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FIITJEE's Legacy of producing unparalleled Results continued in JEE Advanced 2019. It is the 23rd consecutive year, when we have produced the Highest Number of Selections in IIT-JEE / JEE Advanced. 5 FIITJEE Students from Long Term Classroom Programs secured All India Rank in Top 15. Obviously, every JEE aspirant admires these Top Rankers and wants to emulate their success trail. So, we thought, why not let the budding JEE Aspirants learn & imbibe from their Journey & Experience. We organised few interactive sessions where these Top Rankers answered the queries of future JEE Aspirants studying at FIITJEE and enlightened them on having the right approach in their JEE preparation. The feedback of JEE aspirants on these interactive sessions was so overwhelming that we thought we must share the insights of these Top Rankers with each & every JEE aspirant of the Country.

Learn from these Prodigious Talents!

■ When did you start your preparation for JEE ? Tell us something about your preparation strategy.

HIMANSHU (AIR 2): I started my preparation in class X when I enrolled in FIITJEE's Three Year Classroom Program. My preparation strategy was to analyse my weak areas and work upon it till the time I gained enough confidence. Practicing of questions in time bound conditions was another important aspect of my preparation which helped me to give my best on the actual JEE day. In the end I must add that I never missed my classes at FIITJEE as every class added some value.

■ How should we manage our Class XII Board Exams along with the preparation of JEE?

HIMANSHU (AIR 2): This is more of a psychological concern of many Students. You must understand that if your fundamentals are strong and you have a firm grip on all the topics, then you can sail through any exam pattern. Another important point is to be regular at your School and make sure that you appear in all the School Exams.

■ There is a perception that JEE preparation gets you disconnected socially. Is it so?

HIMANSHU (AIR 2): It is not true. If you are regular in your studies, then you will find time for yourself. When you study, study with 100% dedication without wasting a single minute. You will see that you will get time to spend on your social engagements.

■ Was preparing for JEE stressful?

HIMANSHU (AIR 2): Many Students & Parents believe that preparing for JEE is stressful. I can firmly say that at FIITJEE, it is not. Strengthening the fundamentals and enhancing the analytical ability are the key. If you follow the FIITJEE system with absolute focus & dedication then you will be devoid of any stress & anxiety.

■ Archit, you started your preparation in class VI itself? What made you take this step.

ARCHIT (AIR 3): See, preparation for JEE does not start from class VI but yes, it will help you at a later stage to step into the world of JEE preparation with lot more confidence & zeal. In my early years at FIITJEE, I got success in various milestone exams like Junior Science Olympiad & RMO. I can confidently say that my early years at FIITJEE developed my logical thinking and enhanced my 1Q & analytical ability. All this has made a substantial contribution in my eventual success in JEE Advanced 2019.

■ How did you manage to be consistent & motivated in your long journey of **JEE preparation?**

ARCHIT (AIR 3): I always dreamt of studying at an IIT and my passion to give my best has kept me motivated all through these years. However, there were days when I didn't feel like studying and it was hard to maintain the momentum. On those days, I used to take some break and rejuvenated myself by indulging in a sport, or any extracurricular activity.

■ Should one study equally for all the three subjects Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics or focusing on only two subjects will be sufficient?

ARCHIT (AIR 3): Studying two subjects and leaving out the third one can drastically bring your rank down by a huge margin and can take you away from your dream Institute and branch. The key to my success is that I divided my study schedule accordingly wherein I devoted almost equal amount of time to all the three subjects.

■ Now that JEE Main is being conducted twice, what do you suggest, whether we should appear in the first attempt, or the second or both.

ARCHIT (AIR 3): I recommend you to give both the attempts. Through the first attempt, you will get to know your weakness & loopholes in your preparation. Overcome all the shortcomings and then appear for the second attempt with more confidence & assurance of getting a big score.

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All India Topper (among Girls)

Shabnam Sahay, Student of Intensive Contact Program (XII)



in JEE Advanced 2019

Manan Aggarwal, Student of Two Year Classroom Program (XI & XII)



in JEE Advanced 2019

E. Shreepranav Varma, Student of PINNACLE - Two Year Integrated Program (XI & XII) + Two Year Classroom Program (IX & X)



Shabnam, how should we improve our speed & accuracy? Please share few tips.

Shabnam (AIR 10): Increase your self-study time, work on your fundamentals and then attempt lot of mock test papers in simulated real exam like conditions.

In my class, there is immense competition. Sometimes I also feel peer pressure. Please suggest.

Shabnam (AIR 10): During this journey, you will meet many Students who are better than you and this should only motivate you to work harder & perform better. Don't get disappointed at any point of time. I was really fortunate, that at FIITJEE I had a very competitive peer group and it helped me a lot to uplift my level of competency manifold.

■ How should I develop interest in a subject which is not to my liking?

Shabnam (AIR 10): Speak to your subject teacher and discuss your reason for dislike. Take his I her help and try to overcome it. They will give you a right approach & few tricks on how to make the subject interesting. You should also enhance the self-study time for that particular subject.

■ Manan, how helpful was FIITJEE's All India Test Series in preparing you for the JEE Main & Advanced. Is it a must appear in?

Manan (AIR 14): From time to time, through FIITJEE's All India Test Series, I got to know the gaps in my preparation and about the points which required my attention. Moreover, I also got to know my standing at National Level which certainly egged me to perform better and beat the competition. The best part is, it gave me a simulated test environment like JEE Main & JEE Advanced Exam thus enabling me to be much more confident on the day of the actual CBT exam of JEE Main & JEE Advanced.

■ Few students find FIITJEE's All India Test Series tough? What do you have to say

Manan (AIR 14): Attempting FIITJEE's AITS is like attempting JEE Advanced. I realized this when I appeared in JEE Advanced. The questions asked in AITS are designed closely on the lines of JEE. So, when I appeared in JEE Advanced, it was just like appearing in one of the All India Test Series Tests. It is like preparing for

Olympics. If you are preparing for Olympics and dream to succeed in it, then the level of your preparation, practice & planning has to be at the desired level. You have to keep raising the bar of your performance and you can only achieve that by regular practice. Similarly, by regularly appearing in the AITS you keep on striving to set new benchmarks of performance and aim to keep surpassing those. The ultimate objective of these Tests is to help JEE aspirants retrospect their performance through continuous Tests and make up for the shortcomings.

Is it important to appear in exams like NTSE, KVPY & Olympiads?

Manan (AIR 14): Indeed, it is extremely important to appear in these National / International Level Exams and do well. By appearing in these milestone exams you can benchmark your performance among the Top Students of the Country and get to know your standing. These are stepping stones in your journey to become an IITian.

Does increasing the number of study hours in a day enhance my chances of qualifying JEE?

Manan (AIR 14): It is the quality and not the quantity of study time that matters. Solving good quality questions tests your fundamentals and makes your preparation much stronger than solving large number of easier questions. Whenever you study, study sincerely, dedicatedly & with zero distraction.

Manan, what are the common mistakes Students make while preparing for JEE?

Manan (AIR 14): Well, what I have observed is that many Students approach their Teacher for doubt removal without putting sufficient self effort in solving a problem. Only after you have exhausted with your attempts in solving the problem, you should approach your Teacher. This way your doubts get removed totally and you understand the concepts very well. In future you would be able to apply the concept effortlessly in solving any problem. Another example, which can be stated as a mistake is the frequent use of calculators. IIT-JEE does not allow the use of calculators. I advise you that you should shun this habit and should aim to do the calculation by yourself only as it will help you to develop speed required in JEE Exam and would boost your confidence.

We believe that these learnings shared by the Top Performers of JEE Advanced 2019

would be of great help for every Student aspiring to be an IITian!

■ What is that one quality that every JEE aspirant must possess or at least strive to develop over a period of time?

Shreepranav (AIR 15): Not one, rather I suggest two. One, that you take preparation of JEE as a joyful journey, and two, you should inculcate a Never Give Up Attitude.

We have heard that revision is very important especially that of Class XI syllabus. When should we ideally complete the syllabus and start the revision? What should be the revision strategy / important things to be kept in mind?

Shreepranav (AIR 15): Revision stage is an important stage of your JEE preparation where you overcome your shortcomings. Your study notes will be of a great help. During revision, do not try to touch new concepts, rather attempt the mock JEE papers as many as possible.

■ Is FIITJEE's study material sufficient to prepare for both JEE Main & JEE Advanced?

Shreepranav (AIR 15): Following single learning system has been the key to my success. FIITJEE study material is much more than self-sufficient. I will not advise you to consider different study materials for your JEE preparation as the bundle of study materials only leads to confusion and

■ What should be done to utilize the time available after the JEE Main exam is over?

Shreepranav (AIR 15): Let me tell you what I did. I was preparing simultaneously for both JEE Main & JEE Advanced as both are concept based exams. After JEE Main, I practiced with more mock papers of JEE Advanced in that period and quickly brushed through my notes which helped me to achieve the success in JEE Advanced.

■ Is there anything else that you would like to share / suggest ?

Shreepranav (AIR 15): I would like to give a message to the Parents of budding JEE aspirants. There might be instances where your child might not meet your expectations or may perform poorly in few tests. In those situations, you should not reprimand your child as this will further demotivate & dishearten him / her and will put unnecessary pressure. A parent should always motivate & guide their wards to be strong in all the situations of life.



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Assembly polls in Maharashtra, Haryana to be held on Oct. 21

Byelections to 64 Assembly seats and Samastipur Lok Sabha seat on same day

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Maharashtra and Haryana will hold Assembly elections on October 21 and the votes will be counted on October 24, the Election Commission announced on Saturday.

Byelections to 64 Assembly seats across States as well as the byelection to the Samastipur Lok Sabha constituency in Bihar would also be held on October 21, it

Making the announcement, Chief Election Commissioner Sunil Arora said the notification would be issued on September 27. The last date for filing of nominations would be October 4, and the nominations scrutinised the next day. The last date for withdrawal of candidature would be October 7.

The term of the Haryana Assembly, with 90 seats, ends on November 2 and that of the 288-member Maharashtra Assembly on November 9.

Mr. Arora said Election Commission officials had visited the States and found them to be prepared.

A total of 1.82 crore electors in Haryana and 8.95 crore in Maharashtra would be eligible to vote, according to the Election Commission.

As in the Lok Sabha election earlier this year, Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) machines would be used with every Electronic Voting Machine (EVM) so that voters could crosscheck their votes with the paper trail. In the Lok Sabha election, about 22,000

change the result, he said. The seats where byelection would be held include 15 in Karnataka that were vacat-

VVPATs were tallied and

some mechanical errors

found in eight cases, all of

which were too small to

ed by rebel JD(S) and Congress MLAs recently, leading to the BJP forming the government. With the terms of the Jharkhand and Delhi Assemblies ending in January and February respectively, the Election Commission would not be holding the elections early, Mr. Arora Asked about the BJP's

push for simultaneous elections, Mr. Arora said: "That debate is there, but it has not been settled at all. Unless there is a very clear consensus amongst political parties

on this issue, this cannot be taken already as a given template.'

Replying to criticism during the Lok Sabha election that the Election Commission was not quick to act on complaints of violation of the model code by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, he said: "99% of all complaints had been settled in 48

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60 foreign militants infiltrated into J&K, says State police chief

'Recruitment of locals, though, is at an all-time low'

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Around "60 foreign militants" have infiltrated into Jammu and Kashmir in the last one month, three government officials told The Hindu.

Director General of Police (DGP) Dilbag Singh, however, claimed that recruitment of locals into terror groups had been at an alltime low. In the past 45 days, only two men have joined terror groups, he told The Hindu.

An official said the num-

(BSF).

Several instances of movement of militants in Srinagar and other areas were being viewed with utmost concern in the security establishment.

Border Security Force

Locals threatened

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Volunteers gather on the Golden Sea Beach in Puri as part of the International Coastal Cleanup Day on Saturday. •BISWARANJAN

Police help Kashmir Valley stay connected

Local force went out of its way to enable residents to receive calls from worried

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Following the communications blackout after August 5, the Jammu & Kashmir police went out of their way to facilitate telephone calls for the public through designated phones, according to officials and sources.

