball-tampering bans and the trio were repeatedly jeered by spectators at Edgbaston. "We know every Test we play in England, the crowd will be against us. I thought the guys handled themselves really well and we've come out on top," said Paine.

David Warner with his daughter at the end of the first Test. *Reuters*

No England batsman made more than No. 9 Chris Woakes's 37 in their second innings and captain Joe Root admitted: "It is bitterly disappointing. Credit to Australia. They fought hard to get back in it. (Smith played) two brilliant innings."

Rory Burns, whose first-innings 133 was his first century at this level, became just the 10th cricketer to have batted on all five days of a Test. But he had added just four runs to his overnight seven when he was undone by an excellent seaming and rising Cummins delivery that lobbed off his gloves to Lyon in the gully.

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Root was twice given out leg before by Joel Wilson but successfully challenged both verdicts as the West Indian umpire equalled an unwanted record with eight overturned decisions in a Test.

Jason Roy, who hit a blistering 85 in eventual champions England's World Cup semi-final win over Australia at Edgbaston last month, appeared to still be in one-day mode when he charged down the pitch and was bowled by Lyon for 28.

Lyon, whose return was his best against England, was dangerous on the wearing pitch and he had Joe Denly (11) caught off bat and pad by Bancroft at short leg.

The Australia pair combined again to dismiss Root for 28. England's 85 for 4 at lunch soon became 85 for 5 when Jos Buttler (one) was bowled by a Cummins delivery that kept low. Cummins then had his 100th Test wicket when Jonny Bairstow (six) gloved a rising ball to Bancroft in the slips and Ben Stokes was also out for six.

Moeen Ali fell to Lyon for the ninth time in 11 Ashes knocks when caught in the slips for four to leave England 136 for 8. Lyon had Stuart Broad caught in the slips next ball before James Anderson survived the hat-trick after not bowling at all in Australia's second innings because of a calf injury. Batting hero Smith had the last word, catching Woakes off Cummins to end the match.

How Lyon engineered England's dramatic collapse

LEFT-HANDER'S NEMESIS: Nathan Lyon averages 31.87 in 87 Tests. Against left-handers, however, the average drops by an impressive seven points. He was always going to pose a stern test to England that had five left-handers in the line-up. Instead of cute variations, Lyon, a traditional finger spinner, relies on bounce and turn to outwit batsmen.

Nothing illustrates this point more than the wicket of Ben Stokes on Monday afternoon, which was incidentally his 350th Test scalp. Bowling from around the wicket, he drew Stokes forward, extracting disconcerting bounce and prodigious turn to elicit an outside-edge to wicket-keeper Tim Paine. Six of Lyon's nine wickets at Edgbaston were left-handers.

LYON OUTBOWLS ALI: Despite Steve Smith's sublime back-to-back centuries in both the innings, the deciding factor in this match was the manner in which Nathan Lyon out-bowled his opposite number Moeen Ali.

On Day 4, Joe Root expected Ali to take the lead and run through the Australian line-up. Instead, he faltered in his lines and looked a pale shadow of himself. Ali conceded 130 runs from 29 overs as Smith and Mathew Wade feasted on his lacklustre bowling.

BUNNY MOEEN: Lyon had been Moeen Ali's scourge when England toured Down Under in 2017-18. A little more than 18 months later, Lyon continued to torment the all-rounder. In the first innings, Ali was bowled by Lyon without offering a shot, while in the second essay, Ali got a thick outside edge to a vicious spinning delivery that was gobbled up in the second slip by David Warner.

Such has been the off-spinner's stranglehold that he has now dismissed Ali nine times in the last 11 innings. Ali's travails is reminiscent to former Australia captain Ricky Ponting battles against Harbhajan Singh in the sub-continent.

8 Nathan Lyon became only the 8th Australian spinner since World War II to pick up a five-wicket haul in a Test match in England.

