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HOW MAMALLAPURAM BECAME MAHABALIPURAM, REGAINED OLD NAME

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formal communication.

THE VENUE of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's meeting with China's President Xi Jinping over Friday and Saturday has been referred to, interchangeably, Mamallapuram and Mahabalipuram. It is 56 km to the south of Chennai on the coast. The Ministry of External Affairs' media advisory mentions 'Mahabalipuram', and officials have been using that name in in-

THE PALLAVA 'MAMALLAN'

Today's seaside resort was once a bustling port that derived its name from Mamallan or 'Great Wrestler' — one of the names of Narasimhavarman I, the Pallava monarch who ruled from 630 AD to 668 AD. and who commissioned much of the architecture Mamallapuram is famous for.

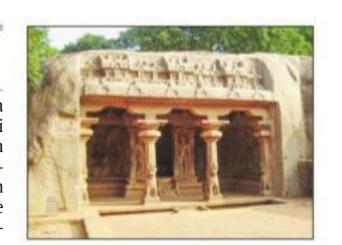
BIRTH OF 'MAHABALIPURAM'

S Swaminathan, author of Mamallapuram, a book on the architectural and sculptural achievements of the Pallavas, said Mamallapuram was the original name, even though the town is also called Mahabalipuram. "The name Mahabalipuram emerged much later, some time in the Vijayanagara period (14th-17th centuries). But there is nothing to directly connect the Asura King Mahabali with Mamallapuram," he said.

The only, indirect link, he added, is the legend of Trivikrama carved in stone at Mamallapuram's famous Varaha Mandapam (Varaha Cave Temple). "Mahabali was killed by Trivikrama, the giant form of Vamana, the fifth avatar of Vishnu. Maybe that is the only connection that Mahabali has with Mamallapuram. But this Trivikrama panel too is just one of the many compositions there," he said.

BACK TO 'MAMALLAPURAM

After Independence, the prevalent



The Varaha Mandapam has the only link, although an indirect one, between the town and the legend of Mahabali. Wikipedia

Dravidian politics of Tamil Nadu made sure that Mamallapuram's original name was retained. 'Mamallapuram' was notified in a government gazette in 1957, and that name was reiterated when the ancient port town was declared a village panchayat in 1964. "Instead of the association with a mythological king (Mahabali), the governments here made sure that the original name in the memory of a Tamil king was restored," Swaminathan laughed.

BEYOND MAMALLAN LEGACY

While Narasimhavarman I is credited with excavating the stone caves of Mamallapuram, it was Mahendravarman I, Narasimhavarman's father who ruled from 600 AD to 630 AD, who was the pioneer of Pallava rock-cut architecture. The successors of Narasimhavarman I, especially his grandson Parameswaravarman I (670-695 AD) and his great grandson Narasimhavarman II (700-728 AD), continued to build in Mamallapuram. Narasimhavarman II, also known as Rajasimha Pallava, built the magnificent Shore Temple among others in Mamallapuram, as well as grand temples at several other places, including the famous Kailasanathar Temple at Kancheepuram.

THIS WORD MEANS

INTERCONNECT USAGE CHARGE (IUC)

Why Jio is charging 6 paise/min for certain outgoing calls

RELIANCE JIO announced this week that its customers would now have to pay an Interconnect Usage Charge (IUC) on outgoing calls made to the networks of its rivals Airtel and Vodafone-Idea. Reliance Jio announced "IUC top-up vouchers", which will give customers certain minutes of outgoing calls.

IUC is the cost paid by one mobile telecom operator to another when the customers of the former operator make outgoing mobile calls to the customers of the other. The IUC rate used to be 14 paise per minute, but the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has now fixed it at 6 paise per minute.

TRAI wants to bring IUC to zero from January 1, 2020, based on the assumption that all networks would be able to move to VolTE, or Voice over LTE (Long Term Evolution) technology by then. Jio is an entirely VoLTE network, but Vodafone and Airtel continue to offer their legacy 2G and 3G networks as well.

Jio claims that because voice is free on the Jio network while there are high tariffs on 2G networks, customers on Airtel and Vodafone-Idea are giving missed calls to Jio customers. It claims that the Jio network receives 25 crore to 30 crore missed calls every day, presumably because callers want friends or family on Jio to call them back for free. Jio has claimed the callbacks by its customers results in 65 crore to 75 crore minutes of outgoing traffic and it "has been compelled, most reluctantly and unavoidably, to recover (from its customers) this regulatory charge of 6 paise per minute for all off-net mobile voice calls so long as IUC charges exist".

Jio has said the 6 paise/minute charge will only apply to outgoing calls made to Vodafone-Idea and Airtel networks; not to Jio-to-Jio calls, incoming calls, calls made to landlines, or calls made using WhatsApp or other OTT platforms.

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Why dairy is RCEP sticking point

It is the industry that is lobbying the hardest to keep its products out of the free trade agreement currently under negotiation among 16 countries to India's east and north. Why is this so?

16 COUNTRIES, PROPOSED INTEGRATED MARKET

HARISH DAMODARAN NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

What makes milk and milk products such a big deal for India?

Milk is the country's largest "crop". In 2018-19, the estimated production of milk, at 187.75 million tonnes (mt), was more than that of paddy (174.63 mt) or wheat (102.19 mt). The value of milk output (Rs 5,63,250 crore at an average farm-gate rate of Rs 30/kg) far exceeded paddy's (Rs 3,05,602 crore at a minimum support price of Rs 1,750/quintal) and wheat's (Rs 1,88,030 crore at Rs 1,840/quintal). Milk is, moreover, a source of liquidity for farmers, as it is sold daily and generates cash to take care of routine household expenses, unlike other crops that are marketed only once or twice a year.

But milk matters equally to consumers in India, because it meets the animal protein/fat requirements of a significant portion of the population that is vegetarian.

Milk, in the Indian context, is also a 'superior' food with income elasticity of demand greater than one. This means that as incomes rise, the demand for milk goes up even more. The moment families experience some upward mobility, they are likely to put desi ghee (butter fat) rather than vanaspati (vegetable fat) on their rotis.

So, where does the RCEP come in?

Global dairy trade takes place not in milk, but in the solids that derive from it — mainly milk powder, butter/butter oil, and cheese. India isn't a major player in the world market. Till the eighties, it used to import up to 50,000-60,000 tonnes of skim milk powder and 10,000-15,000 tonnes of butter oil annually, largely channelised through the National Dairy Development Board.

Over the past couple of decades, with sustained production increases, the country has become self-sufficient, or even marginally surplus. This is evidenced by its dairy product exports surpassing imports in most years (table 1), although their values are insignificant relative to both domestic output and global trade. Further, as can be seen from table 2, one reason for India's imports being low is the high tariffs, especially on milk powder (60%) and fats (40%).

If dairy products are covered under an RCEP deal, India may have to allow members of the bloc greater access to its market, whether through phased duty reductions or more liberal tariff rate quotas (TRQs). There is an already existing TRQ for milk powder, which enables import of up to 10,000 tonnes per year at 15% customs duty, and quantities beyond that at the regular rate of 60%. The Indian dairy industry is resisting any enhanced TRQs or other import concessions, even if extended only to RCEP countries, as opposed to the US or European Union.

Which are the major global dairy players within the RCEP group?

Only New Zealand and Australia. The two countries together exported 19,37,000 tonnes of milk power, 5,18,000 tonnes of butter/fat and 4,94,000 tonnes of cheese in 2018, accounting for 44.5%, 58.3% and 24.8% of the world trade respectively in these commodities. New Zealand, in particular, hardly has a domestic market for dairy products. In 2018, 93.4% of its milk powder, 94.5% of its butter, and 83.6% of its cheese

production was exported. India's milk powder and butter/ghee shipments, by contrast, have barely touched 1,30,000 tonnes and 50,000 tonnes even in their best ever years of 2013-14 and 2018-19 respectively. But the country is the world's biggest market for milk and milk products – which will only grow with rising incomes and high elasticity of demand. Access to this market will obviously benefit the predominantly export-oriented dairy industry of New Zealand and Australia.



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Opportunity, fears in regional trade deal

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COMMERCE MINISTER Piyush Goyal is in Bangkok for the eighth Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) ministerial meeting, which will continue until October 12. The meeting, which is likely to be the last one at this level, is expected to work out the unresolved issues

in the negotiations on the mega trade

deal that is to be concluded later this year.

What is the RCEP?

The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) is a trade deal that is currently under negotiation among 16 countries — the 10 member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and the six countries with which the ASEAN bloc has free trade agreements (FTA).

The ASEAN, which includes Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam, has FTAs with India, Australia, China, South Korea, Japan and New Zealand.

Negotiations on the details of the RCEP have been on since 2013, and all participating countries aim to finalise and sign the deal by November.

What does the RCEP propose?

The purpose of RCEP is to create an "integrated market" spanning all 16 countries, making it easier for products and services of each of these countries to be available across this region. ASEAN says the deal will provide "a

framework aimed at lowering trade barriers and securing improved market access for goods and services for businesses in the region".

The negotiations are focussed on areas like trade in goods and services, investment, economic and technical cooperation, intellectual property, competition, dispute settlement, e-commerce, and small and medium enterprises.

Why is the RCEP important? It is billed as the "largest" regional trad-

ing agreement ever — these countries account for almost half of the world's population, contribute over a quarter of world exports, and make up around 30% of global Gross Domestic Product (the value of all goods and services produced in a year).

How have the talks progressed?

Of the 25 chapters in the deal, 21 have been finalised. Chapters on investment, e-commerce, rules of origin, and trade remedies are yet to be settled, and ministerial guidance is being sought at the ongoing meeting in Bangkok.

How does India stand to gain?

Sections of Indian industry feel that being part of RCEP would allow the country to tap into a huge market, if the domestic industry becomes competitive. Pharmaceuticals and cotton yarn are confident of gains, and the services industry too, may have new opportunities.

And what are the concerns?

Several industries feel India needs to be mindful of the amount of access it gives to its market. There is fear that some domestic sectors may be hit by cheaper alternatives from other RCEP countries. Apprehensions have been expressed that cheaper Chinese products would "flood" India.

Critics are also not confident that India would be able to take advantage of the deal, given its poor track record of extracting benefits from the FTAs with these countries. India's trade gap with these countries may widen if it signs the RCEP

deal, they say. (See figures with map above) Industries like dairy and steel have demanded protection. The textile industry, which has already raised concerns about growing competition from neighbouring countries with cheaper and more efficient processes, fears the deal would impact it negatively.

There are some differences within industries. The bigger players in steel, for example, are apprehensive of the potential impact on their businesses; however, makers of finished goods have argued that limiting steel supply to domestic producers through higher import duties will put them at a disadvantage.

TABLE 1: INDIA'S DAIRY PRODUCTS TRADE (INRs CRORE)

\$4.7 bn

\$3 bn

	Exports	Imports
2010-11	1216.76	847.83
2011-12	647.79	1219.41
2012-13	2324.68	184.25
2013-14	4407.78	232.68
2014-15	2169.03	375.01
2015-16	1677.46	371.58
2016-17	1701.18	254.84
2017-18	1954.63	312.59
2018-19	3375.73	254.12
2018-19*	957.15	108.90
2019-20* *April-August	921.43	114.43

Source: Department of Commerce

TABLE 2: INDIA'S DAIRY IMPORTS **DUTY STRUCTURE**

	Duty%	Imports (Rs cr)
Milk powder	60	8.55
Butter/fat	40	14.27
UHT milk*	30	12.69
Yogurt**	30	6.56
Cheese	30	70.85
Whey	30	85.57
Ice cream	30	24.8

*Includes cream; **Includes butter milk. Source: Ministry of Finance and Department of Commerce

What are the specific dairy segments that overseas suppliers would target? India's imports primarily comprise

whey products and cheese, which have limited consumer markets in the country. For all the hype, the domestic market for cheese is just Rs 1,400-1,500 crore, of which Rs 900-1,000 crore goes for industrial use (basically pizza-making), and only the balance is sold in consumer packs. There may not be too many takers for foreign ice cream or yogurt brands either.

What New Zealand and Australia would really be eying is the Indian market for commodities, viz. milk powder and fat. That is where the volumes are — which Malaysia and Indonesia successfully exploited in palm oil, as did Argentina and Brazil in soyabean oil and Ukraine in sunflower oil.

RCEP could perhaps end up doing to dairy what the free trade agreement with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) did in palm oil, fear many in the industry in India.

A scandal, two years' Nobels, and why these authors were chosen

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ON THURSDAY, the Swedish Academy announced the Nobel Prize in Literature for this year as well as the last, with Polish author Olga Tokarczuk winning for 2018 and the Austrian au-

thor Peter Handke for 2019. The 2018 award had been postponed for a year on account of a scandal involving the Academy's close ties with a man convicted of rape and jailed that year.

The delayed prize went to Tokarczuk "for a narrative imagination that with ency-

clopedic passion represents the crossing of boundaries as a form of life", the citation said. For the current year, Handke was awarded "for an influential work that with linguistic

ingenuity has explored the periphery and the specificity of human experience".

Olga Tokarczuk

Tokarczuk, 57, one of Poland's most successful authors, has found a wider Englishreading audience in recent years and won the Man Booker Prize in 2018

for *Flights*, a translation of her 2007 novel Bieguni. Much of her work is marked by historical/mythical settings with realistic details, and themes of conflicting cultures and perspectives. "She constructs her novels in a tension between cultural opposites; nature versus cul-

ture, reason versus madness, male versus female, home versus alienation," the Academy said on its website.

Tokarczuk studied psychology at the University of Warsaw and made her fiction





Olga Tokarczuk (left) for 2018 and **Peter Handke for 2019.** AP, Reuters

debut in 1993 with *Podróz ludzi Ksiegi* ('The Journey of the Book-People'), set in 17th century France and Spain where the characters search for a mysterious book in the Pyrenees. Her breakthrough novel *Prawiek* i inne czasy, 1996 (Primeval and Other Times, 2010) is again set in a mythical place, yet full

of realistic details. "Tokarczuk has claimed that the narrative was a personal attempt to come to terms with the national image of the past. The novel is an excellent example of the new Polish literature after 1989, resisting moral judgement and unwilling to represent the conscience of the nation." the Academy said.

Her magnum opus, Ksiegi Jakubowe, 2014 ("The Books of Jacob"), is a 900-page novel about Jacob Frank, a little-known 18th-century sect leader who upset the orthodox with his effort to unite the Jewish, Christian and Muslim creeds.

Peter Handke

Handke, 76, published his debut novel *Die* Hornissen in 1966, dropped out of his law course at the University of Graz, and went on to write novels, essays, dramatic works and screenplays in a vast body of work spanning more than 50 years. The Academy described him as one of the most influential writers in

Europe after the Second World War.

Son of a Slovenian-minority woman in Austria and a German soldier whom he would meet only as an adult, Handke chose to "revolt against his paternal heritage, that in his case was perverted by the Nazi regime", and "chose the maternal line of heritage". He once described contemporary German literature as suffering from beschreibungs impotence (description impotence) and has "found much of his own literary inspiration within the New Novel-movement in French

literature", the Academy said. Handke, now based in France, is widely seen as sympathetic of the Serbian far right. He attended former Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic's funeral in 2006, and expressed sympathy for the Serbs in the 1990s Yugoslav wars, a subject he has also written about. The Academy acknowledged that Handke has sometimes "caused controversy" but added that "he cannot be considered an engaged writer in the sense of Sartre,

and he gives us no political programs".

Why 2018 in 2019

The 2018 scandal followed the imprisonment for rape of Frenchman Jean-Claude Arnault, with whom the Academy has close ties. He is married to then Academy member Katarina Frostenson, who resigned. The couple ran a cultural club in Stockholm that received funding from the Academy. The scandal caused a rift among members over how to manage their ties with him – seven of them resigned — and exposed scheming, conflicts of interest, and a culture of silence.

It led to the first postponement of the Literature Nobel in 70 years. A group of Swedish cultural figures set up a substitute award, the New Academy Prize, and chose their laureate as Maryse Conde, an author from Guadeloupe. This was to show that "a winner could be chosen in an open fashion, in contrast to the Academy's secret workings", The New York Times reported.

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A DAY BY THE SEA

PM Modi and President Xi need to go beyond Wuhan, stabilise ties at a moment of great political churn in the global system

S PRIME MINISTER Narendra Modi hosts China's President Xi Jinping at Mamallapuram on the outskirts of Chennai for a second informal summit between the two leaders, it is bound to be different from the first such engagement last year in Wuhan, Central China. For one, the sea-side pow-wow in Mamallapuram will be somewhat shorter than the lake side chat in Wuhan. President Xi Jinping will be in Mamallapuram for barely 24 hours. It is no secret that President Xi has reasons to be preoccupied, thanks to the violent turn in the persistent protests in Hong Kong, the escalating trade war with the United States, and its negative impact on the Chinese economy. More broadly, the halo of inevitability around China's rise has begun to fade a bit. If Modi went to Wuhan with an eye on the impending polls last year, he is stronger at home today having returned with a bigger majority. But Modi has problems too. He is struggling to put India back on a high growth path. His bold move on Kashmir has generated considerable international concern. While his diplomacy has managed to put a lid on it for now, Delhi is not yet out of the woods.

Both leaders, then, need to put aside some of the triumphalism that has enveloped the national sentiment in both countries, and look at stabilising bilateral ties at a moment of great political churn in the international system. If the political "spin" about the "Wuhan spirit" far exceeded the results of the first informal summit, the two sides must resist the temptation to hype up the outcomes at Mamallapuram. Instead, they ought to recognise that the problems between the two nations have gotten messier since Wuhan. None of the big issues from the perspective of Delhi — the large trade deficit in favour of China and the consequences of Beijing's deepening alliance with Islamabad — have eased. Meanwhile, the widening power gap between the two nations tilts the balance of power on the disputed boundary and in the region against India. Delhi's efforts to compensate for this imbalance through closer ties with the US, Japan and Australia rile Beijing.

When you find yourself in a hole, as the saying goes, stop digging. Modi and Xi need to reassure each other that they will not allow the relationship to slide further. Second, the two leaders must find ways to advance the dialogue on the boundary dispute. The confidence-building framework agreed at Wuhan to keep peace on the border — after the confrontation in Doklam during the summer of 2017 — must now be followed by an early harvest of practical steps on boundary settlement. Third is to explore avenues for mutually beneficial commercial cooperation. The multiple problems between India and China can't be fixed in a day at Mamallapuram. But small and pragmatic steps can restore a measure of trust between the two governments and carve out a path towards stability that both need so badly at this complex global conjuncture.

PRIVACY RIGHTS & WRONGS

Government is seeking OTT listening posts for security reasons. But the cost to privacy would be immense

YEAR AGO, the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) had commenced a process of consultations to bring over the top (OTT) services like WhatsApp and Telegram under "lawful interception". Now, it is reported ■ to be ready to submit recommendations to the Department of Telecommunications. The objective of the exercise is public security, since criminals and terrorists are known to use the end-to-end encryption offered by such services to fly under the radar. Parity has always been an issue, too, since telecom providers complain that they are regulated and must respond to requests for information from governments and agencies, while the OTT sector is untrammelled. However, the most significant question remains unanswered: Is interception technologically feasible, at all?

Technology companies have always argued that end-to-end encryption is completely private between the correspondents in the conversation, since it is encrypted by a pair of security keys which their devices exchange, and which are available to no one else, not even the OTT provider. Providers are, therefore, unable to provide governments with any communications content, except metadata like the frequency of contact. The US Attorney General's request to Facebook, which owns WhatsApp, suggests that this is correct. Along with his counterparts in Australia and the UK, he has requested Mark Zuckerberg not to deploy systems which "preclude any form of access to content, even for preventing or investigating the most serious crimes." TRAI has said that it is looking at practices worldwide, but it is probably rediscovering this blank wall for itself.

Concerns about crime, terrorism and lethal mischief-making using encrypted communications are legitimate and, worldwide, pressure is developing on providers and platforms to make content available for inspection. However, privacy concerns are equally legitimate, because compromising security would degrade privacy across platforms. Blackberry, the pathbreaker in the secure communications sector, had kept a copy of encrypted communications and provided it to the governments of India, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. As a consequence, the former smartphone giant is now an inconsequential player. Governments are asking OTT providers to go the Blackberry way, but it is insupportable. The cost to privacy, now recognised as a right, would be immense. It would open the door to situations like the NSA mass surveillance scandal. Governments should be careful what they wish for.

SHAMAN VS STRONGMAN

An exorcism may seem an odd way to stand up against Vladimir Putin. But larger-than-life figures leave few avenues of protest

T IS EASY to ridicule Aleksandr Gabyshev, or to simply cast aside his protest as an anachronistic novelty. Russia's Federal Security Service, the successor to the KGB, has even reportedly suggested that Gabyshev be committed to a psychiatric facility. The 51-year-old shaman's plan was fairly simple — to walk about 8,300 kilometres from his native Siberia to Moscow, create a large bonfire at the Red Square and feed it fermented horse milk and hair, while beating a drum and chanting. The ritual had a singular purpose — to exorcise the demons from Russian President Vladimir Putin. Gabyshev was, predictably, intercepted by Russian police and sent back to Siberia. But his articulation of despair cannot so easily be ignored.

The shaman's long march has, by most accounts, galvanised the opposition to Putin's rule. As organised opposition activity and protest has become increasingly difficult in Russia with the state cracking down on dissent, social media has become the vehicle to express disagreement. At first glance, Gabyshev's narrative, which gives an almost magical, larger-than-life status to Putin might seem at odds with his becoming a symbol on social media. But look closer and that contradiction resolves itself.

"Strong" leaders, saviours of the nation-state, encourage and deploy a mixture of premodern worship — an almost mystical belief in the power of one man over institutions and systems — and contemporary systems of information dissemination and surveillance to further that image. This makes them loom large, their image and stamp imprinted across social and political life. Since the institutions of state are themselves subverted to the magical charisma of the politician, the shaman may be a logical recourse for the disaffected.

Time to think small

With China, India must recognise power imbalance, liberate itself from prolonged illusions, false hopes C RAJA MOHAN

THAT INDIA'S RELATIONSHIP with China is passing through a difficult moment is not hard to see, even amidst the usual hype that surrounds meetings between leaders of the two countries. The rhetoric about India and China changing the world has always masked the persistent structural problems that hobbled their ties. If managing the relationship with China has become the biggest test for Indian foreign policy, the second informal summit between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Xi Jinping is a good occasion to reflect on the trends in Delhi's diplomacy towards Beijing.

First is the danger of putting form above substance and betting that the higher the level of engagement, the more significant the results. The novelty of the "informal summit" that dazzled everyone when Modi traveled to Wuhan to spend two days in a relaxed setting with Xi last year has worn off. Like so many other mechanisms before it, the informal summit, too, is proving to be inadequate to cope with the range of structural tensions that have enveloped the bilateral relationship — from Kashmir to trade and multilateral challenges.

Since they sought to normalise relations more than three decades ago, when Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi traveled to Beijing, the two sides have experimented with different mechanisms to address the basic differences. They started with a dialogue at the level of foreign secretaries in 1988, elevated it to empowered special representatives in 2003, and most recently, the informal summits. None of these have been able to resolve the boundary dispute, trade deficit and China's growing support to Pakistan in Islamabad's contestation with Delhi.

Second, the lack of enough contact at the highest levels is no longer a problem. In the 20th century it was but rare when leaders of India or China traveled to the other country. In the 21st century, the Indian Prime Minister runs often into the PM or President of China and has talks on the margins of such regional and international settings as the East Asia Summit (EAS), the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA), the Russia-India-China Forum, BRICS and the G-20. Frequency of talks has not improved the ability to re-

That the Chinese priority is the US should not be surprising given the scale and intensity of the stakes involved in Beijing's ties with Washington. Delhi's overestimation of its leverage with Beijing in the triangular relationship with Washington has unfortunately meant India often chose to voluntarily limit its partnership with the US and its allies. That has not led to any strategic appreciation in Beijing of Delhi's restraint or the need for neutrality in the disputes

between India and Pakistan.

solve the problems facing the relationship.

Third, the current difficulties between India and China are not due to lack of mutual understanding. The problem is the widening gap in the comprehensive national power of the two Asian giants. China's aggregate GDP, now at about \$14 trillion, is nearly five times larger than that of India, hovering at \$2.8 trillion. China's annual defence spending at \$250 billion is four times larger than that of India. More than the size of the spending, China has outpaced India in the much needed modernisation of its armed forces and higher defence organisation.

This power imbalance translates into an unpleasant fact on the diplomatic front. That China is under no pressure to please India. Or, more precisely, it can afford to displease India — whether it is the question of blocking India's membership of the Nuclear Suppliers Group or opposing India's Kashmir move and taking it to the UNSC. That did not change at Wuhan nor will it alter in a big way at Chennai.

Fourth, is the persistent belief in Delhi that current tensions in US-China relations might encourage Beijing to make nice to India. That expectation has turned out to be wrong. The deepening crisis in US-China relations has made little difference to Beijing's approach to Delhi. The movement has apparently been in the opposite direction.

For China, the foremost strategic priority today is to cut a deal with the US. If Xi Jinping can't fix the problem with President Donald Trump in the next year, he would hope that Trump will be defeated in the elections at the end of 2020 and his potential Democrat successor would be a lot easier to deal with in 2021. That the Chinese priority is the US should not be surprising given the scale and intensity of the stakes involved in Beijing's ties with Washington.

Delhi's overestimation of its leverage with Beijing in the triangular relationship with Washington has unfortunately meant India often chose to voluntarily limit its partnership with the US and its allies. That has not led to any strategic appreciation in Beijing of Delhi's restraint or the need for neutrality in the disputes between India and Pakistan. Viewed strictly in terms of power hierarchy, China's strategy does look logical — to keep India in play without giving up on any of its positions of concern for India.

Fifth is the long-standing presumption in Delhi that cooperation with China on global issues will create the conditions for ameliorating bilateral contentions. This turned out to be wrong on three counts. India's support to China on global issues has not led to Beijing's reciprocation on multilateral issues, such as Pakistan's cross-border terrorism, of interest to India, nor has it made it easier to resolve bilateral disputes. Worse still, grandstanding on global issues with Beijing may have made India oblivious to China's rapid regional advance in the Subcontinent and the Indian Ocean.

Finally, if there is one thing that distinguishes Modi's diplomacy from that of his predecessors, it is the appreciation of power and its centrality in international relations. When he took charge as PM, Modi seemed confident about his ability to arrive at some kind of understanding with the Chinese leadership. His expansive engagement with the Chinese during his tenure as the chief minister of Gujarat had warmed him to China.

In the last five years, much water has flowed under the bridge and has probably convinced Modi of the difficulty of persuading Xi to demonstrate any significant flexibility towards India. Delhi's new realism makes it possible to approach the challenge of China without sentimentalism or unrealistic expectations. It should also help prepare India to wrestle intelligently with a China that is in a higher weight class.

Recognising the power imbalance with Beijing should liberate Delhi from the prolonged illusions about strategic parity with China and false hopes about building a new global order with it. That, in turn, should help focus India's effort at Chennai on small and pragmatic steps to narrow differences with China on bilateral issues — especially the boundary dispute, trade deficit and the development of regional infrastructure. Thinking small might offer a long overdue corrective to India's diplomatic tradition of putting the China relationship in a grandiose framework.

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TO RESTORE DIGNITY

A constructive approach, not polemic, is needed to address Dalit concerns

Sanjay Paswan

LAST YEAR, IN March, India witnessed massive protests by Dalit organisations over the dilution of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act. The protests were a response to the Supreme Court's direction barring automatic arrests and the provision of anticipatory bail for the accused in cases of atrocities against Dalits and tribal communities. It also ruled that public servants will not be prosecuted without the approval of the appointing authority. The apex court recently overturned the verdict, acknowledging the unimaginable levels of oppression faced by the socially disadvantaged sections of the society.

The National Crime Records Bureau mentions that there is a 66 per cent increase in cases of atrocities against Dalits and tribal communities from 2007 to 2017. Looking at the Dalit issue through a political lens has caused great disservice to our cause. There is an urgent need to depoliticise the Dalit issue and analyse it from a fresh perspective. The government had the foresight to preempt the implications of the previous order. The SC's move to reinstate the previous provision also vindicates the original law.

Any Act of Parliament represents the vision of the elected representatives in whom sovereignty rests. The Prevention of Atrocities Act was premised on the objective

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Doordarshan — has been put on the shelf. A

group was set up in 1977 under George

Verghese, eminent journalist, to prepare a

scheme to implement the poll promise.

However, the government diluted the com-

mittee's recommendations before introduc-

ing the Prasar Bharati Bill in the Lok Sabha.

communities, thereby ending social disability. The conversation on caste-based discrimination has multiple layers. With the advent of globalisation, growth and modernisation, the location of caste prejudice has also undergone a major shift. There is a glaring absence of Dalits in critical decision-making positions, both in the government and private institutions. Lack of representation automatically leads to lack of empathy and a sense of ownership. The numbers of Dalit vice chancellors and professors in academia, editors in the media and senior officers in the bureaucracy is dismally low. A Dalit, after facing persecution, is left with no alternative than to take shelter under the shadow of the Prevention of Atrocities Act.

of the delivery of justice to marginalised

R Vaidyanathan, a retired professor of finance at IIM, Bangalore, in his book Caste as Social Capital, observed that, "many consider caste as an outdated institution, but it thrives in post-liberalisation India. The establishment and running of businesses tap into caste networks, both in terms of arranging finance and providing access to [a] ready workforce". Caste has not become redundant; it has merely relocated itself. The nature of institutional support in terms of mentorship available to privileged communities is missing for Dalits.

There is a widespread conviction among the community's leaders that the assault on

the interests of Dalits has been spearheaded by the judiciary in recent times. The attitude of the higher judiciary stems from the absence of empathy. There is, unfortunately, little social diversity in the Indian ju-

The Supreme Court has only once seen, to my knowledge, a Dalit Chief Justice — K G Balakrishnan. Although now, with Justice BR Gavai, we hope the court will be more sensitive to the concerns of the community.

There is a need to redefine the contours of social justice in our country. More nuanced conversations on the representation of the socially vulnerable sections is needed. Industry, media and civil society should take the discussion on social diversity at leadership positions ahead. Political parties premised on social justice have lost relevance, failing to capture the imagination of young Dalits.

There are enough polemics on caste al ready. We need a more constructive conversation. Outdated outreach methods like codining and co-bathing will not be accepted anymore. The new Dalit seeks a permanent place at the table. I am reminded of what Martin Luther King Jr said: "Change does not roll in on the wheels of inevitability, but comes through continuous struggle."