"As calls came in, we wrote down the addresses and asked for landmarks as the names of villages are sometimes overlapping. Then people were located and brought to the station to enable them to talk. In some cases, we took phones to houses and enabled people to talk," said Baramulla DSP Javed Ahmed, speaking to Cutline leadin Cutline goes here cutline goes here Cutline

goes here cutline goes here. • CUTLINE_CREDIT *The Hindu* on the phone. Recounting the challenges Calls came from several

countries - the U.S., the U.K., Saudi Arabia, Oman, Qatar, Australia and Austria and even from Pakistan from Kashmiri students studying there, Mr. Ahmed said.

the security forces faced, he said people were wary that the police had come to arrest someone while inquiring for addresses

"We had to first get friendly with them or they

wouldn't reveal the address," Mr. Ahmed said.

Another senior police officer, requesting anonymity, said the phone calls for the public began two days after the withdrawal of Article 370 and went on at a frenetic pace for the next 20 days. "In the initial few days, there were 10-20 phones; later, there were about 150 phones in the Valley. And soon senior officials, including the Commissioner, the Superintendent of Police and the

DSP, were doing it," he said. On average, over 100 people were calling every day, he said, and on the whole, over one lakh calls were made. The number of such calls on public phones, ho-

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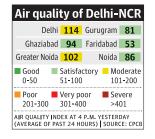
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Buses impounded for not having inter-State papers NEW DELHI

Two buses with Uttar Pradesh registration number were impounded and penalised for illegal inter-State plying, the police said on Saturday. During a special drive on September 18, two vehicles were intercepted in Sukhdev Vihar for carrying passengers without the required documents.

Insurance company employee shot dead

Two motorbike-borne assailants committed crime, fled spot, say locals; family rules out personal

HEMANI BHANDARI

NEW DELHI

A 59-year-old employee of an insurance company was shot dead by two unidentified bike-borne assailants on Saturday morning in east Delhi's Madhu Vihar, the police said.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (East) Jasmeet Singh said Usha Gupta from Radhey Shyam Park Extension worked as assistant manager at New India Insurance Company. A murder case has been registered and teams are probing all angles, including personal enmity, he

Usha and her husband Kailash Kumar Gupta, a retired MTNL employee, had left the house at 6.30 a.m. for his dialysis at Max Hospital in Vaishali, said victim's nephew Pawan Bansal. "They stopped at a temple in Madhu Vihar. My aunt, who was driving the car, parked it outside the temple and waited inside the vehicle while my uncle went inside," he

When Mr. Kailash returned after 10 minutes, he saw that his wife had re-

■ SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

ceived a bullet injury near her right ear and the glass on the driver's side was broken. "A few locals told my uncle that two motorbike-borne persons had shot at her and fled off," he said, adding that the accused did not take any

belongings. Next, Mr. Kailash called the police and other family members after which she was rushed to a nearby hospital where she was declared brought dead. Usha's family members, neighbours and colleagues said they are clueless about who could have committed the crime because she had no enmity with anyone. Her son Sanyam said his family did not have problems with anyone.

The victim's colleague, Vandana Dixit, said Usha was

very helpful. "Two days ago, a payment of ₹3.5 lakh was made to a person, whose file had been in process for years and only Ushaji made it possible. She used to be personally invested in helping people," Ms. Dixit said.

The family was also preparing for the first birthday of Usha's granddaughter on October 2. Her son-in-law Ankit Aggarwal said that Usha was very excited.

At the temple, a caretaker who identified herself as Sangeeta said Usha and her husband used to come there every Saturday at the same time and would also park the vehicle at the same place.

Probe so far

Mr. Singh said there are no conclusive leads in the case so far and that the CCTV obtained from the spot doesn't clearly show anything. "All the family members, neighbbours and colleagues will be questioned to ascertain the motive and identify the accused," he said. Mr. Ankit said the murder could be a case of mistaken identity or something in connection

'Locals did not take her to hospital, waited for police'

She could have been saved, says brother

HEMANI BHANDARI

Family of Usha Gupta, who was shot dead by bikeborne assailants on Saturday morning, said no one helped her ailing husband to take her to a hospital, which was less than 200 metres from the spot.

Sanjay Goel, Usha's brother from Patparganj, reached the spot in 20 minutes and took her to Max Hospital.

"By the time I reached, the police had also come to the spot. After that, we took her to the hospital but she might have been saved if she was rushed earlier," he said.

Dr. Goel, head of cardiac anesthesia at Max Hospital Vaishali, said his brother-inlaw Kailash Gupta called him at 6.50 p.m.

"While on call, I was requesting people that they

It took me 20 minutes to reach the spot. While on call. I was requesting people that they should take her to hospital but no one helped

Victim's brother

should take her to the hospital immediately but no one helped. They said only the police will take her," he

Ailing husband

The family said Mr. Kailash couldn't drive because he remains unwell. Usha had been taking him for dialysis three days a week to Vaishali hospital for over five years

Usha is survived by her husband, son Sanyam, and

Unauthorised colonies: AAP observes 'Dhoka Diwas'

Party members march to BJP office

STAFF REPORTER NEW DELHI

The Aam Aadmi Party on Saturday marched from its party headquarters to the BJP office against the latter making "false promise of regularising unauthorised colonies in Delhi within six months" and termed the day "Dhoka Diwas".

Leading the march, AAP Delhi convener Gopal Rai said the government has been trying for many years to regularise the unauthorized colonies in the Capital.

'Proposal not approved'

"The government had passed a proposal in this regard in the Cabinet and sent it to the Center but the Central government has been sitting on it for many years," he said.

Leader of Opposition and BJP MLA Vijender Gupta said, "AAP is shedding crocodile tears only to distract the attention of the people of Delhi to hide their failures. Mr. Kejriwal did nothing in these unauthorised colonies during its tenure. In their election manifesto, AAP had promised to build

schools and hospitals in all unauthorised colonies but so far, none of them has been built."

Mr. Rai said despite the Centre not cooperating, Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal worked to fix drains, roads, sewers and water pipelines in unauthorised colonies at a cost of ₹5,000

In July, Union Minister Hardeep Puri had accepted the government's proposal and promised to regularise these colonies in a month, he said, adding: "There was a wave of happiness all over Delhi. But BJP State chief Manoj Tiwariji later said that it will take six months to regularise these colonies."

"I want to ask Mr. Puri and Tiwariji, why is BJP cheating people of Delhi?" he asked.

AAP chief spokesperson Saurabh Bhardwaj said Mr. Tiwari asking for six months' time is a trick by the BJP. "There is an election in Delhi after four months and the BJP, like the Congress, will come at that time and say elect us and we will regu-

Man beaten over child-lifting suspicion succumbs to injuries

STAFF REPORTER NEW DELHI

A 27-year-old man, who was allegedly beaten over suspicion of child-lifting on September 3, died on Saturday, the police said.

The incident happened on September 3 when Govind from Ashok Vihar was allegedly beaten up by three men over suspicion of lifting a child. A case was then registered under relevant sections. The accused - Yashwant Kumar (35), Rakesh Yadav (22) and Phool Chand (69) - all from Jailerwala Bagh were arrested the next day, the police said.

'Snatch his belongings' Govind allegedly told the police that when he was roaming

near his house, two persons came and tried to snatch his belongings. When he resisted and started running, he

knocked on the doors of nearby houses for help and entered one Kumar's residence. Kumar thought that he was a child lifter and thrashed him along with Yaday and Chand. The police said Govind was discharged after treatment but later complained of uneasiness after

which he was admitted again. After post-mortem, the body was handed over to his family, the police added.

Govt. wasting taxpayer money on ads: BJP

Party leaders hold protest at Jantar Mantar, accuse CM of 'spending crores'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT NEW DELHI

The BJP on Saturday attacked the city government for expenditure on publicity as well as announcements of various "freebies" on the heels of the upcoming Delhi Assembly

A protest led by BJP Rajya Sabha MP Vijay Goel and West Delhi MP Parvesh Verma at Jantar Mantar sought to take on Chief Minister Arvind

Kejriwal for "wasting" taxpayers' money on "his false publicity" instead of spending it on the development of the Capital.

"The Kejriwal government did not do anything for the people of Delhi for five years which is why with just two months to elections, it is wasting crores on advertisements through TV, FM, radio, newspapers and hoardings. It is now declaring freebies...

Why is that he did not declare freebies five years ago? To further vote-bank politics, the Kejriwal government is playing ducks and drakes with public money. Metro and DTC schemes have not even started," Mr. Goel said.

The Rajya Sabha MP also accused the government of "spending crores" on advertisements related to its recently launched anti-dengue "10 minute, 10 baje, 10 din"

that the same government, from the year 2017 to 2020, "did not spend even 1% on dengue and other diseases".

campaign even as he argued

He also accused the government of doing the same with pollution in regard to the odd-even scheme. "Since Kejriwal knows that he will lose the Assembly polls, he is emptying the exchequer for the next government," he



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6% of GDP must be given to education, says Sisodia

He calls for law to bind governments

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Education Minister Manish Sisodia on Saturday demanded that a law be made to allocate at least 6% of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to education.

Speaking at the Special Meeting of Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) convened by the Union HRD Ministry to discuss and finalise the National Education Policy, he said the preamble to the policy should state that "providing good quality education would be the responsibility of government through schools."

While lauding few provisions of the policy, Mr. Sisodia also sought to point out

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that unless there was a law which binds governments to allocate funds, the policy per se will not result in the transformation of education in India.

"Quality of education in government schools should be at par with the private schools. Only 5% of children get access to quality education, the rest have been getting an average quality education. It needs to change," he said.

Mr. Sisodia also opposed the proposal of a private education board calling it a "dangerous idea" as these boards would "promote private schools and further dilute the responsibility of government in school education."





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Tri-cornered contest in bypolls to 4 Assembly seats in Punjab

Opposition will look to corner Congress over 'unfulfilled' poll promises

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA CHANDIGARH

The by-election to four Assembly seats in Punjab is likely to witness a three-cornered fight among the Aam Aadmi Party, the Shiromani Akali Dal-BJP combine and the ruling Congress, which is looking to maintain its winning momentum in the

The bypolls for Phagwara, Jalalabad, Dakha and Mukerian Assembly seats will be held on October 21 and the results will be declared on October 24.

Pro-Modi trend

Punjab was the only State that had bucked the pro-Narendra Modi trend across northern and central India in the 2019 general election. The Congress had won eight out of the 13 parliamentary seats in the State.

In the 117-member State Assembly, the Congress has 77 legislators, the SAD 13 while the strength of AAP is 19. The BJP and the Lok Insaaf Party have two MLAs

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Rajasthan has sought the re-

lease of full water of its share

as per the inter-State river

water agreement, while ex-

pressing hope that the issue

of supply of the remaining

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ters from Punjab would be

Chief Minister Ashok Geh-

resolved soon.

'We will win all four seats'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh on Saturday expressed confidence that the Congress will win all the four Assembly bypolls in Punjab and said it is the only party that can ensure the State's development.

The party's campaign will revolve around the State government's progressive and welfare schemes, he said at the inauguration of a two-day Kisan and

from Phagwara and Muker-

Congress will go to peo-

ple seeking votes while

highlighting the implemen-

tation of its flagship pro-

grammes like farm debt

waiver, employment gener-

Release full water of State's share: Gehlot

Home Minister Amit Shah and Ashok Gehlot (second from

right) at the meeting in Chandigarh. • FILE РНОТО

CM raised the demand at the Northern Zonal Council's 29th meeting

ian seats.

Pashu Palan Mela here.