"Lyon's a bit the same as Smith - every Test or series they seem to get better, which is astonishing at their age...if you come and see them train, they're a great example for our group."
TIM PAINE, AUSTRALIA CAPTAIN

'Running out of things to say about Smithy'

AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE
BIRMINGHAM, AUGUST 5

AUSTRALIA CAPTAIN Tim Paine on Monday hailed Steve Smith as "probably the best Test batsman we've ever seen" after his man-of-the-match performance in the first Ashes Test at Edgbaston. The tourists beat England by 251 runs to win the first game of the five-match series. England, set an imposing target of 398 to win, collapsed to 97-7 in the post-lunch session on the fifth and final day before being bowled out for 146. Off-spinner Nathan Lyon took 6-49 and fast bowler Pat Cummins 4-32 as Australia enjoyed their first win in all formats at Edgbaston since 2001 — the last time they won an Ashes series in England.

The match was a personal triumph for Australia's Steve Smith, who in his first Test since a 12-month ban for his role in a ball-tampering scandal, scored 144 and 142.

Smith was the hero for Australia as they battled back from 122-8 in the first innings.

"I thought we were certainly up against it at that stage but we had the best player in the world at the crease," said Paine. "Steve showed his class in both innings. We're running out of things to say about Smithy. He's probably the best Test batsman we've ever seen. We're lucky to witness it. Nathan bowled superbly but our three quicks took a lot of pressure off him at the other end as well. The seamers were sensational. We thought we could improve on our first-innings performance with the ball. All those guys are world-class performers. This morning all four of them were sensational," Paine said.

An Smith said his contribution to Australia's win was a dream come true after the pain of his ball-tampering ban. "It feels pretty special, winning the first Test in England is really special. It feels great, I'm loving being back playing cricket for Australia, doing what I love and contributing to wins," Smith told BBC's Test Match Special.

Steyn retires from Tests, to play shorter formats

AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE
JOHANNESBURG, AUGUST 5

SOUTH AFRICAN Dale Steyn, one of the great fast bowlers of the modern era, on Monday announced his retirement from Test cricket in a bid to extend his longevity in the shorter forms of the game.

Steyn, who made his international debut against England in 2004 and last played a Test in February against Sri Lanka, is still contracted in the white-ball form of the game for the 2019/20 season and therefore remains available for South Africa in one-day internationals and T20s.

"Today I walk away from a format of the game I love so much," said the 36-year-old Steyn, his country's leading Test wicket-taker of all time and one of the top 10 in the history of the game.

"In my opinion Test cricket is the best version of this game. It tests you mentally, physically, emotionally. It's terrible to consider never playing another Test again but what's more terrifying is the thought of never playing again at all. So I will be focusing on ODIs and T20s for the rest of my career to maximise my full potential and ensure my longevity in this sport... I look forward to continuing to play for the Proteas in the shorter formats."

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DALE STEYN, SOUTH AFRICA PACER

Kapil & Co. cleared of conflict-of-interest charges

SHAMIK CHAKRABARTY
KOLKATA, AUGUST 5

THE KAPIL Dev-headed ad-hoc Cricket Advisory Committee (CAC) has been cleared by the Committee of Administrators (CoA) to pick the next head coach of the Indian cricket team. The ad-hoc CAC comprising the former India captain, along with Anshuman Gaekwad and Shantha Rangaswamy, gave 'no conflict' declaration that was okayed by the CoA. The Supreme Court-appointed Committee head Vinod Rai clarified that the matter didn't go to the BCCI's ombudsman-cum-ethics officer Justice (Retd) DK Jain.

"The matter hasn't gone to the ethics officer. First, the CoA has to declare whether there's conflict or no conflict. They will do whatever they have to do (appoint the head coach). In case, anybody has a grievance, he/she can go to the ethics officer," Rai told *The Indian Express*.

During the CoA meeting on Monday, Committee member Diana Edulji wasn't in agreement. But Rai and the other CoA member, Lt. Gen. (Retd) Ravi Thodge, supported the appointment. "Diana Edulji didn't file anything (to the ethics officer). But she had her own views about the conflict," Rai said.

Kapil Dev, Shantha Rangaswamy and Anshuman Gaekwad comprise the Cricket Advisory Committee which will pick the next India head coach.