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OCTOBER 11, 1979, FORTY YEARS AGO No AIR AUTONOMY The explanation was that the broadcasting

system had to balance the importance of pub-THE SCHEME TO confer a degree of autonlic accountability and the ideal of autonomy. omy to AIR and Doordarshan has been dropped by the government. The bill to create a corporation, "Prasar Bharati", has lapsed with the dissolution of the Lok Sabha. The Verghese Committee's report to constitute a single authority for the two separate autonomous bodies - Akashvani and

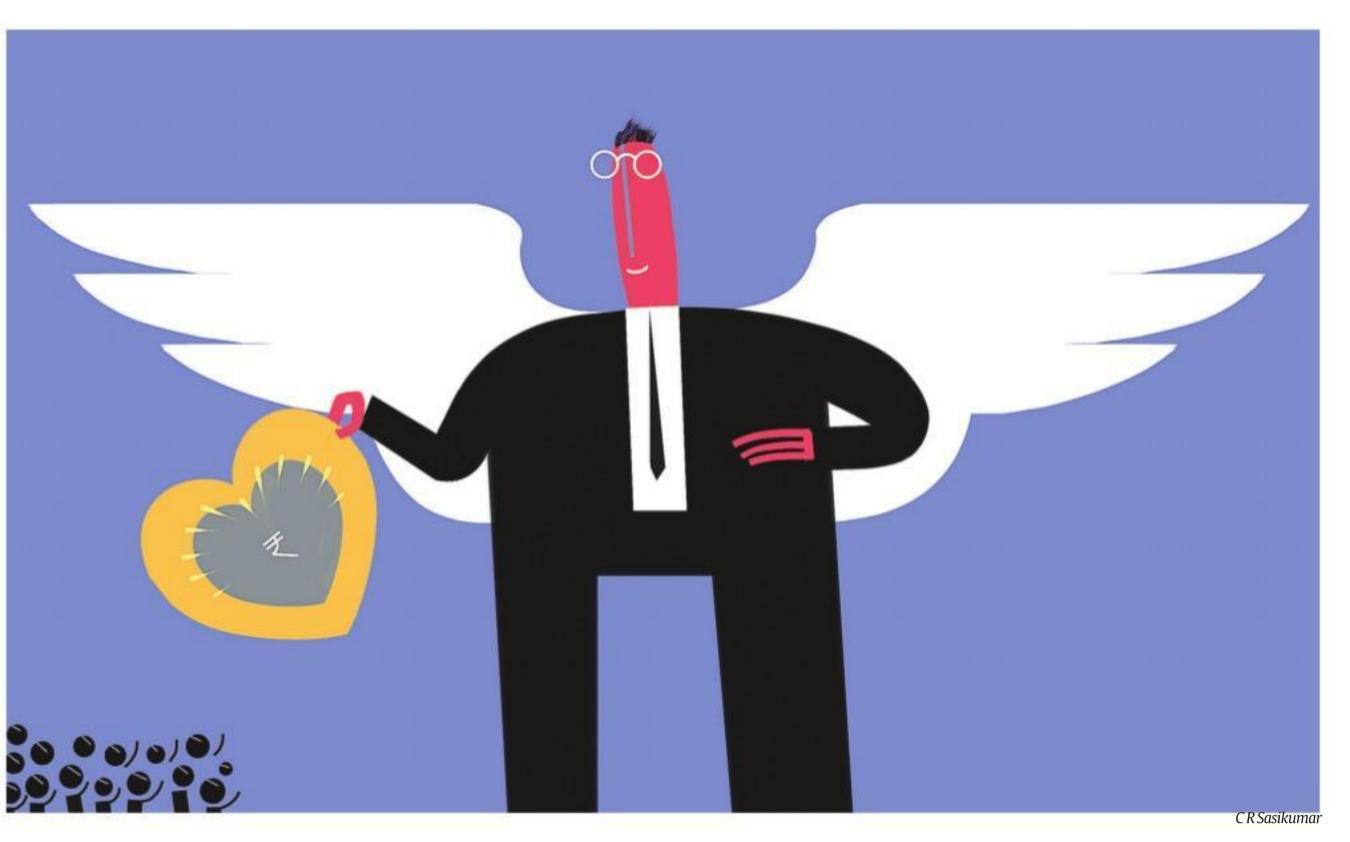
RECOGNISING ISRAEL PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER said the United States will not shift policy and recognise the Palestine Liberation Organisation until the PLO agrees that Israel has a right to exist. "We will not negotiate with the PLO. We will not recognise the PLO until after the PLO recognises Israel's right to exist," President Carter told a Washington news conference. He also said the Soviet decision to withdraw 20,000 troops and 1,000 tanks from East Germany

merited careful study.

DELHI BANDH

THE DELHI BANDH is unlikely to affect essential services like water supply, electricity and hospitals. The bandh call has been given by the central trade unions comprising AITUC, INTUC, HMS, BMS, UTUC and the DESU Employees Union to express solidarity with the striking textile workers. However, the civic authorities, not taking any chances, have made alternative arrangements for uninterrupted supply of water and power. The Delhi Transport Corporation authorities have made no alternative arrangements. Prohibitory orders under Section 144 have been clamped in most parts of the city.

THE IDEAS PAGE



The privilege of wealth

Mahatma's idea of the rich as trustees can make an effective and sustainable difference



IT WAS MAHATMA GANDHI who, after my mother, most strongly influenced my thinking and actions on what I should do with the privilege of my wealth. My mother was one of the founder members of a charitable orthopaedic hospital for disabled children — one of the first in the country after Independence — which she ran for 50 years as the executive

chairperson. I observed, through my childhood, what it took to do that, and the difference it made in the lives of people. The Mahatma's idea that the wealthy

must be trustees of their wealth for the larger good of the people has resonated with me from much before I became a wealthy man. To quote him, "supposing I have come by a fair amount of wealth — either by way of legacy, or by means of trade and industry — I must know that all that wealth does not belong to me; what belongs to me is the right to an honourable livelihood, no better than that enjoyed by millions of others. The rest of my wealth belongs to the community and must be used for the welfare of the community."

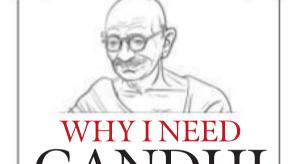
There are multiple quintessentially Gandhian views and ideas embedded in the idea of trusteeship. The first is a clear-eyed understanding of the reality that the enormous inequities of wealth, while unacceptable, are not illegitimate. This is a positive approach. It does not put those with wealth in the dock just for the possession of wealth, unlike a few other economic ideologies. Second, it is clear and definitive that wealth and resources, irrespective of who "owns" these, must help with the betterment of society and all its people. Third, it puts the onus of making this happen on those who have wealth. This is a direct manifestation of his philosophy of non-violence — the wealthy must do it of their own accord, unforced by external pressure. Fourth, it puts faith in human nature, that eventually people will do the right thing, if you trust them.

Unsurprisingly, many people will be sceptical of the effectiveness of this approach to build an egalitarian society. And that would be for good reason. But I believe that over the long term, in the reality of the world we live in, this approach will be more sustainably ef-

In addition to the idea of trusteeship, I think business and industry leaders can learn a lot more from the life of the Mahatma. Let us take just one aspect, which I will call "moral leadership". How is it that this man could sway and influence hundreds of millions of people to action, while holding no formal power over them? Part of the answer lies in the Mahatma's moral leadership which millions followed, not requiring any power to sway them. This moral leadership was a result of three interlinked aspects of his behaviour.

First, was his relentless and uncompromising pursuit of truth. His own discomfort never deterred him, neither did fear. Discovering new aspects of truth that challenged his previous beliefs, he was ever ready to change his mind and had the courage to share this journey of learning publicly. It takes a truly great man to openly accept that he was wrong and to stand corrected.

Second, was the importance he gave to means over ends. We have witnessed this again and again through his life, that even the most cherished end of "purna swaraj" could not justify means that were at odds with the Mahatama's unshakeable belief in non-violence. The suspension of the non-cooperation movement after the incident at Chaura Chauri is perhaps the most well known of these, and is controversial too. However, it did cement the public understanding of the importance of his approach, the importance



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of ethics, of weighing means over ends, and of doing the right thing the right way, always.

Third, was, quite simply, his innate empathy and humaneness. His devotion to the weak and poor is too well known to bear any repetition. His efforts to unite India, cutting across every category of people possible, was one his three great quests. But even more telling was his ability and commitment to see and draw the best from even his adversaries. At the core of all this was his empathy towards all — not only to all fellow human beings, but also to animals and nature, to all that emanated from the universal life force.

With this trinity of the pursuit of truth, the importance of means over ends, and empathy for all living matter embodied in his person, and lived every day in the public eye, he did not need any other power over people, for it was this that gave him moral leadership. The people saw in him a beacon, an ideal, and a leader whom they were inspired to follow. Those of us who are privileged to be in leadership roles will realise that the power of position diminishes with time, whereas moral leadership endures

There are some words of timeless truth whose power only increases every time they are repeated because they are an invocation of moral leadership. Let me end this brief personal tribute to the Mahatma with his own oft-repeated words: "I will give you a talisman. Whenever you are in doubt or when the self becomes too much with you, apply the following test. Recall the face of the poorest and the weakest man (woman) whom you may have seen, and ask yourself if the step you contemplate is going to be of any use to him or her. Will he or she gain anything by it? Will it restore him (her) to control over his (her) own life and destiny? In other words, will it lead to swaraj for the hungry and spiritually starving millions? Then you will find your doubts and your self melt away"

> The writer is founder chairman Wipro Limited

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"There are many things in the Chinese model that are worthy of emulation. But frequent executions and purges -- the horrors of the Cultural Revolution should not be forgotten -- should not be among them."

India, China must look to the future

They can help build a more inclusive global governance. But first, they must work past their differences



THIS WEEK, CHINESE President Xi Jinping and India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi will seek to reinforce Sino-Indian ties as they wander among the ancient structures of Mamallapuram. Local sites have been spruced up ahead of the summit, with roads repaved and gates repainted. However, recent events are a reminder that it will take more than a fresh lick of paint to cover cracks in the relationship between the two countries.

Since the Doklam standoff in 2017, sustained engagement between Xi and Modi has brought Beijing and Delhi closer. More work remains if both sides are to overcome the bilateral "trust deficit" that hampers deeper cooperation. If they can do this, in the long-term, China and India have the potential to help revive global governance and forge a new framework for Asian integration.

Xi and Modi's move to cultivate closer ties over the past two years has come amidst a turbulent global context. President Donald Trump's unpredictable "America First" politics has presented challenges for policymakers in Beijing and Delhi, undermining the liberal order that has benefitted both countries. However, the Sino-Indian rapprochement is much more than temporary expediency. It is also a recognition that we live in an increasingly multipolar century, one in which no country can dictate global rules or solve its challenges alone.

Asia will be central to this story. Next year, Asian economies will become larger than the rest of the world combined in PPP terms, for the first time since the 19th century. Not only is Asia growing richer, as it becomes more integrated, it is also coalescing as a constructive force for global governance. While a lack of leadership or consensus hampers badly-needed reform of global institutions, Asia has become the locus for new multilateral initiatives. This is evident in new trade pacts like the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) and the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP), as well as new institutions such as the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).

China and India are destined to play pivotal roles in the "Asian century." Both share interests in promoting a fairer, more inclusive form of globalisation. Together, they constitute 35 per cent of the world's population and their economies constitute 45 per cent of global growth. Jointly, China and India have the critical mass to galvanise reform of institutions such as the WTO, IMF and UN so that developing countries get more say. A robust Sino-Indian relationship would also be an anchor for regional stability, paving the way for a more integrated, prosperous Asian community.

Recent events in disputed regions reflect the challenges in fulfilling this collective promise. In particular, unresolved border issues and regional politics have left lingering suspicions between the two countries. Turning this trust deficit into a "cooperation dividend" means forging a new paradigm

for Sino-Indian relations — one that ringfences thorny issues of contention while cultivating mutual benefits. In particular, there is great scope for deeper cooperation in areas such as economy, connectivity, culture, and environmental protection. Economically, China and India have huge

complementarities given their strengths in manufacturing and services, respectively. IT is another promising area for collaboration - China is a leading investor in AI and quantum communications, while India is a world-leader in software outsourcing and IT consulting. These synergies could be unlocked through deeper cooperation in trade and investment. To this end, China and India should redouble efforts to complete the RCEP. This free trade agreement would not only boost economic ties between China and India; it would also be a gamechanger for integration in Asia.

Connectivity cooperation between China and India would further catalyse this integration process, helping to cut transport costs and spur trade. Delhi retains reservations about the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). However, if carried out in an open, consultative manner, connectivity initiatives by China and India should be seen as complementary, not competing. To enhance trust and facilitate genuine participation by all stakeholders, China should take concrete steps to multilateralise the BRI. The AIIB, of which India is the largest recipient to date offers a useful model. For example, establishing a BRI International Cooperation Committee would enable active involvement by all countries, including India, if and when it is willing.

Alongside the movement of goods and capital, flows of people are a vital component of Asia's integration. Inter-Asian tourism and talent flows are booming. However, cultural ties between China and India remain thinner than might be expected. Just a tiny fraction of the millions of Chinese and Indian tourists and students going abroad is between the two countries. More can be done to build friendships between Chinese and Indians, such as improving visa processes and creating programmes for talent and academic exchange.

The last area to highlight — arguably the most important for long-term cooperation — is environmental protection. As the most populous countries on earth, joint efforts between China and India will be crucial to tackle environmental challenges like climate change. The destinies of China and India are inextricably linked through a shared atmosphere, water resources, and the Himalayan ecology. Both countries face ecological crises. But together, they can provide new impetus for environmental governance, promoting solutions that balance sustainability and development.

peppered with references to ancient ties between China and India's great civilisations. But the two leaders should focus firmly on the future if they are to lay the foundations for a lasting bilateral relationship. Over the coming century, cooperation between China and India can play a crucial role in reviving multilateralism and building a more united Asia. The obstacles which must be overcome to achieve this are truly Himalayan. Yet, the potential gains are even greater.

The Xi-Modi summit will no doubt be

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Too many cooks

On AI, various government agencies have conflicting and confusing strategies

Viksit Gaur and Akriti Gaur

TO BE A \$5-trillion economy by 2025, India needs to build a cohesive national strategy around artificial intelligence (AI). While the government has been vocal about its intention to mainstream AI applications for social good, and ensure that AI research in India keeps pace with global developments, there is little evidence to show that even the basic building blocks to achieve this have been put in place.

Multiple calls taken by various governmental agencies have led to seemingly independent and often confusing strategies, resulting in conflict and a very real danger of ineffective execution. Till date, the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITy), the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), and the Niti Aayog have all released national strategy documents, each of them containing recommendations on governing structures, policy, as well as proposals on creation of new agencies. Surprisingly — and worryingly — there is no mention of how (and if) these structures will co-exist towards the goal of a unified AI strategy for the country.

For instance, the Niti Aayog's "National Strategy for AI" report allocates a budget of Rs 7,500 crore and recommends setting up

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Centers for Research Excellence (COREs) in conjunction with academic institutions. It also recommends setting up International Centers for Transformational AI (ICTAIs) in association with leading industry players. It falls short, however, of clearly recommending the governance framework under which this should happen. The DIPP is next, with a budget of Rs 1,200 crore towards setting up the National AI Mission (N-AIM). The N-AIM is supposed to be the nodal agency for all "AI related activities" in India which will also set up their own "centers of excellence" to promote interdisciplinary research, and assess the performance of various AI-based products in India. The MEITy on the other hand plans to al-

locate a Rs 400-crore budget for new technology initiatives as part of the Digital India Programme, including working with the Digital India Corporation to set up yet another apex body for AI called the National Center for Artificial Intelligence (NCAI). While details on this are sparse, it has recently emerged that the ministry is at loggerheads with the Niti Aayog in terms of who ought to ultimately spearhead this movement. While the Union finance ministry appears to have weighed in to resolve the tussle, the final policy call on who gets to lead the charge is shrouded in controversy and uncertainty.

Moreover, sector-specific AI applications, as diverse as facial recognition and crop classification, are being supervised by different state and central-level ministries with seemingly no consolidation around these national AI strategies. This can lead to fragmented adoption of technology, duplication of effort, and a wasteful use of financial resources.

While it is clear that India is heading in a direction where both the private and public sectors are unified in their commitment to promote and upscale AI, most of these commitments have been made on paper, in budget speeches, proposals and heavily researched reports. In fact, none of the recommendations highlighted earlier have yet been implemented in any useful form — this is in stark contrast to countries like Taiwan, which went from announcing a \$36-million project to build a supercomputing platform to boost AI research in June 2018, to launching the National Public Cloud Computing platform, based on the Taiwania 2 supercomputer, in June 2019.

It is important that policy-makers and agencies converge their ideas around the

groundwork that has been laid to streamline the effective creation and implementation of the country's national AI strategy. There is also a need for greater transparency in the timelines and roadmaps associated with these announcements, so that startups, nongovernmental organisations and researchers can not only provide their input, but also understand when they can use some of this promised infrastructure if they are to compete at the international level.

Ultimately, India's AI strategy narrative needs to change from being a reactionary step to "counter the charge" of countries like China, to a proactive one where policies and infrastructure made in the country serve as "a beacon of inspiration" to other countries that are further behind. As the DIPP policy recognises, "people, process and technology" are non-negotiable for AI to proliferate in India, but in the absence of the first two, much will still left to be achieved in the third.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THEY DO SPEND

it on millennials', (IE, October 10). The spending priorities of the millennials are different from that of the earlier generations. They do not like to invest in real estate or automobiles unless there is a dire need. But millennials are also known to spend ona a range of products and services. India, in fact, could realise the visible benefit of the economic reforms only after the first batch of millennials entered the job market.

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Just blame

Sudip Kumar Dey, Kolkata

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Just blame it on the millennials' (IE, October 10). Since less than 5 per cent of the workforce has the necessary formal training, skill development is the need of the hour. Programmes such as the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana should also assess employment opportunities for the skilled youth.

Arpita Mary Abraham, Faridabad

DENYING A CM

THIS REFERS TO the editorial. 'Denving Denmark' (IE, October 10). It is incomprehensible that the CM of a state has to seek permission from Centre for an official visit overseas. The Centre refus-

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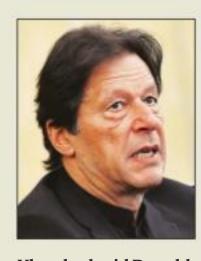
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ing the Delhi to visit Denmark is equally unacceptable. The CM who has a mandate to run a state cannot take the call to attend an official seminar outside the country. It is akin to treating the CM of a state like a kindergarten student.

Deepak Singhal, Chennai

'YEMEN MAY BECOME WORLD'S POOREST'

Yemen is on course to become the world's poorest country if the conflict persists, the United Nations said in a report. "If fighting continues through 2022, Yemen will rank the poorest country in the world, with 79 per cent of the population living under the poverty line and 65 per cent classified as extremely poor," according to the UNDP report.



Khan had said Donald Trump asked him to mediate with Iran to defuse tensions in the Middle East.

PAKISTAN Imran to visit Tehran, Riyadh

Islamabad: Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan is likely to visit Iran and Saudi Arabia later this month as part of Islamabad's efforts to defuse the increasing tensions in the Middle East, according to a media report. Quoting Foreign Office sources, The Express Tribune reported that Khan is likely to visit Tehran and Riyadh later this month to mediate between Iran and Saudi However, the dates are yet to be finalised.

MALAYSIA 2 leaders held for 'LTTE ties'

Kuala Lumpur: Malaysian police on Thursday arrested seven people, including two politicians, suspected of having links to the now-defunct Sri Lankan Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) separatist group. Malaysia has listed the LTTE as a terrorist organisation since 2014 amid reports of attempts to revive the group from abroad. Authorities arrested seven people on suspicion of "supporting, promoting, recruiting, fundraising for and possessing items linked to militants", Malaysian police counterterrorism chief Ayob Khan Mydin Pitchay told reporters. Ayob did not name the suspects but the Democratic Action Party, a member of Malaysia's ruling coalition, confirmed in a statement that two of its as-

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arrested.

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At least one killed in unrest

Lima: At least one indigenous protester was killed in unrest in Ecuador's capital Quito during a national strike against President Lenin Moreno's austerity measures, the ombudsman's office said on Thursday. The state institution that monitors conflicts said the protester died from brain trauma on Wednesday. It was also investigating reports by indigenous group Conaie that other protesters died during a police crackdown on the massive demonstrations.

AGENCIES

TOPOFTHE WORLD Turkey presses offensive in northeast Syria, Erdogan hits out at critics

DAREN BUTLER & ORHAN COSKUN ISTANBUL, ANKARA, OCTOBER 10

TURKEY PRESSED its military offensive against U.S.-allied Kurdish fighters in northeast Syria on Thursday, shelling towns and bombing targets from the air in an operation that has forced thousands of people to flee their homes.

At least 23 fighters with the Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) and eight civilians, two them SDF administrators, have been killed, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said.

The SDF has not given a casualty toll, while six fighters with Turkey-backed rebel groups have also been killed.

More than 60,000 people have fled since the offensive began, the Observatory added. The towns of Ras al-Ain and Darbasiya, some 60 km to the east, have been largely deserted as a result of the attack.

Jets conducted operations up to 30 km (18 miles) into Syria, and a Reuters witness saw shells exploding just outside the town

LALITK JHA

WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 10

FOR THE first time, former vice

president and Democratic presi-

dential frontrunner Joe Biden has

called for President Donald

Trump's impeachment, saying the

White House occupant is a "threat

to American democracy" and has

New Hampshire on Wednesday,

Biden, 76, said, "No President in

American history ever dared en-

gage in such unimaginable behav-

iour. With his words and with his

actions, President Trump has in-

dicted himself. By obstructing jus-

tice and refusing to comply with

the congressional inquiry, he has

Constitution, our democracy,

and our basic integrity, he should

be impeached," said Biden.

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The town of Ras al-Ain has been largely deserted as a result of the attack. AP

of Tel Abyad. "The operation is currently continuing with the involvement of all our units... 109 terrorists have been killed so far," Turkey president Tayyip Erdogan said in a speech to members of his AK Party in Ankara.

Meanwhile, six people, including a 9-month-old baby, were killed during mortar and rocket fire from Syria into Turkish border towns.

Joe Biden, Donald Trump

No blackmail, says

Ukraine president

Kyiv: Ukraine president

Volodymyr Zelenskiy in-

sisted Thursday that he

faced "no blackmail"

from Donald Trump in

their phone call that

helped spark an im-

peachment inquiry, try-

ing to claw back his cred-

ibility. Zelenskiy said for

the first time that his

country will "happily" in-

vestigate the conspiracy

NATO member Turkey has

said it intends to create a "safe zone" for the return of millions of refugees to Syria.

But world powers fear the operation could intensify Syria's eight-year-old conflict, and runs the risk of Islamic State prisoners escaping from camps amid the chaos. Erdogan sought to assuage those concerns, saying that militants from the jihadist group would not be allowed to rebuild a presence in the region. voiced opposition to the operation, Erdogan said those objecting to Turkey's actions were dishonest. "They are not honest, they just make up words," Erdogan said in

Taking aim at the European

Union and Arab powers Saudi

Arabia and Egypt, which have

blistering speech in which he hit back at critics. "We, however, create action and that is our difference." Referring to Saudi Arabia, Erdogan said, "Look in the mirror

state?" he asked. "Did tens of thousands of people not die in Yemen?" "Hey, European Union, pull yourself together. If you try to label this operation as an occupation... we will open the gates and send 3.6

first. Who brought Yemen to this

million refugees your way," he said. Erdogan said that once Turkey takes control in northeast Syria, Islamic State "will not be able to establish a presence in the region. I want to give this guarantee to the world".

Syria's deputy foreign minister Faisal Maqdad attacked Kurdishled forces, saying they had betrayed their country and accused them of a separatist agenda that gave Turkey a pretext to violate his country's sovereignty. **REUTERS**



May impact economy, ties

TURKEY'S RECOVERY

from recession faces the threat of US sanctions that could hit the lira and harden Turkish distrust of Western allies. Its plan to create a safe zone is also likely to face resistance from its European allies, who may not want to pay for any new humanitarian crisis on their doorstep. The threat of any new militancy in Syria may also further complicate Ankara's chances of joining the EU and threaten a migration deal between Brussels and Ankara.



Wiranto was attacked during his visit to Pandeglang, in **Banten province.** *Antara Foto/Reuters*

Indonesia security minister stabbed by IS suspect

JIM GOMEZ

JAKARTA, OCTOBER 10

A KNIFE-WIELDING man suspected of belonging to a radical Islamic group wounded Indonesia's security minister, a local police chief and another person in an attack in western Indonesia on Thursday, officials

President Joko Widodo called the suspect a terrorist and urged people to help combat radicalism following the stabbing of security minister Wiranto in Banten province, where authorities say Muslim militants have a presence.

The attack came just over a week before Widodo's inauguration for his second five-year term in office.

"He is now being treated and undergoing surgery," Widodo said after visiting Wiranto, a former armed forces chief. Police said he was in stable condition and conscious after the attack. National police spokesman

Dedi Prasetyo said Wiranto was stabbed in the abdomen. Local news reports cited a hospital doctor as saying he was stabbed at least twice.

name, was airlifted to the capital, Jakarta. Videos showed him being carried on a stretcher, the left side of his abdomen covered

with bandages and an oxygen mask strapped to his face.

Wiranto had just stepped out of his car and was being welcomed by the police chief in Pandeglang town when the attacker dashed toward them, wounding both along with a third man. Bodyguards wrestled the attacker to the ground and tied his hands behind his back while others helped Wiranto, who stumbled to the ground.

not immediately clear. As coordinating minister for politics, legal, and security affairs, Wiranto supervises several ministries and agencies, including the national police and defense, which have been in charge of the government's counterinsurgency campaign.

The motive for the attack was

Police identified the suspect as Svahril Alamsvah and said they also arrested his wife, Fitri Andriana.

Prasetvo told reporters they may have been radicalized by the Islamic State group's ideology.

Investigators were trying to determine whether the attackers belonged to Jemaah Ansharuf Daulah, a Muslim militant network in Indonesia aligned with the Islamic State group which security officials believe has followers in Banten.

Wiranto, 72, who uses one The group has been blamed for past bomb attacks in Indonesia.

Protests in Dhaka after killing of student who slammed India deals

ASSOCIATED PRESS DHAKA, OCTOBER 10

POLICE IN Bangladesh were investigating the killing of a student at a university dormitory allegedly by student activists loyal to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina after he criticized a water-sharing deal with India.

Last weekend's killing has sparked protests at the Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology in Dhaka. Police have arrested at least 11 students for their alleged involvement, said police spokesman Masudur Rahman.

Hasina has promised justice to the family of Abrar Fahad, a second-year student of the country's leading technology institute. On Wednesday, hundreds of students and teachers took part in a silent procession on the

campus to demand justice. Friends say Fahad was targeted after he criticised in a Facebook post the deal signed during Hasina's recent visit to New Delhi. He also questioned another deal signed during the same visit for exporting petroleum gas



A protest against the killing of Abrar Fahad, in Dhaka. Reuters

to India from Bangladesh. The deals, signed during Hasina's trip this month, were seen by many in Bangladesh as going against the country's interests.

Hasina ordered police to strictly probe the case because the suspects are tied to the Bangladesh Chhatra League, an influential student body of her ruling party.

Hasina's student organisation has faced criticism for its alleged in-

Biden. "He's falling like a rock. We theory pushed by Trump have him on tape with corrupthat it was Ukrainians, not tion. He's getting the prosecutor... Russians, who interfered saying we're not going to give you in the 2016 US presidenthe USD 2 billion... And then he tial election. goes, lo and behold, the prosecutor was gone," he said.

US sanctions Gupta family over 'corruption network'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 10

THE US on Thursday announced sanctions against South Africa's high-profile Indian-origin Gupta family for running a "significant corruption network" that leveraged its political connections to engage in bribery, capture government contracts and misappropriate state assets. Among those specifically

named in the US Treasury Department's designation include Ajay Gupta, Atul Gupta, Rajesh Gupta, and their associate Salim Essa for their involvement in corruption in South Africa.

The Gupta family has relocated to Dubai amid corruption charges against them in South

Ajay is the family patriarch who formulated the family's corrupt business strategies and controlled its finances, Atul is widely known to have overseen the Gupta family's outreach to corrupt government official, and Rajesh cultivated important relationships with the sons of powerful South African politicians and led efforts to pursue business and relationships in a South African province where corruption was rampant, the Treasury said.

BANGLADESHI ECONOMIST and

Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus has been issued with an arrest warrant after failing to appear at a hearing over the sacking of workers at a company he heads, officials said Thursday.

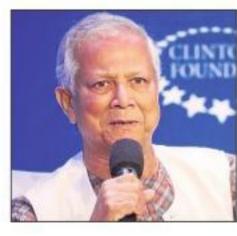
PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

DHAKA, OCTOBER 10

A judge at a court in Dhaka issued the order Wednesday as sacked workers from Grameen Communications (GC) lodged a complaint saying they were fired because they set up a trade union, court clerk M. Nuruzzaman said.

Yunus, who is chairman of GC, did not attend the hearing as he was abroad. The chief executive officer and a senior manager at the company appeared at the court and secured bail, Nuruzzaman said.

"He (Yunus) left Bangladesh



GERMANY SEEKS TO REASSURE JEWS

Germans need to stand together against extremist violence and protect Jewish life, President

Frank-Walter Steinmeier said on Thursday after visiting a synagogue where a gunman killed

two people in attack on Yom Kippur — Judaism's holiest day. Chancellor Angela Merkel vowed

there would be "zero tolerance" for hate in Germany, as top officials headed to the scene of the

Bangladesh arrest warrant

for Nobel laureate Yunus

attack in Halle, seeking to reassure an unsettled Jewish community. Reuters

PM Sheikh Hasina has accused the economist of 'sucking blood' of the poor

before receiving any summons for appearing before the court. As soon as he returns, an appropriate legal step shall be taken," Yunus's lawyer Kazi Ershadul Alam said.

The 79-year-old former economics professor who founded the pioneering poverty-busting micro lender Grameen Bank, has widely believed to have been orchestrated by Hasina. He challenged his sacking in the highest court, but lost. Yunus set up the Bank, which

politics.

been at odds with Prime Minister

Sheikh Hasina since 2007 when

he made a brief foray into the

country's highly polarised

head of Grameen Bank, in a move

In 2011, he was sacked as the

co-won the Nobel with him in 2006, in 1983 to make collateralfree micro loans to millions of rural entrepreneurs. The bank is now run by managers appointed by Hasina.

Hasina has accused him of "sucking blood" of the poor amid allegations the bank charges interest rates of more than 20 percent, and suggested he was responsible for the World Bank pulling a \$1.2 billion loan for a mega bridge project.

volvement with various crimes. Last month, she was furious with two top student leaders after complaints from another public university's vice chancellor that they had demanded ransom from the university.

After China criticism, Apple pulls app protesters used to track Hong Kong cops

STEPHEN NELLIS& **JOHN RUWITCH**

SAN FRANCISCO, HONG KONG, OCTOBER 10

APPLE INC has removed an app that helped Hong Kong protesters track police movements, saying it was used to ambush law enforcement, following sharp criticism of the US tech giant by a Chinese state newspaper for al-

lowing the software. Apple's decision to bar the HKmap.live app, which crowdsources the locations of both police and protesters, from its App Store

plunges the company into the increasingly fraught political tension between China and the protesters that has also ensnared other US and Hong Kong businesses.

Apple had only just last week approved the app after rejecting it earlier this month.

Alphabet Inc's Google on Thursday said it had dropped a game from its app store that allowed players to pretend they were Hong Kong protesters, saying its policies forbid capitalising on sensitive events.

The Chinese Communist Party's official newspaper on Tuesday called the tracking app

"poisonous" and decried what it said was Apple's complicity in helping the Hong Kong protesters.

Apple said in a statement on Wednesday it had begun an immediate investigation after "many concerned customers in Hong Kong" contacted it about the app and Apple found it had endangered law enforcement and residents.

"The app displays police locations and we have verified with the Hong Kong Cybersecurity and Technology Crime Bureau that the app has been used to target and ambush police, threaten public safety, and criminals have used it to victimize residents in areas



Apple had last week approved the app called HKmap.live

where they know there is no law enforcement," it said.

Apple did not comment beyond its statement. The company also removed BackupHK, a separate app that served as a mirror of the HKmap.live app.

Maya Wang, a senior China researcher with Human Rights Watch, said there could be legitimate concerns of misuse of apps but that the statement from Apple was "disingenuous" because it did not make any reference to pressure from Beijing in the People's Daily commentary.

"Given the context of how (Apple) has over the years removed apps and removed access to news particularly inside mainland China that the Chinese government doesn't want, I think that the removal of this particular app strikes me as another shameful incident in which a multinational company bends to Chinese gov-

ernment pressure," she said. Apple did not respond to a request for comment on Wang's remarks.