"The people of Punjab will once again put their seal of electoral approval on the Congress, which has proved itself in the last twoand-a-half years of governance in the State. It's the only party equipped to ensure the development of Punjab," Capt. Amarinder

He said the people will reject the regressive and divisive politics of the Opposition parties.

ation, fighting drug menace The SAD will field its canand health insurance to 42 didates from Jalalabad and lakh families among others. Chief Minister Amarinder Dakha seats while its alliance partner BJP will fight

Singh had recently claimed that of the 161 promises made by his party in the last Assembly election, 140 have been implemented and the rest are in the process of execution.

The Opposition – AAP and the SAD-BJP – will look to corner the Congress over its "unfulfilled" poll promises such as distribution of free smartphones to the State's youth among others.

Phagwara and Jalalabad seats had fallen vacant after sitting MLAs Som Parkash and Sukhbir Singh Badal were elected to the Lok Sabha from Hoshiarpur and Ferozepur parliamentary constituencies respectively in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections.

Phoolka's resignation The Dakha seat got vacant

after former AAP legislator and noted Supreme Court lawyer H.S. Phoolka's resignation was accepted last month. He had resigned as an MLA in October last year over the Congress government's alleged failure to take action against those who were involved in 2015 sacrilege of religious scrip-

The Mukerian seat fell vacant with the death of Congress legislator Rajnish Ku-

suit and take steps to supply

the water of Rajasthan's

share. The flow of contami-

nated water in the State's ca-

nals should be checked, he

Mr. Gehlot also expressed

concern over reduction in

the State's share in the Cen-

tral taxes during the current

financial year. In the Union

Budget presented in Febru-

ary this year, a provision of

₹46,411.08 crore was made

for the State, but it was re-

duced to ₹44,461.86 crore in

the revised Budget, he said.

said.

Rough ride



One stabbed to death in U.P. over child-lifting rumours

Four injured as two groups clash: police

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

A person was killed and four others were injured in a clash between two groups in Uttar Pradesh's Bhadohi district following rumours of child-lifting, police said on Saturday.

Trouble started when a tractor hit a tricycle of a physically-challenged person near Gandhi village in Suryava police station area on Friday night and an irate mob indulged in heavy stone throwing in protest, the police said.

As the tractor driver tried to speed away, locals 'alerted' people in the villages on the route that there were child-lifters in the tractor, they said.

Before the tractor driver

could reach his native Danupatti village 8 kms away, a mob started chasing it on two-wheelers and threw stones, Superintendent of Police Ram Badan Singh

At Danupatti, a clash broke out between the locals and those who were chasing the tractor and its occupants, the police said.

Victims in tractor

In the meantime, someone from the crowd attacked one Gulab Chand Bind (52) with a sharp-edged weapon, leading to his death, and injured four others. All the injured and the deceased were riding the tractor, Mr.

The mob left behind two motorcycles, police said.

Kairana MLA Nahid Hasan declared 'absconder'

U.P. Police went to enforce warrants

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

The Uttar Pradesh Police has declared Nahid Hasan, the Samajwadi Party MLA from Kairana, "absconder" after he was not found at his residence when a police team raided it to enforce the warrant issued by a Kairana court on Saturday.

"The court issued arrest warrants in three cases and an arrest warrant was issued to recover his SUV. The MLA was not able to produce its papers during regular checking on September 9, and misbehaved with government officials," said Ajay Kumar, Superintendent of Police, Shamli, who led the team.

The vehicle has a Punjab registration number and according to the police when a team was sent to Patiala, its file was not found.

Mr. Kumar said Mr. Hasan was given five days to produce the papers but it had been 13 days since then. "When the police reached his residence, both the MLA and his car were not found,"

he said. Mr. Hasan has been booked under Sections 353, 453 and 153 for obstructing government officials from doing their duty, forgery and provoking with the intent to cause a riot.

The latter is related to a video that went viral in July in which he allegedly appealed to local Muslims not to buy goods from shopkeepers who were close to

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		(Length-7.00 Km) and high level
		bridge over Mayurakshi river.
2(a)	Approximate value of Work	Rs 4127.00912 Lacs
	(Rs. In Lacs)	(Rupees Forty one crore twenty sever
		lac nine hundred twelve only.)
(b)	Bid Security (Rs In Lacs)	Rs 41.28 Lacs
3.	Time of Completion	Thirty Months
4.	Last date/Time for receipt of	09.10.2019
	bids	Up to 12.00 Noon.
5	Date of Publication of Tender	27.09.2019
	on website	AT 10.30 A.M
6.	Name & address of office	Executive Engineer
	Inviting tender	Road Division, Dumka
7.	Contact no. of Procurement	9431178289
	officer	
8.	Helpline number of e -	0651-2401010
	Procurement cell	

Further details can be seen on website http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in Executive Engineer

PR217566 Road(19-20)D Road Construction Department Road Division, Dumka बूंद – बूंद नहीं बरतेंगे तो बूंद को तरसेंगे Pin-814101

ASI shot dead by bikers

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA MUZAFFARPUR (BIHAR)

An Assistant Sub-Inspector of police in Bihar's Muzaffarpur district was shot dead on Saturday by bike-borne miscreants, a senior police Pandey said.

officer said. They also looted a carbine from him, the officer said.

The deceased has been identified as Maleshwar Ram, DSP (East) Gauray

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER ROAD CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT ROAD DIVISION, DUMKA

CORRIGENDUM

TENDER REFERENCE No. - RCD/DUMKA/1342

P.R. No. 216994(Road)/2019-20

NAME OF THE WORK - Reconstruction of Baraplasi (at SH-17) to Tharimore(at MDR-191) Road including Bridge over Bhurbhuri river (Total length-17.125 km) for the year 2019-20. CORRIGENDUM DETAIL IN e-procurement notice.

Please read as short term e-procurement notice in place of

e-procurement notice. 2 Please read as Last date /Time for receipt of bids 28.09.2019 Upto 12.00 Noon in place of 12.10.2019 Upto 12.00 Noon.

Other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged. Executive Engineer Road Construction Department, Road Division, Dumka बूंद - बूंद नहीं बरतेंगे तो बूंद को तरसेंगे

PR 217550 (Road) 19-20 (D) Jharkhand Medical &

Health Infrastructure Development & Procurement Corporation Ltd. MCH Building, RCH Campus, Namkum, Ranchi – 834010 (CIN-U85100JH2013SGC001276), Email-jmhidpc2014@gmail.com **Tender Notice: JMC/NIT-19/OPTHO-Vision/29**

Date: 20.09.2019 **RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION** (E-Procurement System) RATE CONTRACT OF EYE EQUIPMENT FOR EYE VISION CENTRE

The Managing Director, Jharkhand Medical & Health Infrastructure Development & Procurement Corporation Ltd. (JMHIDPCL) hereby invites separate Technical and Commercial Bids (Two Cover System) through e-tender from the registered and eligible Manufacturers/their Authorized Dealer /Distributors/Authorized Stockiest supply & Installation of EYE EQUIPMENT through e-procurement portal

The Blank tender documents with detailed conditions can be

obtained through web site http://jharkhandtenders.gov.inand should be submitted through e-procurement system only.

1	Name of Work	Supply & Installation of EYE EQUIPMENT
2	Time of Completion	As specified.
3	Date of Publication of Tenders on website	20.09.2019
4	Pre-Bid Meeting Date and Time	1
5	D-t- /tim- fi-t -f1:1-	Namkum, Ranchi- 834010
	Date / time for receipt of bids	03.10.2019 to 10.10.2019 up to 3 P.M
6	Date of Technical Bid opening	11.10.2019 at 3 P.M
7	Application fee (Non - refundable)	Rs 5000.00 (Rupees Five thousand only)
	EMD	Rs 50,000/- (Rupees fifty thousand only)
8		for each item & Rs 5,00,000/ - (Rupees
		five lakhs only) maximum
9	Contact no. of procurement	7004871564 , 9771500075
7	person	

Detailed tender document can be seen and applied through website http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in only, hard copies of Technical bid & Price bid will not be entertained except Tender fee & EMD. PR 217577 Jharkhand Rural Health Mission

Society(19-20)D

बूद – बूद नहीं बरतेंगे तो बूद को तरसेंगे

n Managing Director, JMHIDPCL, Govt. of Jharkhand Namkum, Ranchi

Need for family-based care for kids

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Experts attending a consultation on non-institutional care system for children here on Saturday laid emphasis on strengthening kinship care, foster care and sponsorship which could protect the interests of orphans and ensure their upbringing in a family environment. They said the alternative care of children would be more effective than the institutional mechanism.

The State-level consultation, covering legal, ethical and social aspects of children's care, was organised by the Rajasthan High Court's Iuvenile Iustice Committee in collaboration with UNICEF. The committee chairperson Justice Sandeep Mehta said the State should invest more in keeping children at home rather than the child care institutions.

Last resort Supreme Court Judge Jus-

tice Deepak Gupta said the families should be supported to provide care to children in need and lodging them in the institutions should be the last resort. "The juvenile justice system will be effective if it is sensitive towards children. All stakeholders should play their role in upbringing of children, as even the small interventions may lead to big changes," he

UNICEF-Rajasthan chief Isabelle Bardem said the family-based care could be ensured in different forms of kinship if a robust child protection cadre was established to work in synergy with the stakeholder departments. She said an effective monitoring would also ensure children's safety in the institutions as an interim arrangement.

It's united BJP versus divided Oppn. in Haryana

For INLD and JJP, it's a fight to claim the legacy of Devi Lal; faction-ridden Congress is struggling to set its house in order

As Haryana goes to the polls on October 21, the "pro-incumbency" claim made by the ruling BJP would be put to test, while for the factionridden Congress, it would be a fight to revive the party in the State.

Political experts said the battle had become more or less a direct one between the BJP and the Congress after the split in the Indian National Lok Dal and the emergence of its breakaway faction the, Jannayak Janta Party. For the INLD and the JJP, it's a fight between themselves to claim the legacy of INLD's founder Chaudhary Devi Lal. The other parties in the fray are the Bahujan Samaj Party, the Aam Aadmi Party and the Swaraj India.

Buoyant BJP

Buoyant after sweeping all the 10 Lok Sabha seats, the BJP is riding high on confidence and has set a target of winning at least 75 seats under its "Mission 75" campaign in the 90-member

Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar is already in the campaign mode and has been travelling across the State, doing roadshows and rallies to woo the voters. With its organisational structure in place, the BJP is trying to reach out to booth-level workers and masses. The Congress is all set to corner the ruling party over unemployment, women security, farmers' distress and economic slowdown among other issues.

In the 2014 Assembly polls, the BJP had won 47 seats with 33.2% of vote share, while the INLD secured 19 seats with 24.11% votes. The Congress, which was in power in the State for 10 years until 2014, was restricted to just 15 seats with 20.58% vote share. The BSP and the Shiromani Akali Dal won one seat each, while Independent candidates won



In campaign mode: Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar at the recently held Vijay Sankalp Rally in Rohtak. • FILE PHOTO: AKHILESH KUMAR

"These elections are a fight between a united BIP and a divided Opposition. The BJP has already announced Mr. Khattar as its chief ministerial candidate, exhibiting confidence in him and his leadership. The proincumbency claims of the BJP

Court order. A Bench, head-

ed by Chief Justice of India

Ranjan Gogoi, had on Mon-

day allowed Mr. Azad, a

former Chief Minister of Jam-

mu and Kashmir to visit four

districts - Srinagar, Jammu,

Baramulla, Anantnag – to

meet people.

will be under test. The BJP is reaching out to the people claiming that the State government has effectively fought against corruption and nepotism and has given a new direction to the State politics by ensuring complete transparency in the system. A

perception of Mr. Khattar's clean image has been developed," Kushal Pal, head of political science department at Dyal Singh College in Karnal, told The Hindu.

The Congress has been struggling to set its house in order. The State unit is divided with infighting between former Chief Minister Bhupinder Singh Hooda and former Haryana PCC president Ashok Tanwar out in public domain on several occasions. Earlier this month, the Congress appointed Kumari Selja as party's State unit president and named Mr. Hooda as leader of the Congress Legislature Party in an attempt to end factionalism and project a united face.