Kapil and Rangaswamy are directors at the newly-formed Indian Cricketers' Association (ICA), an association for ex-cricketers funded by the BCCI. Gaekwad is part of the BCCI's member affiliation committee. Also, Kapil's company, Dev Musco, supplies floodlights to some Indian venues used for international cricket.

"There was no legal issue. The issue was whether there was any conflict of interest. We examined it and we found that there was no conflict of interest. Kapil Dev's company is totally independent. That has nothing to do with the BCCI. With regards to the ICA, they were only in the working group to set it up. Now that it has been set up, we have converted them to directors so that they can register the association," Rai explained.

He added: "See, the steering committee was constituted by the Supreme Court under the Lodha Committee recommendation and there were three members in that – Anil Kumble, Mohinder Amarnath and Diana Edulji. They backed out for different reasons. The Supreme Court didn't set up another committee. So the CoA set up a working group, a totally temporary, ad-hoc body. It has no status."

Although Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association member Sanjeev Gupta had written to the ethics officer stating that the CoA could "neither appoint CAC nor any other cricket committee, assigning them powers already assigned to Cricket Committee under Rule 26(2) & 24(5) (of the new BCCI constitution), legal opinion went in the CoA's favour.

Accordingly, the ad-hoc CAC will interview the short-listed candidates for the post of the Indian team head coach and will pick the new coach, expectedly by mid-August.

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Top athlete gives intelligence on doping ring in Punjab and Haryana

NIHAL KOSHIE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 5

A TOP MALE Indian track and field athlete has spilled the beans and given specific intelligence on a doping ring involving national-level competitors and their coaches in Haryana and Punjab after he himself returned a positive test.

The athlete had failed the dope test when his samples were collected during a national meet last year and decided to provide what is known as 'substantial assistance' to the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA).

If an athlete, who has tested positive for a banned substance, provides credible and actionable substantial assistance to dope control officers, then the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) code states that he or she can get a reduced suspension, which in the case of a first offence can be up to four years.

In January, the athlete had informed dope control officers about the doping taking place in Patiala. In June, he once again gave details of athletes who were allegedly doping at different venues in Haryana. The final arguments with regard to this athlete will come up before the anti-doping disciplinary panel.

However, this international athlete is not the only one who has decided to take the 'substantial assistance' route. Two weightlifters who tested positive at the junior national weightlifting championships have admitted that it was their coach who had given them the banned substance as he wanted to push for his inclusion in the national camp by highlighting the medals his wards had won.

Only a handful of Indian athletes have been able to provide credible intelligence which has helped dope control officers bust drug rackets.

The international track and field athlete's lawyer Hemant Raj Phalpher said:

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"Substantial Assistance is a welcoming provision in the NADA Code for those athletes who are willing to clean up the sport as well as, at the same time, assist NADA in identifying or discovering any Anti-Doping-Rule Violation. Its like one arrow used to hit two targets. Firstly, the athlete gets a reduced suspension and secondly, he helps NADA reduce the menace of doping in India."

Earlier this year, based on the information given by decathlete Jagtar Singh, the anti-doping panel had blacklisted the husband of a Commonwealth Games athlete for supplying banned substances at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in New Delhi. Jagtar had his ban reduced from four to two years for providing substantial assistance.

The anti-doping appeals panel had directed NADA to issue prominent warnings at all sporting stadiums and facilities for athletes and other persons about the discovery of prohibited substances from the husband of the Commonwealth Games athlete and another drug supplier.

Jagtar was a member of the Indian team for the 2017 Asian Athletics Championships before his name was withdrawn after he tested positive for meldonium, which had been added to the World Anti-Doping Agency's banned list since January 1, 2016. However, when an athlete decides to expose others who are involved in doping, the step can be fraught with risk.

"…the appellant and the NADA officials associated with investigation were roughed up and threatened by the alleged accused and their associates. The information provided by the athlete has certainly led to the discovery of a criminal offence… as also the discovery of a very important source of illegal/unlicenced supply of prohibited substances to athletes at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi," the order of the appeals panel had stated.