On Twitter, an account believed to be owned by the HKmap.live app's developer said it disagreed with Apple's decision and that there was no evidence to support the Hong Kong police's

"The majority of user review(s) in App Store ... suggest HKmap IMPROVED public safety, not the opposite," it said.

used in ambushes.

claims that the app had been

The app consolidates content from public posts on social networks and moderators delete content that solicits criminal activity and would ban repeated at-

tempts to post such content in the app, it added. Neither China's foreign ministry nor the information office of the State Council had an immedi-

ate comment when asked about the app removal. **REUTERS**

Classifieds

PERSONAL

My son's actual/correct name is Abhinav Kaimanal Jose instead of Abhinav K. Jose (wrongly mentioned in some documents).Kuni Bihari R/o WZ-48, GF, Hari Singh Park, New Multan Nagar, 0040515533-3 New Delhi-56.

I.Neeraj Kumar S/o-Shri Tara Chand R/o-T-56/5, INA Colony, DDA Vikas Sadan, Peer ki Mazar, New Delhi-110023, inform that Neeraj & Neeraj Kumar both name are same 0040515520-5 person.

,Manoj Kumar Yadav S/o-Rajender Prasad Yadav Residence-D-80, West-Vinod Nagar, Mandawali, East Delhi-92, have changed my name Manoj Kumar to Manoj Kumar Yadav for all purposes in

. Vikas Goval R/o YP-7-B. Pitam Pura, North West Delhi-110088, have changed my minor son name from Vans Goyal to Vansh Goyal for all purposes.

R/o-H.No.43, Village & Postoffice-Tajpur Kalan, Delhi-110036, have changed the name of my minor's son, from Kartikay to Kartikay Singh Balyan. 0040515568-4

I, Tejpal S/o Tek Chand Tanwar R/o H.no-46b, Vikas Nagar, Kadipur, Gurgoan, have changed my name to Tejpal Tanwar for all purposes.

Singh Arva R/o.B-336-B. Sector-19, Noida, UP, have changed my name Surendra Singh to Surendra Singh Arya. 0040515520-1

, Sourabh S/o Ashok Kumar Singh R/o-H No-1/9885, First Floor, Gali.No-1-D, West Gorakh Park.Shahdara.Delhi-110032, Have Changed My Name Sourabh Singh For All

I. Sonu Parik, W/o Yogesh Pareek, R/o-H.No.282-283, Second-Floor, Pocket B-5, Sector-3, Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name to Aanchal Pareek. 040515568-1

42/35, Dr. Ambedkar Bus Terminal, JLN Marg, Delhito Sneha Chauhan.

, Shivali Jhelum W/o Harish Kumar R/o-56, Bharat Nagar, New Friends Colony, New Delhi have changed my name to Shivali Neem after marriage.

, Shaista W/o Furgan Ahmed 0040515489-2 Begum.

Shah Jehan Begum Rais W/O Raisuddin, R/O-K-6/1, GaliNo-12, Brahmpuri, Jafrabad. Seelampur, Delhi-110053, changed My Name To Shahjahan Begum.

Kumar Gupta R/O-E-2/6a, Block-E2, Shastri Nagar, Ashok Vihar H.O, Delhi-110052.Changed my Name to

I, Saurabh Shaw S/o Rajkumar Jaiswal R/o A-36, Sector-48, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar U.P.-201301, have changed my name to Saurabh Jaiswal to Saurabh Shaw for all future

I**,** Saurabh Goyal S/o.Dr.N.M.Goyal R/o-House.No.8,Block-20,Lodhi Colony, New Delhi-110003, have changed my daughter name from TANISHKA to NIRJHARA GOYAL (Date-of-Birth-20/03/2019) for all future purposes. 0040515520-3

Satish J Sharma S/o Jagdish Prasad Sharma R/o-A124/S1. United-Home, Shalimar Garden Extension-II, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad, have changed my name Satish

Bhargava R/o B-30, Anupam Apartments, Vasundhara

I, Samridhi Bhatnagar Verma W/o Vipul Verma R/o-AE-121, Avantika-Colony. Ghaziabad., have changed my daughter's name from

Veronica Poonia to Veronica 0040515568-6 Verma. I, Rupak Garg F/o-Jhilmil

Aggarwal R/o-535/6, Govindpuri, Kalkaji, ND-19 has changed her name to Jhilmil Garg, for all future purposes. 0040515565-2

I. Ritu Malhotra W/o Gulshan Malhotra R/o H.No.13/127. Geeta Colony, Delhi-110031 have changed my name to Ritu

Dhawan after marriage. 0040515512-4 I, Renu Singh W/O Pranay Sagar R/O Hno.61-62, 3rd-Floor, Pkt-

8, Sector-23, Rohini, Delhi-110085. Have Changed My Name To Renu Kumari.

0040515543-4 Ravleen Kaur Nanda W/o Harinder Singh Nanda R/o H-17, Gf Shivaji Park, Punjabi Bagh West, ND-26, have changed my name to Ravleen

I, Rakhee W/o Atin Soni R/o-B-275 G/F Janta Colony Shivaii Vihar New Delhi-110027, Changed My Name To Rakhee Sandhu. 0040515533-6

I, Rakesh Malhotra R/o-3/24, Roop Nagar, Delhi-110007, have changed my minor son's name from Raj to Raghav Malhotra, permanently. 0040515543-1 I, Rakesh Lamba S/o Rajpal

Lamba R/o CB-113-C, DDA Flats, Hari Nagar, New Delhi-110064 have changed my name to Rakesh Kumar Lamba for all future purposes. 040515473-2 I. Raju Kumrawat S/o David

Kumrawat R/O-Don Bosco-School, Alaknanda, New Delhi-110019, Have Changed My Name To Henry Kumrawat.For 0040515568-7 All Purposes.

R/o-A-101/1, Rishi Nagar, Rani-Bagh, Delhi-110034, have changed my name to Rainish Dandona. 0040515568-2 I, Rajni Bala W/o Anil Sharma

I, Rajnish, S/o Chandra Prakash,

R/o-R-75 Vani-Vihar Uttam-Nagar (D.k.Mohangarden) N.Delhi-110059, change my name to Rajni for all purposes. 0040515565-1

I, Rajesh Kumar Verma S/o Krishan Lal Verma R/o-Wz-138 Lane No-2, Lajwanti Garden, Delhi-110046 Have Changed My Name To Rajesh Verma.

0040515514-1

I, Prabodh Yadav, R/o-H.No.60/65, Gali.No.3, Block-No.2, KarolBagh, New Delhi-110005, inform that in my daughter's(Jyoti)School records my name has wronglymentioned as Pramod Yadav instead of Prabodh Yadav. 0040515568-5

I, Pankaj Kumar Sharma S/o Surendera Sharma, R/o US-139, Ground Floor, Mandawali, Fazalpur, Chander Vihar, Delhi-110092 have changed my name to Pankaj Sharma for all future 0040515470-1 purposes.

I, Padarthi Pavan Yashwanth Kumar R/o G-382, Alpha 2. Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh 201306, have changed my minor daughter's name from Padarthi Lakshmi Laasya to Padarthi Laasya. 040515553-1

I, Nikita Dattani D/o Vinodchandra Ramesh Dattani R/o Flat 573 7th Floor Chopra Appts Sector 23 Dwarka Delhi 110075, that name of mine has been wrongly written as Nikita Vinodchandra Dattani in my Passport K9289542. The actual name of mine is Nikita Dattani 0070678093-1

I, Nikhil Khurb S/O Ramesh Kumar R/O Khasra No.1099, Near White Temple, Bhalswa Village, Delhi-110033. Changed My Nameto Nikhil Khrub. 0040515514-7

I, Net Ram Sangwan Alias Neta S/O Samey Singh, H.No.31/3, Meera Bai Institute Of Technology, Maharani-Bagh, N.Delhi-110065., changed My Name To Net Ram Sangwan. 0040515543-7

I, Neha alias Neha Devi W/o Rajesh Kumar R/o C/o Rajesh Kumar, Kunjpura, Karnal, Haryana-132022, have changed my name to Nirmla.

0040515494-1 I. Neetu Lamba W/o Rakesh Kumar Lamba R/o CB-113-C, DDA Flats, Hari Nagar, New

Delhi-110064 have changed my name to Neetu for all future 0040515473purposes. I, Neetu Gupta W/O Shri Rakesh

Gupta R/O-E-671, Second-FLOOR, Gali.No-6, Ganesh-Nagar-II, Shakarpur-East Delhi-92 Have Changed My Name To Neeta Gupta., For All Purpose. 0040515514-4

I, Neeraj Kumar S/o Jai Bhagwan R/o 217B, DADA Shahad, Village Pooth Khurd, Delhi-110039, that name of mine has been wrongly written as Neeraj in my Driving Licence DL1120110156994. The actual name of mine is Neeraj Kumar

I, Kamal Kumar S/O Dal Chand R/O-New Gh6/156, White-Appartment Paschim-Vihar New Delhi-110087, Have Changed My Name To Kamal Kumar Kanojia, For All Purpose. 0040515533-10

I, Inder Pal Singh Chawla S/o Ranjit Singh R/o-C-106B, Ground-Floor, Kalkaji, Delhi-110019. have changed my name to Inder Pal Singh.

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0070678066-1

I, Harpreet Singh Kohli R/o A-403, Crown Apartment, Plot No.18B, Sector-7, Dwarka, New Delhi, have changed my minor son's name from Angad Kohli to Angad Singh Kohli for all

I, Harpreet Singh Kohli R/o A-403, Crown Apartment, Plot No.18B, Sector-7, Dwarka, New Delhi, have changed my minor son's name from Angad Kohli to Angad Singh Kohli for all 0040515539-1 purposes.

I, Gaurav Yadav S/o Gajraj Singh R/o 031 White House Apptt. Sec-13, Rohini, Delhi-110085 have changed my minor daughter's name from Gunanshi Gupta to Gaurangi

Kumar R/o G1-57, Uttam Nagar, Delhi-110059, have changed my minor son's name from Aaryan Sharma to Kairav Sharma for all purposes. 0040515480-1

I, Bhupender, S/o Balwant Kumar, R/o-M-127,128,H. No.301, Third Floor, Prem Nagar, Uttam-Nagar, Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Bhupender Kumar. 0040515568-3

I, Ashish S/O Parmod Kumar Gangwar H.No-280/1, Parvatiya-Colony, Faridabad, My Name To Ashish Gangwar

I, Asheesh Kumar S/o Gajraj Singh R/o-A-232, Part-2, Pusta-Ist, Sonia Vihar, Gali-No.4, Karawal Nagar, Delhi-110094 have changed my name to

I, Asha Rani W/O Surjeet Sarpal R/O-H-2/23-24, III-Floor, Sector-16, Rohini, Delhi-110089. Have Changed My Name To Asha Rani Sarpal. 0040515543-5

changed my name to Arpith 0040515512-2 I. Anita W/O Ramesh Kumar R/O-Flat No.14/B-10, Sector-3,

Rohini, Delhi-110085., changed

Mehndiratta. 0040515543-8 I, Alam Ara Hafeezuddin W/o Hafeezuddin R/o-270, Gali-Garhaiya, Bazar-Matia-Mahal, Jama-Masjid, Delhi-110006., have changed my name to

Alam Ara.

I. Aditya Mutharia S/o Jagdish Mutharia R/o H.No.97, Okhla-Village, Jamia-Nagar, Delhi-110025., inform that name of mine and my father has been wrongly-written as Aditya and Jagdish in my Passport No.N1146876.The actual name

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0040515489-1 I, Abdul Rehman S/O Ajmeri Saifi R/O E-65, Block-E, Shashi-Garden, Delhi-110091., changed My Name To Abdul Rahman.

I, Anjali W/O Dinesh Khanna R/O-11/47, Block-11, Geeta Colony, Delhi-110031, changed My Name To Anjali Khanna. 0040515543-10

Tapan Kumar Pani S/o Raghabnanda R/o 176 Mavi Mohalla, Tekhand Village, Okhla New Delhi-110020 have changed my name to Tapan 0070678090-1

Masih and W/o Joseph Manoranjan R/o 205 S6 Pent House, 13th Main Road Sankalpa Layout Rammamurthynagar, Horamavu Bengaluru, Karnataka-560043, have changed my name to Shilpa

IShipra Yadav D/o Ashok Kumar R/o C-21/S-2, Dilshad Colony, Shahdara, Dilshad Garden, Delhi-110095, have changed my name to Shipra. 0070678088-1

I Sandeep S/o Matafer R/o M-465 Gandhi Colony NIT Faridabad Haryana have

Rani Agarwal w/o vikas garg r/o-x3368 gali no.2 raghubarpura no-2 Gandhinagar Delhi-31, Have Changed My Name To Sapna Garg.

Rajeev Sharma R/o-C-10/154, Ground-Floor, Yamuna-Vihar, Delhi-53 have changed my minor daughter's name from Grace to Grace Sharma., for all future purposes. 0040515533-2

I Radhey Shyam S/O Krishan Lal Aggarwal R/O-49 Rajdhani-Enclave Pitampura Delhi-110034., Have Change My Name To Radhey Shyam Aggarwal,

Harnand Giri and W/o Rakesh Giri R/o 149, Near Lord Krishna, Benquet Hall, Gaziabad UP

I Mohd Faizal Azim S/o Nawab R/o. CN-7, Ghat no.27, Meer-Dard-Lane, Daryaganj, Delhi-110002, have changed my name 0040515514-2 to Azeem.

I Meena Gupta W/O Sunil Gupta, R/O-A-34, Panchvati, Azadpur Delhi-33., Have Changed My Name To Meenu Gupta For All

I Manoj Kumar S/O Gopi chand R/O-R-90,25 Sq.yds Raghubir Nagar Delhi-110027 Have Changed My Name to Manoj.

I Mannu W/o Ajay Kumar Sharma R/o RZ-33A/1, 3rdFloor, Mahavir Enclave, Palam New Delhi 110045 HaveChanged My Name To Manisha Sharma As Per Affidavit

l Malka Sharma alias Reema Dutta D/o Chhotu Ram and W/o Sanjay Dutta R/o B-17/141/2, Old Grain Market, Nawanshaher, SBS Nagar, Panjab-144514, have changed

my name to Reema Dutta 0070678069-1 I Lavakush Singh, S/O Shri Roshan Singh. Address-Tulsi-Vihr Near Railway Station 24futa-Road Dadri

Gautambuddha-Nagar

I Lakshmi Chalhotra D/o Ashok Kumar Chalhotra R/o 1-B/76, Ramesh Nagar, Delhi-110015. have changed my name to Rosheen Chalhotra.

(203207)U.P, Changed My Name

Lavkush Singh. 0040515533-8

0070678091-1

l Hitherto Known As Dayal Singh Alias Dayal Singh Negi, Son Of Late Shri.Har Singh Negi Residing At H No-1696, Lodhi Road Complex, New Delhi-110003., Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Dayal Singh Negi. 0040515512-1 I Chirutha Spursh Sahdev D/O Shri.Manvender Babber R/O-F-136-A, Ground-Floor, Laxmi-Nagar, (Near-Bal-Bhavan-School), Delhi 110092, Have Changed My Name To Chirutha Babber., For Future All 0040515533-5 Purposes

1 Binita D/o Om Prakash R/o 90B, Mohalla Ganj Shahida, Near Ganesh Cold Storage, Ujhani, Budaun, UP-243639, have changed my name to Binita Priyadarshi 0070678072-1

Anita Chaubey W/o Sh.Shashi Mohan Pandey D/o Sh. Rameshwar Nath Chaubey R/o 256/3A, Railway Officers Enclave, P.K. Road, Railway Central Hospital, Delhi-110001 have changed my name to Anita Pandev for all purposes. 0040515476-2

I Amar Pal Singh S/O Jagpal Singh Ahlawat R/O-D-68 GF South-City-1 Gurgaon Haryana-122001., Have Changed My Name To Amarpal Singh Ahlawat. 0040515533-7

TAlok Anilkumar Singh S/o Sh. Anil Kumar Srivas R/o House No.1059, Sector-28, Faridabad-121008, Haryana have changed my name to Alok Singh for all purposes. 0040515476-1

IShanti Arora W/o Ashok Kumar Arora R/o LD-50 Pitampura, Delhi Changed My name to Shanta Arora 0050156417-1

TAjay Sharma S/o Shri Surjeet Singh R/o RZ-33A/1, 3rd Floor, Mahavir Enclave, Palam New Delhi 110045 Have Changed My Name To Ajay Kumar Sharma As Per Affidavit. 070678034-1

LOST & FOUND

It is notified for the information that my original-qualifying examination-certificate and marksheet of mainsecondary, year-2007, Roll. No-6343157 and senior-secondary, vear-2009, Roll.No-6633226 issued by CBSE, has-been actually lost. Name:-Farhan Ahmed, S/o-Saleem Ahmed Ph:-8588092519.78381440429. 0040515568-12

I, Gayatri D/o Suresh Kumar R/o-542, Pooth-Khurd, Harsukh-Pana, Delhi-110039.has lost my Original-CBSE Certificate &-Marksheet 10th-Class Roll.No.6342362 Year-2000 and 12th-class Roll.No.6622884 Year-2002 and Original-Graduation(B.A) Degree-Certificate of DU Roll No.2235076 Year-2005.

0040515565-10

It is notified for the information that my original-qualifying examination-certificate and marksheet of main-secondary, year-2008, Roll.No-6343786 issued by CBSE, has-been actually lost. Name: Mohammad Suhail, S/o-Saleem Ahmad Ph:-8588092519,78381440429

0040515568-11 I, Anuragini Khurana W/o Raghuvir Khurana, have lost my Original Lease Deed of Property No.3/21, East Patel Nagar, New Delhi, duly Regd. Document No.29, Book No.1, Volume No.6, Page 47 to 48 on dated 26.02.1952. 040515479-1

Lost my original Property document mundri Devi W/O Shri Lal Chand Jain who sold property (No-20, block R. R. KHASRA NO-2753/865, 867, 868,869,870,871,Situated at G.T. Road, Shahdbagh Nagar colony village chandrawal Shahdara, Delhi registered under no-16761, add book no-1

on page no 83 to 86 year 1966) to Shri Joga Singh S/O Shri Lal Singh R/O 1026, Shahdara Delhi finder pls contact Mahesh Manocha S/O Late Shri R. D Manocha R/O H. No-95,HIG Chander Nagar, Ghaziabad, U.P.-201011. 0040515292-3

This is to inform that I have sold my bike DL-5SX-8481 registered on my name Prema Rawat to Shiva automobiles, Babarpur in September 2017 which deals in Sales/Purchase of used Two-wheelers. Unfortunately, I have lost sell paper & already lodged an FIR for the same. So, I am not using that bike from September, 2017. I have nothing to do with any kind of subject that has happened

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after that.

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Rawat S/o Lt. Sh. Singh Rawat & his wife Smt Sarojani Rawat both R/o A-2/167, First Floor, Sector-8 Rohini, Delhi-110085 have cancelled his previous statement which got published on 22.11.2016 in Indian Express & Jansatta News paper in which they had debarred and disowned their son Sh. Vikas Rawat from all their movable/ immovable properties and relations, and now they cancel all previous published notices of disowned and debarred and accept all relations and liabilities and responsibilities of their said son. Now, they have released all relations, legal rights and titles of movable and immovable properties and made free from all boundations to their son Sh. मैं कुन्ता देवी पत्नी स्व. Vikas Rawat in respect of movable and immovable properties and relations and he has full rights to deal with any one on any matter. Gaurav Dhameja (Advocate)

PUBLIC NOTICE

JANG SHER SINGH RANA S/o Sh Harbans Singh and SMT. AMARJEET KAUR W/o Sh. Jang Sher Singh Ran R/o 94-C, AC-Block, Shalimar Bagh Delhi-110088 have severed all the relations with their son SH SARABJEET SINGH RANA and his wife SMT. GURVINDER KAUR RANA an their son JASKEERAT SINGH RANA MY clients debars/disowns them from their all movable and immovab properties with immediate effects Anybody dealing with them shall be doing so entirely at his/her/their own ris

PUBLIC NOTICE clients Smt. Raio Devi W/o Late SI Rameshwar Dayal R/o H.No. 196, Akb namely Anushka and Manshi from th novable and immovable property. Th Sanjay with his wife quarrels with my cliand other family members regularly. That n client has no concern whatsoever with her so and his wife and granddaughter She is responsible in any manner for the acts, de-Smt. Neelam and her granddaughters. Th

Vikash Bhardwaj (Advocat

Under instructions from and on behalf of r client, Smt. Shalu Kareer W/o Nikhil Kareer,

PUBLIC NOTICE

client has lost original Map, Conveyance Deed & Sale Deed of H.No. 90, PKT-A-8 Sector-16, Rohini, Delhi, measuring 60 s. ntrs. Vide its Regd. No. 20,820, Book no. ol. No. 3979, pages 112 to 120 D 1/11/2010, with SR-VIC, Rohini, Delhi ha een lost by my client and an NCR has bee dged vide LR. No. 964797/2018 Dt 02.04.2018, in P.S. Crime Branch, Delhi, n aforesaid client want to sell the above note property to purchaser/s. Any objection b any one may be communicated to my clie vithin 15 days from the date of thi J.C. Trikha (Advocate Ch.No. M-4, C.S., Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

PUBLIC NOTICE The general public is hereby inforr

that my client namely Sh. Harbir Sing Aged about 62 years, S/O- Late Sh Ram Narain, R/O- B-7/12, Miyan wa Nagar, New Delhi-110087, have severed all relations with his son Sh Naveen, aged about 36 years and h family and whomsoever dealing wit Naveen and his family, in any manne would be dealing at his /her own riand responsibility. I also disown my so and his family from all the movable an immovable properties of mine.

ADITYA KUMAR YADAV (ADVOCATE) E.No. D/2194/2010

On the instructions of my client Smit Krishna Sharma W/o. Late Sh. Durga Dass Sharma R/o. 13A/112, Brahm Pu colony, W.E.A., Karol Bagh, New Delhi 110005, this is to inform all that they have dispossessed her son namely Rakesh Sharma, his wife Smt. Anu Sharma and their child Divyansh and their legal heirs from all their moveable and immoveable properties due to their demanding more and more after the namage from his mother. It is further to nform that my clients shall not be responsible if any deal is done with above said Rakesh Sharma, his wife or

I Nikhil Sewak the undersigned director of Sewak Enterprises would like to inform the general public that The plots at village Banthra Sikandarpur Pargana Bijnore, Tehsil information was given to U.P. Police has been registered on 6.9.19. If anyone finds kindly

My client have lost original Volume No. 826, dated 03.08.2010 somewhere in Shahdara Delhi 110032, anybody found please inform Gulshan Bhagat son of Late Shri shatrughan Bhagat Residen of House No. 1/7656, First floor Gali No. 4, East Gorakh park, Shahdara, Delhi 110032

Enroll No. D/3065/14, Chamber No. G-515, Karkardooma court,

PUBLIC NOTICE Our client Mohd, Mobin S/o Late Hafiz Aluaddin & Shamin Bano W/o Sh. Mohd. Mobir both R/o E-12/101, Hauz Rani Malviya Nagar, New Delh have disowned and debarred their son Mohd Asad from their all movable, immovable properties and have no relation with them in future.

M.S. Khan (Advocate) Ch. No. 507 Saket Courts New Delhi- 17

PUBLIC NOTICE The General Public is hereby informed that my client Sh. BabuLal S/o Shri Mantoori Singh R/o House No. 21/15, Trilok Puri, Chilla Saroda Khadar, New Delhi 110076 have disowned his Real Son namely Sonu and his wife Namely Anjana and their daughter and son namely Maanyi and Udit from all his movable and immovable properties and have severed all his relations with them on account of their immoral conduct and intolerable physical and mental cruelties with him. Anyone dealing/transacting with them shall be fully responsible for their acts and my clients shall not be responsible for any

Dharamvir Singh Chauhan (Advocate)

Ch. No. 322, Saket Courts, New Delhi-17

of their acts in future.

सूचना

हम शरद सिंघल पुत्र स्व. जयकिशन सिंघल निवासी एस के.-40 शास्त्रीनगर गाजियाबा (उ.प्र.) व अजय सिंघल पृत्र जयकिशन सिंघल निवार्स के-101 गंगा नगर मेरठ (उ.प्र. अपने भाई राजकुमार सिंघल माभी रीना सिंघल व अपने भतीजों अक्षय व लक्ष्य के गलत आचरण के कारण हम उनर अपना सम्बन्ध विच्छेद करते हैं तथा भविष्य में वह अपने समस्त कत्यों के लिए स्वय जिम्मेदा होंगे। हमारा या हमारे परिवार के अन्य सदस्यों का उनके किसी भी कृत्यों के लिए कोई भी जिम्मेदारी या दायित्व नहीं होगा

सूचना

जयकिशन सिंघल निवासी एस के.—40 शास्त्रीनगर गाजियाबार (उ.प्र.) अपने पुत्र राजकुमार सिंघल पुत्रवधु रीना सिंघल पौत्र अक्षय व लक्ष्य के गलत आचरण के कारण उनसे अपन सम्बन्ध विच्छेद करती हूं तथ भविष्य में वह अपने समस्त कृत्ये के लिए स्वय जिम्मेदार होंगे। मेर या मेरे परिवार के अन्य सदस्य का उनके किसी भी कृत्यों के लिए कोई भी जिम्मेदारी नहीं

सार्वजनिक सूचना मेरे मृव्यविकलो ओमप्रकाश पुत्र स्वर्गीच

प्रमाती लाल व श्रीमती सरस्वती पली ओमप्रकाश, निवासी गांव दरियाप्र डाकखाना उजवा, नई दिल्ली-110073 ने अपने पुत्र जितेंद्र कुमार व पुत्रवध् रानी को जो इनके कहने से बाहर हैं दोनों को अपनी समस्त चल-अचल सम्पति तथा सामाजिक रूप से कतई बेदराल कर दिया है । जो कोई इनसे लेन-देन करेगा वो स्वयं जिम्मेदार होगा मेरे मृद्यविकलो की कोई जिम्मेदारी नहीं

ह० पृष्पेन्दर सिंह दहिया (एडवोकेट) चेम्बर न०-31, सुप्रीम कोई, नई दिल्ली - 01 Enrl. No. D/480/13

DELHI URBAN SHELTER **IMPROVEMENT BOARD GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER. C-7** RANA PRATAP BAGH.

> **NOTICE INVITING** E-TENDER

DELHI-110007

Executive Engineer C-7, DUSIB R.P. Bagh Delhi-110007 re-invites on behalf of Delhi Urban Shelte Improvement Board, Percentage rate bid (On Line) on two bid system for the following work.

NIT No: 67/EEC-7/DUSIB/2019-20

Name of Work: - Providing Built up facilities. Sub Head: - Up-gradation of Community Hall at Mukeem Malka Ganj (PID Pura, No.12002).

Esstt. Cost:- Rs. 30,48,588.00

Earnest Money- Rs. 61,000.00 Tender Cost Rs. 500.00 Period of Completion- 90 Days. Last Time & Date Submission of Bid 17.10.2019 upto 15.00 Hours

Date of Opening Technical Bid

: 17.10.2019 after 15.30 Hours.

The bid forms and other detail can be obtained from the web site (http:// govtprocurement delhi.gov.in)/ All the corrigendum (if required

will be uploaded on portal and wil

not be published in News Paper. (RAJINDER BANSAL **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**

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IRRIGATION AND FLOOD CONTROL DEPARTMENT **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER** CD-III, L.M BUND OFFICE COMPLEX, SHASTRI NAGAR, DELHI -110031

NOTICE INVITING

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

2. NIT No: EE/CD-III/NIT/20/2019-20

HOA: 4711 DEVELOPMENT OF CHHAT GHAT Name of work: - Making arrangement for Chhath Pooja Utsav a various location of Chhath Ghats a both side of banks Over Hindon Canal (2019). Estimated Cost: 28,33,152/-, Earnest Money: Rs 56,663/- Period of completion: 15 Days., Last date & time of submission of tender: upto 3:00 p.m on 16.10.2019. (Tender I.D 2019_IFC_181608_1).

2. NIT No: EE/CD-III/NIT/21/2019-20 HOA: 4711 DEVELOPMENT OF CHHAT GHAT Name of work: - Making arrangement for Chhath Pooja Utsav at Hathi Ghat ITO, Sarai Kale Khan Ghat and Kumhar Ghat (Sarai Kale Khan) or Right Bank of River Yamuna (2019) Estimated Cost: Rs. 10,98,208/-Earnest Money: Rs. 21,964/- Period of completion: 15 Days; Last date & time of submission of tender: upto 3:00 p.m

2019_IFC_181609_1). 3.NIT No: EE/ CD-III/NIT/22/2019-20 HOA: 4711 DEVELOPMENT OF CHHAT GHAT Name of work:-Arrangement for Chhath Pooja Utsav at D/s Old Railway Bridge, D/s Geeta Colony, U/s Geeta Colony and Spur No. 12 on left Bank of River Yamuna (2019). Estimated Cost: Rs 17,12,834/-, Earnest Money: Rs 34,257/- Period of completion: 15 Days: Last date & time of submission of tender: upto 3:00 p.m on 16.10.2019 (Tender I.D 2019_IFC_181610_1). 4.NIT No: EE/CD-III/NIT/23/2019-20

HOA: 4711 DEVELOPMENT OF CHHAT GHAT Name of work :- Making temporary arrangement for Chhath Pooja festival at Mayur Vihar Extention Near DND Road, Bhairon Marg Ghat and Eastern Ghat on left Bank of River Yamuna (2019). Estimated Cost: Rs. 16,08,885/-, Earnest Money: Rs 32,178/- Period of completion: 15 Days; Last date & time of submission of tender: upto 3:00 p.m on 16.10.2019. (Tender I.D 2019_IFC_181611_1). Other details can be seen at website

Executive Engineer ,CD-III DIP/Shabdarth/0814/19-20

E - TENDER PRESS NOTICE

The EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CD-XIII, I&FC Department Govt. of **Delhi**, on behalf of the President of India, invites Online Percentage rate tender from the approved and eligible Contractors registered with IRRIGATION AND FLOOD CONTROL DEPARTMENT. The contractors who are registered with other department and now got their registrations verified from I&FC Deptt.

Earnest Money (in Rs.) 2,82,795/ Time allowed 180 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of

tender through E-Procurement System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.

15.05 Hrs respectively.

4. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/96

5. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/97 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181464_1) Majo Head of Account 4217-Plar (Development of Unauthorized Colony) Name of Work: Improvemen of streets and side drain at Gopa Nagar, A-Block, Najafgarh in N.G. Block. (Reg. No. 1276-D). Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 2,24,12,278/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 4,48,246/- Time allowed 360 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively.

Head of Account 4217-Plan (Development of Unauthorized Village Kh. No. 84/21, 85/16, 85/14/1 Rs.) 1,06,60,189/- Earnest Money (in & opening of tender through E Procurement System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively. Head of Account 8443-(Deposit Works Corporation Ltd. (DCHFC). Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 9,74,853/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 19,497/- Time receiving & opening of tender respectively

8. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/48 Call) 2019 IFC_181448_1) Major Head of Account 4406-Plan (Forest) Name of Work: Protection of forest land by providing fencing in pocket D bearing Kh. No. 47/11, 12,13, 14, 15, 16, 17 18, 19, 20, 21 at village Issapur i N.G. Block. Estimated Cost (in Rs. 25,24,451/- **Earnest Money** (in Rs. 50,489/- Time allowed 60 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procuremen

15.05 Hrs respectively. Note: 1) Details of above mentioned works & eligibility criteria can be seer and downloaded from the web site https://govteprocurement.delhi.gov.in. 2) Amendment(s)/ alteration(s)

XIII, I&FC Deptt. within the period of bid submission.