'Chance to better tally'

"The Congress is plagued with severe infighting and the change in leadership has come too late. While it would be very difficult for the Congress to win, there's a good chance that they shall improve their tally from the last

Assembly polls. The split in the Jat votes between the INLD and the JJP is likely to benefit the Congress. For the party, the polls are a chance to revive itself and bounce back," said Mr. Pal.

The INLD saw a split in 2018 after a bitter power struggle between two brothers – Ajay Chautala, who is serving a 10-year jail sentence in the teachers' recruitment scam, and Abhay Chautala, who was the leader of the Opposition in the Assembly and running the party since 2013. Amid the family feud, Mr. Ajay and his son Dushyant Chautala, ex-MP from the Hisar Lok Sabha seat, floated the JJP. Several INLD MLAs and senior leaders have switched over to the BJP.

"With the Opposition in disarray, the BJP has an edge. The narrative surrounding the national security finds resonance in Haryana, which will help the party," said Ashutosh Kumar, professor of political science at Panjab University.

No action to be taken against your son: Supriyo

Minister assures student's mother

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Union Minister Babul Supriyo on Saturday assured the mother of a student, who allegedly pulled the hair of the BJP leader at Jadavpur University on Thursday, that he will not harm the career of her son.

The ailing mother of the student, Debanjan Ballav, had urged Mr. Supriyo "with folded hands" to pardon her son as handing him over to the police would ruin his

Newspaper report

"Dear auntie, don't worry. I will not take any action that will harm the career of your son," the Minister said in a tweet on Saturday, and attached to it a newspaper clipping about the request of the woman who lives in Bardhaman town.

"I wish he learns from his mistake. Neither had I lodged any FIR against anybody, nor allowed anyone to



do the same. Get well soon," Mr. Supriyo said on the microblogging site. The newspaper clipping attached to the tweet carried a photo of a teary-eyed Rupali Ballav.

The BJP MP had on Thursday expressed outrage over "the behaviour" of the agitating students describing it "absolutely deplorable".

Debanjan, a student of Sanskrit College and not of Jadavpur University, however, said, "I only wanted to convey to the Minister my misgivings about NRC exercise which will render crores of people homeless. But the Minister became agitated."

Azad visits Srinagar hospital, talks to patients

Congress leader's earlier bids to reach the city had failed

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Senior Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad on Saturday visited Lal Ded Hospital here and interacted with patients in a bid to assess the situation prevailing in Kashmir after amendment to Article

Mr. Azad, the leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, reached Srinagar on Friday on his maiden visit after revocation of Jammu and Kashmir's special status.

His three earlier bids to reach the city had failed as he had been turned back from the airport.

On his second day of the four-day trip, Mr. Azad visited the hospital on Saturday afternoon and inquired about the welfare of patients,

Firecracker

kills six in U.P.

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

The owner of a firecracker

factory along with five oth-

ers died in an explosion af-

ter a stash of crackers

stored in her house caught

fire on Saturday morning

The blast occurred at 35-

year-old Munni Devi's

house in Takia locality un-

der Mirhachi Police Station

area, the police said, ad-

ding that she was the co-

owner of the factory, along

with one Giriraj who lives

in the same neighbour-

Devi, Anjali (8), Radha

(12), Khushi (6), Sheetal (18)

and Rajni (14) died in the

explosion, District Magis-

trate Sukhlal Bharti said.

Around eight persons, in-

cluding Devi's daughters -

Pooja and Madhuri - sus-

tained injuries and were

referred to Saifai for treat-

ment, he added.

hood.

here, officials said.

explosion



Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad in Srinagar on Saturday • PTI

officials said.

They said the Congress leader also visited the Tourist Reception Centre here and interacted with the members of Kashmir Houseboat Owners' Association.

Mr. Azad's visit became possible after a Supreme

Shoppers' stop

Article 370 move brave: Shekhawat

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Hailing the amendment to Article 370 as a symbol of "gallantry and peace", Union Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat on Saturday said the people of Kashmir now look forward to a bright future as the Centre has launched the process of providing 50,000 jobs.

"If Article 370 had given rise to terrorism, its abrogation will make Kashmir a new paradise," said Mr. Shekhawat. "The move symbolised 'shaurya' and 'shanti' [gallantry peace]," he added.

20 years after Staines murder, CBI nabs accused in Odisha

Budhadeb Naik is an associate of convict Dara Singh

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Two decades after the ghastly killing of Australian missionary Graham Stuart Staines and his two minor sons in Odisha's Keonjhar district, the CBI has arrested one of the accused persons in the triple murder

CBI sleuths arrested Budhadeb Naik (45), a close associate of Dara Singh who was convicted in the case, from his house at Nischitapur village under Thakurmunda police station in Mayurbhanj district, Sub-Divisional Police Officer, Karanjia, Narayan Chandra Nayak said.

Naik was allegedly among those who had set fire to the station wagon in which Graham Staines and his two minor sons - Philip (10) and Timothy (7) – were sleeping in front of a church at Manoharpur village in Keonjhar on the night of January 22, 1999. The three were burnt to death.

Raid after tip-off

Naik was absconding since the incident and the CBI, acting on a tip-off, raided his house and apprehended him, the SDPO said.

Dara Singh, the main accused in the triple murder, the CBI court in 2003. The Orissa High Court commuted the death sentence to life imprisonment in 2005, which was upheld by the

was sentenced to death by

Mehendra Hembram, another accomplice of Dara Singh, is also serving life imprisonment in the case, while 11 other accused were acquitted by the High Court due to lack of evidence.

Supreme Court in 2011.

Staines and his wife Gladys worked in Mayurbhanj Evangelical Missionary organization at Baripada caring for leprosy patients. Gladys was awarded the Padma Shri in 2005.

A panel has been formed to determine the cause and extent of damage to the HPL plant. ■PTI Haldia petrochemicals

plant shut down after fire

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA KOLKATA

The management of Haldia Petrochemicals Limited (HPL) on Saturday shut down its plant following the fire incident at its Naphtha Cracker Unit (NCU).

Sources said the management has formed an advisory committee, cominternal external experts, which would determine the cause of the fire and the extent of damage caused by it. The fire broke out at the company's Haldia plant in West Bengal on Friday, leaving at least 15 people injured.

"The management will decide on when the plant could be made operational after the assessment of the committee," the sources said. Of the 15 injured employees, two have been discharged after treatment and three are in "critical condition", sources said.

The company said that doctors at the plant referred the injured patients to hospitals having specialised treatment facilities for

State GDP doubled in two years: Manipur CM

'Revenue increased to over ₹1,000 cr.'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Manipur Chief Minister Nongthombam Biren Singh on Saturday claimed that the State's gross domestic product (GDP) has doubled during 2018-19 from 4% in 2016-17. The BJP-led coalition government headed by Mr. Singh had taken over the reins in Manipur in March 2017.

The Chief Minister told newspersons in Imphal that Manipur's tax revenue increased from ₹587 crore in 2016-17 to more than ₹1,000 crore during the last fiscal. This was indicative of the State's economic growth during the past two years,

'Growth path'

Coastal clean-up drive draws volunteers in huge numbers

"Our government has been able to take Manipur on the growth path because of the support of the people. Their



Nongthombam Biren Singh

cooperation has transformed the State that was once troubled by shutdowns and blockades," Mr Singh said. He added that the change has had a domino effect on tourism with the State recording an average 1,000 foreign visitors per month, almost double that of the 2015-16 figure.

Mr Singh also said that a Stand-up Manipur programme would be introduced under Start-up Manipur scheme.

burn injuries in Kolkata. The HPL board, in its meeting held on Friday evening, had been apprised of the incident. HPL is one of the largest manufacturers of polymers

BJP cheating Vishwakarma community, says Akhilesh

SP chief seeks their support in 2022 polls

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav on Saturday accused the BJP of befooling the Vishwakarma community and said if voted to power in Uttar Pradesh in the 2022 polls, his party would get a temple of Lord Vishwakarma built here on the banks

He also said if the SP forms government in the State, it will restart the tradition of giving a holiday on Vishwakarma Jayanti.

Addressing the community members, Mr. Yadav said,

bers of the Vishwakarma community. The respect, which they deserve, have not been accorded to them." "If the SP gets the Vishwakarma community's support, it will form the government in the State. If the SP is voted to power in U.P. in the 2022 Assembly polls, a temple of Lord Vishwakarma will be built on the banks of river Gomti in Lucknow," he

"The BJP has cheated mem-

"Laptops will be distributed among Vishwakarma community students priority basis," he said.

People vow to protect beaches by adopting the dictum of 'reduce, reuse, recycle' SATYASUNDAR BARIK

In one of the largest coastal clean-up initiatives in the country, hundreds of volunteers congregated at the Puri beach on Saturday to segregate litter from the sand on the occasion of International Coastal Cleanup Day.

Festive fervour: Shoppers throng New Market ahead of Durga Puja festival, in Kolkata on Saturday. • PTI

The Puri district administration claimed that more than 20,000 volunteers participated in the drive at more than 100 locations around

During the two-hour-long campaign, volunteers put their signatures on the sand and took an oath to protect

beaches and oceans by adopting the dictum of 'Reduce, Reuse and Recycle with regard to waste, especially plastic. The volunteers, who included government employees, panchayati raj institution representatives, students and even tourists, were all seen clearing garbage from the beach.

Bollywood stars

"People from all walks of life responded to our call for keeping the beaches clean," said Puri district collector Balwant Singh. "Right from early morning, all those who were present at the beach played their part. We have been able to put across a larger message on the importance of keeping the coast clean," he added. Bollywood stars Vidyut Jammwal and Nandita Das also participated in the campaign, helping motivate people.

"Scientific studies have strongly linked marine pollution as having an adverse impact on climate change," said Susanta Nanda, Project Director of Integrated Coastal Zone Management Programme, Odisha. "An analysis published in the reputed journal Nature found a correlation between intensity of

coastal cyclones between 1979 and 2010 and humaninduced marine pollution," Mr. Nanda added.

At Penthakata, a fisherfolk village, women were seen collecting waste and disposing the litter early in the morning. "We are not entirely responsible for waste generation along the coast," said G. Subhadra, a resident of Penthakata.

"The sea always throws back garbage which is dumped in the water somewhere else. But we have taken the pledge to keep our surroundings as well as the beach clean," she added.



Volunteers collect debris during a beach cleaning drive on the Rushikulya river mouth on Saturday. • LINGARAJ PANDA



rushes to New Delhi

BENGALURU Karnataka Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa made a dash for New Delhi on Saturday to discuss the thorny issue of accommodating rebel MLAs in the light of the announcement of bypolls in the State. He is hopeful of

meeting party president and Home Minister Amit Shah. Mr. Yediyurappa has made many futile efforts to meet Mr. Shah and Prime Minister Narendra Modi to seek flood relief funds from the Centre.

Telangana govt. eyes online sale of film tickets

HYDERABAD The Telangana government is planning to take up online sale of cinema tickets after scrapping the present system. Speaking to reporters, Minister for Cinematography Talasani Srinivas Yadav said producers and distributors would benefit if the government itself sold the tickets. He said there were reports of GST evasion by the websites offering tickets online and this could be curbed if the government monitored the sale of tickets through its own system.

A.P. nursing college correspondent arrested

The police on Saturday arrested Samayam Ramesh, 46. correspondent of a Machilipatnam-based nursing college for women, on charges of seeking sexual favours from a student. "In July, the accused allegedly attempted to sexually assault the girl in his chamber, reportedly after she refused to entertain his request for sexual favours. Later, she left the college hostel." Assistant Superintendent of Police M. Sattibabu told newsmen here.

Officials issue fresh notice for demolition of Naidu's residence

'If the riverfront building is not demolished within a week, it will be razed'

STAFF REPORTER

The Andhra Pradesh Capital Region Development Authority (AP-CRDA) on Saturday issued a fresh notice in the name of industrialist Lingamaneni Ramesh, asking him to demolish in a week his guest house on the banks of river Krishna here, where former Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu is residing. If it was not demolished within the deadline, the CRDA would raze it, the notice made it clear.