One of the most famous athletes who provided 'substantial assistance' was current 100 metres world champion Justin Gatlin. After failing a dope test in 2006, Gatlin made an undercover call and also wore a wire in a bid to help the United States government in investigating doping in sport.

What the WADA code stipulates

Article 10.6.1.2: To further encourage athletes and other persons to provide 'substantial assistance' to Anti-Doping Organisations at the request of the Anti-Doping Organisation conducting results management or at the request of the Athlete or other Person who has, or has been asserted to have, committed an anti-doping rule violation, WADA may agree at any stage of the results management process, including after a final appellate decision under Article 13, to what it considers to be an appropriate suspension of the otherwise-applicable period of ineligibility and other consequences.

Golf-mad Japan hails their latest star Shibuno

AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE
TOKYO, AUGUST 5

JAPAN ON MONDAY hailed a fairytale finish for Hinako Shibuno, the 20-year-old golf sensation known as 'Smiling Cinderella' who was crowned the surprise winner at the British Open. "She did it!" said TV presenter Tomoaki Ogura after Shibuno, in her debut tournament overseas, became Japan's first Major-winner in 42 years.

"Who expected she could do this much in her first competition abroad, a Major championship?" he said in his morning show on a private TV network. Shibuno's win at her first Major dominated morning television shows in Japan on Monday, topping news items. The story broke too late for the front pages of Japan's newspapers, but was splashed across their websites. Despite the huge popularity of golf in Japan, only one Japanese player -- male or female -- had previously won a Major: Chako Higuchi at the 1977 Women's PGA Championship.

Social media was abuzz with congratulations for the 20-year-old , who only turned pro last year. "A star is born!" tweeted one Japanese user. "A historic achievement," another wrote. On Japanese television, Higuchi said Shibuno looked as "relaxed" as if she were playing in Japan. "She is a new kind of player," the Daily Sports quoted Higuchi as saying. Shibuno hit a gutsy 18-foot birdie putt at the final hole to seal victory at Woburn on Sunday, finishing with a 68,18-under-par as she beat American Lizette Salas by a single stroke.

South Korea's world number one Ko Jin-young, who was seeking her third Major title of the year, had to settle for third place following a 66. Jun Sato, chief of the golf club where Shibuno practised until she graduated from high school, told the Mainichi Shimbun he was elated by the victory. "I don't just feel happy, I feel superb!" he said. Shibuno herself seemed overwhelmed by the victory.

"I didn't feel that nervous when I was on the last putt," she told reporters. But after the win "I was just covered in goosebumps and I feel so tense now I just don't know what to say!"

Shibuno's win at her first Major dominated morning television shows in Japan on Monday, topping news items. The story broke too late for the front pages of Japan's newspapers.

When Saatwiksairaj flicked the switch

Service winner at crucial stage of Thailand Open men's doubles final played key role in Indian pair's biggest title

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AT 19-18 in the opening game of the Thailand Open final, Saatwiksairaj Rankireddy got ready to serve with a complex, risky thought flashing through his mind. It is all very well to say, "the important thing is to keep it simple" in the closing stages. But if the Saatwik-Chirag pairing had to win the final against third-seeded Chinese Li Jun Hui- Liu Yu Chen, a touch of bravado, a dash of madness was needed.

It came at that point when Saatwik sent a frisbee-like flick serve that completely stumped the Chinese pair.

What could've been a perilous 19-19 had the flick serve been returned by the Chinese or even called a fault, turned into a 20-18 advantage that would eventually inject such confidence into the Indians that it fetched them their biggest title.

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Here's how the man recalls that precise moment: "Well, I knew they will rush to the net at that point. And I thought they wouldn't anticipate at that time that anybody will take a risk like this."

The backhand parabolic flicked serve that zipped over the opponent was planned right as the Chinese receivers, both visibly a little anxious, were leaning forward at the net, eyes screwed in attention, waiting to pounce, expecting a low serve to their front. "I've played it in matches before the final, but this was crucial," Saatwik avers.