D-CHECK & E-CHECK MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE WORK

100. Tenders are invited by the Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer, C&W Workshop, New Bongaigaon for the following work. Tender No. EL/29/Q/19-20/02; Name of Work: D-Check & E-Check Maintenance Schedule work along with removal and fitment of auxiliaries for Cummins Diesel engines model KTAA19G5 and KTAA19G10 of High Capacity power cars at New Bongaigaon. Tender Value: ₹3,15,04,108/-. Earnest Money: ₹3,07,500/-.Last date & time of submission of tender at 13:00 hrs. on 22-10-2019 and will be Opened at 15:35 hrs. on 22-10-2019. The complete information with the tender document of above e-tender will be available upto 13:00 hrs. on 22-10-2019 in website www.ireps.gov.in.

E-Tender Notice No. EL/29/Q/19-20/02/

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मण्डल रेल प्रबन्धक (वाणिज्य), उत्तर पश्चिम रेलवे, बीकानेर भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से अनुभवी विज्ञापन एजेंसियों से बीकानेर मण्डल के बीकानेर, लालगढ, हिसार, सिरसा, हनुमानगढ एवं सुरतगढ रेलवे स्टशेनों पर स्टेशन एरिया में रेलवे द्वारा खीकृत आकार एवं स्थानों पर ग्लोसाईन बोर्ड एवं साईन बोर्ड के लिए वाणिज्य प्रचार प्राधिकार में लीज पर देने की तिथि से तीन वर्ष की अवधि हेतु ई-निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। इस सम्बन्ध में विस्तुत जानकारी IREPS की वेबसाइट www.ireps.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है। 1. कार्य का नाम एवं स्थान : बीकानेर मण्डल के 08 रेलवे स्टेशनों पर स्टेशन एरिया में रेलवे द्वारा स्वीकृत आकार एवं स्थानों पर ग्लोसाईन बोर्ड एवं साईन बोर्ड इत्यादि के लिए वाणिज्य प्रचार प्राधिकार में लीज पर देने हेत्। 2. कार्य की अनुमानित लागतः IREPS की वेबसाइट पर दर्शाये गए विस्तृत विवरण के अनुसार। 3. बयाना राशि : IREPS की वेबसाइट पर दर्शाये गए विस्तृत विवरण के अनुसार। 4. ई-टेण्डर खोलने की तिथि एवं समय ई-टेण्डर दिनांक 18.11.2019 को 15.30 बजे खोला जायेगा। 5. IREPS की वेबसाइटः

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

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The Executive Engineer, Civi Division No.IX, I&FC Department Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Sector-15 Rohini, New Delhi-110085 invites on behalf of the President of India online percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractor registered with Irrigation & Flood Control Department for the following works:

1. NIT No: EE/CD-IX/NIT/16/2nd

Call/2019-20 **Name of work**:- Delh

village Development Board in NCT

of Delhi. Sub Work:- Demolishing and reconstruction of three storey Harijan Chaupal at village Rithala in Rithala AC 06, Delhi. Estimated Cost: Rs. 1,57,52,658/- Earnest Money: Rs. 3,15,053/- Period of completion: 09 Months, Last date & time of submission of tender upto 03:00 p.m on 14.10.2019 (Tender I.D.- 2019_IFC_181519_1 2. NIT No: EE/CD-IX/NIT/40/2019-20 Name of work:- Providing and fixing steel gates in Badli Extn village in Badli Constituency AC-05 Estimated Cost: Rs. 38,74,497/ Earnest Money: Rs. 77,490/ Period of completion: 04 Months Last date & time of submission of tender: upto 03:00 p.m or

14.10.2019. (Tender I.D.-2019_IFQ 181524_1) 3. NIT No: EE/CD-IX/NIT/41/2019-20 Name of work:- Renovation of Kabristan at village Mangolpul Khurd Delhi. Estimated Cost: Rs 30,50,651/- **Earnest Money:** Rs 61,013/- Period of completion: 06 Months, Last date & time of

submission of tender: upto 03:00

pm on 14.10.2019. (Tender I.D. 2019_IFC_181544_1) Note.1) The Tender forms and other details can be obtained from website

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11-10-2019 17-10-2019 at 11AM at APTS, 31 Floor, R&B Building, Date, Time and Venue for pre-bid conference Labbipet, M.G. Road, Vijayawada 28-10-2019, 03.00 PM Bid closing date/time Bid Document Fee Rs. 10,000/-K. Shyam Sunder, Manager, Mobile: 99630 29402. APTS Contact person Email: shyamsunder.k@gov.in

APTS Reference No. ITC51-14027/7/2019-PROC-APTS For further details regarding detailed Tender Notification, specifications and digital certificate please visit https://www.apts.gov.in and www.apeprocurement.gov.in.

future. 0040515520-4

0040515485-1 I, Umed Singh, S/o Rattan Singh,

0040515484-1 I, Surendra Singh S/o Chandan

Purposes. 0040515520-2

Sneha D/o Chunni Lal R/o-C-110002 have changed my name 0040515568-10

0040515543-2 R/o 1019, Gali Kumharan Bazar Chitli Qabar Delhi-110006 have changed my name to Shaista

0040515543-6 I, Savita Rani W/O Sanjeev

Savita Gupta. 0040515514-5

purposes. 0040515516-1

Chand Sharma. 0040515514-3 I, Sanjeev Bhargava S/o Mr.O.P.

Enclave, Delhi-110096, have changed my minor son's name from Manu Bhargava (Born on 21st October 2001) to Sagar Bhargava for all future purposes. 0040515475-1

> 0040515539-1 purposes.

0040515477-1 Yadav. I, Gaurav Sharma S/o Ashok

Haryana-121005, have Changed

0040515514-8

Ashish Kumar. 0040515512-3

I, Arpith S/o Ashok Kumar Kudukolli R/o 277, Niti Khand-4, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad have

My Name To Anita

of my mine and my father is Aditya Mutharia and Jagdish

Mutharia. 0040515533-4 I, Abdul Samad S/o Amir Khan R/o 1956, Baradari Kucha Chelan Darya Ganj New Delhi-110002 have changed my name to Abdus Samad.

0040515543-9

I Silky Alias Shilpa D/o Gulrej

0070678076-1

Changed my Name to Sandeep 0040515472-1

0040515533-9

For All Purposes. 040515514-9 Neeta Giri Alias Anita Giri D/o

201001, have changed my name to Anita Giri. 0070678094-1

0040515533-1

0040515543-3 0070678032-1

Asst. Professor

Send your resume within 21 days to the college & one copy to Dean, Colleges & Development Council, H.O. : 437, Ground Floor, Sector-15A, Faridabad Contact: 9910685202 RU-5, Pitampura, Delhi-34 **PUBLIC NOTICE**

ASHOK KUMAR (Advocate Enrol.. No. D/4195/2010

Pur Majra, Harijan Mohalla, Delhi-11003 have severed all relationship and disown wife Smt. Neelam and her granddaught and conduct of her son Sanjay and his wi

1/9, Block-25, Shakti Nagar, Delli public is hereby informed that my aforesaid

PUBLIC NOTICE

DIP/Shabdarth/0819/19-2 child financially or non financially. R.P. GUPTA-ADVOCATE 4/7, Asaf Ali Road, New Delh GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI NOTICE

Sarojninagar purchased by my firm, whose khasra number is 641, 642, 643, 644. As per the date of 17/02/2014, Book No. 1 jild No. 16847, No. 3609, Page No. 01 to Page No. 40, Deputy Registrar First is registered in Lucknow. The original copy of the above mentioned plot has been lost, whose first

contact me at 9839402111. PUBLIC NOTICE document of property bearing No. 1/7656, First floor, Gali No. 4, East Gorakh Park, Shahdara, Delhi-110032, document Regd. No. 625, Book No. 1, Page No. 14 to 18,

Mob.9811850207 Nirmal Kumar (Advocate) on 16.10.2019. (Tender I.D Delhi-110032

http://delhigovt.nic.in/tender

process for the work:-

are eligible to participate in Tender NIT No. E.E./ CD-13/ Acs/ 2019-20/93 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181426_1) Major Head of Account 4217-Plan (Development of Unauthorized Colony) Name of Work: Improvement and reconstruction of Internal streets and side drains in Sainik Vihar, Ph-3 ir Vikaspuri AC-31 (Reg. No. 1297) Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 1,41,39,735/

tender through E-Procurement System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs respectively. 2. NIT No. E.E./CD-13/Acs/2019 20/94 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181412_1) Major Head of Account 4217- Plan (Development of Unauthorized Colony) Name of Work: Improvement and reconstruction of Internal streets and side drains in Sainik Vihar. Phase-II Mohan Garden (Reg. No. 777/1642) in Vikaspuri, AC-31 Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 1,06,49,752/ Earnest Money (in Rs.) 2,12,995/-Time allowed 120 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of

3. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/95 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181437_1) Major Head of Account 4217-Plan (Development Unauthorized Colony) Name of Work: Improvement and reconstruction of Internal streets and side drains in Defence Enclave, Part-**l** Mohan Garden, in Vikaspur Constituency AC-31 (Reg. No. 954) **Estimated Cost** (in Rs.) 1,59,58,516/-Earnest Money (in Rs.) 3,19,170/-Time allowed 180 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs &

(ID No. 2019_IFC_181432_1) Major Head of Account 4217-Plan (Development of Unauthorized Colony) Name of Work: Improvement and construction of road and side ains Sainik Enclave Sec-2, Sainik Vihar, Extn. (Reg. No. 243) in AC-3 Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 2,28,03,135/ Earnest Money (in Rs.) 4,56,063/ Time allowed 180 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procuremen System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs 8 15.05 Hrs respectively.

6. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/98 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181460_1) Major Colony) Name of Work: Improvement of streets and side drain at Jharoda 85/14/2, 92/22, 92/23, 85/8, 85/9 85/12, 85/13, 156 in N.G. Block. (Reg No. 137-ELD). Estimated Cost (ir Rs.) 2,13,204/- Time allowed 120 Days. Last date & time of receiving

7. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2019-20/99 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181539_1) Major of DCHFC) Name of Work: Providing and fixing of fire safety equipments a Delhi Co-operative Housing Finance allowed 60 Days. Last date & time of through E-Procurement System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs & 15.05 Hrs

System 14-10-2019 on 15.00 Hrs 8

corrigendum if any, will be available a website only. **3)** EMD in the form of Bankers Cheque/DD/Fixed Deposit receipt in F/o FF/CD-XIII I&FC Deptt shall be scanned and uploaded to the e-tender website within the period of big submission. The original EMD should be deposited in the office of EE/CD-

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CD-XIII DIP/Shabdarth/0820/19-20

fenders are invited from APEPDCL registered vendors for supply of Cables.

any manner whatsoever.

Chief General Manager (P&MM) CC bills can be paid thru PayTm and also POS machines at our counters at ERO's for cashless transaction

Sd/- Managing Director, A.P. Technology Services Ltd.

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S. no.	Name of work with its location	App. Cost of the work (in Rs.) p.a.	Cost of Tender Form through	Earnest Money to be deposited through E-Payment Gateway (in Rs.)	Completion period of the work	Date & Time for submission of tender & opening	Website particulars & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.
1.	Pay & Use Toilet, Hardoi	2,82,780/- P.A. Excluding GST@18%	Rs. 1180/- including GST@18%	Rs. 28,300/-	One Year	Tender will be received up to 14.00 Hrs. of 08.11.2019 and opened thereafter	Tender will only be accepted via. e-tendering through www.ireps.gov.in any tender received manually or through any other mode will not be considered

Serve Customer with smile

	Tend	er Notice (the	rough E-Ten	dering)		
Name of work with its location	App. Cost of the work (in ₹)	Tender inviting officer address	Tender Documents Fee (in ₹)	Earnest money to be deposited (in ₹)	Date & time for closing of tender	Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.
Outdoor and Indoor works in connection for replacement of signaling gears with centralized operation of point and signals in c/w provision of absolute block working and panel interlocking at Farukh Nagar.	₹1,21,64,557.92/-	Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/II, Northern Railway, 2nd Floor, Annex-I, DRM Office, New Delhi - 110055	₹ 5,900 /- only	₹2,10,800/-	Tender Uploaded date & time 31.10.2019 upto 15:00 hrs.	See the N.Rly. website www.ireps.gov.in & Notice board at S&T branch, 3rd Floor, DRM office, State entry road, New Delhi-110055.

Delhi Agricultural Marketing Board

(Govt. of NCT of Delhi)

9, Institutional Area, Pankha Road, Janakpuri, New Delhi-110058 Tel:- 28522085, 28525232 Fax:-011-28522085, Email:- ambdl@nic.in, Website:- www.delagrimarket.nic.in

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

The following item rate e-tender is invited through e-tendering on behalf of Secretary APMC Keshopur:

ı	NIT	no08/DAM	<mark>1</mark> B/Engg/20	19			
	S. No	Name of work	Estimated Cost		Time of compin.	Last Date & Time of receipt of tenders through e-procurement	Tender ID no / NIT No
		Construction of canopy on statue of late Chaudhary Chet Ram at F&V Market Keshopur	8,45,357/-	Rs. 17,000/-	Three months	18/10/2019 Up to 14.30 hrs	2019_DAMB_181724_1 /DAMB/Engg/ 2019

To be opened online in the office of Executive Engineer-I: (i) Technical Bid opening at 15:00 Hrs. on 18/10/2019.

Terms and Conditions and details can be seen at website

https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in

DIP/Shabdarth/0806/19-20

Executive Engineer-DAMB

भारतीय वायू सेना/INDIAN AIR FORCE VENDOR MEET FOR SUPPLY OF TEXTILES & LEATHER ITEMS

AT HEADQUARTERS MAINTENANCE COMMAND NAGPUR: 04th- 05th Nov 19

SENIOR MAINTENANCE STAFF OFFICER Head Quarters Maintenance Command AF Vayusena Nagar Nagpur on behalf of President of India invites prospective manufacturers located in India for registration as registered vendors for the supply of the following textiles & leather items:-

SI	Item			SI	Item		
No.				No.			
1	BAG CARRYING SYNTHETIC (C CAMP KIT)	OFFICE	ERS	16	RETARDANT	TO V	WHITE POLYESTER FLAME
2	BAG KIT UNIVERSAL		1	17	OVERALL (GR	ROUN	ND CREW)
3	BLANKET AF BLUE			18	PILLOW HOS	PITAL	. & INFLATIVE
4	BOTTLE WATER PLASTIC WITH	COV	ER	19	RAIN JACKET TROUSER	WT	H INTEGRATED HOOD AND
5	CAP FS BLUE GREY & DISRUP	TIVE		20	SHEET BARR	ACK	WHITE & HOSPITAL
6	CRAVAT (WINTER)		i i	21	SHOES LEAT	HER	BOOT DVS & SPORTS SHO
7	DRAWERS & VEST (WINTER)		7	22	SOCKS NYLO	8 M	WOOLLEN
8	COAT COMBAT (FIELD DRESS)	1		23	SUIT WINTER	TER	RYWOOL
9	DURRY SMALL (185 X 95)		-	24	SHORT GYMN	NAST	IC
10	FABRICS (VARIOUS TYPES)		3	25	SHIRT & TRO	USE	RS
11	GOGGLES PROTECTIVE FIELD		l l	26	TOWEL HAND	CO.	TTON TURKISH
12	GLOVES WOOL KNITTED BLAC	K	0	27	TRACK SUIT		
13	JERSEY WOOLEN			28	T-SHIRT		
14	JACKET & TROUSER (FIELD DE	RESS)		29	TIE NECK PO	LYES	STER BLACK
15	LEATHER JACKET (BLACK)			30	WEBBING SY	NTHE	ETICS
sci	ME CLOTHING						
1	HEAD CAP WOOLEN/HEAD CAP (CAP GLACIER IND/TC/4180)	P SPE	CIAL	17	OVER GARME (DMSRDE/T&C	500,068	
2	SOCKS WOOLEN (PROV/S/5431 SPL/2012/01B)	1/500	KS WN	18	OVER GARME (DMSRDE/T&C	ENT	TROUSER
3	BAG WATER PROOF (DMSRDE/T&GS/95/425B)			19		SILVERIN	R (IND/TC/4674B)
4	GAITERS (IND/TC/4279)		3	20	GORTEX SUIT	T (CC	ONSISTING OF 06 ITEMS) /
5	DRAWERS COLD WEATHER (DMSRDE/T&GS/2002/458A				(a) OUTER SH	HELL	PARKA
6	UNDERSHIRT COLD WEATHER DMSRDE/T&GS/2002/457(A)	Ğ			(b) OUTER SH	HELL	PANT
7	SLEEPING BAG SPL (S/6421/BA SLEEPING DF/TC-6)	\G			(c) FIBRE PILI	E JA	CKET BROWN
8	MASK FACE (DMSRDE/T&GS/88	3/370A	4)		(d) FIBRE PIL	E PAI	NT BROWN
9	BOOT MULTIPURPOSE (IND/TC	/3842)		(e) UNDER SH	HIRT	CW (GORTEX)
10	SNOW GOGGLE [CQA(GS)/PRO	V/G7	/1/08B]		(f) DRAWER (CW (C	GORTEX)
11	JACKET DOWN (S/3560/DJ RICH	HNER	/TC-15)	21	KARABINER S 1815/1)	S TYF	PE (DMRL/NNSG/PROV/S-
12	TROUSER DOWN (S/3560/DT R 15)	ICHN	ER/TC-	22	ROPE CLIMBI (DMSRDE/T&C		
13	MATTRESS (DMSRDE/T&GS/200 MG/NPDG/01	08/		23	KNIFE ALL PU 10/01/06 (C)/2		SE [CQA (GS)/PROV/G-
14	RUCKSACK [CQA (GS)/PROVISI 2/08 (A)]	IONAL	/GS-	24	BOOT CRAMP	PONS	[CQA (GS)/US/484 (F)]
15	GLOVES INNER [CQA (T&C)/TC 12/5409/(AUS)/JUN 05/GLOVES		R)	25	ICE AXE AND (GS)/PROVISI		WEL [CQA L/GS-2/09/(D)]
16	GLOVES OUTER						The second secon
EC	C CLOTHING						
1	MATTRESS KAPOK MK-II	8 5	SHEET	SRO	UND	15	SCARF WOOLEN KHAKI
2	HEATER SPACE OIL BURNING	376 A	SHIRTA			9357	BOOT COMBAT RUBBER

2. Display of items listed above for the purpose of visual understanding through feel & finish will be organized at HQMC, IAF by C Eng O (QAS) Vayusena Nagar Nagpur on 04 Nov 19 and 05 Nov 19 between 0900 hrs to 1700 hrs.

11 UNDER PANT WOOLEN

13 COAT PARKA / COAT ECC 20 VEST STRING

10 CAP BALACLAVA

12 TROUSER SERVE

14 OVERALL WINTER

3. Application for interest in registration may be forwarded to C Eng O (QAS), SMSO branch Vayusena Nagar Nagpur on firm's letter head along with firm Id/registration No. of GeM portal with details of range of item being manufactured in person or by post on or before 01 Dec 19. it may be noted that assessment and registration of firm will be governed by the provisional of Joint Service Guide (JSG: 015:2018).

Tele- 0712-2512771, 2512002- Extn No. 7827, 7864, 7871, Fax- 0712-2511306, Emailhorse.shoe@gov.in

For further details contact to:- C Eng O (QAS), SMSO Branch, Vabusena Nagar, Nagpur, Pin- 440007.

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA OFFICE OF THE **ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF, RURAL WORKS: BHUBANESWAR**

Lt. No. 25072 Dt. 04.10.2019

"e" Procurement Notice for bridge works in Odisha (Online- 02 (Lumpsum-Bridge) / 2019-20)

1. Name of the Work : Construction of HL Bridge over river Mahanad at 1st km on Mancheswar village Dhabaleswar

Pitha road with both side approches in the

district of Cuttack. : 01 (One) no 2. Total No. of works

3. Estimated Cost : Rs. 1945.95 Lakh 4. Class of Contractor : Super Class.

6. Period of Completion: 24 calender months.

6. Other Details

Bid Identification No. of Availability of tender **Procurement** Officer bridge online for bidding works (Online- 02 17.10.2019 02.11.2019 Engineer-in-Chief, 01 Rural Works, Odisha, (Lumpsum-Bridge) (One) at 11.00 Upto 3.00 Bhubaneswar PM

in website www.tendersorissa.gov.in

Other details can be seen in the bidding documents, which is availab

Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Works Odisha. Bhubaneswar 25123/11/0008/1920

E-TENDERING PRESS NOTICE

Executive Engineer, Civil Division No. IV, Irrigation & Flood Control Department Govt. of NCT of Delhi, L.M. Bund Office Complex, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-31 invites on behalf of President of India online Percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractors registered with of Irrigation & Flood Control Department upto 3.00PM dated or 15.10.2019 for the works:

H.O.A.: Development of Unauthorised colonies

1. NIT No.107/RE/CD-IV/IFC/2018-19 (ID No. 2019 IFC 181648 1) Name of work: - Repair / Restoration of damaged streets in Bhajanpura CA-Block in Ghonda Constituency, AC-66 .(Regn No 472) including maintenance for 5 years. (Balance Work). Estimated Cost of Rs 12.05.978/-Earnest Money Rs 24.120/-period of completion 45 days H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

2. NIT No.99/RE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181650_1 Name of work: - Development of street pavement & side drains and culverts at Sadatpur Harijan Basti in Mustafabad Constituency (AC-69). Estimated Cost of Rs 53,38,329/- Earnest Money Rs 1,06,767/period of completion 90 days

H.O.A.: Development of Unauthorized Colonies

3. NIT No.149/ CD-IV/IFC/2018-19 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181425_1 Name of work: - Improvement of gali and raising of side drains in Johripur Extension Village, Unauthorized Colony of Gokalpur Constituency including Maintenance for 5 years AC-68 (Regn. No.1135 A/895). Estimated Cost of Rs 62,15,213/- Earnest Money Rs 1,24,304/- period of completion 120 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 4. NIT No.114/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181421_1) Name of work: - Providing and fixing SBR tiles on platforms for Open Gym in various Parks in Krishna Nagar Assembly Consituency AC-60 Estimated Cost of Rs 43,31,607/- Earnest Money Rs 86,632/-period of completion 90 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 5. NIT No.115/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019 IFC 181451 1) Name of work:- Development of damage street pavement and side drains in New Chauhan Pur in Mustafabad Constituency (AC-69) Estimated Cost of Rs 47,67,985/- Earnest Money Rs 95,360/-period of completion 120 days

H.O.A.: 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTEANCE DRAINAGE 6. NIT No.116/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181459_1) Name of work:- Removal of obstructions and floating materials from Bund drain between RD Om to RD 3450m for the period of Six Months (October 2019 to March 2020).1Estimated Cost of Rs 48,33,585/-Earnest Money Rs 96,672/- period of completion 180 days

H.O.A.: 4217 MUKHYAMANTRI SADAK PUNARNIRMAN YOJNA 7. NIT No.117/ EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181642_1 Name of work:- Improvement of C.C Roads & Side Drains at New Modern Shahdara (Near Shashi Public School) in Rohtash Nagar AC-64 .1Estimated Cost of Rs 75,18,527/- Earnest Money Rs 1,50,374/period of completion 90 days

H.O.A.: 4217 MUKHYAMANTRI SADAK PUNARNIRMAN YOJNA 8. NIT No.118/ EE /CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181616_1) Name of work:- Improvement of C.C Roads & Side Drains of R.R. Block at Rehman Building in Rohtash Nagar AC-64 .1 Estimated Cost of Rs 43,45,946/-Earnest Money Rs 86,919/-period of completion 90 days H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

9. NIT No.119/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181644_1 Name of work: - Improvement of damaged Shiv Mandir Street No.6 to 12 including its links of Maujpur in seelampur AC-65. Estimated Cost of Rs 82,75,605/- Earnest Money Rs 1,65,512/-period of completion 140 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 10. NIT No.120/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181644_1 Name of work: - Improvement of balance damaged street No. 2 of Bajrang Bali Mohalla including its links in Maujpur in seelampur AC-65. Estimated Cost of Rs 27,35,017/- Earnest Money Rs 54,700/-period of completion 60 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 11. NIT No.121/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181625_1) Name of work: Improvement of damaged street in Chauhan Bangur in ward No. 41E in seelampur AC-65. Estimated Cost of Rs 89,34,443/ Earnest Money Rs 1,78,689/-period of completion 140 days

H.O.A.: VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT UNDER IDRUV

12. NIT No.122/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181670_1) Name of work:- Construction of double storeyed Sen Samaj building at village Ganwri in Ghonda Assembly Constituency AC-66, Delhi Estimated Cost of Rs 63,66,098/- Money Rs 1,27,322/- period of completion 300 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 13. NIT No.123/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181623_1 Name of work: Improvement of damages street No 6, 8, link fron No 23 to 12 (Gaddhe wali masjid), 48/A of Chauhan bangar & street no 13 & 15 Vijay mohalla in seelampur AC-65. Estimated Cost of Rs 46,01,463/ Earnest Money Rs 92,029/-period of completion 90 days

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 14. NIT No.124/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181621_1) Name of work: Improvement of damaged Shiv Mandir Street No.1 to 5 including its links of Maujpur in seelampur AC-65. Estimated Cost of Rs 73,01,329/- Earnest Money Rs 1,46,027/-period of completion 120

H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 15. NIT No.125/ /EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181620_1) Name of work: Improvement of damaged street No. 4, 7, 9, 11-II, 14 15, 16 & Service road including its links of Adarsh Mohalla in seelampur AC-65.. Estimated Cost of Rs 89,75,149/- Earnest Money Rs 1,79,503/- period of completion 140 days

H.O.A.: VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT UNDER IDRUV 16. NIT No.127/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_181642_1)

Name of work:- Covering of IInd Floor and Renovation of existing Chaupal No. 2 at village Ghondli in Krishna Nagar Assembly Constituency, AC-60. Estimated Cost of Rs 54,16,260 Earnest Money Rs 1,08,325/- period of completion 180 days

Note: 1) The enlistment of the contractors should be valid on the last date of opening of tender. In case only the last date of opening of tender is extended, the enlistment of contractor should be valid on the original date of opening of tenders.

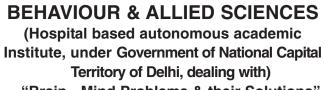
2) The following Scanned copies are required to be uploaded: - (i) Copy of GST Registration /upto date file returned proof (ii) Registration of enlistment in the appropriates class.(iii) Scanned Copy of EMD.(iv) Scanned copy of ESI and EPF registration.(v) Copy of Pan Number. (vi) Valid Mobile Number, WhatsApp Number and E-mail ID.

(3) EMD's in the form of DD/FDR in favour of EE, CD-IV may be submitted in the 0/o of EE, CD-IV physically upto 3.00 P.M.in the date of opening tender. If the same shall not be deposited physically, the tender shall be treated as cancelled. The Detail of above mentioned work can be seen and downloaded from website http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in 4) No manual tender shall be accepted; only tender submitted through e-procurement portal shall be considered.

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NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

The Executive Engineer (Civil) Institute of Human Behaviour & Allied Sciences (IHBAS), Dilshad Garden, Shandara, Delhi-110095, on behalf of Chairman Executive Council, IHBAS, invites Percentage Rate tender from approved and eligible contractors of CPWD and those of appropriate class of contractors enlisted in the MES, Railways and Department of Telecommunications and other experienced contractors through e-Tendering under two bid system for the following work:-

1. NIT No. 20/EE(C)/IHBAS/2018-19, Name of Work: Construction of Half Way/ Long Stay Homes at - IHBAS, Delhi, Estimated Cost: Rs. 11,56,00,038/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 21,56,000/-, Period of Completion: 09 months, Last time & date of submission of tender online: upto 03.00 PM on 17.10.2019, Period upto which EMD shall be submitted: upto 02:30 PM on 18.10.2019, Time & date of **opening of tender:** 03.00 PM on 18.10.2019

The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website: https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in free of cost.

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (CIVIL) DIP/Shabdarth/0809/19-20

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE

TENDER FOR MECHANISED CLEANING

AND HOUSEKEEPING WORK OF

DHANBAD STATION FOR A PERIOD OF 04 (FOUR) YEARS (I.E. 1460 DAYS) No. MC/14/Open/2019-20 Dated 04.10.2019. For and on behalf of the President of India, E-Tender on Two Packet System (i.e. Technical and financial bid) are invited from the Firms/ Agencies/ Contractors of repute having technical expertise and financial solvency for the following work: 1. Name of work with its location and completion period Mechanised Cleaning and Housekeeping work of Dhanbad Station for a period of 04 (Four) years (i.e. 1460 days). Completion Period: 04 Years. 2. Approx. Cost of the work : ₹14,10,69,755.20 (₹ Fourteen crore ten lakh sixty nine thousand seven hundred fifty five and twenty paise) only, 3. Earnest Money to be deposited : ₹8,55,400/- (₹ Eight lakh fifty five thousand four hundred) only, 4. Date & time for closing of e-tender 15:00 hrs. on 25.10.2019. Date & time for opening of e-tender: 15:30 hrs. on 25.10.2019. 5. Website particulars https://www.ireps.gov.in No manual tender will be accepted against e-tendering.

Divisional Railway Manager/ECR/Dhanbad PR/01386/DHN/MECH./T/19-20/40

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ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट अल्पकालीन निविदा सूचना (द्वितीय आमंत्रण) निविदा सूचना संख्या- DWSD/ Chakradharpur 07 / 2019-20 (2nd Call) दिनांक 04.10.2019 PR No- 215200 (West Singhbhum)19-20 (D)

> पश्चिमी सिंहभूम जिला अंतर्गत DMFT निधि से चक्रधरपुर प्रखण्ड अंतर्गत केरा एवं समीपवर्ती ग्रामों में ग्रामीण पाईप जलापूर्ति योजना का विस्तृत सर्वे, डिजाईन एवं डॉईग, RCC Intake Well cum Pump House , 50.0 M Long & 3.0 M wide RCC Gangway, 1. 3 MLD Capacity Uncove tional Water Treatment Plant, 3.5 Lakh liter capacity RCC Elevated Service Reservoir with 15M Staging, Staff quarter, Compound Wall, Approach Road, Weir, Supplying and laying Raw & Clear Water Supplying and Installation of VT and Centrifugal Pump motor एवं पाँच वर्षों तक परिचालन, सम्पोषण एवं अन्य संबंधित सम्पूर्ण कार्य "टर्न की

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वैसे संवेदक जो पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग में पंजीकृत नहीं है, वे भी इस निविदा में भाग ले सकते है लेकिन वैसे संवेदकों को कार्य आवंटन के दो माह के अन्दर पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग, झारखण्ड, राँची से पंजीकृत करा लेना अनिवार्य होगा। प्राक्कलित राशि घट-बढ सकती है।

विस्तृत जानकारी हेतु वेबसाईट नंo-http://www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in पर देखा जा सकता है। कार्यपालक अभियंता

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Directorate of Mines Steel & Mines Department

Government of Odisha

Date; October 04, 2019 **Notice Inviting Tender**

"Invitation of bids for grant of Mining Lease for Iron Ore and Manganese Minerals"

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 10 (B) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and in accordance with the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 as amended from time to time notified thereunder, the Government of Odisha has identified 10 (ten) Minerals Blocks (7 Seven) blocks of Iron Ore and 3 (Three) blocks of Iron Ore and Manganese) for electronic auction and hereby invites tenders for the purposes of grant of Mining Lease. The Government of Odisha reserves the Thakurani Iron Ore Block, Jaribahal Iron Ore Block, Roida II Iron Ore Block, Narayanposhi Iron Ore & Manganese Block and Ganua Iron Ore Block for Specified End Use.

Accordingly, financial bids are invited in digital format only and technical bids are invited both in digital and physical format from eligible bidders.