The CRDA officials pasted the notice at the building entrance saying a similar notice served by them last month evoked no response from Mr. Ramesh, and Mr. Naidu continued to stay there, even as the TDP leaders alleged witch-hunting by the YSR Congress Party government.

'Norms violated'

The government, refusing to entertain an appeal by Mr. Naidu to retain it, got the ad-



In trouble: The riverfront building that was used as a camp office-cum-residence of N. Chandrababu Naidu. ■T. VIJAYA KUMAR

joining conference hall -Praja Vedika – demolished in June on the grounds that it violated the River Conservation Act and relevant provisions of the CRDA Act.

The government then followed it up with notices to scores of such buildings, including the Lingamaneni guest house that was leased out to Mr. Naidu when he was Chief Minister. It became his camp office-cumresidence and he continued to stay there even as the Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly.

However, the government did not act upon the previous notice served on Mr. Ramesh as the issue took a political turn, pitting the TDP and the YSRCP against each other. The TDP said it was a ploy to force Mr. Naidu out of his residence. It contended that no other building on the river bank had got the demolition notice.

The demolition drive was also intensely debated in the

Assembly, where Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy mounted a scathing attack on Mr. Naidu for allegedly flouting norms.

Officials pointed out that the Lingamaneni building was constructed at 19 m, whereas the maximum flood level is 22.6 m. Besides, the building rules were violated and so were the CRDA master plan regulations, they claim.

Minister for Water Resources P. Anil Kumar said Mr. Naidu was raising a hue and cry when it was the responsibility of Mr. Ramesh to give an explanation to the CRDA. He wondered whether Mr. Naidu got the property transferred in his name and recalled that the officials of the Water Resources Department had advised him when he was the Chief Minister that it was not proper to stay in that illegal building, but to no avail. They had duly pointed out that the build-

ing was on the river bed,

Priest, accused of abuse, on the run

Kerala police await copy of minor victims' statement to the magistrate court

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

The Kerala police, who booked a 70-year-old priest for allegedly molesting three minor girls, are awaiting a certified copy of the statement the victims had given to a magistrate, to take further action, including the potential arrest of the accused.

It was on Wednesday that the Vadakkekkara police in Ernakulam district registered three separate cases

against Fr. George Padayattil of the Ernakulam-Angamaly Archdiocese, invoking Sections 7 and 8 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act.

"Since this is a very serious allegation, we don't want to rush but want to verify the facts of the case by comparing the statement the three victims gave us with the one they gave to the magistrate. We are expecting a copy by Monday," said T.V. Shibu, sub inspector, Vadakkekara.

Placed under suspension He said that the accused, who had since been suspended from his post pending inquiry by the Ernakulam-Angamaly Archdiocese after a preliminary inquiry, remains absconding.

He is accused of molesting three minor girls, all Standard IV students from the same class, at the priest's quarters on August 7. One of the girls was allegedly targeted twice, the police said.

The girls were produced before the magistrate and their statements were recorded as per Section 164 of the CrPC on Thursday.

The alleged incident came to light after a teacher overheard the girls discussing their experience. The teacher alerted Childline authorities, who in turn, informed the police.

Shivakumar evasive during questioning, says ED

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Arguments on the bail application of Congress leader and former Karnataka Minister D.K. Shivakumar, who was arrested by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) on charges of money laundering earlier this month, concluded on Saturday. Special Judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar is expected to pronounce his order on September 25.

Continuing his submissions on the ED's behalf, Additional Solicitor General K.M. Nataraj said the agency was investigating ill-gotten wealth. The Income Tax Act did not deal with ill-gotten wealth and that its provisions were not meant to regularise tainted property.

"White always remains white and black always remains black. By paying tax, tainted money cannot become white," said Mr. Nataraj, alleging that Mr. Shivakumar was evasive and non-cooperative in the investigation.

Mr. Nataraj said that during custody, the accused could be questioned only for four hours on an average a day. The accused gave irrelevant answers to questions about the properties in question, he said. He alleged that there was a possibility of influencing the witnesses if he was released on bail.

Countering the prosecution, senior advocate A.M. Singhvi said the approach of throwing huge figures was an attempt to influence the court. The ED had been quoting higher figures every day, he said, adding that all the assets of Mr. Shivakumar had been declared before all the authorities concerned.



The clip purportedly shows ex-judge Nooty Rammohan Rao and his family members beating up Sindhu Sharma

Retired HC judge's daughter-in-law alleges pressure to drop plaint

A video clip of assault had gone viral

STAFF REPORTER HYDERABAD

Even as the video clip allegedly showing retired Madras High Court judge Justice Nooty Rammohan Rao and his family members assaulting their daughter-in-law Sindhu Sharma went viral, the victim made fresh charges that an attempt was made

to delete the video footage. Speaking to a TV news channel, the victim claimed that she also had video clips showing the retired judge, along with other family members, trying to delete the clip from the digital video recorder connected to the cameras in their house. She said she would release those clippings if required.

'Huge sum was offered' Meanwhile, her father, M.V. Sharma, alleged that the retired judge had mounted pressure on him and his daughter to withdraw the criminal complaint lodged with the Hyderabad Central Crime Station.

"The former judge even offered a huge sum to drop the charges and restrain my daughter from making any adverse statement in court."

According to Mr. Sharma, some middlemen and politicians too tried to intervene in the matter and persuade him to accept the deal offered by the former judge.

After all their attempts failed, the former judge's son Vasista moved the Nampally family court here for divorce. The court has directed the victim's counsel to file a counter and posted the next hearing for Tuesday, Mr. Sharma said.

The clip tweeted by Ms. Sharma was recorded on April 20 on the surveillance cameras installed in the former judge's house.

While there has been little progress in the investigation into the assault, the court notice for divorce has apparently disturbed the victim more. "Actually my daughter had hopes of reunion and reconciliation," Mr. Sharma said.

Earlier, the High Court had granted her custody of her two children.

New tenders

⁺ All eyes on SC as Karnataka gets set for bypolls to 15 seats

Court will hear pleas of 17 disqualified MLAs tomorrow

BENGALURU

With the Election Commission announcing byelections to 15 Legislative Assembly constituencies in Karnataka on October 21, all eyes are now on the Supreme Court which is expected to hear the petitions of 17 disqualified MLAs of the Congress and Janata Dal (S) on Monday.

It was the resignations of these MLAs that brought down the 14-month Congovernment. gress-JD(S) They were disqualified in July, 2019, by the then Speaker K.R. Ramesh Kumar till the expiry of the Assembly term. The disqualified MLAs are not eligible to contest byelections, unless the Supreme Court strikes down the Speaker's ruling.

Elections to two of the 17 constituencies – Maski in Raichur district and R.R. Nagar in Bengaluru – have been withheld as separate election cases related to them are pending in the Karnataka High Court.

Results crucial

Results of the byelections will play a crucial role in stabilising or destabilising the BJP government. The BJP has to win in at least eight constituencies to reach the magic figure of 113 in 225member Lower House to maintain stability of the

The counting of votes is scheduled for October 24. The EC announced byelections to 15 constituencies since the Supreme Court has so far not admitted petitions by 17 disqualified MLAs.

Of the 15 constituencies, the Congress had won in 11 and the ID (S) in three, and the Karnataka Pragnyavanta Janata Paksha had won one seat. The BIP now has 105 MLAs. After 17 MLAs resigned, the Assembly strength was reduced to 208. The Congress and JD(S) which fought the 2019 general elections together have decided to contest independently, after their bitter verbal duel following the fall of Safety first



A mock drill on fire safety being carried out at the Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. terminal in Vijayawada on Saturday. •v. RAJU

Security up for Maoist Foundation Day

Police gear up as rebels call for 49-day celebrations in Agency areas of Telangana

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT ADILABAD

The decision of the Maoist rebels to organise the 15th Foundation Day celebrations of the CPI (Maoist) for close to a month and half beginning Saturday, has prompted the police to bolster security arrangements across the Bhadrachalam Agency area, Kumram Bheem Asifabad and Mancherial districts of Telangana.

The police beefed up security at vital installations including the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project right from the Medigadda barrage, Kannepalli pump house and the Annaram barrages by deploying Central paramilitary forces.

The Foundation Day itself on September 21 passed off peacefully without any incident.

In posters across the area, the rebels had called for ce-



Bheem Asifabad district of Telangana. • S. HARPAL SINGH

lebrations of the Foundation Day up to November 8 instead of just a week or fortnight. The move was appaaimed consolidating the CPI (Maoist) base and to help it spread to new areas along the Telangana-Chhattisgarh border by organising rallies and meetings in the interior

areas of the Dandakaranya forest region in the next few weeks, sources said.

Night buses stopped

There have been sporadic incidents of violence of late, including the blasting of a portion of the main road near Tippapur in Charla mandal Bhadradri-Kothagudem

district. The Peddapalli district police apprehended an alleged Maoist courier near

On the advice of the police, the Bhadradri-Kothagudem administration stopped night service buses on the Bhadrachalam-Venkatapuram route on Saturday.

Intelligence sources said the Maoists were planning a major incident in the erstwhile Karimnagar district, once their stronghold, during the anniversary of the Koyyur encounter of December 2, 1999 in which top Maoist leaders Nalla Adi Reddy and Seelam Naresh among others were killed.

"We are on high alert and continuing our regular combing operations in the jungles abutting Chhattisgarh and sharing of intelligence," said a police official of Jayashankar-Bhupalapalli district.

Expectations run high ahead of Kerala-T.N. CMs' meeting

Knotty inter-State water issues on the agenda

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

As Tamil Nadu and Kerala Chief Ministers Edappadi K. Palaniswamy and Pinarayi Vijayan prepare to meet here on Wednesday, expectations are running high that the two States would make some headway in settling knotty inter-State water issues

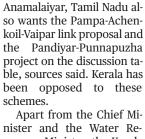
On Saturday morning, Mr. Vijayan went into a huddle with Water Resources Minister K. Krishnankutty and officials ahead of his meeting with Mr. Palaniswamy.

On account of the long history of demands, blame games and court cases, Wednesday's meeting is sure to be a keenly-watched one. The meeting, the first at the CM level in about 15 years, also assumes significance as



it comes against the backdrop of increasing instances of drought in both States during the summer months. On its part, Kerala is ex-

pected to press Tamil Nadu to honour the provisions of the Parambikulam-Aliyar Project (PAP) and ensure Kerala's rightful share of water. In addition to its demand for 2.5 tmc feet water from



nister and the Water Resources Minister, the Kerala side will consist of Forest Minister K. Raju, Electricity Minister M.M. Mani, Chief Secretary Tom Jose and senior officials.

The T.N. delegation consists of Power Minister P. Thangamani, Municipal Administration and Rural Development Minister S.P. Velumani, Environment Minister K.C. Karuppannan, Deputy Speaker V. Jayaraman, Chief Secretary K. Shanmugam and five secretaries.

will be called for all projects: A.P. Minister STAFF REPORTER

Andhra Pradesh Water Resources Minister P. Anil Kumar said on Saturday that the government would invite reverse tenders for all the projects undertaken during the TDP rule to save public money.

M/s Max Infra bagged the contract for a portion of the Polavaram project by quoting 15.60% less than the estimated cost through reverse tendering, the Minister said, and pointed out that former Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu had awarded the project at 4.77% excess cost to the same company during his tenure.

Mr. Kumar told the media near here that ₹58 crore could be saved in the project by calling reverse tenders, but Mr. Naidu was resorting to false propaganda that the conditions were altered to suit a few contractors and that dam safety was endangered as quality was compromised.

'No restrictions'

He said there were no restrictions as even the Navayuga Engineering Company Limited (NECL) – whose contract had scrapped by the State government - could bid for the Polavaram project.

Responding to Mr. Naidu's allegation that the project was stopped, the Minister asked how it was possible to undertake the work amid floods and said that it would be expedited after November by which time the tendering process would be completed.