Badminton's "ace" is like a swipe that whizzes past the nose. "It's when opponents are standing ready to receive in the front," explains former international Arvind Bhat, who admits to being foxed by it – but only in doubles. "What you do is send it back when they expect it in front. It's hit with a fataak-se (whippy) wrist action." It's a subtle start trick and demands the server not show any exaggerated swing of shoulder or elbow to the opponent. On Sunday, it happened suddenly and audaciously - too fast for badminton watchers to dwell on the beauty of it though the commentators couldn't resist a squeal of delight. "Chinese would be expecting it low with their momentum in front when leaning and that's where gravity would point too," Bhat says. But that's when Saatwik pulled off the cleverest touch - send a flick serve looping back, to disarm the Chinese rushing in the opposite direction for a quick kill.

While it's used widely now, players of an earlier generation preferred the forehand short serve mostly in a sport where serving itself is highly underrated and rarely practised as a speciality. When Pullela Gopichand won the All England Championship, he served predominantly forehanded even while a player like Peter Gade had started to predominantly use backhand flick starts.

In India, doubles player Pranav Chopra uses it quite effectively, as did Akshay Dewalkar before. Both V Diju and Rupesh Kumar, who played in the last decade, as well as Jwala Gutta, would sneak in a few flick serves in between as surprises. But success - in terms of scoring points - is rare and one needs a keen eye to observe when opponents are most likely to be deceived. Saatwik's flick serve had a long stream of thought crunched into one assumption - that the Chinese wouldn't see it coming. But most flick serves tend to be played instinctively, though they all need strong wrists to place them precisely. Saatwik had been playing smartly - all placement, not so much power, at the net the whole of the first game, and a couple of snappy returns earlier gave him the confidence to pull it out of the bag at that critical juncture.

"There's a big risk," says Diju, who jokes that Indians play it prolifically because the height measuring devices are not present at all local tournaments. "Flick serves need to start from a higher height than low forecourt serves. So you have to be careful of not being called for a fault," he warns, while admiring the cheekiness of the young Indian doubles players. "They are all so confident!" he gushes, while adding that they train for hours to get it perfect just like they would do for a smash.

Former doubles shuttler Leroy D'Sa insists the timing of using it is crucial. "Saatwik used it to break the comfort zone of the Chinese. They were beaten because Indians had built a pattern to serve in front. Serves are rarely winners in badminton. But Saatwik used it as the most attacking of defensive variations permissible to outfox the Chinese and unsettle their rhythm," he ends. Indians would go onto win in three tight games, but the fear was instilled at 20-18 in the first.

Saatwiksairaj Rankireddy (right) and Chirag Shetty won India's first BWF Super 500 men's doubles title on Sunday. *PTI*

SERVING A SURPRISE

Saatwik's flick serve was hit on the assumption that it would be the last thing the Chinese pair would be expecting. Flick serves are played instinctively, though they all need strong wrists to ensure accuracy.

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Never felt inferior to any team: Saatwik

THERE WERE better doubles teams in fray but it was the self belief and not for once feeling "inferior compared to others" was the key to their success at the Thailand Open, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy said on Monday. The Hyderabad teenager and his partner Chirag Shetty arrived here but with only 24 hours gone, the aftertaste is yet to sink in.

"I am very happy to win the tournament. I am still watching videos on how I played. We played like champions. We never felt inferior," Satwiksairaj told reporters on arrival after being a part of first Indian pair to win a Super 500 event.

The semi-final win was a special one for them as they beat a much superior Korean pair of Ko Sung Hyun and Shin Baek Cheol - the duo they have always looked up to.

"They (Hyun and Cheol) were idols for both of us. We had learnt a lot watching them perform," he said.

Satwiksairaj also said senior players like Saina Nehwal, P Kashyap, Kidambi Srikanth appreciated them a lot for their splendid victory.