Eligibility conditions, date and time for participating in the electronic auction are provided in the Tender Document. Detailed Tender Documents along with timelines, notifications, updates and other details for the e-auction process for the mineral blocks are available in electronic form only and can be downloaded from the website of MSTC Limited:

(https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mlel/index.jsp)

Interested and eligible bidders can register themselves on the above website. On successful registration, eligible bidders will obtain login ID and password necessary for participation in the e-auction process. Model Tender Document and Mineral Block Summary are available free of cost on the website of MSTC Limited.

(https://www.mstcecommerce/com/auctionhome/mlcl.index.jsp).

Last date for purchase of Tender Document after payment of a tender fee on website of e-auction platform provider is Friday, November 15, 2019 and the last date for submission of the bid is Monday, November 18, 2019 on or before 12:00 noon (IST)

List of Mineral Blocks for Auction

S. No	Block Name	Mineral	Types of Concession	Tender Fee (In. Rs)
1	Nuagaon Iron Ore Block	Iron Ore	Mining Lease	5,00,000
2	Thakurani Iron Ore Block	Iron Ore	Mining Lease	5,00,000
3	Siljora - Kalimati Iron Ore & Manganese Block	Iron Ore & Manganese	Mining Lease	5,00,000
4	Jilling-Langalota Iron Ore Block	Iron Ore	Mining Lease	5,00,000
5	Jaribahal Iron Ore Block	Iron Ore	Mining Lease	5,00,000
6	Roida II Iron Ore Block	Iron Ore	Mining Lease	5,00,000
7	Jururi Iron Ore Block	Iron Ore	Mining Lease	5,00,000
8	Narayanposhi Iron Ore & Manganese Block	Iron Ore & Manganese	Mining Lease	5,00,000
9	Mahulsukha Iron Ore & Manganese Block	Iron Ore & Manganese	Mining Lease	5,00,000
10	Ganua Iron Ore Block	Iron Ore	Mining Lease	5,00,000

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POLICY WATCH INDIRECT TAXES

GST Council forms 12-member panel to suggest compliance, revenue reforms

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

THE GOODS and Services Tax (GST) Council has constituted a 12-member committee of officials from states and Centre to suggest steps to augment revenue and improve compliance under the indirect tax regime. The move to look at measures to boost GST revenue come as gross monthly revenue collections fell to a 19month low and contracted 2.7 per cent year-on-year to Rs 91,916 crore in September.

GST collections are expected to be hit further as the recent rate cuts announced by the GST Council on September 20 will come into effect from October 1, leaving no room for further rate cuts. Though September marked only the second instance of a contraction since the July 2017 rollout of the indirect tax regime, GST collections have been slowing due to weak consumption demand, with revenue topping Rs 1 lakh crore-mark in only three out of six months of this fiscal. Officials said gross GST collections are in line with the targets so far, but the recent instance of contraction in September revenue has raised concerns about the future trend and sustainability of revenues, especially because any further dip will put strain on the Centre which has to mandatorily provide compen-

The committee for GST revenues, which will have to submit its first report within 15 days, will also look into wider range of reforms such as systemic changes in GST including checks and balances to prevent misuse, measures to improve voluntary compliance, improved compliance monitoring and anti-evasion measures using better data analytics and better administrative coordination. The committee will also look into policy measures and relevant changes needed in the law and measures for expansion of tax base under the GST regime.

sation to states till 2022.

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GST Network (GSTN)

The panel has officials from Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Punjab, apart from officials from the Centre and GST Network (GSTN). Any other state willing to join the panel can volunteer by writing to the GST Council Secretariat.

Slowing revenues are being seen as a risk not only for the Centre's revenues but also for states, which receive 42 per cent of shareable central taxes as central tax devolution.

Revenue concerns weighed strong during the GST Council meeting held last month. The 15th Finance Commission made a presentation to the Council, in which it suggested lowering of the legally guaranteed 14 per cent annual growth rate for states in the remaining compensation period of three years till 2022. The Commission cited that the rates were fixed keeping in mind the pre-GST rates, which have been lowered significantly. States opposed this strongly by saying that stability in GST rate and structure should be the prime objective of the Council instead of frequent tinkering.

The states also expressed concerns regarding the anticipated lower share in devolution of Union taxes, which would also arise on account of the recent announcement of the central government to cut the corporate tax rate. The government announced a cut in corporate tax rate for domestic companies to 22 per cent and for new domestic manufacturing companies to 15 per cent, a move estimated to cost the exchequer Rs 1.45 lakh crore annually.

IND-RA LOWERS PROJECTION TO 6.1% FROM 6.7% EARLIER

'Pronounced slowdown': Moody's cuts FY20 GDP forecast to 5.8%

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

STATING THAT India is experiencing a pronounced slowdown in economic growth, Moody's Investors Service Thursday projected a low 5.8 per cent growth for India in fiscal 2019-20. The forecast is significantly lower than Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) revised projection of 6.1 per cent for FY20.

Meanwhile, India Ratings and Research, part of Fitch Group, also revised its projection down to 6.1 per cent from 6.7 per cent it had estimated a couple of months ago.

In its note, Moody's said, "We forecast real GDP growth to decline to 5.8% in the fiscal year ending in March 2020 (fiscal 2019) from 6.8% in fiscal 2018, and to pick up to 6.6% in fiscal 2020 and around 7.0% over the medium term." Raising concerns over future economic growth prospects, it said that compared to two years ago, the "probability of a sustained real GDP growth at or above 8% has significantly diminished".

Moody's also raised concerns over India's sovereign credit profile. It said that, "prolonged softer growth would dampen prospects for the government's fiscal consolidation plans and hamper its ability to prevent a rise in the debt burden. Given India's already weak fiscal position, this would weigh on the sovereign credit profile". The report added that there are multiple drivers of deceleration and they are mainly domesEXPLAINED Moody's numbers bleaker than RBI's 6.1% projection THE PROJECTION by Moody's is the most pessimistic so far

and comes ahead of the International Monetary Fund's growth projections due next week. A prolonged phase of subdued growth would dampen prospects for the NDA government's fiscal consolidation plans and stymie its capacity to prevent a surge in the debt burden, thereby denting the country's sovereign credit profile.

Last week, the RBI too had cut its growth projection for the economy by 80 basis points to 6.1 per cent for 2019-20. The Manila-based Asian Development Bank and the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development had, last month, cut FY20 growth forecast for India by 50 basis points and 1.3 percentage points to 6.5 per cent and 5.9 per cent, respectively.

tic and in part long-lasting. "What was an investment-led slowdown has broadened into consumption, driven by financial

stress among rural households and weak job creation. A credit crunch among non-bank financial institutions (NBFIs), major providers of retail loans in recent years, has compounded the problem."

India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) also revised its forecast downward for the second time, cutting it to 6.1 per cent from 6.7 per cent earlier. It had earlier revised its GDP growth estimate to 6.7 per cent from its earlier forecast of 7.3 per cent in August 2019. While the government has an-

nounced several measures to revive the sentiment in the economy, it said that rather than addressing supply side, there is a need to take measures that will enhance the disposable income.

Welcoming the Centre's recent measures, Ind-Ra said "they are likely to support growth only in the medium-to-long term. Also, as most of the measures announced endeavour to reduce the cost of goods and services, they are essentially a supply-side response to revive growth".

"The agency believes the bigger challenge facing the economy is from the demand side as consumption demand has collapsed 'India Inc's Q2 revenue may hit 14-qtr low' Mumbai: Rating agency Crisil

said a sharp drop in demand across consumption segments could pull down corporate revenue — excluding that of banking, financial services, insurance and oil firms — by 3 per cent yearon-year in second quarter of FY20. This is the first time in 14 quarters that revenues are expected to show a decline.

In the previous four quarters, i.e. between Q2FY19 and Q1FY20, aggregate revenue had grown 11-12 per cent on average. **ENS**

and private corporate investment is not forthcoming. Therefore, Ind-Ra believes the need is to take steps/measures that will enhance the disposable income/put additional money in the hands of rural/urban households," it added.

Even the RBI, while cutting its forecast for FY20 from 6.9 per cent to 6.1 per cent last Friday, said that while recent measures announced by the Centre are likely to help strengthen private consumption and spur private investment activity, "the continuing slowdown warrants intensified efforts to restore the growth momentum". The RBI came out with its monetary policy statement last Friday.

TCS posts 1.8% rise in Sept quarter profit RBI chooses **ENSECONOMIC BUREAU**

MUMBAI, OCTOBER 10

WITH GLOBAL customers reducing spending, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), India's largest software services exporter, has reported a marginal 1.8 per cent rise in net profit at Rs 8,042 crore for the quarter ended September 2019, as against Rs 7,901 crore in the same period of last year. The net profit declined 1.09 per cent on a sequential basis from Rs 8,131 crore in the June quarter.

Though the profit growth disappointed markets, the company announced a total dividend of Rs 45 per share, including Rs 40 as special dividend. Revenue rose 5.8 per cent to Rs 38,977 crore for the September quarter, as against Rs 36,854 crore a year ago.

Rajesh Gopinathan, MD and CEO, TCS, said, "We ended the quarter with steady growth, despite increased volatility in the financial services and retail verticals. We remain confident as the medium and longer term demand for our services continues to be very strong, as evidenced by our Q2 order book — the highest in the last six quarters."

"Digital disruption across multiple industries is making rapid, scalable innovation a critical imperative in the Business 4.0 world. In the auto sector, our scale in advanced engineering R&D skills and depth in digital technologies like AI and IoT are making us the preferred innovation partner to leading OEMs, embedding us deeply into their product R&D value chain," he added.

COO and executive director N Ganapathy Subramaniam said, "Our point of view on anchoring or participating in digital ecosystems, and the Business 4.0 framework, are clearly helping clients in their growth and transformation TCS to build data platform

Mumbai: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has chosen TCS as its strategic partner to implement a state-of-the-art Centralised Information and Management System (CIMS), comprising end-toend data collection to data dissemination platform, enabling data-driven business decision making.

"TCS will create a nextgeneration AI platform for better regulation of financial markets and better tracking of the country's economic growth parameters. This includes the creation of a regulatory sandbox for FinTechs and other organizations that wish to subscribe to reliable and current economic data,' the company said. **ENS**

journeys." "Our products and platforms are seeing increased client adoption and market coverage,' he added. TCS said UK and Europe led

growth with an increase of 13.3 per cent and 16 per cent respectively on a year-on-year basis. "We have been gearing up for

growth despite the volatility. Our margins in Q2 reflect our continued investments in our people, and in building the capacity we need to fulfill our strong order book," V Ramakrishnan, CFO, said. "Hiring continues to be very

strong to fulfill the order book. Net addition in Q2 was 14,097, the highest ever number of employees to be on-boarded in a quarter. Consolidated headcount stood at 450,738 as of September 30, 2019," the consultancy firm said.

'India lagging in female representation at senior levels' India is near the bottom of the rankings for female representation at senior management levels, marginally better

than Japan and South Korea, said the third CS Gender 3000 report for 2019 by Credit Suisse Research Institute

KEY FIGURES FOR INDIA:

23: Global ranking for female representation at senior management levels

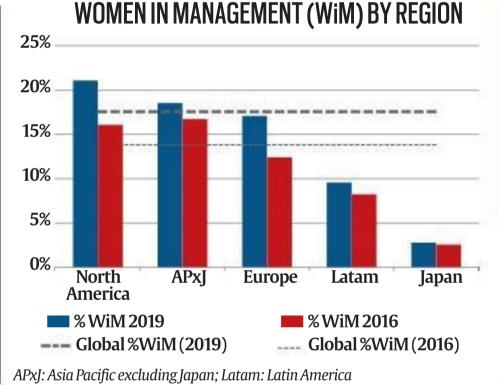
8.5%: Female representation in senior management; 6.9% in 2016 **15.2%**: Female

representation on boards;

up by 4.3% from 5 years ago

2%: Female CEO representation

1%: Female CFO representation



TOP 3 APX NATIONS WITH REPRESENTATION **IN MANAGEMENT** 28% 34% Philippines Thailand

25% Australia/NZ

20.6% Global

average of female representation on boards **29.7%** Female

representation on boards in Europe

Sebi comes out with framework for issuance of depository receipts

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

MARKETS REGULATOR Sebi on Thursday came out with a detailed framework for issuance of depository receipts (DRs), a move that will provide Indian companies increased access to foreign funds.

The new framework would come into force with immediate effect, the Securities and

Exchange Board of India (Sebi) said in a circular.

The framework comes after Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in August said that the markets regulator would soon implement the Depository Receipt Scheme 2014.

"This will give Indian companies increased access to foreign funds through American Depository Receipt (ADR)/ Global Depository Receipt (GDR)," she had said.

HC bars DHFL from paying creditors, asks it to submit asset details

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, OCTOBER 10

THE BOMBAY High Court Thursday passed an ad-interim order, restraining Dewan Housing Finance (DHFL) from making payments or disbursements to any secured or unsecured creditors until further orders. DHFL has also been directed by the court to disclose all assets and liabilities. The order is an extension of a

previous order passed by the HC on September 30, in response to an application filed by Reliance Nippon Life Asset Management seeking to recover dues from the non-banking finance company (NBFC). The earlier order had restrained DHFL from paying dues to creditors till October 10. The court directed DHFL to

disclose all its assets and liabilities in response to a petition filed by Edelweiss Asset Management. Edelweiss had moved the court on Monday, seeking to recover dues worth Rs 70 crore from the NBFC. Edelweiss also sought the appointment of a court receiver to oversee operations of DHFL.

"DHFL should file a reply to Edelweiss' application within four weeks," Justice AK Menon of the Bombay High Court said.

Edelweiss has been given two weeks from the date of filing of DHFL's reply to submit a rejoinder. The next hearing will take place after the filing of Edelweiss'

RCEP interministerial meet today, Goyal to hold 'series' of talks

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

COMMERCE AND trade ministers

of Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) countries will be meeting Friday in Bangkok to help resolve issues related to "crucial" aspects of the mega trade deal that are yet to be settled, as per the Commerce Ministry. Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal will participate in these discussions as well as hold "a series" of bilateral meetings with his counterparts from Japan, Singapore, China, Australia and New Zealand during this period, the Ministry stated Thursday.

"Out of 25 chapters 21 chapters have been concluded. Crucial chapters of Investment, Electronic Commerce, Rules of Origin and Trade Remedies are yet to be settled," the Ministry's release said.

"Ministerial guidance will be sought on these issues during the Bangkok Ministerial round being held in October 2019," it added. The 9th RCEP Intersessional

Ministerial will be the last ministerial before the 3rd Leaders Summit on November 4, which Prime Minister Narendra Modi is expected to attend. This intersessional ministerial meeting comes at a "crucial" stage, as RCEP is scheduled to be announced as concluded in November.

The 28th round of negotiations for RCEP at the expert level had concluded at Da Nang, Vietnam, on September 27. "In this round of negotiations meeting of

As per the Commerce Ministry, the meeting in Bangkok will help resolve issues related to "crucial" aspects of the mega trade deal

the Trade Negotiating Committee was held in which senior officials participated in negotiations regarding market access on trade in goods, trade in services and investment as well as on other areas like rules of origin, intellectual property and electronic commerce," stated the Ministry.

It added that in preparation for the 9th ministerial round, Goyal held consultations with the Indian industry "for firming up India's position and for taking into consideration industry concerns and sensitivities. Commerce and Industry Minister chaired several inter-ministerial meetings at the official level and also with ministers of the key line ministries".

"Focus and emphasis of the meetings chaired by the Commerce and Industry Minister was on putting in place appropriate safeguards including auto-trigger mechanism against sudden surge in imports from RCEP countries."

The RCEP negotiations were launched by leaders of the 10 ASEAN member states and six **ASEAN Free Trade Agreement** partners — Australia, China, India, Japan, Republic of Korea and New

Oil PSUs to Air India: Pay monthly or will cut supply from Oct 18

PRESSTRUSTOFINDIA NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

ISSUING AN ultimatum to Air India, PSU oil majors on Thursday asked it to make the monthly lump sum payment by October 18 or they will stop the fuel supply at six major domestic airports.

In a letter sent to Air India on Thursday, the three oil PSUs — Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOCL), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) — said "the outstanding has not come down considerably in the absence

marketing companies (OMCs) to the national carrier.

In August, the three fuel retail-

Gold ETFs see inflows for second straight month

PRESSTRUSTOFINDIA NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

This comes on the back of a net infusion of Rs 145 crore in gold exchange-traded funds (ETFs) in August. It was the first inflow since November last year, when Rs 10 crore was infused in such instru-

of the committed monthly lump sum payment". PTI has accessed the communique sent by the oil

ers had stated that Air India owed Rs 5,000 crore in unpaid fuel bills with payments being delayed by almost eight months. On August 22, IOC, BPCL and HPCL had stopped fuel supplies to Air India at six airports of Kochi, Mohali, Pune, Patna, Ranchi and Vizag over payment defaults. However, after the intervention of the Civil Aviation Ministry, they resumed the fuel supply on September 7.

GOLD EXCHANGE-TRADED funds garnered Rs 44 crore in September, making it the second straight month of inflows, as trade conflicts, signs of a global slowdown and decline in equities made investors bet big on the safe-heaven asset.

Prior to this, gold ETFs had

nies at a disadvantage. The ideas under considera-

the discussions. seen a net inflow of Rs 20 crore in October 2016 and before that, an inflow of Rs 5 crore was witnessed in such funds in May 2013.

According to the latest data available with the Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI), Rs 44 crore was pumped in goldlinked ETFs last month as com-

pared to an outflow of Rs 34 crore

in September 2018. "Sudden rally in gold prices mainly due to uneasy trade negotiation between the US and China, and lower than expected global GDP growth are the key reasons for the inflows in gold ETFs in recent times," said Omkeshwar Singh, head of mutual fund distribution business at Samco.

China trade talks restart and US weighs escalation options

13TH ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS BEGAN ON THURSDAY

ALAN RAPPEPORT& ANA SWANSON WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 10

TRUMP ADMINISTRATION officials are weighing a range of options that could inflict additional economic pain on China as the United States continues looking for ways to force Beijing to change longstanding practices that have put American compa-

tion would move the White House's negotiating tool of choice beyond tariffs toward limiting China's access to American capital markets and imposing greater scrutiny on its companies, according to people familiar with

Administration officials, including members of the National Security Council, have begun pressing the Securities and Exchange Commission to tighten its checks on Chinese firms. They are also looking for ways to reduce the exposure of American retirement funds to certain Chinese companies.

Many of those efforts have been proceeding independently from the trade talks — which resumed again on Thursday — and are fueled by longer-term considerations of China's economic and security threats. Some White House advisers now view those options as an additional lever to force China to make the kinds of

'US to issue licences for supply of non-sensitive goods to Huawei'

Bengaluru: The United States will soon issue licenses allowing some US companies to supply non-sensitive goods to China's Huawei, the New York Times reported, as high-level officials from the two countries meet this week to resume trade talks.

Huawei Technologies Co Ltd, the world's biggest telecoms gear maker, has been put on a US trade blacklist since May, when trade talks between Washington and Beijing broke down. The United States says the company can spy on customers,

deep economic concessions that have so far proved elusive in the talks, which have dragged on for more than a year.

Top-level officials from both countries began their 13th round of trade negotiations on Thursday. They are expected to discuss proposals for a somewhat limited trade deal that would address some of President Trump's criticisms of China's economic practices but still be ac-

ceptable to Beijing. "Big day of negotiations with China," Mr. Trump tweeted Thursday morning. "They want to make a deal, but do I? I meet with the Vice Premier tomorrow

which Huawei denies.

The blacklisting blocked Huawei from buying parts and components from US companies without US government approval, limiting its access to essential technologies such as Google Mobile Services.

US companies can seek a license for specific products to be exempted from the ban. The US Commerce Department has received more than 130 applications from companies for licenses to sell US goods to Huawei, Reuters reported in August. **REUTERS**

at The White House."

Some administration officials have been hopeful that a deal will lock in more intellectual property protections for American companies and provide those firms with greater access to Chinese markets. They also want to avoid further tariffs on Chinese goods that have begun to weigh on American consumers.

If China makes sufficient concessions, some in the administra tion are willing to roll back a por tion of the tariffs that Mr. Trump has placed on more than \$360 billion of Chinese goods, people familiar with the discussions said. **NYT**

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IndusInd Bank

Q2 net profit

jumps 52%

1.400.96 crore

New Delhi: IndusInd Bank

on Thursday reported a

jump of 52.2 per cent in

consolidated net profit at Rs

September quarter of the

ongoing financial year. The

private sector lender had

posted a profit of Rs 920.34

crore for July-September

period of 2018-19. **PTI**

LIFEPharma

inks deal with

New Delhi: LIFEPharma, a

wholly-owned subsidiary of

the UAE-headquartered VPS

Healthcare, has announced

a deal with Apotex Inc. As

part of the agreement,

LIFEPharma will manufac-

ture nine products in its fa-

cility in Duba. **ENS**

Apotex

Indrad unit of Torrent Pharma gets observations from USFDA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE AHMEDABAD, OCTOBER 10

THE INDRAD facility of Torrent Pharmaceuticals in Gujarat received a warning letter from the US Food and Drug Administration (US FDA), the company told the BSE in a filing on Thursday.

"This is to inform that the company has today received a warning letter dated October 8 from USFDA for its Indrad facility in Gujarat. This action follows the earlier intimation received from USFDA in August 2019, wherein the agency had classified its inspection as 'Official Action Indicated' (OAI)," the filing read.

It added, "We will be engaging with the agency and are fully committed in resolving this issue at the earliest. The company is also committed to maintaining the highest standards of compliances and quality manufacturing across all its facilities." The Indrad facility is one of the seven manufacturing facilities of the company in India.

In April, the US FDA had conducted an inspection of the Indrad facility which manufactures both API (Active Pharma Ingredient) and formulations with an annual capacity of 30 million vials.

COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY NIT FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND ACADEMIC ADMISSIONS, KOCHI-682 022. E-TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited from reputed firms experienced in conducting online tests in cities across the country and in the UAE. Tender documents and tender schedule may be downloaded free of cost from the e-GP Website www.etenders.kerala.gov.in Tender Publishing date 11/10/2019, Clarification Meeting with Bidders 17/10/2019, Bid submission starting on: 18/10/2019, Last date for bid submission: 31/10/2019 Director, IRAA Unit

'Economic challenges are cyclical, not deep-rooted malaise'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, OCTOBER 10

HDFC CHAIRMAN Deepak Parekh has said the economy is facing short-term challenges, particularly on consumption growth, but these appear to be "cyclical and not a deep-rooted malaise". "The financial sector is the backbone of any economy. That a lot of the system still needs fixing is wellknown." Parekh said at a function.

"Is there an acknowledgment that the Indian economy has hit a soft patch? Are efforts being made to rectify the same? Can we do better? The answer is clearly "yes" for all these three questions," he

According to Parekh, the crux of the problem with the financial sector is that the flow of credit to

the commercial sector is stil clogged. In the first six months of the current financial year, the total flow of resources to the commercial sector from banks and nonbank sources was only Rs 0.9 trillion, compared to Rs 7.4 trillion in the previous year — that's a drop of 88 per cent.

"This clearly reflects the risk averseness in the system. Since the time the Asset Quality Review began in 2015, banks have scaled back lending. Till last year, the commercial sector relied heavily on non-bank funding sources as a substitute," he said, while giving the keynote address at a function to launch the Centre for Financial Studies at the SP Jain Institute of Management. He added that the Indian economy needs both, banks and non-banking sources to meet its funding needs.

Denied nod for merger, LVB shifts focus to raise capital

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU CHENNAI, OCTOBER 10

A DAY after the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) turned down its move to merge with Indiabulls Housing and Indiabulls Commercial Credit, Lakshmi Vilas Bank (LVB) on Thursday put up a brave front, saying it will continue to work towards raising capital as per permitted modes, in compliance with all applicable acts and high net NPA. **FE**

In a press release on Thursday, LVB said it is assuring the best of services to its clients, while committing towards growth and creating value for its stakeholders.

LVB with legacy of more than nine decades, a strong/loyal client base and a deposit book of close to Rs 26,000 crore has served three generations of clients.

The RBI has initiated the PCA against LVB taking into account its

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PRESS NIT No. 08/(2019-20)/CWA (W&S)-I

S. No.		Estimated Cost	Earnest Money (Rs.)	Date of release of tender in e- Procurement solution	Last date/ time of receipt of tender through e- Procurement solution
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CHIEF WATER ANALYST (W&S)-I

Karnataka Water and Sanitation Pooled Fund Trust

KUIDFC, Nagarabhivridhi Bhavan #22,17th 'F' cross, Old Madras Road, Indiranagar 2nd Stage, Near BMTC Bus Depot, Bengaluru-560038

Phone No.080-25196124 Mobile: 9448853651 e-mail: info@kuidfc.com Notification No: KWSPFT/MBs/CF-3815/2019-20

Date: 10.10.2019

Invitation for quotations from Banks and Financial Institutions for providing Term Loan of Rs.500-00 crore for implementation of Urban Infrastructure projects in 267 ULBs of Karnataka under Chief Minister's Small & Medium Town Development Programme phase – 3 (Municipalities).

Karnataka Water and Sanitation Pooled Fund Trust is a Government of Karnataka Trust registered under Trust Act 1882. It is designated as a State Pooled Finance entity for execution of Pooled Finance Development Funding (PFDF) scheme by Govt. of India. Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development and Finance Corporation (KUIDFC) is the Fund Manager of KWSPF Trust.

The Trust has an excellent track record of payment under the above borrowing programmes borrowed Rs.2955 crore since repayment of the loan both principal & interest has been prompt timely on due dates

- 1) The Trust now proposes to borrow Rs.500-00 crore in the second tranche as a part finance of the projects out of the total loan of Rs.1445-00 crore to be raised for lending to 267 ULBs through Directorate of Municipal Administration (DMA). The loan funds will be used for executing Urban Infrastructure Projects in these 267 ULBs at a cost of Rs.1445.00 crore, in the 1st stage against the budgeted amount of Rs.2890-00 crore. The proposed Rs.500.00 crore borrowing structure and repayment has been rated by Brickwork Ratings Limited as AA-(CE)' stable outlook rating with Credit Enhancement, which indicates High Degree of safety. The repayment of the loans will be through securitization of lien free SFC allocations made as per the State Finance Commission's recommendations. These SFC allocations representing the revenue share in the state levies of these ULBs and made according to constitutional provisions, would accrue through securitization of these allocations for repayment of the Term loans. GoK would enter into a Tripartite Agreement with the Trust and Lender to undertake that necessary provisions will be made in the Annual Budget for SFC allocations and also in the event of shortfall, provide a shortfall undertaking for the deficit. Devolution will be routed through the dedicated no lien escrow accounts with the lending bank.
- The total repayment period shall be 8 years with a moratorium of 2 years. Interested Banks and Financial institutions may submit their expressions of Interest (EOI) by quoting their lowest rates for the Term Loan along with any other terms and conditions including charges if any. The Quote shall be given by Banks / Financial Institutions individually and not in consortium with other Banks. The banks should offer specific MCLR Yearly rate and should not quote in ranges. The banks who quote rates in ranges will not be considered for evaluation.
- The banks who quote the lowest rates will be identified and proposal for regular sanction of the loan will be submitted there-upon. The loan would be drawn in installments after execution of documents. It may be noted that loan repayment schedule shall be fixed for the entire sanction amount and not for each installments drawn.
- A pre-bid conference will be held at 3:00 P.M. on 22.10.2019 at the office of the KUIDFC. as mentioned above. The last date for submission of offers is on 19.10.2019 on or before 5.00 P.M. Sealed quotation should be super scribed as "Quotation for Term Loan from Banks / Financial Institutions for implementation of Urban Infrastructure Projects in ULBs of Karnataka" and submitted to Trust's address as mentioned above. The Quotations will be opened at 3:00 P.M. on 22.10.2019 in the presence of Bidders and evaluated. Bidding Banks/Financial Institutions may send their representatives when the evaluation process is conducted. (Contact details: vishnuvarman@kuidfc.com/ chaiyabba@kuidfc.com)

Sd/- Member Secretary, KWSPF Trust

DECISION IN LINE WITH RBI MOVE TO CUT REPORATE BY 25 BPS

Half a dozen public sector banks cut lending rates by up to 0.25%

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

ABOUT HALF a dozen public sector banks, including Bank of India, Oriental Bank of Commerce and Bank of Maharashtra, have reduced lending rates by up to 25 basis points following a cut in the key policy reporate by the RBI last month.

With the reduction in their respective benchmark lending rates. home, auto and other loans have become cheaper.

In line with the decision of RBI to reduce repo rate by 25 basis points (bps), the bank has reduced the interest rate applicable for retail segment and micro and small enterprises by similar basis points and the revised repo linked lendingrate will be 8 per cent effective November 1, Indian Overseas Bank said in a statement.

'Haldiram sole bidder to buy **Kwality for** ₹130 crore'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

HALDIRAM GROUP has emerged as the sole bidder for acquiring debt-ridden dairy firm Kwality. with an offer of around Rs 130 crore in the ongoing insolvency process, sources said. The lenders are likely to vote on Haldiram's bid later this month, they added.

Shailendra Ajmera, part of EY, has been appointed the resolution professional.

राज संवाद/सी/3064/2019-20

With the reduction in the lenders' respective benchmark lending rates, home, auto and other loans have become cheaper

Bank of India reduces its overnight MCLR by 15 bps and one year MCLR by 5 bps or 0.05 percentage point. One bps is one hundredth of a percentage point.

These revised MCLR would be applicable to the customers of the Bank with effect from October 10, 2019. This reduction transmits the change made in RBI policy rate (Repo rate) on October 2019, BOI

Pune-headquartered Bank of Maharashtra slashed its MCLR by 0.10 percentage point across

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

EQUITY BENCHMARKS slipped

into the negative territory on

Thursday, led by banking, finan-

cial and auto stocks, as weak

growth signals clouded the out-

look for the ensuing results sea-

After sinking 375 points dur-

Similarly, the broader NSE

ing the day, the 30-share BSE

Sensex ended 297.55 points, or

0.78 per cent, lower at 37,880.40.

Kumar Keshav, Managing Director

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MUMBAI, OCTOBER 10

tenors. The benchmark one-vear marginal cost of funds based lendingrate (MCLR) will now be priced at 8.40 per cent with effect from October 8, 2019, the bank said in a regulatory filing. The other tenors from

overnight to six-months have been slashed by equal measure in the range of 8.05-8.30 per cent. The lender has also cut down the repolinked lending rate (RLLR) by 0.25 percentage point to 8.20 per cent from 8.45 per cent earlier with effect from October 8.

Base rate has been kept unchanged at 9.50 per cent per annum, Bank of Maharashtra said. "In view of festival season and

in order to extend benefit to customers across retail/micro/small enterprises, Central Bank of India reduced repo based lending rate (RBLR) by 25 bps (0.25 percentage point) with effect from today, the 10th October 2019," the lender

After surge, Sensex resumes

downward spiral; falls 297 pts

38,220 38,130.23

38,070

37,920

37,770

37,620

Sensex Intra-day, Oct 10

Nifty fell 78.75 points, or 0.70 per

amid expectations of tepid earn-

Investors turned risk averse.

cent, to close at 11,234.55.

37,880.4

Accordingly, interest rate on housing loans (low risk category) stands reduced from 8.25 per cent to 8 per cent and for MSE loans it stands reduced to 8.95-9.50 per cent from 9.20-9.75 per cent, Central Bank of India said.

Oriental Bank has cut the MCLR on one-year tenor loan to 8.35 per cent from 8.40 per cent earlier. The new rate will come to effect from October 10, it said in a release. Meanwhile, Paytm Payments

Bank (PPB) on Thursday reduced interest rate on savings account deposits by 50 basis points to 3.5 per cent, with effect from November 9.