He said the project was estimated to cost ₹55,000 crore and disputed Mr. Naidu's claim that 70% of the project had been completed, insisting that only the spillway and cofferdam had been built so far.

NIA searches house of terror suspect in T.N.

Diwan Mujipeer summoned for questioning; documents seized

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

A National Investigation Agency (NIA) team searched the house of M. Diwan Mujipeer at Vellankuzhi near Cheranmahadevi in Tirunelveli on Saturday. The operation came in the wake of intelligathered during searches conducted in Coimbatore in connection with an State-inspired

Anticipatory bail of

Raieev Kumar rejected

In a further setback to senior

IPS officer Rajeev Kumar, a

court in Kolkata on Saturday

rejected his petition seeking

Saradha scam. Mr. Kumar had

Investigation issued repeated

Drugs worth ₹300 crore

seized off Nicobar islands

The Coast Guard intercepted

vessel operating near the Car

Nicobar islands and seized

1,160 kg of ketamine worth

international market. Coast

intercepted the unlit vessel at

9 p.m. on September 19, and

as it attempted to flee, Coast

Guard personnel boarded it.

Company head arrested

The ED has arrested Sunil

money laundering case

in money laundering case

Surendrakumar Kakkad, CMD

of Sai Infosystem Limited, in a

involving ₹867.43 crore. The

ED probe is based on multiple

FIRs registered by the Central

Bureau of Investigation (CBI)

Telecom Pvt. Ltd. and others for allegedly cheating and

causing wrongful losses to

against Mr. Kakkad, Atrium

Infocomm Pvt. Ltd., Click

₹300 crore in the

Guard ship Rajveer

a suspicious Myanmarese

moved the court after the

summons to him over the

anticipatory bail in the

Central Bureau of

past seven days.



NIA officials leaving the district police office in Palayamkottai on Saturday. • A. SHAIKMOHIDEEN

module.

The team from Kochi that searched the house of Mr. Mujipeer, who had worked at the Dubai branch of a multina-

tional company, reportedly seized three mobile phones, four SIM cards, a memory card and a certificate of appreciation given to him by the

company.

Mr. Mujipeer was not present in his house during the search. He was working in a

gudi, where another team conducted a search till 10 a.m. A press release from the NIA said, "a number of incriminating documents" were seized. They will be submitted to a special court and forensic examination.

The team met Superintendent of Police P. Ve. Arunshakthikumar after completing the search. No one was arrested, but Mr. Mujipeer has been asked to appear before the NIA at Kochi.

Following the Easter Sunday bombings in Sri Lanka that killed a few hundred peo-

If a lunar soft-landing

eluded India this time, Chan-

drayaan-1, too, ended pre-

maturely in 2009. For the se-

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Space Research Organisa-

tion (ISRO) planned to soft-

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south of the lunar equator

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Agency reports quoted IS-

RO Chairman K. Sivan as say-

ing on Saturday that the

Antarctic region).

sons from Coimbatore for their alleged links with the mastermind of the bombings Zahran Hashim, When the NIA conducted a search, they reportedly found that 16 persons from Tamil Nadu, "conspired and were preparing to wage a war against the Government of India by forming a terrorist outfit called Ansarullah". The accused and their accomplices were allegedly collecting funds for carrying out attacks in India with the intention of establishing an Islamic rule. The NIA claimed it suspected that Mr. Mujipeer was associated with the activities of Ansarullah.

Probe ordered into assault on Assam judge

Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal on Saturday ordered a probe into a case of a Superintendent of Police allegedly assaulting a magistrate.

within September 25.

CCTV footage, released by RTI activist Dulal Bora on Friday, showed Kokrajhar SP Rajen Singh allegedly dragging the district's Extra Assistant Commissioner Sailen Das out of a hotel and assaulting him.

The two reportedly got into a heated argument at a party attended by many senior officers of Kokrajhar district. The SP allegedly slapped the magistrate in front of many employees in the parking area.

The release of the video almost coincided with a case filed against a sub-inspector and some constables for allegedly assaulting the members of a Muslim family in western Assam's Barpeta district. One of the victims was a pregnant woman, who allegedly suf-

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Mr. Sonowal has directed the Commissioner of Lower (western) Assam Division to initiate the inquiry and submit a report

fered a miscarriage. A few days ago, a policeman and a policewoman in Darrang were suspended for allegedly stripping and assaulting three sisters of a married Muslim man who was accused of having abducted a Hindu girl.

Forecast for Sunday: Heavy to very heavy rainfall likely over places like eastern Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Gujarat, Telangana, Karnataka, Tamilnadu and Puducherry.

RAINFALL, TEMPERATURE & AIR QUALITY IN SELECT METROS YESTERDAY

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(Rainfall data in mm: temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing .1284 .233 ...968 ...56 Visakhapatnam 16 .27 .2027 ...71

4.00 p.m., Bahadurgarh, Haryana recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 240 indicating a hazardous level of

Air Quality Code: ■ Poor ■ Moderate ■ Good (Readings indicate average AQI) SO₂: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by

reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters. CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

RSS chief to release survey on marriage and live-in relationships

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat will release on Tuesday the findings of a survey conducted by a Sangh-linked organisation that claims married women are more happy

relationships.

The survey was conducted by the Pune-based Drishti Stree Adhyayan Prabodhan Kendra and its findings were discussed at the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh's coordination meeting in

Vikram and Pragyan fade into lunar sunset, their batteries likely dead

Lander had unexpectedly crashed on moon minutes before its descent

MADHUMATHI D.S.

BENGALURU If things had gone on well and the Indian lunar craft Vikram soft-landed on moon as expected on September 7, Vikram and its companion rover Pragyan would have completed taking a close look at moon's unknown south by now.

Chandrayaan-2 has been circling moon since August 20, its orbiter alone intact.

After a perfect journey from earth since July 22, Vikram unexpectedly crashed on moon three minutes before its descent, without doing its job and also taking

The Centre has cut down by

two years the grace period

accorded to hydropower

projects on the upper

stretches of the Ganga, for

complying with environ-

to minimum water levels

that must be maintained in

the river at all times of the

vear for its health and sus-

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Environmental flows refer

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ЈАСОВ КОЅНҮ



A videograb of the soft landing of the Vikram module of Chandrayaan 2 on the lunar surface on September 7. • PTI

down the rover that was in it. Fourteen days on, the sun has set on the lunar side where the two Indian craft of

quently dam water in rivers

On October 11, 2018, not-

ed activist G.D. Agrawal suc-

cumbed after a 100-day fast

to steer the government's at-

tention to pollution in the

Ganga as well as the harm

being wreaked by hydropow-

er projects and sand mining.

On October 9 that year, amid

protests by Ganga activists

had passed a notification re-

2018 notification

for generating power.

Govt. sets early deadline for Ganga

Chandrayaan-2 mission lie. Their solar-powered batteries would have died out, putting them both to sleep fo-

to release minimum quanti-

However, it gave hydro-

power projects "three years

(beginning October 11, 2018)

" to make modifications to

projects to comply with

Last week, via a gazette

ties of water.

these norms.

crash is being analysed but they cannot restore the link with Vikram. It was his first public statement since the

hydro projects to ensure flow levels quiring hydropower projects along the Ganga. "The CWC

> notification, the government advanced this deadline to December 15 of this year. There are 16 commisand monks, the government sioned projects and 13 un-

has for a year monitored flows from the these projects and what we found was that all of the projects had the capacity to comply with the eflow regime," said Rajiv Ranjan Mishra, Director-General. National Mission Clean Ganga, "Only half the projects were compliant and the others were non compliant only because they had time till 2021. This is unacceptable, and so we've made this

In a first, ED attaches chimpanzees, marmosets in money laundering case

The accused was running an organised wildlife smuggling racket

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

In a first, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) has found itself dealing with primates as part of investigations into a money laundering case.

The agency has issued an order for provisional attachment of three chimpanzees and four marmosets, based on separate cases registered by the Wildlife Department of the West Bengal government in 2014 and the State Police on June 19 this year, against one Supradip Guha, who ran an organised wildlife smuggling racket.

The chimpanzees and marmosets were kept in confinement at the residence of Guha in the fourth

lane of Baguiati in Kolkata, from where they were rescued by the Customs Department in 2014 during a "The value of each chim-

panzee has been assessed as ₹25 lakh and marmosets as worth ₹1.5 lakh each. Therefore, the total valuation stands at ₹81 lakh," said an official.

Guha is currently on the run and despite a High Court directive, he has not appeared before the probe

"Investigations revealed that one pair of chimpanzees had already been smuggled to Hyderabad. The remaining were in the process of being transported," an of-



The chimpanzees were kept at a residence in Kolkata.

It came to light later that Guha had also forged an authorisation letter to transport birds, following which the local police booked him under various sections of the Indian Penal Code.

The accused had recorded contradictory statements before the Customs and the Wildlife officials to evade action. He also obtained fake certificates which attested that the three chimpanzees were born in India.

"Based on the findings, the chimpanzees and the marmosets have been provisionally attached," said the

They are lodged at the Alipore Zoological Garden in Kolkata. The accused was attempting to take their possession by making false statements and producing forged documents.

The zoo authorities then urged the ED to help them retain the wild animals.



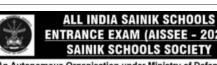
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Nominations invited for BusinessLine Changemaker Awards

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

It is that time of the year when those who transform society or improve the lives of others must be recognised. The nominations for the BusinessLine Changemaker Awards 2020 are open.

BusinessLine initiated the awards in 2018 to commemorate its 25th anniversary.

This year, for the third edition, the nominations opened on September 2, and will close on Octob-

Those who wish to nominate themselves or others can do so by logging www.blchangemakers.com.

Nominations can be sent for five categories: Changemaker-Social Transformation; Changemaker-Digital Transformation, Changemaker-Financial

Transformation, Young Changemakers and Changemaker of the

Once the nominations are received, they will be short-listed, based on a set of criteria, to choose the final nominees.

The nominees are subject to an independent validation, after which a jury of eminent personalities will choose the winners. More details, including those

of the awards, the categories and the selection criteria, are available on the website.



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Director

FROM PAGE ONE

'60 foreign militants infiltrated into J&K'

Yet another official said the spurt in shelling and firing along the LoC was a cover to push infiltrators. In April, May and June there was zero infiltration from Pakistan but it peaked after August 5, when Union Home Minister Amit Shah moved two Bills to revoke the special status of I&K under Article 370.

The official attributed the zero infiltration in the three months to various international engagements of Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan in the same period. "Before he was to meet dignitaries, including U.S. President Donald Trump on July 23, the Pakistan army had vacated terrorist camps along the LoC. But after August 5, these camps returned and there is a thrust on pushing terrorists into India," he said.

According to the government, more than 2,050 unprovoked ceasefire violations had been reported this year along the LoC, killing 21 Indians.

The official said it was difficult to track recruitment of locals in view of the communication blockade. "The Internet shutdown has also af-

intelligence gathering. Earlier, when a local joined a group, he would post a picture on the Internet, announcing his affiliation to the terrorist out-

The recruitment of locals had been low owing to lack of weapons with terrorist groups, he said. On September 12, police intercepted a truck carrying six AK-47 rifles in Kathua district of Jammu region and arrested three persons. In August, around 3,000 people were detained in the Valley but subsequently two-thirds were released. Around 1,000 persons were still detained including troublemakers and habitual stone pelters.

The official said militants were threatening shopkeepers with dire consequences. Almost 45 days since August 5, shops and establishments remained shut in most parts of the Valley.

While police claimed normal business was affected due to threats from militants, residents said they had shut shops willingly against the government's

Chandrayaan 2 a huge success: ISRO chief Sivan

Had Vikram touched down on the moon as per plan, the lander and the rover inside it would have worked by drawing solar energy for just a lunar day – or roughly 14 days on the earth until September 20-21.