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Defending champion Marin to miss Worlds

Defending world badminton champion Carolina Marin is to sit out this month's world championships to properly recuperate from an operation to repair a ruptured anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee. The 25-year-old Spaniard, a winner of three of the past four world titles and also Olympic gold medallist, hurt herself in the Indonesia Masters final in January and was forced to retire while leading Saina Nehwal of India. "My team and I have decided that we are not going to the World Cup because it comes too soon," Marin said. "The rehabilitation is going very well, the knee is still responding very well so we will wait for the tournaments that I have in September." The world championships will be held in the Swiss city of Basel between August 19-25.

Bengaluru drop points against Army Red

Bengaluru FC's new signing Suresh Wangjam converted from the spot in the 81st minute to help his side salvage a 1-1 draw against Army Red in the 129th Durand Cup here on Monday. Playing with their reserve side, the Indian Super League champions struggled to cope with the energy-sapping humid conditions, failing to convert a flurry of chances as Army Red forward Liton Shil gave them the lead at the stroke of half time.

Mahrez rested over medication doubts: Pep

Pep Guardiola said he rested Riyad Mahrez from the Community Shield win over Liverpool because he feared any medication the player received on international duty could have fallen foul of doping rules. The 28-year-old last month helped Algeria to the Africa Cup of Nations title and Guardiola said the club did not have all the information as to the treatment Mahrez might have received. "Riyad called me and said, 'I want to play against Liverpool'. I said, 'You are more than welcome'. But we don't have what he took... about the medicine," said Guardiola. "That's why, for doping control, today was a risk because the doctors didn't have it. He could have played some minutes but we could not take a risk because the doctors did not have exactly the medicines."

Sunil Chhetri, who has 71 goals in 111 appearances for the national side, says he is still hungry for more. *Express file*

Chhetri wants India in Asia's top 10

Sunil Chhetri may be second most prolific international goalscorer among active players behind only Cristiano Ronaldo but the India captain has more modest aspirations for his country. The forward, who turned 35 on Saturday and has notched 71 goals in 111 internationals, only wants to get India into the top echelons of Asian football before he finally retires. "I don't think I will ever be content. I am somebody who is always hungry," Chhetri told Reuters in an interview. "Whenever I do decide to hang (up) the boots or whenever I am forced to hang (up) my boots, I just want that my country is in the first 10 (in Asia) and stays there. "One thing that I really, really want is that India believes, and we all at least aspire, to be in the first 10." India's obsession with and success on the cricket pitch has left it a massive underachiever on the football field and the national side is 103rd in the FIFA rankings, 18th among Asian nations. The path to where many believe India should be in the world rankings is long and hard but Chhetri believes the first step would be regular meetings with the likes of Japan, South Korea, Iran and Australia.

Injured Barca skipper Messi out of US tour

Barcelona says Lionel Messi has strained his right calf and will not travel to the United States for two preseason games. The Spanish champion says Messi withdrew from Monday's training session because of "discomfort in his right leg." The club did not say when it expects him to be fit again. Barcelona's first official match of the season is its Spanish league opener at Athletic Bilbao on Aug. 17. Before that, the team will visit the U.S. and play a friendly against Napoli in Miami on Thursday. It will then play another game against the same Italian opponent at the University of Michigan on Saturday.

Lahiri finishes 53rd at Wyndham C'ship

Anirban Lahiri closed the week at Wyndham Championship with a round of 70 to finish tied 53rd. Lahiri was going well at two-under with three birdies against one bogey, but two bogeys on the back stretch did not help. He totalled eight-under 272. J T Poston finished bogey-free over four rounds and totalled 22-under to win his first PGA Tour title ahead of Webb Simpson at 21-under, and overnight leader Byeong Hun An at 20-under. Lahiri hit 12 of 18 greens in regulation during his final round. After a drive to the right rough on the 428-yard par-4 fourth hole, Lahiri had a 163 yard approach shot, setting himself up for his first birdie.

Ali will invite Indian team for wedding

Pakistani pace bowler Hasan Ali says he will invite cricketers from India to his wedding with Indian national Samia Arzoo to be held in Dubai on September 20. Ali did not specify which Indian cricketers would be on the list of invitees but said he would be happy if they turn up. "I will invite the Indian cricket team and players to come to my marriage ceremony, after all, we are all cricket mates," Hasan told 'Urdu Express' newspaper in Karachi. "I would love it if some Indian players come to the ceremony in Dubai, it would be lovely. The contest is on the field and not off it. In the end, we are all professional cricketers and must share happiness," he said. Samia holds a degree in Aeronautics from an Indian university and is a flight engineer with the Emirates airlines. She is based in Dubai while her family members are settled in New Delhi.