The payments bank also announced a fixed deposit scheme, on which its customers can earn an interest of up to 7.5 per cent on their deposits though PPB's partner bank.

ings by corporates, brokers said.

Service on Thursday slashed its

2019-20 GDP growth forecast for

India to 5.8 per cent from 6.2 per

cent earlier, saying the economy

was experiencing a pronounced

slowdown, which is partly related

against the US dollar on Thursday

as the anxiety over US-China trade

talks kept investors on the edge.

At the interbank foreign exchange

market, the rupee opened at 70.96

The rupee closed flat at 71.07

to long-lasting factors.

against the US dollar.

HC asks Bhushan Steel

Moreover, Moody's Investors

'India slips to 4th spot in flyer volume in Aug'

New Delhi: India slipped to the fourth position in domestic air passenger traffic in August with passenger volume growing 3.7 per cent in the month over the period year-ago, the IATA data show. **PTI**

Irish firm delivers first A321neo to IndiGo

New Delhi: Budget carrier IndiGo said on Friday it has received the first delivery of the A321neos from CDB Aviation under a purchase and lease back arrangement with the Irish aircraft lessor. **PTI**

AIAHL raises ₹7,000 cr more via bonds issue

New Delhi: Air India Assets Holding Ltd (AIAHL) has raised another Rs 7,000 crore through issue of bonds and the proceeds will be utilised to repay Air India's debt. PTI

Piramal moves **Sebi against** 'rumours'

New Delhi:

Enterprises on Thursday said it has filed a complaint with markets regulator Sebi against spreading of "misleading rumours" about the company. **PTI**

Piramal

(नगर निगम भवन, पालोटेक्निक कॉलेज परिसर, रंजीडन्सी रोड, जोधपुर) (eco nnj@rediffmail.com Tel: 0291-2651464, fax: 2651466) ex-chairman to go ई-निविदा सूचना: 2816, UBN No. DLB1920GL0B12141 तोधपुर नगर निगम में नगर निगम के कार्यों हुंत जीप/कार/इनोवा कार/24 सीटर बस संविदा पर दो वर्षों के लि हपलब्ध करवाने के कार्य हेत् अनुभवी, योग्य एवं प्रतिष्ठित वाहन स्वामियों /ट्रेवल एजेन्सियों /प्रतिष्ठित फर्मों स to trial court for bail -निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। निविदा की विस्तृत शते www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.i www.jodhpurmc.org एवं www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in से प्राप्त की जा सकती है । only in case the trial court's deci-आयुक्त, नगर निगम जोधपुर

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

GRANTING SEVEN days protection from arrest to Bhushan Steel's former chairman Brij Bhushan Singal and his daughter-in-law Ritu, summoned as accused in a fraud case, the Delhi High Court on Thursday asked them to go before a trial court for bail.

Brij Bhushan Singal (82) and his son Neeraj Singal are accused of siphoning off Bhushan Steel Ltd's funds.

Justice Vibhu Bakhru, however, made it clear that the seven days of interim protection to the two is from the date of the decision of the trial court on their bail plea. It said that the protection is

राजस्थान सहकारी भर्ती बोर्ड

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sion on their bail pleas goes against them. The direction and interim or-

der came on the anticipatory bail pleas of Brij Bhushan and Ritu, who were summoned by the trial to appear before it on October 14, along with 286 others. Solicitor General Maninder Acharya, along with central gov-

ernment standing counsel Ajay Digpaul and Anurag Ahluwalia, argued that the apprehension of the accused that they will be arrested when they appear before the trial court was unfounded.

The SG also contended that the trial court had taken cognisance of the charge sheet filed by the SFIO in the case, after which the summons were issued.

Price of oil rises as OPEC

REUTERS LONDON, OCTOBER 10

OIL PRICES rose on Thursday as OPEC indicated that all options were on the table to balance oil markets and that it would take a decision in December on supply for next year.

Mohammad Barkindo, leader of the exporter group, did not specify if the move would \$52.69.

pledges decision on supply mean extending a pact to rein in production to stabilise prices, but the comments appeared to nudge the market out of pessimism over US-China trade talks.

Global benchmark Brent

crude futures rose by 8 cents, or 0.14 per cent, to \$58.40 a barrel at 1125 GMT. US West Texas Intermediate(WTI)futures were up 10 cents, or 0.19 per cent, at

London's Ritz Hotel gets unsolicited bids

REUTERS LONDON, OCTOBER 10

THE RITZ London, one of the most prestigious hotels in the world, could be put up for sale after its businessmen owners David and Frederick Barclay received several unsolicited offers for the establishment in Piccadilly.

The directors of the hotel said last month they believed its value was more than 800 million pounds (\$980 million), given its freehold tenure, location near St James's and Buckingham Palaces, quality of the building, casino lease and brand

They said in the accounts "the business is not and has

not been marketed for sale". The Barclays, who also own the Daily Telegraph newspaper, however had re-

The directors of the hotel said last month they believed its value was more than 800 million pounds, given its location, quality and brand name

ceived a number of unsolicited bids for the hotel, according to a source close to the brothers. Opened in 1906 by Swiss

hotelier Cesar Ritz, the hotel became a favourite of royalty, politicians and film stars. It had a turnover of 47 million pounds in 2018 and made an operating profit of 15 million pounds, according to accounts filed last month.

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Short Notice Inviting E-Tender For Empanelment of agencies for General Tentage, Furniture, Tin Structures and Hiring of Vehicle in Rental Basis by Pravagrai Mela Authority

The Prayagraj Mela Auhority Invites Bids for **Tender No. 02/MM 2019-20** for "Empanelment of Vendors to Provide General Tentage Items for Magh Mela 2020", Tender No. 03/MM 2019-20 for "Empanelment of Vendors to Provide Furniture Items for Magh Mela 2020" and Tender No. 04/MM 2019-20 for "Empanelment of Vendors to Provide Tin Structures for Magh Mela 2020" and Tender No. 06/MM 2019-20 for "Hiring of Vehicles in Rental Basis" The Request for Proposal Documents shall be made available from the Uttar Pradesh E-Procurement website Https://etender.up.nic.in on 11/10/2019. Interested parties may download/upload their proposal from 1500 hrs 11/10/2019 till 1200 hrs 19/10/2019 for Tender No. 02/MM 2019-20, Tender No. 03/MM 2019-20, Tender No. 04/MM 2019-20 and Tender No. 06/MM 2019-20 via Digital Signature Certificate (DSC). The bids received by interested parties shall be opened in the presence of the respective bidders at 1500 Hrs on 19/10/2019 for Tender No. 02/MM 2019-20, Tender No. 03/MM 2019-20, Tender No. 04/MM 2019-20 and Tender No. 06/MM 2019-20. Details regarding the tender shall be made available on https://etender.up.nic.in

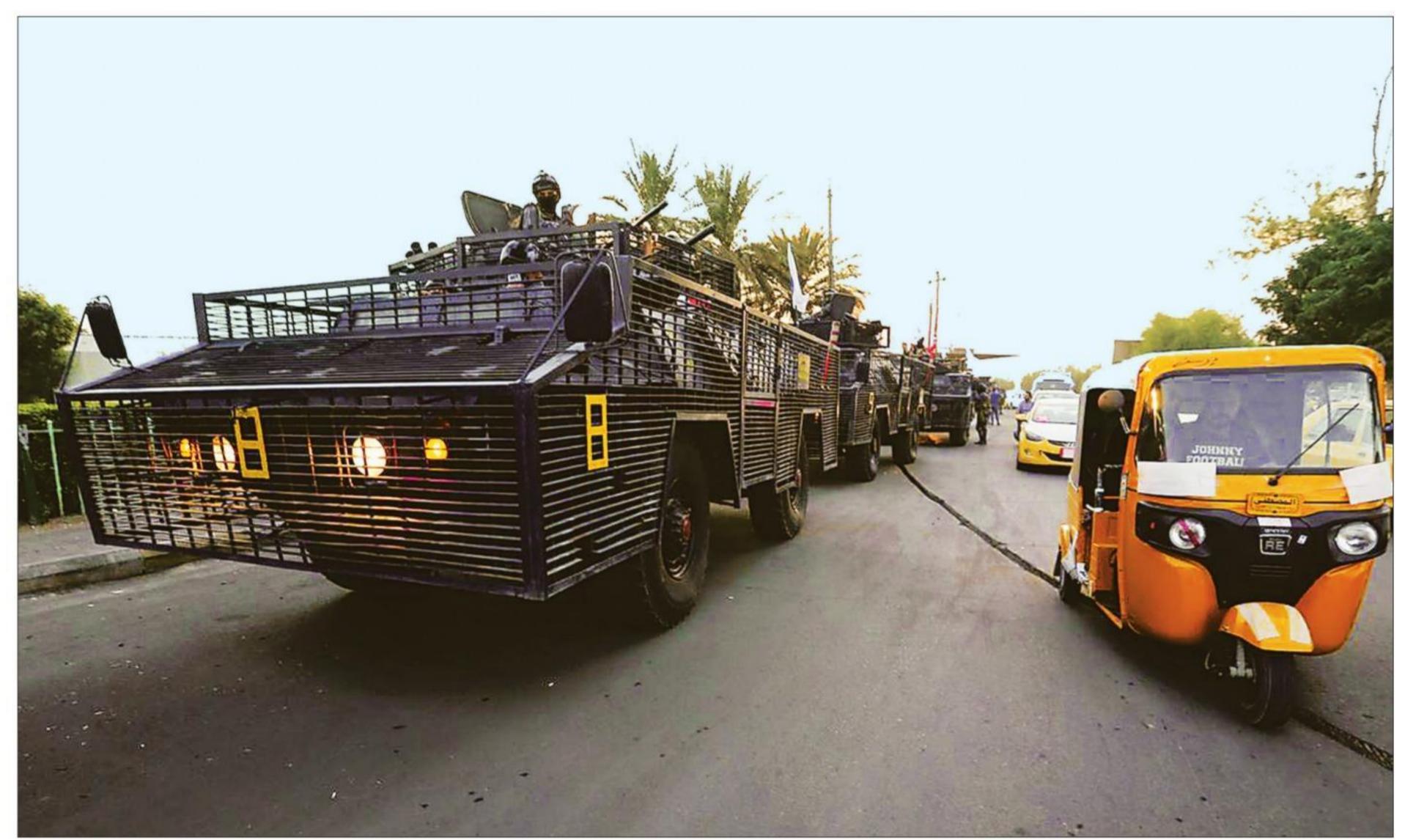
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THE WAR IN IRAQ

Roads to ruin

Did American road-building in Iraq lead to more violence?



American soldiers used the new roads to mount missions and transport supplies, while the insurgents used the roads to move around and launch attacks. Reuters

DRIVERS CALLED it the "highway through hell". Attacks on the road linking Baghdad to Amman occurred so often in 2014 that truckers were paid three times the normal rate to haul goods along the artery. Gangs and militias were a constant threat. The jihadists of Islamic State set up roadblocks, charged drivers a tax of around \$300 and even handed out receipts. The road, officially called Highway 10, was recently secured by the Iraqi army. But those who drive on it still face the threat of extortion or attack.

America spent loads improving Highway 10 after 2003, the year it toppled Saddam Hussein, Iraq's former dictator. Over the next decade, as the war in Iraq dragged on, America spent nearly \$12bn on infrastructure in the country. President George Bush touted the improved roads, hoping they would boost the local economy and lead to a reduction in violence. But a working paper presented at this year's meeting of the European Economics Association suggests that the effort may have had the opposite effect.

The paper's author, Tamar Gomez, a doctoral student at Imperial College London, had plenty of data with which to work. Digitised maps showed where new roads were built (the length of the road network increased by 21% between 2002 and 2011). American agencies kept track of spending on reconstruction. And a research centre at the University of Maryland logged the location and timing of attacks. Ms Gomez gathered the material and used regression analysis, a statistical technique, to look for relationships between road-building, economic progress and violence in Iraq. She found that, far from stabilising Iraq, road-building led to more political violence. Even as GDP rose as a result of reconstruction, so too did the number of attacks. "In other words, the political and military mechanisms linked to road-building overpower the wished-for economic effects," writes Ms Gomez. (Oddly, she did not find a correlation between spending on roads and violence, but this is probably because much of the money was lost to corruption.)

Why did road-building in Iraq lead to

more attacks? One explanation is that roads are important not just for commerce, but also for military operations. American soldiers used the new roads to mount missions and transport supplies — becoming targets for insurgents' ambushes and improvised explosive devices. The insurgents, too, used the roads to move around and launch attacks. A study in 2010 of America's war logs from Afghanistan found that 86% of insurgent violence took place near a road. There is little reason to think that the Iraq war was much different.

Ms Gomez also offers another explanation, rooted in the politics of reconstruction. "Roads are a politically charged infrastructure," she says. Those funded by America were viewed by insurgents as the embodiment of an unwelcome occupation and became "privileged targets". American officials have admitted that they often failed to win local support for their big projects. The roads to hell were, as ever, paved with good intentions.

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CULTURE WAR IN FRANCE

One tummy, two mummies

IVF for lesbians pits French progressives against traditionalists

SINCE BELGIUM legalised the use of IVF by gay female couples in 2007, its fertility clinics have been overwhelmed by demand and not only from its own citizens. At one Belgian clinic in the French-speaking region of Wallonia roughly a third of patients are now from over the border in France. The reason is simple: strict French laws still restrict the use of IVF to heterosexual couples only.

France is now liberalising those rules. The consequence is a new skirmish in its hardfought culture war.

The draft law, which went to parliament on September 24th, will for the first time give gay female couples and single women the right to use IVF and other forms of assisted reproduction. This will end rules that put France at odds with most of its neighbours (though Germany still applies similar restrictions). France will also let both mothers be identified on a birth certificate. For women under the age of 43, the cost of treatment will be fully reimbursed by the state.

During his election campaign in 2017 Emmanuel Macron said he favoured liberalisation, denouncing the existing rules as a form of "intolerable discrimination". Around 25,000 children in France each year, or 3% of the total, are born thanks to fertility treatment, at a cost to the taxpayer of about €300m (\$328m). The government estimates that another 2,000 women a year would be treated after the change in the law, at an extra annual cost of no more than €15m. France, it argues, needs to catch up with the times. "The criterion that defines a family," declared Agnès Buzyn, the health minister and a medical doctor, "is the love that unites a parent and a child."

"liberty, equality, paternity".

The issue has agitated the political right. Marine Le Pen, leader of the National Rally (formerly the National Front), claimed that "the state is going to lie" to a child by stating it has two mothers. Her niece, Marion Maréchal, a young former deputy and unofficial champion of ultra-Catholic conservatives, organised a "convention of the right" in Paris, where one speaker railed against the "extermination of the white heterosexual male". Giving gay couples access to IVF, says Ms Maréchal, is part of a "stupid injunction to 'be modern'". Her pitch echoes the views of the Catholic church. "I'm not sure that the figure of the father is optional," Michel Aupetit, the Archbishop of Paris, told French radio this week, claiming that "most psychiatrists today say there is a need for a male

Such views have cracked open the old division between liberals and family-values traditionalists. Having mobilised hundreds of thousands onto the streets against the legalisation of gay marriage six years ago, protesters are now planning their first big demo against Mr Macron's law on October 6th. A group of over a dozen associations, including the Manif pour Tous, which organised the rallies in 2013, argues that "one cannot deliberately deprive a child of a father". Their slogan, naturellement, is



Protesters demonstrate against a reform bill that will widen access to medically assisted procreation to lesbian couples and single women, in Paris on October 6. Reuters

reference, who is not just an uncle."

The bill's opponents claim it is the first step towards granting broader rights to gay couples, notably over surrogacy, which is illegal in France. During his campaign Mr Macron ruled that out, though he did promise to grant clear legal status to children born through surrogacy abroad. Marc-Olivier

Fogiel, a well-known French broadcaster, has done much to help normalise such families by publishing a book last year about his and his husband's quest to become parents via surrogacy in America. Mr Macron has yet to fulfil his promise.

Recent French presidents have tended to pass their own piece of landmark progressive social legislation. Valéry Giscard d'Estaing legalised abortion in 1975; François Mitterrand abolished the death penalty in 1981; François Hollande legalised gay marriage. This is Mr Macron's signature bill: a way for him to distinguish his liberal, centrist politics from those of the conservative right. Yet France remains fragile after the civil disorder of the gilets jaunes protests, and Mr Macron has already delayed the bill for fear of fresh unrest. Those fighting France's culture wars are a somewhat different crowd, but no less determined to make their voices heard.

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22 CALENDAR

1 Trimmed in advance so as to be

ready(8)

won(4)

need it (6,6)

classes (6)

6 Captured and shot (4)

2 Awakened again and

summoned back (8)

3 Look, the good fellow hasn't

5 Bounder badly shaken might

7 Book intended for the lower

8 Silky-haired dog Sarah and I

11 An impostor's standard (5,7)

16 A rough dowry that's arranged

18 Being so one may react rashly

with unusual ill-grace (8)

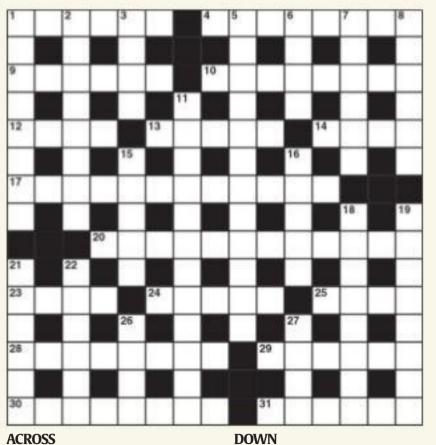
19 An apartment, indeed, needs

21 Put on the hook from a debit? (6)

take around Britain (6)

15 Climb and balance (5)

CROSSWORD 3934



- 1 Entirely innocent (6)
- 4 Way-out individuals that make strange impressions (3,5)
- 9 Realise she can make an anagram (6)
- 10 Order out in test given to
- university students (8) 12 Friend totally childless (4)
- conclusion (5) 14 Take out some timber (4)

13 It isn't true it comes to a moral

- 17 Physical training manual? (8,4) 20 Accidently club bad ankle:
- turns a nasty colour (5,3,4) 23 A mother and father in the
- beginning (4) 24 Picture of a runner (5)
- 25 It usually needs push or pull to make it work (4)
- 28 A course that is purely experimental?(5,3) 29 Leave the vehicle burning (6)
- 30 Untidy room used for a guest at

18 Susan, 20 Model, 22 Ago.

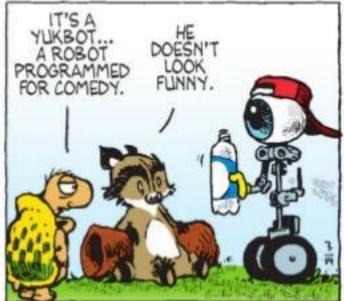
the tea party (8)31 Added zest in the kitchen (6)

22 Repair broken weapon (6) 26 Further chaos in Laos (4) 27 Strike upsets mates (4) Solutions Crossword 3933: Across: 1 Avail, 4 Blasted, 8 Rot, 9 Tide table, 10 Piccolo, 11 Pound, 13 Shored, 15 Typhus, 18 Steer, 19 Command, 21 Staghound,

23 Doe, 24 Noonday, 25 Lifts. **Down:** 1 Apropos, 2 Artichoke, 3 Lotto, 4 Bad lot,

5 Autopsy, 6 Tab, 7 Dread, 12 Unheard-of, 14 Earthed, 16 Sadness, 17 Occupy,

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis

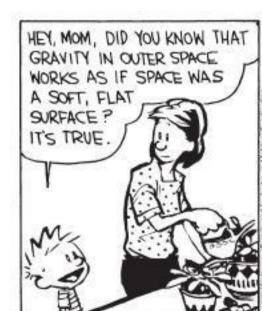








CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson



HEAVY MATTER, LIKE PLANETS, SINKS INTO THE SURFACE AND ANYTHING PASSING BY, LIKE LIGHT, WILL "ROLL" TOWARD THE DIP IN SPACE MADE BY THE PLANET. LIGHT IS ACTUALLY DEFLECTED BY GRAVITY! AMAZING, HUH?





MARVIN by Tom Armstrong

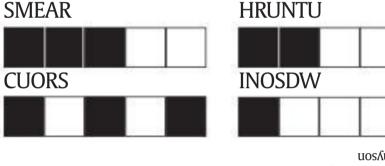




JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given quip.

__, like___, half reveal and half conceal the soul within. - Alfred Lord Tennyson (5,.,6)



Answer: Words, like nature, half reveal and half conceal the soul within. SOLUTION: REAMS, SCOUR, UNHURT, DISOWN

Difficulty Level 5s Instructions

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Difficulty Level 1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy;3s = Medium; 4s = Hard;5s = Very Hard; 6s = Genius

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DAY TODAY

off or being a bit of a prima

you want to re-live former

triumphs, why not?

donna, go right ahead! And if

Keep your wits about you at all times,

mainly because

place away from your gaze will affect your future interests. It

may be next week before you

doing. The simple solution is to

see to it that your own plans are

discover what partners are

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

water-tight.

what is now taking

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20) LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23) **Assertive Martian** alignments should now be having an effect, and today they're joined by emotional

more buoyant, and you should keep your eyes open for new friends and fascinating meetings. Where Lunar patterns, indicating that if you should feel like showing romance is concerned, it looks very much as if security is increasingly the main issue. You want to hang on to what you have.

BY PETER VIDAL

Your social stars are

beginning to look

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23) **TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)** Strident planetary

aspects force you to choose between home and work, others should give you the

At work and at Let the past take care of itself and home you must keep the talking concentrate on the going, aware of the untried and untested need for agreement. At the very least you must make sure that loved ones know your views on a promised gathering bit of colour around and or engagement. If you explain yourself, then they can't live with that you're right behind them?

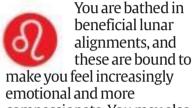
CANCER (June 22 - July 23) It's time to get out

and indulge in a spot of shopping therapy, hopefully today, but tomorrow will do if you really are tied up just now. There's nothing like spending a bit of money on an overdue treat to lift your morale. But, then, you still need a long-term solution, so don't imagine that you're off the hook.

pretend they didn't

understand you.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)



compassionate. You may also be a little gullible, and hence a soft touch for some. So, keep a weather-eye open for roving confidence tricksters.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23) You do tend to

worry, and sometimes you wonder if you've backed the wrong horse. However, right now you should allow yourself a great deal of extra time to consider the options and give current developments time to work themselves out before taking rash decisions.

between family interests and outside ambitions. Once you have made your position clear, freedom to go your own way. But is freedom really what you want? You won't know unless you've got it. SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)

solutions of the future. It will do you a power of good to improve conditions at work, spreading a generally raising the quality of life. And while you're at it, why don't you reassure people you

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)

Perhaps long-term financial commitments and obligations are causing concern, but you will have to understand that partners may not share your outlook. Relax and trust a little more in the healing power of time. It's strange how what is so important today can be completely forgotten tomorrow.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21- Feb 19) It's a fairly stressful day, but by no means a bad one. Much depends on how far you are prepared to welcome change, and to what extent you can turn friction to your advantage. It may be a cliché,

but do look on the bright side, won't you? After all, optimism breeds success. PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Stay busy and keep active. It's a day to cope with routine chores, getting as much accomplished as you possibly can. The essential rule

is that the harder you work now, the more time you'll have off later on. I know you know that, but it's worth reminding you, all the same.

UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY



General Public is hereby informed that one male Namely: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, Address: Unknown was found dead at Kali Mata Mandir ke samne, Outer Ring Road, Mangolpuri, Delhi, in the area of P.S. Mangolpuri, Delhi on 28.09.2019 at 11:20 pm. In this regard a case has been lodged vide DD No. 90-A, dated 28.09.2019 at P. S

General Public is hereby informed

Mangolpuri, Delhi. The description of the dead person is as under:- Age: Approx. 50 years, Sex: Male Height: 5'8", Complexion: Wheatish, I.D. Mark: A tattoo mark on left hand "buterfly picture", Wearing Pink color shirt & green color half pant. If any one having any information about this dead person please inform undersigned. SHO

P.S. Mangolpuri, Delhi DP/2770/OD/19 Ph.: 011-27922186, 7065036121

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



Sadhana

Website: http//cbi.nic.in

SUDOKU

General Public is hereby informed that one girl Namely: Sadhana, D/o: Rajesh, R/o: F-1080, Mangolpuri, Delhi has been missing/kidnapped since 23.09.2019 from the area of P. S. Mangolpuri, Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 909/19 u/s 363 IPC dated 24.09.2019 has been registered at P. S. Mangolpuri, Delhi. The description of

the missing girl are as under: Age: 17 years, Height: 5', Face: Round, Complexion: Fair, ID Mark: A burn mark on right hand and old scare mark on right foot, Wearing: Red colour Suit black color pajami and black color chapple in feet. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this girl kindly inform to the following.

E-mail Id - cic@cbi.gov.in SHO Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641 P.S. Mangolpuri, Delhi Fax No. 011-24368639 DP/2753/OD/19

Tel.No. 011-27922186, 7065036121 **SEARCH FOR MISSING MALE**

SEARCH FOR MISSING



Naaz Parveen

General public is hereby informed that a girl namely Naaz Parveen D/o Sh. Aihad Hussain, R/o H.No. 126, Gali No. 4, Milan Vihar, Jharoda Majra, Delhi, Age : 17 yrs. 07 months, Height : 5 ft., Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Long, Built : Thin, Wearing : White-Pink Colour Kurti, Light Violet Colour Salwar and Chappal in Feet, has been missing / kidnapped since 17.09.2019

from the area of PS. Wazirabad. In this regard a case FIR No. 264/19 dated 19.09.2019 u/s 363 IPC has been registered at PS. Wazirabad, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local Police to trace out the missing kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far.

if anyone have any information about this missing kidnapped girl please inform undersigned Website: http://cbi.nic.in, Email: cic@cbi.gov.in,

SEARCH FOR MISSING

this regard a case DD No. 36-A dated 15.09.2019 has

been lodged at PS. Fatehpur Beri, Delhi. Sincere efforts

have been made by local Police to trace out the missing

/ kidnapped female but no clue has come to light so far.

Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641, Fax: 011-24368639

kidnapped female please inform undersigned

Website: http://cbi.nic.in, Email: cic@cbi.gov.in,

if anyone have any information about this missing

Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641, Fax: 011-24368639 DP/467/N/19. PS. Wazirabad, Delhi

Ph.: 011-23810076, 23810073, 23810069

General public is hereby informed that

a female namely Sukanya W/o

Bhimsen, R/o H.No. B-20, Sultanpur,

New Delhi, Age: 27 yrs., Height: 5'2",

Complexion : Fair, Face : Round, Built

Strong, Wearing: Pink Colour Suit-

Salwar and Sandal in Feet, has been

missing / kidnapped since 13.09.2019

from the area of PS. Fatehpur Beri. In

boy Namely: Rashid, S/o: Sh. Abdul Kabir, R/o: Mohara Bhichhai, PS Suram Kot, Distt. Poounch (J&K), Age: 11 years, Height: 4'6", Face: Long, Complexion: Fair, Wearing: Grey Colour Kurta, pajama, Slipper in his feet has been kidnapped since 21.09.2019 from 9719 Zubadia

RASHID 23.09.2019 u/s 363 IPC has been lodged at P.S. Bara Hindu

Rao, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the kidnapped boy but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this kidnapped boy, please inform the

undersigned.

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

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SHO

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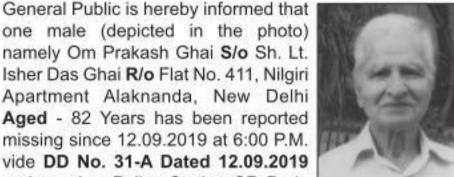
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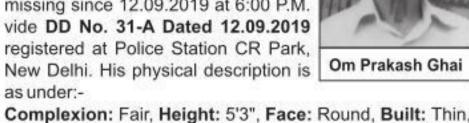
that one girl namely Sejal D/o Suresh Kumar R/o. B.743, Sangam Vihar, Tigri, New Delhi. Age-15 years, Height-5', Face-Round, Complexion-Wheatest, Wearing-Blue Colour shirt and Jeans paint has been missing since dated 18.07.2019 New Delhi. In this regard a case vides FIR No. 202/19 u/s 363 Sejal IPC Dated 26.07.2019 has been

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

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SHO P.S. Tigri, New Delhi M.:7827780938





ID: Mentally Unstable, Clothing: Blue coloured shirt and grey coloured pajama.

Any person having any information/Clue about this missing male, may inform SHO, CR Park, Delhi at E-mail cic@cbi.gov.in or website : http://cbi.nic.in

Tele No.: 011-24368638 or 24368641 SHO, CR Park, Delhi FAX No.: 011-24368639 Tel.: 011-26271587, 26271374 DP/5750/SD/19 I.O. - Mob.: 7827328427



DP/5751/SD/19.

Sukanya

Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi Office of the Executive Engineer, C-04 First Floor, Office Cum Shopping Complex, New Ranjit Nagar, New Delhi-110008 Email ID: eec4.dusib@gmail.com Ph. No.: 011-23378567

No.: EEC-4/DUSIB/2019-20/D-452

Dated: 05/10/19 **NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED General Public is hereby informed that one



Madrasa, Gali Neem Wali, Bawab Ganj, Delhi. In this regard FIR No. 64/19 dated

Website: http://cbi.nic.in Ph.: 011-230140 (Direct), 23015229 & 23015218 Extn. 210

DP/472/N/19

General Public is hereby informed that one boy namely Shiv Kumar S/o



Nahar, Swaran Park, Nangloi, Delhi has been missing/kidnapped since 15.09.2019 from the area of P.S. Nangloi, Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 588/19 u/s 363 IPC dated 16.09.2019 has been registered at PS. Nangloi, Delhi. The description of missing/kidnapped boy is

Sunil Rauat R/o H.No. B-37/3, Sukhi

Name: Shiv Kumar, Father's Name: Sunil Rauat, Age: 14 years, Height: 4', Face: Oval, Complexion: Wheatish, ID Mark: A Cut mark on right thumb and mentally weak. Wearing: White & Light blue Chakdar Shirt-Blue jeans pant.

If anyone having any clue/information, kindly inform the undersigned.

Website : http://cbi.nic.in e-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in Fax: 011-24368639 Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641

DP/2757/OD/19

SHO P.S., Nangloi, Delhi Ph.: 011-25947225 25949470

SEARCH OF MISSING/KIDNAPED

General public is hereby informed that one girl (depicted in the photo), Namely: Priyanka, D/o: Vinod Kumar, R/o: Ompal ka Makan, Gali No.-1B, Swatantra Nagar, Narela, Delhi, Aged: 14 years has been missing/kidnaped from the area of P.S. Narela, Delhi since 23.09.2019. In this Regard a FIR No. 418/19 u/s 363 IPC, Dated 23.09.2019, has been lodged at P.S. Narela, Delhi. Her

physical description is as under:



Complexion: Fair, Height: 4'10" feet, Face: Round, Injury: Injury Mark on Forehead Clothing: Red Colour Suit & Salwar and Chappal in feet. Any person is having any information/clue about this missing/kidnaped girl, may inform SHO, Narela, Delhi at E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.nic.in or website: http://cbi.nic.in Tele No.: 11-24368638 or 24368641

> S.H.O P.S. Narela, Delhi

DP/679/ON/19.

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that one male was found dead from the area of P.S. Kotwali, Delhi on 22.09.2019. In this regard a DD No. 31-A, Dated 22.09.2019 The description of the dead body is given

has been lodged at P.S. Kotwali, Delhi as under:

years, Height: 5'5", Complexion: Fair Wearing: White and Red Chekdar Shirt & Blue Pant.