"Three mission phases were completed successfully at an altitude of 300 m from the lunar surface. This validated all new technology elements, including the navigation sensors and propulsion. Except soft-landing, all other technologies are validated. Innovation is not just having a great idea on paper. A great idea on paper is just a great idea, but nothing more. Innovation comes from very high level of risk and failure," said Dr. Sivan.

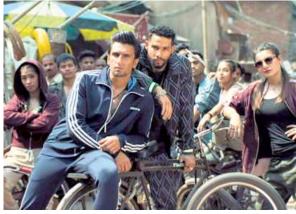
The initial outcome of innovation may be imperfect. I don't need to tell you how many times Thomas Edison failed in inventing light bulb and how many times ISRO faced failure in the development of launch vehicles. But these failures

did not become obstacles in our path. We use these failures as learning opportunities," he observed.

Dr. Sivan also referred to Gaganyaan, stating that the country was raring to go on the crewed orbital spacecraft mission.

"Gaganyaan is extremely important for India as it will boost the science and technological capabilities of the country. By December 2020, we would have the first unmanned mission of human space flight. And we are targeting the second one by July 2021. By December 2021, the first Indian will be carried by our own rocket. The ISRO is working on that," he said.

Space technology was only a medium of fast-tracking the country's development. "Starting a space programme in a country like India in the 1960s was a big crazy idea. But Vikram Sarabhai foresaw the potential of space technology in transforming India," he not-



A still from the movie Gully Boy. • SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Gully Boy is official entry for the Oscars

There were four Marathi entries and three each in Malavalam, Tamil and Bengali.

While there were two Gujarati entries, Assamese, Kannada, Telugu and Nepali saw one nomination each.

Industry buzz has it that Gully Boy was chosen with a majority of nine votes out of 14; the other five were divided among Super Deluxe, Article 15 and Pahuna.

'Feel-good factor'

"The first thing that can be said about it is that the energy of Gully Boy is amazing! Its rhythm gets into your blood! Apart from which it is technically quite brilliant photography, the sound, the music, the production design, and of course, the excellent acting! heart in the right place and contrasts the two Indias the haves and the have nots

- poignantly without becoming sentimental or maudlin. Above all, the film has feel-good factor, which we felt was important for an Oscar nomination," stated Ms. Sen, the chairperson of the jury that met in Kolkata this week.

Producers of films that contend for the official entry are required to pay a steep ₹82,600 as fee to the Film Federation of India.

"Each producer whose film is entered for selection will be required to pay nonrefundable service charges of ₹70,000 (₹70,000 service charges + 18% GST) through D.D. payable to the Film Federation of India, at Mumbai," the guidelines say.

Why no Jharkhand polls: Cong.

"While govt. advocates 'One nation, one election', it can't hold polls in 3 States"

NEW DELHI

The Congress on Saturday questioned the delay in notifying the election dates for Jharkhand. Taunting the Modi government, the party said while the government advocates for "One nation, one election", it is unable to hold simultaneous polls in three States. While welcoming the election schedule for Maharashtra and Haryana, Congress spokesperson Pawan Khera said that the people in Jharkhand were also looking forward to polls in their State. "But when polls in three States cannot be held simultaneously, the government talks about 'One nation, one poll'," he said.

The Congress said that the party would fight the election in the two States on "pro-people" issues such as job losses and the current

What is the reason that farmers are being prevented from coming to Delhi? The BJP government talks about welfare of farmers. But when farmers of U.P. say they want sugarcane arrears, loan waiver and cut in electricity prices, why are they not allowed to speak? PRIYANKA GANDHI VADRA

economic downslide. The Opposition party said the government was on its way out due to "slowdown and lockdown" in the two States.

"Lakhs of sugarcane farmers are sitting on Delhi's border to demand their dues. What about them," he asked, referring to farmers from Uttar Pradesh who were on their way to Kisan Ghat in Delhi, demanding sugarcane dues, loan waivers and cheap electricity. Mr. Khera

said the Congress would also raise the issue of loss of 15 lakh jobs and ₹20 lakh crore in the stock market in the past three months.

Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Congress general secretary in charge of Uttar Pradesh, raised the issue. In a tweet, she questioned the government on the reason to stop farmers on the Delhi border. "What is the reason that farmers are being prevented from coming to Delhi and raising their demands? The BJP government, in its campaigns, talks about welfare of farmers. But when farmers of Uttar Pradesh say they want sugarcane arrears, loan waiver and cut in electricity prices, why are they not allowed to speak?" she asked.

Congress spokesperson Randeep Singh Surjewala, in a video, said the people of Haryana and Maharashtra were looking forward to removing the BJP government.

"Congress will win in both the States. The BJP government is now recognised by slowdown and lockdown. The current government is a capitalist government that has been made by capitalists and run by capitalists. People have decided to defeat this government and they will get a befitting reply to it in the upcoming election,"

Haryana CEO seeks 200 paramilitary companies

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT CHANDIGARH

Haryana Chief Electoral Officer Anurag Agarwal on Saturday said the Election Commission and Union Home Ministry had been requested to provide 200 companies of paramilitary forces for the smooth conduct of the October 21 As-

sembly election in the State.

Mr. Agarwal said that with the announcement of the election programme by the EC, the model code of conduct had come into effect. "After the second revision of electoral list on August 27, 2019, the final voter list has been published. As per the list, 1.83 crore voters including 1.07 lakh service voters will exercise their right to franchise," he said. As the process for updating the electoral rolls was in progress, the number of voters was expected to be in-

creased further.

"As many as 3.64 lakh voters in the ages of 18 and 19 are eligible to cast their votes in the Assembly elections this time," he said.

Mr. Agarwal said 19,442 voting centres had been established in the State, including 5,511 in urban areas and 13,931 in rural areas.

Auxiliary stations

"There are 10,288 polling locations in the State," he said. Request have been made to the EC for converting polling stations, where the number of voters is more than 1500, into auxiliary ones. The number of such polling stations in the State is 136. "There are 26,329 control units and 40,615 ballot units. Besides, an arrangement of 27,996 Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) machines has been made," he added.

NRC is not a political issue for BJP: Khattar

It is a step towards safeguarding the nation's interest, says Haryana Chief Minister

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Saturday said the National Register of Citizens (NRC) was not a political issue for the BJP but a step towards safeguarding the nation's interest.

"NRC is an issue for the country. Our central leadership has already made it clear that we will prepare NRCs in all States where we have governments, and Haryana is also among those States," Mr. Khattar said in response to a question during a press conference here on Saturday.

"NRC should be implemented in all States... In Haryana as well, we will implement it. Citizens of another country have no right to stay here [country] without necessary permission. If, for instance, a few people have a complaint that in Haryana also there are such people [residing without permission]... be it 50,000 or 40,000 or one lakh, all this could be known only after a survey is done. Such people don't have any attachment towards our country and hence NRC has an important role to play," Mr. Khattar

Mr. Khattar said the NRC was not a political issue for the BJP. "Even Congress leader Bhupinder

ernments, and Haryana is also among those States. Citizens of another country have no right to stay here without permission MANOHAR LAL KHATTAR HARYANA CHIEF MINISTER Hooda supported it and had said that a law regarding NRC

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was in place. It had been in place since 1954. Successive governments Congress should have done it [NRC] earlier. From 1982 to 1984, work on the NRC was started but then the issue went to

the court and some other complications engulfed it. Congress party kept it pending ... for what reasons they [Congress] did it, it's for them to answer," Mr. Khattar said.

Mr. Khattar said in the interest of nation and society

whatever work was needed to be done, the BJP would do.

"How and when the NRC will be implemented is not an election issue for us. But a few political parties have started making this [NRC] an election issue. They need to realise they will only be at a loss. They made Article 370 and terrorism in Kashmir an election issue...They shouldn't have made it a poll issue. After creating such issue, they start blaming the BJP. By repeatedly reacting on the NRC, they [political parties] are yet again making it a political issue ahead of the Assembly polls," Mr.

'Provide a solution for unemployment'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Swaraj India president Yogendra Yadav on Saturday said that in the run-up to the Assembly polls in Harvana, there should be a meaningful debate on the issue of unemployment in the State.

"The BJP government must answer the public on the question of unemployment and other political parties must come up with alternative solutions," said Mr. Yadav.

He said that Swaraj India would come up with a concrete alternative roadmap for full employment within

Didn't back Centre's policy: Prasada

U.P. Congress leader says growing population has been a national concern

SOBHANA K. NAIR

Caught in a swirl of controversy over his comments on "population control", Congress leader litin Prasada clarified that his prescription was not prompted by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Independence Day speech and that it was not designed against any one community.

The debate was triggered by Mr. Prasada's tweet on Wednesday recalling the Congress resolution of 1998 at the Panchmarhi shivir (camp) to work towards the goal of a two-child norm.

Mr. Prasada's comments were seen as an endorsement of the Modi government's programmes coming close on heels of statements from Jairam Ramesh and Shashi Tharoor, MPs, that the Modi regime must not be "demonised".

Mr. Prasada was a Minister of State in the UPA government.

"It's an issue of national interest, betterment of the



youth and future of our children. It is above any individual, party or ideology. There can't be a dogfight over who said it first," Mr. Prasada told The Hindu.

When questioned about the timing of his comment, the Congress leader said it was the "opportune" time to begin the debate since projections claim that by 2027, India would be most populous country, overtaking Chi-

1998 party resolution Recalling the 1998 Congress resolution, Mr. Prasada said one of the eight sankalps or promises made then was that "every Congress activist [was] to mobilise at least 10 families to adopt population control measures based on the two-child norm."

"Some people have given it a colour of being anti-Muslim to score political brownie points. The issue is far bigger; India's interests are paramount and it's above any religion or caste," he said.

Mr. Prasada's latest comments have to be seen against the backdrop of discordant voices in the party on the issue of Article 370. He is part of the camp within the Congress Working Committee that welcomed the BJP government's move to dilute the Article according special status to Jammu and Kashmir.

Backs govt. on Art. 370

"I am not expert on Article 370 but it's my firm opinion which I also conveyed to the Committee that in the State I come from [Uttar Pradesh], people are not in favour of

opposing what has happened. And any stand that we take for or against should be taken to the people," Mr. Prasada said.

The CWC resolution had opposed the means used to dilute Article 370. Mr. Prasada said there was a need to publicise this resolution by way of rallies and public meetings.

Ahead of the Lok Sabha polls it was widely speculated that Mr. Prasada would be joining the Bharatiya Janata

The rumour was doing the rounds even during the 2017 Uttar Pradesh Assembly election.

"Last time I was asked to react on this rumour I said I am not here to clarify on speculation. I can clarify only if there was some substance in these rumours of having met someone or initiated talks with any other party. But just because someone outside or inside the party is spreading these rumours I can't always go on pleading not guilty," he said.

Navy chief begins 4-day Bangladesh visit

Aims to strengthen maritime relations

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI

The Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral Karambir Singh began a four-day visit to Bangladesh on Saturday to consolidate maritime cooperation between the two

Admiral Singh will hold extensive talks with his Bangladeshi counterpart Admiral Aurangzeb Chowdhury, besides meeting the other service chiefs and senior military officials, a Navy statement said.

Sources said the two Navy chiefs were expected to deliberate on the regional security scenario, including China's growing forays into the Indian Ocean region and its military assertiveness in the South China Sea.

"The visit is intended to consolidate and enhance the bilateral maritime relations between India and Bangladesh," the statement said.

Admiral Singh will visit



Admiral Karambir Singh

several key military establishments such as the naval bases in Chattogram and Khulna and address cadets at the Bangladesh Naval Academy.

In addition, he will participate in the first anniversary celebration of Bangladesh Institute of Maritime Research and Development (BIMRAD), the Navy said.

The Bangladesh Navy is an active member of Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS), a forum for maritime cooperation among navies of the littoral states of the Indian Ocean Region.

'Detaining Opposition leaders in J&K deeply undemocratic'

We are appalled by restrictions on telecommunications, say academics in an open statement

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT CHENNAI

Hundreds of scholars, including academics and scientists from leading institutions in India, have come up with an open statement on the situation in Kashmir.