India name full-strength squad for 'not a regular tie'

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Prajnesh Gunneswaran, India's highest-ranked singles player , has been named in the squad.

THE ALL INDIA Tennis Association (AITA) has announced a virtually full-strength squad for the historic Davis Cup tie in Pakistan, their first in 55 years. For the four singles rubbers, they have named India's highest-ranked players - Prajnesh Gunneswaran (90) and Ramkumar Ramanathan (184).

Saketh Myneni (271) has also been included as the third-highest ranked singles player Sumit Nagal (196) is unavailable for selection due to an ankle injury. Meanwhile, the doubles rubber will be played by the country's top two specialists Rohan Bopanna (46) and Divij Sharan (47). World no. 292 Sasikumar Mukund has been named as a reserve player.

'Straightforward' and 'full-strength' is how team coach and selection committee member Zeeshan Ali described the squad named for the tie.

"The good news for us is that all our top players have come forward to play in this tie despite the security concerns they had initially," Ali says. "The fact that all the players have agreed to go means that they're satisfied with all the security arrangements the hosts and the ITF (International Tennis Federation) have assured."

At stake in the upcoming September 14-15 tie is a spot in the World Group playoffs next year. India has reached that stage six consecutive times starting from the 2014 season. For a seventh shot at making it to the World Group, India, the clear favourites, will need to get the better of 39-year-olds Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi and Aqeel Khan. Ali, however, asserts that the tie can get tough for the visitors.

"They (Qureshi and Khan) will be playing at home, and they've done well at home to pull off wins in their last few ties," Ali says. "Yes, they are 39, but in best-of-three-set matches, as opposed to best-of-five, it's a bit more level. We're to play on grass courts, which are quick and it takes just one break of serve to dictate the result of a set. So we definitely cannot take this lightly, which makes it important that we have a full squad."

Ever since the ITF lifted the ban, that disallowed Pakistan hosting Davis Cup ties, in 2017, the Pakistan team has played five ties at home, winning four – including a walkover against Hong Kong.

In preparation for the trip to Pakistan, India's non-playing captain Mahesh Bhupathi and Ali are yet to devise a plan for a possible training camp. Ever since Bhupathi took charge of the team in 2017, the team has held training camps ahead of each away tie to help the players acclimatise. This time around, though, a camp isn't a certainty.

"The problem is that the tie will be close to the US Open which will end a week before the tie. So a lot depends on how far the players reach at the major, and then how quickly they can get back to New Delhi where we will assemble," Ali explains. "Unfortunately, there are no direct flights to Pakistan, which means we will probably have to go to Dubai and then fly into Islamabad. It's unfortunate, because it could have been maybe a one-hour flight, but now it becomes around 11 hours."

Having the best Indian players available for the tie, though, does give the Indians an upper hand. Compared to the five Indians, Pakistan's highest-ranked singles player is Ahmed Choudhary at 1,378, and the second-highest doubles player (Qureshi is the highest at 55) is M. Abid Ali Khan Akbar, ranked 1,588.

But this is no 'regular tie' for the Indians, as Ali describes it. "We needed to have the best team available because there will be other elements involved, given the nature of this draw."

Iyer named manager

For the upcoming tie in Pakistan, the AITA has appointed a separate manager to accompany the team.

The role has been given to Sunder Iyer, executive committee member of the association, and secretary general of the Maharashtra State Lawn Tennis Association (MSLTA) – the body that organises the Pune Challenger and India's only ATP event, the Tata Open Maharashtra.

Iyer's tasks will include dealing with the local authorities, handling logistics and the media.

"Earlier, I used to handle these things along with the coaching," says Ali. "But this is not a regular tie. So it's good that at least we will have someone to specialise in this."

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