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

DP/500/N/19 Ph.: 011-23977100, 23953442

SEARCH FOR KIDNAPPED General public is hereby informed that



as under:-

a girl (depicted in the photo), Namely: Priyanka D/o: Sh. Suresh Chand Chaurasiya R/o: Gali No. 11, Block-C, West Kamal Vihar, Burari, Delhi has been Kidnapped since 18.05.2019 from the area of P.S. Burari, Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 212/19 U/s 363 IPC dated 16.06.2019 has been registered at PS Burari, Delhi. Her Physical description is as under:-

Face: Oval, Wearing: Brown colour Top and Black colour Lagy. Any person is having any information/ clue about this Kidnapped girl, may inform SHO, Burari, Delhi at E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in or wesbsite: http://cbi.nic.in

Age: 17 years, Height: 5'0", Complexion: Wheatish, Built: Thin,

P.S. Burari, Delhi Phone: 011-24368638, 24368641 North Distt., Delhi Fax No. 011-24368639 Ph. No. 011-27616844, 27616845 DP/155/N/19

The Executive Engineer C-4, DUSIB, invites on behalf of DUSIB online Percentage rate bid on two bid system for following work:

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PS. Fatehpur Beri, Delhi

Ph.: 011-26659511, 26659611

Ph.: 011-27280435, 27282350

Name: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: 58

S.H.O P.S. Kotwali

23 IALK ART, MUSIC, STYLE, FOOD



LONG AND SHORT OF IT

Publisher Penguin Random House has announced that contemporary British novelist Zadie Smith is coming out with her first collection of short stories titled Grand Union The author, who was shortlisted for the Man Booker, has penned White Teeth and Swing Time in the past.

SNAP SHOTS



Matters of Water

WADE ASIA, one of the largest platforms for women designers, architects and engineers, will hold its annual conference on October 11 and 12 at NSIC Grounds, Delhi. Themed around "Women, Water and Workmanship", there will be talks by experts in the field, including social activist Mittal Patel, who has given a voice to nomadic tribes of Gujarat. "When the world is reeling with water issues, we couldn't but pick up water as a key theme to spread awareness about preservation, conservation and restoration," says founder Vertica Dvivedi. For details, visit: wadeasia.com



The Story of Yusuf

A NEW book on the life of legendary Bollywood actor Dilip Kumar has been released by Bloomsbury, written by fatherdaughter duo Trinetra and Anshula Bajpai, who have been close to the actor. Its chapters focus on multiple facets of the actor's life, starting from his growing up years, achievement as an actor and his marriage to Saira Banu. Speaking about Kumar, who has rendered iconic performances in *Andaz*, Aan and *Mughal-e-Azam*, the publishers said in a statement: "It promises to take readers on a fascinating up close and personal journey..."

Southern Comfort

Some hitches apart, Savya Rasa makes a laudable attempt at displaying diversity in south Indian food

Food

REVIEW

POOJA PILLAI

IF YOU'RE ever feeling under the weather, there's nothing like a steaming bowl of peppery rasam to put you right. In south India, depending on location, you would be prescribed any of the various kinds of rasam — from the staid tomato rasam to the tangy lemon rasam, the pungent garlic rasam to the mildly sweet pineapple rasam. In Chettinad, to combat the sniffles, you might be offered some mutton rasam. At Savya Rasa in Gurugram, where they tell us that this particular rasam is made using mutton ribs, the hearty, spicy concoction placed before us hits exactly the right spot.

Of course, "non-vegetarian" rasams are hardly a shock anymore. Ever since Meenakshi Meyyappan of the iconic hotel. The Bangala, in Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu, introduced gourmands around the country to the Chettiar specialty known as the Nandu (crab) rasam a few years ago, "non-vegetarian" variations of well-known south Indian dishes have become increasingly popular. This is in keeping with the fine dining trend of putting the spotlight on sub-regional Indian cuisines, many of which feature dishes that would, in the mainstream, be considered inauthentic or, worse, forbidden.

So Savya Rasa's attempt to unearth the diversity that is usually hidden under the vast umbrella known as "south Indian food" is

laudable. We are told that the restaurant team made many research trips around the five states down south before the menu was finalised and it shows. Indeed, it becomes a little hard to choose from the tempting and unusual options presented before us, but we soon order the opening courses. Besides Mutton Nenjuelumbu Rasam, these include Thengapal Rasam, a

mild, soothing broth made of coconut milk, Senai Vadai, vada made of elephant foot yam, and Narukattu Gola Urundai, roundels made of finely pounded mutton that are tied with banana twine and deep fried, twice. While both rasams were excellent, the two fried items were slightly disappointing — and not because they didn't taste good. Indeed, the Urundai, which is a specialty from Neikaranpatti near Pazhani in Tamil Nadu is especially nice — crisp and rich — but it felt very heavy on the palate when had with the accompanying coconut chutney. What it required, as did the Vadai, was some lifting by bright, acidic flavours, like those found in tomato chutney.

The rest of the meal was a lot better. The





Mutton Nenjuelumbu Rasam (above): interiors of the restaurant

main course included a Kongu Nadu mutton curry called Pollachi Kari Kozhumbu, and a Mangalorean curry called Batata Pathanja Gassi that combines potato and green grams in a coconut gravy. The former was richly

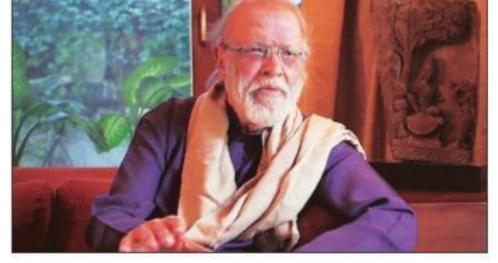
> spiced and hearty, with the mildness of the Gassi serving as an interesting counterpoint. We had these with a "bread basket", that included bun parotta — a fluffy, delightful street specialty from Madurai — Neer Dosai, Kal Dosai and Godhi Roti, which is a thick wheat roti flavoured with shallots, green chillies, curry leaves and

fresh coriander. The highlight of the meal, however, came right at the end, with another Chettiar specialty, the Kavuni Arisi Halwa. The halwa sublimated the nutty flavour of the black Kavuni rice into the richness of milk and caused us to thoroughly ignore the other dessert we ordered. This was an insipid Elaneer Payasam; in good versions of this payasam as found in its native Kerala, you are likely to find delicate slivers of coconut meat. The one we had at Savya Rasa, made by setting tender coconut water with china grass, unfortunately, did not live up to the full, rich potential of the coconut.

MEAL FOR TWO: ₹2800 (including taxes) ADDRESS: Savya Rasa, 3rd floor, Ardee Mall,







(Clockwise from above) Stills from Guru Maa — Pt Hari Prasad Chaurasia; Annapurna Devi with Pt Ravi Shankar; Vinay Bharat Ram; Nirmal Chandar; Annapurna Devi

A Knock at the Locked Door

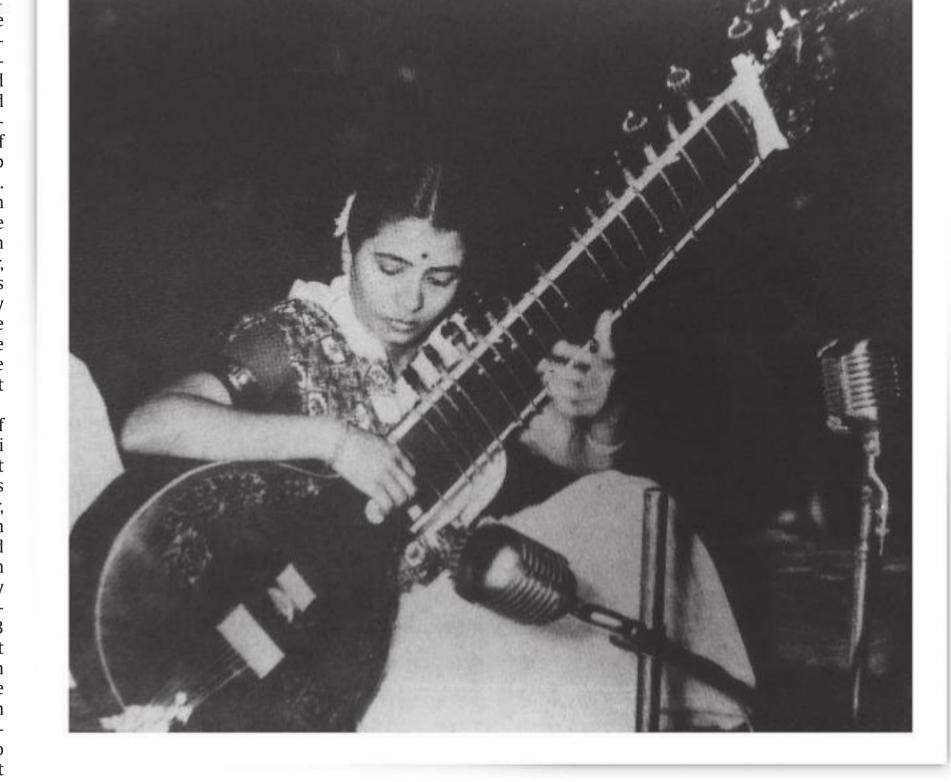
Sangeet Natak Akademi's new documentary attempts to catch sight of India's own Greta Garbo, the reclusive musician and teacher Annapurna Devi, who passed away last year

SUANSHUKHURANA

IN THE mysterious world of music, there are two kinds of musicians — the ones who follow the rigorous journey of learning the artform in search of applause, appreciation and that moment of wah from the listeners, and those who only care about finding the spirituality of the art form through the contours of notes and rhythm. Both are likely to worship the towering space of learning from a guru. They may not be better than each other in terms of the knowledge they harbour, but the application of that wisdom, sometimes, can change matters asymmetrically. In the latter, where music found in one's own loneliness is the foundation of daily life, the result is likely to stumble upon a metaphysical effect. Like the inward, brooding notes of a surbahar (the bass sitar), a rare instrument, that had once found musician Annapurna Devi in the first half of the 20th century. Annapurna Devi, daughter and disciple of

the musical genius, Ut Alauddin Khan, Ut Ali Akbar Khan' sister and Pt Ravi Shankar's first wife, passed away last year in October. She was 92. A year later, filmmaker Nirmal Chandar, whose recent film *Moti Bagh*, which deals with the problems of rural Uttarakhand, garnered rave reviews, is ready with a documentary on the reclusive musician. Commissioned by Sangeet Natak Akademi, the 69-minute documentary will be screened on October 13 (Annapurna Devi's first death anniversary) at Bhavan's Cultural Centre in Mumbai and on October 14 at the National Centre for the Performing Arts (NCPA). A conversation with the filmmaker leads one to the same tired conundrum in terms of Devi, something that also dissuaded him from making this film. "I didn't want to do it because it's hard to do a film on her. She was never in public domain, so barring a couple of newspaper pieces, there is nothing much available. It was the Akademi that asked me to make this documentary," says Chandar, who finally gets to go on the other side of the infamous locked door on the sixth floor of Akash Ganga Apartments in Mumbai, the one which for many years has had a board nailed to it — *Please ring the bell only three times*. If nobody answers, please leave your card/letter. Thank you for being considerate.

Titled Guru Maa, Chandar's film attempts to catch sight of India's own Greta Garbo. Annapurna Devi, a reclusive musician who chose teaching and *riyaaz* over public performance and recording, "whose place is unique even though she never played in public". "No one ever heard her, yet everyone worshiped her. That's a great thing," says Devi's student and flute legend Hari Prasad Chaurasia in the film. For Chaurasia it took three years of waiting by the building gate to be able to learn from her. Featuring interviews by a slew of Devi's students including Chaurasia, sarod player Suresh Vyas, sarod player Basant Kabra, sitar player Nayan Ghosh, flautist, her caregiver and disciple Nityanand Haldipur, CMD of DCM Group and her disciple Vinay Bharat Ram, sarod player Uma Guha, sitar players Pt Kartik Kumar and Sandhya Phadke Apte, Hemant Desai, and her nephew and niece Rajesh Khan and Lajo

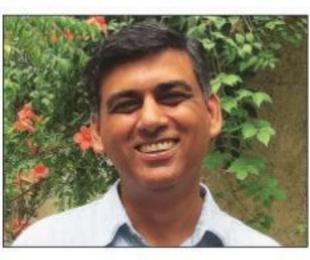


Gupta among others, it opens with the shot of Devi's funeral at her home. It then follows her life's journey, which began in Maihar at her demanding father's home, and then oscillates between Calcutta and Mumbai; personal and professional.

Devi began playing at a time when women mostly sang and as Vyas says in the film, "the ones from good families didn't bother even with that". Surbahar came under the male bastion but Ut Allauddin Khan decided to train his daughter in his trademark been ang. He had recognised her talent after watching her correct her brother, Ali Akbar Khan, during practice. "The surbahar was so big that she had to sit on a stool and play," says Vyas in the film. "It was a bold step from baba's (Khan's) side. As for her, had baba instructed her not to

breathe for a day, she'd comply," he says. The shoot began a few months before Devi passed away. But it was restricted only to the apartment and coming and going of people. She didn't allow Chandar to shoot her. He says that his experience of his film on Begum Akhtar, where the protagonist wasn't alive, came in handy after Devi passed away. "Here was a very different kind of person. The challenge was that unlike Begum Akhtar, there was not much audio and almost no video evidence," savs Chandar.

Her life with Shankar finds a brief mention and does not become the fulcrum of the film,



something that's likely to be a worthy decision. But while documenting a life which was so intertwined in terms of what was personal and professional, the film somehow comes across as an incomplete and hurried attempt. It does not include any interviews with Sukanya Shankar and Anoushka Shankar, both of whom have spoken about Devi's musical genius. It does not delve into Pt Ravi Shankar's autobiography either (according to Chandar that would not be enough), which spoke in detail about Annapurna Devi's ingenuity as a musician and her temperament as his partner. Her daughter-in-law and late son Shubhendra Shankar's widow Linda, grandchildren Somnath and Kaveri have also not been included. "SNA wanted the focus to be on the musician. I also didn't have so much time. I also didn't go into the depth of this relation-

ship because she moved on, married again (to her student Rooshi Kumar Pandya, who passed away in 2016). The plan was to include her grandchildren but that didn't happen,' says Chandar, who did approach Aashish Khan, Ut Ali Akbar Khan's son and the eldest member of the family at this time. He declined the interview.

Chandar has always been fascinated by music but is not trained in it. He deftly manages to intertwine three recordings by Devi – raag Maanj Khamaj, Yaman Kalyan and Kaushiki — in the film alongside his shots, apart from including technical information such as use of the *meend* (glide) in her playing technique, which sounded like "gentle waves". But that said, there is also a brief glimpse of her in the film talking about her father with Shekhar Sen, Chairperson of Sangeet Natak Akademi. "When baba taught us a raga, he'd tell us to meditate on it, to let our mind and heart absorb it. Don't let distractions draw you away while playing the raga, says Devi talking with much difficulty due to her paralysis. It was also the talisman that she stuck by in her life. Chandar's film attempts a peek into that life, touching upon the edges of it. To talk about her life in its entirety will perhaps need one to meditate on her music, her idea of its existence, something that she demanded from those who attempted to interpret her music and the life she lived.

Sector 52, Ardee City, Gurugram Gone With the Wind

The showcase by HUEMN underwhelms at LMIFW-SS 2020

EKTAA MALIK

WORDS SUCH as progressive, path breaking, political and androgynous, for a while now, have been used to describe HUEMN — the ready-to-wear label run by designers Pranav Mishra and Shyma Shetty. But after their recent showcase on day one of the Lotus Makeup India Fashion Week Spring Summer 2020, one may want to change the terminology the label is identified with.

The Delhi-based designers had made quite a name for themselves in a relatively short span of time for their street-heavy style, political conciousness and clothes with strong social commentary. On wednesday night, they presented Pepsi® x HUEMN COLLECTION, at a show that began one hour 15 minutes late. But in this denim-heavy collection, sadly, there was no politics or consciousness. We saw a lot of distressed jeans, denim shirts, leggings,



A model sporting a design by HUEMAN (above); Disha Patani

some plaid and a first from the label — sequinned dresses. Bomber jackets and sweatshirts were also spotted, but they are staple offerings from the HUEMN stable, and nothing to write home about. Shades of white and blue dominated the collection, and we also saw transparent rain ponchos, with a huge soft drink bottle emblazoned on them. There were abstract prints too.

Showstopper Disha Patani's look — of flared blue jeans, paired with a white knotted t-shirt — was very anticlimactic and underwhelming, given the long

wait for the show.

The clothes did have a distinct street edge to them, but the glaring logo and invocation of the soft drink brand, in many forms was a strong distraction from the aesthetics of the clothes. There have been successful attempts at blending pop culture and art. Andy Warhol has immortalised the Campbell soup can using a similar template. But the soft drink can and bottle used as a prop, and as an embellishment on ensembles, cannot and didn't have the same effect.

HUEMN, in the past, has discussed themes like gender, identity, androgyny and current political happenings in their work and directly on the ramp. Unisexual, androgynous clothing is their calling card. They have also presented hijab on the ramp. Their last collection, showcased in Delhi, was a tribute to Kashmir, inspired by the duo's sojourns in the valley. Prior to that, they spoke of Islamophobia.

The duo was attempting to glorify and symbolise pop culture this time, which had no significant result even in terms of the theme chosen. Post the show, whispers of 'corporate branding', 'sponsor pressure' were heard in the audience. And we get it, that there are trappings when a big corporate sponsor is in the picture and the designers don't have to worry about paying their workers and artisans. But we wonder, is it worth it, if it is at the cost of your core design values and aesthetic ethos? The answer, we think, is no.

AROUND TOWN



Lanes of Lucknow

THE 16TH EDITION of the annual festival 'The IIC Experience: A Festival of the Arts' is celebrating Lucknow's rich cultural tradition through 'Awadh se Chand Warq', comprising two exhibitions of letters, photographs, books and artifacts centered around its people and culture. There's also 'Husn-e Karigari-e Awadh', a live demonstration of the city's craft skills presented by Awadhi artisans, alongside a screening of movies woven around Lucknow. Beginning today, 'Magic in Movement' will have an Odissi recital put together by the all-male dancers of Rudrakshya Foundation from Bhubaneswar. A plethora of cuisines join hands on one stage to offer an Awadhi food festival, Odia Bhoji and a Kannadiga lunch integral to Karnataka. The five-day festival will conclude with a concert by vocalist TM Krishna. For details, visit iicdelhi.nic.in.



Blowing in the Wind

THE 10TH EDITION of Raasrang World Flute Festival, organised by Krishna Prerna Charitable Trust, Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) and Sangeet Natak Akademi, brings attention to the flute with the help of tribal and folk musicians from Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Manipur and Chile. The three-day event will include performances by flautist Chetan Joshi, Anjaneya Joshi, Ajay Prasanna, musician Rewben Mashangva from Manipur and Rajasthani folk artiste Habib Khan Langa. International performers include Mexican artiste Nathalie Ramirez and Chilean artistes Ser o Duo and Moa Edmunds. At Nehru Park, Chanakyapuri, October 11-13, 6 pm onwards. Entry is free.



Live on Star Sports 1 and 3 — 9:30 pm onwards

Living by the sword

Agarwal endures testing times early on, but shows a Sehwagian streak to never take a backward step en route to his second ton

SANDIPG

PUNE, OCTOBER 10

A THICK edge that flew past the diving gully, a bestial thud on the helmet, the thinnest of margins averting an lbw call and an edge that died between first slip and a flinging 'keeper how Mayank Agarwal endured these scares in the first session and remained unruffled to construct his second Test hundred probably sheds as much insight into his batsmanship as the delightful strokes he has unfurled in the series. All of the aforementioned instances are occupational hazards for most batsmen, especially openers, barring conditions, but Agarwal's true genius lies in that he rarely got cowed down or doubted himself. After all, he has still not taken his Test match count into double figures.

Rather such instances only fuelled him, like a shot of caffeine. Take for example the away-from-the-body push off Vernon Philander that eluded gully's outstretched grasp. Agarwal winced, admitting the flashiness of the stroke. But crucially, he didn't let the incident play subconsciously in his mind. So despite the bowler sensing a vulnera-

bility, and probing it, Agarwal didn't shy away from the stroke. The next time the ball was in a similar zone, he punched it off the backfoot. Only that, he made a few fundamental adjustments. He made contact closer to the body, was not looking to feel the ball, played with softer hands and the back-foot went more across.

Thus rather than being reactive, and shrinking into a shell of self-doubt, the opener was adaptive, showing that the edge was an aberration, thus killing the psychological advantage the bowler might have been enjoying, making a case that he couldn't be bullied into submission. To not let doubts creep into his mind and remain unaltered in his approach is a rare gift.

More insightful into his icy psyche was how he dealt with Andre Nortje after the latter had struck him on the helmet, a vicious blow that had the batsman on his knees and the support staff rushing to the ground. Agarwal grimaced, admitting he had taken his eyes off the ball. But if the South Africans thought they'd inflicted a mortal wound, they were sorely mistaken. The follow-up delivery, a searing 148kmph full-length ball, was crunched through the covers, his favourite shot. It was as if he had read the strapping fast bowler's intentions. Nortje was never the same again, went entirely off-kilter and ended up as South Africa's most expensive fast bowler of the day.

Driven

Two overs later, he aggravated his agony with three delicious boundaries — a handsome straight drive, and a brace of crisp cover drives.

After lunch, Nortje tried the bouncer trick again, only to be ferociously pulled, one of Agarwal's staple stokes. The second of those was dragged from outside off-stump, an authority-stamping shot. This time, his eyes were unblinkingly on the ball, the wrists firmly over it. The tearaway was torn apart.

The other instance was when an edged drive off Philander to a delivery that wasn't quite of drivable length. It didn't deter him from driving again. In fact, he drove adroitly whenever the pacers erred on the fuller side, sometimes even good-length ones were resolutely driven on the rise. The bounce of the strip aided him too, as it was neither too bouncy to have made the shot a high-risk one nor dual-bounced to keep him wary of the one that scuds along the strip.

It didn't matter either that the bowlers were trying to bait him into a false stroke. For the airy drive, Faf du Plessis had posted a short cover, to cut the cover boundaries, the sweepers prowled. There was a fine-leg for the miscued pull, there was a long-off (sometimes long-on too) for spinner Keshav Maharaj. Yet, they could neither stop him from playing shots through these regions not deny him the boundaries. Maharaj was smoked for a pair of successive sixes to move from 87 to 99.

No matter the plots and ploys, baits and bluffs, Agarwal wouldn't compromise on his percentage strokes. In the unabashed belief in his stroke-play, he was a bit like Virender



Indian opener Mayank Agarwal plays a stroke on Day One of the second Test against South Africa in Pune on Thursday. PTI

Sehwag, without the latter's flamboyance and edge-of-the-seat derring-do.

Rather, he's a toned-down Sehwag, Sehwagian in mentality rather than strokemaking grandeur. Agarwal goes about his job more quietly, more judiciously even, doesn't get his runs at a breakneck pace, doesn't give the kicks of watching Sehwag, but demoralises bowlers nonetheless.

Like Sehwag, he can score through unusual areas and split the most claustrophobic of gaps. Like in Vizag where he threaded short cover and short extra-cover with immaculate precision.

Like Sehwag, and most other good batsmen, he's difficult to plan against, to even keep quiet. If it's marginally full, he will cheerfully drive, if's it's minimally short, he would pull and cut. And even if it's neither full nor short, he can still punish bowlers.

Maharaj would admit, as some of his deliveries on the stumps were slapped behind point. Some of his flatter, fuller ones were drilled through long-on. When the mood seizes him, Agarwal can sweep and reversesweep. A batsman with such repertoire, and an unhindered mindset to use it efficiently, promises long hard days under the sun for hapless bowlers.

What his approach predominantly ensures is that the tempo never drops. It was assumed that once Kagiso Rabada had nailed Rohit Sharma, the run rate would plunge. Sensing this, South Africa attacked more aggressively, only for Agarwal to keep the impetus intact. It was a ropey phase of the game, more with Cheteshwar Pujara's slowstarting reputation. It was an ideal opportunity for the tourists to exert pressure. But Agarwal didn't buckle down.

It could be that he is in such a positive frame of mind that everything that he tries come off — batting, as the truism goes, is an extension of the mindset. Agarwal's on the back of a terrific last two years, has transformed from a domestic outlier to a phenomenon and transitioned into Test cricket, where he has looked every bit the part, scoring a double hundred in his previous Test. Even still, the ability to eliminate doubts and keep his game unchanged is noteworthy, and a better indicator of his promise than his delightful range of strokes. Those thick edges and the helmet blow narrate the story.



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INDIA

273/3 IN 85.1 OV

M Agarwal c Faf b Rabada

CPujara c Faf b Rabada **58** (112b, 9x4, 1x6) V Kohli not out

Bowling: 18.1-2-**48-3** K Rabada A Nortje 13-3-**60-0** K Maharai 29-8-**89-0**

Mayank, who scored a double ton in the first Test, made 108 in the second.

(195b, 16x4, 2x6)

R Sharma c de Kock b Rabada **14** (35b, 1x4) **63** (105b, 10x4) **18** (40b, 3x4) **A Rahane** not out

Extras: (lb 6, nb 6) **FoW:** 1-25 (Rohit, 9.6 ov), 2-163 (Pujara, 50.6 ov), 3-198 (Mayank, 60.6 ov)

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How to turn fans away from Test cricket? Leave them out to bake in sun, MCA style

DEVENDRA PANDEY PUNE, OCTOBER 10

BHUSHAN SAHU couldn't find a place to shelter his family from the harsh sun at the MCA Stadium on Thursday. His family and a few others searched in vain for shaded spots before eventually hiding by the side of a concrete wall of stairs that led up to the commentators box.

Watching a game of cricket at the Pune stadium can, sometimes, feel like a punishment. Not only is the venue far away from the city but it also doesn't provide any cover in the stand, and the paying public is left baking in the open sun. Sahu said he paid a thousand rupees for a north-stand ticket but was startled to see there were no covered stands. It was his first time at the ground and he left saying that he won't be coming back anytime soon.

"At least give me a roof, a place where there is shade, then I will bring my kid again," he said.

A simple umbrella would do the trick, or at least make the experience more bearable, but it's not allowed inside the stadium. A fan, Namdev Patil, tried to bring one in but was asked to keep it out.

"There is no roof, I don't want myself to be roasted in this heat. At least an umbrella should be allowed, na? Going back also now is not easy," he says. A mother could be seen trying to cover her young child with her *dupatta*.

At a time when cricketing bodies all around the world are devising ways to bring people back to Test cricket, the Maharashtra Cricket Association (MCA), in partnership with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), seems to be almost alienating the paying public.

More than 4,000 people turned up for the game to watch Mayank Agarwal's hundred and an unbeaten fifty from Virat Kohli, but their experience was worsened by tem-



With no covered stands at the MCA Stadium in Pune, spectators struggled to shelter themselves from the harsh sun. Devendra Pandey

Agarwal: Sehwag lite THERE WERE many aspects of

Mayank Agarwal's batting during his knock of 108 that had shades of Virender Sehwag, a player he idolised growing up.

Hand-eye coordination

There were no freebies on offer on the opening session as the pacers bowled with sustained pace and got appreciable movement. Agarwal remained rooted to the crease and his limited foot movement, in many ways, brought back memories of Sehwag. He was all hands.

Calm amid storm

Early in his innings, Agarwal was tested by debutant pacer Anrich Nortje's ever-climbing short ball. Bowled at 147kmph, the delivery smacked Agarwal on his helmet that flew over the wicket-keeper. It was flashback to Sehwag being hit by a Brett Lee bouncer at the MCG in 2003. Next ball he drove through covers, just like Sehwag would do.

Shot selection

30 minutes before the lunch, Agarwal unfurled three languid drives off Nortje that pierced through the cover region. These shots were played to balls pitched on good length and had a Viruvian touch to it — balance, seamless transfer of the body weight.

Disdain for spinners

The spinners tried to strangulate him by bowling straight. He countered it with his nimble footwork. He went from 87 to 99 with two majestic sixes over Keshav Maharaj's head. This, despite having fielders stationed in the deep. Like Sehwag, he knew when he hits, they stay hit.

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Heat wasn't the only inconvenience faced by the people. Reaching the venue is a big task in itself — the dearth of public transport to the ground means unless you have a personal vehicle, it can get tough. Of course, parking spaces aren't easy to find and one will have to be ready to walk a kilometre at least — not advisable to kids, elderly, or anyone with medical issues in the heat.

The Maharashtra Cricket Association's international cricket stadium has been in the news for wrong reasons since the time their new structure came up. A dispute with Sahara and the MCA landed the association in serious debt. The banks have sent a notice to the MCA for non-payment of a Rs 69.53 crore loan they had taken.

The impasse over the Lodha Committee recommendations means the MCA had to wait for early subsidy given to state associations for the last three years. That, however, can't be used as a justification to deny fans basic amenities.

On Thursday, the MCA had invited schoolkids to watch the cricket, but they too were made to swelter in the heat for the seven-hour duration. The weather gods relented in the last

session as the wind picked up and a cloud cover hung over the ground to provide some comfort to the people.

NON-COMPLIANCE BACKFIRES

Shukla DQ'd as 5 state bodies, 3 govt institutions barred from BCCI AGM

SHAMIK CHAKRABARTY KOLKATA, OCTOBER 10

BCCI'S ELECTORAL officer N Gopalaswami has barred three government institutions – Services, Railways and the Association of Indian Universities — from attending and voting at the cricket board's October 23 general body meeting. Former IPL chairman Rajeev Shukla, too, has been disqualified as the Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association's (UPCA) nominee, with the electoral officer declaring him ineligible, "having not com-

pleted cooling-off period". Shukla's disqualification meant the UPCA will have no representation at the BCCI AGM, a fate they share with four other state bodies — Tamil Nadu, Haryana, Maharashtra (all noncompliant) and Manipur (nominee disquali-

fied). But the exclusion of the government institutions threw up a major surprise as the final electoral list was put out on Thursday.

The final electoral roll has pruned the number of representatives at the BCCI AGM from 38 to 30.

According to the electoral officer, the representatives nominated by the government institutions weren't in accordance with the BCCI constitution. Services, Railways and the Association of Indian Universities didn't pick former players from their ranks as mandated by the BCCI constitution.

"Rule 3(a)(ii) E, F and G of BCCI rules concerning Services, Universities and Railways has specific provision for nomination to be made by respective players' association and there is specific prohibition to agencies of the government concerned with these institutions making nomination which happened

here," Gopalaswami informed The Indian Express via email.

Rule 3(a)(ii) E, F and G of the BCCI constitution states that representatives from the Indian Railways and Services "shall be" their former cricketers, elected by an association of former players from the respective organisations. With regards to the Association of Indian Universities, the BCCI constitution states that their representative "shall be a former first-class cricketer who has also repre-

University Tournament". An association of former players from the institution should nominate the representative. The constitution bars any representative nominated by the government, Railway Sports Promotion Board, Services Sports Control Board and the Association of Indian Universities for the BCCI AGM.

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It is learnt that Railways appealed to the electoral officer that their nomination should be accepted this time and in due course they would form a players' association. But the electoral officer rejected their plea.

In the draft electoral roll put out on October 4, Rajeev Nayyar was listed as the representative for the Association of Indian Universities, Harvinder Singh was Railways' nominee, while Services had picked Lieutenant Colonel Sanjai Verma.

According to sources, unlike the Tamil Nadu Cricket Association (TNCA), Haryana Cricket Association (HCA) and Maharashtra Cricket Association (MCA), for whom the Committee of Administrators (CoA) had recommended disqualification for "non-compliance", the Supreme Court-appointed panel was actually in favour of the government institutions being given a one-time allowance. But the electoral

officer decided to go by the book.