Saying "As signatories to this statement, we hold various views on the issue of Article 370 and other substantive questions about the conflict in Kashmir," the statement puts forth three main points: That they are "appalled by the government's decision to restrict telecommunications... for over a month," that the "government's actions in detaining ... Opposition leaders and

dissidents ... are deeply un-

democratic" and that they are "disturbed by the multiple reports of human rights violations". "The crisis in Kashmir is

not just an abstract issue for us, since many of our own students are from Kashmir. These students are going through very difficult circumstances, since they have been unable to maintain meaningful contact with their families for several weeks. It distresses us to see them suffering," says Suvrat Raju, one of the signatories, from the International Centre for Theoretical Sciences, Bengaluru.

504 signatures The statement has gathered

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504 signatures at the time of writing this, in less than 24 hours since it was circulated among the academicians. It refers to various reports in the national and international media.

The scholars write: "We understand that landlines have been restored in some parts of Kashmir, but since

landline teledensity in Kash-

mir is below 1% according to the government's own statistics, this measure has failed to provide substantive relief to Kashmir's residents. In our own institutions, we have witnessed students suffering because they are unable to maintain contact with

their families. Moreover,

credible reports suggest that these restrictions have made it difficult for ordinary people in Kashmir to procure medical and essential supplies or even for children to attend school."

Fundamental norm

"We believe the government's actions in detaining and restricting the communications of Opposition leaders and dissidents in Kashmir deeply Whatever undemocratic. views one might hold about these individuals, a fundamental norm in a democracy is that the party in power does not have the right to lock up its political oppo-

nents when they have not

even been accused of any crimes. We are disturbed by the multiple reports of human rights violations in Kashmir by Indian security forces.'

The statement concludes saying: "We remind the government that it is dutybound to uphold the rights and protect the welfare of its citizens. In line with these obligations, we call on the government to immediately restore full communications in Kashmir, lift the security restrictions that are hampering ordinary life, release dissidents and Opposition leaders, and conduct transparent and impartial investigations into the allegations of human rights abuses."

The filmmaker also has her

Will 'Howdy, Modi!' rub off on Trump?

Apart from the bonhomie between them, U.S. President will look to gain from PM's popularity

SUHASINI HAIDAR

In early 2017, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's team was planning his visit to Washington and first meeting with U.S. President Donald Trump. On previous U.S. visits, Mr. Modi had addressed massive diaspora events in New York and San Jose, sending out a powerful message about the power of the Indian-American community and of the Indian Prime Minister who was able to bring them together in venues that previously could be filled only by Bollywood stars.

At the time, the team had plans for an event in Houston, in a state with the third largest population of Indian immigrants, and a city with major trade ties to India.

There was only one hiccup in 2017: a worry that the newly elected President Trump may not look warmly at a gathering of tens of thousands of immigrants, particularly in a state where immigration was a major issue, right at the beginning of his term. Furthermore, Mr. Trump did not have a personal relationship with Mr. Mo-



A billboard seen in Houston, USA, announcing the 'Howdy, Modi!' event on September 22. • PTI

di, and may not have appreciated being in the shadow of a rally of American voters addressed by a foreign leader.

Two years later, the hesitations of that time have been overcome. After a rocky start to their relationship - Mr. Trump and Mr. Modi held only one fullfledged bilateral meeting in 2017 and 2018, trade ties dipped, and Mr. Trump's mocking of Mr. Modi's accent on the Harley-Davidson issue went down badly in India the leaders have more than made up in 2019. In Houston, Mr. Trump is meeting Mr. Modi for the third time in four months, and they will also hold a sit-down in New York next week. The leaders have clearly built a rapport, evident in France a few ago when they clasped hands and Mr. Modi playfully slapped President

Trump's arm. However, apart from the bonhomie between the two leaders, there are several reasons of realpolitik that are also bringing the two men together on one stage.

To begin with, the U.S. is

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now well into its campaign season for presidential elections in 2020, and Mr. Trump is locking his sights on both the sizeable and influential Indian-American community, as well as the Texas vote.

The last Senate election there in June was very close between the winning Republican and Democratic candidates, and recent polls show Democratic presidential frontrunner Joseph Biden a few points ahead of Mr. Trump among Texan voters.

Despite his direct pitch to voters of Indian origin ("I am a big fan of Hindu and a big fan of India") during the 2016 campaign, only 16% of Indian-Americans voted for Mr. Trump in 2016.

"This is not as much about the India-U.S. bilateral relationship as it is about domestic politics," says Daniel Markey, Professor at Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS).

"While Mr. Trump's foreign policy swings wildly, often switching on a dime, the one constant in his actions is political opportunism," agrees Michael Krepon, co-founder of the Washington based Stimson Centre.

He added, "He is going to hope Mr. Modi's popularity with the Indian-American community transfers to

Mr. Trump is not the first to express that hope, and it may come as a surprise that other leaders have not succeeded in effecting that

Mamata may skip Sheikh Hasina's New Delhi visit

Negotiations on Teesta water sharing require her presence

KALLOL BHATTACHERJEE

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is unlikely to join the bilateral talks during the visit of Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina here from October 3 to 6.

Ms. Banerjee's absence will cast a shadow on the talks, as both sides have been in protracted negotiations on the sharing of Teesta waters. that require her participation.

She had previously participated in similar discussions. In 2017, at an event attended by Ms. Banerjee at the Hyderabad House here, Prime Minister Narendra Modi assured Ms. Hasina that the river water would be shared.

'No progress expected' During his August 20 visit to Dhaka, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar reminded Bangladesh about India's commitment to share Teesta waters under the ongoing discussions. However, diplo-



Mamata Banerjee, left, with Sheikh Hasina. • PTI/FILE PHOTO

matic sources indicated that no progress was expected on the crucial issue during Ms. Hasina's visit.

Informed sources said Ms. Hasina would call on President Ram Nath Kovind and Congress president Sonia Gandhi apart from holding bilateral discussions with Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 5. However, a meeting with Ms. Banerjee is not on her agenda.

Ms. Hasina's visit coincides with the Durga Puja celebrations from October 4 to 8. Ms. Banerjee will have sev-

eral engagements in Kolkata during that time. A discussion on the participation of Ms. Banerjee in the official talks did not take place during her visit to Delhi earlier this week.

Ms. Banerjee met Mr. Modi on September 18, where the discussion focussed on her plan to rename West Bengal. In her meeting with Home Minister Amit Shah, she raised the Assam National Register of Citizens. It's learnt that Ms. Hasina's visit did not figure in the talks.

Mr. Modi will hold discussions with Ms. Hasina in New York on the sidelines of the United Nations General Assembly meeting.

The Bangladesh leader will begin her India visit by participating in the non-governmental India Economic Summit. Tennis star Sania Mirza and entrepreneur Shobana Kamineni will also attend the summit.

She is expected to present Bangladesh as a success sto-

Governor, Vice-Chancellor break bread

Jagdeep Dhankar visits Surajan Das and Pro V-C Pradip Kumar Ghosh in hospital

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Jadavpur University Vice-Chancellor Surajan Das on Saturday hoped there would not be any unrest at the university similar to the September 19 stand-off between some students and Union Minister Babul Supriyo that ended at the intervention of Governor Jagdeep Dhankar.

Earlier in the day, Mr. Dhanakar and Education Minister Partha Chatterjee visited the Vice-Chancellor in a private hospital.

Both the Vice-Chancellor and Pro Vice-Chancellor Pradip Kumar Ghosh were admitted to hospital after the unrest.

"The Chancellor indicated that as guardian, he will make an all-out effort to interact with the students, the faculty and the management so that the university is put on the growth trajectory, and a wholesome environment for education is availa-



Jagdeep Dhanka visiting Jadavpur University Pro Vice-Chancellor P.K. Ghosh in a hospital in Kolkata •PTI

ble to the students who are the future of the nation," a statement from the Raj Bhavan said.

Lapses alleged

The Governor's visit is also significant as the earlier statements from the Raj Bhavan had referred to "the issue of serious lapses on the

part of the Vice-Chancellor, including virtual abandonment of his obligations".

Education Minister Partha Chaterjee said Chief Minister Mamata Baneriee wanted the situation at the university to become normal, "She has said the government stands with the students, the teachers and the staff of the

The Chancellor indicated that as guardian, he will make an all-out effort to interact with the students...

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university," he said. The Trinamool Congress

and the Governor traded charges over the unrest.

Mr. Partha Chatterjee called the Governor's visit to the university "most unfortunate and shocking", without informing the elected government for the "so-called rescue of the BJP leader".

The Governor responded that the Trinamool Congress's statement was "unfortunate" and said: "Obviously, he [Mr. Chatterjee] did not know of the developments that took place between the Governor and the DGP/Chief Secretary, as also the conversation with the Chief Minister." HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Jaishankar discusses terrorism with Finland

Kashmir issue was among key points

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA HELSINKI

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar has held long discussions on cross-border terrorism with the top Finnish leadership on his threeday visit here, amid Pakistan's bid to internationalise the Kashmir issue.

Mr. Jaishankar, on Friday, held talks with his Finnish counterpart Pekka Haavisto, and Prime Minister Antti Rinne on a broad spectrum of bilateral relations.

Finland is the current chair of the European Union that has supported India on the Kashmir issue.

Delivering a speech on "India and the world priorities of Indian foreign policy", Mr. Jaishankar said India's decision to revoke



S. Jaishankar, right, with Finland President Sauli Niinisto.

Jammu and Kashmir's special status had a "national security connotation". "India lives in a tough neighbourhood and faces more than its fair share of national security challenges. Most prominent among them is the cross-border terrorism that we have been subjected to for many decades," he

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Mirwaiz denies signing bond for release

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Hurriyat Conference chairman Mirwaiz Umar Farooq on Saturday denied a report in The Hindu that he had signed a bond for his release from detention.

"The Mirwaiz's access to people and communication is extremely limited since August 5," said his secretary Syed-ur-Rehman Shams.

after signing a bond.

He said the Hurriyat chairman had not been released

Mr. Shams, in a written statement, said, "The Hurrivat stands firm on its principled stand on the issue of I&K and stands with the people in this unprecedented situation that all are facing." Mirwaiz Umar Faroog is

among the top Kashmiri separatist leaders, including Sved Ali Geelani and Muhammad Ashraf Sehrai, who were detained after the Centre had revoked Jammu and Kashmir's special status on August 5.

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Police probe Pulwama boy's death as family blames forces

'He committed suicide after detention by the Army'

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

The police have started an inquiry into the death of a minor boy from Pulwama, who allegedly committed suicide hours after his "brief detention and beating" by the Army in the wake of a grenade blast in the area.

"It's a case of suicide; we have started an inquest proceeding," said Superintendent of Police, Pulwama, Chandan Kohli. "The matter was taken up with the Army after the family's allegations. However, the Army has denied any such incident," he added.

The victim, Yawar Ahmad Bhat, who the family said was just 15 and a Class 10 student, "apparently consumed rat poison" on the evening of September 17 at his home in Chandgam area.

"Yawar was picked up by the Army during the day when he was on the way to Pulwama town," said the vic-



A view of a closed market during the lockdown in Srinagar on Saturday. • NISSAR AHMAD

tim's uncle Gulzar Ahmad Bhat. "His identity card was also snatched. The previous night there was a grenade attack on the security forces in Pulwama's Tahab area. Yawar consumed poison on evening and breathed his last on September 19," he added.

"He was weak at heart," said the victim's cousin Rayees Ahmad Bhat. "He was fearful that he would have to visit the Army camp again for his identity card." Mr. Bhat claimed. "In fact, when we shifted him to the District Police Hospital, Pulwama, the doctors enquired if he has any history of physical trauma as his kidneys were also damaged," he An Army spokesman said

that the family's allegations were "completely baseless". "The boy was neither de-

tained nor tortured in any manner," he said.





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