Within the BCCI, though, there's a feeling that exclusion of the government institutions might result in the matter going before the Supreme Court. Back in January 2017, then Attorney General of India Mukul Rohatgi had made the representation to the Supreme Court on behalf of Railways, Services and Universities, with regards to the implementation of the Lodha reforms.

Shukla 'out' on review

Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association life member Sanjeev Gupta had challenged Shukla's representation as the UPCA's nominee, citing among other arguments that Shukla continued to hold the post of IPL chairman till August 21, 2018 and thus needed to serve a cooling-off period till August 20, 2021. It is learnt that the BCCI's

electoral officer had asked for the CoA's view and the feedback received from the Board's legal team was that Shukla's term at the IPL governing council would be counted. The Manipur Cricket Association's nomi-

nee, Rajkumar Imo Singh, a sitting MLA, was disqualified "by virtue of holding public office".

TNCA likely to move court

Meanwhile, the TNCA is set to move court, likely on Monday, challenging the electoral officer's decision to debar them from attending the BCCI general body meeting, "That's the decision of our legal team. Our plea before the court will be that we are compliant to everything. We only made a small change (two vicepresidents instead of one) to suit our local needs. This has nothing to do with the (BCCI) election and we should be allowed to participate," TNCA secretary R Ramasaamy said.

Ghosh beats top seed Niemann

Mumbai: India's Candidate Master Aronyak Ghosh scored a thrilling victory over top seed Hans Niemann of the USA to become joint-leader in the Under-16 Open category of the World Youth Chess Championship here on Thursday. Eighth-seeded Aronyak played a strong strategic game in Round 9 to outwit his formidable opponent in 42 moves. He now has 7 points along with Hans and Russian IM Rudik Makarian, who was held to a draw by another Indian hopeful CM Kushagra Mohan (now joint second with 7 points). The Under-18 Open, too, was intriguingly poised, with India's biggest hope, GM R Praggnanandhaa eking out a wellfought victory over IM Viachaslau Zarubitski of Belarus to jump into the lead with 7.5 points. **PTI**

Annu Rani wins javelin gold

Ranchi: Continuing her good run, Annu Rani bagged the gold medal in the women's javelin throw event at the 59th National Open Athletics Championships here Thursday. Annu, who set the national record at 62.43m to enter the women's javelin throw final at the World Championships in Doha earlier this month, registered a comfortable win at the Birsa Munda Athletics Stadium. Each of Annu's six throws were better than the best managed by her Railways' team-mate and rival, Sharmila Kumari. The 25-year-old opened with a throw of 56.97m to make her intentions clear. She followed that up with a series of throws over 55.97, 58.31, 57.29 and 56.86 before securing the title with a 58.60m throw. Sharmila's best effort was over 53.28m on her third throw. ONGC's Suresh Kuma, 28, bagged the top honours in men's 10000m race at the national level after five years by clinching the gold with a timing of 29 minutes 41.25 seconds. PTI

Delhi register huge win over Odisha

Vadodara: Anuj Rawat, Dhruv Shorey and Nitish Rana hit impressive half centuries to guide Delhi to 63-run victory over Odisha in an Elite Group B match of the Vijay Hazare Trophy here on Thursday. Put into bat, Delhi posted a respectable 299/6 on the board riding on useful contributions from their front line batsmen. Rawat, who top scored for Delhi, hit four boundaries and three sixes in a 88-ball 69 knock. He stitched a 94-run partnership with skipper Shorey (51). Shorey's innings was laced with four boundaries and two sixes. However, he was unfortunate to be dismissed because of a hit wicket of a Pappu Roy delivery. Nitish Rana (56) and Lalit Yadav (46 not out) looked in explosive form. The duo together hit a flurry of boundaries and sixes to set Odisha a 300-run target. For Odisha, pacer Suryakant Pradhan (3/73) was the pick of the bowlers while spinner Pappu Yadav picked up two wickets for 27 runs. In reply, Odisha began on a dodgy note. India speedster Navdeep Saini gave Delhi an early breakthrough, trapping opener Shantanu Mishra leg before in the third over. In the other Group B match, former India all-rounder Yusuf Pathan scored a brilliant 83 before taking three wickets to hand Baroda their first win of the tournament. The Deepak Hooda-led side registered a 25-run victory against Maharashtra. **BRIEF SCORES:** Delhi: 299 for 6 (Anuj Rawat 6; SB Pradhan 3/73) Odisha: 236 for 8 (Subhranshu Senapati 77; Manan

Mary head and shoulders above rest

Veteran beats Rio Olympic medallist Valencia of Colombia to assure medal; Manju, Jamuna and Lovlina enter semis

GAURAV BHATT BADDI (HP), OCTOBER 10

ANOTHER WORLD Championships, another historic medal for MC Mary Kom. On Thursday, she defeated Rio Olympics bronze medallist Ingrit Valencia of Colombia with a 5-0 verdict to assure herself of her first Worlds medal at 51kg, and her eighth overall, becoming the most successful boxer at the event. Legendary boxing coach BI Fernandez was on the sidelines at the men's national championship in Baddi, Himachal Pradesh when news broke of Mary's latest milestone.

"She is a very excellent boxer. She uses her experience, and the spirit has always been there," said Fernandez, who worked with Mary before the London Olympics. "That bronze changed the course of history in India. Here, I am not too sure about a gold. But one thing I know is to never count Mary out."

In the semifinals on Saturday, Mary will be up against second-seeded Busenaz Cakiroglu of Turkey, the reigning European Champion and European Games gold medallist. Fernandez smirks when one brings up Felix Savon. The Cuban great, a six-time World champion, was the most successful pugilist at the event before Mary left him behind.

"Felix was sensational," said his compatriot Fernandez (who laughingly declares he's more Indian than Cuban now, thanks to his two-decade-plus experience in the country where he remains the only non-Indian coach to be conferred the Dronacharya award). "Alltime great is tough to say for Mary. But in women's boxing, she definitely is." Mary fought like one against Valencia.

Her two unsuccessful 51kg forays at the Worlds had been repeatedly brought up in the build-up to the current edition at Ulan-Ude, Russia. But with a commanding win over the reigning PanAm champion, the 36year-old erased those asterisks.

Along with Mary, Manju Rani, Jamuna Boro and Lovlina Borgohain also entered the semifinals to ensure four medals for India.

"I'm very happy to be in the semifinal. But I am aspiring to win a higher medal," Mary said after her second successive 5-0 win. The scorecards have been identical, but these were two contrasting victories, against two distinctly competent boxers; The taller, orthodox, young street fighter in Jutamas Jitpong of Thailand, and an experienced, opportunistic southpaw in Valencia.

While she was forced to weather the storm on Tuesday, Mary was at her composed best in the quarterfinal. The difference was evident in coach Raffaele Bergamasco's inflections as well. In the Jitpong bout, the Italian seemed almost agitated in the corner and had to spur Mary on in the first break. On Thursday, all he had to do was reiterate and reinforce the plan: "Distance. Very easy. You're fast."

With her opponent not going all out, Mary was more successful in her time management and dictating the pace of the bout. Valencia attacked in bursts, she even caught the Indian multiple times, but once Mary got used to the Colombian's timing, she made her pay with sharp counters.

"She played an intelligent contest, she is very fast and deserved the semifinal definitely," Bergamasco told The Indian Express.

The third round was the most successful for Mary. Valencia sensed she was behind and started attacking more, prompting what can be described as Exhibit A in distance management and counterattacking. And when Valencia chose to hang back, Mary lulled her in by feints and closed the contest strongly. Her next opponent, the 23-year-old Cakiroglu, is an imposing flyweight. But the well-prepared, boxer-for-all-seasons Mary looks good to carry on.

Other success stories

If 51kg is the current residence of Mary, she's now got two noisy neighbours either

side of the Olympic category. Manju upset top seed North Korean Kim Hyang-Mi in her 48kg quarterfinal while Jamuna confirmed a medal in the 54kg category with a win over Germany's Ursula



Not a gauge for Tokyo success

THE MEDAL glut at the World Championships might not necessarily translate into a similar result at the Olympics next year. The International Olympic Committee took away the Olympic qualification status of the boxing worlds because of the administrative problems within its governing body. Consequently, most boxers had to rejig their targets and the qualifiers in February have assumed priority. While a medal at World Championships is no doubt prestigious, the level of intensity at the qualifiers and then at the Olympics is expected to be much higher. What the medal at Worlds ensures, however, is an automatic spot for the qualifying tournament, as per Boxing Federation of India's policy. The Asia/Oceania Olympic Qualifiers will be held in Wuhan, China, from February 3-14.

Gottlob. Both boxers have expressed a desire to switch to the flyweight category, but this Olympic cycle will be tough for them to have a crack at it. Manju was especially sensational in her quarterfinal. Kim has had run-ins with Mary at 48kg, losing the 2017 Asian Championships final (a bout Mary said was her toughest at the event) and last Worlds semifinal (a bout Kim believed she should have won.)

Thursday's bout was neither Manju's toughest, nor could the Korean leave with a misplaced sense of being wronged. An uninhibited Manju took the fight to the top seed, unsettling her opponent with fast combos and sharp outward movement. The 5'4, 19-year-old Manju - who won gold at her senior nationals debut in January - showed maturity beyond her age and height, outscoring the taller Kim. Her next opponent will be Thailand's Chuthamat Raksat. Jamuna had a much tougher time in the 4-1 win over Ursula Gottlob. The German came out blasting against Boro, who was refreshingly candid in her post-match interview: "My opponent was very tough, very aggressive. In fact, in the first round I was so confused I couldn't make out how she was hitting me."

"Aggressive boxers bother me a bit, but I took it round by round," said Boro, who dismantled Gottlab in the last two rounds with counters. "The next opponent (top seed and former Asian Games bronze medallist Huang Hsiao-Wen of Chinese Taipei) is also taller, but we have some plans in place. Hopefully, it'll all come off."

Jamuna's career was sputtering after a promising start, but the 22-year-old got back in the national fray with gold medals at the India Open and President's Cup in Indonesia.

The performance of the day, among Indians, however belonged to Lovlina, who booked a second-straight bronze medal at the World Championships. The lanky welterweight defeated Polish veteran Karolina Koszewska, a world champion kickboxer and European Games gold medallist this year.

Lovlina, who has been the most consistent Indian woman boxer for a couple of years now, was selected without a trial in her category. The 22-year-old justified the faith of the selection committee, winning 4-1 in a cagey affair. With neither boxer looking to overcommit, she landed the important shots and prevailed despite a couple of slips and a tight third round. Lovlina's opponent in the semfinals will be China's Yang Liu, who defeated top seed Chen Nien-Chin of Chinese Taipei.



MC Mary Kom (R) now has won eight medals at the World Championships, the most by any woman. BFI

Manju's journey: From boxing in mud pit to beating top seed

NITIN SHARMA

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 10

WITHIN MINUTES of her 4-1 win over topseed Kim Hyang Mi of North Korea, that secured her the 48 kg bronze in the AIBA World Championships at Ulan-Ude in Russia, Manju Rani, 19, called her mother Ishwati Devi. She wanted her to pray for her success in the semi-final. The call to her village Rithal, in Haryana, would end with the two remembering Manju's father Bhim Sen, who had died of stomach cancer in nine years back.

Bhim, a Border Security Force (BSF) havaldar, didn't spend much time at home since he posted in remote areas all through his career. It only was after his death that Manju donned the boxing gloves. "I always loved sports. I used to play kabaddi and go for runs at the village track. When my father died in 2010, I had a tough time dealing with the loss. Boxing helped me deal with my father's death. It kept my mind away from the tragedy. I am sure my father would have been watching my bout from heavens," Manju told The Indian Express.

With the only bread-winner of the family no more, mother Ishwati was burdened with additional responsibilities. She had to take care of Rani, her four sibling and a couple of cousins whose father was unemploved. "All we had was my husband's pension of Rs 9000. There was no one to work at our small farm. Once Manju started boxing, and later started speaking about winning

gold medals, we had hope," recalls Ishwati. Manju's initiation to boxing was accidental. One of her father's friend, Sahab Singh, had cleared the ground around his fish farm for the kids to run. This would work as an athletic track of this very primitive village sports arena. Later Singh, after watching



Manju Rani (R) beat North Korea's Kim Hyang Mi to secure bronze in 48 kg. BFI

some boxing videos, convinced the village's 20 odd girls to take the combat sport. Manju was one of them.

Singh recalls Manju's early boxing days. "The kids would run around the fish pond. She was very committed and very serious about the sport," remembers Singh.

By the end of 2012, boxing coach Sube Singh Beniwal, father of internationals Poonam and Preeti Beniwal, got shifted to Rohtak. A chance visit to Rithal gave him a chance to have a close look at the girls training in the mud pit next to the fish pond. The coach was impressed with what he saw. Beniwal would start traveling to the village to train Maniu and other trainees.

"The first day I met Manju, I was impressed with her dedication. She had a swift feet movement and her sharp movements was her strength. I visited her home the same

day and told her mother about letting the youngster pursue the spot. All these years, Manju had to face the lack of finances but she never showed it. Even though we did not have a ring at the village, Manju would train in mud for hours," shares Beniwal.

Even after winning the state championships, Manju was ignored for the nationals. This made her to opt for Punjab. She would go on to win the 48kg gold at the Nationals in Vijayanagarand and qualify for the national camp.

Indian women's team head coach and 2002 CWG gold medallist Mohammed Ali Qamar remembers Manju's early days at the camp. "When she first came to the national camp, we knew that she is a good boxer but we had to work on a lot of things. We worked a lot on her technique. It was her determination, which makes her different from others, recalls Qamar.

Earlier this year, Rani won the silver medal in Stranja Memorial Boxing Championship, where she lost to Josie Gabuco of Philippines in the final. Rani then won the bronze medal in Thailand Open before winning bronze medal in India Open.

On Thursday, Rani prevailed over Mi, a bronze medallist at the 2017 World Championship and Qamar could see the improvement in his ward's game. Rani now faces Chuthamat Raksat of Thailand, whom she lost narrowly in the Thailand Open.

"The Korean boxer was taller but Manju struck clear punches. Mi has straight punches and uses her left punch to counter. But Manju blocked that and didn't give her opponent to counter. Manju's cross right punches was the key against Mi. It was a close bout. Raksat's strength is that she uses a combination of punches while being close and Manju has to take advantage of her height and play from long range," shares Qamar.

BOXING NATIONALS

Sharma 3/40) Delhi won by 63 runs. PTI

After a luckless run, heavyweight Sangwan enjoys rub of the green

GAURAV BHATT BADDI (HP), OCTOBER 10

SUMIT SANGWAN is the definition of bad luck. At the 2012 Olympics, then 19-year-old Sangwan lost his opening round in what

commentators called a "daylight robbery".

He went to the 2014 Commonwealth Games with two rods holding his fractured left thumb together, and won a bout with a swollen hand before losing the quarterfinal.

He recovered to win the 81kg gold medal at 2015 senior nationals along with the best boxer trophy, but went under the surgeon's knife to treat the thumb, now fractured twice. Another comeback led him to the Olympics qualifier in 2016 where he lost in the quarterfinals, but could have booked his flight to Rio had his opponent marched on to win gold. "He told me at the dinner table that he was going to withdraw. I rushed to my coach but there was no point because our federation was banned."

Then in late 2017, he had his right elbow operated upon for the loose bone chips he had been boxing with for two years. Such a run would make anyone feel like they're cursed. "I met so many people in that time who would say jaadu-tona hua hai, kisi ne *kuch kar diya hai.* My mother took me to the

village baba (people would say someone has done black magic)," says Sangwan, mustering a wry smile.

"I'm sitting with a baba in this *jhopdi*, aag iali hui hai (a fire had been lit). When vou're sad, people who want your good will resort to anything."

For such a tormented soul, the gold medal at the senior nationals, his first in the 91kg category, came uncharacteristically easily. Sangwan's much-fancied opponent Naman Tanwar had to pull out of Thursday's title clash in Baddi, Himachal Pradesh due to shoulder trouble. Of course, Wednesday's semifinal compensated for the lack of hardships in the final.

Sangwan was floored twice in the opening minutes of Wednesday's semifinal by Gaurav Chauhan of Services. That after the two knockdowns, the man from Karnal, Harvana managed to eke out a 3-2 win shows his heart, and the technical knowhow. "I'd faced him twice before and won 5-0 both times," said Sangwan. "He comes out hard, but opens himself up. I knew that in the later rounds he will come down."

Once a top light-heavyweight, Sangwan moved up to the heavyweight division.

"In 81kg, I was the tallest and always boxed according to that advantage," says the

6'3" Sangwan. "Now most people are of my



Sumit Sangwan's (L) opponent in the final Naman Tanwar pulled out because of a **shoulder injury.** BFI

height and some are taller. So the pattern of fighting, technique has changed."

Now it is about the "time the mind and body takes to adjust to heavyweight

punches.'

"Body jhel legi if it's just four or five kilos. But 10 kilos ka fark hai," Sangwan adds. "When you get punched by a heavyweight,

your body goes all the way back. And that's just the punch hitting your guard, imagine what will happen if it hits on the face. That confidence doesn't come automatically. It takes time to understand how to take the risk." Sangwan began 2016 with two losses to Naman Tanwar in the selection trials, the second for the Commonwealth Games. Earlier this year, he lost another trial bout for the Asian Championships to Tanwar.

"I was doing well in the camp before, but every evening my temperature would be high. We didn't do a blood check, and by the time we tested it was full blown typohid. I took glucose, and won a bout but against Tanwar I was dizzy and couldn't see anything properly," Sangwan says, gauges the room and adds: "I know it seems like an excuse but the coach knew. It's just luck."

Sangwan's sheepish laughs indicate the boxer knows how it sounds, but he assures the roller-coaster has been a hellish ride for the person on it.

"I have cried alone in a room. I have worked so hard but saw others go in my place. My parents have been supportive but seeing my plight at home they'd go 'haath tudva ke mat aya kar'. So I used to stay with a friend in Sonipat who helped me out with food, laundry," says Sangwan. "I know people who have written me off. But I can't stop.

Boxing is my happiness. Wake up in the morning, go to the ground and find your weaknesses, run and listen to coach's abuse and come back. This is happiness. Kabhi khoon nikalta hai, kabhi haddi tootti hai but yahi maza hai. (Sometimes you bleed, some times there are broken bones but it is fun)."

Sangwan's lowest point would however bring tears to the eyes of connoisseurs of fine clothing. "My mummy called a priest and gave away my clothes. I have given a month's salary to these babas. I am buying these clothes from malls and she gives them baba. 4000 ki jeans pe jhadu-phook rahe hain," he laughs. "I told mummy 'Stop! Jo tootna hoga tootega."

RESULTS (ALL FINALS): 49kg: Vinod Tanwar (SSCB) bt Ajay Pendor (Mah) 4-1; 52kg: PL Prasad (SSCB) bt Ashish Insha (RSPB) 3-2; 57kg: Mohd. Hussamuddin (SSCB) bt Sachin Siwach (RSPB) 3-2; 60kg: Varinder Singh (RSPB) bt V.Durga Rao (SSCB) 3-2; 63kg: Shiva Thapa (Asm) bt Akash Sangwan (SSCB) 4-1; 69kg: Naveen Boora (SSCB) bt Jayesh Desai (Guj) K.O.-R1; 75kg: Ankit Khatana (Har) w.o. Rohit Tokas (RSPB); 81kg: Sachin Kumar (SSCB) bt Arshdeep Singh (Pun) 4-1: 91kg: Sumit Sangwan (Har) w.o. Naman Tanwar (RSPB); +91kg: Narender (SSCB) bt Krishna Sharma (AIP) RSC-I-R2.



A TASTE OF AZADI

Iranian women watch the World Cup Asian qualifier against Cambodia at the Azadi stadium in Tehran on Thursday. Reuters

■ Iranian women watched the country's national soccer team for the first time in 40 years on Thursday, celebrating their access to the national stadium but also paying tribute to the fan who died last month.

■ Waving flags, blowing vuvuzela plastic horns and displaying the team colours of red, green and white, over 3,000 women watched from a special women-only section in the Azadi Stadium.

■ Iran, an Asian powerhouse, won their World Cup qualifying match against Cambodia 14-0 but the one-sided game will be remembered much more for the scenes in the stands.

■ Women have been banned from watching men's games in Iran since shortly after the 1979 Islamic revolution with only a few exceptions made for small groups on rare occasions.

India rents real estate to project 'soft power' in Tokyo

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FOOD STALLS. Beverages. Cultural shows. And a Make-in-India pitch.

To demonstrate – in sports minister Kiren Rijiju's words – the country's 'soft power', India will be setting up a hospitality zone on

An 'India House' will be constructed on a 2,227 square metre rented area close to the Athletes' Village in Tokyo's Ariake district.

the sidelines of next year's Tokyo Olympics.

A similar concept was floated ahead of the Rio Olympics as well. However, since the idea was mooted just a couple of months before the Games were scheduled to begin, it could not be implemented. This time round, however, the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and JSW Group - who are executing the project – said the construction would start in January.

JSW Sports director Parth Jindal said the India House will have two sections – one that will be exclusively for athletes, their families and support staff, and another for travelling fans. Entry for the second section, he said, would be ticketed but the fees will be subsidised for Indian citizens.

The venture, a first for India at the Olympics, will run for the entire duration of the Games, which will take place from July 24 to August 9. The facility will be used to 'showcase Indian art, culture, cuisine, tourism and the Make-in-India initiative'. The venue will host watch parties, medal celebrations and meet-and-greet opportunities with Indian athletes.

"There will be an Indian restaurant, and a section where Indian brands can sell their products. The entire concept of 'Make in India' will be showcased. In the evenings and mornings, we will have special Indian events. For instance, there would be a Bollywood night, yoga classes and various such things," Jindal said. "We want to showcase the might of corporate India and the country's rich cultural diversity and heritage."

IOA secretary general Rajeev Mehta, who was involved in the process of identifying the proposed site for India House, said the initiative is special as it would mark the centenary of India's participation at the Olympic Games. "We thought it could be a great initiative to mark 100 years of India's first participation in the Olympic Games," he said.

Before meeting, Rijiju warns NSFs

On the eve of the government's meeting with IOA on the issue of the sports code, sports minister Kiren Rijiju demanded high standards of governance in national sports federations (NSFs). Rijiju said 'mediocrity in management will not be accepted.'

"The IOA and the NSFs will have to have high standards of governance. I am happy with the functioning of the IOA. I want the IOA and NSFs to follow high standards of governance," he said. "Ego of those in sports management does not serve any purpose. If the career of an athlete is ruined because of the ego of people in the management, the government will not tolerate it. Our approach is athlete-centric and sports-centric."

The ministry will be meeting IOA and NSFs in Delhi on Friday to discuss the proposed amendments to the sports code drafted in 2017. Among the points of contention are political patronage in federations, inclusion of IOA in the ambit of the code, and the appointment of a CEO and ombudsman The IOA is likely to oppose all the proposed amendments. Rijiju linked good governance to performance on the field, and said if the country does not end in the top 10 of the medals tally by the 2028 Games, his tenure as minister will be 'purposeless.'

"There is no reason why we cannot do well in the Olympics. 2020 Olympics is too near but by 2024 or in 2028, India should be in top 10 in the medals tally. It is our target. If India cannot do this, I will feel my becoming sports minister is of no use," he said.

Treading cautiously

Neeraj Chopra needs more time to use improved technique in competition: High-performance director

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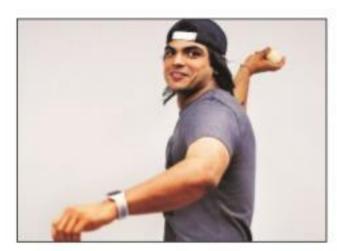
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 10

After a meeting on Wednesday evening at the National Institute of Sports, Patiala - between javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra, high-performance director Volker Hermann and bio-mechanics expert Klaus Bartonietz - the 21-yearold athlete was advised to pull out of the Open Nationals, a competition he had forwarded his entry for after a prolonged injury lay-off.

For the past five weeks, Chopra has been transitioning his technique to prevent recurrence of the elbow injury which needed surgery in May. The experts who spoke to Chopra feared that he would revert to type during competition as he hadn't yet mastered the suggested modifications in his technique.

Going back to the old technique in the heat of competition could have resulted in an injury with the Tokyo Olympics less than a year away. Chopra eventually saw the logic and agreed to postpone his comeback.

One of the key decision-makers, Hermann talks about the rationale behind the safety-first option. "Neeraj is doing very well in training right now. In training, he also did a couple of throws of 79-80 metres. The only problem is that in training, all the throws that he is doing are more or less in a relaxed way. Usually when you try and improve your technique, you are throwing at 90-95 per cent. If the changes have not been internalised and in competition you go all out at 100 per cent (effort), there is a



Neeraj Chopra has made changes to his technique to prevent further **injury.** Express file

chance that instead of using the new technique you actually use the old technique," Hermann told The Indian Express.

"It is not that he is not in form to compete, but there is always a risk of injury if you fall back to the old technique when competing. That is the only thing we wanted to avoid."

In February, coach Uwe Hohn had explained how Neeraj had injured his elbow. "His throwing arm was always a bit too low, so there was more stress on the elbow during almost every throw, which build up to an almost permanent inflammation, which is painful and can lead to more serious injuries," he had said.

Neeraj has begun recalibrating his technique to reduce the risk of injury to a joint vital for javelin throwers. Hermann elaborates the improvements Neeraj is making.

"The injury to his elbow was because during the last steps, his throwing arm dropped a bit. And if the elbow drops, there will be a massive load on the elbow joint. To make it biomechnically more efficient, we have to ensure that Neeraj actually keeps his arm higher than the shoulder level during the cross-steps when you prepare for the release. If he is able to do this, he will have less problems with elbow injuries in the future," Hermann said.

The Asian Games and Commonwealth Games gold medallist is also working on blocking his left shoulder at the time of release to enable him to apply more force to the javelin. Increasing the speed of his run-up and maintaining flexibility, while simultaneously increasing strength training, is also on Chopra's to-do list before he makes a comeback early next year.

"Neeraj is an athlete who depends a lot on his flexibility so that is one of the key things we are working on maintaining. He is a very fast athlete and has a very fast arm and such athletes need a smooth movement when it comes to mobility. That is something we are trying to improve with the physios right now. So when he increases his intensity in strength training, he should retain the flexibility," Hermann added. The javelin thrower is yet to qualify for the Tokyo Games and will begin his quest with a one-month camp in Europe — from mid-November — before moving to South Africa early next year where he will make his comeback. "By January, he will be going to a training camp in South Africa and by then he would

have done 400 to 500 more throws, which means his technique would have become stable and there would be no risk of injury," the high-performance director said. "I fully understand his eagerness to participate because he is a young athlete and he has not been able to throw for six months, and it is never easy to just train at this level and not compete. It is not an easy situation but I think he knows he needs to be patient."

Chopra is hoping to gain entry to the first Diamond League competition of 2020 which is likely to be in May. The qualifying standard for the men's javelin for the Olympics is fixed at 85 metres.

At the just-concluded IAAF World Championships in Doha, the gold medal went to Grenada's Anderson Peters, who registered a distance of 86.69 metres. Chopra's personal best stands at 88.06 metres.

Chopra has been following his peers on television during his injury timeout.

"I watched the men's javelin throw final at the world championships. In the competition, there were throwers who have thrown over 90 metres. So it all depends on what happens on that particular day. You can never say what distance will get you a medal," Chopra said.

He admits he was keen to compete at the Open Nationals but following the advice that came his way, has reconciled to having to wait for a few more months before starting his quest to qualify for the Olympics — using an improved technique to help him significantly reduce the risk of the elbow injury reoccurring.

Minor tweaks, major benefits

After undergoing an elbow surgery in May, Neeraj Chopra has adopted an 'improved technique' to prevent recurrence.



INCREASING run-up speed is also something Chopra is working on. In addition to that greater emphasis is beng given on blocking the left shoulder at the time of release which will enable him to apply more force onto the javelin.

CHOPRA is yet to completely transition from the old technique to the improved technique. Though he is fine during practice, experts believe he may fall back on the earlier technique when he goes all out during competition.

It is not that he is not in form to compete, but there is always a little risk of injury if you fall back to the old technique when competing."

VOLKER HERMANN, HIGH PERFORMANCE DIRECTOR, ATHLETICS FEDERATION

SET PRIORITIES

Amid uproar, longtime fans say they choose patriotism over love for game

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THE LOS Angeles Lakers and the Brooklyn Nets tipped off on Thursday night in Shanghai in, undoubtedly, the most geopolitically important exhibition game in NBA history. Yezi Zhang, a college student, was there, too, and her emotions were decidedly mixed. Zhang, a 24-year-old from the city of Hangzhou, was among a few thousand Chinese fans who showed up at the Mercedes-Benz Arena despite the NBA's clash with the Chinese government.

Beijing officials have put growing pressure on the NBA to apologize after an executive at the Houston Rockets tweeted his support for pro-democracy protests in Hong Kong. The NBA, citing free speech, has said the executive won't be punished.

If the league doesn't fully apologize, Zhang said, then she and the league might be over. "At first I was quite happy about the game, but then after the recent issue I started feeling quite awkward," she said, adding that she dare not post images of the game online for fear of disapproval from friends.

"It's OK to chase the star players," she said, "but we shouldn't do it at the cost of the dignity of the motherland."

China has demanded that the league make amends. An American backlash prompted Adam Silver, the NBA commissioner, to defend the right of the league's athletes and officials to say what they like.

The game on Thursday could represent the beginning of a thaw between the league and a country that accounts for a huge number of its fans. Patriotic vitriol against the NBA appeared to subside online in China late on Thursday before the game began. Still, it was not clear how long it might take for China and the NBA to fully resume their decades-long embrace.

Basketball once united China and the United States, the world's two largest economies, offering perhaps the most visual symbol of bonds so deeply intertwined that some big thinkers have referred to the two as "Chimerica." Now it threatens to drive them apart.

Or as China's jokers say online, referencing the first attempts at diplomacy between Mao Zedong and Richard Nixon in 1971, "China-U.S. relations began with ping-pong, and they've ended with basketball."

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Chinese companies are now suspending their sponsorships. The Chinese state media is blocking exhibition games. And China's millions of NBA fans are caught in the middle.

Severing that bond — built over decades of cultivation by an American sports league that long ago saw promise in a growing, prosperous China — won't be easy. But if pushed, many fans said, they will sever it for the sake of loyalty.

"This year I think the Lakers have a good chance to win it all," said Lin Wenwen, a 21-year-old student and longtime Lakers fan who was crushed by the cancellation of the team's open practice on Wednesday because she could not afford a ticket to the game. "This was a great chance to see them. It's a shame." Still,

when asked who was to blame, she thought for a moment and said, "The young losers in Hong Kong.'

The game on Thursday kicked off in an arena where plenty of seats still stood empty. The usually prolific array of advertisements were absent from the stands and rafters. People outside the arena waved small Chinese flags. On one popular basketball forum, funds were being raised Thursday to buy 10,000 national flags to bring to the game.

Many Chinese NBA fans said the choice was an easy one. Support for the protesters in Hong Kong, they say, constitutes foreign meddling in Chinese affairs.

Thanks in part to China's propaganda arms, many also mistakenly believe the pro-democracy protesters are broadly calling for full independence from the mainland. (Some are, but independence is not among their official demands.) Many see that as a direct assault on Chinese identity.

Mao, a 23-year-old law student, is such a big fan that he spent hours on Wednesday in front of the Ritz-Carlton hotel in Shanghai, hoping to meet LeBron James at a fan event. He also plans to fly about 900 miles to the city of Shenzhen on Saturday for a Lakers-Nets exhibition rematch.



Fans in jerseys of Lebron James and Kobe Bryant watch an NBA exhibition game in Shanghai on Thursday. Reuters

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